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The dark universe as the ground state of our quasi-classical quantum cosmology

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Abstract: In the same way as the realization of some of the famous gedanken experiments imagined by the founding fathers of quantum mechanics has recently led to the current renewal of the interpretation of quantum physics, it seems that the most recent progresses of observational astrophysics can be interpreted as the realization of some cosmological gedanken experiments such as the removal from the universe of the whole visible matter or the cosmic time travel leading to a new cosmological standard model. This standard model involves two dark components of the universe, dark energy and dark matter. Whereas dark energy is usually associated with the cosmological constant, we propose to interpret dark matter in terms of a pure vibration energy due to positive curvature and held by quarks and/or by a gluon Bose Einstein condensate accompanying baryonic matter at the hadronization transition from the quark gluon plasma phase to the colorless hadronic phase. Such an interpretation, partially based on mass formulae in terms of energy and spin in de Sitter and Anti de Sitter respectively, would comfort the idea that, apart from the violation of the matter/antimatter symmetry satisfying the Sakharov's conditions, the reconciliation of particle physics and cosmology does not need the recourse to any ad hoc fields, particles or hidden variables.

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1. Introduction

The new *cosmological standard model* involves two dark components of the universe, dark energy and dark matter. Whereas dark energy is commonly associated with the cosmological constant, both of us, Gilles Cohen-Tannoudji [1] and [2], and Jean-Pierre Gazeau [3] have independently tried to address the challenging issue of the dark matter component in the cosmological energy density.

The approach of GC-T [1] and [2] aimed at interpreting dark matter as a component of the cosmological energy density, which, together with dark energy, would constitute the *world matter*, namely what, according to de Sitter, must be added to the visible matter in order, for a cosmological theory to obey the principle of the relativity of inertia. On the other hand, the interpretation by J-PG in [3] in terms of a pure vibration energy due to positive curvature was partially based on mass formulae in terms of energy and spin in de Sitter and/or Anti de Sitter spacetimes, that are established in the quantum context with the reasonable assumption that the proper mass of an elementary system (in the Wigner [4,5] sense) is independent of the space-time metric.

In the present paper, we intend to merge our two approaches in a less conjectural work, each of them possibly filling the gaps of the other's.

In Section 2, we review the history of the new cosmological standard model, known as Λ CDM from the Einstein-de Sitter debate at the onset of modern cosmology to its

current assets. We recall that Λ stands for the cosmological constant and CDM for Cold Dark Matter.

Section 3 is devoted to the key concept of a (*normal- or anti-*) *de Sitter comoving world matter density* with which we intend to fill the gaps between our two approaches.

In Section 4 we conjecture, as a merging of our two approaches, that the cold dark matter, identified with the gravitational potential induced by matter, is affected by a Bose-Einstein condensation mechanism occurring in the re-inflation phase.

Finally, in Section 5, we compare our approach to other schemes, known as belonging to the so called fuzzy dark matter paradigm, that also assumes a Bose-Einstein mechanism, but at a much earlier epoch in the cosmic evolution.

2. The new standard model of cosmology, the performance of the critical cosmological gedanken experiment and its qualitative results

2.1. The Einstein de Sitter debate

Our common starting point is the history of the debate that was raised between Einstein [6] and de Sitter [7], at the onset of modern cosmology. This debate was about a critical cosmological gedanken experiment, the one which would consist of “removing all the visible matter from the universe” in order to decide whether or not an isolated particle, acting as a test body would have inertia. The answer to this question refers to what is known as the *Mach’s principle* or what Einstein and de Sitter named *the principle of the relativity of inertia*. It is summarized in the following quoted statement by de Sitter [7], in which he introduces the concept of *world matter*:

To the question: If all matter is supposed not to exist, with the exception of one material point which is to be used as a test-body, has then this test-body inertia or not? The school of Mach requires the answer No. Our experience however decidedly gives the answer Yes, if by ‘all matter’ is meant all ordinary physical matter: stars, nebulae, clusters, etc. The followers of Mach are thus compelled to assume the existence of still more matter: the world-matter. ^{a)}

The debate of Einstein and de Sitter concerned three possible cosmological models: the first one was the first Einstein’s closed, static model consisting of large masses sent at spatial infinity, a model that Einstein abandoned following the criticism of de Sitter; in the second model which de Sitter calls the ‘system A’, Einstein re-introduces the ‘cosmological term’, involving the cosmological constant that he had ignored in previous attempts, leading to a sort of repulsive force (negative pressure) preventing the universe from collapsing under its own gravitation, and which de Sitter assimilates to a world matter insuring the validity of the postulate of the relativity of inertia; and the third one, the ‘system B’ according to de Sitter consists of a universe that is empty except for the cosmological term. About these last two models, de Sitter summarizes the debate in a postscript added to Ref. [7] and quoted here:

Prof. Einstein, to whom I had communicated the principal contents of this paper, writes ‘to my opinion, that it would be possible to think of a universe without matter is unsatisfactory. On the contrary the field $g^{\mu\nu}$ must be determined by matter, without which it cannot exist [underlined by de Sitter]. This is the core of what I mean by the postulate of the relativity of inertia’. He therefore postulates what I called above the logical impossibility of supposing matter not to exist. I can call this the “material postulate” of the relativity of inertia. This can only be satisfied by choosing the system A, with its world-matter, i.e. by introducing the constant λ , and assigning to the time a separate position amongst the four coordinates. On the other hand, we have the ‘mathematical postulate’ of the relativity of inertia, i.e. the postulate that the $g^{\mu\nu}$ shall be invariant at infinity. This postulate, which, as has already been pointed out above,

^{a)} The proper mass is predicted by special relativity if we adopt Wigner point of view of elementary system [4,5]. Its existence results from the symmetry of empty Minkowski, de Sitter, and Anti de Sitter space-times as being one of the two invariants (the other one being the spin) of the representations of their respective kinematical groups. This point is developed in Subsection 3.4.

has no physical meaning, makes no mention of matter. It can be satisfied by choosing the system B without a world-matter, and with complete relativity of the time. But here also we need the constant λ . The introduction of this constant can only be avoided by abandoning the postulate of the relativity of inertia altogether [underlined by us].

By revisiting the Einstein-de Sitter debate about the concept of inertia, one can notice a perplexing irresolution concerning the position of that constant λ or Λ in the left-hand side (as a fundamental constant) or in the right-hand side (as a phenomenological world matter term) in the Einstein equation. This is also the insistent “little music” pervading the content of the present contribution.

2.2. The performance of the gedanken experiment with Λ CDM

The more and more precise measurements of the cosmic microwave background (CMB) radiation by the COBE, WMAP, and Planck experiments allowed the performance of the above mentioned gedanken experiment leading to the assets of Λ CDM, the new standard model of cosmology, namely:

- The rediscovery of the cosmological constant that, as mentioned above, is essential for the validity of the foundational principle of the relativity of inertia.
- The replacement of the big bang singularity which prevented any causal description of the early universe by an inflation mechanism that remains conjectural but can explain quantitatively the primordial fluctuations observed in the CMB.
- The discovery of two non-visible components of the cosmological energy density, which together amount to about 95% of the full content of the universe, the *dark energy* that is commonly associated with the cosmological constant, and the *dark matter* which raises the theoretical questions some of which are addressed in the present paper.

3. A possible kinematics in quantum cosmology: desitterian/anti desitterian comoving world-matter densities

3.1. A reminder about the cosmological formalism

In an isotropic and homogeneous cosmology, the solution of the Einstein's equation

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = 8\pi G_N T_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} \quad (1)$$

is the Robertson metric

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - R^2(t) \left(\frac{dr^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2) \right) \quad (2)$$

depending on the time-dependent radius of the universe $R(t)$ and a curvature index k . These quantities obey the Friedmann-Lemaître equations of a perfect fluid with which is phenomenologically modeled the material content of the universe.

$$H^2 \equiv \left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G_N \rho}{3} - \frac{k}{R^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\ddot{R}}{R} = \frac{\Lambda}{3} - \frac{4\pi G_N}{3}(\rho + 3P), \quad (4)$$

and a third equation expressing energy conservation,

$$\dot{\rho} = -3H(\rho + P). \quad (5)$$

In these equations, the density ρ and isotropic pressure P express the stress energy momentum of the perfect fluid:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = -Pg_{\mu\nu} + (P + \rho)u_\mu u_\nu. \quad (6)$$

The cosmological term is taken to the right-hand side of the Einstein's equation and may be interpreted as a contribution to the stress energy tensor that reduces to minus the pressure multiplying the metric $g_{\mu\nu}$ (the density and the pressure sum to zero). This represents a quantitative expression of what de Sitter called a world matter in his debate with Einstein. Let us note that according to the sign of the pressure one can talk of a de Sitter world matter (Λ positive, pressure negative) or an anti-de Sitter world matter (Λ negative, pressure positive).

3.2. Dark matter as an anti de Sitter world matter

In the measurement of the CMB radiation it is crucial to get rid of the light that is emitted in the foreground in order to obtain the original map of the CMB radiation. This can be done using known technics, but once this is done, one is faced with the problem of the gravitational lensing possibly distorting the path of light between its emission and its arrival at the detector. To solve this problem, it has been possible to use a technique that has been already used to get information about the dark matter present in some very heavy super clusters of galaxies: such a cluster may induce a gravitational lensing potential distorting (and possibly multiplying) the image of a galaxy situated far behind the cluster; correlating the distorted observations one has been able to produce a map of the dark matter present in the cluster or in its halo that induces the lensing. The success of this technique has been considered as a proof of the presence of dark matter at extra galactic scales. Using this technique for the full sky distribution of the CMB with both the measurements of the temperature and of the polarization of the radiation, the Planck experiment has been able to yield two outcomes, essential for the establishment of the cosmological standard model, on the one hand, the original map of the CMB, not distorted by the lensing, that can be used as the input data in simulations, and, on the other a full sky map of the gravitational lensing potential which is tentatively interpreted in [1] and [2] as the world matter identified with dark matter.

3.3. Simulation, a gedanken cosmological experiment algorithmically performed

The results of simulation, that can be considered as an algorithmic performance of the final stage of the cosmological gedanken experiment [8], are particularly spectacular. The figure 1 can be interpreted as showing the complex topology of the spacetime of the dark universe: a web of dark filaments that are tensionless dark strings freely moving in a void space (the white regions in the figure) with negative curvature related to the cosmological constant, whereas the spacetime inside the filaments has a positive curvature.

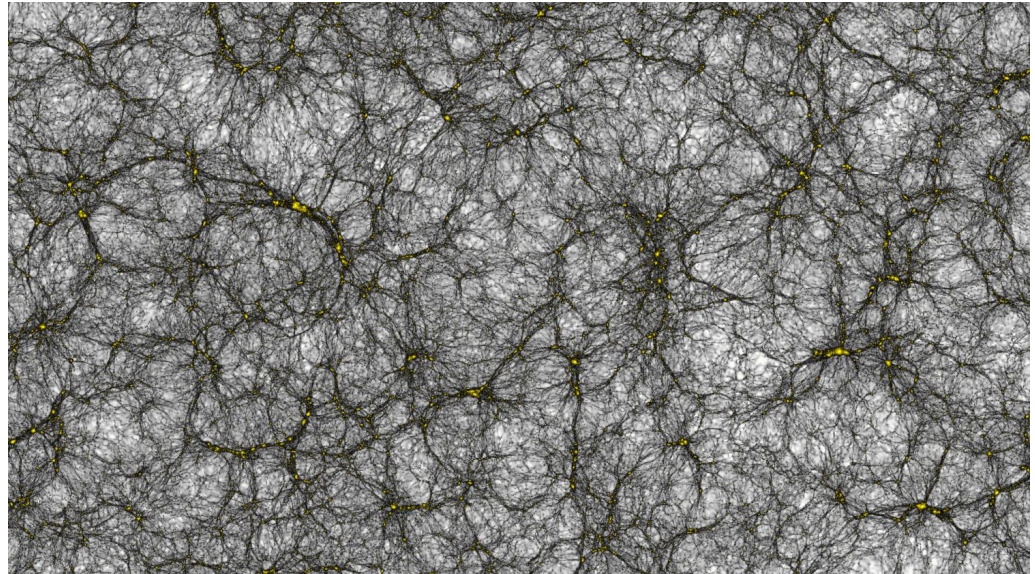


Figure 1. A section of the largest virtual universe ever simulated.

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3.4. A possible kinematics in quantum cosmology: desitterian/anti desitterian comoving world-matter densities

3.4.1. dS/AdS quantum elementary systems in Wigner's sense

Here we abandon the cosmological conception of Λ as a part (pressure or density) of the right side of the Einstein equation to instead adopt the fundamental constant point of view according to the place of Λ should lie on the left of the Einstein equation, as it was discussed in [9]. Minkowski, de Sitter (dS) and Anti de Sitter (AdS) space-times are maximally symmetric. dS and AdS symmetries are one-parameter deformations [10] of Minkowski symmetry. In terms of the cosmological constant Λ we respectively have

- dS negative curvature $-\sqrt{\Lambda_{\text{dS}}/3} = -H/c$ (H : Hubble parameter),
- AdS positive curvature $\sqrt{|\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|/3}$.

The corresponding kinematical groups are the proper orthochronous Poincaré group $\mathbb{R}^{1,3} \rtimes \text{SO}_0(1,3)$ (or $\mathbb{R}^{1,3} \rtimes \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$) the dS $\text{SO}_0(1,4)$ (or $\text{Sp}(2,2)$) and AdS $\text{SO}_0(2,3)$ (or $\text{Sp}(4, \mathbb{R})$) groups.

dS space-time is conveniently represented by the one-sheeted hyperboloid embedded in the 5d Minkowski space $H_{\text{dS}} \equiv \{x \in \mathbb{R}^5; x^2 = \eta_{\alpha\beta} x^\alpha x^\beta = -\Lambda_{\text{dS}}/3\}$, $\alpha, \beta = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$, where $\eta_{\alpha\beta} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1, -1)$.

AdS is represented by the one-sheeted hyperboloid embedded in \mathbb{R}^5 equipped with the metric: $H_{\text{AdS}} \equiv \{x \in \mathbb{R}^5; x^2 = \eta_{\alpha\beta} x^\alpha x^\beta = |\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|/3\}$, $\alpha, \beta = 0, 1, 2, 3, 5$, where $\eta_{\alpha\beta} = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1, 1)$. The Lie algebras of groups dS and AdS group are generated by the ten Killing vectors $K_{\alpha\beta} = x_\alpha \partial_\beta - x_\beta \partial_\alpha$.

There exists a crucial difference between dS and AdS with regard to the question of time. While there is no globally time-like Killing vector in dS, there is one in AdS, namely K_{50} . This fact has heavy consequences for attempting to properly define “energy at rest” in dS, as is shown below.

3.4.2. Compared classifications of Poincaré, dS and AdS UIR's for quantum elementary systems

In a given unitary irreducible representation (UIR) of dS or AdS group their generators map to self-adjoint operators in Hilbert spaces of spinor-tensor valued fields on dS:

$$K_{\alpha\beta} \mapsto L_{\alpha\beta} = M_{\alpha\beta} + S_{\alpha\beta},$$

with orbital part $M_{\alpha\beta} = -i(x_\alpha \partial_\beta - x_\beta \partial_\alpha)$ and spinorial part $S_{\alpha\beta}$ acting on the field components.

The physically relevant UIR's of the Poincaré, dS and AdS groups are denoted by $\mathcal{P}^>(m, s)$ (" $>$ " for positive energies), $U_{\text{dS}}(\zeta_{\text{dS}}, s)$, and $U_{\text{AdS}}(\zeta_{\text{AdS}}, s)$, respectively. These UIR's are specified by the spectral values $\langle \cdot \rangle$ of their quadratic and quartic Casimir operators. The latter define two invariants, the most basic ones being predicted by the relativity principle, namely proper mass m for Poincaré and $\zeta_{\text{dS}}, \zeta_{\text{AdS}}$ for dS and AdS respectively, and spin s for the three cases (details on their respective ranges are given in [3]).

- For Poincaré the Casimir operators are fixed as

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{Poincaré}}^{(1)} &= P^\mu P_\mu = P^0{}^2 - \mathbf{P}^2 = m^2 c^2, \\ Q_{\text{Poincaré}}^{(2)} &= W^\mu W_\mu, \quad W_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} J^{\nu\rho} P^\sigma = -m^2 c^2 s(s+1) \hbar^2. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

- For de Sitter,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{dS}}^{(1)} &= -\frac{1}{2} L_{\alpha\beta} L^{\alpha\beta} = \zeta_{\text{dS}}^2 - \left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 2 \equiv \langle Q_{\text{dS}}^{(1)} \rangle, \\ Q_{\text{dS}}^{(2)} &= -W_\alpha W^\alpha = \left(\zeta_{\text{dS}}^2 + \frac{1}{4}\right) s(s+1), \quad W_\alpha := -\frac{1}{8} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\eta} L^{\beta\gamma} L^{\delta\eta}. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

- For Anti de Sitter,

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{\text{AdS}}^{(1)} &= -\frac{1}{2} L_{\alpha\beta} L^{\alpha\beta} = \zeta_{\text{AdS}}(\zeta_{\text{AdS}} - 3) + s(s+1) \equiv \langle Q_{\text{AdS}}^{(1)} \rangle, \\ Q_{\text{AdS}}^{(2)} &= -W_\alpha W^\alpha = -(\zeta_{\text{AdS}} - 1)(\zeta_{\text{AdS}} - 2)s(s+1), \quad W_\alpha := -\frac{1}{8} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta\eta} L^{\beta\gamma} L^{\delta\eta}. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

While the relation between mass and energy in Minkowski is not ambiguous, these notions in de Sitterian/Anti de Sitterian geometry have to be devised from a flat-limit viewpoint, i.e. from the study of the contraction limit $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$ of these representations. In this respect, a mass formula for dS has been established by Garidi [11]:

$$m_{\text{dS}}^2 := \frac{\hbar^2 \Lambda_{\text{dS}}}{3c^2} (\langle Q_{\text{dS}}^{(1)} \rangle - 2) = \frac{\hbar^2 \Lambda_{\text{dS}}}{3c^2} \left(\zeta_{\text{dS}}^2 + \left(s - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \right). \quad (10)$$

This definition should be understood through the contraction limit of representations:

$$\text{dS UIR} \longrightarrow \text{Poincaré UIR}.$$

More precisely, with

$$\Lambda_{\text{dS}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \zeta_{\text{dS}} \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{while fixing} \quad \zeta_{\text{dS}} \hbar \sqrt{\Lambda_{\text{dS}}} / \sqrt{3} c = m_{\text{Poincaré}} \equiv m. \quad (11)$$

we have

$$U_{\text{dS}}(\zeta_{\text{dS}}, s) \xrightarrow[\substack{\Lambda_{\text{dS}} \rightarrow 0, |\zeta_{\text{dS}}| \rightarrow \infty \\ |\zeta_{\text{dS}}| \sqrt{\Lambda_{\text{dS}}} / \sqrt{3} = \frac{mc}{\hbar}}]{\longrightarrow} c_{>} \mathcal{P}^>(m, s) \oplus c_{<} \mathcal{P}^<(m, s). \quad (12)$$

This result was proved in [12] and discussed in [13]. One should notice the possible breaking of dS irreducibility into a direct sum of two Poincaré UIR's with positive and negative energy respectively. To some extent the choice of the factors $c_{<}, c_{>}$, is left to a "local tangent" observer. In particular one of these factors can be fixed to 1 whilst the other one is forced to vanish. This crucial dS feature originates from the dS group symmetry mapping any point $(x^0, P) \in H_{\text{dS}}$ into its mirror image $(x^0, -P) \in H_{\text{dS}}$ with

respect to the x^0 -axis. Under such a symmetry the four dS generators L_{a0} , $a = 1, 2, 3, 4$, (and particularly L_{40} which contracts to energy operator!) transform into their respective opposite $-L_{a0}$, whereas the six L_{ab} 's remain unchanged.

Concerning AdS a mass formula similar to (10) has been given in [9,14]:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\text{AdS}}^2 &= \frac{\hbar^2 |\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|}{3c^2} \left(\langle Q_{\text{AdS}}^{(1)} \rangle - \langle Q_{\text{AdS}}^{(1)} |_{\zeta_{\text{AdS}}=s+1} \rangle \right) \\ &= \frac{\hbar^2 |\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|}{3c^2} \left[\left(\zeta_{\text{AdS}} - \frac{3}{2} \right)^2 - \left(s - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

One here deals with the AdS group representations $U_{\text{AdS}}(\zeta_{\text{AdS}}, s)$ with $\zeta_{\text{AdS}} \geq s + 1$ (discrete series and its lowest limit), and their contraction limit holds with no ambiguity

$$U_{\text{AdS}}(\zeta_{\text{AdS}}, s) \xrightarrow[\zeta_{\text{AdS}} \sqrt{|\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|/3} = \frac{mc}{\hbar}]{\Lambda_{\text{AdS}} \rightarrow 0, \zeta_{\text{AdS}} \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}^>(m, s). \quad (14)$$

Now, the contraction formulae (12) and (14) give us the freedom to write

$$m_{\text{dS}} = m_{\text{AdS}} = m, \quad (15)$$

which agrees with the Einstein position that the proper mass of an elementary system should be independent of the geometry of space-time, or equivalently there should not exist any difference between inertial and gravitational mass.

Let us now disclose a property of AdS which is essential for our interpretation of dark matter in our universe. Since the invariant ζ_{AdS} is the lowest value of the discrete spectrum of the AdS time generator we define the positive rest energy as

$$E_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{rest}} := \hbar c \sqrt{\frac{|\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|}{3}} \zeta_{\text{AdS}}. \quad (16)$$

It results from Equation (13):

$$E_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{rest}} = \left[m^2 c^4 + \hbar^2 \omega_{\text{AdS}}^2 \left(s - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} + \frac{3}{2} \hbar \omega_{\text{AdS}}, \quad (17)$$

with frequency $\omega_{\text{AdS}} := \sqrt{\frac{|\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|}{3}} c$. Hence an AdS elementary system in the Wigner sense is a deformation of both a relativistic free particle with rest energy mc^2 and a 3d isotropic quantum harmonic oscillator with ground state energy $\frac{3}{2} \hbar \omega_{\text{AdS}}$. A complete proof of this feature in the 1 + 1 AdS case is given in [15].

We do not find such a limpid result with dS. Nevertheless let us formally define

$$E_{\text{dS}}^{\text{rest}} := \hbar c \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dS}}}{3}} \zeta_{\text{dS}}, \quad (18)$$

which can assume any real value. The counterpart of (17) reads:

$$E_{\text{dS}}^{\text{rest}} = \pm \left[m^2 c^4 - \hbar^2 c^2 \frac{\Lambda_{\text{dS}}}{3} \left(s - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}. \quad (19)$$

There is a noticeable simplification for spin $s = 1/2$:

$$\text{for dS: } E_{\text{dS}}^{\text{rest}} = \pm mc^2, \quad (20)$$

$$\text{for AdS: } E_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{rest}} = mc^2 + \frac{3}{2} \hbar \omega_{\text{AdS}}. \quad (21)$$

The choice $E_{\text{dS}}^{\text{rest}} = mc^2$ should be privileged for obvious reasons. Moreover, in the massless case and spin s , we have

$$\text{for dS: } E_{\text{dS}}^{\text{rest}} = \pm i\hbar \sqrt{\frac{\Lambda_{\text{dS}}}{3}} c \left(s - \frac{1}{2} \right), \quad (22)$$

$$\text{for AdS: } E_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{rest}} = \hbar \sqrt{\frac{|\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|}{3}} c(s+1). \quad (23)$$

Therefore, while for dS the energy at rest makes sense only for massless fermionic systems and is just zero, on the contrary, for AdS the energy at rest makes sense for any spin, and in particular for spin 1 massless bosons we get

$$E_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{rest}} = 2\hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}. \quad (24)$$

Save the proper energy mc^2 common to the three relativities, the second term in Equation (21) stands for the ground state energy of a 3d isotropic quantum harmonic oscillator whose excited states apart from degeneracy are spaced at equal energy intervals of $\hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}$. A similar interpretation holds for Equation (24).

3.4.3. From the elementary quantum context to the quantum cosmological context

All what has been done in the present section in the elementary quantum context can be transposed in the cosmological context by coming back to the standard conception considering the cosmological term as a part of the right hand side of the Einstein's equation. The phenomenological description of the matter content of the universe in terms of a perfect fluid characterized by a density and a pressure involves, in a four dimensional Minkowskian spacetime, a thermodynamical interpretation of the Friedman Lemaître differential equations that assimilates the boundaries in the far future (point ω in Figure 2 below) and the remote past (point α in Fig. 2) implied by the Hubble expansion to *event horizons with quantum properties* [16]. The future event horizon occurs in the region where the dark energy (attributed to CC) dominates, which leads us to call it a *de Sitter horizon*; and, for reasons that that will appear clearer below we call the past event horizon, an *anti de Sitter horizon*.

The methodology underlying this phenomenological description is the one of the *effective theories* according to which, if there are parameters very large or very small with respect to the quantities of physical interest (with the same dimensions), one can integrate out the very small and/or very large parameters and obtain a simpler, approximate description (said semi-classical) of the phenomena in terms of a family of effective theories depending only on finite but *variable* effective parameters (said running or comoving): so, in our interpretation, the de Sitter and anti de Sitter world matter densities are meant to be *effective co-moving "constants" of integration*.

4. Matching the standard models of particle physics and cosmology

4.1. Our interpretation of the assets of Λ CDM

4.1.1. From time dependent densities to effective co-moving densities

The way how we interpret the assets of Λ CDM in terms the co-moving de Sitter and anti de Sitter world matter densities is illustrated by Figure 2 in which the Hubble radius $L(a) = H^{-1}(a)$ is plotted versus the scale factor $a(t)$ in logarithmic scale.

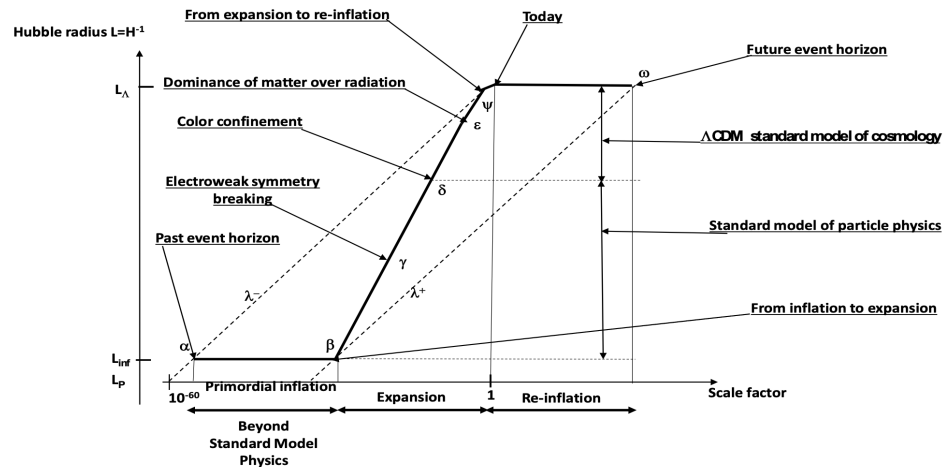


Figure 2. Hubble radius $L(a) = H^{-1}(a)$ is plotted versus the scale factor $a(t)$ in logarithmic scale (from [1]).

The cosmic evolution is schematized on the thick line, on which the implicit cosmic time is proportional to the logarithm of the scale factor.

The cosmic evolution is schematized on the thick line, on which the cosmic time, that is proportional to the logarithm of the scale factor, is made implicit, which allows somehow to solve the “problem of time in cosmology” by replacing all dimensioned quantities depending on the local time t , by “effective co-moving densities” that are scaled by the scale factor depending on a global time, said *thermal* [33], $\tau = \frac{2\pi}{a}t$ because it depends on the temperature $\theta = U \frac{a}{2\pi}$, related to the acceleration a through the Unruh’s constant $U = \frac{h}{k_B c}$.

In particular, this means that the dS and AdS curvatures discussed above in the quantum elementary context have to be replaced, in the quantum cosmological context by effective co-moving curvatures. For instance, the Hubble radius between β and ϵ behaving like a^2 must be rescaled by a factor a^{-1} because it is a length. The boundary of the Hubble 3-sphere is a *co-moving horizon*. So, the *comoving Hubble radius behaves like the comoving radius of the universe*, which means, in terms of densities, that the number of degrees of freedom in the bulk equals the number of degrees of freedom on the boundary. It turns out that this “holographic” relation can be extended to the whole region between ϵ and ψ in which pressure-less matter dominates over radiation, in such a way that holography is at work in the full expansion region from β to ψ .

4.1.2. Our interpretation of the flatness sum rule

All quantum fluctuations exit from the co-moving horizon in the primordial inflation phase, enter it in the expansion phase and re-exit it in the late inflation phase. No information-carrying quantum fluctuation with a wavelength smaller than λ^- on the left of the *past informational, or anti de Sitter event horizon* α , or with a wavelength larger than λ^+ on the right of the *future informational, or de Sitter event horizon* ω enters the co-moving horizon.

The interpretation of the holographic relation, that is at work in the full expansion phase from point β to point ψ is particularly clear at point ψ that marks the transition from the expansion phase to the re-inflation phase at which the function $R(t)$ presents an inflexion point ($\ddot{R} = 0$) which, through the second Friedman equation (4) leads to equate the total bulk energy, or total active mass, with the contribution of the cosmological constant (CC). It is clear, since the pressure associated with Λ is negative, that this cannot be realized without a contribution with a positive pressure, that is with an anti de Sitter

world matter $\rho_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{ind}}(\psi)$ which exactly cancels at point ψ the contribution of CC. Such an anti de Sitter world matter can be interpreted as the constant of integration resulting of integrating out the wave lengths smaller than λ^- , namely beyond the anti de Sitter horizon. The cancelation of CC by this anti-de Sitter world matter amounts to replace in our quantum cosmology, the local time t by the global time τ . One could say that considering these two times amounts to a complexification of the time, and that t and τ are complex conjugate variables if the densities in our quantum cosmology are analytic functions depending on the global time τ they do not depend on its complex conjugate, namely the local time.

More generally, the flatness sum rule that expresses the vanishing of the spatial curvature [2] equates the sum of the visible energy density ρ_{vis} (the baryonic ρ_{b} and radiative ρ_{R} energy densities), the dark energy density and the dark matter energy density to the so called critical density $\rho_{\text{c}} = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G_{\text{N}}}$ which is the energy density at the boundaries in the far past and in the far future of the Hubble horizon in the absence of any integration constant and any spatial curvature:

$$\rho_{\text{vis}} + \rho_{\text{DM}} + \rho_{\text{DE}} - \rho_{\text{c}} = 0 \quad \text{with} \quad \rho_{\text{vis}} = \rho_{\text{b}} + \rho_{\text{R}}, \quad \rho_{\text{DE}} = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G_{\text{N}}}. \quad (25)$$

Our interpretation of this sum rule involves the *dilaton*, the covariant (comoving) quantum field ϕ , determinant of the metric of the effective, “comoving dark universe”, which, according to our methodology of effective field theory, has the equation of state $W_{\phi} = -1/3$ insuring the vanishing of the total active mass of the vacuum, the zero point of energy, $\rho_{\phi} + 3P_{\phi} = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{\text{vis}} + \rho_{\text{DM}} + \rho_{\Lambda} &= \rho_{\text{c}} = \rho_{\phi} \\ \text{with } \rho_{\text{vis}} + \rho_{\text{DM}} &= -\rho_{\phi}, \quad \rho_{\Lambda} = -2P_{\phi}, \quad \rho_{\phi} + 3P_{\phi} = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

4.1.3. The primordial inflation and the minimal “beyond the standard model” (BSM) assumption

In Λ CDM, the primordial inflation phase occurs at a Hubble radius of about 10^3 to 10^4 Planck’s lengths, which is clearly a domain of physics beyond the standard model (BSM) and supposedly relying on quantum gravitational effects. This phase replaces the big bang singularity at the origin of the well-known defects of the “simple big bang model”, namely the absence of monopoles, the vanishing of the spatial curvature and the particle-horizon problem. It ends with the emission of particles with a mass of about 2.5 meV, which could be neutrinos, and which would be very tempting to associate with the cosmological constant. The scale at which it occurs has long been associated with the grand unification symmetry breaking or supersymmetry breaking, but the fact that it corresponds to the zero point of the energy strongly suggests that it has rather to be associated with the matter/antimatter symmetry breaking, which is an observed phenomenon that any reliable cosmology must account for.

To link the scales of the primordial inflation, of the cosmological constant, of the neutrino masses and of the matter/antimatter symmetry breaking is indeed very appealing. To explore the possible consequences of such an association, one must discuss the problem of the neutrino masses per the Brout Englert Higgs (BEH) mechanism. It is well known that the standard model using the BEH mechanism is compatible with massless neutrinos. In fact, right-handed neutrinos which would be necessary to generate mass through the Yukawa coupling of the BEH boson to the right-handed and left-handed neutrinos, have quantum numbers which make of them *SM sterile* particles (zero weak isospin, zero charge and zero weak hypercharge). So, the SM is completely compatible with massless neutrinos. If neutrinos are massive, as they seem to be, their mass is thus highly likely a signal of BSM physics. The simplest assumption is to assume that there do exist sterile right-handed neutrinos. The problem is that

if one gives the neutrinos Dirac masses through the Yukawa couplings to the BEH boson, one does not understand why these masses are much smaller than the Dirac masses of the charged fermions. The way out of this difficulty comes from the fact that the right-handed neutrinos can have a Majorana mass by their own. If the Majorana mass is exceptionally large, one can manage, with a “seesaw” mechanism to get, by diagonalizing the mass matrix, a physical neutrino which would be a linear combination of the normal left-handed neutrino plus a small anti-right-handed neutrino component. With a Majorana mass of the order of the primordial inflation scale, one can have neutrino masses in the milli-eV range in possible agreement with the results of neutrino oscillations experiments. Furthermore, this mechanism has the advantage that through their Yukawa couplings, the sterile righthanded neutrinos can decay into standard model particles (a BEH boson plus a lepton) thus providing a mechanism of lepton number non-conservation (leptogenesis) (see for instance [17,18]). Now, through the so-called “sphaleron” mechanism, the breaking of lepton number can lead to the breaking of baryon number (baryogenesis) at the primordial inflation scale, thus satisfying one of the Sakharov’s conditions for the origin of matter [19]. We thus adopt this assumption which can be considered as the minimal BSM assumption about the initial condition of quantum cosmology.

4.2. The dark matter induced by QCD

If one wants to match the standard models of cosmology and particle physics, one has to move on the thick line of Figure 2, either “bottom up”, ψ to point δ that marks the transition from the QCD quark gluon plasma to the colorless hadronic phase, or, “top down” from point β and through point γ , the electroweak symmetry breaking per the BEH mechanism, to point δ that represents the low energy frontiers of the standard model of particle physics and the high energy frontiers of the one of quantum cosmology. Our idea is thus to interpret $\rho_{\text{AdS}}^{\text{ind}}$ as a comoving density that, when evaluated at point δ , would plays the role of the anti desitterian world matter, induced by QCD, to cancel the contribution of the comoving CC at point δ . Now, it turns out that following an idea of Sakharov [20] and the work of Adler [21] such a contribution can be rigorously evaluated (or at least estimated) [22,23]. The idea of Sakharov was that the non-renormalizable Einstein-Hilbert action would be an effective theory resulting from the coupling of a renormalizable gauge theory to a renormalizable gravitational theory quadratic in the curvature. The aim of Adler was to use the methodology of effective theories to evaluate the cosmological term induced by integrating out, in the effective action, the quantum fields of the standard model:

$$-\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Lambda_{\text{ind}}}{G_{\text{ind}}} = \frac{\int d\{\phi\} e^{iS[\{\phi\}, \eta_{\mu\nu}]} T(0)}{\int d\{\phi\} e^{iS[\{\phi\}, \eta_{\mu\nu}]}}, \quad (27)$$

where $T(0)$, the trace anomaly can be evaluated in terms of the flat space time vacuum expectations of renormalized products of gauge and matter fields (called condensates). In QCD, these condensates involve a mass scale parameter $M(g, \mu) = \mu \exp(-1/b_0 g^2)$ where μ is the renormalization scale and $b_0 = (11N_c - 2N_f)$ where N_c is the number of colors and N_f the number of quark flavors, that plays, in QCD, the same role as the scale parameter $a(\theta)$ where θ is the temperature. The mass scale parameter presents an essential singularity at $g^2 = 0$, so the induced cosmological term cannot be evaluated perturbatively. Anyhow, if one can use some non-perturbative technique such as the lattice gauge quantization, one can expect all the condensates contributing to the trace anomaly to be proportional, with a negative factor, to the constant b_0 . For instance, the contribution of the gluon pairing amplitude to the trace anomaly reads

$$\langle T^\mu_\mu \rangle_0 = -\frac{1}{8} [11N_c - 2N_f] \left\langle \frac{\alpha_s}{\pi} (F^a_{\mu\nu} F^{a\mu\nu})^r \right\rangle_0. \quad (28)$$

In the following quote from [2] it was argued

The minus sign in the right hand side shows that when the constant $b_0 = (11N_c - 2N_f)$ is positive, all the QCD condensates contribute negatively to the energy density, which means that the QCD world-matter is globally an anti-de Sitter world-matter (dominance of an anti de Sitter world-matter over a smaller de Sitter world-matter).

The multiplicative factor b_0 allows reading, thanks to the well-known property that boson and fermion loops contribute in quantum field theory with opposite signs, see Figure 3, the relative contributions of the components of the QCD vacuum to the full world-matter:

- *the bosonic (gluon) loops, proportional to N_c , contribute to the anti-de Sitter world matter which represents the negative gravitational potential energy density of the gluons and will become the dark matter, and*
- *the fermionic (quark) loops, proportional to N_f , contribute to the normal de Sitter world matter, which, per our interpretation, represents the kinetic energy density of the quarks which have survived to the global annihilation of fermions and antifermions, namely the constituents of the baryonic matter.*

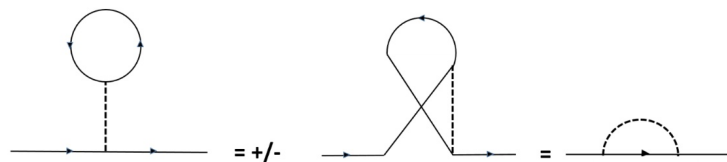


Figure 3. A “tadpole” diagram in which a boson (resp. fermion) exchanges a virtual dilaton with a vacuum loop involving a particle identical to it, is transformed through the interchange of identical particles, into a positive, i.e. increasing the mass (resp. negative, i.e. increasing the energy) self-energy diagram.

Now, since the transition from the Quark Gluon Plasma (QGP) to the colorless hadronic phase occurs in the region of expansion in which we use the methodology of effective theories, we assimilate the full content of the universe at point δ to an “effective dark universe” for which the radius of the universe is equal to the Hubble radius. This means that we have (by thought) sent the baryonic matter at the Hubble horizon namely made of its energy density a de Sitter world matter. This is the key point of [2]: the term in Eq. (28) proportional to N_f is a de Sitter world matter that represents, at point δ , the kinetic energy of the quarks, called “valence quarks” that constitute the baryonic matter, whereas the term proportional to N_c is an anti de Sitter worldmatter that represents the active mass of the gluons, namely the dark matter. At point δ , N_c is equal to 3, and N_f , which is not the number of quark flavors, but rather the number of fermions that constitute a nucleon, is also equal to 3. Eq. (28) thus allows us to conjecture the value of the ratio Dark/Visible to be equal to 11/2, at point δ but also today since pure numbers need not to be rescaled. This the main outcome of [2] that we make ours and that, to our knowledge has never been made elsewhere.

4.2.1. Baryons as “chromo-magnetic” monopoles

The superconductor analogy was used in [24] by Nielsen and Olesen who proposed a suggestive model of the QCD vacuum involving unconfined chromo-magnetic monopoles moving freely along magnetic flux lines. The interpretation of baryons as

color magnetic monopoles^{b)} had been proposed by Ed. Witten [25] in the following quote (where N has to be replaced by N_c):

Indeed, the baryon mass is of order N , which can be written as $1/(1/N)$. But $1/N$ is the “coupling constant” of the strong interactions, which characterizes the interaction among mesons. $1/N$ plays in QCD roughly the role that α plays in spontaneously broken gauge theories of the weak and electromagnetic interactions. The fact that the baryon mass is of order $1/(1/N)$ is analogous to the fact that the Polyakov-’t Hooft monopole mass is of order $1/\alpha$.

4.2.2. Magnetic flux lines as dark matter filaments

In [24] Nielsen and Olesen have argued that “one gains energy by separating a monopole and an anti-monopole”. It is thus reasonable to interpret the color magnetic flux lines (a pure QCD effect) as filaments of a world matter (that is a component of the universe with no interaction other than gravitational) that is filaments of dark matter connecting monopoles to anti-monopoles. Now, since we can assume that anti-monopoles have been integrated out, in giant black holes at the center of galaxies or galaxy clusters, we expect that in simulations of the distribution of galaxies, the filaments must close at the points where are located the heavy black holes. And this is precisely what is seen in Figure 1.

4.3. Bose Einstein condensation in the cosmological context

Since 1999 there is experimental evidence (RHIC, LHC) of the quark-gluon plasma as a super-liquid which is produced in ultra-relativistic heavy ion collisions, see for instance [26,27] and the recent comprehensive historical account [28]. Measurements indicate that quarks, antiquarks and gluons flow independently in this liquid. On the other hand the universe at its quark epoch, i.e. from 10^{-12} s to 10^{-6} s, with temperature $T > 10^{12}$ K, was uniformly filled with QGP which once the Universe cooled below evaporated into a gas of hadrons. This corresponds to the point δ in Figure 2. As explained above, an effective AdS with curvature provided by Λ is present at this period.

Returning to our approach to elementary systems in dS or AdS space-times, Equation (21) tells us that the energy at rest of a fermion in an AdS background decomposes into a “visible” mass part, like in Minkowski, and a “dark” part which is like the ground state energy of a quantum three-dimensional isotropic harmonic oscillator with frequency equal to $\sqrt{\frac{|\Lambda_{\text{AdS}}|}{3}}c$. This feature led one of us in [3] to infer that at the point δ , i.e., at the hadronization phase transition, “chemical freeze-out” temperature $T_{cf} \gtrsim 1.8 \times 10^{12}$ K, the ratio “dark/visible” $r := \frac{3\hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}}{2mc^2}$ for light quarks u (mass $m_u \approx 2.2\text{MeV}/c^2$) and d ($m_d \approx 4.7\text{MeV}/c^2$) are given by $r(u) \approx 108$ and $r(d) \approx 49$ respectively.

Likewise Equation (24) tells us that the energy at rest of a spin 1 massless boson in an AdS background is purely “dark” and is twice the elementary quantum $\hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}$. Hence the QGP gluons in the AdS background at the point δ acquire an effective mass $2\hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}$. The latter is qualitatively determined through the equipartition $k_B T_{cf} \approx \hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}$. Hence, $2\hbar\omega_{\text{AdS}}/c^2 = 144 \times m_u \approx 317\text{MeV}/c^2$. One should notice that this gluonic effective mass is about 4/3 times the effective mass acquired by quarks and antiquarks in that QGP-AdS environment.

Now, it is tempting to establish a parallel between dark matter and CMB, since the latter is viewed as the emergence of the photon decoupling, precisely when photons started to travel freely through space rather than constantly being scattered by electrons

^{b)} As a special tribute to Georges Lochak (1930-2021), French physicist known for his work on magnetic monopoles.

and protons in plasma. Hence, one may imagine that a part of the gluons of the quark epoch freely subsists after hadronization within an effective AdS environment. As an assembly of non-interacting quantum three-dimensional isotropic harmonic oscillators, those remnant gluons form a Bose-Einstein gas which condensates to become the currently observed dark matter.

As explained in [29], it has been shown, thanks to the physics of ultra-cold^{c)} atoms, that Bose Einstein condensation can occur in non-condensed matter but also in gas, and that this phenomenon is not linked to *interactions* but rather to the *correlations implied by quantum statistics*.

Recently, the interpretation of dark matter in terms of a Bose-Einstein condensate as drawn interest in the framework of the so called “fuzzy dark matter” (FDM) model [30]. Originated from the idea that the dark matter particle is an ultralight particle, the *axion*, this model intends to solve the small scale shortcomings of the cold dark matter (CDM) [31] model (“cuspy” dark matter halo profiles and an abundance of low mass halos). In the FDM model, the mass of the would be dark matter particle must of the order of 10^{-22} eV in order for its wave nature to be significant at astrophysical scales. For testing the ability of such a model to account for observations, it was necessary to use simulations. Such high precision simulations were done in [32] and they confirm the expected order of magnitude of 10^{-22} eV for the mass of the dark matter particle. Whereas such small masses seem highly unrealistic for particles to be considered in particle physics, we think that our scalar covariant quantum dilaton field ϕ can have a temperature dependent mass of this order of magnitude.

5. Discussion

To conclude the present article, we want to come back to the notion of a “realized” gedanken experiment, and to the methodology of effective theories. Obviously, it is impossible to actually perform an experiment on the whole universe or at the scales of elementary particle physics. The performance of such a gedanken experiment is only possible algorithmically, namely through computer simulations. As shown in the previous sections, the knowledge obtained through the performance of such experiments relies on the methodology of effective theories: if there are parameters exceptionally large or very small with respect to the quantities of physical interest (with the same dimensions), one can obtain a simpler approximate description of the phenomena by putting to infinity the large parameters and to zero the small parameters. The finite effects of this procedure are then treated as perturbations with respect to this starting point. This methodology has been used for the establishment of the standard models of particle physics and of cosmology, and for their matching. Sure, the standard models are phenomenological models, in the sense that they depend on adjustable parameters. But the five constants that appear in the present paper, \hbar , G_N , k_B , Λ and c , are not free parameters but universal constants defining the kinematical framework of the theory, translating some foundational principles of impossibility that cannot be violated. Till the end of the twentieth century only three of these five constants, \hbar , G_N , and c , were considered as foundational universal constants to be dealt with in order to achieve the “mission impossible” of reconciling general relativity and quantum mechanics. But now, to the Planck’s constant, the quantum of action, to the Newton constant (or more precisely the Planck’s area $A_p = \hbar G_N / c^3$, the quantum of space area), and to the velocity of light the constant translating the impossibility of action at a distance, the informational turn of the interpretation of quantum physics has led to treat the Boltzmann constant k_B as a third genuine quantum, the quantum of information, and on the other hand, the rediscovery of the cosmological constant appears as the coming out of a fourth quantum, the quantum of curvature. Are we claiming that any theory capable of reconciling general relativity and quantum physics must obey the limitation principles translated by

^{c)} As a side remark, one could propose to name the cosmological standard model Λ UCDM (UCDM for Ultra Cold Dark Matter)

the five constants? This may look like a formidable task, but surprisingly and fortunately, the new standard model of cosmology, which remarkably well fits with observations, and which we hope to have shown that it is not incompatible with the standard model of particle physics, turns out to be a cosmology that is: quasi classical (\hbar small); quasi Newtonian and quasi Galilean (G small and c large); and quasi perfect (in the sense of perfect ideal fluids) (k_B and Λ small).

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The following abbreviations are used in this manuscript:

CMB	Cosmic microwave background
BEC	Bose-Einstein condensate
dS	de Sitter
AdS	Anti de Sitter
QGP	quark gluon plasma

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