

Exact Kantowski-Sachs and Bianchi Types I and III Cosmological Models with a Conformally Invariant Scalar Field

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Abstract Exact solutions of the Einstein-Conformally Invariant Scalar Field Equations are obtained for Kantowski-Sachs and Bianchi types I and III cosmologies. The presence of the conformally invariant scalar field is responsible for some interesting features of the solutions. In particular it is found that the Bianchi I model is consistent with the big-bang theory of cosmology.

1. INTRODUCTION

In the last three decades a respectable effort was devoted to the investigation of the field equations of the general theory of relativity for spatially homogeneous but anisotropic space-times. These space-times belong either to the Bianchi types I-IX or to the Kantowski-Sachs class and are generally interpreted as cosmological models. Recently, the study of spatially homogeneous anisotropic cosmological models with a conformally invariant scalar field as the matter field has received some attention¹⁻³. The properties of the energy-momentum tensor of the conformally invariant scalar field are quite distinct from those concerning the ordinary scalar field⁴⁻⁶. Besides, the predictions of the theories involving the two tensors are rather different in strong gravitational fields⁷.

In this paper exact solutions, given in a unique parametrisation, for Kantowski-Sachs (KS) and Bianchi types I and III cosmological models with a conformally invariant scalar field are obtained. An interesting feature of the former models is that one can recover from them the corresponding vacuum solutions in a straightforward way. The cosmological implications of the Bianchi I model are discussed in a systematic way.

2. FIELD EQUATIONS AND SOLUTIONS

In choosing local orthonormal bases $\sigma^\mu_{(a)}$, the KS metric ($\alpha=1$), the Bianchi type II metric ($\alpha=2$), and the Bianchi type I metric with two anisotropic directions ($\alpha=3$) can be put in the form .

$$ds^2_{(a)} = \eta_{\mu\nu} \sigma^\mu_{(a)} \sigma^\nu_{(a)}, \quad \eta_{\mu\nu} = \text{diag} (1, -1, -1, -1), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma^0_{(a)} &= dt, \quad \sigma^1_{(a)} = x(t) \begin{cases} dx \\ dr \\ dx \end{cases}, \quad \sigma^2_{(a)} = y(t) \begin{cases} \sin \theta d\phi \\ \sinh \theta d\phi \\ dy \end{cases} \\ \sigma^3_{(a)} &= y(t) \begin{cases} d\theta \\ d\theta \\ dz \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

From the field equations'

$$R^\mu_{\nu} f(S) = \delta^\mu_{\nu} \partial_\alpha S \partial^\alpha S - 4 \partial^\mu S \partial_\nu S + 2s \nabla^\mu \nabla_\nu S, \quad (2a)$$

$$R = 0, \quad (2b)$$

$$\square S = 0, \quad (2c)$$

where ∇ denotes covariant differentiation and

$$f(S) = 1 - S^2, \quad S = (n/6)^{1/2} \Phi, \quad (2d)$$

Φ being the massless scalar field, we obtain the following set of equations:

$$R^0_0 \rightarrow \left(\frac{\ddot{x}}{x} + 2 \frac{\ddot{y}}{y} \right) f = -3\dot{S}^2 - 2S\dot{S} \left(\frac{\dot{x}}{x} + 2 \frac{\dot{y}}{y} \right), \quad (3a)$$

$$R^1_1 \rightarrow \left(\frac{\ddot{x}}{x} + 2 \frac{\ddot{xy}}{xy} \right) f = \dot{S}^2 + 2S\dot{S} \frac{\dot{x}}{x}, \quad (3b)$$

$$R^2_2 = R^3_3 \rightarrow \left(\frac{\ddot{y}}{y} + \frac{\ddot{xy}}{xy} + \frac{\varepsilon + \dot{y}^2}{y^2} \right) f = \dot{S}^2 + 2S\dot{S} \frac{\dot{y}}{y}, \quad (3c)$$

$$S = K_1 / xy^2, \quad (3d)$$

where dots, as usual, denote derivative with respect to t , $\varepsilon = +1, -1$, or

0, according to whether $a=1$, $a=2$ or $a=3$ is chosen, and K_1 is an integration constant.

Introducing the new time variable T by $dt = ydT$, the linear combination of (3b) and (3c) gives

$$(xyf)'' + K_1 xyf = 0, \tag{4a}$$

where $()' = \frac{d}{dT}$. From (3b) one gets

$$(x'yf - K_1 S)' = 0 \tag{4b}$$

In addition one has the constraint equation

$$(xy)''/xy + (y'/y)' - x'y'/xy + \epsilon = 0. \tag{4c}$$

The solutions of the set of eqs. (4) can be presented in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon = +1: \quad x &= \left[\left(\tan \frac{T}{2} \right)^{\beta-\alpha} + \left(\tan \frac{T}{2} \right)^{\beta+\alpha} \right], \\ y &= (\sin T) \left[\left(\tan \frac{T}{2} \right)^{-(\alpha+\beta)} + \left(\tan \frac{T}{2} \right)^{\alpha-\beta} \right], \\ \frac{1+S}{1-S} &= \left(\tan \frac{T}{2} \right)^{2\alpha}, \quad 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1; \end{aligned} \tag{5a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon = -1: \quad x &= \left[\left(\tanh \frac{T}{2} \right)^{\beta-\alpha} + \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2} \right)^{\beta+\alpha} \right], \\ y &= \left[\sinh T \right] \left[\left(\tanh \frac{T}{2} \right)^{-(\alpha+\beta)} + \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2} \right)^{\alpha-\beta} \right], \\ \frac{1+S}{1-S} &= \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2} \right)^{2\alpha}, \quad 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1; \end{aligned} \tag{5b}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon = 0: \quad x &= T^{\beta-\alpha} + T^{\beta+\alpha}, \\ y &= T^{1-\alpha-\beta} + T^{1+\alpha-\beta}, \\ \frac{1+S}{1-S} &= T^{2\alpha}, \quad 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1. \end{aligned} \tag{5c}$$

For convenience, the multiplicative constants, as well as an additive integration constant concerning the variable T have been eliminated.

3. DISCUSSION

Solutions (5a) and (5b) are new. The first one represents a closed spatially homogeneous anisotropic cosmological model, whereas the second belongs to an open universe. A universe is said to be closed or open, according to whether the space-time presents spatially homogeneous sections with compact or noncompact manifolds structures, respectively. Traditionally, the open or closed feature of a cosmological model is related to the sign of the 3-scalar of curvature $(3)R$, but, as was pointed out by Assad and soares⁸, the scalar of curvature is not a quantity that can in general be associated with the topological properties of the models.

A specially prominent characteristic of the previous solutions is that from them the corresponding vacuum solutions ($S \rightarrow 0$, as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$) can be recovered in a trivial way:

$$\varepsilon = +1: \quad x = \left(\tan \frac{T}{2}\right)^\beta, \quad y = \left(\tan \frac{T}{2}\right)^{-\beta} \sin T, \quad \beta^2 = 1; \quad (5a')$$

$$\varepsilon = -1: \quad x = \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2}\right)^\beta, \quad y = \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2}\right)^{-\beta} \sinh T, \quad \beta^2 = 1. \quad (5b')$$

These solutions were first obtained by Kantowski and Sachs and rediscovered by Vajk and Eltgroth¹⁰, and Lorenz^{11,12} using different parametrizations. The present coincide with those of Lorenz¹¹. To get an idea of the influence of the scalar field on the models, eqs. (5a) and (5b) are rewritten in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon = +1: \quad x &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} \left(\tan \frac{T}{2}\right)^\beta, \quad y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} (\sin T) \left(\tan \frac{T}{2}\right)^{-\beta} \\ & \quad 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1; \end{aligned} \quad (5a'')$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon = -1: \quad x &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2}\right)^\beta, \quad y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} (\sinh T) \left(\tanh \frac{T}{2}\right)^{-\beta} \\ & \quad 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1. \end{aligned} \quad (5b'')$$

Then, one observes that the effect of the conformally invariant scalar field manifests itself through the factor $1/\sqrt{f}$ and the constraint $3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1$. (It is worth noticing that $f \rightarrow 1$, as $S \rightarrow 0$.)

Calculating the curvature invariants for such metrics one finds that they diverge at $T = 2n\pi$ ($\epsilon=+1$) and $T = 0$ ($\epsilon=-1$), if the parameters a and β are such that

$$(\alpha, \beta) \in A, \quad A = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 3a^2 + b^2 = 1, \quad 0 < a < \frac{1}{2}, \quad -\frac{1}{2} < b < 0\}. \quad (6)$$

On the other hand, the vacuum solutions (5a') and (5b') are singular at $T = 2n\pi$ ($\epsilon=+1$) and $T = 0$ ($\epsilon=-1$), respectively, if $\beta = -1$. So, if (6) holds, the conformally invariant scalar field cannot prevent the singularities. In the scalar-tensor theory proposed by Schmidt et al.¹³, a scalar field is used to avoid the problem of a singularity. Banerjee and Santos¹⁴ showed that, in general, this is not possible for a Friedmann-Robertson-Walker model. The scalar-tensor theory being dealt with here is a particular case of that presented by Schmidt et al.

The metric corresponding to solution (5c) is given by

$$ds^2 = \left[T^{1-\alpha-\beta} + T^{1+\alpha-\beta} \right]^2 (dT^2 - dy^2) - \left[T^{\beta-\alpha} + T^{\beta+\alpha} \right]^2 dx^2 - \left[T^{1-\alpha-\beta} + T^{1+\alpha-\beta} \right]^2 dz^2 \quad (7)$$

When the conformally invariant scalar field is switched off ($S \rightarrow 0$, as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$) this metric reduces to

$$ds^2 \rightarrow dt^2 - t^{2p_1} dx^2 - t^{2p_2} dy^2 - t^{2p_3} dz^2 \quad (8)$$

where the parameters p_1 , p_2 and p_3 are given by*

$$p_1 = \frac{\beta}{2-\beta}, \quad p_2 = p_3 = \frac{1-\beta}{2-\beta}, \quad (9)$$

and satisfy the relationships

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 p_i = \sum_{i=1}^3 p_i^2 = 1. \quad (10)$$

* From (5c) one has that $\beta^2 \rightarrow 1$, as $\alpha \rightarrow 0$, so the possibility $\beta = 2$ is ruled out.

which is the Kasner empty universe¹⁵.

The conformally flat metric is found to be a very special case when $a = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$. The metric (7) takes then the very simple form:

$$ds^2 = (1+T)^2 (dT^2 - dx^2 - dy^2 - dz^2) . \quad (11)$$

The cosmological model represented by solution (7) is such that its proper volume is given by

$$V = [1+T^{2\alpha}]^3 T^{2-3\alpha-\beta} . \quad (12)$$

It is clear from the previous result that V vanishes at T=0 if

$$(\alpha, \beta) \in B, \quad B = \{(\alpha, \beta) \in R^2 \mid 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1, \alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, 1/\sqrt{3}), \quad (13)$$

$$b \in (-1, 0) \cup (0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, 1)\}$$

Otherwise, if this relation is valid, V becomes infinite as $T \rightarrow \infty$. Thus, the model starts from a point singularity and expands to an infinite volume*. The Hubble parameters** concerning the present model are given by

$$H_1 = \frac{\dot{x}}{x} = \frac{T^{\alpha+\beta-2} [\beta - \alpha + (\beta+\alpha) T^{2\alpha}]}{[1+T^{2\alpha}]^2} \quad (14)$$

$$H_2 = H_3 = \frac{\dot{y}}{y} = \frac{T^{\alpha+\beta-2} [1 - \alpha - \beta + (1+\alpha-\beta) T^{2\alpha}]}{[1+T^{2\alpha}]^2}$$

and it can be concluded that the model admits anisotropic expansions** for $(\alpha, \beta) \in B$, where B is given by (13)***. Besides this, it is regular in the range $0 < T < \infty$.

* The curvature invariants regarding solutions (5c) are found to diverge at $T=0$, if $(\alpha, \beta) \in C$, $C = \{(\alpha, \beta) \in R^2 \mid 3\alpha^2 + \beta^2 = 1, \alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, 1/\sqrt{3}), \beta \in (-1, 0) \cup (0, \frac{1}{2}) \cup (\frac{1}{2}, 1)\}$. Hence, $B=C$, and, as a consequence, the proper volume equals 0, where the curvature invariants of the model diverge.

** These are kinematical parameters associated to the 4-velocities $\partial/\partial t$ (in the coordinate system used in (1)).

*** The possibility $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2}$ is forbidden by (13).

The model in view is consistent with the big-bang theory and is different from the solutions obtained by Accioly et al.¹ and by Ram³.

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Resumo

Se obtêm soluções exatas das equações de Einstein-Campo- Estelar Conformemente Invariante referentes a cosmologias de Kantowski-Sachs e Bianchi dos tipos I e 111. A presença do campo escalar conformemente irvariante é responsável por alguns aspectos interessantes das soluções. Encontra-se, em particular, que o modelo de Bianchi I é compatível com a teoria cosmológica do big-bang.