

**HOMEWORK #3 (Due 5:00pm April 16th)**

NOTE: You should have finished reading Ryden ch. 4 last week; read chapter 5 this week.

Problem 1 (3 pts): **Einstein's Static Universe**  
Ryden 4.2

Problem 2 (3 pts): **Age of the Universe**  
Ryden, Problem 5.3.

Problem 3 (3 pts): **Einstein's Static Universe (continued)**  
Ryden 5.6

Problem 4 (6 pts): **Proper Distance and Redshift**

In a flat universe with  $H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ , you observe a galaxy at a redshift  $z = 7$ .

- What is the current proper distance to the galaxy,  $d_p(t_0)$ , if the universe contains only matter?
- What is the current proper distance to the galaxy,  $d_p(t_0)$ , in the Benchmark Model (a.k.a.  $\Lambda\text{CDM}$ )?
- What was the proper distance at the time the light was emitted,  $d_p(t_e)$ , if the universe contains only matter?
- What was the proper distance at the time the light was emitted,  $d_p(t_e)$ , in the Benchmark Model?
- Compare the horizon distance in the Benchmark model to the horizon distance of the flat matter-only model.
- Explain why the Benchmark Model and the flat matter-only model give different distances to the galaxy and different horizon distances.