

HW #2

1. Luminosity-Magnitude Relation

(a)

The Friedmann equation says $\left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3} G_N (\rho_M + \rho_\Lambda) - \frac{k}{R^2}$. Using the current values $\frac{8\pi}{3} G_N \rho_M = H_0^2 \Omega_M$, $\frac{8\pi}{3} G_N \rho_\Lambda = H_0^2 \Omega_\Lambda$, $\frac{-k}{R^2} = H_0^2 \Omega_k$, we can rewrite it as $\left(\frac{\dot{R}}{R}\right)^2 = H_0^2 \left(\Omega_M \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^2\right)$. Therefore, $\frac{dR}{R} \left(\Omega_M \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k \left(\frac{R_0}{R}\right)^2\right)^{-1/2} = H_0 dt$. Because $\frac{R_0}{R} = 1 + z$, we find $\frac{dt}{R} = \frac{1}{H_0} \frac{dR}{R^2} \left(\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k (1+z)^2\right)^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{H_0 R_0} dz \left(\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k (1+z)^2\right)^{-1/2}$

Namely,

$$H_0 R_0 \int_{t_1}^{t_0} \frac{dt}{R(t)} = \int_0^\infty \frac{dz}{(\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k (1+z)^2)^{1/2}}.$$

(b)

We first verify the small z behavior. Using $\Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} (\Omega_M (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + \Omega_k (1+z)^2)^{-1/2} &= (1 + 3\Omega_M z' + 2\Omega_k z' + O(z'^2))^{-1/2} \\ &= 1 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\Omega_M + \Omega_k\right) z' = 1 - \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda\right) z' \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$H_0 R_0 (\arcsin r, r, \operatorname{arcsinh} r) = z - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda\right) z^2 + O(z^3)$$

We also expand the l.h.s. in r up to $O(r^2)$, and to this order, they are all just $H_0 R_0 r + O(r^2)$. We rewrite it in terms of the luminosity distance defined by $d_L = R_0 r(1+z)$,

$$H_0 d_L = \left(z - \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda\right)\right) (1+z) = z + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\Omega_M + \Omega_\Lambda\right) z^2 + O(z^3)$$

Compared to the definition of the deceleration parameter

$$H_0 d_L = z + \frac{1}{2} (1 - q_0) z^2 + O(z^3), \text{ we find}$$

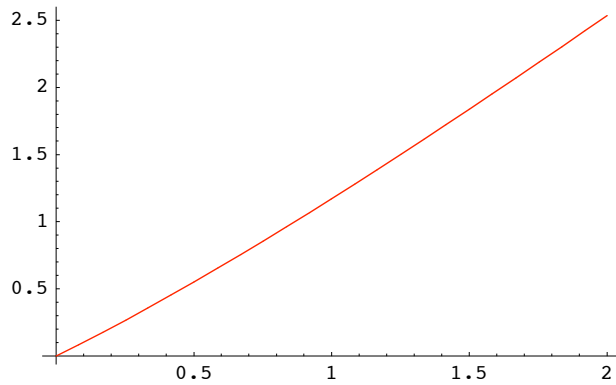
$$q_0 = \frac{1}{2} \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda$$

(1) sCDM

We take $\Omega_M = 1, \Omega_\Lambda = \Omega_k = 0$.

First, exact numerical integration:

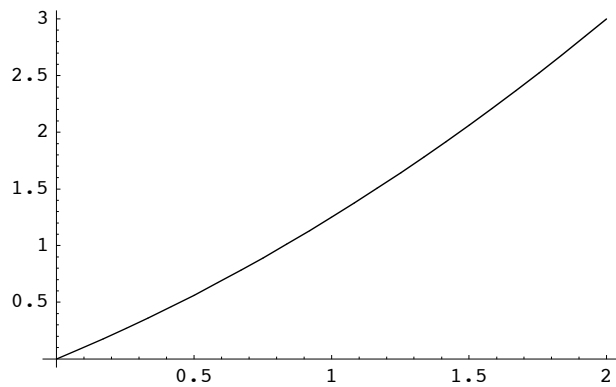
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In[22]:= Plot[
  (1 + z) NIntegrate[ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega_M (1 + y)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + (1 - \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda) (1 + y)^2}}$  /. { $\Omega_M \rightarrow 1, \Omega_\Lambda \rightarrow 0$ }, {y, 0, z}],
  {z, 0, 2}, PlotStyle -> RGBColor[1, 0, 0]
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Out[22]= - Graphics -

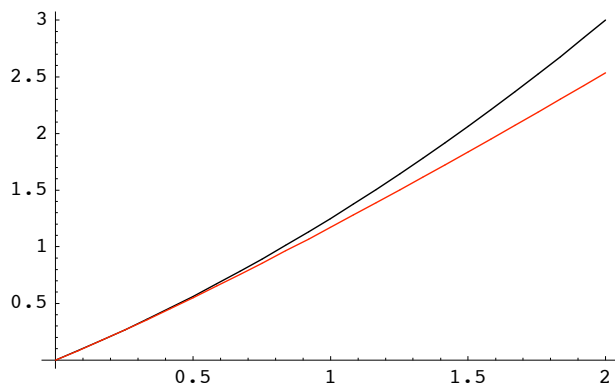
Approximation up to z^2 :

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In[23]:= Plot[z +  $\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda \right) \right) z^2$  /. { $\Omega_M \rightarrow 1, \Omega_\Lambda \rightarrow 0$ }, {z, 0, 2}]
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Out[23]= - Graphics -

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In[24]:= Show[%, %%]
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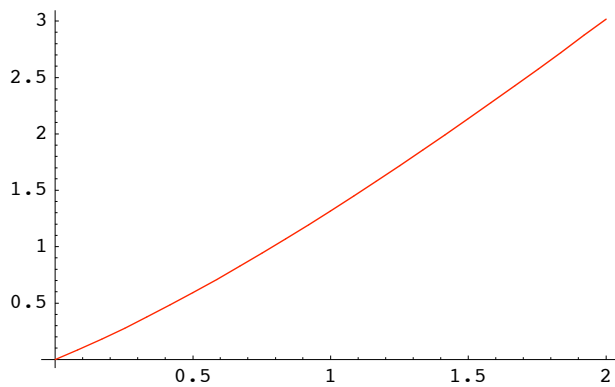
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Out[24]= - Graphics -
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(2) oCDM

We take $\Omega_M = 0.25$, $\Omega_\Lambda = 0$, $\Omega_k = 0.75$

First, exact numerical integration:

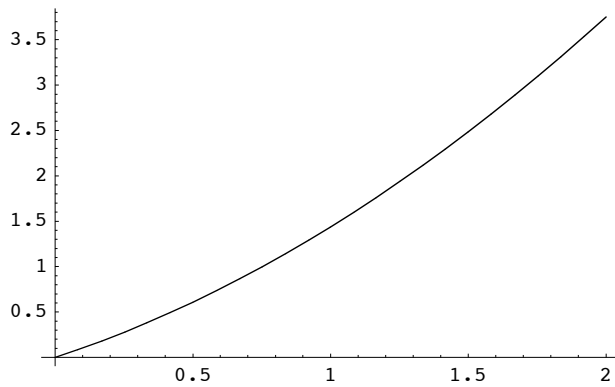
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In[25]:= Plot[
  (1 + z) NIntegrate[ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega_M (1 + y)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + (1 - \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda) (1 + y)^2}}$  /. { $\Omega_M \rightarrow 0.25$ ,  $\Omega_\Lambda \rightarrow 0$ }, {y, 0, z}],
  {z, 0, 2}, PlotStyle -> RGBColor[1, 0, 0]
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Out[25]= - Graphics -
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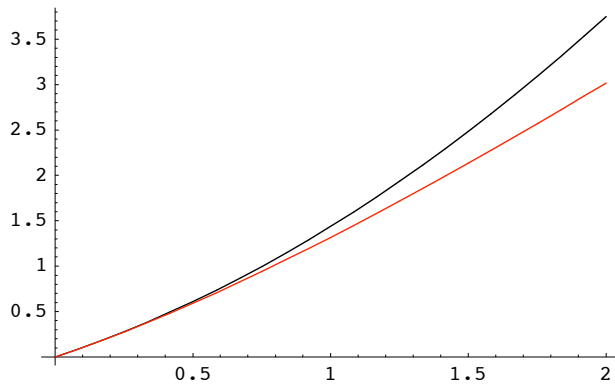
Approximation up to z^2 :

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In[26]:= Plot[z + 1/2 (1 - (1/2) Ω_M - Ω_Λ) z^2 /. {Ω_M → 0.25, Ω_Λ → 0}, {z, 0, 2}]
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Out[26]= - Graphics -
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In[27]:= Show[%, %%]
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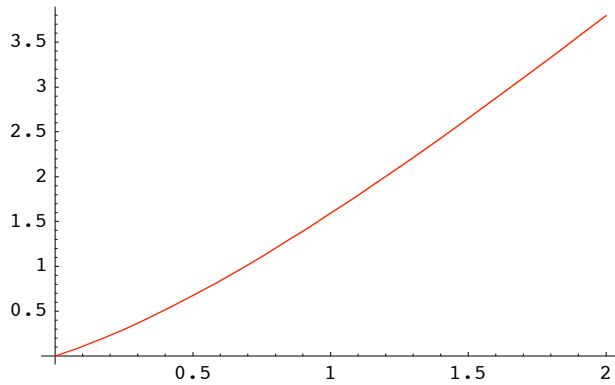
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Out[27]= - Graphics -
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(3) Λ CDM

We take $\Omega_M = 0.25$, $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.75$, $\Omega_k = 0$.

First, exact numerical integration:

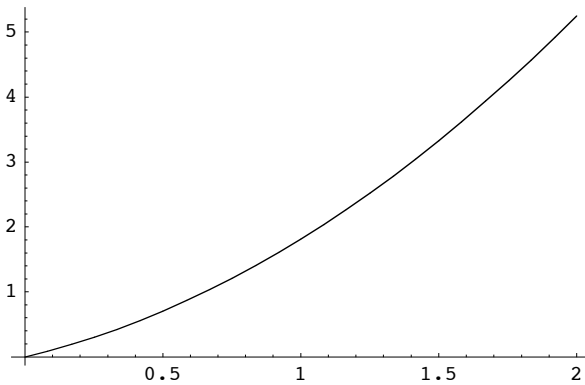
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In[33]:= Plot[(1 + z)
  NIntegrate[ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\Omega_M (1 + y)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda + (1 - \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda) (1 + y)^2}}$  /. { $\Omega_M \rightarrow 0.25$ ,  $\Omega_\Lambda \rightarrow 0.75$ }, {y, 0, z}],
  {z, 0, 2}, PlotStyle -> RGBColor[1, 0, 0]]
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Out[33]= - Graphics -
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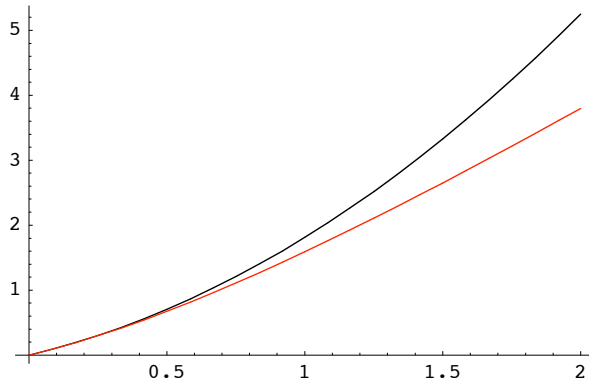
Approximation up to z^2 :

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In[34]:= Plot[z +  $\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda \right) \right) z^2$  /. { $\Omega_M \rightarrow 0.25$ ,  $\Omega_\Lambda \rightarrow 0.75$ }, {z, 0, 2}]
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Out[34]= - Graphics -
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In[35]:= Show[%, %%]
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Out[35]= - Graphics -
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(3)

The apparent brightness goes as d_L^{-2} , while the magnitude is $2.5 \log_{10} d_L^2$, and hence goes as $5 \log_{10} d_L$. We do not know H_0 or absolute brightness of the Type-IA supernovae very well, but we do not need to. We just scale $5 \log_{10} d_L$ up and down to match the data of the nearby supernovae, and see which curve fits the high- z supernovae. This is the nice trick that allowed Saul Perlmutter and company to discover the accelerating expansion.

I used a different plotting program to plot them.