

1. Imagine that you are the Edwin Hubble of a planet in an alternate universe many billions of years from now. You discover Hubble's Law, but you find that all galaxies have blueshifts, not redshifts.
 - a. (3 pts.) How is it possible that galaxies all have blueshifts?
 - b. (2 pts.) In this alternate universe, what is a possible value for the density parameter?
2. Consider supernovae A and B in Figure 1. We will plot them in Figure 2.
 - a. (3 pts.) What determines the horizontal position of the supernovae in Figure 2?
 - b. (3 pts.) What determines the vertical position of the supernovae in Figure 2?
 - c. (2 pts.) Draw supernova A in Figure 2. Give reasons for its location in the vertical direction.
 - d. (2 pts.) Draw supernova B in Figure 2. Give reasons for its location in the vertical direction.
 - e. (4 pts.) Using (a)–(d), explain how supernovae are used to weigh the universe.

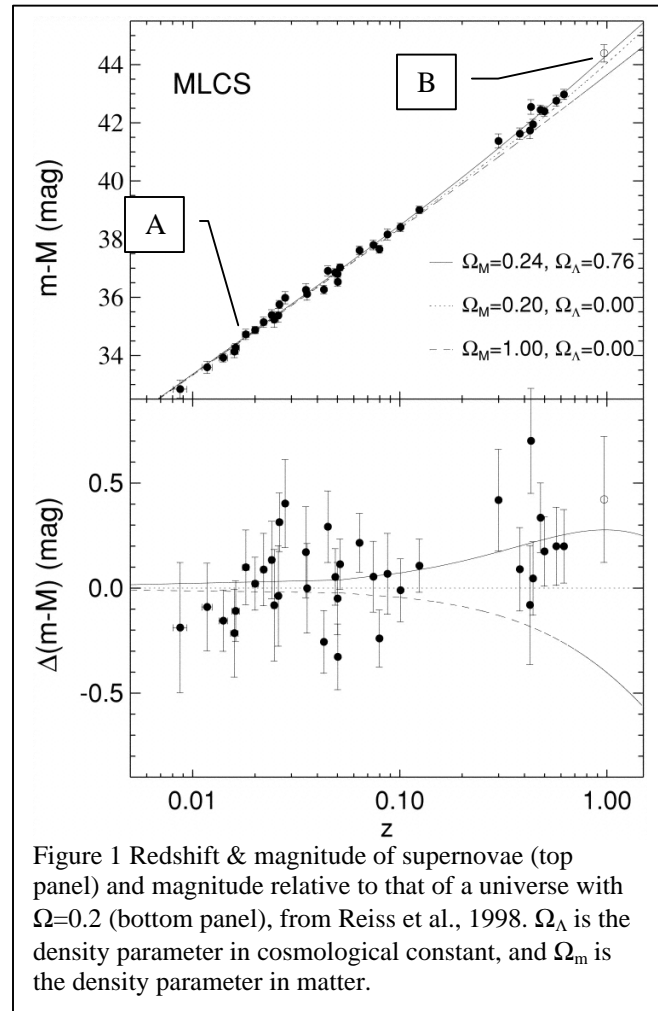


Figure 1 Redshift & magnitude of supernovae (top panel) and magnitude relative to that of a universe with $\Omega=0.2$ (bottom panel), from Reiss et al., 1998. Ω_Λ is the density parameter in cosmological constant, and Ω_m is the density parameter in matter.

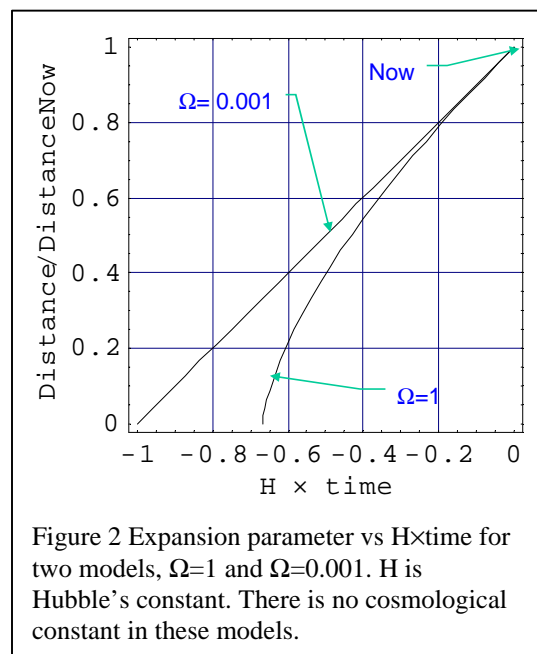


Figure 2 Expansion parameter vs $H \times \text{time}$ for two models, $\Omega=1$ and $\Omega=0.001$. H is Hubble's constant. There is no cosmological constant in these models.