

ON THE EQUATION OF STATE OF A BULK VISCOUS FLUID THROUGH LIE GROUPS

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we study the equation of state admissible for a flat FRW models filled with a bulk viscous fluid by using the Lie group method. It is found that the model admits scaling symmetries iff the bulk viscous parameter $\gamma = 1/2$. In this case, it is found that the main quantities follow a power law solution and in particular the bulk viscous pressure Π has the same order of magnitude as the energy density ρ , in such a way, that it is possible to formulate the equation of state $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$, where $\varkappa \in \mathbb{R}^-$ (i.e. is a negative numerical constant). If we assume such relationship we find again that the model is scale invariant iff $\gamma = 1/2$. We conclude that the model accepts a scaling symmetry iff $\gamma = 1/2$ and that for this value of the viscous parameter, $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$, but the hypothesis $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$ does not imply $\gamma = 1/2$, and that the model is scale invariant.

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1 Introduction

As it is known in General Relativity (GR) there is a dualism between spacetime and matter. While the structure of the spacetime is governed by the field equations the physical properties of matter are introduced through the energy-momentum tensor attending to diverse physical considerations. Some of these considerations come from fields of the physics where gravity does not play any role and are assumed in GR. As the Einstein equations together Bianchi identities form an undetermined system of equations, it is necessary to introduce equation of state, some of them ad hoc, in such a way that the resulting system of equations may be integrated. Such system satisfy certain symmetries that form a group, the group of symmetries of the equations.

Collins ([1]) and later on M. Szydlowsky ([2], we follow closely this work) have used the inverse way in order to determine the admissible equations of state for a system of equations under the restriction that this system admits a determined group of symmetries i.e. one could a priori assume a symmetry group of the Einstein equations and out of it deduce the condition of integrability which has the form of the equation of state. In this way the group of symmetries of the Einstein equations correctly select physical meaningful equation of state.

Since the bulk viscous theory is constructed assuming phenomenological (ad hoc) equations of state and therefore the equations depend on certain undetermined numerical constants, we are interested in determining the exact form of such equations of state imposing the condition that the field equations admit a concrete symmetry. Therefore, in this paper, we show that the field equations of a cosmological flat FRW model filled with a bulk viscous fluid together with a suitable equations of state admits a certain Lie group of symmetries or, vice versa, the invariance of the field equations with respect to a given symmetry group singles out the corresponding equation of state.

The paper is divided as follows. In section 2 we outline the general field equations of our model i.e. a flat FRW bulk viscous fluid and without the cosmological constant. In section 3 we deduce the second order ode that governs the model. This differential equation has been deduced without any assumption. One we have outlined the basic ODE,

using the Lie group technique we study this equation finding that only admits one symmetry but if we impose that the model admits the scaling symmetry then we find that this is only possible if the viscous parameter $\gamma = 1/2$ (where the viscosity ξ has been introduced into the field equations through the ad hoc law $\xi = k_\gamma \rho^\gamma$, and in particular, we are interested in determining the possible value(s) of the parameter γ). Once we have established that the field equations are scale-invariant iff $\gamma = 1/2$ we are interested in finding the relationship between Π and ρ (i.e. we are interesting in determining a new equation of state relating Π and ρ). For this purpose we try to integrate the resulting ODE under the restriction $\gamma = 1/2$, following the standard Lie procedure but unfortunately we had not been able of obtaining any explicit solution. Nevertheless we have obtained the invariant solution (a particular solution) that induces the scaling symmetry finding in this way a concrete power law solutions for the main quantities of the model. In this way we arrive to the conclusion that Π and ρ has the same order of magnitude and therefore we find that $\Pi = \varkappa \rho$ where \varkappa is a negative numerical constant. These results are not new, they have already been obtained by several author using different methods and they will be commented in this section.

As we have been able to determine a concrete relationship between Π and ρ (under the scale-invariant condition $\gamma = 1/2$) in section 4 we investigate if this condition implies $\gamma = 1/2$. For this purpose, under this hypothesis, we obtain a second order ODE that describes all the model and when studying it with the Lie group method we find that such equation only admits scaling symmetries iff $\gamma = 1/2$. We study the resulting ODE finding the same results than in the above section. Nevertheless, the assumption $\Pi = \varkappa \rho$, allows us to obtain a complete solution to the field equations, this possibility will be show in subsection 4.2.

In section 5 we again study the model as well as some of the ODE's that have been arising in the paper through a pedestrian method, Dimensional Analysis. In this section we shall show how this method works in order to obtain the "same" results but in a trivial way. We end by summarizing some results.

2 The model.

For a flat Friedmann-Robertson-Walker (FRW) Universe with a line element

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - f^2(t) (dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2), \quad (1)$$

filled with a bulk viscous cosmological fluid the energy-momentum tensor is given by (see [3])

$$T_i^k = (\rho + p + \Pi) u_i u^k - (p + \Pi) \delta_i^k, \quad (2)$$

where ρ is the energy density, p the thermodynamic pressure, Π the bulk viscous pressure (stress) and u_i the four velocity satisfying the condition $u_i u^i = 1$. The field equations yield:

$$2H' + 3H^2 = -\kappa(p + \Pi), \quad (3)$$

$$3H^2 = \kappa\rho, \quad (4)$$

$$\rho' + 3\alpha\rho H = -3H\Pi, \quad (5)$$

$$\Pi' + \frac{\Pi}{k_\gamma \rho^{\gamma-1}} = -3\rho H - \frac{1}{2}\Pi \left(3H - W \frac{\rho'}{\rho} \right), \quad (6)$$

where

$$H = \frac{f'}{f}, \quad W = \frac{2\omega + 1}{\omega + 1} = 1 + \frac{\omega}{\alpha} \quad (7)$$

$$\alpha = (\omega + 1), \quad \kappa = \frac{8\pi G}{c^2},$$

and where we are assuming the following phenomenological (ad hoc) equation of state (laws) for p , ξ , T and τ (see [3]):

$$p = \omega\rho, \quad \xi = k_\gamma \rho^\gamma, \quad T = D_\beta \rho^\beta, \quad \tau = \xi \rho^{-1} = k_\gamma \rho^{\gamma-1}, \quad (8)$$

where $0 \leq \omega \leq 1$, and $k_\gamma \geq 0$, $D_\beta > 0$ are dimensional constants, $\gamma \geq 0$ and $\beta \geq 0$ are numerical constants. Eq. ($p = \omega\rho$) is standard in cosmological models whereas the equation for τ is a simple procedure to ensure that the speed of viscous pulses does not exceed the speed of light. These equations are introduced without sufficient thermodynamical motivation, but in absence of better alternatives we shall follow the practice adopting them in the hope that they will at least provide indication of the range of possibilities. For the temperature law $T = D_\beta \rho^\beta$ which is the simplest law guaranteeing positive heat capacity.

For a detailed deduction of this model see R. Maartens ([3])

The standard Lie procedure brings us to obtain the next system of pdes:

3 The General equation.

Without any assumption the field eq. (3-6) may be expressed by a single one

$$H'' - K_0 H^{-1} (H')^2 + K_1 H H' + K_2 H' H^{2-2\gamma} + K_3 H^3 + K_4 H^{4-2\gamma} = 0, \quad (9)$$

where

$$K_0 = W = (1 + \beta), \quad \beta = \frac{\omega}{\omega + 1},$$

$$K_1 = 3 \left(\alpha - \frac{\alpha W}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right) = 3,$$

$$K_2 = k_\gamma^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{\kappa} \right)^{1-\gamma} = \frac{3^{1-\gamma}}{k_\gamma \kappa^{1-\gamma}}, \quad [K_2] = T^{1-2\gamma},$$

$$K_3 = \frac{9}{2} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} - 1 \right) = \frac{9}{4} (\omega - 1),$$

$$K_4 = k_\gamma^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{\kappa} \right)^{1-\gamma} \frac{3\alpha}{2} = 3^{2-\gamma} \frac{(\omega + 1)}{k_\gamma \kappa^{1-\gamma}}, \quad [K_4] = T^{1-2\gamma},$$

Since $[K_\gamma] = L^{\gamma-1} M^{1-\gamma} T^{2\gamma-1}$, $[\kappa] = LM^{-1}$, hence: $[K_2] = \frac{1}{T^{2\gamma-1}}$.

Taking into account the value of the constants K_i this equations yields:

$$H'' - WH^{-1} (H')^2 + 3HH' + K_2 H' H^{2-2\gamma} + \frac{9}{4} (\omega - 1) H^3 + K_4 H^{4-2\gamma} = 0, \quad (10)$$

and if we decide to make the following assumption $k_\gamma = \kappa = 1$ then eq. (10) yields:

$$H'' - \left(\frac{2\omega + 1}{\omega + 1} \right) H^{-1} (H')^2 + 3HH' + 3^{1-\gamma} H' H^{2-2\gamma} + \frac{9}{4} (\omega - 1) H^3 + \frac{3^{2-\gamma}}{2} (\omega + 1) H^{4-2\gamma} = 0. \quad (11)$$

We go next to study this equation under the Lie Group technique (see for example [4], [5] and [6]). For simplicity we have rewrite it in the following form:

$$H'' - AH^{-1} (H')^2 + 3HH' + CH' H^{2-2\gamma} + MH^3 + EH^{4-2\gamma} = 0. \quad (12)$$

$$\xi_{HH}H + A\xi_H = 0, \quad (13)$$

$$A\eta + 6\xi_H H^3 + \eta_{HH}H^2 - 2\xi_{tH}H^2 - A\eta_H H + 2C\xi_H H^{4-2\gamma} = 0, \quad (14)$$

$$2\eta_{Ht}H - \xi_{tt}H + 3\eta_H H + 3\xi_t H^2 + 3M\xi_H H^4 + C\xi_t H^{3-2\gamma} + 3E\xi_H H^{5-2\gamma} + (2-2\gamma)C\eta_H H^{2-2\gamma} - 2A\eta_t = 0, \quad (15)$$

$$3M\eta_H H + MH^2(2\xi_t - \eta_H) + (4-2\gamma)E\eta_H H^{2-2\gamma} + C\eta_t H^{1-2\gamma} + (2\xi_t - \eta_H)EH^{3-2\gamma} + \eta_{tt}H^{-1} + 3\eta_t = 0, \quad (16)$$

this system admits the following symmetry

$$\xi = 1, \eta = 0 \implies X_1 = \partial_t, \quad (17)$$

since X_1 span an algebra L_1 the equation cannot be completely integrated by the Lie group method.

But if we try to check if the system admits a scaling symmetry

$$\xi = t, \eta = -H, \quad (18)$$

this is only possible iff $\gamma = 1/2$. Therefore

$$\xi = at + b, \eta = -aH, \quad (19)$$

is a symmetry of the ODE iff $\gamma = 1/2$, and where a and b are numerical constants i.e. $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. Hence

$$X_1 = \partial_t, X_2 = t\partial_t - H\partial_H, [X_1, X_2] = X_1, \quad (20)$$

which span a solvable Lie algebra L_2 of the type *III*.

At the same result have arrived for example A.A.Coley et al ([7]), who study this model from a dynamical system approach. To apply this method they rewrite the field equations in a dimensionless way in such a form that this is only possible iff $\gamma = 1/2$ and the viscous pressure and the energy density has the same order of magnitude as we will see in the next section. At similar conclusions R. A. Daishev and W. Zimdahl have arrived in ([8]), where these authors study this model from the homothetic (similarity) point of view i.e. they study when the field equations remain self-similar. As we will see below we have obtained the same results but using the Lie group method. Finally Belinchón et al ([9]) have obtained the same results using the renormalization group approach.

The canonical variables and the reduced ODE that induces the symmetry X_1 are:

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{H}, x = H, \quad (21)$$

$$y' = (Mx^3 + Ex^{4-2\gamma})y^3 + (3x + Cx^{2-2\gamma})y^2 - A\frac{y}{x}, \quad (22)$$

which is an Abel ODE (see [10]). Without any assumption it is very difficult to find any explicit solution of this equation and therefore a solution of eq. (12)

3.1 The case with $\gamma = 1/2$, scale invariant solution.

As we can see, the ODE (12) admits a scaling symmetry iff $\gamma = 1/2$ and in this case such ODE is reduced to:

$$H'' - WH^{-1}(H')^2 + \left(3 + \sqrt{3}\right)HH' + \left(\frac{9}{4}(\omega - 1) + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}(\omega + 1)\right)H^3 = 0, \quad (23)$$

or equivalently

$$H'' - AH^{-1}(H')^2 + BHH' + CH^3 = 0, \quad (24)$$

where obviously it admits the symmetries

$$X_1 = \partial_t, X_2 = t\partial_t - H\partial_H, [X_1, X_2] = X_1, \quad (25)$$

which form a L_2 algebra etc..

Symmetry X_1 brings us to the following ODE through the reduction (canonical variables)

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{H'}, x = H, \quad (26)$$

$$y' = \left(\frac{9}{4}(\omega - 1) + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}(\omega + 1)\right)x^3y^3 + \left(3 + \sqrt{3}\right) \times xy^2 - W\frac{y}{x}, \quad (27)$$

$$y' = Cx^3y^3 + Bxy^2 - A\frac{y}{x}, \quad (28)$$

which is an Abel ODE. This ODE admits the following symmetry

$$\tilde{X} = x\partial_x - 2y\partial_y, \quad (29)$$

which is a scaling symmetry and it induces the following change of variables,

$$r = x^2y, s(r) = \ln(x), \implies x = e^{s(r)}, y = \frac{r}{e^{2s(r)}}, \quad (30)$$

which brings us to obtain the next ODE in quadratures

$$s' = \frac{1}{r(Cr^2 + Br + 2 - A)}, \quad (31)$$

and which solution is:

$$s(r) = -\frac{\ln r}{A-2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\ln(Cr^2 + Br + 2 - A)}{A-2} - \frac{B \arctan h\left(\frac{2Cr+B}{\sqrt{B^2+4C(A-2)}}\right)}{(A-2)\sqrt{B^2+4C(A-2)}} + C_1, \quad (32)$$

and hence in the original variables (x, y) :

$$\ln x = -\frac{\ln(x^2y)}{A-2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\ln(Cx^4y^2 + Bx^2y + 2 - A)}{A-2} - \frac{B \arctan h\left(\frac{2Cx^2y+B}{\sqrt{B^2+4C(A-2)}}\right)}{(A-2)\sqrt{B^2+4C(A-2)}} + C_1, \quad (33)$$

therefore we have obtained the next ODE in the (H, t) variables:

$$\ln H = -\frac{\ln\left(\frac{H^2}{H'}\right)}{A-2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\ln\left(C\left(\frac{H^2}{H'}\right)^2 + B\left(\frac{H^2}{H'}\right) + 2 - A\right)}{A-2} - \frac{B \arctan h\left(\frac{2C\frac{H^2}{H'}+B}{\sqrt{B^2+4C(A-2)}}\right)}{(A-2)\sqrt{B^2+4C(A-2)}} + C_1, \quad (34)$$

but we do not know how to obtain an “explicit” solution of this ODE i.e. a solution of the form $H = H(t)$. Possibly the most general solution to this equation may result unphysical as we have pointed out in the case of a perfect fluid (see the appendix of ([11])).

3.1.1 Invariant solution

In this case we can try to find a particular solution of eq. (23) through the invariant solution that induces the scaling symmetry $X_2 = [at, -aH]$. In such case we find that

$$\frac{dt}{\xi} = \frac{dH}{\eta} \implies H = \frac{a}{t}, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (35)$$

which satisfies the eq. (23) iff $a = a(\omega)$, i.e.

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{B \pm \sqrt{B^2 + 4C(A-2)}}{2C} \\ \Leftrightarrow a &= \frac{(3 + \sqrt{3}) \pm \sqrt{12 - 9\frac{\omega-1}{\omega+1}}}{\frac{9}{2}(\omega-1) + 3\sqrt{3}(\omega+1)}, \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

In this case, it is observed that

$$\rho = \frac{3}{\kappa} H^2, \quad \Pi = -\frac{2}{\kappa} H' - \frac{3\alpha}{\kappa} H^2 = \left(\frac{2}{3} - \alpha\right) \rho, \quad (37)$$

therefore

$$\Pi \approx \rho \implies \Pi = \varkappa \rho, \quad \varkappa = \left(\frac{2}{3} - \alpha\right) \in \mathbb{R}^-, \quad (38)$$

i.e. we have found that the viscous pressure and the energy density have the same order of magnitude and hence we can define a new equation of state $\Pi = \varkappa \rho$ where for physical reasons the numerical constants \varkappa must be negative. Note that if $\omega = 1$, then $\varkappa = -\frac{4}{3}$. At the same result R. A. Daishev and W. Zimdahl have arrived ([8]) through a very different way. Nevertheless in our solution it is observed that \varkappa can take other values.

Note that both quantities have the same dimensional equation i.e. $[\Pi] = [\rho]$ and that for this reason under a scaling transformation the dimensionless quantity $\frac{\Pi}{\rho}$ must be remain constant (see the pioneering work in this field of D. M. Eardly [12], and the latter of K. Rosquits and R. Jantzen [13], and J. Wainwright [14]). Under the action of a similarity, each physical quantity ϕ transforms according to its dimension q under scale transformations i.e. changes of the unit of length. Thus if unit of length L transforms as $L \rightarrow \lambda L$ then $\phi \rightarrow \lambda^q \phi$. This means that dimensionless quantities are invariant under a similarity transformation. Dimensionless quantities are therefore spacetimes constants. This implies that two quantities with the same dimensions, for example Π and ρ or p and ρ are related through equations of state of the form $\Pi = \varkappa \rho$ or $p = \omega \rho$ since the ratios $\frac{\Pi}{\rho}$ or $\frac{p}{\rho}$ must be constants. Furthermore, as J. Wainwright have pointed out, spacetimes admitting transitively self-similarity groups correspond exactly to the exact power law solutions as we have

found.

In the same way we can try to find a particular solution of eq.(28) that induces the symmetry $\tilde{X} = x\partial_x - 2y\partial_y$. Therefore we find that

$$\frac{dx}{x} = -\frac{dy}{2y} \Rightarrow y = \frac{\tilde{a}}{x^2}, \tag{39}$$

is a solution of eq. (28) iff

$$\tilde{a} = \frac{-B \pm \sqrt{B^2 + 4C(A - 2)}}{2C}, \tag{40}$$

note that $\tilde{a} = -a$. Now taking into account the change of variables ($y(x) = \frac{1}{H'}, x = H$) it is found that

$$\frac{1}{H'} = \frac{\tilde{a}}{H^2} \Rightarrow H = \frac{a}{t}, \tag{41}$$

where a is given by eq. (36).

which is a special case of eq. (23). (canonical variables)

$$y(x) = \frac{1}{H'}, \quad x = H, \tag{43}$$

$$y' = 3\sqrt{3}x^3y^3 + (3 + \sqrt{3})xy^2 - \frac{3}{2}\frac{y}{x}, \tag{44}$$

which is an Abel ODE. The following change of variables brings us to obtain the next new ODE

$$s(r) = -2 \ln x, r = yx^2 \Rightarrow x = e^{-1/2s(r)}, y = \frac{r}{e^{-1/s(r)}}, \tag{45}$$

3.1.2 The case with $\gamma = 1/2$, scale invariant solution and $\omega = 1$, stiff matter.

$$s' = -\frac{4}{r(1 + 3\sqrt{3}r^2 + 2(3 + \sqrt{3})r)}, \tag{46}$$

We shall study the equation

$$H'' - \frac{3}{2}H^{-1}(H')^2 + (3 + \sqrt{3})HH' + 3\sqrt{3}H^3 = 0, \tag{42}$$

and which solution is:

$$s = \frac{2\sqrt{3} \ln(6r + \sqrt{3} - 1)}{\sqrt{3} - 1} - \frac{8\sqrt{3} \ln r}{(\sqrt{3} - 1)(\sqrt{3} + 3)} - \frac{2\sqrt{3} \ln(6r + \sqrt{3} + 3)}{\sqrt{3} + 3}, \tag{47}$$

$$-2 \ln x = \frac{2\sqrt{3} \ln(6yx^2 + \sqrt{3} - 1)}{\sqrt{3} - 1} - \frac{8\sqrt{3} \ln(yx^2)}{(\sqrt{3} - 1)(\sqrt{3} + 3)} - \frac{2\sqrt{3} \ln(6yx^2 + \sqrt{3} + 3)}{\sqrt{3} + 3}, \tag{48}$$

and hence

$$-2 \ln H = \frac{2\sqrt{3} \ln\left(6\frac{H^2}{H'} + \sqrt{3} - 1\right)}{\sqrt{3} - 1} - \frac{8\sqrt{3} \ln\left(\frac{H^2}{H'}\right)}{(\sqrt{3} - 1)(\sqrt{3} + 3)} - \frac{2\sqrt{3} \ln\left(6\frac{H^2}{H'} + \sqrt{3} + 3\right)}{\sqrt{3} + 3}, \tag{49}$$

The invariant solution that we can find in this case is:

$$H = \frac{a}{t}, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}, \tag{50}$$

which satisfies the eq. (42) iff

$$a = \frac{(3 + \sqrt{3}) \pm \sqrt{12}}{6\sqrt{3}} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} = 0.7886751351, \\ -\frac{1}{6} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} = 0.122008468. \end{cases} \tag{51}$$

4 The case $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$.

Since under a scale transformation we have found that the viscous parameter must be $\gamma = 1/2$, and that in such case $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$, now we are interested in

studying the inverse way i.e. if under the hypothesis $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$, the resulting differential equation remains scale invariant. For this purpose we rewrite the field eq. (3-6) under the assumption $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$. In this way the field equations may be expressed

by the following ODE:

$$\rho'' = \frac{\rho'^2}{\rho} - A\beta\rho^\beta\rho' + B\rho^2, \quad (52)$$

with $(1 - \gamma) = \beta$ and

$$\begin{aligned} A &= D^{-1}k_\gamma^{-1} = \frac{2(\omega + 1)}{k_\gamma}, \\ [A] &= [k_\gamma]^{-1} = L^{1-\gamma}M^{\gamma-1}T^{1-2\gamma}, \\ B &= \frac{\kappa\varpi}{2\delta D} = \frac{\kappa(\omega + 1 + \varkappa)(\omega + 1)(6 + 3\varkappa)}{2\varkappa}, \\ [B] &= [\kappa] = LM^{-1}, \\ \varpi &= (\alpha + \varkappa), \quad \alpha = (\omega + 1), \quad \delta = \frac{2\varkappa}{6 + 3\varkappa}, \\ D &= \left(1 - \frac{W}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{2(\omega + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

The Lie analysis of equation (52) brings us to obtain the following system of pdes

$$\xi_{\rho\rho} + \rho^{-1}\xi_\rho = 0, \quad (53)$$

$$\eta\rho^{-2} - \eta_\rho\rho^{-1} + (\eta_{\rho\rho} - 2\xi_{t\rho}) + 2\xi_\rho A\beta\rho^\beta = 0, \quad (54)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2\eta_{t\rho} - \xi_{tt}) + \xi_t A\beta\rho^\beta - 3\xi_\rho B\rho^2 - \eta_t 2\rho^{-1} \\ + \eta A\beta^2\rho^{\beta-1} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

$$-\eta 2B\rho + \eta_{tt} + \eta_\rho B\rho^2 - 2\xi_t B\rho^2 + \eta_t A\beta\rho^\beta = 0, \quad (56)$$

we solve eqs. (53-56), finding that this system only admits the symmetry

$$X_1 = \partial_t. \quad (57)$$

Now, if we try to check if the system admits a scaling symmetry

$$X_2 = a\beta t\partial_t + a\rho\partial_\rho, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (58)$$

we see with the help of eq. (56) that

$$-2Aa\rho^2 + Aa\rho^2 + 2a\beta A\rho^2 = 0, \quad (59)$$

finding in this way that

$$-1 + 2\beta = 0 \iff \beta = \frac{1}{2}, \quad (60)$$

where $\beta = (1 - \gamma)$, that is to say $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\xi(\rho, t) = -\frac{a}{2}t + b, \quad \eta(\rho, t) = a\rho, \quad (61)$$

Therefore as we can see the ODE only admits a single symmetry $X_1 = \partial_t$, but if we impose that

the ODE admits a scaling symmetry, we have seen that this is only possible if $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$. Therefore if $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$ the ODE admits two symmetries:

$$X_1 = \partial_t, \quad X_2 = t\partial_t - 2\rho\partial_\rho, \quad [X_1, X_2] = X_1, \quad (62)$$

where X_2 is the generator of the scaling group. Hence we can conclude that the assumption $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$ does not imply that the resulting field equations must be scale invariant, this is only possible if $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}$.

The symmetry X_1 brings us to obtain through the canonical variables the following Abel ODE:

$$y' = -Bx^2y^3 + A\beta x^\beta y^2 - \frac{y}{x}, \quad (63)$$

where

$$x = \rho, \quad y = \frac{1}{\rho'}. \quad (64)$$

4.1 Equation (52) with $\gamma = 1/2$.

The equation (52) with $\gamma = 1/2$ yields

$$\rho'' = \frac{\rho'^2}{\rho} - \frac{A}{2}\sqrt{\rho}\rho' + B\rho^2, \quad (65)$$

where $[A^2] = [B]$.

The symmetry X_1 brings us to obtain through the canonical variables the following Abel ODE:

$$y' = -Bx^2y^3 + \frac{A}{2}\sqrt{xy}y^2 - \frac{y}{x}, \quad (66)$$

where

$$x = \rho, \quad y = \frac{1}{\rho'}, \quad (67)$$

We would like to point out that eq. (66) admits the following scaling symmetry

$$\tilde{X} = x\partial_x - \frac{3}{2}y\partial_y, \quad (68)$$

which induces the following change of variables

$$r = yx^{3/2}, \quad s(r) = \ln x \Rightarrow y = \frac{r}{e^{3s(r)/2}}, \quad x = e^{s(r)}, \quad (69)$$

in such a way that eq. (66) yields

$$s' = \frac{2}{r(1 + rA - 2r^2B)}, \quad (70)$$

where the solution of eq. (70) is:

$$\begin{aligned} s(r) &= 2\ln r - \ln(1 + rA - 2r^2B) \\ &+ \frac{2\arctan h\left(\frac{A-4rB}{\sqrt{A^2+8B}}\right)}{\sqrt{A^2+8B}} + C_1, \end{aligned} \quad (71)$$

hence

$$\ln x = 2 \ln \left(yx^{3/2} \right) - \ln \left(1 + \left(yx^{3/2} \right) A - 2 \left(y^2 x^3 \right) B \right) + \frac{2 \arctan h \left(\frac{A - 4 \left(yx^{3/2} \right) B}{\sqrt{A^2 + 8B}} \right)}{\sqrt{A^2 + 8B}} + C_1, \quad (72)$$

and taking into account the change of variables (67) yields

$$\ln \rho = 2 \ln \left(\frac{\rho^{3/2}}{\rho'} \right) - \ln \left(1 + \left(\frac{\rho^{3/2}}{\rho'} \right) A - 2 \left(\frac{\rho^3}{\rho'^2} \right) B \right) + \frac{2 \arctan h \left(\frac{A - 4 \left(\frac{\rho^{3/2}}{\rho'} \right) B}{\sqrt{A^2 + 8B}} \right)}{\sqrt{A^2 + 8B}} + C_1, \quad (73)$$

which is a quadrature, but unfortunately we do not know how to obtain an “explicit” solution for this ODE as in the above case.

4.1.1 Invariant solution

The invariant solution is obtained for $a \neq 0$. For this value of a eq. (65) admits a single symmetry

$$\xi(t, \rho) = at\partial_t, \quad \eta(x, y) = -2a\rho\partial_\rho, \quad (74)$$

the knowledge of one symmetry X might suggest the form of a particular solution as an invariant of the operator X i.e. the solution of

$$\frac{dt}{\xi(t, \rho)} = \frac{d\rho}{\eta(t, \rho)}, \quad (75)$$

this particular solution is known as an invariant solution (generalization of similarity solution). In this case

$$\rho = \rho_0 t^{-2}, \quad / \quad \rho_0 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{4B + A^2 \pm A\sqrt{8B + A^2}}{B^2}, \quad (76)$$

where

$$A = 2(\omega + 1), \quad B = \frac{(\omega + 1 + \varkappa)(\omega + 1)(6 + 3\varkappa)}{2\varkappa}, \quad (77)$$

with $k_\gamma = \kappa = 1$ and making $\omega = 1$

$$A = 4, \quad B = 3 \frac{(2 + \varkappa)^2}{\varkappa}, \quad (78)$$

A particular solution of eq. (66) may be found by taking into account the symmetry $\tilde{X} = x\partial_x - \frac{3}{2}y\partial_y$. In this case

$$3 \frac{dx}{x} = -2 \frac{dy}{y} \Rightarrow y = \frac{a}{x^{3/2}}, \quad (79)$$

and taking into account the change of variables $(x = \rho, y = \frac{1}{\rho'})$ it is founded the already known solution $\rho = \rho_0 t^{-2}$.

4.2 The General solution.

In this case, the assumption $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$ allows us to obtain a complete solution to the field equations (3-6).

If we take into account eq. (6) with the assumption $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$, it yields:

$$\varkappa\rho' + \varkappa k_\gamma^{-1} \rho^{\gamma-2} = -\frac{1}{(\alpha + \varkappa)} \rho' + \frac{\varkappa}{2} \frac{1}{(\alpha + \varkappa)} \rho' + \frac{\varkappa W}{2} \rho', \quad (80)$$

where H has been obtained from eq. (5) and follows the relationship

$$H = -\frac{1}{3(\alpha + \varkappa)} \frac{\rho'}{\rho}. \quad (81)$$

Simplifying eq. (80) it yields

$$\left(\varkappa + \frac{1}{\alpha + \varkappa} - \frac{\varkappa}{2(\alpha + \varkappa)} - \frac{\varkappa W}{2} \right) \rho' = -\varkappa k_\gamma^{-1} \rho^{\gamma-2}, \quad (82)$$

which trivial solution is:

$$\rho = \rho_0 t^{-\frac{1}{1-\gamma}}, \quad (83)$$

where

$$\rho_0 = \frac{-\varkappa k_\gamma^{-1}}{\left(\varkappa + \frac{1}{\alpha + \varkappa} - \frac{\varkappa}{2(\alpha + \varkappa)} - \frac{\varkappa W}{2} \right)}. \quad (84)$$

In this way we have obtained a complete solution for the field equations (3-6) and valid for all value of γ . It is obvious that when $\gamma = 1/2$ then we recover our previous solution $\rho = \rho_0 t^{-2}$.

5 A Pedestrian Method.

In this section we would like to show how dimensional Analysis works in order to obtain the same results but in a trivial way (see for example [15], [16], [17], and [18]). In the first place we will show how by writing the field equations in a dimensionless way we can determine the exact value of the parameter γ which remains the equations scale invariant. In second place we would like to show how to solve some of the different ODE's that have arisen in this paper.

Writing the field equations (3-6) in a dimensionless way and taken into account the following equations of state (8) it is obtained the following $\pi - monomia$ (see [19]):

$$\pi_1 = \frac{Gpt^2}{c^2}, \pi_2 = \frac{G\Pi t^2}{c^2}, \pi_3 = \frac{G\rho t^2}{c^2}, \quad (85)$$

$$\pi_4 = \frac{\Pi}{p} \pi_5 = \frac{\xi}{\Pi t},$$

$$\pi_6 = \frac{\tau}{t} = \tau H, \pi_7 = \frac{\xi}{k_\gamma \rho^\gamma}, \pi_8 = \frac{\xi}{\tau \rho}, \quad (86)$$

$$\pi_9 = \frac{T}{D_\beta \rho^\beta}, \pi_{10} = \frac{\rho}{p},$$

it is observed that from $\pi_7 = \frac{\xi}{k_\gamma \rho^\gamma}$ and $\pi_8 = \frac{\xi}{\tau \rho}$ we obtain

$$\tilde{\pi}_8 = \frac{k_\gamma \rho^{\gamma-1}}{t}, \quad (87)$$

and from π_3 and $\tilde{\pi}_8$

$$\frac{Gpt^2}{c^2} = \frac{k_\gamma \rho^{\gamma-1}}{t} \Rightarrow \rho = \left(\frac{t}{k_\gamma}\right)^{1/(\gamma-1)}, \quad (88)$$

therefore

$$\frac{c^2}{Gt} = \left(\frac{t}{k_\gamma}\right)^{1/(\gamma-1)} \Rightarrow \frac{k_\gamma^b c^2}{G} = t^{b+2}, \quad (89)$$

where $b = 1/(\gamma - 1)$, it is observed that the only case and only for this, $\gamma = 1/2$, we obtain the relationship $k_\gamma^2 = c^2/G$. If $\gamma \neq 1/2$ the "constants" G or c must vary or we need to impose the condition $G/c^2 = const.$ (if both constants vary) if we want our equations to remain scale invariant as we have showed in an earlier paper (see [20]) where we studied a viscous model with G time-varying. In such work we arrived to the conclusion that if $\gamma = 1/2$, G must be constant in spite of considering it as a function that vary on time t , since we

were only interested in the self-similar solution of that model.

Now we go next to solve some of the differential equations that have arisen in this paper through the Dimensional technique.

We begin studying eq. (24) i.e.

$$H'' - AH^{-1}(H')^2 + BHH' + CH^3 = 0 \quad (90)$$

which verifies the principle of dimensional homogeneity taking into account the dimensional base $B = \{T\}$. In this case we trivially arrive to the solution $H \propto t^{-1}$ since $[H] = T^{-1}$. Note that D.A. (Pi theorem) does not understand numerical constants only of orders of magnitude.

In second place we study eq. (28)

$$y' = Cx^3y^3 + Bxy^2 - A\frac{y}{x}, \quad (91)$$

with respect to the dimensional base $B = \{T\}$. This ODE verifies the principle of dimensional homogeneity with respect to this dimensional base. Note that $[y] = \left[\frac{1}{H'}\right] = T^2$, and $[x] = [H] = T^{-1}$ hence $[y'] = T^3$. Therefore rewriting the equation in a dimensionless way we find that $y \propto x^{-2}$

But if we study this equation with respect to the dimensional base $B = \{X, Y\}$, we need to introduce new dimensional constants that make that the equation verifies the principle of dimensional homogeneity

$$y' = \alpha Cx^3y^3 + \beta Bxy^2 - A\frac{y}{x} \quad (92)$$

where $[\alpha^{1/2}] = [\beta] = X^{-2}Y^{-1}$, hence

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & y & \beta & x \\ X & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ Y & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow y \propto \frac{\beta}{x^2}, \quad (93)$$

As we can see we have obtained the same solution than in the case of the invariant solution. This is because the invariant solution that induces a scaling symmetry is the same as the obtained one through the Pi theorem.

We would like to emphasize that D.A. brings us to obtain change of variables (c.v.) (see [21] for more details) which allows us to obtain ODE's simplest than the original one. In this case, it is observed

that $[\beta] = X^{-2}Y^{-1}$ in such a way that we have therefore eq. (92) yields:
the c.v.

$$(t = x, u(t) = \beta x^2 y) \Rightarrow \left(x = t, y = \frac{u}{\beta t^2} \right), \quad tu' = u(u^2 + u + 1), \quad (95)$$

(94) and hence

$$\ln t + \frac{1}{2} \ln(u^2 + u + 1) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \arctan \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}u + \frac{1}{3} \right) \sqrt{3} \right) - \ln u + C_1 = 0, \quad (96)$$

in the original variables it yields

$$\ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln((ax^2y)^2 + ax^2y + 1) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \arctan \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}(ax^2y) + \frac{1}{3} \right) \sqrt{3} \right) - \ln(ax^2y) + C_1 = 0. \quad (97)$$

In the same way we can study eq. (65).

$$\rho'' = \frac{\rho'^2}{\rho} - \frac{A}{2} \sqrt{\rho} \rho' + B\rho^2, \quad (98)$$

where $[A^2] = [B] = LM^{-1}$, with respect to the dimensional base $B = \{L, M, T\}$. Therefore it is found

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & \rho & B & t \\ \hline L & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ M & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ T & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \Rightarrow \rho \propto \frac{1}{Bt^2}.$$

To end we study eq. (66)

$$y' = -Bx^2y^3 + \frac{A}{2} \sqrt{xy^2} - \frac{y}{x}, \quad (99)$$

where $[A^2] = [B] = X^{-3}Y^{-2}$, with respect to the dimensional base $B = \{X, Y\}$. Therefore it is found

$$\begin{array}{c|ccc} & y & B & x \\ \hline X & 0 & -2 & 1 \\ Y & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow y \propto \sqrt{\frac{1}{Bx^3}}, \quad (100)$$

as already we know.

6 Conclusions

In this paper we have studied the possible symmetries that admits a flat FRW model filled with a bulk viscous fluid. Using the Lie group method we have tried to find an adequate equation of state for the viscous parameter as well as for the viscous pressure. Therefore we conclude that the field equations remain scale invariant iff $\gamma = 1/2$ and

that for this parameter it is found that $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$. But that the hypothesis $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$ does not imply that the field equations remain scale invariant, this only occurs if $\gamma = 1/2$. Furthermore, the assumption $\Pi = \varkappa\rho$ brings us to obtain a complete solution to the field equations valid for all γ .

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