

Special Issue

Global and Local Scale Symmetry in Gravitation and Cosmology

Message from the Guest Editor

In our Special Issue on “Global and Local Scale Symmetry in Gravitation and Cosmology” we will review formulations and applications of scale invariance (or “Weyl” invariance) in both its global and local forms, and these will be considered in relation to gravitational theories and their cosmological consequences. Among the subjects of interest are the relation of global scale invariance and the appearance of flat potentials, useful in the inflationary phase of the early universe and the late time accelerated expansion of the universe; the importance of scale invariance for the elimination of the 5-th force problem in scalar field-driven late universe scenarios; the relevance of scale invariance in inflation; and the use of local scale invariance to address important questions in gravitation.

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