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# **An Investigation into LRS Bianchi I Universe in Brans-Dicke Theory**

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 $\text{doi:10.53570}/\text{jnt.1352470}$  density of the matter. When BD scalar field  $\Phi$  is assumed constant, the attained solutions are **Abstract** − In this study, the homogenous and anisotropic locally rotationally symmetric (LRS) Bianchi type-I universe filled with the bulk viscous and the string cloud matter has been investigated in the Brans-Dicke (BD) scalar-tensor theory. The modified Einstein field equations of the constructed model have been solved by using the relation of the scale factors  $A = B<sup>m</sup>$  and considering the deceleration parameter to be  $q = m - 1$ . It is found that the string does not survive for the model due to the obtained zero string energy density ( $\rho_s = 0$ ) and agrees with some studies in recent years. Moreover, it is possible to say that string matter may be turned into phantom energy over time, depending on the obtained negative rest energy reduced to General Relativity (GR) solutions for the static vacuum. Thus, the constructed model has not allowed the reduction of the BD solutions to GR solutions, including the matter distributions. In addition, some expansion models for choosing a value of constant *m* have been obtained and provided. All the results have been analyzed in detail.

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# **1. Introduction**

Gravitation theories are based on Newton's theory, successful in determining the orbits of planets and other celestial bodies. However, this theory was insufficient to explain some cosmic issues. On the other hand, Einstein's General Relativity (GR) theory [\[1\]](#page-7-1) was the first theory that succeeded in explaining gravity geometrically. But Einstein's theory has been suggested for a static universe. After studies of Friedman [\[2\]](#page-7-2), Lemaitre [\[3\]](#page-7-3), and Hubble [\[4\]](#page-7-4), when considering the expanding universe model, a function determining the expansion of the universe has been needed to add to the field equations in Einstein's GR theory. Einstein has suggested the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$  as the added function to GR theory. Hence, the GR theory has become the most valid gravitational theory, which provides tests, such as the perihelion progression of planets, the gravitational deflection, and the redshift of light. Firstly, scientists have discussed decelerating expanding universe until some observation, such as Supernova IA observation [\[5\]](#page-7-5), Cosmic Microwave Background radiation (CMB) [\[6\]](#page-7-6), Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP) [\[7\]](#page-7-7), etc. Such studies have proven the expanding universe model by accelerating, and then researchers have been focused on studies on this expansion model. Especially alternative gravitation theories, such as Lyra theory [\[8\]](#page-7-8), Barber's Theory [\[9\]](#page-8-0), Creation Field

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Theory [\[10\]](#page-8-1), Yılmaz Theory [\[11\]](#page-8-2), and Brans-Dicke theory [\[12\]](#page-8-3) have been investigated with some cosmic matter distribution to explain accelerating expansion of the universe.

In addition, cosmic strings formed during the phase transition have been suggested to cause variations in the density of the particles, which cause the formation of the galaxies [\[13,](#page-8-4) [14\]](#page-8-5). Because of this assumption, it is believed that cosmic strings are important matter structures to investigate and determine the universe's evolution from early to late. Scientists have recently studied the Brans-Dicke (BD) theory with cosmic string for various space-time models. Delice [\[15\]](#page-8-6) has investigated BD theory for the generalized cylindrical symmetric universe with cosmic string. Reddy and Rao [\[16\]](#page-8-7) have researched the axially symmetric metric in the presence of a string dust cloud for BD theory. Besides, in BD theory, Rao and Neelima [\[17\]](#page-8-8) have analyzed the axially symmetric universe model with bulk string matter distribution. Vidya et al. [\[18\]](#page-8-9) have solved equations of BD theory for the Bianchi type-III universe with bulk string matters. Sharma and Singh [\[19\]](#page-8-10) have gotten the solutions of Bianchi II universe for the massive string in BD alternative theory. Trivedi and Bhabor [\[20\]](#page-8-11) have investigated five-dimensional Bianchi III space-time with dark energy fluid and cosmic string in BD theory.

Moreover, Mahanta et al. [\[21\]](#page-8-12) have calculated plane-symmetric metric with strange quark matter by attaching to string cloud and bulk viscous matter in BD theory. Chakraborty et al. [\[22\]](#page-8-13) have analyzed BD theory for the Bianchi type-III universe in the presence of perfect fluid matter. Adhav et al. [\[23\]](#page-8-14) have gotten exact solutions of the Bianchi III cosmological model for vacuum in BD gravity. Çağlar et al. [\[24\]](#page-8-15) have investigated the locally rotationally symmetric (LRS) Bianchi type I universe in BD theory by assuming strange quark matter (SQM) coupled with string cloud as matter distributions. Cağlar and Aygün [\[25\]](#page-8-16) have gotten the exact solutions of higher dimensional Friedman–Walker Friedmann-Robertson-Walker (FRW) universe in the presence of SQM with bulk viscous and cosmic string matter in Lyra theory. Furthermore, higher dimensional FRW universe filled with SQM attached to cosmic string matter for Self Creation Cosmology and BD theory, respectively, have been examined by Cağlar and Aygün  $[26, 27]$  $[26, 27]$  $[26, 27]$ .

Motivated by the studies mentioned above, the LRS Bianchi type-I universe has been studied in BD theory by assuming cosmic string with bulk viscous as matter distribution. This paper is organized as follows: In the second section, the universe model has been constructed, and the modified field equations of the model have been solved. In the last section, all the obtained solutions have been concluded in detail.

## **2. MEFE's of LRS Bianchi-I Universe for Brans-Dicke Theory**

The modified Einstein field equations (MEFE's) in BD theory [\[12\]](#page-8-3) have been suggested as:

<span id="page-1-0"></span>
$$
R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{ij} = -\frac{8\pi}{\Phi} T_{ij} - \frac{\omega}{\Phi^2} (\Phi_{,i} \Phi_{,j} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \Phi_{,k} \Phi^{,k}) - \frac{1}{\Phi} (\Phi_{i;j} - g_{ij} \Phi^{,k}_{;k}))
$$
(1)

Here,  $R, R_{ij}$ , and  $\omega$  are Ricci scalar, Ricci tensor, and the coupling constant of BD theory, respectively. It is possible to reduce BD theory to GR theory when  $\omega \to \infty$  and  $\Phi = constant$  [\[28\]](#page-9-2). In addition,  $\Phi$ symbolizes BD scalar field and it is given as follows [\[29\]](#page-9-3):

$$
\Phi = \Phi_{;k}^{\ k} = \frac{8\pi}{3+2\omega}T\tag{2}
$$

Here and after, comma (,) and semicolon (;) represent partial derivative and covariant derivative, respectively. Furthermore,  $T_{ij}$  is a tensor characterized stress energy of the matter in Equation [1.](#page-1-0) In this study, it has been assumed that the string cloud matter with bulk viscous filled the universe and this matter distribution is written as

$$
T_{ij} = \rho u_i u_j - \rho_s x_i x_j - \eta u_{;k}^k (u_i u_j - g_{ij})
$$
\n
$$
\tag{3}
$$

Here,  $\rho$  and  $\rho_s$  symbolizes the rest energy density of matter and the string energy density, respectively. Moreover, the bulk viscous coefficient has been represented as *η*. Besides, *u<sup>i</sup>* defines 4-velocity of the particle and  $x_i$  is named unit space-like vector determined the string direction [\[21,](#page-8-12) [30\]](#page-9-4). Further, the LRS Bianchi type-I space-time line element can be written as

<span id="page-2-2"></span>
$$
ds^{2} = dt^{2} - A(t)^{2}dx^{2} - B(t)^{2}(dy^{2} + dz^{2})
$$
\n(4)

Here,  $A(t)$  and  $B(t)$  are time-depending scale factors of the universe [\[31,](#page-9-5)[32\]](#page-9-6). Some kinematic quantities, such as spatial volume  $(V)$ , Hubble parameter  $(H)$ , expansion scalar  $(\theta)$ , shear scalar  $(\sigma^2)$ , and deceleration parameter (*q*), for LRS Bianchi type-I universe are provided as follows, respectively:

<span id="page-2-0"></span>
$$
V = a^3 = AB^2 \tag{5}
$$

<span id="page-2-1"></span>
$$
H = \frac{a_t}{a} = \frac{A_t}{3A} + \frac{2B_t}{3B} \tag{6}
$$

$$
\theta = \frac{A_t}{3A} + \frac{2B_t}{B}
$$

$$
\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{3} \left[ \frac{A_t}{A} - \frac{B_t}{B} \right]^2
$$

and

<span id="page-2-5"></span>
$$
q = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{H} \right) - 1 = \frac{2(AB_t - A_t B)^2 - 3AB(A_{tt}B + 2AB_{tt})}{(2AB_t + A_t B)^2}
$$
(7)

Here and after, the lower index *t* represents the derivative with respect to cosmic time *t*. Besides, *a* provided in Equations [5](#page-2-0) and [6](#page-2-1) symbolizes the average scale factor [\[33\]](#page-9-7). By using Equations [1-](#page-1-0)[4,](#page-2-2) the modified Einstein field equations of LRS Bianchi-I space-time for string cloud coupled with bulk viscous matter have been obtained in BD theory as follows:

<span id="page-2-3"></span>
$$
\frac{B_t^2}{B^2} + \frac{2B_{tt}}{B} = \frac{1}{\Phi} \left[ 8\pi \eta \left( \frac{A_t}{A} + \frac{2B_t}{B} \right) - \frac{\omega \Phi_t^2}{2\Phi} - \frac{2B_t \Phi_t}{B} - \Phi_{tt} \right]
$$
(8)

$$
\frac{B_t^2}{B^2} + \frac{2A_t B_t}{AB} = \frac{1}{\Phi} \left[ 8\pi \rho + \frac{\omega \Phi_t^2}{2\Phi} - \frac{A_t \Phi_t}{A} - \frac{2B_t \Phi_t}{B} \right]
$$
(9)

$$
\frac{A_{tt}}{A} + \frac{B_{tt}}{B} + \frac{A_t B_t}{AB} = \frac{1}{\Phi} \left[ 8\pi \eta \left( \frac{A_t}{A} + \frac{2B_t}{B} \right) - \Phi_t \left( \frac{A_t}{A} - \frac{B_t}{B} \right) - \frac{\omega \Phi_t^2}{2\Phi} - \Phi_{tt} \right]
$$
(10)

<span id="page-2-4"></span>
$$
\frac{A_{tt}}{A} + \frac{B_{tt}}{B} + \frac{A_t B_t}{AB} = \frac{1}{\Phi} \left[ 8\pi \eta \left( \frac{A_t}{A} + \frac{2B_t}{B} \right) - \Phi_t \left( \frac{A_t}{A} - \frac{B_t}{B} \right) + 8\pi \rho_s - \frac{\omega \Phi_t^2}{2\Phi} - \Phi_{tt} \right]
$$
(11)

Field equations obtained as in Equations [8-](#page-2-3)[11](#page-2-4) have six unknown quantities such as  $A, B, \Phi, \rho, \rho_s$ , and *η*. Therefore, two approximations have been used to solve field equations. The first one is the relationship of the scale factors came from a proportion of the shear scalar and the expansion scalar given as follows:

<span id="page-2-7"></span>
$$
A = B^k \tag{12}
$$

Here, *k* is an arbitrary constant [\[24,](#page-8-15)[34,](#page-9-8)[35\]](#page-9-9). The second assumption is a constant form of deceleration parameter by using Equation [7](#page-2-5) given as follows:

<span id="page-2-6"></span>
$$
q = m - 1 \tag{13}
$$

where the arbitrary constant *m* determines the expansion model of the universe. Deceleration parameter  $q$  specifies the fate of the universe model as follows  $[15, 24, 36]$  $[15, 24, 36]$  $[15, 24, 36]$  $[15, 24, 36]$  $[15, 24, 36]$ :

*i*. When *m* < 0, one gets *q* < −1 named super-exponential expansion

- *ii.* When  $m = 0$ , one gets  $q = -1$  named exponential expansion
- *iii.* When  $0 < m < 1$ , one gets  $-1 < q < 0$  named accelerating power law expansion
- *iv.* When  $m = 1$ , one gets  $q = 0$  named constant expansion
- *v.* When  $m > 1$ , one gets  $q > 0$  named decelerating expansion

By using Equation [13](#page-2-6) with Equation [12,](#page-2-7) the scale factor *B* has been calculated as

<span id="page-3-0"></span>
$$
B = (s_1 t + s_2)^{\frac{3}{m(k+2)}}\tag{14}
$$

Then, by using Equation [14](#page-3-0) in Equation [12,](#page-2-7) the scale factor *A* has been attained as follows:

<span id="page-3-1"></span>
$$
A = (s_1 t + s_2)^{\frac{3k}{m(k+2)}} \tag{15}
$$

Considering the scale factors' values in Equations [14](#page-3-0) and [15](#page-3-1) in field Equations [8–](#page-2-3)[11,](#page-2-4) the BD scalar field  $\Phi$ , the rest energy density  $\rho$ , the string energy density  $\rho_s$ , and the bulk viscous coefficient  $\eta$  have been obtained as follows, respectively:

$$
\Phi = s_3(s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{m-3}{m}}
$$

$$
\rho = \frac{\left[ (k+2)^2 \left( 6\omega + 6m - \omega m^2 - 9\omega \right) - 18k(k+2) - 54 \right] s_3 s_1^2}{16\pi m^2 (k+2)^2 (s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{m+3}{m}}}
$$

$$
\rho_s = 0
$$

and

$$
\eta = \frac{\left[ (k+2)^2 \left( \omega m^2 - 6\omega - 6m + 9\omega \right) + 18k(k+2) + 54 \right] s_1 s_3}{48\pi m^2 (k+2)^2 (s_1 t + s_2)^{\frac{3}{m}}}
$$

Furthermore, kinematic quantities, such as spatial volume  $(V)$ , Hubble parameter  $(H)$ , expansion scalar  $(\theta)$ , and shear scalar  $(\sigma^2)$  for the constructed model are calculated as follows, respectively:

$$
V = (s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{1}{m}}
$$

$$
H = \frac{s_1}{m(s_1t + s_2)}
$$

$$
\theta = \frac{3s_1}{m(s_1t + s_2)}
$$

and

$$
\sigma^{2} = \frac{3(k-1)^{2}s_{1}^{2}}{m^{2}(k+2)^{2}(s_{1}t+s_{2})^{2}}
$$

All the obtained solutions of constructed model have been investigated in the next section.

#### **3. Discussions**

In this paper, the bulk viscous coupled with the string cloud matter distribution has been investigated in BD theory for LRS Bianchi type-I space-time. By considering the scale factor values given in Equations [14](#page-3-0) and [15](#page-3-1) within Equation [4,](#page-2-2) the new line element of the LRS Bianchi-I universe can be rewritten as

<span id="page-3-2"></span>
$$
ds^{2} = dt^{2} - (s_{1}t + s_{2})^{\frac{6k}{m(k+2)}}dx^{2} - (s_{1}t + s_{2})^{\frac{6}{m(k+2)}}(dy^{2} + dz^{2})
$$
\n(16)

It is obviously seen that *s*<sup>1</sup> and *k* in Equation [16](#page-3-2) are important constants to determine meaningful the universe model and must be  $s_1 \neq 0$ ,  $k \neq -2$ , and  $k \neq 0$ . Besides, it is well know that the universe is expanding with acceleration. When  $0 < m < 1$ , the deceleration parameter value has given accelerating power law expansion universe. At this condition, the evolution of scale factor  $A(t)$  has been shown in Figure [1.](#page-4-0) As seen in the figure, the expansion of the constructed universe model is as

<span id="page-4-0"></span>expected in given situations.



**Figure 1.** Evolutions of the scale factor  $A(t)$  for the accelerating expanding universe  $(s_1 = s_2 = k = 1$ and  $m = 0.5$ )

<span id="page-4-1"></span>Moreover, the string energy density  $\rho_s$  vanishes for constructed model. Thus, it can be said that the string matter does not survive in the model LRS Bianchi type-I universe for BD theory with the bulk viscous and the string cloud. This finding agrees with the studies of Zel'dovich [\[13\]](#page-8-4), Çağlar and Aygün [\[25–](#page-8-16)[27\]](#page-9-1), Sahoo and Mishra [\[37\]](#page-9-11), Kiran and Reddy [\[38\]](#page-9-12), etc. In addition, the obtained all the solutions give the negative energy density of particle. Hence, it is possible that the cosmic string may have disappeared by time and turned into a phantom [\[39\]](#page-9-13). Rest energy density and bulk viscous coefficient have been shown in Figure [2.](#page-4-1)



Figure 2. Evolutions of the rest energy density and the bulk viscous coefficient for the accelerating expanding universe  $(s_1 = s_2 = s_3 = k = 1, \omega = 2, \text{ and } m = 0.5)$ 

<span id="page-5-0"></span>Furthermore, the BD scalar field Φ has been obtained time dependent and shown in Figure [3](#page-5-0) for the accelerating expanding universe. It is observed that the scalar field of the theory is inversely proportional to time, intense at the beginning, and loses its effect over time.



**Figure 3.** Evolutions of the BD scalar field for the accelerating expanding universe  $(s_1 = s_2 = s_3 = 1$ and  $m = 0.5$ )

<span id="page-5-1"></span>Considering the kinematic quantities, it is obtained that the universe has expansion with accelerating. This expansion is observed in Figures [4](#page-5-1) and [5.](#page-6-0) Further, this result agrees with some studies [\[4–](#page-7-4)[7\]](#page-7-7).



**Figure 4.** Evolutions of spatial volume for accelerating expanding universe  $(s_1 = s_2 = s_3 = 1$  and  $m = 0.5$ 

<span id="page-6-0"></span>

**Figure 5.** Evolutions of the Hubble parameter, the expansion scalar, and the shear scalar for the accelerating expanding universe  $(s_1 = s_2 = s_3 = 1, k = 2, \text{ and } m = 0.5)$ 

The obtained all the solutions have been calculated depending on some integer values of arbitrary constant *m* to investigate expansion type of the universe. By assuming  $m = 2$ ,  $m = 1$ , and  $m = 0$ , one obtains the results of the constructed model for decelerating expansion, the constant expansion, and the exponential expansion universe, respectively. Additionally, these results have been provided in Table [1.](#page-6-1)

<span id="page-6-1"></span>

Quantities	Decelerating Expansion $q = 1$	Constant Expansion $q = 0$	Exponential Expansion $q = -1$
Scale Factor A	$(s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{3k}{2k+4}}$	$(s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{3k}{k+2}}$	$s_A^k e^{s_5kt}$
Scale Factor $B$	$(s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{3}{2k+4}}$	$(s_1t + s_2)^{\frac{3}{k+2}}$	$s_4e^{s_5t}$
BD Scalar Field $\Phi$	$\frac{s_3}{\sqrt{s_1t+s_2}}$	$\frac{s_3}{(s_1t+s_2)^2}$	$\frac{s_6}{e^{(k+2)s_5t}}$
Rest Energy Density $\rho$	$- \frac{\left[(\omega \!+\! 6)k^2 \!+\! (4\omega \!-\! 12)k \!+\! 4\omega \!+\! 6\right]s_3 s_1^2}{96\pi (k\!+\!2)^2\left(s_1 t\!+\!s_2\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$	$-\frac{\left[ (\omega+3)2k^2 + (4\omega+3)2k + 8\omega + 15 \right]s_3s_1^2}{8\pi (k+2)^2(s_1t+s_2)^4}$	$-\frac{\left[ (\omega +2) k^2 + 4 (\omega +1) k + 4 \omega +6) \right] s_6 s_5^2}{16 \pi e^{(k+2)s_5 t}}$
Bulk Viscous Coefficient $\eta$	$\frac{\left[ (\omega+6)k^2+(4\omega-12)k+4\omega+6\right] s_1 s_3}{96\pi (k+2)^2 (s_1 t+s_2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}$	$\frac{[(\omega+3)2k^2+(4\omega+3)2k+8\omega+15]s_1s_3}{24\pi(k+2)^2(s_1t+s_2)^3}$	$\frac{\left[(\omega +2) \, k^2+4 (\omega +1) \, k+4 \omega +6)\right]s_5s_6}{16 \pi \, e^{(k+2)s_5t}}$
Spatial Volume V	$\sqrt{s_1t+s_2}$	$s_1t+s_2$	$s_4e^{\frac{(k+2)s_5t}{3}}$
Hubble Parameter $H$	$\frac{s_1}{2(s_1t+s_2)}$	$\frac{s_1}{(s_1t+s_2)}$	$\frac{(k+2) s_5}{3}$
Expansion Scalar $\theta$	$\frac{3s_1}{2(s_1t+s_2)}$	$\frac{3s_1}{(s_1t+s_2)}$	$(k+2)s_5$
Shear Scalar $\sigma^2$	$\frac{3(k-1)^2s_1^2}{4(k+2)^2(s_1t+s_2)^2}$	$\frac{3(k-1)^2s_1^2}{(k+2)^2(s_1t+s_2)^2}$	$\frac{(k-1)^2s_5^2}{3}$

**Table 1.** Results of Constructed Model for the Deceleration Parameters

It is possible to get GR solutions of the LRS Bianchi type-I space-time with the bulk string cloud matter by assuming  $\Phi = constant$  in BD theory. To get the constant BD scalar field,  $s_3$  must be zero in the model results. In this situation, the energy density and the bulk viscous coefficient became zero, and it gives the static vacuum solutions. Thus, the obtained results do not allow GR solutions of the constructed model by reducing BD solutions with  $\Phi = constant$ .

# <span id="page-7-0"></span>**4. Conclusion**

This study investigated BD theory in the LRS Bianchi type-I space-time for bulk viscous and string cloud matter distribution. In the future, it is worth investigating LRS Bianchi I universe filled with bulk string matter or various cosmic matter in alternative gravitation theories such as  $f(G)$ ,  $f(Q)$ . and  $f(Q, T)$ .

# **Author Contributions**

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### **Conflicts of Interest**

The author declares no conflict of interest.

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