Model Independent Diagnostics in Interacting Dark Energy Models

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Abstract: In this paper, we have explored non-gravitational interaction dark energy model between dark energy and cold dark matter (CDM). The main purpose of this work is to explore the deviations from \( \Lambda \)CDM and to distinguish the evolution trajectory of the interaction dark energy model with different parameters. Six forms of interaction were focused on. We have analyzed the deceleration parameters of the coupled model and explored the theoretical models through statefinder hierarchy and the Om diagnostic. We have considered that the Equation of State (EoS) parameter \( w \) and parameter \( \xi \) take different values on the interaction dark energy model respectively and keep another parameter unchanged. It was found that \( q(z) \) is the worst of the four diagnoses. Om, \( S_3^{(1)} \) and \( S_4^{(1)} \) are good tools to distinguish the interaction dark energy model from \( \Lambda \)CDM. \( S_3^{(1)} \) is a better diagnostic tool when the state parameter \( w \) changes and the coupling parameter \( \xi \) is fixed, while \( S_4^{(1)} \) works better when the coupling parameter \( \xi \) changes and the state parameter \( w \) is fixed.

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1. Introduction

Cosmology is one of the most active research areas. It is well known that modern cosmology was established and developed with the birth of general relativity [1,2]. Therefore, general relativity plays a very important role in the study of gravity and cosmology, and so far can be verified by many experiments without adding special case assumptions. Even so, there is evidence that the theory is incomplete—the search for quantum gravity and the reality of space-time singularities remain to be solved; the results of experimental observations supporting the existence of dark matter and dark energy imply a desire for new physics. However, general relativity is still full of possibilities that deserve deep exploration—mathematical relativists are seeking to understand the nature of singularities and the basic properties of the Einstein field equation; and, after the first direct observation of gravitational waves in 2016, subsequent contests and development applications are continuing, human beings hope to be able to create more opportunities to test the theory’s validity in a field of gravity that is much stronger than it has ever been. So today, a hundred years after Einstein published his theory, general relativity is still a highly active research field.

After the establishment of modern cosmology with the advent of general relativity, scientists became interested in the causes of the universe’s accelerating expansion. In recent years, astronomical observations have shown that our universe is undergoing accelerated expansion [3–7]. Many people are trying to find a perfect explanation for the accelerating expansion of the universe. The most likely
explanation is that the universe is currently being dominated by an exotic component with negative pressure, named dark energy (DE). According to Planck 2015 observational results [8], the universe is spatially flat, and it consists of about 68.4 percent dark energy, 26.7 percent dark matter, 4.9 percent baryon matter.

As scientists study the accelerating expansion of the universe, various theoretical models have been proposed. Among them, the cosmological constant model ($\Lambda$CDM model) is the simplest and most idealized of the many models that explain today’s accelerating expansion of the universe [9–14], its state parameter is $w_\Lambda = -1$. This cosmological constant was originally introduced by Einstein into a static cosmological model. From 1915 to 1917, Einstein explained our universe with the general relativity gravitational field equation, trying to build a new cosmological model. At that time, the scientific community still thought that the universe was still and did not change with time, so Einstein added the cosmological constant to get a stable solution. The function of this constant in Einstein’s equation was repulsion, so one possibility of dark energy was the cosmological constant. Einstein gave up the constant and thought it was a mistake after Hubble discovered that the universe accelerated expansion in 1929. However, the cosmological constant was reintroduced in 1998 after the discovery of the accelerating expansion of the universe by the observed type 1a supernova. One finds that the cosmological constant model ($\Lambda$CDM model) is just enough to explain that the expansion of the universe is due to repulsion of a component. This model is very consistent with astronomical observations, there are still some problems with the $\Lambda$CDM model, such as fine-tuning and cosmic coincidence.

To alleviate these problems, people have proposed dynamic dark energy model one after another: quintessence [15,16], phantom [17], quintom [18,19], holographic dark energy model [20–24], Chaplygin gas (CG) model [25–27], Dirac-Born-Infeld (DBI) dark energy [28,29], and so forth.

In this paper, we have studied the non-gravitational interaction dark energy model between dark energy and cold dark matter in which the equation of state (EoS) parameter $w$ is a constant, this kind of interacting dark energy model have been widely studied [30–55], and in this paper the coupled dark energy model is called $Iw$CDM model. It can also explain the accelerated expansion of the large scale universe [56–65]. Meanwhile, the existence of non-gravitational interaction not only lead to an alleviation of the coincidence problem, but also make theoretical models work better. Compared to $\Lambda$CDM or its extended model $w$CDM, the the interacting dark energy model make dark energy and dark matter with energy exchange from the background evolution, in this way in the early time of expanding universe, the less dark energy will implicitly affect the evolution of dark matter, it will slightly influence the matter structure growth, meanwhile in the late time of expanding universe, the dark matter will exchange the energy with dark energy, the interaction will affect the universe acceleration. In this paper, we will focus on the background evolution of interacting dark energy model. In addition, we also have explored the deviation of the interaction dark energy model from $\Lambda$CDM and the behavior of evolution trajectory when the interaction dark energy model takes different parameter values through the Statefinder hierarchy [56,66–74] and $Om$ [75–77] diagnostic. The statefinder hierarchy is a sensitive diagnostic of DE, which uses the higher-order derivatives of $a(t)$ and can break the degeneracy of the model very well. However, the advantage of the $Om$ diagnostic is its less dependency on the matter density. That means the $Om$ diagnostic is much easier than the statefinder hierarchy.

In the spatially homogeneous and isotropic Friedmann-Robertson-Walker (FRW) universe filled with DE (de), CDM (c), baryons (b), and radiation (r). The continuity equation for each component can be written as follows:

\[
\dot{\rho}_{de} + 3H(1 + w)\rho_{de} = -Q, \tag{1}
\]
\[
\dot{\rho}_c + 3H\rho_c = Q, \tag{2}
\]
\[
\dot{\rho}_b + 3H\rho_b = 0, \tag{3}
\]
\[
\dot{\rho}_r + 4H\rho_r = 0, \tag{4}
\]
where the dot denotes a derivative with respect to time $t$, $H = \dot{a}/a$ is the Hubble parameter, $\rho_i$ is the energy density of each component, for $i = d, c, b,$ and $r$ respectively, and $Q$ is the energy transfer rate between DE and CDM. In this paper, six interacting forms were considered: $Q_1 = \xi H \sqrt{\rho c/\rho d}$, $Q_2 = \xi H \rho c$, $Q_3 = \xi H \sqrt{\rho c/\rho d}$, $Q_4 = \xi H (1 + w) \rho c$, $Q_5 = \xi H (1 + w) \rho c/\rho d$, $Q_6 = \xi H (1 + w) \sqrt{\rho c/\rho d}$, where $\xi$ is the dimensionless coupling parameter. For these six interaction terms, there are some relations, such as $Q_1$ and $Q_5$, $Q_2$ and $Q_4$, $Q_3$ and $Q_6$, here we show the evolutionary trajectories of dimensionless density parameter in Figure 1.

![Figure 1](image_url)

**Figure 1.** The evolution trajectories of $\Omega_i$ versus red shift $z$ of interacting dark energy models, to compare $Q_1$ and $Q_5$, $Q_2$ and $Q_4$, $Q_3$ and $Q_6$, here we fixed $w = -1.1$ and $\xi = 0.02$, the other related parameters was fixed as the results of Planck 2015, $\Omega_{d0} = 0.684$, $\Omega_{c0} = 0.267$, $\Omega_{b0} = 0.049$, $\Omega_{\nu0} = 0.0001$.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, two diagnostic methods were briefly introduced—the Statefinder hierarchy and the Om diagnostic. In Section 3, we have explored the evolutionary behavior of the interacting dark energy model through the diagnostic tools—the deceleration parameter $q$, the Statefinder hierarchy, the Om diagnostic, and compared them [9,10,72,78]. Section 4 is the summary of this paper.

### 2. Statefinder Hierarchy and Om Diagnostic

Since many dark energy models are pretty good explanations for the accelerating expansion of the universe, in order to distinguish between them, we need to use some distinguishing tools. So various tools have been developed to distinguish dark energy models. In this section, we adopted the Statefinder hierarchy diagnostic and Om diagnostic.

#### 2.1. The Statefinder Hierarchy

The scale factor of the Universe can be Taylor expanded around the present epoch $t_0$ as follows [66]

$$\frac{a(t)}{a_0} = 1 + \sum A_n(t_0) \frac{H_0(t - t_0)^n}{n!},$$

where $A_n = \frac{a^{(n)}}{dt^n}$, $n \in N$, $a^{(n)}$ is the $n$th derivative of the scale factor with respect to time, and $q \equiv -A_2$ is the deceleration parameter. For $LCDM$, $\Omega_m = \frac{1}{2}$

$$A_2 = 1 - \frac{3}{2} \Omega_m,$$  
$$A_3 = 1,$$  
$$A_4 = 1 - \frac{9}{2} \Omega_m,$$  
$$A_5 = 1 + 3 \Omega_m + \frac{27}{2} \Omega_m^2, \quad \text{etc.},$$
where $\Omega_m = \frac{3}{2}(1 + q)$, $A_n (n \geq 3)$ is transformed to statefinder hierarchy, $S_n^{(1)}$, which can be defined as [66]:

\[
S_3^{(1)} = A_3, \\
S_4^{(1)} = A_4 + 3(1 + q), \\
S_5^{(1)} = A_5 - 2(4 + 3q)(1 + q), \quad \text{etc.,}
\]

obviously, $S_n^{(1)}$ of the $\Lambda CDM$ model is a fixed value during the cosmic expansion, $S_n^{(1)}|_{\Lambda CDM} = 1$. However, the $S_n^{(1)}$ value of other DE models is not fixed, so we can easily distinguish the $\Lambda CDM$ model from other DE models through this diagnostic method. Now, we consider a spatially FRW universe containing DE, CDM, baryons, and radiation, the corresponding physical quantities can be substituted into the above formulas respectively, also the corresponding $S_n^{(1)}$ value can be obtained.

In this paper, we have discussed the interaction DE model, so $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$ can be represented as follows [56]:

\[
S_3^{(1)} = 1 + \frac{9}{2} \Omega_{de}w + \frac{9}{2} \Omega_{de}w'^2 - \frac{3}{2} \Omega_{de}w' - 2\Omega_r + \frac{3wQ}{2H\rho}, \\
S_4^{(1)} = 1 - \frac{9}{4} w \Omega_{de}^2 (3w + 3w^2 - w') - \frac{3}{3} \Omega_{de}w(21 + 39w + 18w^2) + \Omega_r (7w + 3w^2 - w') - (13 + 18w)w' - w'' - \Omega_r (9 + \Omega_r) - \frac{3wQ}{2H\rho} (2 + 3w) + \frac{3wQ'}{2H\rho} + \frac{3\omega Q'}{H\rho},
\]

where the prime denotes the derivative with respect to $x = \ln a$ and $\rho = \Sigma \rho_i$. Equations (13) and (14) can be applied to all the interaction DE models. When we take different forms of interaction, the corresponding physical quantities can be substituted into the above formulas respectively, also the corresponding $S_n^{(1)}$ value can be obtained.

### 2.2. The Om Diagnostic

In this section, another commonly used method to distinguish dark energy models will be introduced, namely Om diagnosis. The Om diagnostic is based on Hubble parameters, it can provide a null diagnostic of the concordance cosmology ($\Lambda CDM$) and distinguish between models without reference to the density of matter. The Om diagnostic can be defined as [75]:

\[
Om(x) = \frac{h^2(x) - 1}{x^0 - 1},
\]

where $h(x) = H(x)/H_0$ and $x = 1 + z$. $H(x)$ is the Hubble parameter and $H_0$ is the value of the Hubble parameter at $z = 0$. For $\Lambda CDM$, we have found that $Om(x) = \Omega_{0dm}$.

### 3. Exploration of Interacting Dark Energy with Statefinder Hierarchy and Om Diagnostic

In this section, we shall discuss the deviations from $\Lambda CDM$ and distinguish the evolution trajectory of the interaction dark energy model with different parameters by using the diagnostics of statefinder hierarchy and the Om diagnostic. Here, we only consider the influence of EoS parameter $w$ and coupling parameter $\xi$. In addition, for all models, the present-day fractional density parameters of DE, Cold Dark Matter (CDM), baryons, and radiation are fixed to be, according to Planck 2015 observational results [8], $\Omega_{de0} = 0.684$, $\Omega_{c0} = 0.267$, $\Omega_{b0} = 0.049$, $\Omega_{r0} = 0.0001$. Firstly, we shall
consider the influence of the EoS parameter \( w \) on \( IwCDM \) model and keep the coupling parameter \( \xi \) unchanged. Then, we will discuss the influence of the coupling parameter \( \xi \) on \( IwCDM \) model, and the EoS parameter \( w \) will be kept unchanged.

3.1. Consider the Change of \( w \) and Keep the Parameter \( \xi \) Constant

In this subsection we only consider the EoS parameter \( w \) to take different values on the interaction dark energy model, and keep the parameter \( \xi \) unchanged. Here we have chosen \( \xi = 0.02 \), and let the parameters of \( w \) be equal to \(-0.9, -1.1, \) and \(-1.2\), respectively.

First, the \( IwCDM \) models with \( Q_1 \) (denoted as \( IwCDM_1 \)) has been diagnosed according to the deceleration parameter \( q \), the statefinder hierarchy parameter \( S_3^{(1)}, S_4^{(1)} \) and the \( Om \) diagnostic respectively. We have plotted the function \( S_3^{(1)}, S_4^{(1)}, q \) and \( Om \) versus redshift \( z \) for the \( IwCDM_1 \) model in Figure 2. Here we have chosen \( \xi = 0.02, w = -0.9, -1.1 \) and \(-1.2\).

In Figure 2, we have seen that for \( q(z) \), the change of parameter \( w \) has little effect on the transition redshift, and in the high redshift region, there is a high degree of degeneracy between the evolution trajectories of the model with different parameter values and even including \( \Lambda CDM \). However, in the low redshift region the degeneracy is destroyed to some extent. But these evolutionary trajectories, including \( \Lambda CDM \), are very close to each other. Therefore, it can be concluded that the deceleration parameter \( q \) does not distinguish the model very well. And from the image of the deceleration parameters, we can see that the evolution of the universe is from deceleration expansion to accelerated expansion. For \( S_3^{(1)} \), the degeneracy is perfectly broken in the low redshift region, and because the parameters \( w \) are different, the curve shows the trend of symmetry. In the high redshift region, the curve of the model is somewhat degenerate. But it doesn’t matter, because the observations are mainly concentrated in the low redshift range (\( z \leq 1 \)). Also, it is easy to separate \( \Lambda CDM \) from \( IwCDM_1 \). For \( S_4^{(1)} \), we have seen that in the high redshift region, the evolution trajectory of different parameters is highly degenerate, and it’s hard to distinguish between \( \Lambda CDM \) and \( IwCDM_1 \). In the low redshift region, the evolution curves of different parameters \( w \) are hugely separate from each other, yet there is a bit of degeneracy between the lines of \( w = -0.9 \) and \( \Lambda CDM \). We still think \( S_4^{(1)} \) is a good tool to distinguish between \( \Lambda CDM \) from \( IwCDM_1 \), but \( S_4^{(1)} \) works better. For \( Om \), interestingly, the evolution trend of the \( IwCDM_1 \) model is similar to that in the \( S_3^{(1)} \), the three curves in the low redshift region are all separated from each other and can be well distinguished from the \( \Lambda CDM \), except that the distance between them is obviously not far from the \( S_3^{(1)} \). Overall, the evolution trajectories corresponding to different parameters are separated further in the \( S_3^{(1)} \), and \( S_3^{(1)} \) can better distinguish \( \Lambda CDM \) from \( IwCDM_1 \), in the low redshift region. From this point of view, the diagnostic effect of \( S_3^{(1)} \) is the best.

In Figure 3, we have been discussed the model with interaction \( Q_2 \) (denoted as \( IwCDM_2 \)), as well as made a comparison with the \( \Lambda CDM \) model and explored degeneracy between the evolution trajectories of the model with different parameter values. We have seen that the four diagnostic curves of \( IwCDM_2 \) model are similar to those of \( IwCDM_1 \), and \( S_3^{(1)}, S_4^{(1)}, Om \) also can distinguish between \( \Lambda CDM \) and \( ICDM_2 \). Similarly among them, \( S_3^{(1)} \) performs better.

In Figure 4, the evolutionary trajectories are similar to those of the first two models, and will not be elaborated on here. From the images of the above three interaction models, it can be concluded that \( S_3^{(1)} \) has a better effect on distinguishing the curves with different parameters of the model itself, and \( S_3^{(1)} \) is also better in distinguishing \( \Lambda CDM \) and \( ICDM_2 \).

Next, we will discuss the three models with interaction terms \( Q_4, Q_5 \) and \( Q_6 \), which are called \( IwCDM_4, IwCDM_5, IwCDM_6 \). The interactions of these three models are actually multiplied by \( (1 + w) \) on the basis of \( Q_1, Q_2 \) and \( Q_3 \), other rules are similar to the first three models. We have draw a conclusion from Figures 5–7, \( S_3^{(1)}, S_4^{(1)} \) and \( Om \) diagnostic methods all can distinguish different model well in the low redshift region. For \( q(z) \), the curve has a large degeneracy in the low redshift region.
In the same light, $S_3^{(1)}$ is the best of the four diagnostic tools. From the above discussion, we have found that $q(z)$ is the worst of the four diagnoses, with the change of state parameters, the evolution trajectory in $q$ is not greatly affected. $Om$, $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$ are all good diagnostic tools to distinguish different dark energy models. By comparison, $S_3^{(1)}$ is the best tool for diagnostic results for these interactive dark energy models.

Figure 2. The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $Om$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $IwCDM_1$ model with variable $w$ and fixed $\xi = 0.02$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda CDM$ is also shown in these sets of figures.

Figure 3. The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $Om$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $IwCDM_2$ model with variable $w$ and fixed $\xi = 0.02$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda CDM$ is also shown in these sets of figures.
Figure 4. The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $\Omega_m$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $\Lambda$CDM3 model with variable $w$ and fixed $\xi = 0.02$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda$CDM is also shown in these sets of figures.

Figure 5. The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $\Omega_m$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $\Lambda$CDM4 model with variable $w$ and fixed $\xi = 0.02$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda$CDM is also shown in these sets of figures.

Figure 6. The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $\Omega_m$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $\Lambda$CDM5 model with variable $w$ and fixed $\xi = 0.02$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda$CDM is also shown in these sets of figures.
3.2. Consider the Change of $\xi$ and Keep the Parameter $w$ Constant

In this subsection, it is only considered that the parameter $\xi$ to take different values on the interaction dark energy model, and keeps the EoS parameter $w$ unchanged.

First of all, we have plotted four diagnostic images of $q$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $\Omega_m$ for the $IwCDM6$ model in Figure 8. It can be seen that the evolution trajectories in $q$ are not affected by the change of the coupling parameter $\xi$. For $S_3^{(1)}$, the evolution trajectories are highly coincident in the high red shift region, and in the low red shift region, although the curves are separated from each other, there is still a high degeneracy. However, $S_3^{(1)}$ diagnosis can distinguish $\Lambda CDM$ from $IwCDM1$ model well in the low red shift region. For $S_4^{(1)}$, the evolution is also highly degenerate in the high red shift region, but in the low red shift zone, this degeneracy is destroyed well. In the same way, $S_4^{(1)}$ diagnosis can similarly distinguish $\Lambda CDM$ from $IwCDM1$ model well in the low red shift region. On the contrary, For the $\Omega_m$, the evolution trajectories is highly coincident in the low red shift region, but separated from each other in the high red shift region. In addition, the observations are mainly concentrated in the low red shift range ($z \leq 1$), so we usually only consider the situation in the low red shift region. In other word, that diagnostic effect of $\Omega_m$ is not good at low red shift region. To sum up, $\Omega_m$, $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$ can all be used to distinguish $\Lambda CDM$ from $IwCDM1$ model in the low red shift region. However, only $S_4^{(1)}$ can distinguish the different evolutionary curves of the $IwCDM1$ model with different coupling parameter $\xi$ well.

Then, the $IwCDM2$ model should be discussed now. For Figure 9, it can be found that the evolution curves of $q$ are less affected when the parameter $\xi$ is changed, also it can not be distinguished from $\Lambda CDM$. And the evolution curves of $\Omega_m$, $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$ for $IwCDM2$ model have some degeneracy in the low red shift region. But in the high red shift region, they are more separated from each other. However, this is not helpful because of the observations are mainly concentrated in the low red shift range. By comparing these three kinds of diagnosis, we have seen that variable $\xi$ have a greater effect on the evolution curves of $S_3^{(1)}$. In other words, the diagnostic effect of $S_4^{(1)}$ on the $IwCDM2$ model is better.

Next we discuss the $IwCDM3$ model. In Figure 10, it can be seen that the evolution curves of $q$ coincide with each other, and the evolution curves of $\Omega_m$ and $S_3^{(1)}$ have high degeneracy in the low red shift. Interestingly, the evolutionary trajectory in $S_4^{(1)}$ is completely coincident within $z < 0.5$, but when the red shift $z > 0.5$, the degeneracy of the curves in $S_4^{(1)}$ is broken well, the evolution curves also can be distinguished easily from each other. In general, $S_4^{(1)}$ has better diagnostic behavior.
Then, the three models with interaction terms $Q_4$, $Q_5$ and $Q_6$ will be discussed, which are called $IwCDM_4$, $IwCDM_5$, $IwCDM_6$. From Figures 11–13, we can see that the evolutionary trajectory of this three models are almost unaffected by the change of parameter $\xi$. So for $Om$, $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$, they can only distinguish $\Lambda CDM$ from the $IwCDM_1$ model, but cannot distinguish the evolution curves of variable $\xi$.

In summary, the influence of the state parameter $w$ on the $IwCDM$ model is much greater than that of the coupling parameter $\xi$ on the $IwCDM$ model. $S_3^{(1)}$ is a better diagnostic tool when the state parameter $w$ changes and the coupling parameter $\xi$ is fixed, while $S_4^{(1)}$ works better when the coupling parameter $\xi$ changes and the state parameter $w$ is unchanged.

**Figure 8.** The evolution trajectories of $\eta$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $Om$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $IwCDM_1$ model with variable $\xi$ and fixed $w = -1.1$, where $\xi$ is taken separately $-0.02, 0.02, 0.06$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda CDM$ is also shown in these sets of figures.

**Figure 9.** The evolution trajectories of $\eta$, $S_3^{(1)}$, $S_4^{(1)}$ and $Om$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the $IwCDM_2$ model with variable $\xi$ and fixed $w = -1.1$, where $\xi$ is taken separately $-0.02, 0.02, 0.06$. The evolution curve of $\Lambda CDM$ is also shown in these sets of figures.
The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S^{(1)}_3$, $S^{(1)}_4$ and $\Omega_m$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the IwCDM model with variable $\xi$ and fixed $w = -1.1$, where $\xi$ is taken separately 0.02, 0.04, 0.06. The evolution curve of $\Lambda$CDM is also shown in these sets of figures.

Figure 10.

The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S^{(1)}_3$, $S^{(1)}_4$ and $\Omega_m$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the IwCDM model with variable $\xi$ and fixed $w = -1.1$, where $\xi$ is taken separately $-0.02$, 0.02, 0.06. The evolution curve of $\Lambda$CDM is also shown in these sets of figures.

Figure 11.

The evolution trajectories of $q$, $S^{(1)}_3$, $S^{(1)}_4$ and $\Omega_m$, respectively, versus red shift $z$ for the IwCDM model with variable $\xi$ and fixed $w = -1.1$, where $\xi$ is taken separately $-0.02$, 0.02, 0.06. The evolution curve of $\Lambda$CDM is also shown in these sets of figures.

Figure 12.
4. Conclusions

In this paper, we have studied the interaction of dark energy models with deceleration parameter $q$, statefinder hierarchy and the $Om$ diagnostic. We hope to explore the deviations from $ΛCDM$ and to distinguish the evolution trajectory of the interaction dark energy model with different parameters. First, we only take the EoS parameter $w$ with different values on the interaction dark energy model, and kept the coupling parameter $ξ$ constant. We have found that for $q(z)$, the evolution trajectories of different parameters in the high red shift region, is highly degenerate. In the low red shift region, the degeneracy is destroyed to some extent. From $q$, we have seen that the universe is indeed a process from decelerated expansion to accelerated expansion, and no matter how the state parameter $w$ changes, it will not affect the transition red shift. In addition, $Om$, $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$ are good diagnostic methods to distinguish $ΛCDM$ from the $IwCDM$ model, and to separate the evolution curves of variable parameter $w$ especially in the low red shift region. We just need to consider the low red shift region because of the observational data are mainly within it. Through the above research, we have found that the evolution curve of the $IwCDM$ model with different values of state parameter $w$ is more separated in $S_3^{(1)}$. That is to say, $S_3^{(1)}$ is a better tool for diagnostic models. Next, we have only considered the impact of the coupling parameter $ξ$ to the interaction dark energy model, and kept $w$ unchanged. It can be seen that the law of $q$ is similar to that of the previous one. Compared with $Om$, $S_3^{(1)}$ and $S_4^{(1)}$, the evolution curves in $S_4^{(1)}$ are more separated from each other. So the diagnosis of $S_4^{(1)}$ is better. It should be noted that the change of state parameter $w$ has a greater influence on the $IwCDM$ model than the coupling parameter $ξ$.

As a consequence of all that studied above, we have found that the higher-order statefinder does not diagnose the model as well. We need to make a specific analysis of the specific model.

Since we still know little about the microscopic nature of dark energy and dark matter, it is difficult to calculate a very clear interaction term from a theoretical point of view. Therefore, we can only construct some reasonable interaction terms by phenomenological description, and then make further analysis on this basis. Nowadays, the most widely studied interaction phenomenological model is divided into three main categories, namely, assuming that $Q$ is proportional to dark energy density, $Q$ to dark matter density and $Q$ to the density sum of dark energy and dark matter. The novelty of this paper is that in the construction of the interaction term, we also assume that the $Q$ is proportional to the $\rho_kρ_k$, proportional to the $\sqrt{\rho_kρ_k}$, and so on. The study of interaction models is more advantageous than $ΛCDM$, and the introduction of interaction between dark matter and dark energy can help us to alleviate or solve some theoretical problems in cosmology, such as the problem of cosmic coincidence,
the problem of cosmic “great tear” caused by ghost dark energy, and the problem of cosmic age caused by ancient quasars.

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