### The STLR Model:

Structural, Thermodynamic, Lawful Reset of the Universe Steven Coker May 09, 2025

# Abstract

This paper proposes a structural thermodynamic model for the origin, evolution, and reset of the universe based entirely on existing physical laws, with no new particles, forces, or speculative mechanisms. The model avoids the singularity problem by enforcing lawful compression limits, honors the Second Law of Thermodynamics throughout all phases, and reframes the universe as a closed, lawful system governed by structural inevitability.

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### 1. Introduction

The STLR (stellar) Model is a cosmological framework based solely on established physics. It applies the Second Law of Thermodynamics to the entire universe, proposing that entropy continues to a final, structureless state, Perfect Stillness, where time and motion cease to exist. From this state, the universe is reborn out of necessity. The Second Law of Thermodynamics says that entropy must increase over time, so time must be redefined in its entirety. Entropy resets to its absolute minimum in the absence of time.

### 2. Scope of Law

This model does not attempt to define every phenomenon in physics. It describes only the lawful cycle between maximum entropy and the lawful reemergence of structure.

If the Second Law of Thermodynamics remains unbroken, then the cycle from Perfect Stillness to expansion is the only lawful path permitted.

This model does not deny complexity, it demands lawfulness.

## 3. Thermodynamic Zero

Entropy is not the destruction of matter, it is the destruction of time. At maximum entropy, with zero points of reference, time ceases to exist. For entropy to continue, structure must return.

### 4. Perfect Stillness

Perfect Stillness represents the cosmological equivalent of absolute zero: the total absence of structure, motion, and entropy gradients. Although it follows maximum entropy in time, it is identical in thermodynamic character to the lowest possible state, uniform, undivided, and still.

### 5. Assumptions

- I. The Second Law of Thermodynamics is unwavering. It governs all physical processes. Every observable law of physics follows from entropy.
- II. The Universe is a closed system where energy exists. Nothing more, nothing less.
- III. Energy is governed by entropy, even at maximum entropy. If energy exists it must behave according to the laws of Thermodynamics.
- IV. Time is finite. It becomes physically defined only when structure changes across space, as described by General Relativity.
- V. Planck Limits. The universe has a minimum resolution (Planck Length) and a minimum interval (Planck Time). Nothing can be defined below the Planck scale; it is a structural asymptote.
- VI. Perfect Symmetry is Unstable. Symmetry cannot persist without change, lawful change must occur.
- VII. Physics beyond General Relativity, Thermodynamics, and Planck-scale structure may exist, but only within established spacetime, and only if it strictly adheres to the Second Law of Thermodynamics.
- VIII. Primordial Core. The Primordial Core is a three-dimensional structure with a diameter of exactly one Planck Length, containing all the energy in existence.
  - IX. Structural encoding delay increases with expansion, as each step requires defining curvature over more space.

X. Necessity. At every step, the next condition is the only lawful option. The system unfolds by necessity, not chance.

# 6. The Steps

I. Perfect Stillness

Maximum entropy. No gradients, no structure, no information, no space, no time. Uniform energy exists.

II. Instability of Symmetry

Perfect symmetry, with zero gradients, is unstable by law. This state cannot persist. Entropy must increase over time. A structural change allowing entropy to increase over time is required.

III. Definition of Curvature

A region of higher energy density becomes geometrically defined. This establishes curvature, which in turn defines space and time as static dimensions.

IV. Emergence of Geometry

Curved geometry defines spatial relationships. Time exists as dimension only, not yet in motion.

- V. Gravitational Configuration Energy is geometrically distributed toward maximal curvature.
- VI. Structure Emerges
  Compression locks geometry into form. Spacetime becomes fully defined, but frozen.
  Time lacks direction.
- VII. Planck Boundary Compression halts at one Planck Length. Geometry cannot resolve below this limit.
- VIII. Primordial Core
  All energy is compressed into a symmetric, Planck-scale core. No escape, decay, or further change is possible.
  - IX. Core Instability

The Core cannot remain. With no time vector, no decay is possible, only expansion is lawfully allowed.

X. Time Starts

Expansion initiates. Entropy increases. The first gradient appears, and the clock ticks.

### 7. Entropy Without Time

Even in Perfect Stillness, where space, structure, and time have dissolved, energy still exists. Though no gradients or motion remain, the system is not exempt from law. The Second Law of Thermodynamics continues to govern the existence of energy, even in its most inert form. Entropy does not require motion to remain valid; it only requires that no alternative state can lawfully persist. In the absence of time, entropy is not paused, it is held in constraint, awaiting the lawful redefinition of structure so that it may continue.

#### 8. The process

At the end of the universe's entropy curve, the final tick of Planck time occurs. Gradients dissolve, structure vanishes, and expansion halts. With no usable energy differentials remaining, not even expansion can be defined. Perfect Stillness is reached, a state of maximum entropy where space, motion, and time lose all meaning.

The clock no longer exists because nothing remains to measure. Without gradients or structure, there is no measure of before or after. Entropy has no path forward, and time, which depends on distinguishable change, dissolves entirely. What remains is a static, undifferentiated diffuse energy. The universe has no motion, no direction, and no memory. It does not wait; it simply *is*.

When a region of energy becomes defined in density, curvature emerges. This emergence is not optional, it is the only thermodynamically lawful resolution to the instability of perfect symmetry. This geometric distinction re-establishes space and introduces time as a static dimension, not yet in motion. The clock reappears in form, a coordinate within a now-structured geometry, but it does not tick. Structure has not moved, and no entropy gradient exists to drive change.

Through steps of increasing curvature and compression, structure is established. Geometry locks into place, and spacetime becomes fully specified. Yet the system is frozen, no entropy gradient means no change, and thus no flow of time. The Primordial Core represents the fully wound clock: complete in structure, inert in function. Entropy's absolute minimum.

Perfect symmetry within the Core is unstable by law. Unable to compress further or decay within a timeless state, the only lawful resolution is expansion. This breaks symmetry, introduces the first entropy gradient, and defines a direction of change, and time becomes a vector. The clock ticks, not again, but for the first time in the new universe.

You can never rewind a clock. But if you break it, and rebuild it, you can set the time to zero, and start it again.

## 9. Physical Limits

The Planck Length is a structural asymptote, the minimum boundary of geometry. Like the speed of light and absolute zero, it cannot be reached by any object, subsystem, or structure governed by conventional motion, entropy, or partial energy. These are not barriers to be broken, they are limits that define physical law.

However, just as light defines the speed limit by existing at it, and a perfectly ordered system defines absolute zero without ever reaching it, the Planck limit can be lawfully fulfilled only by totality. When all energy in existence is symmetrically compressed, it does not violate the Planck limit, it defines it. The Primordial Core is that definition: the only possible structure that can exist at exactly one Planck unit cubed.

## **10. Lawful Expansion**

The Primordial Core expands its diameter by exactly one Planck unit, defining the smallest lawful geometric increase, in exactly one Planck tick, the shortest lawful temporal interval, increasing its volume by a factor of eight. This marks the only physically lawful outcome permitted to break perfect symmetry. Although expansion is not explosive in origin, its physical effect, a structural release from perfect symmetry, results in a rapid, accelerating expansion that appears explosive in scale, yet is fully derived from thermodynamic instability.

As volume increases, the curvature responsible for gravitational confinement weakens, while the internal energy of the Primordial Core remains constant. This generates a growing imbalance: outward pressure remains fixed, but inward resistance diminishes geometrically. Expansion

accelerates, not due to increasing force, but due to the compounding failure of gravitational containment. However, the rate of expansion is tempered by structure. The delay required to encode usable curvature increases as more spacetime must be defined, slowing expansion as structural complexity grows.

### 11. Primordial Core and Black Hole comparison

A black hole shares structural similarities with the Primordial Core, but the two are fundamentally different. A black hole exists within spacetime and has an active event horizon. It is subject to Hawking radiation and external observation. The Primordial Core exists outside of spacetime, has no event horizon, and is not governed by quantum effects. It cannot radiate, cannot be observed, and cannot remain in stasis. Expansion is its only lawful outcome.

#### 12. Uncertainty

Uncertainty, the idea that everything that *can* happen *must* happen, given infinite time, is discarded. This interpretation is in direct violation of the Second Law of Thermodynamics. Entropy must increase over time and time is finite. The universe unfolds exactly as it must, governed by law, not chance, until entropy reaches its maximum, and the process resets.

#### 13. Falsifiability

### **Singularity Test:**

If black holes are shown to collapse beyond a defined structural limit, that is, if compression continues beyond the Planck length without forming a hard floor, this model is false.

#### **Nucleosynthesis Compatibility:**

If the early expansion curve of this model cannot reproduce the thermodynamic conditions necessary for light element formation (as confirmed by observed hydrogen and helium abundances), the model is incomplete or incorrect.

### **Encoding Delay:**

If the time required to encode curvature does not increase with structural complexity, or increases at a rate incompatible with the observed thermal history, the model is invalid.

### **Energy-to-Matter Transition:**

If it is demonstrated that pure energy, under high-density, high-curvature conditions like those of the Primordial Core, cannot form matter or initiate structure, the model fails to explain the observable universe and is therefore invalid as a complete cosmological model.

## 14. Boundaries

Whatever forms within structured spacetime, particles, fields, interactions, must obey the Second Law of Thermodynamics. This model does not define all post-expansion physics. It defines what is allowed to exist: only what is thermodynamically lawful.

## 15. Acknowledgments

The Second Law of Thermodynamics is strictly adhered to throughout the entire cycle. Every aspect of General Relativity is preserved, and its structural limits are revealed, proving that Einstein finished his own work.

This model does not reject modern physics; it reorders it. Quantum effects are not denied but are treated as emergent phenomena that arise only within structured spacetime. Where speculation has been excluded, it is done so deliberately, to preserve law over assumption.

### 16. Conclusion

The STLR Model – Structural, Thermodynamic, Lawful Reset – offers a complete, thermodynamically lawful description of the universe, one that begins not with randomness, but with inevitability. It assumes no new forces, no hidden dimensions or particles, no paradoxical reversals of entropy, and no mathematical infinities. Instead, it proposes that entropy ends in Perfect Stillness, a state of maximum uniformity, where structure and time dissolve entirely. Collapse resumes not by force, but because entropy requires spacetime to exist. The diffuse energy of the previous universe is compressed into a Primordial Core, the only structure that can lawfully form. From this point, space, time, and structure re-emerge. Expansion is not an origin event, but a lawful response to structural instability. The universe does not repeat, it recurs by obeying the same laws through structural re-expression. This model does not speculate beyond physics, it completes it.

If the model fails, it will not be for lack of structure.

If the Second Law of Thermodynamics falls, all of physics falls with it.

If the universe ends in absolute nothingness, then it began in randomness governed by nothing.

Unburdened by Genius, I was forced to follow the laws because I didn't know any better.

*I pushed the limits of Thermodynamics, General Relativity, and Geometry to their absolute limit. And if they break, then they were never laws to begin with.* 

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