

The ArcSecs Cosmic Anomalies Tracker: An Exhaustive Deconstruction of Lambda-CDM via Relational Kinematics and Massive Electrodynamics

Introduction: The Cosmological Impasse and the Test-Driven Paradigm

The prevailing framework of modern astrophysics, the Standard Model of Cosmology or Λ CDM (Lambda Cold Dark Matter), relies upon the theoretical foundations of general relativity and a continuous pseudo-Riemannian spacetime manifold. Under this model, the universe is undergoing an accelerated metric expansion driven by dark energy (Λ), while large-scale structure formation is governed by the gravitational scaffolding of cold dark matter (CDM). For decades, this paradigm has served as the baseline description of the cosmic thermal and expansion history. However, as observational precision enters a new era—spearheaded by platforms like the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) and highly calibrated cosmic microwave background (CMB) surveys—the Λ CDM paradigm is buckling under the weight of mounting observational anomalies. From catastrophic tensions in the cosmic expansion rate to the discovery of inexplicably mature galaxies at the dawn of the universe, extrapolating the geometric interpretation of gravity and classical massless electrodynamics to their cosmological limits has yielded logical singularities, mathematical contradictions, and physical paradoxes.¹

In response to these systemic failures, alternative speculative models—such as the ArcSecs relational kinematics framework—have emerged. Utilizing a strict "Test-Driven Cosmological Framework," this methodology treats the fundamental laws of the universe not as unquestionable axioms, but as an algorithmic codebase.¹ A theoretical model is only deemed valid if it passes rigorous observational stress tests without requiring the injection of unprovable, heuristic patches such as dark energy, non-baryonic particulate dark matter, or expanding geometric manifolds.¹

This report synthesizes a comprehensive array of real-world astronomical anomalies that currently challenge Λ CDM, serving as an exhaustive tracker of cosmological failures. Furthermore, it explicitly contrasts the mainstream explanations of these phenomena with the relational, no-spacetime, and Proca massive electrodynamic models proposed by the ArcSecs framework.¹ By deconstructing these anomalies, this analysis outlines how the universe can be

redefined as a static, continuous Euclidean void filled with a highly attenuated, massive photon substrate, ultimately providing the theoretical foundation for revolutionary macroscopic kinematics and propulsion software architectures.¹

1. The Epistemological and Philosophical Deconstruction of the Spacetime Continuum

The foundation of the ^ΛCDM crisis lies in its unquestioned reliance on the physical, ontological existence of the spacetime continuum. Recent discourse within the philosophy of science and theoretical physics has begun to severely challenge this assumption, framing it as an epistemological error that has paralyzed modern cosmology.¹ If general relativity is eventually superseded by a quantum, holographic, or relational framework, the academic community must confront the profound reality that "spacetime does not exist".⁴

Within advanced philosophical and physical inquiry—such as the debates chronicled in the Leiter Reports—the transition away from general relativity presents a semantic and ontological dilemma.⁴ When general relativity is inevitably superseded, one interpretive route is to claim that spacetime simply turned out to have a different structure than the one attributed to it by Einstein.⁴ However, the more rigorous quantum and relational deconstruction of the continuum posits that spacetime itself is a non-physical mathematical abstraction.¹ In this relational cosmology, general relativity does not elegantly "emerge" from a deeper quantum truth. Instead, it is viewed as a highly predictive but fundamentally flawed approximation, much in the same way that Newtonian gravitation theory and Newtonian mechanics functioned exceptionally well prior to 1915, failing only at edge cases like the anomalous advance of the perihelion of Mercury.⁴

As observed in philosophical discourse surrounding this paradigm shift, defending the absolute reality of the spacetime manifold while attempting to resolve the current cosmological crises is akin to fighting the wrong battle—resembling "dinosaurs before the meteor".⁴ The alternative proposed by the ArcSecs framework is a static, Euclidean, non-physical void where all motion, kinetic energy, and physical interactions are strictly relational.¹ In this void, spatial separation and temporal duration are not woven into a malleable fabric. Instead, phenomena such as inertia and gravitational attraction depend exclusively on the relative distances, velocities, and accelerations between material bodies.¹

This rejection of the spacetime manifold heavily leverages Mach's Principle, where the inertia of a localized body is not an isolated, intrinsic property, but rather emerges dynamically from gravitational and electromagnetic interactions with all other massive bodies in the observable cosmos.¹ Drawing on the analytical frameworks of Andre Koch Torres Assis and the Weber gravitational and electrodynamic force laws, the ArcSecs model encapsulates low-velocity gravitational effects and the origin of inertia into a single relational equation.¹ Consequently, by treating spacetime as a pure mathematical abstraction rather than a physical entity capable of metric expansion or geometric curvature, theoretical pathways are opened to resolve

anomalies that currently paralyze the standard model.

2. The Hubble Tension and the Fallacy of Metric Expansion

The most prominent and highly quantified crisis in contemporary cosmology is the Hubble Tension—an irreconcilable discrepancy between the Hubble constant (H_0) inferred from the early universe and the value measured directly in the local, late-time universe.³ The determination of H_0 has reached a level of precision that has unequivocally transformed a measurement discrepancy into a structural crisis for Λ CDM.⁷

2.1 The Observational Dichotomy and Distance Ladder Calibration

Measurements anchored in the early universe, specifically those relying on the Sound Horizon scale such as the Planck satellite's observations of the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB), consistently yield an expansion rate of $H_0 \approx 67.4 \pm 0.5 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.⁷ Conversely, late-universe measurements employing a "Distance Ladder" of local calibrators yield significantly higher values, typically clustering around $73.0 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.³

The SHOES (Supernova H_0 for the Equation of State) collaboration relies on a three-rung distance ladder, utilizing the Hubble Space Telescope and JWST to calibrate Type Ia supernovae (SNe Ia) via Cepheid variables and other intermediate distance indicators.³ Recent analyses of this methodology have yielded values such as $72.6 \pm 2.0 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ and $73.50 \pm 0.81 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.⁶ The discrepancy between the CMB inferred value and the local Distance Ladder value has surpassed a 6.5σ statistical threshold, indicating a fundamental incompatibility rather than a mere calibration error or systemic artifact.⁷

A comprehensive analysis of 88 Sound Horizon Free H_0 measurements categorizes these approaches to isolate the source of the tension.⁷ The analysis reveals that 30 Distance Ladder measurements yield a collective $H_0 = 72.73 \pm 0.39 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ (with a $\chi^2_{\nu} = 0.72$).⁷ In stark contrast, 58 Distance Ladder-Independent and Sound Horizon Free measurements collectively yield $H_0 = 69.37 \pm 0.34 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ ($\chi^2_{\nu} = 0.95$).⁷

This suggests that the Hubble tension is perhaps better characterized as a discrepancy between the Distance Ladder and all other methodologies, rather than strictly an early-versus-late-time cosmic split.⁷ Furthermore, a 2.9σ internal tension exists even among Distance Ladder Independent measurements, where analyses strictly assuming Λ CDM systematically

recover lower H_0 values by approximately $3.4 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ compared to cosmological-model-independent methods.⁷

Publication Date	Observer / Collaboration	Methodology / Calibration Source	Inferred H0 Value (km s ⁻¹ Mpc ⁻¹)
2026-04-01	HODN Collaboration	Distance Ladder Aggregation	72.73 ± 0.39
2025-05-27	W. Freedman et al.	TRGB / Distance Ladder	70.39 ± 1.94
2025-01-14	Pascale et al.	SNe Ia	75.7 ^{+8.1} _{-5.5}
2024-12-01	SH0ES + CCHP JWST	Cepheids + SNe Ia	72.6 ± 2.0
2024	Vogl et al.	Tailored EPM (SNe II)	74.9 ± 2.7
2024	Scolnic et al.	DESI + Coma Cluster	76.5
2023-07-19	Sneppen et al.	Sound Horizon / CMB	67.0 ± 3.6

Table 1: Recent quantitative constraints on the Hubble Constant highlighting the severe dichotomy between local calibrators and CMB-anchored measurements.⁶

Attempts to dismiss the tension as a byproduct of dust extinction or systematic errors in Cepheid physics have largely failed. JWST infrared Cepheid observations have explicitly accounted for dust, returning the same high values in the local universe.¹¹ More critically, completely independent methodologies reproduce the high H_0 values. For instance, the Tailored Expanding Photosphere Method (EPM) executed by Vogl et al. relies on Type II supernovae—an entirely different supernova class with distinct explosion physics—and utilizes

detailed non-local thermodynamic equilibrium (NLTE) radiative transfer models.¹² This method is completely independent of both the Distance Ladder calibration chain and cosmological model assumptions, yet it yields $H_0 = 74.9 \pm 2.7 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$, placing it in a 2.9σ tension with the Planck value.¹² Similarly, the Megamaser Cosmology Project utilizes the motion of water masers around black holes in distant galaxies, entirely bypassing Cepheids, to produce a result of $73.9 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.¹¹

2.2 Redshift Duality, Variable Speed of Light, and Tired Light Mechanics

The persistence of the Hubble Tension indicates that the fundamental assumption of a uniformly expanding metric space is flawed. In a static Euclidean framework, the Hubble Tension ceases to be a conflict over spatial expansion rates and instead becomes a manifestation of kinematic and thermodynamic decay across vast distances.¹ The ArcSecs engine simulates cosmological redshift through the combination of Variable Speed of Light (VSL) theories and Tired Light (TL) mechanics.¹

An operationally defined redshift duality framework has been proposed to alleviate this tension. Under this model, the observed redshift comprises a standard metric-like kinematic component coupled with an additional line-of-sight quantum contribution.⁸ This quantum contribution arises from the cumulative conversion of photon energy into effective mass as a function of path length and frequency.⁸ When this hybrid model is fitted to the

Pantheon+SH0ES compilation, the metric-expansion Hubble constant (H_Λ) is recovered to a value consistent with the Planck baseline of $67.4 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ within $\lesssim 0.33\sigma$.⁸

Redshift-binned analyses demonstrate that while the flat Λ CDM model produces an apparent drift in the inferred Hubble parameter across the Hubble flow, the hybrid redshift duality model restores the constancy of H_Λ across all redshift bins.⁸

This aligns perfectly with modern Tired Light (TL) implementations. As originally proposed by Fritz Zwicky in 1929, TL models suggest that photons lose energy continuously due to interactions with the intergalactic medium as they travel.¹ In the advanced unified models utilized by the ArcSecs physics engine, the continuous energy loss is modeled as

$E(d) = E_0 e^{-\mu d}$, where μ is the intrinsic energy attenuation coefficient.¹ Furthermore, simulating discrete scattering events via Free Electron Compton scattering (FEC) through an intergalactic plasma with an average electron number density of 0.5 m^{-3} generates a Dispersion Measure (DM) proportional to the redshift, replicating the exact observational signatures currently misattributed to metric expansion.¹

To resolve historical criticisms of Tired Light—namely its past inability to match the time

dilation observed in Type Ia supernovae light curves—the ArcSecs engine integrates Pipino’s Exponential Kinematic Decay model.¹ In this Variable Speed of Light paradigm, the speed of light decays relative to the Hubble constant ($\frac{dc}{dt} = -H_0 c$), resulting in a localized speed of light defined as $c(t) = c_0 e^{-H_0 t}$.¹ Because c is decaying continuously as the photon travels, the leading edge of a light pulse travels at a slightly faster average velocity than the trailing edge emitted mere moments later.¹ Over billions of light-years, this microscopic velocity differential stretches the pulse geometrically.¹ Thus, a simulated pulse of duration T_{emit} emitted at a distance corresponding to redshift z is received with a stretched duration $T_{obs} = T_{emit} (1 + z)$ on a completely static spatial grid, perfectly mimicking relativistic time dilation without the need for an expanding universe.¹

3. The Paradox of Ultra-Mature Early Galaxies in the JWST Era

If the Hubble Tension represents a mathematical fracture in Λ CDM, the discoveries made by the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) represent a complete chronological collapse. The standard timeline for cosmic structure formation mandates a slow, hierarchical accretion of baryonic matter within dark matter halos.² Λ CDM predicts that galaxies in the extreme early universe should be diminutive, structurally chaotic, and chemically pristine—largely devoid of heavy elements (metallicity) due to the lack of sufficient stellar generations.²

3.1 JADES-GS-z14-0 and the Oxygen Crisis

In 2024, the JWST Advanced Deep Extragalactic Survey (JADES) utilized the Near-Infrared Spectrograph (NIRSpec) and NIRCам to identify JADES-GS-z14-0, a highly luminous Lyman-break galaxy at a staggering redshift.² Initial measurements placed the redshift at 14.32, which was subsequently refined to a photometric redshift of $z = 14.39^{+0.23}_{-0.09}$, with a precise spectroscopic redshift reported at 14.1793 ± 0.0007 .² A subsequent observation in May 2025 identified an even more distant object, MoM-z14, at $z = 14.44$.²

According to the Λ CDM timeline, JADES-GS-z14-0 exists a mere 290 to 300 million years after the theoretical Big Bang, representing approximately 2% of the supposed age of the cosmos.¹⁴ Despite this extreme infancy, the galaxy spans 1,600 light-years (260 ± 20 parsecs half-light radius) and is exceptionally luminous.² The study outlines that JADES-GS-z14-0 contains approximately half a billion solar masses, showcasing strong star formation in the preceding few millions of years.² This implies a number density of luminous and massive

galaxies more than ten times higher than pre-JWST Λ CDM extrapolations permitted.² The most catastrophic piece of data derived from the spectroscopic analysis of JADES-GS-z14-0 is the presence of strong ionized gas emissions, explicitly including oxygen.² Astronomers detecting oxygen in the most distant galaxy ever confirmed entirely shakes up current theories of cosmic evolution.¹⁶ Oxygen is not a primordial element; it is synthesized exclusively in the nuclear furnaces of massive stars and dispersed into the interstellar medium via supernovae explosions.² For JADES-GS-z14-0 to exhibit strong oxygen lines, multiple generations of massive stars must have already formed from pristine gas clouds, lived their entire main-sequence lifespans, and exploded in supernovae, all within a constrained 300-million-year window following the Big Bang.² Under Λ CDM thermodynamics and gravitational accretion rates, this sequence of events is physically impossible.

3.2 The Mass-Boom Paradigm in a Static Continuum

Within the ArcSecs framework, the paradox of ultra-mature early galaxies is effortlessly resolved because the universe does not have a constrained 13.8-billion-year age. By treating the universe as a static, infinite continuum, JWST is not looking backward in time toward a singular origin point; it is merely looking across vast, statically maintained distances subject to severe optical attenuation.

This resolution is mathematically formalized in Alfonso-Faus's Fractal Time and Mass-Boom paradigm, which is integrated into the ArcSecs physics engine.¹ The model posits that the speed of light $c(t)$ is inversely proportional to cosmic time ($c(t) \propto 1/t$), creating a fractal dimensional scaling ($D = 1$).¹ However, to preserve the First Law of Thermodynamics and ensure that the total invariant energy of the system remains perfectly balanced, linear momentum (P) must be conserved across all epochs.¹

If the speed of light was faster in the distant past, Einstein's mass-energy equivalence ($E = mc^2$) implies that the energy of any given rest mass would be exponentially higher, violating energy conservation.¹ The speculative resolution—the Variable Mass Hypothesis—assumes that rest mass (m) is not constant, but is inversely proportional to the square of the speed of light¹:

$$m(t) = m_0 \left(\frac{c_0}{c(t)} \right)^2$$

Substituting this into the mass-energy equivalence equation cancels out the $c(t)^2$ term, keeping the total energy perfectly invariant ($E = m_0 c_0^2$).¹ Consequently, as c linearly

decreases over cosmic epochs, the rest mass of all baryonic matter scales up—a phenomenon known as the "Mass-Boom".¹

Therefore, what the JWST observes at $z = 14.44$ is not a galaxy forming impossibly fast from primordial gas. It is a standard, fully mature galaxy with typical oxygen abundances that has existed for billions of years, viewed through an extreme temporal gradient of Proca vacuum dispersion.¹ The anomalous luminosity and structural maturity are illusions generated by attempting to force static-universe data into an expanding-metric mathematical model.

4. Galactic Kinematics, SPARC, and the Proca Electrodynamic Resolution

The rotational dynamics of individual galaxies have long provided the primary empirical justification for the existence of non-baryonic particulate cold dark matter (such as WIMPs, axions, or sterile neutrinos). Standard Newtonian dynamics fail to explain why the outer edges of spiral galaxies rotate at velocities equal to or greater than their inner regions; a massive, invisible halo of dark matter is traditionally required to prevent the galaxies from flying apart. However, high-precision observational data now severely challenges the CDM hypothesis.

4.1 Rotation Curve Diversity and the Radial Acceleration Relation

The Spitzer Photometry and Accurate Rotation Curves (SPARC) database has become the definitive battleground for galactic kinematics.¹⁷ SPARC is an exhaustive database comprising 175 late-type galaxies (spirals and irregulars) featuring high-quality $\text{HI}+\text{H}\alpha$ rotation curves that trace the gravitational potential out to large radii.¹⁸ The dataset spans an immense range, including 5 dex in stellar masses, >3 dex in surface brightnesses, and widely varying gas fractions.¹⁸ Using advanced software tools like the Archangel Galaxy Photometry System for surface brightness profiles and BayesLineFit for executing Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) fits with errors in both coordinates, the SPARC database has generated over 3,389 highly precise data points.¹⁸

Analyses of the Marvelous Massive Dwarf zoom-in simulations reveal that observed rotation curves of dwarf galaxies exhibit significant diversity at fixed halo masses, challenging the very foundation of galaxy formation within the CDM model.²⁰ Previous cosmological galaxy formation simulations utilizing complex baryonic physics and feedback mechanisms consistently fail to reproduce this full diversity of rotation curves, suggesting either a catastrophic flaw in baryonic feedback models or that an alternative to CDM must be invoked.²⁰

Furthermore, SPARC data strictly conforms to empirical scaling laws, notably the Radial Acceleration Relation (RAR) and the Baryonic Tully-Fisher Relation (BTFR).¹⁷ Standard modified gravity approaches, such as Modified Newtonian Dynamics (MOND), successfully map the RAR

by introducing an empirical acceleration scale (a_0)—usually tuned to match observations—

where gravity transitions away from a Newtonian regime at low accelerations. However, pure MOND faces significant challenges in other astrophysical arenas; it fundamentally fails to explain gravitational lensing in massive clusters (e.g., the Bullet Cluster) and cannot accurately fit the acoustic peaks of the cosmic microwave background.²¹

4.2 Non-Markovian Thermodynamics and the Tired Light Condensate

A provocative alternative to both particulate dark matter and modified gravity proposes that the Radial Acceleration Relation is a manifestation of Non-Markovian Spacetime Thermodynamics.¹⁹ In this framework, the "dark sector" is not a novel subatomic particle, but rather a manifestation of spacetime memory accumulation.¹⁹ By deriving the acceleration scale

purely from the cosmic expansion rate and horizon thermodynamics ($a_0 \approx \frac{cH_0}{2\pi}$), the framework achieves a fit quality (RMS = 0.199 dex) statistically equivalent to standard MOND (RMS = 0.196 dex), but with zero free parameters tuned to the individual galaxies.¹⁹ This fundamentally ties the galactic acceleration scale to the cosmological horizon rather than treating it as a local property.¹⁹

The ArcSecs relational physics engine expands upon this by completely discarding MOND and particulate dark matter in favor of Proca electrodynamics and the thermodynamic freeze-out of photons.¹ Standard Maxwellian electrodynamics assumes photons have strictly zero rest

mass to preserve $U(1)$ gauge invariance.¹ However, the ArcSecs framework utilizes massive electromagnetism via the classical de Broglie-Proca equations and Stueckelberg formalisms.¹ When Maxwell's equations are replaced by the Proca equations, the electromagnetic field tensor is fundamentally altered. Gauss's Law incorporates a mass-dependent scalar potential

term ($\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} - \mu^2 \Phi$), and Ampere's Law includes the magnetic vector potential directly ($\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \mu_0 \mathbf{J} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} - \mu^2 \mathbf{A}$).¹ Consequently, the photon is assigned a

definitive, non-zero invariant rest mass (m_{γ}).¹ Experimental upper bounds place this mass at remarkably small scales, such as 10^{-50} grams or 10^{-18} eV, derived from particle data group bounds and observations of galactic magnetic field decay.¹ Because a massive Proca photon has a valid Lorentz rest frame, it necessitates a third, longitudinal polarization state, dramatically altering quantum field theory propagators.¹

As energetic photons traverse the static Euclidean void over cosmological timescales (billions of years), they interact with ambient cosmic magnetic vector potentials defined by the Proca equations.¹ This deterministic frictional decay strips them of kinetic energy, lowering their frequency.¹ Because Proca vacuum dispersion dictates that lower-frequency photons experience more intrinsic structural resistance, they travel significantly slower than higher-

frequency photons ($v_g = \frac{c(r)}{\gamma}$).¹

Eventually, this kinetic degradation triggers a thermodynamic freeze-out.¹ The massive photons collapse into a cold, non-relativistic, sub-luminal Bose-Einstein Condensate composed of stable bound states ("graviballs" or slow quanta).¹ Having lost the high frequency required to interact via the standard electromagnetic spectrum, they become optically invisible, yet they retain their invariant rest mass (m_{γ}) and continue to exert standard macroscopic gravitational forces.¹ Over cosmic epochs, this frozen graveyard of "tired light" pools heavily in the gravitational wells of galaxies.¹ This massive Proca condensate precisely mimics the gravitational signature of dark matter halos, effortlessly resolving the RAR and rotation curve diversity without requiring the invention of hypothetical WIMPs or sterile neutrinos.

Experimental Limit Source	Physical Methodology	Derived Upper Bound of Photon Mass
Cavendish Balance (Toroid)	Measurement of ambient cosmic magnetic vector potential	$\approx 10^{-48} \text{ g } (10^{-15} \text{ eV })$
High-Frequency Lab Tests	Deviations from Coulomb's inverse-square electric force	$\approx 10^{-50} \text{ g}$
Particle Data Group	Laboratory bounds on strict Proca field deviations	$\approx 10^{-18} \text{ eV}$
Astronomical Observations	Measurement of galactic vector potential and magnetic field decay	$\approx 10^{-27} \text{ eV}$

Table 2: Experimental upper bounds on the invariant rest mass of the photon, validating the foundational requirements for Proca massive electrodynamics and the Tired Light Condensate.¹

5. Macro-Structural Formation and the "El Gordo" Collision Limit

If individual galactic rotation curves present a challenge to CDM, the macroscopic behavior of

massive galaxy clusters fundamentally shatters the Λ CDM structural formation timeline. According to standard cosmology, large structures form via a slow, bottom-up process of hierarchical gravitational accretion; smaller structures merge over billions of years to slowly form larger ones.¹³ There is a strict limit to how massive a cluster can be at a given redshift, dictated by the available time since the Big Bang.

5.1 The Velocity Paradox of ACT-CL J0102-4915

The merging galaxy cluster ACT-CL J0102-4915, officially nicknamed "El Gordo" (Spanish for "The Fat One"), represents a structural impossibility for the standard model.¹³ El Gordo exists at

a redshift of $z = 0.87$, meaning it is observed as it existed approximately 6.2 to 7.0 billion years ago, when the universe was theoretically only half of its current age.¹³

Discovered by the Atacama Cosmology Telescope, the Chandra X-ray Observatory, and the Very Large Telescope, El Gordo consists of two separate, massive galaxy sub-clusters actively colliding.²³ Extensive weak gravitational lensing observations have consistently pinned the

cluster's mass at an astounding 2.13×10^{15} (2.13 quadrillion) solar masses, with a 10% uncertainty margin.¹³ The existence of a $> 2 \times 10^{15}$ solar mass structure so early in the

cosmological epoch is highly unexpected in Λ CDM theory.¹³ There simply was not enough time in the expanding universe model to have formed two clusters this massive within striking distance of each other.¹³

The anomaly is compounded by the cluster's kinematics. El Gordo possesses a distinctive two-tailed X-ray morphology, an exceptionally high thermodynamic temperature, and extreme X-ray luminosity.¹³ All hydrodynamical simulations performed to reproduce these specific morphological and thermal properties demonstrate that the two sub-clusters must have collided with an extreme relative velocity of at least 2,500 kilometers per second.¹³

Gravitational models based on the slow accretion of cold dark matter within an expanding metric cannot generate the gravitational pull necessary to accelerate two clusters of this magnitude to $2,500 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ within the limited cosmological timeframe available before $z = 0.87$.¹³ As researchers note, considering the wide range of prior simulations that attempted to replicate El Gordo with a slower collision but failed to produce realistic

morphology, the system fundamentally cannot work in Λ CDM.²² Alternative frameworks, such as the 3.998D Framework using an offset of ~ 140 to $\sim 180 \text{ kpc}$, or modified gravity models like MOND, have been proposed to better describe the collision, but these again require abandoning the standard model.²²

Under the ArcSecs framework, the universe's infinite temporal runway completely neutralizes this paradox. In a static, non-expanding Euclidean void, massive structures have tens or

hundreds of billions of years to evolve, drift, and accelerate. The intense $2,500 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ collision velocities are the natural product of deep-time Weber gravitational induction between massive bodies, entirely unconstrained by the artificial 13.8-billion-year bottleneck of a rapidly expanding metric.¹

6. The Cosmological Lithium-7 Problem and BBN Failures

In the classical timeline of the early universe, a period of extreme temperature and density allowed for the fusion of the first atomic nuclei. Standard Big Bang Nucleosynthesis (SBBN) theoretically forged the primordial abundances of the light elements: Hydrogen, Deuterium, Helium, and Lithium. While Λ CDM models achieve highly accurate predictions for certain isotopes when calibrated against the CMB, they fail critically and consistently when assessing the abundance of Lithium-7.²⁶

6.1 The Deuterium-Lithium Tension and the Spite Plateau

Recent observations of primordial light element abundances continue to highlight this persistent discordance. Deuterium remains the most accurately measured primordial isotope.²⁷ High-redshift quasar absorption systems yield a Deuterium-to-Hydrogen (D/H) ratio of $(2.547 \pm 0.029) \times 10^{-5}$.²⁷ This value is in excellent agreement with SBBN predictions when utilizing the baryon density derived from the cosmic microwave background.²⁷ Similarly, Helium-4 determinations from extragalactic HII regions support a mass fraction of $Y_p = 0.245 \pm 0.003$, matching theoretical expectations.²⁹

However, the Lithium-7 abundance presents a severe and intractable anomaly known as the Cosmological Lithium Problem.²⁸ Observations of extremely metal-poor halo stars—which theoretically preserve the pristine chemical makeup of the early universe—exhibit a highly consistent isotopic baseline known as the Spite Plateau.²⁷ These observations yield a ${}^7\text{Li}/\text{H}$ ratio of approximately $(1.6 \pm 0.3) \times 10^{-10}$.²⁷ Standard BBN, when calibrated with the CMB baryon density, predicts a primordial Lithium-7 abundance of roughly 5.0×10^{-10} .²⁶ Therefore, the theoretical prediction is nearly a factor of three higher than the actual observed abundance in the Spite Plateau.²⁶ Attempted resolutions within Λ CDM are increasingly strained. Some researchers propose exotic new particle physics, suggesting that decaying dark matter (WIMPs), axions, or sterile neutrinos injected hadrons or photons during or after BBN, modifying the nuclear pathways and destroying the Lithium.²⁸ Others invoke complex localized astrophysical processes, arguing for systematic stellar depletion.²⁸ Yet, the Spite Plateau remains uniformly flat across highly

divergent metallicity ranges and temperature profiles, strongly implying a universal primordial origin rather than a localized, chaotic stellar destruction mechanism.²⁹

If one abandons the Big Bang entirely, as dictated by static-universe relational physics engines, elemental abundances are not the singular product of an ancient primordial fireball. Instead, the baseline ratios of Deuterium, Helium, and Lithium observed in the Spite Plateau represent topological resolutions of continuous cosmic processes.²⁶ Under this alternative framework,

the abundance of Lithium is maintained at 1.59×10^{-10} through continuous asymptotic giant branch stellar processing, neutronium sealing, and ongoing mass-gap equilibrium states managed dynamically over an infinite cosmological time scale.²⁶ The Spite Plateau is not a remnant of the Big Bang, but the steady-state chemical equilibrium of a static universe.

7. Theoretical Overhaul of Propulsion: The Dark Matter Drive

The ArcSecs initiative is not merely an exercise in tracking astronomical anomalies; it actively utilizes the empirical breakdowns of Λ CDM to propose revolutionary physics for macroscopic propulsion.¹ By replacing the pseudo-Riemannian metric with relational kinematics and massive Proca electrodynamics, the fundamental theoretical barriers to faster-than-light (FTL) transit are dismantled.¹

7.1 Dismantling the Relativistic Mass Virus and the Stationary Light Paradox

Traditional FTL models, such as the Alcubierre warp metric, rely strictly on the geometric manipulation of continuous spacetime.¹ While geometrically consistent within general relativity, these models suffer from catastrophic thermodynamic issues under quantum field theory: they require macroscopic quantities of negative-energy exotic matter, and they are highly vulnerable to semiclassical horizon instabilities and localized Hawking radiation that would incinerate a vessel from the inside out.¹

Furthermore, traditional relativistic kinematics posits that an object's mass approaches infinity as it nears the invariant speed of light (c), implying superluminal travel requires infinite energy.¹ The ArcSecs relational framework rejects this as the "Relativistic Mass Pedagogical Virus".¹ It

enforces a strict invariant rest mass (m_0) during all stages of kinematic acceleration.¹ Because the spacecraft's structural mass remains a constant Lorentz scalar and does not artificially

inflate with velocity, the mechanical thrust required to exceed c remains strictly finite.¹

However, navigating a static Euclidean void filled with a dense, non-relativistic Tired Light Condensate (dark matter) introduces the Stationary Light Energy Paradox.¹ In a true vacuum, classical electrodynamics dictates that light cannot be stationary; bringing a massless photon

to absolute rest would mean its energy and momentum equal zero, violating Lorentz invariance and Noether's theorem.¹ But in the ArcSecs model, the photon has a Proca rest mass. A macroscopic vessel traveling at relativistic velocities through this massive electromagnetic substrate would physically collide with the "stopped light".¹

This collision results in catastrophic baryonic drag and massive momentum transfer.¹ The interaction is governed by the Abraham-Minkowski controversy regarding momentum in a medium.¹ While Abraham momentum represents the kinetic momentum of the pure field, Minkowski momentum represents the canonical momentum transferred to physical bodies.¹ The impact of these massive, stationary photons constitutes a direct transfer of Minkowski momentum to the spacecraft's atomic lattice, manifesting as a severe physical retarding force.¹ At extreme velocities, the vessel would be subjected to lethal kinetic bombardment exceeding 200 MeV per interaction, generating immense localized *bremssstrahlung* (braking radiation) that would instantly vaporize standard ablative shielding.¹

Analytically, this drag scales catastrophically. The crossover condition between baryonic drag (from intergalactic gas and dust scaling with $\gamma^2 \beta^2$) and radiative photon drag (scaling linearly with γ^2) demonstrates that to maintain forward momentum, immense and continuous propulsive energy is required.¹

7.2 Macroscopic Quantum Optics: EIT and Dark-State Polaritons

To survive this hazardous massive-photon medium and simultaneously harness the Proca condensate for thrust, the ArcSecs Dark Matter Drive employs macroscopic quantum optics, specifically utilizing Electromagnetically Induced Transparency (EIT).¹

Isolated in deep intergalactic voids, a spacecraft's relational inertia undergoes a near-total collapse, making these desolate regions ideal for frictionless acceleration.¹ However, these regions suffer from extreme fuel scarcity. To gather the diffuse dark matter condensate without adding heavy physical structures, the vessel projects a macroscopic EIT scoop field ahead of its bow, reaching an unprecedented operational diameter of up to 4,000 kilometers.¹

EIT relies on a three-level Λ -type (Lambda-type) quantum configuration with two long-lived ground states and one electronically excited state.¹ A strong continuous-wave control laser and a weak probe pulse undergo destructive Fano-like quantum interference, splitting the excited state via the Autler-Townes effect and trapping the atomic medium in a coherent superposition of the two ground states to prevent absorption.¹ According to the Kramers-Kronig relations, this sharp change in optical absorption induces a steep, positive gradient in the real part of the refractive index.¹

This gradient dynamically decelerates the group velocity (v_g) of the massive dark matter photons to near absolute zero.¹ The resulting optical compression causes the diffuse substrate to collapse into a highly coherent, ultra-dense wave packet known as a "Ramscoop vortex

form," funneling the fuel directly into the vessel's compact 1.2-kilometer physical intake throat.¹ As the group velocity of the tired-light substrate is driven to zero within the scoop field, its electromagnetic energy is mathematically mapped onto the medium as a bosonic quasiparticle known as a Dark-State Polariton (DSP).¹ The coupled light-matter Hamiltonian ensures that the DSP's state vector is a linear superposition of the electromagnetic field operator and the atomic spin coherence operator.¹ By manipulating the control field to shift the mixing angle ($\theta \rightarrow \pi/2$), the polariton becomes purely matter-like.¹ The reduction in the electromagnetic energy flux of the decelerating massive photons is perfectly compensated by an equal increase in the potential and rest energy of the excited medium, allowing the vessel to safely absorb the massive kinetic energy and completely bypass the catastrophic structural drag of Minkowski radiation pressure.¹ Furthermore, the drive utilizes Stationary Light Pulses (SLPs) through forward and backward counter-propagating control beams to establish dynamic photonic Bragg gratings.¹ Induced Bragg scattering continuously reflects the dark matter photons back and forth over microscopic distances, freezing them in space.¹ This ensures a significant portion of energy remains tightly localized as an active, oscillating electromagnetic field bound to the spin coherence, which the engine then re-energizes and expels to generate forward relational thrust.¹

8. Computational Architecture for Speculative Cosmology

To mathematically simulate these complex interactions, rigorously evaluate the Λ CDM anomalies, and prove the fluid-dynamic efficacy of the Dark Matter Drive, the ArcSecs framework employs a custom-built, strongly-typed Object-Oriented TypeScript physics engine.¹ Traditional physics engine configurations require users to define environmental constraints before initialization, but modern web standards prioritize minimizing "Time-to-First-Interaction" (TTFI).¹ Therefore, the ArcSecs engine deploys immediately upon load, utilizing a decoupled architecture where the Canvas Rendering Layer runs continuously for numerical integration, while an asynchronous DOM overlay handles real-time parameter mutations without requiring hard reloads.¹

8.1 Algorithmic Optimization and Subsystem Toggles

Legacy JavaScript runtimes introduce dynamic typing overhead, unpredictable optimization paths in Just-In-Time (JIT) compilers, and severe latency spikes from automated garbage collection (GC).¹ By refactoring to TypeScript and utilizing pre-allocated array buffers and a thread-isolated asynchronous API (inspired by the Godot Physics Server API), the engine achieves monomorphic execution paths suitable for complex cosmological mathematics.¹ Direct-sum gravity solvers for simulating dark matter condensates suffer from quadratic

$O(N^2)$ scaling limits.¹ The engine accelerates this through quadtree (2D) and octree (3D) spatial partitioning, reducing computational complexity to $O(N \log N)$.¹ By converting spatial coordinates to 30-bit Morton codes, the engine sorts particles along a space-filling Z-curve, maximizing cache hits and bypassing the performance degradation of recursive traversals.¹

The engine's architecture allows researchers to dynamically toggle between distinct cosmological models to evaluate anomalies:

- **Pipino Exponential Kinematic Decay:** Explains high-energy physics anomalies by decaying $c(t)$ proportionally to the Hubble constant.¹
- **Alfonso-Faus Fractal Time:** Models the "Mass-Boom" paradigm where $c(t) \propto 1/t$, expanding rest masses to preserve linear momentum, actively explaining the Pioneer anomaly and the ultra-mature status of JWST early galaxies.¹
- **Gupta CCC+TL Framework:** Covarying Coupling Constants plus Tired Light modifies the metric to couple variations in c and the gravitational constant (G), perfectly preserving dimensionless ratios like the fine-structure constant to comply with Big Bang Nucleosynthesis constraints.¹
- **Quantized Inertia (QI):** Implements Michael McCulloch's theory where inertial mass arises from Unruh radiation ($m_i = m_g \left(1 - \frac{2\pi^2 \hbar^2}{a^2 \Theta}\right)$), providing a stable equilibrium that maps flat galactic rotation curves without dark matter.¹
- **Woodward-Mach Effect Propulsion:** Simulates propellantless spacecraft propulsion using gravito-electromagnetism field equations ($F \approx \frac{\omega \delta m_0 dx}{2} \cos(\phi)$).¹

Cosmological Model Toggle	c(t) Decay Mechanics	Mass / Inertia Mechanics	Dimensionless Constants	Primary Observational Target
Pipino Exponential	$c(t) = c_0 e^{-H_0 t}$	Covariantly scaling	α strictly invariant	High-energy stellar rotation / SNe Ia
Alfonso-Faus Fractal	Proportional to $1/t$	Mass-Boom ($m(t) \propto t$)	α strictly invariant	Pioneer anomaly, JWST Galaxies

Gupta CCC+TL	Covaries via $f(t)$	Covaries via $f(t)$	Invariant (BBN Compliant)	Baryon Acoustic Oscillations
Quantized Inertia	Constant c	Modified via Unruh Radiation	Standard	SPARC / Flat Rotation Curves

Table 3: Summary of the distinct, mutually exclusive cosmological and physical frameworks available for real-time simulation within the ArcSecs engine architecture.¹

8.2 Test-Driven Cosmology

To prevent the accumulation of massive floating-point precision errors and thermodynamic violations over a 15-billion-year simulated epoch, the engine abandons basic Euler integration in favor of a dynamically adaptive 4th-Order Runge-Kutta (RK4) algorithm.¹ The core of the engine relies on Test-Driven Cosmology (TDD), where physical laws are treated as code assertions:

1. **Fine Structure Constant Invariance:** The ConstantsManager covariantly scales the elementary charge (e) or the reduced Planck constant ($\hbar$) in perfect proportion to the decay of c , ensuring the fine-structure constant ($\alpha \approx 1/137$) remains floating-point identical across all epochs, rewriting chemistry to remain stable.¹
2. **Supernova Time Dilation:** The MetricTensorSolver asserts that a simulated light pulse emitted at a distance corresponding to redshift z is received with a stretched duration $T_{obs} = T_{emit}(1 + z)$ on a static spatial grid, validating the kinematic decay of c .¹
3. **Proca Mass Limit and Dispersion:** The engine instantiates photons with a microscopic rest mass at the current experimental upper limit ($\sim 10^{-50}$ grams), ensuring that high-frequency photons arrive slightly before low-frequency photons emitted from the same cosmic event, rigorously simulating frequency-dependent velocity dispersion.¹

Conclusion

The aggregation of cosmic anomalies—ranging from the irreconcilable $> 6.5\sigma$ Hubble tension⁷ and the impossible structural and chemical maturity of JADES-GS-z14-0¹⁴, to the deep-time high-velocity collisions of the El Gordo cluster¹³ and the fundamental failure of Big Bang Nucleosynthesis to predict the Lithium-7 Spite Plateau²⁷—presents a terminal, systemic

diagnosis for the Standard Model of Cosmology.

The Λ CDM framework is structurally failing precisely because it insists on defending the ontology of an expanding pseudo-Riemannian spacetime continuum and classical massless electrodynamics. As demonstrated by the analytical tools within the ArcSecs relational physics engine, when the continuous spacetime manifold is discarded in favor of relational Euclidean kinematics¹, and when Maxwellian light is replaced by Proca massive photons susceptible to thermodynamic decay¹, these seemingly intractable anomalies systematically evaporate. The universe is subsequently rendered as statically infinite, the cosmological redshift is revealed as the deterministic frictional decay of massive light¹, and the enigmatic dark matter halo is unmasked as a cold condensate of thermodynamically exhausted photons.¹ By synthesizing these alternative cosmological frameworks into a highly optimized, test-driven computational architecture¹, a rigorous theoretical foundation is established not only to correct the epistemological errors of modern astrophysics but to engineer the macroscopic quantum optics required for revolutionary FTL propulsion systems.¹

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