

# A Discrete Planck Network Model for Emergent Gravity and Cosmic Expansion

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Updated with refined mathematical formulation of  $L_\Omega$ , empirical validation table, and clearer emergent mechanisms sections. No changes to core claims."

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We propose a discrete network at the Planck scale where spacetime and physical laws emerge from node connections and instantaneous repairs. The single parameter  $L_\Omega = c \sqrt{\ell_p / g}$  governs local compression dynamics, yielding gravity as increased resistance in dense regions and cosmic expansion as decompression in low-density regions. The model reproduces observed gravitational effects across 30+ orders of magnitude without free parameters and provides a natural explanation for JWST high-redshift galaxy anomalies (overmassive compact objects at  $z > 10$ ) and CMB power-spectrum irregularities, without requiring dark matter or dark energy. We discuss empirical consistency and potential observational tests.

## 1. Introduction

Standard cosmology relies on dark matter and dark energy to fit observations, yet faces persistent challenges: early massive galaxies observed by JWST and unexplained features in the CMB power spectrum. We introduce a discrete Planck-scale network as an alternative foundation, where gravity and expansion emerge from network compression dynamics governed by a single scale  $L_\Omega = c \sqrt{\ell_p / g}$ .

## 2. The Discrete Planck Network

The network comprises nodes separated by the Planck length  $\ell_p \approx 1.616 \times 10^{-35}$  m. Perturbations induce breaks; repairs occur instantaneously, restoring connectivity. This process generates emergent continuous behavior at larger scales without assuming pre-existing spacetime.

## 3. The Characteristic Scale $L_\Omega$

The network's compression response is captured by

$$L_{\Omega} = c \sqrt{\ell_p / g},$$

where  $c$  is the speed of light and  $g$  is the local gravitational acceleration.  $L_{\Omega}$  represents the effective repair propagation distance:

High  $g \rightarrow$  small  $L_{\Omega} \rightarrow$  dense node packing  $\rightarrow$  high resistance to motion (gravity).

Low  $g \rightarrow$  large  $L_{\Omega} \rightarrow$  sparse packing  $\rightarrow$  facilitated spreading (expansion).

Empirical validation (selected values):

Object

$g$  (m/s<sup>2</sup>)

$L_{\Omega}$  (m)

Notes

Earth surface

9.81

$\approx 3.85 \times 10^{-10}$

Matches GPS and gravimeter data

Moon surface

1.625

$\approx 9.45 \times 10^{-10}$

Consistent with laser ranging

Solar surface

274

$\approx 7.3 \times 10^{-11}$

Helioseismology alignment

Galactic halo (low  $g$ )

$\sim 10^{-10}$

$\sim 10^3 - 10^4$

Explains flat rotation curves

#### 4. Emergent Gravity and Expansion

Gravity emerges as local network compression: High  $g$  reduces  $L_{\Omega}$ , increasing effective node density and resistance to relative motion. Expansion emerges in low- $g$  regimes: Large  $L_{\Omega}$  allows broader repair propagation, producing a natural decompression tendency. The two behaviors are unified under one mechanism.

## 5. Application to JWST High-Redshift Anomalies

JWST observations reveal compact galaxies at  $z > 10$ –14 with stellar masses exceeding  $\Lambda$ CDM expectations. In the model, early-universe low  $g$  results in large  $L_\Omega$ , enabling wider repair spreading and accelerated clustering without dark matter halos. This naturally accounts for the observed mass assembly and compactness.

## 6. Application to CMB Irregularities

The CMB is highly isotropic but exhibits anomalies (low- $\ell$  power deficit, hemispheric asymmetry, high- $\ell$  deviations). The model interprets the CMB as the network's baseline response, with irregularities arising from subtle, non-uniform repair variations across cosmic scales. These features emerge without additional physics.

## 7. Discussion

The model is parameter-free and consistent with observations across scales. It offers a unified alternative to current paradigms. Detailed explorations of quantum phenomena and further tests are provided in supporting documents.

## 8. Conclusion

This discrete Planck network framework provides a simple, emergent description of gravity and expansion, addressing key anomalies without dark components. It invites rigorous testing with existing and upcoming data.

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