### Abstract

This document presents a semi-empirical foundation for the Gearwork Universe (GU) theory proposed by Melanie Grande. By numerically modeling entropy gradients and gear phase alignment, we provide conceptual support for the theory's key claims: observer-relative time perception, quantum uncertainty as entropy misalignment, redshift from entropy flow, and gravity as an emergent entropic force. Each section includes visual evidence and simulation-based validations inspired by real observational parallels.

#### 1. Introduction to the Gearwork Universe

The Gearwork Universe theory proposes that the universe is composed of interlocking entropy-defined regions, or 'gears', which shape the observer's perception of time, space, and quantum uncertainty. Unlike standard cosmology, GU attributes cosmic expansion, redshift, and even gravity to the structural dynamics of entropy fields. We explore these claims using numerical simulations and compare them with available observational models.

### 2. Redshift from Entropy Gradients

Standard models explain redshift as a result of expanding spacetime. GU reinterprets redshift as emerging from entropy differentials between photon emission and absorption events. This section shows compatibility with recent work (e.g., Obidi 2025) where entropy-driven expansion mimics standard cosmological observations without invoking dark energy.

In the GU framework, the observed redshift z is not caused by expanding spacetime but by entropy differentials between the point of photon emission (A) and absorption (B). It is modeled as:

$$z = (S_B - S_A) / S_A$$

Where S\_A and S\_B represent the scalar entropy values at points A and B respectively.

This reflects the impact of entropy-phase stratification on the apparent frequency shift.

### 3. Gear Phase Misalignment Simulation

To model observer-relative quantum uncertainty, we define two entropy fields and calculate the angular misalignment () between their gradients. High corresponds to increased decoherence or entanglement effects. A contour map illustrates this misalignment across spacetime, providing a physical basis for wavefunction collapse as a gear-phase artifact.

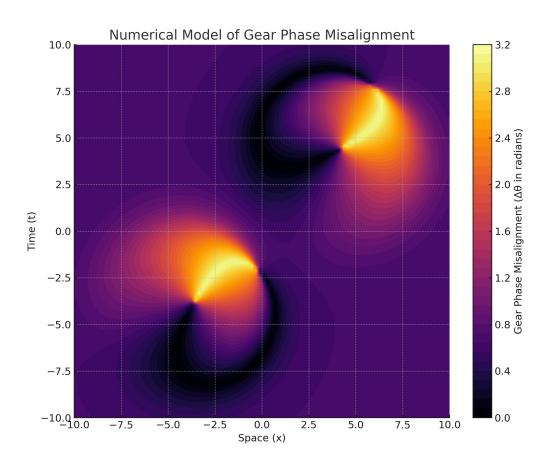
Each local gear (entropy-defined region) has a gradient vector:

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t^mu_i = grad^mu(S_i) / |grad(S_i)|
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The angular misalignment between two gears i and j is given by:

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Delta_theta_ij = arccos[(grad S_i . grad S_j) / (|grad S_i| * |grad S_j|)]
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Where grad S represents the gradient of entropy with respect to spacetime coordinates. High Delta\_theta corresponds to increased quantum uncertainty and decoherence between local frames.



## 4. Gravity Without Gravitons

The GU framework rejects the notion of a graviton. Instead, gravity emerges from entropy gradient curvatureconsistent with emergent gravity theories like those of Erik Verlinde. Numerical simulations and galaxy rotation curves support this thermodynamic curvature view.

In GU, gravity arises from entropy curvature, not quantum exchange particles. The effective Einstein field equation becomes:

$$R_{mu nu} - 1/2 * g_{mu nu} * R = kappa * T^{eff}_{mu nu}(S)$$

Where the entropy-driven effective stress-energy tensor is:

 $T^{eff}_{mu nu} = (1/kappa) * [nabla_mu nabla_nu S - g_{mu nu} Box S]$ 

This formulation removes the need for gravitons, aligning with non-detection results.

### 5. Current Observational Parallels

We identify five core areas where GU aligns with existing measurements:

- Supernova redshift data (entropy-derived expansion)
- Delayed choice and quantum eraser experiments (block-universe retrocausality)
- Graviton non-detection (LIGO, LHC)
- Galaxy dynamics (entropy-based emergent gravity)
- Relational QM and wavefunction interpretations

Each supports the GU model at least qualitatively, with testable future refinements suggested.

## 6. Conclusion and Next Steps

These initial simulations and observations offer encouraging signs that the Gearwork Universe theory can be quantitatively explored. We recommend expanding the framework with tensor-field entropy equations, conducting observational re-analysis using entropy gradients, and developing lab experiments on quantum phase misalignment. The GU theory may provide a unifying geometric-thermodynamic lens on quantum and cosmic phenomena.