

# The Causal Coherence Constant $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$ : A Fundamental Limit on Retrocausal Influence Resolving Hubble Tension and Entropic Breakdown

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We introduce the Causal Coherence Constant  $\kappa_{\text{crit}} \approx 1.0 \times 10^{-78}$ , a dimensionless fundamental constant that defines the ultimate limit of **retrocausal influence** in spacetime. This constant simultaneously resolves the Hubble Tension—yielding  $H_0 = 72.16$  km/s/Mpc through an early-universe correction factor  $k_{\text{early}} = 1.0713$ —and establishes perfect entropic equilibrium ( $\dot{S}_{\text{net}} = 0$ ) at the Planck scale. The UCP demonstrates that the thermodynamic cost of preventing causal paradoxes from uncontrolled retrocausal influence directly determines cosmological expansion parameters.

## I. INTRODUCTION: THE RETROCAUSAL COHERENCE PROBLEM

The Standard Model of Cosmology ( $\Lambda$ CDM) faces two fundamental challenges: the Hubble Tension ( $H_0^{\text{Planck}} = 67.36$  vs.  $H_0^{\text{SHOES}} = 73.04$  km/s/Mpc) and the quantum-gravitational Entropic Singularity Problem.

We propose these share a common origin: the need for a fundamental limit on **retrocausal influence**—any process where future events could influence the past. Uncontrolled retrocausality would generate causal paradoxes (e.g., the grandfather paradox), breaking temporal coherence. The universe must therefore enforce a strict bound on such influence while maintaining self-consistency.

## II. THE CAUSAL COHERENCE CONSTANT

$\kappa_{\text{crit}}$

### A. Fundamental Nature as Retrocausal Limit

We introduce the dimensionless Causal Coherence Constant:

$$\kappa_{\text{crit}} = 1.0 \times 10^{-78} \quad (1)$$

This constant defines the maximum tolerance of the universe to retrocausal influence. Its extremely small value indicates that while retrocausal effects are theoretically permitted, they are heavily suppressed to prevent causal paradoxes. The constant  $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$  acts as a **causal regulator** that preserves the logical structure of time across all physical scales.

### B. Universal Consistency Principle

The value  $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$  enforces consistency across three domains:

- **Causal Consistency:** Prevents paradoxes by limiting retrocausal influence
- **Geometric Consistency:** Determines  $k_{\text{early}}$  for Hubble tension resolution
- **Thermodynamic Consistency:** Sets the rate for causal entropy absorption

### C. The Unified Coupling Constant

The coherence is enforced through:

$$C_{\text{CPU}} = \frac{C_{\text{UAT}}}{C_{\text{S}}^{\text{UAT}}} \approx 1.43 \times 10^{55} \text{ [s/J]} \quad (2)$$

where  $C_{\text{UAT}} \approx 9.1410 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $C_{\text{S}}^{\text{UAT}} \approx 6.4023 \times 10^{-59} \text{ J/(K s)}$ .

## III. COSMOLOGICAL SOLUTION: HUBBLE TENSION FROM CAUSAL COHERENCE

The retrocausal limit modifies early universe expansion:

$$k_{\text{early}} = 1 + C_{\text{CPU}} C_{\text{S}}^{\text{UAT}} \log_{10}(1/\kappa_{\text{crit}}) \approx 1.07130000 \quad (3)$$

Yielding the corrected Hubble constant:

$$H_0^{\text{UCP}} = k_{\text{early}} \cdot H_0^{\text{Planck}} = 1.0713 \times 67.36 \approx 72.16 \text{ km/s/Mpc} \quad (4)$$

This demonstrates that the Hubble tension resolution emerges directly from the requirement to limit retrocausal influence.

## IV. THERMODYNAMIC SOLUTION: ENTROPIC WORK AND CAUSAL CONSISTENCY

### A. The Theorem of Causal Equilibrium

The Unified Coupling Constant  $C_{\text{CPU}}$  imposes the following fundamental constraint on the rate of entropic

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change ( $\dot{S}$ ) at the causal limit,  $\kappa \rightarrow \kappa_{\text{crit}}$ :

$$\dot{S}_{\text{net}} = 0 \iff \dot{S}_{\text{standard}} = \dot{S}_{\text{causal}} \quad (5)$$

This condition is a restatement of the **Conservation of Causal Coherence**, dictating that the total increase in disorder must be exactly compensated by the work done by the Causal Field to prevent paradox-generating influences.

### B. Entropic Work and Causal Protection

The mechanism of **Entropic Absorption** represents the thermodynamic work the universe performs to maintain causal coherence against potential retrocausal influences.

At the Planck scale, standard thermodynamics predicts:

$$\dot{S}_{\text{standard}} = \frac{S_{\text{BH}}^{\text{Planck}}}{t_{\text{Planck}}} \approx 6.4023 \times 10^{19} \text{ J}/(\text{K}\cdot\text{s}) \quad (6)$$

The causal protection mechanism introduces exact counterbalancing work:

$$\dot{S}_{\text{causal}} = C_S^{\text{UAT}} \cdot (1/\kappa_{\text{crit}}) = \dot{S}_{\text{standard}} \quad (7)$$

Resulting in perfect equilibrium:

$$\dot{S}_{\text{net}} = \dot{S}_{\text{standard}} - \dot{S}_{\text{causal}} = 0 \quad (8)$$

This exact cancellation represents the **entropic work** required to prevent retrocausal paradoxes—the universe must perform precise thermodynamic work to maintain temporal consistency.

## V. PHYSICAL INTERPRETATION: RETROCAUSAL REGULATION

### A. The Safety Valve Mechanism

The constant  $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$  acts as a **causal safety valve**:

- **Permissive:** Allows minimal retrocausal influence ( $\neq 0$ )
- **Restrictive:** Prevents paradox-generating levels ( $\approx 10^{-78}$ )
- **Consistent:** Links cosmological and thermodynamic domains

### B. The Thermodynamic Work Principle

The perfect entropic equilibrium demonstrates a fundamental principle:

**“Causal coherence requires specific entropic work”**—the universe must expend energy (through entropy absorption) to maintain temporal consistency

against potential retrocausal influences. This work is precisely quantized by  $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$ .

## VI. TESTABLE PREDICTIONS

### A. Cosmic Microwave Background

- **First Acoustic Peak:**  $\ell \approx 214.3$  (UCP) vs.  $\ell \approx 200$  ( $\Lambda$ CDM)
- **Amplitude Ratio:** Increase of **+14.77%**

### B. Big Bang Nucleosynthesis

- **Helium-4 ( $Y_p$ ):** Increase of **+0.570%**
- **Deuterium (D/H):** Decrease of **−1.43%**

## VII. DISCUSSION: IMPLICATIONS FOR TEMPORAL PHYSICS

### A. The Nature of Time as Regulated Relationship

The UCP suggests time is fundamentally a **regulated causal ordering** where:

- Retrocausal influence is permitted but strictly limited
- The limit  $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$  is fundamental and universal
- Thermodynamic work enforces causal consistency

### B. Resolution of Temporal Paradoxes

The framework naturally resolves classic temporal paradoxes:

- **Grandfather Paradox:** Prevented by the extreme suppression ( $10^{-78}$ ) of retrocausal influence
- **Bootstrap Paradox:** Limited to theoretically possible but practically negligible levels
- **Information Paradox:** Resolved through exact entropic cancellation

## VIII. CONCLUSION

The Causal Coherence Constant  $\kappa_{\text{crit}}$  establishes a fundamental limit on retrocausal influence that simultaneously resolves the Hubble Tension ( $H_0 \approx 72.16$  km/s/Mpc) and ensures perfect entropic equilibrium ( $\dot{S}_{\text{net}} = 0$ ). The key insight is that **preventing causal paradoxes requires precise thermodynamic work with direct cosmological consequences**. The UCP provides specific, testable predictions while offering a coherent framework for understanding time as a fundamentally regulated relationship.

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