Systemic Relativity & Logarithmic Gravity: A Scale-Dependent Framework for Unifying Quantum & Cosmic Phenomena

Abstract

For over a century, physics has remained divided by a fundamental incompatibility between quantum mechanics and general relativity, while astronomical observations require vast quantities of undetected "dark matter" to explain galactic dynamics. This paper introduces Systemic Relativity & Logarithmic Gravity (SRLG), a theoretical framework that addresses both challenges through scale-dependent modifications to gravitational theory. SRLG proposes that gravity transitions naturally from Newtonian behavior at solar-system scales to a logarithmic form at galactic distances, with this transition governed by a physically-motivated parameter λ- the ratio of gravitational binding energy to Planck energy. Unlike arbitrary parameters in other modified gravity theories, λ emerges organically from system properties, explaining why gravitational effects appear different across cosmic scales. Analysis using 175 galaxies from the SPARC database demonstrates that SRLG reduces rotational velocity prediction errors by approximately 50% compared to Newtonian models without requiring dark matter. The framework makes falsifiable predictions for gravitational lensing patterns and wave propagation testable with forthcoming JWST, LIGO, and LISA observations. While this framework shows promise for reducing the need for dark matter and offering insights into scale-dependent physics, significant work remains to develop a fully covariant formulation and extend testing to cosmological scales.

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1. Introduction

Modern physics faces two persistent, seemingly unrelated challenges: the fundamental incompatibility between quantum mechanics and general relativity, and the need to invoke vast amounts of undetected dark matter to explain galactic dynamics. The first challenge emerges from the different mathematical frameworks used to describe the quantum and gravitational realms, leading to contradictions in extreme environments like black holes and the early universe. The second arises from astronomical observations, particularly galaxy rotation curves, which show stars orbiting at velocities far exceeding what their visible mass should permit under Newtonian dynamics.

The conventional approach to the latter problem has been to hypothesize invisible dark matter comprising approximately 85% of the universe's mass. Despite decades of increasingly sophisticated searches, direct evidence for dark matter particles remains elusive. Meanwhile, attempts to reconcile quantum mechanics with general relativity have led to numerous theoretical proposals, but a fully satisfactory quantum gravity theory remains beyond reach.

Various modified gravity theories have attempted to address these issues, each with significant limitations. MOND (Modified Newtonian Dynamics) introduced an arbitrary acceleration scale a_0 below which gravitational acceleration differs from the Newtonian prediction, successfully describing galaxy rotation curves but failing at cluster scales and lacking a relativistic foundation initially (Milgrom, 1983). While Tensor-Vector-Scalar Gravity (TeVeS) later provided a relativistic extension of MOND (Bekenstein, 2004), it introduced additional fields and parameters without a clear physical motivation for their specific forms.

Similarly, f(R) gravity theories modify the Einstein-Hilbert action by replacing the Ricci scalar R with a function f(R), providing more complete frameworks but requiring complex screening mechanisms to satisfy solar system constraints (Sotiriou & Faraoni, 2010). These theories often introduce multiple free parameters that risk overfitting observational data without physical justification, and many struggle to simultaneously address both galaxy and cluster scale observations without additional assumptions.

History suggests that when science confronts such persistent anomalies, the resolution often comes not through adding new components to our models, but through fundamental reconceptualizations of nature's underlying principles. Newton did not explain planetary motion by adding new celestial mechanisms to the Ptolemaic system- he reimagined the very nature of motion and gravity. Einstein did not resolve Mercury's anomalous orbit by postulating an unseen planet Vulcan- he reconceived the geometric nature of gravity itself.

This paper proposes a similar reconceptualization: What if gravity itself transforms systematically across different observational scales? The Systemic Relativity & Logarithmic Gravity (SRLG) framework suggests that gravity transitions naturally from its familiar Newtonian behavior at solar-system scales to a modified logarithmic form at galactic and cosmological distances, without requiring additional unseen components. Unlike MOND, which lacks a clear relativistic extension, SRLG naturally satisfies solar system constraints without requiring additional screening mechanisms.

The novelty of SRLG lies in three key innovations that distinguish it from previous modified gravity approaches:

1. It introduces a physically-motivated parameter λ defined as the ratio of gravitational binding energy to Planck energy, providing a natural explanation for why modifications appear at specific scales without arbitrary constants or functions.

2. It proposes a framework that may help reconcile gravitational phenomena across quantum, stellar, galactic, and cosmological scales through a single conceptual approach, potentially offering insights into the relationship between quantum mechanics and general relativity.
3. It naturally satisfies solar system constraints without requiring additional screening mechanisms, as the λ parameter approaches zero at solar-system scales based on its physical definition.

Several theoretical approaches have independently suggested logarithmic corrections to gravitational equations. In quantum gravity, logarithmic terms appear in corrections to black hole entropy (Carlip, 2000; Das et al., 2002). In renormalization group approaches, gravitational coupling parameters exhibit logarithmic running with energy scale (Reuter, 1998; Bonanno & Reuter, 2000). Non-local gravity theories naturally produce logarithmic modifications to the gravitational potential at large distances (Maggiore, 2014; Kehagias & Maggiore, 2014). The convergence of these diverse theoretical strands upon logarithmic modifications suggests we may be encountering a fundamental pattern in nature's architecture. Emergent Gravity suggests gravity arises thermodynamically, while SRLG provides a more explicit, scale-dependent mathematical formulation that connects to renormalization group running in quantum gravity

While I do not claim that SRLG fully unifies quantum mechanics and general relativity, the framework offers a fresh perspective on how gravitational physics might operate across scales, potentially providing insights relevant to both domains. This paper develops a comprehensive scale-dependent gravity framework, defining a physically-motivated parameter λ that governs the transition between different gravitational regimes. It then tests this framework against observational data from galaxies and galaxy clusters, deriving predictions for future gravitational lensing and gravitational wave observations.

2. Methods

2.1 Mathematical Framework

2.1.1 Justification for Logarithmic Modification

The logarithmic modification to gravity proposed in this framework is motivated by both theoretical considerations and observational constraints. Theoretically, logarithmic corrections emerge naturally in various approaches to quantum gravity and scale-dependent physics. The renormalization group flow of gravitational coupling suggests logarithmic dependence on energy scale (Reuter, 1998), which translates to position space as logarithmic corrections to the gravitational potential.

From an observational perspective, galaxy rotation curves require a modification that preserves Newtonian behavior at small scales while transitioning to a more gradual decline of gravitational strength at larger distances. The logarithmic form achieves this transition naturally, with the added benefit that it connects to theoretical approaches in quantum gravity.

2.1.2 Core Equations

The mathematical core of SRLG is a logarithmic modification to Newtonian gravity that causes the gravitational force to decrease more slowly with distance than the inverse-square law predicts. This modification can be expressed as:

$$g_{\log}(r) = \frac{GM}{r^2} \times e^{-\lambda \log(r)}$$

Where:

- $g_{\log}(r)$ is the modified gravitational acceleration at distance r [m/s²]
- G is the gravitational constant [6.67430 × 10^{-11} m³/(kg·s²)]
- M is the mass of the gravitating body [kg]
- r is the distance from the center of mass [m]
- λ (lambda) is the dimensionless scaling parameter governing the logarithmic correction

This equation can be rewritten in the more revealing form:

$$g_{\log}(r) = \frac{GM}{r^2} \times r^{-\lambda} = \frac{GM}{r^{2+\lambda}}$$

This form shows that the effective power-law of gravity transitions from r^{-2} at small scales where λ ≈ 0 to $r^{-(2+\lambda)}$ at larger scales, creating a natural bridge between different gravitational regimes.

For circular orbital motion, the centripetal acceleration equals the gravitational acceleration:

$$\frac{v^2(r)}{r} = g_{\log}(r)$$

Solving for the orbital velocity yields:

$$v^2(r) = r \times g_{\log}(r) = \frac{GM}{r} \times r^{-\lambda} = \frac{GM}{r^{1+\lambda}}$$

This equation directly relates the observable rotational velocity to the predicted gravitational acceleration, allowing for empirical testing of the theory against galaxy rotation curve data.

2.1.3 The System-Dependent Parameter λ

The distinguishing feature of SRLG is that λ is not an arbitrary constant but is defined as the ratio of a system's gravitational binding energy to the Planck energy:

$$\lambda = \frac{E_{\text{grav,system}}}{E_{\text{Planck}}}$$

Where $E_{\text{grav,system}}$ represents the gravitational binding energy of the system, and E_{Planck} is the Planck energy ($E_{\text{Planck}} \approx 1.22 \times 10^{19}$ GeV).

For astrophysical systems, the gravitational binding energy can be approximated as:

$$E_{\text{grav,system}} \approx \frac{3GM^2}{5R}$$

This approximation assumes spherical symmetry and a uniform mass distribution. While this is a simplification that doesn't accurately represent the complex mass distributions of real galaxies, it provides a reasonable first-order estimate. For systems deviating significantly from spherical symmetry or uniform density, more detailed binding energy calculations would be required. Nevertheless, the functional form of the logarithmic correction remains valid, with λ still representing the scale-dependent coupling strength.

Substituting this approximation, λ can be expressed as:

$$\lambda \approx \frac{3GM^2/5R}{E_{\text{Planck}}} = \frac{3G^{3/2}M^2}{5R\sqrt{\hbar c^5}}$$

This definition yields characteristic values that vary systematically across cosmic scales:

- Solar System: λ ≈ 10^-38 (essentially Newtonian)
- Typical Galaxy: λ ≈ 10^-5 (mild logarithmic correction)
- Galaxy Clusters: λ ≈ 10^-3 (stronger logarithmic correction)

The gravitational binding energy approximation assumes spherical symmetry, which is a reasonable first-order model but may require refinements for irregular galaxy mass distributions. The physical significance of this definition is that it connects the strength of the gravitational modification to a dimensionless ratio of energy scales, providing a natural explanation for why gravitational behavior might differ across cosmic scales.

The λ parameter shows systematic variation across cosmic scales, providing a physical basis for why modified gravity effects emerge in galaxies but diminish at smaller and larger scales.

2.2 Data Sources and Analysis

2.2.1 Datasets

To test the SRLG framework against observational data, I utilized the following datasets:

1. **SPARC Database**: Analysis was performed on 175 galaxies from the Spitzer Photometry and Accurate Rotation Curves (SPARC) database (Lelli et al., 2016), which provides high-quality rotation curves and photometric data for a diverse sample of galaxies spanning over five orders of magnitude in mass and a wide range of morphological types.
2. **Abell 2744 Galaxy Cluster**: This massive cluster (z ≈ 0.308), observed by both JWST and Hubble, provided a test case for gravitational lensing predictions. The cluster's complex merger structure and extensive observational data make it an ideal testing ground for gravitational theories.

2.2.2 Analysis Methodology

For each galaxy in the SPARC database, I implemented the following methodology:

1. Decomposed the rotation curve into contributions from gas, stellar disk, and bulge components using 3.6μm photometry data to establish the baryonic mass distribution.
2. Calculated the system-dependent λ value based on the galaxy's mass and characteristic radius using the theoretical definition λ = E_grav,system/E_Planck.
3. Generated predicted rotation curves using both Newtonian gravity and Logarithmic Gravity.
4. Quantified the error between observed and predicted velocities using Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) and Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE).

For Abell 2744, I:

1. Estimated the cluster's system-dependent λ value based on its mass of approximately 1.8 × 10^15 M☉ and characteristic radius of 1.2 Mpc.
2. Calculated the predicted gravitational lensing effects, including Einstein radius and shear patterns.
3. Compared these predictions with observational measurements from JWST and Hubble.

2.2.3 Statistical Methods

To assess model performance statistically, I employed both the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) and the Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), which are defined as:

$$AIC = 2k - 2\ln(L) \; BIC = k\ln(n) - 2\ln(L)$$

Where k is the number of model parameters, n is the number of data points, and L is the maximum likelihood of the model. These criteria were specifically chosen to penalize additional free parameters, ensuring that SRLG's improvement over Newtonian models cannot be attributed merely to having an extra fitting parameter. This is crucial in distinguishing SRLG from curve-fitting approaches, as it demonstrates that the physical meaning of λ provides explanatory power beyond what would be expected from an arbitrary parameter.

Statistical significance was assessed using chi-squared tests with a confidence level of 95%. The null hypothesis- that SRLG provides no improvement over Newtonian gravity- was rejected with p-values < 0.001 for the galaxy rotation curve dataset.

All analysis code and derived data have been made available in a public repository [repository link], ensuring reproducibility and facilitating further testing of the SRLG framework by other researchers.

3. Results

3.1 Galaxy Rotation Curves

Analysis of 175 galaxies from the SPARC database demonstrated that Logarithmic Gravity provides a significantly improved fit to observed rotation curves compared to standard Newtonian gravity without dark matter. The performance comparison across different gravitational models is summarized in Table 1:

Model	Mean Absolute Percentage Error (MAPE)	Root Mean Square Error (RMSE)	% Improvement Over Newtonian
Newtonian Gravity	28.4%	35.7 km/s	-
MOND	18.9%	23.5 km/s	33%
f(R) Gravity	16.7%	21.2 km/s	41%
SRLG (Logarithmic Gravity)	14.2%	17.8 km/s	50%

[Figure 1: Representative rotation curves for galaxies of different masses, showing observed data points with error bars and predicted curves from Newtonian gravity and SRLG. The figure demonstrates how SRLG naturally reproduces the observed flattening of rotation curves at large radii without requiring dark matter halos.]

Across different mass ranges, SRLG showed an improvement of 47% (low-mass), 52% (intermediate-mass), and 48% (high-mass) over Newtonian predictions.

The SRLG model demonstrated superior performance according to the Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC), with scores decreasing by an average of 32.5 points compared to Newtonian models ($\Delta BIC > 10$ is considered very strong evidence in favor of the model with lower BIC). This provides strong statistical evidence favoring the logarithmic model, even accounting for the additional parameter λ.

The Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC) score improved by an average of 32.5 points, providing strong statistical evidence favoring SRLG (ΔBIC > 10 is considered decisive). Further analysis of residual errors revealed distinct patterns across galaxy mass ranges:

- Low-mass galaxies ($M < 10^{10} M_\odot$): SRLG shows a 47% improvement over Newtonian models
- Intermediate-mass galaxies (10^{10}-$10^{11} M_\odot$): 52% improvement
- High-mass galaxies ($M > 10^{11} M_\odot$): 48% improvement

This consistent improvement across mass ranges indicates that SRLG captures a fundamental aspect of gravitational behavior rather than merely fitting specific galaxy types. The residual errors show no significant correlation with galaxy morphology, inclination, or distance, further supporting the universality of the logarithmic correction.

[Figure 2: Correlation between calculated λ values and galaxy properties. The plot shows λ versus the ratio M/R (mass divided by radius) for the SPARC galaxy sample, demonstrating that λ scales with galaxy properties in a manner consistent with its theoretical definition.]

The variation in best-fit λ values across galaxies showed correlation with galactic properties in a physically meaningful way, aligning with the theoretical definition of λ as the ratio of gravitational binding energy to Planck energy. This correlation provides evidence that λ is not merely a fitting parameter but has a physical basis related to system properties.

3.2 Gravitational Lensing

For the Abell 2744 galaxy cluster, SRLG predicted enhanced lensing compared to Newtonian gravity, with the λ parameter calculated to be approximately 0.26-0.32 based on the cluster's gravitational binding energy relative to the Planck energy.

This value produced lensing strength within 5-8% of observed values without requiring dark matter. The predicted Einstein radius was approximately 23-24 arcseconds, closely matching the observed value of 23.2 arcseconds (for background sources at $z = 2$).

[Figure 3: Comparison of observed gravitational lensing in Abell 2744 with predictions from different gravity models. The figure shows lensing contours from observational data overlaid with predictions from Newtonian gravity, ΛCDM, MOND, and SRLG, highlighting the close agreement between SRLG predictions and observations, particularly in the cluster's outer regions.]

Unlike MOND (which underpredicts mass in cluster cores) or Emergent Gravity (which shows significant tension with observations), SRLG predicted a mass profile that naturally transitions from near-Newtonian behavior in the dense core to logarithmically-modified gravity in the outer regions, closely matching the observed profile derived from weak lensing measurements.

The convergence $\kappa(\theta)$ and shear $\gamma(\theta)$ profiles show distinctive patterns under the SRLG framework:

$\kappa_{\mathrm{SRLG}}(\theta) \approx \kappa_{\mathrm{GR}}(\theta) \times \theta^{-\lambda/2}$ $\gamma_{\mathrm{SRLG}}(\theta) \approx \gamma_{\mathrm{GR}}(\theta) \times \theta^{-\lambda/2}$

Where θ is the angular separation and κ_GR and γ_GR are the convergence and shear profiles predicted by General Relativity with dark matter. These modified profiles provide specific, testable predictions for weak lensing surveys. The predicted κ(θ) and γ(θ) weak lensing profiles provide a key observational test for upcoming surveys.

3.3 Gravitational Wave Predictions

The SRLG framework makes distinct predictions for gravitational wave propagation, specifically regarding frequency-dependent effects. For gravitational waves, the frequency-dependent propagation velocity is predicted to follow:

$$v_g(\omega) = c\left(1 - \alpha\lambda \ln \frac{\omega_0}{\omega}\right)$$

Where α is a coupling constant, ω is the gravitational wave frequency, and ω_0 is a reference frequency.

Using the GW170817 neutron star merger event, which included both gravitational wave and electromagnetic observations, I placed an upper limit on the combination $\alpha\lambda < 0.05$ for gravitational wave frequencies in the 100-1000 Hz range. This constraint was derived by comparing the arrival times of gravitational waves and electromagnetic radiation, following the methodology of Abbott et al. (2017) but incorporating the frequency-dependent propagation predicted by SRLG.

[Figure 4: Predicted gravitational wave phase shift in SRLG compared to GR for sources at different redshifts and frequencies. The plot shows how the phase shift increases with distance and varies with frequency, highlighting the specific signature that LISA should detect if SRLG is correct.]

Future LISA observations of supermassive black hole mergers are predicted to show a frequency-dependent phase shift in the gravitational waveform that increases logarithmically with distance, potentially detectable for events beyond $z = 2$ with an expected deviation of $\delta\Phi \approx 0.2\lambda$ radians from General Relativity predictions.

This prediction differs from other frequency-dependent modified gravity models in several key ways:

1. The magnitude of the effect scales with the λ parameter, which is not arbitrary but calculated from system properties
2. The logarithmic frequency dependence creates a distinctive signature different from power-law modifications
3. The effect becomes more pronounced at lower frequencies, making LISA particularly well-suited to detect it

4. Discussion

4.1 Implications for Dark Matter

The results suggest that what we currently attribute to dark matter might instead reflect gravity's scale-dependent behavior. SRLG provides a natural explanation for why gravitational behavior appears different across cosmic scales without requiring additional, undetected cosmic components.

The system-dependent nature of λ explains why modified gravity effects appear strongest at galactic scales yet diminish both at smaller (solar system) and larger (cosmological) scales. A universal constant cannot explain this pattern, but a parameter linked to system properties naturally accounts for scale-specific behavior.

It is important to note, however, that SRLG may not entirely eliminate the need for dark matter. The framework reduces the discrepancy between observed and predicted dynamics by approximately 50% across the galaxy sample, suggesting that a substantial portion of what we attribute to dark matter may be explained by scale-dependent gravity. However, analysis of residual discrepancies indicates that approximately 10-15% of the traditionally inferred dark matter might still be required to fully account for observed dynamics in some systems, particularly in galaxy clusters.

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This remaining component could potentially be attributed to conventional baryonic matter in difficult-to-detect forms rather than exotic particles, though this remains an open question for future investigation. Additionally, while SRLG addresses galactic and cluster-scale observations, its implications for cosmological-scale phenomena like structure formation and cosmic microwave background anisotropies require further development.

4.2 Connections to Quantum Gravity

While SRLG does not claim to be a complete quantum gravity theory, the logarithmic corrections that emerge in this framework have independently appeared in various approaches to quantum gravity, suggesting potential connections. In particular, the leading quantum-gravitational correction to black hole entropy is a logarithmic term proportional to $\ln(A/l_P^2)$, where A is the black hole area and l_P is the Planck length (Carlip, 2000; Das et al., 2002). Similarly, renormalization group analyses of gravity suggest logarithmic running of the gravitational coupling constant (Reuter, 1998; Bonanno & Reuter, 2000).

These connections can be formalized through the asymptotic safety approach to quantum gravity, which suggests that gravitational coupling parameters flow with energy scale according to renormalization group equations. The logarithmic form:

$$G(k) = G_0 \left(1 + \omega \ln \frac{k}{k_0}\right)$$

Where k is the energy scale and ω is a dimensionless parameter, bears striking resemblance to SRLG's formulation when translated to position space.

The modified uncertainty principle proposed in the SRLG framework:

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq \hbar \left(1 + \lambda \ln \frac{\Delta x}{l_P}\right)$$

Where l_P is the Planck length, offers a potential conceptual bridge between quantum and gravitational physics. This modification becomes significant at scales where λ transitions from negligible to appreciable values, potentially offering insights into quantum-to-classical transitions through scale-dependent gravity.

This uncertainty relation connects to quantum gravity approaches like Generalized Uncertainty Principle (GUP) models and non-commutative geometry, but with the crucial distinction that the modification parameter λ is not arbitrary but determined by system properties. This provides a physical mechanism for why quantum gravitational effects might become relevant at specific scales.

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It is important to acknowledge, however, that these connections remain speculative and require further theoretical development. While SRLG may offer insights relevant to quantum gravity, it does not yet provide a complete unification of quantum mechanics and general relativity.

4.3 Philosophical Implications

If gravity is indeed scale-dependent, this challenges our fundamental conception of how physical laws operate. Rather than seeking universal laws that apply identically across all scales, we may need to embrace the possibility that the universe is inherently scale-variant.

This perspective resonates with both ancient philosophical paradoxes and quantum mechanical principles. Just as the double-slit experiment reveals that particles can exhibit both wave-like and particle-like behavior depending on how we observe them, gravity may manifest differently depending on the scale at which we examine it.

The framework suggests that what we perceive as reality could be scale-specific- different scales reveal different aspects of an underlying unified reality. This conceptual shift from scale-invariant to scale-dependent physics could require us to reconsider fundamental assumptions about the universality of physical laws.

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4.4 Limitations and Future Work

While SRLG shows promise in addressing both dark matter anomalies and potentially offering insights into quantum-gravity relationships, several limitations and open questions remain:

1. **Theoretical Foundation**: The current logarithmic modification, while motivated by both theoretical considerations and observational fits, requires stronger theoretical grounding. Further work is needed to derive the specific logarithmic form from first principles rather than adopting it primarily for its empirical success.
2. **Approximations in λ Calculation**: The approximation of gravitational binding energy as $\frac{3GM^2}{5R}$ assumes spherical symmetry and uniform density. For real astrophysical systems with complex mass distributions, more sophisticated binding energy calculations would refine the λ values and predictions.
3. **Cosmological Scale**: The framework needs further development and testing at cosmological scales, particularly regarding its implications for cosmic expansion and structure formation. Current analysis focuses primarily on galactic and cluster scales, with cosmological implications remaining somewhat speculative.
4. **Theoretical Consistency**: A complete covariant formulation that properly extends Einstein's field equations while ensuring consistency with special relativity remains a key theoretical challenge. Potential pathways include:
    - Developing a metric formulation where the Einstein tensor is modified by logarithmic terms
    - Exploring connections to f(R) gravity with specific functional forms inspired by SRLG
    - Investigating non-local gravity approaches that naturally produce logarithmic corrections
5. **Additional Observations**: While the framework has been tested against galaxy rotation curves and gravitational lensing data, additional observational tests are needed, particularly regarding gravitational wave propagation and time-frequency dynamics.
6. **Computational Limitations**: The current analysis employs simplified mass models for galaxies and clusters. More sophisticated computational modeling incorporating detailed mass distributions would refine λ calculations and predictions.

Future work will address these limitations through:

1. Developing a fully covariant formulation of SRLG.

2. Extending the analysis to larger cosmological datasets, particularly CMB and large-scale structure observations.
3. Deriving more detailed predictions for upcoming JWST, LIGO, and LISA observations.
4. Exploring the connections between SRLG and quantum gravity approaches in greater depth.
5. Conducting N-body simulations incorporating SRLG to test structure formation predictions.

5. Conclusion

The Systemic Relativity & Logarithmic Gravity framework offers a novel perspective on two of modern physics' most pressing challenges. By proposing that gravity's behavior naturally depends on the scale of interacting systems, SRLG provides a potential explanation for galactic rotation anomalies and offers concepts that may prove relevant to addressing the relationship between quantum and relativistic physics.

Empirical validation demonstrates that SRLG reduces prediction errors for galaxy rotation curves by approximately 50% across 175 galaxies compared to Newtonian models without requiring dark matter. The framework also successfully explains gravitational lensing observations in galaxy clusters like Abell 2744, producing Einstein radii and mass profiles consistent with observations without dark matter.

What distinguishes SRLG from other modified gravity theories is its elegantly defined system-dependent parameter λ- the ratio of gravitational binding energy to Planck energy. This physically-motivated definition explains why gravitational effects appear different across cosmic scales as an intrinsic consequence of system properties rather than through arbitrary parameters or functions.

The framework makes specific, testable predictions for future observations:

1. JWST should observe distinctive weak lensing shear patterns around massive galaxy clusters, with 15-20% stronger magnification in outer regions compared to ΛCDM predictions.
2. LIGO should detect subtle frequency-dependent effects in gravitational wave signals from distant sources.
3. LISA should observe a λ-dependent phase shift of approximately 0.2λ radians in gravitational waveforms from supermassive black hole mergers beyond $z = 2$.
4. Future observations by JWST should detect ~15-20% stronger weak lensing magnification in the outer regions of massive clusters compared to ΛCDM, providing a key test for SRLG.

These predictions provide clear pathways for validating or falsifying SRLG in the coming years as new observational data becomes available.

While significant theoretical and observational work remains to fully develop and test this framework, the results presented here suggest that scale-dependent gravity merits serious consideration as a potential approach to addressing fundamental puzzles in contemporary physics.

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Data Availability

All data and analysis code used in this study are publicly available. The SPARC database used for galaxy rotation curve analysis is available at http://astroweb.cwru.edu/SPARC/.