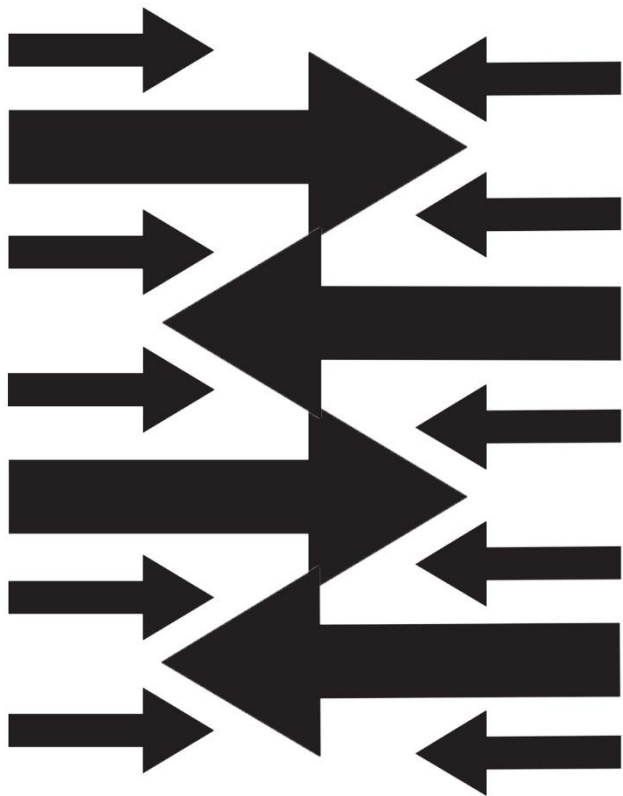


# **Time's Arrow**



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if the cup breaks  
then I drop it  
effect becomes cause  
if this / then  
both directions point  
toward chaos  
this 2D view  
ignores the expanding sphere  
direction becomes infinite points  
Planck length and perfect  
the arrow freezes  
when velocity and position  
cannot meet  
observer collects  
ordering shards into cups  
the mess goes away  
and entropy is a state of mind

when time is over  
now will be the last  
present you receive

you ask for seconds  
currently  
you'd better work on your timing  
forever isn't happening

slipping past eternity

## **Time's Extended Warranty**

while exceptions have been made in the past  
heat death voids this warranty  
don't hesitate  
no better time than the present  
when any instant  
brief as it may be  
could wind down like a broken clock  
this sale will pass in the blink of an eye  
so, act now without pause

time machine broken  
electronics era  
predates industrial

∞

past self  
passes by  
young forever

time's arrow  
knows not straight lines  
released, it arced  
rose from the chaos  
to order – ever so briefly  
then gently fell  
hitting entropy's mark  
as all stood still  
    in that last eternal moment

time's up  
when the clock strikes  
you fail to punch in  
now  
all the time in the world  
is only one moment  
until you ride the cycle  
past the future and present  
back to the delicious past  
twice upon that time  
upon that time  
you come upon a time  
when time is not up

when the clock strikes  
you fail to punch in

## **The Zone**

as the athlete, the musician  
slows time  
as panic and fear  
stretch time  
as joy and sex  
speed time  
as growth and age  
draw out and compress time  
as labor and the mundane  
drag time  
as watching the clock  
freezes time  
emanating from glands  
time is a function  
of hormone



in the beginning  
it was the present  
in the end  
it will be the present  
when time slips  
instantly infinitude obliterates time  
and it will still be the present

folded like an accordion  
Damascus steel  
croissant  
the only straight lines  
in nature, belong to the mind  
biological construct  
in a cosmos of spirals  
counting our circumnavigations  
never actually returning  
corkscrewing into the wine-like void

emerge, take flight larvae  
eat – mate – die  
time flies  
never to see a sunset  
a day, your forever

brevity, whose eyes measure you  
perhaps the compound  
variety of perspective  
perceives the passage relatively

and human,  
your time flies  
despite abstracting, counting  
in your Planck moment  
time still flies

→  
Abruptly  
Beginning Eon  
New Ends  
↑ Presents ∞ Now ↓  
Simultaneously Pending  
Time Interim  
When  
←

infinity  
all that carrier light  
may diffuse  
reduce me to lone photon  
the timeless particle  
waves goodbye  
forever

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