

## The Uncertainty Principle<sup>1</sup>

Energy<sup>2</sup> is not continuous<sup>3</sup> but comes in small discrete units<sup>4</sup>. These units of energy<sup>5</sup> behave as both particles<sup>6</sup> and waves<sup>7</sup>. The movement<sup>8</sup> of these units is inherently and always random<sup>9</sup>. It is impossible<sup>10</sup> to know<sup>11</sup> both the position<sup>12</sup> and the momentum<sup>13</sup> of these units<sup>14</sup>. The more precisely one measurement is known<sup>15</sup>, the less precise the other becomes.<sup>16</sup>

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1 Complete title: The Uncertainty Principle of Physics: Our Love.

2 Energy = Love.

3 We've dated these five months and broke up three times. We're on the nearest verge of a fourth.

4 Units = Hard kisses at night, slower kisses with a morning sun.

5 Energy = Love.

6 Particles = You saying, *I love you, Monster*. Me whispering, *I love you, Spoon*.

7 Waves = You yelling, *I have no fucking clue about what we'll do once you leave*. Me screaming, *I can't just love you for tonight. I need more*.

8 Movement = You struggling to decide to stay in Crested Butte or move to Albuquerque or follow me to Michigan or return home to Boston.

9 Random like trying to figure out if we're going to make love tonight or fight about if we're going to break up once I move to Michigan.

10 *I need a fucking answer*, I yell.

11 *I don't know, Sean. I have no fucking idea*, you spit back.

12 Position = Crested Butte, Albuquerque, Michigan, or Boston?

13 Momentum = If you are staying, if you are moving, if you are moving with me.

14 Units = Love.

15 The known = *Come with me*, I whisper and plead.

16 The unknown = *I don't know. I don't know. I don't know*, you scream.

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