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PARADOX

It always seems forever since I saw
You last, yet like you never left when you
Are here, as though there were some hidden law
Of physics which, although unproved, is true
For us—a law which measures space and time
For us and demarcates our universe
As does a sonnet's necessary rhyme,
Sometimes elaborate, and sometimes terse.
Yet there's no poetry that I can write
To explicate this paradox—to give
Me understanding why I feel delight
Or am bereft according as we live
Or near nor far apart—nor calculus
Of love that measures distances for us.