

P-ADIC LENGTH SCALE HYPOTHESIS  
AND DARK MATTER HIERARCHY

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## Preface

This book belongs to a series of online books summarizing the recent state Topological Geometro-dynamics (TGD) and its applications. TGD can be regarded as a unified theory of fundamental interactions but is not the kind of unified theory as so called GUTs constructed by graduate students at seventies and eighties using detailed recipes for how to reduce everything to group theory. Nowadays this activity has been completely computerized and it probably takes only a few hours to print out the predictions of this kind of unified theory as an article in the desired format. TGD is something different and I am not ashamed to confess that I have devoted the last 32 years of my life to this enterprise and am still unable to write The Rules.

I got the basic idea of Topological Geometro-dynamics (TGD) during autumn 1978, perhaps it was October. What I realized was that the representability of physical space-times as 4-dimensional surfaces of some higher-dimensional space-time obtained by replacing the points of Minkowski space with some very small compact internal space could resolve the conceptual difficulties of general relativity related to the definition of the notion of energy. This belief was too optimistic and only with the advent of what I call zero energy ontology the understanding of the notion of Poincare invariance has become satisfactory.

It soon became clear that the approach leads to a generalization of the notion of space-time with particles being represented by space-time surfaces with finite size so that TGD could be also seen as a generalization of the string model. Much later it became clear that this generalization is consistent with conformal invariance only if space-time is 4-dimensional and the Minkowski space factor of imbedding space is 4-dimensional.

It took some time to discover that also the geometrization of also gauge interactions and elementary particle quantum numbers could be possible in this framework: it took two years to find the unique internal space providing this geometrization involving also the realization that family replication phenomenon for fermions has a natural topological explanation in TGD framework and that the symmetries of the standard model symmetries are much more profound than pragmatic TOE builders have believed them to be. If TGD is correct, main stream particle physics chose the wrong track leading to the recent deep crisis when people decided that quarks and leptons belong to same multiplet of the gauge group implying instability of proton.

There have been also longstanding problems.

- Gravitational energy is well-defined in cosmological models but is not conserved. Hence the conservation of the inertial energy does not seem to be consistent with the Equivalence Principle. Furthermore, the imbeddings of Robertson-Walker cosmologies turned out to be vacuum extremals with respect to the inertial energy. About 25 years was needed to realize that the sign of the inertial energy can be also negative and in cosmological scales the density of inertial energy vanishes: physically acceptable universes are creatable from vacuum. Eventually this led to the notion of zero energy ontology which deviates dramatically from the standard ontology being however consistent with the crossing symmetry of quantum field theories. In this framework the quantum numbers are assigned with zero energy states located at the boundaries of so called causal diamonds defined as intersections of future and past directed light-cones. The notion of energy-momentum becomes length scale dependent since one has a scale hierarchy for causal diamonds. This allows to understand the non-conservation of energy as apparent. Equivalence Principle generalizes and has a formulation in terms of coset representations of Super-Virasoro algebras providing also a justification for p-adic thermodynamics.
- From the beginning it was clear that the theory predicts the presence of long ranged classical electro-weak and color gauge fields and that these fields necessarily accompany classical electromagnetic fields. It took about 26 years to gain the maturity to admit the obvious: these fields are classical correlates for long range color and weak interactions assignable to dark matter. The only possible conclusion is that TGD physics is a fractal consisting of an entire hierarchy of fractal copies of standard model physics. Also the understanding of electro-weak massivation and screening of weak charges has been a long standing problem, and 32 years was needed to discover that what I call weak form of electric-magnetic duality gives a satisfactory solution of the problem and provides also surprisingly powerful insights to the mathematical structure of quantum TGD.

I started the serious attempts to construct quantum TGD after my thesis around 1982. The original optimistic hope was that path integral formalism or canonical quantization might be enough to construct the quantum theory but the first discovery made already during first year of TGD was that these formalisms might be useless due to the extreme non-linearity and enormous vacuum degeneracy of the theory. This turned out to be the case.

- It took some years to discover that the only working approach is based on the generalization of Einstein's program. Quantum physics involves the geometrization of the infinite-dimensional "world of classical worlds" (WCW) identified as 3-dimensional surfaces. Still few years had to pass before I understood that general coordinate invariance leads to a more or less unique solution of the problem and implies that space-time surfaces are analogous to Bohr orbits. Still a couple of years and I discovered that quantum states of the Universe can be identified as classical spinor fields in WCW. Only quantum jump remains the genuinely quantal aspect of quantum physics.
- During these years TGD led to a rather profound generalization of the space-time concept. Quite general properties of the theory led to the notion of many-sheeted space-time with sheets representing physical subsystems of various sizes. At the beginning of 90s I became dimly aware of the importance of p-adic number fields and soon ended up with the idea that p-adic thermodynamics for a conformally invariant system allows to understand elementary particle massivation with amazingly few input assumptions. The attempts to understand p-adicity from basic principles led gradually to the vision about physics as a generalized number theory as an approach complementary to the physics as an infinite-dimensional spinor geometry of WCW approach. One of its elements was a generalization of the number concept obtained by fusing real numbers and various p-adic numbers along common rationals. The number theoretical trinity involves besides p-adic number fields also quaternions and octonions and the notion of infinite prime.
- TGD inspired theory of consciousness entered the scheme after 1995 as I started to write a book about consciousness. Gradually it became difficult to say where physics ends and consciousness theory begins since consciousness theory could be seen as a generalization of quantum measurement theory by identifying quantum jump as a moment of consciousness and by replacing the observer with the notion of self identified as a system which is conscious as long as it can avoid entanglement with environment. "Everything is conscious and consciousness can be only lost" summarizes the basic philosophy neatly. The idea about p-adic physics as physics of cognition and intentionality emerged also rather naturally and implies perhaps the most dramatic generalization of the space-time concept in which most points of p-adic space-time sheets are infinite in real sense and the projection to the real imbedding space consists of discrete set of points. One of the most fascinating outcomes was the observation that the entropy based on p-adic norm can be negative. This observation led to the vision that life can be regarded as something in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds. Negentropic entanglement has interpretation as a correlate for various positively colored aspects of conscious experience and means also the possibility of strongly correlated states stable under state function reduction and different from the conventional bound states and perhaps playing key role in the energy metabolism of living matter.
- One of the latest threads in the evolution of ideas is only slightly more than six years old. Learning about the paper of Laurent Nottale about the possibility to identify planetary orbits as Bohr orbits with a gigantic value of gravitational Planck constant made once again possible to see the obvious. Dynamical quantized Planck constant is strongly suggested by quantum classical correspondence and the fact that space-time sheets identifiable as quantum coherence regions can have arbitrarily large sizes. During summer 2010 several new insights about the mathematical structure and interpretation of TGD emerged. One of these insights was the realization that the postulated hierarchy of Planck constants might follow from the basic structure of quantum TGD. The point is that due to the extreme non-linearity of the classical action principle the correspondence between canonical momentum densities and time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates is one-to-many and the natural description of the situation is in terms of local singular covering spaces of the imbedding space. One could speak about effective value of Planck

constant coming as a multiple of its minimal value. The implications of the hierarchy of Planck constants are extremely far reaching so that the significance of the reduction of this hierarchy to the basic mathematical structure distinguishing between TGD and competing theories cannot be under-estimated.

From the point of view of particle physics the ultimate goal is of course a practical construction recipe for the S-matrix of the theory. I have myself regarded this dream as quite too ambitious taking into account how far reaching re-structuring and generalization of the basic mathematical structure of quantum physics is required. It has indeed turned out that the dream about explicit formula is unrealistic before one has understood what happens in quantum jump. Symmetries and general physical principles have turned out to be the proper guide line here. To give some impressions about what is required some highlights are in order.

- With the emergence of zero energy ontology the notion of S-matrix was replaced with M-matrix which can be interpreted as a complex square root of density matrix representable as a diagonal and positive square root of density matrix and unitary S-matrix so that quantum theory in zero energy ontology can be said to define a square root of thermodynamics at least formally.
- A decisive step was the strengthening of the General Coordinate Invariance to the requirement that the formulations of the theory in terms of light-like 3-surfaces identified as 3-surfaces at which the induced metric of space-time surfaces changes its signature and in terms of space-like 3-surfaces are equivalent. This means effective 2-dimensionality in the sense that partonic 2-surfaces defined as intersections of these two kinds of surfaces plus 4-D tangent space data at partonic 2-surfaces code for the physics. Quantum classical correspondence requires the coding of the quantum numbers characterizing quantum states assigned to the partonic 2-surfaces to the geometry of space-time surface. This is achieved by adding to the modified Dirac action a measurement interaction term assigned with light-like 3-surfaces.
- The replacement of strings with light-like 3-surfaces equivalent to space-like 3-surfaces means enormous generalization of the super conformal symmetries of string models. A further generalization of these symmetries to non-local Yangian symmetries generalizing the recently discovered Yangian symmetry of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  supersymmetric Yang-Mills theories is highly suggestive. Here the replacement of point like particles with partonic 2-surfaces means the replacement of conformal symmetry of Minkowski space with infinite-dimensional super-conformal algebras. Yangian symmetry provides also a further refinement to the notion of conserved quantum numbers allowing to define them for bound states using non-local energy conserved currents.
- A further attractive idea is that quantum TGD reduces to almost topological quantum field theory. This is possible if the Kähler action for the preferred extremals defining WCW Kähler function reduces to a 3-D boundary term. This takes place if the conserved currents are so called Beltrami fields with the defining property that the coordinates associated with flow lines extend to single global coordinate variable. This ansatz together with the weak form of electric-magnetic duality reduces the Kähler action to Chern-Simons term with the condition that the 3-surfaces are extremals of Chern-Simons action subject to the constraint force defined by the weak form of electric magnetic duality. It is the latter constraint which prevents the trivialization of the theory to a topological quantum field theory. Also the identification of the Kähler function of WCW as Dirac determinant finds support as well as the description of the scattering amplitudes in terms of braids with interpretation in terms of finite measurement resolution coded to the basic structure of the solutions of field equations.
- In standard QFT Feynman diagrams provide the description of scattering amplitudes. The beauty of Feynman diagrams is that they realize unitarity automatically via the so called Cutkosky rules. In contrast to Feynman's original beliefs, Feynman diagrams and virtual particles are taken only as a convenient mathematical tool in quantum field theories. QFT approach is however plagued by UV and IR divergences and one must keep mind open for the possibility that a genuine progress might mean opening of the black box of the virtual particle.

In TGD framework this generalization of Feynman diagrams indeed emerges unavoidably. Light-like 3-surfaces replace the lines of Feynman diagrams and vertices are replaced by 2-D partonic

2-surfaces. Zero energy ontology and the interpretation of parton orbits as light-like "wormhole throats" suggests that virtual particles do not differ from mass shell particles only in that the four- and three- momenta of wormhole throats fail to be parallel. The two throats of the wormhole defining virtual particle would contact carry on mass shell quantum numbers but for virtual particles the four-momenta need not be parallel and can also have opposite signs of energy. Modified Dirac equation suggests a number theoretical quantization of the masses of the virtual particles. The kinematic constraints on the virtual momenta are extremely restrictive and reduce the dimension of the sub-space of virtual momenta and if massless particles are not allowed (IR cutoff provided by zero energy ontology naturally), the number of Feynman diagrams contributing to a particular kind of scattering amplitude is finite and manifestly UV and IR finite and satisfies unitarity constraint in terms of Cutkosky rules. What is remarkable that fermionic propagators are massless propagators but for on mass shell four-momenta. This gives a connection with the twistor approach and inspires the generalization of the Yangian symmetry to infinite-dimensional super-conformal algebras.

What I have said above is strongly biased view about the recent situation in quantum TGD and I have left all about applications to the introductions of the books whose purpose is to provide a bird's eye view about TGD as it is now. This vision is single man's view and doomed to contain unrealistic elements as I know from experience. My dream is that young critical readers could take this vision seriously enough to try to demonstrate that some of its basic premises are wrong or to develop an alternative based on these or better premises. I must be however honest and tell that 32 years of TGD is a really vast bundle of thoughts and quite a challenge for anyone who is not able to cheat himself by taking the attitude of a blind believer or a light-hearted debunker trusting on the power of easy rhetoric tricks.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Basic Ideas of TGD

The basic physical picture behind TGD was formed as a fusion of two rather disparate approaches: namely TGD as a Poincare invariant theory of gravitation and TGD as a generalization of the old-fashioned string model.

#### 1.1.1 Background

*T(opological) G(eometro)D(ynamics)* is one of the many attempts to find a unified description of basic interactions. The development of the basic ideas of TGD to a relatively stable form took time of about half decade [K3]. The great challenge is to construct a mathematical theory around these physically very attractive ideas and I have devoted the last twenty-three years for the realization of this dream and this has resulted in seven online books about TGD and eight online books about TGD inspired theory of consciousness and of quantum biology.

Quantum T(opological) G(eometro)D(ynamics) as a classical spinor geometry for infinite-dimensional configuration space, p-adic numbers and quantum TGD, and TGD inspired theory of consciousness and of quantum biology have been for last decade of the second millenium the basic three strongly interacting threads in the tapestry of quantum TGD.

For few years ago the discussions with Tony Smith initiated a fourth thread which deserves the name 'TGD as a generalized number theory'. The basic observation was that classical number fields might allow a deeper formulation of quantum TGD. The work with Riemann hypothesis made time ripe for realization that the notion of infinite primes could provide, not only a reformulation, but a deep generalization of quantum TGD. This led to a thorough and extremely fruitful revision of the basic views about what the final form and physical content of quantum TGD might be. Together with the vision about the fusion of p-adic and real physics to a larger coherent structure these sub-threads fused to the "physics as generalized number theory" th

A further thread emerged from the realization that by quantum classical correspondence TGD predicts an infinite hierarchy of macroscopic quantum systems with increasing sizes, that it is not at all clear whether standard quantum mechanics can accommodate this hierarchy, and that a dynamical quantized Planck constant might be necessary and certainly possible in TGD framework. The identification of hierarchy of Planck constants whose values TGD "predicts" in terms of dark matter hierarchy would be natural. This also led to a solution of a long standing puzzle: what is the proper interpretation of the predicted fractal hierarchy of long ranged classical electro-weak and color gauge fields. Quantum classical correspondences allows only single answer: there is infinite hierarchy of p-adically scaled up variants of standard model physics and for each of them also dark hierarchy. Thus TGD Universe would be fractal in very abstract and deep sense.

Every updating of the books makes me frustrated as I see how badly the structure of the representation reflects my bird's eye of view as it is at the moment of updating. At this time I realized that the chronology based identification of the threads is quite natural but not logical and it is much more logical to see p-adic physics, the ideas related to classical number fields, and infinite primes as sub-threads of a thread which might be called "physics as a generalized number theory". In the

following I adopt this view. This reduces the number of threads to four! I am not even sure about the number of threads! Be patient!

TGD forces the generalization of physics to a quantum theory of consciousness, and represent TGD as a generalized number theory vision leads naturally to the emergence of p-adic physics as physics of cognitive representations. The seven online books [K87, K66, K57, K51, K67, K77, K74] about TGD and eight online books about TGD inspired theory of consciousness and of quantum biology [K81, K15, K62, K13, K35, K43, K46, K73] are warmly recommended to the interested reader.

### 1.1.2 TGD as a Poincare invariant theory of gravitation

The first approach was born as an attempt to construct a Poincare invariant theory of gravitation. Space-time, rather than being an abstract manifold endowed with a pseudo-Riemannian structure, is regarded as a surface in the 8-dimensional space  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$ , where  $M^4$  denotes Minkowski space and  $CP_2 = SU(3)/U(2)$  is the complex projective space of two complex dimensions [A62, A49, A58, A47].

The identification of the space-time as a submanifold [A44, A61] of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  leads to an exact Poincare invariance and solves the conceptual difficulties related to the definition of the energy-momentum in General Relativity.

It soon however turned out that submanifold geometry, being considerably richer in structure than the abstract manifold geometry, leads to a geometrization of all basic interactions. First, the geometrization of the elementary particle quantum numbers is achieved. The geometry of  $CP_2$  explains electro-weak and color quantum numbers. The different H-chiralities of  $H$ -spinors correspond to the conserved baryon and lepton numbers. Secondly, the geometrization of the field concept results. The projections of the  $CP_2$  spinor connection, Killing vector fields of  $CP_2$  and of  $H$ -metric to four-surface define classical electro-weak, color gauge fields and metric in  $X^4$ .

### 1.1.3 TGD as a generalization of the hadronic string model

The second approach was based on the generalization of the mesonic string model describing mesons as strings with quarks attached to the ends of the string. In the 3-dimensional generalization 3-surfaces correspond to free particles and the boundaries of the 3- surface correspond to partons in the sense that the quantum numbers of the elementary particles reside on the boundaries. Various boundary topologies (number of handles) correspond to various fermion families so that one obtains an explanation for the known elementary particle quantum numbers. This approach leads also to a natural topological description of the particle reactions as topology changes: for instance, two-particle decay corresponds to a decay of a 3-surface to two disjoint 3-surfaces.

This decay vertex does not however correspond to a direct generalization of trouser vertex of string models. Indeed, the important difference between TGD and string models is that the analogs of string world sheet diagrams do not describe particle decays but the propagation of particles via different routes. Particle reactions are described by generalized Feynman diagrams for which 3-D light-like surface describing particle propagating join along their ends at vertices. As 4-manifolds the space-time surfaces are therefore singular like Feynman diagrams as 1-manifolds.

### 1.1.4 Fusion of the two approaches via a generalization of the space-time concept

The problem is that the two approaches to TGD seem to be mutually exclusive since the orbit of a particle like 3-surface defines 4-dimensional surface, which differs drastically from the topologically trivial macroscopic space-time of General Relativity. The unification of these approaches forces a considerable generalization of the conventional space-time concept. First, the topologically trivial 3-space of General Relativity is replaced with a "topological condensate" containing matter as particle like 3-surfaces "glued" to the topologically trivial background 3-space by connected sum operation. Secondly, the assumption about connectedness of the 3-space is given up. Besides the "topological condensate" there could be "vapor phase" that is a "gas" of particle like 3-surfaces (counterpart of the "baby universes" of GRT) and the nonconservation of energy in GRT corresponds to the transfer of energy between the topological condensate and vapor phase.

What one obtains is what I have christened as many-sheeted space-time. One particular aspect is topological field quantization meaning that various classical fields assignable to a physical system



correspond to space-time sheets representing the classical fields to that particular system. One can speak of the field body of a particular physical system. Field body consists of topological light rays, and electric and magnetic flux quanta. In Maxwell's theory system does not possess this kind of field identity. The notion of magnetic body is one of the key players in TGD inspired theory of consciousness and quantum biology.

This picture became more detailed with the advent of zero energy ontology (ZEO). The basic notion of ZEO is causal diamond ( $CD$ ) identified as the Cartesian product of  $CP_2$  and of the intersection of future and past directed light-cones and having scale coming as an integer multiple of  $CP_2$  size is fundamental.  $CD$ s form a fractal hierarchy and zero energy states decompose to products of positive and negative energy parts assignable to the opposite boundaries of  $CD$  defining the ends of the space-time surface. The counterpart of zero energy state in positive energy ontology is in terms of initial and final states of a physical event, say particle reaction.

General Coordinate Invariance allows to identify the basic dynamical objects as space-like 3-surfaces at the ends of space-time surface at boundaries of  $CD$ : this means that space-time surface is analogous to Bohr orbit. An alternative identification is as light-like 3-surfaces at which the signature of the induced metric changes from Minkowskian to Euclidian and interpreted as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams. Also the Euclidian 4-D regions would have similar interpretation. The requirement that the two interpretations are equivalent, leads to a strong form of General Coordinate Invariance. The outcome is effective 2-dimensionality stating that the partonic 2-surfaces identified as intersections of the space-like ends of space-time surface and light-like wormhole throats are the fundamental objects. That only effective 2-dimensionality is in question is due to the effects caused by the failure of strict determinism of Kähler action. In finite length scale resolution these effects can be neglected below UV cutoff and above IR cutoff. One can also speak about strong form of holography.

There is a further generalization of the space-time concept inspired by p-adic physics forcing a generalization of the number concept through the fusion of real numbers and various p-adic number fields. Also the hierarchy of Planck constants forces a generalization of the notion of space-time.

A very concise manner to express how TGD differs from Special and General Relativities could be following. Relativity Principle (Poincare Invariance), General Coordinate Invariance, and Equivalence Principle remain true. What is new is the notion of sub-manifold geometry: this allows to realize Poincare Invariance and geometrize gravitation simultaneously. This notion also allows a geometrization of known fundamental interactions and is an essential element of all applications of TGD ranging from Planck length to cosmological scales. Sub-manifold geometry is also crucial in the applications of TGD to biology and consciousness theory.

The worst objection against TGD is the observation that all classical gauge fields are expressible in terms of four imbedding space coordinates only- essentially  $CP_2$  coordinates. The linear superposition of classical gauge fields taking place independently for all gauge fields is lost. This would be a catastrophe without many-sheeted space-time. Instead of gauge fields, only the effects such as gauge forces are superposed. Particle topologically condenses to several space-time sheets simultaneously and experiences the sum of gauge forces. This transforms the weakness to extreme economy: in a typical unified theory the number of primary field variables is countered in hundreds if not thousands, now it is just four.

## 1.2 The threads in the development of quantum TGD

The development of TGD has involved several strongly interacting threads: physics as infinite-dimensional geometry; TGD as a generalized number theory, the hierarchy of Planck constants interpreted in terms of dark matter hierarchy, and TGD inspired theory of consciousness. In the following these threads are briefly described.

### 1.2.1 Quantum TGD as spinor geometry of World of Classical Worlds

A turning point in the attempts to formulate a mathematical theory was reached after seven years from the birth of TGD. The great insight was "Do not quantize". The basic ingredients to the new approach have served as the basic philosophy for the attempt to construct Quantum TGD since then and have been the following ones:

1. Quantum theory for extended particles is free(!), classical(!) field theory for a generalized Schrödinger amplitude in the configuration space  $CH$  consisting of all possible 3-surfaces in  $H$ . "All possible" means that surfaces with arbitrary many disjoint components and with arbitrary internal topology and also singular surfaces topologically intermediate between two different manifold topologies are included. Particle reactions are identified as topology changes [A54, A63, A64]. For instance, the decay of a 3-surface to two 3-surfaces corresponds to the decay  $A \rightarrow B + C$ . Classically this corresponds to a path of configuration space leading from 1-particle sector to 2-particle sector. At quantum level this corresponds to the dispersion of the generalized Schrödinger amplitude localized to 1-particle sector to two-particle sector. All coupling constants should result as predictions of the theory since no nonlinearities are introduced.
2. During years this naive and very rough vision has of course developed a lot and is not anymore quite equivalent with the original insight. In particular, the space-time correlates of Feynman graphs have emerged from theory as Euclidian space-time regions and the strong form of General Coordinate Invariance has led to a rather detailed and in many respects un-expected visions. This picture forces to give up the idea about smooth space-time surfaces and replace space-time surface with a generalization of Feynman diagram in which vertices represent the failure of manifold property. I have also started introduced the word "world of classical worlds" (WCW) instead of rather formal "configuration space". I hope that "WCW" does not induce despair in the reader having tendency to think about the technicalities involved!
3. WCW is endowed with metric and spinor structure so that one can define various metric related differential operators, say Dirac operator, appearing in the field equations of the theory. The most ambitious dream is that zero energy states correspond to a complete solution basis for the Dirac operator of WCW so that this classical free field theory would dictate M-matrices which form orthonormal rows of what I call U-matrix. Given M-matrix in turn would decompose to a product of a hermitian density matrix and unitary S-matrix.

M-matrix would define time-like entanglement coefficients between positive and negative energy parts of zero energy states (all net quantum numbers vanish for them) and can be regarded as a hermitian square root of density matrix multiplied by a unitary S-matrix. Quantum theory would be in well-defined sense a square root of thermodynamics. The orthogonality and hermiticity of the complex square roots of density matrices commuting with S-matrix means that they span infinite-dimensional Lie algebra acting as symmetries of the S-matrix. Therefore quantum TGD would reduce to group theory in well-defined sense: its own symmetries would define the symmetries of the theory. In fact the Lie algebra of Hermitian M-matrices extends to Kac-Moody type algebra obtained by multiplying hermitian square roots of density matrices with powers of the S-matrix. Also the analog of Yangian algebra involving only non-negative powers of S-matrix is possible.

4. By quantum classical correspondence the construction of WCW spinor structure reduces to the second quantization of the induced spinor fields at space-time surface. The basic action is so called modified Dirac action in which gamma matrices are replaced with the modified gamma matrices defined as contractions of the canonical momentum currents with the imbedding space gamma matrices. In this manner one achieves super-conformal symmetry and conservation of fermionic currents among other things and consistent Dirac equation. This modified gamma matrices define as anticommutators effective metric, which might provide geometrization for some basic observables of condensed matter physics. The conjecture is that Dirac determinant for the modified Dirac action gives the exponent of Kähler action for a preferred extremal as vacuum functional so that one might talk about bosonic emergence in accordance with the prediction that the gauge bosons and graviton are expressible in terms of bound states of fermion and antifermion.

The evolution of these basic ideas has been rather slow but has gradually led to a rather beautiful vision. One of the key problems has been the definition of Kähler function. Kähler function is Kähler action for a preferred extremal assignable to a given 3-surface but what this preferred extremal is? The obvious first guess was as absolute minimum of Kähler action but could not be proven to be right or wrong. One big step in the progress was boosted by the idea that TGD should reduce to almost topological QFT in which braids would replace 3-surfaces in finite measurement resolution, which could

be inherent property of the theory itself and imply discretization at partonic 2-surfaces with discrete points carrying fermion number.

1. TGD as almost topological QFT vision suggests that Kähler action for preferred extremals reduces to Chern-Simons term assigned with space-like 3-surfaces at the ends of space-time (recall the notion of causal diamond ( $CD$ )) and with the light-like 3-surfaces at which the signature of the induced metric changes from Minkowskian to Euclidian. Minkowskian and Euclidian regions would give at wormhole throats the same contribution apart from coefficients and in Minkowskian regions the  $\sqrt{g_4}$  factor would be imaginary so that one would obtain sum of real term identifiable as Kähler function and imaginary term identifiable as the ordinary action giving rise to interference effects and stationary phase approximation central in both classical and quantum field theory. Imaginary contribution - the presence of which I realized only after 33 years of TGD - could also have topological interpretation as a Morse function. On physical side the emergence of Euclidian space-time regions is something completely new and leads to a dramatic modification of the ideas about black hole interior.
2. The manner to achieve the reduction to Chern-Simons terms is simple. The vanishing of Coulombic contribution to Kähler action is required and is true for all known extremals if one makes a general ansatz about the form of classical conserved currents. The so called weak form of electric-magnetic duality defines a boundary condition reducing the resulting 3-D terms to Chern-Simons terms. In this manner almost topological QFT results. But only "almost" since the Lagrange multiplier term forcing electric-magnetic duality implies that Chern-Simons action for preferred extremals depends on metric.
3. A further quite recent hypothesis inspired by effective 2-dimensionality is that Chern-Simons terms reduce to a sum of two 2-dimensional terms. An imaginary term proportional to the total area of Minkowskian string world sheets and a real term proportional to the total area of partonic 2-surfaces or equivalently strings world sheets in Euclidian space-time regions. Also the equality of the total areas of strings world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces is highly suggestive and would realize a duality between these two kinds of objects. String world sheets indeed emerge naturally for the proposed ansatz defining preferred extremals. Therefore Kähler action would have very stringy character apart from effects due to the failure of the strict determinism meaning that radiative corrections break the effective 2-dimensionality.

### 1.2.2 TGD as a generalized number theory

Quantum T(opological)D(ynamics) as a classical spinor geometry for infinite-dimensional configuration space, p-adic numbers and quantum TGD, and TGD inspired theory of consciousness, have been for last ten years the basic three strongly interacting threads in the tapestry of quantum TGD. The fourth thread deserves the name 'TGD as a generalized number theory'. It involves three separate threads: the fusion of real and various p-adic physics to a single coherent whole by requiring number theoretic universality discussed already, the formulation of quantum TGD in terms of hyper-counterparts of classical number fields identified as sub-spaces of complexified classical number fields with Minkowskian signature of the metric defined by the complexified inner product, and the notion of infinite prime.

#### p-Adic TGD and fusion of real and p-adic physics to single coherent whole

The p-adic thread emerged for roughly ten years ago as a dim hunch that p-adic numbers might be important for TGD. Experimentation with p-adic numbers led to the notion of canonical identification mapping reals to p-adics and vice versa. The breakthrough came with the successful p-adic mass calculations using p-adic thermodynamics for Super-Virasoro representations with the super-Kac-Moody algebra associated with a Lie-group containing standard model gauge group. Although the details of the calculations have varied from year to year, it was clear that p-adic physics reduces not only the ratio of proton and Planck mass, the great mystery number of physics, but all elementary particle mass scales, to number theory if one assumes that primes near prime powers of two are in a physically favored position. Why this is the case, became one of the key puzzles and led to a number

of arguments with a common gist: evolution is present already at the elementary particle level and the primes allowed by the p-adic length scale hypothesis are the fittest ones.

It became very soon clear that p-adic topology is not something emerging in Planck length scale as often believed, but that there is an infinite hierarchy of p-adic physics characterized by p-adic length scales varying to even cosmological length scales. The idea about the connection of p-adics with cognition motivated already the first attempts to understand the role of the p-adics and inspired 'Universe as Computer' vision but time was not ripe to develop this idea to anything concrete (p-adic numbers are however in a central role in TGD inspired theory of consciousness). It became however obvious that the p-adic length scale hierarchy somehow corresponds to a hierarchy of intelligences and that p-adic prime serves as a kind of intelligence quotient. Ironically, the almost obvious idea about p-adic regions as cognitive regions of space-time providing cognitive representations for real regions had to wait for almost a decade for the access into my consciousness.

There were many interpretational and technical questions crying for a definite answer.

1. What is the relationship of p-adic non-determinism to the classical non-determinism of the basic field equations of TGD? Are the p-adic space-time region genuinely p-adic or does p-adic topology only serve as an effective topology? If p-adic physics is direct image of real physics, how the mapping relating them is constructed so that it respects various symmetries? Is the basic physics p-adic or real (also real TGD seems to be free of divergences) or both? If it is both, how should one glue the physics in different number field together to get *The Physics*? Should one perform p-adicization also at the level of the configuration space of 3-surfaces? Certainly the p-adicization at the level of super-conformal representation is necessary for the p-adic mass calculations.
2. Perhaps the most basic and most irritating technical problem was how to precisely define p-adic definite integral which is a crucial element of any variational principle based formulation of the field equations. Here the frustration was not due to the lack of solution but due to the too large number of solutions to the problem, a clear symptom for the sad fact that clever inventions rather than real discoveries might be in question. Quite recently I however learned that the problem of making sense about p-adic integration has been for decades central problem in the frontier of mathematics and a lot of profound work has been done along same intuitive lines as I have proceeded in TGD framework. The basic idea is certainly the notion of algebraic continuation from the world of rationals belonging to the intersection of real world and various p-adic worlds.

Despite these frustrating uncertainties, the number of the applications of the poorly defined p-adic physics grew steadily and the applications turned out to be relatively stable so that it was clear that the solution to these problems must exist. It became only gradually clear that the solution of the problems might require going down to a deeper level than that represented by reals and p-adics.

The key challenge is to fuse various p-adic physics and real physics to single larger structures. This has inspired a proposal for a generalization of the notion of number field by fusing real numbers and various p-adic number fields and their extensions along rationals and possible common algebraic numbers. This leads to a generalization of the notions of imbedding space and space-time concept and one can speak about real and p-adic space-time sheets. The quantum dynamics should be such that it allows quantum transitions transforming space-time sheets belonging to different number fields to each other. The space-time sheets in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds are of special interest and the hypothesis is that living matter resides in this intersection. This leads to surprisingly detailed predictions and far reaching conjectures. For instance, the number theoretic generalization of entropy concept allows negentropic entanglement central for the applications to living matter.

The basic principle is number theoretic universality stating roughly that the physics in various number fields can be obtained as completion of rational number based physics to various number fields. Rational number based physics would in turn describe physics in finite measurement resolution and cognitive resolution. The notion of finite measurement resolution has become one of the basic principles of quantum TGD and leads to the notions of braids as representatives of 3-surfaces and inclusions of hyper-finite factors as a representation for finite measurement resolution.

### The role of classical number fields

The vision about the physical role of the classical number fields relies on the notion of number theoretic compactification stating that space-time surfaces can be regarded as surfaces of either  $M^8$  or  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . As surfaces of  $M^8$  identifiable as space of hyper-octonions they are hyper-quaternionic or co-hyper-quaternionic- and thus maximally associative or co-associative. This means that their tangent space is either hyper-quaternionic plane of  $M^8$  or an orthogonal complement of such a plane. These surface can be mapped in natural manner to surfaces in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  [K80] provided one can assign to each point of tangent space a hyper-complex plane  $M^2(x) \subset M^4$ . One can also speak about  $M^8 - H$  duality.

This vision has very strong predictive power. It predicts that the extremals of Kähler action correspond to either hyper-quaternionic or co-hyper-quaternionic surfaces such that one can assign to tangent space at each point of space-time surface a hyper-complex plane  $M^2(x) \subset M^4$ . As a consequence, the  $M^4$  projection of space-time surface at each point contains  $M^2(x)$  and its orthogonal complement. These distributions are integrable implying that space-time surface allows dual slicings defined by string world sheets  $Y^2$  and partonic 2-surfaces  $X^2$ . The existence of this kind of slicing was earlier deduced from the study of extremals of Kähler action and christened as Hamilton-Jacobi structure. The physical interpretation of  $M^2(x)$  is as the space of non-physical polarizations and the plane of local 4-momentum.

One can fairly say, that number theoretical compactification is responsible for most of the understanding of quantum TGD that has emerged during last years. This includes the realization of Equivalence Principle at space-time level, dual formulations of TGD as Minkowskian and Euclidian string model type theories, the precise identification of preferred extremals of Kähler action as extremals for which second variation vanishes (at least for deformations representing dynamical symmetries) and thus providing space-time correlate for quantum criticality, the notion of number theoretic braid implied by the basic dynamics of Kähler action and crucial for precise construction of quantum TGD as almost-topological QFT, the construction of configuration space metric and spinor structure in terms of second quantized induced spinor fields with modified Dirac action defined by Kähler action realizing automatically the notion of finite measurement resolution and a connection with inclusions of hyper-finite factors of type  $II_1$  about which Clifford algebra of configuration space represents an example.

The two most important number theoretic conjectures relate to the preferred extremals of Kähler action. The general idea is that classical dynamics for the preferred extremals of Kähler action should reduce to number theory: space-time surfaces should be either associative or co-associative in some sense.

1. The first meaning for associativity (co-associativity) would be that tangent (normal) spaces of space-time surfaces are quaternionic in some sense and thus associative. This can be formulated in terms of octonionic representation of the imbedding space gamma matrices possible in dimension  $D = 8$  and states that induced gamma matrices generate quaternionic sub-algebra at each space-time point. It seems that induced rather than modified gamma matrices must be in question.
2. Second meaning for associative (co-associativity) would be following. In the case of complex numbers the vanishing of the real part of real-analytic function defines a 1-D curve. In octonionic case one can decompose octonion to sum of quaternion and quaternion multiplied by an octonionic imaginary unit. Quaternionicity could mean that space-time surfaces correspond to the vanishing of the imaginary part of the octonion real-analytic function. Co-quaternionicity would be defined in an obvious manner. Octonionic real analytic functions form a function field closed also with respect to the composition of functions. Space-time surfaces would form the analog of function field with the composition of functions with all operations realized as algebraic operations for space-time surfaces. Co-associativity could be perhaps seen as an additional feature making the algebra in question also co-algebra.
3. The third conjecture is that these conjectures are equivalent.

### Infinite primes

The discovery of the hierarchy of infinite primes and their correspondence with a hierarchy defined by a repeatedly second quantized arithmetic quantum field theory gave a further boost for the speculations

about TGD as a generalized number theory. The work with Riemann hypothesis led to further ideas.

After the realization that infinite primes can be mapped to polynomials representable as surfaces geometrically, it was clear how TGD might be formulated as a generalized number theory with infinite primes forming the bridge between classical and quantum such that real numbers, p-adic numbers, and various generalizations of p-adics emerge dynamically from algebraic physics as various completions of the algebraic extensions of rational (hyper-)quaternions and (hyper-)octonions. Complete algebraic, topological and dimensional democracy would characterize the theory.

What is especially satisfying is that p-adic and real regions of the space-time surface could emerge automatically as solutions of the field equations. In the space-time regions where the solutions of field equations give rise to in-admissible complex values of the imbedding space coordinates, p-adic solution can exist for some values of the p-adic prime. The characteristic non-determinism of the p-adic differential equations suggests strongly that p-adic regions correspond to 'mind stuff', the regions of space-time where cognitive representations reside. This interpretation implies that p-adic physics is physics of cognition. Since Nature is probably an extremely brilliant simulator of Nature, the natural idea is to study the p-adic physics of the cognitive representations to derive information about the real physics. This view encouraged by TGD inspired theory of consciousness clarifies difficult interpretational issues and provides a clear interpretation for the predictions of p-adic physics.

### 1.2.3 Hierarchy of Planck constants and dark matter hierarchy

By quantum classical correspondence space-time sheets can be identified as quantum coherence regions. Hence the fact that they have all possible size scales more or less unavoidably implies that Planck constant must be quantized and have arbitrarily large values. If one accepts this then also the idea about dark matter as a macroscopic quantum phase characterized by an arbitrarily large value of Planck constant emerges naturally as does also the interpretation for the long ranged classical electro-weak and color fields predicted by TGD. Rather seldom the evolution of ideas follows simple linear logic, and this was the case also now. In any case, this vision represents the fifth, relatively new thread in the evolution of TGD and the ideas involved are still evolving.

#### Dark matter as large $\hbar$ phase

D. Da Rocha and Laurent Nottale [E20] have proposed that Schrödinger equation with Planck constant  $\hbar$  replaced with what might be called gravitational Planck constant  $\hbar_{gr} = \frac{GmM}{v_0}$  ( $\hbar = c = 1$ ).  $v_0$  is a velocity parameter having the value  $v_0 = 144.7 \pm .7$  km/s giving  $v_0/c = 4.6 \times 10^{-4}$ . This is rather near to the peak orbital velocity of stars in galactic halos. Also subharmonics and harmonics of  $v_0$  seem to appear. The support for the hypothesis coming from empirical data is impressive.

Nottale and Da Rocha believe that their Schrödinger equation results from a fractal hydrodynamics. Many-sheeted space-time however suggests astrophysical systems are not only quantum systems at larger space-time sheets but correspond to a gigantic value of gravitational Planck constant. The gravitational (ordinary) Schrödinger equation would provide a solution of the black hole collapse (IR catastrophe) problem encountered at the classical level. The resolution of the problem inspired by TGD inspired theory of living matter is that it is the dark matter at larger space-time sheets which is quantum coherent in the required time scale [K71].

TGD predicts correctly the value of the parameter  $v_0$  assuming that cosmic strings and their decay remnants are responsible for the dark matter. The harmonics of  $v_0$  can be understood as corresponding to perturbations replacing cosmic strings with their n-branched coverings so that tension becomes  $n^2$ -fold: much like the replacement of a closed orbit with an orbit closing only after  $n$  turns.  $1/n$ -sub-harmonic would result when a magnetic flux tube split into  $n$  disjoint magnetic flux tubes. Also a model for the formation of planetary system as a condensation of ordinary matter around quantum coherent dark matter emerges [K71].

The values of Planck constants postulated by Nottale are gigantic and it is natural to assign them to the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction and identifiable as magnetic flux tubes (quanta). The magnetic energy of these flux quanta would correspond to dark energy and magnetic tension would give rise to negative "pressure" forcing accelerate cosmological expansion. This leads to a rather detailed vision about the evolution of stars and galaxies identified as bubbles of ordinary and dark matter inside magnetic flux tubes identifiable as dark energy.

### Hierarchy of Planck constants from the anomalies of neuroscience biology

The quantal effects of ELF em fields on vertebrate brain have been known since seventies. ELF em fields at frequencies identifiable as cyclotron frequencies in magnetic field whose intensity is about 2/5 times that of Earth for biologically important ions have physiological effects and affect also behavior. What is intriguing that the effects are found only in vertebrates (to my best knowledge). The energies for the photons of ELF em fields are extremely low - about  $10^{-10}$  times lower than thermal energy at physiological temperatures- so that quantal effects are impossible in the framework of standard quantum theory. The values of Planck constant would be in these situations large but not gigantic.

This inspired the hypothesis that these photons correspond to so large value of Planck constant that the energy of photons is above the thermal energy. The proposed interpretation was as dark photons and the general hypothesis was that dark matter corresponds to ordinary matter with non-standard value of Planck constant. If only particles with the same value of Planck constant can appear in the same vertex of Feynman diagram, the phases with different value of Planck constant are dark relative to each other. The phase transitions changing Planck constant can however make possible interactions between phases with different Planck constant but these interactions do not manifest themselves in particle physics. Also the interactions mediated by classical fields should be possible. Dark matter would not be so dark as we have used to believe.

Also the anomalies of biology support the view that dark matter might be a key player in living matter.

### Does the hierarchy of Planck constants reduce to the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action?

This starting point led gradually to the recent picture in which the hierarchy of Planck constants is postulated to come as integer multiples of the standard value of Planck constant. Given integer multiple  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$  of the ordinary Planck constant  $\hbar_0$  is assigned with a multiple singular covering of the imbedding space [K28]. One ends up to an identification of dark matter as phases with non-standard value of Planck constant having geometric interpretation in terms of these coverings providing generalized imbedding space with a book like structure with pages labelled by Planck constants or integers characterizing Planck constant. The phase transitions changing the value of Planck constant would correspond to leakage between different sectors of the extended imbedding space. The question is whether these coverings must be postulated separately or whether they are only a convenient auxiliary tool.

The simplest option is that the hierarchy of coverings of imbedding space is only effective. Many-sheeted coverings of the imbedding space indeed emerge naturally in TGD framework. The huge vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action implies that the relationship between gradients of the imbedding space coordinates and canonical momentum currents is many-to-one: this was the very fact forcing to give up all the standard quantization recipes and leading to the idea about physics as geometry of the "world of classical worlds". If one allows space-time surfaces for which all sheets corresponding to the same values of the canonical momentum currents are present, one obtains effectively many-sheeted covering of the imbedding space and the contributions from sheets to the Kähler action are identical. If all sheets are treated effectively as one and the same sheet, the value of Planck constant is an integer multiple of the ordinary one. A natural boundary condition would be that at the ends of space-time at future and past boundaries of causal diamond containing the space-time surface, various branches co-incide. This would raise the ends of space-time surface in special physical role.

### Dark matter as a source of long ranged weak and color fields

Long ranged classical electro-weak and color gauge fields are unavoidable in TGD framework. The smallness of the parity breaking effects in hadronic, nuclear, and atomic length scales does not however seem to allow long ranged electro-weak gauge fields. The problem disappears if long range classical electro-weak gauge fields are identified as space-time correlates for massless gauge fields created by dark matter. Also scaled up variants of ordinary electro-weak particle spectra are possible. The identification explains chiral selection in living matter and unbroken  $U(2)_{ew}$  invariance and free color in bio length scales become characteristics of living matter and of bio-chemistry and bio-nuclear physics. A possible solution of the matter antimatter asymmetry is based on the identification of also antimatter as dark matter.

### 1.2.4 TGD as a generalization of physics to a theory consciousness

General coordinate invariance forces the identification of quantum jump as quantum jump between entire deterministic quantum histories rather than time=constant snapshots of single history. The new view about quantum jump forces a generalization of quantum measurement theory such that observer becomes part of the physical system. Thus a general theory of consciousness is unavoidable outcome. This theory is developed in detail in the books [K81, K15, K62, K13, K35, K43, K46, K73].

#### Quantum jump as a moment of consciousness

The identification of quantum jump between deterministic quantum histories (configuration space spinor fields) as a moment of consciousness defines microscopic theory of consciousness. Quantum jump involves the steps

$$\Psi_i \rightarrow U\Psi_i \rightarrow \Psi_f ,$$

where  $U$  is informational "time development" operator, which is unitary like the S-matrix characterizing the unitary time evolution of quantum mechanics.  $U$  is however only formally analogous to Schrödinger time evolution of infinite duration although there is *no* real time evolution involved. It is not however clear whether one should regard U-matrix and S-matrix as two different things or not:  $U$ -matrix is a completely universal object characterizing the dynamics of evolution by self-organization whereas S-matrix is a highly context dependent concept in wave mechanics and in quantum field theories where it at least formally represents unitary time translation operator at the limit of an infinitely long interaction time. The S-matrix understood in the spirit of superstring models is however something very different and could correspond to U-matrix.

The requirement that quantum jump corresponds to a measurement in the sense of quantum field theories implies that each quantum jump involves localization in zero modes which parameterize also the possible choices of the quantization axes. Thus the selection of the quantization axes performed by the Cartesian outsider becomes now a part of quantum theory. Together these requirements imply that the final states of quantum jump correspond to quantum superpositions of space-time surfaces which are macroscopically equivalent. Hence the world of conscious experience looks classical. At least formally quantum jump can be interpreted also as a quantum computation in which matrix  $U$  represents unitary quantum computation which is however not identifiable as unitary translation in time direction and cannot be 'engineered'.

Can one say anything about the unitary process? Zero energy states correspond in positive energy ontology to physical events and break time reversal invariance. This because either the positive or negative energy part of the state is prepared whereas the second end of  $CD$  corresponds to a superposition of (negative/positive energy) states with varying particle numbers and single particle quantum numbers just as in ordinary particle physics experiment. State function reduction must change the roles of the ends of  $CD$ s. Therefore  $U$ -matrix should correspond to the unitary matrix relating zero energy state basis prepared at different ends of  $CD$  and state function reduction would be equivalent with state preparation.

The basic objection is that the arrow of geometric time alternates at imbedding space level but we know that arrow of time is universal. What one can say about the arrow of time at space-time level? Quantum classical correspondence requires that quantum mechanical irreversibility corresponds to irreversibility at space-time level. If the observer is analogous to an inhabitant of Flatland gaining information only about space-time surface, he or she is not able to discover that the arrow of time alternates at the level of imbedding space. The inhabitant of a folded bath towel is not able to observe the folding of the towel! Only by observing systems for which the imbedding space arrow of time is opposite, observer can discover the alternation. Living systems indeed behave as if they would contain space-time sheets with opposite arrow of geometric time (self-organization). Phase conjugate light beam is second example of this.

#### The notion of self

The concept of self is absolutely essential for the understanding of the macroscopic and macro-temporal aspects of consciousness. Self corresponds to a subsystem able to remain un-entangled under the



sequential informational 'time evolutions'  $U$ . Exactly vanishing entanglement is practically impossible in ordinary quantum mechanics and it might be that 'vanishing entanglement' in the condition for self-property should be replaced with 'subcritical entanglement'. On the other hand, if space-time decomposes into p-adic and real regions, and if entanglement between regions representing physics in different number fields vanishes, space-time indeed decomposes into selves in a natural manner.

It is assumed that the experiences of the self after the last 'wake-up' sum up to single average experience. This means that subjective memory is identifiable as conscious, immediate short term memory. Selves form an infinite hierarchy with the entire Universe at the top. Self can be also interpreted as mental images: our mental images are selves having mental images and also we represent mental images of a higher level self. A natural hypothesis is that self  $S$  experiences the experiences of its subselves as kind of abstracted experience: the experiences of subselves  $S_i$  are not experienced as such but represent kind of averages  $\langle S_{ij} \rangle$  of sub-subselves  $S_{ij}$ . Entanglement between selves, most naturally realized by the formation of join along boundaries bonds between cognitive or material space-time sheets, provides a possible a mechanism for the fusion of selves to larger selves (for instance, the fusion of the mental images representing separate right and left visual fields to single visual field) and forms wholes from parts at the level of mental images.

An attractive possibility suggested by zero energy ontology is that the notions of self and quantum jump reduce to each other and that a fractal hierarchy of quantum jumps within quantum jumps is enough.  $CD$ s would serve as imbedding space correlates of selves and quantum jumps would be followed by cascades of state function reductions beginning from given  $CD$  and proceeding downwards to the smaller scales (smaller  $CD$ s). State function reduction cascades could also take place in parallel branches of the quantum state. One ends up with concrete ideas about how the arrow of geometric time is induced from that of subjective time defined by the experiences induced by the sequences of quantum jumps for sub-selves of self. One ends also ends up with concrete ideas about how the localization of the contents of sensory experience and cognition to the upper boundaries of  $CD$  could take place.

### Relationship to quantum measurement theory

The third basic element relates TGD inspired theory of consciousness to quantum measurement theory. The assumption that localization occurs in zero modes in each quantum jump implies that the world of conscious experience looks classical. It also implies the state function reduction of the standard quantum measurement theory as the following arguments demonstrate (it took incredibly long time to realize this almost obvious fact!).

1. The standard quantum measurement theory a la von Neumann involves the interaction of brain with the measurement apparatus. If this interaction corresponds to entanglement between microscopic degrees of freedom  $m$  with the macroscopic effectively classical degrees of freedom  $M$  characterizing the reading of the measurement apparatus coded to brain state, then the reduction of this entanglement in quantum jump reproduces standard quantum measurement theory provide the unitary time evolution operator  $U$  acts as flow in zero mode degrees of freedom and correlates completely some orthonormal basis of configuration space spinor fields in non-zero modes with the values of the zero modes. The flow property guarantees that the localization is consistent with unitarity: it also means 1-1 mapping of quantum state basis to classical variables (say, spin direction of the electron to its orbit in the external magnetic field).
2. Since zero modes represent classical information about the geometry of space-time surface (shape, size, classical Kähler field,...), they have interpretation as effectively classical degrees of freedom and are the TGD counterpart of the degrees of freedom  $M$  representing the reading of the measurement apparatus. The entanglement between quantum fluctuating non-zero modes and zero modes is the TGD counterpart for the  $m - M$  entanglement. Therefore the localization in zero modes is equivalent with a quantum jump leading to a final state where the measurement apparatus gives a definite reading.

This simple prediction is of utmost theoretical importance since the black box of the quantum measurement theory is reduced to a fundamental quantum theory. This reduction is implied by the replacement of the notion of a point like particle with particle as a 3-surface. Also the infinite-dimensionality of the zero mode sector of the configuration space of 3-surfaces is absolutely essential. Therefore the reduction is a triumph for quantum TGD and favors TGD against string models.

Standard quantum measurement theory involves also the notion of state preparation which reduces to the notion of self measurement. Each localization in zero modes is followed by a cascade of self measurements leading to a product state. This process is obviously equivalent with the state preparation process. Self measurement is governed by the so called Negentropy Maximization Principle (NMP) stating that the information content of conscious experience is maximized. In the self measurement the density matrix of some subsystem of a given self localized in zero modes (after ordinary quantum measurement) is measured. The self measurement takes place for that subsystem of self for which the reduction of the entanglement entropy is maximal in the measurement. In p-adic context NMP can be regarded as the variational principle defining the dynamics of cognition. In real context self measurement could be seen as a repair mechanism allowing the system to fight against quantum thermalization by reducing the entanglement for the subsystem for which it is largest (fill the largest hole first in a leaking boat).

### Selves self-organize

The fourth basic element is quantum theory of self-organization based on the identification of quantum jump as the basic step of self-organization [K68]. Quantum entanglement gives rise to the generation of long range order and the emergence of longer p-adic length scales corresponds to the emergence of larger and larger coherent dynamical units and generation of a slaving hierarchy. Energy (and quantum entanglement) feed implying entropy feed is a necessary prerequisite for quantum self-organization. Zero modes represent fundamental order parameters and localization in zero modes implies that the sequence of quantum jumps can be regarded as hopping in the zero modes so that Haken's classical theory of self organization applies almost as such. Spin glass analogy is a further important element: self-organization of self leads to some characteristic pattern selected by dissipation as some valley of the "energy" landscape.

Dissipation can be regarded as the ultimate Darwinian selector of both memes and genes. The mathematically ugly irreversible dissipative dynamics obtained by adding phenomenological dissipation terms to the reversible fundamental dynamical equations derivable from an action principle can be understood as a phenomenological description replacing in a well defined sense the series of reversible quantum histories with its envelope.

### Classical non-determinism of Kähler action

The fifth basic element are the concepts of association sequence and cognitive space-time sheet. The huge vacuum degeneracy of the Kähler action suggests strongly that the absolute minimum space-time is not always unique. For instance, a sequence of bifurcations can occur so that a given space-time branch can be fixed only by selecting a finite number of 3-surfaces with time like(!) separations on the orbit of 3-surface. Quantum classical correspondence suggest an alternative formulation. Space-time surface decomposes into maximal deterministic regions and their temporal sequences have interpretation a space-time correlate for a sequence of quantum states defined by the initial (or final) states of quantum jumps. This is consistent with the fact that the variational principle selects preferred extremals of Kähler action as generalized Bohr orbits.

In the case that non-determinism is located to a finite time interval and is microscopic, this sequence of 3-surfaces has interpretation as a simulation of a classical history, a geometric correlate for contents of consciousness. When non-determinism has long lasting and macroscopic effect one can identify it as volitional non-determinism associated with our choices. Association sequences relate closely with the cognitive space-time sheets defined as space-time sheets having finite time duration and psychological time can be identified as a temporal center of mass coordinate of the cognitive space-time sheet. The gradual drift of the cognitive space-time sheets to the direction of future force by the geometry of the future light cone explains the arrow of psychological time.

### p-Adic physics as physics of cognition and intentionality

The sixth basic element adds a physical theory of cognition to this vision. TGD space-time decomposes into regions obeying real and p-adic topologies labelled by primes  $p = 2, 3, 5, \dots$ . p-Adic regions obey the same field equations as the real regions but are characterized by p-adic non-determinism since the functions having vanishing p-adic derivative are pseudo constants which are piecewise constant functions. Pseudo constants depend on a finite number of positive binary digits of arguments just like

numerical predictions of any theory always involve decimal cutoff. This means that p-adic space-time regions are obtained by gluing together regions for which integration constants are genuine constants. The natural interpretation of the p-adic regions is as cognitive representations of real physics. The freedom of imagination is due to the p-adic non-determinism. p-Adic regions perform mimicry and make possible for the Universe to form cognitive representations about itself. p-Adic physics space-time sheets serve also as correlates for intentional action.

A more precise formulation of this vision requires a generalization of the number concept obtained by fusing reals and p-adic number fields along common rationals (in the case of algebraic extensions among common algebraic numbers). This picture is discussed in [K79]. The application of this notion at the level of the imbedding space implies that imbedding space has a book like structure with various variants of the imbedding space glued together along common rationals (algebraics). The implication is that genuinely p-adic numbers (non-rationals) are strictly infinite as real numbers so that most points of p-adic space-time sheets are at real infinity, outside the cosmos, and that the projection to the real imbedding space is discrete set of rationals (algebraics). Hence cognition and intentionality are almost completely outside the real cosmos and touch it at a discrete set of points only.

This view implies also that purely local p-adic physics codes for the p-adic fractality characterizing long range real physics and provides an explanation for p-adic length scale hypothesis stating that the primes  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  integer are especially interesting. It also explains the long range correlations and short term chaos characterizing intentional behavior and explains why the physical realizations of cognition are always discrete (say in the case of numerical computations). Furthermore, a concrete quantum model for how intentions are transformed to actions emerges.

The discrete real projections of p-adic space-time sheets serve also space-time correlate for a logical thought. It is very natural to assign to p-adic binary digits a  $p$ -valued logic but as such this kind of logic does not have any reasonable identification. p-Adic length scale hypothesis suggest that the  $p = 2^k - n$  binary digits represent a Boolean logic  $B^k$  with  $k$  elementary statements (the points of the  $k$ -element set in the set theoretic realization) with  $n$  taboos which are constrained to be identically true.

### **p-Adic and dark matter hierarchies and hierarchy of moments of consciousness**

Dark matter hierarchy assigned to a spectrum of Planck constant having arbitrarily large values brings additional elements to the TGD inspired theory of consciousness.

1. Macroscopic quantum coherence can be understood since a particle with a given mass can in principle appear as arbitrarily large scaled up copies (Compton length scales as  $\hbar$ ). The phase transition to this kind of phase implies that space-time sheets of particles overlap and this makes possible macroscopic quantum coherence.
2. The space-time sheets with large Planck constant can be in thermal equilibrium with ordinary ones without the loss of quantum coherence. For instance, the cyclotron energy scale associated with EEG turns out to be above thermal energy at room temperature for the level of dark matter hierarchy corresponding to magnetic flux quanta of the Earth's magnetic field with the size scale of Earth and a successful quantitative model for EEG results [K25].

Dark matter hierarchy leads to detailed quantitative view about quantum biology with several testable predictions [K25]. The general prediction is that Universe is a kind of inverted Mandelbrot fractal for which each bird's eye of view reveals new structures in long length and time scales representing scaled down copies of standard physics and their dark variants. These structures would correspond to higher levels in self hierarchy. This prediction is consistent with the belief that 75 per cent of matter in the universe is dark.

#### *1. Living matter and dark matter*

Living matter as ordinary matter quantum controlled by the dark matter hierarchy has turned out to be a particularly successful idea. The hypothesis has led to models for EEG predicting correctly the band structure and even individual resonance bands and also generalizing the notion of EEG [K25]. Also a generalization of the notion of genetic code emerges resolving the paradoxes related to the

standard dogma [K44, K25] . A particularly fascinating implication is the possibility to identify great leaps in evolution as phase transitions in which new higher level of dark matter emerges [K25] .

It seems safe to conclude that the dark matter hierarchy with levels labelled by the values of Planck constants explains the macroscopic and macro-temporal quantum coherence naturally. That this explanation is consistent with the explanation based on spin glass degeneracy is suggested by following observations. First, the argument supporting spin glass degeneracy as an explanation of the macro-temporal quantum coherence does not involve the value of  $\hbar$  at all. Secondly, the failure of the perturbation theory assumed to lead to the increase of Planck constant and formation of macroscopic quantum phases could be precisely due to the emergence of a large number of new degrees of freedom due to spin glass degeneracy. Thirdly, the phase transition increasing Planck constant has concrete topological interpretation in terms of many-sheeted space-time consistent with the spin glass degeneracy.

### 2. Dark matter hierarchy and the notion of self

The vision about dark matter hierarchy leads to a more refined view about self hierarchy and hierarchy of moments of consciousness [K24, K25] . The larger the value of Planck constant, the longer the subjectively experienced duration and the average geometric duration  $T(k) \propto \hbar$  of the quantum jump.

Quantum jumps form also a hierarchy with respect to p-adic and dark hierarchies and the geometric durations of quantum jumps scale like  $\hbar$ . Dark matter hierarchy suggests also a slight modification of the notion of self. Each self involves a hierarchy of dark matter levels, and one is led to ask whether the highest level in this hierarchy corresponds to single quantum jump rather than a sequence of quantum jumps. The averaging of conscious experience over quantum jumps would occur only for sub-selves at lower levels of dark matter hierarchy and these mental images would be ordered, and single moment of consciousness would be experienced as a history of events. The quantum parallel dissipation at the lower levels would give rise to the experience of flow of time. For instance, hadron as a macro-temporal quantum system in the characteristic time scale of hadron is a dissipating system at quark and gluon level corresponding to shorter p-adic time scales. One can ask whether even entire life cycle could be regarded as a single quantum jump at the highest level so that consciousness would not be completely lost even during deep sleep. This would allow to understand why we seem to know directly that this biological body of mine existed yesterday.

The fact that we can remember phone numbers with 5 to 9 digits supports the view that self corresponds at the highest dark matter level to single moment of consciousness. Self would experience the average over the sequence of moments of consciousness associated with each sub-self but there would be no averaging over the separate mental images of this kind, be their parallel or serial. These mental images correspond to sub-selves having shorter wake-up periods than self and would be experienced as being time ordered. Hence the digits in the phone number are experienced as separate mental images and ordered with respect to experienced time.

### 3. The time span of long term memories as signature for the level of dark matter hierarchy

The basic question is what time scale can one assign to the geometric duration of quantum jump measured naturally as the size scale of the space-time region about which quantum jump gives conscious information. This scale is naturally the size scale in which the non-determinism of quantum jump is localized. During years I have made several guesses about this time scales but zero energy ontology and the vision about fractal hierarchy of quantum jumps within quantum jumps leads to a unique identification.

Causal diamond as an imbedding space correlate of self defines the time scale  $\tau$  for the space-time region about which the consciousness experience is about. The temporal distances between the tips of  $CD$  as come as integer multiples of  $CP_2$  length scales and for prime multiples correspond to what I have christened as secondary p-adic time scales. A reasonable guess is that secondary p-adic time scales are selected during evolution and the primes near powers of two are especially favored. For electron, which corresponds to Mersenne prime  $M_{127} = 2^{127} - 1$  this scale corresponds to .1 seconds defining the fundamental time scale of living matter via 10 Hz biorhythm (alpha rhythm). The unexpected prediction is that all elementary particles correspond to time scales possibly relevant to living matter.

Dark matter hierarchy brings additional finesse. For the higher levels of dark matter hierarchy  $\tau$  is scaled up by  $\hbar/\hbar_0$ . One could understand evolutionary leaps as the emergence of higher levels at

the level of individual organism making possible intentionality and memory in the time scale defined  $\tau$ .

Higher levels of dark matter hierarchy provide a neat quantitative view about self hierarchy and its evolution. Various levels of dark matter hierarchy would naturally correspond to higher levels in the hierarchy of consciousness and the typical duration of life cycle would give an idea about the level in question. The level would determine also the time span of long term memories as discussed in [K25]. The emergence of these levels must have meant evolutionary leap since long term memory is also accompanied by ability to anticipate future in the same time scale. This picture would suggest that the basic difference between us and our cousins is not at the level of genome as it is usually understood but at the level of the hierarchy of magnetic bodies [K44, K25]. In fact, higher levels of dark matter hierarchy motivate the introduction of the notions of super-genome and hyper-genome. The genomes of entire organ can join to form super-genome expressing genes coherently. Hyper-genomes would result from the fusion of genomes of different organisms and collective levels of consciousness would express themselves via hyper-genome and make possible social rules and moral.

### 1.3 Bird's eye of view about the topics of the book

The book is devoted to the applications of p-adic length scale hypothesis and dark matter hierarchy.

1. p-Adic length scale hypothesis states that primes  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  integer, in particular prime, define preferred p-adic length scales. Physical arguments supporting this hypothesis are based on the generalization of Hawking's area law for blackhole entropy so that it applies in case of elementary particles.
2. A much deeper number theory based justification for this hypothesis is based on the generalization of the number concept fusing real number fields and p-adic number fields among common rationals or numbers in their non-trivial algebraic extensions. This approach also justifies the notion of multi-p-fractality and allows to understand scaling law in terms of simultaneous  $p \simeq 2^k$ - and 2-fractality.
3. Certain anomalous empirical findings inspire in TGD framework the hypothesis about the existence of entire hierarchy of phases of matter identifiable as dark matter. The levels of dark matter hierarchy are labeled by the values of dynamical quantized Planck constant. The justification for the hypothesis provided by quantum classical correspondence and the fact the sizes of space-time sheets identifiable as quantum coherence regions can be arbitrarily large.

The organization of the book is following.

1. The first part of the book is devoted to the description of elementary particle massivation in terms of p-adic thermodynamics. In the first two chapters general theory is represented and the remaining three chapters are devoted to the detailed calculation of masses of elementary particles and hadrons, and to various new physics suggested or predicted by the resulting scenario.
2. The second part of the book is devoted to the application of p-adic length scale hypothesis above elementary particle length scales. The notions of topological condensation and evaporation are formulated. The so called leptohadron physics, originally developed on basis of experimental anomalies, is discussed as a particular instance of an infinite fractal hierarchy of copies of standard model physics, predicted by TGD and consistent with what is known about ordinary elementary particle physics.

TGD based view about nuclear physics involves light exotic quarks as a essential element, and dark nuclear physics could have implications also at the level of condensed matter physics and biology. Quite surprisingly, the model for dark 3-quarks states consisting of u and d quarks leads to the identification of quantum states of three-quark system as counterparts of 64 DNA and RNA codons and 20 amino-acids and of the analog of genetic code identical with the vertebrate genetic code. This suggests that dark nuclear physics with scaled up sizes of nucleon of order atomic size could play key role in living matter and provide the realization of genetic code at deeper level. Water memory would be one application of this vision.

TGD based view about high  $T_c$  superconductors involves also in an essential manner dark matter and is summarized in the closing chapter.

The seven online books about TGD [K87, K66, K57, K51, K67, K77, K74] and eight online books about TGD inspired theory of consciousness and quantum biology [K81, K15, K62, K13, K35, K43, K46, K73] are warmly recommended for the reader willing to get overall view about what is involved.

## 1.4 The contents of the book

### 1.4.1 Part I: p-Adic description of particle massivation

In this part of the book a p-adic description of particle massivation using p-adic thermodynamics and TGD variant of Higgs mechanism is developed.

#### Overall View About TGD from Particle Physics Perspective

Topological Geometro-dynamics is able to make rather precise and often testable predictions. In this and two other articles I want to describe the recent over all view about the aspects of quantum TGD relevant for particle physics.

In the first chapter I concentrate the heuristic picture about TGD with emphasis on particle physics.

- First I represent briefly the basic ontology: the motivations for TGD and the notion of many-sheeted space-time, the concept of zero energy ontology, the identification of dark matter in terms of hierarchy of Planck constant which now seems to follow as a prediction of quantum TGD, the motivations for p-adic physics and its basic implications, and the identification of space-time surfaces as generalized Feynman diagrams and the basic implications of this identification.
- Symmetries of quantum TGD are discussed. Besides the basic symmetries of the imbedding space geometry allowing to geometrize standard model quantum numbers and classical fields there are many other symmetries. General Coordinate Invariance is especially powerful in TGD framework allowing to realize quantum classical correspondence and implies effective 2-dimensionality realizing strong form of holography. Super-conformal symmetries of super string models generalize to conformal symmetries of 3-D light-like 3-surfaces and one can understand the generalization of Equivalence Principle in terms of coset representations for the two super Virasoro algebras associated with lightlike boundaries of so called causal diamonds defined as intersections of future and past directed lightcones ( $CDs$ ) and with light-like 3-surfaces. Super-conformal symmetries imply generalization of the space-time supersymmetry in TGD framework consistent with the supersymmetries of minimal supersymmetric variant of the standard model. Twistorial approach to gauge theories has gradually become part of quantum TGD and the natural generalization of the Yangian symmetry identified originally as symmetry of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYMs is postulated as basic symmetry of quantum TGD.
- The so called weak form of electric-magnetic duality has turned out to have extremely far reaching consequences and is responsible for the recent progress in the understanding of the physics predicted by TGD. The duality leads to a detailed identification of elementary particles as composite objects of massless particles and predicts new electro-weak physics at LHC. Together with a simple postulate about the properties of preferred extremals of Kähler action the duality allows also to realized quantum TGD as almost topological quantum field theory giving excellent hopes about integrability of quantum TGD.
- There are two basic visions about the construction of quantum TGD. Physics as infinite-dimensional Kähler geometry of world of classical worlds (WCW) endowed with spinor structure and physics as generalized number theory. These visions are briefly summarized as also the practical constructing involving the concept of Dirac operator. As a matter fact, the construction of TGD involves three Dirac operators. The Kähler Dirac equation holds true in the interior of space-time surface and its solutions have a natural interpretation in terms of description of matter, in particular condensed matter. Chern-Simons Dirac action is associated with the light-like 3-surfaces and space-like 3-surfaces at ends of space-time surface at light-like boundaries

of  $CD$ . One can assign to it a generalized eigenvalue equation and the matrix valued eigenvalues correspond to the action of Dirac operator on momentum eigenstates. Momenta are however not usual momenta but pseudo-momenta very much analogous to region momenta of twistor approach. The third Dirac operator is associated with super Virasoro generators and super Virasoro conditions define Dirac equation in WCW. These conditions characterize zero energy states as modes of WCW spinor fields and code for the generalization of  $S$ -matrix to a collection of what I call  $M$ -matrices defining the rows of unitary  $U$ -matrix defining unitary process.

- Twistor approach has inspired several ideas in quantum TGD during the last years and it seems that the Yangian symmetry and the construction of scattering amplitudes in terms of Grassmannian integrals generalizes to TGD framework. This is due to ZEO allowing to assume that all particles have massless fermions as basic building blocks. ZEO inspires the hypothesis that incoming and outgoing particles are bound states of fundamental fermions associated with wormhole throats. Virtual particles would also consist of on mass shell massless particles but without bound state constraint. This implies very powerful constraints on loop diagrams and there are excellent hopes about their finiteness. Twistor approach also inspires the conjecture that quantum TGD allows also formulation in terms of 6-dimensional holomorphic surfaces in the product  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  of two twistor spaces and general arguments allow to identify the partial differential equations satisfied by these surfaces.

#### 1.4.2 The recent vision about preferred extremals and solutions of the modified Dirac equation

During years several approaches to what preferred extremals of Kähler action and solutions of the modified Dirac equation could be have been proposed and the challenge is to see whether at least some of these approaches are consistent with each other. It is good to list various approaches first.

1. For preferred extremals generalization of conformal invariance to 4-D situation is very attractive approach and leads to concrete conditions formally similar to those encountered in string model. The approach based on basic heuristics for massless equations, on effective 3-dimensionality, and weak form of electric magnetic duality is also promising. An alternative approach is inspired by number theoretical considerations and identifies space-time surfaces as associative or co-associative sub-manifolds of octonionic imbedding space.
2. There are also several approaches for solving the modified Dirac equation. The most promising approach is assumes that the solutions are restricted on 2-D stringy world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces. This strange looking view is a rather natural consequence of number theoretic vision. The conditions stating that electric charge is conserved for preferred extremals is an alternative very promising approach.

In this chapter the question whether these various approaches are mutually consistent is discussed. It indeed turns out that the approach based on the conservation of electric charge leads under rather general assumptions to the proposal that solutions of the modified Dirac equation are localized on 2-dimensional string world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces. Einstein's equations are satisfied for the preferred extremals and this implies that the earlier proposal for the realization of Equivalence Principle is not needed. This leads to a considerable progress in the understanding of super Virasoro representations for super-symplectic and super-Kac-Moody algebra. In particular, the proposal is that super-Kac-Moody currents assignable to string world sheets define duals of gauge potentials and their generalization for gravitons: in the approximation that gauge group is Abelian - motivated by the notion of finite measurement resolution - the exponents for the sum of KM charges would define non-integrable phase factors. One can also identify Yangian as the algebra generated by these charges. The approach allows also to understand the special role of the right handed neutrino in SUSY according to TGD.

#### Elementary particle vacuum functionals

Genus-generation correspondence is one of the basic ideas of TGD approach. In order to answer various questions concerning the plausibility of the idea, one should know something about the dependence

of the elementary particle vacuum functionals on the vibrational degrees of freedom for the partonic 2-surface.

The construction of the elementary particle vacuum functionals based on Diff invariance, 2-dimensional conformal symmetry, modular invariance plus natural stability requirements indeed leads to an essentially unique form of the vacuum functionals and one can understand why  $g > 0$  bosonic families are experimentally absent and why lepton numbers are conserved separately.

An argument suggesting that the number of the light fermion families is three, is developed. The crux of the argument is that the partonic 2-surfaces coding for quantum states are for the maxima of Kähler action hyper-elliptic, that is possess  $Z_2$  conformal symmetry, which for  $g > 2$  implies that elementary particle vacuum functional vanishes.

### Massless states and particle massivation

This chapter represents the most recent view about elementary particle massivation in TGD framework. This topic is necessarily quite extended since many several notions and new mathematics is involved. Therefore the calculation of particle masses involves five chapters. In the following my goal is to provide an up-to-date summary whereas the chapters are unavoidably a story about evolution of ideas.

The identification of the spectrum of light particles reduces to two tasks: the construction of massless states and the identification of the states which remain light in p-adic thermodynamics. The latter task is relatively straightforward. The thorough understanding of the massless spectrum requires however a real understanding of quantum TGD. It would be also highly desirable to understand why p-adic thermodynamics combined with p-adic length scale hypothesis works. A lot of progress has taken place in these respects during last years.

Zero energy ontology providing a detailed geometric view about bosons and fermions, the generalization of  $S$ -matrix to what I call  $M$ -matrix, the notion of finite measurement resolution characterized in terms of inclusions of von Neumann algebras, the derivation of p-adic coupling constant evolution and p-adic length scale hypothesis from the first principles, the realization that the counterpart of Higgs mechanism involves generalized eigenvalues of the modified Dirac operator: these are represent important steps of progress during last years with a direct relevance for the understanding of particle spectrum and massivation although the predictions of p-adic thermodynamics are not affected.

During 2010 a further progress took place. These steps of progress relate closely to zero energy ontology, bosonic emergence, the realization of the importance of twistors in TGD, and to the discovery of the weak form of electric-magnetic duality. Twistor approach and the understanding of the Chern-Simons Dirac operator served as a midwife in the process giving rise to the birth of the idea that all particles at fundamental level are massless and that both ordinary elementary particles and string like objects emerge from them. Even more, one can interpret virtual particles as being composed of these massless on mass shell particles assignable to wormhole throats so that four-momentum conservation poses extremely powerful constraints on loop integrals and makes them manifestly finite.

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality led to the realization that elementary particles correspond to bound states of two wormhole throats with opposite Kähler magnetic charges with second throat carrying weak isospin compensating that of the fermion state at second wormhole throat. Both fermions and bosons correspond to wormhole contacts: in the case of fermions topological condensation generates the second wormhole throat. This means that altogether four wormhole throats are involved with both fermions, gauge bosons, and gravitons (for gravitons this is unavoidable in any case). For p-adic thermodynamics the mathematical counterpart of string corresponds to a wormhole contact with size of order  $CP_2$  size with the role of its ends played by wormhole throats at which the signature of the induced 4-metric changes. The key observation is that for massless states the throats of spin 1 particle must have opposite three-momenta so that gauge bosons are necessarily massive, even photon and other particles usually regarded as massless must have small mass which in turn cancels infrared divergences and give hopes about exact Yangian symmetry generalizing that of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM. Besides this there is weak "stringy" contribution to the mass assignable to the magnetic flux tubes connecting the two wormhole throats at the two space-time sheets.

#### 1. Physical states as representations of super-symplectic and Super Kac-Moody algebras

Physical states are assumed to belong to the representation of super-symplectic algebra and Super Kac-Moody algebra assignable  $SO(2) \times SU(3) \times SU(2)_{rot} \times U(2)_{ew}$  associated with the 2-D surfaces



$X^2$  defined by the intersections of light-like 3-surfaces with  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$ . These 2-surfaces have interpretation as partons.

Yangian algebras associated with the super-conformal algebras and motivated by twistorial approach generalize the super-conformal symmetry and make it multi-local in the sense that generators can act on several partonic 2-surfaces simultaneously. These partonic 2-surfaces generalize the vertices for the external massless particles in twistor Grassmann diagrams. The implications of this symmetry are yet to be deduced but one thing is clear: Yangians are tailor made for the description of massive bound states formed from several partons identified as partonic 2-surfaces.

### 2. Particle massivation

Particle massivation can be regarded as a generation of thermal conformal weight identified as mass squared and due to a thermal mixing of a state with vanishing conformal weight with those having higher conformal weights. The observed mass squared is not p-adic thermal expectation of mass squared but that of conformal weight so that there are no problems with Lorentz invariance.

One can imagine several microscopic mechanisms of massivation. The following proposal is the winner in the fight for survival between several competing scenarios.

1. Instead of energy, the Super Kac-Moody Virasoro (or equivalently super-symplectic) generator  $L_0$  (essentially mass squared) is thermalized in p-adic thermodynamics (and also in its real version assuming it exists). The fact that mass squared is thermal expectation of conformal weight guarantees Lorentz invariance. That mass squared, rather than energy, is a fundamental quantity at  $CP_2$  length scale is also suggested by a simple dimensional argument (Planck mass squared is proportional to  $\hbar$  so that it should correspond to a generator of some Lie-algebra (Virasoro generator  $L_0!$ )).
2. By Equivalence Principle the thermal average of mass squared can be calculated either in terms of thermodynamics for either super-symplectic of Super Kac-Moody Virasoro algebra and p-adic thermodynamics is consistent with conformal invariance.
3. There is also a modular contribution to the mass squared, which can be estimated using elementary particle vacuum functionals in the conformal modular degrees of freedom of the partonic 2-surface. It dominates for higher genus partonic 2-surfaces. For bosons both Virasoro and modular contributions seem to be negligible and could be due to the smallness of the p-adic temperature.
4. A long standing problem has been whether coupling to Higgs boson is needed to explain gauge boson masses via a generation of Higgs vacuum expectation having possibly interpretation in terms of a coherent state. The deviation  $\Delta h$  of the total ground state conformal weight from negative integer gives rise to Higgs type contribution to the thermal mass squared and dominates in case of gauge bosons for which p-adic temperature is small. In the case of fermions this contribution to the mass squared is small. It is natural to relate  $\Delta h$  to the generalized eigenvalues of Chern-Simons Dirac operator.
5. A natural identification of the non-integer contribution to the conformal weight is as Higgsy and stringy contributions to the vacuum conformal weight (strings are now "weak strings"). In twistor approach the generalized eigenvalues of Chern-Simons Dirac operator for external particles indeed correspond to light-like momenta and when the three-momenta are opposite this gives rise to non-vanishing mass. Higgs is necessary to give longitudinal polarizations for gauge bosons and also gauge bosons usually regarded as exactly massless particles would naturally receive small mass in this manner so that Higgs would disappear completely from the spectrum. The theoretical motivation for a small mass would be exact Yangian symmetry. Higgs vacuum expectation assignable to coherent state of Higgs bosons is not needed to explain the boson masses. Twistorial consideration suggest that Higgs disappears completely from the spectrum and this might happen also for its super counterpart.

p-Adic thermodynamics is what gives to this approach its predictive power.

1. p-Adic temperature is quantized by purely number theoretical constraints (Boltzmann weight  $\exp(-E/kT)$  is replaced with  $p^{L_0/T_p}$ ,  $1/T_p$  integer) and fermions correspond to  $T_p = 1$  whereas  $T_p = 1/n$ ,  $n > 1$ , seems to be the only reasonable choice for gauge bosons.

2. p-Adic thermodynamics forces to conclude that  $CP_2$  radius is essentially the p-adic length scale  $R \sim L$  and thus of order  $R \simeq 10^{3.5} \sqrt{\hbar G}$  and therefore roughly  $10^{3.5}$  times larger than the naive guess. Hence p-adic thermodynamics describes the mixing of states with vanishing conformal weights with their Super Kac-Moody Virasoro excitations having masses of order  $10^{-3.5}$  Planck mass.

### p-Adic particle massivation: hadron masses

In this chapter the results of the calculation of elementary particle masses will be used to construct a model predicting hadron masses.

#### 1. Topological mixing of quarks

In TGD framework CKM mixing is induced by topological mixing of quarks (that is 2-dimensional topologies characterized by genus). Number theoretical constraints on topological mixing can be realized by assuming that topological mixing leads to a thermodynamical equilibrium. This gives an upper bound of 1200 for the number of different  $U$  and  $D$  matrices and the input from top quark mass and  $\pi^+ - \pi^0$  mass difference implies that physical  $U$  and  $D$  matrices can be constructed as small perturbations of matrices expressible as direct sum of essentially unique  $2 \times 2$  and  $1 \times 1$  matrices. The maximally entropic solutions can be found numerically by using the fact that only the probabilities  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$  can be varied freely. The solutions are unique in the accuracy used, which suggests that the system allows only single thermodynamical phase.

The matrices  $U$  and  $D$  associated with the probability matrices can be deduced straightforwardly in the standard gauge. The  $U$  and  $D$  matrices derived from the probabilities determined by the entropy maximization turn out to be unitary for most values of  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ . This is a highly non-trivial result and means that mass and probability constraints together with entropy maximization define a sub-manifold of  $SU(3)$  regarded as a sub-manifold in 9-D complex space. The choice  $(n(u), n(c)) = (4, n)$ ,  $n < 9$ , does not allow unitary  $U$  whereas  $(n(u), n(c)) = (5, 6)$  does. This choice is still consistent with top quark mass and together with  $n(d) = n(s) = 5$  it leads to a rather reasonable CKM matrix with a value of CP breaking invariant within experimental limits. The elements  $V_{i3}$  and  $V_{3i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  are however roughly twice larger than their experimental values deduced assuming standard model.  $V_{31}$  is too large by a factor 1.6. The possibility of scaled up variants of light quarks could lead to too small experimental estimates for these matrix elements. The whole parameter space has not been scanned so that better candidates for CKM matrices might well exist.

#### 2. Higgs contribution to fermion masses is negligible

There are good reasons to believe that Higgs expectation for the fermionic space-time sheets is vanishing although fermions couple to Higgs. Thus p-adic thermodynamics would explain fermion masses completely. This together with the fact that the prediction of the model for the top quark mass is consistent with the most recent limits on it, fixes the  $CP_2$  mass scale with a high accuracy to the maximal one obtained if second order contribution to electron's p-adic mass squared vanishes. This is very strong constraint on the model.

#### 3. The p-adic length scale of quark is dynamical

The assumption about the presence of scaled up variants of light quarks in light hadrons leads to a surprisingly successful model for pseudo scalar meson masses using only quark masses and the assumption mass squared is additive for quarks with same p-adic length scale and mass for quarks labelled by different primes  $p$ . This conforms with the idea that pseudo scalar mesons are Goldstone bosons in the sense that color Coulombic and magnetic contributions to the mass cancel each other. Also the mass differences between hadrons containing different numbers of strange and heavy quarks can be understood if  $s, b$  and  $c$  quarks appear as several scaled up versions.

This hypothesis yields surprisingly good fit for meson masses but for some mesons the predicted mass is slightly too high. The reduction of  $CP_2$  mass scale to cure the situation is not possible since top quark mass would become too low. In case of diagonal mesons for which quarks correspond to same p-adic prime, quark contribution to mass squared can be reduced by ordinary color interactions and in the case of non-diagonal mesons one can require that quark contribution is not larger than meson mass.

*4. Super-canonical bosons at hadronic space-time sheet can explain the constant contribution to baryonic masses*

Quarks explain only a small fraction of the baryon mass and that there is an additional contribution which in a good approximation does not depend on baryon. This contribution should correspond to the non-perturbative aspects of QCD.

A possible identification of this contribution is in terms of super-canonical gluons predicted by TGD. Baryonic space-time sheet with  $k = 107$  would contain a many-particle state of super-canonical gluons with net conformal weight of 16 units. This leads to a model of baryons masses in which masses are predicted with an accuracy better than 1 per cent. Super-canonical gluons also provide a possible solution to the spin puzzle of proton.

Hadronic string model provides a phenomenological description of non-perturbative aspects of QCD and a connection with the hadronic string model indeed emerges. Hadronic string tension is predicted correctly from the additivity of mass squared for  $J = 2$  bound states of super-canonical quanta. If the topological mixing for super-canonical bosons is equal to that for  $U$  type quarks then a 3-particle state formed by 2 super-canonical quanta from the first generation and 1 quantum from the second generation would define baryonic ground state with 16 units of conformal weight.

In the case of mesons pion could contain super-canonical boson of first generation preventing the large negative contribution of the color magnetic spin-spin interaction to make pion a tachyon. For heavier bosons super-canonical boson need not to be assumed. The preferred role of pion would relate to the fact that its mass scale is below QCD  $\Lambda$ .

*5. Description of color magnetic spin-spin splitting in terms of conformal weight*

What remains to be understood are the contributions of color Coulombic and magnetic interactions to the mass squared. There are contributions coming from both ordinary gluons and super-canonical gluons and the latter is expected to dominate by the large value of color coupling strength.

Conformal weight replaces energy as the basic variable but group theoretical structure of color magnetic contribution to the conformal weight associated with hadronic space-time sheet ( $k = 107$ ) is same as in case of energy. The predictions for the masses of mesons are not so good than for baryons, and one might criticize the application of the format of perturbative QCD in an essentially non-perturbative situation.

The comparison of the super-canonical conformal weights associated with spin 0 and spin 1 states and spin 1/2 and spin 3/2 states shows that the different masses of these states could be understood in terms of the super-canonical particle contents of the state correlating with the total quark spin. The resulting model allows excellent predictions also for the meson masses and implies that only pion and kaon can be regarded as Goldstone boson like states. The model based on spin-spin splittings is consistent with the model.

To sum up, the model provides an excellent understanding of baryon and meson masses. This success is highly non-trivial since the fit involves only the integers characterizing the p-adic length scales of quarks and the integers characterizing color magnetic spin-spin splitting plus p-adic thermodynamics and topological mixing for super-canonical gluons. The next challenge would be to predict the correlation of hadron spin with super-canonical particle content in case of long-lived hadrons.

### **Higgs or something else?**

Whether Higgs like particle is needed or not in TGD framework and whether TGD predicts such a particle has been one of the longstanding issues of TGD and my views about Higgs have fluctuated. What is clear that fermion massivation is due to p-adic thermodynamics in TGD framework but the group theoretic character of gauge boson massivation suggests that Higgs like particle giving masses only for weak bosons is needed.

The most recent TGD based interpretation of Higgs like boson is as a pion-like state of scaled up variant of hadron physics. The standard model Higgs - by definition a provider of also fermion masses - is not needed. Essentially one assumption, the separate conservation of quark and lepton numbers realized in terms of 8-D chiral invariance, excludes Higgs like states in this sense as also standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY.

The identification of Higgs like particle as Euclidian pion (assignable to the flux tube connecting opposite throats of wormhole contact having Euclidian signature of the induced metric) leads to

standard Higgs mechanism in the gauge boson sector if the Euclidian pion transforms as  $2 + \bar{2}$  under electroweak  $u(2)$  identifiable as holonomy group of  $CP_2$  and imbeddable as a subgroup to color group  $su(3)$ . The mass formulas are exactly the same. The hierarchy problem due to the instability of the tachyonic mass term for Higgs like particle is however avoided since the direct couplings to fermions proportional fermion mass are not needed since p-adic thermodynamics makes them massive. Also the basic contributions to the decay rates remain the same as for standard model Higgs.

The additional bonus is a microscopic description for the tachyonic mass term in terms of a bilinear coupling to a superposition of YM action density and instanton term - briefly  $a \times YM + b \times I$  - most naturally restricted to that for the induced Kähler form. This term predicts that - besides the ordinary decays to electro-weak gauge boson pairs mediated by same action as in the case of ordinary Higgs - there are also decays to neutral gauge boson pairs mediated by the linear perturbative couplings to  $a \times YM + b \times I$ . Instanton density brings in also CP breaking possibly related to the poorly understood CP breaking of hadronic physics. The quantitative estimate for the anomalous contribution to the decay rates gives a result consistent with experimental data under reasonable order of magnitude estimates for the parameters involved.

Besides solving the hierarchy problem, this identification could explain the failure to find the decays to  $\tau$  pairs and also the excess of two-gamma decays. Also a connection with the dark matter researches reporting signal at 130 GeV and possibly also at 110 GeV suggests itself: maybe also these signals also correspond to Minkowskian and Euclidian pion-like states. The fate of the most recent identification of Higgs as "Euclidian pion" of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics providing masses for gauge bosons depends on the data provided by LHC during next years.

In this chapter the evolution of ideas is described and in various sections often mutually conflicting arguments are represented.

## SUSY in TGD Universe

The view about space-time supersymmetry differs from the standard view in many respects. First of all, the super symmetries are not associated with Majorana spinors. Super generators correspond to the fermionic oscillator operators assignable to leptonic and quark-like induced spinors and there is in principle infinite number of them so that formally one would have  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  SUSY.

Quite recent developments in the understanding of the modified Dirac equation (I am writing this 2012) have led to a considerable understanding of the special role of right-handed neutrino. Whereas all other fermions are localized to 2-D string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces by the condition that electromagnetic charge defined in spinorial sense is conserved, right-handed neutrino is delocalized at entire space-time surface and there is unbroken 4-dimensional counterpart of 2-D super-conformal symmetry associated with it. The rapid experimental progress at LHC during 2011-2012 has more or less eliminated standard SUSY and this gives a powerful constraint in the attempts to understand what TGD SUSY could be.

As conjectured earlier, TGD indeed has also 2-D badly broken SUSY generated by all fermion modes of the modified Dirac equation and labelled by conformal weight. This SUSY could be also interpreted super-conformal symmetry. It also gives rise to extension of 2-D super-conformal symmetry to 4-D super-conformal symmetry much larger than the ordinary super-conformal symmetry: this space-time SUSY applies at the level of space-time surfaces but what about TGD counterpart of conventional space-time SUSY at the level of  $M^4$  and imbedding space? Could covariantly constant right-handed neutrino generate it?

What remains to be understood is the role of the covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor carrying no momentum: it behaves like Majorana spinor and its helicity is not constrained by Dirac equation. It is not clear whether the states defined by 2-D parton and by parton plus 4-D delocalized right-handed neutrino can be distinguished experimentally if right-handed neutrino does not carry four-momentum. This would be a trivial explanation for the failure to find evidence for SUSY at LHC. In fact, this argument can be developed to a more precise one: both fermions and sfermions exist and form representations of SUSY with second state having zero norm. Therefore fermion and sfermion candidates exist but belong to different representations of SUSY, and right-handed neutrinos remain invisible in the dynamics and the characteristic spin and momentum dependent vertex factors distinguishing between particle and sparticle are absent. The loss of space-time SUSY is not a catastrophe since it is not needed to stabilize Higgs in TGD framework since the variant of Higgs mechanism based on Higgs like pseudo-scalar is based conformally covariant Higgs potential

containing no tachyonic Higgs mass term and is free of the problems related to radiative instability of the tachyonic Higgs mass term.

In this chapter I discuss the evolution of the vision about SUSY in TGD framework. There is no attempt to represent a final outcome in a concise form because I do not have such a final view yet. I represent the arguments developed during years in roughly chronological order so that reader can see how the development has taken place. The arguments are not necessarily internally consistent and can be inaccurate.

### **p-Adic Particle Massivation: New Physics: part I**

TGD predicts a lot of new physics and it is quite possible that this new physics becomes visible at LHC. Although the calculational formalism is still lacking, p-adic length scale hypothesis allows to make precise quantitative predictions for particle masses by using simple scaling arguments.

The basic elements of quantum TGD responsible for new physics are following.

1. The new view about particles relies on their identification as partonic 2-surfaces (plus 4-D tangent space data to be precise). This effective metric 2-dimensionality implies generalization of the notion of Feynman diagram and holography in strong sense. One implication is the notion of field identity or field body making sense also for elementary particles and the Lamb shift anomaly of muonic hydrogen could be explained in terms of field bodies of quarks.
2. The topological explanation for family replication phenomenon implies genus generation correspondence and predicts in principle infinite number of fermion families. One can however develop a rather general argument based on the notion of conformal symmetry known as hyper-ellipticity stating that only the genera  $g = 0, 1, 2$  are light. What "light" means is however an open question. If light means something below  $CP_2$  mass there is no hope of observing new fermion families at LHC. If it means weak mass scale situation changes.

For bosons the implications of family replication phenomenon can be understood from the fact that they can be regarded as pairs of fermion and antifermion assignable to the opposite wormhole throats of wormhole throat. This means that bosons formally belong to octet and singlet representations of dynamical  $SU(3)$  for which 3 fermion families define 3-D representation. Singlet would correspond to ordinary gauge bosons. Also interacting fermions suffer topological condensation and correspond to wormhole contact. One can either assume that the resulting wormhole throat has the topology of sphere or that the genus is same for both throats.

3. The view about space-time supersymmetry differs from the standard view in many respects. First of all, the super symmetries are not associated with Majorana spinors. Super generators correspond to the fermionic oscillator operators assignable to leptonic and quark-like induced spinors and there is in principle infinite number of them so that formally one would have  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  SUSY. I have discussed the required modification of the formalism of SUSY theories and it turns out that effectively one obtains just  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY required by experimental constraints. The reason is that the fermion states with higher fermion number define only short range interactions analogous to van der Waals forces. Right handed neutrino generates this super-symmetry broken by the mixing of the  $M^4$  chiralities implied by the mixing of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices for induced gamma matrices. The simplest assumption is that particles and their superpartners obey the same mass formula but that the p-adic length scale can be different for them.
4. The new view about particle massivation involves besides p-adic thermodynamics also Higgs but there is no need to assume that Higgs vacuum expectation plays any role. The most natural option favored by the assumption that elementary bosons are bound states of massless elementary fermions, by twistorial considerations, and by the fact that both gauge bosons and Higgs form  $SU(2)$  triplet and singlet, predicts that also photon and other massless gauge bosons develop small mass so that all Higgs particles and their colored variants would disappear from spectrum. Same could happen for Higgsinos.
5. One of the basic distinctions between TGD and standard model is the new view about color.
  - (a) The first implication is separate conservation of quark and lepton quantum numbers implying the stability of proton against the decay via the channels predicted by GUTs. This

does not mean that proton would be absolutely stable. p-Adic and dark length scale hierarchies indeed predict the existence of scale variants of quarks and leptons and proton could decay to hadrons of some zoomed up copy of hadrons physics. These decays should be slow and presumably they would involve phase transition changing the value of Planck constant characterizing proton. It might be that the simultaneous increase of Planck constant for all quarks occurs with very low rate.

- (b) Also color excitations of leptons and quarks are in principle possible. Detailed calculations would be required to see whether their mass scale is given by  $CP_2$  mass scale. The so called leptohadron physics proposed to explain certain anomalies associated with both electron, muon, and  $\tau$  lepton could be understood in terms of color octet excitations of leptons.
6. Fractal hierarchies of weak and hadronic physics labelled by p-adic primes and by the levels of dark matter hierarchy are highly suggestive. Ordinary hadron physics corresponds to  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ . One especially interesting candidate would be scaled up hadronic physics which would correspond to  $M_{89} = 2^{89} - 1$  defining the p-adic prime of weak bosons. The corresponding string tension is about 512 GeV and it might be possible to see the first signatures of this physics at LHC. Nuclear string model in turn predicts that nuclei correspond to nuclear strings of nucleons connected by colored flux tubes having light quarks at their ends. The interpretation might be in terms of  $M_{127}$  hadron physics. In biologically most interesting length scale range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu\text{m}$  there are four Gaussian Mersennes and the conjecture is that these and other Gaussian Mersennes are associated with zoomed up variants of hadron physics relevant for living matter. Cosmic rays might also reveal copies of hadron physics corresponding to  $M_{61}$  and  $M_{31}$ .
  7. Weak form of electric magnetic duality implies that the fermions and antifermions associated with both leptons and bosons are Kähler magnetic monopoles accompanied by monopoles of opposite magnetic charge and with opposite weak isospin. For quarks Kähler magnetic charge need not cancel and cancellation might occur only in hadronic length scale. The magnetic flux tubes behave like string like objects and if the string tension is determined by weak length scale, these string aspects should become visible at LHC. If the string tension is 512 GeV the situation becomes less promising.

In this chapter some aspects of the predicted new physics and possible indications for it are discussed. The evolution of the TGD based view about possible existing Higgs like particle and about space-time SUSY are discussed in separate chapters.

### p-Adic Particle Massivation: New Physics: part II

In this chapter the focus is on the hadron physics. The applications are to various anomalies discovered during years.

#### 1. Application of the many-sheeted space-time concept in hadron physics

The many-sheeted space-time concept involving also the notion of field body can be applied to hadron physics to explain findings which are difficult to understand in the framework of standard model.

1. The spin puzzle of proton is a two decades old mystery with no satisfactory explanation in QCD framework. The notion of hadronic space-time sheet which could be imagined as string like rotating object suggests a possible approach to the spin puzzle. The entanglement between valence quark spins and the angular momentum states of the rotating hadronic space-time sheet could allow natural explanation for why the average valence quark spin vanishes.
2. The notion of Pomeron was invented during the Bootstrap era preceding QCD to solve difficulties of Regge approach. There are experimental findings suggesting the reincarnation of this concept. The possibility that the newly born concept of Pomeron of Regge theory might be identified as the sea of perturbative QCD in TGD framework is considered. Geometrically Pomeron would correspond to hadronic space-time sheet without valence quarks.
3. The discovery that the charge radius of proton deduced from the muonic version of hydrogen atom is about 4 per cent smaller than from the radius deduced from hydrogen atom is in complete

conflict with the cherished belief that atomic physics belongs to the museum of science. The title of the article *Quantum electrodynamics-a chink in the armour?* of the article published in Nature expresses well the possible implications, which might actually go well extend beyond QED. TGD based model for the findings relies on the notion of color magnetic body carrying both electromagnetic and color fields and extends well beyond the size scale of the particle. This gives rather detailed constraints on the model of the magnetic body.

4. The soft photon production rate in hadronic reactions is by an average factor of about four higher than expected. In the article soft photons assignable to the decays of  $Z^0$  to quark-antiquark pairs. This anomaly has not reached the attention of particle physics which seems to be the fate of anomalies quite generally nowadays: large extra dimensions and black-holes at LHC are much more sexy topics of study than the anomalies about which both existing and speculative theories must remain silent. TGD based model is based on the notion of electric flux tube.

### 2. Quark gluon plasma

QCD predicts that at sufficiently high collision energies de-confinement phase transitions for quarks should take place leading to quark gluon plasma. In heavy ion collisions at RHIC something like this was found to happen. The properties of the quark gluon plasma were however not what was expected. There are long range correlations and the plasma seems to behave like perfect fluid with minimal viscosity/entropy ratio. The lifetime of the plasma phase is longer than expected and its density much higher than QCD would suggest. The experiments at LHC for proton proton collisions suggest also the presence of quark gluon plasma with similar properties.

TGD suggests an interpretation in terms of long color magnetic flux tubes containing the plasma. The confinement to color magnetic flux tubes would force higher density. The preferred extremals of Kähler action have interpretation as defining a flow of perfect incompressible fluid and the perfect fluid property is broken only by the many-sheeted structure of space-time with smaller space-time sheets assignable to sub- $CD$ s representing radiative corrections. The phase in question corresponds to a non-standard value of Planck constant: this could also explain why the lifetime of the phase is longer than expected.

### 3. Breaking of discrete symmetries

Zero energy ontology provides a fresh approach to discrete symmetries and provides also a general mechanism for their breaking. A general vision about breaking of discrete symmetries relies on quantum measurement theory: the quantum jump selecting the quantization axes induces localization to a single  $CD$  and therefore induces breaking of discrete symmetries due to the choice of quantization axes. The time scale of  $CD$  is excellent candidate for defining mass and time scales characterizing the symmetry breaking. Entropic gravity idea has a variant in TGD framework resulting from the fact that in ZEO quantum theory is a square root of thermodynamics in a well-defined sense. Thermodynamical stability could force the generation of the arrow of time and also force it to be different for matter and antimatter inducing in this manner matter antimatter asymmetry and breaking of discrete symmetries like CP. Also CPT could be broken spontaneously and there are experimental indications that this takes place for top quark with mass difference which is surprisingly large- few per cent of top mass.

### 4. Are exotic Super Virasoro representations relevant for hadron physics?

In p-adic context exotic representations of Super Virasoro with  $M^2 \propto p^k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$  are possible. For  $k = 1$  the states of these representations have same mass scale as elementary particles although in real context the masses would be gigantic. This inspires the question whether non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics could be assigned to the presence of these representations. Some intriguing numerical co-incidences suggest that the exotic representations of Super-Virasoro should be assigned with hadron and whereas ordinary Virasoro representations would be assigned with the quark-gluon plasma or possibly sea quarks.

### 1.4.3 Part II: Applications of p-adic length scale hypothesis and dark matter hierarchy

#### Recent status of lepto-hadron hypothesis

TGD suggests strongly the existence of lepto-hadron physics. Lepto-hadrons are bound states of color excited leptons and the anomalous production of  $e^+e^-$  pairs in heavy ion collisions finds a nice explanation as resulting from the decays of lepto-hadrons with basic condensate level  $k = 127$  and having typical mass scale of one  $MeV$ . The recent indications on the existence of a new fermion with quantum numbers of muon neutrino and the anomaly observed in the decay of orthopositronium give further support for the lepto-hadron hypothesis. There is also evidence for anomalous production of low energy photons and  $e^+e^-$  pairs in hadronic collisions.

The identification of lepto-hadrons as a particular instance in the predicted hierarchy of dark matters interacting directly only via graviton exchange allows to circumvent the lethal counter arguments against the lepto-hadron hypothesis ( $Z^0$  decay width and production of colored lepton jets in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation) even without assumption about the loss of asymptotic freedom.

PCAC hypothesis and its sigma model realization lead to a model containing only the coupling of the lepto-pion to the axial vector current as a free parameter. The prediction for  $e^+e^-$  production cross section is of correct order of magnitude only provided one assumes that lepto-pions decay to lepto-nucleon pair  $e_{ex}^+e_{ex}^-$  first and that lepto-nucleons, having quantum numbers of electron and having mass only slightly larger than electron mass, decay to lepton and photon. The peculiar production characteristics are correctly predicted. There is some evidence that the resonances decay to a final state containing  $n > 2$  particle and the experimental demonstration that lepto-nucleon pairs are indeed in question, would be a breakthrough for TGD.

During 18 years after the first published version of the model also evidence for colored  $\mu$  has emerged. Towards the end of 2008 CDF anomaly gave a strong support for the colored excitation of  $\tau$ . The lifetime of the light long lived state identified as a charged  $\tau$ -pion comes out correctly and the identification of the reported 3 new particles as p-adically scaled up variants of neutral  $\tau$ -pion predicts their masses correctly. The observed muon jets can be understood in terms of the special reaction kinematics for the decays of neutral  $\tau$ -pion to 3  $\tau$ -pions with mass scale smaller by a factor  $1/2$  and therefore almost at rest. A spectrum of new particles is predicted. The discussion of CDF anomaly led to a modification and generalization of the original model for lepto-pion production and the predicted production cross section is consistent with the experimental estimate.

#### TGD and Nuclear Physics

This chapter is devoted to the possible implications of TGD for nuclear physics. In the original version of the chapter the focus was in the attempt to resolve the problems caused by the incorrect interpretation of the predicted long ranged weak gauge fields. What seems to be a breakthrough in this respect came only quite recently (2005), more than a decade after the first version of this chapter, and is based on TGD based view about dark matter inspired by the developments in the mathematical understanding of quantum TGD. In this approach condensed matter nuclei can be either ordinary, that is behave essentially like standard model nuclei, or be in dark matter phase in which case they generate long ranged dark weak gauge fields responsible for the large parity breaking effects in living matter. This approach resolves trivially the objections against long range classical weak fields.

The basic criterion for the transition to dark matter phase having by definition large value of  $\hbar$  is that the condition  $\alpha Q_1 Q_2 \simeq 1$  for appropriate gauge interactions expressing the fact that the perturbation series does not converge. The increase of  $\hbar$  makes perturbation series converging since the value of  $\alpha$  is reduced but leaves lowest order classical predictions invariant.

This criterion can be applied to color force and inspires the hypothesis that valence quarks inside nucleons correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase whereas sea quark space-time sheets correspond to the ordinary value of  $\hbar$ . This hypothesis is combined with the earlier model of strong nuclear force based on the assumption that long color bonds with p-adically scaled down quarks with mass of order MeV at their ends are responsible for the nuclear strong force.

1. *Is strong force due to color bonds between exotic quark pairs?*

The basic assumptions are following.



1. Valence quarks correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase with p-adic length scale  $L(k_{eff} = 129) = L(107)/v_0 \simeq 2^{11}L(107) \simeq 5 \times 10^{-12}$  m whereas sea quarks correspond to ordinary  $\hbar$  and define the standard size of nucleons.
2. Color bonds with length of order  $L(127) \simeq 2.5 \times 10^{-12}$  m and having quarks with ordinary  $\hbar$  and p-adically scaled down masses  $m_q(dark) \simeq v_0 m_q$  at their ends define kind of rubber bands connecting nucleons. The p-adic length scale of exotic quarks differs by a factor 2 from that of dark valence quarks so that the length scales in question can couple naturally. This large length scale as also other p-adic length scales correspond to the size of the topologically quantized field body associated with system, be it quark, nucleon, or nucleus.
3. Valence quarks and even exotic quarks can be dark with respect to both color and weak interactions but not with respect to electromagnetic interactions. The model for binding energies suggests darkness with respect to weak interactions with weak boson masses scaled down by a factor  $v_0$ . Weak interactions remain still weak. Quarks and nucleons as defined by their  $k = 107$  sea quark portions condense at scaled up weak space-time sheet with  $k_{eff} = 111$  having p-adic size  $10^{-14}$  meters. The estimate for the atomic number of the heaviest possible nucleus comes out correctly.

The wave functions of the nucleons fix the boundary values of the wave functionals of the color magnetic flux tubes idealizable as strings. In the terminology of M-theory nucleons correspond to small branes and color magnetic flux tubes to strings connecting them.

### 2. General features of strong interactions

This picture allows to understand the general features of strong interactions.

1. Quantum classical correspondence and the assumption that the relevant space-time surfaces have 2-dimensional  $CP_2$  projection implies Abelianization. Strong isospin group can be identified as the  $SU(2)$  subgroup of color group acting as isotropies of space-time surfaces. and the  $U(1)$  holonomy of color gauge potential defines a preferred direction of strong isospin. Dark color isospin corresponds to strong isospin. The correlation of dark color with weak isospin of the nucleon is strongly suggested by quantum classical correspondence.
2. Both color singlet spin 0 pion type bonds and colored spin 1 bonds are allowed and the color magnetic spin-spin interaction between the exotic quark and anti-quark is negative in this case. p-p and n-n bonds correspond to oppositely colored spin 1 bonds and p-n bonds to colorless spin 0 bonds for which the binding energy is free times higher. The presence of colored bonds forces the presence of neutralizing dark gluon condensate favoring states with  $N - P > 0$ .
3. Shell model based on harmonic oscillator potential follows naturally from this picture in which the magnetic flux tubes connecting nucleons take the role of springs. Spin-orbit interaction can be understood in terms of the color force in the same way as it is understood in atomic physics.

### 3. Nuclear binding energies

1. The binding energies per nucleon for  $A \leq 4$  nuclei can be understood if they form closed string like structures, nuclear strings, so that only two color bonds per nucleon are possible. This could be understood if ordinary quarks and exotic quarks possessing much smaller mass behave as if they were identical fermions. p-Adic mass calculations support this assumption. Also the average behavior of binding energy for heavier nuclei is predicted correctly.
2. For nuclei with  $P = N$  all color bonds can be pion type bonds and have thus largest color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy. The increase of color Coulombic binding energy between colored exotic quark pairs and dark gluons however favors  $N > P$  and explains also the formation of neutron halo outside  $k = 111$  space-time sheet.
3. Spin-orbit interaction provides the standard explanation for magic numbers. If the maximum of the binding energy per nucleon is taken as a criterion for magic, also  $Z=N=4,6,12$  are magic. The alternative TGD based explanation for magic numbers  $Z = N = 4, 6, 8, 12, 20$  would be

in terms of regular Platonic solids. Experimentally also other magic numbers are known for neutrons. The linking of nuclear strings provides a possible mechanism producing new magic nuclei from lighter magic nuclei.

#### 4. Stringy description of nuclear reactions

The view about nucleus as a collection of linked nuclear strings suggests stringy description of nuclear reactions. Microscopically the nuclear reactions would correspond to re-distribution of exotic quarks between the nucleons in reacting nuclei.

#### 5. Anomalies and new nuclear physics

The TGD based explanation of neutron halo has been already mentioned. The recently observed tetra-neutron states are difficult to understand in the standard nuclear physics framework since Fermi statistics does not allow this kind of state. The identification of tetra-neutron as an alpha particle containing two negatively charged color bonds allows to circumvent the problem. A large variety of exotic nuclei containing charged color bonds is predicted.

The proposed model explains the anomaly associated with the tritium beta decay. What has been observed is that the spectrum intensity of electrons has a narrow bump near the endpoint energy. Also the maximum energy  $E_0$  of electrons is shifted downwards. I have considered two explanations for the anomaly. The original models are based on TGD variants of original models involving belt of dark neutrinos or antineutrinos along the orbit of Earth. Only recently (towards the end of year 2008) I realized that nuclear string model provides much more elegant explanation of the anomaly and has also the potential to explain much more general anomalies.

Cold fusion has not been taken seriously by the physics community but the situation has begun to change gradually. There is an increasing evidence for the occurrence of nuclear transmutations of heavier elements besides the production of  ${}^4\text{He}$  and  ${}^3\text{H}$  whereas the production rate of  ${}^3\text{He}$  and neutrons is very low. These characteristics are not consistent with the standard nuclear physics predictions. Also Coulomb wall and the absence of gamma rays and the lack of a mechanism transferring nuclear energy to the electrolyte have been used as an argument against cold fusion. TGD based model relying on the notion of charged color bonds explains the anomalous characteristics of cold fusion.

### Nuclear String Hypothesis

Nuclear string hypothesis is one of the most dramatic almost-predictions of TGD. The hypothesis in its original form assumes that nucleons inside nucleus form closed nuclear strings with neighboring nuclei of the string connected by exotic meson bonds consisting of color magnetic flux tube with quark and anti-quark at its ends. The lengths of flux tubes correspond to the p-adic length scale of electron and therefore the mass scale of the exotic mesons is around 1 MeV in accordance with the general scale of nuclear binding energies. The long lengths of em flux tubes increase the distance between nucleons and reduce Coulomb repulsion. A fractally scaled up variant of ordinary QCD with respect to p-adic length scale would be in question and the usual wisdom about ordinary pions and other mesons as the origin of nuclear force would be simply wrong in TGD framework as the large mass scale of ordinary pion indeed suggests.

#### 1. $A > 4$ nuclei as nuclear strings consisting of $A \leq 4$ nuclei

In this article a more refined version of nuclear string hypothesis is developed.

1. It is assumed  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei and  $A < 4$  nuclei and possibly also nucleons appear as basic building blocks of nuclear strings.  $A \leq 4$  nuclei in turn can be regarded as strings of nucleons. Large number of stable lightest isotopes of form  $A = 4n$  supports the hypothesis that the number of  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei is maximal. Even the weak decay characteristics might be reduced to those for  $A < 4$  nuclei using this hypothesis.
2. One can understand the behavior of nuclear binding energies surprisingly well from the assumptions that total *strong* binding energy associated with  $A \leq 4$  building blocks is *additive* for nuclear strings.

3. In TGD framework tetra-neutron is interpreted as a variant of alpha particle obtained by replacing two meson-like stringy bonds connecting neighboring nucleons of the nuclear string with their negatively charged variants. For heavier nuclei tetra-neutron is needed as an additional building brick.

### 2. Bose-Einstein condensation of color bonds as a mechanism of nuclear binding

The attempt to understand the variation of the nuclear binding energy and its maximum for  $Fe$  leads to a quantitative model of nuclei lighter than  $Fe$  as color bound Bose-Einstein condensates of pion like colored states associated with color flux tubes connecting  ${}^4He$  nuclei. The color contribution to the total binding energy is proportional to  $n^2$ , where  $n$  is the number of color bonds. Fermi statistics explains the reduction of  $E_B$  for the nuclei heavier than  $Fe$ . Detailed estimate favors harmonic oscillator model over free nucleon model with oscillator strength having interpretation in terms of string tension.

Fractal scaling argument allows to understand  ${}^4He$  and lighter nuclei as strings of nucleons with nucleons bound together by color bonds. Three fractally scaled variants of QCD corresponding  $A > 4$ ,  $A = 4$ , and  $A < 4$  nuclei are involved. The binding energies of also  $A \leq 4$  are predicted surprisingly accurately by applying simple p-adic scaling to the model of binding energies of heavier nuclei.

### 3. Giant dipole resonance as de-coherence of Bose-Einstein condensate of color bonds

Giant resonances and so called pygmy resonances are interpreted in terms of de-coherence of the Bose-Einstein condensates associated with  $A \leq 4$  nuclei and with the nuclear string formed from  $A \leq 4$  nuclei. The splitting of the Bose-Einstein condensate to pieces costs a precisely defined energy. For  ${}^4He$  de-coherence the model predicts singlet line at 12.74 MeV and triplet at  $\sim 27$  MeV spanning 4 MeV wide range.

The de-coherence at the level of nuclear string predicts 1 MeV wide bands 1.4 MeV above the basic lines. Bands decompose to lines with precisely predicted energies. Also these contribute to the width. The predictions are in rather good agreement with experimental values. The so called pygmy resonance appearing in neutron rich nuclei can be understood as a de-coherence for  $A = 3$  nuclei. A doublet at  $\sim 8$  MeV and MeV spacing is predicted. The prediction for the position is correct.

### 4. Dark nuclear strings as analogs of DNA-, RNA- and amino-acid sequences and baryonic realization of genetic code

A speculative picture proposing a connection between homeopathy, water memory, and phantom DNA effect is discussed and on basis of this connection a vision about how the tqc hardware represented by the genome is actively developed by subjecting it to evolutionary pressures represented by a virtual world representation of the physical environment. The speculation inspired by this vision is that genetic code as well as DNA-, RNA- and amino-acid sequences should have representation in terms of nuclear strings. The model for dark baryons indeed leads to an identification of these analogs and the basic numbers of genetic code including also the numbers of aminoacids coded by a given number of codons are predicted correctly. Hence it seems that genetic code is universal rather than being an accidental outcome of the biological evolution.

## Dark Nuclear Physics and Condensed Matter

In this chapter the possible effects of dark matter in nuclear physics and condensed matter physics are considered. The spirit of the discussion is necessarily rather speculative since the vision about the hierarchy of Planck constants is only 5 years old. The most general form of the hierarchy would involve both singular coverings and factors spaces of  $CD$  (causal diamond of  $M^4$ ) defined as intersection of future and past directed light-cones) and  $CP_2$ . There are grave objections against the allowance of factor spaces. In this case Planck constant could be smaller than its standard value and there are very few experimental indications for this. Quite recently came the realization that the hierarchy of Planck constants might emerge from the basic quantum TGD as a consequence of the extreme non-linearity of field equations implying that the correspondence between the derivatives of imbedding space coordinates and canonical momentum is many-to-one. This makes natural to the introduction of covering spaces of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$ . Planck constant would be effectively replaced with a multiple of ordinary Planck constant defined by the number of the sheets of the covering. The space-like 3-surfaces at the

ends of the causal diamond and light-like 3-surfaces defined by wormhole throats carrying elementary particle quantum numbers would be quantum critical in the sense of being unstable against decay to many-sheeted structures. Charge fractionization could be understood in this scenario. Biological evolution would have the increase of the Planck constant as one aspect. The crucial scaling of the size of  $CD$  by Planck constant can be justified by a simple argument. Note that primary p-adic length scales would scale as  $\sqrt{\hbar}$  rather than  $\hbar$  as assumed in the original model.

### 1. *What darkness means?*

Dark matter is identified as matter with non-standard value of Planck constant. The weak form of darkness states that only some field bodies of the particle consisting of flux quanta mediating bound state interactions between particles become dark. One can assign to each interaction a field body (em,  $Z^0$ ,  $W$ , gluonic, gravitational) and p-adic prime and the value of Planck constant characterize the size of the particular field body. One might even think that particle mass can be assigned with its em field body and that Compton length of particle corresponds to the size scale of em field body.

Nuclear string model suggests that the sizes of color flux tubes and weak flux quanta associated with nuclei can become dark in this sense and have size of order atomic radius so that dark nuclear physics would have a direct relevance for condensed matter physics. If this happens, it becomes impossible to make a reductionistic separation between nuclear physics and condensed matter physics and chemistry anymore.

### 2. *What dark nucleons are?*

The basic hypothesis is that nuclei can make a phase transition to dark phase in which the size of both quarks and nuclei is measured in Angstroms. For the less radical option this transition could happen only for the color, weak, and em field bodies. Proton connected by dark color bonds super-nuclei with inter-nucleon distance of order atomic radius might be crucial for understanding the properties of water and perhaps even the properties of ordinary condensed matter. Large  $\hbar$  phase for weak field body of  $D$  and  $Pd$  nuclei with size scale of atom would explain selection rules of cold fusion.

### 3. *Anomalous properties of water and dark nuclear physics*

A direct support for partial darkness of water comes from the  $H_{1.5}O$  chemical formula supported by neutron and electron diffraction in attosecond time scale. The explanation could be that one fourth of protons combine to form super-nuclei with protons connected by color bonds and having distance sufficiently larger than atomic radius.

The crucial property of water is the presence of molecular clusters. Tetrahedral clusters allow an interpretation in terms of magic  $Z=8$  protonic dark nuclei. The icosahedral clusters consisting of 20 tetrahedral clusters in turn have interpretation as magic dark dark nuclei: the presence of the dark dark matter explains large portion of the anomalies associated with water and explains the unique role of water in biology. In living matter also higher levels of dark matter hierarchy are predicted to be present. The observed nuclear transmutation suggest that also light weak bosons are present.

### 4. *Implications of the partial darkness of condensed matter*

The model for partially dark condensed matter inspired by nuclear string model and the model of cold fusion inspired by it allows to understand the low compressibility of the condensed matter as being due to the repulsive weak force between exotic quarks, explains large parity breaking effects in living matter, and suggests a profound modification of the notion of chemical bond having most important implications for bio-chemistry and understanding of bio-chemical evolution.

## Dark Forces and Living Matter

The unavoidable presence of classical long ranged weak (and also color) gauge fields in TGD Universe has been a continual source of worries for more than two decades. The basic question has been whether  $Z^0$  charges of elementary particles are screened in electro-weak length scale or not. Same question must be raised in the case of color charges. For a long time the hypothesis was that the charges are feeded to larger space-time sheets in this length scale rather than screened by vacuum charges so that an effective screening results in electro-weak length scale. This hypothesis turned out to be a failure and was replaced with the idea that the non-linearity of field equations (only topological half

of Maxwell's equations holds true) implies the generation of vacuum charge densities responsible for the screening.

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality led to the identification of the long sought for mechanism causing the weak screening in electroweak scales. The basic implication of the duality is that Kähler electric charges of wormhole throats representing particles are proportional to Kähler magnetic charges so that the  $CP_2$  projections of the wormhole throats are homologically non-trivial. The Kähler magnetic charges do not create long range monopole fields if they are neutralized by wormhole throats carrying opposite monopole charges and weak isospin neutralizing the axial isospin of the particle's wormhole throat. One could speak of confinement of weak isospin. The weak field bodies of elementary fermions would be replaced with string like objects with a length of order W boson Compton length. Electro-magnetic flux would be feeded to electromagnetic field body where it would be feeded to larger space-time sheets. Similar mechanism could apply in the case of color quantum numbers. Weak charges would be therefore screened for ordinary matter in electro-weak length scale but dark electro-weak bosons correspond to much longer symmetry breaking length scale for weak field body. Large values of Planck constant would make it possible to zoop up elementary particles and study their internal structure without any need for gigantic accelerators.

In this chapter possible implications of the dark weak force for the understanding of living matter are discussed. The basic question is how classical  $Z^0$  fields could make itself visible. Large parity breaking effects in living matter suggests which direction one should look for the answer to the question. One possible answer is based on the observation that for vacuum extremals classical electromagnetic and  $Z^0$  fields are proportional to each other and this means that the electromagnetic charges of dark fermions standard are replaced with effective couplings in which the contribution of classical  $Z^0$  force dominates. This modifies dramatically the model for the cell membrane as a Josephson junction and raises the scale of Josephson energies from IR range just above thermal threshold to visible and ultraviolet. The amazing finding is that the Josephson energies for biologically important ions correspond to the energies assigned to the peak frequencies in the biological activity spectrum of photoreceptors in retina suggesting. This suggests that almost vacuum extremals and thus also classical  $Z^0$  fields are in a central role in the understanding of the functioning of the cell membrane and of sensory qualia. This would also explain the large parity breaking effects in living matter.

A further conjecture is that EEG and its predicted fractally scaled variants which same energies in visible and UV range but different scales of Josephson frequencies correspond to Josephson photons with various values of Planck constant. The decay of dark ELF photons with energies of visible photons would give rise to bunches of ordinary ELF photons. Biophotons in turn could correspond to ordinary visible photons resulting in the phase transition of these photons to photons with ordinary value of Planck constant. This leads to a very detailed view about the role of dark electromagnetic radiation in biomatter and also to a model for how sensory qualia are realized. The general conclusion might be that most effects due to the dark weak force are associated with almost vacuum extremals.

### Super-Conductivity in Many-Sheeted Space-Time

In this chapter a model for high  $T_c$  super-conductivity as quantum critical phenomenon is developed. The relies on the notions of quantum criticality, dynamical quantized Planck constant requiring a generalization of the 8-D imbedding space to a book like structure, and many-sheeted space-time. In particular, the notion of magnetic flux tube as a carrier of supra current of central concept.

With a sufficient amount of twisting and weaving these basic ideas one ends up to concrete model for high  $T_c$  superconductors as quantum critical superconductors consistent with the qualitative facts that I am personally aware. The following minimal model looks the most realistic option found hitherto.

1. The general idea is that magnetic flux tubes are carriers of supra currents. In anti-ferromagnetic phases these flux tube structures form small closed loops so that the system behaves as an insulator. Some mechanism leading to a formation of long flux tubes must exist. Doping creates holes located around stripes, which become positively charged and attract electrons to the flux tubes.
2. The higher critical temperature  $T_{c1}$  corresponds to a formation local configurations of parallel spins assigned to the holes of stripes giving rise to a local dipole fields with size scale of the order of the length of the stripe. Conducting electrons form Cooper pairs at the magnetic flux

tube structures associated with these dipole fields. The elongated structure of the dipoles favors angular momentum  $L = 2$  for the pairs. The presence of magnetic field favors Cooper pairs with spin  $S = 1$ .

3. Stripes can be seen as 1-D metals with delocalized electrons. The interaction responsible for the energy gap corresponds to the transversal oscillations of the magnetic flux tubes inducing oscillations of the nuclei of the stripe. These transverse phonons have spin and their exchange is a good candidate for the interaction giving rise to a mass gap. This could explain the BCS type aspects of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity.
4. Above  $T_c$  supra currents are possible only in the length scale of the flux tubes of the dipoles which is of the order of stripe length. The reconnections between neighboring flux tube structures induced by the transverse fluctuations give rise to longer flux tubes structures making possible finite conductivity. These occur with certain temperature dependent probability  $p(T, L)$  depending on temperature and distance  $L$  between the stripes. By criticality  $p(T, L)$  depends on the dimensionless variable  $x = TL/\hbar$  only:  $p = p(x)$ . At critical temperature  $T_c$  transverse fluctuations have large amplitude and makes  $p(x_c)$  so large that very long flux tubes are created and supra currents can run. The phenomenon is completely analogous to percolation.
5. The critical temperature  $T_c = x_c \hbar/L$  is predicted to be proportional to  $\hbar$  and inversely proportional to  $L$  (, which is indeed to be the case). If flux tubes correspond to a large value of  $\hbar$ , one can understand the high value of  $T_c$ . Both Cooper pairs and magnetic flux tube structures represent dark matter in TGD sense.
6. The model allows to interpret the characteristic spectral lines in terms of the excitation energy of the transversal fluctuations and gap energy of the Cooper pair. The observed 50 meV threshold for the onset of photon absorption suggests that below  $T_c$  also  $S = 0$  Cooper pairs are possible and have gap energy about 9 meV whereas  $S = 1$  Cooper pairs would have gap energy about 27 meV. The flux tube model indeed predicts that  $S = 0$  Cooper pairs become stable below  $T_c$  since they cannot anymore transform to  $S = 1$  pairs. Their presence could explain the BCS type aspects of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity. The estimate for  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = r$  from critical temperature  $T_{c1}$  is about  $r = 3$  contrary to the original expectations inspired by the model of living system as a super-conductor suggesting much higher value. An unexpected prediction is that coherence length is actually  $r$  times longer than the coherence length predicted by conventional theory so that type I super-conductor could be in question with stripes serving as duals for the defects of type I super-conductor in nearly critical magnetic field replaced now by ferromagnetic phase.
7. TGD suggests preferred values for  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ . For the most general option the values of  $\hbar$  are products and ratios of two integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$ . Ruler and compass integers defined by the products of distinct Fermat primes and power of two are number theoretically favored values for these integers because the phases  $\exp(i2\pi/n_i)$ ,  $i \in \{a, b\}$ , in this case are number theoretically very simple and should have emerged first in the number theoretical evolution via algebraic extensions of p-adics and of rationals. p-Adic length scale hypothesis favors powers of two as values of  $r$ . The hypothesis that Mersenne primes  $M_k = 2^k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{89, 107, 127\}$ , and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1 + i)k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{113, 151, 157, 163, 167, 239, 241.. \}$  (the number theoretical miracle is that all the four p-adic length scales with  $k \in \{151, 157, 163, 167\}$  are in the biologically highly interesting range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu\text{m}$ ) define scaled up copies of electro-weak and QCD type physics with ordinary value of  $\hbar$  and that these physics are induced by dark variants of each other leads to a prediction for the preferred values of  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = k_i - k_j$ , and the resulting picture finds support from the ensuing models for biological evolution and for EEG.

At qualitative level the model explains various strange features of high  $T_c$  superconductors. One can understand the high value of  $T_c$  and ambivalent character of high  $T_c$  super conductors, the existence of pseudogap and scalings laws for observables above  $T_c$ , the role of stripes and doping and the existence of a critical doping, etc...

### Quantum Hall effect and Hierarchy of Planck Constants

In this chapter I try to formulate more precisely the recent TGD based view about fractional quantum Hall effect (FQHE). This view is much more realistic than the original rough scenario, which neglected

the existing rather detailed understanding. The spectrum of  $\nu$ , and the mechanism producing it is the same as in composite fermion approach. The new elements relate to the not so well-understood aspects of FQHE, namely charge fractionalization, the emergence of braid statistics, and non-abelianity of braid statistics.

1. The starting point is composite fermion model so that the basic predictions are same. Now magnetic vortices correspond to (Kähler) magnetic flux tubes carrying unit of magnetic flux. The magnetic field inside flux tube would be created by delocalized electron at the boundary of the vortex. One can raise two questions.

Could the boundary of the macroscopic system carrying anyonic phase have identification as a macroscopic analog of partonic 2-surface serving as a boundary between Minkowskian and Euclidian regions of space-time sheet? If so, the space-time sheet assignable to the macroscopic system in question would have Euclidian signature, and would be analogous to blackhole or to a line of generalized Feynman diagram.

Could the boundary of the vortex be identifiable a light-like boundary separating Minkowskian magnetic flux tube from the Euclidian interior of the macroscopic system and be also analogous to wormhole throat? If so, both macroscopic objects and magnetic vortices would be rather exotic geometric objects not possible in general relativity framework.

2. Taking composite model as a starting point one obtains standard predictions for the filling fractions. One should also understand charge fractionalization and fractional braiding statistics. Here the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action suggests the explanation. Vacuum degeneracy implies that the correspondence between the normal component of the canonical momentum current and normal derivatives of imbedding space coordinates is 1- to- $n$ . These kind of branchings result in multi-furcations induced by variations of the system parameters and the scaling of external magnetic field represents one such variation.
3. At the orbits of wormhole throats, which can have even macroscopic  $M^4$  projections, one has  $1 \rightarrow n_a$  correspondence and at the space-like ends of the space-time surface at light-like boundaries of causal diamond one has  $1 \rightarrow n_b$  correspondence. This implies that at partonic 2-surfaces defined as the intersections of these two kinds of 3-surfaces one has  $1 \rightarrow n_a \times n_b$  correspondence. This correspondence can be described by using a local singular  $n$ -fold covering of the imbedding space. Unlike in the original approach, the covering space is only a convenient auxiliary tool rather than fundamental notion.
4. The fractionalization of charge can be understood as follows. A delocalization of electron charge to the  $n$  sheets of the multi-furcation takes place and single sheet is analogous to a sheet of Riemann surface of function  $z^{1/n}$  and carries fractional charge  $q = e/n$ ,  $n = n_a n_b$ . Fractionalization applies also to other quantum numbers. One can have also many-electron stats of these states with several delocalized electrons: in this case one obtains more general charge fractionalization:  $q = \nu e$ .
5. Also the fractional braid statistics can be understood. For ordinary statistics rotations of  $M^4$  rotate entire partonic 2-surfaces. For braid statistics rotations of  $M^4$  (and particle exchange) induce a flow braid ends along partonic 2-surface. If the singular local covering is analogous to the Riemann surface of  $z^{1/n}$ , the braid rotation by  $\Delta\Phi = 2\pi$ , where  $\Phi$  corresponds to  $M^4$  angle, leads to a second branch of multi-furcation and one can give up the usual quantization condition for angular momentum. For the natural angle coordinate  $\phi$  of the  $n$ -branched covering  $\Delta\phi = 2/\pi$  corresponds to  $\Delta\Phi = n \times 2\pi$ . If one identifies the sheets of multi-furcation and therefore uses  $\Phi$  as angle coordinate, single valued angular momentum eigenstates become in general  $n$ -valued, angular momentum in braid statistics becomes fractional and one obtains fractional braid statistics for angular momentum.
6. How to understand the exceptional values  $\nu = 5/2, 7/2$  of the filling fraction? The non-abelian braid group representations can be interpreted as higher-dimensional projective representations of permutation group: for ordinary statistics only Abelian representations are possible. It seems that the minimum number of braids is  $n > 2$  from the condition of non-abelianity of braid group representations. The condition that ordinary statistics is fermionic, gives  $n > 3$ . The minimum value is  $n = 4$  consistent with the fractional charge  $e/4$ .

The model introduces  $Z_4$  valued topological quantum number characterizing flux tubes. This also makes possible non-Abelian braid statistics. The interpretation of this quantum number as a  $Z_4$  valued momentum characterizing the four delocalized states of the flux tube at the sheets of the 4-furcation suggests itself strongly. Topology would correspond to that of 4-fold covering space serving as a convenient auxiliary tool. The more standard explanation is that  $Z_4 = Z_2 \times Z_2$  such that  $Z_2$ 's correspond to the presence or absence of neutral Majorana fermion in the two Cooper pair like states formed by flux tubes.

What remains to be understood is the emergence of non-abelian gauge group realizing non-Abelian fractional statistics in gauge theory framework. TGD predicts the possibility of dynamical gauge groups and maybe this kind of gauge group indeed emerges. Dynamical gauge groups emerge also for stacks of  $N$  branes and the  $n$  sheets of multifurcation are analogous to the  $N$  sheets in the stack for many-electron states.

### A Possible Explanation of Shnoll Effect

Shnoll and collaborators have discovered strange repeating patterns of random fluctuations of physical observables such as the number  $n$  of nuclear decays in a given time interval. Periodically occurring peaks for the distribution of the number  $N(n)$  of measurements producing  $n$  events in a series of measurements as a function of  $n$  is observed instead of a single peak. The positions of the peaks are not random and the patterns depend on position and time varying periodically in time scales possibly assignable to Earth-Sun and Earth-Moon gravitational interaction.

These observations suggest a modification of the expected probability distributions but it is very difficult to imagine any physical mechanism in the standard physics framework. Rather, a universal deformation of predicted probability distributions would be in question requiring something analogous to the transition from classical physics to quantum physics.

The hint about the nature of the modification comes from the TGD inspired quantum measurement theory proposing a description of the notion of finite measurement resolution in terms of inclusions of so called hyper-finite factors of type II<sub>1</sub> (HFFs) and closely related quantum groups. Also p-adic physics -another key element of TGD- is expected to be involved. A modification of a given probability distribution  $P(n|\lambda_i)$  for a positive integer valued variable  $n$  characterized by rational-valued parameters  $\lambda_i$  is obtained by replacing  $n$  and the integers characterizing  $\lambda_i$  with so called quantum integers depending on the quantum phase  $q_m = \exp(i2\pi/m)$ . Quantum integer  $n_q$  must be defined as the product of quantum counterparts  $p_q$  of the primes  $p$  appearing in the prime decomposition of  $n$ . One has  $p_q = \sin(2\pi p/m)/\sin(2\pi/m)$  for  $p \neq P$  and  $p_q = P$  for  $p = P$ .  $m$  must satisfy  $m \geq 3$ ,  $m \neq p$ , and  $m \neq 2p$ .

The quantum counterparts of positive integers can be negative. Therefore quantum distribution is defined first as p-adic valued distribution and then mapped by so called canonical identification  $I$  to a real distribution by the map taking p-adic  $-1$  to  $P$  and powers  $P^n$  to  $P^{-n}$  and other quantum primes to themselves and requiring that the mean value of  $n$  is for distribution and its quantum variant. The map  $I$  satisfies  $I(\sum P_n) = \sum I(P_n)$ . The resulting distribution has peaks located periodically with periods coming as powers of  $P$ . Also periodicities with peaks corresponding to  $n = n^+ n^-$ ,  $n_q^+ > 0$  with fixed  $n_q^- < 0$ , are predicted. These predictions are universal and easily testable. The prime  $P$  and integer  $m$  characterizing the quantum variant of distribution can be identified from data. The shapes of the distributions obtained are qualitatively consistent with the findings of Shnoll but detailed tests are required to see whether the number theoretic predictions are correct.

The periodic dependence of the distributions would be most naturally assignable to the gravitational interaction of Earth with Sun and Moon and therefore to the periodic variation of Earth-Sun and Earth-Moon distances. The TGD inspired proposal is that the p-adic prime  $P$  and integer  $m$  characterizing the quantum distribution are determined by a process analogous to a state function reduction and their most probably values depend on the deviation of the distance  $R$  through the formulas  $\Delta p/p \simeq k_p \Delta R/R$  and  $\Delta m/m \simeq k_m \Delta R/R$ . The p-adic primes assignable to elementary particles are very large unlike the primes which could characterize the empirical distributions. The hierarchy of Planck constants allows the gravitational Planck constant assignable to the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interactions to have gigantic values and this allows p-adicity with small values of the p-adic prime  $P$ .



Part I

**P-ADIC DESCRIPTION OF  
PARTICLE MASSIVATION**



## Chapter 2

# Overall View About TGD from Particle Physics Perspective

### 2.1 Introduction

Topological Geometro-dynamics is able to make rather precise and often testable predictions. In this and two other articles I want to describe the recent over all view about the aspects of quantum TGD relevant for particle physics.

During these 32 years TGD has become quite an extensive theory involving also applications to quantum biology and quantum consciousness theory. Therefore it is difficult to decide in which order to proceed. Should one represent first the purely mathematical theory as done in the articles in Prespacetime Journal [L4, L5, L9, L10, L7, L3, L8, L14]? Or should one start from the TGD inspired heuristic view about space-time and particle physics and represent the vision about construction of quantum TGD briefly after that? In this and other two chapters I have chosen the latter approach since the emphasis is on the applications on particle physics.

Second problem is to decide about how much material one should cover. If the representation is too brief no-one understands and if it is too detailed no-one bothers to read. I do not know whether the outcome was a success or whether there is any way to success but in any case I have been sweating a lot in trying to decide what would be the optimum dose of details.

In the first chapter I concentrate the heuristic picture about TGD with emphasis on particle physics.

- First I represent briefly the basic ontology: the motivations for TGD and the notion of many-sheeted space-time, the concept of zero energy ontology, the identification of dark matter in terms of hierarchy of Planck constant which now seems to follow as a prediction of quantum TGD, the motivations for p-adic physics and its basic implications, and the identification of space-time surfaces as generalized Feynman diagrams and the basic implications of this identification.
- Symmetries of quantum TGD are discussed. Besides the basic symmetries of the imbedding space geometry allowing to geometrize standard model quantum numbers and classical fields there are many other symmetries. General Coordinate Invariance is especially powerful in TGD framework allowing to realize quantum classical correspondence and implies effective 2-dimensionality realizing strong form of holography. Super-conformal symmetries of super string models generalize to conformal symmetries of 3-D light-like 3-surfaces and one can understand the generalization of Equivalence Principle in terms of coset representations for the two super Virasoro algebras associated with lightlike boundaries of so called causal diamonds defined as intersections of future and past directed lightcones (*CDs*) and with light-like 3-surfaces. Super-conformal symmetries imply generalization of the space-time supersymmetry in TGD framework consistent with the supersymmetries of minimal supersymmetric variant of the standard model. Twistorial approach to gauge theories has gradually become part of quantum TGD and the natural generalization of the Yangian symmetry identified originally as symmetry of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYMs is postulated as basic symmetry of quantum TGD.

- The so called weak form of electric-magnetic duality has turned out to have extremely far reaching consequences and is responsible for the recent progress in the understanding of the physics predicted by TGD. The duality leads to a detailed identification of elementary particles as composite objects of massless particles and predicts new electro-weak physics at LHC. Together with a simple postulate about the properties of preferred extremals of Kähler action the duality allows also to realize quantum TGD as almost topological quantum field theory giving excellent hopes about integrability of quantum TGD.
- There are two basic visions about the construction of quantum TGD. Physics as infinite-dimensional Kähler geometry of world of classical worlds (WCW) endowed with spinor structure and physics as generalized number theory. These visions are briefly summarized as also the practical constructing involving the concept of Dirac operator. As a matter fact, the construction of TGD involves three Dirac operators. The Kähler Dirac equation holds true in the interior of space-time surface and its solutions have a natural interpretation in terms of description of matter, in particular condensed matter. Chern-Simons Dirac action is associated with the light-like 3-surfaces and space-like 3-surfaces at ends of space-time surface at light-like boundaries of  $CD$ . One can assign to it a generalized eigenvalue equation and the matrix valued eigenvalues correspond to the the action of Dirac operator on momentum eigenstates. Momenta are however not usual momenta but pseudo-momenta very much analogous to region momenta of twistor approach. The third Dirac operator is associated with super Virasoro generators and super Virasoro conditions define Dirac equation in WCW. These conditions characterize zero energy states as modes of WCW spinor fields and code for the generalization of  $S$ -matrix to a collection of what I call  $M$ -matrices defining the rows of unitary  $U$ -matrix defining unitary process.
- Twistor approach has inspired several ideas in quantum TGD during the last years and it seems that the Yangian symmetry and the construction of scattering amplitudes in terms of Grassmannian integrals generalizes to TGD framework. This is due to ZEO allowing to assume that all particles have massless fermions as basic building blocks. ZEO inspires the hypothesis that incoming and outgoing particles are bound states of fundamental fermions associated with wormhole throats. Virtual particles would also consist of on mass shell massless particles but without bound state constraint. This implies very powerful constraints on loop diagrams and there are excellent hopes about their finiteness. Twistor approach also inspires the conjecture that quantum TGD allows also formulation in terms of 6-dimensional holomorphic surfaces in the product  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  of two twistor spaces and general arguments allow to identify the partial differential equations satisfied by these surfaces.

The discussion of this chapter is rather sketchy and the reader interesting in details can consult the books about TGD [K87, K66, K57, K51, K67, K77, K82] .

## 2.2 Some aspects of quantum TGD

In the following I summarize very briefly those basic notions of TGD which are especially relevant for the applications to particle physics. The representation will be practically formula free. The article series published in Prespacetime Journal [L4, L5, L9, L10, L7, L3, L8, L14] describes the mathematical theory behind TGD. The seven books about TGD [K87, K66, K57, K67, K74] provide a detailed summary about the recent state of TGD.

### 2.2.1 New space-time concept

The physical motivation for TGD was what I have christened the energy problem of General Relativity. The notion of energy is ill-defined because the basic symmetries of empty space-time are lost in the presence of gravity. The way out is based on assumption that space-times are imbeddable as 4-surfaces to certain 8-dimensional space by replacing the points of 4-D empty Minkowski space with 4-D very small internal space. This space -call it  $S$ - is unique from the requirement that the theory has the symmetries of standard model:  $S = CP_2$ , where  $CP_2$  is complex projective space with 4 real dimensions [L14] , is the unique choice.

The replacement of the abstract manifold geometry of general relativity with the geometry of surfaces brings the shape of surface as seen from the perspective of 8-D space-time and this means additional degrees of freedom giving excellent hopes of realizing the dream of Einstein about geometrization of fundamental interactions.

The work with the generic solutions of the field equations assignable to almost any general coordinate invariant variational principle led soon to the realization that the space-time in this framework is much more richer than in general relativity.

1. Space-time decomposes into space-time sheets with finite size: this led to the identification of physical objects that we perceive around us as space-time sheets. For instance, the outer boundary of the table is where that particular space-time sheet ends. Besides sheets also string like objects and elementary particle like objects appear so that TGD can be regarded also as a generalization of string models obtained by replacing strings with 3-D surfaces.
2. Elementary particles are identified as topological inhomogeneities glued to these space-time sheets. In this conceptual framework material structures and shapes are not due to some mysterious substance in slightly curved space-time but reduce to space-time topology just as energy-momentum currents reduce to space-time curvature in general relativity.
3. Also the view about classical fields changes. One can assign to each material system a field identity since electromagnetic and other fields decompose to topological field quanta. Examples are magnetic and electric flux tubes and flux sheets and topological light rays representing light propagating along tube like structure without dispersion and dissipation making em ideal tool for communications [K58]. One can speak about field body or magnetic body of the system.

Field body indeed becomes the key notion distinguishing TGD inspired model of quantum biology from competitors but having applications also in particle physics since also leptons and quarks possess field bodies. The is evidence for the Lamb shift anomaly of muonic hydrogen [C17] and the color magnetic body of  $u$  quark whose size is somewhat larger than the Bohr radius could explain the anomaly [K48].

### 2.2.2 Zero energy ontology

In standard ontology of quantum physics physical states are assumed to have positive energy. In zero energy ontology physical states decompose to pairs of positive and negative energy states such that all net values of the conserved quantum numbers vanish. The interpretation of these states in ordinary ontology would be as transitions between initial and final states, physical events. By quantum classical correspondences zero energy states must have space-time and imbedding space correlates.

1. Positive and negative energy parts reside at future and past light-like boundaries of causal diamond ( $CD$ ) defined as intersection of future and past directed light-cones and visualizable as double cone. The analog of  $CD$  in cosmology is big bang followed by big crunch.  $CD$ s for a fractal hierarchy containing  $CD$ s within  $CD$ s. Disjoint  $CD$ s are possible and  $CD$ s can also intersect.
2. p-Adic length scale hypothesis [K52] motivates the hypothesis that the temporal distances between the tips of the intersecting light-cones come as octaves  $T = 2^n T_0$  of a fundamental time scale  $T_0$  defined by  $CP_2$  size  $R$  as  $T_0 = R/c$ . One prediction is that in the case of electron this time scale is .1 seconds defining the fundamental biorhythm. Also in the case  $u$  and  $d$  quarks the time scales correspond to biologically important time scales given by 10 ms for  $u$  quark and by 2.5 ms for  $d$  quark [K8]. This means a direct coupling between microscopic and macroscopic scales.

Zero energy ontology conforms with the crossing symmetry of quantum field theories meaning that the final states of the quantum scattering event are effectively negative energy states. As long as one can restrict the consideration to either positive or negative energy part of the state ZEO is consistent with positive energy ontology. This is the case when the observer characterized by a particular  $CD$  studies the physics in the time scale of much larger  $CD$  containing observer's  $CD$  as a sub- $CD$ . When the time scale sub- $CD$  of the studied system is much shorter than the time scale of

sub- $CD$  characterizing the observer, the interpretation of states associated with sub- $CD$  is in terms of quantum fluctuations.

ZEO solves the problem which results in any theory assuming symmetries giving rise to conservation laws. The problem is that the theory itself is not able to characterize the values of conserved quantum numbers of the initial state. In ZEO this problem disappears since in principle any zero energy state is obtained from any other state by a sequence of quantum jumps without breaking of conservation laws. The fact that energy is not conserved in general relativity based cosmologies can be also understood since each  $CD$  is characterized by its own conserved quantities. As a matter fact, one must be speak about average values of conserved quantities since one can have a quantum superposition of zero energy states with the quantum numbers of the positive energy part varying over some range.

For thermodynamical states this is indeed the case and this leads to the idea that quantum theory in ZEO can be regarded as a "complex square root" of thermodynamics obtained as a product of positive diagonal square root of density matrix and unitary  $S$ -matrix.  $M$ -matrix defines time-like entanglement coefficients between positive and negative energy parts of the zero energy state and replaces  $S$ -matrix as the fundamental observable. In standard quantum measurement theory this time-like entanglement would be reduced in quantum measurement and regenerated in the next quantum jump if one accepts Negentropy Maximization Principle (NMP) [K47] as the fundamental variational principle. Various  $M$ -matrices define the rows of the unitary  $U$  matrix characterizing the unitary process part of quantum jump. From the point of view of consciousness theory the importance of ZEO is that conservation laws in principle pose no restrictions for the new realities created in quantum jumps: free will is maximal.

### 2.2.3 The hierarchy of Planck constants

The motivations for the hierarchy of Planck constants come from both astrophysics and biology [K64, K25]. In astrophysics the observation of Nottale [E20] that planetary orbits in solar system seem to correspond to Bohr orbits with a gigantic gravitational Planck constant motivated the proposal that Planck constant might not be constant after all [K71, K59].

This led to the introduction of the quantization of Planck constant as an independent postulate. It has however turned that quantized Planck constant in effective sense could emerge from the basic structure of TGD alone. Canonical momentum densities and time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates are the field theory analogs of momenta and velocities in classical mechanics. The extreme non-linearity and vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action imply that the correspondence between canonical momentum densities and time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates is 1-to-many: for vacuum extremals themselves 1-to-infinite.

A convenient technical manner to treat the situation is to replace imbedding space with its  $n$ -fold singular covering. Canonical momentum densities to which conserved quantities are proportional would be same at the sheets corresponding to different values of the time derivatives. At each sheet of the covering Planck constant is effectively  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$ . This splitting to multisheeted structure can be seen as a phase transition reducing the densities of various charges by factor  $1/n$  and making it possible to have perturbative phase at each sheet (gauge coupling strengths are proportional to  $1/\hbar$  and scaled down by  $1/n$ ). The connection with fractional quantum Hall effect [D6] is almost obvious. At the more detailed level one finds that the spectrum of Planck constants would be given by  $\hbar = n_a n_b \hbar_0$  [K28].

This has many profound implications, which are wellcome from the point of view of quantum biology but the implications would be profound also from particle physics perspective and one could say that living matter represents zoomed up version of quantum world at elementary particle length scales.

1. Quantum coherence and quantum superposition become possible in arbitrary long length scales. One can speak about zoomed up variants of elementary particles and zoomed up sizes make it possible to satisfy the overlap condition for quantum length parameters used as a criterion for the presence of macroscopic quantum phases. In the case of quantum gravitation the length scale involved are astrophysical. This would conform with Penrose's intuition that quantum gravity is fundamental for the understanding of consciousness and also with the idea that consciousness cannot be localized to brain.

2. Photons with given frequency can in principle have arbitrarily high energies by  $E = hf$  formula, and this would explain the strange anomalies associated with the interaction of ELF em fields with living matter [J5] . Quite generally the cyclotron frequencies which correspond to energies much below the thermal energy for ordinary value of Planck constant could correspond to energies above thermal threshold.
3. The value of Planck constant is a natural characterizer of the evolutionary level and biological evolution would mean a gradual increase of the largest Planck constant in the hierarchy characterizing given quantum system. Evolutionary leaps would have interpretation as phase transitions increasing the maximal value of Planck constant for evolving species. The space-time correlate would be the increase of both the number and the size of the sheets of the covering associated with the system so that its complexity would increase.
4. The phase transitions changing Planck constant change also the length of the magnetic flux tubes. The natural conjecture is that biomolecules form a kind of Indra's net connected by the flux tubes and  $\hbar$  changing phase transitions are at the core of the quantum bio-dynamics. The contraction of the magnetic flux tube connecting distant biomolecules would force them near to each other making possible for the bio-catalysis to proceed. This mechanism could be central for DNA replication and other basic biological processes. Magnetic Indra's net could be also responsible for the coherence of gel phase and the phase transitions affecting flux tube lengths could induce the contractions and expansions of the intracellular gel phase. The reconnection of flux tubes would allow the restructuring of the signal pathways between biomolecules and other subsystems and would be also involved with ADP-ATP transformation inducing a transfer of negentropic entanglement [K31] . The braiding of the magnetic flux tubes could make possible topological quantum computation like processes and analog of computer memory realized in terms of braiding patterns [K27] .
5. p-Adic length scale hypothesis and hierarchy of Planck constants suggest entire hierarchy of zoomed up copies of standard model physics with range of weak interactions and color forces scaling like  $\hbar$ . This is not conflict with the known physics for the simple reason that we know very little about dark matter (partly because we might be making misleading assumptions about its nature). One implication is that it might be someday to study zoomed up variants particle physics at low energies using dark matter.

Dark matter would make possible the large parity breaking effects manifested as chiral selection of bio-molecules [C54] . What is required is that classical  $Z^0$  and  $W$  fields responsible for parity breaking effects are present in cellular length scale. If the value of Planck constant is so large that weak scale is some biological length scale, weak fields are effectively massless below this scale and large parity breaking effects become possible.

For the solutions of field equations which are almost vacuum extremals  $Z^0$  field is non-vanishing and proportional to electromagnetic field. The hypothesis that cell membrane corresponds to a space-time sheet near a vacuum extremal (this corresponds to criticality very natural if the cell membrane is to serve as an ideal sensory receptor) leads to a rather successful model for cell membrane as sensory receptor with lipids representing the pixels of sensory qualia chart. The surprising prediction is that bio-photons [I3] and bundles of EEG photons can be identified as different decay products of dark photons with energies of visible photons. Also the peak frequencies of sensitivity for photoreceptors are predicted correctly [K64] .

#### 2.2.4 p-Adic physics and number theoretic universality

p-Adic physics [K51, K80] has become gradually a key piece of TGD inspired biophysics. Basic quantitative predictions relate to p-adic length scale hypothesis and to the notion of number theoretic entropy. Basic ontological ideas are that life resides in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds and that p-adic space-time sheets serve as correlates for cognition and intentionality. Number theoretical universality requires the fusion of real physics and various p-adic physics to single coherent whole. On implication is the generalization of the notion of number obtained by fusing real and p-adic numbers to a larger structure.

### p-Adic number fields

p-Adic number fields  $Q_p$  [A39] -one for each prime  $p$ - are analogous to reals in the sense that one can speak about p-adic continuum and that also p-adic numbers are obtained as completions of the field of rational numbers. One can say that rational numbers belong to the intersection of real and p-adic numbers. p-Adic number field  $Q_p$  allows also an infinite number of its algebraic extensions. Also transcendental extensions are possible. For reals the only extension is complex numbers.

p-Adic topology defining the notions of nearness and continuity differs dramatically from the real topology. An integer which is infinite as a real number can be completely well defined and finite as a p-adic number. In particular, powers  $p^n$  of prime  $p$  have p-adic norm (magnitude) equal to  $p^{-n}$  in  $Q_p$  so that at the limit of very large  $n$  real magnitude becomes infinite and p-adic magnitude vanishes.

p-Adic topology is rough since p-adic distance  $d(x, y) = d(x - y)$  depends on the lowest binary digit of  $x - y$  only and is analogous to the distance between real points when approximated by taking into account only the lowest digit in the decimal expansion of  $x - y$ . A possible interpretation is in terms of a finite measurement resolution and resolution of sensory perception. p-Adic topology looks somewhat strange. For instance, p-adic spherical surface is not infinitely thin but has a finite thickness and p-adic surfaces possess no boundary in the topological sense. Ultrametricity is the technical term characterizing the basic properties of p-adic topology and is coded by the inequality  $d(x - y) \leq \text{Min}\{d(x), d(y)\}$ . p-Adic topology brings in mind the decomposition of perceptive field to objects.

### Motivations for p-adic number fields

The physical motivations for p-adic physics came from the observation that p-adic thermodynamics -not for energy but infinitesimal scaling generator of so called super-conformal algebra [A24] acting as symmetries of quantum TGD [K66] - predicts elementary particle mass scales and also masses correctly under very general assumptions [K51]. The calculations are discussed in more detail in the second article of the series. In particular, the ratio of proton mass to Planck mass, the basic mystery number of physics, is predicted correctly. The basic assumption is that the preferred primes characterizing the p-adic number fields involved are near powers of two:  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  positive integer. Those nearest to power of two correspond to Mersenne primes  $M_n = 2^n - 1$ . One can also consider complex primes known as Gaussian primes, in particular Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,n} = (1 + i)^n - 1$ .

It turns out that Mersennes and Gaussian Mersennes are in a preferred position physically in TGD based world order. What is especially interesting that the length scale range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu$  assignable to DNA contains as many as 4 Gaussian Mersennes corresponding to  $n = 151, 157, 163, 167$  [K64]. This number theoretical miracle supports the view that p-adic physics is especially important for the understanding of living matter.

The philosophical for p-adic numbers fields come from the question about the possible physical correlates of cognition and intention [K55]. Cognition forms representations of the external world which have finite cognitive resolution and the decomposition of the perceptive field to objects is an essential element of these representations. Therefore p-adic space-time sheets could be seen as candidates of thought bubbles, the mind stuff of Descartes. One can also consider p-adic space-time sheets as correlates of intentions. The quantum jump in which p-adic space-time sheet is replaced with a real one could serve as a quantum correlate of intentional action. This process is forbidden by conservation laws in standard ontology: one cannot even compare real and p-adic variants of the conserved quantities like energy in the general case. In zero energy ontology the net values of conserved quantities for zero energy states vanish so that conservation laws allow these transitions.

Rational numbers belong to the intersection of real and p-adic continua. An obvious generalization of this statement applies to real manifolds and their p-adic variants. When extensions of p-adic numbers are allowed, also some algebraic numbers can belong to the intersection of p-adic and real worlds. The notion of intersection of real and p-adic worlds has actually two meanings.

1. The intersection could consist of the rational and possibly some algebraic points in the intersection of real and p-adic partonic 2-surfaces at the ends of  $CD$ . This set is in general discrete. The interpretation could be as discrete cognitive representations.
2. The intersection could also have a more abstract meaning. For instance, the surfaces defined by rational functions with rational coefficients have a well-defined meaning in both real and p-adic



context and could be interpreted as belonging to this intersection. There is strong temptation to assume that intentions are transformed to actions only in this intersection. One could say that life resides in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds in this abstract sense.

Additional support for the idea comes from the observation that Shannon entropy  $S = -\sum p_n \log(p_n)$  allows a p-adic generalization if the probabilities are rational numbers by replacing  $\log(p_n)$  with  $-\log(|p_n|_p)$ , where  $|x|_p$  is p-adic norm. Also algebraic numbers in some extension of p-adic numbers can be allowed. The unexpected property of the number theoretic Shannon entropy is that it can be negative and its unique minimum value as a function of the p-adic prime  $p$  it is always negative. Entropy transforms to information!

In the case of number theoretic entanglement entropy there is a natural interpretation for this. Number theoretic entanglement entropy would measure the information carried by the entanglement whereas ordinary entanglement entropy would characterize the uncertainty about the state of either entangled system. For instance, for  $p$  maximally entangled states both ordinary entanglement entropy and number theoretic entanglement negentropy are maximal with respect to  $R_p$  norm. Entanglement carries maximal information. The information would be about the relationship between the systems, a rule. Schrödinger cat would be dead enough to know that it is better to not open the bottle completely.

Negentropy Maximization Principle [K47] coding the basic rules of quantum measurement theory implies that negentropic entanglement can be stable against the effects of quantum jumps unlike entropic entanglement. Therefore living matter could be distinguished from inanimate matter also by negentropic entanglement possible in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds. In consciousness theory negentropic entanglement could be seen as a correlate for the experience of understanding or any other positively colored experience, say love.

Negentropically entangled states are stable but binding energy and effective loss of relative translational degrees of freedom is not responsible for the stability. Therefore bound states are not in question. The distinction between negentropic and bound state entanglement could be compared to the difference between unhappy and happy marriage. The first one is a social jail but in the latter case both parties are free to leave but do not want to. The special characteristics of negentropic entanglement raise the question whether the problematic notion of high energy phosphate bond [I1] central for metabolism could be understood in terms of negentropic entanglement. This would also allow an information theoretic interpretation of metabolism since the transfer of metabolic energy would mean a transfer of negentropy [K31].

## 2.3 Symmetries of quantum TGD

Symmetry principles play key role in the construction of WCW geometry have become and deserve a separate explicit treatment even at the risk of repetitions.

### 2.3.1 General Coordinate Invariance

General coordinate invariance is certainly of the most important guidelines and is much more powerful in TGD framework than in GRT context.

1. General coordinate transformations as a gauge symmetry so that the diffeomorphic slices of space-time surface equivalent physically. 3-D light-like 3-surfaces defined by wormhole throats define preferred slices and allows to fix the gauge partially apart from the remaining 3-D variant of general coordinate invariance and possible gauge degeneracy related to the choice of the light-like 3-surface due to the Kac-Moody invariance. This would mean that the random light-likeness represents gauge degree of freedom except at the ends of the light-like 3-surfaces.
2. GCI can be strengthened so that the pairs of space-like ends of space-like 3-surfaces at  $CD$ s are equivalent with light-like 3-surfaces connecting them. The outcome is effective 2-dimensionality because their intersections at the boundaries of  $CD$ s must carry the physically relevant information.

### 2.3.2 Generalized conformal symmetries

One can assign Kac-Moody type conformal symmetries to light-like 3-surfaces as isometries of  $H$  localized with respect to light-like 3-surfaces. Kac Moody algebra essentially the Lie algebra of gauge group with central extension meaning that projective representation in which representation matrices are defined only modulo a phase factor. Kac-Moody symmetry is not quite a pure gauge symmetry.

One can assign a generalization of Kac-Moody symmetries to the boundaries of  $CD$  by replacing Lie-group of Kac Moody algebra with the group of symplectic (contact-) transformations [A41, A27, A26] of  $H_+$  provided with a degenerate Kähler structure made possible by the effective 2-dimensionality of  $\delta M_+^4$ . The light-like radial coordinate of  $\delta M_+^4$  plays the role of the complex coordinate of conformal transformations or their hyper-complex analogs. These symmetries are also localized with respect to the internal coordinates of the partonic 2-surface so that rather huge symmetry group is in question. The basic hypothesis is that these transformations with possible some restrictions on the dependence on the coordinates of  $X^2$  define the isometries of  $WCW$ .

A further physically well-motivated hypothesis inspired by holography and extended GCI is that these symmetries extend so that they apply at the entire space-time sheet. This requires the slicing of space-time surface by partonic 2- surfaces and by stringy world sheets such that each point of stringy world sheet defines a partonic 2-surface and vice versa. This slicing has deep physical motivations since it realizes geometrically standard facts about gauge invariance (partonic 2-surface defines the space of physical polarizations and stringy space-time sheet corresponds to non-physical polarizations) and its existence is a hypothesis about the properties of the preferred extremals of Kähler action. There is a similar decomposition also at the level of  $CD$  and so called Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates for  $M_+^4$  [K12] define this kind of slicings. This slicing can induced the slicing of the space-time sheet. The number theoretic vision gives a further justification for this hypothesis and also strengthens it by postulating the presence of the preferred time direction having interpretation in terms of real unit of octonions. In ZEO this time direction corresponds to the time-like vector connecting the tips of  $CD$ .

Conformal symmetries would provide the realization of  $WCW$  as a union of symmetric spaces. Symmetric spaces are coset spaces of form  $G/H$ . The natural identification of  $G$  and  $H$  is as groups of  $X^2$ -local symplectic transformations and local Kac-Moody group of  $X^2$ -local  $H$  isometries. Quantum fluctuating (metrically non-trivial) degrees of freedom would correspond to symplectic transformations of  $H_+$  and induced Kähler form at  $X^2$  would define a local representation for zero modes: not necessarily all of them.

### 2.3.3 Equivalence Principle and super-conformal symmetries

Equivalence Principle (EP) is a second corner stone of General Relativity and together with GCI leads to Einstein's equations. What EP states is that inertial and gravitational masses are identical. In this form it is not well-defined even in GRT since the definition of gravitational and inertial four-momenta is highly problematic because Noether theorem is not available. The realization is in terms of local equations identifying energy momentum tensor with Einstein tensor.

Whether EP is realized in TGD has been a longstanding open question [K85] . The problem has been that at the classical level EP in its GRT form can hold true only in long enough length scales and it took long to time to realize that only the stringy form of this principle is required. The first question is how to identify the gravitational and inertial four-momenta. This is indeed possible. One can assign to the two types super-conformal symmetries assigned with light-like 3-surfaces and space-like 3-surfaces four-momenta to both. EP states that these four momenta are identical and is equivalent with the generalization of GCI and effective 2-dimensionality. The condition generalizes so that it applies to the generators of super-conformal algebras associated with the two super-conformal symmetries. This leads to a generalization of a standard mathematical construction of super-conformal theories known as coset representation [A57] . What the construction states is that the differences of super-conformal generators defined by super-symmetric algebra and Kac-Moody algebra annihilate physical states.

### 2.3.4 Extension to super-conformal symmetries

The original idea behind the extension of conformal symmetries to super-conformal symmetries was the observation that isometry currents defining infinitesimal isometries of  $WCW$  have natural super-

counterparts obtained by contracting the Killing vector fields with the complexified gamma matrices of the imbedding space.

This vision has generalized considerably as the construction of WCW spinor structure in terms of modified Dirac action has developed. The basic philosophy behind this idea is that configuration space spinor structure must relate directly to the fermionic sector of quantum physics. In particular, modified gamma matrices should be expressible in terms of the fermionic oscillator operators associated with the second quantized induced spinor fields. The explicit realization of this program leads to an identification of rich spectrum of super-conformal symmetries and generalization of the ordinary notion of space-time supersymmetry. What happens that all fermionic oscillator operators generate broken super-symmetries whereas in SUSYs there is only finite number of them. One can however identify sub-algebra of super-conformal symmetries associated with right handed neutrino and this gives  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  super-symmetry [B6] of SUSYs [K30].

### 2.3.5 Space-time supersymmetry in TGD Universe

It has been clear from the beginning that the notion of super-conformal symmetry crucial for the successes of super-string models generalizes in TGD framework. The answer to the question whether space-time SUSY makes sense in TGD framework has not been obvious at all but it seems now that the answer is affirmative. The evolution of the ideas relevant for the formulation of SUSY in TGD framework is summarized in the chapters of [K67]. The chapters devoted to the notion of bosonic emergence [K60], to the SUSY QFT limit of TGD [K30], to twistor approach to TGD [K89], and to the generalization of Yangian symmetry of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM manifest in the Grassmannian twistor approach [B17] to a multi-local variant of super-conformal symmetries [K92] represent a gradual development of the ideas about how super-symmetric  $M$ -matrix could be constructed in TGD framework. A warning to the reader is in order. In their recent form these chapters do not represent the final outcome but just an evolution of ideas proceeding by trial and error. There are however good reasons to believe that the chapter about Yangian symmetry is nearest to the correct physical interpretation and mathematical formulation.

Contrary to the original expectations, TGD seems to allow a generalization of the space-time super-symmetry. This became clear with the increased understanding of the modified Dirac action [K17, K29, K21]. The appearance of the momentum and color quantum numbers in the measurement interaction part of the modified Dirac action associated with the light-like wormhole throats [K29] couples space-time degrees of freedom to quantum numbers and allows also to define SUSY algebra at fundamental level as anti-commutation relations of fermionic oscillator operators. Depending on the situation  $\mathcal{N} = 2N$  SUSY algebra (an inherent cutoff on the number of fermionic modes at light-like wormhole throat) or fermionic part of super-conformal algebra with infinite number of oscillator operators results. The addition of fermion in particular mode would define particular super-symmetry. This super-symmetry is badly broken due to the dynamics of the modified Dirac operator which also mixes  $M^4$  chiralities inducing massivation. Since right-handed neutrino has no electro-weak couplings the breaking of the corresponding super-symmetry should be weakest.

Zero energy ontology combined with the analog of the twistor approach to  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYMs and weak form of electric-magnetic duality has actually led to this kind of formulation [K92]. What is new that also virtual particles have massless fermions as their building blocks. This implies manifest finiteness of loop integrals so that the situation simplifies dramatically. What is also new element that physical particles and also string like objects correspond to bound states of massless fermions.

The question is whether this SUSY has a realization as a SUSY algebra at space-time level and whether the QFT limit of TGD could be formulated as a generalization of SUSY QFT. There are several problems involved.

1. In TGD framework super-symmetry means addition of fermion to the state and since the number of spinor modes is larger states with large spin and fermion numbers are obtained. This picture does not fit to the standard view about super-symmetry. In particular, the identification of theta parameters as Majorana spinors and super-charges as Hermitian operators is not possible.
2. The belief that Majorana spinors are somehow an intrinsic aspect of super-symmetry is however only a belief. Weyl spinors meaning complex theta parameters are also possible. Theta parameters can also carry fermion number meaning only the supercharges carry fermion number and

are non-hermitian. The general classification of super-symmetric theories indeed demonstrates that for  $D = 8$  Weyl spinors and complex and non-hermitian super-charges are possible. The original motivation for Majorana spinors might come from MSSM assuming that right handed neutrino does not exist. This belief might have also led to string theories in  $D = 10$  and  $D = 11$  as the only possible candidates for TOE after it turned out that chiral anomalies cancel. It indeed turns out that TGD view about space-time SUSY is internally consistent. Even more, the separate conservation of quark and lepton number is essential for the internal consistency of this view [K30] .

3. The massivation of particles is the basic problem of both SUSYs and twistor approach. I have discussed several solutions to this problem [K89, K92] . The simplest and most convincing solution of the problem is following and inspired by twistor Grassmannian approach to  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM and the generalization of the Yangian symmetry of this theory. In zero energy ontology one can construct physical particles as bound states of massless particles associated with the opposite wormhole throats. If the particles have opposite 3-momenta the resulting state is automatically massive. In fact, this forces massivation of also spin one bosons since the fermion and antifermion must move in opposite directions for their spins to be parallel so that the net mass is non-vanishing: note that this means that even photon, gluons, and graviton have small mass. This mechanism makes topologically condensed fermions massive and p-adic thermodynamics allows to describe the massivation in terms of zero energy states and  $M$ -matrix. Bosons receive to their mass besides the small mass coming from thermodynamics also a contribution which is counterpart of the contribution coming from Higgs vacuum expectation value and Higgs gives rise to longitudinal polarizations. No Higgs potential is however needed. The cancellation of infrared divergences necessary for exact Yangian symmetry and the observation that even photon receives small mass suggest that scalar Higgs would disappear completely from the spectrum.

### Basic data bits

Let us first summarize the data bits about possible relevance of super-symmetry for TGD before the addition of the 3-D measurement interaction term to the modified Dirac action [K17, K29] .

1. Right-handed covariantly constant neutrino spinor  $\nu_R$  defines a super-symmetry in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom in the sense that Dirac equation is satisfied by covariant constancy and there is no need for the usual ansatz  $\Psi = D\Psi_0$  giving  $D^2\Psi = 0$ . This super-symmetry allows to construct solutions of Dirac equation in  $CP_2$  [A62, A49, A58, A47] .
2. In  $M^4 \times CP_2$  this means the existence of massless modes  $\Psi = \not{p}\Psi_0$ , where  $\Psi_0$  is the tensor product of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  spinors. For these solutions  $M^4$  chiralities are not mixed unlike for all other modes which are massive and carry color quantum numbers depending on the  $CP_2$  chirality and charge. As matter fact, covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor mode is the only color singlet. The mechanism leading to non-colored states for fermions is based on super-conformal representations for which the color is neutralized [K45, K53] . The negative conformal weight of the vacuum also cancels the enormous contribution to mass squared coming from mass in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom.
3. Right-handed covariantly constant neutrino allows to construct the gamma matrices of the world of classical worlds (WCW) as fermionic counterparts of Hamiltonians of WCW. This gives rise super-symplectic symmetry algebra having interpretation also as a conformal algebra. Also more general super-conformal symmetries exist.
4. Space-time (in the sense of Minkowski space  $M^4$ ) super-symmetry in the conventional sense of the word is impossible in TGD framework since it would require require Majorana spinors. In 8-D space-time with Minkowski signature of metric Majorana spinors are definitely ruled out by the standard argument leading to super string model. Majorana spinors would also break separate conservation of lepton and baryon numbers in TGD framework.

### Could one generalize super-symmetry?

Could one then consider a more general space-time super-symmetry with "space-time" identified as space-time surface rather than Minkowski space?

1. The TGD variant of the super-symmetry could correspond quite concretely to the addition to fermion and boson states right-handed neutrinos. Since right-handed neutrinos do not have electro-weak interactions, the addition might not appreciably affect the mass formula although it could affect the p-adic prime defining the mass scale.
2. The problem is to understand what this addition of the right-handed neutrino means. To begin with, notice that in TGD Universe fermions reside at light-like 3-surfaces at which the signature of induced metric changes. Bosons correspond to pairs of light-like wormhole throats with wormhole contact having Euclidian signature of the induced metric. The long standing problem has been that for bosons with parallel light-like four-momenta with same sign of energy the spins of fermion and antifermion are opposite so that one would obtain only scalar bosons!

I have considered several solutions to the problem but the final solution came from the basic problem of twistor approach to  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY. This theory is believed to be UV finite but has IR divergences spoiling the Yangian SUSY. These infinities cancel if the physical particles are bound states of pairs of wormhole throats with light-like momenta. Just the requirement that spin is equal to one forces massivation. This is true for all spin 1 particles, also those regarded as massless. Massivation of the photon is not a problem if the mass corresponds to the IR cutoff determined by the largest causal diamond ( $CD$ ) defining the measurement resolution. For electron the size of  $CD$  corresponds to the size scale of Earth. The basic prediction is that Higgs disappears completely from the spectrum so that this mechanism is testable at LHC.

The first proposal to the solution of problem was that either fermion or antifermion in the boson state carries what might be called un-physical polarization in the standard conceptual framework. This means that it has negative energy but three-momentum parallel to that of the second wormhole throat. The assumption that the bosonic wormhole throats correspond to positive and negative energy space-time sheets realizes this constraint in the framework of zero energy ontology. It however turned out that for light-like momenta these states have more natural interpretation in terms of virtual bosons able to have space-like momenta. This means that one can realize virtual particles as pairs of on mass shell wormhole throats with either sign of energy and 3-momentum so that the basic condition of twistorial approach is satisfied. The conservation of 4-momentum at vertices gives extremely powerful kinematical constraints so that there are excellent hopes about cancellation of UV divergences of loop integrals.

3. The super-symmetry as an addition to the fermion state a second wormhole throats carrying right handed neutrino quantum numbers does not make sense since the resulting state cannot be distinguished from gauge boson or Higgs type particle. The light-like 3-surfaces can however carry fermion numbers up to the number of modes of the induced spinor field, which is expected to be infinite inside string like objects having wormhole throats at ends and finite when one has space time sheets containing the throats [K29] . In very general sense one could say that each mode defines a very large broken  $N$ -super-symmetry with the value of  $N$  depending on state and light-like 3-surface. The breaking of this super-symmetry would come from electro-weak , color , and gravitational interactions. Right-handed neutrino would by its electro-weak and color inertness define a minimally broken super-symmetry.
4. What this addition of the right handed neutrinos or more general fermion modes could precisely mean? One cannot assign fermionic oscillator operators to right handed neutrinos which are covariantly constant in both  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom since the modes with vanishing energy (frequency) cannot correspond to fermionic oscillator operator creating a physical state since one would have  $a = a^\dagger$ . The intuitive view is that all the spinor modes move in an exactly collinear manner -somewhat like quarks inside hadron do approximately.

### Modified Dirac equation briefly

The answer to the question what "collinear motion" means mathematically emerged from the recent progress in the understanding of the modified Dirac equation.

1. The modified Dirac action involves two terms. Besides the original 4-D modified Dirac action there is measurement interaction which can be localized to wormhole throat or to any light-like 3-surfaces "parallel" to it in the slicing of space-time sheet by light-like 3-surfaces. This term

correlates space-time geometry with quantum numbers assignable to super-conformal representations and is also necessary to obtain almost-stringy propagator.

2. The modified Dirac equation with measurement action added reads as

$$\begin{aligned} D_K \Psi &= 0 , \\ D_3 \Psi &= (D_{C-S} + Q \times O) \Psi = 0 , \\ [D_3, D_K] \Psi &= 0 . \end{aligned} \tag{2.3.1}$$

- (a)  $D_K$  corresponds formally to 4-D massless Dirac equation in  $X^4$ .  $D_3$  realizes measurement interaction.  $D_{C-S}$  is the 3-D modified Dirac action defined by Chern-Simons action.
- (b)  $Q$  is linear in Cartan algebra generators of the isometry algebra of imbedding space (color isospin and hypercharge plus four-momentum) or two components of four momentum and spin and boost in direction of 3-momentum).  $Q$  is expressible as

$$Q = Q_A \partial_\alpha h^k g^{AB} j_{Bk} \hat{\Gamma}_{CS}^\alpha . \tag{2.3.2}$$

Here  $Q_A$  is Cartan algebra generator acting on physical states. Physical states must be eigen states of  $Q_A$  since otherwise the equations do not make sense.  $g^{AB}$  is the inverse of the matrix defined by the imbedding space inner product of Killing vector fields  $j_A^k$  and  $j_B^l$ : its existence allows only Cartan algebra charges.  $\hat{\Gamma}_{CS}^\alpha$  is the modified gamma matrix associated with the Chern-Simons action.

- (c) In general case the modified gamma matrices are defined in terms of action density  $L$  as

$$\hat{\Gamma}^\alpha = \frac{\partial L}{\partial_\alpha h^k} \gamma^k . \tag{2.3.3}$$

$\gamma^k$  denotes imbedding space gamma matrices.

- (d) The operator  $O$  characterizes the conserved fermionic current to which Cartan algebra generators of isometries couple. The simplest conserved currents correspond to quark or lepton currents and corresponding vectorial isospin- and spin currents [K29]. Besides this there is an infinite hierarchy of conserved currents relating to quantum criticality and in one-one correspondence with vanishing second variations of Kähler action for preferred extremal. These couplings allow to represent measurement interaction for any observable.
3. The equation  $D_3 \nu_R = 0$  would reduce for vanishing color charges and covariantly constant spinor to the analog of algebraic fermionic on mass shell condition  $p_A \gamma^A \nu_R = 0$  since  $Q$  is obtained by projecting the total four-momentum of the parton state interpreted as a vector-field of  $H$  to the space-time surface and by replacing ordinary gamma matrices with the modified ones. This equation cannot be exact since  $Q$  depends on the point of the light-like 3-surface so that covariant constancy fails and  $D_{C-S}$  cannot annihilate the state. This is the space-time correlate for the breaking of super-symmetry. The action of the Cartan algebra generators is purely algebraic and on the state of super-conformal representations rather than that of a differential operator on spinor field. The modified equation implies that all spinor modes represent fermions moving collinearly in the sense an equation with the same total four-momentum and total color quantum numbers is satisfied by all of them. Note that  $p_A$  represents the total four-momentum of the state rather than individual four-momenta of fermions.

### TGD counterpart of space-time super-symmetry

This picture allows to define more precisely what one means with the approximate super-symmetries in TGD framework.

1. One can in principle construct many-fermion states containing both fermions and anti-fermions at given light-like 3-surface. The four-momenta of states related by super-symmetry need not be same. Super-symmetry breaking is present and has as the space-time correlate the deviation of the modified gamma matrices from the ordinary  $M^4$  gamma matrices. In particular, the fact that  $\hat{\Gamma}^\alpha$  possesses  $CP_2$  part in general means that different  $M^4$  chiralities are mixed: a space-time correlate for the massivation of the elementary particles.
2. For right-handed neutrino super-symmetry breaking is expected to be smallest but also in the case of the right-handed neutrino mode mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities takes place and breaks the TGD counterpart of super-symmetry.
3. The fact that all helicities in the state are physical for a given light-like 3-surface has important implications. For instance, the addition of a right-handed antineutrino to right-handed (left-handed) electron state gives scalar (spin 1) state. Also states with fermion number two are obtained from fermions. For instance, for  $e_R$  one obtains the states  $\{e_R, e_R\nu_R\bar{\nu}_R, e_R\bar{\nu}_R, e_R\nu_R\}$  with lepton numbers  $(1, 1, 0, 2)$  and spins  $(1/2, 1/2, 0, 1)$ . For  $e_L$  one obtains the states  $\{e_L, e_L\nu_R\bar{\nu}_R, e_L\bar{\nu}_R, e_L\nu_R\}$  with lepton numbers  $(1, 1, 0, 2)$  and spins  $(1/2, 1/2, 1, 0)$ . In the case of gauge boson and Higgs type particles -allowed by TGD but not required by p-adic mass calculations- gauge boson has 15 super partners with fermion numbers  $[2, 1, 0, -1, -2]$ .

The cautious conclusion is that the recent view about quantum TGD allows the analog of super-symmetry which is necessary broken and for which the multiplets are much more general than for the ordinary super-symmetry. Right-handed neutrinos might however define something resembling ordinary super-symmetry to a high extent. The question is how strong prediction one can deduce using quantum TGD and proposed super-symmetry.

1. For a minimal breaking of super-symmetry only the p-adic length scale characterizing the super-partner differs from that for partner but the mass of the state is same. This would allow only a discrete set of masses for various super-partners coming as half octaves of the mass of the particle in question. A highly predictive model results.
2. The quantum field theoretic description should be based on QFT limit of TGD formulated in terms of bosonic emergence [K60]. This formulation should allow to calculate the propagators of the super-partners in terms of fermionic loops.
3. This TGD variant of space-time super-symmetry resembles ordinary super-symmetry in the sense that selection rules due to the right-handed neutrino number conservation and analogous to the conservation of R-parity hold true. The states inside super-multiplets have identical electro-weak and color quantum numbers but their p-adic mass scales can be different. It should be possible to estimate reaction rates using rules very similar to those of super-symmetric gauge theories.
4. It might be even possible to find some simple generalization of standard super-symmetric gauge theory to get rough estimates for the reaction rates. There are however problems. The fact that spins  $J = 0, 1, 2, 3/2, 2$  are possible for super-partners of gauge bosons forces to ask whether these additional states define an analog of non-stringy strong gravitation. Note that graviton in TGD framework corresponds to a pair of wormhole throats connected by flux tube (counterpart of string) and for gravitons one obtains  $2^8$ -fold degeneracy.

### 2.3.6 Twistorial approach, Yangian symmetry, and generalized Feynman diagrams

There has been impressive steps in the understanding of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  maximally supersymmetric YM theory possessing 4-D super-conformal symmetry. This theory is related by AdS/CFT duality to certain string theory in  $AdS_5 \times S^5$  background. Second stringy representation was discovered by Witten and is based on 6-D Calabi-Yau manifold defined by twistors. The unifying proposal is that so called Yangian symmetry is behind the mathematical miracles involved.

The notion of Yangian symmetry would have a generalization in TGD framework obtained by replacing conformal algebra with appropriate super-conformal algebras. Also a possible realization

of twistor approach and the construction of scattering amplitudes in terms of Yangian invariants defined by Grassmannian integrals is considered in TGD framework and based on the idea that in zero energy ontology one can represent massive states as bound states of massless particles. There is also a proposal for a physical interpretation of the Cartan algebra of Yangian algebra allowing to understand at the fundamental level how the mass spectrum of n-particle bound states could be understood in terms of the n-local charges of the Yangian algebra.

Twistors were originally introduced by Penrose to characterize the solutions of Maxwell's equations. Kähler action is Maxwell action for the induced Kähler form of  $CP_2$ . The preferred extremals allow a very concrete interpretation in terms of modes of massless non-linear field. Both conformally compactified Minkowski space identifiable as so called causal diamond and  $CP_2$  allow a description in terms of twistors. These observations inspire the proposal that a generalization of Witten's twistor string theory relying on the identification of twistor string world sheets with certain holomorphic surfaces assigned with Feynman diagrams could allow a formulation of quantum TGD in terms of 3-dimensional holomorphic surfaces of  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  mapped to 6-surfaces dual  $CP_3 \times CP_3$ , which are sphere bundles so that they are projected in a natural manner to 4-D space-time surfaces. Very general physical and mathematical arguments lead to a highly unique proposal for the holomorphic differential equations defining the complex 3-surfaces conjectured to correspond to the preferred extremals of Kähler action.

## Background

I am outsider as far as concrete calculations in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY are considered and the following discussion of the background probably makes this obvious. My hope is that the reader had patience to not care about this and try to see the big pattern.

The developments began from the observation of Parke and Taylor [B36] that n-gluon tree amplitudes with less than two negative helicities vanish and those with two negative helicities have unexpectedly simple form when expressed in terms of spinor variables used to represent light-like momentum. In fact, in the formalism based on Grassmannian integrals the reduced tree amplitude for two negative helicities is just "1" and defines Yangian invariant. The article *Perturbative Gauge Theory As a String Theory In Twistor Space* [B40] by Witten led to so called Britto-Cachazo-Feng-Witten (BCFW) recursion relations for tree level amplitudes [B37, B18, B37] allowing to construct tree amplitudes using the analogs of Feynman rules in which vertices correspond to maximally helicity violating tree amplitudes (2 negative helicity gluons) and propagator is massless Feynman propagator for boson. The progress inspired the idea that the theory might be completely integrable meaning the existence of infinite-dimensional un-usual symmetry. This symmetry would be so called Yangian symmetry [K92] assigned to the super counterpart of the conformal group of 4-D Minkowski space.

Drumond, Henn, and Plefka represent in the article *Yangian symmetry of scattering amplitudes in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  super Yang-Mills theory* [B24] an argument suggesting that the Yangian invariance of the scattering amplitudes is an intrinsic property of planar  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  super Yang Mills at least at tree level.

The latest step in the progress was taken by Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Carot-Huot, and Trnka and represented in the article *Yangian symmetry of scattering amplitudes in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  super Yang-Mills theory* [B17]. At the same day there was also the article of Rutger Boels entitled *On BCFW shifts of integrands and integrals* [B10] in the archive. Arkani-Hamed *et al* argue that a full Yangian symmetry of the theory allows to generalize the BCFW recursion relation for tree amplitudes to all loop orders at planar limit (planar means that Feynman diagram allows imbedding to plane without intersecting lines). On mass shell scattering amplitudes are in question.

## Yangian symmetry

The notion equivalent to that of Yangian was originally introduced by Faddeev and his group in the study of integrable systems. Yangians are Hopf algebras which can be assigned with Lie algebras as the deformations of their universal enveloping algebras. The elegant but rather cryptic looking definition is in terms of the modification of the relations for generating elements [K92]. Besides ordinary product in the enveloping algebra there is co-product  $\Delta$  which maps the elements of the enveloping algebra to its tensor product with itself. One can visualize product and co-product in terms of particle reactions. Particle annihilation is analogous to annihilation of two particles so



single one and co-product is analogous to the decay of particle to two.  $\Delta$  allows to construct higher generators of the algebra.

Lie-algebra can mean here ordinary finite-dimensional simple Lie algebra, Kac-Moody algebra or Virasoro algebra. In the case of SUSY it means conformal algebra of  $M^4$ - or rather its super counterpart. Witten, Nappi and Dolan have described the notion of Yangian for super-conformal algebra in very elegant and concrete manner in the article *Yangian Symmetry in  $D=4$  superconformal Yang-Mills theory* [B27]. Also Yangians for gauge groups are discussed.

In the general case Yangian resembles Kac-Moody algebra with discrete index  $n$  replaced with a continuous one. Discrete index poses conditions on the Lie group and its representation (adjoint representation in the case of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY). One of the conditions is that the tensor product  $R \otimes R^*$  for representations involved contains adjoint representation only once. This condition is non-trivial. For  $SU(n)$  these conditions are satisfied for any representation. In the case of  $SU(2)$  the basic branching rule for the tensor product of representations implies that the condition is satisfied for the product of any representations.

Yangian algebra with a discrete basis is in many respects analogous to Kac-Moody algebra. Now however the generators are labelled by non-negative integers labeling the light-like incoming and outgoing momenta of scattering amplitude whereas in the case of Kac-Moody algebra also negative values are allowed. Note that only the generators with non-negative conformal weight appear in the construction of states of Kac-Moody and Virasoro representations so that the extension to Yangian makes sense.

The generating elements are labelled by the generators of ordinary conformal transformations acting in  $M^4$  and their duals acting in momentum space. These two sets of elements can be labelled by conformal weights  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$  and their mutual commutation relations are same as for Kac-Moody algebra. The commutators of  $n = 1$  generators with themselves are however something different for a non-vanishing deformation parameter  $h$ . Serre's relations characterize the difference and involve the deformation parameter  $h$ . Under repeated commutations the generating elements generate infinite-dimensional symmetric algebra, the Yangian. For  $h = 0$  one obtains just one half of the Virasoro algebra or Kac-Moody algebra. The generators with  $n > 0$  are  $n + 1$ -local in the sense that they involve  $n + 1$ -forms of local generators assignable to the ordered set of incoming particles of the scattering amplitude. This non-locality generalizes the notion of local symmetry and is claimed to be powerful enough to fix the scattering amplitudes completely.

### How to generalize Yangian symmetry in TGD framework?

As far as concrete calculations are considered, I have nothing to say. I am just perplexed. It is however possible to keep discussion at general level and still say something interesting (as I hope!). The key question is whether it could be possible to generalize the proposed Yangian symmetry and geometric picture behind it to TGD framework.

1. The first thing to notice is that the Yangian symmetry of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY in question is quite too limited since it allows only single representation of the gauge group and requires massless particles. One must allow all representations and massive particles so that the representation of symmetry algebra must involve states with different masses, in principle arbitrary spin and arbitrary internal quantum numbers. The candidates are obvious: Kac-Moody algebras [A11] and Virasoro algebras [A24] and their super counterparts. Yangians indeed exist for arbitrary super Lie algebras. In TGD framework conformal algebra of Minkowski space reduces to Poincare algebra and its extension to Kac-Moody allows to have also massive states.
2. The formal generalization looks surprisingly straightforward at the formal level. In zero energy ontology one replaces point like particles with partonic two-surfaces appearing at the ends of light-like orbits of wormhole throats located to the future and past light-like boundaries of causal diamond ( $CD \times CP_2$  or briefly  $CD$ ). Here  $CD$  is defined as the intersection of future and past directed light-cones. The polygon with light-like momenta is naturally replaced with a polygon with more general momenta in zero energy ontology and having partonic surfaces as its vertices. Non-point-likeness forces to replace the finite-dimensional super Lie-algebra with infinite-dimensional Kac-Moody algebras and corresponding super-Virasoro algebras assignable to partonic 2-surfaces.

3. This description replaces disjoint holomorphic surfaces in twistor space with partonic 2-surfaces at the boundaries of  $CD \times CP_2$  so that there seems to be a close analogy with Cachazo-Svrcek-Witten picture. These surfaces are connected by either light-like orbits of partonic 2-surface or space-like 3-surfaces at the ends of  $CD$  so that one indeed obtains the analog of polygon.

What does this then mean concretely (if this word can be used in this kind of context;-)?

1. At least it means that ordinary Super Kac-Moody and Super Virasoro algebras associated with isometries of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  annihilating the scattering amplitudes must be extended to a co-algebras with a non-trivial deformation parameter. Kac-Moody group is thus the product of Poincare and color groups. This algebra acts as deformations of the light-like 3-surfaces representing the light-like orbits of particles which are extremals of Chern-Simon action with the constraint that weak form of electric-magnetic duality holds true. I know so little about the mathematical side that I cannot tell whether the condition that the product of the representations of Super-Kac-Moody and Super-Virasoro algebras contains adjoint representation only once, holds true in this case. In any case, it would allow all representations of finite-dimensional Lie group in vertices whereas  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY would allow only the adjoint.
2. Besides this ordinary kind of Kac-Moody algebra there is the analog of Super-Kac-Moody algebra associated with the light-cone boundary which is metrically 3-dimensional. The finite-dimensional Lie group is in this case replaced with infinite-dimensional group of symplectomorphisms of  $\delta M^4_{+/-}$  made local with respect to the internal coordinates of partonic 2-surface. A coset construction is applied to these two Virasoro algebras so that the differences of the corresponding Super-Virasoro generators and Kac-Moody generators annihilate physical states. This implies that the corresponding four-momenta are same: this expresses the equivalence of gravitational and inertial masses. A generalization of the Equivalence Principle is in question. This picture also justifies p-adic thermodynamics applied to either symplectic or isometry Super-Virasoro and giving thermal contribution to the vacuum conformal and thus to mass squared.
3. The construction of TGD leads also to other super-conformal algebras and the natural guess is that the Yangians of all these algebras annihilate the scattering amplitudes.
4. Obviously, already the starting point symmetries look formidable but they still act on single partonic surface only. The discrete Yangian associated with this algebra associated with the closed polygon defined by the incoming momenta and the negatives of the outgoing momenta acts in multi-local manner on scattering amplitudes. It might make sense to speak about polygons defined also by other conserved quantum numbers so that one would have generalized light-like curves in the sense that state are massless in 8-D sense.

### Is there any hope about description in terms of Grassmannians?

At technical level the successes of the twistor approach rely on the observation that the amplitudes can be expressed in terms of very simple integrals over sub-manifolds of the space consisting of  $k$ -dimensional planes of  $n$ -dimensional space defined by delta function appearing in the integrand. These integrals define super-conformal Yangian invariants appearing in twistorial amplitudes and the belief is that by a proper choice of the surfaces of the twistor space one can construct all invariants. One can construct also the counterparts of loop corrections by starting from tree diagrams and annihilating pair of particles by connecting the lines and quantum entangling the states at the ends in the manner dictated by the integration over loop momentum. These operations can be defined as operations for Grassmannian integrals in general changing the values of  $n$  and  $k$ . This description looks extremely powerful and elegant and most importantly involves only the external momenta.

The obvious question is whether one could use similar invariants in TGD framework to construct the momentum dependence of amplitudes.

1. The first thing to notice is that the super algebras in question act on infinite-dimensional representations and basically in the world of classical worlds assigned to the partonic 2-surfaces correlated by the fact that they are associated with the same space-time surface. This does not promise anything very practical. On the other hand, one can hope that everything related to other than  $M^4$  degrees of freedom could be treated like color degrees of freedom in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM

and would boil down to indices labeling the quantum states. The Yangian conditions coming from isometry quantum numbers, color quantum numbers, and electroweak quantum numbers are of course expected to be highly non-trivial and could fix the coefficients of various singlets resulting in the tensor product of incoming and outgoing states.

2. The fact that incoming particles can be also massive seems to exclude the use of the twistor space. The following observation however raises hopes. The Dirac propagator for wormhole throat is massless propagator but for what I call pseudo momentum. It is still unclear how this momentum relates to the actual four-momentum. Could it be actually equal to it? The recent view about pseudo-momentum does not support this view but it is better to keep mind open. In any case this finding suggests that twistorial approach could work in in more or less standard form. What would be needed is a representation for massive incoming particles as bound states of massless partons. In particular, the massive states of super-conformal representations should allow this kind of description.

Could zero energy ontology allow to achieve this dream?

1. As far as divergence cancellation is considered, zero energy ontology suggests a totally new approach producing the basic nice aspects of QFT approach, in particular unitarity and coupling constant evolution. The big idea related to zero energy ontology is that all virtual particle particles correspond to wormhole throats, which are pairs of on mass shell particles. If their momentum directions are different, one obtains time-like continuum of virtual momenta and if the signs of energy are opposite one obtains also space-like virtual momenta. The on mass shell property for virtual partons (massive in general) implies extremely strong constraints on loops and one expect that only very few loops remain and that they are finite since loop integration reduces to integration over much lower-dimensional space than in the QFT approach. There are also excellent hopes about Cutkoski rules.
2. Could zero energy ontology make also possible to construct massive incoming particles from massless ones? Could one construct the representations of the super conformal algebras using only massless states so that at the fundamental level incoming particles would be massless and one could apply twistor formalism and build the momentum dependence of amplitudes using Grassmannian integrals.

One could indeed construct on mass shell massive states from massless states with momenta along the same line but with three-momenta at opposite directions. Mass squared is given by  $M^2 = 4E^2$  in the coordinate frame, where the momenta are opposite and of same magnitude. One could also argue that partonic 2-surfaces carrying quantum numbers of fermions and their superpartners serve as the analogs of point like massless particles and that topologically condensed fermions and gauge bosons plus their superpartners correspond to pairs of wormhole throats. Stringy objects would correspond to pairs of wormhole throats at the same space-time sheet in accordance with the fact that space-time sheet allows a slicing by string worlds sheets with ends at different wormhole throats and defining time like braiding.

The weak form of electric magnetic duality indeed supports this picture. To understand how, one must explain a little bit what the weak form of electric magnetic duality means.

1. Elementary particles correspond to light-like orbits of partonic 2-surfaces identified as 3-D surfaces at which the signature of the induced metric of space-time surface changes from Euclidian to Minkowskian and 4-D metric is therefore degenerate. The analogy with black hole horizon is obvious but only partial. Weak form of electric-magnetic duality states that the Kähler electric field at the wormhole throat and also at space-like 3-surfaces defining the ends of the space-time surface at the upper and lower light-like boundaries of the causal diamond is proportional to Kähler magnetic field so that Kähler electric flux is proportional Kähler magnetic flux. This implies classical quantization of Kähler electric charge and fixes the value of the proportionality constant.
2. There are also much more profound implications. The vision about TGD as almost topological QFT suggests that Kähler function defining the Kähler geometry of the "world of classical

worlds" (WCW) and identified as Kähler action for its preferred extremal reduces to the 3-D Chern-Simons action evaluated at wormhole throats and possible boundary components. Chern-Simons action would be subject to constraints. Wormhole throats and space-like 3-surfaces would represent extremals of Chern-Simons action restricted by the constraint force stating electric-magnetic duality (and realized in terms of Lagrange multipliers as usual).

If one assumes that Kähler current and other conserved currents are proportional to current defining Beltrami flow whose flow lines by definition define coordinate curves of a globally defined coordinate, the Coulombic term of Kähler action vanishes and it reduces to Chern-Simons action if the weak form of electric-magnetic duality holds true. One obtains almost topological QFT. The absolutely essential attribute "almost" comes from the fact that Chern-Simons action is subject to constraints. As a consequence, one obtains non-vanishing four-momenta and WCW geometry is non-trivial in  $M^4$  degrees of freedom. Otherwise one would have only topological QFT not terribly interesting physically.

Consider now the question how one could understand stringy objects as bound states of massless particles.

1. The observed elementary particles are not Kähler monopoles and there much exist a mechanism neutralizing the monopole charge. The only possibility seems to be that there is opposite Kähler magnetic charge at second wormhole throat. The assumption is that in the case of color neutral particles this throat is at a distance of order intermediate gauge boson Compton length. This throat would carry weak isospin neutralizing that of the fermion and only electromagnetic charge would be visible at longer length scales. One could speak of electro-weak confinement. Also color confinement could be realized in analogous manner by requiring the cancellation of monopole charge for many-parton states only. What comes out are string like objects defined by Kähler magnetic fluxes and having magnetic monopoles at ends. Also more general objects with three strings branching from the vertex appear in the case of baryons. The natural guess is that the partons at the ends of strings and more general objects are massless for incoming particles but that the 3-momenta are in opposite directions so that stringy mass spectrum and representations of relevant super-conformal algebras are obtained. This description brings in mind the description of hadrons in terms of partons moving in parallel apart from transversal momentum about which only momentum squared is taken as observable.
2. Quite generally, one expects for the preferred extremals of Kähler action the slicing of space-time surface with string world sheets with stringy curves connecting wormhole throats. The ends of the stringy curves can be identified as light-like braid strands. Note that the strings themselves define a space-like braiding and the two braidings are in some sense dual. This has a concrete application in TGD inspired quantum biology, where time-like braiding defines topological quantum computer programs and the space-like braidings induced by it its storage into memory. Stringlike objects defining representations of super-conformal algebras must correspond to states involving at least two wormhole throats. Magnetic flux tubes connecting the ends of magnetically charged throats provide a particular realization of stringy on mass shell states. This would give rise to massless propagation at the parton level. The stringy quantization condition for mass squared would read as  $4E^2 = n$  in suitable units for the representations of super-conformal algebra associated with the isometries. For pairs of throats of the same wormhole contact stringy spectrum does not seem plausible since the wormhole contact is in the direction of  $CP_2$ . One can however expect generation of small mass as deviation of vacuum conformal weight from half integer in the case of gauge bosons.

If this picture is correct, one might be able to determine the momentum dependence of the scattering amplitudes by replacing free fermions with pairs of monopoles at the ends of string and topologically condensed fermions gauge bosons with pairs of this kind of objects with wormhole throat replaced by a pair of wormhole throats. This would mean suitable number of doublings of the Grassmannian integrations with additional constraints on the incoming momenta posed by the mass shell conditions for massive states.

### Could zero energy ontology make possible full Yangian symmetry?

The partons in the loops are on mass shell particles have a discrete mass spectrum but both signs of energy are possible for opposite wormhole throats. This implies that in the rules for constructing loop amplitudes from tree amplitudes, propagator entanglement is restricted to that corresponding to pairs of partonic on mass shell states with both signs of energy. As emphasized in [B17], it is the Grassmannian integrands and leading order singularities of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM, which possess the full Yangian symmetry. The full integral over the loop momenta breaks the Yangian symmetry and brings in IR singularities. Zero energy ontologist finds it natural to ask whether QFT approach shows its inadequacy both via the UV divergences and via the loss of full Yangian symmetry. The restriction of virtual partons to discrete mass shells with positive or negative sign of energy imposes extremely powerful restrictions on loop integrals and resembles the restriction to leading order singularities. Could this restriction guarantee full Yangian symmetry and remove also IR singularities?

### Could Yangian symmetry provide a new view about conserved quantum numbers?

The Yangian algebra has some properties which suggest a new kind of description for bound states. The Cartan algebra generators of  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$  levels of Yangian algebra commute. Since the co-product  $\Delta$  maps  $n = 0$  generators to  $n = 1$  generators and these in turn to generators with high value of  $n$ , it seems that they commute also with  $n \geq 1$  generators. This applies to four-momentum, color isospin and color hyper charge, and also to the Virasoro generator  $L_0$  acting on Kac-Moody algebra of isometries and defining mass squared operator.

Could one identify total four momentum and Cartan algebra quantum numbers as sum of contributions from various levels? If so, the four momentum and mass squared would involve besides the local term assignable to wormhole throats also  $n$ -local contributions. The interpretation in terms of  $n$ -parton bound states would be extremely attractive.  $n$ -local contribution would involve interaction energy. For instance, string like object would correspond to  $n = 1$  level and give  $n = 2$ -local contribution to the momentum. For baryonic valence quarks one would have 3-local contribution corresponding to  $n = 2$  level. The Yangian view about quantum numbers could give a rigorous formulation for the idea that massive particles are bound states of massless particles.

## 2.4 Weak form electric-magnetic duality and color and weak forces

The notion of electric-magnetic duality [B5] was proposed first by Olive and Montonen and is central in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  supersymmetric gauge theories. It states that magnetic monopoles and ordinary particles are two different phases of theory and that the description in terms of monopoles can be applied at the limit when the running gauge coupling constant becomes very large and perturbation theory fails to converge. The notion of electric-magnetic self-duality is more natural since for  $CP_2$  geometry Kähler form is self-dual and Kähler magnetic monopoles are also Kähler electric monopoles and Kähler coupling strength is by quantum criticality renormalization group invariant rather than running coupling constant. The notion of electric-magnetic (self-)duality emerged already two decades ago in the attempts to formulate the Kähler geometric of world of classical worlds. Quite recently a considerable step of progress took place in the understanding of this notion [K18]. What seems to be essential is that one adopts a weaker form of the self-duality applying at partonic 2-surfaces. What this means will be discussed in the sequel.

Every new idea must be of course taken with a grain of salt but the good sign is that this concept leads to precise predictions. The point is that elementary particles do not generate monopole fields in macroscopic length scales: at least when one considers visible matter. The first question is whether elementary particles could have vanishing magnetic charges: this turns out to be impossible. The next question is how the screening of the magnetic charges could take place and leads to an identification of the physical particles as string like objects identified as pairs magnetic charged wormhole throats connected by magnetic flux tubes.

1. The first implication is a new view about electro-weak massivation reducing it to weak confinement in TGD framework. The second end of the string contains particle having electroweak isospin neutralizing that of elementary fermion and the size scale of the string is electro-weak

scale would be in question. Hence the screening of electro-weak force takes place via weak confinement realized in terms of magnetic confinement.

2. This picture generalizes to the case of color confinement. Also quarks correspond to pairs of magnetic monopoles but the charges need not vanish now. Rather, valence quarks would be connected by flux tubes of length of order hadron size such that magnetic charges sum up to zero. For instance, for baryonic valence quarks these charges could be  $(2, -1, -1)$  and could be proportional to color hyper charge.
3. The highly non-trivial prediction making more precise the earlier stringy vision is that elementary particles are string like objects in electro-weak scale: this should become manifest at LHC energies.
4. The weak form electric-magnetic duality together with Beltrami flow property of Kähler leads to the reduction of Kähler action to Chern-Simons action so that TGD reduces to almost topological QFT and that Kähler function is explicitly calculable. This has enormous impact concerning practical calculability of the theory.
5. One ends up also to a general solution ansatz for field equations from the condition that the theory reduces to almost topological QFT. The solution ansatz is inspired by the idea that all isometry currents are proportional to Kähler current which is integrable in the sense that the flow parameter associated with its flow lines defines a global coordinate. The proposed solution ansatz would describe a hydrodynamical flow with the property that isometry charges are conserved along the flow lines (Beltrami flow). A general ansatz satisfying the integrability conditions is found. The solution ansatz applies also to the extremals of Chern-Simons action and to the conserved currents associated with the modified Dirac equation defined as contractions of the modified gamma matrices between the solutions of the modified Dirac equation. The strongest form of the solution ansatz states that various classical and quantum currents flow along flow lines of the Beltrami flow defined by Kähler current (Kähler magnetic field associated with Chern-Simons action). Intuitively this picture is attractive. A more general ansatz would allow several Beltrami flows meaning multi-hydrodynamics. The integrability conditions boil down to two scalar functions: the first one satisfies massless d'Alembert equation in the induced metric and the the gradients of the scalar functions are orthogonal. The interpretation in terms of momentum and polarization directions is natural.
6. The general solution ansatz works for induced Kähler Dirac equation and Chern-Simons Dirac equation and reduces them to ordinary differential equations along flow lines. The induced spinor fields are simply constant along flow lines of induced spinor field for Dirac equation in suitable gauge. Also the generalized eigen modes of the modified Chern-Simons Dirac operator can be deduced explicitly if the throats and the ends of space-time surface at the boundaries of  $CD$  are extremals of Chern-Simons action. Chern-Simons Dirac equation reduces to ordinary differential equations along flow lines and one can deduce the general form of the spectrum and the explicit representation of the Dirac determinant in terms of geometric quantities characterizing the 3-surface (eigenvalues are inversely proportional to the lengths of strands of the flow lines in the effective metric defined by the modified gamma matrices).

### 2.4.1 Could a weak form of electric-magnetic duality hold true?

Holography means that the initial data at the partonic 2-surfaces should fix the configuration space metric. A weak form of this condition allows only the partonic 2-surfaces defined by the wormhole throats at which the signature of the induced metric changes. A stronger condition allows all partonic 2-surfaces in the slicing of space-time sheet to partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets. Number theoretical vision suggests that hyper-quaternionicity *resp.* co-hyperquaternionicity constraint could be enough to fix the initial values of time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates in the space-time regions with Minkowskian *resp.* Euclidian signature of the induced metric. This is a condition on modified gamma matrices and hyper-quaternionicity states that they span a hyper-quaternionic sub-space.

### Definition of the weak form of electric-magnetic duality

One can also consider alternative conditions possibly equivalent with this condition. The argument goes as follows.

1. The expression of the matrix elements of the metric and Kähler form of  $WCW$  in terms of the Kähler fluxes weighted by Hamiltonians of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  at the partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  looks very attractive. These expressions however carry no information about the 4-D tangent space of the partonic 2-surfaces so that the theory would reduce to a genuinely 2-dimensional theory, which cannot hold true. One would like to code to the  $WCW$  metric also information about the electric part of the induced Kähler form assignable to the complement of the tangent space of  $X^2 \subset X^4$ .
2. Electric-magnetic duality of the theory looks a highly attractive symmetry. The trivial manner to get electric magnetic duality at the level of the full theory would be via the identification of the flux Hamiltonians as sums of the magnetic and electric fluxes. The presence of the induced metric is however troublesome since the presence of the induced metric means that the simple transformation properties of flux Hamiltonians under symplectic transformations -in particular color rotations- are lost.
3. A less trivial formulation of electric-magnetic duality would be as an initial condition which eliminates the induced metric from the electric flux. In the Euclidian version of 4-D YM theory this duality allows to solve field equations exactly in terms of instantons. This approach involves also quaternions. These arguments suggest that the duality in some form might work. The full electric magnetic duality is certainly too strong and implies that space-time surface at the partonic 2-surface corresponds to piece of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal and can hold only in the deep interior of the region with Euclidian signature. In the region surrounding wormhole throat at both sides the condition must be replaced with a weaker condition.
4. To formulate a weaker form of the condition let us introduce coordinates  $(x^0, x^3, x^1, x^2)$  such  $(x^1, x^2)$  define coordinates for the partonic 2-surface and  $(x^0, x^3)$  define coordinates labeling partonic 2-surfaces in the slicing of the space-time surface by partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets making sense in the regions of space-time sheet with Minkowskian signature. The assumption about the slicing allows to preserve general coordinate invariance. The weakest condition is that the generalized Kähler electric fluxes are apart from constant proportional to Kähler magnetic fluxes. This requires the condition

$$J^{03}\sqrt{g_4} = K J_{12} . \quad (2.4.1)$$

A more general form of this duality is suggested by the considerations of [K38] reducing the hierarchy of Planck constants to basic quantum TGD and also reducing Kähler function for preferred extremals to Chern-Simons terms [B2] at the boundaries of  $CD$  and at light-like wormhole throats. This form is following

$$J^{n\beta}\sqrt{g_4} = K \epsilon \times \epsilon^{n\beta\gamma\delta} J_{\gamma\delta}\sqrt{g_4} . \quad (2.4.2)$$

Here the index  $n$  refers to a normal coordinate for the space-like 3-surface at either boundary of  $CD$  or for light-like wormhole throat.  $\epsilon$  is a sign factor which is opposite for the two ends of  $CD$ . It could be also opposite of opposite at the opposite sides of the wormhole throat. Note that the dependence on induced metric disappears at the right hand side and this condition eliminates the potentials singularity due to the reduction of the rank of the induced metric at wormhole throat.

5. Information about the tangent space of the space-time surface can be coded to the configuration space metric with loosing the nice transformation properties of the magnetic flux Hamiltonians

if Kähler electric fluxes or sum of magnetic flux and electric flux satisfying this condition are used and  $K$  is symplectic invariant. Using the sum

$$J_e + J_m = (1 + K)J , \quad (2.4.3)$$

where  $J$  can denote the Kähler magnetic flux, makes it possible to have a non-trivial configuration space metric even for  $K = 0$ , which could correspond to the ends of a cosmic string like solution carrying only Kähler magnetic fields. This condition suggests that it can depend only on Kähler magnetic flux and other symplectic invariants. Whether local symplectic coordinate invariants are possible at all is far from obvious, If the slicing itself is symplectic invariant then  $K$  could be a non-constant function of  $X^2$  depending on string world sheet coordinates. The light-like radial coordinate of the light-cone boundary indeed defines a symplectically invariant slicing and this slicing could be shifted along the time axis defined by the tips of  $CD$ .

### Electric-magnetic duality physically

What could the weak duality condition mean physically? For instance, what constraints are obtained if one assumes that the quantization of electro-weak charges reduces to this condition at classical level?

1. The first thing to notice is that the flux of  $J$  over the partonic 2-surface is analogous to magnetic flux

$$Q_m = \frac{e}{\hbar} \oint B dS = n .$$

$n$  is non-vanishing only if the surface is homologically non-trivial and gives the homology charge of the partonic 2-surface.

2. The expressions of classical electromagnetic and  $Z^0$  fields in terms of Kähler form [L1] , [L1] read as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \frac{eF_{em}}{\hbar} = 3J - \sin^2(\theta_W)R_{03} , \\ Z^0 &= \frac{g_Z F_Z}{\hbar} = 2R_{03} . \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.4)$$

Here  $R_{03}$  is one of the components of the curvature tensor in vielbein representation and  $F_{em}$  and  $F_Z$  correspond to the standard field tensors. From this expression one can deduce

$$J = \frac{e}{3\hbar} F_{em} + \sin^2(\theta_W) \frac{g_Z}{6\hbar} F_Z . \quad (2.4.5)$$

3. The weak duality condition when integrated over  $X^2$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^2}{3\hbar} Q_{em} + \frac{g_Z^2 p}{6} Q_{Z,V} &= K \oint J = Kn , \\ Q_{Z,V} &= \frac{I_V^3}{2} - Q_{em} , \quad p = \sin^2(\theta_W) . \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.6)$$

Here the vectorial part of the  $Z^0$  charge rather than as full  $Z^0$  charge  $Q_Z = I_L^3 + \sin^2(\theta_W)Q_{em}$  appears. The reason is that only the vectorial isospin is same for left and right handed components of fermion which are in general mixed for the massive states.



The coefficients are dimensionless and expressible in terms of the gauge coupling strengths and using  $\hbar = r\hbar_0$  one can write

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{em} Q_{em} + p \frac{\alpha_Z}{2} Q_{Z,V} &= \frac{3}{4\pi} \times rnK , \\ \alpha_{em} &= \frac{e^2}{4\pi\hbar_0} , \quad \alpha_Z = \frac{g_Z^2}{4\pi\hbar_0} = \frac{\alpha_{em}}{p(1-p)} . \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.7)$$

4. There is a great temptation to assume that the values of  $Q_{em}$  and  $Q_Z$  correspond to their quantized values and therefore depend on the quantum state assigned to the partonic 2-surface. The linear coupling of the modified Dirac operator to conserved charges implies correlation between the geometry of space-time sheet and quantum numbers assigned to the partonic 2-surface. The assumption of standard quantized values for  $Q_{em}$  and  $Q_Z$  would be also seen as the identification of the fine structure constants  $\alpha_{em}$  and  $\alpha_Z$ . This however requires weak isospin invariance.

#### The value of $K$ from classical quantization of Kähler electric charge

The value of  $K$  can be deduced by requiring classical quantization of Kähler electric charge.

1. The condition that the flux of  $F^{03} = (\hbar/g_K)J^{03}$  defining the counterpart of Kähler electric field equals to the Kähler charge  $g_K$  would give the condition  $K = g_K^2/\hbar$ , where  $g_K$  is Kähler coupling constant which should invariant under coupling constant evolution by quantum criticality. Within experimental uncertainties one has  $\alpha_K = g_K^2/4\pi\hbar_0 = \alpha_{em} \simeq 1/137$ , where  $\alpha_{em}$  is finite structure constant in electron length scale and  $\hbar_0$  is the standard value of Planck constant.
2. The quantization of Planck constants makes the condition highly non-trivial. The most general quantization of  $r$  is as rationals but there are good arguments favoring the quantization as integers corresponding to the allowance of only singular coverings of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$ . The point is that in this case a given value of Planck constant corresponds to a finite number pages of the "Big Book". The quantization of the Planck constant implies a further quantization of  $K$  and would suggest that  $K$  scales as  $1/r$  unless the spectrum of values of  $Q_{em}$  and  $Q_Z$  allowed by the quantization condition scales as  $r$ . This is quite possible and the interpretation would be that each of the  $r$  sheets of the covering carries (possibly same) elementary charge. Kind of discrete variant of a full Fermi sphere would be in question. The interpretation in terms of anyonic phases [K61] supports this interpretation.
3. The identification of  $J$  as a counterpart of  $eB/\hbar$  means that Kähler action and thus also Kähler function is proportional to  $1/\alpha_K$  and therefore to  $\hbar$ . This implies that for large values of  $\hbar$  Kähler coupling strength  $g_K^2/4\pi$  becomes very small and large fluctuations are suppressed in the functional integral. The basic motivation for introducing the hierarchy of Planck constants was indeed that the scaling  $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha/r$  allows to achieve the convergence of perturbation theory: Nature itself would solve the problems of the theoretician. This of course does not mean that the physical states would remain as such and the replacement of single particles with anyonic states in order to satisfy the condition for  $K$  would realize this concretely.
4. The condition  $K = g_K^2/\hbar$  implies that the Kähler magnetic charge is always accompanied by Kähler electric charge. A more general condition would read as

$$K = n \times \frac{g_K^2}{\hbar}, n \in Z . \quad (2.4.8)$$

This would apply in the case of cosmic strings and would allow vanishing Kähler charge possible when the partonic 2-surface has opposite fermion and antifermion numbers (for both leptons and quarks) so that Kähler electric charge should vanish. For instance, for neutrinos the vanishing of electric charge strongly suggests  $n = 0$  besides the condition that abelian  $Z^0$  flux contributing to em charge vanishes.

It took a year to realize that this value of  $K$  is natural at the Minkowskian side of the wormhole throat. At the Euclidian side much more natural condition is

$$K = \frac{1}{\hbar c} . \quad (2.4.9)$$

In fact, the self-duality of  $CP_2$  Kähler form favours this boundary condition at the Euclidian side of the wormhole throat. Also the fact that one cannot distinguish between electric and magnetic charges in Euclidian region since all charges are magnetic can be used to argue in favor of this form. The same constraint arises from the condition that the action for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal has the value required by the argument leading to a prediction for gravitational constant in terms of the square of  $CP_2$  radius and  $\alpha_K$  the effective replacement  $g_K^2 \rightarrow 1$  would spoil the argument.

The boundary condition  $J_E = J_B$  for the electric and magnetic parts of Kähler form at the Euclidian side of the wormhole throat inspires the question whether all Euclidian regions could be self-dual so that the density of Kähler action would be just the instanton density. Self-duality follows if the deformation of the metric induced by the deformation of the canonically imbedded  $CP_2$  is such that in  $CP_2$  coordinates for the Euclidian region the tensor  $(g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\mu\nu} - g^{\alpha\nu} g^{\mu\beta})/\sqrt{g}$  remains invariant. This is certainly the case for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals since by the light-likeness of  $M^4$  projection the metric remains invariant. Also conformal scalings of the induced metric would satisfy this condition. Conformal scaling is not consistent with the degeneracy of the 4-metric at the wormhole throat. Full self-duality is indeed an un-necessarily strong condition.

### Reduction of the quantization of Kähler electric charge to that of electromagnetic charge

The best manner to learn more is to challenge the form of the weak electric-magnetic duality based on the induced Kähler form.

1. Physically it would seem more sensible to pose the duality on electromagnetic charge rather than Kähler charge. This would replace induced Kähler form with electromagnetic field, which is a linear combination of induced Kähler field and classical  $Z^0$  field

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= 3J - \sin^2\theta_W R_{03} , \\ Z^0 &= 2R_{03} . \end{aligned} \quad (2.4.10)$$

Here  $Z_0 = 2R_{03}$  is the appropriate component of  $CP_2$  curvature form [L1]. For a vanishing Weinberg angle the condition reduces to that for Kähler form.

2. For the Euclidian space-time regions having interpretation as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams Weinberg angle should be non-vanishing. In Minkowskian regions Weinberg angle could however vanish. If so, the condition guaranteeing that electromagnetic charge of the partonic 2-surfaces equals to the above condition stating that the em charge assignable to the fermion content of the partonic 2-surfaces reduces to the classical Kähler electric flux at the Minkowskian side of the wormhole throat. One can argue that Weinberg angle must increase smoothly from a vanishing value at both sides of wormhole throat to its value in the deep interior of the Euclidian region.
3. The vanishing of the Weinberg angle in Minkowskian regions conforms with the physical intuition. Above elementary particle length scales one sees only the classical electric field reducing to the induced Kähler form and classical  $Z^0$  fields and color gauge fields are effectively absent. Only in phases with a large value of Planck constant classical  $Z^0$  field and other classical weak fields and color gauge field could make themselves visible. Cell membrane could be one such system [K64]. This conforms with the general picture about color confinement and weak massivation.

The GRT limit of TGD suggests a further reason for why Weinberg angle should vanish in Minkowskian regions.

1. The value of the Kähler coupling strength must be very near to the value of the fine structure constant in electron length scale and these constants can be assumed to be equal.
2. GRT limit of TGD with space-time surfaces replaced with abstract 4-geometries would naturally correspond to Einstein-Maxwell theory with cosmological constant which is non-vanishing only in Euclidian regions of space-time so that both Reissner-Nordström metric and  $CP_2$  are allowed as simplest possible solutions of field equations [K85]. The extremely small value of the observed cosmological constant needed in GRT type cosmology could be equal to the large cosmological constant associated with  $CP_2$  metric multiplied with the 3-volume fraction of Euclidian regions.
3. Also at GRT limit quantum theory would reduce to almost topological QFT since Einstein-Maxwell action reduces to 3-D term by field equations implying the vanishing of the Maxwell current and of the curvature scalar in Minkowskian regions and curvature scalar + cosmological constant term in Euclidian regions. The weak form of electric-magnetic duality would guarantee also now the preferred extremal property and prevent the reduction to a mere topological QFT.
4. GRT limit would make sense only for a vanishing Weinberg angle in Minkowskian regions. A non-vanishing Weinberg angle would make sense in the deep interior of the Euclidian regions where the approximation as a small deformation of  $CP_2$  makes sense.

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality has surprisingly strong implications for the basic view about quantum TGD as following considerations show.

### 2.4.2 Magnetic confinement, the short range of weak forces, and color confinement

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality has surprisingly strong implications if one combines it with some very general empirical facts such as the non-existence of magnetic monopole fields in macroscopic length scales.

#### How can one avoid macroscopic magnetic monopole fields?

Monopole fields are experimentally absent in length scales above order weak boson length scale and one should have a mechanism neutralizing the monopole charge. How electroweak interactions become short ranged in TGD framework is still a poorly understood problem. What suggests itself is the neutralization of the weak isospin above the intermediate gauge boson Compton length by neutral Higgs bosons. Could the two neutralization mechanisms be combined to single one?

1. In the case of fermions and their super partners the opposite magnetic monopole would be a wormhole throat. If the magnetically charged wormhole contact is electromagnetically neutral but has vectorial weak isospin neutralizing the weak vectorial isospin of the fermion only the electromagnetic charge of the fermion is visible on longer length scales. The distance of this wormhole throat from the fermionic one should be of the order weak boson Compton length. An interpretation as a bound state of fermion and a wormhole throat state with the quantum numbers of a neutral Higgs boson would therefore make sense. The neutralizing throat would have quantum numbers of  $X_{-1/2} = \nu_L \bar{\nu}_R$  or  $X_{1/2} = \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R$ .  $\nu_L \bar{\nu}_R$  would not be neutral Higgs boson (which should correspond to a wormhole contact) but a super-partner of left-handed neutrino obtained by adding a right handed neutrino. This mechanism would apply separately to the fermionic and anti-fermionic throats of the gauge bosons and corresponding space-time sheets and leave only electromagnetic interaction as a long ranged interaction.
2. One can of course wonder what is the situation for the bosonic wormhole throats feeding gauge fluxes between space-time sheets. It would seem that these wormhole throats must always appear as pairs such that for the second member of the pair monopole charges and  $I_V^3$  cancel each other at both space-time sheets involved so that one obtains at both space-time sheets magnetic dipoles of size of weak boson Compton length. The proposed magnetic character of fundamental particles should become visible at TeV energies so that LHC might have surprises in store!

### Magnetic confinement and color confinement

Magnetic confinement generalizes also to the case of color interactions. One can consider also the situation in which the magnetic charges of quarks (more generally, of color excited leptons and quarks) do not vanish and they form color and magnetic singlets in the hadronic length scale. This would mean that magnetic charges of the state  $q_{\pm 1/2} - X_{\mp 1/2}$  representing the physical quark would not vanish and magnetic confinement would accompany also color confinement. This would explain why free quarks are not observed. To how degree then quark confinement corresponds to magnetic confinement is an interesting question.

For quark and antiquark of meson the magnetic charges of quark and antiquark would be opposite and meson would correspond to a Kähler magnetic flux so that a stringy view about meson emerges. For valence quarks of baryon the vanishing of the net magnetic charge takes place provided that the magnetic net charges are  $(\pm 2, \mp 1, \mp 1)$ . This brings in mind the spectrum of color hyper charges coming as  $(\pm 2, \mp 1, \mp 1)/3$  and one can indeed ask whether color hyper-charge correlates with the Kähler magnetic charge. The geometric picture would be three strings connected to single vertex. Amusingly, the idea that color hypercharge could be proportional to color hyper charge popped up during the first year of TGD when I had not yet discovered  $CP_2$  and believed on  $M^4 \times S^2$ .

p-Adic length scale hypothesis and hierarchy of Planck constants defining a hierarchy of dark variants of particles suggest the existence of scaled up copies of QCD type physics and weak physics. For p-adically scaled up variants the mass scales would be scaled by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$  in the most general case. The dark variants of the particle would have the same mass as the original one. In particular, Mersenne primes  $M_k = 2^k - 1$  and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1 + i)^k - 1$  has been proposed to define zoomed copies of these physics. At the level of magnetic confinement this would mean hierarchy of length scales for the magnetic confinement.

One particular proposal is that the Mersenne prime  $M_{89}$  should define a scaled up variant of the ordinary hadron physics with mass scaled up roughly by a factor  $2^{(107-89)/2} = 512$ . The size scale of color confinement for this physics would be same as the weak length scale. It would look more natural that the weak confinement for the quarks of  $M_{89}$  physics takes place in some shorter scale and  $M_{61}$  is the first Mersenne prime to be considered. The mass scale of  $M_{61}$  weak bosons would be by a factor  $2^{(89-61)/2} = 2^{14}$  higher and about  $1.6 \times 10^4$  TeV.  $M_{89}$  quarks would have virtually no weak interactions but would possess color interactions with weak confinement length scale reflecting themselves as new kind of jets at collisions above TeV energies.

In the biologically especially important length scale range 10 nm -2500 nm there are as many as four Gaussian Mersennes corresponding to  $M_{G,k}$ ,  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$ . This would suggest that the existence of scaled up scales of magnetic-, weak- and color confinement. An especially interesting possibly testable prediction is the existence of magnetic monopole pairs with the size scale in this range. There are recent claims about experimental evidence for magnetic monopole pairs [D36].

### Magnetic confinement and stringy picture in TGD sense

The connection between magnetic confinement and weak confinement is rather natural if one recalls that electric-magnetic duality in super-symmetric quantum field theories means that the descriptions in terms of particles and monopoles are in some sense dual descriptions. Fermions would be replaced by string like objects defined by the magnetic flux tubes and bosons as pairs of wormhole contacts would correspond to pairs of the flux tubes. Therefore the sharp distinction between gravitons and physical particles would disappear.

The reason why gravitons are necessarily stringy objects formed by a pair of wormhole contacts is that one cannot construct spin two objects using only single fermion states at wormhole throats. Of course, also super partners of these states with higher spin obtained by adding fermions and anti-fermions at the wormhole throat but these do not give rise to graviton like states [K30]. The upper and lower wormhole throat pairs would be quantum superpositions of fermion anti-fermion pairs with sum over all fermions. The reason is that otherwise one cannot realize graviton emission in terms of joining of the ends of light-like 3-surfaces together. Also now magnetic monopole charges are necessary but now there is no need to assign the entities  $X_{\pm}$  with gravitons.

Graviton string is characterized by some p-adic length scale and one can argue that below this length scale the charges of the fermions become visible. Mersenne hypothesis suggests that some Mersenne prime is in question. One proposal is that gravitonic size scale is given by electronic

Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$ . It is however difficult to test whether graviton has a structure visible below this length scale.

What happens to the generalized Feynman diagrams is an interesting question. It is not at all clear how closely they relate to ordinary Feynman diagrams. All depends on what one is ready to assume about what happens in the vertices. One could of course hope that zero energy ontology could allow some very simple description allowing perhaps to get rid of the problematic aspects of Feynman diagrams.

1. Consider first the recent view about generalized Feynman diagrams which relies zero energy ontology. A highly attractive assumption is that the particles appearing at wormhole throats are on mass shell particles. For incoming and outgoing elementary bosons and their super partners they would be positive it resp. negative energy states with parallel on mass shell momenta. For virtual bosons they the wormhole throats would have opposite sign of energy and the sum of on mass shell states would give virtual net momenta. This would make possible twistor description of virtual particles allowing only massless particles (in 4-D sense usually and in 8-D sense in TGD framework). The notion of virtual fermion makes sense only if one assumes in the interaction region a topological condensation creating another wormhole throat having no fermionic quantum numbers.
2. The addition of the particles  $X^\pm$  replaces generalized Feynman diagrams with the analogs of stringy diagrams with lines replaced by pairs of lines corresponding to fermion and  $X_{\pm 1/2}$ . The members of these pairs would correspond to 3-D light-like surfaces glued together at the vertices of generalized Feynman diagrams. The analog of 3-vertex would not be splitting of the string to form shorter strings but the replication of the entire string to form two strings with same length or fusion of two strings to single string along all their points rather than along ends to form a longer string. It is not clear whether the duality symmetry of stringy diagrams can hold true for the TGD variants of stringy diagrams.
3. How should one describe the bound state formed by the fermion and  $X^\pm$ ? Should one describe the state as superposition of non-parallel on mass shell states so that the composite state would be automatically massive? The description as superposition of on mass shell states does not conform with the idea that bound state formation requires binding energy. In TGD framework the notion of negentropic entanglement has been suggested to make possible the analogs of bound states consisting of on mass shell states so that the binding energy is zero [K47] . If this kind of states are in question the description of virtual states in terms of on mass shell states is not lost. Of course, one cannot exclude the possibility that there is infinite number of this kind of states serving as analogs for the excitations of string like object.
4. What happens to the states formed by fermions and  $X_{\pm 1/2}$  in the internal lines of the Feynman diagram? Twistor philosophy suggests that only the higher on mass shell excitations are possible. If this picture is correct, the situation would not change in an essential manner from the earlier one.

The highly non-trivial prediction of the magnetic confinement is that elementary particles should have stringy character in electro-weak length scales and could behaving to become manifest at LHC energies. This adds one further item to the list of non-trivial predictions of TGD about physics at LHC energies [K48] .

## 2.5 Quantum TGD very briefly

There are two basic approaches to the construction of quantum TGD. The first approach relies on the vision of quantum physics as infinite-dimensional Kähler geometry [A12] for the "world of classical worlds" (WCW) identified as the space of 3-surfaces in in certain 8-dimensional space. Essentially a generalization of the Einstein's geometrization of physics program is in question. The second vision is the identification of physics as a generalized number theory involving p-adic number fields and the fusion of real numbers and p-adic numbers to a larger structure, classical number fields, and the notion of infinite prime.

With a better resolution one can distinguish also other visions crucial for quantum TGD. Indeed, the notion of finite measurement resolution realized in terms of hyper-finite factors, TGD as almost topological quantum field theory, twistor approach, zero energy ontology, and weak form of electric-magnetic duality play a decisive role in the actual construction and interpretation of the theory. One can however argue that these visions are not so fundamental for the formulation of the theory than the first two.

### 2.5.1 Physics as infinite-dimensional geometry

It is good to start with an attempt to give overall view about what the dream about physics as infinite-dimensional geometry is. The basic vision is generalization of the Einstein's program for the geometrization of classical physics so that entire quantum physics would be geometrized. Finite-dimensional geometry is certainly not enough for this purposed but physics as infinite-dimensional geometry of what might be called world of classical worlds (WCW) -or more neutrally configuration space of 3-surfaces of some higher-dimensional imbeddign space- might make sense. The requirement that the Hermitian conjugation of quantum theories has a geometric realization forces Kähler geometry for WCW. WCW defines the fixed arena of quantum physics and physical states are identified as spinor fields in WCW. These spinor fields are classical and no second quantization is needed at this level. The justification comes from the observation that infinite-dimensional Clifford algebra [A4] generated by gamma matrices allows a natural identification as fermionic oscillator algebra.

The basic challenges are following.

1. Identify WCW.
2. Provide WCW with Kähler metric and spinor structure
3. Define what spinors and spinor fields in WCW are.

There is huge variety of finite-dimensional geometries and one might think that in infinite-dimensional case one might be drowned with the multitude of possibilities. The situation is however exactly opposite. The loop spaces associated with groups have a unique Kähler geometry due to the simple condition that Riemann connection exists mathematically [A46] . This condition requires that the metric possesses maximal symmetries. Thus raises the vision that infinite-dimensional Kähler geometric existence is unique once one poses the additional condition that the resulting geometry satisfies some basic constraints forced by physical considerations.

The observation about the uniqueness of loop geometries leads also to a concrete vision about what this geometry could be. Perhaps WCW could be refarded as a union of symmetric spaces [A25] for which every point is equivalent with any other. This would simplify the construction of the geometry immensely and would mean a generalization of cosmological principle to infinite-D context [K38] , [L5] .

This still requires an answer to the question why  $M^4 \times CP_2$  is so unique. Something in the structure of this space must distinguish it in a unique manner from any other candidate. The uniqueness of  $M^4$  factor can be understood from the miraculous conformal symmetries of the light-cone boundary but in the case of  $CP_2$  there is no obvious mathematical argument of this kind although physically  $CP_2$  is unique [L14] . The observation that  $M^4 \times CP_2$  has dimension 8, the space-time surfaces have dimension 4, and partonic 2-surfaces, which are the fundamental objects by holography have dimension 2, suggests that classical number fields [A17, A6, A20] are involved and one can indeed end up to the choice  $M^4 \times CP_2$  from physics as generalized number theory vision by simple arguments [K80] , [L7] . In particular, the choices  $M^8$  -a subspace of complexified octonions (for octonions see [A17] ), which I have used to call hyper-octonions- and  $M^4 \times CP_2$  can be regarded as physically equivalent: this "number theoretical compactification" is analogous to spontaneous compactification in M-theory. No dynamical compactification takes place so that  $M^8 - H$  duality is a more appropriate term.

### 2.5.2 Physics as generalized number theory

Physics as a generalized number theory (for an overview about number theory see [A16] ) program consists of three separate threads: various p-adic physics and their fusion together with real number based physics to a larger structure [K79] , [L10] , the attempt to understand basic physics in terms

of classical number fields [K80] , [L7] (in particular, identifying associativity condition as the basic dynamical principle), and infinite primes [K78] , [L3] , whose construction is formally analogous to a repeated second quantization of an arithmetic quantum field theory. In this article a summary of the philosophical ideas behind this dream and a summary of the technical challenges and proposed means to meet them are discussed.

The construction of p-adic physics and real physics poses formidable looking technical challenges: p-adic physics should make sense both at the level of the imbedding space, the "world of classical worlds" (WCW), and space-time and these physics should allow a fusion to a larger coherent whole. This forces to generalize the notion of number by fusing reals and p-adics along rationals and common algebraic numbers. The basic problem that one encounters is definition of the definite integrals and harmonic analysis [A8] in the p-adic context [K52] . It turns out that the representability of WCW as a union of symmetric spaces [A25] provides a universal group theoretic solution not only to the construction of the Kähler geometry of WCW but also to this problem. The p-adic counterpart of a symmetric space is obtained from its discrete invariant by replacing discrete points with p-adic variants of the continuous symmetric space. Fourier analysis [A8] reduces integration to summation. If one wants to define also integrals at space-time level, one must pose additional strong constraints which effectively reduce the partonic 2-surfaces and perhaps even space-time surfaces to finite geometries and allow assign to a given partonic 2-surface a unique power of a unique p-adic prime characterizing the measurement resolution in angle variables. These integrals might make sense in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds defined by algebraic surfaces.

The dimensions of partonic 2-surface, space-time surface, and imbedding space suggest that classical number fields might be highly relevant for quantum TGD. The recent view about the connection is based on hyper-octonionic representation of the imbedding space gamma matrices, and the notions of associative and co-associative space-time regions defined as regions for which the modified gamma matrices span quaternionic or co-quaternionic plane at each point of the region. A further condition is that the tangent space at each point of space-time surface contains a preferred hyper-complex (and thus commutative) plane identifiable as the plane of non-physical polarizations so that gauge invariance has a purely number theoretic interpretation. WCW can be regarded as the space of sub-algebras of the local octonionic Clifford algebra [A4] of the imbedding space defined by space-time surfaces with the property that the local sub-Clifford algebra spanned by Clifford algebra valued functions restricted at them is associative or co-associative in a given region.

The recipe for constructing infinite primes is structurally equivalent with a repeated second quantization of an arithmetic super-symmetric quantum field theory. At the lowest level one has fermionic and bosonic states labeled by finite primes and infinite primes correspond to many particle states of this theory. Also infinite primes analogous to bound states are predicted. This hierarchy of quantizations can be continued indefinitely by taking the many particle states of the previous level as elementary particles at the next level. Construction could make sense also for hyper-quaternionic and hyper-octonionic primes although non-commutativity and non-associativity pose technical challenges. One can also construct infinite number of real units as ratios of infinite integers with a precise number theoretic anatomy. The fascinating finding is that the quantum states labeled by standard model quantum numbers allow a representation as wave functions in the discrete space of these units. Space-time point becomes infinitely richly structured in the sense that one can associate to it a wave function in the space of real (or octonionic) units allowing to represent the WCW spinor fields. One can speak about algebraic holography or number theoretic Brahman=Atman identity and one can also say that the points of imbedding space and space-time surface are subject to a number theoretic evolution.

### 2.5.3 Questions

The experience has shown repeatedly that a correct question and identification of some weakness of existing vision is what can only lead to a genuine progress. In the following I discuss the basic questions, which have stimulated progress in the challenge of constructing WCW geometry.

#### What is WCW?

Concerning the identification of WCW I have made several guesses and the progress has been basically due to the gradual realization of various physical constraints and the fact that standard physics

ontology is not enough in TGD framework.

1. The first guess was that WCW corresponds to all possible space-like 3-surfaces in  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$ , where  $M^4$  denotes Minkowski space and  $CP_2$  denotes complex projective space of two complex dimensions having also representation as coset space  $SU(3)/U(2)$  (see the separate article summarizing the basic facts about  $CP_2$  and how it codes for standard model symmetries [L1], [L8, L1]). What led to this particular choice  $H$  was the observation that the geometry of  $H$  codes for standard model quantum numbers and that the generalization of particle from point like particle to 3-surface allows to understand also remaining quantum numbers having no obvious explanation in standard model (family replication phenomenon). What is important to notice is that Poincare symmetries act as exact symmetries of  $M^4$  rather than space-time surface itself: this realizes the basic vision about Poincare invariant theory of gravitation. This lifting of symmetries to the level of imbedding space and the new dynamical degrees of freedom brought by the sub-manifold geometry of space-time surface are absolutely essential for entire quantum TGD and distinguish it from general relativity and string models. There is however a problem: it is not obvious how to get cosmology.
2. The second guess was that WCW consists of space-like 3-surfaces in  $H_+ = M_+^4 \times CP_2$ , where  $M_+^4$  future light-cone having interpretation as Big Bang cosmology at the limit of vanishing mass density with light-cone property time identified as the cosmic time. One obtains cosmology but loses exact Poincare invariance in cosmological scales since translations lead out of future light-cone. This as such has no practical significance but due to the metric 2-dimensionality of light-cone boundary  $\delta M_+^4$  the conformal symmetries of string model assignable to finite-dimensional Lie group generalize to conformal symmetries assignable to an infinite-dimensional symplectic group of  $S^2 \times CP_2$  and also localized with respect to the coordinates of 3-surface. These symmetries are simply too beautiful to be important only at the moment of Big Bang and must be present also in elementary particle length scales. Note that these symmetries are present only for 4-D Minkowski space so that a partial resolution of the old conundrum about why space-time dimension is just four emerges.
3. The third guess was that the light-like 3-surfaces in  $H$  or  $H_+$  are more attractive than space-like 3-surfaces. The reason is that the infinite-D conformal symmetries characterize also light-like 3-surfaces because they are metrically 2-dimensional. This leads to a generalization of Kac-Moody symmetries [A11] of super string models with finite-dimensional Lie group replaced with the group of isometries of  $H$ . The natural identification of light-like 3-surfaces is as 3-D surfaces defining the regions at which the signature of the induced metric changes from Minkowskian  $(1, -1, -1, -1)$  to Euclidian  $(-1 - 1 - 1 - 1)$ - I will refer these surfaces as throats or wormhole throats in the sequel. Light-like 3-surfaces are analogous to blackhole horizons and are static because strong gravity makes them light-like. Therefore also the dimension 4 for the space-time surface is unique.

This identification leads also to a rather unexpected physical interpretation. Single lightlike wormhole throat carries elementary particle quantum numbers. Fermions and their superpartners are obtained by glueing Euclidian regions (deformations of so called  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals of Kähler action) to the background with Minkowskian signature. Bosons are identified as wormhole contacts with two throats carrying fermion *resp.* antifermionic quantum numbers. These can be identified as deformations of  $CP_2$  vacuum extremals between two parallel Minkowskian space-time sheets. One can say that bosons and their superpartners emerge. This has dramatic implications for quantum TGD [K20] and QFT limit of TGD [K60].

The question is whether one obtains also a generalization of Feynman diagrams. The answer is affirmative. Light-like 3-surfaces or corresponding Euclidian regions of space-time are analogous to the lines of Feynman diagram and vertices are replaced by 2-D surface at which these surfaces are glued together. One can speak about Feynman diagrams with lines thickened to light-like 3-surfaces and vertices to 2-surfaces. The generalized Feynman diagrams are singular as 3-manifolds but the vertices are non-singular as 2-manifolds. Same applies to the corresponding space-time surfaces and space-like 3-surfaces. Therefore one can say that WCW consists of generalized Feynman diagrams- something rather different from the original identification as space-like 3-surfaces and one can wonder whether these identification could be equivalent.



4. The fourth guess was a generalization of the WCW combining the nice aspects of the identifications  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  (exact Poincare invariance) and  $H = M^4_+ \times CP_2$  (Big Bang cosmology). The idea was to generalize WCW to a union of basic building bricks -causal diamonds (CDs) - which themselves are analogous to Big Bang-Big Crunch cosmologies breaking Poincare invariance, which is however regained by the allowance of union of Poincare transforms of the causal diamonds.

The starting point is General Coordinate Invariance (GCI). It does not matter, which 3-D slice of the space-time surface one choose to represent physical data as long as slices are related by a diffeomorphism of the space-time surface. This condition implies holography in the sense that 3-D slices define holograms about 4-D reality.

The question is whether one could generalize GCI in the sense that the descriptions using space-like and light-like 3-surfaces would be equivalent physically. This requires that finite-sized space-like 3-surfaces are somehow equivalent with light-like 3-surfaces. This suggests that the light-like 3-surfaces must have ends. Same must be true for the space-time surfaces and must define preferred space-like 3-surfaces just like wormhole throats do. This makes sense only if the 2-D intersections of these two kinds of 3-surfaces -call them partonic 2-surfaces- and their 4-D tangent spaces carry the information about quantum physics. A strengthening of holography principle would be the outcome. The challenge is to understand, where the intersections defining the partonic 2-surfaces are located.

Zero energy ontology (ZEO) allows to meet this challenge.

- (a) Assume that WCW is union of sub-WCWs identified as the space of light-like 3-surfaces assignable to  $CD \times CP_2$  with given  $CD$  defined as an intersection of future and past directed lightcones of  $M^4$ . The tips of  $CD$ s have localization in  $M^4$  and one can perform for  $CD$  both translations and Lorentz boost for  $CD$ s. Space-time surfaces inside  $CD$  define the basic building brick of WCW. Also unions of  $CD$ s allowed and the  $CD$ s belonging to the union can intersect. One can of course consider the possibility of intersections and analogy with the set theoretic realization of topology.
- (b) ZEO property means that the light-like boundaries of these objects carry positive and negative energy states, whose quantum numbers are opposite. Everything can be created from vacuum and can be regarded as quantum fluctuations in the standard vocabulary of quantum field theories.
- (c) Space-time surfaces inside  $CD$ s begin from the lower boundary and end to the upper boundary and in ZEO it is natural to identify space-like 3-surfaces as pairs of space-like 3-surfaces at these boundaries. Light-like 3-surfaces connect these boundaries.
- (d) The generalization of GCI states that the descriptions based on space-like 3-surfaces must be equivalent with that based on light-like 3-surfaces. Therefore only the 2-D intersections of light-like and space-like 3-surfaces - partonic 2-surfaces- and their 4-D tangent spaces (4-surface is there!) matter. Effective 2-dimensionality means a strengthened form of holography but does not imply exact 2-dimensionality, which would reduce the theory to a mere string model like theory. Once these data are given, the 4-D space-time surface is fixed and is analogous to a generalization of Bohr orbit to infinite-D context. This is the first guess. The situation is actually more delicate due to the non-determinism of Kähler action motivating the interaction of the hierarchy of  $CD$ s within  $CD$ s.

In this framework one obtains cosmology:  $CD$ s represent a fractal hierarchy of big bang-big crunch cosmologies. One obtains also Poincare invariance. One can also interpret the non-conservation of gravitational energy in cosmology which is an empirical fact but in conflict with exact Poincare invariance as it is realized in positive energy ontology [K85, K72]. The reason is that energy and four-momentum in zero energy ontology correspond to those assignable to the positive energy part of the zero energy state of a particular  $CD$ . The density of energy as cosmologist defines it is the statistical average for given  $CD$ : this includes the contributions of sub- $CD$ s. This average density is expected to depend on the size scale of  $CD$  density is should therefore change as quantum dispersion in the moduli space of  $CD$ s takes place and leads to large time scale for any fixed sub- $CD$ .

Even more, one obtains actually quantum cosmology! There is large variety of  $CD$ s since they have position in  $M^4$  and Lorentz transformations change their shape. The first question is whether the  $M^4$  positions of both tips of  $CD$  can be free so that one could assign to both tips of  $CD$  momentum eigenstates with opposite signs of four-momentum. The proposal, which might look somewhat strange, is that this not the case and that the proper time distance between the tips is quantized in octaves of a fundamental time scale  $T = R/c$  defined by  $CP_2$  size  $R$ . This would explain p-adic length scale hypothesis which is behind most quantitative predictions of TGD. That the time scales assignable to the  $CD$  of elementary particles correspond to biologically important time scales [K25] forces to take this hypothesis very seriously.

The interpretation for  $T$  could be as a cosmic time quantized in powers of two. Even more general quantization is proposed to take place. The relative position of the second tip with respect to the first defines a point of the proper time constant hyperboloid of the future light cone. The hypothesis is that one must replace this hyperboloid with a lattice like structure. This implies very powerful cosmological predictions finding experimental support from the quantization of redshifts for instance [K72]. For quite recent further empirical support see [E15].

One should not take this argument without a grain of salt. Can one really realize zero energy ontology in this framework? The geometric picture is that translations correspond to translations of  $CD$ s. Translations should be done independently for the upper and lower tip of  $CD$  if one wants to speak about zero energy states but this is not possible if the proper time distance is quantized. If the relative  $M^4_+$  coordinate is discrete, this pessimistic conclusion is strengthened further.

The manner to get rid of problem is to assume that translations are represented by quantum operators acting on states at the light-like boundaries. This is just what standard quantum theory assumes. An alternative- purely geometric- way out of difficulty is the Kac-Moody symmetry associated with light-like 3-surfaces meaning that local  $M^4$  translations depending on the point of partonic 2-surface are gauge symmetries. For a given translation leading out of  $CD$  this gauge symmetry allows to make a compensating transformation which allows to satisfy the constraint.

This picture is roughly the recent view about  $WCW$ . What deserves to be emphasized is that a very concrete connection with basic structures of quantum field theory emerges already at the level of basic objects of the theory and GCI implies a strong form of holography and almost stringy picture.

### Some Why's

In the following I try to summarize the basic motivations behind quantum TGD in form of various Why's.

#### 1. Why WCW?

Einstein's program has been extremely successful at the level of classical physics. Fusion of general relativity and quantum theory has however failed. The generalization of Einstein's geometrization program of physics from classical physics to quantum physics gives excellent hopes about the success in this project. Infinite-dimensional geometries are highly unique and this gives hopes about fixing the physics completely from the uniqueness of the infinite-dimensional Kähler geometric existence.

#### 2. Why spinor structure in WCW?

Gamma matrices defining the Clifford algebra [A4] of WCW are expressible in terms of fermionic oscillator operators. This is obviously something new as compared to the view about gamma matrices as bosonic objects. There is however no deep reason denying this kind of identification. As a consequence, a geometrization of fermionic oscillator operator algebra and fermionic statistics follows as also geometrization of super-conformal symmetries [A24, A11] since gamma matrices define super-generators of the algebra of WCW isometries extended to a super-algebra.

#### 3. Why Kähler geometry?

Geometrization of the bosonic oscillator operators in terms of WCW vector fields and fermionic oscillator operators in terms of gamma matrices spanning Clifford algebra. Gamma matrices

span hyper-finite factor of type  $II_1$  and the extremely beautiful properties of these von Neuman algebras [A43] (one of the three von Neuman algebras that von Neumann suggests as possible mathematical frameworks behind quantum theory) lead to a direct connection with the basic structures of modern physics (quantum groups, non-commutative geometries,.. [A51] ).

A further reason why is the finiteness of the theory.

- (a) In standard QFTs there are two kinds of divergences. Action is a local functional of fields in 4-D sense and one performs path integral over **all** 4-surfaces to construct S-matrix. Mathematically path integration is a poorly defined procedure and one obtains diverging Gaussian determinants and divergences due to the local interaction vertices. Regularization provides the manner to get rid of the infinities but makes the theory very ugly.
- (b) Kähler function defining the Kähler geometry is expected to be non-local functional of the partonic 2-surface (Kähler action for a preferred extremal having as its ends the positive and negative energy 3-surfaces). Path integral is replaced with a functional integral which is mathematically well-defined procedure and one performs functional integral only over the partonic 2-surfaces rather than all 4-surfaces (holography). The exponent of Kähler function defines a unique vacuum functional. The local divergences of local quantum field theories of local quantum field theories since there are no local interaction vertices. Also the divergences associated with the Gaussian determinant and metric determinant cancel since these two determinants cancel each other in the integration over WCW. As a matter fact, symmetric space property suggest a much more elegant manner to perform the functional integral by reducing it to harmonic analysis in infinite-dimensional symmetric space [K29] .
- (c) One can imagine also the possibility of divergences in fermionic degrees of freedom but it has turned out that the generalized Feynman diagrams in ZEO are manifestly finite. Even more: it is quite possible that only finite number of these diagrams give non-vanishing contributions to the scattering amplitude. This is essentially due to the new view about virtual particles, which are identified as bound states of on mass shell states assigned with the throats of wormhole contacts so that the integration over loop momenta of virtual particles is extremely restricted [K29] .

#### 4. Why infinite-dimensional symmetries?

WCW must be a union of symmetric spaces in order that the Riemann connection exists (this generalizes the finding of Freed for loop groups [A46] ). Since the points of symmetric spaces are metrically equivalent, the geometrization becomes tractable although the dimension is infinite. A union of symmetric spaces is required because 3-surfaces with a size of galaxy and electron cannot be metrically equivalent. Zero modes distinguish these surfaces and can be regarded as purely classical degrees of freedom whereas the degrees of freedom contributing to the WCW line element are quantum fluctuating degrees of freedom.

One immediate implication of the symmetric space property is constant curvature space property meaning that the Ricci tensor proportional to metric tensor. Infinite-dimensionality means that Ricci scalar either vanishes or is infinite. This implies vanishing of Ricci tensor and vacuum Einstein equations for WCW.

#### 5. Why $M^4 \times CP_2$ ?

This choice provides an explanation for standard model quantum numbers. The conjecture is that infinite-D geometry of 3-surfaces exists only for this choice. As noticed, the dimension of space-time surfaces and  $M^4$  fixed by the requirement of generalized conformal invariance [A23] making possible to achieve symmetric space property. If  $M^4 \times CP_2$  is so special, there must be a good reason for this. Number theoretical vision [K80] , [L7] indeed leads to the identification of this reason. One can assign the hierarchy of dimensions associated with partonic 2-surfaces, space-time surfaces and imbedding space to classical number fields and can assign to imbedding space what might be called hyper-octonionic structure. "Hyper" comes from the fact that the tangent space of  $H$  corresponds to the subspaces of complexified octonions with octonionic imaginary units multiplied by a commuting imaginary unit. The space-time

reions would be either hyper-quaternionic or co-hyper-quaternionic so that associativity/co-associativity would become the basic dynamical principle at the level of space-time dynamics. Whether this dynamical principle is equivalent with the preferred extremal property of Kähler action remains an open conjecture.

#### 6. Why zero energy ontology and why causal diamonds?

The consistency between Poincare invariance and GRT requires ZEO. In positive energy ontology only one of the infinite number of classical solutions is realized and partially fixed by the values of conserved quantum numbers so that the theory becomes obsolete. Even in quantum theory conservation laws mean that only those solutions of field equations with the quantum numbers of the initial state of the Universe are interesting and one faces the problem of understanding what the the initial state of the universe was. In ZEO these problems disappear. Everything is creatable from vacuum: if the physical state is mathematically realizable it is in principle reachable by a sequence of quantum jumps. There are no physically non-reachable entities in the theory. Zero energy ontology leads also to a fusion of thermodynamics with quantum theory. Zero energy states are defined as entangled states of positive and negative energy states and entanglement coefficients define what I call  $M$ -matrix identified as "complex square root" of density matrix expressible as a product of diagonal real and positive density matrix and unitary  $S$ -matrix [K20].

There are several good reasons why for causal diamonds. ZEO requires  $CD$ s, the generalized form of GCI and strong form of holography (light-like and space-like 3-surfaces are physically equivalent representations) require  $CD$ s, and also the view about light-like 3-surfaces as generalized Feynman diagrams requires  $CD$ s. Also the classical non-determinism of Kähler action can be understood using the hierarchy  $CD$ s and the addition of  $CD$ s inside  $CD$ s to obtain a fractal hierarchy of them provides an elegant manner to understand radiative corrections and coupling constant evolution in TGD framework.

A strong physical argument in favor of  $CD$ s is the finding that the quantized proper time distance between the tips of  $CD$  fixed to be an octave of a fundamental time scale defined by  $CP_2$  happens to define fundamental biological time scale for electron,  $u$  quark and  $d$  quark [K25]: there would be a deep connection between elementary particle physics and living matter leading to testable predictions.

### 2.5.4 Modified Dirac action

The construction of the spinor structure for the world of classical worlds (WCW) leads to the vision that second quantized modified Dirac equation codes for the entire quantum TGD. Among other things this would mean that Dirac determinant would define the vacuum functional of the theory having interpretation as the exponent of Kähler function of WCW and Kähler function would reduce to Kähler action for a preferred extremal of Kähler action. In this chapter the recent view about the modified Dirac action are explained in more detail.

#### Identification of the modified Dirac action

The modified Dirac action involves several terms. The first one is 4-dimensional assignable to Kähler action. Second term is instanton term reducible to an expression restricted to wormhole throats or any light-like 3-surfaces parallel to them in the slicing of space-time surface by light-like 3-surfaces. The third term is assignable to Chern-Simons term and has interpretation as a measurement interaction term linear in Cartan algebra of the isometry group of the imbedding space in order to obtain stringy propagators and also to realize coupling between the quantum numbers associated with super-conformal representations and space-time geometry required by quantum classical correspondence.

This means that 3-D light-like wormhole throats carry induced spinor field which can be regarded as independent degrees of freedom having the spinor fields at partonic 2-surfaces as sources and acting as 3-D sources for the 4-D induced spinor field. The most general measurement interaction would involve the corresponding coupling also for Kähler action but is not physically motivated. There are good arguments in favor of Chern-Simons Dirac action and corresponding measurement interaction.

1. A correlation between 4-D geometry of space-time sheet and quantum numbers is achieved by the identification of exponent of Kähler function as Dirac determinant making possible the entanglement of classical degrees of freedom in the interior of space-time sheet with quantum numbers.
2. Cartan algebra plays a key role not only at quantum level but also at the level of space-time geometry since quantum critical conserved currents vanish for Cartan algebra of isometries and the measurement interaction terms giving rise to conserved currents are possible only for Cartan algebras. Furthermore, modified Dirac equation makes sense only for eigen states of Cartan algebra generators. The hierarchy of Planck constants realized in terms of the book like structure of the generalized imbedding space assigns to each  $CD$  (causal diamond) preferred Cartan algebra: in case of Poincare algebra there are two of them corresponding to linear and cylindrical  $M^4$  coordinates.
3. Quantum holography and dimensional reduction hierarchy in which partonic 2-surface defined fermionic sources for 3-D fermionic fields at light-like 3-surfaces  $Y_l^3$  in turn defining fermionic sources for 4-D spinors find an elegant realization. Effective 2-dimensionality is achieved if the replacement of light-like wormhole throat  $X_l^3$  with light-like 3-surface  $Y_l^3$  "parallel" with it in the definition of Dirac determinant corresponds to the  $U(1)$  gauge transformation  $K \rightarrow K + f + \bar{f}$  for Kähler function of WCW so that WCW Kähler metric is not affected. Here  $f$  is holomorphic function of WCW ("world of classical worlds") complex coordinates and arbitrary function of zero mode coordinates.
4. An elegant description of the interaction between super-conformal representations realized at partonic 2-surfaces and dynamics of space-time surfaces is achieved since the values of Cartan charges are feeded to the 3-D Dirac equation which also receives mass term at the same time. Almost topological QFT at wormhole throats results at the limit when four-momenta vanish: this is in accordance with the original vision about TGD as almost topological QFT.
5. A detailed view about the physical role of quantum criticality results. Quantum criticality fixes the values of Kähler coupling strength as the analog of critical temperature. Quantum criticality implies that second variation of Kähler action vanishes for critical deformations and the existence of conserved current except in the case of Cartan algebra of isometries. Quantum criticality allows to fix the values of couplings appearing in the measurement interaction by using the condition  $K \rightarrow K + f + \bar{f}$ . p-Adic coupling constant evolution can be understood also and corresponds to scale hierarchy for the sizes of causal diamonds ( $CDs$ ).
6. The inclusion of imaginary instanton term to the definition of the modified gamma matrices is not consistent with the conjugation of the induced spinor fields. Measurement interaction can be however assigned to both Kähler action and its instanton term. CP breaking, irreversibility and the space-time description of dissipation are closely related and the CP and T oddness of the instanton part of the measurement interaction term could provide first level description for dissipative effects. It must be however emphasized that the mere addition of instanton term to Kähler function could be enough.
7. A radically new view about matter antimatter asymmetry based on zero energy ontology emerges and one could understand the experimental absence of antimatter as being due to the fact antimatter corresponds to negative energy states. The identification of bosons as wormhole contacts is the only possible option in this framework.
8. Almost stringy propagators and a consistency with the identification of wormhole throats as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams is achieved. The notion of bosonic emergence leads to a long sought general master formula for the  $M$ -matrix elements. The counterpart for fermionic loop defining bosonic inverse propagator at QFT limit is wormhole contact with fermion and cutoffs in mass squared and hyperbolic angle for loop momenta of fermion and antifermion in the rest system of emitting boson have precise geometric counterpart.

### Hyper-quaternionicity and quantum criticality

The conjecture that quantum critical space-time surfaces are hyper-quaternionic in the sense that the modified gamma matrices span a quaternionic subspace of complexified octonions at each point of the space-time surface is consistent with what is known about preferred extremals. The condition that both the modified gamma matrices and spinors are quaternionic at each point of the space-time surface leads to a precise ansatz for the general solution of the modified Dirac equation making sense also in the real context. The octonionic version of the modified Dirac equation is very simple since  $SO(7, 1)$  as vielbein group is replaced with  $G_2$  acting as automorphisms of octonions so that only the neutral Abelian part of the classical electro-weak gauge fields survives the map.

Octonionic gamma matrices provide also a non-associative representation for the 8-D version of Pauli sigma matrices and encourage the identification of 8-D twistors as pairs of octonionic spinors conjectured to be highly relevant also for quantum TGD. Quaternionicity condition implies that octo-twistors reduce to something closely related to ordinary twistors.

### The exponent of Kähler function as Dirac determinant for the modified Dirac action

Although quantum criticality in principle predicts the possible values of Kähler coupling strength, one might hope that there exists even more fundamental approach involving no coupling constants and predicting even quantum criticality and realizing quantum gravitational holography.

1. The Dirac determinant defined by the product of Dirac determinants associated with the light-like partonic 3-surfaces  $X_l^3$  associated with a given space-time sheet  $X^4$  is the simplest candidate for vacuum functional identifiable as the exponent of the Kähler function. Individual Dirac determinant is defined as the product of eigenvalues of the dimensionally reduced modified Dirac operator  $D_{K,3}$  and there are good arguments suggesting that the number of eigenvalues is finite. p-Adicization requires that the eigenvalues belong to a given algebraic extension of rationals. This restriction would imply a hierarchy of physics corresponding to different extensions and could automatically imply the finiteness and algebraic number property of the Dirac determinants if only finite number of eigenvalues would contribute. The regularization would be performed by physics itself if this were the case.
2. It remains to be proven that the product of eigenvalues gives rise to the exponent of Kähler action for the preferred extremal of Kähler action. At this moment the only justification for the conjecture is that this the only thing that one can imagine.
3. A long-standing conjecture has been that the zeros of Riemann Zeta are somehow relevant for quantum TGD. Riemann zeta is however naturally replaced Dirac zeta defined by the eigenvalues of  $D_{K,3}$  and closely related to Riemann Zeta since the spectrum consists essentially for the cyclotron energy spectra for localized solutions region of non-vanishing induced Kähler magnetic field and hence is in good approximation integer valued up to some cutoff integer. In zero energy ontology the Dirac zeta function associated with these eigenvalues defines "square root" of thermodynamics assuming that the energy levels of the system in question are expressible as logarithms of the eigenvalues of the modified Dirac operator defining kind of fundamental constants. Critical points correspond to approximate zeros of Dirac zeta and if Kähler function vanishes at criticality as it indeed should, the thermal energies at critical points are in first order approximation proportional to zeros themselves so that a connection between quantum criticality and approximate zeros of Dirac zeta emerges.
4. The discretization induced by the number theoretic braids reduces the world of classical worlds to effectively finite-dimensional space and configuration space Clifford algebra reduces to a finite-dimensional algebra. The interpretation is in terms of finite measurement resolution represented in terms of Jones inclusion  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{N}$  of HFFs with  $\mathcal{M}$  taking the role of complex numbers. The finite-D quantum Clifford algebra spanned by fermionic oscillator operators is identified as a representation for the coset space  $\mathcal{N}/\mathcal{M}$  describing physical states modulo measurement resolution. In the sectors of generalized imbedding space corresponding to non-standard values of Planck constant quantum version of Clifford algebra is in question.

### 2.5.5 Three Dirac operators and their interpretation

The physical interpretation of Kähler Dirac equation is not at all straightforward. The following arguments inspired by effective 2-dimensionality suggest that the modified gamma matrices and corresponding effective metric could allow dual gravitational description of the physics associated with wormhole throats. This applies in particular to condensed matter physics.

#### Three Dirac equations

To begin with, Dirac equation appears in three forms in TGD.

1. The Dirac equation in world of classical worlds codes for the super Virasoro conditions for the super Kac-Moody and similar representations formed by the states of wormhole contacts forming the counterpart of string like objects (throats correspond to the ends of the string. This Dirac generalizes the Dirac of 8-D imbedding space by bringing in vibrational degrees of freedom. This Dirac equation should give as its solutions zero energy states and corresponding M-matrices generalizing S-matrix and their collection defining the unitary U-matrix whose natural application appears in consciousness theory as a coder of what Penrose calls U-process.
2. There is generalized eigenvalue equation for Chern-Simons Dirac operator at light-like wormhole throats. The generalized eigenvalue is  $p^k \gamma_k$ . The interpretation of pseudo-momentum  $p^k$  has been a problem but twistor Grassmannian approach suggests strongly that it can be interpreted as the counterpart of equally mysterious region momentum appearing in momentum twistor Grassmannian approach to  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM. The pseudo-/region momentum  $p$  is quantized (this does not spoil the basics of Grassmannian residues integral approach) and  $1/p^k \gamma_k$  defines propagator in lines of generalized Feynman diagrams. The Yangian symmetry discovered generalizes in a very straightforward manner and leads also to the realization that TGD could allow also a twistorial formulation in terms of product  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  of two twistor spaces [K92]. General arguments lead to a proposal for explicit form for the solutions of field equation represented identified as holomorphic 6-surfaces in this space subject to additional partial differential equations for homogenous functions of projective twistor coordinates suggesting strongly the quantal interpretation as analogs of partial waves. Therefore quantum-classical correspondence would be realized in beautiful manner.
3. There is Kähler Dirac equation in the interior of space-time. In this equation the gamma matrices are replaced with modified gamma matrices defined by the contractions of canonical momentum currents  $T_k^\alpha = \partial L / \partial_\alpha h^k$  with imbedding space gamma matrices  $\Gamma_k$ . This replacement is required by internal consistency and by super-conformal symmetries.

Could Kähler Dirac equation provide a first principle justification for the light-hearted use of effective mass and the analog of Dirac equation in condensed matter physics? This would conform with the holographic philosophy. Partonic 2-surfaces with tangent space data and their light-like orbits would give hologram like representation of physics and the interior of space-time the 4-D representation of physics. Holography would have in the recent situation interpretation also as quantum classical correspondence between representations of physics in terms of quantized spinor fields at the light-like 3-surfaces on one hand and in terms of classical fields on the other hand.

The resulting dispersion relation for the square of the Kähler-Dirac operator assuming that induced like metric, Kähler field, etc. are very slowly varying contains quadratic and linear terms in momentum components plus a term corresponding to magnetic moment coupling. In general massive dispersion relation is obtained as is also clear from the fact that Kähler Dirac gamma matrices are combinations of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gammas so that modified Dirac mixes different  $M^4$  chiralities (basic signal for massivation). If one takes into account the dependence of the induced geometric quantities on space-time point dispersion relations become non-local.

#### Does energy metric provide the gravitational dual for condensed matter systems?

The modified gamma matrices define an effective metric via their anticommutators which are quadratic in components of energy momentum tensor (canonical momentum densities). This effective metric vanishes for vacuum extremals. Note that the use of modified gamma matrices guarantees among other

things internal consistency and super-conformal symmetries of the theory. The physical interpretation has remained obscure hitherto although corresponding effective metric for Chern-Simons Dirac action has now a clear physical interpretation.

If the above argument is on the right track, this effective metric should have applications in condensed matter theory. In fact, energy metric has a natural interpretation in terms of effective light velocities which depend on direction of propagation. One can diagonalize the energy metric  $g_e^{\alpha\beta}$  (contravariant form results from the anticommutators) and one can denote its eigenvalues by  $(v_0, v_i)$  in the case that the signature of the effective metric is  $(1, -1, -1, -1)$ . The 3-vector  $v_i/v_0$  has interpretation as components of effective light velocity in various directions as becomes clear by thinking the d'Alembert equation for the energy metric. This velocity field could be interpreted as that of hydrodynamic flow. The study of the extremals of Kähler action shows that if this flow is actually Beltrami flow so that the flow parameter associated with the flow lines extends to global coordinate, Kähler action reduces to a 3-D Chern-Simons action and one obtains effective topological QFT. The conserved fermion current  $\bar{\Psi}\Gamma_e^\alpha\Psi$  has interpretation as incompressible hydrodynamical flow.

This would give also a nice analogy with AdS/CFT correspondence allowing to describe various kinds of physical systems in terms of higher-dimensional gravitation and black holes are introduced quite routinely to describe condensed matter systems. In TGD framework one would have an analogous situation but with 10-D space-time replaced with the interior of 4-D space-time and the boundary of AdS representing Minkowski space with the light-like 3-surfaces carrying matter. The effective gravitation would correspond to the "energy metric". One can associate with it curvature tensor, Ricci tensor and Einstein tensor using standard formulas and identify effective energy momentum tensor associated as Einstein tensor with effective Newton's constant appearing as constant of proportionality. Note however that the besides ordinary metric and "energy" metric one would have also the induced classical gauge fields having purely geometric interpretation and action would be Kähler action. This 4-D holography would provide a precise, dramatically simpler, and also a very concrete dual description. This cannot be said about model of graphene based on the introduction of 10-dimensional black holes, branes, and strings chosen in more or less ad hoc manner.

This raises questions. Does this give a general dual gravitational description of dissipative effects in terms of the "energy" metric and induced gauge fields? Does one obtain the counterparts of black holes? Do the general theorems of general relativity about the irreversible evolution leading to black holes generalize to describe analogous fate of condensed matter systems caused by dissipation? Can one describe non-equilibrium thermodynamics and self-organization in this manner?

One might argue that the incompressible Beltrami flow defined by the dynamics of the preferred extremals is dissipationless and viscosity must therefore vanish locally. The failure of complete non-determinism of Kähler action however means generation of entropy since the knowledge about the state decreases gradually. This in turn should have a phenomenological local description in terms of viscosity which characterizes the transfer of energy to shorter scales and eventually to radiation. The deeper description should be non-local and basically topological and might lead to quantization rules. For instance, one can imagine the quantization of the ratio  $\eta/s$  of the viscosity to entropy density as multiples of a basic unit defined by its lower bound (note that this would be analogous to Quantum Hall effect). For the first M-theory inspired derivation of the lower bound of  $\eta/s$  [D43]. The lower bound for  $\eta/s$  is satisfied in good approximation by what should have been QCD plasma but found to be something different (RHIC and the first evidence for new physics from LHC [K48]).

An encouraging sign comes from the observation that for so called massless extremals representing classically arbitrarily shaped pulses of radiation propagating without dissipation and dispersion along single direction the canonical momentum currents are light-like. The effective contravariant metric vanishes identically so that fermions cannot propagate in the interior of massless extremals! This is of course the case also for vacuum extremals. Massless extremals are purely bosonic and represent bosonic radiation. Many-sheeted space-time decomposes into matter containing regions and radiation containing regions. Note that when wormhole contact (particle) is glued to a massless extremal, it is deformed so that  $CP_2$  projection becomes 4-D guaranteeing that the weak form of electric magnetic duality can be satisfied. Therefore massless extremals can be seen as asymptotic regions. Perhaps one could say that dissipation corresponds to a decoherence process creating space-time sheets consisting of matter and radiation. Those containing matter might be even seen as analogs blackholes as far as energy metric is considered.



### Preferred extremals as perfect fluids

Almost perfect fluids seems to be abundant in Nature. For instance, QCD plasma was originally thought to behave like gas and therefore have a rather high viscosity to entropy density ratio  $x = \eta/s$ . Already RHIC found that it however behaves like almost perfect fluid with  $x$  near to the minimum predicted by AdS/CFT. The findings from LHC gave additional confirm the discovery [C65]. Also Fermi gas is predicted on basis of experimental observations to have at low temperatures a low viscosity roughly 5-6 times the minimal value [D32]. In the following the argument that the preferred extremals of Kähler action are perfect fluids apart from the symmetry breaking to space-time sheets is developed. The argument requires some basic formulas summarized first.

The detailed definition of the viscous part of the stress energy tensor linear in velocity (oddness in velocity relates directly to second law) can be found in [D19].

1. The symmetric part of the gradient of velocity gives the viscous part of the stress-energy tensor as a tensor linear in velocity. Velocity gradient decomposes to a term traceless tensor term and a term reducing to scalar.

$$\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i = \frac{2}{3} \partial_k v^k g_{ij} + (\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} \partial_k v^k g_{ij}) . \quad (2.5.1)$$

The viscous contribution to stress tensor is given in terms of this decomposition as

$$\sigma_{visc;ij} = \zeta \partial_k v^k g_{ij} + \eta (\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} \partial_k v^k g_{ij}) . \quad (2.5.2)$$

From  $dF^i = T^{ij} S_j$  it is clear that bulk viscosity  $\zeta$  gives to energy momentum tensor a pressure like contribution having interpretation in terms of friction opposing. Shear viscosity  $\eta$  corresponds to the traceless part of the velocity gradient often called just viscosity. This contribution to the stress tensor is non-diagonal and corresponds to momentum transfer in directions not parallel to momentum and makes the flow rotational. This term is essential for the thermal conduction and thermal conductivity vanishes for ideal fluids.

2. The 3-D total stress tensor can be written as

$$\sigma_{ij} = \rho v_i v_j - p g_{ij} + \sigma_{visc;ij} . \quad (2.5.3)$$

The generalization to a 4-D relativistic situation is simple. One just adds terms corresponding to energy density and energy flow to obtain

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = (\rho - p) u^\alpha u^\beta + p g^{\alpha\beta} - \sigma_{visc}^{\alpha\beta} . \quad (2.5.4)$$

Here  $u^\alpha$  denotes the local four-velocity satisfying  $u^\alpha u_\alpha = 1$ . The sign factors relate to the conventions in the definition of Minkowski metric  $((1, -1, -1, -1))$ .

3. If the flow is such that the flow parameters associated with the flow lines integrate to a global flow parameter one can identify new time coordinate  $t$  as this flow parameter. This means a transition to a coordinate system in which fluid is at rest everywhere (comoving coordinates in cosmology) so that energy momentum tensor reduces to a diagonal term plus viscous term.

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = (\rho - p) g^{tt} \delta_t^\alpha \delta_t^\beta + p g^{\alpha\beta} - \sigma_{visc}^{\alpha\beta} . \quad (2.5.5)$$

In this case the vanishing of the viscous term means that one has perfect fluid in strong sense. The existence of a global flow parameter means that one has

$$v_i = \Psi \partial_i \Phi . \quad (2.5.6)$$

$\Psi$  and  $\Phi$  depend on space-time point. The proportionality to a gradient of scalar  $\Phi$  implies that  $\Phi$  can be taken as a global time coordinate. If this condition is not satisfied, the perfect fluid property makes sense only locally.

AdS/CFT correspondence allows to deduce a lower limit for the coefficient of shear viscosity as

$$x = \frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{\hbar}{4\pi} . \quad (2.5.7)$$

This formula holds true in units in which one has  $k_B = 1$  so that temperature has unit of energy.

What makes this interesting from TGD view is that in TGD framework perfect fluid property in appropriately generalized sense indeed characterizes locally the preferred extremals of Kähler action defining space-time surface.

1. Kähler action is Maxwell action with U(1) gauge field replaced with the projection of  $CP_2$  Kähler form so that the four  $CP_2$  coordinates become the dynamical variables at QFT limit. This means enormous reduction in the number of degrees of freedom as compared to the ordinary unifications. The field equations for Kähler action define the dynamics of space-time surfaces and this dynamics reduces to conservation laws for the currents assignable to isometries. This means that the system has a hydrodynamic interpretation. This is a considerable difference to ordinary Maxwell equations. Notice however that the "topological" half of Maxwell's equations (Faraday's induction law and the statement that no non-topological magnetic are possible) is satisfied.
2. Even more, the resulting hydrodynamical system allows an interpretation in terms of a perfect fluid. The general ansatz for the preferred extremals of field equations assumes that various conserved currents are proportional to a vector field characterized by so called Beltrami property. The coefficient of proportionality depends on space-time point and the conserved current in question. Beltrami fields by definition is a vector field such that the time parameters assignable to its flow lines integrate to single global coordinate. This is highly non-trivial and one of the implications is almost topological QFT property due to the fact that Kähler action reduces to a boundary term assignable to wormhole throats which are light-like 3-surfaces at the boundaries of regions of space-time with Euclidian and Minkowskian signatures. The Euclidian regions (or wormhole throats, depends on one's tastes ) define what I identify as generalized Feynman diagrams.

Beltrami property means that if the time coordinate for a space-time sheet is chosen to be this global flow parameter, all conserved currents have only time component. In TGD framework energy momentum tensor is replaced with a collection of conserved currents assignable to various isometries and the analog of energy momentum tensor complex constructed in this manner has no counterparts of non-diagonal components. Hence the preferred extremals allow an interpretation in terms of perfect fluid without any viscosity.

This argument justifies the expectation that TGD Universe is characterized by the presence of low-viscosity fluids. Real fluids of course have a non-vanishing albeit small value of  $x$ . What causes the failure of the exact perfect fluid property?

1. Many-sheetedness of the space-time is the underlying reason. Space-time surface decomposes into finite-sized space-time sheets containing topologically condensed smaller space-time sheets containing.... Only within given sheet perfect fluid property holds true and fails at wormhole contacts and because the sheet has a finite size. As a consequence, the global flow parameter exists only in given length and time scale. At imbedding space level and in zero energy ontology the phrasing of the same would be in terms of hierarchy of causal diamonds (CDs).

2. The so called eddy viscosity is caused by eddies (vortices) of the flow. The space-time sheets glued to a larger one are indeed analogous to eddies so that the reduction of viscosity to eddy viscosity could make sense quite generally. Also the phase slippage phenomenon of super-conductivity meaning that the total phase increment of the super-conducting order parameter is reduced by a multiple of  $2\pi$  in phase slippage so that the average velocity proportional to the increment of the phase along the channel divided by the length of the channel is reduced by a quantized amount.

The standard arrangement for measuring viscosity involves a lipid layer flowing along plane. The velocity of flow with respect to the surface increases from  $v = 0$  at the lower boundary to  $v_{upper}$  at the upper boundary of the layer: this situation can be regarded as outcome of the dissipation process and prevails as long as energy is feeded into the system. The reduction of the velocity in direction orthogonal to the layer means that the flow becomes rotational during dissipation leading to this stationary situation.

This suggests that the elementary building block of dissipation process corresponds to a generation of vortex identifiable as cylindrical space-time sheets parallel to the plane of the flow and orthogonal to the velocity of flow and carrying quantized angular momentum. One expects that vortices have a spectrum labelled by quantum numbers like energy and angular momentum so that dissipation takes in discrete steps by the generation of vortices which transfer the energy and angular momentum to environment and in this manner generate the velocity gradient.

3. The quantization of the parameter  $x$  is suggestive in this framework. If entropy density and viscosity are both proportional to the density  $n$  of the eddies, the value of  $x$  would equal to the ratio of the quanta of entropy and kinematic viscosity  $\eta/n$  for single eddy if all eddies are identical. The quantum would be  $\hbar/4\pi$  in the units used and the suggestive interpretation is in terms of the quantization of angular momentum. One of course expects a spectrum of eddies so that this simple prediction should hold true only at temperatures for which the excitation energies of vortices are above the thermal energy. The increase of the temperature would suggest that gradually more and more vortices come into play and that the ratio increases in a stepwise manner bringing in mind quantum Hall effect. In TGD Universe the value of  $\hbar$  can be large in some situations so that the quantal character of dissipation could become visible even macroscopically. Whether this a situation with large  $\hbar$  is encountered even in the case of QCD plasma is an interesting question.

The following poor man's argument tries to make the idea about quantization a little bit more concrete.

1. The vortices transfer momentum parallel to the plane from the flow. Therefore they must have momentum parallel to the flow given by the total cm momentum of the vortex. Before continuing some notations are needed. Let the densities of vortices and absorbed vortices be  $n$  and  $n_{abs}$  respectively. Denote by  $v_{\parallel}$  resp.  $v_{\perp}$  the components of cm momenta parallel to the main flow resp. perpendicular to the plane boundary plane. Let  $m$  be the mass of the vortex. Denote by  $S$  parallel to the boundary plane.
2. The flow of momentum component parallel to the main flow due to the absorbed at  $S$  is

$$n_{abs} m v_{\parallel} v_{\perp} S .$$

This momentum flow must be equal to the viscous force

$$F_{visc} = \eta \frac{v_{\parallel}}{d} \times S .$$

From this one obtains

$$\eta = n_{abs} m v_{\perp} d .$$

If the entropy density is due to the vortices, it equals apart from possible numerical factors to

$$s = n$$

so that one has

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = mv_{\perp}d .$$

This quantity should have lower bound  $x = \hbar/4\pi$  and perhaps even quantized in multiples of  $x$ , Angular momentum quantization suggests strongly itself as origin of the quantization.

3. Local momentum conservation requires that the comoving vortices are created in pairs with opposite momenta and thus propagating with opposite velocities  $v_{\perp}$ . Only one half of vortices is absorbed so that one has  $n_{abs} = n/2$ . Vortex has quantized angular momentum associated with its internal rotation. Angular momentum is generated to the flow since the vortices flowing downwards are absorbed at the boundary surface.

Suppose that the distance of their center of mass lines parallel to plane is  $D = \epsilon d$ ,  $\epsilon$  a numerical constant not too far from unity. The vortices of the pair moving in opposite direction have same angular momentum  $mv \cdot D/2$  relative to their center of mass line between them. Angular momentum conservation requires that the sum these relative angular momenta cancels the sum of the angular momenta associated with the vortices themselves. Quantization for the total angular momentum for the pair of vortices gives

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{n\hbar}{\epsilon}$$

Quantization condition would give

$$\epsilon = 4\pi .$$

One should understand why  $D = 4\pi d$  - four times the circumference for the largest circle contained by the boundary layer- should define the minimal distance between the vortices of the pair. This distance is larger than the distance  $d$  for maximally sized vortices of radius  $d/2$  just touching. This distance obviously increases as the thickness of the boundary layer increases suggesting that also the radius of the vortices scales like  $d$ .

4. One cannot of course take this detailed model too literally. What is however remarkable that quantization of angular momentum and dissipation mechanism based on vortices identified as space-time sheets indeed could explain why the lower bound for the ratio  $\eta/s$  is so small.

### Is the effective metric one- or two-dimensional?

The following argument suggests that the effective metric defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices is effectively one- or two-dimensional. Effective one-dimensionality would conform with the observation that the solutions of the modified Dirac equations can be localized to one-dimensional world lines in accordance with the vision that finite measurement resolution implies discretization reducing partonic many-particle states to quantum superpositions of braids. This localization to 1-D curves occurs always at the 3-D orbits of the partonic 2-surfaces.

The argument is based on the following assumptions.

1. The modified gamma matrices for Kähler action are contractions of the canonical momentum densities  $T_k^{\alpha}$  with the gamma matrices of  $H$ .
2. The strongest assumption is that the isometry currents

$$J^{A\alpha} = T_k^{\alpha} j^{Ak}$$

for the preferred extremals of Kähler action are of form

$$J^{A\alpha} = \Psi^A (\nabla \Phi)^{\alpha} \tag{2.5.8}$$

with a common function  $\Phi$  guaranteeing that the flow lines of the currents integrate to coordinate lines of single global coordinate variables (Beltrami property). Index raising is carried out by using the ordinary induced metric.

3. A weaker assumption is that one has two functions  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  assignable to the isometry currents of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  respectively.:

$$\begin{aligned} J_1^{A\alpha} &= \Psi_1^A (\nabla \Phi_1)^\alpha , \\ J_2^{A\alpha} &= \Psi_2^A (\nabla \Phi_2)^\alpha . \end{aligned} \quad (2.5.9)$$

The two functions  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$  could define dual light-like curves spanning string world sheet. In this case one would have effective 2-dimensionality and decomposition to string world sheets [K39]. Isometry invariance does not allow more than two independent scalar functions  $\Phi_i$ .

Consider now the argument.

1. One can multiply both sides of this equation with  $j^{Ak}$  and sum over the index  $A$  labeling isometry currents for translations of  $M^4$  and  $SU(3)$  currents for  $CP_2$ . The tensor quantity  $\sum_A j^{Ak} j^{Al}$  is invariant under isometries and must therefore satisfy

$$\sum_A \eta_{AB} j^{Ak} j^{Al} = h^{kl} , \quad (2.5.10)$$

where  $\eta_{AB}$  denotes the flat tangent space metric of  $H$ . In  $M^4$  degrees of freedom this statement becomes obvious by using linear Minkowski coordinates. In the case of  $CP_2$  one can first consider the simpler case  $S^2 = CP_1 = SU(2)/U(1)$ . The coset space property implies in standard complex coordinate transforming linearly under  $U(1)$  that only the isometry currents belonging to the complement of  $U(1)$  in the sum contribute at the origin and the identity holds true at the origin and by the symmetric space property everywhere. Identity can be verified also directly in standard spherical coordinates. The argument generalizes to the case of  $CP_2 = SU(3)/U(2)$  in an obvious manner.

2. In the most general case one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} T_1^{\alpha k} &= \sum_A \Psi_1^A j^{Ak} \times (\nabla \Phi_1)^\alpha \equiv f_1^k (\nabla \Phi_1)^\alpha , \\ T_2^{\alpha k} &= \sum_A \Psi_2^A j^{Ak} \times (\nabla \Phi_2)^\alpha \equiv f_2^k (\nabla \Phi_2)^\alpha . \end{aligned} \quad (2.5.11)$$

3. The effective metric given by the anti-commutator of the modified gamma matrices is in turn is given by

$$G^{\alpha\beta} = m_{kl} f_1^k f_1^l (\nabla \Phi_1)^\alpha (\nabla \Phi_1)^\beta + s_{kl} f_2^k f_2^l (\nabla \Phi_2)^\alpha (\nabla \Phi_2)^\beta . \quad (2.5.12)$$

The covariant form of the effective metric is effectively 1-dimensional for  $\Phi_1 = \Phi_2$  in the sense that the only non-vanishing component of the covariant metric  $G_{\alpha\beta}$  is diagonal component along the coordinate line defined by  $\Phi \equiv \Phi_1 = \Phi_2$ . Also the contravariant metric is effectively 1-dimensional since the index raising does not affect the rank of the tensor but depends on the other space-time coordinates. This would correspond to an effective reduction to a dynamics of point-like particles for given selection of braid points. For  $\Phi_1 \neq \Phi_2$  the metric is effectively 2-dimensional and would correspond to stringy dynamics.

One can also develop an objection to effective 1- or 2-dimensionality. The proposal for what preferred extremals of Kähler action as deformations of the known extremals of Kähler action could be leads to a beautiful ansatz relying on generalization of conformal invariance and minimal surface equations of string model [K12]. The field equations of TGD reduce to those of classical string model generalized to 4-D context.

If the proposed picture is correct, field equations reduce to purely algebraically conditions stating that the Maxwellian energy momentum tensor for the Kähler action has no common index pairs with the second fundamental form. For the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals  $T$  is a complex tensor of type (1,1) and second fundamental form  $H^k$  a tensor of type (2,0) and (0,2) so that  $Tr(TH^k) = 0$  is true. This requires that second light-like coordinate of  $M^4$  is constant so that the  $M^4$  projection is 3-dimensional. For Minkowskian signature of the induced metric Hamilton-Jacobi structure replaces conformal structure. Here the dependence of  $CP_2$  coordinates on second light-like coordinate of  $M^2(m)$  only plays a fundamental role. Note that now  $T^{vv}$  is non-vanishing (and light-like). This picture generalizes to the deformations of cosmic strings and even to the case of vacuum extremals.

There is however an important consistency condition involved. The Maxwell energy momentum tensor for Kähler action must have vanishing covariant divergence. This is satisfied if it is linear combination of Einstein tensor and metric. This gives Einstein's equations with cosmological term in the general case. By the algebraic character of field equations also minimal surface equations are satisfied and Einstein's General Relativity would be exact part of TGD.

In the case of modified Dirac equation the result means that modified gamma matrices are contractions of linear combination of Einstein tensor and metric tensor with the induced gamma matrices so that the TGD counterpart of ordinary Dirac equation would be modified by the addition of a term proportional to Einstein tensor. The condition of effective 1- or 2-dimensionality seems to pose too strong conditions on this combination.

## 2.6 The role of twistors in quantum TGD

### 2.6.1 Could the Grassmannian program be realized in TGD framework?

In the following the TGD based modification of the approach based on zero energy ontology is discussed in some detail. It is found that pseudo-momenta are very much analogous to region momenta and the approach leading to discretization of pseudo-mass squared for virtual particles - and even the discretization of pseudo-momenta - is consistent with the Grassmannian approach in the simple case considered and allow to get rid of IR divergences. Also the possibility that the number of generalized Feynman diagrams contributing to a given scattering amplitude is finite so that the recursion formula for the scattering amplitudes would involve only a finite number of steps (maximum number of loops) is considered. One especially promising feature of the residue integral approach with discretized pseudo-momenta is that it makes sense also in the p-adic context in the simple special case discussed since residue integral reduces to momentum integral (summation) and lower-dimensional residue integral.

#### What Yangian symmetry could mean in TGD framework?

The loss of the Yangian symmetry in the integrations over the region momenta  $x^a$  ( $p^a = x^{a+1} - x^a$ ) assigned to virtual momenta seems to be responsible for many ugly features. It is basically the source of IR divergences regulated by "moving out on the Coulomb branch theory" so that IR singularities remain the problem of the theory. This raises the question whether the loss of Yangian symmetry is the signature for the failure of QFT approach and whether the restriction of loop momentum integrations to avoid both kind of divergences might be a royal road beyond QFT. In TGD framework zero energy ontology indeed leads to to a concrete proposal based on the vision that virtual particles are something genuinely real.

The detailed picture is of course far from clear but to get an idea about what is involved one can look what kind of assumptions are needed if one wants to realize the dream that only a finite number of generalized Feynman diagrams contribute to a scattering amplitude which is Yangian invariant allowing a description using a generalization of the Grassmannian integrals.

1. Assume the bosonic emergence and its super-symmetric generalization holds true. This means that incoming and outgoing states are bound states of massless fermions assignable to wormhole throats but the fermions can opposite directions of three-momenta making them massive. Incoming and outgoing particles would consist of fermions associated with wormhole throats and would be characterized by a pair of twistors in the general situation and in general massive. This allows also string like mass squared spectrum for bound states having fermion and antifermion at the ends of the string as well as more general  $n$ -particle bound states. Hence one can speak also about the emergence of string like objects. For virtual particles the fermions would be massive and have discrete mass spectrum. Also super partners containing several collinear fermions and antifermions at a given throat are possible. Collinearity is required by the generalization of SUSY. The construction of these states bring strongly in mind the merge procedure involving the replacement  $Z^{n+1} \rightarrow Z^n$ .
2. The basic question is how the momentum twistor diagrams and the ordinary Feynman diagrams behind them are related to the generalized Feynman diagrams.
  - (a) It is good to start from a common problem. In momentum twistor approach the relationship of region momenta to physical momenta remains somewhat mysterious. In TGD framework in turn the relationship of pseudo-momenta identified as generalized eigenvalues of the Chern-Simons Dirac operator at the lines of Feynman diagram (light-like wormhole throats) to the physical momenta has remained unclear. The identification of the pseudo-momentum as the TGD counterpart of the region momentum  $x$  looks therefore like a natural first guess.
  - (b) The identification  $x_{a+1} - x_a = p_a$  with  $p_a$  representing light-like physical four-momentum generalizes in obvious manner. Also the identification of the light-like momentum of the external parton as pseudo-momentum looks natural. What is important is that this does not require the identification of the pseudo-momenta propagating along internal lines of generalized Feynman diagram as actual physical momenta since pseudo-momentum just like  $x$  is fixed only apart from an overall shift. The identification allows the physical four-momenta associated with the wormhole throats to be always on mass shell and massless: if the sign of the physical energy can be also negative space-like momentum exchanges become possible.
  - (c) The pseudo-momenta and light-like physical massless momenta at the lines of generalized Feynman diagrams on one hand, and region momenta and the light-like momenta associated with the collinear singularities on the other hand would be in very similar mutual relationship. Partonic 2-surfaces can carry large number of collinear light-like fermions and bosons since super-symmetry is extended. Generalized Feynman diagrams would be analogous to momentum twistor diagrams if this picture is correct and one could hope that the recursion relations of the momentum twistor approach generalize.
3. The discrete mass spectrum for pseudo-momentum would in the momentum twistor approach mean the restriction of  $x$  to discrete mass shells, and the obvious reason for worry is that this might spoil the Grassmannian approach relying heavily on residue integrals and making sense also  $p$ -adically. It seems however that there is no need to worry. In [B17] the  $M_{6,4,l=0}(1234AB)$  the integration over twistor variables  $z_A$  and  $z_B$  using "entangled" integration contour leads to 1-loop MHV amplitude  $N^p MHV$ ,  $p = 1$ . The parametrization of the integration contour is  $z_A = (\lambda_A, x\lambda_A)$ ,  $z_B = (\lambda_B, x\lambda_B)$ , where  $x$  is the  $M^4$  coordinate representing the loop momentum. This boils down to an integral over  $CP_1 \times CP_1 \times M^4$  [B17]. The integrals over spheres  $CP_1$ s are contour integrals so that only an ordinary integral over  $M^4$  remains. The reduction to this kind of sums occurs completely generally thanks to the recursion formula.
4. The obvious implication of the restriction of the pseudo-momenta  $x$  on massive mass shells is the absence of IR divergences and one might hope that under suitable assumptions one achieves Yangian invariance. The first question is of course whether the required restriction of  $x$  to mass shells in  $z_A$  and  $z_B$  or possibly even algebraic discretization of momenta is consistent with the Yangian invariance. This seems to be the case: the integration contour reduces to entangled integration contour in  $CP_1 \times CP_1$  not affected by the discretization and the resulting loop integral differs from the standard one by the discretization of masses and possibly also momenta

with massless states excluded. Whether Yangian invariance poses also conditions on mass and momentum spectrum is an interesting question.

5. One can consider also the possibility that the incoming and outgoing particles - in general massive and to be distinguished from massless fermions appearing as their building blocks- have actually small masses presumably related to the IR cutoff defined by the size scale of the largest causal diamond involved. p-Adic thermodynamics could be responsible for this mass. Also the binding of the wormhole throats can give rise to a small contribution to vacuum conformal weight possibly responsible for gauge boson masses. This would imply that a given n-particle state can decay to N-particle states for which  $N$  is below some limit. The fermions inside loops would be also massive. This allows to circumvent the IR singularities due to integration over the phase space of the final states (say in Coulomb scattering).
6. The representation of the off mass shell particles as pairs of wormhole throats with non-parallel four-momenta (in the simplest case only the three-momenta need be in opposite directions) makes sense and that the particles in question are on mass shell with mass squared being proportional to inverse of a prime number as the number theoretic vision applied to the modified Dirac equation suggests. On mass shell property poses extremely powerful constraints on loops and when the number of the incoming momenta in the loop increases, the number of constraints becomes larger than the number of components of loop momentum for the generic values of the external momenta. Therefore there are excellent hopes of getting rid of UV divergences.

A stronger assumption encouraged by the classical space-time picture about virtual particles is that the 3-momenta associated with throats of the same wormhole contact are always in same or opposite directions. Even this allows to have virtual momentum spectrum and non-trivial mass spectrum for them assuming that the three momenta are opposite.

7. The best that one can hope is that only a finite number of generalized Feynman diagrams contributes to a given reaction. This would guarantee that amplitudes belong to a finite-dimensional algebraic extension of rational functions with rational coefficients since finite sums do not lead out from a finite algebraic extension of rationals. The first problem are self energy corrections. The assumption that the mass non-renormalization theorems of SUSYs generalize to TGD framework would guarantee that the loops contributing to fermionic propagators (and their super-counterparts) do not affect them. Also the iteration of more complex amplitudes as analogs of ladder diagrams representing sequences of reactions  $M \rightarrow M_1 \rightarrow M_2 \cdots \rightarrow N$  such that at each  $M_n$  in the sequence can appear as on mass shell state could give a non-vanishing contribution to the scattering amplitude and would mean infinite number of Feynman diagrams unless these amplitudes vanish. If  $N$  appears as a virtual state the fermions must be however massive on mass shell fermions by the assumption about on-mass shell states and one can indeed imagine a situation in which the decay  $M \rightarrow N$  is possible when  $N$  consists of states made of massless fermions is possible but not when the fermions have non-vanishing masses. This situation seems to be consistent with unitarity. The implication would be that the recursion formula for the all loop amplitudes for a given reaction would give vanishing result for some critical value of loops.

Already these assumptions give good hopes about a generalization of the momentum Grassmann approach to TGD framework. Twistors are doubled as are also the Grassmann variables and there are wave functions correlating the momenta of the the fermions associated with the opposite wormhole throats of the virtual particles as well as incoming gauge bosons which have suffered massivation. Also wave functions correlating the massless momenta at the ends of string like objects and more general many parton states are involved but do not affect the basic twistor formalism. The basic question is whether the hypothesis of unbroken Yangian symmetry could in fact imply something resembling this picture. The possibility to discretize integration contours without losing the representation as residue integral quite generally is basic prerequisite for this and should be shown to be true.

### How to achieve Yangian invariance without trivial scattering amplitudes?

In  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM the Yangian invariance implies that the MHV amplitudes are constant as demonstrated in [B17] . This would mean that the loop contributions to the scattering amplitudes are



trivial. Therefore the breaking of the dual super-conformal invariance by IR singularities of the integrand is absolutely essential for the non-triviality of the theory. Could the situation be different in TGD framework? Could it be possible to have non-trivial scattering amplitudes which are Yangian invariants. Maybe! The following heuristic argument is formulated in the language of super-twistors.

1. The dual conformal super generators of the super-Lie algebra  $U(2, 2)$  acting as super vector fields reducing effectively to the general form  $J = \eta_a^K \partial / \partial Z_a^J$  and the condition that they annihilate scattering amplitudes implies that they are constant as functions of twistor variables. When particles are replaced with pairs of wormhole throats the super generators are replaced by sums  $J_1 + J_2$  of these generators for the two wormhole throats and it might be possible to achieve the condition

$$(J_1 + J_2)M = 0 \quad (2.6.1)$$

with a non-trivial dependence on the momenta if the super-components of the twistors associated with the wormhole throats are in a linear relationship. This should be the case for bound states.

2. This kind of condition indeed exists. The condition that the sum of the super-momenta expressed in terms of super-spinors  $\lambda$  reduces to the sum of real momenta alone is not usually posed but in the recent case it makes sense as an additional condition to the super-components of the the spinors  $\lambda$  associated with the bound state. This quadratic condition is exactly of the same general form as the one following from the requirement that the sum of all external momenta vanishes for scattering amplitude and reads as

$$X = \lambda_1 \eta_1 + \lambda_2 \eta_2 = 0 \quad (2.6.2)$$

The action of the generators  $\eta_1 \partial_{\lambda_1} + \eta_2 \partial_{\lambda_2}$  forming basic building blocks of the super generators on  $p_1 + p_2 = \lambda_1 \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \lambda_2$  appearing as argument in the scattering amplitude in the case of bound states gives just the quantity  $X$ , which vanishes so that one has super-symmetry. The generalization of this condition to n-parton bound state is obvious.

3. The argument does not apply to free fermions which have not suffered topological condensation and are therefore represented by  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal with single wormhole throat. If one accepts the weak form of electric-magnetic duality, one can circumvent this difficulty. The free fermions carry Kähler magnetic charge whereas physical fermions are accompanied by a bosonic wormhole throat carrying opposite Kähler magnetic charge and opposite electroweak isospin so that a ground state of string like object with size of order electroweak length scale is in question. In the case of quarks the Kähler magnetic charges need not be opposite since color confinement could involve Kähler magnetic confinement: electro-weak confinement holds however true also now. The above argument generalizes as such to the pairs formed by wormhole throats at the ends of string like object. One can of course imagine also more complex hybrids of these basic options but the general idea remains the same.

Note that the argument involves in an essential manner non-locality, which is indeed the defining property of the Yangian algebra and also the fact that physical particles are bound states. The massivation of the physical particles brings in the IR cutoff.

### Number theoretical constraints on the pseudo-momenta

One can consider also further assumptions motivated by the recent view about the generalized eigenvalues of Chern-Simons Dirac operator having interpretation as pseudo-momentum. The details of this view need not of course be final.

1. Assume that the pseudo-momentum assigned to fermion lines by the modified Dirac equation [K29] is the counterpart of region momentum as already explained and therefore does not directly correspond to the actual light-like four-momentum associated with partonic line of the generalized Feynman diagram. This assumption conforms with the assumption that incoming particles are built out of massless partonic fermions. It also implies that the propagators are massless propagators as required by twistorialization and Yangian generalization of superconformal invariance.
2. Since (pseudo)-mass squared is number theoretically quantized as the length of a hyper-complex prime in preferred plane  $M^2$  of pseudo-momentum space fermionic propagators are massless propagators with pseudo-masses restricted on discrete mass shells. Lorentz invariance suggests that  $M^2$  cannot be common to all particles but corresponds to preferred reference frame for the virtual particle having interpretation as plane spanned by the quantization axes of energy and spin.
3. Hyper-complex primeness means also the quantization of pseudo-momentum components so that one has hyper-complex primes of form  $\pm((p+1)/2, \pm(p-1)/1)$  corresponding to pseudo-mass squared  $M^2 = p$  and hypercomplex primes  $\pm(p, 0)$  with pseudo-mass squared  $M^2 = p^2$ . Space-like fermionic momenta are not needed since for opposite signs of energy wormhole throats can have space-like net momenta. If space-like pseudo-momenta are allowed/needed for some reason, they could correspond to space-like hyper-complex primes  $\pm((p-1)/2, \pm(p+1)/1)$  and  $\pm(0, p)$  so that one would obtain also discretization of space-like mass shells also. The number theoretical mass squared is proportional to  $p$ , whereas p-adic mass squared is proportional to  $1/p$ . For p-adic mass calculations canonical identification  $\sum x_n p^n$  maps p-adic mass squared to its real counterpart. The simplest mapping consistent with this would be  $(p_0, p_1) \rightarrow (p_0, p_1)/p$ . This could be assumed from the beginning in real context and would mean that the mass squared scale is proportional to  $1/p$ .
4. Lorentz invariance requires that the preferred coordinate system in which this holds must be analogous to the rest system of the virtual fermion and thus depends on the virtual particle. In accordance with the general vision discussed in [K29] Lorentz invariance could correspond to a discrete algebraic subgroup of Lorentz group spanned by transformation matrices expressible in terms of roots of unity. This would give a discrete version of mass shell and the preferred coordinate system would have a precise meaning also in the real context. Unless one allows algebraic extension of p-adic numbers p-adic mass shell reduces to the set of above number-theoretic momenta. For algebraic extensions of p-adic numbers the same algebraic mass shell is obtained as in real correspondence and is essential for the number theoretic universality. The interpretation for the algebraic discretization would be in terms of a finite measurement resolution. In real context this would mean discretization inducing a decomposition of the mass shell to cells. In the p-adic context each discrete point would be replaced with a p-adic continuum. As far as loop integrals are considered, this vision means that they make sense in both real and p-adic context and reduce to summations in p-adic context. This picture is discussed in detail in [K29].
5. Concerning p-adicization the beautiful aspect of residue integral is that it makes sense also in p-adic context provided one can circumvent the problems related to the identification of p-adic counterpart of  $\pi$  requiring infinite-dimensional transcendental extension coming in powers of  $\pi$ . Together with the discretization of both real and virtual four-momenta this would allow to define also p-adic variants of the scattering amplitudes.

### Could recursion formula allow interpretation in terms of zero energy ontology?

The identification of pseudo-momentum as a counterpart of region momentum suggests that generalized Feynman diagrams could be seen as a generalization of momentum twistor diagrams. Of course, the generalization from  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM to TGD is an enormous step in complexity and one must take all proposals in the following with a big grain of salt. For instance, the replacement of point-like particles with wormhole throats and the decomposition of gauge bosons to pairs of wormhole throats means that naive generalizations are dangerous.

With this in firmly in mind one can ask whether the recursion formula could allow interpretation in terms of zero energy states assigned to causal diamonds (*CDs*) containing *CDs* containing  $\dots$ . In this framework loops could be assigned with sub-*CDs*.

The interpretation of the leading order singularities forming the basic building blocks of the twistor approach in zero ontology is the basic source of questions. Before posing these questions recall the basic proposal that partonic fermions are massless but opposite signs of energy are possible for the opposite throats of wormhole contacts. Partons would be on mass shell but besides physical states identified as bound states formed from partons also more general intermediate states would be possible but restricted by momentum conservation and mass shell conditions for partons at vertices. Consider now the questions.

1. Suppose that the massivation of virtual fermions and their super partners allows only ladder diagrams in which the intermediate states contain on mass shell massless states. Should one allow this kind of ladder diagrams? Can one identify them in terms of leading order singularities? Could one construct the generalized Feynman diagrams from Yangian invariant tree diagrams associated with the hierarchy of sub-*CDs* and using BCFW bridges and entangled pairs of massless states having interpretation as box diagrams with on mass shell momenta at microscopic level? Could it make sense to say that scattering amplitudes are represented by tree diagrams inside *CDs* in various scales and that the fermionic momenta associated with throats and emerging from sub-*CDs* are always massless?
2. Could BCFW bridge generalizes as such and could the interpretation of BCFW bridge be in terms of a scattering in which the four on mass shell massless partonic states (partonic throats have arbitrary fermion number) are exchanged between four sub-*CDs*. This admittedly looks somewhat artificial.
3. Could the addition of 2-particle zero energy state responsible for addition of loop in the recursion relations and having interpretation in terms of the cutting of line carrying loop momentum correspond to an addition of sub-*CD* such that the 2-particle zero energy state has its positive and negative energy part on its past and future boundaries? Could this mean that one cuts a propagator line by adding *CD* and leaves only the portion of the line within *CD*. Could the reverse operation mean to the addition of zero energy "thermally entangled" states in shorter time and length scales and assignable as a zero energy state to a sub-*CD*. Could one interpret the Cutkosky rule for propagator line in terms of this cutting or its reversal. Why only pairs would be needed in the recursion formula? Why not more general states? Does the recursion formula imply that they are included? Does this relate to the fact that these zero energy states have interpretation as single particle states in the positive energy ontology and that the basic building block of Feynman diagrams is single particle state? Could one regard the unitarity as an identity which states that the discontinuity of T-matrix characterizing zero energy state over cut is expressible in terms of  $TT^\dagger$  and  $T$  matrix is the relevant quantity?

Maybe it is again dangerous to try to draw too detailed correspondences: after all, point like particles are replaced by partonic two-surfaces in TGD framework.

4. If I have understood correctly the genuine  $l$ -loop term results from  $l - 1$ -loop term by the addition of the zero energy pair and integration over  $GL(2)$  as a representative of loop integral reducing  $n + 2$  to  $n$  and calculating the added loop at the same time [B17]. The integrations over the two momentum twistor variables associated with a line in twistor space defining off mass shell four-momentum and integration over the lines represent the integration over loop momentum. The reduction to  $GL(2)$  integration should result from the delta functions relating the additional momenta to  $GL(2)$  variables (note that  $GL(2)$  performs linear transformations in the space spanned by the twistors  $Z_A$  and  $Z_B$  and means integral over the positions of  $Z_A$  and  $Z_B$ ). The resulting object is formally Yangian invariant but IR divergences along some contours of integration breaks Yangian symmetry.

The question is what happens in TGD framework. The previous arguments suggests that the reduction of the the loop momentum integral to integrals over discrete mass shells and possibly to a sum over their discrete subsets does not spoil the reduction to contour integrals for loop integrals in the example considered in [B17]. Furthermore, the replacement of mass continuum

with a discrete set of mass shells should eliminate IR divergences and might allow to preserve Yangian symmetry. One can however wonder whether the loop corrections with on mass shell massless fermions are needed. If so, one would have at most finite number of loop diagrams with on mass shell fermionic momenta and one of the TGD inspired dreams already forgotten would be realized.

### What about unitarity?

The approach of Arkani-Hamed and collaborators means that loop integral over four-momenta are replaced with residue integrals around a small sphere  $p^2 = \epsilon$ . This is very much reminiscent of my own proposal for a few years ago based on the idea that the condition of twistorialization forces to accept only massless virtual states [K89, K60]. I of course soon gave up this proposal as too childish.

This idea seems to however make a comeback in a modified form. At this time one would have only massive and quantized pseudo-momenta located at discrete mass shells. Can this picture be consistent with unitarity?

Before trying to answer this question one must make clear what one could assume in TGD framework.

1. Physical particles are in the general case massive and consist of collinear fermions at wormhole throats. External partons at wormhole throats must be massless to allow twistorial interpretation. Therefore massive states emerge. This applies also to stringy states.
2. The simplest assumption generalizing the childish idea is that on mass shell massless states for partons appear as both virtual particles and external particles. Space-like virtual momentum exchanges are possible if the virtual particles can consist of pairs of positive and negative energy fermions at opposite wormhole throats. Hence also partons at internal lines should be massless and this raises the question about the identification of propagators.
3. Generalized eigenvalue equation for Chern-Simons Dirac operator implies that virtual elementary fermions have massive and quantized pseudo-momenta whereas external elementary fermions are massless. The massive pseudo-momentum assigned with the Dirac propagator of a parton line cannot be identified with the massless real momentum assigned with the fermionic propagator line. The region momenta introduced in Grassmannian approach are something analogous.

As already explained, this brings in mind is the identification of this pseudo momentum as the counterpart of the region momentum of momentum twistor diagrams so that the external massless fermionic momenta would be differences of the pseudo-momenta. Indeed, since region momenta are determined apart from a common shift, they need not correspond to real momenta. Same applies to pseudo-momenta and one could assume that both internal and external fermion lines carry light-like pseudo-momenta and that external pseudo-momenta are equal to real momenta.

4. This picture has natural correspondence with twistor diagrams. For instance, the region momentum appearing in BCFW bridge defining effective propagator is in general massive although the underlying Feynman diagram would contain on-line massless momenta. In TGD framework massless lines of Feynman graphs associated with singularities would correspond to real momenta of massless fermions at wormhole throats. Also other canonical operations for Yangian invariants involve light-like momenta at the level of Feynman diagrams and would in TGD framework have a natural identification in terms of partonic momenta. Hence partonic picture would provide a microscopic description for the lines of twistor diagrams.

Let us assume being virtual particle means only that the discretized pseudo-momentum is on shell but massive whereas all real momenta of partons are light-like, and that negative partonic energies are possible. Can one formulate Cutkosky rules for unitarity in this framework? What could the unitarity condition

$$iDisc(T - T^\dagger) = -TT^\dagger$$

mean now? In particular, are the cuts associated with mass shells of physical particles or with mass shells of pseudo-momenta? Could these two assignments be equivalent?

1. The restriction of the partons to be massless but having both signs of energy means that the spectrum of intermediate states contains more states than the external states identified as bound states of partons with the same sign of energy. Therefore the summation over intermediate states does not reduce to a mere summation over physical states but involves a summation over states formed from massless partons with both signs of energy so that also space-like momentum exchanges become possible.
2. The understanding of the unitarity conditions in terms of Cutkosky rules would require that the cuts of the loop integrands correspond to mass shells for the virtual states which are also physical states. Therefore real momenta have a definite sign and should be massless. Besides this bound state conditions guaranteeing that the mass spectrum for physical states is discrete must be assumed. With these assumptions the unitary cuts would not be assigned with the partonic light-cones but with the mass shells associated of physical particles.
3. There is however a problem. The pseudo-momenta of partons associated with the external partons are assumed to be light-like and equal to the physical momenta.
  - (a) If this holds true also for the intermediate physical states appearing in the unitarity conditions, the pseudo-momenta at the cuts are light-like and cuts must be assigned with pseudo-momentum light-cones. This could bring in IR singularities and spoil Yangian symmetry. The formation of bound states could eliminate them and the size scale of the largest  $CD$  involved would bring in a natural IR cutoff as the mass scale of the lightest particle. This assumption would however force to give up the assumption that only massive pseudo-momenta appear at the lines of the generalized Feynman diagrams.
  - (b) On the other hand, if pseudo-momenta are not regarded as a property of physical state and are thus allowed to be massive for the real intermediate states in Cutkosky rules, the cuts at parton level correspond to on mass shell hyperboloids and IR divergences are absent.

### 2.6.2 Could TGD allow formulation in terms of twistors

There are many questions to be asked. There would be innumerable questions upwelling from my very incomplete understanding of the technical issues. In the following I restrict only to the questions which relate to the relationship of TGD approach to Witten's twistor string approach [B40] and M-theory like frameworks. The arguments lead to an explicit proposal how the preferred extremals of Kähler action could correspond to holomorphic 4-surfaces in  $CP_3 \times CP_3$ . The basic motivation for this proposal comes from the observation that Kähler action is Maxwell action for the induced Kähler form and metric. Hence Penrose's original twistorial representation for the solutions of linear Maxwell's equations could have a generalization to TGD framework.

#### $M^4 \times CP_2$ from twistor approach

The first question which comes to mind relates to the origin of the Grassmannians. Do they have some deeper interpretation in TGD context. In twistor string theory Grassmannians relate to the moduli spaces of holomorphic surfaces defined by string world sheets in twistor space. Could partonic 2-surfaces have analogous interpretation and could one assign Grassmannians to their moduli spaces? If so, one could have rather direct connection with topological QFT defining twistor strings [B40] and the almost topological QFT defining TGD. There are some hints to this direction which could be of course seen as figments of a too wild imagination.

1. The geometry of  $CD$  brings strongly in mind Penrose diagram for the conformally compactified Minkowski space [A18], which indeed becomes  $CD$  when its points are replaced with spheres. This would suggest the information theoretic idea about interaction between observer and externals as a map in which  $M^4$  is mapped to its conformal compactification represented by  $CD$ . Compactification means that the light-like points at the light-like boundaries of  $CD$  are identified and the physical counterpart for this in TGD framework is conformal invariance along light-rays along the boundaries of  $CD$ . The world of conscious observer for which  $CD$  is identified as a geometric correlate would be conformally compactified  $M^4$  (plus  $CP_2$  or course).

2. Since the points of the conformally compactified  $M^4$  correspond to twistor pairs [B32], which are unique only apart from opposite complex scalings, it would be natural to assign twistor space to  $CD$  and represent its points as pairs of twistors. This suggests an interpretation for the basic formulas of Grassmannian approach involving integration over twistors. The incoming and outgoing massless particles could be assigned at point-like limit light-like points at the lower and upper boundaries of  $CD$  and the lifting of the points of the light-cone boundary at partonic surfaces would give rise to the description in terms of ordinary twistors. The assumption that massless collinear fermions at partonic 2-surfaces are the basic building blocks of physical particles at partonic 2-surfaces defined as many particles states involving several partonic 2-surfaces would lead naturally to momentum twistor description in which massless momenta and described by twistors and virtual momenta in terms of twistor pairs. It is important to notice that in TGD framework string like objects would emerge from these massless fermions.
3. Partonic 2-surfaces are located at the upper and lower light-like boundaries of the causal diamond ( $CD$ ) and carry energies of opposite sign in zero energy ontology. Quite generally, one can assign to the point of the conformally compactified Minkowski space a twistor pair using the standard description. The pair of twistors is determined apart from  $Gl(2)$  rotation. At the light-cone boundary  $M^4$  points are light-like so that the two spinors of the two twistors differ from each other only by a complex scaling and single twistor is enough to characterize the space-time point this degenerate situation. The components of the twistor are related by the well known twistor equation  $\mu^{a'} = -ix^{aa'}\lambda_a$ . One can therefore lift each point of the partonic 2-surface to single twistor determined apart from opposite complex scalings of  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$  so that the lift of the point would be 2-sphere. In the general case one must lift the point of  $CD$  to a twistor pair. The degeneracy of the points is given by  $Gl(2)$  and each point corresponds to a 2-sphere in projective twistor space.
4. The new observation is that one can understand also  $CP_2$  factor in twistor framework. The basic observation about which I learned in [B32] (giving also a nice description of basics of twistor geometry) is that a pair  $(X, Y)$  of twistors defines a point of  $CD$  on one hand and complex 2-planes of the dual twistor space -which is nothing but  $CP_2$ - by the equations

$$X_\alpha W^\alpha = 0 \quad , \quad Y_\alpha W^\alpha = 0 \quad .$$

The intersection of these planes is the complex line  $CP_1 = S^2$ . The action of  $G(2)$  on the twistor pair affects the pair of surfaces  $CP_2$  determined by these equations since it transforms the equations to their linear combination but not the the point of conformal  $CD$  resulting as projection of the sphere. Therefore twistor pair defines both a point of  $M^4$  and assigns with it pair of  $CP_2$ :s represented as holomorphic surfaces of the projective dual twistor space. Hence the union over twistor pairs defines  $M^4 \times CP_2$  via this assignment if it is possible to choose "the other"  $CP_2$  in a unique manner for all points of  $M^4$ . The situation is similar to the assignment of a twistor to a point in the Grassmannian diagrams forming closed polygons with light-like edges. In this case one assigns to the the "region momenta" associated with the edge the twistor at the either end of the edge. One possible interpretation is that the two  $CP_2$ :s correspond to the opposite ends of the  $CD$ . My humble hunch is that this observation might be something very deep.

Recall that the assignment of  $CP_2$  to  $M^4$  point works also in another direction.  $M^8 - H$  duality associates with so called hyper-quaternionic 4-surface of  $M^8$  allowing preferred hyper-complex plane at each point 4-surfaces of  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . The basic observation behind this duality is that the hyper-quaternionic planes (copies of  $M^4$ ) with preferred choices of hyper-complex plane  $M^2$  are parameterized by points of  $CP_2$ . One can therefore assign to a point of  $CP_2$  a copy of  $M^4$ . Maybe these both assignments indeed belong to the core of quantum TGD. There is also an interesting analogy with Uncertainty Principle: complete localization in  $M^4$  implies maximal uncertainty of the point in  $CP_2$  and vice versa.

### Does twistor string theory generalize to TGD?

With this background the key speculative questions seem to be the following ones.

1. Could one relate twistor string theory to TGD framework? Partonic 2-surfaces at the boundaries of  $CD$  are lifted to 4-D sphere bundles in twistor space. Could they serve as a 4-D counterpart for Witten's holomorphic twistor strings assigned to point like particles? Could these surfaces be actually lifts of the holomorphic curves of twistor space replaced with the product  $CP_3 \times CP_2$  to 4-D sphere bundles? If I have understood correctly, the Grassmannians  $G(n, k)$  can be assigned to the moduli spaces of these holomorphic curves characterized by the degree of the polynomial expressible in terms of genus, number of negative helicity gluons, and the number of loops for twistor diagram.

Could one interpret  $G(n, k)$  as a moduli space for the  $\delta CD$  projections of  $n$  partonic 2-surfaces to which  $k$  negative helicity gluons and  $n - k$  positive helicity gluons are assigned (or something more complex when one considers more general particle states)? Could quantum numbers be mapped to integer valued algebraic invariants? If so, there would be a correlation between the geometry of the partonic 2-surface and quantum numbers in accordance with quantum classical correspondence.

2. Could one understand light-like orbits of partonic 2-surfaces and space-time surfaces in terms of twistors? To each point of the 2-surface one can assign a 2-sphere in twistor space  $CP_3$  and  $CP_2$  in its dual. These  $CP_2$ s can be identified. One should be able to assign to each sphere  $S^2$  at least one point of corresponding  $CP_2$ s associated with its points in the dual twistor space and identified as single  $CP_2$  union of  $CP_2$ :s in the dual twistor space a point of  $CP_2$  or even several of them. One should be also able to continue this correspondence so that it applies to the light-like orbit of the partonic 2-surface and to the space-time surface defining a preferred extremal of Kähler action. For space-time sheets representable as graph of a map  $M^4 \rightarrow CP_2$  locally one should select from a  $CP_2$  assigned with a particular point of the space-time sheet a unique point of corresponding  $CP_2$  in a manner consistent with field equations. For surfaces with lower dimensional  $M^4$  projection one must assign a continuum of points of  $CP_2$  to a given point of  $M^4$ . What kind equations-could allow to realize this assignment? Holomorphy is strongly favored also by the number theoretic considerations since in this case one has hopes of performing integrals using residue calculus.

- (a) Could two holomorphic equations in  $CP_3 \times CP_2$  defining 6-D surfaces as sphere bundles over  $M^4 \times CP_2$  characterize the preferred extremals of Kähler action? Could partonic 2-surfaces be obtained by posing an additional holomorphic equation reducing twistors to null twistors and thus projecting to the boundaries of  $CD$ ? A philosophical justification for this conjecture comes from effective 2-dimensionality stating that partonic 2-surfaces plus their 4-D tangent space data code for physics. That the dynamics would reduce to holomorphy would be an extremely beautiful result. Of course this is only an additional item in the list of general conjectures about the classical dynamics for the preferred extremals of Kähler action.
- (b) One could also work in  $CP_3 \times CP_3$ . The first  $CP_3$  would represent twistors endowed with a metric conformally equivalent to that of  $M^{2,4}$  and having the covering of  $SU(2, 2)$  of  $SO(2, 4)$  as isometries. The second  $CP_3$  defining its dual would have a metric consistent with the Calabi-Yau structure (having holonomy group  $SU(3)$ ). Also the induced metric for canonically imbedded  $CP_2$ s should be the standard metric of  $CP_2$  having  $SU(3)$  as its isometries. In this situation the linear equations assigning to  $M^4$  points twistor pairs and  $CP_2 \subset CP_3$  as a complex plane would hold always true. Besides this two holomorphic equations coding for the dynamics would be needed.
- (c) The issues related to the induced metric are important. The conformal equivalence class of  $M^4$  metric emerges from the 5-D light-cone of  $M^{2,4}$  under projective identification. The choice of a proper projective gauge would select  $M^4$  metric locally. Twistors inherit the conformal metric with signature  $(2, 4)$  from the metric of 4+4 component spinors with metric having  $(4, 4)$  signature. One should be able to assign a conformal equivalence class of Minkowski metric with the orbits of pairs of twistors modulo  $GL(2)$ . The metric of conformally compactified  $M^4$  would be obtained from this metric by dropping from the line element the contribution to the  $S^2$  fiber associated with  $M^4$  point.

- (d) Witten related [B40] the degree  $d$  of the algebraic curve describing twistor string, its genus  $g$ , the number  $k$  of negative helicity gluons, and the number  $l$  of loops by the following formula

$$d = k - 1 + l \quad , \quad g \leq l \quad . \quad (2.6.3)$$

One should generalize the definition of the genus so that it applies to 6-D surfaces. For projective complex varieties of complex dimension  $n$  this definition indeed makes sense. Algebraic genus [A1] is expressible in terms of the dimensions of the spaces of closed holomorphic forms known as Hodge numbers  $h^{p,q}$  as

$$g = \sum (-1)^{n-k} h^{k,0} \quad . \quad (2.6.4)$$

The first guess is that the formula of Witten generalizes by replacing genus with its algebraic counterpart . This requires that the allowed holomorphic surfaces are projective curves of twistor space, that is described in terms of homogenous polynomials of the 4+4 projective coordinates of  $CP_3 \times CP_3$ .

### What is the relationship of TGD to M-theory and F-theory?

There are also questions relating to the possible relationship to M-theory and F-theory.

1. Calabi-Yau-manifolds [A2, A38] are central for the compactification in super string theory and emerge from the condition that the super-symmetry breaks down to  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY. The dual twistor space  $CP_3$  with Euclidian signature of metric is a Calabi-Yau manifold [B40] . Could one have in some sense two Calabi-Yaus! Twistorial  $CP_3$  can be interpreted as a four-fold covering and conformal compactification of  $M^{2,4}$ . I do not know whether Calabi-Yau property has a generalization to the situation when Euclidian metric is replaced with a conformal equivalence class of flat metrics with Minkowskian signature and thus having a vanishing Ricci tensor. As far as differential forms (no dependence on metric) are considered there should be no problems. Whether the replacement of the maximal holonomy group  $SU(3)$  with its non-compact version  $SU(1,2)$  makes sense is not clear to me.
2. The lift of the  $CD$  to projective twistor space would replace  $CD \times CP_2$  with 10-dimensional space which inspires the familiar questions about connection between TGD and M-theory. If Calabi-Yau with a Minkowskian signature of metric makes sense then the Calabi-Yau of the standard M-theory would be replaced with its Minkowskian counterpart! Could it really be that M-theory like theory based on  $CP_3 \times CP_2$  reduces to TGD in  $CD \times CP_2$  if an additional symmetry mapping 2-spheres of  $CP_3$  to points of  $CD$  is assumed? Could the formulation based on 12-D  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  correspond to F-theory which also has two time-like dimensions. Of course, the additional conditions defined by the maps to  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  would remove the second time-like dimension which is very difficult to justify on purely physical grounds.
3. One can actually challenge the assumption that the first  $CP_3$  should have a conformal metric with signature (2,4). Metric appears nowhere in the definition holomorphic functions and once the projections to  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  are known, the metric of the space-time surface is obtained from the metric of  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . The previous argument for the necessity of the presence of the information about metric in the second order differential equation however suggests that the metric is needed.
4. The beginner might ask whether the 6-D 2-sphere bundles representing space-time sheets could have interpretation as Calabi-Yau manifolds. In fact, the Calabi-Yau manifolds defined as complete intersections in  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  discovered by Tian and Yau are defined by three polynomials [A38] . Two of them have degree 3 and depend on the coordinates of single  $CP_3$  only whereas the third is bilinear in the coordinates of the  $CP_3$ :s. Obviously the number of these manifolds is quite too small (taking into account scaling the space defined by the coefficients is 6-dimensional). All these manifolds are deformation equivalent. These manifolds have Euler



characteristic  $\chi = \pm 18$  and a non-trivial fundamental group. By dividing this manifold by  $Z_3$  one obtains  $\chi = \pm 6$ , which guarantees that the number of fermion generations is three in heterotic string theory. This manifold was the first one proposed to give rise to three generations and  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY.

### What could the field equations be in twistorial formulation?

The fascinating question is whether one can identify the equations determining the 3-D complex surfaces of  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  in turn determining the space-time surfaces.

The first thing is to clarify in detail how space-time  $M^4 \times CP_2$  results from  $CP_3 \times CP_3$ . Each point  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  define a line in third  $CP_3$  having interpretation as a point of conformally compactified  $M^4$  obtained by sphere bundle projection. Each point of either  $CP_3$  in turn defines  $CP_2$  in in fourth  $CP_3$  as a 2-plane. Therefore one has  $(CP_3 \times CP_3) \times (CP_3 \times CP_3)$  but one can reduce the consideration to  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  fixing  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . In the generic situation 6-D surface in 12-D  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  defines 4-D surface in the dual  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  and its sphere bundle projection defines a 4-D surface in  $M^4 \times CP_2$ .

1. The vanishing of three holomorphic functions  $f^i$  would characterize 3-D holomorphic surfaces of 6-D  $CP_3 \times CP_3$ . These are determined by three real functions of three real arguments just like a holomorphic function of single variable is dictated by its values on a one-dimensional curve of complex plane. This conforms with the idea that initial data are given at 3-D surface. Note that either the first or second  $CP_3$  can determine the  $CP_2$  image of the holomorphic 3-surface unless one assumes that the holomorphic functions are symmetric under the exchange of the coordinates of the two  $CP_3$ s. If symmetry is not assumed one has some kind of duality.
2. Effective 2-dimensionality means that 2-D partonic surfaces plus 4-D tangent space data are enough. This suggests that the 2 holomorphic functions determining the dynamics satisfy some second order differential equation with respect to their three complex arguments: the value of the function and its derivative would correspond to the initial values of the imbedding space coordinates and their normal derivatives at partonic 2-surface. Since the effective 2-dimensionality brings in dependence on the induced metric of the space-time surface, this equation should contain information about the induced metric.
3. The no-where vanishing holomorphic 3-form  $\Omega$ , which can be regarded as a "complex square root" of volume form characterizes 6-D Calabi-Yau manifold [A2, A38] , indeed contains this information albeit in a rather implicit manner but in spirit with TGD as almost topological QFT philosophy. Both  $CP_3$ s are characterized by this kind of 3-form if Calabi-Yau with (2, 4) signature makes sense.
4. The simplest second order- and one might hope holomorphic- differential equation that one can imagine with these ingredients is of the form

$$\Omega_1^{i_1 j_1 k_1} \Omega_2^{i_2 j_2 k_2} \partial_{i_1 i_2} f^1 \partial_{j_1 j_2} f^2 \partial_{k_1 k_2} f^3 = 0, \quad \partial_{ij} \equiv \partial_i \partial_j. \quad (2.6.5)$$

Since  $\Omega_i$  is by its antisymmetry equal to  $\Omega_i^{123} \epsilon^{ijk}$ , one can divide  $\Omega^{123}$ s away from the equation so that one indeed obtains holomorphic solutions. Note also that one can replace ordinary derivatives in the equation with covariant derivatives without any effect so that the equations are general coordinate invariant.

One can consider more complex equations obtained by taking instead of  $(f^1, f^2, f^3)$  arbitrary combinations  $(f^i, f^j, f^k)$  which results uniquely if one assumes anti-symmetrization in the labels (1, 2, 3). In the sequel only this equation is considered.

5. The metric disappears completely from the equations and skeptic could argue that this is inconsistent with the fact that it appears in the equations defining the weak form of electric-magnetic duality as a Lagrange multiplier term in Chern-Simons action. Optimist would respond that the representation of the 6-surfaces as intersections of three hyper-surfaces is different from the representation as imbedding maps  $X^4 \rightarrow H$  used in the usual formulation so that the argument does not bite, and continue by saying that the metric emerges in any case when one endows space-time with the induced metric given by projection to  $M^4$ .

6. These equations allow infinite families of obvious solutions. For instance, when some  $f^i$  depends on the coordinates of either  $CP_3$  only, the equations are identically satisfied. As a special case one obtains solutions for which  $f^1 = Z \cdot W$  and  $(f^2, f^3) = (f^2(Z), f^3(W))$ . This family contains also the Calabi-Yau manifold found by Yau and Tian, whose factor space was proposed as the first candidate for a compactification consistent with three fermion families.
7. One might hope that an infinite non-obvious solution family could be obtained from the ansatz expressible as products of exponential functions of  $Z$  and  $W$ . Exponentials are not consistent with the assumption that the functions  $f_i$  are homogenous polynomials of finite degree in projective coordinates so that the following argument is only for the purpose for learning something about the basic character of the equations.

$$\begin{aligned}
f^1 &= E_{a_1, a_2, a_3}(Z) E_{\hat{a}_1, \hat{a}_2, \hat{a}_3}(W) \ , & f^2 &= E_{b_1, b_2, b_3}(Z) E_{\hat{b}_1, \hat{b}_2, \hat{b}_3}(W) \ , \\
f^3 &= E_{c_1, c_2, c_3}(Z) E_{\hat{c}_1, \hat{c}_2, \hat{c}_3}(W) \ , & & (2.6.6) \\
E_{a, b, c}(Z) &= \exp(az_1) \exp(bz_2) \exp(cz_3) \ .
\end{aligned}$$

The parameters  $a, b, c$ , and  $\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c}$  can be arbitrary real numbers in real context. By the basic properties of exponential functions the field equations are algebraic. The conditions reduce to the vanishing of the products of determinants  $\det(a, b, c)$  and  $\det(\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c})$  so that the vanishing of either determinant is enough. Therefore the dependence can be arbitrary either in  $Z$  coordinates or in  $W$  coordinates. Linear superposition holds for the modes for which determinant vanishes which means that the vectors  $(a, b, c)$  or  $(\hat{a}, \hat{b}, \hat{c})$  are in the same plane.

Unfortunately, the vanishing conditions reduce to the conditions  $f^i(W) = 0$  for case a) and to  $f^i(Z) = 0$  for case b) so that the conditions are equivalent with those obtained by putting the "wave vector" to zero and the solutions reduce to obvious ones. The lesson is that the equations do not commute with the multiplication of the functions  $f^i$  with nowhere vanishing functions of  $W$  and  $Z$ . The equation selects a particular representation of the surfaces and one might argue that this should not be the case unless the hyper-surfaces defined by  $f^i$  contain some physically relevant information. One could consider the possibility that the vanishing conditions are replaced with conditions  $f^i = c_i$  with  $f^i(0) = 0$  in which case the information would be coded by a family of space-time surfaces obtained by varying  $c_i$ .

One might criticize the above equations since they are formulated directly in the product  $CP_3 \times CP_3$  of projective twistor by choosing a specific projective gauge by putting  $z^4 = 1, w^4 = 1$ . The manifestly projectively invariant formulation for the equations is in full twistor space so that 12-D space would be replaced with 16-D space. In this case one would have 4-D complex permutation symbol giving for these spaces Calabi-Yau structure with flat metric. The product of functions  $f = z^4 = \text{constant}$  and  $g = w^4 = \text{constant}$  would define the fourth function  $f_4 = fg$  fixing the projective gauge

$$\epsilon^{i_1 j_1 k_1 l_1} \epsilon^{i_2 j_2 k_2 l_2} \partial_{i_1 i_2} f^1 \partial_{j_1 j_2} f^2 \partial_{k_1 k_2} f^3 \partial_{l_1 l_2} f^4 = 0 \ , \ \partial_{ij} \equiv \partial_i \partial_j \ . \quad (2.6.7)$$

The functions  $f^i$  are homogenous polynomials of their twistor arguments to guarantee projective invariance. These equations are projectively invariant and reduce to the above form which means also loss of homogenous polynomial property. The undesirable feature is the loss of manifest projective invariance by the fixing of the projective gauge.

A more attractive ansatz is based on the idea that one must have one equation for each  $f^i$  to minimize the non-determinism of the equations obvious from the fact that there is single equation in 3-D lattice for three dynamical variables. The quartets  $(f^1, f^2, f^3, f^i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  would define a possible minimally non-linear generalization of the equation

$$\epsilon^{i_1 j_1 k_1 l_1} \epsilon^{i_2 j_2 k_2 l_2} \partial_{i_1 i_2} f^1 \partial_{j_1 j_2} f^2 \partial_{k_1 k_2} f^m \partial_{l_1 l_2} f^4 = 0 \ , \ \partial_{ij} \equiv \partial_i \partial_j \ , \ m = 1, 2, 3 \ . \quad (2.6.8)$$

Note that the functions are homogenous polynomials of their arguments and analogous to spherical harmonics suggesting that they can allow a nice interpretation in terms of quantum classical correspondence.

The minimal non-linearity of the equations also conforms with the non-linearity of the field equations associated with Kähler action. Note that also in this case one can solve the equations by diagonalizing the dynamical coefficient matrix associated with the quadratic term and by identifying the eigen-vectors of zero eigen values. One could consider also more complicated strongly non-linear ansätze such as  $(f^i, f^i, f^i, f^i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ , but these do not seem plausible.

1. *The explicit form of the equations using Taylor series expansion for multi-linear case*

In this section the equations associated with  $(f_1, f_2, f_3)$  ansatz are discussed in order to obtain a perspective about the general structure of the equations by using simpler (multilinearity) albeit probably non-realistic case as starting point. This experience can be applied directly to the  $(f^1, f^2, f^3, f^i)$  ansatz, which is quadratic in  $f^i$ .

The explicit form of the equations is obtained as infinite number of conditions relating the coefficients of the Taylor series of  $f^1$  and  $f^2$ . The treatment of the two variants for the equations is essentially identical and in the following only the manifestly projectively invariant form will be considered.

1. One can express the Taylor series as

$$\begin{aligned} f^1(Z, W) &= \sum_{m,n} C_{m,n} M_m(Z) M_n(W) , \\ f^2(Z, W) &= \sum_{m,n} D_{m,n} M_m(Z) M_n(W) , \\ f^3(Z, W) &= \sum_{m,n} E_{m,n} M_m(Z) M_n(W) , \\ M_{m \equiv (m_1, m_2, m_3)}(Z) &= z_1^{m_1} z_2^{m_2} z_3^{m_3} . \end{aligned} \quad (2.6.9)$$

2. The application of derivatives to the functions reduces to a simple algebraic operation

$$\partial_{ij}(M_m(Z) M_n(W)) = m_i n_j M_{m_1 - e_i}(Z) M_{n - e_j}(W) . \quad (2.6.10)$$

Here  $e_i$  denotes  $i$ :th unit vector.

3. Using the product rule  $M_m M_n = M_{m+n}$  one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} &\partial_{ij}(M_m(Z) M_n(W)) \partial_{rs}(M_k(Z) M_l(W)) \\ &= m_i n_j k_r l_s \times M_{m - e_i}(Z) M_{n - e_j}(W) \times M_{k - e_r}(Z) M_{l - e_s}(W) \\ &= m_i n_j k_r l_s \times M_{m+k - e_i - e_r}(Z) \times M_{n+l - e_j - e_l}(W) . \end{aligned} \quad (2.6.11)$$

4. The equations reduce to the trilinear form

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{m,n,k,l,r,s} C_{m,n} D_{k,l} E_{r,s}(m, k, r)(n, l, s) M_{m+k+r-E}(Z) M_{n+l+s-E}(W) = 0 , \\ E &= e_1 + e_2 + e_3 , \quad (a, b, c) = \epsilon^{ijk} a_i b_j c_c . \end{aligned} \quad (2.6.12)$$

Here  $(a, b, c)$  denotes the determinant defined by the three index vectors involved. By introducing the summation indices

$$(M = m + k + r - E, k, r) , \quad (N = n + l + s - E, l, s)$$

one obtains an infinite number of conditions, one for each pair  $(M, N)$ . The condition for a given pair  $(M, N)$  reads as

$$\sum_{k,l,r,s} C_{M-k-r+E, N-l-s+E} D_{k,l} E_{r,s} \times (M - k - r + E, k, r)(N - l - s + E, l, s) = 0 . \quad (2.6.13)$$

These equations can be regarded as linear equations by regarding any matrix selected from  $\{C, D, E\}$  as a vector of linear space. The existence solutions requires that the determinant associated with the tensor product of other two matrices vanishes. This matrix is dynamical. Same applies to the tensor product of any of the matrices.

5. Hyper-determinant [B4] is the generalization of the notion of determinant whose vanishing tells that multilinear equations have solutions. Now the vanishing of the hyper-determinant defined for the tensor product of the three-fold tensor power of the vector space defined by the coefficients of the Taylor expansion should provide the appropriate manner to characterize the conditions for the existence of the solutions. As already seen, solutions indeed exist so that the hyper-determinant must vanish. The elements of the hyper matrix are now products of determinants for the exponents of the monomials involved. The non-locality of the Kähler function as a functional of the partonic surface leads to the argument that the field equations of TGD for vanishing  $n$ :th variations of Kähler action are multilinear and that a vanishing of a generalized hyper-determinant characterizes this [K29] .
6. Since the differential operators are homogenous polynomials of partial derivatives, the total degrees of  $M_m(Z)$  and  $M_m(W)$  defined as a sum  $D = \sum m_i$  is reduced by one unit by the action of both operators  $\partial_{ij}$ . For given value of  $M$  and  $N$  only the products

$$M_m(Z)M_n(W)M_k(Z)M_r(W)M_s(Z)M_l(W)$$

for which the vector valued degrees  $D_1 = m + k + r$  and  $D_2 = n + l + s$  have the same value are coupled. Since the degree is reduced by the operators appearing in the equation, polynomial solutions for which  $f^i$  contain monomials labelled by vectors  $m_i, n_i, r_i$  for which the components vary in a finite range  $(0, n_{max})$  look like a natural solution ansatz. All the degrees  $D_i \leq D_{i,max}$  appear in the solution ansatz so that quite a large number of conditions is obtained.

What is nice is that the equation can be interpreted as a difference equation in 3-D lattice with "time direction" defined by the direction of the diagonal.

1. The counterparts of time=constant slices are the planes  $n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = n$  defining outer surfaces of simplices having  $E$  as a normal vector. The difference equation does not seem to say nothing about the behavior in the transversal directions.  $M$  and  $N$  vary in the simplex planes satisfying  $\sum M_i = T_1, \sum N_i = T_2$ . It seems natural to choose  $T_1 = T_2 = T$  so that  $Z$  and  $W$  dynamics corresponds to the same "time". The number of points in the  $T = constant$  simplex plane increases with  $T$  which is analogous to cosmic expansion.
2. The "time evolution" with respect to  $T$  can be solved iteratively by increasing the value of  $\sum M_i = N_i = T$  by one unit at each step. Suppose that the values of coefficients are known and satisfy the conditions for  $(m, k, r)$  and  $(n, l, s)$  up to the maximum value  $T$  for the sum of the components of each of these six vectors. The region of known coefficients -"past"- obviously corresponds to the interior of the simplex bounded by the plane  $\sum M_i = \sum N_i = T$  having  $E$  as a normal. Let  $(m_{min}, n_{min}), (k_{min}, l_{min})$  and  $(r_{min}, s_{min})$  correspond to the smallest values of 3-indices for which the coefficients are non-vanishing- this could be called the moment of "Big Bang". The simplest but not necessary assumption is that these indices correspond zero vectors  $(0, 0, 0)$  analogous to the tip of light-cone.

3. For given values of  $M$  and  $N$  corresponding to same value of "cosmic time"  $T$  one can separate from the formula the terms which correspond to the un-known coefficients as the sum  $C_{M+E,N+E}D_{0,0}E_{0,0} + D_{M+E,N+E}D_{0,0}C_{0,0} + E_{M+E,N+E}C_{0,0}D_{0,0}$ . The remaining terms are by assumption already known. One can fix the normalization by choosing  $C_{0,0} = D_{0,0} = E_{0,0} = 1$ . With these assumptions the equation reduces at each point of the outer boundary of the simplex to the form

$$C_{M+E,N+E} + D_{M+E,N+E} + E_{M+E,N+E} = X$$

where  $X$  is something already known and contain only data about points in the plane  $m+k+r = M$  and  $n+r+s = N$ . Note that these planes have one "time like direction" unlike the simplex plane so that one could speak about a discrete analog of string world sheet in 3+3+3-D lattice space defined by a 2-plane with one time-like direction.

4. For each point of the simplex plane one has equation of the above form. The equation is non-deterministic since only constrain only the sum  $C_{M+E,N+E} + D_{M+E,N+E} + E_{M+E,N+E}$  at each point of the simplex plane to a plane in the complex 3-D space defined by them. Hence the number of solutions is very large. The condition that the solutions reduce to polynomials poses conditions on the coefficients since the quantities  $X$  associated with the plane  $T = T_{max}$  must vanish for each point of the simplex plane in this case. In fact, projective invariance means that the functions involved are homogenous functions in projective coordinates and thus polynomials and therefore reduce to polynomials of finite degree in 3-D treatment. This obviously gives additional condition to the equations.

### 2. The minimally non-linear option

The simple equation just discussed should be taken with a caution since the non-determinism seems to be too large if one takes seriously the analogy with classical dynamics. By the vacuum degeneracy also the time evolution associated with Kähler action breaks determinism in the standard sense of the word. The non-determinism is however not so strong and removed completely in local sense for non-vacuum extremals. One could also try to see the non-determinism as the analog for non-deterministic time evolution by quantum jumps.

One can however consider the already mentioned possibility of increasing the number of equations so that one would have three equations corresponding to the three unknown functions  $f^i$  so that the determinism associated with each step would be reduced. The equations in question would be of the same general form but with  $(f^1, f^2, f^3)$  replaced with some other combination.

1. In the genuinely projective situation where one can consider the  $(f^1, f^2, f^3, f^i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  as a unique generalization of the equation. This would make the equations quadratic in  $f_i$  and reduce the non-determinism at given step of the time evolution. The new element is that now only monomials  $M_m(z)$  associated with the  $f^i$  with same degree of homogeneity defined by  $d = \sum m_i$  are consistent with projective invariance. Therefore the solutions are characterized by six integers  $(d_{i,1}, d_{i,2})$  having interpretation as analogs of conformal weights since they correspond to eigenvalues of scaling operators. That homogenous polynomials are in question gives hopes that a generalization of Witten's approach might make sense. The indices  $m$  vary at the outer surfaces of the six 3-simplices defined by  $(d_{i,1}, d_{i,2})$  and looking like tetrahedrons in 3-D space. The functions  $f^i$  are highly analogous to the homogenous functions appearing in group representations and quantum classical correspondence could be realized through the representation of the space-time surfaces in this manner.
2. The 3-determinants  $(a, b, c)$  appearing in the equations would be replaced by 4-determinants and the equations would have the same general form. One has

$$\sum_{k,l,r,s,t,u} C_{M-k-r-t+E, N-l-s-u+E} D_{k,l} E_{r,s} C_{t,u} \times \\ \times (M-k-r-t+E, k, r, t)(N-l-s-u+E, l, s, u) = 0, \\ E = e_1 + e_2 + e_3 + e_4, \quad (a, b, c, d) = \epsilon^{ijkl} a_i b_j c_k d_l. \quad (2.6.14)$$

and its variants in which  $D$  and  $E$  appear quadratically. The values of  $M$  and  $N$  are restricted to the tetrahedrons  $\sum M_i = \sum d_{k,1} + d_{1,i}$  and  $\sum N_i = \sum d_{i,2} + d_{i,2}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Therefore the dynamics in the index space is 3-dimensional. Since the index space is in a well-defined sense dual to  $CP_3$  as is also the  $CP_3$  in which the solutions are represented as counterparts of 3-surfaces, one could say that the 3-dimensionality of the dynamics corresponds to the dynamics of Chern-Simons action at space-like at the ends of  $CD$  and at light-like 3-surfaces.

3. The view based on 4-D time evolution is not useful since the solutions are restricted to time=constant plane in 4-D sense. The elimination of one of the projective coordinates would lead however to the analog of the above describe time evolution. In four-D context a more appropriate form of the equations is

$$\sum_{m,n,k,l,r,s} C_{m,n} D_{k,l} E_{r,s} C_{t,u}(m, k, r, t)(n, l, s, u) M_{m+k+r-E}(Z) M_{n+l+s-E}(W) = 0 \quad (2.6.15)$$

with similar equations for  $f^2$  and  $f^3$ . If one assumes that the  $CP_2$  image of the holomorphic 3-surface is unique (it can correspond to either  $CP_3$ ) the homogenous polynomials  $f^i$  must be symmetric under the exchange of  $Z$  and  $W$  so that the matrices  $C, D$ , and  $E$  are symmetric. This is equivalent to a replacement of the product of determinants with a sum of 16 products of determinants obtained by permuting the indices of each index pair  $(m, n)$ ,  $(k, l)$ ,  $(r, s)$  and  $(t, u)$ .

4. The number  $N_{cond}$  of conditions is given by the product  $N_{cond} = N(d_M)N(d_N)$  of numbers of points in the two tetrahedrons defined by the total conformal weights

$$\sum M_r = d_M = \sum_k d_{k,1} + d_{1,i} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum N_r = d_N = \sum_k d_{k,2} + d_{i,2} \quad , \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$

The number  $N_{coeff}$  of coefficients is

$$N_{coeff} = \sum_k n(d_{k,1}) + \sum_k n(d_{k,2}) \quad ,$$

where  $n(d_{k,i})$  is the number points associated with the tetrahedron with conformal weight  $d_{k,i}$ . Since one has  $n(d) \propto d^3$ ,  $N_{cond}$  scales as

$$N_{cond} \propto d_M^3 d_N^3 = \left( \sum_k d_{k,1} + d_{1,i} \right)^3 \times \left( \sum_k d_{k,2} + d_{i,2} \right)^3$$

whereas the number  $N_{coeff}$  of coefficients scales as

$$N_{coeff} \propto \sum_k (d_{k,1}^3 + d_{k,2}^3) \quad .$$

$N_{cond}$  is clearly much larger than  $N_{coeff}$  so the solutions are analogous to partial waves and that the reduction of the rank for the matrices involved is an essential aspect of being a solution. The reduction of the rank for the coefficient matrices should reduce the effective number of coefficients so that solutions can be found. An interesting question is whether the coefficients are rationals with a suitable normalization allowed by independent conformal scalings. An analogy for the dynamics is quantum entanglement for 3+3 systems respecting the conservation of conformal weights and quantum classical correspondence taken to extreme suggests something like this.

5. One can interpret these equations as linear equations for the coefficients of the either linear term or as quadratic equations for the non-linear term. Also in the case of quadratic term one can apply general linear methods to identify the vanishing eigen values of the matrix of the quadratic form involved and to find the zero modes as solutions. The rank of the dynamically determined multiplier matrix must be non-maximal for the solutions to exist. One can imagine that the

rank changes at critical surfaces in the space of Taylor coefficients meaning a multi-furcation in the space determined by the coefficients of the polynomials. Also the degree of the polynomial can change at the critical point.

Solutions for which either determinant vanishes for all terms present in the solution exist. This is achieved if either the index vectors  $(m, l, r, t)$  or  $(n, l, s, u)$  in their respective parallel 3-planes are also in a 3-plane going through the origin. These solutions might be seen as the analogs of vacuum extremals of Chern-Simons action for which the  $CP_2$  projection is at most 2-D Lagrangian manifold.

Quantum classical correspondence requires that the space-time surface carries also information about the momenta of partons. This information is quasi-continuous. Also information about zero modes should have representation in terms of the coefficients of the polynomials. Is this really possible if only products of polynomials of fixed conformal weights with strong restrictions on coefficients can be used? The counterpart for the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action might resolve the problem. The analog for the construction of space-time surfaces as deformations of vacuum extremals would be starting from a trivial solution and adding to the building blocks of  $f^i$  some terms of same degree for which the wave vectors are not in the intersection of a 3-plane and simplex planes. The still existing "vacuum part" of the solution could carry the needed information.

6. One can take "obvious solutions" characterized by different common 3-planes for the "wave vectors" characterizing the 8 monomials  $M_a(Z)$  and  $M_b(W)$ ,  $a \in \{m, k, r, t\}$  and  $b \in \{n, l, s, u\}$ . The coefficient matrices  $C, D, E, F$  are completely free. For the sum of these solutions the equations contain interaction terms for which at least two "wave vectors" belong to different 3-planes so that the corresponding 4-determinants are non-vanishing. The coefficients are not anymore free. Could the "obvious solutions" have interpretation in terms of different space-time sheets interacting via wormhole contacts? Or can one equate "obvious" with "vacuum" so that interaction between different vacuum space-time sheets via wormhole contact with 3-D  $CP_2$  projection would deform vacuum extremals to non-vacuum extremals? Quantum classical correspondence inspires the question whether the products for functions  $f_i$  associated with an obvious solution associated with a particular plane correspond to a tensor products for quantum states associated with a particular partonic 2-surface or space-time sheet.
7. Effective 2-dimensionality realized in terms of the extremals of Chern-Simons actions with Lagrange multiplier term coming from the weak form of electric magnetic duality should also have a concrete counterpart if one takes the analogy with the extremals of Kähler action seriously. The equations can be transformed to 3-D ones by the elimination of the fourth coordinate but the interpretation in terms of discrete time evolution seems to be impossible since all points are coupled. The total conformal weights of the monomials vary in the range  $[0, d_{1,i}]$  and  $[0, d_{2,i}]$  so that the non-vanishing coefficients are in the interior of 3-simplex. The information about the fourth coordinate is preserved being visible via the four-determinants.
8. It should be possible to relate the hierarchy with respect to conformal weights would to the geometrization of loop integrals if a generalization of twistor strings is in question. One could hope that there exists a hierarchy of solutions with levels characterized by the rank of the matrices appearing in the linear representation. There is a temptation to associate this hierarchy with the hierarchy of deformations of vacuum extremals of Kähler action forming also a hierarchy. If this is the case the obvious solutions would correspond to vacuum extremals. At each step when the rank of the matrices involved decreases the solution becomes nearer to vacuum extremal and there should exist vanishing second variation of Kähler action. This structural similarity gives hopes that the proposed ansatz might work. Also the fact that a generalization of the Penrose's twistorial description for the solutions of Maxwell's equations to the situation when Maxwell field is induced from the Kähler form of  $CP_2$  raises hopes. One must however remember that the consistency with other proposed solution ansätze and with what is believed to be known about the preferred extremals is an enormously powerful constraint and a mathematical miracle would be required.

## 2.7 Finiteness of generalized Feynman diagrams zero energy ontology

By effective 2-dimensionality partonic 2-surfaces plus the 4-D tangent space data at them code for quantum physics. The light-like orbits of partonic 2-surfaces in turn have interpretation as analogs of Feynman diagrams which correspond to 3-surfaces defining the regions at which the signature of the induced metric changes and 4-metric becomes degenerate. One could also identify the space-like regions of the space-time surfaces (deformed  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals, in particular wormhole throats) as the counterparts of generalized Feynman diagrams. The regions with Minkowskian signature of the induced metric would in turn correspond to the many-sheeted version of external space-time in which the particles move. A very concrete connection between particle and space-time geometry and topology is clearly in question.

Zero energy ontology has already led to the idea of interpreting the virtual particles as pairs of positive and negative energy wormhole throats. Hitherto I have taken it as granted that ordinary Feynman diagrammatics generalizes more or less as such. It is however far from clear what really happens in the vertices of the generalized Feynman diagrams. The safest approach relies on the requirement that unitarity realized in terms of Cutkosky rules in ordinary Feynman diagrammatics allows a generalization. This requires loop diagrams. In particular, photon-photon scattering can take place only via a fermionic square loop so that it seems that loops must be present at least in the topological sense.

One must be however ready for the possibility that something unexpectedly simple might emerge. For instance, the vision about algebraic physics allows naturally only finite sums for diagrams and does not favor infinite perturbative expansions. Hence the true believer on algebraic physics might dream about finite number of diagrams for a given reaction type. For simplicity generalized Feynman diagrams without the complications brought by the magnetic confinement since by the previous arguments the generalization need not bring in anything essentially new.

The basic idea of duality in early hadronic models was that the lines of the dual diagram representing particles are only re-arranged in the vertices. This however does not allow to get rid of off mass shell momenta. Zero energy ontology encourages to consider a stronger form of this principle in the sense that the virtual momenta of particles could correspond to pairs of on mass shell momenta of particles. If also interacting fermions are pairs of positive and negative energy throats in the interaction region the idea about reducing the construction of Feynman diagrams to some kind of lego rules might work.

### 2.7.1 Virtual particles as pairs of on mass shell particles in ZEO

The first thing is to try to define more precisely what generalized Feynman diagrams are. The direct generalization of Feynman diagrams implies that both wormhole throats and wormhole contacts join at vertices.

1. A simple intuitive picture about what happens is provided by diagrams obtained by replacing the points of Feynman diagrams (wormhole contacts) with short lines and imagining that the throats correspond to the ends of the line. At vertices where the lines meet the incoming on mass shell quantum numbers would sum up to zero. This approach leads to a straightforward generalization of Feynman diagrams with virtual particles replaced with pairs of on mass shell throat states of type  $++$ ,  $--$ , and  $+-$ . Incoming lines correspond to  $++$  type lines and outgoing ones to  $--$  type lines. The first two line pairs allow only time like net momenta whereas  $+-$  line pairs allow also space-like virtual momenta. The sign assigned to a given throat is dictated by the the sign of the on mass shell momentum on the line. The condition that Cutkosky rules generalize as such requires  $++$  and  $--$  type virtual lines since the cut of the diagram in Cutkosky rules corresponds to on mass shell outgoing or incoming states and must therefore correspond to  $++$  or  $--$  type lines.
2. The basic difference as compared to the ordinary Feynman diagrammatics is that loop integrals are integrals over mass shell momenta and that all throats carry on mass shell momenta. In each vertex of the loop mass incoming on mass shell momenta must sum up to on mass shell momentum. These constraints improve the behavior of loop integrals dramatically and give



excellent hopes about finiteness. It does not however seem that only a finite number of diagrams contribute to the scattering amplitude besides tree diagrams. The point is that if a the reactions  $N_1 \rightarrow N_2$  and  $N_2 \rightarrow N_3$ , where  $N_i$  denote particle numbers, are possible in a common kinematical region for  $N_2$ -particle states then also the diagrams  $N_1 \rightarrow N_2 \rightarrow N_3$  are possible. The virtual states  $N_2$  include all states in the intersection of kinematically allowed regions for  $N_1 \rightarrow N_2$  and  $N_2 \rightarrow N_3$ . Hence the dream about finite number possible diagrams is not fulfilled if one allows massless particles. If all particles are massive then the particle number  $N_2$  for given  $N_1$  is limited from above and the dream is realized.

3. For instance, loops are not possible in the massless case or are highly singular (bringing in mind twistor diagrams) since the conservation laws at vertices imply that the momenta are parallel. In the massive case and allowing mass spectrum the situation is not so simple. As a first example one can consider a loop with three vertices and thus three internal lines. Three on mass shell conditions are present so that the four-momentum can vary in 1-D subspace only. For a loop involving four vertices there are four internal lines and four mass shell conditions so that loop integrals would reduce to discrete sums. Loops involving more than four vertices are expected to be impossible.
4. The proposed replacement of the elementary fermions with bound states of elementary fermions and monopoles  $X_{\pm}$  brings in the analog of stringy diagrammatics. The 2-particle wave functions in the momentum degrees of freedom of fermions and  $X_{\pm}$  might allow more flexibility and allow more loops. Note however that there are excellent hopes about the finiteness of the theory also in this case.

### 2.7.2 Loop integrals are manifestly finite

One can make also more detailed observations about loops.

1. The simplest situation is obtained if only 3-vertices are allowed. In this case conservation of momentum however allows only collinear momenta although the signs of energy need not be the same. Particle creation and annihilation is possible and momentum exchange is possible but is always light-like in the massless case. The scattering matrices of supersymmetric YM theories would suggest something less trivial and this raises the question whether something is missing. Magnetic monopoles are an essential element of also these theories as also massivation and symmetry breaking and this encourages to think that the formation of massive states as fermion  $X_{\pm}$  pairs is needed. Of course, in TGD framework one has also high mass excitations of the massless states making the scattering matrix non-trivial.
2. In YM theories on mass shell lines would be singular. In TGD framework this is not the case since the propagator is defined as the inverse of the 3-D dimensional reduction of the modified Dirac operator  $D$  containing also coupling to four-momentum (this is required by quantum classical correspondence and guarantees stringy propagators),

$$\begin{aligned} D &= i\hat{\Gamma}^{\alpha} p_{\alpha} + \hat{\Gamma}^{\alpha} D_{\alpha} \ , \\ p_{\alpha} &= p_k \partial_{\alpha} h^k \ . \end{aligned} \tag{2.7.1}$$

The propagator does not diverge for on mass shell massless momenta and the propagator lines are well-defined. This is of course of essential importance also in general case. Only for the incoming lines one can consider the possibility that 3-D Dirac operator annihilates the induced spinor fields. All lines correspond to generalized eigenstates of the propagator in the sense that one has  $D_3 \Psi = \lambda \gamma \Psi$ , where  $\gamma$  is modified gamma matrix in the direction of the stringy coordinate emanating from light-like surface and  $D_3$  is the 3-dimensional dimensional reduction of the 4-D modified Dirac operator. The eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is analogous to energy. Note that the eigenvalue spectrum depends on 4-momentum as a parameter.

3. Massless incoming momenta can decay to massless momenta with both signs of energy. The integration measure  $d^2k/2E$  reduces to  $dx/x$  where  $x \geq 0$  is the scaling factor of massless momentum. Only light-like momentum exchanges are however possible and scattering matrix is essentially trivial. The loop integrals are finite apart from the possible delicacies related to poles since the loop integrands for given massless wormhole contact are proportional to  $dx/x^3$  for large values of  $x$ .
4. Irrespective of whether the particles are massless or not, the divergences are obtained only if one allows too high vertices as self energy loops for which the number of momentum degrees of freedom is  $3N - 4$  for  $N$ -vertex. The construction of SUSY limit of TGD in [K30] led to the conclusion that the parallelly propagating  $N$  fermions for given wormhole throat correspond to a product of  $N$  fermion propagators with same four-momentum so that for fermions and ordinary bosons one has the standard behavior but for  $N > 2$  non-standard so that these excitations are not seen as ordinary particles. Higher vertices are finite only if the total number  $N_F$  of fermions propagating in the loop satisfies  $N_F > 3N - 4$ . For instance, a 4-vertex from which  $N = 2$  states emanate is finite.

### 2.7.3 Taking into account magnetic confinement

What has been said above is not quite enough. As shown in the accompanying article and in [K29] the weak form of electric-magnetic duality [B5] leads to the picture about elementary particles as pairs of magnetic monopoles inspiring the notions of weak confinement based on magnetic monopole force. Also color confinement would have magnetic counterpart. This means that elementary particles would behave like string like objects in weak boson length scale. Therefore one must also consider the stringy case with wormhole throats replaced with fermion- $X_{\pm}$  pairs ( $X_{\pm}$  is electromagnetically neutral and  $\pm$  refers to the sign of the weak isospin opposite to that of fermion) and their super partners.

1. The simplest assumption in the stringy case is that fermion- $X_{\pm}$  pairs behave as coherent objects, that is scatter elastically. In more general case only their higher excitations identifiable in terms of stringy degrees of freedom would be created in vertices. The massivation of these states makes possible non-collinear vertices. An open question is how the massivation fermion- $X_{\pm}$  pairs relates to the existing TGD based description of massivation in terms of Higgs mechanism and modified Dirac operator.
2. Mass renormalization could come from self energy loops with negative energy lines as also vertex normalization. By very general arguments supersymmetry implies the cancellation of the self energy loops but would allow non-trivial vertex renormalization [K30].
3. If only 3-vertices are allowed, the loops containing only positive energy lines are possible if on mass shell fermion- $X_{\pm}$  pair (or its superpartner) can decay to a pair of positive energy pair particles of same kind. Whether this is possible depends on the masses involved. For ordinary particles these decays are not kinematically possible below intermediate boson mass scale (the decays  $F_1 \rightarrow F_2 + \gamma$  are forbidden kinematically or by the absence of flavor changing neutral currents whereas intermediate gauge bosons can decay to on mass shell fermion-antifermion pair).
4. The introduction of IR cutoff for 3-momentum in the rest system associated with the largest  $CD$  (causal diamond) looks natural as scale parameter of coupling constant evolution and p-adic length scale hypothesis favors the inverse of the size scale of  $CD$  coming in powers of two. This parameter would define the momentum resolution as a discrete parameter of the p-adic coupling constant evolution. This scale does not have any counterpart in standard physics. For electron,  $d$  quark, and  $u$  quark the proper time distance between the tips of  $CD$  corresponds to frequency of 10 Hz, 1280 Hz, and 160 Hz: all these frequencies define fundamental bio-rhythms [K25].

These considerations have left completely untouched one important aspect of generalized Feynman diagrams: the necessity to perform a functional integral over the deformations of the partonic 2-surfaces at the ends of the lines- that is integration over WCW. Number theoretical universality requires that WCW and these integrals make sense also p-adically and in the following these aspects of generalized Feynman diagrams are discussed.

## Chapter 3

# The Recent Vision about Preferred Extremals and Solutions of the Modified Dirac Equation

### 3.1 Introduction

During years several approaches to what preferred extremals of Kähler action and solutions of the modified Dirac equation could be have been proposed and the challenge is to see whether at least some of these approaches are consistent with each other. It is good to list various approaches first.

1. For preferred extremals generalization of conformal invariance to 4-D situation is very attractive approach and leads to concrete conditions formally similar to those encountered in string model [K12]. In particular, Einstein's equations with cosmological constant follow as consistency conditions and field equations reduce to a purely algebraic statements analogous to those appearing in equations for minimal surfaces if one assumes that space-time surface has Hermitian structure or its Minkowskian variant Hamilton-Jacobi structure (Appendix). The older approach based on basic heuristics for massless equations, on effective 3-dimensionality, and weak form of electric magnetic duality, and Beltrami flows is also promising. An alternative approach is inspired by number theoretical considerations and identifies space-time surfaces as associative or co-associative sub-manifolds of octonionic imbedding space [K80].

The basic step of progress was the realization that the known extremals of Kähler action - certainly limiting cases of more general extremals - can be deformed to more general extremals having interpretation as preferred extremals.

- (a) The generalization boils down to the condition that field equations reduce to the condition that the traces  $Tr(TH^k)$  for the product of energy momentum tensor and second fundamental form vanish. In string models energy momentum tensor corresponds to metric and one obtains minimal surface equations. The equations reduce to purely algebraic conditions stating that  $T$  and  $H^k$  have no common components. Complex structure of string world sheet makes this possible.

Stringy conditions for metric stating  $g_{zz} = g_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} = 0$  generalize. The condition that field equations reduce to  $Tr(TH^k) = 0$  requires that the terms involving Kähler gauge current in field equations vanish. This is achieved if Einstein's equations hold true. The conditions guaranteeing the vanishing of the trace in turn boil down to the existence of Hermitian structure in the case of Euclidian signature and to the existence of its analog - Hamilton-Jacobi structure - for Minkowskian signature (Appendix). These conditions state that certain components of the induced metric vanish in complex coordinates or Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates.

In string model the replacement of the imbedding space coordinate variables with quantized ones allows to interpret the conditions on metric as Virasoro conditions. In the recent case generalization of classical Virasoro conditions to four-dimensional ones would be in question.

An interesting question is whether quantization of these conditions could make sense also in TGD framework at least as a useful trick to deduce information about quantum states in WCW degrees of freedom.

The interpretation of the extended algebra as Yangian [A30] [B27] suggested previously [K92] to act as a generalization of conformal algebra in TGD Universe is attractive. There is also the conjecture that preferred extremals could be interpreted as quaternionic or co-quaternionic 4-surface of the octonionic imbedding space with octonionic representation of the gamma matrices defining the notion of tangent space quaternionicity.

2. There are also several approaches for solving the modified Dirac equation. The most promising approach is assumes that the solutions are restricted on 2-D stringy world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces. This strange looking view is a rather natural consequence of both strong form of holography and of number theoretic vision, and also follows from the notion of finite measurement resolution having discretization at partonic 2-surfaces as a geometric correlate. The conditions stating that electric charge is conserved for preferred extremals is an alternative very promising approach. One expects that stringy approach based on 4-D generalization of conformal invariance or its 2-D variant at 2-D preferred surfaces should also allow to understand the modified Dirac equation. In accordance with the earlier conjecture, all modes of the modified Dirac operator generate badly broken super-symmetries. Right-handed neutrino allows also holomorphic modes delocalized at entire space-time surface and the delocalization inside Euclidian region defining the line of generalized Feynman diagram is a good candidate for the right-handed neutrino generating the least broken super-symmetry. This super-symmetry seems however to differ from the ordinary one in that  $\nu_R$  is expected to behave like a passive spectator in the scattering.

In the following the question whether these various approaches are mutually consistent is discussed. It indeed turns out that the approach based on the conservation of electric charge leads under rather general assumptions to the proposal that solutions of the modified Dirac equation are localized on 2-dimensional string world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces. Einstein's equations are satisfied for the preferred extremals and this implies that the earlier proposal for the realization of Equivalence Principle is not needed. This leads to a considerable progress in the understanding of super Virasoro representations for super-symplectic and super-Kac-Moody algebra. In particular, the proposal is that super-Kac-Moody currents assignable to string world sheets define duals of gauge potentials and their generalization for gravitons: in the approximation that gauge group is Abelian - motivated by the notion of finite measurement resolution - the exponents for the sum of KM charges would define non-integrable phase factors. One can also identify Yangian as the algebra generated by these charges. The approach allows also to understand the special role of the right handed neutrino in SUSY according to TGD.

## 3.2 About deformations of known extremals of Kähler action

I have done a considerable amount of speculative guesswork to identify what I have used to call preferred extremals of Kähler action. The problem is that the mathematical problem at hand is extremely non-linear and that there is no existing mathematical literature. One must proceed by trying to guess the general constraints on the preferred extremals which look physically and mathematically plausible. The hope is that this net of constraints could eventually crystallize to Eureka! Certainly the recent speculative picture involves also wrong guesses. The need to find explicit ansatz for the deformations of known extremals based on some common principles has become pressing. The following considerations represent an attempt to combine the existing information to achieve this.

### 3.2.1 What might be the common features of the deformations of known extremals

The dream is to discover the deformations of all known extremals by guessing what is common to all of them. One might hope that the following list summarizes at least some common features.

### Effective three-dimensionality at the level of action

1. Holography realized as effective 3-dimensionality also at the level of action requires that it reduces to 3-dimensional effective boundary terms. This is achieved if the contraction  $j^\alpha A_\alpha$  vanishes. This is true if  $j^\alpha$  vanishes or is light-like, or if it is proportional to instanton current in which case current conservation requires that  $CP_2$  projection of the space-time surface is 3-dimensional. The first two options for  $j$  have a realization for known extremals. The status of the third option - proportionality to instanton current - has remained unclear.
2. As I started to work again with the problem, I realized that instanton current could be replaced with a more general current  $j = *B \wedge J$  or concretely:  $j^\alpha = \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} B_\beta J_{\gamma\delta}$ , where  $B$  is vector field and  $CP_2$  projection is 3-dimensional, which it must be in any case. The contractions of  $j$  appearing in field equations vanish automatically with this ansatz.
3. Almost topological QFT property in turn requires the reduction of effective boundary terms to Chern-Simons terms: this is achieved by boundary conditions expressing weak form of electric magnetic duality. If one generalizes the weak form of electric magnetic duality to  $J = \Phi * J$  one has  $B = d\Phi$  and  $j$  has a vanishing divergence for 3-D  $CP_2$  projection. This is clearly a more general solution ansatz than the one based on proportionality of  $j$  with instanton current and would reduce the field equations in concise notation to  $Tr(TH^k) = 0$ .
4. Any of the alternative properties of the Kähler current implies that the field equations reduce to  $Tr(TH^k) = 0$ , where  $T$  and  $H^k$  are shorthands for Maxwellian energy momentum tensor and second fundamental form and the product of tensors is obvious generalization of matrix product involving index contraction.

### Could Einstein's equations emerge dynamically?

For  $j^\alpha$  satisfying one of the three conditions, the field equations have the same form as the equations for minimal surfaces except that the metric  $g$  is replaced with Maxwell energy momentum tensor  $T$ .

1. This raises the question about dynamical generation of small cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ :  $T = \Lambda g$  would reduce equations to those for minimal surfaces. For  $T = \Lambda g$  modified gamma matrices would reduce to induced gamma matrices and the modified Dirac operator would be proportional to ordinary Dirac operator defined by the induced gamma matrices. One can also consider weak form for  $T = \Lambda g$  obtained by restricting the consideration to sub-space of tangent space so that space-time surface is only "partially" minimal surface but this option is not so elegant although necessary for other than  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals.
2. What is remarkable is that  $T = \Lambda g$  implies that the divergence of  $T$  which in the general case equals to  $j^\beta J_\beta^\alpha$  vanishes. This is guaranteed by one of the conditions for the Kähler current. Since also Einstein tensor has a vanishing divergence, one can ask whether the condition to  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  could be the general condition. This would give Einstein's equations with cosmological term besides the generalization of the minimal surface equations. GRT would emerge dynamically from the non-linear Maxwell's theory although in slightly different sense as conjectured [K85]! Note that the expression for  $G$  involves also second derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates so that actually a partial differential equation is in question. If field equations reduce to purely algebraic ones, as the basic conjecture states, it is possible to have  $Tr(GH^k) = 0$  and  $Tr(gH^k) = 0$  separately so that also minimal surface equations would hold true.

What is amusing that the first guess for the action of TGD was curvature scalar. It gave analogs of Einstein's equations as a definition of conserved four-momentum currents. The recent proposal would give the analog of ordinary Einstein equations as a dynamical constraint relating Maxwellian energy momentum tensor to Einstein tensor and metric.

3. Minimal surface property is physically extremely nice since field equations can be interpreted as a non-linear generalization of massless wave equation: something very natural for non-linear variant of Maxwell action. The theory would be also very "stringy" although the fundamental action would not be space-time volume. This can however hold true only for Euclidian signature. Note that for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals Einstein tensor is proportional to metric so that for

them the two options are equivalent. For their small deformations situation changes and it might happen that the presence of  $G$  is necessary. The GRT limit of TGD discussed in [K85] [L19] indeed suggests that  $CP_2$  type solutions satisfy Einstein's equations with large cosmological constant and that the small observed value of the cosmological constant is due to averaging and small volume fraction of regions of Euclidian signature (lines of generalized Feynman diagrams).

4. For massless extremals and their deformations  $T = \Lambda g$  cannot hold true. The reason is that for massless extremals energy momentum tensor has component  $T^{vv}$  which actually quite essential for field equations since one has  $H_{vv}^k = 0$ . Hence for massless extremals and their deformations  $T = \Lambda g$  cannot hold true if the induced metric has Hamilton-Jacobi structure meaning that  $g^{uu}$  and  $g^{vv}$  vanish. A more general relationship of form  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda G$  can however be consistent with non-vanishing  $T^{vv}$  but require that deformation has at most 3-D  $CP_2$  projection ( $CP_2$  coordinates do not depend on  $v$ ).
5. The non-determinism of vacuum extremals suggest for their non-vacuum deformations a conflict with the conservation laws. In, also massless extremals are characterized by a non-determinism with respect to the light-like coordinate but like-likeness saves the situation. This suggests that the transformation of a properly chosen time coordinate of vacuum extremal to a light-like coordinate in the induced metric combined with Einstein's equations in the induced metric of the deformation could allow to handle the non-determinism.

**Are complex structure of  $CP_2$  and Hamilton-Jacobi structure of  $M^4$  respected by the deformations?**

The complex structure of  $CP_2$  and Hamilton-Jacobi structure of  $M^4$  could be central for the understanding of the preferred extremal property algebraically.

1. There are reasons to believe that the Hermitian structure of the induced metric ((1,1) structure in complex coordinates) for the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals could be crucial property of the preferred extremals. Also the presence of light-like direction is also an essential elements and 3-dimensionality of  $M^4$  projection could be essential. Hence a good guess is that allowed deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals are such that (2,0) and (0,2) components the induced metric and/or of the energy momentum tensor vanish. This gives rise to the conditions implying Virasoro conditions in string models in quantization:

$$g_{\xi^i \xi^j} = 0 \quad , \quad g_{\bar{\xi}^i \bar{\xi}^j} = 0 \quad , \quad i, j = 1, 2 \quad . \tag{3.2.1}$$

Holomorphisms of  $CP_2$  preserve the complex structure and Virasoro conditions are expected to generalize to 4-dimensional conditions involving two complex coordinates. This means that the generators have two integer valued indices but otherwise obey an algebra very similar to the Virasoro algebra. Also the super-conformal variant of this algebra is expected to make sense.

These Virasoro conditions apply in the coordinate space for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals. One expects similar conditions hold true also in field space, that is for  $M^4$  coordinates.

2. The integrable decomposition  $M^4(m) = M^2(m) + E^2(m)$  of  $M^4$  tangent space to longitudinal and transversal parts (non-physical and physical polarizations) - Hamilton-Jacobi structure- could be a very general property of preferred extremals and very natural since non-linear Maxwellian electrodynamics is in question. This decomposition led rather early to the introduction of the analog of complex structure in terms of what I called Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates  $(u, v, w, \bar{w})$  for  $M^4$ .  $(u, v)$  defines a pair of light-like coordinates for the local longitudinal space  $M^2(m)$  and  $(w, \bar{w})$  complex coordinates for  $E^2(m)$ . The Hamilton-Jacobi conditions on induced metric would be obtained by replacing imaginary unit in the definition of Hermitian metric for some complex coordinates with  $e$ ,  $e^2 = 1$  and defining hyper-complex conjugation as  $u \rightarrow v$  for light-like-coordinate (Appendix).

A good guess is that the deformations of massless extremals respect this structure. This condition gives rise to the analog of the constraints leading to Virasoro conditions stating the vanishing

of the non-allowed components of the induced metric plus the analogs of hermiticity conditions. Again the generators of the algebra would involve two integers and the structure is that of Virasoro algebra and also generalization to super algebra is expected to make sense. The moduli space of Hamilton-Jacobi structures would be part of the moduli space of the preferred extremals and analogous to the space of all possible choices of complex coordinates. The analogs of infinitesimal holomorphic transformations would preserve the modular parameters and give rise to a 4-dimensional Minkowskian analog of Virasoro algebra. The conformal algebra acting on  $CP_2$  coordinates acts in field degrees of freedom for Minkowskian signature.

### Field equations as purely algebraic conditions

If the proposed picture is correct, field equations would reduce basically to purely algebraically conditions stating that the Maxwellian energy momentum tensor has no common index pairs with the second fundamental form. For the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals  $T$  is a complex tensor of type (1,1) and second fundamental form  $H^k$  a tensor of type (2,0) and (0,2) so that  $Tr(TH^k) =$  is true. This requires that second light-like coordinate of  $M^4$  is constant so that the  $M^4$  projection is 3-dimensional. For Minkowskian signature of the induced metric Hamilton-Jacobi structure replaces conformal structure. Here the dependence of  $CP_2$  coordinates on second light-like coordinate of  $M^2(m)$  only plays a fundamental role. Note that now  $T^{vv}$  is non-vanishing (and light-like). This picture generalizes to the deformations of cosmic strings and even to the case of vacuum extremals.

### 3.2.2 What small deformations of $CP_2$ type vacuum extremals could be?

I was led to these arguments when I tried find preferred extremals of Kähler action, which would have 4-D  $CP_2$  and  $M^4$  projections - the Maxwell phase analogous to the solutions of Maxwell's equations that I conjectured long time ago. It however turned out that the dimensions of the projections can be ( $D_{M^4} \leq 3, D_{CP_2} = 4$ ) or ( $D_{M^4} = 4, D_{CP_2} \leq 3$ ). What happens is essentially breakdown of linear superposition so that locally one can have superposition of modes which have 4-D wave vectors in the same direction. This is actually very much like quantization of radiation field to photons now represented as separate space-time sheets and one can say that Maxwellian superposition corresponds to union of separate photonic space-time sheets in TGD. In the following I shall restrict the consideration to the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals.

#### Solution ansatz

I proceed by the following arguments to the ansatz.

1. Effective 3-dimensionality for action (holography) requires that action decomposes to vanishing  $j^\alpha A_\alpha$  term + total divergence giving 3-D "boundary" terms. The first term certainly vanishes (giving effective 3-dimensionality) for

$$D_\beta J^{\alpha\beta} = j^\alpha = 0 \ .$$

Empty space Maxwell equations, something extremely natural. Also for the proposed GRT limit these equations are true.

2. How to obtain empty space Maxwell equations  $j^\alpha = 0$ ? The answer is simple: assume self duality or its slight modification:

$$J = *J$$

holding for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals or a more general condition

$$J = k * J \ ,$$

In the simplest situation  $k$  is some constant not far from unity.  $*$  is Hodge dual involving 4-D permutation symbol.  $k = \text{constant}$  requires that the determinant of the induced metric is apart from constant equal to that of  $CP_2$  metric. It does not require that the induced metric

is proportional to the  $CP_2$  metric, which is not possible since  $M^4$  contribution to metric has Minkowskian signature and cannot be therefore proportional to  $CP_2$  metric.

One can consider also a more general situation in which  $k$  is scalar function as a generalization of the weak electric-magnetic duality. In this case the Kähler current is non-vanishing but divergenceless. This also guarantees the reduction to  $Tr(TH^k) = 0$ . In this case however the proportionality of the metric determinant to that for  $CP_2$  metric is not needed. This solution ansatz becomes therefore more general.

3. Field equations reduce with these assumptions to equations differing from minimal surfaces equations only in that metric  $g$  is replaced by Maxwellian energy momentum tensor  $T$ . Schematically:

$$Tr(TH^k) = 0 \quad ,$$

where  $T$  is the Maxwellian energy momentum tensor and  $H^k$  is the second fundamental form - asymmetric 2-tensor defined by covariant derivative of gradients of imbedding space coordinates.

**How to satisfy the condition  $Tr(TH^k) = 0$ ?**

It would be nice to have minimal surface equations since they are the non-linear generalization of massless wave equations. It would be also nice to have the vanishing of the terms involving Kähler current in field equations as a consequence of this condition. Indeed,  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  implies this. In the case of  $CP_2$  vacuum extremals one cannot distinguish between these options since  $CP_2$  itself is constant curvature space with  $G \propto g$ . Furthermore, if  $G$  and  $g$  have similar tensor structure the algebraic field equations for  $G$  and  $g$  are satisfied separately so that one obtains minimal surface property also now. In the following minimal surface option is considered.

1. The first option is achieved if one has

$$T = \Lambda g \quad .$$

Maxwell energy momentum tensor would be proportional to the metric! One would have dynamically generated cosmological constant! This begins to look really interesting since it appeared also at the proposed GRT limit of TGD [L19]. Note that here also non-constant value of  $\Lambda$  can be considered and would correspond to a situation in which  $k$  is scalar function: in this case the the determinant condition can be dropped and one obtains just the minimal surface equations.

2. Very schematically and forgetting indices and being sloppy with signs, the expression for  $T$  reads as

$$T = JJ - g/4Tr(JJ) \quad .$$

Note that the product of tensors is obtained by generalizing matrix product. This should be proportional to metric.

Self duality implies that  $Tr(JJ)$  is just the instanton density and does not depend on metric and is constant.

For  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals one obtains

$$T = -g + g = 0 \quad .$$

Cosmological constant would vanish in this case.

3. Could it happen that for deformations a small value of cosmological constant is generated?

The condition would reduce to

$$JJ = (\Lambda - 1)g \quad .$$



$\Lambda$  must relate to the value of parameter  $k$  appearing in the generalized self-duality condition. For the most general ansatz  $\Lambda$  would not be constant anymore.

This would generalize the defining condition for Kähler form

$$JJ = -g \quad (i^2 = -1 \text{ geometrically})$$

stating that the square of Kähler form is the negative of metric. The only modification would be that index raising is carried out by using the induced metric containing also  $M^4$  contribution rather than  $CP_2$  metric.

4. Explicitly:

$$J_{\alpha\mu}J^\mu_\beta = (\Lambda - 1)g_{\alpha\beta} \ .$$

Cosmological constant would measure the breaking of Kähler structure. By writing  $g = s+m$  and defining index raising of tensors using  $CP_2$  metric and their product accordingly, this condition can be also written as

$$Jm = (\Lambda - 1)mJ \ .$$

If the parameter  $k$  is constant, the determinant of the induced metric must be proportional to the  $CP_2$  metric. If  $k$  is scalar function, this condition can be dropped. Cosmological constant would not be constant anymore but the dependence on  $k$  would drop out from the field equations and one would hope of obtaining minimal surface equations also now. It however seems that the dimension of  $M^4$  projection cannot be four. For 4-D  $M^4$  projection the contribution of the  $M^2$  part of the  $M^4$  metric gives a non-holomorphic contribution to  $CP_2$  metric and this spoils the field equations.

For  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  option the value of the cosmological constant is large - just as it is for the proposed GRT limit of TGD [K85] [L19]. The interpretation in this case is that the average value of cosmological constant is small since the portion of space-time volume containing generalized Feynman diagrams is very small.

### More detailed ansatz for the deformations of $CP_2$ type vacuum extremals

One can develop the ansatz to a more detailed form. The most obvious guess is that the induced metric is apart from constant conformal factor the metric of  $CP_2$ . This would guarantee self-duality apart from constant factor and  $j^\alpha = 0$ . Metric would be in complex  $CP_2$  coordinates tensor of type (1,1) whereas  $CP_2$  Riemann connection would have only purely holomorphic or anti-holomorphic indices. Therefore  $CP_2$  contributions in  $Tr(TH^k)$  would vanish identically.  $M^4$  degrees of freedom however bring in difficulty. The  $M^4$  contribution to the induced metric should be proportional to  $CP_2$  metric and this is impossible due to the different signatures. The  $M^4$  contribution to the induced metric breaks its Kähler property but would preserve Hermitian structure.

A more realistic guess based on the attempt to construct deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals is following.

1. Physical intuition suggests that  $M^4$  coordinates can be chosen so that one has integrable decomposition to longitudinal degrees of freedom parametrized by two light-like coordinates  $u$  and  $v$  and to transversal polarization degrees of freedom parametrized by complex coordinate  $w$  and its conjugate.  $M^4$  metric would reduce in these coordinates to a direct sum of longitudinal and transverse parts. I have called these coordinates Hamilton Jacobi coordinates.
2.  $w$  would be holomorphic function of  $CP_2$  coordinates and therefore satisfy massless wave equation. This would give hopes about rather general solution ansatz.  $u$  and  $v$  cannot be holomorphic functions of  $CP_2$  coordinates. Unless wither  $u$  or  $v$  is constant, the induced metric would receive contributions of type (2,0) and (0,2) coming from  $u$  and  $v$  which would break Kähler structure and complex structure. These contributions would give no-vanishing contribution to all minimal surface equations. Therefore either  $u$  or  $v$  is constant: the coordinate line for non-constant coordinate -say  $u$ - would be analogous to the  $M^4$  projection of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal.

3. With these assumptions the induced metric would remain (1,1) tensor and one might hope that  $Tr(TH^k)$  contractions vanishes for all variables except  $u$  because there are no common index pairs (this if non-vanishing Christoffel symbols for  $H$  involve only holomorphic or anti-holomorphic indices in  $CP_2$  coordinates). For  $u$  one would obtain massless wave equation expressing the minimal surface property.
4. If the value of  $k$  is constant the determinant of the induced metric must be proportional to the determinant of  $CP_2$  metric. The induced metric would contain only the contribution from the transversal degrees of freedom besides  $CP_2$  contribution. Minkowski contribution has however rank 2 as  $CP_2$  tensor and cannot be proportional to  $CP_2$  metric. It is however enough that its determinant is proportional to the determinant of  $CP_2$  metric with constant proportionality coefficient. This condition gives an additional non-linear condition to the solution. One would have wave equation for  $u$  (also  $w$  and its conjugate satisfy massless wave equation) and determinant condition as an additional condition.

The determinant condition reduces by the linearity of determinant with respect to its rows to sum of conditions involved 0,1,2 rows replaced by the transversal  $M^4$  contribution to metric given if  $M^4$  metric decomposes to direct sum of longitudinal and transversal parts. Derivatives with respect to derivative with respect to particular  $CP_2$  complex coordinate appear linearly in this expression they can depend on  $u$  via the dependence of transversal metric components on  $u$ . The challenge is to show that this equation has (or does not have) non-trivial solutions.

5. If the value of  $k$  is scalar function the situation changes and one has only the minimal surface equations and Virasoro conditions.

What makes the ansatz attractive is that special solutions of Maxwell empty space equations are in question, equations reduces to non-linear generalizations of Euclidian massless wave equations, and possibly space-time dependent cosmological constant pops up dynamically. These properties are true also for the GRT limit of TGD [L19].

### 3.2.3 Hamilton-Jacobi conditions in Minkowskian signature

The maximally optimistic guess is that the basic properties of the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals generalize to the deformations of other known extremals such as massless extremals, vacuum extremals with 2-D  $CP_2$  projection which is Lagrangian manifold, and cosmic strings characterized by Minkowskian signature of the induced metric. These properties would be following.

1. The recomposition of  $M^4$  tangent space to longitudinal and transversal parts giving Hamilton-Jacobi structure. The longitudinal part has hypercomplex structure but the second light-like coordinate is constant: this plays a crucial role in guaranteeing the vanishing of contractions in  $Tr(TH^k)$ . It is the algebraic properties of  $g$  and  $T$  which are crucial.  $T$  can however have light-like component  $T^{vv}$ . For the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals (1,1) structure is enough and is guaranteed if second light-like coordinate of  $M^4$  is constant whereas  $w$  is holomorphic function of  $CP_2$  coordinates.
2. What could happen in the case of massless extremals? Now one has 2-D  $CP_2$  projection in the initial situation and  $CP_2$  coordinates depend on light-like coordinate  $u$  and single real transversal coordinate. The generalization would be obvious: dependence on single light-like coordinate  $u$  and holomorphic dependence on  $w$  for complex  $CP_2$  coordinates. The constraint is  $T = \Lambda g$  cannot hold true since  $T^{vv}$  is non-vanishing (and light-like). This property restricted to transversal degrees of freedom could reduce the field equations to minimal surface equations in transversal degrees of freedom. The transversal part of energy momentum tensor would be proportional to metric and hence covariantly constant. Gauge current would remain light-like but would not be given by  $j = *d\phi \wedge J$ .  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  seems to define the attractive option.

It therefore seems that the essential ingredient could be the condition

$$T = \kappa G + \lambda g \quad ,$$

which has structure (1,1) in both  $M^2(m)$  and  $E^2(m)$  degrees of freedom apart from the presence of  $T^{vv}$  component with deformations having no dependence on  $v$ . If the second fundamental form has (2,0)+(0,2) structure, the minimal surface equations are satisfied provided Kähler current satisfies on of the proposed three conditions and if  $G$  and  $g$  have similar tensor structure.

One can actually pose the conditions of metric as complete analogs of stringy constraints leading to Virasoro conditions in quantization to give

$$g_{uu} = 0 \quad , \quad g_{vv} = 0 \quad , \quad g_{uw} = 0 \quad , \quad g_{\bar{w}\bar{w}} = 0 \quad . \quad (3.2.2)$$

This brings in mind the generalization of Virasoro algebra to four-dimensional algebra for which an identification in terms of non-local Yangian symmetry has been proposed [K92]. The number of conditions is four and the same as the number of independent field equations. One can consider similar conditions also for the energy momentum tensor  $T$  but allowing non-vanishing component  $T^{vv}$  if deformations has no  $v$ -dependence. This would solve the field equations if the gauge current vanishes or is light-like. On this case the number of equations is 8. First order differential equations are in question and they can be also interpreted as conditions fixing the coordinates used since there is infinite number of manners to choose the Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates.

One can try to apply the physical intuition about general solutions of field equations in the linear case by writing the solution as a superposition of left and right propagating solutions:

$$\xi^k = f_+^k(u, w) + f_-^k(v, w) \quad . \quad (3.2.3)$$

This could guarantee that second fundamental form is of form (2,0)+(0,2) in both  $M^2$  and  $E^2$  part of the tangent space and these terms if  $Tr(TH^k)$  vanish identically. The remaining terms involve contractions of  $T^{uw}$ ,  $T^{u\bar{w}}$  and  $T^{vw}$ ,  $T^{v\bar{w}}$  with second fundamental form. Also these terms should sum up to zero or vanish separately. Second fundamental form has components coming from  $f_+^k$  and  $f_-^k$

Second fundamental form  $H^k$  has as basic building bricks terms  $\hat{H}^k$  given by

$$\hat{H}_{\alpha\beta}^k = \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta h^k + \binom{k}{l \ m} \partial_\alpha h^l \partial_\beta h^m \quad . \quad (3.2.4)$$

For the proposed ansatz the first terms give vanishing contribution to  $H_{uv}^k$ . The terms containing Christoffel symbols however give a non-vanishing contribution and one can allow only  $f_+^k$  or  $f_-^k$  as in the case of massless extremals. This reduces the dimension of  $CP_2$  projection to  $D = 3$ .

What about the condition for Kähler current? Kähler form has components of type  $J_{w\bar{w}}$  whose contravariant counterpart gives rise to space-like current component.  $J_{uw}$  and  $J_{u\bar{w}}$  give rise to light-like currents components. The condition would state that the  $J^{w\bar{w}}$  is covariantly constant. Solutions would be characterized by a constant Kähler magnetic field. Also electric field is represent. The interpretation both radiation and magnetic flux tube makes sense.

### 3.2.4 Deformations of cosmic strings

In the physical applications it has been assumed that the thickening of cosmic strings to Kähler magnetic flux tubes takes place. One indeed expects that the proposed construction generalizes also to the case of cosmic strings having the decomposition  $X^4 = X^2 \times Y^2 \subset M^4 \times CP_2$ , where  $X^2$  is minimal surface and  $Y^2$  a complex homologically non-trivial sub-manifold of  $CP_2$ . Now the starting point structure is Hamilton-Jacobi structure for  $M_m^2 \times Y^2$  defining the coordinate space.

1. The deformation should increase the dimension of either  $CP_2$  or  $M^4$  projection or both. How this thickening could take place? What comes in mind that the string orbits  $X^2$  can be interpreted as a distribution of longitudinal spaces  $M^2(x)$  so that for the deformation  $w$  coordinate becomes a holomorphic function of the natural  $Y^2$  complex coordinate so that  $M^4$  projection becomes 4-D but  $CP_2$  projection remains 2-D. The new contribution to the  $X^2$  part of the induced metric is vanishing and the contribution to the  $Y^2$  part is of type (1, 1) and the the ansatz  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  might be needed as a generalization of the minimal surface equations The ratio of  $\kappa$  and  $G$  would be determined from the form of the Maxwellian energy momentum tensor and be fixed at the

limit of undeformed cosmic strong to  $T = (ag(Y^2) - bg(Y^2))$ . The value of cosmological constant is now large, and overall consistency suggests that  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  is the correct option also for the  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals.

2. One could also imagine that remaining  $CP_2$  coordinates could depend on the complex coordinate of  $Y^2$  so that also  $CP_2$  projection would become 4-dimensional. The induced metric would receive holomorphic contributions in  $Y^2$  part. As a matter fact, this option is already implied by the assumption that  $Y^2$  is a complex surface of  $CP_2$ .

### 3.2.5 Deformations of vacuum extremals?

What about the deformations of vacuum extremals representable as maps from  $M^4$  to  $CP_2$ ?

1. The basic challenge is the non-determinism of the vacuum extremals. One should perform the deformation so that conservation laws are satisfied. For massless extremals there is also non-determinism but it is associated with the light-like coordinate so that there are no problems with the conservation laws. This would suggest that a properly chosen time coordinate consistent with Hamilton-Jacobi decomposition becomes light-like coordinate in the induced metric. This poses a conditions on the induced metric.
2. Physical intuition suggests that one cannot require  $T = \Lambda g$  since this would mean that the rank of  $T$  is maximal whereas the original situation corresponds to the vanishing of  $T$ . For small deformations rank two for  $T$  looks more natural and one could think that  $T$  is proportional to a projection of metric to a 2-D subspace. The vision about the long length scale limit of TGD is that Einstein's equations are satisfied and this would suggest  $T = kG$  or  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$ . The rank of  $T$  could be smaller than four for this ansatz and this conditions binds together the values of  $\kappa$  and  $G$ .
3. These extremals have  $CP_2$  projection which in the generic case is 2-D Lagrangian sub-manifold  $Y^2$ . Again one could assume Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates for  $X^4$ . For  $CP_2$  one could assume Darboux coordinates  $(P_i, Q_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , in which one has  $A = P_i dQ^i$ , and that  $Y^2 \subset CP_2$  corresponds to  $Q_i = \text{constant}$ . In principle  $P_i$  would depend on arbitrary manner on  $M^4$  coordinates. It might be more convenient to use as coordinates  $(u, v)$  for  $M^2$  and  $(P_1, P_2)$  for  $Y^2$ . This covers also the situation when  $M^4$  projection is not 4-D. By its 2-dimensionality  $Y^2$  allows always a complex structure defined by its induced metric: this complex structure is not consistent with the complex structure of  $CP_2$  ( $Y^2$  is not complex sub-manifold).

Using Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates the pre-image of a given point of  $Y^2$  is a 2-dimensional sub-manifold  $X^2$  of  $X^4$  and defines also 2-D sub-manifold of  $M^4$ . The following picture suggests itself. The projection of  $X^2$  to  $M^4$  can be seen for a suitable choice of Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates as an analog of Lagrangian sub-manifold in  $M^4$  that is as surface for which  $v$  and  $Im(w)$  vary and  $u$  and  $Re(w)$  are constant.  $X^2$  would be obtained by allowing  $u$  and  $Re(w)$  to vary: as a matter fact,  $(P_1, P_2)$  and  $(u, Re(w))$  would be related to each other. The induced metric should be consistent with this picture. This would requires  $g_{uRe(w)} = 0$ .

For the deformations  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  would become non-constant and they should depend on the second light-like coordinate  $v$  only so that only  $g_{uu}$  and  $g_{uw}$  and  $g_{u\bar{w}}$   $g_{w,w}$  and  $g_{\bar{w},\bar{w}}$  receive contributions which vanish. This would give rise to the analogs of Virasoro conditions guaranteeing that  $T$  is a tensor of form (1,1) in both  $M^2$  and  $E^2$  indices and that there are no cross components in the induced metric. A more general formulation states that energy momentum tensor satisfies these conditions. The conditions on  $T$  might be equivalent with the conditions for  $g$  and  $G$  separately.

4. Einstein's equations provide an attractive manner to achieve the vanishing of effective 3-dimensionality of the action. Einstein equations would be second order differential equations and the idea that a deformation of vacuum extremal is in question suggests that the dynamics associated with them is in directions transversal to  $Y^2$  so that only the deformation is dictated partially by Einstein's equations.

5. Lagrangian manifolds do not involve complex structure in any obvious manner. One could however ask whether the deformations could involve complex structure in a natural manner in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom so that the vanishing of  $g_{ww}$  would be guaranteed by holomorphy of  $CP_2$  complex coordinate as function of  $w$ .

One should get the complex structure in some natural manner: in other words, the complex structure should relate to the geometry of  $CP_2$  somehow. The complex coordinate defined by say  $z = P_1 + iQ^1$  for the deformation suggests itself. This would suggest that at the limit when one puts  $Q_1 = 0$  one obtains  $P_1 = P_1(Re(w))$  for the vacuum extremals and the deformation could be seen as an analytic continuation of real function to region of complex plane. This is in spirit with the algebraic approach. The vanishing of Kähler current requires that the Kähler magnetic field is covariantly constant:  $D_z J^{z\bar{z}} = 0$  and  $D_{\bar{z}} J^{z\bar{z}} = 0$ .

6. One could consider the possibility that the resulting 3-D sub-manifold of  $CP_2$  can be regarded as contact manifold with induced Kähler form non-vanishing in 2-D section with natural complex coordinates. The third coordinate variable- call it  $s$ - of the contact manifold and second coordinate of its transversal section would depend on time space-time coordinates for vacuum extremals. The coordinate associated with the transversal section would be continued to a complex coordinate which is holomorphic function of  $w$  and  $u$ .
7. The resulting thickened magnetic flux tubes could be seen as another representation of Kähler magnetic flux tubes: at this time as deformations of vacuum flux tubes rather than cosmic strings. For this ansatz it is however difficult to imagine deformations carrying Kähler electric field.

### 3.2.6 About the interpretation of the generalized conformal algebras

The long-standing challenge has been finding of the direct connection between the super-conformal symmetries assumed in the construction of the geometry of the "world of classical worlds" (WCW) and possible conformal symmetries of field equations. 4-dimensionality and Minkowskian signature have been the basic problems. The recent construction provides new insights to this problem.

1. In the case of string models the quantization of the Fourier coefficients of coordinate variables of the target space gives rise to Kac-Moody type algebra and Virasoro algebra generators are quadratic in these. Also now Kac-Moody type algebra is expected. If one were to perform a quantization of the coefficients in Laurents series for complex  $CP_2$  coordinates, one would obtain interpretation in terms of  $su(3) = u(2) + t$  decomposition, where  $t$  corresponds to  $CP_3$ : the oscillator operators would correspond to generators in  $t$  and their commutator would give generators in  $u(2)$ .  $SU(3)/SU(2)$  coset representation for Kac-Moody algebra would be in question. Kac-Moody algebra would be associated with the generators in both  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom. This kind of Kac-Moody algebra appears in quantum TGD.
2. The constraints on induced metric imply a very close resemblance with string models and a generalization of Virasoro algebra emerges. An interesting question is how the two algebras acting on coordinate and field degrees of freedom relate to the super-conformal algebras defined by the symplectic group of  $\delta M^4_+ \times CP_2$  acting on space-like 3-surfaces at boundaries of  $CD$  and to the Kac-Moody algebras acting on light-like 3-surfaces. It has been conjectured that these algebras allow a continuation to the interior of space-time surface made possible by its slicing by 2-surfaces parametrized by 2-surfaces. The proposed construction indeed provides this kind of slicings in both  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  factor.
3. In the recent case, the algebras defined by the Fourier coefficients of field variables would be Kac-Moody algebras. Virasoro algebra acting on preferred coordinates would be expressed in terms of the Kac-Moody algebra in the standard Sugawara construction applied in string models. The algebra acting on field space would be analogous to the conformal algebra assignable to the symplectic algebra so that also symplectic algebra is present. Stringy pragmatist could imagine quantization of symplectic algebra by replacing  $CP_2$  coordinates in the expressions of Hamiltonians with oscillator operators. This description would be counterpart for the construction of spinor harmonics in WCW and might provide some useful insights.

4. For given type of space-time surface either  $CP_2$  or  $M^4$  corresponds to Kac-Moody algebra but not both. From the point of view of quantum TGD it looks as that something were missing. An analogous problem was encountered at GRT limit of TGD [L19]. When Euclidian space-time regions are allowed Einstein-Maxwell action is able to mimic standard model with a surprising accuracy but there is a problem: one obtains either color charges or  $M^4$  charges but not both. Perhaps it is not enough to consider either  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal or its exterior but both to describe particle: this would give the direct product of the Minkowskian and Euclidian algebras acting on tensor product. This does not however seem to be consistent with the idea that the two descriptions are duality related (the analog of T-duality).

### 3.3 Under what conditions electric charge is conserved for the modified Dirac equation?

One might think that talking about the conservation of electric charge at 21st century is a waste of time. In TGD framework this is certainly not the case and the following arguments suggests that the conservation of electric charge is the Golden Road to the understanding of the spinorial dynamics.

1. In quantum field theories there are two manners to define em charge: as electric flux over 2-D surface sufficiently far from the source region or in the case of spinor field quantum mechanically as combination of fermion number and vectorial isospin. The latter definition is quantum mechanically more appropriate.
2. There is however a problem. In standard approach to gauge theory Dirac equation in the presence of charged classical gauge fields does not conserve the electric charge: electron is transformed to neutrino and vice versa. Quantization solves the problem since the non-conservation can be interpreted in terms of emission of gauge bosons. In TGD framework this does not work since one does not have path integral quantization anymore. Preferred extremals carry classical gauge fields and the question whether em charge is conserved arises. Heuristic picture suggests that em charge must be conserved. This condition might be actually one of the conditions defining what it is to be a preferred extremal. It is not however trivial whether this kind of additional condition can be posed.

#### 3.3.1 Conditions guaranteing the conservation of em charge

What does the conservation of em charge imply in the case of the modified Dirac equation? The obvious guess that the em charged part of the modified Dirac operator must annihilate the solutions, turns out to be correct as the following argument demonstrates.

1. Em charge as coupling matrix can be defined as a linear combination  $Q = aI + bI_3$ ,  $I_3 = J_{kl}\Sigma^{kl}$ , where  $I$  is unit matrix and  $I_3$  vectorial isospin matrix,  $J_{kl}$  is the Kähler form of  $CP_2$ ,  $\Sigma^{kl}$  denotes sigma matrices, and  $a$  and  $b$  are numerical constants different for quarks and leptons.  $Q$  is covariantly constant in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and its covariant derivatives at space-time surface are also well-defined and vanish.
2. The modes of the modified Dirac equation should be eigen modes of  $Q$ . This is the case if the modified Dirac operator  $D$  commutes with  $Q$ . The covariant constancy of  $Q$  can be used to derive the condition

$$\begin{aligned}
 [D, Q] \Psi &= D_1 \Psi = 0 \quad , \\
 D &= \hat{\Gamma}^\mu D_\mu \quad , \quad D_1 = [D, Q] = \hat{\Gamma}_1^\mu D_\mu \quad , \quad \hat{\Gamma}_1^\mu = [\hat{\Gamma}^\mu, Q] \quad .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.3.1}$$

Covariant constancy of  $J$  is absolutely essential: without it the resulting conditions would not be so simple.

It is easy to find that also  $[D_1, Q]\Psi = 0$  and its higher iterates  $[D_n, Q]\Psi = 0$ ,  $D_n = [D_{n-1}, Q]$  must be true. The solutions of the modified Dirac equation would have an additional symmetry.

3. The commutator  $D_1 = [D, Q]$  reduces to a sum of terms involving the commutators of the vectorial isospin  $I_3 = J_{kl}\Sigma^{kl}$  with the  $CP_2$  part of the gamma matrices:

$$D_1 = [Q, D] = [I_3, \Gamma_r] \partial_\mu s^r T^{\alpha\mu} D_\alpha . \quad (3.3.2)$$

In standard complex coordinates in which  $U(2)$  acts linearly the complexified gamma matrices can be chosen to be eigenstates of vectorial isospin. Only the charged flat space complexified gamma matrices  $\Gamma^A$  denoted by  $\Gamma^+$  and  $\Gamma^-$  possessing charges +1 and -1 contribute to the right hand side. Therefore the additional Dirac equation  $D_1\Psi = 0$  states

$$\begin{aligned} D_1\Psi &= [Q, D]\Psi = I_3(A) e_{Ar} \Gamma^A \partial_\mu s^r T^{\alpha\mu} D_\alpha \Psi \\ &= (e_{+r} \Gamma^+ - e_{-r} \Gamma^-) \partial_\mu s^r T^{\alpha\mu} D_\alpha \Psi = 0 . \end{aligned} \quad (3.3.3)$$

The next condition is

$$D_2\Psi = [Q, D]\Psi = (e_{+r} \Gamma^+ + e_{-r} \Gamma^-) \partial_\mu s^r T^{\alpha\mu} D_\alpha \Psi = 0 . \quad (3.3.4)$$

Only the relative sign of the two terms has changed. The remaining conditions give nothing new.

4. These equations imply two separate equations for the two charged gamma matrices

$$\begin{aligned} D_+\Psi &= T_+^\alpha \Gamma^+ D_\alpha \Psi = 0 , \\ D_-\Psi &= T_-^\alpha \Gamma^- D_\alpha \Psi = 0 , \\ T_\pm^\alpha &= e_{\pm r} \partial_\mu s^r T^{\alpha\mu} . \end{aligned} \quad (3.3.5)$$

These conditions state what one might have expected: the charged part of the modified Dirac operator annihilates separately the solutions. The reason is that the classical W fields are proportional to  $e_{r\pm}$ .

The above equations can be generalized to define a decomposition of the energy momentum tensor to charged and neutral components in terms of vierbein projections. The equations state that the analogs of the modified Dirac equation defined by charged components of the energy momentum tensor are satisfied separately.

5. In complex coordinates one expects that the two equations are complex conjugates of each other for Euclidian signature. For the Minkowskian signature an analogous condition should hold true. The dynamics enters the game in an essential manner: whether the equations can be satisfied depends on the coefficients  $a$  and  $b$  in the expression  $T = aG + bg$  implied by Einstein's equations in turn guaranteeing that the solution ansatz generalizing minimal surface solutions holds true [K12].
6. As a result one obtains three separate Dirac equations corresponding to the the neutral part  $D_0\Psi = 0$  and charged parts  $D_\pm\Psi = 0$  of the modified Dirac equation. By acting on the equations with these Dirac operators one obtains also that the commutators  $[D_+, D_-]$ ,  $[D_0, D_\pm]$  and also higher commutators obtained from these annihilate the induced spinor field mode. Therefore possibly infinite-dimensional algebra would annihilate the induced spinor fields unless the charged parts of the energy momentum tensor vanish identically.

### 3.3.2 Dirac equation in $CP_2$ as a test bench

What could the conservation of electric charge mean from the point of view of the solutions of the modified Dirac equation? The field equations for the preferred extremals of Kähler action reduce to purely algebraic conditions in the same manner as the field equations for the minimal surfaces in string model. Could something similar happen also for the modified Dirac equation and could the condition on charged part of the Dirac operator help to achieve this?

1. For  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals the modified Dirac operator vanishes identically for the Kähler action. For volume action it reduces to the ordinary Dirac operator in  $CP_2$  and one can ask whether ordinary Dirac operator could in this case allow solutions with a well-defined em charge. Since also spinor harmonics of the imbedding space are expected to be important and associated with the representations of conformal symmetries assignable to the boundary of light cone involving symplectic group of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$ , it would be nice if this construction would work for  $CP_2$ .
2. One can construct the solutions of the ordinary Dirac equation from covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor playing the role of fermionic vacuum annihilated by the second half of complexified gamma matrices. Dirac equation reduces to Laplace equation for a scalar function and solution can be constructed from this "vacuum" by multiplying with the spherical harmonics of  $CP_2$  and applying Dirac operator [K45]. Similar construction works quite generally thanks to the existence of covariantly constant right handed neutrino spinor. Spherical harmonics of  $CP_2$  are only replaced with those of space-time surface possessing either hermitian structure of Hamilton-Jacobi structure (corresponding to Euclidian and Minkowskian signatures of the induced metric (Appendix)).
3. A good guess is that holomorphy codes the statement that only spinor harmonics of form  $(n, 0)$  and  $(0, n)$  should be allowed. The first problem is that these modes are not actually holomorphic since color triplet partial waves are proportional to  $1/\sqrt{1 + |\xi^1|^2 + |\xi^2|^2}$ : The are good hopes that covariant derivative containing also a term proportional to Kähler gauge potential and coupling to leptons and quarks differently takes care of this.

Dirac equation in  $CP_2$  allows only modes with  $(m, m+3)$ ,  $(m+3, m)$  for leptons and anti-leptons and modes  $(m+1, m)$  and  $(m, m+1)$  for quarks. More general solutions could be possible but would not be global solutions. If this picture is correct, the dynamics in fermionic degrees of freedom would be extremely restricted and only only very few color partial waves would survive.

4. Most holomorphic and anti-holomorphic modes for leptons and quarks would represent gauge degrees of freedom. The remaining three modes for quarks could be interpreted in terms of color of ground state. At first this looks good since only color neutral leptons and color triplet quarks would be allowed. This result just what has been observed and the experimental absence has indeed a challenge for quantum TGD. The experimental absence of higher modes would be due to Kac-Moody gauge invariance.

Lepto-pion hypothesis in its original form and postulating color octet leptons would be however wrong. This might not be a catastrophe: a variant of this hypothesis identifies lepto-pion as quark antiquark pair associated with scaled down variant of hadron physics [K84].

5. A further work described in the sequel however shows that the correct identification of partial waves of imbedding space spinors is in terms of cm degrees of freedom of the partonic 2-surface and can be assigned to the super-symplectic conformal invariance dictating the ground states of Super-Kac-Moody representations. There is therefore no need to modify the earlier well-tested picture.

### 3.3.3 How to satisfy the conditions guaranteeing the conservation of em charge?

There are two manners to satisfy the conditions guaranteeing the conservation of em charge leading to three separate Dirac equations. The first option is inspired by string model and solutions are annihilated either by second charged gamma matrix or holomorphic covariant derivative or by the conjugates of these. For the second option the charged modified gamma matrices vanish identically.



### Holomorphy of the solutions

In string model holomorphy/antiholomorphy for the modes of the induced spinor field is essential from the point of view of Super-Virasoro conditions. For preferred extremals the holomorphy seems to be in a key role and it would not be surprising if this were the case also in the fermionic sector. Could the additional Dirac equations associated with charged parts of the modified Dirac operator be solved by a generalization of holomorphy or anti-holomorphy? For the second charged Dirac operator - say  $D_+$  - complexified gamma matrices would annihilate spinor mode and for the second one - say  $D_-$  - holomorphic covariant derivative would annihilate the spinor. Note that the gamma matrices  $\Gamma_+$  and  $\Gamma_-$  are hermitian conjugates of each other.

The condition that either charged gamma matrix annihilates the spinor mode for the space-time sheet in question requires super-symmetry. For  $CP_2$  one has this kind of supersymmetry but covariant constancy allows only right handed neutrino spinor: in this case however both holomorphic gamma matrices annihilate the spinor. In super-string models in flat target space, one has maximal supersymmetry allowing maximal number of covariantly constant spinor modes. For modified gamma matrices this kind of situation might be realized. If one allows the restriction of the induced spinor fields to string world sheets or partonic 2-surfaces, the situation simplifies further, and it might be possible to assume holomorphy in the complex coordinate parametrizing the 2-surface.

Either  $\Gamma_+$  or  $\Gamma_-$  should annihilate the spinor mode. For right-handed neutrino second half of complexified gamma matrices annihilate it. This condition is analogous to the condition that fermionic annihilation operators annihilate the state. In the recent case the condition is weaker since only single complexified gamma matrix annihilates the state. For  $CP_2$  Dirac operator one obtains four basic solutions corresponding to  $\nu_R, \Gamma_+\nu_R, \Gamma_0\nu_R, \Gamma_0\Gamma_+\nu_R$ .  $\Gamma_0$  is the second holomorphic complexified gamma matrix. Therefore it seems that one might be able to obtain at least two charged states for both quarks and lepton as required by the standard model plus possible higher color partial waves.

A stronger condition is that both  $\Gamma_+$  and  $\Gamma_-$  vanish and Dirac operator reduces to neutral Dirac operator acting on complex coordinate and its conjugate. If the vanishing of  $\Gamma_+$  or  $\Gamma_-$  takes place everywhere the energy momentum tensor must be effectively 2-dimensional. This option has been proposed earlier as a solution ansatz. If the vanishing occurs only at 2-D surface, effective 2-dimensionality holds true only at this surface. This option looks more plausible one.

### Option for which charged parts of energy momentum tensor vanish

The vanishing of the charged parts of the modified Dirac operator  $D$  - or equivalently, those of the energy momentum tensor - would reduce  $D$  to its neutral part and the conditions would trivialize. There would be no need for the full holomorphy, which could be an un-physical condition for  $CP_2$  and not favored if one assumes that all color partial waves in  $CP_2$  correspond to physical states in the construction of representations of the symplectic conformal algebra. On the other hand, the reduction of allowed modes to just the observed one (singlet for leptons and triplet for quarks) is an attractive property. In string models one would speak about super-symmetry breaking. Note that holomorphy in the remaining neutral complex or hyper-complex coordinate could provide elegant solution of the modified Dirac equation exactly in the same manner as it does in string models.

It is however not at all clear whether the charged part of the energy momentum tensor can vanish everywhere. Note however that since imbedding space projections of the energy momentum tensor are in question, the conditions do not mean reduction of the rank of energy momentum tensor to at most two. The possibility that the vanishing occurs only at 2-D surfaces analogous to string world sheets and that induced spinor fields must be restricted to these, is consistent with the existent vision

One can study the option allowing non-vanishing charged Dirac operators and requiring holomorphy, covariant constancy, and extended supersymmetry in more detail. To get some perspective one can the situation in the case of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals. In this case the energy momentum tensor and therefore also modified gamma matrices vanish identically. Therefore the situation trivializes and one might hope that for the deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals the charged parts of the modified Dirac operator vanish or that holomorphy makes sense.

### 3.3.4 Could the solutions of the modified Dirac equation be restricted to 2-D surfaces?

The condition that the charged Dirac operators (and also neutral one) annihilate physical states is rather strong. If the charged parts  $T_{\pm}^{\alpha}$  of the energy momentum tensor vanish, these conditions apply only to the space-time surface. These conditions are however quite strong and the question is whether one could require them for 2-D sub-manifolds of space-time surface- the analogs of string world sheets-only, and assume that the modes of Dirac equation are restricted on these.

There are several other manners to end up with this view.

1. The vision inspired by the finite measurement resolution is that the solutions of the modified Dirac equation are singular and restricted to 2-dimensional surfaces identifiable as string world sheets in Minkowskian signature and as partonic 2-surfaces in Euclidian signature. For 3-D light-like surfaces solutions would be restricted at world lines defining strands of braid defining discretization as space-time correlate for the finite measurement resolution. The interesting self-referential aspect would be that physical system itself would define the finite measurement resolution.
2. Another interpretation is in terms of the number theoretical vision [K80]. Space-time surfaces define associative or co-associative 4-surfaces with tangent space allowing quaternionic or co-quaternionic structure or its Minkowskian variant. This is a formulation for the idea that classical dynamics is determined by associativity condition. One can however go further and require also commutativity or co-commutativity and this leads to string world sheets or partonic 2-surfaces. The vanishing of the charged components of the energy momentum tensor could be indeed seen as a condition stating that the surface is complex or co-complex sub-manifold (or hyper-complex or co-hyper-complex one).
3. Also strong form of holography leads to the idea that 2-D partonic surfaces or string world sheets and the 4-D tangent space data at them should be enough for the formulation of quantum theory and 4-D space-time surfaces are necessary only for the realization of quantum classical correspondence. One could say that space-time surface is analogous to phase space and that in quantum theory only 2-D slice of it analogous to Lagrangian sub-manifold can be used.

The general vision about preferred extremals involves a non-trivial aspect not yet mentioned [K12] and this allows to developed an argument in favor of reduction of spinorial dynamics to that at 2-D surfaces.

1. Various conserved currents are suggested to define integrable flows meaning that one can identify a global coordinate varying along the flow lines. Could the charged parts of the energy momentum tensor defined as currents define Beltrami flow? If so, these currents have expression of form  $J_{\pm} = \Phi_{\pm} \nabla \Psi_{\pm}$ , where  $\Phi_{\pm}$  and  $\Psi_{\pm}$  are complex scalar functions such that the latter ones define the global coordinate. If this is the case, then the surface at which  $J_{\pm}$  vanishes corresponds to the surface  $\Phi_{+} = \bar{\Phi}_{-} = 0$  and by complex valuedness of  $\Phi_{\pm} = 0$  is 2-dimensional rather than 0-dimensional as for a generic vector field. The charged parts of energy momentum tensor vanish identically as do the corresponding modified gamma matrices.
2. Vanishing of  $\Phi_{\pm}$  would reduce the 4-D conformal algebra to 2-dimensional conformal algebra associated with the string world sheet or partonic 2-surface, and this is just what is expected on basis of physical intuition. One could say that locally space-time surface reduces to effectively 2-D surface. Charge conservation would select 2-dimensional string world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces and reproduce the earlier picture inspired by the notion of finite measurement resolution, by number theoretical considerations, and by strong form of holography.

A couple of further comments about are in order.

1. A natural consistency condition is that the modified gamma matrices in the modified Dirac operator are parallel to the 2-D surface. Otherwise one obtains covariant derivatives in transversal direction giving delta functions. This requires that modified gamma matrices generate a 2-D subspace tangential to  $X^2$  at  $X^2$ . This condition need not hold true elsewhere. This would mean

that with respect to the effective metric defined by the anticommutators of the modified gamma matrices space-time surface becomes effectively 2-dimensional locally. Effective 2-dimensionality of the effective metric was conjectured already earlier but now it is restricted to string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces thus appearing as singularities of the preferred extremals. String world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces must obey some dynamics and minimal surface equation in the effective metric is a good guess since it automatically would reduce the situation to 2-D one.

2. Weak form of electric magnetic duality states that at partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  the Kähler electric field strength  $J^{n\beta}$  in 2-dimensional tangent plane of  $X^4$  transversal to  $X^2$  is proportional to the 4-D dual of the Kähler magnetic field strength  $J_{\alpha\beta}$  at  $X^2$  :  $J^{n\beta} = k\epsilon^{n\beta\gamma\delta}J_{\gamma\delta}$  ,  $k = constant$ . The transversal plane is not unique without some additional condition and the natural condition is that it defines tangent plane to the string world sheet.

### 3.3.5 The algebra spanned by the modified Dirac operators

The conservation of em charge for the modified Dirac equation implies that the electromagnetic charge determined defined as  $Q = aI + bI_3$  is conserved in the classical electro-weak gauge fields identified as induced gauge fields. This condition is highly non-trivial and as has been found could hold true only at 2-D surfaces implying a stringy localization of fermions.

For the modified Dirac equation additional consistency conditions analogous to Super-Virasoro conditions follow from the conditions that electromagnetic charge is constant for the modes of the modified Dirac equation. The conditions state that the possibly infinite-dimensional algebra or super-algebra generated by the neutral part and two charged parts with charges  $\pm 1$  of the modified Dirac operator annihilates the preferred solutions of the modified Dirac equation.

For super-algebra option one would start with anti-commutators of the Dirac operators and consider commutators when either generators has even value of em charge. For algebra option one would consider only commutators which are formally Lie commutators of gamma matrix valued vector fields  $\Gamma_i^\alpha D_\alpha$  which ordinary derivatives replaced with covariant derivatives and components of the vector fields replaced with the modified gamma matrices obtained by contracting the neutral or charged part of the energy momentum tensor with flat space gamma matrices.

The commutator is the more feasible option as following arguments show.

1. Ordinary modified Dirac equation gives rise to a conserved fermionic current and its conservation could be seen as a consequence of the modified Dirac equation. The statement that the modified Dirac operators annihilate the induced spinors could thus be equivalent with the statement that SU(2) triplet of fermionic currents is conserved. In old fashioned hadron physics this corresponds to conserved vector current hypothesis.
2. The algebra defined by the commutators has the structure of vectorial SU(2) algebra and the natural guess is that this algebra relates closely to  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  super-conformal algebra for which super-generators  $G$  form SU(2) triplets and which allows conserved U(1) currents besides energy momentum tensor.

In the recent case the U(1) charge would be em charge. As a matter fact,  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  algebra is accompanied also by SU(2) algebra of conserved currents and the attractive interpretation is that the Dirac operators generate this algebra.

3. The algebra of Dirac operators annihilating the induced spinor field would define algebra of divergences of fermionic currents of form  $J_i^\alpha = \bar{\Psi}\Gamma_i^\alpha\Psi$ . These currents are conserved if the modified Dirac equations are satisfied. The algebra generated by the commutators of these fermionic currents assuming anti-commutation relations for the induced spinor fields should be equivalent with the algebra of Dirac operators. This should fix the anti-commutation relations for the induced spinor fields.
4. The outcome is a bosonic algebra of vector currents. By replacing  $\bar{\Psi}$  or  $\Psi$  with a mode of the induced spinor field one would obtain super-algebra generators of extended super-algebra. The divergences of fermionic and bosonic generators would generate algebra which vanishes identically for the solutions of the modified Dirac equation. The currents themselves would be non-vanishing.

5. If the charged currents vanish at 2-surface then the commutator of charged Dirac operator vanishes identically. The commutators of neutral and charged Dirac operators need not vanish identically and it might be necessary to pose this as an additional conditions. The vanishing conditions reduce to the vanishing of the ordinary commutator  $[T_0, T_{\pm}]$  of vector fields  $T_0$  and  $T_{\pm}$ .

What about the super algebra part of the Super-Virasoro algebra. Is it also present?

1. One must notice that it is the "gamma matrix fields" defined by neutral and charged parts of the modified gamma matrices  $\Gamma_i^A$  forming an  $SU(2)$  triplet and these anti-commute classically to parts of the modified metric for which certain parts should vanish. These "certain parts" should vanish also for the induced metric resulting as anti-commutators of the induced gamma matrices. The conditions are not expected to be independent and should correspond to Virasoro conditions for the induced metric.
2. The  $SU(2)$  Super Virasoro algebra discussed above would naturally relate to  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  variant of the ordinary Super-Virasoro algebra and electromagnetic charge would take the role of conserved  $U(1)$  current accompanying  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  algebra. This algebra indeed involves  $SU(2)$  as an additional symmetry algebra. Modified Dirac equations would correspond to conservation of the  $SU(2)$  currents and the vanishing conditions on the induced metric and/or its analog defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices would correspond to Virasoro conditions. It is however not clear whether the modified gamma matrices - or rather, their second quantized variants - should annihilate the physical states. This condition would correspond for the induced spinor fields a condition stating that second half of complexified modified gamma matrices annihilates the right handed neutrino spinor serving as the analog of fermionic Fock vacuum.

### 3.3.6 Connection with the number theoretical vision about field equations

The recent progress in the understanding of preferred extremals of Kähler action suggests also an interesting connection to the number theoretic vision about field equations [K80]. In particular, it might be possible to understand how one can have Hermitian/Hamilton-Jacobi structure simultaneously with quaternionic structure and how quaternionic structure is possible for the Minkowskian signature of the induced metric.

One can imagine two manners of introducing octonionic and quaternionic structures. The first one is based on the introduction of octonionic representation of gamma matrices and second on the notion of octonion real-analycity.

1. If quaternionic structure is defined in terms of the octonionic representation of the imbedding space gamma matrices, there seems to be no obvious problems since one considers automatically complexification of quaternions represented in terms of gamma matrices. For the approach based on the notion of quaternion real analyticity, one is forced to use Wick rotation to define the quaternionic structure in Minkowskian regions or to introduce what I have called hyper-quaternionic structure by imbedding the space-time surface to a sub-space  $M^8$  of complexified octonions. This is admittedly artificial.
2. The octonionic representation effectively replaces  $SO(7,1)$  as tangent space group with  $G_2$  and means selection of preferred  $M^2 \subset M^4$  having interpretation complex plane of octonionic space. A more general condition is that the tangent space of space-time surface at each point contains preferred sub-space  $M^2(x) \subset M^4$  forming an integrable distribution. The same condition is involved with the definition of Hamilton-Jacobi structure. What puts bells ringing is that the modified Dirac equation for the octonionic representation of gamma matrices allows the conservation of electromagnetic charge in the proposed sense a observed for years ago. One can ask whether the conditions on the charged part of energy momentum tensor could relate to the reduction of  $SO(7,1)$  to  $G_2$ .
3. Octonionic gamma matrices appear also in the proposal stating that space-time surfaces are quaternionic in the sense that tangent space of the space-time surface is quaternionic in the sense that induced octonionic gamma matrices generate a quaternionic sub-space at a given point of space-time time. Besides this the already mentioned additional condition stating that

the tangent space contains preferred sub-space  $M^2 \subset M^4$  or integrable distribution of this kind of sub-spaces is required. It must be emphasized that induced rather than modified gamma matrices are natural in these conditions.

**Definition of quaternionicity based on gamma matrices**

The definition of quaternionicity in terms of gamma matrices looks more promising. This however raises two questions.

1. Can the quaternionicity of the space-time surface together with a preferred distribution of tangent planes  $M^2(x) \subset M^4$  or  $E^2(x) \subset CP_2$  be equivalent with the reduction of the field equations to the analogs of minimal surface equations stating that certain components of the induced metric in complex/Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates vanish in turn guaranteeing that field equations reduce to algebraic identifies following from the fact that energy momentum tensor and second fundamental form have no common components? This should be the case if one requires that the two solution ansätze are equivalent.
2. Can the conditions for the modified Dirac equation select complex of co-complex 2-sub-manifold of space-time surface identified as quaternionic or co-quaternionic 4-surface? Could the conditions stating the vanishing of charged energy momentum currents state that the spinor fields are localized to complex or co-complex (hyper-complex or co-hypercomplex) 2-surfaces?

One should assign to the space-time sheets both quaternionic and Hermitian or Hamilton-Jacobi structure. There are two structures involved. Euclidian metric is an essential aspect of what it is to be quaternionic or octonions. It however seems that one can assign to the induced metric only Hermitian or Hamilton-Jacobi structure. This leads to a serious of innocent questions.

1. Could these two structures be associated with canonical momentum currents and metric respectively? Anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices define an effective metric expressible in terms of canonical momentum currents as

$$G^{\alpha\beta} = \Pi_k^\alpha \Pi^{\beta k} .$$

Here  $\Pi_k^\alpha = \partial L / \partial_\alpha h^k$  is the canonical momentum current. This effective metric should have a deep physical and mathematical meaning but this meaning has remained a mystery.

2. Could  $G$  be assigned with the quaternionic structure and induced metric to the Hermitian/Hamilton-Jacobi structures? Or perhaps vice versa? Could the neutral and charged components of the energy momentum tensor somehow correspond to quaternionic units?

The basic potential problem with the assignment of quaternionic structure to the induced gamma matrices is the signature of the metric in Minkowskian regions.

1. If quaternionic structures is defined in terms of the octonionic representation of the imbedding space gamma matrices, there seems to be no obvious problems since one considers automatically complexification of quaternions.
2. For the approach based on the notion of quaternion real analyticity, one is forced to use Wick rotation to define the quaternionic structure or to introduce hyper-quaternionic structure by imbedding the space-time surface to a sub-space  $M|_{\text{sup}_i} S_i / \text{sup}_i$  of complexified octonions. This is admittedly artificial.

Could one pose the additional requirement that the signature of the effective metric  $G$  defined by the modified gamma marices (and to be distinguished from Einstein tensor) is Euclidian in the sense that all four eigenvalues of this tensor would have same sign.

1. For the induced metric the projections of gamma matrices are given by

$$\Gamma_\alpha = \Gamma^a e_{a\alpha} , \quad e_{a\alpha} = e_{ak} \partial_\alpha h^k .$$

For the modified gamma matrices their analogs would be given by

$$\Gamma^\alpha = \Gamma^a E_a^\alpha \quad , \quad E_a^\alpha = e_a^k \Pi_k^\alpha \quad .$$

One cannot induce  $G$  from any metric defined in the imbedding space but the notion of tangent space quaternionicity is well-defined.

2. What quaternionic structure for  $G$  could mean? One can imagine several options.

- (a) For the ordinary complex structure metric has vanishing diagonal components and the inner product for infinitesimal vectors is just  $g_{z\bar{z}}(dz_1 d\bar{z}_2 + dz_2 d\bar{z}_1)$ . Could this formula generalize to  $g_{Q\bar{Q}}(dQ_1 d\bar{Q}_2 + dQ_2 d\bar{Q}_1)$ ? The generalization would be a direct generalization of conformal invariance to 4-D context stating that 4-metric is quaternion-conformally equivalent to flat metric. This would give additional strong condition on energy momentum tensor:

$$G = \Pi_k^\alpha \Pi^{\beta k} = T^2 \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad .$$

The proportionality to Euclidian metric means in Minkowskian realm that the  $G$  is of form  $G = T^2(2u_\alpha u_\beta - g_{\alpha\beta})$ . Here  $u$  is time-like vector field satisfying  $u^\alpha u_\alpha = 1$  and having interpretation as a local four-velocity (in Robertson-Walker cosmology similar situation is encountered). The eigen value problem in the form  $G_\beta^\alpha x^\beta = \lambda x^\alpha$  makes sense and eigenvectors would be  $u^\alpha$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda = T^2$  and three vectors orthogonal to it with eigenvalue  $-T^2$ . This requires integrable flow defined by  $u$  and defining a preferred time coordinate. In number theoretic vision this kind of time coordinate is introduced and corresponds to the direction assignable to the octonionic real unit. Note that the vanishing of charged projections of the energy momentum tensor does not imply a reduction of the rank of  $T$  so that this options might work.

- (b) Quaternionicity could mean also the structure of hyper-Kähler manifold. Metric and Kähler form for Kähler manifold are generalized to metric representing quaternion real unit and three covariantly constant Kähler forms  $I_i$  obeying the multiplication rules for quaternions. The necessary condition is that the holonomy group equals to  $SU(2)$  identifiable as automorphism group of quaternions. One can also define quaternionic structure: there would exist three antisymmetric tensors, whose squares give the negative of the metric.  $CP_2$  allows quaternionic structure in this sense and only one of these forms is covariantly constant.

Could space-time surface allow Hyper-Kähler or quaternionic structure somehow induced from that of  $CP_2$ ? This does not work for  $G$ .  $G$  is quadratic in energy momentum tensor and therefore involves four power of  $J$  rather than being square of projection of  $J$  or two other quaternionic imaginary units of  $CP_2$ . One can of course ask whether the induced quaternionic units could obey the multiplication of quaternionic units and have same square given by the projection of  $CP_2$  metric. In this case  $CP_2$  metric would define the effective metric and would be indeed Euclidian. For the ansatz for preferred extremals with Minkowskian signature  $CP_2$  projection is at most 3-dimensional but also in this case the imaginary units might allow a realization as projections.

### Definition of quaternionicity based on octonion real-analyticity

Second definition of quaternionicity is on more shaky basis and motivated by the solutions of 2-D Laplace equation: quaternionic space-time surfaces would be obtained as zero loci of octonion real-analytic functions. Unfortunately octonion real-analyticity does not make sense in Minkowskian signature.

One could understand octonion real-analyticity in Minkowskian signature if one could understand the deeper meaning of Wick rotation. Octonion real analyticity formulated as a condition for the vanishing of the imaginary part of octonion real-analytic function makes sense for in octonionic coordinates for  $E^4 \times CP_2$  with Euclidian signature of metric.  $M^4 \times CP_2$  is however only a subspace of complexified octonions and not closed with respect to multiplication so that octonion real-analytic functions do not make sense in  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . Wick rotation should transform the solution candidate

defined by an octonion real-analytic function to that defined in  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . A natural additional condition is that Wick rotation should reduce to that taking  $M^2 \subset M^4$  to  $E^2 \subset E^4$ .

The following trivial observation made in the construction of Hamilton-Jacobi structure in  $M^4$  with Minkowskian signature of the induced metric (see the Appendix) as a Wick rotation of Hermitian structure in  $E^4$  might help here.

1. The components of the metric of  $E^2$  in complex coordinates  $(z, \bar{z})$  for  $E^2$  are given by  $g_{w\bar{w}} = -1$  whereas the metric of  $M^2$  in light-like coordinates  $(u = x+t, v = x-t)$  is given by  $g_{uv} = -1$ . The metric is same and  $M^2$  and  $E^2$  correspond only to different interpretations for the coordinates! One could say that  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and  $E^4 \times CP_2$  have same metric tensor, Kähler structure, and spinor structure. Since only these appear in field equations, one could hope that the solutions of field equations in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and  $E^4 \times CP_2$  are obtained by Wick rotation. This for preferred extremals at least and if the field equations reduce to purely algebraic ones.
2. If one accepts the proposed construction of preferred extremals of Kähler action discussed in [K96], the field equations indeed reduce to purely algebraic conditions satisfied if space-time surface possesses Hermitian structure in the case of Euclidian signature of the induced metric and Hamilton-Jacobi structure in the case of Minkowskian signature. Just as in the case of minimal surfaces, energy momentum tensor and second fundamental form have no common non-vanishing components. The algebraization requires as a consistency condition Einstein's equations with a cosmological term. Gravitational constant and cosmological constant follow as predictions.
3. If Wick rotation in the replacement of  $E^2$  coordinates  $(z, \bar{z})$  with  $M^2$  coordinates  $(u, v)$  makes sense, one can hope that field equations for the preferred extremals hold true also for a Wick rotated surfaces obtained by mapping  $M^2 \subset M^4$  to  $E^2 \subset E^4$ . Also Einstein's equations should be satisfied by the Wick rotated metric with Euclidian signature.
4. Wick rotation makes sense also for the surfaces defined by the vanishing of the imaginary part (complementary to quaternionic part) of octonion real-analytic function. Therefore one can hope that this ansatz could work. Wick rotation is non-trivial geometrically. For instance, light-like lines  $v = 0$  of hyper-complex plane  $M^2$  are taken to  $\bar{z} = 0$  defining a point of complex plane  $E^2$ . Note that non-invertible hyper-complex numbers correspond to the two light-like lines  $u = 0$  and  $v = 0$  whereas non-invertible complex numbers correspond to the origin of  $E^2$ .
5. If the conjecture holds true, one can apply to both factors in  $E^4 = E^2 \times E^2$  and to get preferred extremals in  $M^{2,2} \times CP_2$ . Minkowski space  $M^{2,2}$  is essential in twistor approach and the possibility to carry out Wick rotation for preferred extremals could justify Wick rotation in quantum theory.

### 3.3.7 Modification of the measurement interaction term

By quantum classical correspondence the momenta and other quantum numbers should have correlates in the geometry of the space-time sheet. This suggests an inclusion to the modified Dirac action of a general coordinate invariant measurement interaction term invariant under appropriate subgroup of isometries characterizing the choice of the measurement axis. In the following only the measurement interaction term assignable to four-momentum is discussed. One could assign this term only to 3-D space-like ends of space-time surface and the light-like wormhole throats. Somewhat surprisingly the effective gauge character of this term allows also the assignment to space-time interior.

The first guess for the measurement interaction term for 4-momentum would be as  $\lambda \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^\alpha p_\alpha \Psi$  restricted to 3-D preferred surface in question. This term however vanishes at the light-like orbits of wormhole throats since the modified gamma matrices defined by the Chern-Simons term contain only  $CP_2$  gamma matrices. This forced to replace the term with  $\lambda \bar{\Psi} \gamma^k p_k \Psi$  in the original approach [K29]. This term does not possess a formal gauge character and treats  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  asymmetrically. Second problem is that measurement interaction term is proportional to a constant  $\lambda$  with dimensions of mass and unless one can relate it to gravitational constant, is un-natural.

As already noticed, the measurement interaction term formally corresponds to a gauge transform of Kähler gauge potential by the gradient  $p_\alpha = p_k \partial_\alpha m^k$  defining the momentum projection. The change of the gauge eliminating this term introduces plane wave factor to the induced spinor field. The gauge

transformation eliminating the measurement interaction term does not become trivial asymptotically and might therefore carry physical information. Therefore one can consider also the possibility that measurement interaction term is introduced at the entire 4-D space-time sheet. In this case the change of gauge by a phase transformation introducing a plane-wave factor would lead to the equation without measurement interaction term and one would obtain holomorphic solutions.

Consider now the 4-D option in more detail.

1. One can argue that the measurement interaction term in the interior can be transformed away by a gauge transformation  $A_\alpha \rightarrow A_\alpha - p_\alpha$  so that the holomorphic solutions are not lost. The global nature of the gauge transformation gives hopes that it indeed codes information via the plane wave phase multiplying the holomorphic solutions. The projection  $p_\alpha$  appearing in the contraction with the modified gamma matrices is automatically parallel to the tangent space of the string world sheet or partonic 2-surface.
2. The question whether there is a connection between gravitational and ordinary Planck constants led to the conjecture that the gravitational momentum squared defined by the modified gamma matrices would be equal to inertial momentum squared [K28] just as Equivalence Principle requires. In other words, the gravitational longitudinal 2-momentum squared  $p_{gr}^2 = g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} p_\alpha p_\beta$  would be equal to the inertial 2-momentum squared  $p_I^2 = m_2^{kl} p_k p_l$  at respective tangent spaces  $M^2$  *resp.*  $E^2$  of string world sheet *resp.* partonic 2-surface. At the ends of braid strands defining the intersections of string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces, one would have

$$p_{gr}^2 = g_{eff,s}^{\alpha\beta} p_\alpha p_\beta + g_{eff,p}^{\alpha\beta} p_\alpha p_\beta = p^2 .$$

Here the subscripts 's' and 'p' refer to string world sheet and partonic 2-surface respectively.

3. It would be nice if this condition would somehow follow from the proposed field equation for the induced spinors at the edges of string world sheet, where one should treat the gauge conditions carefully without doing the gauge transformation. At the intersection point it would seem necessary to assume that the ordinary derivatives - maybe even covariant derivatives - vanish. If covariant derivatives vanish, the modified Dirac equation in 4-D sense would reduce to the condition that the sum of the measurement interaction terms annihilates the spinor modes. This would give

$$\Gamma^\alpha p_\alpha \Psi = 0$$

at the ends of braid strands and this would give massless condition in 4-D sense stating  $p_{gr,||}^2 + p_{gr,\perp}^2 = 0$ .

4. The modified Dirac equation contains a boundary term  $\Gamma^n \Psi$  at the boundaries of the string world sheet. The vanishing of  $\Gamma^n$  proportional to the canonical momentum current in the normal direction at wormhole throats could be forced by the condition that classical charges do not leak between Minkowskian and Euclidian regions of the space-time sheet. This condition cannot be posed at space-like 3-surfaces since they represent initial data.

To sum up, this option is favored because no dimensional coupling is needed and because one obtains a connection between ordinary Planck constant and gravitational Planck constant as discussed in [K28]. Also a close connection with braid picture and generalized Feynman diagrams with lines identified as massless wormhole throats emerges.

### 3.4 Preferred extremals and solutions of the modified Dirac equation and super-conformal symmetries

The new vision about preferred extremals and modified Dirac equations is bound to check the existing vision about super-conformal symmetries. One important discovery is that Einstein's equations follow from the vanishing of terms proportional to Kähler current in field equations for preferred extremals



and Equivalence Principle at the classical level is realized automatically in all scales in contrast to the earlier belief. This obviously must have implications to the general vision about Super-Virasoro representations and one must be ready to modify the existing picture based on the assumption that quantum version of Equivalence Principle is realized in terms coset representations.

The very special role of right handed neutrino is also bound to have profound implications. A further important outcome is the identification of gauge potentials as duals of Kac-Moody currents at the boundaries of string world sheets: quantum gauge potentials are defined only where they are needed that is the curves defining the non-integrable phase factors. This gives also rise to the realization of the conjecture Yangian in terms of the Kac-Moody charges and commutators in accordance with the earlier conjecture.

### 3.4.1 Super-conformal symmetries

It is good to summarize first the basic ideas about Super-Virasoro representations. TGD allows two kinds of super-conformal symmetries.

1. The first super-conformal symmetry is associated with  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  and corresponds to symplectic symmetries of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$ . The reason for extension of conformal symmetries is metric 2-dimensionality of the light-like boundary  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  defining upper/lower boundary of causal diamond ( $CD$ ). This super-conformal symmetry is something new and corresponds to replacing finite-dimensional Lie-group  $G$  for Kac-Moody symmetry with infinite-dimensional symplectic group. The light-like radial coordinate of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  takes the role of the real part of complex coordinate  $z$  for ordinary conformal symmetry. Together with complex coordinate of  $S^2$  it defines 3-D restriction of Hamilton-Jacobi variant of 4-D super-conformal symmetries. One can continue the conformal symmetries from light-cone boundary to  $CD$  by forming a slicing by parallel copies of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$ . There are two possible slicings corresponding to the choices  $\delta M_{+}^4$  and  $\delta M_{-}^4$  assignable to the upper and lower boundaries of  $CD$ . These two choices correspond to two arrows of geometric time for the basis of zero energy states in ZEO.
2. Super-symplectic degrees of freedom determine the electroweak and color quantum numbers of elementary particles. Bosonic emergence implies that ground states assignable to partonic 2-surfaces correspond to partial waves in  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  and one obtains color partial waves in particular. These partial waves correspond to the solutions for the Dirac equation in imbedding space and the correlation between color and electroweak quantum numbers is not quite correct. Super-Kac-Moody generators give the compensating color for massless states obtained from tachyonic ground states guaranteeing that standard correlation is obtained. Super-symplectic degrees are therefore directly visible in particle spectrum. One can say that at the pointlike limit the WCW spinors reduce to tensor products of imbedding space spinors assignable to the center of mass degrees of freedom for the partonic 2-surfaces defining wormhole throats.

I have proposed a physical interpretation of super-symplectic vibrational degrees of freedom in terms of degrees of freedom assignable to non-perturbative QCD. These degrees of freedom would be responsible for most of the baryon masses but their theoretical understanding is lacking in QCD framework.

3. The second super-conformal symmetry is assigned light-like 3-surfaces and to the isometries and holonomies of the imbedding space and is analogous to the super-Kac-Moody symmetry of string models. Kac-Moody symmetries could be assigned to the light-like deformations of light-like 3-surfaces. Isometries give tensor factor  $E^2 \times SU(3)$  and holonomies factor  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$ . Altogether one has 5 tensor factors to super-conformal algebra. That the number is just five is essential for the success p-adic mass calculations [K51, K45].

The construction of solutions of the modified Dirac equation suggests strongly that the fermionic representation of the Super-Kac-Moody algebra can be assigned as conserved charges associated with the space-like braid strands at both the 3-D space-like ends of space-time surfaces and with the light-like (or space-like with a small deformation) associated with the light-like 3-surfaces. The extension to Yangian algebra involving higher multilinears of super-Kac Moody generators is also highly suggestive. These charges would be non-local and assignable to several

wormhole contacts simultaneously. The ends of braids would correspond points of partonic 2-surfaces defining a discretization of the partonic 2-surface having interpretation in terms of finite measurement resolution.

These symmetries would correspond to electroweak and strong gauge fields and to gravitation. The duals of the currents giving rise to Kac-Moody charges would define the counterparts of gauge potentials and the conserved Kac-Moody charges would define the counterparts of non-integrable phase factors in gauge theories. The higher Yangian charges would define generalization of non-integrable phase factors. This would suggest a rather direct connection with the twistorial program for calculating the scattering amplitudes implies also by zero energy ontology.

Quantization recipes have worked in the case of super-string models and one can ask whether the application of quantization to the coefficients of powers of complex coordinates or Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates could lead to the understanding of the 4-D variants of the conformal symmetries and give detailed information about the representations of the Kac-Moody algebra too.

### 3.4.2 What is the role of the right-handed neutrino?

A highly interesting aspect of Super-Kac-Moody symmetry is the special role of right handed neutrino.

1. Only right handed neutrino allows besides the modes restricted to 2-D surfaces also the 4D modes delocalized to the entire space-time surface. The first ones are holomorphic functions of single coordinate and the latter ones holomorphic functions of two complex/Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates. Only  $\nu_R$  has the full  $D = 4$  counterpart of the conformal symmetry and the localization to 2-surfaces has interpretation as super-conformal symmetry breaking halving the number of super-conformal generators.
2. This forces to ask for the meaning of super-partners. Are super-partners obtained by adding  $\nu_R$  neutrino localized at partonic 2-surface or delocalized to entire space-time surface or its Euclidian or Minkowskian region accompanying particle identified as wormhole throat? Only the Euclidian option allows to assign right handed neutrino to a unique partonic 2-surface. For the Minkowskian regions the assignment is to many particle state defined by the partonic 2-surfaces associated with the 3-surface. Hence for spartners the 4-D right-handed neutrino must be associated with the 4-D Euclidian line of the generalized Feynman diagram.
3. The orthogonality of the localized and de-localized right handed neutrino modes requires that 2-D modes correspond to higher color partial waves at the level of imbedding space. If color octet is in question, the 2-D right handed neutrino as the candidate for the generator of standard SUSY would combine with the left handed neutrino to form a massive neutrino. If 2-D massive neutrino acts as a generator of super-symmetries, it is in the same role as badly broken supersymmetries generated by other 2-D modes of the induced spinor field (SUSY with rather large value of  $\mathcal{N}$ ) and one can argue that the counterpart of standard SUSY cannot correspond to this kind of super-symmetries. The right-handed neutrinos delocalized inside the lines of generalized Feynman diagrams, could generate  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  variant of the standard SUSY.

#### How particle and right handed neutrino are bound together?

Ordinary SUSY means that apart from kinematical spin factors sparticles and particles behave identically with respect to standard model interactions. These spin factors would allow to distinguish between particles and sparticles. But is this the case now?

1. One can argue that 2-D particle and 4-D right-handed neutrino behave like independent entities, and because  $\nu_R$  has no standard model couplings this entire structure behaves like a particle rather than sparticle with respect to standard model interactions: the kinematical spin dependent factors would be absent.
2. The question is also about the internal structure of the sparticle. How the four-momentum is divided between the  $\nu_R$  and 2-D fermion. If  $\nu_R$  carries a negligible portion of four-momentum, the four-momentum carried by the particle part of sparticle is same as that carried by particle for given four-momentum so that the distinctions are only kinematical for the ordinary view about sparticle and trivial for the view suggested by the 4-D character of  $\nu_R$ .

Could sparticle character become manifest in the ordinary scattering of sparticle?

1. If  $\nu_R$  behaves as an independent unit not bound to the particle, it would continue in the original direction as particle scatters: sparticle would decay to particle and right-handed neutrino. If  $\nu_R$  carries a non-negligible energy the scattering could be detected via a missing energy. If not, then the decay could be detected by the interactions revealing the presence of  $\nu_R$ .  $\nu_R$  can have only gravitational interactions. What these gravitational interactions are is not however quite clear since the proposed identification of gravitational gauge potentials is as duals of Kac-Moody currents analogous to gauge potentials located at the boundaries of string world sheets. Does this mean that 4-D right-handed neutrino has no quantal gravitational interactions? Does internal consistency require  $\nu_R$  to have a vanishing gravitational and inertial masses and does this mean that this particle carries only spin?
2. The cautious conclusion would be following: if delocalized  $\nu_R$  and parton are un-correlated particle and sparticle cannot be distinguished experimentally and one might perhaps understand the failure to detect standard SUSY at LHC. Note however that the 2-D fermionic oscillator algebra defines badly broken large  $\mathcal{N}$  SUSY containing also massive (longitudinal momentum square is non-vanishing) neutrino modes as generators.

### Taking a closer look on sparticles

It is good to take a closer look at the delocalized right handed neutrino modes.

1. At imbedding space level that is in cm mass degrees of freedom they correspond to covariantly constant  $CP_2$  spinors carrying light-like momentum which for causal diamond could be discretized. For non-vanishing momentum one can speak about helicity having opposite sign for  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$ . For vanishing four-momentum the situation is delicate since only spin remains and Majorana like behavior is suggestive. Unless one has momentum continuum, this mode might be important and generate additional SUSY resembling standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY.
2. At space-time level the solutions of modified Dirac equation are holomorphic or anti-holomorphic.
  - (a) For non-constant holomorphic modes these characteristics correlate naturally with fermion number and helicity of  $\nu_R$ . One can assign creation/annihilation operator to these two kinds of modes and the sign of fermion number correlates with the sign of helicity.
  - (b) The covariantly constant mode is naturally assignable to the covariantly constant neutrino spinor of imbedding space. To the two helicities one can assign also oscillator operators  $\{a_{\pm}, a_{\pm}^{\dagger}\}$ . The effective Majorana property is expressed in terms of non-orthogonality of  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$  translated to the non-vanishing of the anti-commutator  $\{a_{+}^{\dagger}, a_{-}\} = \{a_{-}^{\dagger}, a_{+}\} = 1$ . The reduction of the rank of the  $4 \times 4$  matrix defined by anti-commutators to two expresses the fact that the number of degrees of freedom has halved.  $a_{+}^{\dagger} = a_{-}$  realizes the conditions and implies that one has only  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY multiplet since the state containing both  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$  is same as that containing no right handed neutrinos.
  - (c) One can wonder whether this SUSY is masked totally by the fact that sparticles with all possible conformal weights  $n$  for induced spinor field are possible and the branching ratio to  $n = 0$  channel is small. If momentum continuum is present, the zero momentum mode might be equivalent to nothing.

What can happen in spin degrees of freedom in super-symmetric interaction vertices if one accepts this interpretation? As already noticed, this depends solely on what one assumes about the correlation of the four-momenta of particle and  $\nu_R$ .

1. For SUSY generated by covariantly constant  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$  there is no neutrino four-momentum involved so that only spin matters. One cannot speak about the change of direction for  $\nu_R$ . In the scattering of sparticle the direction of particle changes and introduces different spin quantization axes.  $\nu_R$  retains its spin and in new system it is superposition of two spin projections. The presence of both helicities requires that the transformation  $\nu_R \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_R$  happens with an amplitude determined purely kinematically by spin rotation matrices. This is consistent with fermion number conservation modulo 2.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY based on Majorana spinors is highly suggestive.

2. For SUSY generated by non-constant holomorphic and anti-holomorphic modes carrying fermion number the behavior in the scattering is different. Suppose that the sparticle does not split to particle moving in the new direction and  $\nu_R$  moving in the original direction so that also  $\nu_R$  or  $\bar{\nu}_R$  carrying some massless fraction of four-momentum changes its direction of motion. One can form the spin projections with respect to the new spin axis but must drop the projection which does not conserve fermion number. Therefore the kinematics at the vertices is different. Hence  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY with fermion number conservation is suggestive when the momentum directions of particle and  $\nu_R$  are completely correlated.
3. Since right-handed neutrino has no standard model couplings, p-adic thermodynamics for 4-D right-handed neutrino must correspond to a very low p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n$ . This implies that the excitations with non-vanishing conformal weights are effectively absent and one would have  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY effectively.

The simplest assumption is that particle and sparticle correspond to the same p-adic mass scale and have degenerate masses: it is difficult to imagine any good reason for why the p-adic mass scales should differ. This should have been observed -say in decay widths of weak bosons - unless the spartners correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase and therefore to dark matter. Note that for the badly broken 2-D  $\mathcal{N}=2$  SUSY in fermionic sector this kind of almost degeneracy cannot be excluded and I have considered an explanation for the mysterious X and Y mesons in terms of this degeneracy [K48].

### Why space-time SUSY is not possible in TGD framework?

LHC suggests that one does not have  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY in standard sense. Why one cannot have standard space-time SUSY in TGD framework. Let us begin by listing all arguments popping in mind.

1. Could covariantly constant  $\nu_R$  represents a gauge degree of freedom? This is plausible since the corresponding fermion current is non-vanishing.
2. The original argument for absence of space-time SUSY years ago was indirect:  $M^4 \times CP_2$  does not allow Majorana spinors so that  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is excluded.
3. One can however consider  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY by including both helicities possible for covariantly constant  $\nu_R$ . For  $\nu_R$  the four-momentum vanishes so that one cannot distinguish the modes assigned to the creation operator and its conjugate via complex conjugation of the spinor. Rather, one oscillator operator and its conjugate correspond to the two different helicities of right-handed neutrino with respect to the direction determined by the momentum of the particle. The spinors can be chosen to be real in this basis. This indeed gives rise to an irreducible representation of spin 1/2 SUSY algebra with right-handed neutrino creation operator acting as a ladder operator. This is however  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  algebra and right-handed neutrino in this particular basis behaves effectively like Majorana spinor. One can argue that the system is mathematically inconsistent. By choosing the spin projection axis differently the spinor basis becomes complex. In the new basis one would have  $\mathcal{N} = 2$ , which however reduces to  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  in the real basis.
4. Or could it be that fermion and sfermion do exist but cannot be related by SUSY? In standard SUSY fermions and sfermions forming irreducible representations of super Poincare algebra are combined to components of superfield very much like finite-dimensional representations of Lorentz group are combined to those of Poincare. In TGD framework  $\nu_R$  generates in space-time interior generalization of 2-D super-conformal symmetry but covariantly constant  $\nu_R$  cannot give rise to space-time SUSY.

This would be very natural since right-handed neutrinos do not have any electroweak interactions and are delocalized into the interior of the space-time surface unlike other particles localized at 2-surfaces. It is difficult to imagine how fermion and  $\nu_R$  could behave as a single coherent unit reflecting itself in the characteristic spin and momentum dependence of vertices implied by SUSY. Rather, it would seem that fermion and sfermion should behave identically with respect to electroweak interactions.

The third argument looks rather convincing and can be developed to a precise argument.

1. If sfermion is to represent elementary bosons, the products of fermionic oscillator operators with the oscillator operators assignable to the covariantly constant right handed neutrinos must define might-be bosonic oscillator operators as  $b_n = a_n a$  and  $b_n^\dagger = a_n^\dagger a^\dagger$ . One can calculate the commutator for the product of operators. If fermionic oscillator operators commute, so do the corresponding bosonic operators. The commutator  $[b_n, b_n^\dagger]$  is however proportional to occupation number for  $\nu_R$  in  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY representation and vanishes for the second state of the representation. Therefore  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is a pure gauge symmetry.
2. One can however have both irreducible representations of SUSY: for them either fermion or sfermion has a non-vanishing norm. One would have both fermions and sfermions but they would not belong to the same SUSY multiplet, and one cannot expect SUSY symmetries of 3-particle vertices.
3. For instance,  $\gamma FF$  vertex is closely related to  $\gamma \tilde{F} \tilde{F}$  in standard SUSY. Now one expects this vertex to decompose to a product of  $\gamma F \tilde{F}$  vertex and amplitude for the creation of  $\nu_R \tilde{\nu}_R$  from vacuum so that the characteristic momentum and spin dependent factors distinguishing between the couplings of photon to scalar and fermion are absent. Both states behave like fermions. The amplitude for the creation of  $\nu_R \tilde{\nu}_R$  from vacuum is naturally equal to unity as an occupation number operator by crossing symmetry. The presence of right-handed neutrinos would be invisible if this picture is correct. Whether this invisible label can have some consequences is not quite clear: one could argue that the decay rates of weak bosons to fermion pairs are doubled unless one introduces  $1/\sqrt{2}$  factors to couplings.

Where the sfermions might make themselves visible are loops. What loops are? Consider boson line first. Boson line is replaced with a sum of two contributions corresponding to ordinary contribution with fermion and antifermion at opposite throats and second contribution with fermion and antifermion accompanied by right-handed neutrino  $\nu_R$  and its antiparticle which now has opposite helicity to  $\nu_R$ . The loop for  $\nu_R$  decomposes to four pieces since also the propagation from wormhole throat to the opposite wormhole throat must be taken into account. Each of the four propagators equals to  $a_{1/2}^\dagger a_{-1/2}^\dagger$  or its hermitian conjugate. The product of these is slashed between vacuum states and anti-commutations give imaginary unit per propagator giving  $i^4 = 1$ . The two contributions are therefore identical and the scaling  $g \rightarrow g/\sqrt{2}$  for coupling constants guarantees that sfermions do not affect the scattering amplitudes at all. The argument is identical for the internal fermion lines.

### 3.4.3 WCW geometry and super-conformal symmetries

The vision about the geometry of WCW has been roughly the following and the recent steps of progress induce to it only small modifications if any.

1. Kähler geometry is forced by the condition that hermitian conjugation allows geometrization. Kähler function is given by the Kähler action coming from space-time regions with Euclidian signature of the induced metric identifiable as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams. Minkowskian regions give imaginary contribution identifiable as the analog of Morse function and implying interference effects and stationary phase approximation. The vision about quantum TGD as almost topological QFT inspires the proposal that Kähler action reduces to 3-D terms reducing to Chern-Simons terms by the weak form of electric-magnetic duality. The recent proposal for preferred extremals is consistent with this property realizing also holography implied by general coordinate invariance. Strong form of general coordinate invariance implying effective 2-dimensionality in turn suggests that Kähler action is expressible in terms of areas of partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets.
2. The complexified gamma matrices of WCW come as hermitian conjugate pairs and anti-commute to the Kähler metric of WCW. Also bosonic generators of symplectic transformations of  $\delta M_\pm^4 \times CP_2$  assumed to act as isometries of WCW geometry can be complexified and appear as similar pairs. The action of isometry generators co-incides with that of symplectic generators at partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets but elsewhere inside the space-time surface it is expected to be deformed from the symplectic action. The super-conformal transformations of

$\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  acting on the light-like radial coordinate of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  act as gauge symmetries of the geometry meaning that the corresponding WCW vector fields have zero norm.

3. WCW geometry has also zero modes which by definition do not contribute to WCW metric expect possibly by the dependence of the elements of WCW metric on zero modes through a conformal factor. In particular, induced  $CP_2$  Kähler form and its analog for sphere  $r_M = \text{constant}$  of light cone boundary are symplectic invariants, and one can define an infinite number of zero modes as invariants defined by Kähler fluxes over partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets. This requires however the slicing of  $CD$  parallel copies of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  or  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$ . The physical interpretation of these non-quantum fluctuating degrees of freedom is as classical variables necessary for the interpretation of quantum measurement theory. Classical variable would metaphorically correspond the position of the pointer of the measurement instrument.
4. The construction receives a strong philosophical inspiration from the geometry of loop spaces. Loop spaces allow a unique Kähler geometry with maximal isometry group identifiable as Kac-Moody group. The reason is that otherwise Riemann connection does not exist. The only problem is that curvature scalar diverges since the Riemann tensor is by constant curvature property proportional to the metric. In 3-D case one would have union of constant curvature spaces labelled by zero modes and the situation is expected to be even more restrictive. The conjecture indeed is that WCW geometry exists only for  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$ : infinite-D Kähler geometric existence and therefore physics would be unique. One can also hope that Ricci scalar is finite and therefore zero by the constant curvature property so that Einstein's equations are satisfied.
5. WCW Hamiltonians determined the isometry currents and WCW metric is given in terms of the anti-commutators of the Killing vector fields associated with symplectic isometry currents. The WCW Hamiltonians generating symplectic isometries correspond to the Hamiltonians spanning the symplectic group of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$ . One can say that the space of quantum fluctuating degrees of freedom is this symplectic group of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  or its subgroup or coset space: this must have very deep implications for the structure of the quantum TGD.
6. Zero energy ontology brings in additional delicacies. Basic objects are now unions of partonic 2-surfaces at the ends of  $CD$ . Also string world sheets would naturally contribute. One can generalize the expressions for the isometry generators in a straightforward manner by requiring that given isometry restricts to a symplectic transformation at partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets.
7. One could criticize the effective metric 2-dimensionality forced by general consistency arguments as something non-physical. The Hamiltonians are expressed using only the data at partonic 2-surfaces: this includes also 4-D tangent space data via the weak form of electric-magnetic duality so that one has only effective 2-dimensionality. Obviously WCW geometry must have large gauge symmetries besides zero modes. The super-conformal symmetries indeed represent gauge symmetries of this kind. Effective 2-dimensionality realizing strong form of holography in turn is induced by the strong form of general coordinate invariance. Light-like 3-surfaces at which the signature of the induced metric changes must be equivalent with the 3-D space-like ends of space-time surfaces at the light-boundaries of space-time surfaces as far as WCW geometry is considered. This requires that the data from their 2-D intersections defining partonic 2-surfaces should dictate the WCW geometry. Note however that Super-Kac-Moody charges giving information about the interiors of 3-surfaces appear in the construction of the physical states.

What is the role of the right handed neutrino in this construction?

1. In the construction of components of WCW metric as anti-commutators of super-generators only the covariantly constant right-handed neutrino appears in the super-generators analogous to super-Kac-Moody generators. All holomorphic modes of right handed neutrino characterized by two integers could in principle contribute to the WCW gamma matrices identified as fermionic super-symplectic generators anti-commuting to the metric. At the space-like ends of space-time surface the holomorphic generators would restrict to symplectic generators since the radial

light-like coordinate  $r_M$  identified and complex coordinate of  $CP_2$  allowing identification as restrictions of two complex coordinates or Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates to light-like boundary.

2. The non-covariantly constant modes could also correspond to purely super-conformal gauge degrees of freedom. Originally the restriction to right-handed neutrino looked somewhat unsatisfactory but the recent view about Super-Kac-Moody symmetries makes its special role rather natural. One could say that WCW geometry possesses the maximal  $D = 4$  supersymmetry.
3. One can of course ask whether the Super-Kac-Moody generators assignable to the isometries of  $H$  and expressible as conserved charges associated with the boundaries of string world sheets could contribute to the WCW geometry via the anti-commutators. This option cannot be excluded but in this case the interpretation in terms of Hamiltonians is not obvious.

### 3.4.4 Equivalence Principle

An important physical input has been the condition that a generalization of Equivalence Principle is obtained.

1. The proposal has been that inertial and gravitational masses can be assigned with the super-symplectic and super-Kac-Moody representations via the condition that the scaling generator  $L_0$  defined as a difference of the corresponding generators for the two representations annihilates physical states. This requires that super-Kac-Moody algebra can be regarded in some sense as a sub-algebra of super-symplectic algebra. For isometries this would be natural but in the case of holonomies the situation is problematic. The idea has been that the ordinary realization of Equivalence Principle follows as Einstein's equations for fluctuations around vacuum extremals expressing the average energy momentum tensor for the fluctuations.
2. The emergence of Einstein's equations for preferred extremals as additional conditions [K12, K85] allowing the algebraization of the equations to analogs of minimal surface equations changes the situation completely. Is there anymore need to realize Equivalence Principle at quantum level? If one drops this condition one can imagine very simple option obtained as tensor product of the super-symplectic and super-Kac-Moody representations. Of course, coset representations for the symplectic group and its suitable subgroup - say subgroup defining measurement resolution - can be present but would not nothing to do with Equivalence Principle.
3. One can of course argue that one has very naturally to different mass squared operators and therefore inertial and gravitational masses. Inertial mass squared would be naturally assignable to the representations of the super-symplectic algebra imbedding space d'Alembertian and gravitational mass squared with the spinor d'Alembertian at string world sheets at space-time surfaces. Quantum level realization for Equivalence Principle could mean that these two mass squared operators are identical or something analogous to this. One can however criticize this idea as un-necessary and also because the signature of the effective metric defined by the modified Dirac gamma matrices is speculated to be Euclidian.

### 3.4.5 Constraints from p-adic mass calculations and ZEO

A further important physical input comes from p-adic thermodynamics forming a core element of p-adic mass calculations.

1. The first thing that one can get worried about relates to the extension of conformal symmetries. If the conformal symmetries generalize to  $D = 4$ , how can one take seriously the results of p-adic mass calculations based on 2-D conformal invariance? There is no reason to worry. The reduction of the conformal invariance to 2-D one for the preferred extremals takes care of this problem. This however requires that the fermionic contributions assignable to string world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces - Super- Kac-Moody contributions - should dictate the elementary particle masses. For hadrons also symplectic contributions should be present. This is a valuable hint in attempts to identify the mathematical structure in more detail.

2. ZEO suggests that all particles, even virtual ones correspond to massless wormhole throats carrying fermions. As a consequence, twistor approach would work and the kinematical constraints to vertices would allow the cancellation of divergences. This would suggest that the p-adic thermal expectation value is for the longitudinal  $M^2$  momentum squared (the definition of  $CD$  selects  $M^1 \subset M^2 \subset M^4$  as also does number theoretic vision). Also propagator would be determined by  $M^2$  momentum. Lorentz invariance would be obtained by integration of the moduli for  $CD$  including also Lorentz boosts of  $CD$ .
3. In the original approach one allows states with arbitrary large values of  $L_0$  as physical states. Usually one would require that  $L_0$  annihilates the states. In the calculations however mass squared was assumed to be proportional  $L_0$  apart from vacuum contribution. This is a questionable assumption. ZEO suggests that total mass squared vanishes and that one can decompose mass squared to a sum of longitudinal and transversal parts. If one can do the same decomposition to longitudinal and transverse parts also for the Super Virasoro algebra then one can calculate longitudinal mass squared as a p-adic thermal expectation in the transversal super-Virasoro algebra and only states with  $L_0 = 0$  would contribute and one would have conformal invariance in the standard sense.
4. In the original approach the assumption motivated by Lorentz invariance has been that mass squared is replaced with conformal weight in thermodynamics, and that one first calculates the thermal average of the conformal weight and then equates it with mass squared. This assumption is somewhat ad hoc. ZEO however suggests an alternative interpretation in which one has zero energy states for which longitudinal mass squared of positive energy state derive from p-adic thermodynamics. Thermodynamics - or rather, its square root - would become part of quantum theory in ZEO.  $M$ -matrix is indeed product of hermitian square root of density matrix multiplied by unitary  $S$ -matrix and defines the entanglement coefficients between positive and negative energy parts of zero energy state.
5. The crucial constraint is that the number of super-conformal tensor factors is  $N = 5$ : this suggests that thermodynamics applied in Super-Kac-Moody degrees of freedom assignable to string world sheets is enough, when one is interested in the masses of fermions and gauge bosons. Super-symplectic degrees of freedom can also contribute and determine the dominant contribution to baryon masses. Should also this contribution obey p-adic thermodynamics in the case when it is present? Or does the very fact that this contribution need not be present mean that it is not thermal? The symplectic contribution should correspond to hadronic p-adic length prime rather than the one assignable to (say)  $u$  quark. Hadronic p-adic mass squared and partonic p-adic mass squared cannot be summed since primes are different. If one accepts the basic rules [K54], longitudinal energy and momentum are additive as indeed assumed in perturbative QCD.
6. Calculations work if the vacuum expectation value of the mass squared must be assumed to be tachyonic. There are two options depending on whether one whether p-adic thermodynamics gives total mass squared or longitudinal mass squared.
  - (a) One could argue that the total mass squared has naturally tachyonic ground state expectation since for massless extremals longitudinal momentum is light-like and transversal momentum squared is necessarily present and non-vanishing by the localization to topological light ray of finite thickness of order p-adic length scale. Transversal degrees of freedom would be modeled with a particle in a box.
  - (b) If longitudinal mass squared is what is calculated, the condition would require that transversal momentum squared is negative so that instead of plane wave like behavior exponential damping would be required. This would conform with the localization in transversal degrees of freedom.
7. What about Equivalence Principle in this framework? A possible quantum counterpart of Equivalence Principle could be that the longitudinal parts of the imbedding space mass squared operator for a given massless state equals to that for d'Alembert operator assignable to the modified Dirac action. The attempts to formulate this in more precise manner however seem to produce only additional troubles.



### 3.4.6 The emergence of Yangian symmetry and gauge potentials as duals of Kac-Moody currents

Yangian symmetry plays a key role in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  super-symmetric gauge theories. What is special in Yangian symmetry is that the algebra contains also multi-local generators. In TGD framework multi-locality would naturally correspond to that with respect to partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets and the proposal has been that the Super-Kac-Moody algebras assignable to string worlds sheets could generalize to Yangian.

Witten has written a beautiful exposition of Yangian algebras [B27]. Yangian is generated by two kinds of generators  $J^A$  and  $Q^A$  by a repeated formation of commutators. The number of commutations tells the integer characterizing the multi-locality and provides the Yangian algebra with grading by natural numbers. Witten describes a 2-dimensional QFT like situation in which one has 2-D situation and Kac-Moody currents assignable to real axis define the Kac-Moody charges as integrals in the usual manner. It is also assumed that the gauge potentials defined by the 1-form associated with the Kac-Moody current define a flat connection:

$$\partial_\mu j_\nu^A - \partial_\nu j_\mu^A + [j_\mu^A, j_\nu^A] = 0 . \quad (3.4.1)$$

This condition guarantees that the generators of Yangian are conserved charges. One can however consider alternative manners to obtain the conservation.

1. The generators of first kind - call them  $J^A$  - are just the conserved Kac-Moody charges. The formula is given by

$$J_A = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx j^{A0}(x, t) . \quad (3.4.2)$$

2. The generators of second kind contain bi-local part. They are convolutions of generators of first kind associated with different points of string described as real axis. In the basic formula one has integration over the point of real axis.

$$Q^A = f_{BC}^A \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \int_x^{\infty} dy j^{B0}(x, t) j^{C0}(y, t) - 2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} j_x^A dx . \quad (3.4.3)$$

These charges are indeed conserved if the curvature form is vanishing as a little calculation shows.

How to generalize this to the recent context?

1. The Kac-Moody charges would be associated with the braid strands connecting two partonic 2-surfaces - Strands would be located either at the space-like 3-surfaces at the ends of the space-time surface or at light-like 3-surfaces connecting the ends. Modified Dirac equation would define Super-Kac-Moody charges as standard Noether charges. Super charges would be obtained by replacing the second quantized spinor field or its conjugate in the fermionic bilinear by particular mode of the spinor field. By replacing both spinor field and its conjugate by its mode one would obtain a conserved c-number charge corresponding to an anti-commutator of two fermionic super-charges. The convolution involving double integral is however not number theoretically attractive whereas single 1-D integrals might make sense.
2. An encouraging observation is that the Hodge dual of the Kac-Moody current defines the analog of gauge potential and exponents of the conserved Kac-Moody charges could be identified as analogs for the non-integrable phase factors for the components of this gauge potential. This identification is precise only in the approximation that generators commute since only in this case the ordered integral  $P(\exp(i \int Adx))$  reduces to  $P(\exp(i \int Adx))$ . Partonic 2-surfaces connected

by braid strand would be analogous to nearby points of space-time in its discretization implying that Abelian approximation works. This conforms with the vision about finite measurement resolution as discretization in terms partonic 2-surfaces and braids.

This would make possible a direct identification of Kac-Moody symmetries in terms of gauge symmetries. For isometries one would obtain color gauge potentials and the analogs of gauge potentials for graviton field (in TGD framework the contraction with  $M^4$  vierbein would transform tensor field to 4 vector fields). For Kac-Moody generators corresponding to holonomies one would obtain electroweak gauge potentials. Note that super-charges would give rise to a collection of spartners of gauge potentials automatically. One would obtain a badly broken SUSY with very large value of  $\mathcal{N}$  defined by the number of spinor modes as indeed speculated earlier [K30].

3. The condition that the gauge field defined by 1-forms associated with the Kac-Moody currents are trivial looks unphysical since it would give rise to the analog of topological QFT with gauge potentials defined by the Kac-Moody charges. For the duals of Kac-Moody currents defining gauge potentials only covariant divergence vanishes implying that curvature form is

$$F_{\alpha\beta} = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} [j_\mu, j^\mu] , \quad (3.4.4)$$

so that the situation does not reduce to topological QFT unless the induced metric is diagonal. This is not the case in general for string world sheets.

4. It seems however that there is no need to assume that  $j_\mu$  defines a flat connection. Witten mentions that although the discretization in the definition of  $J^A$  does not seem to be possible, it makes sense for  $Q^A$  in the case of  $G = SU(N)$  for any representation of  $G$ . For general  $G$  and its general representation there exists no satisfactory definition of  $Q$ . For certain representations, such as the fundamental representation of  $SU(N)$ , the definition of  $Q^A$  is especially simple. One just takes the bi-local part of the previous formula:

$$Q^A = f_{BC}^A \sum_{i < j} J_i^B J_j^C . \quad (3.4.5)$$

What is remarkable that in this formula the summation need not refer to a discretized point of braid but to braid strands ordered by the label  $i$  by requiring that they form a connected polygon. Therefore the definition of  $J^A$  could be just as above.

5. This brings strongly in mind the interpretation in terms of twistor diagrams. Yangian would be identified as the algebra generated by the logarithms of non-integrable phase factors in Abelian approximation assigned with pairs of partonic 2-surfaces defined in terms of Kac-Moody currents assigned with the modified Dirac action. Partonic 2-surfaces connected by braid strand would be analogous to nearby points of space-time in its discretization. This would fit nicely with the vision about finite measurement resolution as discretization in terms partonic 2-surfaces and braids.

The resulting algebra satisfies the basic commutation relations

$$[J^A, J^B] = f_C^{AB} J^C , \quad [J^A, Q^B] = f_C^{AB} Q^C . \quad (3.4.6)$$

plus the rather complex Serre relations described in [B27].

### 3.4.7 Quantum criticality and electro-weak gauge symmetries

Quantum criticality is one of the basic guiding principles of Quantum TGD. What it means mathematically is however far from clear.

1. What is obvious is that quantum criticality implies quantization of Kähler coupling strength as a mathematical analog of critical temperature so that the theory becomes mathematically unique if only single critical temperature is possible. Physically this means the presence of long range fluctuations characteristic for criticality and perhaps assignable to the effective hierarchy of Planck constants having explanation in terms of effective covering spaces of the imbedding space. This hierarchy follows from the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action, which in turn implies 4-D spin-glass degeneracy. It is easy to interpret the degeneracy in terms of criticality.
2. At more technical level one would expect criticality to correspond deformations of a given preferred extremal defining a vanishing second variation of Kähler action. This is analogous to the vanishing of also second derivatives of potential function at extremum in certain directions so that the matrix defined by second derivatives does not have maximum rank. Entire hierarchy of criticalities is expected and a good finite-dimensional model is provided by the catastrophe theory of Thom [A66]. Cusp catastrophe [A3] is the simplest catastrophe one can think of, and here the folds of cusp where discontinuous jump occurs correspond to criticality with respect to one control variable and the tip to criticality with respect to both control variables.
3. I have discussed what criticality could mean for modified Dirac action [K29] and claimed that it leads to the existence of additional conserved currents defined by the variations which do not affect the value of Kähler action. These arguments are far from being mathematically rigorous and the recent view about the solutions of the modified Dirac equation predicting that the spinor modes are restricted to 2-D string world sheets requires a modification of these arguments.

In the following these arguments are updated. The unexpected result is that critical deformations induce conformal scalings of the modified metric and electro-weak gauge transformations of the induced spinor connection at  $X^2$ . Therefore holomorphy brings in the Kac-Moody symmetries associated with isometries of  $H$  (gravitation and color gauge group) and quantum criticality those associated with the holonomies of  $H$  (electro-weak-gauge group) as additional symmetries.

#### The variation of modes of the induced spinor field in a variation of space-time surface respecting the preferred extremal property

Consider first the variation of the induced spinor field in a variation of space-time surface respecting the preferred extremal property. The deformation must be such that the deformed modified Dirac operator  $D$  annihilates the modified mode. By writing explicitly the variation of the modified Dirac action (the action vanishes by modified Dirac equation) one obtains deformations and requiring its vanishing one obtains

$$\delta\Psi = D^{-1}(\delta D)\Psi . \quad (3.4.7)$$

$D^{-1}$  is the inverse of the modified Dirac operator defining the analog of Dirac propagator and  $\delta D$  defines vertex completely analogous to  $\gamma^k \delta A_k$  in gauge theory context. The functional integral over preferred extremals can be carried out perturbatively by expressing  $\delta D$  in terms of  $\delta h^k$  and one obtains stringy perturbation theory around  $X^2$  associated with the preferred extremal defining maximum of Kähler function in Euclidian region and extremum of Kähler action in Minkowskian region (stationary phase approximation).

What one obtains is stringy perturbation theory for calculating n-points functions for fermions at the ends of braid strands located at partonic 2-surfaces and representing intersections of string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces at the light-like boundaries of  $CD$ s.  $\delta D$ - or more precisely, its partial derivatives with respect to functional integration variables - appear at the vertices located anywhere in the interior of  $X^2$  with outgoing fermions at braid ends. Bosonic propagators are replaced with correlation functions for  $\delta h^k$ . Fermionic propagator is defined by  $D^{-1}$ .

After 35 years or hard work this provides for the first time a reasonably explicit formula for the N-point functions of fermions. This is enough since by bosonic emergence [K60] these N-point functions

define the basic building blocks of the scattering amplitudes. Note that bosonic emergence states that bosons corresponds to wormhole contacts with fermion and antifermion at the opposite wormhole throats.

### What critical modes could mean for the induced spinor fields?

What critical modes could mean for the induced spinor fields at string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces. The problematic part seems to be the variation of the modified Dirac operator since it involves gradient. One cannot require that covariant derivative remains invariant since this would require that the components of the induced spinor connection remain invariant and this is quite too restrictive condition. Right handed neutrino solutions delocalized into entire  $X^2$  are however an exception since they have no electro-weak gauge couplings and in this case the condition is obvious: modified gamma matrices suffer a local scaling for critical deformations:

$$\delta\Gamma^\mu = \Lambda(x)\Gamma^\mu . \quad (3.4.8)$$

This guarantees that the modified Dirac operator  $D$  is mapped to  $\Lambda D$  and still annihilates the modes of  $\nu_R$  labelled by conformal weight, which thus remain unchanged.

What is the situation for the 2-D modes located at string world sheets? The condition is obvious.  $\Psi$  suffers an electro-weak gauge transformation as does also the induced spinor connection so that  $D_\mu$  is not affected at all. Criticality condition states that the deformation of the space-time surfaces induces a conformal scaling of  $\Gamma^\mu$  at  $X^2$ . It might be possible to continue this conformal scaling of the entire space-time sheet but this might be not necessary and this would mean that all critical deformations induced conformal transformations of the effective metric of the space-time surface defined by  $\{\Gamma^\mu, \Gamma^\nu\} = 2G^{\mu\nu}$ . Thus it seems that effective metric is indeed central concept (recall that if the conjectured quaternionic structure is associated with the effective metric, it might be possible to avoid problem related to the Minkowskian signature in an elegant manner).

In fact, one can consider even more general action of critical deformation: the modes of the induced spinor field would be mixed together in the infinitesimal deformation besides infinitesimal electroweak gauge transformation, which is same for all modes. This would extend electroweak gauge symmetry. Modified Dirac equation holds true also for these deformations. One might wonder whether the conjectured dynamically generated gauge symmetries assignable to finite measurement resolution could be generated in this manner.

The infinitesimal generator of a critical deformation  $J_M$  can be expressed as tensor product of matrix  $A_M$  acting in the space of zero modes and of a generator of infinitesimal electro-weak gauge transformation  $T_M(x)$  acting in the same manner on all modes:  $J_M = A_M \otimes T_M(x)$ .  $A_M$  is a spatially constant matrix and  $T_M(x)$  decomposes to a direct sum of left- and right-handed  $SU(2) \times U(1)$  Lie-algebra generators. Left-handed Lie-algebra generator can be regarded as a quaternion and right handed as a complex number. One can speak of a direct sum of left-handed local quaternion  $q_{M,L}$  and right-handed local complex number  $c_{M,R}$ . The commutator  $[J_M, J_N]$  is given by  $[J_M, J_N] = [A_M, A_N] \otimes \{T_M(x), T_N(x)\} + \{A_M, A_N\} \otimes [T_M(x), T_N(x)]$ . One has  $\{T_M(x), T_N(x)\} = \{q_{M,L}(x), q_{N,L}(x)\} \oplus \{c_{M,R}(x), c_{N,R}(x)\}$  and  $[T_M(x), T_N(x)] = [q_{M,L}(x), q_{N,L}(x)]$ . The commutators make sense also for more general gauge group but quaternion/complex number property might have some deeper role.

Thus the critical deformations would induce conformal scalings of the effective metric and dynamical electro-weak gauge transformations. Electro-weak gauge symmetry would be a dynamical symmetry restricted to string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces rather than acting at the entire space-time surface. For 4-D delocalized right-handed neutrino modes the conformal scalings of the effective metric are analogous to the conformal transformations of  $M^4$  for  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYMs. Also ordinary conformal symmetries of  $M^4$  could be present for string world sheets and could act as symmetries of generalized Feynman graphs since even virtual wormhole throats are massless. An interesting question is whether the conformal invariance associated with the effective metric is the analog of dual conformal invariance in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  theories.

Critical deformations of space-time surface are accompanied by conserved fermionic currents. By using standard Noetherian formulas one can write

$$J_i^\mu = \bar{\Psi}\Gamma^\mu\delta_i\Psi + \delta_i\bar{\Psi}\Gamma^\mu\Psi . \quad (3.4.9)$$

Here  $\delta\Psi_i$  denotes derivative of the variation with respect to a group parameter labeled by  $i$ . Since  $\delta\Psi_i$  reduces to an infinitesimal gauge transformation of  $\Psi$  induced by deformation, these currents are the analogs of gauge currents. The integrals of these currents along the braid strands at the ends of string world sheets define the analogs of gauge charges. The interpretation as Kac-Moody charges is also very attractive and I have proposed that the 2-D Hodge duals of gauge potentials could be identified as Kac-Moody currents. If so, the 2-D Hodge duals of  $J$  would define the quantum analogs of dynamical electro-weak gauge fields and Kac-Moody charge could be also seen as non-integral phase factor associated with the braid strand in Abelian approximation (the interpretation in terms of finite measurement resolution is discussed earlier).

One can also define super currents by replacing  $\bar{\Psi}$  or  $\Psi$  by a particular mode of the induced spinor field as well as c-number valued currents by performing the replacement for both  $\bar{\Psi}$  or  $\Psi$ . As expected, one obtains a super-conformal algebra with all modes of induced spinor fields acting as generators of super-symmetries restricted to 2-D surfaces. The number of the charges which do not annihilate physical states as also the effective number of fermionic modes could be finite and this would suggest that the integer  $\mathcal{N}$  for the supersymmetry in question is finite. This would conform with the earlier proposal inspired by the notion of finite measurement resolution implying the replacement of the partonic 2-surfaces with collections of braid ends.

Note that Kac-Moody charges might be associated with "long" braid strands connecting different wormhole throats as well as short braid strands connecting opposite throats of wormhole contacts. Both kinds of charges would appear in the theory.

#### What is the interpretation of the critical deformations?

Critical deformations bring in an additional gauge symmetry. Certainly not all possible gauge transformations are induced by the deformations of preferred extremals and a good guess is that they correspond to holomorphic gauge group elements as in theories with Kac-Moody symmetry. What is the physical character of this dynamical gauge symmetry?

1. Do the gauge charges vanish? Do they annihilate the physical states? Do only their positive energy parts annihilate the states so that one has a situation characteristic for the representation of Kac-Moody algebras. Or could some of these charges be analogous to the gauge charges associated with the constant gauge transformations in gauge theories and be therefore non-vanishing in the absence of confinement. Now one has electro-weak gauge charges and these should be non-vanishing. Can one assign them to deformations with a vanishing conformal weight and the remaining deformations to those with non-vanishing conformal weight and acting like Kac-Moody generators on the physical states?
2. The simplest option is that the critical Kac-Moody charges/gauge charges with non-vanishing positive conformal weight annihilate the physical states. Critical degrees of freedom would not disappear but make their presence known via the states labelled by different gauge charges assignable to critical deformations with vanishing conformal weight. Note that constant gauge transformations can be said to break the gauge symmetry also in the ordinary gauge theories unless one has confinement.
3. The hierarchy of quantum criticalities suggests however entire hierarchy of electro-weak Kac-Moody algebras. Does this mean a hierarchy of electro-weak symmetries breakings in which the number of Kac-Moody generators not annihilating the physical states gradually increases as also modes with a higher value of positive conformal weight fail to annihilate the physical state?

The only manner to have a hierarchy of algebras is by assuming that only the generators satisfying  $n \bmod N = 0$  define the sub-Kac-Moody algebra annihilating the physical states so that the generators with  $n \bmod N \neq 0$  would define the analogs of gauge charges. I have suggested for long time ago the relevance of kind of fractal hierarchy of Kac-Moody and Super-Virasoro algebras for TGD but failed to imagine any concrete realization.

A stronger condition would be that the algebra reduces to a finite dimensional algebra in the sense that the actions of generators  $Q_n$  and  $Q_{n+kN}$  are identical. This would correspond to periodic boundary conditions in the space of conformal weights. The notion of finite measurement resolution suggests that the number of independent fermionic oscillator operators is proportional to the number of braid ends so that an effective reduction to a finite algebra is expected.

Whatever the correct interpretation is, this would obviously refine the usual view about electro-weak symmetry breaking.

These arguments suggests the following overall view. The holomorphy of spinor modes gives rise to Kac-Moody algebra defined by isometries and includes besides Minkowskian generators associated with gravitation also  $SU(3)$  generators associated with color symmetries. Vanishing second variations in turn define electro-weak Kac-Moody type algebra.

Note that criticality suggests that one must perform functional integral over WCW by decomposing it to an integral over zero modes for which deformations of  $X^4$  induce only an electro-weak gauge transformation of the induced spinor field and to an integral over moduli corresponding to the remaining degrees of freedom.

### 3.4.8 The importance of being light-like

The singular geometric objects associated with the space-time surface have become increasingly important in TGD framework. In particular, the recent progress has made clear that these objects might be crucial for the understanding of quantum TGD. The singular objects are associated not only with the induced metric but also with the effective metric defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices appearing in the modified Dirac equation and determined by the Kähler action.

#### The singular objects associated with the induced metric

Consider first the singular objects associated with the induced metric.

1. At light-like 3-surfaces defined by wormhole throats the signature of the induced metric changes from Euclidian to Minkowskian so that 4-metric is degenerate. These surfaces are carriers of elementary particle quantum numbers and the 4-D induced metric degenerates locally to 3-D one at these surfaces.
2. Braid strands at light-like 3-surfaces are most naturally light-like curves: this correspond to the boundary condition for open strings. One can assign fermion number to the braid strands. Braid strands allow an identification as curves along which the Euclidian signature of the string world sheet in Euclidian region transforms to Minkowskian one. Number theoretic interpretation would be as a transformation of complex regions to hyper-complex regions meaning that imaginary unit  $i$  satisfying  $i^2 = -1$  becomes hyper-complex unit  $e$  satisfying  $e^2 = 1$ . The complex coordinates  $(z, \bar{z})$  become hyper-complex coordinates  $(u = t + ex, v = t - ex)$  giving the standard light-like coordinates when one puts  $e = 1$ .

#### The singular objects associated with the effective metric

There are also singular objects assignable to the effective metric. According to the simple arguments already developed, string world sheets and possibly also partonic 2-surfaces are singular objects with respect to the effective metric defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices rather than induced gamma matrices. Therefore the effective metric seems to be much more than a mere formal structure.

1. For instance, quaternionicity of the space-time surface could allow an elegant formulation in terms of the effective metric avoiding the problems due to the Minkowski signature. This is achieved if the effective metric has Euclidian signature  $\epsilon \times (1, 1, 1, 1)$ ,  $\epsilon = \pm 1$  or a complex counterpart of the Minkowskian signature  $\epsilon(1, 1, -1, -1)$ .
2. String world sheets and perhaps also partonic 2-surfaces could be understood as singularities of the effective metric. What happens that the effective metric with Euclidian signature  $\epsilon \times (1, 1, 1, 1)$  transforms to the signature  $\epsilon(1, 1, -1, -1)$  (say) at string world sheet so that one would have the degenerate signature  $\epsilon \times (1, 1, 0, 0)$  at the string world sheet.

What is amazing is that this works also number theoretically. It came as a total surprise to me that the notion of hyper-quaternions as a closed algebraic structure indeed exists. The hyper-quaternionic units would be given by  $(1, I, iJ, iK)$ , where  $i$  is a commuting imaginary unit

satisfying  $i^2 = -1$ . Hyper-quaternionic numbers defined as combinations of these units with real coefficients do form a closed algebraic structure which however fails to be a number field just like hyper-complex numbers do. Note that the hyper-quaternions obtained with real coefficients from the basis  $(1, iI, iJ, iK)$  fail to form an algebra since the product is not hyper-quaternion in this sense but belongs to the algebra of complexified quaternions. The same problem is encountered in the case of hyper-octonions defined in this manner. This has been a stone in my shoe since I feel strong disrelish towards Wick rotation as a trick for moving between different signatures.

3. Could also partonic 2-surfaces correspond to this kind of singular 2-surfaces? In principle, 2-D surfaces of 4-D space intersect at discrete points just as string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces do so that this might make sense. By complex structure the situation is algebraically equivalent to the analog of plane with non-flat metric allowing all possible signatures  $(\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2)$  in various regions. At light-like curve either  $\epsilon_1$  or  $\epsilon_2$  changes sign and light-like curves for these two kinds of changes can intersect as one can easily verify by drawing what happens. At the intersection point the metric is completely degenerate and simply vanishes.
4. Replacing real 2-dimensionality with complex 2-dimensionality, one obtains by the universality of algebraic dimension the same result for partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets. The braid ends at partonic 2-surfaces representing the intersection points of 2-surfaces of this kind would have completely degenerate effective metric so that the modified gamma matrices would vanish implying that energy momentum tensor vanishes as does also the induced Kähler field.
5. The effective metric suffers a local conformal scaling in the critical deformations identified in the proposed manner. Since ordinary conformal group acts on Minkowski space and leaves the boundary of light-cone invariant, one has two conformal groups. It is not however clear whether the  $M^4$  conformal transformations can act as symmetries in TGD, where the presence of the induced metric in Kähler action breaks  $M^4$  conformal symmetry. As found, also in TGD framework the Kac-Moody currents assigned to the braid strands generate Yangian: this is expected to be true also for the Kac-Moody counterparts of the conformal algebra associated with quantum criticality. On the other hand, in twistor program one encounters also two conformal groups and the space in which the second conformal group acts remains somewhat mysterious object. The Lie algebras for the two conformal groups generate the conformal Yangian and the integrands of the scattering amplitudes are Yangian invariants. Twistor approach should apply in TGD if zero energy ontology is right. Does this mean a deep connection?

What is also intriguing that twistor approach in principle works in strict mathematical sense only at signatures  $\epsilon \times (1, 1, -1 - 1)$  and the scattering amplitudes in Minkowski signature are obtained by analytic continuation. Could the effective metric give rise to the desired signature? Note that the notion of massless particle does not make sense in the signature  $\epsilon \times (1, 1, 1, 1)$ .

These arguments provide genuine a support for the notion of quaternionicity and suggest a connection with the twistor approach.

### 3.4.9 Realization of large $\mathcal{N}$ SUSY in TGD

The generators large  $\mathcal{N}$  SUSY algebras are obtained by taking fermionic currents for second quantized fermions and replacing either fermion field or its conjugate with its particular mode. The resulting super currents are conserved and define super charges. By replacing both fermion and its conjugate with modes one obtains c number valued currents. Therefore  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  SUSY - presumably equivalent with super-conformal invariance - or its finite  $\mathcal{N}$  cutoff is realized in TGD framework and the challenge is to understand the realization in more detail.

#### Super-space viz. Grassmann algebra valued fields

Standard SUSY induces super-space extending space-time by adding anti-commuting coordinates as a formal tool. Many mathematicians are not enthusiastic about this approach because of the purely formal nature of anti-commuting coordinates. Also I regard them as a non-sense geometrically and there is actually no need to introduce them as the following little argument shows.

Grassmann parameters (anti-commuting theta parameters) are generators of Grassmann algebra and the natural object replacing super-space is this Grassmann algebra with coefficients of Grassmann algebra basis appearing as ordinary real or complex coordinates. This is just an ordinary space with additional algebraic structure: the mysterious anti-commuting coordinates are not needed. To me this notion is one of the conceptual monsters created by the over-pragmatic thinking of theoreticians.

This allows to replace field space with super field space, which is completely well-defined object mathematically, and leave space-time untouched. Linear field space is simply replaced with its Grassmann algebra. For non-linear field space this replacement does not work. This allows to formulate the notion of linear super-field just in the same manner as it is done usually.

The generators of super-symmetries in super-space formulation reduce to super translations, which anti-commute to translations. The super generators  $Q_\alpha$  and  $\bar{Q}_{\dot{\beta}}$  of super Poincare algebra are Weyl spinors commuting with momenta and anti-commuting to momenta:

$$\{Q_\alpha, \bar{Q}_{\dot{\beta}}\} = 2\sigma_{\alpha\dot{\beta}}^\mu P_\mu . \quad (3.4.10)$$

One particular representation of super generators acting on super fields is given by

$$\begin{aligned} D_\alpha &= i \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_\alpha} , \\ D_{\dot{\alpha}} &= i \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\theta}_{\dot{\alpha}}} + \theta^\beta \sigma_{\beta\dot{\alpha}}^\mu \partial_\mu \end{aligned} \quad (3.4.11)$$

Here the index raising for 2-spinors is carried out using antisymmetric 2-tensor  $\epsilon^{\alpha\beta}$ . Super-space interpretation is not necessary since one can interpret this action as an action on Grassmann algebra valued field mixing components with different fermion numbers.

Chiral superfields are defined as fields annihilated by  $D_{\dot{\alpha}}$ . Chiral fields are of form  $\Psi(x^\mu + i\bar{\theta}\sigma^\mu\theta, \theta)$ . The dependence on  $\bar{\theta}_{\dot{\alpha}}$  comes only from its presence in the translated Minkowski coordinate annihilated by  $D_{\dot{\alpha}}$ . Super-space enthusiast would say that by a translation of  $M^4$  coordinates chiral fields reduce to fields, which depend on  $\theta$  only.

### The space of fermionic Fock states at partonic 2-surface as TGD counterpart of chiral super field

As already noticed, another manner to realize SUSY in terms of representations the super algebra of conserved super-charges. In TGD framework these super charges are naturally associated with the modified Dirac equation, and anti-commuting coordinates and super-fields do not appear anywhere. One can however ask whether one could identify a mathematical structure replacing the notion of chiral super field.

In [K30] it was proposed that generalized chiral super-fields could effectively replace induced spinor fields and that second quantized fermionic oscillator operators define the analog of SUSY algebra. One would have  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  if all the conformal excitations of the induced spinor field restricted on 2-surface are present. For right-handed neutrino the modes are labeled by two integers and delocalized to the interior of Euclidian or Minkowskian regions of space-time sheet.

The obvious guess is that chiral super-field generalizes to the field having as its components many-fermions states at partonic 2-surfaces with theta parameters and their conjugates in one-one correspondence with fermionic creation operators and their hermitian conjugates.

1. Fermionic creation operators - in classical theory corresponding anti-commuting Grassmann parameters - replace theta parameters. Theta parameters and their conjugates are not in one-one correspondence with spinor components but with the fermionic creation operators and their hermitian conjugates. One can say that the super-field in question is defined in the "world of classical worlds" (WCW) rather than in space-time. Fermionic Fock state at the partonic 2-surface is the value of the chiral super field at particular point of WCW.
2. The matrix defined by the  $\sigma^\mu \partial_\mu$  is replaced with a matrix defined by the modified Dirac operator  $D$  between spinor modes acting in the solution space of the modified Dirac equation. Since modified Dirac operator annihilates the modes of the induced spinor field, super covariant derivatives



reduce to ordinary derivatives with respect the theta parameters labeling the modes. Hence the chiral super field is a field that depends on  $\theta_m$  or conjugates  $\bar{\theta}_m$  only. In second quantization the modes of the chiral super-field are many-fermion states assigned to partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets. Note that this is the only possibility since the notion of super-coordinate does not make sense now.

3. It would seem that the notion of super-field does not bring anything new. This is not the case. First of all, the spinor fields are restricted to 2-surfaces. Second point is that one cannot assign to the fermions of the many-fermion states separate non-parallel or even parallel four-momenta. The many-fermion state behaves like elementary particle. This has non-trivial implications for propagators and a simple argument [K30] leads to the proposal that propagator for N-fermion partonic state is proportional to  $1/p^N$ . This would mean that only the states with fermion number equal to 1 or 2 behave like ordinary elementary particles.

#### How the fermionic anti-commutation relations are determined?

Understanding the fermionic anti-commutation relations is not trivial since all fermion fields except right-handed neutrino are assumed to be localized at 2-surfaces. Since fermionic conserved currents must give rise to well-defined charges as 3-D integrals the spinor modes must be proportional to a square root of delta function in normal directions. Furthermore, the modified Dirac operator must act only in the directions tangential to the 2-surface in order that the modified Dirac equation can be satisfied.

The square root of delta function can be formally defined by starting from the expansion of delta function in discrete basis for a particle in 1-D box. The product of two functions in x-space is convolution of Fourier transforms and the coefficients of Fourier transform of delta function are apart from a constant multiplier equal to 1:  $\delta(x) = K \sum_n \exp(inx/2\pi L)$ . Therefore the Fourier transform of square root of delta function is obtained by normalizing the Fourier transform of delta function by  $1/\sqrt{N}$ , where  $N \rightarrow \infty$  is the number of plane waves. In other words:  $\sqrt{\delta(x)} = \sqrt{\frac{K}{N}} \sum_n \exp(inx/2\pi L)$ .

Canonical quantization defines the standard approach to the second quantization of the Dirac equation.

1. One restricts the consideration to time=constant slices of space-time surface. Now the 3-surfaces at the ends of  $CD$  are natural slices. The intersection of string world sheet with these surfaces is 1-D whereas partonic 2-surfaces have 2-D Euclidian intersection with them.
2. The canonical momentum density is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_\alpha &= \frac{\partial L}{\partial_t \bar{\Psi}_\alpha(x)} = \Gamma^t \Psi \quad , \\ \Gamma^t &= \frac{\partial L_K}{\partial(\partial_t h^k)} \quad . \end{aligned} \tag{3.4.12}$$

$L_K$  denotes Kähler action density: consistency requires  $D_\mu \Gamma^\mu = 0$ , and this is guaranteed only by using the modified gamma matrices defined by Kähler action. Note that  $\Gamma^t$  contains also the  $\sqrt{g_4}$  factor. Induced gamma matrices would require action defined by four-volume.  $t$  is time coordinate varying in direction tangential to 2-surface.

3. The standard equal time canonical anti-commutation relations state

$$\{\Pi_\alpha, \bar{\Psi}_\beta\} = \delta^3(x, y) \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad . \tag{3.4.13}$$

Can these conditions be applied both at string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces.

1. String world sheets do not pose problems. The restriction of the modes to string world sheets means that the square root of delta function in the normal direction of string world sheet takes care of the normal dimensions and the dynamical part of anti-commutation relations is 1-dimensional just as in the case of strings.
2. Partonic 2-surfaces are problematic. The  $\sqrt{g_4}$  factor in  $\Gamma^t$  implies that  $\Gamma^t$  approaches zero at partonic 2-surfaces since they belong to light-like wormhole throats at which the signature of the induced metric changes. Energy momentum tensor appearing in  $\Gamma^t$  involves to index raisins by induced metric so that it can grow without limit as one approaches partonic two-surface. Therefore it is quite possible that the limit is finite and the boundary conditions defined by the weak form of electric magnetic duality might imply that the limit is finite. The open question is whether one can apply canonical quantization at partonic 2-surfaces. One can also ask whether one can define induced spinor fields at wormhole throats only at the ends of string world sheets so that partonic 2-surface would be effectively discretized. This cautious conclusion emerged in the earlier study of the modified Dirac equation [K29].
3. Suppose that one can assume spinor modes at partonic 2-surfaces. 2-D conformal invariance suggests that the situation reduces to effectively one-dimensional also at the partonic two-surfaces. If so, one should pose the anti-commutation relations at some 1-D curves of the partonic 2-surface only. This is the only sensible option. The point is that the action of the modified Dirac operator is tangential so that also the canonical momentum current must be tangential and one can fix anti-commutations only at some set of curves of the partonic 2-surface.

One can of course worry what happens at the limit of vacuum extremals. The problem is that  $\Gamma^t$  vanishes for space-time surfaces reducing to vacuum extremals at the 2-surfaces carrying fermions so that the anti-commutations are inconsistent. Should one require - as done earlier- that the anti-commutation relations make sense at this limit and cannot therefore have the standard form but involve the scalar magnetic flux formed from the induced Kähler form by permuting it with the 2-D permutations symbol? The restriction to preferred extremals, which are always non-vacuum extremals, might allow to avoid this kind of problems automatically.

In the case of right-handed neutrino the situation is genuinely 3-dimensional and in this case non-vacuum extremal property must hold true in the regions where the modes of  $\nu_R$  are non-vanishing. The same mechanism would save from problems also at the partonic 2-surfaces. The dynamics of induced spinor fields must avoid classical vacuum. Could this relate to color confinement? Could hadrons be surrounded by an insulating layer of Kähler vacuum?

## 3.5 Twistor revolution and TGD

Lubos Motl wrote a nice summary about the talk of Nima Arkani Hamed about twistor revolution in Strings 2012 and gave also a link to the talk [B8]. It seems that Nima and collaborators are ending to a picture about scattering amplitudes which strongly resembles that provided by generalized Feynman diagrammatics in TGD framework

TGD framework is much more general than  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM and is to it same as general relativity for special relativity whereas the latter is completely explicit. Of course, I cannot hope that TGD view could be taken seriously - at least publicly. One might hope that these approaches could be combined some day: both have a lot to give for each other. Below I compare these approaches.

### 3.5.1 The origin of twistor diagrammatics

In TGD framework zero energy ontology forces to replace the idea about continuous unitary evolution in Minkowski space with something more general assignable to causal diamonds (CDs), and S-matrix is replaced with a square root of density matrix equal to a hermitian l square root of density matrix multiplied by unitary S-matrix. Also in twistor approach unitarity has ceased to be a star actor. In p-Adic context continuous unitary time evolution fails to make sense also mathematically.

Twistor diagrammatics involves only massless on mass shell particles on both external and internal lines. Zero energy ontology (ZEO) requires same in TGD: wormhole lines carry parallelly moving

massless fermions and antifermions. The mass shell conditions at vertices are enormously powerful and imply UV finiteness. Also IR finiteness follows if external particles are massive.

What one means with mass is however a delicate matter. What does one mean with mass? I have pondered 35 years this question and the recent view is inspired by p-adic mass calculations and ZEO, and states that observed mass is in a well-defined sense expectation value of longitudinal mass squared for all possible choices of  $M^2 \subset M^4$  characterizing the choices of quantization axis for energy and spin at the level of "world of classical worlds" (WCW) assignable with given causal diamond  $CD$ .

The choice of quantization axis thus becomes part of the geometry of WCW. All wormhole throats are massless but develop non-vanishing longitudinal mass squared. Gauge bosons correspond to wormhole contacts and thus consist of pairs of massless wormhole throats. Gauge bosons could develop 4-D mass squared but also remain massless in 4-D sense if the throats have parallel massless momenta. Longitudinal mass squared is however non-vanishing and p-adic thermodynamics predicts it.

### 3.5.2 The emergence of 2-D sub-dynamics at space-time level

Nima et al introduce ordering of the vertices in 4-D case. Ordering and related braiding are however essentially 2-D notions. Somehow 2-D theory must be a part of the 4-D theory also at space-time level, and I understood that understanding this is the challenge of the twistor approach at this moment.

The twistor amplitude can be represented as sum over the permutations of  $n$  external gluons and all diagrams corresponding to the same permutation are equivalent. Permutations are more like braidings since they carry information about how the permutation proceeded as a homotopy. Yang-Baxter equation emerges and states associativity of the braid group. The allowed braidings are minimal braidings in the sense that the repetitions of permutations of two adjacent vertices are not considered to be separate. Minimal braidings reduce to ordinary permutations. Nima also talks about affine braidings which I interpret as analogs of Kac-Moody algebras meaning that one uses projective representations which for Kac-Moody algebra mean non-trivial central extension. Perhaps the condition is that the square of a permutation permuting only two vertices which each other gives only a non-trivial phase factor. Lubos suggests an alternative interpretation which would select only special permutations and cannot be therefore correct.

There are rules of identifying the permutation associated with a given diagram involving only basic 3-gluon vertex with white circle and its conjugate. Lubos explains this "Mickey Mouse in maze" rule in his posting in detail: to determine the image  $p(n)$  of vertex  $n$  in the permutation put a mouse in the maze defined by the diagram and let it run around obeying single rule: if the vertex is black turn to the right and if the vertex is white turn to the left. The mouse cannot remain in a loop: if it would do so, the rule would force it to run back to  $n$  after single full loop and one would have a fixed point:  $p(n) = n$ . The reduction in the number of diagrams is enormous: the infinity of different diagrams reduces to  $n!$  diagrams!

What happens in TGD framework?

1. In TGD framework string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces (or either or these if they are dual notions as conjectured) at space-time surface would define the sought for 2-D theory, and one obtains indeed perturbative expansion with fermionic propagator defined by the inverse of the modified Dirac operator and bosonic propagator defined by the correlation function for small deformations of the string world sheet. The vertices of twistor diagrams emerge as braid ends defining the intersections of string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces.

String model like description becomes part of TGD and the role of string world sheets in  $X^4$  is highly analogous to that of string world sheets connecting branes in  $AdS^5 \times S^5$  of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM. In TGD framework 10-D  $AdS^5 \times S^5$  is replaced with 4-D space-time surface in  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . The meaning of the analog of  $AdS^5$  duality in TGD framework should be understood. In particular, it could be that the descriptions involving string world sheets on one hand and partonic 2-surfaces - or 3-D orbits of wormhole throats defining the generalized Feynman diagram- on the other hand are dual to each other. I have conjectured something like this earlier but it takes some time for this kind of issues to find their natural answer.

2. As described in the article, string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces emerge directly from the construction of the solutions of the modified Dirac equation by requiring conservation of em charge. This result has been conjectured already earlier but using other less direct arguments.

2-D "string world sheets" as sub-manifolds of the space-time surface make the ordering possible, and guarantee the finiteness of the perturbation theory involving n-point functions of a conformal QFT for fermions at wormhole throats and n-point functions for the deformations of the space-time surface. Conformal invariance should dictate these n-point functions to a high degree. In TGD framework the fundamental 3-vertex corresponds to joining of light-like orbits of three wormhole contacts along their 2-D ends (partonic 2-surfaces).

### 3.5.3 The emergence of Yangian symmetry

Yangian symmetry associated with the conformal transformations of  $M^4$  is a key symmetry of Grassmannian approach. Is it possible to derive it in TGD framework?

1. TGD indeed leads to a concrete representation of Yangian algebra as generalization of color and electroweak gauge Kac-Moody algebra using general formula discussed in Witten's article about Yangian algebras (see the article).
2. Article discusses also a conjecture about 2-D Hodge duality of quantized YM gauge potentials assignable to string world sheets with Kac-Moody currents. Quantum gauge potentials are defined only where they are needed - at string world sheets rather than entire 4-D space-time.
3. Conformal scalings of the effective metric defined by the anticommutators of the modified gamma matrices emerges as realization of quantum criticality. They are induced by critical deformations (second variations not changing Kähler action) of the space-time surface. This algebra can be generalized to Yangian using the formulas in Witten's article (see the article).
4. Critical deformations induce also electroweak gauge transformations and even more general symmetries for which infinitesimal generators are products of  $U(n)$  generators permuting  $n$  modes of the modified Dirac operator and infinitesimal generators of local electro-weak gauge transformations. These symmetries would relate in a natural manner to finite measurement resolution realized in terms of inclusions of hyperfinite factors with included algebra taking the role of gauge group transforming to each other states not distinguishable from each other.
5. How to end up with Grassmannian picture in TGD framework? This has inspired some speculations in the past. From Nima's lecture one however learns that Grassmannian picture emerges as a convenient parametrization. One starts from the basic 3-gluon vertex or its conjugate expressed in terms of twistors. Momentum conservation implies that with the three twistors  $\lambda_i$  or their conjugates are proportional to each other (depending on which is the case one assigns white or black dot with the vertex). This constraint can be expressed as a delta function constraint by introducing additional integration variables and these integration variables lead to the emergence of the Grassmannian  $G_{n,k}$  where  $n$  is the number of gluons, and  $k$  the number of positive helicity gluons.

Since only momentum conservation is involved, and since twistorial description works because only massless on mass shell virtual particles are involved, one is bound to end up with the Grassmannian description also in TGD.

### 3.5.4 The analog of $AdS^5$ duality in TGD framework

The generalization of  $AdS^5$  duality of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYMs to TGD framework is highly suggestive and states that string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces play a dual role in the construction of M-matrices. Some terminology first.

1. Let us agree that string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces refer to 2-surfaces in the slicing of space-time region defined by Hermitian structure or Hamilton-Jacobi structure.
2. Let us also agree that *singular* string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces are surfaces at which the *effective* metric defined by the anticommutators of the modified gamma matrices degenerates to effectively 2-D one.

3. Braid strands at wormhole throats in turn would be loci at which the *induced* metric of the string world sheet transforms from Euclidian to Minkowskian as the signature of induced metric changes from Euclidian to Minkowskian.

AdS<sup>5</sup> duality suggest that string world sheets are in the same role as string world sheets of 10-D space connecting branes in AdS<sup>5</sup> duality for  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM. What is important is that there should exist a duality meaning two manners to calculate the amplitudes. What the duality could mean now?

1. Also in TGD framework the first manner would be string model like description using string world sheets. The second one would be a generalization of conformal QFT at light-like 3-surfaces (allowing generalized conformal symmetry) defining the lines of generalized Feynman diagram. The correlation functions to be calculated would have points at the intersections of partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets and would represent braid ends.
2. General Coordinate Invariance (GCI) implies that physics should be codable by 3-surfaces. Light-like 3-surfaces define 3-surfaces of this kind and same applies to space-like 3-surfaces. There are also preferred 3-surfaces of this kind. The orbits of 2-D wormhole throats at which 4-metric degenerates to 3-dimensional one define preferred light-like 3-surfaces. Also the space-like 3-surfaces at the ends of space-time surface at light-like boundaries of causal diamonds (CDs) define preferred space-like 3-surfaces. Both light-like and space-like 3-surfaces should code for the same physics and therefore their intersections defining partonic 2-surfaces plus the 4-D tangent space data at them should be enough to code for physics. This is strong form of GCI implying effective 2-dimensionality. As a special case one obtains singular string world sheets at which the effective metric reduces to 2-dimensional and singular partonic 2-surfaces defining the wormhole throats. For these 2-surfaces situation could be especially simple mathematically.
3. The guess inspired by strong GCI is that string world sheet -partonic 2-surface duality holds true. The functional integrals over the deformations of 2 kinds of 2-surfaces should give the same result so that functional integration over either kinds of 2-surfaces should be enough. Note that the members of a given pair in the slicing intersect at discrete set of points and these points define braid ends carrying fermion number. Discretization and braid picture follow automatically.
4. Scattering amplitudes in the twistorial approach could be thus calculated by using *any* pair in the slicing - or only either member of the pair if the analog of AdS<sup>5</sup> duality holds true as argued. The possibility to choose any pair in the slicing means general coordinate invariance as a symmetry of the Kähler metric of WCW and of the entire theory suggested already early: Kähler functions for difference choices in the slicing would differ by a real part of holomorphic function and give rise to same Kähler metric of "world of classical worlds" (WCW). For a general pair one obtains functional integral over deformations of space-time surface inducing deformations of 2-surfaces with only other kind 2-surface contributing to amplitude. This means the analog of stringy QFT: Minkowskian or Euclidian string theory depending on choice.
5. For singular string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces an enormous simplification results. The propagators for fermions and correlation functions for deformations reduce to 1-D instead of being 2-D: the propagation takes place only along the light-like lines at which the string world sheets with Euclidian signature (inside  $CP_2$  like regions) change to those with Minkowskian signature of induced metric. The local reduction of space-time dimension would be very real for particles moving along sub-manifolds at which higher dimensional space-time has reduced metric dimension: they cannot get out from lower-D sub-manifold. This is like ending down to 1-D black hole interior and one would obtain the analog of ordinary Feynman diagrammatics. This kind of Feynman diagrammatics involving only braid strands is what I have indeed ended up earlier so that it seems that I can trust good intuition combined with a sloppy mathematics sometimes works;-).

These singular lines represent orbits of point like particles carrying fermion number at the orbits of wormhole throats. Furthermore, in this representation the expansions coming from string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces are identical automatically. This follows from the fact that only the light-like lines connecting points common to singular string world sheets and singular partonic 2-surfaces appear as propagator lines!

6. The TGD analog of AdS<sup>5</sup> duality of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSYs would be trivially true as an identity in this special case, and the good guess is that it is true also generally. One could indeed use integral over either string world sheets or partonic 2-sheets to deduce the amplitudes.

What is important to notice that singularities of Feynman diagrams crucial for the Grassmannian approach of Nima and others would correspond at space-time level 2-D singularities of the effective metric defined by the modified gamma matrices defined as contractions of canonical momentum currents for Kähler action with ordinary gamma matrices of the imbedding space and therefore directly reflecting classical dynamics.

### 3.5.5 Problems of the twistor approach from TGD point of view

Twistor approach has also its problems and here TGD suggests how to proceed. Signature problem is the first problem.

1. Twistor diagrammatics works in a strict mathematical sense only for  $M^{2,2}$  with metric signature (1,1,-1,-1) rather than  $M^4$  with metric signature (1,-1,-1,-1). Metric signature is wrong in the physical case. This is a real problem which must be solved eventually.
2. Effective metric defined by anticommutators of the modified gamma matrices (to be distinguished from the induced gamma matrices) could solve that problem since it would have the correct signature in TGD framework (see the article). String world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces would correspond to the 2-D singularities of this effective metric at which the even-even signature (1,1,1,1) changes to even-even signature (1,1,-1,-1). Space-time at string world sheet would become locally 2-D with respect to effective metric just as space-time becomes locally 3-D with respect to the induced metric at the light-like orbits of wormhole throats. String world sheets become also locally 1-D at light-like curves at which Euclidian signature of world sheet in induced metric transforms to Minkowskian.
3. Twistor amplitudes are indeed singularities and string world sheets implied in TGD framework by conservation of em charge would represent these singularities at space-time level. At the end of the talk Nima conjectured about lower-dimensional manifolds of space-time as representation of space-time singularities. Note that string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces have been part of TGD for years. TGD is of course to  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM what general relativity is for the special relativity. Space-time surface is dynamical and possesses induced and effective metrics rather than being flat.

Second limitation is that twistor diagrammatics works only for planar diagrams. This is a problem which must be also fixed sooner or later.

1. This perhaps dangerous and blasphemous statement that I will regret it some day but I will make it;-). Nima and others have not yet discovered that  $M^2 \subset M^4$  must be there but will discover it when they begin to generalize the results to non-planar diagrams and realize that Feynman diagrams are analogous to knot diagrams in 2-D plane (with crossings allowed) and that this 2-D plane must correspond to  $M^2 \subset M^4$ . The different choices of causal diamond  $CD$  correspond to different choices of  $M^2$  representing choice of quantization axes 4-momentum and spin. The integral over these choices guarantees Lorentz invariance. Gauge conditions are modified: longitudinal  $M^2$  projection of massless four-momentum is orthogonal to polarization so that three polarizations are possible: states are massive in longitudinal sense.
2. In TGD framework one replaces the lines of Feynman diagrams with the light-like 3-surfaces defining orbits of wormhole throats. These lines carry many fermion states defining braid strands at light-like 3-surfaces. There is internal braiding associated with these braid strands. String world sheets connect fermions at different wormhole throats with space-like braid strands. The  $M^2$  projections of generalized Feynman diagrams with 4-D "lines" replaced with genuine lines define the ordinary Feynman diagram as the analog of braid diagram. The conjecture is that one can reduce non-planar diagrams to planar diagrams using a procedure analogous to the construction of knot invariants by un-knotting the knot in Alexandrian manner by allowing it to be cut temporarily.

3. The permutations of string vertices emerge naturally as one constructs diagrams by adding to the interior of polygon sub-polygons connected to the external vertices. This corresponds to the addition of internal partonic two-surfaces. There are very many equivalent diagrams of this kind. Only permutations matter and the permutation associated with a given diagram of this kind can be deduced by the Mickey-Mouse rule described explicitly by Lubos. A connection with planar operads is highly suggestive and also conjecture already earlier in TGD framework.

### 3.5.6 Could $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM be a part of TGD after all?

Whether right-handed neutrinos generate a supersymmetry in TGD has been a long standing open question.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is certainly excluded by fermion number conservation but already  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  defining a "complexification" of  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is possible and could generate right-handed neutrino and its antiparticle. These states should however possess a non-vanishing light-like momentum since the fully covariantly constant right-handed neutrino generates zero norm states. So called massless extremals (MEs) allow massless solutions of the modified Dirac equation for right-handed neutrino in the interior of space-time surface, and this seems to be case quite generally in Minkowskian signature for preferred extremals. This suggests that particle represented as magnetic flux tube structure with two wormhole contacts sliced between two MEs could serve as a starting point in attempts to understand the role of right handed neutrinos and how  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM emerges at the level of space-time geometry. The following arguments inspired by the article of Nima Arkani-Hamed et al [B16] about twistorial scattering amplitudes suggest a more detailed physical interpretation of the possible SUSY associated with the right-handed neutrinos.

The fact that right handed neutrinos have only gravitational interaction suggests a radical re-interpretation of SUSY: no SUSY breaking is needed since it is very difficult to distinguish between mass degenerate partners of ordinary particles. In order to distinguish between different partners one must be able to compare the gravitomagnetic energies of partners in slowly varying external gravimagnetic field: this effect is extremely small.

### Scattering amplitudes and the positive Grassmannian

The work of Nima Arkani-Hamed and others represents something which makes me very optimistic and I would be happy if I could understand the horrible technicalities of their work. The article Scattering Amplitudes and the Positive Grassmannian by Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Goncharov, Postnikov, and Trnka [B16] summarizes the recent situation in a form, which should be accessible to ordinary physicist. Lubos has already discussed the article. The following considerations do not relate much to the main message of the article (positive Grassmannians) but more to the question how this approach could be applied in TGD framework.

#### 1. All scattering amplitudes have on shell amplitudes for massless particles as building bricks

The key idea is that all planar amplitudes can be constructed from on shell amplitudes: all virtual particles are actually real. In zero energy ontology I ended up with the representation of TGD analogs of Feynman diagrams using only mass shell massless states with both positive and negative energies. The enormous number of kinematic constraints eliminates UV and IR divergences and also the description of massive particles as bound states of massless ones becomes possible.

In TGD framework quantum classical correspondence requires a space-time correlate for the on mass shell property and it indeed exists. The mathematically ill-defined path integral over all 4-surfaces is replaced with a superposition of preferred extremals of Kähler action analogous to Bohr orbits, and one has only a functional integral over the 3-D ends at the light-like boundaries of causal diamond (Euclidian/Minkowskian space-time regions give real/imaginary Chern-Simons exponent to the vacuum functional). This would be obviously the deeper principle behind on mass shell representation of scattering amplitudes that Nima and others are certainly trying to identify. This principle in turn reduces to general coordinate invariance at the level of the world of classical worlds.

Quantum classical correspondence and quantum ergodicity would imply even stronger condition: the quantal correlation functions should be identical with classical correlation functions for any preferred extremal in the superposition: all preferred extremals in the superposition would be statistically equivalent [K96]. 4-D spin glass degeneracy of Kähler action however suggests that this is probably too strong a condition applying only to building bricks of the superposition.

Minimal surface property is the geometric counterpart for masslessness and the preferred extremals are also minimal surfaces: this property reduces to the generalization of complex structure at space-time surfaces, which I call Hamilton-Jacobi structure for the Minkowskian signature of the induced metric. Einstein Maxwell equations with cosmological term are also satisfied.

*2. Massless extremals and twistor approach*

The decomposition  $M^4 = M^2 \times E^2$  is fundamental in the formulation of quantum TGD, in the number theoretical vision about TGD, in the construction of preferred extremals, and for the vision about generalized Feynman diagrams. It is also fundamental in the decomposition of the degrees of string to longitudinal and transversal ones. An additional item to the list is that also the states appearing in thermodynamical ensemble in p-adic thermodynamics correspond to four-momenta in  $M^2$  fixed by the direction of the Lorentz boost. In twistor approach to TGD the possibility to decompose also internal lines to massless states at parallel space-time sheets is crucial.

Can one find a concrete identification for  $M^2 \times E^2$  decomposition at the level of preferred extremals? Could these preferred extremals be interpreted as the internal lines of generalized Feynman diagrams carrying massless momenta? Could one identify the mass of particle predicted by p-adic thermodynamics with the sum of massless classical momenta assignable to two preferred extremals of this kind connected by wormhole contacts defining the elementary particle?

Candidates for this kind of preferred extremals indeed exist. Local  $M^2 \times E^2$  decomposition and light-like longitudinal massless momentum assignable to  $M^2$  characterizes "massless extremals" (MEs, "topological light rays"). The simplest MEs correspond to single space-time sheet carrying a conserved light-like  $M^2$  momentum. For several MEs connected by wormhole contacts the longitudinal massless momenta are not conserved anymore but their sum defines a time-like conserved four-momentum: one has a bound states of massless MEs. The stable wormhole contacts binding MEs together possess Kähler magnetic charge and serve as building bricks of elementary particles. Particles are necessary closed magnetic flux tubes having two wormhole contacts at their ends and connecting the two MEs.

The sum of the classical massless momenta assignable to the pair of MEs is conserved even when they exchange momentum. Quantum classical correspondence requires that the conserved classical rest energy of the particle equals to the prediction of p-adic mass calculations. The massless momenta assignable to MEs would naturally correspond to the massless momenta propagating along the internal lines of generalized Feynman diagrams assumed in zero energy ontology. Masslessness of virtual particles makes also possible twistor approach. This supports the view that MEs are fundamental for the twistor approach in TGD framework.

*3. Scattering amplitudes as representations for braids whose threads can fuse at 3-vertices*

Just a little comment about the content of the article. The main message of the article is that non-equivalent contributions to a given scattering amplitude in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM represent elements of the group of permutations of external lines - or to be more precise - decorated permutations which replace permutation group  $S_n$  with  $n!$  elements with its decorated version containing  $2^n n!$  elements. Besides 3-vertex the basic dynamical process is permutation having the exchange of neighboring lines as a generating permutation completely analogous to fundamental braiding. BFCW bridge has interpretation as a representations for the basic braiding operation.

This supports the TGD inspired proposal (TGD as almost topological QFT) that generalized Feynman diagrams are in some sense also knot or braid diagrams allowing besides braiding operation also two 3-vertices [K39]. The first 3-vertex generalizes the standard stringy 3-vertex but with totally different interpretation having nothing to do with particle decay: rather particle travels along two paths simultaneously after  $1 \rightarrow 2$  decay. Second 3-vertex generalizes the 3-vertex of ordinary Feynman diagram (three 4-D lines of generalized Feynman diagram identified as Euclidian space-time regions meet at this vertex). The main idea is that in TGD framework knotting and braiding emerges at two levels.

1. At the level of space-time surface string world sheets at which the induced spinor fields (except right-handed neutrino [K96]) are localized due to the conservation of electric charge can form 2-knots and can intersect at discrete points in the generic case. The boundaries of strings world sheets at light-like wormhole throat orbits and at space-like 3-surfaces defining the ends of the space-time at light-like boundaries of causal diamonds can form ordinary 1-knots, and get linked and braided. Elementary particles themselves correspond to closed loops at the ends of



space-time surface and can also get knotted (possible effects are discussed in [K39]).

2. One can assign to the lines of generalized Feynman diagrams lines in  $M^2$  characterizing given causal diamond. Therefore the 2-D representation of Feynman diagrams has concrete physical interpretation in TGD. These lines can intersect and what suggests itself is a description of non-planar diagrams (having this kind of intersections) in terms of an algebraic knot theory. A natural guess is that it is this knot theoretic operation which allows to describe also non-planar diagrams by reducing them to planar ones as one does when one constructs knot invariant by reducing the knot to a trivial one. Scattering amplitudes would be basically knot invariants.

"Almost topological" has also a meaning usually not assigned with it. Thurston's geometrization conjecture stating that geometric invariants of canonical representation of manifold as Riemann geometry, defined topological invariants, could generalize somehow. For instance, the geometric invariants of preferred extremals could be seen as topological or more refined invariants (symplectic, conformal in the sense of 4-D generalization of conformal structure). If quantum ergodicity holds true, the statistical geometric invariants defined by the classical correlation functions of various induced classical gauge fields for preferred extremals could be regarded as this kind of invariants for sub-manifolds. What would distinguish TGD from standard topological QFT would be that the invariants in question would involve length scale and thus have a physical content in the usual sense of the word!

### Could $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY have something to do with TGD?

$\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM has been the theoretical laboratory of Nima and others.  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM is definitely a completely exceptional theory, and one cannot avoid the question whether it could in some sense be part of fundamental physics. In TGD framework right handed neutrinos have remained a mystery: whether one should assign space-time SUSY to them or not. Could they give rise to something resembling  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY with fermion number conservation?

#### 1. Earlier results

My latest view is that *fully* covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos decouple from the dynamics completely. I will repeat first the earlier arguments which consider only fully covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos.

1.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is certainly excluded since it would require Majorana property not possible in TGD framework since it would require superposition of left and right handed neutrinos and lead to a breaking of lepton number conservation. Could one imagine SUSY in which both MEs between which particle wormhole contacts reside have  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY which combine to form an  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY?
2. Right-handed neutrinos which are covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos in both  $M^4$  degrees of freedom cannot define a non-trivial theory as shown already earlier. They have no electroweak nor gravitational couplings and carry no momentum, only spin.

The fully covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos with two possible helicities at given ME would define representation of SUSY at the limit of vanishing light-like momentum. At this limit the creation and annihilation operators creating the states would have vanishing anticommutator so that the oscillator operators would generate Grassmann algebra. Since creation and annihilation operators are hermitian conjugates, the states would have zero norm and the states generated by oscillator operators would be pure gauge and decouple from physics. This is the core of the earlier argument demonstrating that  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is not possible in TGD framework: LHC has given convincing experimental support for this belief.

#### 2. Could massless right-handed neutrinos covariantly constant in $CP_2$ degrees of freedom define $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY?

Consider next right-handed neutrinos, which are covariantly constant in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom but have a light-like four-momentum. In this case fermion number is conserved but this is consistent with  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY at both MEs with fermion number conservation.  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSYs could emerge from  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY when one half of SUSY generators annihilate the states, which is a basic phenomenon in supersymmetric theories.

1. At space-time level right-handed neutrinos couple to the space-time geometry - gravitation - although weak and color interactions are absent. One can say that this coupling forces them to move with light-like momentum parallel to that of ME. At the level of space-time surface right-handed neutrinos have a spectrum of excitations of four-dimensional analogs of conformal spinors at string world sheet (Hamilton-Jacobi structure).

For MEs one indeed obtains massless solutions depending on longitudinal  $M^2$  coordinates only since the induced metric in  $M^2$  differs from the light-like metric only by a contribution which is light-like and contracts to zero with light-like momentum in the same direction. These solutions are analogs of (say) left movers of string theory. The dependence on  $E^2$  degrees of freedom is holomorphic. That left movers are only possible would suggest that one has only single helicity and conservation of fermion number at given space-time sheet rather than 2 helicities and non-conserved fermion number: two real Majorana spinors combine to single complex Weyl spinor.

2. At imbedding space level one obtains a tensor product of ordinary representations of  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY consisting of Weyl spinors with opposite helicities assigned with the ME. The state content is same as for a reduced  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY with four  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  Majorana spinors replaced by two complex  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  spinors with fermion number conservation. This gives 4 states at both space-time sheets constructed from  $\nu_R$  and its antiparticle. Altogether the two MEs give 8 states, which is one half of the 16 states of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY so that a degeneration of this symmetry forced by non-Majorana property is in question.

3. *Is the dynamics of  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM possible in right-handed neutrino sector?*

Could  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM be a part of quantum TGD? Could TGD be seen a fusion of a degenerate  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM describing the right-handed neutrino sector and string theory like theory describing the contribution of string world sheets carrying other leptonic and quark spinors? Or could one imagine even something simpler?

What is interesting that the net momenta assigned to the right handed neutrinos associated with a pair of MEs would correspond to the momenta assignable to the particles and obtained by p-adic mass calculations. It would seem that right-handed neutrinos provide a representation of the momenta of the elementary particles represented by wormhole contact structures. Does this mimicry generalize to a full duality so that all quantum numbers and even microscopic dynamics of defined by generalized Feynman diagrams (Euclidian space-time regions) would be represented by right-handed neutrinos and MEs? Could a generalization of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM with non-trivial gauge group with proper choices of the ground states helicities allow to represent the entire microscopic dynamics?

Irrespective of the answer to this question one can compare the TGD based view about supersymmetric dynamics with what I have understood about  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM.

1. In the scattering of MEs induced by the dynamics of Kähler action the right-handed neutrinos play a passive role. Modified Dirac equation forces them to adopt the same direction of four-momentum as the MEs so that the scattering reduces to the geometric scattering for MEs as one indeed expects on basis of quantum classical correspondence. In  $\nu_R$  sector the basic scattering vertex involves four MEs and could be a re-sharing of the right-handed neutrino content of the incoming two MEs between outgoing two MEs respecting fermion number conservation. Therefore  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM with fermion number conservation would represent the scattering of MEs at quantum level.
2.  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY would suggest that also in the degenerate case one obtains the full scattering amplitude as a sum of permutations of external particles followed by projections to the directions of light-like momenta and that BCFW bridge represents the analog of fundamental braiding operation. The decoration of permutations means that each external line is effectively doubled. Could the scattering of MEs can be interpreted in terms of these decorated permutations? Could the doubling of permutations by decoration relate to the occurrence of pairs of MEs?

One can also revert these questions. Could one construct massive states in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM using pairs of momenta associated with particle with integer label  $k$  and its decorated copy with label  $k+n$ ? Massive external particles obtained in this manner as bound states of massless ones could solve the IR divergence problem of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM.

3. The description of amplitudes in terms of leading singularities means picking up of the singular contribution by putting the fermionic propagators on mass shell. In the recent case it would give the inverse of massless Dirac propagator acting on the spinor at the end of the internal line annihilating it if it is a solution of Dirac equation.

The only way out is a kind of cohomology theory in which solutions of Dirac equation represent exact forms. Dirac operator defines the exterior derivative  $d$  and virtual lines correspond to non-physical helicities with  $d\Psi \neq 0$ . Virtual fermions would be on mass-shell fermions with non-physical polarization satisfying  $d^2\Psi = 0$ . External particles would be those with physical polarization satisfying  $d\Psi = 0$ , and one can say that the Feynman diagrams containing physical helicities split into products of Feynman diagrams containing only non-physical helicities in internal lines.

4. The fermionic states at wormhole contacts should define the ground states of SUSY representation with helicity  $+1/2$  and  $-1/2$  rather than spin 1 or -1 as in standard realization of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM used in the article. This would modify the theory but the twistorial and Grassmannian description would remain more or less as such since it depends on light-likeness and momentum conservation only.

#### 4. 3-vertices for sparticles are replaced with 4-vertices for MEs

In  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM the basic vertex is on mass-shell 3-vertex which requires that for real light-like momenta all 3 states are parallel. One must allow complex momenta in order to satisfy energy conservation and light-likeness conditions. This is strange from the point of view of physics although number theoretically oriented person might argue that the extensions of rationals involving also imaginary unit are rather natural.

The complex momenta can be expressed in terms of two light-like momenta in 3-vertex with one real momentum. For instance, the three light-like momenta can be taken to be  $p, k$ , and  $p - ka$  with  $k = ap_R$ . Here  $p$  (incoming momentum) and  $p_R$  are real light-like momenta satisfying  $p \cdot p_R = 0$  but with opposite sign of energy, and  $a$  is complex number. What is remarkable that also the negative sign of energy is necessary also now.

Should one allow complex light-like momenta in TGD framework? One can imagine two options.

1. Option I: no complex momenta. In zero energy ontology the situation is different due to the presence of a pair of MEs meaning replaced of 3-vertices with 4-vertices or 6-vertices, the allowance of negative energies in internal lines, and the fact that scattering is of sparticles is induced by that of MEs. In the simplest vertex a massive external particle with non-parallel MEs carrying non-parallel light-like momenta can decay to a pair of MEs with light-like momenta. This can be interpreted as 4-ME-vertex rather than 3-vertex (say) BFF so that complex momenta are not needed. For an incoming boson identified as wormhole contact the vertex can be seen as BFF vertex.

To obtain space-like momentum exchanges one must allow negative sign of energy and one has strong conditions coming from momentum conservation and light-likeness which allow non-trivial solutions (real momenta in the vertex are not parallel) since basically the vertices are 4-vertices. This reduces dramatically the number of graphs. Note that one can also consider vertices in which three pairs of MEs join along their ends so that 6 MEs (analog of 3-boson vertex) would be involved.

2. Option II: complex momenta are allowed. Proceeding just formally, the  $\sqrt{g_4}$  factor in Kähler action density is imaginary in Minkowskian and real in Euclidian regions. It is now clear that the formal approach is correct: Euclidian regions give rise to Kähler function and Minkowskian regions to the analog of Morse function. TGD as almost topological QFT inspires the conjecture about the reduction of Kähler action to boundary terms proportional to Chern-Simons term. This is guaranteed if the condition  $j_K^\mu A_\mu = 0$  holds true: for the known extremals this is the case since Kähler current  $j_K$  is light-like or vanishing for them. This would seem that Minkowskian and Euclidian regions provide dual descriptions of physics. If so, it would not be surprising if the real and complex parts of the four-momentum were parallel and in constant proportion to each other.

This argument suggests that also the conserved quantities implied by the Noether theorem have the same structure so that charges would receive an imaginary contribution from Minkowskian regions and a real contribution from Euclidian regions (or vice versa). Four-momentum would be complex number of form  $P = P_M + iP_E$ . Generalized light-likeness condition would give  $P_M^2 = P_E^2$  and  $P_M \cdot P_E = 0$ . Complexified momentum would have 6 free components. A stronger condition would be  $P_M^2 = 0 = P_E^2$  so that one would have two light-like momenta "orthogonal" to each other. For both relative signs energy  $P_M$  and  $P_E$  would be actually parallel: parametrization would be in terms of light-like momentum and scaling factor. This would suggest that complex momenta do not bring in anything new and Option II reduces effectively to Option I. If one wants a complete analogy with the usual twistor approach then  $P_M^2 = P_E^2 \neq 0$  must be allowed.

5. *Is SUSY breaking possible or needed?*

It is difficult to imagine the breaking of the proposed kind of SUSY in TGD framework, and the first guess is that all these 4 super-partners of particle have identical masses. p-Adic thermodynamics does not distinguish between these states and the only possibility is that the p-adic primes differ for the spartners. But is the breaking of SUSY really necessary? Can one really distinguish between the 8 different states of a given elementary particle using the recent day experimental methods?

1. In electroweak and color interactions the spartners behave in an identical manner classically. The coupling of right-handed neutrinos to space-time geometry however forces the right-handed neutrinos to adopt the same direction of four-momentum as MEs has. Could some gravitational effect allow to distinguish between spartners? This would be trivially the case if the p-adic mass scales of spartners would be different. Why this should be the case remains however an open question.
2. In the case of unbroken SUSY only spin distinguishes between spartners. Spin determines statistics and the first naive guess would be that bosonic spartners obey totally different atomic physics allowing condensation of selectrons to the ground state. Very probably this is not true: the right-handed neutrinos are delocalized to 4-D MEs and other fermions correspond to wormhole contact structures and 2-D string world sheets.

The coupling of the spin to the space-time geometry seems to provide the only possible manner to distinguish between spartners. Could one imagine a gravimagnetic effect with energy splitting proportional to the product of gravimagnetic moment and external gravimagnetic field B? If gravimagnetic moment is proportional to spin projection in the direction of B, a non-trivial effect would be possible. Needless to say this kind of effect is extremely small so that the unbroken SUSY might remain undetected.

3. If the spin of sparticle be seen in the classical angular momentum of ME as quantum classical correspondence would suggest then the value of the angular momentum might allow to distinguish between spartners. Also now the effect is extremely small.

6. *What can one say about scattering amplitudes?*

One expect that scattering amplitudes factorize with the only correlation between right-handed neutrino scattering and ordinary particle scattering coming from the condition that the four-momentum of the right-handed neutrino is parallel to that of massless extremal of more general preferred extremal having interpretation as a geometric counterpart of radiation quantum. This momentum is in turn equal to the massless four-momentum associated with the space-time sheet in question such that the sum of classical four-momenta associated with the space-time sheets equals to that for all wormhole throats involved. The right-handed neutrino amplitude itself would be simply constant. This certainly satisfies the SUSY constraint and it is actually difficult to find other candidates for the amplitude. The dynamics of right-handed neutrinos would be therefore that of spectator following the leader.

**Right-handed neutrino as inert neutrino?**

There is a very interesting posting by Jester in Resonaances with title How many neutrinos in the sky? [C12]. Jester tells about the recent 9 years WMAP data [C138] and compares it with earlier 7

years data. In the earlier data the effective number of neutrino types was  $N_{eff} = 4.34 \pm 0.87$  and in the recent data it is  $N_{eff} = 3.26 \pm 0.35$ . WMAP alone would give  $N_{eff} = 3.89 \pm 0.67$  also in the recent data but also other data are used to pose constraints on  $N_{eff}$ .

To be precise,  $N_{eff}$  could include instead of fourth neutrino species also some other weakly interacting particle. The only criterion for contributing to  $N_{eff}$  is that the particle is in thermal equilibrium with other massless particles and thus contributes to the density of matter considerably during the radiation dominated epoch.

Jester also refers to the constraints on  $N_{eff}$  from nucleosynthesis, which show that  $N_{eff} \sim 4$  us slightly favored although the entire range [3, 5] is consistent with data.

It seems that the effective number of neutrinos could be 4 instead of 3 although latest WMAP data combined with some other measurements favor 3. Later a corrected version of the eprint appeared [C138] telling that the original estimate of  $N_{eff}$  contained a mistake and the correct estimate is  $N_{eff} = 3.84 \pm 0.40$ .

An interesting question is what  $N_{eff} = 4$  could mean in TGD framework?

1. One poses to the modes of the modified Dirac equation the following condition: electric charge is conserved in the sense that the time evolution by modified Dirac equation does not mix a mode with a well-defined em charge with those with different em charge. The implication is that all modes except pure right handed neutrino are restricted at string world sheets. The first guess is that string world sheets are minimal surfaces of space-time surface (rather than those of imbedding space). One can also consider minimal surfaces of imbedding space but with effective metric defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices. This would give a direct physical meaning for this somewhat mysterious effective metric.

For the neutrino modes localized at string world sheets mixing of left and right handed modes takes place and they become massive. If only 3 lowest genera for partonic 2-surfaces are light, one has 3 neutrinos of this kind. The same applies to all other fermion species. The argument for why this could be the case relies on simple observation [K19]: the genera  $g=0,1,2$  have the property that they allow for all values of conformal moduli  $Z_2$  as a conformal symmetry (hyper-ellipticity). For  $g > 2$  this is not the case. The guess is that this additional conformal symmetry is the reason for lightness of the three lowest genera.

2. Only purely right-handed neutrino is completely delocalized in 4-volume so that one cannot assign to it genus of the partonic 2-surfaces as a topological quantum number and it effectively gives rise to a fourth neutrino very much analogous to what is called sterile neutrino. Delocalized right-handed neutrinos couple only to gravitation and in case of massless extremals this forces them to have four-momentum parallel to that of ME: only massless modes are possible. Very probably this holds true for all preferred extremals to which one can assign massless longitudinal momentum direction which can vary with spatial position.
3. The coupling of  $\nu_R$  is to gravitation alone and all electroweak and color couplings are absent. According to standard wisdom delocalized right-handed neutrinos cannot be in thermal equilibrium with other particles. This according to standard wisdom. But what about TGD?

One should be very careful here: delocalized right-handed neutrinos is proposed to give rise to SUSY (not  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  requiring Majorana fermions) and their dynamics is that of passive spectator who follows the leader. The simplest guess is that the dynamics of right handed neutrinos at the level of amplitudes is completely trivial and thus trivially supersymmetric. There are however correlations between four-momenta.

- (a) The four-momentum of  $\nu_R$  is parallel to the light-like momentum direction assignable to the massless extremal (or more general preferred extremal). This direct coupling to the geometry is a special feature of the modified Dirac operator and thus of sub-manifold gravity.
- (b) On the other hand, the sum of massless four-momenta of two parallel pieces of preferred extremals is the - in general massive - four-momentum of the elementary particle defined by the wormhole contact structure connecting the space-time sheets (which are glued along their boundaries together since this seems to be the only manner to get rid of boundary conditions requiring vacuum extremal property near the boundary). Could this direct

coupling of the four-momentum direction of right-handed neutrino to geometry and four-momentum directions of other fermions be enough for the right handed neutrinos to be counted as a fourth neutrino species in thermal equilibrium? This might be the case!

One cannot of course exclude the coupling of 2-D neutrino at string world sheets to 4-D purely right handed neutrinos analogous to the coupling inducing a mixing of sterile neutrino with ordinary neutrinos. Also this could help to achieve the thermal equilibrium with 2-D neutrino species.

### 3.6 $M^8 - H$ duality, preferred extremals, criticality, and Mandelbrot fractals

$M^8 - H$  duality [K80] represents an intriguing connection between number theory and TGD but the mathematics involved is extremely abstract and difficult so that I can only represent conjectures. In the following the basic duality is used to formulate a general conjecture for the construction of preferred extremals by iterative procedure. What is remarkable and extremely surprising is that the iteration gives rise to the analogs of Mandelbrot fractals and space-time surfaces can be seen as fractals defined as fixed sets of iteration. The analogy with Mandelbrot set can be also seen as a geometric correlate for quantum criticality.

#### 3.6.1 $M^8 - H$ duality briefly

$M^8 - M^4 \times CP_2$  duality [?] states that certain 4-surfaces of  $M^8$  regarded as a sub-space of complexified octonions can be mapped in a natural manner to 4-surfaces in  $M^4 \times CP_2$ : this would mean that  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and therefore also the symmetries of standard model would have purely number theoretical meaning.

Consider a distribution of two planes  $M^2(x)$  integrating to a 2-surface  $\tilde{M}^2$  with the property that a fixed 1-plane  $M^1$  defining time axis globally is contained in each  $M^2(x)$  and therefore in  $\tilde{M}^2$ .  $M^1$  defines real axis of octonionic plane  $M^8$  and  $M^2(x)$  a local hyper-complex plane. Quaternionic subspaces with this property can be parameterized by points of  $CP_2$ : this leads to  $M^8 - H$  duality as can be shown by a simple argument.

1. Hyper-octonionic subspace of complexified octonions is obtained by multiplying octonionic imaginary units by commuting imaginary unit. This does not bring anything new as far as automorphisms are considered so that it is enough to consider octonions (so that  $M^2$  is replaced with  $C$ ). Octonionic frame consists of orthogonal octonionic units. The space of octonionic frames containing sub-frame spanning fixed  $C$  is parameterized by  $SU(3)$ . The reason is that complexified octonionic units can be decomposed to the representations of  $SU(3) \subset G_2$  as  $1 + 1 + 3 + \bar{3}$  and the sub-frame 1+1 spans the preferred  $C$ .
2. The quaternionic planes  $H$  are represented by frames defined by four unit octonions spanning a quaternionic plane. Fixing  $C \subset H$  means fixing the 1+1 part in the above decomposition. The sub-group of  $SU(3)$  leaving the plane  $H$  invariant can perform only a rotation in the plane defined by two quaternionic units in 3. This sub-group is  $U(2)$  so that the space of quaternionic planes  $H \supset C$  is parameterized by  $SU(3)/U(2) = CP_2$ .
3. Therefore quaternionic tangent plane  $H \supset C$  can be mapped to a point of  $CP_2$ . In particular, any quaternionic surface in  $E^8$ , whose tangent plane at each point is quaternionic and contains  $C$ , can be mapped to  $E^4 \times CP_2$  by mapping the point  $(e_1, e_2) \in E^4 \times E^4$  to  $(e_1, s) \in E^4 \times CP_2$ . The generalization from  $E^8$  to  $M^8$  is trivial. This is essentially what  $M^8 - H$  duality says.

This can be made more explicit. Define quaternionic surfaces in  $M^8$  as 4-surfaces, whose tangent plane is quaternionic at each point  $x$  and contains the local hyper-complex plane  $M^2(x)$  and is therefore labelled by a point  $s(x) \in CP_2$ . One can write these surfaces as union over 2-D surfaces associated with points of  $\tilde{M}^2$ :

$$X^4 = \cup_{x \in \tilde{M}^2} X^2(x) \subset E^6 .$$

These surfaces can be mapped to surfaces of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  via the correspondence  $(m(x), e(x)) \rightarrow (m, s(T(X^4(x))))$ . Also the image surface contains at given point  $x$  the preferred plane  $M^2(x) \supset M^1$ . One can also write these surfaces as union over 2-D surfaces associated with points of  $\tilde{M}^2$ :

$$X^4 = \cup_{x \in \tilde{M}^2} X^2(x) \subset E^2 \times CP_2 .$$

One can also ask what are the conditions under which one can map surfaces  $X^4 = \cup_{x \in \tilde{M}^2} X^2 \subset E^2 \times CP_2$  to 4-surfaces in  $M^8$ . The map would be given by  $(m, s) \rightarrow (m, T^4(s))$  and the surface would be of the form as already described. The surface  $X^4$  must be such that the distribution of 4-D tangent planes defined in  $M^8$  is integrable and this gives complicated integrability conditions. One might hope that the conditions might hold true for preferred extremals satisfying some additional conditions.

One must make clear that the conditions discussed above do not allow most general possible surface.

1. The point is that for preferred extremals with Euclidian signature of metric the  $M^4$  projection is 3-dimensional and involves light like projection. Here the fact that light-like line  $L \subset M^2$  spans  $M^2$  in the sense that the complement of its orthogonal complement in  $M^8$  is  $M^2$ . Therefore one could consider also more general solution ansatz for which one has

$$X^4 = \cup_{x \in L(x) \subset \tilde{M}^2} X^3(x) \subset E^2 \times CP_2 .$$

2. One can also consider co-quaternionic surfaces as surfaces for which tangent space is in the dual of a quaternionic subspace. This says that the normal bundle rather than tangent bundle is quaternionic. The space-time regions with Euclidian signature of induced metric correspond naturally to co-quaternionic surfaces. Quaternionic surfaces are maximal associative sub-manifolds of octonionic space and one of the key ideas of the number theoretic vision about TGD is that associativity (co-associativity) defines the dynamics of space-time surfaces. That this dynamics gives preferred extremals of Kähler action remains to be proven.

### 3.6.2 The integrability conditions

The integrability conditions are associated with the expression of tangent vectors of  $T(X^4)$  as a linear combination of coordinate gradients  $\nabla m^k$ , where  $m^k$  denote the coordinates of  $M^8$ . Consider the 4 tangent vectors  $e_i$  for the quaternionic tangent plane (containing  $M^2(x)$ ) regarded as vectors of  $M^8$ .  $e_i$  have components  $e_i^k$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 4$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, 8$ . One must be able to express  $e_i$  as linear combinations of coordinate gradients  $\nabla m^k$ :

$$e_i^k = e_i^\alpha \partial_\alpha m^k .$$

Here  $x^\alpha$  and  $e^k$  denote coordinates for  $X^4$  and  $M^8$ . By forming inner products of  $e_i$  one finds that matrix  $e_i^\alpha$  represents the components of vierbein at  $X^4$ . One can invert this matrix to get  $e_\alpha^i$  satisfying  $e_\alpha^i e_i^\beta = \delta_\alpha^\beta$  and  $e_\alpha^i e_j^\alpha = \delta_j^i$ . One can solve the coordinate gradients  $\nabla m^k$  from above equation to get

$$\partial_\alpha m^k = e_\alpha^i e_i^k \equiv E_\alpha^k .$$

The integrability conditions follow from the gradient property and state

$$D_\alpha E_\beta^k = D_\beta E_\alpha^k .$$

One obtains  $8 \times 6 = 48$  conditions in the general case. The slicing to a union of two-surfaces labeled by  $M^2(x)$  reduces the number of conditions since the number of coordinates  $m^k$  reduces from 8 to 6 and one has 36 integrability conditions but still them is much larger than the number of free variables—essentially the six transversal coordinates  $m^k$ .

For co-quaternionic surfaces one can formulate integrability conditions now as conditions for the existence of integrable distribution of orthogonal complements for tangent planes and it seems that the conditions are formally similar.

### 3.6.3 How to solve the integrability conditions and field equations for preferred extremals?

The basic idea has been that the integrability condition characterize preferred extremals so that they can be said to be quaternionic in a well-defined sense. Could one imagine solving the integrability conditions by some simple ansatz utilizing the core idea of  $M^8 - H$  duality? What comes in mind is that  $M^8$  represents tangent space of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  so that one can assign to any point  $(m, s)$  of 4-surface  $X^4 \subset M^4 \times CP_2$  a tangent plane  $T^4(x)$  in its tangent space  $M^8$  identifiable as subspace of complexified octonions in the proposed manner. Assume that  $s \in CP_2$  corresponds to a fixed tangent plane containing  $M^2(x)$ , and that all planes  $M^2(x)$  are mapped to the same standard fixed hyper-octonionic plane  $M^2 \subset M^8$ , which does not depend on  $x$ . This guarantees that  $s$  corresponds to a unique quaternionic tangent plane for given  $M^2(x)$ .

Consider the map  $T \circ s$ . The map takes the tangent plane  $T^4$  at point  $(m, e) \in M^4 \times E^4$  and maps it to  $(m, s_1 = s(T^4)) \in M^4 \times CP_2$ . The obvious identification of quaternionic tangent plane at  $(m, s_1)$  would be as  $T^4$ . One would have  $T \circ s = Id$ . One could do this for all points of the quaternion surface  $X^4 \subset E^4$  and hope of getting smooth 4-surface  $X^4 \subset H$  as a result. This is the case if the integrability conditions at various points  $(m, s(T^4)(x)) \in H$  are satisfied. One could equally well start from a quaternionic surface of  $H$  and end up with integrability conditions in  $M^8$  discussed above. The geometric meaning would be that the quaternionic surface in  $H$  is image of quaternionic surface in  $M^8$  under this map.

Could one somehow generalize this construction so that one could iterate the map  $T \circ s$  to get  $T \circ s = Id$  at the limit? If so, quaternionic space-time surfaces would be obtained as limits of iteration for rather arbitrary space-time surface in either  $M^8$  or  $H$ . One can also consider limit cycles, even limiting manifolds with finite-dimension which would give quaternionic surfaces. This would give a connection with chaos theory.

1. One could try to proceed by discretizing the situation in  $M^8$  and  $H$ . One does not fix quaternionic surface at either side but just considers for a fixed  $m_2 \in M^2(x)$  a discrete collection  $X \{(T_i^4) \supset M^2(x)$  of quaternionic planes in  $M^8$ . The points  $e_{2,i} \in E^2 \subset M^2 \times E^2 = M^4$  are not fixed. One can also assume that the points  $s_i = s(T_i^4)$  of  $CP_2$  defined by the collection of planes form in a good approximation a cubic lattice in  $CP_2$  but this is not absolutely essential. Complex Eguchi-Hanson coordinates  $\xi^i$  are natural choice for the coordinates of  $CP_2$ . Assume also that the distances between the nearest  $CP_2$  points are below some upper limit.
2. Consider now the iteration. One can map the collection  $X$  to  $H$  by mapping it to the set  $s(X)$  of pairs  $((m_2, s_i)$ . Next one must select some candidates for the points  $e_{2,i} \in E^2 \subset M^4$  somehow. One can define a piece-wise linear surface in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  consisting of 4-planes defined by the nearest neighbors of given point  $(m_2, e_{2,i}, s_i)$ . The coordinates  $e_{2,i}$  for  $E^2 \subset M^4$  can be chosen rather freely. The collection  $(e_{2,i}, s_i)$  defines a piece-wise linear surface in  $H$  consisting of four-cubes in the simplest case. One can hope that for certain choices of  $e_{2,i}$  the four-cubes are quaternionic and that there is some further criterion allowing to choose the points  $e_{2,i}$  uniquely. The tangent planes contain by construction  $M^2(x)$  so that the product of remaining two spanning tangent space vectors  $(e_3, e_4)$  must give an element of  $M^2$  in order to achieve quaternionicity. Another natural condition would be that the resulting tangent planes are not only quaternionic but also as near as possible to the planes  $T_i^4$ . These conditions allow to find  $e_{2,i}$  giving rise to geometrically determined quaternionic tangent planes as near as possible to those determined by  $s^i$ .
3. What to do next? Should one replace the quaternionic planes  $T_i^4$  with geometrically determined quaternionic planes as near as possible to them and map them to points  $s_i$  slightly different from the original one and repeat the procedure? This would not add new points to the approximation, and this is an unsatisfactory feature.
4. Second possibility is based on the addition of the quaternionic tangent planes obtained in this manner to the original collection of quaternionic planes. Therefore the number of points in discretization increases and the added points of  $CP_2$  are as near as possible to existing ones. One can again determine the points  $e_{2,i}$  in such a manner that the resulting geometrically determined quaternionic tangent planes are as near as possible to the original ones. This guarantees that the algorithm converges.



5. The iteration can be stopped when desired accuracy is achieved: in other words the geometrically determined quaternionic tangent planes are near enough to those determined by the points  $s_i$ . Also limit cycles are possible and would be assignable to the transversal coordinates  $e_{2i}$  varying periodically during iteration. One can quite well allow this kind of cycles, and they would mean that  $e_2$  coordinate as a function of  $CP_2$  coordinates characterizing the tangent plane is many-valued. This is certainly very probable for solutions representable locally as graphs  $M^4 \rightarrow CP_2$ . In this case the tangent planes associated with distant points in  $E^2$  would be strongly correlated which must have non-trivial physical implications. The iteration makes sense also p-adically and it might be that in some cases only p-adic iteration converges for some value of  $p$ .

It is not obvious whether the proposed procedure gives rise to a smooth or even continuous 4-surface. The conditions for this are geometric analogs of the above described algebraic integrability conditions for the map assigning to the surface in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  a surface in  $M^8$ . Therefore  $M^8 - H$  duality could express the integrability conditions and preferred extremals would be 4-surfaces having counterparts also in the tangent space  $M^8$  of  $H$ .

One might hope that the self-referentiality condition  $s \circ T = Id$  for the  $CP_2$  projection of  $(m, s)$  or its fractal generalization could solve the complicated integrability conditions for the map  $T$ . The image of the space-time surface in tangent space  $M^8$  in turn could be interpreted as a description of space-time surface using coordinates defined by the local tangent space  $M^8$ . Also the analogy for the duality between position and momentum suggests itself.

Is there any hope that this kind of construction could make sense? Or could one demonstrate that it fails? If  $s$  would fix completely the tangent plane it would be probably easy to kill the conjecture but this is not the case. Same  $s$  corresponds for different planes  $M^2(x)$  to different point tangent plane. Presumably they are related by a local  $G_2$  or  $SO(7)$  rotation. Note that the construction can be formulated without any reference to the representation of the imbedding space gamma matrices in terms of octonions. Complexified octonions are enough in the tangent space of  $M^8$ .

### 3.6.4 Connection with Mandelbrot fractal and fractals as fixed sets for iteration

The occurrence of iteration in the construction of preferred extremals suggests a deep connection with the standard construction of 2-D fractals by iteration - about which Mandelbrot fractal [A53, A14] is the canonical example.  $X^2(x)$  (or  $X^3(x)$  in the case of light-like  $L(x) \subset M^2(x)$ ) could be identified as a union of orbits for the iteration of  $s \circ T$ . The appearance of the iteration map in the construction of solutions of field equation would answer positively to a long standing question whether the extremely beautiful mathematics of 2-D fractals could have some application at the level of fundamental physics according to TGD.

$X^2$  (or  $X^3$ ) would be completely analogous to Mandelbrot set in the sense that it would be boundary separating points in two different basis of attraction. In the case of Mandelbrot set iteration would take points at the other side of boundary to origin on the other side and to infinity. The points of Mandelbrot set are permuted by the iteration. In the recent case  $s \circ T$  maps  $X^2$  (or  $X^3$ ) to itself. This map need not be diffeomorphism or even continuous map. The criticality of  $X^2$  (or  $X^3$ ) could be seen as a geometric correlate for quantum criticality.

In fact, iteration plays a very general role in the construction of fractals. Very general fractals can be defined as fixed sets of iteration and simple rules for iteration produce impressive representations for fractals appearing in Nature. The book of Michael Barnsley [A34] gives fascinating pictures about fractals appearing in Nature using this method. Therefore it would be highly satisfactory if space-time surfaces would be in a well-defined sense fixed sets of iteration. This would be also numerically beautiful aspect since fixed sets of iteration can be obtained as infinite limit of iteration for almost arbitrary initial set. This construction recipe would also give a concrete content for the notion measurement resolution at the level of construction of preferred extremals.

What is intriguing is that there are several very attractive approaches to the construction of preferred extremals. The challenge of unifying them still remains to be met.

### 3.7 Do geometric invariants of preferred extremals define topological invariants of space-time surface and code for quantum physics?

The recent progress in the understanding of preferred extremals [K12] led to a reduction of the field equations to conditions stating for Euclidian signature the existence of Kähler metric. The resulting conditions are a direct generalization of corresponding conditions emerging for the string world sheet and stating that the 2-metric has only non-diagonal components in complex/hypercomplex coordinates. Also energy momentum of Kähler action and has this characteristic (1,1) tensor structure. In Minkowskian signature one obtains the analog of 4-D complex structure combining hyper-complex structure and 2-D complex structure.

The construction lead also to the understanding of how Einstein's equations with cosmological term follow as a consistency condition guaranteeing that the covariant divergence of the Maxwell's energy momentum tensor assignable to Kähler action vanishes. This gives  $T = kG + \Lambda g$ . By taking trace a further condition follows from the vanishing trace of  $T$ :

$$R = \frac{4\Lambda}{k} . \quad (3.7.1)$$

That any preferred extremal should have a constant Ricci scalar proportional to cosmological constant is very strong prediction. Note that the accelerating expansion of the Universe would support positive value of  $\Lambda$ . Note however that both  $\Lambda$  and  $k \propto 1/G$  are both parameters characterizing one particular preferred extremal. One could of course argue that the dynamics allowing only constant curvature space-times is too simple. The point is however that particle can topologically condense on several space-time sheets meaning effective superposition of various classical fields defined by induced metric and spinor connection.

The following considerations demonstrate that preferred extremals can be seen as canonical representatives for the constant curvature manifolds playing central role in Thurston's geometrization theorem [A29] known also as hyperbolization theorem implying that geometric invariants of space-time surfaces transform to topological invariants. The generalization of the notion of Ricci flow to Maxwell flow in the space of metrics and further to Kähler flow for preferred extremals in turn gives a rather detailed vision about how preferred extremals organize to one-parameter orbits. It is quite possible that Kähler flow is actually discrete. The natural interpretation is in terms of dissipation and self organization.

Quantum classical correspondence suggests that this line of thought could be continued even further: could the geometric invariants of the preferred extremals could code not only for space-time topology but also for quantum physics? How to calculate the correlation functions and coupling constant evolution has remained a basic unresolved challenge of quantum TGD. Could the correlation functions be reduced to statistical geometric invariants of preferred extremals? The latest (means the end of 2012) and perhaps the most powerful idea hitherto about coupling constant evolution is quantum classical correspondence in statistical sense stating that the statistical properties of a preferred extremal in quantum superposition of them are same as those of the zero energy state in question. This principle would be quantum generalization of ergodic theorem stating that the time evolution of a single member of ensemble represents the ensemble statistically. This principle would allow to deduce correlation functions and S-matrix from the statistical properties of single preferred extremal alone using classical intuition. Also coupling constant evolution would be coded by the statistical properties of the representative preferred extremal.

#### 3.7.1 Preferred extremals of Kähler action as manifolds with constant Ricci scalar whose geometric invariants are topological invariants

An old conjecture inspired by the preferred extremal property is that the geometric invariants of space-time surface serve as topological invariants. The reduction of Kähler action to 3-D Chern-Simons terms [K12] gives support for this conjecture as a classical counterpart for the view about TGD as almost topological QFT. The following arguments give a more precise content to this conjecture in terms of existing mathematics.

1. It is not possible to represent the scaling of the induced metric as a deformation of the space-time surface preserving the preferred extremal property since the scale of  $CP_2$  breaks scale invariance. Therefore the curvature scalar cannot be chosen to be equal to one numerically. Therefore also the parameter  $R = 4\Lambda/k$  and also  $\Lambda$  and  $k$  separately characterize the equivalence class of preferred extremals as is also physically clear.

Also the volume of the space-time sheet closed inside causal diamond  $CD$  remains constant along the orbits of the flow and thus characterizes the space-time surface.  $\Lambda$  and even  $k \propto 1/G$  can indeed depend on space-time sheet and p-adic length scale hypothesis suggests a discrete spectrum for  $\Lambda/k$  expressible in terms of p-adic length scales:  $\Lambda/k \propto 1/L_p^2$  with  $p \simeq 2^k$  favored by p-adic length scale hypothesis. During cosmic evolution the p-adic length scale would increase gradually. This would resolve the problem posed by cosmological constant in GRT based theories.

2. One could also see the preferred extremals as 4-D counterparts of constant curvature 3-manifolds in the topology of 3-manifolds. An interesting possibility raised by the observed negative value of  $\Lambda$  is that most 4-surfaces are constant negative curvature 4-manifolds. By a general theorem coset spaces  $H^4/\Gamma$ , where  $H^4 = SO(1,4)/SO(4)$  is hyperboloid of  $M^5$  and  $\Gamma$  a torsion free discrete subgroup of  $SO(1,4)$  [A10]. It is not clear to me, whether the constant value of Ricci scalar implies constant sectional curvatures and therefore hyperbolic space property. It could happen that the space of spaces with constant Ricci curvature contain a hyperbolic manifold as an especially symmetric representative. In any case, the geometric invariants of hyperbolic metric are topological invariants.

By Mostow rigidity theorem [A15] finite-volume hyperbolic manifold is unique for  $D > 2$  and determined by the fundamental group of the manifold. Since the orbits under the Kähler flow preserve the curvature scalar the manifolds at the orbit must represent different imbeddings of one and hyperbolic 4-manifold. In 2-D case the moduli space for hyperbolic metric for a given genus  $g > 0$  is defined by Teichmueller parameters and has dimension  $6(g - 1)$ . Obviously the exceptional character of  $D = 2$  case relates to conformal invariance. Note that the moduli space in question plays a key role in p-adic mass calculations [K19].

In the recent case Mostow rigidity theorem could hold true for the Euclidian regions and maybe generalize also to Minkowskian regions. If so then both "topological" and "geometro" in "Topological GeometroDynamics" would be fully justified. The fact that geometric invariants become topological invariants also conforms with "TGD as almost topological QFT" and allows the notion of scale to find its place in topology. Also the dream about exact solvability of the theory would be realized in rather convincing manner.

These conjectures are the main result independent of whether the generalization of the Ricci flow discussed in the sequel exists as a continuous flow or possibly discrete sequence of iterates in the space of preferred extremals of Kähler action. My sincere hope is that the reader could grasp how far reaching these result really are.

### 3.7.2 Is there a connection between preferred extremals and $AdS_4/CFT$ correspondence?

The preferred extremals satisfy Einstein Maxwell equations with a cosmological constant and have negative scalar curvature for negative value of  $\Lambda$ . 4-D space-times with hyperbolic metric provide canonical representation for a large class of four-manifolds and an interesting question is whether these spaces are obtained as preferred extremals and/or vacuum extremals.

4-D hyperbolic space with Minkowski signature is locally isometric with  $AdS_4$ . This suggests at connection with  $AdS_4/CFT$  correspondence of M-theory. The boundary of AdS would be now replaced with 3-D light-like orbit of partonic 2-surface at which the signature of the induced metric changes. The metric 2-dimensionality of the light-like surface makes possible generalization of 2-D conformal invariance with the light-like coordinate taking the role of complex coordinate at light-like boundary. AdS could represent a special case of a more general family of space-time surfaces with constant Ricci scalar satisfying Einstein-Maxwell equations and generalizing the  $AdS_4/CFT$  correspondence. There is however a strong objection from cosmology: the accelerated expansion of the Universe requires positive value of  $\Lambda$  and favors De Sitter Space  $dS_4$  instead of  $AdS_4$ .

These observations provide motivations for finding whether  $\text{AdS}_4$  and/or  $dS_4$  allows an imbedding as a vacuum extremal to  $M^4 \times S^2 \subset M^4 \times CP_2$ , where  $S^2$  is a homologically trivial geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$ . It is easy to guess the general form of the imbedding by writing the line elements of,  $M^4$ ,  $S^2$ , and  $\text{AdS}_4$ .

1. The line element of  $M^4$  in spherical Minkowski coordinates  $(m, r_M, \theta, \phi)$  reads as

$$ds^2 = dm^2 - dr_M^2 - r_M^2 d\Omega^2 . \quad (3.7.2)$$

2. Also the line element of  $S^2$  is familiar:

$$ds^2 = -R^2(d\Theta^2 + \sin^2(\theta)d\Phi^2) . \quad (3.7.3)$$

3. By visiting in Wikipedia one learns that in spherical coordinate the line element of  $\text{AdS}_4/dS_4$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= A(r)dt^2 - \frac{1}{A(r)}dr^2 - r^2d\Omega^2 , \\ A(r) &= 1 + \epsilon y^2 , \quad y = \frac{r}{r_0} , \\ \epsilon &= 1 \text{ for } \text{AdS}_4 , \quad \epsilon = -1 \text{ for } dS_4 . \end{aligned} \quad (3.7.4)$$

4. From these formulas it is easy to see that the ansatz is of the same general form as for the imbedding of Schwarzschild-Nordstöm metric:

$$\begin{aligned} m &= \Lambda t + h(y) , \quad r_M = r , \\ \Theta &= s(y) , \quad \Phi = \omega(t + f(y)) . \end{aligned} \quad (3.7.5)$$

The non-trivial conditions on the components of the induced metric are given by

$$\begin{aligned} g_{tt} &= \Lambda^2 - x^2 \sin^2(\Theta) = A(r) , \\ g_{tr} &= \frac{1}{r_0} \left[ \Lambda \frac{dh}{dy} - x^2 \sin^2(\theta) \frac{df}{dr} \right] = 0 , \\ g_{rr} &= \frac{1}{r_0^2} \left[ \left( \frac{dh}{dy} \right)^2 - 1 - x^2 \sin^2(\theta) \left( \frac{df}{dy} \right)^2 - R^2 \left( \frac{d\Theta}{dy} \right)^2 \right] = -\frac{1}{A(r)} , \\ x &= R\omega . \end{aligned} \quad (3.7.6)$$

By some simple algebraic manipulations one can derive expressions for  $\sin(\Theta)$ ,  $df/dr$  and  $dh/dr$ .

1. For  $\Theta(r)$  the equation for  $g_{tt}$  gives the expression

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\Theta) &= \pm \frac{P^{1/2}}{x} , \\ P &= \Lambda^2 - A = \Lambda^2 - 1 - \epsilon y^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (3.7.7)$$

The condition  $0 \leq \sin^2(\Theta) \leq 1$  gives the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} (\Lambda^2 - x^2 - 1)^{1/2} \leq y \leq (\Lambda^2 - 1)^{1/2} & \quad \text{for } \epsilon = 1 \text{ (AdS}_4\text{)} , \\ (-\Lambda^2 + 1)^{1/2} \leq y \leq (x^2 + 1 - \Lambda^2)^{1/2} & \quad \text{for } \epsilon = -1 \text{ (dS}_4\text{)} . \end{aligned} \quad (3.7.8)$$

Only a spherical shell is possible in both cases. The model for the final state of star considered in [K85] predicted similar layer layer like structure and inspired the proposal that stars quite generally have an onionlike structure with radii of various shells characterize by p-adic length scale hypothesis and thus coming in some powers of  $\sqrt{2}$ . This brings in mind also Titius-Bode law.

2. From the vanishing of  $g_{tr}$  one obtains

$$\frac{dh}{dy} = \frac{P}{\Lambda} \frac{df}{dy} . \quad (3.7.9)$$

3. The condition for  $g_{rr}$  gives

$$\left(\frac{df}{dy}\right)^2 = \frac{r_0^2}{AP} [A^{-1} - R^2 \left(\frac{d\Theta}{dy}\right)^2] . \quad (3.7.10)$$

Clearly, the right-hand side is positive if  $P \geq 0$  holds true and  $Rd\Theta/dy$  is small. One can express  $d\Theta/dy$  using chain rule as

$$\left(\frac{d\Theta}{dy}\right)^2 = \frac{x^2 y^2}{P(P-x^2)} . \quad (3.7.11)$$

One obtains

$$\left(\frac{df}{dy}\right)^2 = \Lambda r_0^2 \frac{y^2}{AP} \left[ \frac{1}{1+y^2} - x^2 \left(\frac{R}{r_0}\right)^2 \frac{1}{P(P-x^2)} \right] . \quad (3.7.12)$$

The right hand side of this equation is non-negative for certain range of parameters and variable  $y$ . Note that for  $r_0 \gg R$  the second term on the right hand side can be neglected. In this case it is easy to integrate  $f(y)$ .

The conclusion is that both AdS<sub>4</sub> and dS<sup>4</sup> allow a local imbedding as a vacuum extremal. Whether also an imbedding as a non-vacuum preferred extremal to  $M^4 \times S^2$ ,  $S^2$  a homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere is possible, is an interesting question.

### 3.7.3 Generalizing Ricci flow to Maxwell flow for 4-geometries and Kähler flow for space-time surfaces

The notion of Ricci flow has played a key part in the geometrization of topological invariants of Riemann manifolds. I certainly did not have this in mind when I choose to call my unification attempt "Topological Geometrodynamics" but this title strongly suggests that a suitable generalization of Ricci flow could play a key role in the understanding of also TGD.

**Ricci flow and Maxwell flow for 4-geometries**

The observation about constancy of 4-D curvature scalar for preferred extremals inspires a generalization of the well-known volume preserving Ricci flow [A21] introduced by Richard Hamilton. Ricci flow is defined in the space of Riemann metrics as

$$\frac{dg_{\alpha\beta}}{dt} = -2R_{\alpha\beta} + 2\frac{R_{avg}}{D}g_{\alpha\beta} . \tag{3.7.13}$$

Here  $R_{avg}$  denotes the average of the scalar curvature, and  $D$  is the dimension of the Riemann manifold. The flow is volume preserving in average sense as one easily checks ( $\langle g^{\alpha\beta} dg_{\alpha\beta}/dt \rangle = 0$ ). The volume preserving property of this flow allows to intuitively understand that the volume of a 3-manifold in the asymptotic metric defined by the Ricci flow is topological invariant. The fixed points of the flow serve as canonical representatives for the topological equivalence classes of 3-manifolds. These 3-manifolds (for instance hyperbolic 3-manifolds with constant sectional curvatures) are highly symmetric. This is easy to understand since the flow is dissipative and destroys all details from the metric.

What happens in the recent case? The first thing to do is to consider what might be called Maxwell flow in the space of all 4-D Riemann manifolds allowing Maxwell field.

1. First of all, the vanishing of the trace of Maxwell's energy momentum tensor codes for the volume preserving character of the flow defined as

$$\frac{dg_{\alpha\beta}}{dt} = T_{\alpha\beta} . \tag{3.7.14}$$

Taking covariant divergence on both sides and assuming that  $d/dt$  and  $D_\alpha$  commute, one obtains that  $T^{\alpha\beta}$  is divergenceless.

This is true if one assumes Einstein's equations with cosmological term. This gives

$$\frac{dg_{\alpha\beta}}{dt} = kG_{\alpha\beta} + \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta} = kR_{\alpha\beta} + \left(-\frac{kR}{2} + \Lambda\right)g_{\alpha\beta} . \tag{3.7.15}$$

The trace of this equation gives that the curvature scalar is constant. Note that the value of the Kähler coupling strength plays a highly non-trivial role in these equations and it is quite possible that solutions exist only for some critical values of  $\alpha_K$ . Quantum criticality should fix the allow value triplets  $(G, \Lambda, \alpha_K)$  apart from overall scaling

$$(G, \Lambda, \alpha_K) \rightarrow (xG, \Lambda/x, x\alpha_K) .$$

Fixing the value of  $G$  fixes the values remaining parameters at critical points. The rescaling of the parameter  $t$  induces a scaling by  $x$ .

2. By taking trace one obtains the already mentioned condition fixing the curvature to be constant, and one can write

$$\frac{dg_{\alpha\beta}}{dt} = kR_{\alpha\beta} - \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta} . \tag{3.7.16}$$

Note that in the recent case  $R_{avg} = R$  holds true since curvature scalar is constant. The fixed points of the flow would be Einstein manifolds [A5, A35] satisfying

$$R_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\Lambda}{k}g_{\alpha\beta} \tag{3.7.17}$$

3. It is by no means obvious that continuous flow is possible. The condition that Einstein-Maxwell equations are satisfied might pick up from a completely general Maxwell flow a discrete subset as solutions of Einstein-Maxwell equations with a cosmological term. If so, one could assign to this subset a sequence of values  $t_n$  of the flow parameter  $t$ .
4. I do not know whether 3-dimensionality is somehow absolutely essential for getting the topological classification of closed 3-manifolds using Ricci flow. This ignorance allows me to pose some innocent questions. Could one have a canonical representation of 4-geometries as spaces with constant Ricci scalar? Could one select one particular Einstein space in the class four-metrics and could the ratio  $\Lambda/k$  represent topological invariant if one normalizes metric or curvature scalar suitably. In the 3-dimensional case curvature scalar is normalized to unity. In the recent case this normalization would give  $k = 4\Lambda$  in turn giving  $R_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta}/4$ . Does this mean that there is only single fixed point in local sense, analogous to black hole toward which all geometries are driven by the Maxwell flow? Does this imply that only the 4-volume of the original space would serve as a topological invariant?

### Maxwell flow for space-time surfaces

One can consider Maxwell flow for space-time surfaces too. In this case Kähler flow would be the appropriate term and provides families of preferred extremals. Since space-time surfaces inside CD are the basic physical objects in TGD framework, a possible interpretation of these families would be as flows describing physical dissipation as a four-dimensional phenomenon polishing details from the space-time surface interpreted as an analog of Bohr orbit.

1. The flow is now induced by a vector field  $j^k(x, t)$  of the space-time surface having values in the tangent bundle of imbedding space  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . In the most general case one has Kähler flow without the Einstein equations. This flow would be defined in the space of all space-time surfaces or possibly in the space of all extremals. The flow equations reduce to

$$h_{kl}D_\alpha j^k(x, t)D_\beta h^l = \frac{1}{2}T_{\alpha\beta} . \quad (3.7.18)$$

The left hand side is the projection of the covariant gradient  $D_\alpha j^k(x, t)$  of the flow vector field  $j^k(x, t)$  to the tangent space of the space-time surface.  $D_{alpha}$  is covariant derivative taking into account that  $j^k$  is imbedding space vector field. For a fixed point space-time surface this projection must vanish assuming that this space-time surface reachable. A good guess for the asymptotia is that the divergence of Maxwell energy momentum tensor vanishes and that Einstein's equations with cosmological constant are well-defined.

Asymptotes corresponds to vacuum extremals. In Euclidian regions  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals and in Minkowskian regions to any space-time surface in any 6-D sub-manifold  $M^4 \times Y^2$ , where  $Y^2$  is Lagrangian sub-manifold of  $CP_2$  having therefore vanishing induced Kähler form. Symplectic transformations of  $CP_2$  combined with diffeomorphisms of  $M^4$  give new Lagrangian manifolds. One would expect that vacuum extremals are approached but never reached at second extreme for the flow.

If one assumes Einstein's equations with a cosmological term, allowed vacuum extremals must be Einstein manifolds. For  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals this is the case. It is quite possible that these fixed points do not actually exist in Minkowskian sector, and could be replaced with more complex asymptotic behavior such as limit, chaos, or strange attractor.

2. The flow could be also restricted to the space of preferred extremals. Assuming that Einstein Maxwell equations indeed hold true, the flow equations reduce to

$$h_{kl}D_\alpha j^k(x, t)\partial_\beta h^l = \frac{1}{2}(kR_{\alpha\beta} - \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta}) . \quad (3.7.19)$$

Preferred extremals would correspond to a fixed sub-manifold of the general flow in the space of all 4-surfaces.

3. One can also consider a situation in which  $j^k(x, t)$  is replaced with  $j^k(h, t)$  defining a flow in the entire imbedding space. This assumption is probably too restrictive. In this case the equations reduce to

$$(D_r j_l(x, t) + D_l j_r) \partial_\alpha h^r \partial_\beta h^l = k R_{\alpha\beta} - \Lambda g_{\alpha\beta} . \quad (3.7.20)$$

Here  $D_r$  denotes covariant derivative. Asymptotia is achieved if the tensor  $D_k j_l + D_l j_k$  becomes orthogonal to the space-time surface. Note for that Killing vector fields of  $H$  the left hand side vanishes identically. Killing vector fields are indeed symmetries of also asymptotic states.

It must be made clear that the existence of a continuous flow in the space of preferred extremals might be too strong a condition. Already the restriction of the general Maxwell flow in the space of metrics to solutions of Einstein-Maxwell equations with cosmological term might lead to discretization, and the assumption about repretability as 4-surface in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  would give a further condition reducing the number of solutions. On the other hand, one might consider a possibility of a continuous flow in the space of constant Ricci scalar metrics with a fixed 4-volume and having hyperbolic spaces as the most symmetric representative.

### Dissipation, self organization, transition to chaos, and coupling constant evolution

A beautiful connection with concepts like dissipation, self-organization, transition to chaos, and coupling constant evolution suggests itself.

1. It is not at all clear whether the vacuum extremal limits of the preferred extremals can correspond to Einstein spaces except in special cases such as  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals isometric with  $CP_2$ . The imbeddability condition however defines a constraint force which might well force asymptotically more complex situations such as limit cycles and strange attractors. In ordinary dissipative dynamics an external energy feed is essential prerequisite for this kind of non-trivial self-organization patterns.

In the recent case the external energy feed could be replaced by the constraint forces due to the imbeddability condition. It is not too difficult to imagine that the flow (if it exists!) could define something analogous to a transition to chaos taking place in a stepwise manner for critical values of the parameter  $t$ . Alternatively, these discrete values could correspond to those values of  $t$  for which the preferred extremal property holds true for a general Maxwell flow in the space of 4-metrics. Therefore the preferred extremals of Kähler action could emerge as one-parameter (possibly discrete) families describing dissipation and self-organization at the level of space-time dynamics.

2. For instance, one can consider the possibility that in some situations Einstein's equations split into two mutually consistent equations of which only the first one is independent

$$\begin{aligned} x J^\alpha{}_\nu J^{\nu\beta} &= R^{\alpha\beta} , \\ L_K &= x J^\alpha{}_\nu J^{\nu\beta} = 4\Lambda , \\ x &= \frac{1}{16\pi\alpha_K} . \end{aligned} \quad (3.7.21)$$

Note that the first equation indeed gives the second one by tracing. This happens for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals.

Kähler action density would reduce to cosmological constant which should have a continuous spectrum if this happens always. A more plausible alternative is that this holds true only asymptotically. In this case the flow equation could not lead arbitrary near to vacuum extremal, and one can think of situation in which  $L_K = 4\Lambda$  defines an analog of limiting cycle or perhaps even strange attractor. In any case, the assumption would allow to deduce the asymptotic value



of the action density which is of utmost importance from calculational point of view: action would be simply  $S_K = 4\Lambda V_4$  and one could also say that one has minimal surface with  $\Lambda$  taking the role of string tension.

3. One of the key ideas of TGD is quantum criticality implying that Kähler coupling strength is analogous to critical temperature. Second key idea is that p-adic coupling constant evolution represents discretized version of continuous coupling constant evolution so that each p-adic prime would correspond a fixed point of ordinary coupling constant evolution in the sense that the 4-volume characterized by the p-adic length scale remains constant. The invariance of the geometric and thus geometric parameters of hyperbolic 4-manifold under the Kähler flow would conform with the interpretation as a flow preserving scale assignable to a given p-adic prime. The continuous evolution in question (if possible at all!) might correspond to a fixed p-adic prime. Also the hierarchy of Planck constants relates to this picture naturally. Planck constant  $\hbar_{eff} = n\hbar$  corresponds to a multi-furcation generating n-sheeted structure and certainly affecting the fundamental group.
4. One can of course question the assumption that a continuous flow exists. The property of being a solution of Einstein-Maxwell equations, imbeddability property, and preferred extremal property might allow only discrete sequences of space-time surfaces perhaps interpretable as orbit of an iterated map leading gradually to a fractal limit. This kind of discrete sequence might be also be selected as preferred extremals from the orbit of Maxwell flow without assuming Einstein-Maxwell equations. Perhaps the discrete p-adic coupling constant evolution could be seen in this manner and be regarded as an iteration so that the connection with fractality would become obvious too.

#### Does a 4-D counterpart of thermodynamics make sense?

The interpretation of the Kähler flow in terms of dissipation, the constancy of  $R$ , and almost constancy of  $L_K$  suggest an interpretation in terms of 4-D variant of thermodynamics natural in zero energy ontology (ZEO), where physical states are analogs for pairs of initial and final states of quantum event are quantum superpositions of classical time evolutions. Quantum theory becomes a "square root" of thermodynamics so that 4-D analog of thermodynamics might even replace ordinary thermodynamics as a fundamental description. If so this 4-D thermodynamics should be qualitatively consistent with the ordinary 3-D thermodynamics.

1. The first naive guess would be the interpretation of the action density  $L_K$  as an analog of energy density  $e = E/V_3$  and that of  $R$  as the analog to entropy density  $s = S/V_3$ . The asymptotic states would be analogs of thermodynamical equilibria having constant values of  $L_K$  and  $R$ .
2. Apart from an overall sign factor  $\epsilon$  to be discussed, the analog of the first law  $de = Tds - pdV/V$  would be

$$dL_K = kdR + \Lambda \frac{dV_4}{V_4} .$$

One would have the correspondences  $S \rightarrow \epsilon RV_4$ ,  $e \rightarrow \epsilon L_K$  and  $k \rightarrow T$ ,  $p \rightarrow -\Lambda$ .  $k \propto 1/G$  indeed appears formally in the role of temperature in Einstein's action defining a formal partition function via its exponent. The analog of second law would state the increase of the magnitude of  $\epsilon RV_4$  during the Kähler flow.

3. One must be very careful with the signs and discuss Euclidian and Minkowskian regions separately. Concerning purely thermodynamic aspects at the level of vacuum functional Euclidian regions are those which matter.
  - (a) For  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals  $L_K \propto E^2 + B^2$ ,  $R = \Lambda/k$ , and  $\Lambda$  are positive. In thermodynamical analogy for  $\epsilon = 1$  this would mean that pressure is negative.
  - (b) In Minkowskian regions the value of  $R = \Lambda/k$  is negative for  $\Lambda < 0$  suggested by the large abundance of 4-manifolds allowing hyperbolic metric and also by cosmological considerations. The asymptotic formula  $L_K = 4\Lambda$  considered above suggests that also Kähler action

is negative in Minkowskian regions for magnetic flux tubes dominating in TGD inspired cosmology: the reason is that the magnetic contribution to the action density  $L_K \propto E^2 - B^2$  dominates.

Consider now in more detail the 4-D thermodynamics interpretation in Euclidian and Minkowskian regions assuming that the evolution by quantum jumps has Kähler flow as a space-time correlate.

1. In Euclidian regions the choice  $\epsilon = 1$  seems to be more reasonable one. In Euclidian regions  $-\Lambda$  as the analog of pressure would be negative, and asymptotically (that is for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals) its value would be proportional to  $\Lambda \propto 1/GR^2$ , where  $R$  denotes  $CP_2$  radius defined by the length of its geodesic circle.

A possible interpretation for negative pressure is in terms of string tension effectively inducing negative pressure (note that the solutions of the modified Dirac equation indeed assign a string to the wormhole contact). The analog of the second law would require the increase of  $RV_4$  in quantum jumps. The magnitudes of  $L_K$ ,  $R$ ,  $V_4$  and  $\Lambda$  would be reduced and approach their asymptotic values. In particular,  $V_4$  would approach asymptotically the volume of  $CP_2$ .

2. In Minkowskian regions Kähler action contributes to the vacuum functional a phase factor analogous to an imaginary exponent of action serving in the role of Morse function so that thermodynamics interpretation can be questioned. Despite this one can check whether thermodynamic interpretation can be considered. The choice  $\epsilon = -1$  seems to be the correct choice now.  $-\Lambda$  would be analogous to a negative pressure whose gradually decreases. In 3-D thermodynamics it is natural to assign negative pressure to the magnetic flux tube like structures as their effective string tension defined by the density of magnetic energy per unit length.  $-R \geq 0$  would entropy and  $-L_K \geq 0$  would be the analog of energy density.

$R = \Lambda/k$  and the reduction of  $\Lambda$  during cosmic evolution by quantum jumps suggests that the larger the volume of CD and thus of (at least) Minkowskian space-time sheet the smaller the negative value of  $\Lambda$ .

Assume the recent view about state function reduction explaining how the arrow of geometric time is induced by the quantum jump sequence defining experienced time [K7]. According to this view zero energy states are quantum superpositions over  $CD$ s of various size scales but with common tip, which can correspond to either the upper or lower light-like boundary of  $CD$ . The sequence of quantum jumps the gradual increase of the average size of  $CD$  in the quantum superposition and therefore that of average value of  $V_4$ . On the other hand, a gradual decrease of both  $-L_K$  and  $-R$  looks physically very natural. If Kähler flow describes the effect of dissipation by quantum jumps in ZEO then the space-time surfaces would gradually approach nearly vacuum extremals with constant value of entropy density  $-R$  but gradually increasing 4-volume so that the analog of second law stating the increase of  $-RV_4$  would hold true.

3. The interpretation of  $-R > 0$  as negentropy density assignable to entanglement is also possible and is consistent with the interpretation in terms of second law. This interpretation would only change the sign factor  $\epsilon$  in the proposed formula. Otherwise the above arguments would remain as such.

### 3.7.4 Could correlation functions, S-matrix, and coupling constant evolution be coded the statistical properties of preferred extremals?

Quantum classical correspondence states that all aspects of quantum states should have correlates in the geometry of preferred extremals. In particular, various elementary particle propagators should have a representation as properties of preferred extremals. This would allow to realize the old dream about being able to say something interesting about coupling constant evolution although it is not yet possible to calculate the M-matrices and U-matrix. Hitherto everything that has been said about coupling constant evolution has been rather speculative arguments except for the general vision that it reduces to a discrete evolution defined by p-adic length scales. General first principle definitions are however much more valuable than ad hoc guesses even if the latter give rise to explicit formulas.

In quantum TGD and also at its QFT limit various correlation functions in given quantum state should code for its properties. By quantum classical correspondence these correlation functions should

have counterparts in the geometry of preferred extremals. Even more: these classical counterparts for a given preferred extremal ought to be identical with the quantum correlation functions for the superposition of preferred extremals. This correspondence could be called quantum ergodicity by its analogy with ordinary ergodicity stating that the member of ensemble becomes representative of ensemble.

1. The marvelous implication of quantum ergodicity would be that one could calculate everything solely classically using the classical intuition - the only intuition that we have. Quantum ergodicity would also solve the paradox raised by the quantum classical correspondence for momentum eigenstates. Any preferred extremal in their superposition defining momentum eigenstate should code for the momentum characterizing the superposition itself. This is indeed possible if every extremal in the superposition codes the momentum to the properties of classical correlation functions which are identical for all of them.
2. The only manner to possibly achieve quantum ergodicity is in terms of the statistical properties of the preferred extremals. It should be possible to generalize the ergodic theorem stating that the properties of statistical ensemble are represented by single space-time evolution in the ensemble of time evolutions. Quantum superposition of classical worlds would effectively reduce to single classical world as far as classical correlation functions are considered. The notion of finite measurement resolution suggests that one must state this more precisely by adding that classical correlation functions are calculated in a given UV and IR resolutions meaning UV cutoff defined by the smallest CD and IR cutoff defined by the largest CD present.
3. The skeptic inside me immediately argues that TGD Universe is 4-D spin glass so that this quantum ergodic theorem must be broken. In the case of the ordinary spin classes one has not only statistical average for a fixed Hamiltonian but a statistical average over Hamiltonians. There is a probability distribution over the coupling parameters appearing in the Hamiltonian. Maybe the quantum counterpart of this is needed to predict the physically measurable correlation functions.

Could this average be an ordinary classical statistical average over quantum states with different classical correlation functions? This kind of average is indeed taken in density matrix formalism. Or could it be that the square root of thermodynamics defined by ZEO actually gives automatically rise to this average? The eigenvalues of the "hermitian square root" of the density matrix would code for components of the state characterized by different classical correlation functions. One could assign these contributions to different "phases".

4. Quantum classical correspondence in statistical sense would be very much like holography (now individual classical state represents the entire quantum state). Quantum ergodicity would pose a rather strong constraint on quantum states. This symmetry principle could actually fix the spectrum of zero energy states to a high degree and fix therefore the M-matrices given by the product of hermitian square root of density matrix and unitary S-matrix and unitary U-matrix having M-matrices as its orthonormal rows.
5. In TGD inspired theory of consciousness the counterpart of quantum ergodicity is the postulate that the space-time geometry provides a symbolic representation for the quantum states and also for the contents of consciousness assignable to quantum jumps between quantum states. Quantum ergodicity would realize this strongly self-referential looking condition. The positive and negative energy parts of zero energy state would be analogous to the initial and final states of quantum jump and the classical correlation functions would code for the contents of consciousness like written formulas code for the thoughts of mathematician and provide a sensory feedback.

How classical correlation functions should be defined?

1. General Coordinate Invariance and Lorentz invariance are the basic constraints on the definition. These are achieved for the space-time regions with Minkowskian signature and 4-D  $M^4$  projection if linear Minkowski coordinates are used. This is equivalent with the contraction of the indices of tensor fields with the space-time projections of  $M^4$  Killing vector fields representing translations.

Accepting this generalization, there is no need to restrict oneself to 4-D  $M^4$  projection and one can also consider also Euclidian regions identifiable as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams.

Quantum ergodicity very probably however forces to restrict the consideration to Minkowskian and Euclidian space-time regions and various phases associated with them. Also  $CP_2$  Killing vector fields can be projected to space-time surface and give a representation for classical gluon fields. These in turn can be contracted with  $M^4$  Killing vectors giving rise to gluon fields as analogs of graviton fields but with second polarization index replaced with color index.

2. The standard definition for the correlation functions associated with classical time evolution is the appropriate starting point. The correlation function  $G_{XY}(\tau)$  for two dynamical variables  $X(t)$  and  $Y(t)$  is defined as the average  $G_{XY}(\tau) = \int_T X(t)Y(t+\tau)dt/T$  over an interval of length  $T$ , and one can also consider the limit  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . In the recent case one would replace  $\tau$  with the difference  $m_1 - m_2 = m$  of  $M^4$  coordinates of two points at the preferred extremal and integrate over the points of the extremal to get the average. The finite time interval  $T$  is replaced with the volume of causal diamond in a given length scale. Zero energy state with given quantum numbers for positive and negative energy parts of the state defines the initial and final states between which the fields appearing in the correlation functions are defined.
3. What correlation functions should be considered? Certainly one could calculate correlation functions for the induced spinor connection given electro-weak propagators and correlation functions for  $CP_2$  Killing vector fields giving correlation functions for gluon fields using the description in terms of Killing vector fields. If one can uniquely separate from the Fourier transform uniquely a term of form  $Z/(p^2 - m^2)$  by its momentum dependence, the coefficient  $Z$  can be identified as coupling constant squared for the corresponding gauge potential component and one can in principle deduce coupling constant evolution purely classically. One can imagine of calculating spinorial propagators for string world sheets in the same manner. Note that also the dependence on color quantum numbers would be present so that in principle all that is needed could be calculated for a single preferred extremal without the need to construct QFT limit and to introduce color quantum numbers of fermions as spin like quantum numbers (color quantum numbers corresponds to  $CP_2$  partial wave for the tip of the CD assigned with the particle).
4. What about Higgs field? TGD in principle allows scalar and pseudo-scalars which could be called Higgs like states. These states are however not necessary for particle massivation although they can represent particle massivation and must do so if one assumes that QFT limit exist. p-Adic thermodynamics however describes particle massivation microscopically.

The problem is that Higgs like field does not seem to have any obvious space-time correlate. The trace of the second fundamental form is the obvious candidate but vanishes for preferred extremals which are both minimal surfaces and solutions of Einstein Maxwell equations with cosmological constant. If the string world sheets at which all spinor components except right handed neutrino are localized for the general solution ansatz of the modified Dirac equation, the corresponding second fundamental form at the level of imbedding space defines a candidate for classical Higgs field. A natural expectation is that string world sheets are minimal surfaces of space-time surface. In general they are however not minimal surfaces of the imbedding space so that one might achieve a microscopic definition of classical Higgs field and its vacuum expectation value as an average of one point correlation function over the string world sheet.

Many detailed speculations about coupling constant evolution to be discussed in the sections below must be taken as innovative guesses doomed to have the eventual fate of guesses. The notion of quantum ergodicity could however be one of the really deep ideas about coupling constant evolution comparable to the notion of p-adic coupling constant evolution. Quantum Ergodicity (briefly QE) would also state something extremely non-trivial also about the construction of correlation functions and S-matrix. Because this principle is so new, the rest of the chapter does not yet contain any applications of QE. This should not lead the reader to under-estimate the potential power of QE.

### 3.8 Appendix: Hamilton-Jacobi structure

In the following the definition of Hamilton-Jacobi structure is discussed in detail.

### 3.8.1 Hermitian and hyper-Hermitian structures

The starting point is the observation that besides the complex numbers forming a number field there are hyper-complex numbers. Imaginary unit  $i$  is replaced with  $e$  satisfying  $e^2 = 1$ . One obtains an algebra but not a number field since the norm is Minkowskian norm  $x^2 - y^2$ , which vanishes at light-cone  $x = y$  so that light-like hypercomplex numbers  $x \pm e$  do not have inverse. One has "almost" number field.

Hyper-complex numbers appear naturally in 2-D Minkowski space since the solutions of a massless field equation can be written as  $f = g(u = t - ex) + h(v = t + ex)$  which  $e^2 = 1$  realized by putting  $e = 1$ . Therefore Wick rotation relates sums of holomorphic and antiholomorphic functions to sums of hyper-holomorphic and anti-hyper-holomorphic functions. Note that  $u$  and  $v$  are hyper-complex conjugates of each other.

Complex  $n$ -dimensional spaces allow Hermitian structure. This means that the metric has in complex coordinates  $(z_1, \dots, z_n)$  the form in which the matrix elements of metric are nonvanishing only between  $z_i$  and complex conjugate of  $z_j$ . In 2-D case one obtains just  $ds^2 = g_{z\bar{z}} dz d\bar{z}$ . Note that in this case metric is conformally flat since line element is proportional to the line element  $ds^2 = dz d\bar{z}$  of plane. This form is always possible locally. For complex  $n$ -D case one obtains  $ds^2 = g_{i\bar{j}} dz^i d\bar{z}^j$ .  $g_{i\bar{j}} = \overline{g_{j\bar{i}}}$  guaranteeing the reality of  $ds^2$ . In 2-D case this condition gives  $g_{z\bar{z}} = \overline{g_{z\bar{z}}}$ .

How could one generalize this line element to hyper-complex  $n$ -dimensional case. In 2-D case Minkowski space  $M^2$  one has  $ds^2 = g_{uv} du dv$ ,  $g_{uv} = 1$ . The obvious generalization would be the replacement  $ds^2 = g_{u_i v_j} du^i dv^j$ . Also now the analogs of reality conditions must hold with respect to  $u_i \leftrightarrow v_i$ .

### 3.8.2 Hamilton-Jacobi structure

Consider next the path leading to Hamilton-Jacobi structure.

4-D Minkowski space  $M^4 = M^2 \times E^2$  is Cartesian product of hyper-complex  $M^2$  with complex plane  $E^2$ , and one has  $ds^2 = dudv + dzd\bar{z}$  in standard Minkowski coordinates. One can also consider more general integrable decompositions of  $M^4$  for which the tangent space  $TM^4 = M^4$  at each point is decomposed to  $M^2(x) \times E^2(x)$ . The physical analogy would be a position dependent decomposition of the degrees of freedom of massless particle to longitudinal ones ( $M^2(x)$ : light-like momentum is in this plane) and transversal ones ( $E^2(x)$ : polarization vector is in this plane). Cylindrical and spherical variants of Minkowski coordinates define two examples of this kind of coordinates (it is perhaps a good exercise to think what kind of decomposition of tangent space is in question in these examples). An interesting mathematical problem highly relevant for TGD is to identify all possible decompositions of this kind for empty Minkowski space.

The integrability of the decomposition means that the planes  $M^2(x)$  are tangent planes for 2-D surfaces of  $M^4$  analogous to Euclidian string world sheet. This gives slicing of  $M^4$  to Minkowskian string world sheets parametrized by euclidian string world sheets. The question is whether the sheets are stringy in a strong sense: that is minimal surfaces. This is not the case: for spherical coordinates the Euclidian string world sheets would be spheres which are not minimal surfaces. For cylindrical and spherical coordinates however  $M^2(x)$  integrate to plane  $M^2$  which is minimal surface.

Integrability means in the case of  $M^2(x)$  the existence of light-like vector field  $J$  whose flow lines define a global coordinate. Its existence implies also the existence of its conjugate and together these vector fields give rise to  $M^2(x)$  at each point. This means that one has  $J = \Psi \nabla \Phi$ :  $\Phi$  indeed defines the global coordinate along flow lines. In the case of  $M^2$  either the coordinate  $u$  or  $v$  would be the coordinate in question. This kind of flows are called Beltrami flows. Obviously the same holds for the transversal planes  $E^2$ .

One can generalize this metric to the case of general 4-D space with Minkowski signature of metric. At least the elements  $g_{uv}$  and  $g_{z\bar{z}}$  are non-vanishing and can depend on both  $u, v$  and  $z, \bar{z}$ . They must satisfy the reality conditions  $g_{z\bar{z}} = \overline{g_{z\bar{z}}}$  and  $g_{uv} = \overline{g_{vu}}$  where complex conjugation in the argument involves also  $u \leftrightarrow v$  besides  $z \leftrightarrow \bar{z}$ .

The question is whether the components  $g_{uz}, g_{vz}$ , and their complex conjugates are non-vanishing if they satisfy some conditions. They can. The direct generalization from complex 2-D space would be that one treats  $u$  and  $v$  as complex conjugates and therefore requires a direct generalization of the hermiticity condition

$$g_{uz} = \overline{g_{v\bar{z}}} \ , \ g_{vz} = \overline{g_{u\bar{z}}} \ .$$

This would give complete symmetry with the complex 2-D (4-D in real sense) spaces. This would allow the algebraic continuation of hermitian structures to Hamilton-Jacobi structures by just replacing  $i$  with  $e$  for some complex coordinates.

## Chapter 4

# Elementary Particle Vacuum Functionals

### 4.1 Introduction

One of the basic ideas of TGD approach has been genus-generation correspondence: boundary components of the 3-surface should be carriers of elementary particle numbers and the observed fermion families should correspond to various boundary topologies. The details of the assumed correspondence have evolved during years.

1. The first proposal indeed indeed that both fermions and bosons correspond to boundary components so that the genus of the boundary component would classify the particles topologically. At this time I still believed that stringy diagrams would have a direct generalization in TGD framework implying that  $g$  would define additive quantum number effectively. Later it became clear that it is Feynman diagrams which must be generalized and the partons at primary vertices must have same genus. Stringy diagrams are still there but have totally different interpretation.
2. Boundary component was later replaced with the light-like surface at which the signature of the induced metric changes and it was natural to identify bosons as wormhole contacts carrying fermion and antifermion quantum numbers at opposite light-like worm-hole throats. Hence bosons would be labeled by pairs  $(g_1, g_2)$  of genera. For gravitons one had to assume pairs of wormhole contacts in order to obtain spin 2. Already at this stage it became clear that  $SU(3)$  should act as a dynamical symmetry with fermions in triplet representation and bosons in octet and singlet representations. The light bosons would correspond to singlets which would guarantee universality of the couplings to fermion families.
3. For long time fermions were identified as single throats but twistorial program and the properties of Chern-Simons Dirac operator suggesting strongly that the fundamental entities must be massless, forced to replace physical fermion with a wormhole contact characterized by  $(g, g)$  and transforming like triplet with respect to  $SU(3)$  as far as vertices are considered. The hypothesis that  $SU(3)$  acts as dynamical symmetry for the reaction vertices has very powerful implications and allows only BFF type vertices required also by bosonic emergence and SUSY symmetry.
4. A further step in the evolution of ideas was the realization that electric-magnetic duality forces to identify all elementary particles as "weak" string like objects consisting of Kähler magnetic flux tubes with opposite magnetic charges at ends. This meant that all elementary particles - not only gravitons- are described by "weak" strings. Note that this stringy character should not be confused with that for wormhole contacts for which throats effectively play the role of string ends. One can say that fundamental objects are massless states at wormhole throats and that all elementary particles as well as string like objects emerge from them.

One might hope that this picture is not too far from the final one as far elementary particles are considered. If one accepts this picture the remaining question is why the number of genera is just three. Could this relate to the fact that  $g \leq 2$  Riemann surfaces are always hyper-elliptic (have global

$Z_2$  conformal symmetry) unlike  $g > 2$  surfaces? Why the complete bosonic de-localization of the light families should be restricted inside the hyper-elliptic sector? Does the  $Z_2$  conformal symmetry make these states light and make possible delocalization and dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry? Could it be that for  $g > 2$  elementary particle vacuum functionals vanish for hyper-elliptic surfaces? If this the case and if the time evolution for partonic 2-surfaces changing  $g$  commutes with  $Z_2$  symmetry then the vacuum functionals localized to  $g \leq 2$  surfaces do not disperse to  $g > 2$  sectors.

In order to provide answers to either series of questions one must know something about the dependence of the elementary particle state functionals on the geometric properties of the boundary component and in the sequel an attempt to construct what might be called elementary particle vacuum functionals, is made. Irrespective of what identification of interaction vertices is adopted, the arguments involved with the construction involve only the string model type vertices so that the previous discussion seems to apply more or less as such.

The basic assumptions underlying the construction are the following ones:

1. Elementary particle vacuum functionals depend on the geometric properties of the two-surface  $X^2$  representing elementary particle.
2. Vacuum functionals possess extended Diff invariance: all 2-surfaces on the orbit of the 2-surface  $X^2$  correspond to the same value of the vacuum functional. This condition is satisfied if vacuum functionals have as their argument, not  $X^2$  as such, but some 2- surface  $Y^2$  belonging to the unique orbit of  $X^2$  (determined by the principle selecting preferred extremal of the Kähler action as a generalized Bohr orbit [K38] ) and determined in  $Diff^3$  invariant manner.
3. Zero energy ontology allows to select uniquely the partonic two surface as the intersection of the wormhole throat at which the signature of the induced 4-metric changes with either the upper or lower boundary of  $CD \times CP_2$ . This is essential since otherwise one one could not specify the vacuum functional uniquely.
4. Vacuum functionals possess conformal invariance and therefore for a given genus depend on a finite number of variables specifying the conformal equivalence class of  $Y^2$ .
5. Vacuum functionals satisfy the cluster decomposition property: when the surface  $Y^2$  degenerates to a union of two disjoint surfaces (particle decay in string model inspired picture), vacuum functional decomposes into a product of the vacuum functionals associated with disjoint surfaces.
6. Elementary particle vacuum functionals are stable against the two-particle decay  $g \rightarrow g_1 + g_2$  and one particle decay  $g \rightarrow g - 1$ .

In the following the construction will be described in more detail.

1. Some basic concepts related to the description of the space of the conformal equivalence classes of Riemann surfaces are introduced and the concept of hyper-ellipticity is introduced. Since theta functions will play a central role in the construction of the vacuum functionals, also their basic properties are discussed.
2. After these preliminaries the construction of elementary particle vacuum functionals is carried out.
3. Possible explanations for the experimental absence of the higher fermion families are considered.

## 4.2 Identification of elementary particles

The developments in the formulation of quantum TGD which have taken place during the period 2005-2007 [K21, K20] suggest dramatic simplifications of the general picture discussed in the earlier version of this chapter. p-Adic mass calculations [K53, K54, K48] leave a lot of freedom concerning the detailed identification of elementary particles.



### 4.2.1 The evolution of the topological ideas about elementary particles

One of the basic ideas of TGD approach has been genus-generation correspondence: boundary components of the 3-surface should be carriers of elementary particle numbers and the observed fermion families should correspond to various boundary topologies.

With the advent of zero energy ontology this picture changed somewhat. It is the wormhole throats identified as light-like 3-surfaces at which with the induced metric of the space-time surface changes its signature from Minkowskian to Euclidian, which correspond to the light-like orbits of partonic 2-surfaces. One cannot of course exclude the possibility that also boundary components could allow to satisfy boundary conditions without assuming vacuum extremal property of nearby space-time surface. The intersections of the wormhole throats with the light-like boundaries of causal diamonds ( $CDs$ ) identified as intersections of future and past directed light cones ( $CD \times CP_2$  is actually in question but I will speak about  $CDs$ ) define special partonic 2-surfaces and it is the moduli of these partonic 2-surfaces which appear in the elementary particle vacuum functionals naturally.

The first modification of the original simple picture comes from the identification of physical particles as bound states of pairs of wormhole contacts and from the assumption that for generalized Feynman diagrams stringy trouser vertices are replaced with vertices at which the ends of light-like wormhole throats meet. In this picture the interpretation of the analog of trouser vertex is in terms of propagation of same particle along two different paths. This interpretation is mathematically natural since vertices correspond to 2-manifolds rather than singular 2-manifolds which are just splitting to two disjoint components. Second complication comes from the weak form of electric-magnetic duality forcing to identify physical particles as weak strings with magnetic monopoles at their ends and one should understand also the possible complications caused by this generalization.

These modifications force to consider several options concerning the identification of light fermions and bosons and one can end up with a unique identification only by making some assumptions. Masslessness of all wormhole throats- also those appearing in internal lines- and dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry for particle generations are attractive general enough assumptions of this kind. This means that bosons and their super-partners correspond to wormhole contacts with fermion and antifermion at the throats of the contact. Free fermions and their superpartners could correspond to  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals with single wormhole throat. It turns however that dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry forces to identify massive (and possibly topologically condensed) fermions as  $(g, g)$  type wormhole contacts.

#### Do free fermions correspond to single wormhole throat or $(g, g)$ wormhole?

The original interpretation of genus-generation correspondence was that free fermions correspond to wormhole throats characterized by genus. The idea of  $SU(3)$  as a dynamical symmetry suggested that gauge bosons correspond to octet and singlet representations of  $SU(3)$ . The further idea that all lines of generalized Feynman diagrams are massless poses a strong additional constraint and it is not clear whether this proposal as such survives.

1. Twistorial program assumes that fundamental objects are massless wormhole throats carrying collinearly moving many-fermion states and also bosonic excitations generated by super-symplectic algebra. In the following consideration only purely bosonic and single fermion throats are considered since they are the basic building blocks of physical particles. The reason is that propagators for high excitations behave like  $p^{-n}$ ,  $n$  the number of fermions associated with the wormhole throat. Therefore single throat allows only spins 0, 1/2, 1 as elementary particles in the usual sense of the word.
2. The identification of massive fermions (as opposed to free massless fermions) as wormhole contacts follows if one requires that fundamental building blocks are massless since at least two massless throats are required to have a massive state. Therefore the conformal excitations with  $CP_2$  mass scale should be assignable to wormhole contacts also in the case of fermions. As already noticed this is not the end of the story: weak strings are required by the weak form of electric-magnetic duality.
3. If free fermions corresponding to single wormhole throat, topological condensation is an essential element of the formation of stringy states. The topological condensation of fermions by topological sum (fermionic  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal touches another space-time sheet) suggest  $(g, 0)$

wormhole contact. Note however that the identification of wormhole throat is as 3-surface at which the signature of the induced metric changes so that this conclusion might be wrong. One can indeed consider also the possibility of  $(g, g)$  pairs as an outcome of topological condensation. This is suggested also by the idea that wormhole throats are analogous to string like objects and only this option turns out to be consistent with the  $BFF$  vertex based on the requirement of dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry to be discussed later. The structure of reaction vertices makes it possible to interpret  $(g, g)$  pairs as  $SU(3)$  triplet. If bosons are obtained as fusion of fermionic and antifermionic throats (touching of corresponding  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals) they correspond naturally to  $(g_1, g_2)$  pairs.

4. p-Adic mass calculations distinguish between fermions and bosons and the identification of fermions and bosons should be consistent with this difference. The maximal p-adic temperature  $T = 1$  for fermions could relate to the weakness of the interaction of the fermionic wormhole throat with the wormhole throat resulting in topological condensation. This wormhole throat would however carry momentum and 3-momentum would in general be non-parallel to that of the fermion, most naturally in the opposite direction.

p-Adic mass calculations suggest strongly that for bosons p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n, n > 1$ , so that thermodynamical contribution to the mass squared is negligible. The low p-adic temperature could be due to the strong interaction between fermionic and antifermionic wormhole throat leading to the "freezing" of the conformal degrees of freedom related to the relative motion of wormhole throats.

5. The weak form of electric-magnetic duality forces second wormhole throat with opposite magnetic charge and the light-like momenta could sum up to massive momentum. In this case string tension corresponds to electroweak length scale. Therefore p-adic thermodynamics must be assigned to wormhole contacts and these appear as basic units connected by Kähler magnetic flux tube pairs at the two space-time sheets involved. Weak stringy degrees of freedom are however expected to give additional contribution to the mass, perhaps by modifying the ground state conformal weight.

#### Dynamical $SU(3)$ fixes the identification of fermions and bosons and fundamental interaction vertices

For 3 light fermion families  $SU(3)$  suggests itself as a dynamical symmetry with fermions in fundamental  $N = 3$ -dimensional representation and  $N \times N = 9$  bosons in the adjoint representation and singlet representation. The known gauge bosons have same couplings to fermionic families so that they must correspond to the singlet representation. The first challenge is to understand whether it is possible to have dynamical  $SU(3)$  at the level of fundamental reaction vertices.

This is a highly non-trivial constraint. For instance, the vertices in which  $n$  wormhole throats with same  $(g_1, g_2)$  glued along the ends of lines are not consistent with this symmetry. The splitting of the fermionic worm-hole contacts before the proper vertices for throats might however allow the realization of dynamical  $SU(3)$ . The condition of  $SU(3)$  symmetry combined with the requirement that virtual lines resulting also in the splitting of wormhole contacts are always massless, leads to the conclusion that massive fermions correspond to  $(g, g)$  type wormhole contacts transforming naturally like  $SU(3)$  triplet. This picture conforms with the identification of free fermions as throats but not with the naive expectation that their topological condensation gives rise to  $(g, 0)$  wormhole contact.

The argument leading to these conclusions runs as follows.

1. The question is what basic reaction vertices are allowed by dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry.  $FFB$  vertices are in principle all that is needed and they should obey the dynamical symmetry. The meeting of entire wormhole contacts along their ends is certainly not possible. The splitting of fermionic wormhole contacts before the vertices might be however consistent with  $SU(3)$  symmetry. This would give two a pair of 3-vertices at which three wormhole lines meet along partonic 2-surfaces (rather than along 3-D wormhole contacts).
2. Note first that crossing gives all possible reaction vertices of this kind from  $F(g_1)\bar{F}(g_2) \rightarrow B(g_1, g_2)$  annihilation vertex, which is relatively easy to visualize. In this reaction  $F(g_1)$  and  $\bar{F}(g_2)$  wormhole contacts split first. If one requires that all wormhole throats involved are

massless, the two wormhole throats resulting in splitting and carrying no fermion number must carry light-like momentum so that they cannot just disappear. The ends of the wormhole throats of the boson must be glued together with the end of the fermionic wormhole throat and its companion generated in the splitting of the wormhole. This means that fermionic wormhole first splits and the resulting throats meet at the partonic 2-surface.

This requires that topologically condensed fermions correspond to  $(g, g)$  pairs rather than  $(g, 0)$  pairs. The reaction mechanism allows the interpretation of  $(g, g)$  pairs as a triplet of dynamical  $SU(3)$ . The fundamental vertices would be just the splitting of wormhole contact and 3-vertices for throats since  $SU(3)$  symmetry would exclude more complex reaction vertices such as  $n$ -boson vertices corresponding to the gluing of  $n$  wormhole contact lines along their 3-dimensional ends. The couplings of singlet representation for bosons would have the same coupling to all fermion families so that the basic experimental constraint would be satisfied.

3. Both fermions and bosons cannot correspond to octet and singlet of  $SU(3)$ . In this case reaction vertices should correspond algebraically to the multiplication of matrix elements  $e_{ij}$ :  $e_{ij}e_{kl} = \delta_{jk}e_{il}$  allowing for instance  $F(g_1, g_2) + \bar{F}(g_2, g_3) \rightarrow B(g_1, g_3)$ . Neither the fusion of entire wormhole contacts along their ends nor the splitting of wormhole throats before the fusion of partonic 2-surfaces allows this kind of vertices so that  $BFF$  vertex is the only possible one. Also the construction of QFT limit starting from bosonic emergence led to the formulation of perturbation theory in terms of Dirac action allowing only  $BFF$  vertex as fundamental vertex [K30].
4. Weak electric-magnetic duality brings in an additional complication.  $SU(3)$  symmetry poses also now strong constraints and it would seem that the reactions must involve copies of basic  $BFF$  vertices for the pairs of ends of weak strings. The string ends with the same Kähler magnetic charge should meet at the vertex and give rise to  $BFF$  vertices. For instance,  $F\bar{F}B$  annihilation vertex would in this manner give rise to the analog of stringy diagram in which strings join along ends since two string ends disappear in the process.
5. This picture means that all elementary particles - not only gravitons- are described by "weak" strings involving four wormhole throats. Fundamental objects would be partonic 2-surfaces, which in principle can carry arbitrary high fermion numbers  $N$  but only  $N = 1, 2$  correspond to particles with fermionic and bosonic propagators and the remaining ones correspond to propagators behaving like  $p^{-n}$ ,  $n > 2$ , and having interpretation in terms of broken SUSY with a large value of  $\mathcal{N}$  identified as the number of fermionic modes. This compositeness of elementary particles should become manifest below weak length scale. Note that this stringy character should not be confused with that for the wormhole contacts for which conformal invariance implies that throats effectively play the role of string ends. One can say that fundamental objects are massless wormhole throats and that all elementary particles as well as string like objects emerge from them.

### 4.2.2 Graviton and other stringy states

Fermion and anti-fermion can give rise to only single unit of spin since it is impossible to assign angular momentum with the relative motion of wormhole throats. Hence the identification of graviton as single wormhole contact is not possible. The only conclusion is that graviton must be a superposition of fermion-anti-fermion pairs and boson-anti-boson pairs with coefficients determined by the coupling of the parton to graviton. Graviton-graviton pairs might emerge in higher orders. Fermion and anti-fermion would reside at the same space-time sheet and would have a non-vanishing relative angular momentum. Also bosons could have non-vanishing relative angular momentum and Higgs bosons must indeed possess it.

Gravitons are stable if the throats of wormhole contacts carry non-vanishing gauge fluxes so that the throats of wormhole contacts are connected by flux tubes carrying the gauge flux. The mechanism producing gravitons would be the splitting of partonic 2-surfaces via the basic vertex. A connection with string picture emerges with the counterpart of string identified as the flux tube connecting the wormhole throats. Gravitational constant would relate directly to the value of the string tension.

The development of the understanding of gravitational coupling has had many twists and it is perhaps to summarize the basic misunderstandings.

1.  $CP_2$  length scale  $R$ , which is roughly  $10^{3.5}$  times larger than Planck length  $l_P = \sqrt{\hbar G}$ , defines a fundamental length scale in TGD. The challenge is to predict the value of Planck length  $\sqrt{\hbar G}$ . The outcome was an identification of a formula for  $R^2/\hbar G$  predicting that the magnitude of Kähler coupling strength  $\alpha_K$  is near to fine structure constant in electron length scale (for ordinary value of Planck constant should be added here).
2. The emergence of the parton level formulation of TGD finally demonstrated that  $G$  actually appears in the fundamental parton level formulation of TGD as a fundamental constant characterizing the  $M^4$  part of  $CP_2$  Kähler gauge potential [K17, K61]. This part is pure gauge in the sense of standard gauge theory but necessary to guarantee that the theory does not reduce to topological QFT. Quantum criticality requires that  $G$  remains invariant under p-adic coupling constant evolution and is therefore predictable in principle at least.
3. The TGD view about coupling constant evolution [K5] predicts the proportionality  $G \propto L_p^2$ , where  $L_p$  is p-adic length scale. Together with input from p-adic mass calculations one ends up to two conclusions. The correct conclusion was that Kähler coupling strength is equal to the fine structure constant in the p-adic length scale associated with Mersenne prime  $p = M_{127} = 2^{127} - 1$  assignable to electron [K5]. I have considered also the possibility that  $\alpha_K$  would be equal to electro-weak  $U(1)$  coupling in this scale.
4. The additional - wrong- conclusion was that gravitons must always correspond to the p-adic prime  $M_{127}$  since  $G$  would otherwise vary as function of p-adic length scale. As a matter fact, the question was for years whether it is  $G$  or  $g_K^2$  which remains invariant under p-adic coupling constant evolution. I found both options unsatisfactory until I realized that RG invariance is possible for both  $g_K^2$  and  $G$ ! The point is that the exponent of the Kähler action associated with the piece of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal assignable with the elementary particle is exponentially sensitive to the volume of this piece and logarithmic dependence on the volume fraction is enough to compensate the  $L_p^2 \propto p$  proportionality of  $G$  and thus guarantee the constancy of  $G$ .

The explanation for the small value of the gravitational coupling strength serves as a test for the proposed picture. The exchange of ordinary gauge boson involves the exchange of single  $CP_2$  type extremal giving the exponent of Kähler action compensated by state normalization. In the case of graviton exchange two wormhole contacts are exchanged and this gives second power for the exponent of Kähler action which is not compensated. It would be this additional exponent that would give rise to the huge reduction of gravitational coupling strength from the naive estimate  $G \sim L_p^2$ .

### 4.2.3 Spectrum of non-stringy states

The 1-throat character of fermions is consistent with the generation-genus correspondence. The 2-throat character of bosons predicts that bosons are characterized by the genera  $(g_1, g_2)$  of the wormhole throats. Note that the interpretation of fundamental fermions as wormhole contacts with second throat identified as a Fock vacuum is excluded.

The general bosonic wave-function would be expressible as a matrix  $M_{g_1, g_2}$  and ordinary gauge bosons would correspond to a diagonal matrix  $M_{g_1, g_2} = \delta_{g_1, g_2}$  as required by the absence of neutral flavor changing currents (say gluons transforming quark genera to each other). 8 new gauge bosons are predicted if one allows all  $3 \times 3$  matrices with complex entries orthonormalized with respect to trace meaning additional dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry. Ordinary gauge bosons would be  $SU(3)$  singlets in this sense. The existing bounds on flavor changing neutral currents give bounds on the masses of the boson octet. The 2-throat character of bosons should relate to the low value  $T = 1/n \ll 1$  for the p-adic temperature of gauge bosons as contrasted to  $T = 1$  for fermions.

If one forgets the complications due to the stringy states (including graviton), the spectrum of elementary fermions and bosons is amazingly simple and almost reduces to the spectrum of standard model. In the fermionic sector one would have fermions of standard model. By simple counting leptonic wormhole throat could carry  $2^3 = 8$  states corresponding to 2 polarization states, 2 charge states, and sign of lepton number giving  $8+8=16$  states altogether. Taking into account phase conjugates gives  $16+16=32$  states.

In the non-stringy boson sector one would have bound states of fermions and phase conjugate fermions. Since only two polarization states are allowed for massless states, one obtains  $(2 + 1) \times$

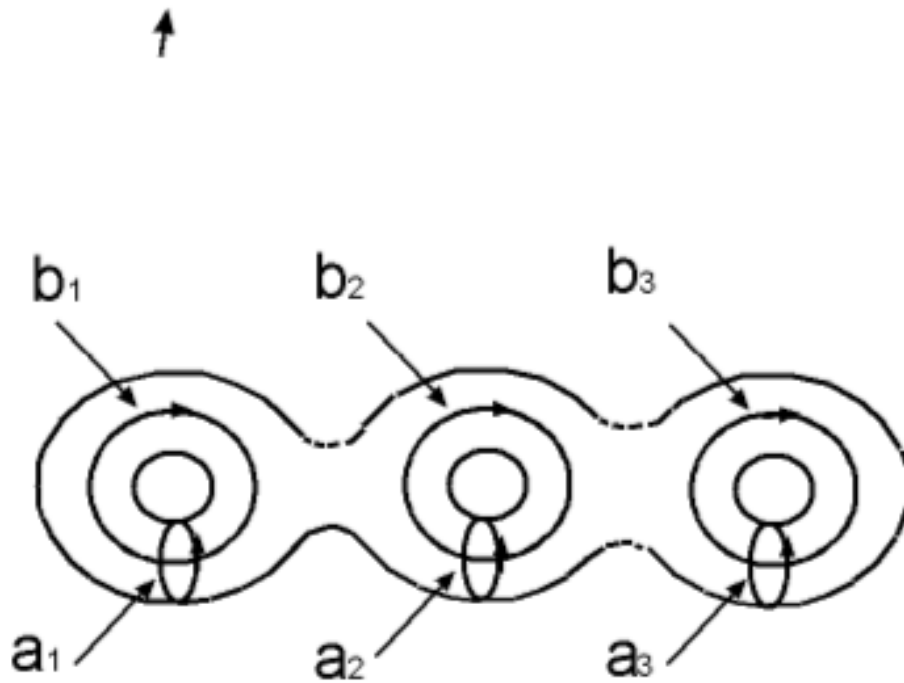


Figure 4.1: Definition of the canonical homology basis

$(3 + 1) = 12$  states plus phase conjugates giving  $12+12=24$  states. The addition of color singlet states for quarks gives 48 gauge bosons with vanishing fermion number and color quantum numbers. Besides 12 electro-weak bosons and their 12 phase conjugates there are 12 exotic bosons and their 12 phase conjugates. For the exotic bosons the couplings to quarks and leptons are determined by the orthogonality of the coupling matrices of ordinary and boson states. For exotic counterparts of  $W$  bosons and Higgs the sign of the coupling to quarks is opposite. For photon and  $Z^0$  also the relative magnitudes of the couplings to quarks must change. Altogether this makes  $48+16+16=80$  states. Gluons would result as color octet states. Family replication would extend each elementary boson state into  $SU(3)$  octet and singlet and elementary fermion states into  $SU(3)$  triplets.

## 4.3 Basic facts about Riemann surfaces

In the following some basic aspects about Riemann surfaces will be summarized. The basic topological concepts, in particular the concept of the mapping class group, are introduced, and the Teichmueller parameters are defined as conformal invariants of the Riemann surface, which in fact specify the conformal equivalence class of the Riemann surface completely.

### 4.3.1 Mapping class group

The first homology group  $H_1(X^2)$  of a Riemann surface of genus  $g$  contains  $2g$  generators [A33, A45, A56]: this is easy to understand geometrically since each handle contributes two homology generators. The so called canonical homology basis can be identified as in Fig. 4.3.1.

One can define the so called intersection number  $J(a, b)$  for two elements  $a$  and  $b$  of the homology group as the number of intersection points for the curves  $a$  and  $b$  counting the orientation. Since  $J(a, b)$  depends on the homology classes of  $a$  and  $b$  only, it defines an antisymmetric quadratic form in  $H_1(X^2)$ . In the canonical homology basis the non-vanishing elements of the intersection matrix are:

$$J(a_i, b_j) = -J(b_j, a_i) = \delta_{i,j} . \quad (4.3.1)$$

$J$  clearly defines symplectic structure in the homology group.

The dual to the canonical homology basis consists of the harmonic one-forms  $\alpha_i, \beta_i, i = 1, \dots, g$  on  $X^2$ . These 1-forms satisfy the defining conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{a_i} \alpha_j &= \delta_{i,j} & \int_{b_i} \alpha_j &= 0 \\ \int_{a_i} \beta_j &= 0 & \int_{b_i} \beta_j &= \delta_{i,j} \end{aligned} \quad (4.3.2)$$

The following identity helps to understand the basic properties of the Teichmueller parameters

$$\int_{X^2} \theta \wedge \eta = \sum_{i=1, \dots, g} \left[ \int_{a_i} \theta \int_{b_i} \eta - \int_{b_i} \theta \int_{a_i} \eta \right] \quad (4.3.3)$$

The existence of topologically nontrivial diffeomorphisms, when  $X^2$  has genus  $g > 0$ , plays an important role in the sequel. Denoting by  $Diff$  the group of the diffeomorphisms of  $X^2$  and by  $Diff_0$  the normal subgroup of the diffeomorphisms homotopic to identity, one can define the mapping class group  $M$  as the coset group

$$M = Diff/Diff_0 \quad (4.3.4)$$

The generators of  $M$  are so called Dehn twists along closed curves  $a$  of  $X^2$ . Dehn twist is defined by excising a small tubular neighborhood of  $a$ , twisting one boundary of the resulting tube by  $2\pi$  and gluing the tube back into the surface: see Fig. 13.6.2.

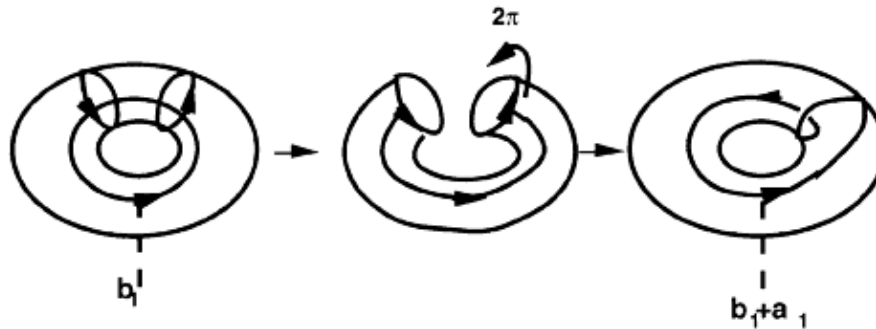


Figure 4.2: Definition of the Dehn twist

It can be shown that a minimal set of generators is defined by the following curves

$$a_1, b_1, a_1^{-1} a_2^{-1}, a_2, b_2, a_2^{-1} a_3^{-1}, \dots, a_g, b_g \quad (4.3.5)$$

The action of these transformations in the homology group can be regarded as a symplectic linear transformation preserving the symplectic form defined by the intersection matrix. Therefore the matrix representing the action of  $Diff$  on  $H_1(X^2)$  is  $2g \times 2g$  matrix  $M$  with integer entries leaving  $J$  invariant:  $MJM^T = J$ . Mapping class group is often referred also as a symplectic modular group and denoted by  $Sp(2g, Z)$ . The matrix representing the action of  $M$  in the canonical homology basis decomposes into four  $g \times g$  blocks  $A, B, C$  and  $D$

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix}, \quad (4.3.6)$$

where  $A$  and  $D$  operate in the subspaces spanned by the homology generators  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  respectively and  $C$  and  $D$  map these spaces to each other. The notation  $D = [A, B; C, D]$  will be used in the sequel: in this notation the representation of the symplectic form  $J$  is  $J = [0, 1; -1, 0]$ .

### 4.3.2 Teichmueller parameters

The induced metric on the two-surface  $X^2$  defines a unique complex structure. Locally the metric can always be written in the form

$$ds^2 = e^{2\phi} dz d\bar{z} . \quad (4.3.7)$$

where  $z$  is local complex coordinate. When one covers  $X^2$  by coordinate patches, where the line element has the above described form, the transition functions between coordinate patches are holomorphic and therefore define a complex structure.

The conformal transformations  $\xi$  of  $X^2$  are defined as the transformations leaving invariant the angles between the vectors of  $X^2$  tangent space invariant: the angle between the vectors  $X$  and  $Y$  at point  $x$  is same as the angle between the images of the vectors under Jacobian map at the image point  $\xi(x)$ . These transformations need not be globally defined and in each coordinate patch they correspond to holomorphic (anti-holomorphic) mappings as is clear from the diagonal form of the metric in the local complex coordinates. A distinction should be made between local conformal transformations and globally defined conformal transformations, which will be referred to as conformal symmetries: for instance, for hyper-elliptic surfaces the group of the conformal symmetries contains two-element group  $Z_2$ .

Using the complex structure one can decompose one-forms to linear combinations of one-forms of type  $(1,0)$  ( $f(z, \bar{z})dz$ ) and  $(0,1)$  ( $f(z, \bar{z})d\bar{z}$ ).  $(1,0)$  form  $\omega$  is holomorphic if the function  $f$  is holomorphic:  $\omega = f(z)dz$  on each coordinate patch.

There are  $g$  independent holomorphic one forms  $\omega_i$  known also as Abelian differentials of the first kind [A33, A45, A56] and one can fix their normalization by the condition

$$\int_{a_i} \omega_j = \delta_{ij} . \quad (4.3.8)$$

This condition completely specifies  $\omega_i$ .

Teichmueller parameters  $\Omega_{ij}$  are defined as the values of the forms  $\omega_i$  for the homology generators  $b_j$

$$\Omega_{ij} = \int_{b_j} \omega_i . \quad (4.3.9)$$

The basic properties of Teichmueller parameters are the following:

- i) The  $g \times g$  matrix  $\Omega$  is symmetric: this is seen by applying the formula (4.3.3) for  $\theta = \omega_i$  and  $\eta = \omega_j$ .
- ii) The imaginary part of  $\Omega$  is positive:  $Im(\Omega) > 0$ . This is seen by the application of the same formula for  $\theta = \eta$ . The space of the matrices satisfying these conditions is known as Siegel upper half plane.
- iii) The space of Teichmueller parameters can be regarded as a coset space  $Sp(2g, R)/U(g)$  [A56] : the action of  $Sp(2g, R)$  is of the same form as the action of  $Sp(2g, Z)$  and  $U(g) \subset Sp(2g, R)$  is the isotropy group of a given point of Teichmueller space.
- iv) Teichmueller parameters are conformal invariants as is clear from the holomorphy of the defining one-forms.
- v) Teichmueller parameters specify completely the conformal structure of Riemann surface [A45] .

Although Teichmueller parameters fix the conformal structure of the 2-surface completely, they are not in one-to-one correspondence with the conformal equivalence classes of the two-surfaces:

- i) The dimension for the space of the conformal equivalence classes is  $D = 3g - 3$ , when  $g > 1$  and smaller than the dimension of Teichmueller space given by  $d = (g \times g + g)/2$  for  $g > 3$ : all Teichmueller matrices do not correspond to a Riemann surface. In TGD approach this does not produce any problems as will be found later.
- ii) The action of the topologically nontrivial diffeomorphisms on Teichmueller parameters is nontrivial and can be deduced from the action of the diffeomorphisms on the homology ( $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformation) and from the defining condition  $\int_{a_i} \omega_j = \delta_{i,j}$ : diffeomorphisms correspond to elements  $[A, B; C, D]$  of  $Sp(2g, Z)$  and act as generalized Möbius transformations

$$\Omega \rightarrow (A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1} . \quad (4.3.10)$$

All Teichmueller parameters related by  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformations correspond to the same Riemann surface.

iii) The definition of the Teichmueller parameters is not unique since the definition of the canonical homology basis involves an arbitrary numbering of the homology basis. The permutation  $S$  of the handles is represented by same  $g \times g$  orthogonal matrix both in the basis  $\{a_i\}$  and  $\{b_i\}$  and induces a similarity transformation in the space of the Teichmueller parameters

$$\Omega \rightarrow S\Omega S^{-1} . \quad (4.3.11)$$

Clearly, the Teichmueller matrices related by a similarity transformations correspond to the same conformal equivalence class. It is easy to show that handle permutations in fact correspond to  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformations.

### 4.3.3 Hyper-ellipticity

The motivation for considering hyper-elliptic surfaces comes from the fact, that  $g > 2$  elementary particle vacuum functionals turn out to be vanishing for hyper-elliptic surfaces and this in turn will be later used to provide a possible explanation the non-observability of  $g > 2$  particles.

Hyper-elliptic surface  $X$  can be defined abstractly as two-fold branched cover of the sphere having the group  $Z_2$  as the group of conformal symmetries (see [A32, A45, A56] . Thus there exists a map  $\pi : X \rightarrow S^2$  so that the inverse image  $\pi^{-1}(z)$  for a given point  $z$  of  $S^2$  contains two points except at a finite number (say  $p$ ) of points  $z_i$  (branch points) for which the inverse image contains only one point.  $Z_2$  acts as conformal symmetries permuting the two points in  $\pi^{-1}(z)$  and branch points are fixed points of the involution.

The concept can be generalized [A32] :  $g$ -hyper-elliptic surface can be defined as a 2-fold covering of genus  $g$  surface with a finite number of branch points. One can consider also  $p$ -fold coverings instead of 2-fold coverings: a common feature of these Riemann surfaces is the existence of a discrete group of conformal symmetries.

A concrete representation for the hyper-elliptic surfaces [A56] is obtained by studying the surface of  $C^2$  determined by the algebraic equation

$$w^2 - P_n(z) = 0 , \quad (4.3.12)$$

where  $w$  and  $z$  are complex variables and  $P_n(z)$  is a complex polynomial. One can solve  $w$  from the above equation

$$w_{\pm} = \pm \sqrt{P_n(z)} , \quad (4.3.13)$$

where the square root is determined so that it has a cut along the positive real axis. What happens that  $w$  has in general two roots (two-fold covering property), which coincide at the roots  $z_i$  of  $P_n(z)$  and if  $n$  is odd, also at  $z = \infty$ : these points correspond to branch points of the hyper-elliptic surface and their number  $r$  is always even:  $r = 2k$ .  $w$  is discontinuous at the cuts associated with the square root in general joining two roots of  $P_n(z)$  or if  $n$  is odd, also some root of  $P_n$  and the point  $z = \infty$ . The representation of the hyper-elliptic surface is obtained by identifying the two branches of  $w$  along the cuts. From the construction it is clear that the surface obtained in this manner has genus  $k - 1$ . Also it is clear that  $Z_2$  permutes the different roots  $w_{\pm}$  with each other and that  $r = 2k$  branch points correspond to fixed points of the involution.

The following facts about the hyper-elliptic surfaces [A45, A56] turn out to be important in the sequel:

- i) All  $g < 3$  surfaces are hyper-elliptic.
- ii)  $g \geq 3$  hyper-elliptic surfaces are not in general hyper-elliptic and form a set of codimension 2 in the space of the conformal equivalence classes [A56] .



#### 4.3.4 Theta functions

An extensive and detailed account of the theta functions and their applications can be found in the book of Mumford [A56]. Theta functions appear also in the loop calculations of string [J9] [A33]. In the following the so called Riemann theta function and theta functions with half integer characteristics will be defined as sections (not strictly speaking functions) of the so called Jacobian variety.

For a given Teichmueller matrix  $\Omega$ , Jacobian variety is defined as the  $2g$ -dimensional torus obtained by identifying the points  $z$  of  $C^g$  (vectors with  $g$  complex components) under the equivalence

$$z \sim z + \Omega m + n \quad , \quad (4.3.14)$$

where  $m$  and  $n$  are points of  $Z^g$  (vectors with  $g$  integer valued components) and  $\Omega$  acts in  $Z^g$  by matrix multiplication.

The definition of Riemann theta function reads as

$$\Theta(z|\Omega) = \sum_n \exp(i\pi n \cdot \Omega \cdot n + i2\pi n \cdot z) \quad . \quad (4.3.15)$$

Here  $\cdot$  denotes standard inner product in  $C^g$ . Theta functions with half integer characteristics are defined in the following manner. Let  $a$  and  $b$  denote vectors of  $C^g$  with half integer components (component either vanishes or equals to  $1/2$ ). Theta function with characteristics  $[a, b]$  is defined through the following formula

$$\Theta[a, b](z|\Omega) = \sum_n \exp[i\pi(n+a) \cdot \Omega \cdot (n+a) + i2\pi(n+a) \cdot (z+b)] \quad . \quad (4.3.16)$$

A brief calculation shows that the following identity is satisfied

$$\Theta[a, b](z|\Omega) = \exp(i\pi a \cdot \Omega \cdot a + i2\pi a \cdot b) \times \Theta(z + \Omega a + b|\Omega) \quad (4.3.17)$$

Theta functions are not strictly speaking functions in the Jacobian variety but rather sections in an appropriate bundle as can be seen from the identities

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta[a, b](z + m|\Omega) &= \exp(i2\pi a \cdot m) \Theta[a, b](z|\Omega) \quad , \\ \Theta[a, b](z + \Omega m|\Omega) &= \exp(\alpha) \Theta[a, b](z|\Omega) \quad , \\ \exp(\alpha) &= \exp(-i2\pi b \cdot m) \exp(-i\pi m \cdot \Omega \cdot m - 2\pi m \cdot z) \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (4.3.18)$$

The number of theta functions is  $2^{2g}$  and same as the number of nonequivalent spinor structures defined on two-surfaces. This is not an accident [A33]: theta functions with given characteristics turn out to be in a close relation to the functional determinants associated with the Dirac operators defined on the two-surface. It is useful to divide the theta functions to even and odd theta functions according to whether the inner product  $4a \cdot b$  is even or odd integer. The numbers of even and odd theta functions are  $2^{g-1}(2^g + 1)$  and  $2^{g-1}(2^g - 1)$  respectively.

The values of the theta functions at the origin of the Jacobian variety understood as functions of Teichmueller parameters turn out to be of special interest in the following and the following notation will be used:

$$\Theta[a, b](\Omega) \equiv \Theta[a, b](0|\Omega) \quad , \quad (4.3.19)$$

$\Theta[a, b](\Omega)$  will be referred to as theta functions in the sequel. From the defining properties of odd theta functions it can be found that they are odd functions of  $z$  and therefore vanish at the origin of the Jacobian variety so that only even theta functions will be of interest in the sequel.

An important result is that also some *even* theta functions vanish for  $g > 2$  hyper-elliptic surfaces : in fact one can characterize  $g > 2$  hyper-elliptic surfaces by the vanishing properties of the theta functions [A45, A56] . The vanishing property derives from conformal symmetry ( $Z_2$  in the case of hyper-elliptic surfaces) and the vanishing phenomenon is rather general [A32] : theta functions tend to vanish for Riemann surfaces possessing discrete conformal symmetries. It is not clear (to the author) whether the presence of a conformal symmetry is in fact equivalent with the vanishing of some theta functions. As already noticed, spinor structures and the theta functions with half integer characteristics are in one-to-one correspondence and the vanishing of theta function with given half integer characteristics is equivalent with the vanishing of the Dirac determinant associated with the corresponding spinor structure or equivalently: with the existence of a zero mode for the Dirac operator [A33] . For odd characteristics zero mode exists always: for even characteristics zero modes exist, when the surface is hyper-elliptic or possesses more general conformal symmetries.

## 4.4 Elementary particle vacuum functionals

The basic assumption is that elementary particle families correspond to various elementary particle vacuum functionals associated with the 2-dimensional boundary components of the 3-surface. These functionals need not be localized to a single boundary topology. Neither need their dependence on the boundary component be local. An important role in the following considerations is played by the fact that the minimization requirement of the Kähler action associates a unique 3-surface to each boundary component, the "Bohr orbit" of the boundary and this surface provides a considerable (and necessarily needed) flexibility in the definition of the elementary particle vacuum functionals. There are several natural constraints to be satisfied by elementary particle vacuum functionals.

### 4.4.1 Extended Diff invariance and Lorentz invariance

Extended Diff invariance is completely analogous to the extension of 3-dimensional Diff invariance to four-dimensional Diff invariance in the interior of the 3-surface. Vacuum functional must be invariant not only under diffeomorphisms of the boundary component but also under the diffeomorphisms of the 3-dimensional "orbit"  $Y^3$  of the boundary component. In other words: the value of the vacuum functional must be same for any time slice on the orbit boundary component. This is guaranteed if vacuum functional is functional of some two-surface  $Y^2$  belonging to the orbit and defined in  $Diff^3$  invariant manner.

An additional natural requirement is Poincare invariance. In the original formulation of the theory only Lorentz transformations of the light cone were exact symmetries of the theory. In this framework the definition of  $Y^2$  as the intersection of the orbit with the hyperboloid  $\sqrt{m_{kl}m^k m^l} = a$  is  $Diff^3$  and Lorentz invariant.

#### 1. Interaction vertices as generalization of stringy vertices

For stringy diagrams Poincare invariance of conformal equivalence class and general coordinate invariance are far from being a trivial issues. Vertices are now not completely unique since there is an infinite number of singular 3-manifolds which can be identified as vertices even if one assumes space-likeness. One should be able to select a unique singular 3-manifold to fix the conformal equivalence class.

One might hope that Lorentz invariant invariant and general coordinate invariant definition of  $Y^2$  results by introducing light cone proper time  $a$  as a height function specifying uniquely the point at which 3-surface is singular (stringy diagrams help to visualize what is involved), and by restricting the singular 3-surface to be the intersection of  $a = \text{constant}$  hyperboloid of  $M^4$  containing the singular point with the space-time surface. There would be non-uniqueness of the conformal equivalence class due to the choice of the origin of the light cone but the decomposition of the configuration space of 3-surfaces to a union of configuration spaces characterized by unions of future and past light cones could resolve this difficulty.

#### 2. Interaction vertices as generalization of ordinary ones

If the interaction vertices are identified as intersections for the ends of space-time sheets representing particles, the conformal equivalence class is naturally identified as the one associated with the intersection of the boundary component or light like causal determinant with the vertex. Poincare invariance of the conformal equivalence class and generalized general coordinate invariance follow trivially in this case.

#### 4.4.2 Conformal invariance

Conformal invariance implies that vacuum functionals depend on the conformal equivalence class of the surface  $Y^2$  only. What makes this idea so attractive is that for a given genus  $g$  configuration space becomes effectively finite-dimensional. A second nice feature is that instead of trying to find coordinates for the space of the conformal equivalence classes one can construct vacuum functionals as functions of the Teichmueller parameters.

That one can construct this kind of functions as suitable functions of the Teichmueller parameters is not trivial. The essential point is that the boundary components can be regarded as submanifolds of  $M_+^4 \times CP_2$ : as a consequence vacuum functional can be regarded as a composite function:

$$2\text{-surface} \rightarrow \text{Teichmueller matrix } \Omega \text{ determined by the induced metric} \rightarrow \Omega_{vac}(\Omega)$$

Therefore the fact that there are Teichmueller parameters which do not correspond to any Riemann surface, doesn't produce any trouble. It should be noticed that the situation differs from that in the Polyakov formulation of string models, where one doesn't assume that the metric of the two-surface is induced metric (although classical equations of motion imply this).

#### 4.4.3 Diff invariance

Since several values of the Teichmueller parameters correspond to the same conformal equivalence class, one must pose additional conditions on the functions of the Teichmueller parameters in order to obtain single valued functions of the conformal equivalence class.

The first requirement of this kind is the invariance under topologically nontrivial Diff transformations inducing  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformation  $(A, B; C, D)$  in the homology basis. The action of these transformations on Teichmueller parameters is deduced by requiring that holomorphic one-forms satisfy the defining conditions in the transformed homology basis. It turns out that the action of the topologically nontrivial diffeomorphism on Teichmueller parameters can be regarded as a generalized Möbius transformation:

$$\Omega \rightarrow (A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1} . \quad (4.4.1)$$

Vacuum functional must be invariant under these transformations. It should be noticed that the situation differs from that encountered in the string models. In TGD the integration measure over the configuration space is Diff invariant: in string models the integration measure is the integration measure of the Teichmueller space and this is not invariant under  $Sp(2g, Z)$  but transforms like a density: as a consequence the counterpart of the vacuum functional must be also modular covariant since it is the product of vacuum functional and integration measure, which must be modular invariant.

It is possible to show that the quantities

$$(\Theta[a, b]/\Theta[c, d])^4 . \quad (4.4.2)$$

and their complex conjugates are  $Sp(2g, Z)$  invariants [A56] and therefore can be regarded as basic building blocks of the vacuum functionals.

Teichmueller parameters are not uniquely determined since one can always perform a permutation of the  $g$  handles of the Riemann surface inducing a redefinition of the canonical homology basis (permutation of  $g$  generators). These transformations act as similarities of the Teichmueller matrix:

$$\Omega \rightarrow S\Omega S^{-1} , \quad (4.4.3)$$

where  $S$  is the  $g \times g$  matrix representing the permutation of the homology generators understood as orthonormal vectors in the  $g$ -dimensional vector space. Therefore the Teichmueller parameters related by these similarity transformations correspond to the same conformal equivalence class of the Riemann surfaces and vacuum functionals must be invariant under these similarities.

It is easy to find out that these similarities permute the components of the theta characteristics:  $[a, b] \rightarrow [S(a), S(b)]$ . Therefore the invariance requirement states that the handles of the Riemann surface behave like bosons: the vacuum functional constructed from the theta functions is invariant under the permutations of the theta characteristics. In fact, this requirement brings in nothing new. Handle permutations can be regarded as  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformations so that the modular invariance alone guarantees invariance under handle permutations.

#### 4.4.4 Cluster decomposition property

Consider next the behavior of the vacuum functional in the limit, when boundary component with genus  $g$  splits to two separate boundary components of genera  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  respectively. The splitting into two separate boundary components corresponds to the reduction of the Teichmueller matrix  $\Omega^g$  to a direct sum of  $g_1 \times g_1$  and  $g_2 \times g_2$  matrices ( $g_1 + g_2 = g$ ):

$$\Omega^g = \Omega^{g_1} \oplus \Omega^{g_2} \quad , \quad (4.4.4)$$

when a suitable definition of the Teichmueller parameters is adopted. The splitting can also take place without a reduction to a direct sum: the Teichmueller parameters obtained via  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformation from  $\Omega^g = \Omega^{g_1} \oplus \Omega^{g_2}$  do not possess direct sum property in general.

The physical interpretation is obvious: the non-diagonal elements of the Teichmueller matrix describe the geometric interaction between handles and at this limit the interaction between the handles belonging to the separate surfaces vanishes. On the physical grounds it is natural to require that vacuum functionals satisfy cluster decomposition property at this limit: that is they reduce to the product of appropriate vacuum functionals associated with the composite surfaces.

Theta functions satisfy cluster decomposition property [A33, A56]. Theta characteristics reduce to the direct sums of the theta characteristics associated with  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  ( $a = a_1 \oplus a_2$ ,  $b = b_1 \oplus b_2$ ) and the dependence on the Teichmueller parameters is essentially exponential so that the cluster decomposition property indeed results:

$$\Theta[a, b](\Omega^g) = \Theta[a_1, b_1](\Omega^{g_1})\Theta[a_2, b_2](\Omega^{g_2}) \quad . \quad (4.4.5)$$

Cluster decomposition property holds also true for the products of theta functions. This property is also satisfied by suitable homogenous polynomials of thetas. In particular, the following quantity playing central role in the construction of the vacuum functional obeys this property

$$Q_0 = \sum_{[a, b]} \Theta[a, b]^4 \bar{\Theta}[a, b]^4 \quad , \quad (4.4.6)$$

where the summation is over all even theta characteristics (recall that odd theta functions vanish at the origin of  $C^g$ ).

Together with the  $Sp(2g, Z)$  invariance the requirement of cluster decomposition property implies that the vacuum functional must be representable in the form

$$\Omega_{vac} = P_{M, N}(\Theta^4, \bar{\Theta}^4) / Q_{M, N}(\Theta^4, \bar{\Theta}^4) \quad (4.4.7)$$

where the homogenous polynomials  $P_{M, N}$  and  $Q_{M, N}$  have same degrees ( $M$  and  $N$  as polynomials of  $\Theta[a, b]^4$  and  $\bar{\Theta}[a, b]^4$ ).

#### 4.4.5 Finiteness requirement

Vacuum functional should be finite. Finiteness requirement is satisfied provided the numerator  $Q_{M,N}$  of the vacuum functional is real and positive definite. The simplest quantity of this type is the quantity  $Q_0$  defined previously and its various powers.  $Sp(2g, Z)$  invariance and finiteness requirement are satisfied provided vacuum functionals are of the following general form

$$\Omega_{vac} = \frac{P_{N,N}(\Theta^4, \bar{\Theta}^4)}{Q_0^N}, \quad (4.4.8)$$

where  $P_{N,N}$  is homogenous polynomial of degree  $N$  with respect to  $\Theta[a, b]^4$  and  $\bar{\Theta}[a, b]^4$ . In addition  $P_{N,N}$  is invariant under the permutations of the theta characteristics and satisfies cluster decomposition property.

#### 4.4.6 Stability against the decay $g \rightarrow g_1 + g_2$

Elementary particle vacuum functionals must be stable against the genus conserving decays  $g \rightarrow g_1 + g_2$ . This decay corresponds to the limit at which Teichmueller matrix reduces to a direct sum of the matrices associated with  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  (note however the presence of  $Sp(2g, Z)$  degeneracy). In accordance with the topological description of the particle reactions one expects that this decay doesn't occur if the vacuum functional in question vanishes at this limit.

In general the theta functions are non-vanishing at this limit and vanish provided the theta characteristics reduce to a direct sum of the odd theta characteristics. For  $g < 2$  surfaces this condition is trivial and gives no constraints on the form of the vacuum functional. For  $g = 2$  surfaces the theta function  $\Theta(a, b)$ , with  $a = b = (1/2, 1/2)$  satisfies the stability criterion identically (odd theta functions vanish identically), when Teichmueller parameters separate into a direct sum. One can however perform  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformations giving new points of Teichmueller space describing the decay. Since these transformations transform theta characteristics in a nontrivial manner to each other and since all even theta characteristics belong to same  $Sp(2g, Z)$  orbit [A33, A56], the conclusion is that stability condition is satisfied provided  $g = 2$  vacuum functional is proportional to the product of fourth powers of all even theta functions multiplied by its complex conjugate.

If  $g > 2$  there always exists some theta functions, which vanish at this limit and the minimal vacuum functional satisfying this stability condition is of the same form as in  $g = 2$  case, that is proportional to the product of the fourth powers of all even Theta functions multiplied by its complex conjugate:

$$\Omega_{vac} = \prod_{[a,b]} \Theta[a, b]^4 \bar{\Theta}[a, b]^4 / Q_0^N, \quad (4.4.9)$$

where  $N$  is the number of even theta functions. The results obtained imply that genus-generation correspondence is one to one for  $g > 1$  for the minimal vacuum functionals. Of course, the multiplication of the minimal vacuum functionals with functionals satisfying all criteria except stability criterion gives new elementary particle vacuum functionals: a possible physical identification of these vacuum functionals is most naturally as some kind of excited states.

One of the questions posed in the beginning was related to the experimental absence of  $g > 0$ , possibly massless, elementary bosons. The proposed stability criterion suggests a nice explanation. The point is that elementary particles are stable against decays  $g \rightarrow g_1 + g_2$  but not with respect to the decay  $g \rightarrow g + sphere$ . As a consequence the direct emission of  $g > 0$  gauge bosons is impossible unlike the emission of  $g = 0$  bosons: for instance the decay muon  $\rightarrow$  electron  $+(g = 1)$  photon is forbidden.

#### 4.4.7 Stability against the decay $g \rightarrow g - 1$

This stability criterion states that the vacuum functional is stable against single particle decay  $g \rightarrow g - 1$  and, if satisfied, implies that vacuum functional vanishes, when the genus of the surface is smaller than  $g$ . In stringy framework this criterion is equivalent to a separate conservation of various lepton numbers: for instance, the spontaneous transformation of muon to electron is forbidden. Notice that

this condition doesn't imply that the vacuum functional is localized to a single genus: rather the vacuum functional of genus  $g$  vanishes for all surfaces with genus smaller than  $g$ . This hierarchical structure should have a close relationship to Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa mixing of the quarks.

The stability criterion implies that the vacuum functional must vanish at the limit, when one of the handles of the Riemann surface suffers a pinch. To deduce the behavior of the theta functions at this limit, one must find the behavior of Teichmueller parameters, when  $i$ :th handle suffers a pinch. Pinch implies that a suitable representative of the homology generator  $a_i$  or  $b_i$  contracts to a point.

Consider first the case, when  $a_i$  contracts to a point. The normalization of the holomorphic one-form  $\omega_i$  must be preserved so that  $\omega_i$  must behave as  $1/z$ , where  $z$  is the complex coordinate vanishing at pinch. Since the homology generator  $b_i$  goes through the pinch it seems obvious that the imaginary part of the Teichmueller parameter  $\Omega_{ii} = \int_{b_i} \omega_i$  diverges at this limit (this conclusion is made also in [A56]):  $Im(\Omega_{ii}) \rightarrow \infty$ .

Of course, this criterion doesn't cover all possible manners the pinch can occur: pinch might take place also, when the components of the Teichmueller matrix remain finite. In the case of torus topology one finds that  $Sp(2g, Z)$  element  $(A, B; C, D)$  takes  $Im(\Omega) = \infty$  to the point  $C/D$  of real axis. This suggests that pinch occurs always at the boundary of the Teichmueller space: the imaginary part of  $\Omega_{ij}$  either vanishes or some matrix element of  $Im(\Omega)$  diverges.

Consider next the situation, when  $b_i$  contracts to a point. From the definition of the Teichmueller parameters it is clear that the matrix elements  $\Omega_{kl}$ , with  $k, l \neq i$  suffer no change. The matrix element  $\Omega_{ki}$  obviously vanishes at this limit. The conclusion is that  $i$ :th row of Teichmueller matrix vanishes at this limit. This result is obtained also by deriving the  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformation permuting  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  with each other: in case of torus this transformation reads  $\Omega \rightarrow -1/\Omega$ .

Consider now the behavior of the theta functions, when pinch occurs. Consider first the limit, when  $Im(\Omega_{ii})$  diverges. Using the general definition of  $\Theta[a, b]$  it is easy to find out that all theta functions for which the  $i$ :th component  $a_i$  of the theta characteristic is non-vanishing (that is  $a_i = 1/2$ ) are proportional to the exponent  $exp(-\pi\Omega_{ii}/4)$  and therefore vanish at the limit. The theta functions with  $a_i = 0$  reduce to  $g-1$  dimensional theta functions with theta characteristic obtained by dropping  $i$ :th components of  $a_i$  and  $b_i$  and replacing Teichmueller matrix with Teichmueller matrix obtained by dropping  $i$ :th row and column. The conclusion is that all theta functions of type  $\Theta(a, b)$  with  $a = (1/2, 1/2, \dots, 1/2)$  satisfy the stability criterion in this case.

What happens for the  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformed points on the real axis? The transformation formula for theta function is given by [A33, A56]

$$\Theta[a, b]((A\Omega + B)(C\Omega + D)^{-1}) = exp(i\phi)det(C\Omega + D)^{1/2}\Theta[c, d](\Omega) , \quad (4.4.10)$$

where

$$\begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{pmatrix} \left( \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} (CD^T)_d/2 \\ (AB^T)_d/2 \end{pmatrix} \right) . \quad (4.4.11)$$

Here  $\phi$  is a phase factor irrelevant for the recent purposes and the index  $d$  refers to the diagonal part of the matrix in question.

The first thing to notice is the appearance of the diverging square root factor, which however disappears from the vacuum functionals ( $P$  and  $Q$  have same degree with respect to thetas). The essential point is that theta characteristics transform to each other: as already noticed all even theta characteristics belong to the same  $Sp(2g, Z)$  orbit. Therefore the theta functions vanishing at  $Im(\Omega_{ii}) = \infty$  do not vanish at the transformed points. It is however clear that for a given Teichmueller parametrization of pinch some theta functions vanish always.

Similar considerations in the case  $\Omega_{ik} = 0$ ,  $i$  fixed, show that all theta functions with  $b = (1/2, \dots, 1/2)$  vanish identically at the pinch. Also it is clear that for  $Sp(2g, Z)$  transformed points one can always find some vanishing theta functions. The overall conclusion is that the elementary particle vacuum functionals obtained by using  $g \rightarrow g_1 + g_2$  stability criterion satisfy also  $g \rightarrow g - 1$  stability criterion since they are proportional to the product of all even theta functions. Therefore

the only nontrivial consequence of  $g \rightarrow g - 1$  criterion is that also  $g = 1$  vacuum functionals are of the same general form as  $g > 1$  vacuum functionals.

A second manner to deduce the same result is by restricting the consideration to the hyper-elliptic surfaces and using the representation of the theta functions in terms of the roots of the polynomial appearing in the definition of the hyper-elliptic surface [A56]. When the genus of the surface is smaller than three (the interesting case), this representation is all what is needed since all surfaces of genus  $g < 3$  are hyper-elliptic.

Since hyper-elliptic surfaces can be regarded as surfaces obtained by gluing two compactified complex planes along the cuts connecting various roots of the defining polynomial it is obvious that the process  $g \rightarrow g - 1$  corresponds to the limit, when two roots of the defining polynomial coincide. This limit corresponds either to disappearance of a cut or the fusion of two cuts to a single cut. Theta functions are expressible as the products of differences of various roots (Thomae's formula [A56])

$$\Theta[a, b]^4 \propto \prod_{i < j \in T} (z_i - z_j) \prod_{k < l \in CT} (z_k - z_l) , \quad (4.4.12)$$

where  $T$  denotes some subset of  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2g\}$  containing  $g + 1$  elements and  $CT$  its complement. Hence the product of all even theta functions vanishes, when two roots coincide. Furthermore, stability criterion is satisfied only by the product of the theta functions.

Lowest dimensional vacuum functionals are worth of more detailed consideration.

- i)  $g = 0$  particle family corresponds to a constant vacuum functional: by continuity this vacuum functional is constant for all topologies.
- ii) For  $g = 1$  the degree of  $P$  and  $Q$  as polynomials of the theta functions is 24: the critical number of transversal degrees of freedom in bosonic string model! Probably this result is not an accident.
- ii) For  $g = 2$  the corresponding degree is 80 since there are 10 even genus 2 theta functions.

There are large numbers of vacuum functionals satisfying the relevant criteria, which do not satisfy the proposed stability criteria. These vacuum functionals correspond either to many particle states or to unstable single particle states.

#### 4.4.8 Continuation of the vacuum functionals to higher genus topologies

From continuity it follows that vacuum functionals cannot be localized to single boundary topology. Besides continuity and the requirements listed above, a natural requirement is that the continuation of the vacuum functional from the sector  $g$  to the sector  $g + k$  reduces to the product of the original vacuum functional associated with genus  $g$  and  $g = 0$  vacuum functional at the limit when the surface with genus  $g + k$  decays to surfaces with genus  $g$  and  $k$ : this requirement should guarantee the conservation of separate lepton numbers although different boundary topologies suffer mixing in the vacuum functional. These requirements are satisfied provided the continuation is constructed using the following rule:

Perform the replacement

$$\Theta[a, b]^4 \rightarrow \sum_{c, d} \Theta[a \oplus c, b \oplus d]^4 \quad (4.4.13)$$

for each fourth power of the theta function. Here  $c$  and  $d$  are Theta characteristics associated with a surface with genus  $k$ . The same replacement is performed for the complex conjugates of the theta function. It is straightforward to check that the continuations of elementary particle vacuum functionals indeed satisfy the cluster decomposition property and are continuous.

To summarize, the construction has provided hoped for answers to some questions stated in the beginning: stability requirements explain the separate conservation of lepton numbers and the experimental absence of  $g > 0$  elementary bosons. What has not been explained is the experimental absence of  $g > 2$  fermion families. The vanishing of the  $g > 2$  elementary particle vacuum functionals for the hyper-elliptic surfaces however suggest a possible explanation: under some conditions on the surface  $X^2$  the surfaces  $Y^2$  are hyper-elliptic or possess some conformal symmetry so that elementary particle vacuum functionals vanish for them. This conjecture indeed might make sense since the surfaces  $Y^2$  are determined by the asymptotic dynamics and one might hope that the surfaces  $Y^2$  are analogous to the final states of a dissipative system.

## 4.5 Explanations for the absence of the $g > 2$ elementary particles from spectrum

The decay properties of the intermediate gauge bosons [C136] are consistent with the assumption that the number of the light neutrinos is  $N = 3$ . Also cosmological considerations pose upper bounds on the number of the light neutrino families and  $N = 3$  seems to be favored [C136]. It must be however emphasized that p-adic considerations [K48] encourage the consideration the existence of higher genera with neutrino masses such that they are not produced in the laboratory at present energies. In any case, for TGD approach the finite number of light fermion families is a potential difficulty since genus-generation correspondence suggests that the number of the fermion (and possibly also boson) families is infinite. Therefore one had better to find a good argument showing that the number of the observed neutrino families, or more generally, of the observed elementary particle families, is small also in the world described by TGD.

It will be later found that also TGD inspired cosmology requires that the number of the effectively massless fermion families must be small after Planck time. This suggests that boundary topologies with handle number  $g > 2$  are unstable and/or very massive so that they, if present in the spectrum, disappear from it after Planck time, which correspond to the value of the light cone proper time  $a \simeq 10^{-11}$  seconds.

In accordance with the spirit of TGD approach it is natural to wonder whether some geometric property differentiating between  $g > 2$  and  $g < 3$  boundary topologies might explain why only  $g < 3$  boundary components are observable. One can indeed find a good candidate for this kind of property: namely hyper-ellipticity, which states that Riemann surface is a two-fold branched covering of sphere possessing two-element group  $Z_2$  as conformal automorphisms. All  $g < 3$  Riemann surfaces are hyper-elliptic unlike  $g > 2$  Riemann surfaces, which in general do not possess this property. Thus it is natural to consider the possibility that hyper-ellipticity or more general conformal symmetries might explain why only  $g < 2$  topologies correspond to the observed elementary particles.

As regards to the present problem the crucial observation is that some even theta functions vanish for the hyper-elliptic surfaces with genus  $g > 2$  [A56]. What is essential is that these surfaces have the group  $Z_2$  as conformal symmetries. Indeed, the vanishing phenomenon is more general. Theta functions tend to vanish for  $g > 2$  two-surfaces possessing discrete group of conformal symmetries [A32]: for instance, instead of sphere one can consider branched coverings of higher genus surfaces.

From the general expression of the elementary particle vacuum functional it is clear that elementary particle vacuum functionals vanish, when  $Y^2$  is hyper-elliptic surface with genus  $g > 2$  and one might hope that this is enough to explain why the number of elementary particle families is three.

### 4.5.1 Hyper-ellipticity implies the separation of $g \leq 2$ and $g > 2$ sectors to separate worlds

If the vertices are defined as intersections of space-time sheets of elementary particles and if elementary particle vacuum functionals are required to have  $Z_2$  symmetry, the localization of elementary particle vacuum functionals to  $g \leq 2$  topologies occurs automatically. Even if one allows as limiting case vertices for which 2-manifolds are pinched to topologies intermediate between  $g > 2$  and  $g \leq 2$  topologies,  $Z_2$  symmetry present for both topological interpretations implies the vanishing of this kind of vertices. This applies also in the case of stringy vertices so that also particle propagation would respect the effective number of particle families.  $g > 2$  and  $g \leq 2$  topologies would behave much like their own worlds in this approach. This is enough to explain the experimental findings if one can understand why the  $g > 2$  particle families are absent as incoming and outgoing states or are very heavy.

### 4.5.2 What about $g > 2$ vacuum functionals which do not vanish for hyper-elliptic surfaces?

The vanishing of all  $g \geq 2$  vacuum functionals for hyper-elliptic surfaces cannot hold true generally. There must exist vacuum functionals which do satisfy this condition. This suggest that elementary particle vacuum functionals for  $g > 2$  states have interpretation as bound states of  $g$  handles and that the more general states which do not vanish for hyper-elliptic surfaces correspond to many-particle



states composed of bound states  $g \leq 2$  handles and cannot thus appear as incoming and outgoing states. Thus  $g > 2$  elementary particles would decouple from  $g \leq 2$  states.

### 4.5.3 Should higher elementary particle families be heavy?

TGD predicts an entire hierarchy of scaled up variants of standard model physics for which particles do not appear in the vertices containing the known elementary particles and thus behave like dark matter [K90]. Also  $g > 2$  elementary particles would behave like dark matter and in principle there is no absolute need for them to be heavy.

The safest option would be that  $g > 2$  elementary particles are heavy and the breaking of  $Z_2$  symmetry for  $g \geq 2$  states could guarantee this. p-Adic considerations lead to a general mass formula for elementary particles such that the mass of the particle is proportional to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{p}}$  [K51]. Also the dependence of the mass on particle genus is completely fixed by this formula. What remains however open is what determines the p-adic prime associated with a particle with given quantum numbers. Of course, it could quite well occur that  $p$  is much smaller for  $g > 2$  genera than for  $g \leq 2$  genera.

### 4.5.4 Could higher genera have interpretation as many-particle states?

The topological explanation of family replication phenomenon of fermions in terms of the genus  $g$  defined as the number of handles added to sphere to obtain the quantum number carrying partonic 2-surface distinguishes TGD from GUTs and string models. The orbit of the partonic 2-surface defines 3-D light-like orbit identified as wormhole throat at which the induced metric changes its signature. The original model of elementary particle involved only single boundary component replaced later by a wormhole throat. The generalization to the recent situation in which elementary particles correspond to wormhole flux tubes of length of order weak length scales with pairs of wormhole throats at its ends is straight-forward.

The basic objection against the proposal is that it predicts infinite number of particle families unless the  $g \leq 3$  topologies are preferred for some reason. Conformal and modular symmetries are basic symmetries of the theory and global conformal symmetries provide an excellent candidate for the sought for reason why.

1. For  $g \leq 3$  the 2-surfaces are always hyper-elliptic which means that they have always  $Z_2$  as global conformal symmetries. For  $g \geq 2$  these symmetries are absent in the generic case. Moreover, the modular invariant elementary particle vacuum functionals  $|a_i\rangle$  vanish for hyper-elliptic surfaces for  $g \geq 2$ . This leaves several options to consider. The basic idea is however that ground states are usually highly symmetric and that elementary particles correspond to ground states.
2. The simplest guess is that  $g \geq 2$  surfaces correspond to very massive states decaying rapidly to states with smaller genus. Due to the conformal symmetry  $g \leq 3$  surfaces would be analogous to ground states and would have small masses.
3. The possibility to have partonic 2-surfaces of macroscopic and even astrophysical size identifiable as seats of anyonic macroscopic quantum phases [K61] suggests an alternative interpretation consistent with global conformal symmetries. For partonic 2-surfaces of macroscopic size it seems natural to consider handles as particles glued to a much larger partonic 2-surface by topological sum operation (topological condensation).

All orientable manifolds can be obtained by topological sum operation from what can be called prime manifolds. In 2-D orientable case prime manifolds are sphere and torus representing in well-defined sense 0 and 1 so that topological sum corresponds to addition of positive integers arithmetically. This would suggest that only sphere and torus appear as single particle states. Particle interpretation however requires that also  $g = 0$  and  $g = 2$  surfaces topologically condensed to a larger anyonic 2-surface have similar interpretation, at least if they have small enough size. What kind of argument could justify this kind of interpretation?

4. An argument based on symmetries suggests itself. The reduction of degrees of freedom is the generic signature of bound state. Bound state property implies also the reduction of approximate single particle symmetries to an exact overall symmetry. Rotational symmetries of hydrogen

atom represent a good example of this. For free many particle states each particle transforms according to a representation of rotation group having total angular momentum defined as sum of its spin and angular momentum. For bound states rotational degrees of freedom are strongly correlated and only overall rotations of the state define rotational symmetries.

In this spirit one could interpret sphere as vacuum, torus as single handle state, and torus with handle as a bound state of 2 handles in conformal degrees of freedom meaning that the  $Z_2$  symmetries of vacuum and handles are frozen in topological condensation (topological sum) to single overall  $Z_2$ . If this interpretation is correct,  $g \geq 2$  2-surfaces would always have a decomposition to many-particle states consisting of spheres, tori and tori with single handle glued to a larger sphere by topological sum. Each of these topologically condensed composites would possess  $Z_2$  as approximate single particle symmetry.

## 4.6 Elementary particle vacuum functionals for dark matter

One of the open questions is how dark matter hierarchy reflects itself in the properties of the elementary particles. The basic questions are how the quantum phase  $q = ep(2i\pi/n)$  makes itself visible in the solution spectrum of the modified Dirac operator  $D$  and how elementary particle vacuum functionals depend on  $q$ . Considerable understanding of these questions emerged recently. One can generalize modular invariance to fractional modular invariance for Riemann surfaces possessing  $Z_n$  symmetry and perform a similar generalization for theta functions and elementary particle vacuum functionals. In particular, without any further assumptions  $n = 2$  dark fermions have only three families. The existence of space-time correlate for fermionic 2-valuedness suggests that fermions indeed correspond to  $n = 2$ , or more generally to even values of  $n$ , so that this result would hold quite generally. Elementary bosons (actually exotic particles) would correspond to  $n = 1$ , and more generally odd values of  $n$ , and could have also higher families.

### 4.6.1 Connection between Hurwitz zetas, quantum groups, and hierarchy of Planck constants?

The action of modular group  $SL(2,Z)$  on Riemann zeta [A22] is induced by its action on theta function [A28]. The action of the generator  $\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$  on theta function is essential in providing the functional equation for Riemann Zeta. Usually the action of the generator  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$  on Zeta is not considered explicitly. The surprise was that the action of the generator  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$  on Riemann Zeta does not give back Riemann zeta but a more general function known as Hurwitz zeta  $\zeta(s, z)$  for  $z = 1/2$ . One finds that Hurwitz zetas for certain rational values of argument define in a well defined sense representations of fractional modular group to which quantum group can be assigned naturally. This could allow to code the value of the quantum phase  $q = exp(i2\pi/n)$  to the solution spectrum of the modified Dirac operator  $D$ .

#### Hurwitz zetas

Hurwitz zeta is obtained by replacing integers  $m$  with  $m + z$  in the defining sum formula for Riemann Zeta:

$$\zeta(s, z) = \sum_m (m + z)^{-s} . \quad (4.6.1)$$

Riemann zeta results for  $z = n$ .

Hurwitz zeta obeys the following functional equation for rational  $z = m/n$  of the second argument [A9]:

$$\zeta(1 - s, \frac{m}{n}) = \frac{2\Gamma(s)}{2\pi n} \sum_{k=1}^n \cos(\frac{\pi s}{2} - \frac{2\pi km}{n}) \zeta(s, \frac{k}{n}) . \quad (4.6.2)$$

The representation of Hurwitz zeta in terms of  $\theta$  [A9] is given by the equation

$$\int_0^\infty [\theta(z, it) - 1] t^{s/2} \frac{dt}{t} = \pi^{(1-s)/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{1-s}{2}\right) [\zeta(1-s, z) + \zeta(1-s, 1-z)] . \quad (4.6.3)$$

By the periodicity of the theta function this gives for  $z = n$  Riemann zeta.

### The action of $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$ transforms $\zeta(s, 0)$ to $\zeta(s, 1/2)$

The action of the transformations  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$  on the integral representation of Riemann Zeta [A22] in terms of  $\theta$  function [A28]

$$\theta(z; \tau) - 1 = 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} [\exp(i\pi\tau)]^{n^2} \cos(2\pi n z) \quad (4.6.4)$$

is given by

$$\pi^{-s/2} \Gamma\left(\frac{s}{2}\right) \zeta(s) = \int_0^\infty [\theta(0; it) - 1] t^{s/2} \frac{dt}{t} . \quad (4.6.5)$$

Using the first formula one finds that the shift  $\tau = it \rightarrow \tau + 1$  in the argument  $\theta$  induces the shift  $\theta(0; \tau) \rightarrow \theta(1/2; \tau)$ . Hence the result is Hurwitz zeta  $\zeta(s, 1/2)$ . For  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 2$  one obtains Riemann Zeta.

Thus  $\zeta(s, 0)$  and  $\zeta(s, 1/2)$  behave like a doublet under modular transformations. Under the subgroup of modular group obtained by replacing  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$  with  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 2$  Riemann Zeta forms a singlet. The functional equation for Hurwitz zeta relates  $\zeta(1-s, 1/2)$  to  $\zeta(s, 1/2)$  and  $\zeta(s, 1) = \zeta(s, 0)$  so that also now one obtains a doublet, which is not surprising since the functional equations directly reflects the modular transformation properties of theta functions. This doublet might be the proper object to study instead of singlet if one considers full modular invariance.

### Hurwitz zetas form $n$ -plets closed under the action of fractional modular group

The inspection of the functional equation for Hurwitz zeta given above demonstrates that  $\zeta(s, m/n)$ ,  $m = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , form in a well-defined sense an  $n$ -plet under fractional modular transformations obtained by using generators  $\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$  and  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 2/n$ . The latter corresponds to the unimodular matrix  $(a, b; c, d) = (1, 2/n; 0, 1)$ . These matrices obviously form a group. Note that Riemann zeta is always one member of the multiplet containing  $n$  Hurwitz zetas.

These observations bring in mind fractionization of quantum numbers, quantum groups corresponding to the quantum phase  $q = \exp(i2\pi/n)$ , and the inclusions for hyper-finite factors of type  $II_1$  partially characterized by these quantum phases. Fractional modular group obtained using generator  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 2/n$  and Hurwitz zetas  $\zeta(s, k/n)$  could very naturally relate to these and related structures.

#### 4.6.2 Could Hurwitz zetas relate to dark matter?

These observations suggest a speculative application to quantum TGD.

#### Basic vision about dark matter

1. In TGD framework inclusions of HFFs of type  $II_1$  are directly related to the hierarchy of Planck constants involving a generalization of the notion of imbedding space obtained by gluing together copies of 8-D  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  with a discrete bundle structure  $H \rightarrow H/Z_{n_a} \times Z_{n_b}$  together along the 4-D intersections of the associated base spaces [K28]. A book like structure results and various levels of dark matter correspond to the pages of this book. One can say that elementary particles proper are maximally quantum critical and live in the 4-D intersection of these imbedding spaces whereas their "field bodies" reside at the pages of the Big Book. Note that analogous book like structures results when real and various p-adic variants of the imbedding space are glued together along common algebraic points.

2. The integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  give Planck constant as  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = n_a/n_b$ , whose most general value is a rational number. In Platonic spirit one can argue that number theoretically simple integers involving only powers of 2 and Fermat primes are favored physically. Phase transitions between different matters occur at the intersection.
3. The inclusions  $\mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{M}$  of HFFs relate also to quantum measurement theory with finite measurement resolution with  $\mathcal{N}$  defining the measurement resolution so that N-rays replace complex rays in the projection postulate and quantum space  $\mathcal{M}/\mathcal{N}$  having fractional dimension effectively replaces  $\mathcal{M}$ .
4. Geometrically the fractional modular invariance would naturally relate to the fact that Riemann surface (partonic 2-surface) can be seen as an  $n_a \times n_b$ -fold covering of its projection to the base space of  $H$ : fractional modular transformations corresponding to  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  would relate points at different sheets of the covering of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$ . This means  $Z_{n_a n_b} = Z_{n_a} \times Z_{n_b}$  conformal symmetry. This suggests that the fractionization could be a completely general phenomenon happening also for more general zeta functions.

### What about exceptional cases $n = 1$ and $n = 2$ ?

Also  $n = 1$  and  $n = 2$  are present in the hierarchy of Hurwitz zetas (singlet and doublet). They do not correspond to allowed Jones inclusion since one has  $n > 2$  for them. What could this mean?

1. It would seem that the fractionization of modular group relates to Jones inclusions ( $n > 2$ ) giving rise to fractional statistics.  $n = 2$  corresponding to the full modular group  $Sl(2, \mathbb{Z})$  could relate to the very special role of 2-valued logic, to the degeneracy of  $n = 2$  polygon in plane, to the very special role played by 2-component spinors playing exceptional role in Riemann geometry with spinor structure, and to the canonical representation of HFFs of type  $II_1$  as fermionic Fock space (spinors in the world of classical worlds). Note also that  $SU(2)$  defines the building block of compact non-commutative Lie groups and one can obtain Lie-algebra generators of Lie groups from  $n$  copies of  $SU(2)$  triplets and posing relations which distinguish the resulting algebra from a direct sum of  $SU(2)$  algebras.
2. Also  $n = 2$ -fold coverings  $M^4 \rightarrow M^4/Z_2$  and  $CP_2 \rightarrow CP_2/Z_2$  seem to make sense. One can argue that by quantum classical correspondence the spin half property of imbedding space spinors should have space-time correlate. Could  $n = 2$  coverings allow to define the space-time correlates for particles having half odd integer spin or weak isospin? If so, bosons would correspond to  $n = 1$  and fermions to  $n = 2$ . One could of course counter argue that induced spinor fields already represent fermions at space-time level and there is no need for the doubling of the representation.

The trivial group  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$  are exceptional since  $Z_1$  does not define any quantization axis and  $Z_2$  allows any quantization axis orthogonal to the line connecting two points. For  $n \geq 3$   $Z_n$  fixes the direction of quantization axis uniquely. This obviously correlates with  $n \geq 3$  for Jones inclusions.

### Dark elementary particle functionals

One might wonder what might be the dark counterparts of elementary particle vacuum functionals. Theta functions  $\theta_{[a,b]}(z, \Omega)$  with characteristic  $[a, b]$  for Riemann surface of genus  $g$  as functions of  $z$  and Teichmueller parameters  $\Omega$  are the basic building blocks of modular invariant vacuum functionals defined in the finite-dimensional moduli space whose points characterize the conformal equivalence class of the induced metric of the partonic 2-surface. Obviously, kind of spinorial variants of theta functions are in question with  $g + g$  spinor indices for genus  $g$ .

The recent case corresponds to  $g = 1$  Riemann surface (torus) so that  $a$  and  $b$  are  $g = 1$ -component vectors having values 0 or 1/2 and Hurwitz zeta corresponds to  $\theta_{[0,1/2]}$ . The four Jacobi theta functions listed in Wikipedia [A28] correspond to these thetas for torus. The values for  $a$  and  $b$  are 0 and 1 for them but this is a mere convention.

The extensions of modular group to fractional modular groups obtained by replacing integers with integers shifted by multiples of  $1/n$  suggest the existence of new kind of q-theta functions with

characteristics  $[a, b]$  with  $a$  and  $b$  being  $g$ -component vectors having fractional values  $k/n$ ,  $k = 0, 1 \dots n-1$ . There exists also a definition of  $q$ -theta functions working for  $0 \leq |q| < 1$  but not for roots of unity [A19]. The  $q$ -theta functions assigned to roots of unity would be associated with Riemann surfaces with additional  $Z_n$  conformal symmetry but not with generic Riemann surfaces and obtained by simply replacing the value range of characteristics  $[a, b]$  with the new value range in the defining formula

$$\Theta[a, b](z|\Omega) = \sum_n \exp[i\pi(n+a) \cdot \Omega \cdot (n+a) + i2\pi(n+a) \cdot (z+b)] \quad . \quad (4.6.6)$$

for theta functions. If  $Z_n$  conformal symmetry is relevant for the definition of fractional thetas it is probably so because it would make the generalized theta functions sections in a bundle with a finite fiber having  $Z_n$  action.

This hierarchy would correspond to the hierarchy of quantum groups for roots of unity and Jones inclusions and one could probably define also corresponding zeta function multiplets. These theta functions would be building blocks of the elementary particle vacuum functionals for dark variants of elementary particles invariant under fractional modular group. They would also define a hierarchy of fractal variants of number theoretic functions: it would be interesting to see what this means from the point of view of Langlands program [A13] discussed also in TGD framework [K40] involving ordinary modular invariance in an essential manner.

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### Hierarchy of Planck constants defines a hierarchy of quantum critical systems

Dark matter hierarchy corresponds to a hierarchy of conformal symmetries  $Z_n$  of partonic 2-surfaces with genus  $g \geq 1$  such that factors of  $n$  define subgroups of conformal symmetries of  $Z_n$ . By the decomposition  $Z_n = \prod_{p|n} Z_p$ , where  $p|n$  tells that  $p$  divides  $n$ , this hierarchy corresponds to an hierarchy of increasingly quantum critical systems in modular degrees of freedom. For a given prime  $p$  one has a sub-hierarchy  $Z_p, Z_{p^2} = Z_p \times Z_p$ , etc... such that the moduli at  $n+1$ :th level are contained by  $n$ :th level. In the similar manner the moduli of  $Z_n$  are sub-moduli for each prime factor of  $n$ . This mapping of integers to quantum critical systems conforms nicely with the general vision that biological evolution corresponds to the increase of quantum criticality as Planck constant increases.

The group of conformal symmetries could be also non-commutative discrete group having  $Z_n$  as a subgroup. This inspires a very short-lived conjecture that only the discrete subgroups of  $SU(2)$  allowed by Jones inclusions are possible as conformal symmetries of Riemann surfaces having  $g \geq 1$ . Besides  $Z_n$  one could have tetrahedral and icosahedral groups plus cyclic group  $Z_{2n}$  with reflection added but not  $Z_{2n+1}$  nor the symmetry group of cube. The conjecture is wrong. Consider the orbit of the subgroup of rotational group on standard sphere of  $E^3$ , put a handle at one of the orbits such that it is invariant under rotations around the axis going through the point, and apply the elements of subgroup. You obtain a Riemann surface having the subgroup as its isometries. Hence all discrete subgroups of  $SU(2)$  can act even as isometries for some value of  $g$ .

The number theoretically simple ruler-and-compass integers having as factors only first powers of Fermat primes and power of 2 would define a physically preferred sub-hierarchy of quantum criticality for which subsequent levels would correspond to powers of 2: a connection with  $p$ -adic length scale hypothesis suggests itself.

Spherical topology is exceptional since in this case the space of conformal moduli is trivial and conformal symmetries correspond to the entire  $SL(2, C)$ . This would suggest that only the fermions of lowest generation corresponding to the spherical topology are maximally quantum critical. This brings in mind Jones inclusions for which the defining subgroup equals to  $SU(2)$  and Jones index equals to  $\mathcal{M}/\mathcal{N} = 4$ . In this case all discrete subgroups of  $SU(2)$  label the inclusions. These inclusions would correspond to fiber space  $CP_2 \rightarrow CP_2/U(2)$  consisting of geodesic spheres of  $CP_2$ . In this case the discrete subgroup might correspond to a selection of a subgroup of  $SU(2) \subset SU(3)$  acting non-trivially

on the geodesic sphere. Cosmic strings  $X^2 \times Y^2 \subset M^4 \times CP_2$  having geodesic spheres of  $CP_2$  as their ends could correspond to this phase dominating the very early cosmology.

### Fermions in TGD Universe allow only three families

What is nice that if fermions correspond to  $n = 2$  dark matter with  $Z_2$  conformal symmetry as strong quantum classical correspondence suggests, the number of ordinary fermion families is three without any further assumptions. To see this suppose that also the sectors corresponding to  $M^4 \rightarrow M^4/Z_2$  and  $CP_2 \rightarrow CP_2/Z_2$  coverings are possible.  $Z_2$  conformal symmetry implies that partonic Riemann surfaces are hyper-elliptic. For genera  $g > 2$  this means that some theta functions of  $\theta_{[a,b]}$  appearing in the product of theta functions defining the vacuum functional vanish. Hence fermionic elementary particle vacuum functionals would vanish for  $g > 2$  and only 3 fermion families would be possible for  $n = 2$  dark matter.

This results can be strengthened. The existence of space-time correlate for the fermionic 2-valuedness suggests that fermions quite generally to even values of  $n$ , so that this result would hold for all fermions. Elementary bosons (actually exotic particles belonging to Kac-Moody type representations) would correspond to odd values of  $n$ , and could possess also higher families. There is a nice argument supporting this hypothesis.  $n$ -fold discretization provided by covering associated with  $H$  corresponds to discretization for angular momentum eigenstates. Minimal discretization for  $2j + 1$  states corresponds to  $n = 2j + 1$ .  $j = 1/2$  requires  $n = 2$  at least,  $j = 1$  requires  $n = 3$  at least, and so on.  $n = 2j + 1$  allows spins  $j \leq n - 1/2$ . This spin-quantum phase connection at the level of space-time correlates has counterpart for the representations of quantum  $SU(2)$ .

These rules would hold only for genuinely elementary particles corresponding to single partonic component and all bosonic particles of this kind are exotics (excitations in only "vibrational" degrees of freedom of partonic 2-surface with modular invariance eliminating quite a number of them.

## Chapter 5

# Massless States and Particle Massivation

### 5.1 Introduction

This article represents the most recent view about particle massivation in TGD framework. This topic is necessarily quite extended since many several notions and new mathematics is involved. Therefore the calculation of particle masses involves five chapters ( [K19, K45, K54, K48] of [K51] ). In the following my goal is to provide an up-to-date summary whereas the chapters are unavoidably a story about evolution of ideas.

The identification of the spectrum of light particles reduces to two tasks: the construction of massless states and the identification of the states which remain light in p-adic thermodynamics. The latter task is relatively straightforward. The thorough understanding of the massless spectrum requires however a real understanding of quantum TGD. It would be also highly desirable to understand why p-adic thermodynamics combined with p-adic length scale hypothesis works. A lot of progress has taken place in these respects during last years.

Zero energy ontology providing a detailed geometric view about bosons and fermions, the generalization of  $S$ -matrix to what I call  $M$ -matrix, the notion of finite measurement resolution characterized in terms of inclusions of von Neumann algebras, the derivation of p-adic coupling constant evolution and p-adic length scale hypothesis from the first principles, the realization that the counterpart of Higgs mechanism involves generalized eigenvalues of the modified Dirac operator: these are represent important steps of progress during last years with a direct relevance for the understanding of particle spectrum and massivation although the predictions of p-adic thermodynamics are not affected.

During 2010 a further progress took place as I wrote articles about TGD to Prespacetime journal [L4, L5, L9, L10, L7, L3, L8, L14]. These steps of progress relate closely to zero energy ontology, bosonic emergence, the realization of the importance of twistors in TGD, and to the discovery of the weak form of electric-magnetic duality. Twistor approach and the understanding of the Chern-Simons Dirac operator served as a midwife in the process giving rise to the birth of the idea that all particles at fundamental level are massless and that both ordinary elementary particles and string like objects emerge from them. Even more, one can interpret virtual particles as being composed of these massless on mass shell particles assignable to wormhole throats so that four-momentum conservation poses extremely powerful constraints on loop integrals and makes them manifestly finite.

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality led to the realization that elementary particles correspond to bound states of two wormhole throats with opposite Kähler magnetic charges with second throat carrying weak isospin compensating that of the fermion state at second wormhole throat. Both fermions and bosons correspond to wormhole contacts: in the case of fermions topological condensation generates the second wormhole throat. This means that altogether four wormhole throats are involved with both fermions, gauge bosons, and gravitons (for gravitons this is unavoidable in any case). For p-adic thermodynamics the mathematical counterpart of string corresponds to a wormhole contact with size of order  $CP_2$  size with the role of its ends played by wormhole throats at which the signature of the induced 4-metric changes. The key observation is that for massless states the throats of spin 1 particle must have opposite three-momenta so that gauge bosons are necessarily

massive, even photon and other particles usually regarded as massless must have small mass which in turn cancels infrared divergences and give hopes about exact Yangian symmetry generalizing that of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM. Besides this there is weak "stringy" contribution to the mass assignable to the magnetic flux tubes connecting the two wormhole throats at the two space-time sheets.

### 5.1.1 Physical states as representations of super-symplectic and Super Kac-Moody algebras

Physical states belong to the representation of super-symplectic algebra and Super Kac-Moody algebra assignable  $SO(2) \times SU(3) \times SU(2)_{rot} \times U(2)_{ew}$  associated with the 2-D surfaces  $X^2$  defined by the intersections of 3-D light like causal determinants with  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$ . These 2-surfaces have interpretation as partons.

It has taken considerable effort to understand the relationship between super-symplectic and super Kac-Moody algebras and there are still many uncertainties involved. What looks like the most plausible option relies on the generalization of a coset construction proposed already for years ago but given up because of the lacking understanding of how SKM and SC algebras could be lifted to the level of imbedding space. The progress in the *Physics as generalized number theory* program provided finally a justification for the coset construction.

1. Assume a generalization of the coset construction in the sense that the differences of super Kac-Moody Virasoro generators (SKMV) and super-symplectic Virasoro generators (SSV) annihilate the physical states. The interpretation is in terms of TGD counterpart for Einstein's equations realizing Equivalence Principle. Mass squared is identified as the p-adic thermal expectation value of either *SKMV* or *SSV* conformal weight (gravitational or inertial mass) in a superposition of states with *SKMV* (*SSV*) conformal weight  $n \geq 0$  annihilated by  $SKMV - SSV$ .
2. Construct first ground states with negative conformal weight annihilated by *SKMV* and *SSV* generators  $G_n, L_n, n < 0$ . Apply to these states generators of tensor factors of Super Viraroso algebras to obtain states with vanishing *SSV* and *SKMV* conformal weights. After this construct thermal states as superpositions of states obtained by applying *SKMV* generators and corresponding *SSV* generators  $G_n, L_n, n > 0$ . Assume that these states are annihilated by *SSV* and *SKMV* generators  $G_n, L_n, n > 0$  and by the differences of all *SSV* and *SKMV* generators.
3. Super-symplectic algebra represents a completely new element and in the case of hadrons the non-perturbative contribution to the mass spectrum is easiest to understand in terms of super-symplectic thermal excitations contributing roughly 70 per cent to the p-adic thermal mass of the hadron. It must be however emphasized that by SKMV-SSV duality one can regard these contributions equivalently as SKM or SC contributions.

Yangian algebras associated with the super-conformal algebras and motivated by twistorial approach generalize the super-conformal symmetry and make it multi-local in the sense that generators can act on several partonic 2-surfaces simultaneously. These partonic 2-surfaces generalize the vertices for the external massless particles in twistor Grassmann diagrams [K92]. The implications of this symmetry are yet to be deduced but one thing is clear: Yangians are tailor made for the description of massive bound states formed from several partons identified as partonic 2-surfaces. The preliminary discussion of what is involved can be found in [K92].

### 5.1.2 Particle massivation

Particle massivation can be regarded as a generation of thermal conformal weight identified as mass squared and due to a thermal mixing of a state with vanishing conformal weight with those having higher conformal weights. The observed mass squared is not p-adic thermal expectation of mass squared but that of conformal weight so that there are no problems with Lorentz invariance.

One can imagine several microscopic mechanisms of massivation. The following proposal is the winner in the fight for survival between several competing scenarios.

1. The original observation was that the pieces of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals representing elementary particles have random light-like curve as an  $M^4$  projection so that the average motion



correspond to that of massive particle. Light-like randomness gives rise to classical Virasoro conditions. This picture generalizes since the basic dynamical objects are light-like but otherwise random 3-surfaces. The identification of elementary particles developed in three steps.

- (a) Fermions are identified as light-like 3-surfaces at which the signature of induced metric of deformed  $CP_2$  type extremals changes from Euclidian to the Minkowskian signature of the background space-time sheet. Gauge bosons and Higgs correspond to wormhole contacts with light-like throats carrying fermion and antifermion quantum numbers. Gravitons correspond to pairs of wormhole contacts bound to string like object by the fluxes connecting the wormhole contacts. The randomness of the light-like 3-surfaces and associated super-conformal symmetries justify the use of thermodynamics and the question remains why this thermodynamics can be taken to be p-adic. The proposed identification of bosons means enormous simplification in thermodynamical description since all calculations reduced to the calculations to fermion level. This picture generalizes to include super-symmetry. The fermionic oscillator operators associated with the partonic 2-surfaces act as generators of badly broken SUSY and right-handed neutrino gives to the not so badly broken  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY consistent with empirical facts.
  - (b) The next step was to realize that the topological condensation of fermion generates second wormhole throat which carries momentum but no fermionic quantum numbers. This is also needed to the massivation by p-adic thermodynamics applied to the analogs of string like objects defined by wormhole throats with throats taking the role of string ends. p-Adic thermodynamics did not however allow a satisfactory understanding of the gauge bosons masses and it was clear that Higgsy contribution should be present and dominate for gauge bosons. Gauge bosons should also somehow obtain their longitudinal polarizations and here Higgs like particles indeed predicted by the basic picture suggests itself strongly.
  - (c) A further step was the discovery of the weak form of electric-magnetic duality, which led to the realization that wormhole throats possess Kähler magnetic charge so that a wormhole throat with opposite magnetic charge is needed to compensate this charge. This wormhole throat can also compensate the weak isospin of the second wormhole throat so that weak confinement and massivation results. In the case of quarks magnetic confinement might take place in hadronic rather than weak length scale. Second crucial observation was that gauge bosons are necessarily massive since the light-like momenta at two throats must correspond to opposite three-momenta so that no Higgs potential is needed. This leads to a picture in which gauge bosons eat the Higgs scalars and also photon, gluons, and gravitons develop small mass.
2. The fundamental parton level description of TGD is based on almost topological QFT for light-like 3-surfaces. Dynamics is constrained by the requirement that  $CP_2$  projection is for extremals of Chern-Simons action 2-dimensional and for off-shell states light-likeness is the only constraint. As a matter fact, the basic theory relies on the modified Dirac action associated with Chern-Simons action and Kähler action in the sense that the generalizes eigenmodes of Chern-Simons Dirac operator correspond to the zero modes of Kähler action localized to the light-like 3-surfaces representing partons. In this manner the data about the dynamics of Kähler action is feeded to the eigenvalue spectrum. Eigenvalues are interpreted as square roots of ground state conformal weights.
  3. The symmetries respecting light-likeness property give rise to Kac-Moody type algebra and super-symplectic symmetries emerge also naturally as well as  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  character of super-conformal invariance. The coset construction for super-symplectic Virasoro algebra and Super Kac-Moody algebra identified in physical sense as sub-algebra of former implies that the four-momenta assignable to the two algebras are identical. The interpretation is in terms of the identity of gravitational inertial masses and generalization of Equivalence Principle.
  4. Instead of energy, the Super Kac-Moody Virasoro (or equivalently super-symplectic) generator  $L_0$  (essentially mass squared) is thermalized in p-adic thermodynamics (and also in its real version assuming it exists). The fact that mass squared is thermal expectation of conformal weight guarantees Lorentz invariance. That mass squared, rather than energy, is a fundamental quantity at  $CP_2$  length scale is also suggested by a simple dimensional argument (Planck mass

squared is proportional to  $\hbar$  so that it should correspond to a generator of some Lie-algebra (Virasoro generator  $L_0!$ ).

5. By Equivalence Principle the thermal average of mass squared can be calculated either in terms of thermodynamics for either super-symplectic or Super Kac-Moody Virasoro algebra and p-adic thermodynamics is consistent with conformal invariance.
6. There is also a modular contribution to the mass squared, which can be estimated using elementary particle vacuum functionals in the conformal modular degrees of freedom of the partonic 2-surface. It dominates for higher genus partonic 2-surfaces. For bosons both Virasoro and modular contributions seem to be negligible and could be due to the smallness of the p-adic temperature.
7. A long standing problem has been whether coupling to Higgs boson is needed to explain gauge boson masses via a generation of Higgs vacuum expectation having possibly interpretation in terms of a coherent state. Before the detailed model for elementary particles in terms of pairs of wormhole contacts at the ends of flux tubes the picture about the situation was as follows. From the beginning it was clear that is that ground state conformal weight must be negative. Then it became clear that the ground state conformal weight need not be a negative integer. The deviation  $\Delta h$  of the total ground state conformal weight from negative integer gives rise to Higgs type contribution to the thermal mass squared and dominates in case of gauge bosons for which p-adic temperature is small. In the case of fermions this contribution to the mass squared is small. The possible Higgs vacuum expectation makes sense only at QFT limit and would be naturally proportional to  $\Delta h$  so that the coupling to Higgs would only apparently cause gauge boson massivation. It is natural to relate  $\Delta h$  to the generalized eigenvalues of Chern-Simons Dirac operator.
8. A natural identification of the non-integer contribution to the conformal weight is as Higgsy and stringy contributions to the vacuum conformal weight. In twistor approach the generalized eigenvalues of Chern-Simons Dirac operator for external particles indeed correspond to light-like momenta and when the three-momenta are opposite this gives rise to non-vanishing mass. Higgs is necessary to give longitudinal polarizations for gauge bosons and also gauge bosons usually regarded as exactly massless particles would naturally receive small mass in this manner so that Higgs would disappear completely from the spectrum. The theoretical motivation for small mass would be exact Yangian symmetry. Higgs vacuum expectation assignable to coherent state of Higgs bosons is not needed to explain the boson masses.

An important question concerns the justification of p-adic thermodynamics.

1. The underlying philosophy is that real number based TGD can be algebraically continued to various p-adic number fields. This gives justification for the use of p-adic thermodynamics although the mapping of p-adic thermal expectations to real counterparts is not completely unique. The physical justification for p-adic thermodynamics is effective p-adic topology characterizing the 3-surface: this is the case if real variant of light-like 3-surface has large number of common algebraic points with its p-adic counterpart obeying same algebraic equations but in different number field. In fact, there is a theorem stating that for rational surfaces the number of rational points is finite and rational (more generally algebraic points) would naturally define the notion of number theoretic braid essential for the realization of number theoretic universality.
2. The most natural option is that the descriptions in terms of both real and p-adic thermodynamics make sense and are consistent. This option indeed makes if the number of generalized eigen modes of modified Dirac operator is finite. This is indeed the case if one accepts periodic boundary conditions for the Chern-Simons Dirac operator. In fact, the solutions are localized at the strands of braids [K29]. This makes sense because the theory has hydrodynamic interpretation [K29]. This reduces  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  to finite SUSY and realizes finite measurement resolution as an inherent property of dynamics.

The finite number of fermionic oscillator operators implies an effective cutoff in the number conformal weights so that conformal algebras reduce to finite-dimensional algebras. The first guess would be that integer label for oscillator operators becomes a number in finite field for

some prime. This means that one can calculate mass squared also by using real thermodynamics but the consistency with p-adic thermodynamics gives extremely strong number theoretical constraints on mass scale. This consistency condition allows also to solve the problem how to map a negative ground state conformal weight to its p-adic counterpart. Negative conformal weight is divided into a negative half odd integer part plus positive part  $\Delta h$ , and negative part corresponds as such to p-adic integer whereas positive part is mapped to p-adic number by canonical identification.

p-Adic thermodynamics is what gives to this approach its predictive power.

1. p-Adic temperature is quantized by purely number theoretical constraints (Boltzmann weight  $\exp(-E/kT)$  is replaced with  $p^{L_0/T_p}$ ,  $1/T_p$  integer) and fermions correspond to  $T_p = 1$  whereas  $T_p = 1/n$ ,  $n > 1$ , seems to be the only reasonable choice for gauge bosons.
2. p-Adic thermodynamics forces to conclude that  $CP_2$  radius is essentially the p-adic length scale  $R \sim L$  and thus of order  $R \simeq 10^{3.5} \sqrt{\hbar G}$  and therefore roughly  $10^{3.5}$  times larger than the naive guess. Hence p-adic thermodynamics describes the mixing of states with vanishing conformal weights with their Super Kac-Moody Virasoro excitations having masses of order  $10^{-3.5}$  Planck mass.

### 5.1.3 What next?

The successes of p-adic mass calculations are basically due to the power of super-conformal symmetries and of number theory. One cannot deny that the description of the Higgsey aspects of massivation and of hadrons involves phenomenological elements. There are however excellent hopes that it might be possible some day to calculate everything from first principles. The non-local Yangian symmetry generalizing the super-conformal algebras suggests itself strongly as a fundamental symmetry of quantum TGD. The generalized of the Yangian symmetry replaces points with partonic 2-surfaces being multi-local with respect to them, and leads to general formulas for multi-local operators representing four-momenta and other conserved charges of composite states. In TGD framework even elementary particles involve two wormhole contacts having each two wormhole throats identified as the fundamental partonic entities. Therefore Yangian approach would naturally define the first principle approach to the understanding of masses of elementary particles and their bound states (say hadrons). The power of this extended symmetry might be enough to deduce universal mass formulas. One of the future challenges would therefore be the mathematical and physical understanding of Yangian symmetry. This would however require the contributions of professional mathematicians.

## 5.2 Identification of elementary particles

### 5.2.1 Partons as wormhole throats and particles as bound states of wormhole contacts

The assumption that partonic 2-surfaces correspond to representations of Super Virasoro algebra has been an unchallenged assumption of the p-adic mass calculations for a long time although one might argue that these objects do not possess stringy characteristics, in particular they do not possess two ends. The progress in the understanding of the modified Dirac equation and the introduction of the weak form of electric magnetic duality [K29] however forces to modify the picture about the origin of the string mass spectrum.

1. The weak form of electric-magnetic duality, the basic facts about modified Dirac equation and the proposed twistorialization of quantum TGD [K92] force to conclude that both strings and bosons and their super-counterparts emerge from massless fermions moving collinearly at partonic two-surfaces. Stringy mass spectrum is consistent with this only if p-adic thermodynamics describes wormhole contacts as analogs of stringy objects having quantum numbers at the throats playing the role of string ends. For instance, the three-momenta of massless wormhole throats could be in opposite direction so that wormhole contact would become massive. The fundamental string like objects would therefore correspond to the wormhole contacts with size scale of order  $CP_2$  length.

Already these objects must have a correct correlation between color and electroweak quantum numbers. The colored super-generators taking care that anomalous color is compensated can be assigned with purely bosonic quanta associated with the wormhole throats which carry no fermion number.

2. Second modification comes from the necessity to assume weak confinement in the sense that each wormhole throat carrying fermionic numbers is accompanied by a second wormhole throat carrying neutrino pair cancelling the net weak isospin so that only electromagnetic charge remains unscreened. This screening must take place in weak length scale so that ordinary elementary particles are predicted to be string like objects. This string tension has however nothing to do with the fundamental string tension responsible for the mass spectrum. This picture is forced also by the fact that fermionic wormhole throats necessarily carry Kähler magnetic charge [K29] so that in the case of leptons the second wormhole throat must carry a compensating Kähler magnetic charge. In the case of quarks one can consider the possibility that magnetic charges are not neutralized completely in weak scale and that the compensation occurs in QCD length scale so that Kähler magnetic confinement would accompany color confinement. This means color magnetic confinement since classical color gauge fields are proportional to induced Kähler field.

These modifications do not seem to appreciably affect the results of calculations, which depend only on the number of tensor factors in super Virasoro representation, they are not taken explicitly into account in the calculations. The predictions of the general theory are consistent with the earliest mass calculations, and the earlier ad hoc parameters disappear. In particular, optimal lowest order predictions for the charged lepton masses are obtained and photon, gluon and graviton appear as essentially massless particles. What is new is the possibility to describe the massivation of gauge bosons by including the contribution from the string tension of weak string like objects: weak boson masses have indeed been the trouble makers and have forced to conclude that Higgs expectation might be needed unless some other mechanism contributes to the conformal vacuum weight of the ground state.

### 5.2.2 Family replication phenomenon topologically

One of the basic ideas of TGD approach has been genus-generation correspondence: boundary components of the 3-surface should be carriers of elementary particle numbers and the observed particle families should correspond to various boundary topologies.

With the advent of zero energy ontology this picture changed somewhat. It is the wormhole throats identified as light-like 3-surfaces at which with the induced metric of the space-time surface changes its signature from Minkowskian to Euclidian, which correspond to the light-like orbits of partonic 2-surfaces. One cannot of course exclude the possibility that also boundary components could allow to satisfy boundary conditions without assuming vacuum extremal property of nearby space-time surface. The intersections of the wormhole throats with the light-like boundaries of causal diamonds ( $CD$ s) identified as intersections of future and past directed light cones ( $CD \times CP_2$  is actually in question but I will speak about  $CD$ s) define special partonic 2-surfaces and it is the moduli of these partonic 2-surfaces which appear in the elementary particle vacuum functionals naturally.

The first modification of the original simple picture comes from the identification of physical particles as bound states of pairs of wormhole contacts and from the assumption that for generalized Feynman diagrams stringy trouser vertices are replaced with vertices at which the ends of light-like wormhole throats meet. In this picture the interpretation of the analog of trouser vertex is in terms of propagation of same particle along two different paths. This interpretation is mathematically natural since vertices correspond to 2-manifolds rather than singular 2-manifolds which are just splitting to two disjoint components. Second complication comes from the weak form of electric-magnetic duality forcing to identify physical particles as weak strings with magnetic monopoles at their ends and one should understand also the possible complications caused by this generalization.

These modifications force to consider several options concerning the identification of light fermions and bosons and one can end up with a unique identification only by making some assumptions. Masslessness of all wormhole throats- also those appearing in internal lines- and dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry for particle generations are attractive general enough assumptions of this kind. This means that bosons and their super-partners correspond to wormhole contacts with fermion and antifermion

at the throats of the contact. Free fermions and their superpartners could correspond to  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals with single wormhole throat. It turns however that dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry forces to identify massive (and possibly topologically condensed) fermions as  $(g, g)$  type wormhole contacts.

### Do free fermions correspond to single wormhole throat or $(g, g)$ wormhole?

The original interpretation of genus-generation correspondence was that free fermions correspond to wormhole throats characterized by genus. The idea of  $SU(3)$  as a dynamical symmetry suggested that gauge bosons correspond to octet and singlet representations of  $SU(3)$ . The further idea that all lines of generalized Feynman diagrams are massless poses a strong additional constraint and it is not clear whether this proposal as such survives.

1. Twistorial program assumes that fundamental objects are massless wormhole throats carrying collinearly moving many-fermion states and also bosonic excitations generated by supersymplectic algebra. In the following consideration only purely bosonic and single fermion throats are considered since they are the basic building blocks of physical particles. The reason is that propagators for high excitations behave like  $p^{-n}$ ,  $n$  the number of fermions associated with the wormhole throat. Therefore single throat allows only spins 0, 1/2, 1 as elementary particles in the usual sense of the word.
2. The identification of massive fermions (as opposed to free massless fermions) as wormhole contacts follows if one requires that fundamental building blocks are massless since at least two massless throats are required to have a massive state. Therefore the conformal excitations with  $CP_2$  mass scale should be assignable to wormhole contacts also in the case of fermions. As already noticed this is not the end of the story: weak strings are required by the weak form of electric-magnetic duality.
3. If free fermions corresponding to single wormhole throat, topological condensation is an essential element of the formation of stringy states. The topological condensation of fermions by topological sum (fermionic  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal touches another space-time sheet) suggest  $(g, 0)$  wormhole contact. Note however that the identification of wormhole throat is as 3-surface at which the signature of the induced metric changes so that this conclusion might be wrong. One can indeed consider also the possibility of  $(g, g)$  pairs as an outcome of topological condensation. This is suggested also by the idea that wormhole throats are analogous to string like objects and only this option turns out to be consistent with the  $BFF$  vertex based on the requirement of dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry to be discussed later. The structure of reaction vertices makes it possible to interpret  $(g, g)$  pairs as  $SU(3)$  triplet. If bosons are obtained as fusion of fermionic and antifermionic throats (touching of corresponding  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals) they correspond naturally to  $(g_1, g_2)$  pairs.
4. p-Adic mass calculations distinguish between fermions and bosons and the identification of fermions and bosons should be consistent with this difference. The maximal p-adic temperature  $T = 1$  for fermions could relate to the weakness of the interaction of the fermionic wormhole throat with the wormhole throat resulting in topological condensation. This wormhole throat would however carry momentum and 3-momentum would in general be non-parallel to that of the fermion, most naturally in the opposite direction.

p-Adic mass calculations suggest strongly that for bosons p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n$ ,  $n > 1$ , so that thermodynamical contribution to the mass squared is negligible. The low p-adic temperature could be due to the strong interaction between fermionic and antifermionic wormhole throat leading to the "freezing" of the conformal degrees of freedom related to the relative motion of wormhole throats.

5. The weak form of electric-magnetic duality forces second wormhole throat with opposite magnetic charge and the light-like momenta could sum up to massive momentum. In this case string tension corresponds to electroweak length scale. Therefore p-adic thermodynamics must be assigned to wormhole contacts and these appear as basic units connected by Kähler magnetic flux tube pairs at the two space-time sheets involved. Weak stringy degrees of freedom are however

expected to give additional contribution to the mass, perhaps by modifying the ground state conformal weight.

### Dynamical $SU(3)$ fixes the identification of fermions and bosons and fundamental interaction vertices

For 3 light fermion families  $SU(3)$  suggests itself as a dynamical symmetry with fermions in fundamental  $N = 3$ -dimensional representation and  $N \times N = 9$  bosons in the adjoint representation and singlet representation. The known gauge bosons have same couplings to fermionic families so that they must correspond to the singlet representation. The first challenge is to understand whether it is possible to have dynamical  $SU(3)$  at the level of fundamental reaction vertices.

This is a highly non-trivial constraint. For instance, the vertices in which  $n$  wormhole throats with same  $(g_1, g_2)$  glued along the ends of lines are not consistent with this symmetry. The splitting of the fermionic worm-hole contacts before the proper vertices for throats might however allow the realization of dynamical  $SU(3)$ . The condition of  $SU(3)$  symmetry combined with the requirement that virtual lines resulting also in the splitting of wormhole contacts are always massless, leads to the conclusion that massive fermions correspond to  $(g, g)$  type wormhole contacts transforming naturally like  $SU(3)$  triplet. This picture conforms with the identification of free fermions as throats but not with the naive expectation that their topological condensation gives rise to  $(g, 0)$  wormhole contact.

The argument leading to these conclusions runs as follows.

1. The question is what basic reaction vertices are allowed by dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry.  $FFB$  vertices are in principle all that is needed and they should obey the dynamical symmetry. The meeting of entire wormhole contacts along their ends is certainly not possible. The splitting of fermionic wormhole contacts before the vertices might be however consistent with  $SU(3)$  symmetry. This would give two a pair of 3-vertices at which three wormhole lines meet along partonic 2-surfaces (rather than along 3-D wormhole contacts).
2. Note first that crossing gives all possible reaction vertices of this kind from  $F(g_1)\bar{F}(g_2) \rightarrow B(g_1, g_2)$  annihilation vertex, which is relatively easy to visualize. In this reaction  $F(g_1)$  and  $\bar{F}(g_2)$  wormhole contacts split first. If one requires that all wormhole throats involved are massless, the two wormhole throats resulting in splitting and carrying no fermion number must carry light-like momentum so that they cannot just disappear. The ends of the wormhole throats of the boson must be glued together with the end of the fermionic wormhole throat and its companion generated in the splitting of the wormhole. This means that fermionic wormhole first splits and the resulting throats meet at the partonic 2-surface.

his requires that topologically condensed fermions correspond to  $(g, g)$  pairs rather than  $(g, 0)$  pairs. The reaction mechanism allows the interpretation of  $(g, g)$  pairs as a triplet of dynamical  $SU(3)$ . The fundamental vertices would be just the splitting of wormhole contact and 3-vertices for throats since  $SU(3)$  symmetry would exclude more complex reaction vertices such as  $n$ -boson vertices corresponding the gluing of  $n$  wormhole contact lines along their 3-dimensional ends. The couplings of singlet representation for bosons would have same coupling to all fermion families so that the basic experimental constraint would be satisfied.

3. Both fermions and bosons cannot correspond to octet and singlet of  $SU(3)$ . In this case reaction vertices should correspond algebraically to the multiplication of matrix elements  $e_{ij}$ :  $e_{ij}e_{kl} = \delta_{jk}e_{il}$  allowing for instance  $F(g_1, g_2) + \bar{F}(g_2, g_3) \rightarrow B(g_1, g_3)$ . Neither the fusion of entire wormhole contacts along their ends nor the splitting of wormhole throats before the fusion of partonic 2-surfaces allows this kind of vertices so that  $BFF$  vertex is the only possible one. Also the construction of QFT limit starting from bosonic emergence led to the formulation of perturbation theory in terms of Dirac action allowing only  $BFF$  vertex as fundamental vertex [K30].
4. Weak electric-magnetic duality brings in an additional complication.  $SU(3)$  symmetry poses also now strong constraints and it would seem that the reactions must involve copies of basic  $BFF$  vertices for the pairs of ends of weak strings. The string ends with the same Kähler magnetic charge should meet at the vertex and give rise to  $BFF$  vertices. For instance,  $F\bar{F}B$  annihilation vertex would in this manner give rise to the analog of stringy diagram in which strings join along ends since two string ends disappear in the process.

If one accepts this picture the remaining question is why the number of genera is just three. Could this relate to the fact that  $g \leq 2$  Riemann surfaces are always hyper-elliptic (have global  $Z_2$  conformal symmetry) unlike  $g > 2$  surfaces? Why the complete bosonic de-localization of the light families should be restricted inside the hyper-elliptic sector? Does the  $Z_2$  conformal symmetry make these states light and make possible delocalization and dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry? Could it be that for  $g > 2$  elementary particle vacuum functionals vanish for hyper-elliptic surfaces? If this the case and if the time evolution for partonic 2-surfaces changing  $g$  commutes with  $Z_2$  symmetry then the vacuum functionals localized to  $g \leq 2$  surfaces do not disperse to  $g > 2$  sectors.

### The notion of elementary particle vacuum functional

Obviously one must know something about the dependence of the elementary particle state functionals on the geometric properties of the boundary component and in the sequel an attempt to construct what might be called elementary particle vacuum functionals, is made.

The basic assumptions underlying the construction are the following ones:

1. Elementary particle vacuum functionals depend on the geometric properties of the two-surface  $X^2$  representing elementary particle.
2. Vacuum functionals possess extended Diff invariance: all 2-surfaces on the orbit of the 2-surface  $X^2$  correspond to the same value of the vacuum functional. This condition is satisfied if vacuum functionals have as their argument, not  $X^2$  as such, but some 2-surface  $Y^2$  belonging to the unique orbit of  $X^2$  (determined by the principle selecting preferred extremal of the Kähler action as a generalized Bohr orbit [K38] ) and determined in  $Diff^3$  invariant manner.
3. Zero energy ontology allows to select uniquely the partonic two surface as the intersection of the wormhole throat at which the signature of the induced 4-metric changes with either the upper or lower boundary of  $CD \times CP_2$ . This is essential since otherwise one could not specify the vacuum functional uniquely.
4. Vacuum functionals possess conformal invariance and therefore for a given genus depend on a finite number of variables specifying the conformal equivalence class of  $Y^2$ .
5. Vacuum functionals satisfy the cluster decomposition property: when the surface  $Y^2$  degenerates to a union of two disjoint surfaces (particle decay in string model inspired picture), vacuum functional decomposes into a product of the vacuum functionals associated with disjoint surfaces.
6. Elementary particle vacuum functionals are stable against the decay  $g \rightarrow g_1 + g_2$  and one particle decay  $g \rightarrow g - 1$ . This process corresponds to genuine particle decay only for stringy diagrams. For generalized Feynman diagrams the interpretation is in terms of propagation along two different paths simultaneously.

In [K19] the construction of elementary particle vacuum functionals is described in more detail. This requires some basic concepts related to the description of the space of the conformal equivalence classes of Riemann surfaces and the concept of hyper-ellipticity. Since theta functions will play a central role in the construction of the vacuum functionals, also their basic properties are needed. Also possible explanations for the experimental absence of the higher fermion families are considered.

## 5.3 Non-topological contributions to particle masses from p-adic thermodynamics

In TGD framework p-adic thermodynamics provides a microscopic theory of particle massivation in the case of fermions. The idea is very simple. The mass of the particle results from a thermal mixing of the massless states with  $CP_2$  mass excitations of super-conformal algebra. In p-adic thermodynamics the Boltzmann weight  $\exp(-E/T)$  does not exist in general and must be replaced with  $p^{L_0/T_p}$  which exists for Virasoro generator  $L_0$  if the inverse of the p-adic temperature is integer valued  $T_p = 1/n$ . The expansion in powers of  $p$  converges extremely rapidly for physical values of  $p$ , which are rather large. Therefore the three lowest terms in expansion give practically exact results. Thermal massivation

does not not necessarily lead to light states and this drops a large number of exotic states from the spectrum of light particles. The partition functions of N-S and Ramond type representations are not changed in TGD framework despite the fact that fermionic super generators carry fermion numbers and are not Hermitian. Thus the practical calculations are relatively straightforward.

In free fermion picture the p-adic thermodynamics in the boson sector is for fermion-antifermion states associated with the two throats of the bosonic wormhole. The question is whether the thermodynamical mass squared is just the sum of the two independent fermionic contributions for Ramond representations or should one use N-S type representation resulting as a tensor product of Ramond representations.

The overall conclusion about p-adic mass calculations is that fermionic mass spectrum is predicted in an excellent accuracy but that the thermal masses of the intermediate gauge bosons come 20-30 per cent to large for  $T_p = 1$  and are completely negligible for  $T_p = 1/2$ . This forces to consider very seriously the possibility that thermal contribution to the bosonic mass is negligible and that TGD can, contrary to the original expectations, provide dynamical Higgs field as a fundamental field. The identification of Higgs as wormhole contact would provide this field. The bound state character of the boson states could be responsible for  $T_p < 1$ . For this option the Higgs contribution to fermion masses would be negligible.

A more plausible option is based on the identification of the Higgs like contribution in terms of the deviation of the ground state conformal weight from negative half integer. The negative ground state conformal weights in turn correspond to the squares of the generalized eigenvalues of the modified Dirac operator determined by the dynamics of Kähler action for preferred extremals.

A microscopic theory explaining the non-half integer contribution to the conformal weight follows from the identification of the physical elementary particles in terms of pairs of wormhole contacts with upper and lower throat pairs connected by Kähler magnetic flux tubes. This requires zero energy ontology, weak form of electric-magnetic duality, and twistor approach as theoretical ingredients. This gives also a nice connection with Higgs mechanism. TGD predicts scalar and pseudo scalar Higgs which correspond to SU(2) triplet and singlet and therefore same representations of SU(2) as electroweak gauge bosons. Higgs vacuum expectation is not needed and there are strong reasons to believe that also gauge bosons regarded usually as massless receive a small mass and scalar Higgs boson disappears completely from the spectrum. This could happen also for Higgsinos if they combine with gauginos to form massive fermions. Only pseudo scalar Higgs and its super partner would remain in the spectrum for this option unless they combine with possibly existing massless axial gauge bosons and their super partners to form massive states.

### 5.3.1 Partition functions are not changed

One must write Super Virasoro conditions for  $L_n$  and *both*  $G_n$  and  $G_n^\dagger$  rather than for  $L_n$  and  $G_n$  as in the case of the ordinary Super Virasoro algebra, and it is a priori not at all clear whether the partition functions for the Super Virasoro representations remain unchanged. This requirement is however crucial for the construction to work at all in the fermionic sector, since even the slightest changes for the degeneracies of the excited states can change light state to a state with mass of order  $m_0$  in the p-adic thermodynamics.

#### Super conformal algebra

Super Virasoro algebra is generated by the bosonic the generators  $L_n$  ( $n$  is an integer valued index) and by the fermionic generators  $G_r$ , where  $r$  can be either integer (Ramond) or half odd integer (NS).  $G_r$  creates quark/lepton for  $r > 0$  and antiquark/antilepton for  $r < 0$ . For  $r = 0$ ,  $G_0$  creates lepton and its Hermitian conjugate anti-lepton. The defining commutation and anti-commutation relations are the following:



$$\begin{aligned}
 [L_m, L_n] &= (m-n)L_{m+n} + \frac{c}{2}m(m^2-1)\delta_{m,-n} , \\
 [L_m, G_r] &= \left(\frac{m}{2} - r\right)G_{m+r} , \\
 [L_m, G_r^\dagger] &= \left(\frac{m}{2} - r\right)G_{m+r}^\dagger , \\
 \{G_r, G_s^\dagger\} &= 2L_{r+s} + \frac{c}{3}\left(r^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)\delta_{m,-n} , \\
 \{G_r, G_s\} &= 0 , \\
 \{G_r^\dagger, G_s^\dagger\} &= 0 .
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.3.1}$$

By the inspection of these relations one finds some results of a great practical importance.

1. For the Ramond algebra  $G_0, G_1$  and their Hermitian conjugates generate the  $r \geq 0, n \geq 0$  part of the algebra via anti-commutations and commutations. Therefore all what is needed is to assume that Super Virasoro conditions are satisfied for these generators in case that  $G_0$  and  $G_0^\dagger$  annihilate the ground state. Situation changes if the states are *not* annihilated by  $G_0$  and  $G_0^\dagger$  since then one must assume the gauge conditions for both  $L_1, G_1$  and  $G_1^\dagger$  besides the mass shell conditions associated with  $G_0$  and  $G_0^\dagger$ , which however do not affect the number of the Super Virasoro excitations but give mass shell condition and constraints on the state in the cm spin degrees of freedom. This will be assumed in the following. Note that for the ordinary Super Virasoro only the gauge conditions for  $L_1$  and  $G_1$  are needed.
2. NS algebra is generated by  $G_{1/2}$  and  $G_{3/2}$  and their Hermitian conjugates (note that  $G_{3/2}$  cannot be expressed as the commutator of  $L_1$  and  $G_{1/2}$ ) so that only the gauge conditions associated with these generators are needed. For the ordinary Super Virasoro only the conditions for  $G_{1/2}$  and  $G_{3/2}$  are needed.

### Conditions guaranteing that partition functions are not changed

The conditions guaranteing the invariance of the partition functions in the transition to the modified algebra must be such that they reduce the number of the excitations and gauge conditions for a given conformal weight to the same number as in the case of the ordinary Super Virasoro.

1. The requirement that physical states are invariant under  $G \leftrightarrow G^\dagger$  corresponds to the charge conjugation symmetry and is very natural. As a consequence, the gauge conditions for  $G$  and  $G^\dagger$  are not independent and their number reduces by a factor of one half and is the same as in the case of the ordinary Super Virasoro.
2. As far as the number of the thermal excitations for a given conformal weight is considered, the only remaining problem are the operators  $G_n G_n^\dagger$ , which for the ordinary Super Virasoro reduce to  $G_n G_n = L_{2n}$  and do not therefore correspond to independent degrees of freedom. In present case this situation is achieved only if one requires

$$(G_n G_n^\dagger - G_n^\dagger G_n)|phys\rangle = 0 . \tag{5.3.2}$$

It is not clear whether this condition must be posed separately or whether it actually follows from the representation of the Super Virasoro algebra automatically.

### Partition function for Ramond algebra

Under the assumptions just stated, the partition function for the Ramond states not satisfying any gauge conditions

$$Z(t) = 1 + 2t + 4t^2 + 8t^3 + 14t^4 + \dots , \tag{5.3.3}$$

which is identical to that associated with the ordinary Ramond type Super Virasoro.

For a Super Virasoro representation with  $N = 5$  sectors, of main interest in TGD, one has

$$\begin{aligned} Z_N(t) &= Z^{N=5}(t) = \sum D(n)t^n \\ &= 1 + 10t + 60t^2 + 280t^3 + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (5.3.4)$$

The degeneracies for the states satisfying gauge conditions are given by

$$d(n) = D(n) - 2D(n-1) . \quad (5.3.5)$$

corresponding to the gauge conditions for  $L_1$  and  $G_1$ . Applying this formula one obtains for  $N = 5$  sectors

$$d(0) = 1 , \quad d(1) = 8 , \quad d(2) = 40 , \quad d(3) = 160 . \quad (5.3.6)$$

The lowest order contribution to the p-adic mass squared is determined by the ratio

$$r(n) = \frac{D(n+1)}{D(n)} ,$$

where the value of  $n$  depends on the effective vacuum weight of the ground state fermion. Light state is obtained only provided the ratio is integer. The remarkable result is that for lowest lying states the ratio is integer and given by

$$r(1) = 8 , \quad r(2) = 5 , \quad r(3) = 4 . \quad (5.3.7)$$

It turns out that  $r(2) = 5$  gives the best possible lowest order prediction for the charged lepton masses and in this manner one ends up with the condition  $h_{vac} = -3$  for the tachyonic vacuum weight of Super Virasoro.

### Partition function for NS algebra

For NS representations the calculation of the degeneracies of the physical states reduces to the calculation of the partition function for a single particle Super Virasoro

$$Z_{NS}(t) = \sum_n z(n/2)t^{n/2} . \quad (5.3.8)$$

Here  $z(n/2)$  gives the number of Super Virasoro generators having conformal weight  $n/2$ . For a state with  $N$  active sectors (the sectors with a non-vanishing weight for a given ground state) the degeneracies can be read from the N-particle partition function expressible as

$$Z_N(t) = Z^N(t) . \quad (5.3.9)$$

Single particle partition function is given by the expression

$$Z(t) = 1 + t^{1/2} + t + 2t^{3/2} + 3t^2 + 4t^{5/2} + 5t^3 + \dots . \quad (5.3.10)$$

Using this representation it is an easy task to calculate the degeneracies for the operators of conformal weight  $\Delta$  acting on a state having  $N$  active sectors.

One can also derive explicit formulas for the degeneracies and calculation gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(0, N) &= 1 , & D(1/2, N) &= N , \\
 D(1, N) &= \frac{N(N+1)}{2} , & D(3/2, N) &= \frac{N}{6}(N^2 + 3N + 8) , \\
 D(2, N) &= \frac{N}{2}(N^2 + 2N + 3) , & D(5/2, N) &= 9N(N - 1) , \\
 D(3, N) &= 12N(N - 1) + 2N(N - 1) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.3.11}$$

as a function of the conformal weight  $\Delta = 0, 1/2, \dots, 3$ .

The number of states satisfying Super Virasoro gauge conditions created by the operators of a conformal weight  $\Delta$ , when the number of the active sectors is  $N$ , is given by

$$d(\Delta, N) = D(\Delta, N) - D(\Delta - 1/2, N) - D(\Delta - 3/2, N) . \tag{5.3.12}$$

The expression derives from the observation that the physical states satisfying gauge conditions for  $G^{1/2}, G^{3/2}$  satisfy the conditions for all Super Virasoro generators. For  $T_p = 1$  light bosons correspond to the integer values of  $d(\Delta + 1, N)/d(\Delta, N)$  in case that massless states correspond to thermal excitations of conformal weight  $\Delta$ : they are obtained for  $\Delta = 0$  only (massless ground state). This is what is required since the thermal degeneracy of the light boson ground state would imply a corresponding factor in the energy density of the black body radiation at very high temperatures. For the physically most interesting nontrivial case with  $N = 2$  two active sectors the degeneracies are

$$d(0, 2) = 1 , \quad d(1, 2) = 1 , \quad d(2, 2) = 3 , \quad d(3, 2) = 4 . \tag{5.3.13}$$

$N, \Delta$	0	1/2	1	3/2	2	5/2	3
2	1	1	1	3	3	4	4
3	1	2	3	9	11		
4	1	3	5	19	26		
5	1	4	10	24	150		

Table 3. Degeneracies  $d(\Delta, N)$  of the operators satisfying NS type gauge conditions as a function of the number  $N$  of the active sectors and of the conformal weight  $\Delta$  of the operator. Only those degeneracies, which are needed in the mass calculation for bosons assuming that they correspond to N-S representations are listed.

### 5.3.2 Fundamental length and mass scales

The basic difference between quantum TGD and super-string models is that the size of  $CP_2$  is not of order Planck length but much larger: of order  $10^{3.5}$  Planck lengths. This conclusion is forced by several consistency arguments, the mass scale of electron, and by the cosmological data allowing to fix the string tension of the cosmic strings which are basic structures in TGD inspired cosmology.

#### The relationship between $CP_2$ radius and fundamental p-adic length scale

One can relate  $CP_2$  'cosmological constant' to the p-adic mass scale: for  $k_L = 1$  one has

$$m_0^2 = \frac{m_1^2}{k_L} = m_1^2 = 2\Lambda . \tag{5.3.14}$$

$k_L = 1$  results also by requiring that p-adic thermodynamics leaves charged leptons light and leads to optimal lowest order prediction for the charged lepton masses.  $\Lambda$  denotes the 'cosmological constant' of  $CP_2$  ( $CP_2$  satisfies Einstein equations  $G^{\alpha\beta} = \Lambda g^{\alpha\beta}$  with cosmological term).

The real counterpart of the p-adic thermal expectation for the mass squared is sensitive to the choice of the unit of p-adic mass squared which is by definition mapped as such to the real unit in canonical identification. Thus an important factor in the p-adic mass calculations is the correct identification of the p-adic mass squared scale, which corresponds to the mass squared unit and hence to the unit of the p-adic numbers. This choice does not affect the spectrum of massless states but can affect the spectrum of light states in case of intermediate gauge bosons.

1. For the choice

$$M^2 = m_0^2 \leftrightarrow 1 \tag{5.3.15}$$

the spectrum of  $L_0$  is integer valued.

2. The requirement that all sufficiently small mass squared values for the color partial waves are mapped to real integers, would fix the value of p-adic mass squared unit to

$$M^2 = \frac{m_0^2}{3} \leftrightarrow 1 . \tag{5.3.16}$$

For this choice the spectrum of  $L_0$  comes in multiples of 3 and it is possible to have a first order contribution to the mass which cannot be of thermal origin (say  $m^2 = p$ ). This indeed seems to happen for electro-weak gauge bosons.

p-Adic mass calculations allow to relate  $m_0$  to electron mass and to Planck mass by the formula

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m_0}{m_{Pl}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5 + Y_e}} \times 2^{127/2} \times \frac{m_e}{m_{Pl}} , \\ m_{Pl} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\hbar G}} . \end{aligned} \tag{5.3.17}$$

For  $Y_e = 0$  this gives  $m_0 = .2437 \times 10^{-3} m_{Pl}$ .

This means that  $CP_2$  radius  $R$  defined by the length  $L = 2\pi R$  of  $CP_2$  geodesic is roughly  $10^{3.5}$  times the Planck length. More precisely, using the relationship

$$\Lambda = \frac{3}{2R^2} = M^2 = m_0^2 ,$$

one obtains for

$$L = 2\pi R = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{m_0} \simeq 3.1167 \times 10^4 \sqrt{\hbar G} \text{ for } Y_e = 0 . \tag{5.3.18}$$

The result came as a surprise: the first belief was that  $CP_2$  radius is of order Planck length. It has however turned out that the new identification solved elegantly some long standing problems of TGD.

$Y_e$	0	.5	.7798
$(m_0/m_{Pl})10^3$	.2437	.2323	.2266
$K_R \times 10^{-7}$	2.5262	2.7788	2.9202
$(L_R/\sqrt{\hbar G}) \times 10^{-4}$	3.1580	3.3122	3.3954
$K \times 10^{-7}$	2.4606	2.4606	2.4606
$(L/\sqrt{\hbar G}) \times 10^{-4}$	3.1167	3.1167	3.1167
$K_R/K$	1.0267	1.1293	1.1868

Table 1. Table gives the values of the ratio  $K_R = R^2/G$  and  $CP_2$  geodesic length  $L = 2\pi R$  for  $Y_e \in \{0, 0.5, 0.7798\}$ . Also the ratio of  $K_R/K$ , where  $K = 2 \times 3 \times 5 \times 7 \times 11 \times 13 \times 17 \times 19 \times 23 \times 2^{-3} * (15/17)$  is rational number producing  $R^2/G$  approximately is given.

The value of top quark mass favors  $Y_e = 0$  and  $Y_e = .5$  is largest value of  $Y_e$  marginally consistent with the limits on the value of top quark mass.

### $CP_2$ radius as the fundamental p-adic length scale

The identification of  $CP_2$  radius as the fundamental p-adic length scale is forced by the Super Virasoro invariance. The pleasant surprise was that the identification of the  $CP_2$  size as the fundamental p-adic length scale rather than Planck length solved many long standing problems of older TGD.

1. The earliest formulation predicted cosmic strings with a string tension larger than the critical value giving the angle deficit  $2\pi$  in Einstein's equations and thus excluded by General Relativity. The corrected value of  $CP_2$  radius predicts the value  $k/G$  for the cosmic string tension with  $k$  in the range  $10^{-7} - 10^{-6}$  as required by the TGD inspired model for the galaxy formation solving the galactic dark matter problem.
2. In the earlier formulation there was no idea as how to derive the p-adic length scale  $L \sim 10^{3.5} \sqrt{\hbar G}$  from the basic theory. Now this problem becomes trivial and one has to predict gravitational constant in terms of the p-adic length scale. This follows in principle as a prediction of quantum TGD. In fact, one can deduce  $G$  in terms of the p-adic length scale and the action exponential associated with the  $CP_2$  extremal and gets a correct value if  $\alpha_K$  approaches fine structure constant at electron length scale (due to the fact that electromagnetic field equals to the Kähler field if  $Z^0$  field vanishes).

Besides this, one obtains a precise prediction for the dependence of the Kähler coupling strength on the p-adic length scale by requiring that the gravitational coupling does not depend on the p-adic length scale. p-Adic prime  $p$  in turn has a nice physical interpretation: the critical value of  $\alpha_K$  is same for the zero modes with given  $p$ . As already found, the construction of graviton state allows to understand the small value of the gravitational constant in terms of a de-coherence caused by multi-p fractality reducing the value of the gravitational constant from  $L_p^2$  to  $G$ .

3. p-Adic length scale is also the length scale at which super-symmetry should be restored in standard super-symmetric theories. In TGD this scale corresponds to the transition to Euclidian field theory for  $CP_2$  type extremals. There are strong reasons to believe that sparticles are however absent and that super-symmetry is present only in the sense that super-generators have complex conformal weights with  $Re(h) = \pm 1/2$  rather than  $h = 0$ . The action of this super-symmetry changes the mass of the state by an amount of order  $CP_2$  mass.

### 5.3.3 Color degrees of freedom

The ground states for the Super Virasoro representations correspond to spinor harmonics in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  characterized by momentum and color quantum numbers. The correlation between color and electro-weak quantum numbers is wrong for the spinor harmonics and these states would be also hyper-massive. The super-symplectic generators allow to build color triplet states having negative vacuum conformal weights, and their values are such that p-adic massivation is consistent with the predictions of the earlier model differing from the recent one in the quark sector. In the following the construction and the properties of the color partial waves for fermions and bosons are considered. The discussion follows closely to the discussion of [A58].

### SKM algebra and counterpart of Super Virasoro conditions

The geometric part of SKM algebra is defined as an algebra respecting the light-likeness of the partonic 3-surface. It consists of  $X^3$ -local conformal transformations of  $M_{\pm}^4$  and  $SU(3)$ -local  $SU(3)$  rotations. The requirement that generators have well defined radial conformal weight with respect to the lightlike coordinate  $r$  of  $X^3$  restricts  $M^4$  conformal transformations to the group  $SO(3) \times E^3$ . This involves choice of preferred time coordinate. If the preferred  $M^4$  coordinate is chosen to correspond to a preferred light-like direction in  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  characterizing the theory, a reduction to  $SO(2) \times E^2$  more familiar from string models occurs. The algebra decomposes into a direct sum of sub-algebras mapped to themselves by the Kac-Moody algebra generated by functions depending on  $r$  only. SKM algebra contains also  $U(2)_{ew}$  Kac-Moody algebra acting as holonomies of  $CP_2$  and having no bosonic counterpart.

p-Adic mass calculations require  $N = 5$  sectors of super-conformal algebra. These sectors correspond to the 5 tensor factors for the  $SO(3) \times E^3 \times SU(3) \times U(2)_{ew}$  (or  $SO(2) \times E^2 \times SU(3) \times U(2)_{ew}$ ) decomposition of the SKM algebra to gauge symmetries of gravitation, color and electro-weak interactions. These symmetries act on the intersections  $X^2 = X_l^3 \cap X^7$  of 3-D light like causal determinants

(CDs)  $X_l^3$  and 7-D light like CDs  $X^7 = \delta M_+^4 \times CP_2$ . This constraint leaves only the 2 transversal  $M^4$  degrees of freedom since the translations in light like directions associated with  $X_l^3$  and  $\delta M_+^4$  are eliminated.

The algebra differs from the standard one in that super generators  $G(z)$  carry lepton and quark numbers are not Hermitian as in super-string models (Majorana conditions are not satisfied). The counterparts of Ramond representations correspond to zero modes of a second quantized spinor field with vanishing radial conformal weight. Non-zero modes with generalized eigenvalues  $\lambda = 1/2 + iy$ ,  $y = \sum_k n_k y_k$ ,  $n_k \geq 0$ , of the modified Dirac operator with  $s_k = 1/2 + iy_k$  a zero or Riemann Zeta, define ground states of N-S type super Virasoro representations.

What is new is the imaginary part of conformal weight which means that the arrow of geometric time manifests itself via the sign of the imaginary part  $y$  already at elementary particle level. More concretely, positive energy particle propagating to the geometric future is not equivalent with negative energy particle propagating to the geometric past. The strange properties of the phase conjugate provide concrete physical demonstration of this difference. p-Adic mass calculations suggest the interpretation of  $y$  in terms of a decay width of the particle.

The Ramond or N-S type Virasoro conditions satisfied by the physical states in string model approach are replaced by the formulas expressing mass squared as a conformal weight. The condition is not equivalent with super Virasoro conditions since four-momentum does not appear in super Virasoro generators. It seems possible to assume that the commutator algebra  $[SKM, SC]$  and the commutator of  $[SKMV, SSV]$  of corresponding Super Virasoro algebras annihilate physical states. This would give rise to the analog of Super Virasoro conditions which could be seen as a Dirac equation in the world of classical worlds.

### 1. $CP_2$ CM degrees of freedom

Important element in the discussion are center of mass degrees of freedom parameterized by imbedding space coordinates. By the effective 2-dimensionality it is indeed possible to assign to partons momenta and color partial waves and they behave effectively as free particles. In fact, the technical problem of the earlier scenario was that it was not possible to assign symmetry transformations acting only on the boundary components of 3-surface.

One can assign to each eigen state of color quantum numbers a color partial wave in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom. Thus color quantum numbers are not spin like quantum numbers in TGD framework except effectively in the length scales much longer than  $CP_2$  length scale. The correlation between color partial waves and electro-weak quantum numbers is not physical in general: only the covariantly constant right handed neutrino has vanishing color.

### 2. Mass formula, and condition determining the effective string tension

Mass squared eigenvalues are given by

$$M^2 = m_{CP_2}^2 + kL_0 . \quad (5.3.19)$$

The contribution of  $CP_2$  spinor Laplacian to the mass squared operator is in general not integer valued.

The requirement that mass squared spectrum is integer valued for color partial waves possibly representing light states fixes the possible values of  $k$  determining the effective string tension modulo integer. The value  $k = 1$  is the only possible choice. The earlier choice  $k_L = 1$  and  $k_q = 2/3$ ,  $k_B = 1$  gave integer conformal weights for the lowest possible color partial waves. The assumption that the total vacuum weight  $h_{vac}$  is conserved in particle vertices implied  $k_B = 1$ .

## General construction of solutions of Dirac operator of $H$

The construction of the solutions of massless spinor and other d'Alembertians in  $M_+^4 \times CP_2$  is based on the following observations.

1. d'Alembertian corresponds to a massless wave equation  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and thus Kaluza-Klein picture applies, that is  $M_+^4$  mass is generated from the momentum in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom. This implies mass quantization:

$$M^2 = M_n^2 ,$$

where  $M_n^2$  are eigenvalues of  $CP_2$  Laplacian. Here of course, ordinary field theory is considered. In TGD the vacuum weight changes mass squared spectrum.

2. In order to get a respectable spinor structure in  $CP_2$  one must couple  $CP_2$  spinors to an odd integer multiple of the Kähler potential. Leptons and quarks correspond to  $n = 3$  and  $n = 1$  couplings respectively. The spectrum of the electromagnetic charge comes out correctly for leptons and quarks.
3. Right handed neutrino is covariantly constant solution of  $CP_2$  Laplacian for  $n = 3$  coupling to Kähler potential whereas right handed 'electron' corresponds to the covariantly constant solution for  $n = -3$ . From the covariant constancy it follows that all solutions of the spinor Laplacian are obtained from these two basic solutions by multiplying with an appropriate solution of the scalar Laplacian coupled to Kähler potential with such a coupling that a correct total Kähler charge results. Left handed solutions of spinor Laplacian are obtained simply by multiplying right handed solutions with  $CP_2$  Dirac operator: in this operation the eigenvalues of the mass squared operator are obviously preserved.
4. The remaining task is to solve scalar Laplacian coupled to an arbitrary integer multiple of Kähler potential. This can be achieved by noticing that the solutions of the massive  $CP_2$  Laplacian can be regarded as solutions of  $S^5$  scalar Laplacian.  $S^5$  can indeed be regarded as a circle bundle over  $CP_2$  and massive solutions of  $CP_2$  Laplacian correspond to the solutions of  $S^5$  Laplacian with  $exp(is\tau)$  dependence on  $S^1$  coordinate such that  $s$  corresponds to the coupling to the Kähler potential:

$$s = n/2 .$$

Thus one obtains

$$D_5^2 = (D_\mu - iA_\mu \partial_\tau)(D^\mu - iA^\mu \partial_\tau) + \partial_\tau^2 \quad (5.3.20)$$

so that the eigen values of  $CP_2$  scalar Laplacian are

$$m^2(s) = m_5^2 + s^2 \quad (5.3.21)$$

for the assumed dependence on  $\tau$ .

5. What remains to do, is to find the spectrum of  $S^5$  Laplacian and this is an easy task. All solutions of  $S^5$  Laplacian can be written as homogenous polynomial functions of  $C^3$  complex coordinates  $Z^k$  and their complex conjugates and have a decomposition into the representations of  $SU(3)$  acting in natural manner in  $C^3$ .
6. The solutions of the scalar Laplacian belong to the representations  $(p, p + s)$  for  $s \geq 0$  and to the representations  $(p + |s|, p)$  of  $SU(3)$  for  $s \leq 0$ . The eigenvalues  $m^2(s)$  and degeneracies  $d$  are

$$\begin{aligned} m^2(s) &= \frac{2\Lambda}{3}[p^2 + (|s| + 2)p + |s|] , \quad p > 0 , \\ d &= \frac{1}{2}(p + 1)(p + |s| + 1)(2p + |s| + 2) . \end{aligned} \quad (5.3.22)$$

$\Lambda$  denotes the 'cosmological constant' of  $CP_2$  ( $R_{ij} = \Lambda s_{ij}$ ).

### Solutions of the leptonic spinor Laplacian

Right handed solutions of the leptonic spinor Laplacian are obtained from the ansatz of form

$$\nu_R = \Phi_{s=0} \nu_R^0 ,$$

where  $u_R$  is covariantly constant right handed neutrino and  $\Phi$  scalar with vanishing Kähler charge. Right handed 'electron' is obtained from the ansatz

$$e_R = \Phi_{s=3} e_R^0 ,$$

where  $e_R^0$  is covariantly constant for  $n = -3$  coupling to Kähler potential so that scalar function must have Kähler coupling  $s = n/2 = 3$  in order to get a correct Kähler charge. The d'Alembert equation reduces to

$$\begin{aligned} (D_\mu D^\mu - (1 - \epsilon)\Lambda)\Phi &= -m^2\Phi , \\ \epsilon(\nu) &= 1 , \quad \epsilon(e) = -1 . \end{aligned} \tag{5.3.23}$$

The two additional terms correspond to the curvature scalar term and  $J_{kl}\Sigma^{kl}$  terms in spinor Laplacian. The latter term is proportional to Kähler coupling and of different sign for  $\nu$  and  $e$ , which explains the presence of the sign factor  $\epsilon$  in the formula.

Right handed neutrinos correspond to  $(p, p)$  states with  $p \geq 0$  with mass spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} m^2(\nu) &= \frac{m_1^2}{3} [p^2 + 2p] , \quad p \geq 0 , \\ m_1^2 &\equiv 2\Lambda . \end{aligned} \tag{5.3.24}$$

Right handed 'electrons' correspond to  $(p, p+3)$  states with mass spectrum

$$m^2(e) = \frac{m_1^2}{3} [p^2 + 5p + 6] , \quad p \geq 0 . \tag{5.3.25}$$

Left handed solutions are obtained by operating with  $CP_2$  Dirac operator on right handed solutions and have the same mass spectrum and representational content as right handed leptons with one exception: the action of the Dirac operator on the covariantly constant right handed neutrino ( $(p=0, p=0)$  state) annihilates it.

### Quark spectrum

Quarks correspond to the second conserved  $H$ -chirality of  $H$ -spinors. The construction of the color partial waves for quarks proceeds along similar lines as for leptons. The Kähler coupling corresponds to  $n = 1$  (and  $s = 1/2$ ) and right handed  $U$  type quark corresponds to a right handed neutrino.  $U$  quark type solutions are constructed as solutions of form

$$U_R = u_R \Phi_{s=1} ,$$

where  $u_R$  possesses the quantum numbers of covariantly constant right handed neutrino with Kähler charge  $n = 3$  ( $s = 3/2$ ). Hence  $\Phi_s$  has  $s = -1$ . For  $D_R$  one has

$$D_R = d_r \Phi_{s=2} .$$

$d_R$  has  $s = -3/2$  so that one must have  $s = 2$ . For  $U_R$  the representations  $(p+1, p)$  with triality one are obtained and  $p = 0$  corresponds to color triplet. For  $D_R$  the representations  $(p, p+2)$  are obtained and color triplet is missing from the spectrum ( $p = 0$  corresponds to  $\bar{6}$ ).

The  $CP_2$  contributions to masses are given by the formula



$$\begin{aligned}
 m^2(U, p) &= \frac{m_1^2}{3} [p^2 + 3p + 2] \quad , \quad p \geq 0 \quad , \\
 m^2(D, p) &= \frac{m_1^2}{3} [p^2 + 4p + 4] \quad , \quad p \geq 0 \quad .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.3.26}$$

Left handed quarks are obtained by applying Dirac operator to right handed quark states and mass formulas and color partial wave spectrum are the same as for right handed quarks.

The color contributions to p-adic mass squared are integer valued if  $m_0^2/3$  is taken as a fundamental p-adic unit of mass squared. This choice has an obvious relevance for p-adic mass calculations since canonical identification does not commute with a division by integer. More precisely, the images of number  $xp$  in canonical identification has a value of order 1 when  $x$  is a non-trivial rational whereas for  $x = np$  the value is  $n/p$  and extremely is small for physically interesting primes. This choice does not however affect the spectrum of massless states but can affect the spectrum of light states in case of electro-weak gauge bosons.

### 5.3.4 Spectrum of elementary particles

The assumption that  $k = 1$  holds true for all particles forces to modify the earlier construction of quark states. This turns out to be possible without affecting the p-adic mass calculations whose outcome depend in an essential manner on the ground state conformal weights  $h_{gr}$  of the fermions (which can be negative).

#### Leptonic spectrum

For  $k = 1$  the leptonic mass squared is integer valued in units of  $m_0^2$  only for the states satisfying

$$p \bmod 3 \neq 2 \quad .$$

Only these representations can give rise to massless states. Neutrinos correspond to  $(p, p)$  representations with  $p \geq 1$  whereas charged leptons correspond to  $(p, p + 3)$  representations. The earlier mass calculations demonstrate that leptonic masses can be understood if the ground state conformal weight is  $h_{gr} = -1$  for charged leptons and  $h_{gr} = -2$  for neutrinos.

The contribution of color partial wave to conformal weight is  $h_c = (p^2 + 2p)/3$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , for neutrinos and  $p = 1$  gives  $h_c = 1$  (octet). For charged leptons  $h_c = (p^2 + 5p + 6)/3$  gives  $h_c = 2$  for  $p = 0$  (decuplet). In both cases super-symplectic operator  $O$  must have a net conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  to produce a correct conformal weight for the ground state. p-adic considerations suggests the use of operators  $O$  with super-symplectic conformal weight  $z = -1/2 - i \sum n_k y_k$ , where  $s_k = 1/2 + iy_k$  corresponds to zero of Riemann  $\zeta$ . If the operators in question are color Hamiltonians in octet representation net super-symplectic conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  results. The tensor product of two octets with conjugate super-symplectic conformal weights contains both octet and decuplet so that singlets are obtained. What strengthens the hopes that the construction is not adhoc is that the same operator appears in the construction of quark states too.

Right handed neutrino remains essentially massless.  $p = 0$  right handed neutrino does not however generate  $N = 1$  space-time (or rather, imbedding space) super symmetry so that no sparticles are predicted. The breaking of the electro-weak symmetry at the level of the masses comes out basically from the anomalous color electro-weak correlation for the Kaluza-Klein partial waves implying that the weights for the ground states of the fermions depend on the electromagnetic charge of the fermion. Interestingly, TGD predicts leptohadron physics based on color excitations of leptons and color bound states of these excitations could correspond topologically condensed on string like objects but not fundamental string like objects.

#### Spectrum of quarks

Earlier arguments [K54] related to a model of CKM matrix as a rational unitary matrix suggested that the string tension parameter  $k$  is different for quarks, leptons, and bosons. The basic mass formula read as

$$M^2 = m_{CP_2}^2 + kL_0 .$$

The values of  $k$  were  $k_q = 2/3$  and  $k_L = k_B = 1$ . The general theory however predicts that  $k = 1$  for all particles.

1. By earlier mass calculations and construction of CKM matrix the ground state conformal weights of  $U$  and  $D$  type quarks must be  $h_{gr}(U) = -1$  and  $h_{gr}(D) = 0$ . The formulas for the eigenvalues of  $CP_2$  spinor Laplacian imply that if  $m_0^2$  is used as unit, color conformal weight  $h_c \equiv m_{CP_2}^2$  is integer for  $p \bmod = \pm 1$  for  $U$  type quark belonging to  $(p+1, p)$  type representation and obeying  $h_c(U) = (p^2 + 3p + 2)/3$  and for  $p \bmod 3 = 1$  for  $D$  type quark belonging  $(p, p+2)$  type representation and obeying  $h_c(D) = (p^2 + 4p + 4)/3$ . Only these states can be massless since color Hamiltonians have integer valued conformal weights.
2. In the recent case  $p = 1$  states correspond to  $h_c(U) = 2$  and  $h_c(D) = 3$ .  $h_{gr}(U) = -1$  and  $h_{gr}(D) = 0$  reproduce the previous results for quark masses required by the construction of CKM matrix. This forces the super-symplectic operator  $O$  to compensate the anomalous color to have a net conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  just as in the leptonic case. The facts that the values of  $p$  are minimal for spinor harmonics and the super-symplectic operator is same for both quarks and leptons suggest that the construction is not had hoc. The real justification would come from the demonstration that  $h_{sc} = -3$  defines null state for SSV: this would also explain why  $h_{sc}$  would be same for all fermions.
3. It would seem that the tensor product of the spinor harmonic of quarks (as also leptons) with Hamiltonians gives rise to a large number of exotic colored states which have same thermodynamical mass as ordinary quarks (and leptons). Why these states have smaller values of p-adic prime than ordinary quarks and leptons, remains a challenge for the theory. Note that the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons pose strong restrictions on the possible color excitations of quarks. On the other hand, the large number of fermionic color exotics can spoil the asymptotic freedom, and it is possible to have an entire p-adic length scale hierarchy of QCDs existing only in a finite length scale range without affecting the decay widths of gauge bosons.

The following table summarizes the color conformal weights and super-symplectic vacuum conformal weights for the elementary particles.

	$L$	$\nu_L$	$U$	$D$	$W$	$\gamma, G, g$
$h_{vac}$	-3	-3	-3	-3	-2	0
$h_c$	2	1	2	3	2	0

Table 2. The values of the parameters  $h_{vac}$  and  $h_c$  assuming that  $k = 1$ . The value of  $h_{vac} \leq -h_c$  is determined from the requirement that p-adic mass calculations give best possible fit to the mass spectrum.

### Photon, graviton and gluon

For photon, gluon and graviton the conformal weight of the  $p = 0$  ground state is  $h_{gr} = h_{vac} = 0$ . The crucial condition is that  $h = 0$  ground state is non-degenerate: otherwise one would obtain several physically more or less identical photons and this would be seen in the spectrum of black-body radiation. This occurs if one can construct several ground states not expressible in terms of the action of the Super Virasoro generators.

Masslessness or approximate masslessness requires low enough temperature  $T_p = 1/n$ ,  $n > 1$  at least and small enough value of the possible contribution coming from the ground state conformal weight.

In NS thermodynamics the only possibility to get exactly massless states in thermal sense is to have  $\Delta = 0$  state with one active sector so that NS thermodynamics becomes trivial due to the absence of the thermodynamical excitations satisfying the gauge conditions. For neutral gauge bosons this is indeed achieved. For  $T_p = 1/2$ , which is required by the mass spectrum of intermediate gauge bosons, the thermal contribution to the mass squared is however extremely small even for  $W$  boson.

### 5.3.5 Some probabilistic considerations

There are uniqueness problems related to the mapping of p-adic probabilities to real ones. These problems find a nice resolution from the requirement that the map respects probability conservation. The implied modification of the original mapping does not change measurably the predictions for the masses of light particles.

#### How unique the map of p-adic probabilities and mass squared values are mapped to real numbers is?

The mapping of p-adic thermodynamical probabilities and mass squared values to real numbers is not completely unique.

1. Canonical identification  $I : \sum x_n p^n \rightarrow \sum x_n p^{-n}$  takes care of this mapping but does not respect the sum of probabilities so that the real images  $I(p_n)$  of the probabilities must be normalized. This is a somewhat alarming feature.
2. The modification of the canonical identification mapping rationals by the formula  $I(r/s) = I(r)/I(s)$  has appeared naturally in various applications, in particular because it respects unitarity of unitary matrices with rational elements with  $r < p, s < p$ . In the case of p-adic thermodynamic the formula  $I(g(n)p^n/Z) \rightarrow I(g(n)p^n)/I(Z)$  would be very natural although  $Z$  need not be rational anymore. For  $g(n) < p$  the real counterparts of the p-adic probabilities would sum up to one automatically for this option. One cannot deny that this option is more convincing than the original one. The generalization of this formula to map p-adic mass squared to a real one is obvious.
3. Options 1) and 2) differ dramatically when the  $n = 0$  massless ground state has ground state degeneracy  $D > 1$ . For option 1) the real mass is predicted to be of order  $CP_2$  mass whereas for option 2) it would be by a factor  $1/D$  smaller than the minimum mass predicted by the option a). Thus option 2) would predict a large number of additional exotic states. For those states which are light for option 1), the two options make identical predictions as far as the significant two lowest order terms are considered. Hence this interpretation would not change the predictions of the p-adic mass calculations in this respect. Option 2) is definitely more in accord with the real physics based intuitions and the main role of p-adic thermodynamics would be to guarantee the quantization of the temperature and fix practically uniquely the spectrum of the "Hamiltonian".

#### Under what conditions the mapping of p-adic ensemble probabilities to real probabilities respects probability conservation?

One can consider also a more general situation. Assume that one has an ensemble consisting of independent elementary events such that the number of events of type  $i$  is  $N_i$ . The probabilities are given by  $p_i = N_i/N$  and  $N = \sum N_i$  is the total number of elementary events. Even in the case that  $N$  is infinite as a real number it is natural to map the p-adic probabilities to their real counterparts using the rational canonical identification  $I(p_i) = I(N_i)/I(N)$ . Of course,  $N_i$  and  $N$  exist as well defined p-adic numbers under very stringent conditions only.

The question is under what conditions this map respects probability conservation. The answer becomes obvious by looking at the pinary expansions of  $N_i$  and  $N$ . If the integers  $N_i$  (possibly infinite as real integers) have pinary expansions having no common pinary digits, the sum of probabilities is conserved in the map. Note that this condition can assign also to a finite ensemble with finite number of a unique value of  $p$ .

This means that the selection of a basis for independent events corresponds to a decomposition of the set of integers labelling pinary digits to disjoint sets and brings in mind the selection of orthonormalized basis of quantum states in quantum theory. What is physically highly non-trivial that this "orthogonalization" alone puts strong constraints on probabilities of the allowed elementary events. One can say that the probabilities define distributions of pinary digits analogous to non-negative probability amplitudes in the space of integers labelling pinary digits, and the probabilities of independent events must be orthogonal with respect to the inner product defined by point-wise multiplication in the space of pinary digits.

p-Adic thermodynamics for which Boltzman weights  $g(E)exp(-E/T)$  are replaced by  $g(E)p^{E/T}$  such that one has  $g(E) < p$  and  $E/T$  is integer valued, satisfies this constraint. The quantization of  $E/T$  to integer values implies quantization of both  $T$  and "energy" spectrum and forces so called super conformal invariance in TGD applications, which is indeed a basic symmetry of the theory.

There are infinitely many ways to choose the elementary events and each choice corresponds to a decomposition of the infinite set of integers  $n$  labelling the powers of  $p$  to disjoint subsets. These subsets can be also infinite. One can assign to this kind of decomposition a resolution which is the poorer the larger the subsets involved are. p-Adic thermodynamics would represent the situation in which the resolution is maximal since each set contains only single binary digit. Note the analogy with the basis of completely localized wave functions in a lattice.

## 5.4 Modular contribution to the mass squared

The success of the p-adic mass calculations gives convincing support for the generation-genus correspondence. The basic physical picture is following.

1. Fermionic mass squared is dominated by partonic contribution, which is sum of cm and modular contributions:  $M^2 = M^2(cm) + M^2(mod)$ . Here 'cm' refers to the thermal contribution. Modular contribution can be assumed to depend on the genus of the boundary component only.
2. If Higgs contribution for diagonal  $(g, g)$  bosons (singlets with respect to "topological"  $SU(3)$ ) dominates, the genus dependent contribution can be assumed to be negligible. This should be due to the bound state character of the wormhole contacts reducing thermal motion and thus the p-adic temperature.
3. Modular contribution to the mass squared can be estimated apart from an overall proportionality constant. The mass scale of the contribution is fixed by the p-adic length scale hypothesis. Elementary particle vacuum functionals are proportional to a product of all even theta functions and their conjugates, the number of even theta functions and their conjugates being  $2N(g) = 2^g(2^g + 1)$ . Also the thermal partition function must also be proportional to  $2N(g)$ : the power of some elementary partition function. This implies that thermal/ quantum expectation  $M^2(mod)$  must be proportional to  $2N(g)$ . Since single handle behaves effectively as particle, the contribution must be proportional to genus  $g$  also. The success of the resulting mass formula encourages the belief that the argument is essentially correct.

The challenge is to construct theoretical framework reproducing the modular contribution to mass squared. There are two alternative manners to understand the origin modular contribution.

1. The realization that super-symplectic algebra is relevant for elementary particle physics leads to the idea that two thermodynamics are involved with the calculation of the vacuum conformal weight as a thermal expectation. The first thermodynamics corresponds to Super Kac-Moody algebra and second thermodynamics to super-symplectic algebra. This approach allows a first principle understanding of the origin and general form of the modular contribution without any need to introduce additional structures in modular degrees of freedom. The very fact that super-symplectic algebra does not commute with the modular degrees of freedom explains the dependence of the super-symplectic contribution on moduli.
2. The earlier approach was based on the idea that the modular contribution could be regarded as a quantum mechanical expectation value of the Virasoro generator  $L_0$  for the elementary particle vacuum functional. Quantum treatment would require generalization the concepts of the moduli space and theta function to the p-adic context and finding an acceptable definition of the Virasoro generator  $L_0$  in modular degrees of freedom. The problem with this interpretation is that it forces to introduce, not only Virasoro generator  $L_0$ , but the entire super Virasoro algebra in modular degrees of freedom. One could also consider of interpreting the contribution of modular degrees of freedom to vacuum conformal weight as being analogous to that of  $CP_2$  Laplacian but also this would raise the challenge of constructing corresponding Dirac operator. Obviously this approach has become obsolete.

The thermodynamical treatment taking into account the constraints from that p-adicization is possible might go along following lines.

1. In the real case the basic quantity is the thermal expectation value  $h(M)$  of the conformal weight as a function of moduli. The average value of the deviation  $\Delta h(M) = h(M) - h(M_0)$  over moduli space  $\mathcal{M}$  must be calculated using elementary particle vacuum functional as a modular invariant partition function. Modular invariance is achieved if this function is proportional to the logarithm of elementary particle vacuum functional: this reproduces the qualitative features basic formula for the modular contribution to the conformal weight. p-Adicization leads to a slight modification of this formula.
2. The challenge of algebraically continuing this calculation to the p-adic context involves several sub-tasks. The notions of moduli space  $\mathcal{M}_p$  and theta function must be defined in the p-adic context. An appropriately defined logarithm of the p-adic elementary particle vacuum functional should determine  $\Delta h(M)$ . The average of  $\Delta h(M)$  requires an integration over  $\mathcal{M}_p$ . The problems related to the definition of this integral could be circumvented if the integral in the real case could be reduced to an algebraic expression, or if the moduli space is discrete in which case integral could be replaced by a sum.
3. The number theoretic existence of the p-adic  $\Theta$  function leads to the quantization of the moduli so that the p-adic moduli space is discretized. Accepting the sharpened form of Riemann hypothesis [K69], the quantization means that the imaginary *resp.* real parts of the moduli are proportional to integers *resp.* combinations of imaginary parts of zeros of Riemann Zeta. This quantization could occur also for the real moduli for the maxima of Kähler function. This reduces the problematic p-adic integration to a sum and the resulting sum defining  $\langle \Delta h \rangle$  converges extremely rapidly for physically interesting primes so that only the few lowest terms are needed.

### 5.4.1 Conformal symmetries and modular invariance

The full SKM invariance means that the super-conformal fields depend only on the conformal moduli of 2-surface characterizing the conformal equivalence class of the 2-surface. This means that all induced metrics differing by a mere Weyl scaling have same moduli. This symmetry is extremely powerful since the space of moduli is finite-dimensional and means that the entire infinite-dimensional space of deformations of parton 2-surface  $X^2$  degenerates to a finite-dimensional moduli spaces under conformal equivalence. Obviously, the configurations of given parton correspond to a fiber space having moduli space as a base space. Super-symplectic degrees of freedom could break conformal invariance in some appropriate sense.

#### Conformal and SKM symmetries leave moduli invariant

Conformal transformations and super Kac Moody symmetries must leave the moduli invariant. This means that they induce a mere Weyl scaling of the induced metric of  $X^2$  and thus preserve its non-diagonal character  $ds^2 = g_{z\bar{z}} dz d\bar{z}$ . This is indeed true if

1. the Super Kac Moody symmetries are holomorphic isometries of  $X^7 = \delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  made local with respect to the complex coordinate  $z$  of  $X^2$ , and
2. the complex coordinates of  $X^7$  are holomorphic functions of  $z$ .

Using complex coordinates for  $X^7$  the infinitesimal generators can be written in the form

$$J^{An} = z^n j^{Ak} D_k + \bar{z}^n j^{A\bar{k}} D_{\bar{k}} . \quad (5.4.1)$$

The intuitive picture is that it should be possible to choose  $X^2$  freely. It is however not always possible to choose the coordinate  $z$  of  $X^2$  in such a manner that  $X^7$  coordinates are holomorphic functions of  $z$  since a consistency of inherent complex structure of  $X^2$  with that induced from  $X^7$  is required. Geometrically this is like meeting of two points in the space of moduli.

Lorentz boosts produce new inequivalent choices of  $S^2$  with their own complex coordinate: this set of complex structures is parameterized by the hyperboloid of future light cone (Lobatchevski space or

mass shell), but even this is not enough. The most plausible manner to circumvent the problem is that only the maxima of Kähler function correspond to the holomorphic situation so that super-symplectic algebra representing quantum fluctuations would induce conformal anomaly.

### The isometries of $\delta M_+^4$ are in one-one correspondence with conformal transformations

For  $CP_2$  factor the isometries reduce to  $SU(3)$  group acting also as symplectic transformations. For  $\delta M_+^4 = S^2 \times R_+$  one might expect that isometries reduce to Lorentz group containing rotation group of  $SO(3)$  as conformal isometries. If  $r_M$  corresponds to a macroscopic length scale, then  $X^2$  has a finite sized  $S^2$  projection which spans a rather small solid angle so that group  $SO(3)$  reduces in a good approximation to the group  $E^2 \times SO(2)$  of translations and rotations of plane.

This expectation is however wrong! The light-likeness of  $\delta M_+^4$  allows a dramatic generalization of the notion of isometry. The point is that the conformal transformations of  $S^2$  induce a conformal factor  $|df/dw|^2$  to the metric of  $\delta M_+^4$  and the local radial scaling  $r_M \rightarrow r_M/|df/dw|$  compensates it. Hence the group of conformal isometries consists of conformal transformations of  $S^2$  with compensating radial scalings. This compensation of two kinds of conformal transformations is the deep geometric phenomenon which translates to the condition  $L_{SC} - L_{SKM} = 0$  in the sub-space of physical states. Note that an analogous phenomenon occurs also for the light-like CDs  $X_l^3$  with respect to the metrically 2-dimensional induced metric.

The  $X^2$ -local radial scalings  $r_M \rightarrow r_M(z, \bar{z})$  respect the conditions  $g_{zz} = g_{\bar{z}\bar{z}} = 0$  so that a mere Weyl scaling leaving moduli invariant results. By multiplying the conformal isometries of  $\delta M_+^4$  by  $z^n$  ( $z$  is used as a complex coordinate for  $X^2$  and  $w$  as a complex coordinate for  $S^2$ ) a conformal localization of conformal isometries would result. Kind of double conformal transformations would be in question. Note however that this requires that  $X^7$  coordinates are holomorphic functions of  $X^2$  coordinate. These transformations deform  $X^2$  unlike the conformal transformations of  $X^2$ . For  $X_l^3$  similar local scalings of the light like coordinate leave the moduli invariant but lead out of  $X^7$ .

### Symplectic transformations break the conformal invariance

In general, infinitesimal symplectic transformations induce non-vanishing components  $g_{zz}, g_{\bar{z}\bar{z}}$  of the induced metric and can thus change the moduli of  $X^2$ . Thus the quantum fluctuations represented by super-symplectic algebra and contributing to the configuration space metric are in general moduli changing. It would be interesting to know explicitly the conditions (the number of which is the dimension of moduli space for a given genus), which guarantee that the infinitesimal symplectic transformation is moduli preserving.

#### 5.4.2 The physical origin of the genus dependent contribution to the mass squared

Different p-adic length scales are not enough to explain the charged lepton mass ratios and an additional genus dependent contribution in the fermionic mass formula is required. The general form of this contribution can be guessed by regarding elementary particle vacuum functionals in the modular degrees of freedom as an analog of partition function and the modular contribution to the conformal weight as an analog of thermal energy obtained by averaging over moduli. p-Adic length scale hypothesis determines the overall scale of the contribution.

The exact physical origin of this contribution has remained mysterious but super-symplectic degrees of freedom represent a good candidate for the physical origin of this contribution. This would mean a sigh of relief since there would be no need to assign conformal weights, super-algebra, Dirac operators, Laplacians, etc.. with these degrees of freedom.

### Thermodynamics in super-symplectic degrees of freedom as the origin of the modular contribution to the mass squared

The following general picture is the simplest found hitherto.

1. Elementary particle vacuum functionals are defined in the space of moduli of surfaces  $X^2$  corresponding to the maxima of Kähler function. There some restrictions on  $X^2$ . In particular, p-adic length scale poses restrictions on the size of  $X^2$ . There is an infinite hierarchy of elementary

particle vacuum functionals satisfying the general constraints but only the lowest elementary particle vacuum functionals are assumed to contribute significantly to the vacuum expectation value of conformal weight determining the mass squared value.

2. The contribution of Super-Kac Moody thermodynamics to the vacuum conformal weight  $h$  coming from Virasoro excitations of the  $h = 0$  massless state is estimated in the previous calculations and does not depend on moduli. The new element is that for a partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  with given moduli, Virasoro thermodynamics is present also in super-symplectic degrees of freedom.

Super-symplectic thermodynamics means that, besides the ground state with  $h_{gr} = -h_{SC}$  with minimal value of super-symplectic conformal weight  $h_{SC}$ , also thermal excitations of this state by super-symplectic Virasoro algebra having  $h_{gr} = -h_{SC} - n$  are possible. For these ground states the SKM Virasoro generators creating states with net conformal weight  $h = h_{SKM} - h_{SC} - n \geq 0$  have larger conformal weight so that the SKM thermal average  $h$  depends on  $n$ . It depends also on the moduli  $M$  of  $X^2$  since the Beltrami differentials representing a tangent space basis for the moduli space  $\mathcal{M}$  do not commute with the super-symplectic algebra. Hence the thermally averaged SKM conformal weight  $h_{SKM}$  for given values of moduli satisfies

$$h_{SKM} = h(n, M) . \tag{5.4.2}$$

3. The average conformal weight induced by this double thermodynamics can be expressed as a super-symplectic thermal average  $\langle \cdot \rangle_{SC}$  of the SKM thermal average  $h(n, M)$ :

$$h(M) = \langle h(n, M) \rangle_{SC} = \sum p_n(M) h(n) , \tag{5.4.3}$$

where the moduli dependent probability  $p_n(M)$  of the super-symplectic Virasoro excitation with conformal weight  $n$  should be consistent with the p-adic thermodynamics. It is convenient to write  $h(M)$  as

$$h(M) = h_0 + \Delta h(M) , \tag{5.4.4}$$

where  $h_0$  is the minimum value of  $h(M)$  in the space of moduli. The form of the elementary particle vacuum functionals suggest that  $h_0$  corresponds to moduli with  $Im(\Omega_{ij}) = 0$  and thus to singular configurations for which handles degenerate to one-dimensional lines attached to a sphere.

4. There is a further averaging of  $\Delta h(M)$  over the moduli space  $\mathcal{M}$  by using the modulus squared of elementary particle vacuum functional so that one has

$$h = h_0 + \langle \Delta h(M) \rangle_{\mathcal{M}} . \tag{5.4.5}$$

Modular invariance allows to pose very strong conditions on the functional form of  $\Delta h(M)$ . The simplest assumption guaranteeing this and thermodynamical interpretation is that  $\Delta h(M)$  is proportional to the logarithm of the vacuum functional  $\Omega$ :

$$\Delta h(M) \propto -\log\left(\frac{\Omega(M)}{\Omega_{max}}\right) . \tag{5.4.6}$$

Here  $\Omega_{max}$  corresponds to the maximum of  $\Omega$  for which  $\Delta h(M)$  vanishes.

### Justification for the general form of the mass formula

The proposed general ansatz for  $\Delta h(M)$  provides a justification for the general form of the mass formula deduced by intuitive arguments.

1. The factorization of the elementary particle vacuum functional  $\Omega$  into a product of  $2N(g) = 2^g(2^g + 1)$  terms and the logarithmic expression for  $\Delta h(M)$  imply that the thermal expectation values is a sum over thermal expectation values over  $2N(g)$  terms associated with various even characteristics  $(a, b)$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are  $g$ -dimensional vectors with components equal to  $1/2$  or  $0$  and the inner product  $4a \cdot b$  is an even integer. If each term gives the same result in the averaging using  $\Omega_{vac}$  as a partition function, the proportionality to  $2N_g$  follows.
2. For genus  $g \geq 2$  the partition function defines an average in  $3g - 3$  complex-dimensional space of moduli. The analogy of  $\langle \Delta h \rangle$  and thermal energy suggests that the contribution is proportional to the complex dimension  $3g - 3$  of this space. For  $g \leq 1$  the contribution the complex dimension of moduli space is  $g$  and the contribution would be proportional to  $g$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \Delta h \rangle &\propto g \times X(g) \text{ for } g \leq 1 , \\ \langle \Delta h \rangle &\propto (3g - 3) \times X(g) \text{ for } g \geq 2 , \\ X(g) &= 2^g(2^g + 1) . \end{aligned} \tag{5.4.7}$$

If  $X^2$  is hyper-elliptic for the maxima of Kähler function, this expression makes sense only for  $g \leq 2$  since vacuum functionals vanish for hyper-elliptic surfaces.

3. The earlier argument, inspired by the interpretation of elementary particle vacuum functional as a partition function, was that each factor of the elementary particle vacuum functional gives the same contribution to  $\langle \Delta h \rangle$ , and that this contribution is proportional to  $g$  since each handle behaves like a particle:

$$\langle \Delta h \rangle \propto g \times X(g) . \tag{5.4.8}$$

The prediction following from the previous differs by a factor  $(3g - 3)/g$  for  $g \geq 2$ . This would scale up the dominant modular contribution to the masses of the third  $g = 2$  fermionic generation by a factor  $\sqrt{3/2} \simeq 1.22$ . One must of course remember, that these rough arguments allow  $g$ -dependent numerical factors of order one so that it is not possible to exclude either argument.

### 5.4.3 Generalization of $\Theta$ functions and quantization of p-adic moduli

The task is to find p-adic counterparts for theta functions and elementary particle vacuum functionals. The constraints come from the p-adic existence of the exponentials appearing as the summands of the theta functions and from the convergence of the sum. The exponentials must be proportional to powers of  $p$  just as the Boltzmann weights defining the p-adic partition function. The outcome is a quantization of moduli so that integration can be replaced with a summation and the average of  $\Delta h(M)$  over moduli is well defined.

It is instructive to study the problem for torus in parallel with the general case. The ordinary moduli space of torus is parameterized by single complex number  $\tau$ . The points related by  $SL(2, Z)$  are equivalent, which means that the transformation  $\tau \rightarrow (A\tau + B)/(C\tau + D)$  produces a point equivalent with  $\tau$ . These transformations are generated by the shift  $\tau \rightarrow \tau + 1$  and  $\tau \rightarrow -1/\tau$ . One can choose the fundamental domain of moduli space to be the intersection of the slice  $Re(\tau) \in [-1/2, 1/2]$  with the exterior of unit circle  $|\tau| = 1$ . The idea is to start directly from physics and to look whether one might some define p-adic version of elementary particle vacuum functionals in the p-adic counter part of this set or in some modular invariant subset of this set.

Elementary particle vacuum functionals are expressible in terms of theta functions using the functions  $\Theta^4[a, b] \overline{\Theta}^4[a, b]$  as a building block. The general expression for the theta function reads as



$$\Theta[a, b](\Omega) = \sum_n \exp(i\pi(n+a) \cdot \Omega \cdot (n+a)) \exp(2i\pi(n+a) \cdot b) . \quad (5.4.9)$$

The latter exponential phase gives only a factor  $\pm i$  or  $\pm 1$  since  $4a \cdot b$  is integer. For  $p \bmod 4 = 3$  imaginary unit exists in an algebraic extension of p-adic numbers. In the case of torus  $(a, b)$  has the values  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1/2, 0)$  and  $(0, 1/2)$  for torus since only even characteristics are allowed.

Concerning the p-adicization of the first exponential appearing in the summands in Eq. 5.4.9, the obvious problem is that  $\pi$  does not exist p-adically unless one allows infinite-dimensional extension.

1. Consider first the real part of  $\Omega$ . In this case the proper manner to treat the situation is to introduce an algebraic extension involving roots of unity so that  $Re(\Omega)$  is rational. This approach is proposed as a general approach to the p-adicization of quantum TGD in terms of harmonic analysis in symmetric spaces allowing to define integration also in p-adic context in a physically acceptable manner by reducing it to Fourier analysis. The simplest situation corresponds to integer values for  $Re(\Omega)$  and in this case the phase is equal to  $\pm i$  or  $\pm 1$  since  $a$  is half-integer valued. One can consider a hierarchy of variants of moduli space characterized by the allowed roots of unity. The physical interpretation for this hierarchy would be in terms of a hierarchy of measurement resolutions. Note that the real parts of  $\Omega$  can be assumed to be rationals of the form  $m/n$  where  $n$  is constructed as a product of a finite number of primes and therefore the allowed rationals are linear combinations of inverses  $1/p_i$  for a subset  $\{p_i\}$  of primes.
2. For the imaginary part of  $\Omega$  a different approach is required. One wants a rapid convergence of the sum formula and this requires that the exponents reduce in this case to positive powers of  $p$ . This is achieved if one has

$$Im(\Omega) = -n \frac{\log(p)}{\pi} , \quad (5.4.10)$$

Unfortunately this condition is not consistent with the condition  $Im(\Omega) > 0$ . A manner to circumvent the difficulty is to replace  $\Omega$  with its complex conjugate. A second approach is to define the real discretized variant of the theta function first and then map it by canonical identification to its p-adic counterpart: this would map phases to phases and powers of  $p$  to their inverses. Note that a similar change of sign must be performed in p-adic thermodynamics for powers of  $p$  to map p-adic probabilities to real ones. By rescaling  $Im(\Omega) \rightarrow \frac{\log(p)}{\pi} Im(\Omega)$  one has a non-negative integer valued spectrum for  $Im(\Omega)$  making possible to reduce integration in moduli space to a summation over a finite number of rationals associated with the real part of  $\Omega$  and powers of  $p$  associated with the imaginary part of  $\Omega$ .

3. Since the exponents appearing in

$$p^{(n+a) \cdot Im(\Omega_{ij,p}) \cdot (n+a)} = p^{a \cdot Im(\Omega) \cdot a} \times p^{2a \cdot Im(\Omega) \cdot n} \times p^{+n \cdot Im(\Omega_{ij,p}) \cdot n}$$

are positive integers valued,  $\Theta_{[a,b]}$  exist in  $R_p$  and converges. The problematic factor is the first exponent since the components of the vector  $a$  can have values  $1/2$  and  $0$  and its existence implies a quantization of  $Im(\Omega_{ij})$  as

$$Im(\Omega) = -Kn \frac{\log(p)}{p} , \quad n \in Z , \quad n \geq 1 , \quad (5.4.11)$$

In p-adic context this condition must be formulated for the exponent of  $\Omega$  defining the natural coordinate.  $K = 4$  guarantees the existence of  $\Theta$  functions and  $K = 1$  the existence of the building blocks  $\Theta^4[a, b] \bar{\Theta}^4[a, b]$  of elementary particle vacuum functionals in  $R_p$ . The extension to higher genera means only replacement of  $\Omega$  with the elements of a matrix.

4. One can criticize this approach for the loss of the full modular covariance in the definition of theta functions. The modular transformations  $\Omega \rightarrow \Omega + n$  are consistent with the number theoretic constraints but the transformations  $\Omega \rightarrow -1/\Omega$  do not respect them. It seem that one can circumvent the difficulty by restricting the consideration to a fundamental domain satisfying the number theoretic constraints.

This variant of moduli space is discrete and p-adicity is reflected only in the sense that the moduli space makes sense also p-adically. One can consider also a continuum variant of the p-adic moduli space using the same prescription as in the construction of p-adic symmetric spaces [K79] .

1. One can introduce  $\exp(i\pi Re(\Omega))$  as the counterpart of  $Re(\Omega)$  as a coordinate of the Teichmueller space. This coordinate makes sense only as a local coordinate since it does not differentiate between  $Re(\Omega)$  and  $Re(\Omega + 2n)$ . On the other hand, modular invariance states that  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega + n$  correspond to the same moduli so that nothing is lost. In the similar manner one can introduce  $\exp(\pi Im(\Omega)) \in \{p^n, n > 0\}$  as the counterpart of discretized version of  $Im(\Omega)$ .
2. The extension to continuum would mean in the case of  $Re(\Omega)$  the extension of the phase  $\exp(i\pi Re(\Omega))$  to a product  $\exp(i\pi Re(\Omega))\exp(ipx) = \exp(i\pi Re(\Omega) + exp(ipx))$ , where  $x$  is p-adic integer which can be also infinite as a real integer. This would mean that each root of unity representing allowed value  $Re(\Omega)$  would have a p-adic neighborhood consisting of p-adic integers. This neighborhood would be the p-adic counterpart for the angular integral  $\Delta\phi$  for a given root of unity and would not make itself visible in p-adic integration.
3. For the imaginary part one can also consider the extension of  $\exp(\pi Im(\Omega))$  to  $p^n \times \exp(np\pi x)$  where  $x$  is a p-adic integer. This would assign to each point  $p^n$  a p-adic neighborhood defined by p-adic integers. This neighborhood is same all integers  $n$  with same p-adic norm. When  $n$  is proportional to  $p^k$  one has  $\exp(np\pi x) - 1 \propto p^k$ .

The quantization of moduli characterizes precisely the conformal properties of the partonic 2-surfaces corresponding to different p-adic primes. In the real context -that is in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds- the quantization of moduli of torus would correspond to

$$\tau = K \left[ \sum q + i \times n \frac{\log(p)}{\pi} \right] , \quad (5.4.12)$$

where  $q$  is a rational number expressible as linear combination of inverses of a finite fixed set of primes defining the allowed roots of unity.  $K = 1$  guarantees the existence of elementary particle vacuum functionals and  $K = 4$  the existence of Theta functions. The ratio for the complex vectors defining the sides of the plane parallelogram defining torus via the identification of the parallel sides is quantized. In other words, the angles  $\Phi$  between the sides and the ratios of the sides given by  $|\tau|$  have quantized values.

The quantization rules for the moduli of the higher genera is of exactly same form

$$\Omega_{ij} = K \left[ \sum q_{ij} + i \times n_{ij} \times \frac{\log(p)}{\pi} \right] , \quad (5.4.13)$$

If the quantization rules hold true also for the maxima of Kähler function in the real context or more precisely- in the intersection of real and p-adic variants of the "world of classical worlds" identified as partonic 2-surfaces at the boundaries of causal diamond plus the data about their 4-D tangent space, there are good hopes that the p-adicized expression for  $\Delta h$  is obtained by a simple algebraic continuation of the real formula. Thus p-adic length scale would characterize partonic surface  $X^2$  rather than the light like causal determinant  $X_l^3$  containing  $X^2$ . Therefore the idea that various p-adic primes label various  $X_l^3$  connecting fixed partonic surfaces  $X_i^2$  would not be correct.

Quite generally, the quantization of moduli means that the allowed 2-dimensional shapes form a lattice and are thus additive. It also means that the maxima of Kähler function would obey a linear superposition in an extreme abstract sense. The proposed number theoretical quantization is

expected to apply for any complex space allowing some preferred complex coordinates. In particular, configuration space of 2-surfaces could allow this kind of quantization in the complex coordinates naturally associated with isometries and this could allow to define configuration space integration, at least the counterpart of integration in zero mode degrees of freedom, as a summation.

Number theoretic vision leads to the notion of multi-p-p-adicity in the sense that the same partonic 2-surface can correspond to several p-adic primes and that infinite primes code for these primes [K29, K78]. At the level of the moduli space this corresponds to the replacement of  $p$  with an integer in the formulas so that one can interpret the formulas both in real sense and p-adic sense for the primes  $p$  dividing the integer. Also the exponent of given prime in the integer matters. The construction of generalized eigen modes of Chern-Simons Dirac operator leads to the proposal that the collection of infinite primes characterizing infinite prime characterizes the geometry of the orbit of partonic 2-surface [K29]. It would not be too surprising if this connection would reduce to the proposed discretization of the modular parameters of the partonic 2-surface.

#### 5.4.4 The calculation of the modular contribution $\langle \Delta h \rangle$ to the conformal weight

The quantization of the moduli implies that the integral over moduli can be defined as a sum over moduli. The theta function  $\Theta[a, b](\Omega)_p(\tau_p)$  is proportional to  $p^{a \cdot a I m(\Omega_{ij,p})} = p^{K n_{ij} m(a)/4}$  for  $a \cdot a = m(a)/4$ , where  $K = 1$  resp.  $K = 4$  corresponds to the existence existence of elementary particle vacuum functionals resp. theta functions in  $R_p$ . These powers of  $p$  can be extracted from the thetas defining the vacuum functional. The numerator of the vacuum functional gives  $(p^n)^{2K \sum_{a,b} m(a)}$ . The denominator gives  $(p^n)^{2K \sum_{a,b} m(a_0)}$ , where  $a_0$  corresponds to the minimum value of  $m(a)$ .  $a_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$  is allowed and gives  $m(a_0) = 0$  so that the p-adic norm of the denominator equals to one. Hence one has

$$|\Omega_{vac}(\Omega_p)|_p = p^{-2nK \sum_{a,b} m(a)} \quad (5.4.14)$$

The sum converges extremely rapidly for large values of  $p$  as function of  $n$  so that in practice only few moduli contribute.

The definition of  $\log(\Omega_{vac})$  poses however problems since  $\log(p)$  does not exist as a p-adic number in any p-adic number field. The argument of the logarithm should have a unit p-adic norm. The simplest manner to circumvent the difficulty is to use the fact that the p-adic norm  $|\Omega_p|_p$  is also a modular invariant, and assume that the contribution to conformal weight depends on moduli as

$$\Delta h_p(\Omega_p) \propto \log\left(\frac{\Omega_{vac}}{|\Omega_{vac}|_p}\right). \quad (5.4.15)$$

The sum defining  $\langle \Delta h_p \rangle$  converges extremely rapidly and gives a result of order  $O(p)$  p-adically as required.

The p-adic expression for  $\langle \Delta h_p \rangle$  should result from the corresponding real expression by an algebraic continuation. This encourages the conjecture that the allowed moduli are quantized for the maxima of Kähler function, so that the integral over the moduli space is replaced with a sum also in the real case, and that  $\Delta h$  given by the double thermodynamics as a function of moduli can be defined as in the p-adic case. The positive power of  $p$  multiplying the numerator could be interpreted as a degeneracy factor. In fact, the moduli are not primary dynamical variables in the case of the induced metric, and there must be a modular invariant weight factor telling how many 2-surfaces correspond to given values of moduli. The power of  $p$  could correspond to this factor.

## 5.5 General mass formulas for non-Higgsy contributions

In the sequel various contributions to the mass squared are discussed.

### 5.5.1 General mass squared formula

The thermal independence of Super Virasoro and modular degrees of freedom implies that mass squared for elementary particle is the sum of Super Virasoro, modular and Higgsy contributions:

$$M^2 = M^2(\text{color}) + M^2(\text{SV}) + M^2(\text{mod}) + M^2(\text{Higgsy}) . \quad (5.5.1)$$

Also small renormalization correction contributions might be possible.

### 5.5.2 Color contribution to the mass squared

The mass squared contains a non-thermal color contribution to the ground state conformal weight coming from the mass squared of  $CP_2$  spinor harmonic. The color contribution is an integer multiple of  $m_0^2/3$ , where  $m_0^2 = 2\Lambda$  denotes the 'cosmological constant' of  $CP_2$  ( $CP_2$  satisfies Einstein equations  $G^{\alpha\beta} = \Lambda g^{\alpha\beta}$ ).

The color contribution to the p-adic mass squared is integer valued only if  $m_0^2/3$  is taken as a fundamental p-adic unit of mass squared. This choice has an obvious relevance for p-adic mass calculations since the simplest form of the canonical identification does not commute with a division by integer. More precisely, the image of number  $xp$  in canonical identification has a value of order 1 when  $x$  is a non-trivial rational number whereas for  $x = np$  the value is  $n/p$  and extremely is small for physically interesting primes.

The choice of the p-adic mass squared unit are no effects on zeroth order contribution which must vanish for light states: this requirement eliminates quark and lepton states for which the  $CP_2$  contribution to the mass squared is not integer valued using  $m_0^2$  as a unit. There can be a dramatic effect on the first order contribution. The mass squared  $m^2 = p/3$  using  $m_0^2/3$  means that the particle is light. The mass squared becomes  $m^2 = p/3$  when  $m_0^2$  is used as a unit and the particle has mass of order  $10^{-4}$  Planck masses. In the case of  $W$  and  $Z^0$  bosons this problem is actually encountered. For light states using  $m_0^2/3$  as a unit only the second order contribution to the mass squared is affected by this choice.

### 5.5.3 Modular contribution to the mass of elementary particle

The general form of the modular contribution is derivable from p-adic partition function for conformally invariant degrees of freedom associated with the boundary components. The general form of the vacuum functionals as modular invariant functions of Teichmuller parameters was derived in [K19] and the square of the elementary particle vacuum functional can be identified as a partition function. Even theta functions serve as basic building blocks and the functionals are proportional to the product of all even theta functions and their complex conjugates. The number of theta functions for genus  $g > 0$  is given by

$$N(g) = 2^{g-1}(2^g + 1) . \quad (5.5.2)$$

One has  $N(1) = 3$  for muon and  $N(2) = 10$  for  $\tau$ .

1. Single theta function is analogous to a partition function. This implies that the modular contribution to the mass squared must be proportional to  $2N(g)$ . The factor two follows from the presence of both theta functions and their conjugates in the partition function.
2. The factorization properties of the vacuum functionals imply that handles behave effectively as particles. For example, at the limit, when the surface splits into two pieces with  $g_1$  and  $g - g_1$  handles, the partition function reduces to a product of  $g_1$  and  $g - g_1$  partition functions. This implies that the contribution to the mass squared is proportional to the genus of the surface. Altogether one has

$$\begin{aligned} M^2(\text{mod}, g) &= 2k(\text{mod})N(g)g\frac{m_0^2}{p} , \\ k(\text{mod}) &= 1 . \end{aligned} \quad (5.5.3)$$

Here  $k(mod)$  is some integer valued constant (in order to avoid ultra heavy mass) to be determined.  $k(mod) = 1$  turns out to be the correct choice for this parameter.

Summarizing, the real counterpart of the modular contribution to the mass of a particle belonging to  $g + 1$ :th generation reads as

$$\begin{aligned} M^2(mod) &= 0 \text{ for } e, \nu_e, u, d \text{ ,} \\ M^2(mod) &= 9 \frac{m_0^2}{p(X)} \text{ for } X = \mu, \nu_\mu, c, s \text{ ,} \\ M^2(mod) &= 60 \frac{m_0^2}{p(X)} \text{ for } X = \tau, \nu_\tau, t, b \text{ .} \end{aligned} \quad (5.5.4)$$

The requirement that hadronic mass spectrum and CKM matrix are sensible however forces the modular contribution to be the same for quarks, leptons and bosons. The higher order modular contributions to the mass squared are completely negligible if the degeneracy of massless state is  $D(0, mod, g) = 1$  in the modular degrees of freedom as is in fact required by  $k(mod) = 1$ .

#### 5.5.4 Thermal contribution to the mass squared

One can deduce the value of the thermal mass squared in order  $O(p^2)$  (an excellent approximation) using the general mass formula given by p-adic thermodynamics. Assuming maximal p-adic temperature  $T_p = 1$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} M^2 &= k(sp + Xp^2 + O(p^3)) \text{ ,} \\ s_\Delta &= \frac{D(\Delta + 1)}{D(\Delta)} \text{ ,} \\ X_\Delta &= 2 \frac{D(\Delta + 2)}{D(\Delta)} - \frac{D^2(\Delta + 1)}{D^2(\Delta)} \text{ ,} \\ k &= 1 \text{ .} \end{aligned} \quad (5.5.5)$$

$\Delta$  is the conformal weight of the operator creating massless state from the ground state.

The ratios  $r_n = D(n + 1)/D(n)$  allowing to deduce the values of  $s$  and  $X$  have been deduced from p-adic thermodynamics in [K45] . Light state is obtained only provided  $r(\Delta)$  is an integer. The remarkable result is that for lowest lying states this is the case. For instance, for Ramond representations the values of  $r_n$  are given by

$$(r_0, r_1, r_2, r_3) = (8, 5, 4, \frac{55}{16}) \text{ .} \quad (5.5.6)$$

The values of  $s$  and  $X$  are

$$\begin{aligned} (s_0, s_1, s_2) &= (8, 5, 4) \text{ ,} \\ (X_0, X_1, X_2) &= (16, 15, 11 + 1/2) \text{ .} \end{aligned} \quad (5.5.7)$$

The result means that second order contribution is extremely small for quarks and charged leptons having  $\Delta < 2$ . For neutrinos having  $\Delta = 2$  the second order contribution is non-vanishing.

#### 5.5.5 The contribution from the deviation of ground state conformal weight from negative integer

The interpretation inspired by p-adic mass calculations is that the squares  $\lambda_i^2$  of the eigenvalues of the modified Dirac operator correspond to the conformal weights of ground states. Another natural physical interpretation of  $\lambda$  is as an analog of the Higgs vacuum expectation. The instability of the Higgs=0 phase would corresponds to the fact that  $\lambda = 0$  mode is not localized to any region in which

ew magnetic field or induced Kähler field is non-vanishing. A good guess is that induced Kähler magnetic field  $B_K$  dictates the magnitude of the eigenvalues which is thus of order  $h_0 = \sqrt{B_K R}$ ,  $R$   $CP_2$  radius. The first guess is that eigenvalues in the first approximation come as  $(n + 1/2)h_0$ . Each region where induced Kähler field is non-vanishing would correspond to different scale mass scale  $h_0$ .

1. The vacuum expectation value of Higgs is only proportional to an eigenvalue  $\lambda$ , not equal to it. Indeed, Higgs and gauge bosons as elementary particles correspond to wormhole contacts carrying fermion and antifermion at the two wormhole throats and must be distinguished from the space-time correlate of its vacuum expectation as something proportional to  $\lambda$ . In the fermionic case the vacuum expectation value of Higgs does not seem to be even possible since fermions do not correspond to wormhole contacts between two space-time sheets but possess only single wormhole throat (p-adic mass calculations are consistent with this).
2. Physical considerations suggest that the vacuum expectation of Higgs field corresponds to a particular eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$  of modified Dirac operator so that the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  would define TGD counterparts for the minima of Higgs potential. Since the vacuum expectation of Higgs corresponds to a condensate of wormhole contacts giving rise to a coherent state, the vacuum expectation cannot be present for topologically condensed  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals representing fermions since only single wormhole throat is involved. This raises a hen-egg question about whether Higgs contributes to the mass or whether Higgs is only a correlate for massivation having description using more profound concepts. From TGD point of view the most elegant option is that Higgs does not give rise to mass but Higgs vacuum expectation value accompanies bosonic states and is naturally proportional to  $\lambda_i$ . With this interpretation  $\lambda_i$  could give a contribution to both fermionic and bosonic masses.
3. If the coset construction for super-symplectic and super Kac-Moody algebra implying Equivalence Principle is accepted, one encounters what looks like a problem. p-Adic mass calculations require negative ground state conformal weight compensated by Super Virasoro generators in order to obtain massless states. The tachyonicity of the ground states would mean a close analogy with both string models and Higgs mechanism.  $\lambda_i^2$  is very natural candidate for the ground state conformal weights identified but would have wrong sign if the effective metric of  $X_l^3$  defined by the inner products  $T_K^{k\alpha} T_K^{l\beta} h_{kl}$  of the Kähler energy momentum tensor  $T^{k\alpha} = h^{kl} \partial L_K / \partial h_\alpha^l$  and appearing in the modified Dirac operator  $D_K$  has Minkowskian signature.

The situation changes if the effective metric has Euclidian signature. This seems to be the case for the light-like surfaces assignable to the known extremals such as MEs and cosmic strings. In this kind of situation light-like coordinate possesses Euclidian signature and real eigenvalue spectrum is replaced with a purely imaginary one. Since Dirac operator is in question both signs for eigenvalues are possible and one obtains both exponentially increasing and decreasing solutions. This is essential for having solutions extending from the past end of  $X_l^3$  to its future end. Non-unitary time evolution is possible because  $X_l^3$  does not strictly speaking represent the time evolution of 2-D dynamical object but actual dynamical objects (by light-likeness both interpretation as dynamical evolution and dynamical object are present). The Euclidian signature of the effective metric would be a direct analog for the tachyonicity of the Higgs in unstable minimum and the generation of Higgs vacuum expectation would correspond to the compensation of ground state conformal weight by conformal weights of Super Virasoro generators.

4. In accordance with this  $\lambda_i^2$  would give constant contribution to the ground state conformal weight. What contributes to the thermal mass squared is the deviation of the ground state conformal weight from half-odd integer since the negative integer part of the total conformal weight can be compensated by applying Virasoro generators to the ground state. The first guess motivated by cyclotron energy analogy is that the lowest conformal weights are of form  $h_c = \lambda_i^2 = -1/2 - n + \Delta h_c$  so that lowest ground state conformal weight would be  $h_c = -1/2$  in the first approximation. The negative integer part of the net conformal weight can be canceled using Super Virasoro generators but  $\Delta h_c$  would give to mass squared a contribution analogous to Higgs contribution. The mapping of the real ground state conformal weight to a p-adic number by canonical identification involves some delicacies.

5. p-Adic mass calculations are consistent with the assumption that Higgs type contribution is vanishing (that is small) for fermions and dominates for gauge bosons. This requires that the deviation of  $\lambda_i^2$  with smallest magnitude from half-odd integer value in the case of fermions is considerably smaller than in the case of gauge bosons in the scale defined by p-adic mass scale  $1/L(k)$  in question. Somehow this difference could relate to the fact that bosons correspond to pairs of wormhole throats.

### 5.5.6 General mass formula for Ramond representations

By taking the modular contribution from the boundaries into account the general p-adic mass formulas for the Ramond type states read for states for which the color contribution to the conformal weight is integer valued as

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{m^2(\Delta = 0)}{m_0^2} &= (8 + n(g))p + Yp^2 , \\
 \frac{m^2(\Delta = 1)}{m_0^2} &= (5 + n(g))p + Yp^2 , \\
 \frac{m^2(\Delta = 2)}{m_0^2} &= (4 + n(g))p + (Y + \frac{23}{2})p^2 , \\
 n(g) &= 3g \cdot 2^{g-1}(2^g + 1) .
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.5.8}$$

Here  $\Delta$  denotes the conformal weight of the operators creating massless states from the ground state and  $g$  denotes the genus of the boundary component. The values of  $n(g)$  for the three lowest generations are  $n(0) = 0$ ,  $n(1) = 9$  and  $n(2) = 60$ . The value of second order thermal contribution is nontrivial for neutrinos only. The value of the rational number  $Y$  can, which corresponds to the renormalization correction to the mass, can be determined using experimental inputs.

Using  $m_0^2$  as a unit, the expression for the mass of a Ramond type state reads in terms of the electron mass as

$$\begin{aligned}
 M(\Delta, g, p)_R &= K(\Delta, g, p) \sqrt{\frac{M_{127}}{p}} m_e \\
 K(0, g, p) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 8 + Y_R}{X}} \\
 K(1, g, p) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 5 + Y_R}{X}} \\
 K(2, g, p) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 4 + Y_R}{X}} , \\
 X &= \sqrt{5 + Y(e)_R} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.5.9}$$

$Y$  can be assumed to depend on the electromagnetic charge and color representation of the state and is therefore same for all fermion families. Mathematica provides modules for calculating the real counterpart of the second order contribution and for finding realistic values of  $Y$ .

### 5.5.7 General mass formulas for NS representations

Using  $m_0^2/3$  as a unit, the expression for the mass of a light NS type state for  $T_p = 1$  and  $k_B = 1$  reads in terms of the electron mass as

$$\begin{aligned}
M(\Delta, g, p, N)_R &= K(\Delta, g, p, N) \sqrt{\frac{M_{127}}{p}} m_e \\
K(0, g, p, 1) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + Y_R}{X}} , \\
K(0, g, p, 2) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 1 + Y_R}{X}} , \\
K(1, g, p, 3) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 3 + Y_R}{X}} , \\
K(2, g, p, 4) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 5 + Y_R}{X}} , \\
K(2, g, p, 5) &= \sqrt{\frac{n(g) + 10 + Y_R}{X}} , \\
X &= \sqrt{5 + Y(e)_R} .
\end{aligned} \tag{5.5.10}$$

Here  $N$  is the number of the 'active' NS sectors (sectors for which the conformal weight of the massless state is non-vanishing).  $Y$  denotes the renormalization correction to the boson mass and in general depends on the electro-weak and color quantum numbers of the boson.

The thermal contribution to the mass of  $W$  boson is too large by roughly a factor  $\sqrt{3}$  for  $T_p = 1$ . Hence  $T_p = 1/2$  must hold true for gauge bosons and their masses must have a non-thermal origin perhaps analogous to Higgs mechanism. Alternatively, the non-covariant constancy of charge matrices could induce the boson mass [K45] .

It is interesting to notice that the minimum mass squared for gauge boson corresponds to the p-adic mass unit  $M^2 = m_0^2 p/3$  and this just what is needed in the case of  $W$  boson. This forces to ask whether  $m_0^2/3$  is the correct choice for the mass squared unit so that non-thermally induced  $W$  mass would be the minimal  $m_W^2 = p$  in the lowest order. This choice would mean the replacement

$$Y_R \rightarrow \frac{(3Y)_R}{3}$$

in the preceding formulas and would affect only neutrino mass in the fermionic sector.  $m_0^2/3$  option is excluded by charged lepton mass calculation. This point will be discussed later.

### 5.5.8 Primary condensation levels from p-adic length scale hypothesis

p-Adic length scale hypothesis states that the primary condensation levels correspond to primes near prime powers of two  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  integer with prime values preferred. Black hole-elementary particle analogy [K56] suggests a generalization of this hypothesis by allowing  $k$  to be a power of prime. The general number theoretical vision discussed in [K79] provides a first principle justification for p-adic length scale hypothesis in its most general form. The best fit for the neutrino mass squared differences is obtained for  $k = 13^2 = 169$  so that the generalization of the hypothesis might be necessary.

A particle primarily condensed on the level  $k$  can suffer secondary condensation on a level with the same value of  $k$ : for instance, electron ( $k = 127$ ) suffers secondary condensation on  $k = 127$  level.  $u, d, s$  quarks ( $k = 107$ ) suffer secondary condensation on nuclear space-time sheet having  $k = 113$ ). All quarks feed their color gauge fluxes at  $k = 107$  space-time sheet. There is no deep reason forbidding the condensation of  $p$  on  $p$ . Primary and secondary condensation levels could also correspond to different but nearly identical values of  $p$  with the same value of  $k$ .

## 5.6 Fermion masses

In the earlier model the coefficient of  $M^2 = kL_0$  had to be assumed to be different for various particle states.  $k = 1$  was assumed for bosons and leptons and  $k = 2/3$  for quarks. The fact that  $k = 1$  holds true for all particles in the model including also super-symplectic invariance forces to modify the earlier construction of quark states. This turns out to be possible without affecting the earlier



p-adic mass calculations whose outcome depend in an essential manner on the ground state conformal weights  $h_{gr}$  of the fermions ( $h_{gr}$  can be negative). The structure of lepton and quark states in color degrees of freedom was discussed in [K45].

### 5.6.1 Charged lepton mass ratios

The overall mass scale for lepton and quark masses is determined by the condensation level given by prime  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  prime by length scale hypothesis. For charged leptons  $k$  must correspond to  $k = 127$  for electron,  $k = 113$  for muon and  $k = 107$  for  $\tau$ . For muon  $p = 2^{113} - 1 - 4 * 378$  is assumed (smallest prime below  $2^{113}$  allowing  $\sqrt{2}$  but not  $\sqrt{3}$ ). So called Gaussian primes are to complex integers what primes are for the ordinary integers and the Gaussian counterparts of the Mersenne primes are Gaussian primes of form  $(1 \pm i)^k - 1$ . Rather interestingly,  $k = 113$  corresponds to a Gaussian Mersenne so that all charged leptons correspond to generalized Mersenne primes.

For  $k = 1$  the leptonic mass squared is integer valued in units of  $m_0^2$  only for the states satisfying

$$p \text{ mod } 3 \neq 2 .$$

Only these representations can give rise to massless states. Neutrinos correspond to  $(p, p)$  representations with  $p \geq 1$  whereas charged leptons correspond to  $(p, p + 3)$  representations. The earlier mass calculations demonstrate that leptonic masses can be understood if the ground state conformal weight is  $h_{gr} = -1$  for charged leptons and  $h_{gr} = -2$  for neutrinos.

The contribution of color partial wave to conformal weight is  $h_c = (p^2 + 2p)/3$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , for neutrinos and  $p = 1$  gives  $h_c = 1$  (octet). For charged leptons  $h_c = (p^2 + 5p + 6)/3$  gives  $h_c = 2$  for  $p = 0$  (decuplet). In both cases super-symplectic operator  $O$  must have a net conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  to produce a correct conformal weight for the ground state. p-adic considerations suggests the use of operators  $O$  with super-symplectic conformal weight  $z = -1/2 - i \sum n_k y_k$ , where  $s_k = 1/2 + iy_k$  corresponds to zero of Riemann  $\zeta$ . If the operators in question are color Hamiltonians in octet representation net super-symplectic conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  results. The tensor product of two octets with conjugate super-symplectic conformal weights contains both octet and decuplet so that singlets are obtained. What strengthens the hopes that the construction is not adhoc is that the same operator appears in the construction of quark states too.

Using  $CP_2$  mass scale  $m_0^2$  [K45] as a p-adic unit, the mass formulas for the charged leptons read as

$$\begin{aligned} M^2(L) &= A(\nu) \frac{m_0^2}{p(L)} , \\ A(e) &= 5 + X(p(e)) , \\ A(\mu) &= 14 + X(p(\mu)) , \\ A(\tau) &= 65 + X(p(\tau)) . \end{aligned} \tag{5.6.1}$$

$X(\cdot)$  corresponds to the yet unknown second order corrections to the mass squared.

The following table gives the basic parameters as determined from the mass of electron for some values of  $Y_e$ . The mass of top quark favors as maximal value of  $CP_2$  mass which corresponds to  $Y_e = 0$ .

$Y_e$	0	.5	.7798
$(m_0/m_{Pl}) \times 10^3$	.2437	.2323	.2266
$K \times 10^{-7}$	2.5262	2.7788	2.9202
$(L_R/\sqrt{G}) \times 10^{-4}$	3.1580	3.3122	3.3954

Table 1. Table gives the values of  $CP_2$  mass  $m_0$  using Planck mass  $m_{Pl} = 1/\sqrt{G}$  as unit, the ratio  $K = R^2/G$  and  $CP_2$  geodesic length  $L = 2\pi R$  for  $Y_e \in \{0, 0.5, 0.7798\}$ .

The following table lists the lower and upper bounds for the charged lepton mass ratios obtained by taking second order contribution to zero or allowing it to have maximum possible value. The values of lepton masses are  $m_e = .510999$  MeV,  $m_\mu = 105.76583$  MeV,  $m_\tau = 1775$  MeV.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{m(\mu)_+}{m(\mu)} &= \sqrt{\frac{15}{5}} 2^7 \frac{m_e}{m(\mu)} \simeq 1.0722 \ , \\
\frac{m(\mu)_-}{m(\mu)} &= \sqrt{\frac{14}{6}} 2^7 \frac{m_e}{m(\mu)} \simeq 0.9456 \ , \\
\frac{m(\tau)_+}{m(\tau)} &= \sqrt{\frac{66}{5}} 2^{10} \frac{m_e}{m(\tau)} \simeq 1.0710 \ , \\
\frac{m(\tau)_-}{m(\tau)} &= \sqrt{\frac{65}{6}} 2^{10} \frac{m_e}{m(\tau)} \simeq .9703 \ .
\end{aligned}
\tag{5.6.2}$$

For the maximal value of  $CP_2$  mass the predictions for the mass ratio are systematically too large by a few per cent. From the formulas above it is clear that the second order corrections to mass squared can be such that correct masses result.

$\tau$  mass is least sensitive to  $X(p(e)) \equiv Y_e$  and the maximum value of  $Y_e \equiv Y_{e,max}$  consistent with  $\tau$  mass corresponds to  $Y_{e,max} = .7357$  and  $Y_\tau = 1$ . This means that the  $CP_2$  mass is at least a fraction .9337 of its maximal value. If  $Y_L$  is same for all charged leptons and has the maximal value  $Y_{e,max} = .7357$ , the predictions for the mass ratios are

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{m(\mu)_{pr}}{m(\mu)} &= \sqrt{\frac{14 + Y_{e,max}}{5 + Y_{e,max}}} \times 2^7 \frac{m_e}{m(\mu)} \simeq .9922 \ , \\
\frac{m(\tau)_{pr}}{m(\tau)} &= \sqrt{\frac{65 + Y_{e,max}}{5 + Y_{e,max}}} \times 2^{10} \frac{m_e}{m(\tau)} \simeq .9980 \ .
\end{aligned}
\tag{5.6.3}$$

The error is .8 per cent *resp.* .2 per cent for muon *resp.*  $\tau$ .

The argument leading to estimate for the modular contribution to the mass squared [K45] leaves two options for the coefficient of the modular contribution for  $g = 2$  fermions: the value of coefficient is either  $X = g$  for  $g \leq 1$ ,  $X = 3g - 3$  for  $g \geq 2$  or  $X = g$  always. For  $g = 2$  the predictions are  $X = 2$  and  $X = 3$  in the two cases. The option  $X = 3$  allows slightly larger maximal value of  $Y_e$  equal to  $Y_{e,max}^1 = Y_{e,max} + (5 + Y_{e,max})/66$ .

### 5.6.2 Neutrino masses

The estimation of neutrino masses is difficult at this stage since the prediction of the primary condensation level is not yet possible and neutrino mixing cannot yet be predicted from the basic principles. The cosmological bounds for neutrino masses however help to put upper bounds on the masses. If one takes seriously the LSND data on neutrino mass measurement of [C213, C131] and the explanation of the atmospheric  $\nu$ -deficit in terms of  $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$  mixing [C173, C149] one can deduce that the most plausible condensation level of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  neutrinos is  $k = 167$  or  $k = 13^2 = 169$  allowed by the more general form of the p-adic length scale hypothesis suggested by the blackhole-elementary particle analogy. One can also deduce information about the mixing matrix associated with the neutrinos so that mass predictions become rather precise. In particular, the mass splitting of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  neutrinos is predicted correctly if one assumes that the mixing matrix is a rational unitary matrix.

#### Super Virasoro contribution

Using  $m_0^2/3$  as a p-adic unit, the expression for the Super Virasoro contribution to the mass squared of neutrinos is given by the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 M^2(SV) &= (s + (3Yp)_{R/3}) \frac{m_0^2}{p} , \\
 s &= 4 \text{ or } 5 , \\
 Y &= \frac{23}{2} + Y_1 ,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.6.4}$$

where  $m_0^2$  is universal mass scale. One can consider two possible identifications of neutrinos corresponding to  $s(\nu) = 4$  with  $\Delta = 2$  and  $s(\nu) = 5$  with  $\Delta = 1$ . The requirement that CKM matrix is sensible forces the asymmetric scenario in which quarks and, by symmetry, also leptons correspond to lowest possible excitation so that one must have  $s(\nu) = 4$ .  $Y_1$  represents second order contribution to the neutrino mass coming from renormalization effects coming from self energy diagrams involving intermediate gauge bosons. Physical intuition suggest that this contribution is very small so that the precise measurement of the neutrino masses should give an excellent test for the theory.

With the above described assumptions and for  $s = 4$ , one has the following mass formula for neutrinos

$$\begin{aligned}
 M^2(\nu) &= A(\nu) \frac{m_0^2}{p(\nu)} , \\
 A(\nu_e) &= 4 + \frac{(3Y(p(\nu_e)))_R}{3} , \\
 A(\nu_\mu) &= 13 + \frac{(3Y(p(\nu_\mu)))_R}{3} , \\
 A(\nu_\tau) &= 64 + \frac{(3Y(p(\nu_\tau)))_R}{3} , \\
 3Y &\simeq \frac{1}{2} .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.6.5}$$

The predictions must be consistent with the recent upper bounds [C108] of order  $10 \text{ eV}$ ,  $270 \text{ keV}$  and  $0.3 \text{ MeV}$  for  $\nu_e$ ,  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$  respectively. The recently reported results of LSND measurement [C131] for  $\nu_e - \nu_\mu$  mixing gives string limits for  $\Delta m^2(\nu_e, \nu_\mu)$  and the parameter  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  characterizing the mixing: the limits are given in the figure 30 of [C131]. The results suggests that the masses of both electron and muon neutrinos are below  $5 \text{ eV}$  and that mass squared difference  $\Delta m^2 = m^2(\nu_\mu) - m^2(\nu_e)$  is between  $.25 - 25 \text{ eV}^2$ . The simplest possibility is that  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$  have common condensation level (in analogy with d and s quarks). There are three candidates for the primary condensation level: namely  $k = 163, 167$  and  $k = 169$ . The p-adic prime associated with the primary condensation level is assumed to be the nearest prime below  $2^k$  allowing p-adic  $\sqrt{2}$  but not  $\sqrt{3}$  and satisfying  $p \text{ mod } 4 = 3$ . The following table gives the values of various parameters and unmixed neutrino masses in various cases of interest.

k	p	$(3Y)_{R/3}$	$m(\nu_e)/eV$	$m(\nu_\mu)/eV$	$m(\nu_\tau)/eV$
163	$2^{163} - 4 * 144 - 1$	1.36	1.78	3.16	6.98
167	$2^{167} - 4 * 144 - 1$	.34	.45	.79	1.75
169	$2^{169} - 4 * 210 - 1$	.17	.22	.40	.87

**Could neutrino topologically condense also in other p-adic length scales than  $k = 169$ ?**

One must keep mind open for the possibility that there are several p-adic length scales at which neutrinos can condense topologically. Biological length scales are especially interesting in this respect. In fact, all intermediate p-adic length scales  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  could correspond to metastable neutrino states. The point is that these p-adic lengths scales are number theoretically completely exceptional in the sense that there exist Gaussian Mersenne  $2^k \pm i$  (prime in the ring of complex integers) for all these values of  $k$ . Since charged leptons, atomic nuclei ( $k = 113$ ), hadrons and intermediate gauge bosons correspond to ordinary or Gaussian Mersennes, it would not be surprising if the biologically important Gaussian Mersennes would correspond to length scales giving rise to metastable neutrino states. Of course, one can keep mind open for the possibility that  $k = 167$  rather than  $k = 13^2 = 169$  is the length scale defining the stable neutrino physics.

### Neutrino mixing

Consider next the neutrino mixing. A quite general form of the neutrino mixing matrix  $D$  given by the table below will be considered.

	$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$
$\nu_e$	$c_1$	$s_1 c_3$	$s_1 s_3$
$\nu_\mu$	$-s_1 c_2$	$c_1 c_2 c_3 - s_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta)$	$c_1 c_2 s_3 + s_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta)$
$\nu_\tau$	$-s_1 s_2$	$c_1 s_2 c_3 + c_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta)$	$c_1 s_2 s_3 - c_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta)$

Physical intuition suggests that the angle  $\delta$  related to CP breaking is small and will be assumed to be vanishing. Topological mixing is active only in modular degrees of freedom and one obtains for the first order terms of mixed masses the expressions

$$\begin{aligned}
 s(\nu_e) &= 4 + 9|U_{12}|^2 + 60|U_{13}|^2 = 4 + n_1 , \\
 s(\nu_\mu) &= 4 + 9|U_{22}|^2 + 60|U_{23}|^2 = 4 + n_2 , \\
 s(\nu_\tau) &= 4 + 9|U_{32}|^2 + 60|U_{33}|^2 = 4 + n_3 .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.6.6}$$

The requirement that resulting masses are not ultraheavy implies that  $s(\nu)$  must be small integers. The condition  $n_1 + n_2 + n_3 = 69$  follows from unitarity. The simplest possibility is that the mixing matrix is a rational unitary matrix. The same ansatz was used successfully to deduce information about the mixing matrices of quarks. If neutrinos are condensed on the same condensation level, rationality implies that  $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$  mass squared difference must come from the first order contribution to the mass squared and is therefore quantized and bounded from below.

The first piece of information is the atmospheric  $\nu_\mu/\nu_e$  ratio, which is roughly by a factor 2 smaller than predicted by standard model [C173]. A possible explanation is the CKM mixing of muon neutrino with  $\tau$ -neutrino, whereas the mixing with electron neutrino is excluded as an explanation. The latest results from Kamiokande [C173] are in accordance with the mixing  $m^2(\nu_\tau) - m^2(\nu_\mu) \simeq 1.6 \cdot 10^{-2} eV^2$  and mixing angle  $\sin^2(2\theta) = 1.0$ : also the zenith angle dependence of the ratio is in accordance with the mixing interpretation. If mixing matrix is assumed to be rational then only  $k = 169$  condensation level is allowed for  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$ . For this level  $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$  mass squared difference turns out to be  $\Delta m^2 \simeq 10^{-2} eV^2$  for  $\Delta s \equiv s(\nu_\tau) - s(\nu_\mu) = 1$ , which is the only acceptable possibility and predicts  $\nu_\mu - \nu_\tau$  mass squared difference correctly within experimental uncertainties! The fact that the predictions for mass squared differences are practically exact, provides a precision test for the rationality assumption.

What is measured in LSND experiment is the probability  $P(t, E)$  that  $\nu_\mu$  transforms to  $\nu_e$  in time  $t$  after its production in muon decay as a function of energy  $E$  of  $\nu_\mu$ . In the limit that  $\nu_\tau$  and  $\nu_\mu$  masses are identical, the expression of  $P(t, E)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(t, E) &= \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta E t}{2}\right) , \\
 \sin^2(2\theta) &= 4c_1^2 s_1^2 c_2^2 ,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{5.6.7}$$

where  $\Delta E$  is energy difference of  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$  neutrinos and  $t$  denotes time. LSND experiment gives stringent conditions on the value of  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  as the figure 30 of [C131] shows. In particular, it seems that  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  must be considerably below  $10^{-1}$  and this implies that  $s_1^2$  must be small enough.

The study of the mass formulas shows that the only possibility to satisfy the constraints for the mass squared and  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  given by LSND experiment is to assume that the mixing of the electron neutrino with the tau neutrino is much larger than its mixing with the muon neutrino. This means that  $s_3$  is quite near to unity. At the limit  $s_3 = 1$  one obtains the following (nonrational) solution of

the mass squared conditions for  $n_3 = n_2 + 1$  (forced by the atmospheric neutrino data)

$$\begin{aligned} s_1^2 &= \frac{69 - 2n_2 - 1}{60} , \\ c_2^2 &= \frac{n_2 - 9}{2n_2 - 17} , \\ \sin^2(2\theta) &= \frac{4(n_2 - 9)(34 - n_2)(n_2 - 4)}{51 \cdot 30^2} , \\ s(\nu_\mu) - s(\nu_e) &= 3n_2 - 68 . \end{aligned} \quad (5.6.8)$$

The study of the LSND data shows that there is only one acceptable solution to the conditions obtained by assuming maximal mass squared difference for  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$

$$\begin{aligned} n_1 &= 2 \quad n_2 = 33 \quad n_3 = 34 , \\ s_1^2 &= \frac{1}{30} \quad c_2^2 = \frac{24}{49} , \\ \sin^2(2\theta) &= \frac{24}{49} \frac{2}{15} \frac{29}{30} \simeq .0631 , \\ s(\nu_\mu) - s(\nu_e) &= 31 \leftrightarrow .32 \text{ eV}^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (5.6.9)$$

That  $c_2^2$  is near 1/2 is not surprise taking into account the almost mass degeneracy of  $\nu_{mu}$  and  $\nu_\tau$ . From the figure 30 of [C131] it is clear that this solution belongs to 90 per cent likelihood region of LSND experiment but  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  is about two times larger than the value allowed by Bugey reactor experiment. The study of various constraints given in [C131] shows that the solution is consistent with bounds from all other experiments. If one assumes that  $k > 169$  for  $\nu_e \nu_\mu - \nu_e$  mass difference increases, implying slightly poorer consistency with LSND data.

There are reasons to hope that the actual rational solution can be regarded as a small deformation of this solution obtained by assuming that  $c_3$  is non-vanishing.  $s_1^2 = \frac{69-2n_2-1}{60-51c_3^2}$  increases in the deformation by  $O(c_3^2)$  term but if  $c_3$  is positive the value of  $c_2^2 \simeq \frac{24-102c_1^0 c_2^0 s_2^0 c_3}{49} \sim \frac{24-61c_3}{49}$  decreases by  $O(c_3)$  term so that it should be possible to reduce the value of  $\sin^2(2\theta)$ . Consistency with Bugey reactor experiment requires  $.030 \leq \sin^2(2\theta) < .033$ .  $\sin^2(2\theta) = .032$  is achieved for  $s_1^2 \simeq .035, s_2^2 \simeq .51$  and  $c_3^2 \simeq .068$ . The construction of U and D matrices for quarks shows that very stringent number theoretic conditions are obtained and as in case of quarks it might be necessary to allow complex CP breaking phase in the mixing matrix. One might even hope that the solution to the conditions is unique.

For the minimal rational mixing one has  $s(\nu_e) = 5$ ,  $s(\nu_\mu) = 36$  and  $s(\nu_\tau) = 37$  if unmixed  $\nu_e$  corresponds to  $s = 4$ . For  $s = 5$  first order contributions are shifted by one unit. The masses ( $s = 4$  case) and mass squared differences are given by the following table.

k	$m(\nu_e)$	$m(\nu_\mu)$	$m(\nu_\tau)$	$\Delta m^2(\nu_\mu - \nu_e)$	$\Delta m^2(\nu_\tau - \nu_\mu)$
169	.27 eV	.66 eV	.67 eV	.32 eV <sup>2</sup>	.01 eV <sup>2</sup>

Predictions for neutrino masses and mass squared splittings for  $k = 169$  case.

### Evidence for the dynamical mass scale of neutrinos

In recent years (I am writing this towards the end of year 2004 and much later than previous lines) a great progress has been made in the understanding of neutrino masses and neutrino mixing. The pleasant news from TGD perspective is that there is a strong evidence that neutrino masses depend on environment [C105]. In TGD framework this translates to the statement that neutrinos can suffer topological condensation in several p-adic length scales. Not only in the p-adic length scales suggested by the number theoretical considerations but also in longer length scales, as will be found.

The experiments giving information about mass squared differences can be divided into three categories [C105].

1. There along baseline experiments, which include solar neutrino experiments [C161, C176, C203] and [C255] as well as earlier studies of solar neutrinos. These experiments see evidence for

the neutrino mixing and involve significant propagation through dense matter. For the solar neutrinos and KamLAND the mass splittings are estimated to be of order  $O(8 \times 10^{-5}) \text{ eV}^2$  or more cautiously  $8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2 < \delta m^2 < 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ . For K2K and atmospheric neutrinos the mass splittings are of order  $O(2 \times 10^{-3}) \text{ eV}^2$  or more cautiously  $\delta m^2 > 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ . Thus the scale of mass splitting seems to be smaller for neutrinos in matter than in air, which would suggest that neutrinos able to propagate through a dense matter travel at space-time sheets corresponding to a larger p-adic length scale than in air.

2. There are null short baseline experiments including CHOOZ, Bugey, and Palo Verde reactor experiments, and the higher energy CDHS, JARME, CHORUS, and NOMAD experiments, which involve muonic neutrinos (for references see [C105]). No evidence for neutrino oscillations have been seen in these experiments.
3. The results of LSND experiment [C131] are consistent with oscillations with a mass splitting greater than  $3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}^2$ . LSND has been generally been interpreted as necessitating a mixing with sterile neutrino. If neutrino mass scale is dynamical, situation however changes.

If one assumes that the p-adic length scale for the space-time sheets at which neutrinos can propagate is different for matter and air, the situation changes. According to [C105] a mass  $3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$  in air could explain the atmospheric results whereas mass of order  $.1 \text{ eV}$  and  $.07 \text{ eV}^2 < \delta m^2 < .26 \text{ eV}^2$  would explain the LSND result. These limits are of the same order as the order of magnitude predicted by  $k = 169$  topological condensation.

Assuming that the scale of the mass splitting is proportional to the p-adic mass scale squared, one can consider candidates for the topological condensation levels involved.

1. Suppose that  $k = 169 = 13^2$  is indeed the condensation level for LSND neutrinos.  $k = 173$  would predict  $m_{\nu_e} \sim 7 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$  and  $\delta m^2 \sim .02 \text{ eV}^2$ . This could correspond to the masses of neutrinos propagating through air. For  $k = 179$  one has  $m_{\nu_e} \sim .8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ eV}$  and  $\delta m^2 \sim 3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}^2$  which could be associated with solar neutrinos and KamLAND neutrinos.
2. The primes  $k = 157, 163, 167$  associated with Gaussian Mersennes would give  $\delta m^2(157) = 2^6 \delta m^2(163) = 2^{10} \delta m^2(167) = 2^{12} \delta m^2(169)$  and mass scales  $m(157) \sim 22.8 \text{ eV}$ ,  $m(163) \sim 3.6 \text{ eV}$ ,  $m(167) \sim .54 \text{ eV}$ . These mass scales are unrealistic or propagating neutrinos. The interpretation consistent with TGD inspired model of condensed matter in which neutrinos screen the classical  $Z^0$  force generated by nucleons would be that condensed matter neutrinos are confined inside these space-time sheets whereas the neutrinos able to propagate through condensed matter travel along  $k > 167$  space-time sheets.

### The results of MiniBooNE group as a support for the energy dependence of p-adic mass scale of neutrino

The basic prediction of TGD is that neutrino mass scale can depend on neutrino energy and the experimental determinations of neutrino mixing parameters support this prediction. The newest results (11 April 2007) about neutrino oscillations come from MiniBooNE group which has published its first findings [C107] concerning neutrino oscillations in the mass range studied in LSND experiments [C98].

#### 1. The motivation for MiniBooNE

Neutrino oscillations are not well-understood. Three experiments LSND, atmospheric neutrinos, and solar neutrinos show oscillations but in widely different mass regions ( $1 \text{ eV}^2$ ,  $3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ , and  $8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2$ ).

In TGD framework the explanation would be that neutrinos can appear in several p-adically scaled up variants with different mass scales and therefore different scales for the differences  $\Delta m^2$  for neutrino masses so that one should not try to explain the results of these experiments using single neutrino mass scale. In single-sheeted space-time it is very difficult to imagine that neutrino mass scale would depend on neutrino energy since neutrinos interact so extremely weakly with matter. The best known attempt to assign single mass to all neutrinos has been based on the use of so called sterile neutrinos which do not have electro-weak couplings. This approach is an ad hoc trick and rather ugly mathematically and excluded by the results of MiniBooNE experiments.

### 2. The result of MiniBooNE experiment

The purpose of the MiniBooNE experiment was to check whether LSND result  $\Delta m^2 = 1\text{eV}^2$  is genuine. The group used muon neutrino beam and looked whether the transformations of muonic neutrinos to electron neutrinos occur in the mass squared region  $\Delta m^2 \simeq 1\text{eV}^2$ . No such transitions were found but there was evidence for transformations at low neutrino energies.

What looks first as an over-diplomatic formulation of the result was *MiniBooNE researchers showed conclusively that the LSND results could not be due to simple neutrino oscillation, a phenomenon in which one type of neutrino transforms into another type and back again.* rather than direct refutation of LSND results.

### 3. LSND and MiniBooNE are consistent in TGD Universe

The habitant of the many-sheeted space-time would not regard the previous statement as a mere diplomatic use of language. It is quite possible that neutrinos studied in MiniBooNE have suffered topological condensation at different space-time sheet than those in LSND if they are in different energy range (the preferred rest system fixed by the space-time sheet of the laboratory or Earth). To see whether this is the case let us look more carefully the experimental arrangements.

1. In LSND experiment 800 MeV proton beam entering in water target and the muon neutrinos resulted in the decay of produced pions. Muonic neutrinos had energies in 60-200 MeV range [C98].
2. In MiniBooNE experiment [C107] 8 GeV muon beam entered Beryllium target and muon neutrinos resulted in the decay of resulting pions and kaons. The resulting muonic neutrinos had energies the range 300-1500 GeV to be compared with 60-200 MeV.

Let us try to make this more explicit.

1. Neutrino energy ranges are quite different so that the experiments need not be directly comparable. The mixing obeys the analog of Schrödinger equation for free particle with energy replaced with  $\Delta m^2/E$ , where  $E$  is neutrino energy. The mixing probability as a function of distance  $L$  from the source of muon neutrinos is in 2-component model given by

$$P = \sin^2(\theta)\sin^2(1.27\Delta m^2 L/E) .$$

The characteristic length scale for mixing is  $L = E/\Delta m^2$ . If  $L$  is sufficiently small, the mixing is fifty-fifty already before the muon neutrinos enter the system, where the measurement is carried out and no mixing is detected. If  $L$  is considerably longer than the size of the measuring system, no mixing is observed either. Therefore the result can be understood if  $\Delta m^2$  is much larger or much smaller than  $E/L$ , where  $L$  is the size of the measuring system and  $E$  is the typical neutrino energy.

2. MiniBooNE experiment found evidence for the appearance of electron neutrinos at low neutrino energies (below 500 MeV) which means direct support for the LSND findings and for the dependence of neutron mass scale on its energy relative to the rest system defined by the space-time sheet of laboratory.
3. Uncertainty Principle inspires the guess  $L_p \propto 1/E$  implying  $m_p \propto E$ . Here  $E$  is the energy of the neutrino with respect to the rest system defined by the space-time sheet of the laboratory. Solar neutrinos indeed have the lowest energy (below 20 MeV) and the lowest value of  $\Delta m^2$ . However, atmospheric neutrinos have energies starting from few hundreds of MeV and  $\Delta m^2$  is by a factor of order 10 higher. This suggests that the the growth of  $\Delta m^2$  with  $E^2$  is slower than linear. It is perhaps not the energy alone which matters but the space-time sheet at which neutrinos topologically condense. For instance, MiniBooNE neutrinos above 500 MeV would topologically condense at space-time sheets for which the p-adic mass scale is higher than in LSND experiments and one would have  $\Delta m^2 \gg 1\text{eV}^2$  implying maximal mixing in length scale much shorter than the size of experimental apparatus.

4. One could also argue that topological condensation occurs in condensed matter and that no topological condensation occurs for high enough neutrino energies so that neutrinos remain massless. One can even consider the possibility that the p-adic length scale  $L_p$  is proportional to  $E/m_0^2$ , where  $m_0$  is proportional to the mass scale associated with non-relativistic neutrinos. The p-adic mass scale would obey  $m_p \propto m_0^2/E$  so that the characteristic mixing length would be by a factor of order 100 longer in MiniBooNE experiment than in LSND.

### Comments

Some comments on the proposed scenario are in order: some of the are written much later than the previous text.

1. Mass predictions are consistent with the bound  $\Delta m(\nu_\mu, \nu_e) < 2 eV^2$  coming from the requirement that neutrino mixing does not spoil the so called r-process producing heavy elements in Super Novae [C231].
2. TGD neutrinos cannot solve the dark matter problem: the total neutrino mass required by the cold+hot dark matter models would be about  $5 eV$ . In [K22] a model of galaxies based on string like objects of galaxy size and providing a more exotic source of dark matter, is discussed.
3. One could also consider the explanation of LSND data in terms of the interaction of  $\nu_\mu$  and nucleon via the exchange of  $g = 1$  W boson. The fraction of the reactions  $\bar{\nu}_\mu + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$  is at low neutrino energies  $P \sim \frac{m_W^4(g=0)}{m_W^4(g=1)} \sin^2(\theta_c)$ , where  $\theta_c$  denotes Cabibbo angle. Even if the condensation level of  $W(g = 1)$  is  $k = 89$ , the ratio is by a factor of order .05 too small to explain the average  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  transformation probability  $P \simeq .003$  extracted from LSND data.
4. The predicted masses exclude MSW and vacuum oscillation solutions to the solar neutrino problem unless one assumes that several condensation levels and thus mass scales are possible for neutrinos. This is indeed suggested by the previous considerations.

### 5.6.3 Quark masses

The prediction of quark masses is more difficult due to the facts that the deduction of even the p-adic length scale determining the masses of these quarks is a non-trivial task, and the original identification was indeed wrong. Second difficulty is related to the topological mixing of quarks. The new scenario leads to a unique identification of masses with top quark mass as an empirical input and the thermodynamical model of topological mixing as a new theoretical input. Also CKM matrix is predicted highly uniquely.

#### Basic mass formulas

By the earlier mass calculations and construction of CKM matrix the ground state conformal weights of  $U$  and  $D$  type quarks must be  $h_{gr}(U) = -1$  and  $h_{gr}(D) = 0$ . The formulas for the eigenvalues of  $CP_2$  spinor Laplacian imply that if  $m_0^2$  is used as a unit, color conformal weight  $h_c \equiv m_{CP_2}^2$  is integer for  $p \bmod 3 = \pm 1$  for  $U$  type quark belonging to  $(p + 1, p)$  type representation and obeying  $h_c(U) = (p^2 + 3p + 2)/3$  and for  $p \bmod 3 = 1$  for  $D$  type quark belonging to  $(p, p + 2)$  type representation and obeying  $h_c(D) = (p^2 + 4p + 4)/3$ . Only these states can be massless since color Hamiltonians have integer valued conformal weights.

In the recent case the minimal  $p = 1$  states correspond to  $h_c(U) = 2$  and  $h_c(D) = 3$ .  $h_{gr}(U) = -1$  and  $h_{gr}(D) = 0$  reproduce the previous results for quark masses required by the construction of CKM matrix. This requires super-symplectic operators  $O$  with a net conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  just as in the leptonic case. The facts that the values of  $p$  are minimal for spinor harmonics and the super-symplectic operator is same for both quarks and leptons suggest that the construction is not had hoc. The real justification would come from the demonstration that  $h_{sc} = -3$  defines null state for SCV: this would also explain why  $h_{sc}$  would be same for all fermions.

Consider now the mass squared values for quarks. For  $h(D) = 0$  and  $h(U) = -1$  and using  $m_0^2/3$  as a unit the expression for the thermal contribution to the mass squared of quark is given by the formula



$$\begin{aligned}
M^2 &= (s + X) \frac{m_0^2}{p} , \\
s(U) &= 5 , \quad s(D) = 8 , \\
X &\equiv \frac{(3Yp)_R}{3} ,
\end{aligned} \tag{5.6.10}$$

where the second order contribution  $Y$  corresponds to renormalization effects coming and depending on the isospin of the quark. When  $m_0^2$  is used as a unit  $X$  is replaced by  $X = (Yp)_R$ .

With the above described assumptions one has the following mass formula for quarks

$$\begin{aligned}
M^2(q) &= A(q) \frac{m_0^2}{p(q)} , \\
A(u) &= 5 + X_U(p(u)) , \quad A(c) = 14 + X_U(p(c)) , \quad A(t) = 65 + X_U(p(t)) , \\
A(d) &= 8 + X_D(p(d)) , \quad A(s) = 17 + X_D(p(s)) , \quad A(b) = 68 + X_D(p(b)) .
\end{aligned} \tag{5.6.11}$$

p-Adic length scale hypothesis allows to identify the p-adic primes labelling quarks whereas topological mixing of U and D quarks allows to deduce topological mixing matrices U and D and CKM matrix V and precise values of the masses apart from effects like color magnetic spin orbit splitting, color Coulombic energy, etc..

Integers  $n_{q_i}$  satisfying  $\sum_i n(U_i) = \sum_i n(D_i) = 69$  characterize the masses of the quarks and also the topological mixing to high degree. The reason that modular contributions remain integers is that in the p-adic context non-trivial rationals would give  $CP_2$  mass scale for the real counterpart of the mass squared. In the absence of mixing the values of integers are  $n_d = n_u = 0$ ,  $n_s = n_c = 9$ ,  $n_b = n_t = 60$ .

The fact that CKM matrix  $V$  expressible as a product  $V = U^\dagger D$  of topological mixing matrices is near to a direct sum of  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix and  $1 \times 1$  unit matrix motivates the approximation  $n_b \simeq n_t$ . The large masses of top quark and of  $t\bar{t}$  meson encourage to consider a scenario in which  $n_t = n_b = n \leq 60$  holds true.

The model for topological mixing matrices and CKM matrix predicts U and D matrices highly uniquely and allows to understand quark and hadron masses in surprisingly detailed level.

1.  $n_d = n_u = 60$  is not allowed by number theoretical conditions for  $U$  and  $D$  matrices and by the basic facts about CKM matrix but  $n_t = n_b = 59$  allows almost maximal masses for  $b$  and  $t$ . This is not yet a complete hit. The unitarity of the mixing matrices and the construction of CKM matrix to be discussed in the next section forces the assignments

$$(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59) , \quad (n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58) . \tag{5.6.12}$$

fixing completely the quark masses apart possible Higgs contribution [K54] . Note that top quark mass is still rather near to its maximal value.

2. The constraint that valence quark contribution to pion mass does not exceed pion mass implies the constraint  $n(d) \leq 6$  and  $n(u) \leq 6$  in accordance with the predictions of the model of topological mixing.  $u - d$  mass difference does not affect  $\pi^+ - \pi^0$  mass difference and the quark contribution to  $m(\pi)$  is predicted to be  $\sqrt{(n_d + n_u + 13)/24} \times 136.9$  MeV for the maximal value of  $CP_2$  mass (second order p-adic contribution to electron mass squared vanishes).

### The p-adic length scales associated with quarks and quark masses

The identification of p-adic length scales associated with the quarks has turned to be a highly non-trivial problem. The reasons are that for light quarks it is difficult to deduce information about quark masses for hadron masses and that the unknown details of the topological mixing (unknown until the

advent of the thermodynamical model [K54] ) made possible several p-adic length scales for quarks. It has also become clear that the p-adic length scale can be different for free quark and bound quark and that bound quark p-adic scale can depend on hadron.

Two natural constraints have however emerged from the recent work.

1. Quark contribution to the hadron mass cannot be larger than color contribution and for quarks having  $k_q \neq 107$  quark contribution to mass is added to color contribution to the mass. For quarks with same value of  $k$  conformal weight rather than mass is additive whereas for quarks with different value of  $k$  masses are additive. An important implication is that for diagonal mesons  $M = q\bar{q}$  having  $k(q) \neq 107$  the condition  $m(M) \geq \sqrt{2}m_q$  must hold true. This gives strong constraints on quark masses.
2. The realization that scaled up variants of quarks explain elegantly the masses of light hadrons allows to understand large mass splittings of light hadrons without the introduction of strong isospin-isospin interaction.

The new model for quark masses is based on the following identifications of the p-adic length scales.

1. The nuclear p-adic length scale  $L(k)$ ,  $k = 113$ , corresponds to the p-adic length scale determining the masses of u, d, and s quarks. Note that  $k = 113$  corresponds to a so called Gaussian Mersenne. The interpretation is that quark massivation occurs at nuclear space-time sheet at which quarks feed their em fluxes. At  $k = 107$  space-time sheet, where quarks feed their color gauge fluxes, the quark masses are vanishing in the first p-adic order. This could be due to the fact that the p-adic temperature is  $T_p = 1/2$  at this space-time sheet so that the thermal contribution to the mass squared is negligible. This would reflect the fact that color interactions do not involve any counterpart of Higgs mechanism.

p-Adic mass calculations turn out to work remarkably well for massive quarks. The reason could be that  $M_{107}$  hadron physics means that *all* quarks feed their color gauge fluxes to  $k = 107$  space-time sheets so that color contribution to the masses becomes negligible for heavy quarks as compared to Super-Kac Moody and modular contributions corresponding to em gauge fluxes fed to  $k > 107$  space-time sheets in case of heavy quarks. Note that  $Z^0$  gauge flux is fed to space-time sheets at which neutrinos reside and screen the flux and their size corresponds to the neutrino mass scale. This picture might throw some light to the question of whether and how it might be possible to demonstrate the existence of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.

One might argue that  $k = 107$  is not allowed as a condensation level in accordance with the idea that color and electro-weak gauge fluxes cannot be fed at the space-time sheet since the classical color and electro-weak fields are functionally independent. The identification of  $\eta'$  meson as a bound state of scaled up  $k = 107$  quarks is not however consistent with this idea unless one assumes that  $k = 107$  space-time sheets in question are separate.

2. The requirement that the masses of diagonal pseudoscalar mesons of type  $M = q\bar{q}$  are larger but as near as possible to the quark contribution  $\sqrt{2}m_q$  to the valence quark mass, fixes the p-adic primes  $p \simeq 2^k$  associated with  $c$ ,  $b$  quarks but not  $t$  since toponium does not exist. These values of  $k$  are "nominal" since  $k$  seems to be dynamical.  $c$  quark corresponds to the p-adic length scale  $k(c) = 104 = 2^3 \times 13$ .  $b$  quark corresponds to  $k(b) = 103$  for  $n(b) = 5$ . Direct determination of p-adic scale from top quark mass gives  $k(t) = 94 = 2 \times 47$  so that secondary p-adic length scale is in question.

Top quark mass tends to be slightly too low as compared to the most recent experimental value of  $m(t) = 169.1$  GeV with the allowed range being [164.7, 175.5] GeV [C109] . The optimal situation corresponds to  $Y_e = 0$  and  $Y_t = 1$  and happens to give top mass exactly equal to the most probable experimental value. It must be emphasized that top quark is experimentally in a unique position since toponium does not exist and top quark mass is that of free top.

In the case of light quarks there are good reasons to believe that the p-adic mass scale of quark is different for free quark and bound state quark and that in case of bound quark it can also depend on hadron. This would explain the notions of valence (constituent) quark and current quark mass as

masses of bound state quark and free quark and leads also to a TGD counterpart of Gell-Mann-Okubo mass formula [K54] .

1. Constituent quark masses

Constituent quark masses correspond to masses derived assuming that they are bound to hadrons. If the value of  $k$  is assumed to depend on hadron one obtains nice mass formula for light hadrons as will be found later. The table below summarizes constituent quark masses as predicted by this model.

2. Current quark masses

Current quark masses would correspond to masses of free quarks which tend to be lower than valence quark masses. Hence  $k$  could be larger in the case of light quarks. The table of quark masses in Wikipedia [C28] gives the value ranges for current quark masses depicted in the table below together with TGD predictions for the spectrum of current quark masses.

$q$	d	u	s
$m(q)_{exp}/MeV$	4-8	1.5-4	80-130
$k(q)$	(122,121,120)	(125,124,123,122)	(114,113,112)
$m(q)/MeV$	(4.5,6.6,9.3)	(1.4,2.0,2.9,4.1)	(74,105,149)
$q$	c	b	t
$m(q)_{exp}/MeV$	1150-1350	4100-4400	1691
$k(q)$	(106,105)	(105,104)	92
$m(q)/MeV$	(1045,1477)	(3823,5407)	$167.8 \times 10^3$

Table 3. The experimental value ranges for current quark masses [C28] and TGD predictions for their values assuming  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$ ,  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$ , and  $Y_e = 0$ . For top quark  $Y_t = 0$  is assumed.  $Y_t = 1$  would give 169.2 GeV.

Some comments are in order.

1. The long p-adic length associated with light quarks seem to be in conflict with the idea that quarks have sizes smaller than hadron size. The paradox disappears when one realized that  $k(q)$  characterizes the electromagnetic "field body" of quark having much larger size than hadron.
2.  $u$  and  $d$  current quarks correspond to a mass scale not much higher than that of electron and the ranges for mass estimates suggest that  $u$  could correspond to scales  $k(u) \in (125, 124, 123, 122) = (5^3, 4 \times 31, 3 \times 41, 2 \times 61)$ , whereas  $d$  would correspond to  $k(d) \in (122, 121, 120) = (2 \times 61, 11^2, 3 \times 5 \times 8)$ .
3. The TGD based model for nuclei based on the notion of nuclear string leads to the conclusion that exotic copies of  $k = 113$  quarks having  $k = 127$  are present in nuclei and are responsible for the color binding of nuclei [K76, L2] , [L2] .
4. The predicted values for  $c$  and  $b$  masses are slightly too low for  $(k(c), k(b)) = (106, 105) = (2 \times 53, 3 \times 5 \times 7)$ . Second order Higgs contribution could increase the  $c$  mass into the range given in [C28] but not that of  $b$ .
5. The mass of top quark has been slightly below the experimental estimate for long time. The experimental value has been coming down slowly and the most recent value obtained by CDF [C113] is  $m_t = 165.1 \pm 3.3 \pm 3.1$  GeV and consistent with the TGD prediction for  $Y_e = Y_t = 0$ .

One can talk about constituent and current quark masses simultaneously only if they correspond to dual descriptions.  $M^8 - H$  duality [K45] has been indeed suggested to relate the old fashioned low energy description of hadrons in terms of  $SO(4)$  symmetry (Skyrme model) and higher energy description of hadrons based on QCD. In QCD description the mass of say baryon would be dominated by the mass associated with super-symplectic quanta carrying color. In  $SO(4)$  description constituent quarks would carry most of the hadron mass.

### Can Higgs field develop a vacuum expectation in fermionic sector at all?

An important conclusion following from the calculation of lepton and quark masses is that if Higgs contribution is present, it can be of second order p-adically and even negligible, perhaps even vanishing. There is indeed an argument forcing to consider this possibility seriously. The recent view about elementary particles is following.

1. Fermions correspond to  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals topologically condensed at positive/negative energy space-time sheets carrying quantum numbers at light-like wormhole throat. Higgs and gauge bosons correspond to wormhole contacts connecting positive and negative energy space-time sheets and carrying fermion and anti-fermion quantum numbers at the two light-like wormhole throats.
2. If the values of p-adic temperature are  $T_p = 1$  and  $T_p = 1/n$ ,  $n > 1$  for fermions and bosons the thermodynamical contribution to the gauge boson mass is negligible.
3. Different p-adic temperatures and Kähler coupling strengths for fermions and bosons make sense if bosonic and fermionic partonic 3-surfaces meet only along their ends at the vertices of generalized Feynman diagrams but have no other common points [K20]. This forces to consider the possibility that fermions cannot develop Higgs vacuum expectation value although they can couple to Higgs. This is not in contradiction with the modification of sigma model of hadrons based on the assumption that vacuum expectation of  $\sigma$  field gives a small contribution to hadron mass [K48] since this field can be assigned to some bosonic space-time sheet pair associated with hadron.
4. Perhaps the most elegant interpretation is that ground state conformal is equal to the square of the eigenvalue of the modified Dirac operator. The ground state conformal weight is negative and its deviation from half odd integer value gives contribution to both fermion and boson masses. The Higgs expectation associated with coherent state of Higgs like wormhole contacts is naturally proportional to this parameter since no other parameter with dimensions of mass is present. Higgs vacuum expectation determines gauge boson masses only apparently if this interpretation is correct. The contribution of the ground state conformal weight to fermion mass square is near to zero. This means that  $\lambda$  is very near to negative half odd integer and therefore no significant difference between fermions and gauge bosons is implied.

$q$	d	u	s	c	b	t
$n_q$	4	5	6	6	59	58
$s_q$	12	10	14	11	67	63
$k(q)$	113	113	113	104	103	94
$m(q)/GeV$	.105	.092	.105	2.191	7.647	167.8

Table 2. Constituent quark masses predicted for diagonal mesons assuming  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$  and  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$ , maximal  $CP_2$  mass scale ( $Y_e = 0$ ), and vanishing of second order contributions.

## 5.7 Higgsy aspects of particle massivation

### 5.7.1 Can p-adic thermodynamics explain the masses of intermediate gauge bosons?

The requirement that the electron-intermediate gauge boson mass ratios are sensible, serves as a stringent test for the hypothesis that intermediate gauge boson masses result from the p-adic thermodynamics. It seems that the only possible option is that the parameter  $k$  has same value for both bosons, leptons, and quarks:

$$k_B = k_L = k_q = 1 \quad .$$

In this case all gauge bosons have  $D(0) = 1$  and there are good changes to obtain boson masses correctly.  $k = 1$  together with  $T_p = 1$  implies that the thermal masses of very many boson states are extremely heavy so that the spectrum of the boson exotics is reduced drastically. For  $T_p = 1/2$  the thermal contribution to the mass squared is completely negligible.

Contrary to the original optimistic beliefs based on calculational error, it turned out impossible to predict  $W/e$  and  $Z/e$  mass ratios correctly in the original p-adic thermodynamics scenario. Although the errors are of order 20-30 percent, they seemed to exclude the explanation for the massivation of gauge bosons using p-adic thermodynamics.

1. The thermal mass squared for a boson state with  $N$  active sectors (non-vanishing vacuum weight) is determined by the partition function for the tensor product of  $N$  NS type Super Virasoro algebras. The degeneracies of the excited states as a function of  $N$  and the weight  $\Delta$  of the operator creating the massless state are given in the table below.
2. Both  $W$  and  $Z$  must correspond to  $N = 2$  active Super Virasoro sectors for which  $D(1) = 1$  and  $D(2) = 3$  so that (using the formulas of p-adic thermodynamics the thermal mass squared is  $m^2 = k_B(p + 5p^2)$  for  $T_p = 1$ . The second order contribution to the thermal mass squared is extremely small so that Weinberg angle vanishes in the thermal approximation.  $k_B = 1$  gives  $Z/e$  mass-ratio which is about 22 per cent too high. For  $T_p = 1/2$  thermal masses are completely negligible.
3. The thermal prediction for W-boson mass is the same as for  $Z^0$  mass and thus even worse since the two masses are related  $M_W^2 = M_Z^2 \cos^2(\theta_W)$ .

### 5.7.2 Comparison of TGD Higgs and with MSSM Higgs

The notion of Higgs in TGD framework differs from that of standard model and super-symmetric extension in several respects. Very concisely, the two complex  $SU(2)_V$  doublets are replaced with scalar and pseudoscalar triplet and singlet so that the number of field components is same. The Higgs possibly developing vacuum expectation is now uniquely the scalar singlet unless one allows parity breaking. The number of remaining Higgs field components is 5 as in the minimal supersymmetric extension of the standard model.

#### TGD based particle concept very briefly

Before attempt to clarify the differences between TGD and standard model Higgs it is good to list the basic ideas behind TGD based notion of particle.

1. Bosonic emergence means that gauge bosons and Higgs and their super partners can be in the first approximation regarded as wormhole contacts with the throats carrying quantum numbers of fermion and antifermion. A given throat carrying fermionic quantum numbers. Also many fermion states are possible and have interpretation in terms of a supersymmetry extending the ordinary space-time supersymmetry in which super-generators are simply the fermionic oscillator operators assignable to the partonic 2-surface. These generators can be used to construct various super-conformal algebras. Right-handed neutrinos define the analog of ordinary space-time super-supersymmetry as it is encountered in MSSM. In topological condensation also fermions become wormhole contacts with second throat carrying purely bosonic quantum numbers.
2. The weak form of electric magnetic duality forces the conclusion that wormhole throats carry Kähler magnetic charges which much be neutralized by opposite Kähler magnetic charge. The natural idea is that monopole confinement is also behind color confinement and electroweak screening. In the case of color confinement the valence quarks would form wormhole throats connected by color magnetic flux tubes having total Kähler magnetic charge. Weak screening would mean that the throat compensating the Kähler magnetic charge of fermionic throat contains a neutrino-antineutrino pairs screening the weak isospin. This leaves to  $Z^0$  coupling  $I_L^3 + \sin^2(\theta_W)Q_{em}$  and if classical  $Z^0$  field is present this leads to an interaction distinguishing between TGD and standard model.

3. Particle massivation is described by p-adic thermodynamics. p-Adic thermodynamics cannot explain gauge boson masses and if it contributes the contribution is small and corresponds to low p-adic temperatures  $T_p = 1/n$ . It is not yet completely clear whether the generation of vacuum contribution to ground state conformal weight implying deviation from half-integer value is responsible for weak gauge boson masses. It might be sensible to speak about coherent state of Higgs bosons in zero energy ontology and also in the case of fermions if interacting fermions have suffered topological condensation. If this is the case Higgs vacuum expectation value defining the coherent state can contribute to the particle mass but only in the case of weak gauge bosons give a dominating contribution. It is not clear whether the generation of non-half-integer vacuum conformal weight and Higgs mechanisms could be seen descriptions of one and same thing.

### Scalar and pseudo-scalar triplet and singlet instead of two doublets

TGD based notion of Higgs differs from its standard model and MSSM counterpart because the notion of spinor is different. If one believes on the following arguments, the basic implication is that two Higgs doublets of MSSM are replaced with scalar and pseudo-scalar triplet and singlet.

1. In TGD framework space-time spinors are induced spinors and therefore spinors of 8-D space  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . The mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities in the modified Dirac equation in the space-time interior serves as a tell-tale signature for the massivation and does not imply mixing of the imbedding space chiralities identified in terms of leptons and quarks.
2. Group theoretically gauge bosons and Higgs itself corresponds to a tensor product of two  $M^4 \times CP_2$  spinors giving rise to a spin singlet. In electroweak degrees of freedom one has a tensor product of right and left handed doublets decomposing to triplet and singlet under  $SU(2)_V$ . The first guess would be that one obtains just triplet 3 and singlet 1 whereas in standard model one has a complex  $SU(2)_V$  doublet. In MSSM the cancellation of anomalies requires two doublets. As noticed, TGD allows supersymmetry generalizing the usual space-time supersymmetry and also no anomaly cancellation argument allows to expect a pairs of triplets and singlets.
3. One can assign fermion with "upper" throat and antifermion with the "lower" throat or vice versa and one can have both the sum or difference of these two states. This does not however imply additional degeneracy. Fermionic statistics requires the antisymmetry of the state with respect to the exchange of all quantum numbers. Spin and isospin triplets (singlets) are symmetric (antisymmetric) under the exchange of spin quantum numbers and singlets antisymmetric. In the case of Higgs triplet (singlet) the sum (difference) of these states must be assumed and there is no additional degeneracy.
4. One can construct gauge bosons and Higgs type particles from both quarks and leptons. The requirement that the gauge bosons couple to both quarks and leptons implies that they correspond to sums of these Higgses and behave like  $H$ -vectors for one has  $\Gamma_9 = 1$ . One can however ask whether also  $H$ -axial vector gauge bosons and Higgs with  $\Gamma_9 = -1$  should be allowed. They are not suggested by the study of the modified Dirac equation and it seems that this leads to physically non-sensical results. First of all, the exchanges of vectorial and axial Higgses between leptons and quarks would be of opposite sign and at high energies the sum over these exchanges would approach zero so that quark and lepton sectors would separate into non-interacting worlds. It is also difficult to imagine how one could avoid  $H$ -axial massless photon. p-Adic thermodynamics would allow the  $H$ -axial photon to become massive but it is not possible to understand how the  $H$ -axial scalar Higgs could transform to a longitudinal degree of freedom of the resulting  $H$ -axial photon.
5. One can construct the most general candidate for a Higgs particle using as charge matrix contracted between spinors associated with the opposite wormhole throats the product of a vector in the tangent space of  $CP_2$  represented as sum of constant gamma matrices  $\gamma_A$  and electroweak charge matrix. One can express the products of the  $CP_2$  gamma matrices and charge matrices in terms of  $CP_2$  gamma matrices  $\gamma_A$  and  $\gamma_5(CP_2)\gamma_A$ . The action of  $CP_2$  gamma matrix  $\gamma_5$  however reduces to that of  $\epsilon\gamma_5(M^4)$ , where the sign factor  $\epsilon = \pm 1$  depends on H-chirality. Therefore one would have scalar Higgs and pseudo-scalar Higgs and the couplings of pseudo-scalar

Higgs are of opposite sign for quarks and leptons. In unitary gauge one would have neutral scalar Higgs and 4 pseudo-scalar Higgses with the same charge spectrum as in MSSM. One can indeed construct Higgs particles as fermion-antifermion pairs by using products of charge matrices and  $CP_2$  tangent space vector and transform them to scalar and pseudoscalar multiplets.

6. In Higgs mechanism the key idea is that one can represent the directional degrees of freedom of Higgs field in terms of coset space  $G/H$ , now  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)/U(1)_{em}$ . Therefore Higgs field can be written as in the form  $exp(\sum_{T_a \in t} T^a \xi_a/v)(\rho+v)$ ,  $t = g-h$ , where  $v$  is the expectation value of the Higgs field fixing a preferred direction. The gauge transformation  $g = exp(-\sum_{T_a \in t} T^a \xi_a/v)$  transforms Higgs to  $\rho+v$  so that the degrees of freedom corresponding to the direction of Higgs are "eaten" by charge gauge potentials. In the resulting gauge the action contains only the YM part and Higgs term restricted to the fluctuations of Higgs around vacuum in the direction of  $v$ . In the recent case the coset space would be the coset space of the holonomy group of  $CP_2$  divided by the subgroup defined by electromagnetic charge commuting with the vacuum expectation value which is therefore linear combination of  $\gamma_0$  and  $\gamma_3$  in the most general case. The condition that entire  $SU(2)_V$  leaves invariant the preferred direction fixes this direction to  $\gamma_0$  which corresponds to the radial coordinate of  $CP_2$  in the standard vielbein basis. In the recent case  $CP_2$  holonomy group naturally defines a preferred direction of Higgs field and it seems that vacuum expectation value is not necessary for the elimination of the charged Higgs. Neutral Higgs would essentially correspond to the magnitude of the Higgs field.
7. If the TGD based description of radiative corrections relying on the notion of generalized Feynman diagram is approximately equivalent with QFT based description and if should not differ too dramatically from those of MSSM in the approximation of  $N = 1$  supersymmetry meaning that only the super partners obtained using right handed neutrinos and antineutrinos are taken into account. At high energies the the action of  $\gamma_5$  gives only a minus sign telling the  $M^4$  chirality of approximately massless particle and one has right to expect that the effects of pseudo-scalar exchange in loops do not differ dramatically from those of a scalar exchange.

### Can one identify a classical correlate for the Higgs?

The natural question is whether one can identify classical correlates for the Higgs field and massivation. Kähler action does not allow to identify any obvious correlates whereas Kähler Dirac action does.

1. Kähler Dirac action in the interior of space-time surface should contain the counterpart of Higgs term whose signature is that it mixes  $M^4$  chiralities. The interaction term analogous to that appearing in the ordinary Dirac action coupled to gauge fields is

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{int} &= \bar{\Psi} \hat{\Gamma}^\alpha A_\alpha \Psi , \\
 \hat{\Gamma}^\alpha &= T^{\alpha k} \gamma_k = T^{\alpha k} \gamma_k(M^4) + T^{\alpha k} \gamma_k(CP_2) , \\
 T^{\alpha k} &= \frac{\partial L_K}{\partial(\partial_\alpha h^k)} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{5.7.1}$$

Here  $A_\alpha$  are the components of the induced spinor connection.  $T^{\alpha k}$  denotes canonical momentum densities and conserved momentum and color currents are closely related to them. They are required by internal consistency (in particular, by the consistency with the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action) and super-symmetry. If action were defined by the volume of space-time surface in the induced metric, modified gamma matrices would reduce to induced gamma matrices coding information about classical gravitational fields. Also now information about gravitation is coded besides the dynamics of Kähler action associated with zero modes. Kähler field can indeed be said to characterize zero modes locally whereas quantum fluctuating degrees contributing to the WCW metric and therefore identifiable as gravitational degrees of freedom in generalized sense of the word [K18] .

The modified gamma matrices decompose to two parts corresponding to  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices and the presence of  $CP_2$  gamma matrices implies the mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities so that

massivation is unavoidable once one has a space-time surface which does not correspond to the canonically imbedded  $M^4$ . Also the kinetic part of  $\bar{\Gamma}^\alpha \partial_\alpha$  contains a term mixing  $M^4$  chiralities having no obvious counterpart in the ordinary Dirac equation. The important conclusion is that whatever the dynamical details of massivation are it must take place.

2. The interaction term  $T^{\alpha k} \gamma_k (CP_2) A_\alpha$  of the modified Dirac action defined by the contraction of canonically conjugate momenta with gauge potentials mixes  $M^4$  chiralities so that it is in this sense analogous to Higgs coupling. In gauge transformations the gauge potentials however transform inhomogeneously. Does this mean that the term in question can be interpreted only as a signature for the presence of particle massivation or is also the identification as the classical counterpart of Higgs field sensible?

Optimist could argue that there is a natural preferred gauge associated with the classical spinor connection. For instance, the Coulomb interaction term for Kähler action vanishes in preferred gauge for the general solution ansatz implying the reduction of Kähler function to Chern-Simons term for extremal in presence of a constraint expressing the weak form of electric-magnetic duality. For Kähler gauge potential this gauge is highly unique. Also, if one imagines adding to the induced gauge potential quantum fluctuating part representing the quantum field, one could say that the classical Higgs field transforms homogeneously and that quantum part is gauge transformed inhomogeneously. The situation remains unsettled.

3. The classical correlate for the Higgs field in TGD is not a genuine scalar field but defines a vector in the 4-D tangent space of  $CP_2$ . This allows to speak about  $CP_2$  polarization. If the notion of unitary gauge meaning that an electro-weak gauge rotation takes Higgs to a standard direction invariant under  $SU(2)_V$  rotations - in particular those induced by the vectorial isospin  $I_V^3$  appearing in electromagnetic charge- then one can say that  $CP_2$  polarization is always in the same direction for the scalar Higgs. In the case of pseudo-scalar Higgs all four  $CP_2$  polarizations are possible.

### 5.7.3 How TGD based description of particle massivation relates to Higgs mechanism

In TGD framework p-adic thermodynamics gives the dominating contribution to fermion masses, which is something completely new. In the case of gauge bosons thermodynamic contribution is small since the inverse integer valued p-adic temperature is  $T = 1/2$  for bosons or even lower: for fermions one has  $T = 1$ .

Whether Higgs can contribute to the masses is not completely clear. In TGD framework Mexican hat potential however looks like trick. One must however keep in mind that any other mechanism must explain the ratio of W and  $Z^0$  masses and how these bosons receive their longitudinal polarizations. One must also consider seriously the possibility that all components for the TGD counterpart of Higgs boson are transformed to the longitudinal polarizations of the gauge bosons. Twistorial approach to TGD indeed strongly suggests that also the gauge bosons regarded usually as massless have a small mass guaranteeing cancellation of IR singularities. As I started write to write this piece of text I believed that photon does not eat Higgs but had to challenge my beliefs. Maybe there is no Higgs to be found at LHC! Only pseudo-scalar partner of Higgs would remain to be discovered.

The weak form of electric magnetic duality implying that each wormhole throat carrying fermionic quantum numbers is accompanied by a second wormhole throat carrying opposite magnetic charge and neutrino pair screening weak isospin and making gauge bosons massive. Concerning the implications the following view looks the most plausible one at this moment.

1. Neutral Higgs-if not eaten by photon- could develop a coherent state meaning vacuum expectation value and this is naturally proportional to the inverse of the p-adic length scale as are boson masses. This contribution can be assigned to the magnetic flux tube mentioned above since it screens weak force - or equivalently - makes them massive. Higgs expectation would not cause boson massivation. Rather, massivation and Higgs vacuum expectation would be caused by the presence of the magnetic flux tubes. Standard model would suffer from a causal illusion. Even a worse illusion is possible if the photon eats the neutral Higgs.



2. The "stringy" magnetic flux tube connecting fermion wormhole throat and the wormhole throat containing neutrino pair would give to the vacuum conformal weight a small contribution and therefore to the mass squared of both fermions and gauge bosons (dominating one for the latter). This contribution would be small in the p-adic sense (proportional  $1/p^2$  rather than  $1/p$ ). I cannot calculate this "stringy" contribution but stringy formula in weak scale is very suggestive.
3. In the case of light fermions and massless gauge bosons the stringy contribution must vanish and therefore must correspond to  $n = 0$  string excitation (string does not vibrate at all) : otherwise the mass of fermion would be of order weak boson mass. For weak bosons  $n = 1$  would look like a natural identification but also  $n = 0$  makes sense since  $h \pm 1$  states corresponds opposite three-momenta for massless fermion and antifermion so that the state is massive. The mechanism bringing in the  $h = 0$  helicity of gauge boson would be the TGD counterpart for the transformation of Higgs component to a longitudinal polarization.  $n \geq 0$  excited states of fermions and  $n \geq 1$  excitations of bosons having masses above weak boson masses are predicted and would mean new physics becoming possibly visible at LHC.

#### 5.7.4 The identification of Higgs

Consider now the identification of Higgs in TGD framework.

1. In TGD framework Higgs particles do not correspond to complex  $SU(2)$  doublets but to triplet and singlet having same quantum numbers as gauge bosons. Therefore the idea that photon eats neutral Higgs is suggestive. Also a pseudo-scalar variant of Higgs is predicted. Let us see how these states emerge from weak strings.
2. The two kinds of massive states corresponding to  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$  give rise to massive spin 1 and spin 2 particles. First of all, the helicity doublet  $(1, -1)$  is necessarily massive since the 3-momenta for massless fermion and anti-fermion are opposite. For  $n = L = 0$  this gives two states but helicity zero component is lacking. For  $n = L = 1$  one has tensor product of doublet  $(1, -1)$  and angular momentum triplet formed by  $L = 1$  rotational state of the weak string. This gives  $2 \times 3$  states corresponding to  $J = 0$  and  $J = 2$  multiplets. Note however than in spin degrees of freedom the Higgs candidate is not a genuine elementary scalar particle.
3. Fermion and antifermion can have parallel three momenta summing up to a massless 4-momentum. Spin vanishes so that one has Higgs like particle also now. This particle is however pseudo-scalar being group theoretically analogous to meson formed as a pair of quark and antiquark. p-Adic thermodynamics gives a contribution to the mass squared. By taking a tensor product with rotational states of strings one would obtain Regge trajectory containing pseudoscalar Higgs as the lowest state.

#### 5.7.5 Do all gauge bosons possess small mass?

Consider now the problem how the gauge bosons can eat the Higgs boson to get their longitudinal component.

1. ( $J = 0, n = 1$ ) Higgs state can be combined with  $n = 0$   $h = \pm 1$  doublet to give spin 1 massive triplet provided the masses of the two states are same. This will be discussed below.
2. Also gauge bosons usually regarded as massless can eat the scalar Higgs so that Higgs like particle could disappear completely. There would be no Higgs to be discovered at LHC! But is this a real prediction? Could it be that it is not possible to have exactly massless photons and gluons? The mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities for Chern-Simons Dirac equation implies that also collinear massless fermion and antifermion can have helicity  $\pm 1$ . The problem is that the mixing of the chiralities is a signature of massivation!

Could it really be that even the gauge bosons regarded as massless have a small mass characterized by the length scale of the causal diamond defining the physical IR cutoff and that the remaining Higgs component would correspond to the longitudinal component of photon? This would mean the number of particles in the final states for a particle reaction with a fixed

initial state is always bounded from above. This is important for the twistorial aesthetics of generalized Feynman diagrammatics implied by zero energy ontology. Also the vanishing of IR divergences is guaranteed by a small physical mass [K92]. Maybe internal consistency allows only pseudo-scalar Higgs.

### 5.7.6 Weak Regge trajectories

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality suggests strongly the existence of weak Regge trajectories.

1. The most general mass squared formula with spin-orbit interaction term  $M_{L-S}^2 L \cdot S$  reads as

$$M^2 = nM_1^2 + M_0^2 + M_{L-S}^2 L \cdot S, \quad n = 0, 2, 4 \text{ or } n = 1, 3, 5, \dots, \quad (5.7.2)$$

$M_1^2$  corresponds to string tension and  $M_0^2$  corresponds to the thermodynamical mass squared and possible other contributions. For a given trajectory even (odd) values of  $n$  have same parity and can correspond to excitations of same ground state. From ancient books written about hadronic string model one vaguely recalls that one can have several trajectories (satellites) and if one has something called exchange degeneracy, the even and odd trajectories define single line in  $M^2 - J$  plane. As already noticed TGD variant of Higgs mechanism combines together  $n = 0$  states and  $n = 1$  states to form massive gauge bosons so that the trajectories are not independent.

2. For fermions, possible Higgs, and pseudo-scalar Higgs and their super partners also p-adic thermodynamical contributions are present.  $M_0^2$  must be non-vanishing also for gauge bosons and be equal to the mass squared for the  $n = L = 1$  spin singlet. By applying the formula to  $h = \pm 1$  states one obtains

$$M_0^2 = M^2(\text{boson}) \quad (5.7.3)$$

The mass squared for transversal polarizations with  $(h, n, L) = (\pm 1, n = L = 0, S = 1)$  should be same as for the longitudinal polarization with  $(h = 0, n = L = 1, S = 1, J = 0)$  state. This gives

$$M_1^2 + M_0^2 + M_{L-S}^2 L \cdot S = M_0^2 \quad (5.7.4)$$

From  $L \cdot S = [J(J+1) - L(L+1) - S(S+1)]/2 = -2$  for  $J = 0, L = S = 1$  one has

$$M_{L-S}^2 = -\frac{M_1^2}{2} \quad (5.7.5)$$

Only the value of weak string tension  $M_1^2$  remains open.

3. If one applies this formula to arbitrary  $n = L$  one obtains total spins  $J = L + 1$  and  $L - 1$  from the tensor product. For  $J = L - 1$  one obtains

$$M^2 = (2n + 1)M_1^2 + M_0^2 \quad (5.7.6)$$

For  $J = L + 1$  only  $M_0^2$  contribution remains so that one would have infinite degeneracy of the lightest states. Therefore stringy mass formula must contain a non-linear term making Regge trajectory curved. The simplest possible generalization which does not affect  $n=0$  and  $n=1$  states is of form

$$M^2 = n(n-1)M_2^2 + \left(n - \frac{L \cdot S}{2}\right)M_1^2 + M_0^2 \quad (5.7.6)$$

The challenge is to understand the ratio of W and Z<sup>0</sup> masses, which is purely group theoretic and provides a strong support for the massivation by Higgs mechanism.

1. The above formula and empirical facts require

$$\frac{M_0^2(W)}{M_0^2(Z)} = \frac{M^2(W)}{M^2(Z)} = \cos^2(\theta_W) . \quad (5.7.7)$$

in excellent approximation. Since this parameter measures the interaction energy of the fermion and antifermion decomposing the gauge boson depending on the net quantum numbers of the pair, it would look very natural that one would have

$$M_0^2(W) = g_W^2 M_{SU(2)}^2 , \quad M_0^2(Z) = g_Z^2 M_{SU(2)}^2 . \quad (5.7.8)$$

Here  $M_{SU(2)}^2$  would be the fundamental mass squared parameter for  $SU(2)$  gauge bosons. p-Adic thermodynamics of course gives additional contribution which is vanishing or very small for gauge bosons.

2. The required mass ratio would result in an excellent approximation if one assumes that the mass scales associated with  $SU(2)$  and  $U(1)$  factors suffer a mixing completely analogous to the mixing of  $U(1)$  gauge boson and neutral  $SU(2)$  gauge boson  $W_3$  leading to  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$ . Also Higgs, which consists of  $SU(2)$  triplet and singlet in TGD Universe, would very naturally suffer similar mixing. Hence  $M_0(B)$  for gauge boson  $B$  would be analogous to the vacuum expectation of corresponding mixed Higgs component. More precisely, one would have

$$\begin{aligned} M_0(W) &= M_{SU(2)} , \\ M_0(Z) &= \cos(\theta_W) M_{SU(2)} + \sin(\theta_W) M_{U(1)} , \\ M_0(\gamma) &= -\sin(\theta_W) M_{SU(2)} + \cos(\theta_W) M_{U(1)} . \end{aligned} \quad (5.7.9)$$

The condition that photon mass is very small and corresponds to IR cutoff mass scale gives  $M_0(\gamma) = \epsilon \cos(\theta_W) M_{SU(2)}$ , where  $\epsilon$  is very small number, and implies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{M_{U(1)}}{M(W)} &= \tan(\theta_W) + \epsilon , \\ \frac{M(\gamma)}{M(W)} &= \epsilon \times \cos(\theta_W) , \\ \frac{M(Z)}{M(W)} &= \frac{1 + \epsilon \times \sin(\theta_W) \cos(\theta_W)}{\cos(\theta_W)} . \end{aligned} \quad (5.7.10)$$

There is a small deviation from the prediction of the standard model for W/Z mass ratio but by the smallness of photon mass the deviation is so small that there is no hope of measuring it. One can of course keep mind open for  $\epsilon = 0$ . The formulas allow also an interpretation in terms of Higgs vacuum expectations as it must. The vacuum expectation would most naturally correspond to interaction energy between the massless fermion and antifermion with opposite 3-momenta at the throats of the wormhole contact and the challenge is to show that the proposed formulas characterize this interaction energy. Since  $CP_2$  geometry codes for standard model symmetries and their breaking, it would not be surprising if this would happen. One cannot exclude the possibility that p-adic thermodynamics contributes to  $M_0^2(boson)$ . For instance,  $\epsilon$  might characterize the p-adic thermal mass of photon.

If the mixing applies to the entire Regge trajectories, the above formulas would apply also to weak string tensions, and also photons would belong to Regge trajectories containing high spin excitations.

3. What one can one say about the value of the weak string tension  $M_1^2$ ? The naive order of magnitude estimate is  $M_1^2 \simeq m_W^2 \simeq 10^4 \text{ GeV}^2$  is by a factor 1/25 smaller than the direct scaling up of the hadronic string tension about  $1 \text{ GeV}^2$  scaled up by a factor  $2^{18}$ . The above argument however allows also the identification as the scaled up variant of hadronic string tension in which case the higher states at weak Regge trajectories would not be easy to discover since the mass scale defined by string tension would be 512 GeV to be compared with the recent beam energy 7 TeV. Weak string tension need of course not be equal to the scaled up hadronic string tension. Weak string tension - unlike its hadronic counterpart- could also depend on the electromagnetic charge and other characteristics of the particle.

### 5.7.7 Is the earlier conjectured pseudoscalar Higgs there at all?

Spin 1 gauge bosons and Higgs differ only by different spin direction of fermions at opposite wormhole throats. For spin 1 gauge bosons the 3-momenta at two wormhole throats cannot be parallel if one wants non-vanishing spin component in the direction of moment. 3-momenta are most naturally opposite for the massless states at throats. This forces massivation for all gauge bosons and even graviton and this in turn requires Higgs even in the case of gluons.

This inspires the question whether the parity properties of the couplings of gauge boson and corresponding Higgs transforming like 3+1 under SU(2) (this is due to the special character of imbedding space spinors) could be exactly the same? Higgs would couple like a mixture of scalar and pseudoscalar to fermions just as weak gauge bosons couple and the mixture would be just the same. If there are no axial variants of vector gauge bosons there should exist no pseudoscalar Higgs. The nonexistence of axial variants of vector gauge bosons is suggested by quantum classical correspondence: only gauge bosons having classical space-time correlates as induced gauge potentials should be allowed, nothing else. Note that color variant of Higgs would exist and would be eaten by gluons to get mass.

The similarity of the construction of gauge bosons and Higgsinos as pairs of wormhole throats containing fermion and antifermion encourages to think that Higgs mechanism is invariant under supersymmetries. If so, also Higgsinos would be eaten and one would have massive super-symmetric gauge theory with fermions with photon and other massless particle possessing a tiny mass. This looks very simple. The testable implication would be that only weak gauginos should contribute to muon g-2 anomaly.

### 5.7.8 Higgs issue after Europhysics 2011

The general feeling at the Eve of Europhysics 2011 conference was that this meeting might become one of the key events in the history of physics. This might turn out to be the case. CDF and D0 were the groups representing the data from p-pbar collisions at Tevatron whereas ATLAS and CMS represented the data about p-p collisions at LHC. The blog participation transformed the conference from a closed meeting of specialists to a media event inspiring intense blog discussions and viXra log became the most interesting discussion forum thanks to the excellent postings of Phil Gibbs giving focused summaries of various reports about SUSY and Higgs.

The hope was that two basic questions would receive a unique answer. Does Higgs exist and if so what is its mass? Is the standard view about SUSY correct: in other words do the super-partners exist with masses below TeV scale? It was clear that negative answer to even the Higgs issue would force a thorough reconsideration of the status of not only MSSM but also that of super string theory and M-theory because of the general role of Higgs mechanism in the description massivation and symmetry breaking for the QFT limits of these theories. The implications are far reaching also for the inflationary cosmology where scalar fields and Higgs mechanism are taken as granted. Actually the non-existence of Higgs forces to reconsider the entire quantum field theoretic description of particle massivation.

Already before the conference several anomalies had emerged and the question was whether LHC data gives a support for these anomalies.

- A 145 GeV bump with 4 sigma significance in the mass distribution of jet pairs jj in Wjj final states was reported by CDF [C15] but not confirmed by D0 [C93]. The interpretation as Higgs was excluded and some of the proposed identifications of 145 GeV bump was as decay products of leptophobic Z' boson or of technicolor pion. There were also indications for 300 GeV bump in the mass distribution of Wjj states themselves suggesting cascade like decay.

- Both CDF and D0 had reported two bumps at almost same mass about 325 GeV [C42, C44] having no obvious interpretation in standard model framework. Technicolor approach and also TGD suggests an interpretation as pionlike state.
- CDF and D0 had also reported anomalous forward-backward asymmetry in top-pair production in p-pbar collisions suggesting the existence of new kind of flavor changing colored neutral currents [C73, C174]. TGD based explanation of family replication phenomenon combined with bosonic emergence predicts that gauge bosons should appear as flavor singlets and octets. Octets would indeed induce flavor changing currents and asymmetry. Also many other indications for new physics such as anomalously large CP breaking in BBbar system had been reported and one should not forget long list of forgotten anomalies from previous years, say the two and half year old CDF anomaly which D0 failed to observe. Recall also that proton has shown no signs of decaying.

What did we learn during these days? Already before the conference it was clear that standard SUSY had transformed from the healer of the standard model to a patient. The parameter space for MSSM (minimal supersymmetric extension of standard model predicting two Higgs multiplets) had been narrowed down by strong lower limits on squark and gluino masses to the extent that the original basic motivation for MSSM (stability of Higgs mass against radiative corrections) had been lost as well as the explanation for the anomaly of  $g-2$  of muon. During the conference the bounds on SUSY parameters were tightened further and the rough conclusion is that squark and gluino masses must be above 1 TeV. Even Lubos Motl was forced to conclude that the probability that LHC discovers standard SUSY is 50 per cent instead of 90 per cent or more of 2008 blog posting. In TGD framework simple p-adic scaling arguments lead to the proposal that the only sfermions with mass below 1 TeV are selectron and sneutrinos with selectron having mass equal to 262 GeV. Low sneutrino masses allow in principle to understand  $g-2$  of muon. Selectron could decay to electron plus neutralino for which mass must be larger than 46 GeV neutralino would eventually decay to photon or virtual Z plus neutrino.

The Higgs issue became the central theme of the conference and the three days from Thursday to Sunday were loaded with excitement. After many twists, the final conclusion was that there is 2.5 sigma evidence from ATLAS for a state in the mass range 140-150 GeV, which might be Higgs or something else. The press release of Fermi lab at Friday announced that they have confined Higgs to the interval 120-137 GeV. After the announcement of ATLAS both D0 and CDF discovered suddenly evidence for Higgs in 140-150 GeV mass range. The evidence for this mass range emerged from the decays of a might-be Higgs to WW pairs decaying in turn to lepton pairs. The proponent of technicolor would of course see this as evidence for an off mass shell state of a neutral pion like state explaining also the jj bump in Wjj system and at 145 GeV mass and not allowing an interpretation as Higgs. In TGD framework the experience with earlier anomalies such as two year old CDF anomaly encouraged the interpretation in terms p-adic mass octaves of the pion of p-adically scaled up variant of hadron physics with mass scale 512 times higher than that of the ordinary hadron physics. Somewhat frustratingly, the final conclusion about the Higgs issue was promised to emerge only towards the end of the next year but it is clear that already now standard model might well be inconsistent with all data irrespective of the mass of Higgs. MSSM would allow additional flexibility but is also in difficulties.

The surprise of the first conference day was additional evidence for the bump at 327 GeV reported already earlier by CDF. This state is a complete mystery in standard model framework and therefore extremely interesting. The proponents of technicolor would probably suggest interpretation as exotic  $\rho$  or  $\omega$  meson. In TGD framework both 145 GeV pion and 325 GeV  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  appear as mesons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics if one assumes that the  $u$  and  $d$  quarks of  $M_{89}$  physics have masses corresponding to the p-adic length scale  $k = 93$  (mass is 102 GeV and should be visible as a preferred quark jet mass). I would not be surprised if technicolor models would experience a brief renaissance but fail experimentally since a lot of new states and elementary particles is implied by the extension of the color gauge group. The mere p-adic scaling does not imply anything like this.

Also super string inspired predictions of various exotics such as microscopic black holes, strong gravity, large extra dimensions, Randall-Sundrum gravitons, split supersymmetry, and whatever were tested. No evidence was found. Neither there was evidence for lepto-quarks, heavier partners of intermediate gauge bosons, and various other exotics.

To my view, the results of the conference force to re-consider the basic assumptions of the approach followed during last more than three decades. Is it possible to find a more realistic physical interpretation of the mathematically extremely attractive supersymmetry? Unitarity requires new physics in TeV scale: is this new physics technicolor or its TGD analog without gauge group extension or something else? To me however the mother of all questions concerns the microscopic description of massivation. The description in terms of Higgs is after all a phenomenological description borrowed from condensed matter physics. It does not work for extended objects like strings but requires quantum field theory limit. p-Adic thermodynamics for conformal weight (to which mass squared is proportional to) should be an essential element of the microscopic approach too since it is a description working for the fundamental objects and in presence of super-conformal invariance.

What actually happens in the massivation: could it be that all components of Higgs, of its superpartners, and of its higher spin generalizations are eaten in a process in which massless multiplets with various spins combine to form only massive multiplets? Here twistor approach might provide the guideline since its applicability requires that massive particles should allow an interpretation as bound states of massless ones. Perhaps the simple observation that spin one bound states of massless fermion and anti-fermion are automatically massive might help to get to the deeper waters.

What next? Standard model Higgs is more or less excluded and the same fate is very probably waiting the SUSY Higgs. I would not be surprised if technicolor models would experience a brief renaissance but fail experimentally since very many new hadronlike states and new elementary particles are implied by the extension of the color gauge group. Sooner or later the simple p-adic scaling of the ordinary hadron physics probably turns out to be the only realistic option. If technicolor becomes in fashion, the hadrons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics will be however found as a side product of this search.

Eventually this requires giving up the Planck length scale reductionism as the basic philosophy and replacing it with p-adic fractality as the basic guiding principle tying together physics at very short and at very long length scales making possible the long search for ultraviolet completion of known physics. This led to the landscape catastrophe in M-theory since very many physics in long length scales had the same UV completion. Some general principle fixing the long range physics is obviously missing. p-Adic smoothness for which infinite in real sense is infinitesimal selects the unique long length scale physics among infinitely many alternatives. The real problems are really much much deeper than finding proper parameters for SUSY and it would be a high time for theoreticians to finally realize this.

## Chapter 6

# p-Adic Particle Massivation: Hadron Masses

### 6.1 Introduction

In this chapter the results of the calculation of elementary particle masses will be used to construct a model predicting hadron masses. The new elements are a revised identification for the p-adic length scales of quarks and the realization that number theoretical constraints on topological mixing can be realized by assuming that topological mixing leads to a thermodynamical equilibrium. This gives an upper bound of 1200 for the number of different  $U$  and  $D$  matrices and the input from top quark mass and  $\pi^+ - \pi^0$  mass difference implies that physical  $U$  and  $D$  matrices can be constructed as small perturbations of matrices expressible as a direct sum of essentially unique  $2 \times 2$  and  $1 \times 1$  matrices.

The assumption about the presence of scaled up variants of light quarks in light hadrons leads to a surprisingly successful model for pseudo scalar meson masses in terms of only quark masses. This conforms with the idea that at least light pseudo scalar mesons are Goldstone bosons in the sense that color Coulombic and magnetic contributions to the mass cancel each other. Also the mass differences between baryons containing different numbers of strange quarks can be understood if  $s$  quark appears as three scaled up versions. The earlier model for the purely hadronic contributions to hadron masses simplifies dramatically and only the color Coulombic and magnetic contributions to color conformal weight are needed.

#### 6.1.1 Construction of U and D matrices

The basic constraint on the topological mixing that the modular contributions to the conformal weight defining the mass squared remain integer valued in the proper units: if this condition does not hold true, the order of magnitude for the real counterpart of the p-adic mass squared corresponds to  $10^{-4}$  Planck masses.

Number theory gives strong constraints on CKM matrix. p-Adicization requires that  $U$  and  $D$  matrix elements are algebraic numbers. A strong constraint would be that the mixing probabilities are rational numbers implying that matrices defined by the moduli of  $U$  and  $D$  involve only square roots of rationals. The phases of matrix elements should belong to a finite extension of complex rationals.

Little can be said about the details of the dynamics of topological mixing. Nothing however prevents for constructing a thermodynamical model for the mixing. A thermodynamical model for  $U$  and  $D$  matrices maximizing the entropy defined by the mixing probabilities subject to the constraints fixing the values of  $n_{q_i}$  and the sums of row/column probabilities to one gives a thermodynamical ensemble with two quantized temperatures and two quantized chemical potentials. The resulting polynomial equations allow at most 1200 different solutions so that the number of  $U$  and  $D$  matrices is relatively small. The fact that matrix elements are algebraic numbers guarantees that the matrices are continuable to p-adic number fields as required.

The detailed study of quark mass spectrum leads to a tentative identification  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$  and  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$  of the modular contributions of conformal weights of quarks: note that

in absence of mixing the contributions would be  $(0, 9, 60)$  for both U and D type quarks. That  $b$  and  $t$  quark masses are nearly maximal and thus mix very little with lighter quarks is forced by the masses of  $t$  quark and  $t\bar{t}$  meson. The values of  $n_{q_i}$  for light quarks follow by considering  $\pi^+ - \pi^0$  mass difference.

One might consider the possibility that  $n_{q_i}$  for slightly dynamical and can vary in light mesons in order to guarantee that  $u\bar{u}$ ,  $d\bar{d}$  and  $s\bar{s}$  give identical modular contributions to the conformal weight in states which are linear combinations of quark pairs. It turns out that unitarity does not allow the choices  $(n_1 = 4, n_2 < 9)$ , and that the choice  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$ ,  $(n_u, n_c) = (5, 6)$  is the unique choice producing a realistic CKM matrix. The requirement that quark contribution to pseudo scalar meson mass is smaller than meson mass is possible to satisfy and gives a constraint on  $CP_2$  mass scale consistent with the prediction of leptonic masses when second order p-adic contribution to lepton mass is allowed to be non-vanishing.

The small mixing with  $b$  and  $t$  quarks is natural since the modular conformal weight of unmixed state having spectrum  $\{0, 9, 60\}$  is analogous to energy so that Boltzmann weight for  $n(g = 3)$  thermal excitation is small for  $g = 1, 2$  ground states.

The maximally entropic solutions can be found numerically by using the fact that only the probabilities  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$  can be varied freely. The solutions are unique in the accuracy used, which suggests that the system allows only single thermodynamical phase.

The matrices  $U$  and  $D$  associated with the probability matrices can be deduced straightforwardly in the standard gauge. The  $U$  and  $D$  matrices derived from the probabilities determined by the entropy maximization turn out to be unitary for most values of  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ . This is a highly non-trivial result and means that mass and probability constraints together with entropy maximization define a sub-manifold of  $SU(3)$  regarded as a sub-manifold in 9-D complex space. The choice  $(n_u, n_c) = (4, n)$ ,  $n < 9$ , does not allow unitary  $U$  whereas  $(n_u, n_c) = (5, 6)$  does. This choice is still consistent with top quark mass and together with  $n_d = n_s = 5$  it leads to a rather reasonable CKM matrix with a value of CP breaking invariant within experimental limits. The elements  $V_{i3}$  and  $V_{3i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  are however roughly twice larger than their experimental values deduced assuming standard model.  $V_{31}$  is too large by a factor 1.6. The possibility of scaled up variants of light quarks could lead to too small experimental estimates for these matrix elements. The whole parameter space has not been scanned so that better candidates for CKM matrices might well exist.

### 6.1.2 Observations crucial for the model of hadron masses

The evolution of the model for hadron masses involves several key observations made during the more decade that I have been working with p-adic mass calculations.

#### The p-adic mass scales of quarks are dynamical

The existence of scaled up variants of quarks is suggested by various anomalies such as Aleph anomaly [C261] and the strange bumpy structure of the distribution of the mass of the top quark candidate. This leads to the idea that the the integer  $k(q)$  characterizing the p-adic mass scale of quark is different for free quarks and bound quarks and that  $k(q)$  can depend on hadron. Hence one can understand not only the notions of current quark mass and constituent quark mass but reproduce also the p-adic counterpart of Gell-Mann-Okubo mass formula. Indeed, the assumption about scaled up variants of u, d, s, and even c quarks in light hadrons leads to an excellent fit of meson masses with quark contribution explaining almost all of meson mass.

#### Quarks give dominating contribution to the masses of pseudoscalar mesons

The interpretation is that color Coulombic and color magnetic interaction conformal weights (rather than interaction energies) cancel each other in a approximation for pseudoscalar mesons in accordance with the idea that pseudo scalar mesons are massless as far as color interactions are considered. In the case of baryons the assumption that  $s$  quark appears in three different scaled up versions (which are  $\Lambda$ ,  $\{\Sigma, \Xi\}$ , and  $\Omega$ ) allows to understand the mass differences between baryons with different  $s$  quark content. The dominating contribution to baryon mass has however remained hitherto unidentified.



### What it means that Higgs like contribution to fermion masses is negligible?

The failure of the simplest form of p-adic thermodynamics for intermediate gauge bosons led to the unsatisfactory conclusion that p-adic thermodynamics is not enough and the coupling to Higgs bosons contributes to the gauge boson masses. This option had its own problems.

1. There are good, purely topological - reasons to believe that Higgs expectation for the fermionic space-time sheets is vanishing although fermions couple to Higgs. p-Adic thermodynamics would explain fermion masses completely: this indeed turns out to be the case within experimental uncertainties. The absence of Higgs contribution to fermion masses would however mean asymmetry between fermions and bosons.
2. After the understanding of the spectrum of the modified Dirac operator it became clear that ground state conformal weight is proportional to the square of the eigenvalue of the Dirac operator, and that it is the deviation of the ground state conformal weight from negative half odd integer which is responsible for the Higgs type contribution. This contribution to the mass squared is present for both fermions and bosons but the contribution must be small for fermions and dominate for gauge bosons.
3. In the case of gauge bosons Higgs vacuum expectation is proportional to this deviation for the simple reason that there is no other fundamental parameters with dimensions of mass available. Hence the role of Higgs boson would be misunderstood in standard model framework.

The fact that the prediction of the model for the top quark mass is consistent with the most recent limits on it [C110], fixes the  $CP_2$  mass scale with a high accuracy to the maximal one obtained if second order contribution to electron's p-adic mass squared vanishes. This is very valuable constraint on the model.

### Conformal weights are additive for quarks with same p-adic prime

An essential element of the new understanding is that conformal weight (mass squared is additive) for quarks with the same p-adic length scale whereas mass is additive for quarks with different values of  $p$ . For instance, the masses of heavy  $q\bar{q}$  mesons are equal to  $\sqrt{2} \times m(q)$  rather than  $2m(q)$ . Since  $k = 107$  for hadronic space-time sheet, for quarks with  $k(q) \neq 107$ , additivity holds true for the quark and color contributions for mass rather than mass squared.

This hypothesis yields surprisingly good fit for meson masses but for some mesons the predicted mass is slightly too high. The reduction of  $CP_2$  mass scale to cure the situation is not possible since top quark mass would become too low. In case of diagonal mesons for which quarks correspond to same p-adic prime, quark contribution to mass squared can be reduced by ordinary color interactions and in case of non-diagonal mesons one can require that quark contribution is not larger than meson mass.

### A remark about terminology

Before continuing a remark about terminology is in order.

1. In the generalized coset construction the symplectic algebra of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  and Super-Kac Moody algebras at light-like partonic surfaces  $X^3$  are lifted to hyper-complex algebras inside the causal diamond of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  carrying the zero energy states.  $SKM$  is identified as a subalgebra of  $SC$  and the differences of  $SC$  and  $SKM$  Super-Virasoro generators annihilate the physical states. All purely geometric contributions and their super-counterparts can be regarded as  $SC$  contributions. The fermionic contributions in electro-weak and spin degrees of freedom responsible also for color partial waves are trivially one and same. One could say that there is no other contribution than  $SC$  which can be however divided into a contribution from imbedded  $SKM$  subalgebra and a genuine  $SC$  contribution.
2. In the coset construction a tachyonic ground state of negative  $SC$  conformal weight from which  $SKM$  generators create massless states must have a negative conformal weight also in  $SKM$  sense. Therefore the earlier idea that genuine  $SC$  generators create the ground states with a negative conformal weight assignable to elementary particles does not work anymore: the

negative conformal weight must be due to  $SKM$  generators with conformal weight which is most naturally of form  $h = -1/2 + iy$ .

3. super-symplectic contribution with a positive conformal weight can be regarded also as a product of genuine  $SC$  contribution with a vanishing conformal weight and a contribution having also interpretation as  $SKM$  contribution. What motivates the term "super-symplectic bosons" used in the sequel is that in a non-perturbative situation this contribution is most naturally calculated by regarding it as a super-symplectic contribution. This contribution is highly constrained since it comes solely from generators which are color octets and singlets have spin one or spin zero. Genuine  $SC$  contribution with a zero conformal weight comes from the products of super-Hamiltonians in higher representations of  $SU(3) \times SO(3)$  containing both positive and negative conformal weights compensating each other. This contribution must have vanishing color quantum numbers and spin since otherwise Dirac operators of  $H$  in  $SKM$  and  $SC$  degrees of freedom could not act on it in the same manner. Note that gluons do not correspond to  $SKM$  generators but to pairs of quark and antiquark at throats of a wormhole contact.

### Super-symplectic bosons at hadronic space-time sheet can explain the constant contribution to baryonic masses

Quarks explain only a small fraction of the baryon mass and that there is an additional contribution which in a good approximation does not depend on baryon. This contribution should correspond to the non-perturbative aspects of QCD.

A possible identification of this contribution is in terms of super-symplectic gluons predicted by TGD. Baryonic space-time sheet with  $k = 107$  would contain a many-particle state of super-symplectic gluons with net conformal weight of 16 units. This leads to a model of baryons masses in which masses are predicted with an accuracy better than 1 per cent. super-symplectic gluons also provide a possible solution to the spin puzzle of proton.

Hadronic string model provides a phenomenological description of non-perturbative aspects of QCD and a connection with the hadronic string model indeed emerges. Hadronic string tension is predicted correctly from the additivity of mass squared for  $J = 2$  bound states of super-symplectic quanta. If the topological mixing for super-symplectic bosons is equal to that for  $U$  type quarks then a 3-particle state formed by 2 super-symplectic quanta from the first generation and 1 quantum from the second generation would define baryonic ground state with 16 units of conformal weight.

In the case of mesons pion could contain super-symplectic boson of first generation preventing the large negative contribution of the color magnetic spin-spin interaction to make pion a tachyon. For heavier bosons super-symplectic boson is not absolutely necessary but a very precise prediction for hadron masses results by assuming that the spin of hadron correlates with its super-symplectic particle content.

### Color magnetic spin-spin splitting formulated in terms of conformal weight

What remains to be understood are the contributions of color Coulombic and magnetic interactions to the mass squared. There are several delicate points to be taken into account.

1. The QCD based formula for the color magnetic interaction energy fails completely since the dependence of color magnetic spin-spin splittings on quark mass scale is nearer to logarithmic dependence on p-adic length scale than being of form  $1/m(q_i)m(q_j) \propto L(k_i)L(k_j)$ . This finding supports the decade old idea that the proper notion is not color interaction energy but color conformal weight. A model based on this assumption is constructed assuming that all pseudoscalars are Goldstone boson like states. The predictions for the masses of mesons are not so good than for baryons, and one might criticize the application of the format of perturbative QCD in an essentially non-perturbative situation.
2. The comparison of the super-symplectic conformal weights associated with spin 0 and spin 1 states and spin 1/2 and spin 3/2 states shows that the different masses of these states could be understood in terms of the super-symplectic particle contents of the state correlating with the total quark spin. The resulting model allows excellent predictions also for the meson masses and implies that only pion and kaon can be regarded as Goldstone boson like states. The model based on spin-spin splittings is consistent with the model.

To sum up, the model provides an excellent understanding of baryon and meson masses. This success is highly non-trivial since the fit involves only the integers characterizing the p-adic length scales of quarks and the integers characterizing color magnetic spin-spin splitting plus p-adic thermodynamics and topological mixing for super-symplectic gluons. The next challenge would be to predict the correlation of hadron spin with super-symplectic particle content in the case of long-lived hadrons.

### 6.1.3 A possible model for hadron

These findings suggest that the following model for hadrons deserves a testing. Hadron can be characterized in terms of  $k \geq 113$  partonic 2-surfaces  $X^2(q_i)$  connected by join along boundaries bonds (JABs, flux tubes) to  $k = 107$  2-surface  $X^2(H)$  corresponding to hadron. These flux tubes which for  $k = 113$  have size much larger than hadron can be regarded as "field bodies" of quarks which themselves have sub-hadronic size. Color flux tubes between quarks are replaced with pairs of flux tubes from  $X^2(q_1) \rightarrow X^2(H) \rightarrow X^2(q_2)$  mediating color Coulombic and magnetic interactions between quarks. In contrast to the standard model, mesons are characterized by two flux tubes rather than only one flux tube. Certainly this model gives nice predictions for hadron masses and even the large color Coulombic contribution to baryon masses can be deduced from  $\rho - \pi$  mass splitting in a good approximation.

## 6.2 Quark masses

The prediction of quark masses is more difficult due to the facts that the deduction of even the p-adic length scale determining the masses of these quarks is a non-trivial task, and the original identification was indeed wrong. Second difficulty is related to the topological mixing of quarks. The new scenario leads to a unique identification of masses with top quark mass as an empirical input and the thermodynamical model of topological mixing as a new theoretical input. Also CKM matrix is predicted highly uniquely.

### 6.2.1 Basic mass formulas

By the earlier mass calculations and construction of CKM matrix the ground state conformal weights of  $U$  and  $D$  type quarks must be  $h_{gr}(U) = -1$  and  $h_{gr}(D) = 0$ . The formulas for the eigenvalues of  $CP_2$  spinor Laplacian imply that if  $m_0^2$  is used as a unit, color conformal weight  $h_c \equiv m_{CP_2}^2$  is integer for  $p \bmod = \pm 1$  for  $U$  type quark belonging to  $(p+1, p)$  type representation and obeying  $h_c(U) = (p^2 + 3p + 2)/3$  and for  $p \bmod 3 = 1$  for  $D$  type quark belonging  $(p, p+2)$  type representation and obeying  $h_c(D) = (p^2 + 4p + 4)/3$ . Only these states can be massless since color Hamiltonians have integer valued conformal weights.

In the recent case the minimal  $p = 1$  states correspond to  $h_c(U) = 2$  and  $h_c(D) = 3$ .  $h_{gr}(U) = -1$  and  $h_{gr}(D) = 0$  reproduce the previous results for quark masses required by the construction of CKM matrix. This requires super-symplectic operators  $O$  with a net conformal weight  $h_{sc} = -3$  to compensate the anomalous color just as in the leptonic case. The facts that the values of  $p$  are minimal for spinor harmonics and the super-symplectic operator is same for both quarks and leptons suggest that the construction is not had hoc.

Consider now the mass squared values for quarks. For  $h(D) = 0$  and  $h(U) = -1$  and using  $m_0^2/3$  as a unit the expression for the thermal contribution to the mass squared of quark is given by the formula

$$\begin{aligned} M^2 &= (s + X) \frac{m_0^2}{p} , \\ s(U) &= 5 , \quad s(D) = 8 , \\ X &\equiv \frac{(3Yp)_R}{3} , \end{aligned} \tag{6.2.1}$$

where the second order contribution  $Y$  corresponds to renormalization effects coming and depending on the isospin of the quark.

With the above described assumptions one has the following mass formula for quarks

$$M^2(q) = A(q) \frac{m_0^2}{p(q)} ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} A(u) &= 5 + X_U(p(u)) , & A(c) &= 14 + X_U(p(c)) , & A(t) &= 65 + X_U(p(t)) , \\ A(d) &= 8 + X_D(p(d)) , & A(s) &= 17 + X_D(p(s)) , & A(b) &= 68 + X_D(p(b)) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.2.2)$$

p-Adic length scale hypothesis allows to identify the p-adic primes labeling quarks whereas topological mixing of U and D quarks allows to deduce topological mixing matrices U and D and CKM matrix V and precise values of the masses apart from effects like color magnetic spin orbit splitting, color Coulombic energy, etc..

Integers  $n_{q_i}$  satisfying  $\sum_i n(U_i) = \sum_i n(D_i) = 69$  characterize the masses of the quarks and also the topological mixing to high degree. The reason that modular contributions remain integers is that in the p-adic context non-trivial rationals would give  $CP_2$  mass scale for the real counterpart of the mass squared. In the absence of mixing the values of integers are  $n_d = n_u = 0$ ,  $n_s = n_c = 9$ ,  $n_b = n_t = 60$ .

The fact that CKM matrix  $V$  expressible as a product  $V = U^\dagger D$  of topological mixing matrices is near to a direct sum of  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix and  $1 \times 1$  unit matrix motivates the approximation  $n_b \simeq n_t$ .

The model for topological mixing matrices and CKM matrix predicts U and D matrices highly uniquely and allows to understand quark and hadron masses in surprisingly detailed level.

The large masses of top quark and of  $t\bar{t}$  meson encourage to consider a scenario in which  $n_t = n_b = n \leq 60$  holds true.

1.  $n_d = n_u = 60$  is not allowed by number theoretical conditions for  $U$  and  $D$  matrices and by the basic facts about CKM matrix but  $n_t = n_b = 59$  allows almost maximal masses for  $b$  and  $t$ . This is not yet a complete hit. The unitarity of the mixing matrices and the construction of CKM matrix to be discussed in the next section forces the assignments

$$(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59) , \quad (n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58) . \quad (6.2.3)$$

fixing completely the quark masses apart from a possible few per cent renormalization effects of hadronic mass scale in topological condensation which seem to be present and will be discussed later <sup>1</sup>. Note that top quark mass is still rather near to its maximal value.

2. The constraint that quark contribution to pion mass does not exceed pion mass implies the constraint  $n(d) \leq 6$  and  $n(u) \leq 6$  in accordance with the predictions of the model of topological mixing. It is important to notice that  $u - d$  mass difference does not affect  $\pi^+ - \pi^0$  mass difference and the quark contribution to  $m(\pi)$  is predicted to be  $\sqrt{(n_d + n_u + 13)}/24 \times 136.9$  MeV for the maximal value of  $CP_2$  mass (second order p-adic contribution to electron mass squared vanishes).

### 6.2.2 The p-adic length scales associated with quarks and quark masses

The identification of p-adic length scales associated with the quarks has turned to be a highly non-trivial problem. The reasons are that for light quarks it is difficult to deduce information about quark masses for hadron masses and that the unknown details of the topological mixing (unknown until the advent of the thermodynamical model) made possible several p-adic length scales for quarks. It has also become clear that the p-adic length scale can be different from free quark and bound quark and that bound quark p-adic scale can depend on hadron.

Two natural constraints have however emerged from the recent work.

<sup>1</sup>As this was written I had not realized that there is also a Higgs contribution which tends to increase top quark mass

1. Quark contribution to the hadron mass cannot be larger than color contribution and for quarks having  $k_q \neq 107$  quark contribution to mass is added to color contribution to the mass. For quarks with same value of  $k$  conformal weight rather than mass is additive whereas for quarks with different value of  $k$  masses are additive. An important implication is that for diagonal mesons  $M = q\bar{q}$  having  $k(q) \neq 107$  the condition  $m(M) \geq \sqrt{2}m_q$  must hold true. This gives strong constraints on quark masses.
2. The realization that scaled up variants of quarks explain elegantly the masses of light hadrons allows to understand large mass splittings of light hadrons without the introduction of strong isospin-isospin interaction.

The new model for quark masses is based on the following identifications of the p-adic length scales.

1. The nuclear p-adic length scale  $L(k)$ ,  $k = 113$ , corresponds to the p-adic length scale determining the masses of u, d, and s quarks. Note that  $k = 113$  corresponds to a so called Gaussian Mersenne. The interpretation is that quark massivation occurs at nuclear space-time sheet at which quarks feed their em fluxes. At  $k = 107$  space-time sheet, where quarks feed their color gauge fluxes, the quark masses are vanishing in the first p-adic order. This could be due to the fact that the p-adic temperature is  $T_p = 1/2$  at this space-time sheet so that the thermal contribution to the mass squared is negligible. This would reflect the fact that color interactions do not involve any counterpart of Higgs mechanism.

p-Adic mass calculations turn out to work remarkably well for massive quarks. The reason could be that  $M_{107}$  hadron physics means that *all* quarks feed their color gauge fluxes to  $k = 107$  space-time sheets so that color contribution to the masses becomes negligible for heavy quarks as compared to Super-Kac Moody and modular contributions corresponding to em gauge flux feeded to  $k > 107$  space-time sheets in case of heavy quarks. Note that  $Z^0$  gauge flux is feeded to space-time sheets at which neutrinos reside and screen the flux and their size corresponds to the neutrino mass scale. This picture might throw some light to the question of whether and how it might be possible to demonstrate the existence of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.

One might argue that  $k = 107$  is not allowed as a condensation level in accordance with the idea that color and electro-weak gauge fluxes cannot be feeded at the space-time space time sheet since the classical color and electro-weak fields are functionally independent. The identification of  $\eta'$  meson as a bound state of scaled up  $k = 107$  quarks is not however consistent with this idea unless one assumes that  $k = 107$  space-time sheets in question are separate.

2. The requirement that the masses of diagonal pseudoscalar mesons of type  $M = q\bar{q}$  are larger but as near as possible to the quark contribution  $\sqrt{2}m_q$  to the valence quark mass, fixes the p-adic primes  $p \simeq 2^k$  associated with  $c$ ,  $b$  quarks but not  $t$  since toponium does not exist. These values of  $k$  are "nominal" since  $k$  seems to be dynamical.  $c$  quark corresponds to the p-adic length scale  $k(c) = 104 = 2^3 \times 13$ .  $b$  quark corresponds to  $k(b) = 103$  for  $n(b) = 5$ . Direct determination of p-adic scale from top quark mass gives  $k(t) = 94 = 2 \times 47$  so that secondary p-adic length scale is in question.
3. Top quark is experimentally in a unique position since toponium does not exist and top quark mass is that of free top. The prediction for top quark mass (see Table 1 below) is 167.8 GeV for  $Y_t = Y_e = 0$  (second order contributions to mass vanish) and 169.1 GeV for  $Y_t = 1$  and  $Y_e = 0$  (maximal possible mass for top). The experimental estimate for  $m_t$  remained for a long time somewhat higher than the prediction but the estimates have gradually reduced. The previous experimental average value was  $m(t) = 169.1$  GeV with the allowed range being [164.7, 175.5] GeV [C28, C110]. The fine tuning  $Y_e = 0, Y_t = 1$  giving 169.1 GeV is somewhat un-natural. The most recent value obtained by CDF and discussed in detail by Tommaso Dorigo [C113] is  $m_t = 165.1 \pm 3.3 \pm 3.1$  GeV. This is value is consistent with the lower bound predicted by TGD for  $Y_e = Y_t = 0$  and increase of  $Y_t$  increases the value of the predicted mass. Clearly, TGD passes the stringent test posed by top quark.
4. There are good reasons to believe that the p-adic mass scale of quark is different for free quark and bound state quark and that in case of bound quark it can also depend on hadron. This

would explain the notions of valence (constituent) quark and current quark mass as masses of bound state quark and free quark and leads also to a TGD counterpart of Gell-Mann-Okubo mass formula.

1. Constituent quark masses

Constituent quark masses correspond to masses derived assuming that they are bound to hadrons. If the value of  $k$  is assumed to depend on hadron one obtains nice mass formula for light hadrons as will be found later. The following table summarizes constituent quark masses labelled by  $k_q$  deduced from the masses of diagonal mesons.

$q$	d	u	s	c	b	t
$n_q$	4	5	6	6	59	58
$s_q$	12	10	14	11	67	63
$k(q)$	113	113	113	104	103	94
$m(q)/GeV$	.105	.0923	.105	2.191	7.647	167.8

Table 1. Constituent quark masses predicted for diagonal mesons assuming  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$  and  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$ , maximal  $CP_2$  mass scale ( $Y_e = 0$ ), and vanishing of second order contributions.

2. Current quark masses

Current quark masses would correspond to masses of free quarks which tend to be lower than valence quark masses. Hence  $k$  could be larger in the case of light quarks. The table of quark masses in Wikipedia [C28] gives the value ranges for current quark masses depicted in the table below together with TGD predictions for the spectrum of current quark masses.

$q$	d	u	s
$m(q)_{exp}/MeV$	4-8	1.5-4	80-130
$k(q)$	(122,121,120)	(125,124,123,122)	(114,113,112)
$m(q)/MeV$	(4.5,6.6,9.3)	(1.4,2.0,2.9,4.1)	(74,105,149)
$q$	c	b	t
$m(q)_{exp}/MeV$	1150-1350	4100-4400	1691
$k(q)$	(106,105)	(105,104)	92
$m(q)/MeV$	(1045,1477)	(3823,5407)	167.8

Table 2. The experimental value ranges for current quark masses [C28] and TGD predictions for their values assuming  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$ ,  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$ ,  $Y_e = 0$ , and vanishing of second order contributions.

Some comments are in order.

1. The long p-adic length associated with light quarks seem to be in conflict with the idea that quarks have sizes smaller than hadron size. The paradox disappears when one realized that  $k(q)$  characterizes the electromagnetic "field body" of quark having much larger size than hadron.
2.  $u$  and  $d$  current quarks correspond to a mass scale not much higher than that of electron and the ranges for mass estimates suggest that  $u$  could correspond to scales  $k(u) \in (125, 124, 123, 122) = (5^3, 4 \times 31, 3 \times 41, 2 \times 61)$ , whereas  $d$  would correspond to  $k(d) \in (122, 121, 120) = (2 \times 61, 11^2, 3 \times 5 \times 8)$ .
3. The TGD based model for nuclei based on the notion of nuclear string leads to the conclusion that exotic copies of  $k = 113$  quarks having  $k = 127$  are present in nuclei and are responsible for the color binding of nuclei [K76, L2], [L2].
4. The predicted values for  $c$  and  $b$  masses are slightly too low for  $(k(c), k(b)) = (106, 105) = (2 \times 53, 3 \times 5 \times 7)$ . Second order Higgs contribution could increase the  $c$  mass into the range given in [C28] but not that of  $b$ .

One can talk about constituent and current quark masses simultaneously only if they correspond to dual descriptions.  $M^8 - H$  duality [K45] has been indeed suggested to relate the old fashioned low energy description of hadrons in terms of  $SO(4)$  symmetry (Skyrme model) and higher energy description of hadrons based on QCD. In QCD description the mass of say baryon would be dominated by the mass associated with super-symplectic quanta carrying color. In  $SO(4)$  description constituent quarks would carry most of the hadron mass.

### 6.2.3 Are scaled up variants of quarks also there?

The following arguments suggest that p-adically scaled up variants of quarks might appear not only at very high energies but even in low energy hadron physics.

#### Aleph anomaly and scaled up copy of $b$ quark

The prediction for the  $b$  quark mass is consistent with the explanation of the Aleph anomaly [C261] inspired by the finding that neutrinos seem to condense at several p-adic length scales [C105]. If  $b$  quark condenses at  $k(b) = 97$  level, the predicted mass is  $m(b, 97) = 52.3$  GeV for  $n_b = 59$  for the maximal  $CP_2$  mass consistent with  $\eta'$  mass. If the the mass of the particle candidate is defined experimentally as one half of the mass of resonance,  $b$  quark mass is actually by a factor  $\sqrt{2}$  higher and scaled up  $b$  corresponds to  $k(b) = 96 = 2^5 \times 3$ . The prediction is consistent with the estimate 55 GeV for the mass of the Aleph particle and gives additional support for the model of topological mixing. Also the decay characteristics of Aleph particle are consistent with the interpretation as a scaled up  $b$  quark.

#### Scaled variants of top quark

Tony Smith has emphasized the fact that the distribution for the mass of the top quark candidate has a clear structure suggesting the existence of several states, which he interprets as excited states of top quark [C244]. According to the figures 9.4.1 and 9.4.1 representing published FermiLab data, this structure is indeed clearly visible.

There is evidence for a sharp peak in the mass distribution of the top quark in 140-150 GeV range (Fig. 9.4.1). There is also a peak slightly below 120 GeV, which could correspond to a p-adically scaled down variant  $t$  quark with  $k = 95$  having mass 119.6 GeV for  $(Y_e = 0, Y_t = 1)$  There is also a small peak also around 265 GeV which could relate to  $m(t(93)) = 240.4$  GeV. There top could appear at least for the p-adic scales  $k = 93, 94, 95$  as also  $u$  and  $d$  quarks seem to appear as current quarks.

#### Scaled up variants of $d, s, u, c$ in top quark mass scale

The fact that all neutrinos seem to appear as scaled up versions in several scales, encourages to look whether also  $u, d, s,$  and  $c$  could appear as scaled up variants transforming to the more stable variants by a stepwise increase of the size scale involving the emission of electro-weak gauge bosons. In the following the scenario in which  $t$  and  $b$  quarks mix minimally is considered.

$q$	$m(92)/GeV$	$m(91)/GeV$	$m(90)/GeV$
$u$	134	189	267
$d$	152	216	304
$c$	140	198	280
$s$	152	216	304

Table 3. The masses of  $k = 92, 91$  and  $k = 90$  scaled up variants of  $u, d, c, s$  quarks assuming same integers  $n_{q_i}$  as for ordinary quarks in the scenario  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$  and  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$  and maximal  $CP_2$  mass consistent with the  $\eta'$  mass.

1. For  $k = 92$ , the masses would be  $m(q, 92) = 134, 140, 152, 152$  GeV in the order  $q = u, c, d, s$  so that all these quarks might appear in the critical region where the top quark mass has been wandering.

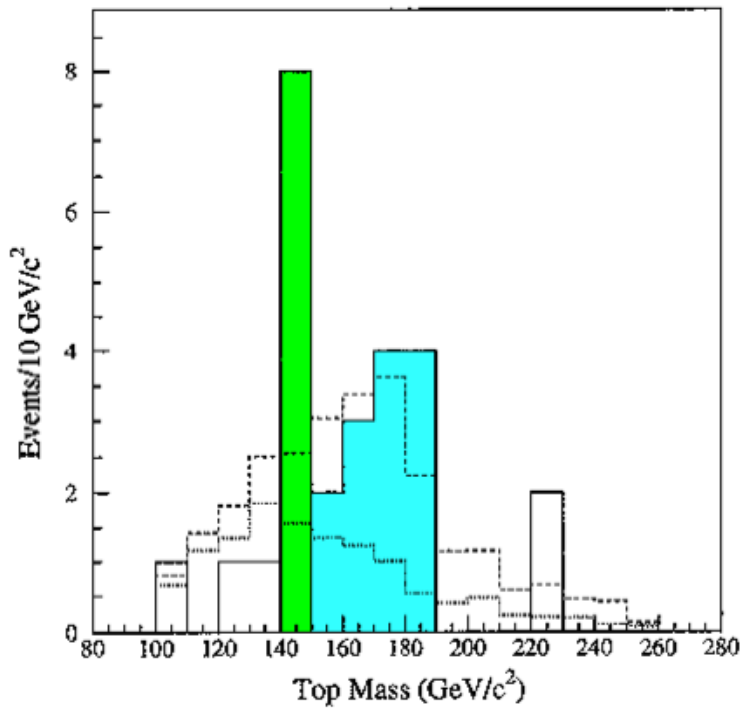


Figure 6.1: Fermilab semileptonic histogram for the distribution of the mass of top quark candidate (FERMILAB-PUB-94/097-E).

2. For  $k = 91$  copies would have masses  $m(q, 91) = 189, 198, 256, 256$  GeV in the order  $q = u, c, d, s$ . The masses of  $u$  and  $c$  are somewhat above the value of latest estimate 170 GeV for top quark mass [C110] .

Note that it is possible to distinguish between scaled up quarks of  $M_{107}$  hadron physics and the quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics since the unique signature of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would be the increase of the scale of color Coulombic and magnetic energies by a factor of 512. As will be found, this allows to estimate the masses of corresponding mesons and baryons by a direct scaling. For instance,  $M_{89}$  pion and nucleon would have masses 71.7 GeV and 481 GeV.

It must be added that the detailed identifications are sensitive to the exact value of the  $CP_2$  mass scale. The possibility of at most 2.5 per cent downward scaling of masses occurs is allowed by the recent value range for top quark mass.

### Fractally scaled up copies of light quarks and low mass hadrons?

One can of course ask, whether the fractally scaled up quarks could appear also in low lying hadrons. The arguments to be developed in detail later suggest that  $u$ ,  $d$ , and  $s$  quark masses could be dynamical in the sense that several fractally scaled up copies can appear in low mass hadrons and explain the mass differences between hadrons.

In this picture the mass splittings of low lying hadrons with different flavors would result from fractally scaled up excitations of  $s$  and also  $u$  and  $d$  quarks in case of mesons. This notion would also throw light into the paradoxical presence of two kinds of quark masses: constituent quark masses and current quark masses having much smaller values than constituent quarks masses. That color spin-spin splittings are of same order of magnitude for all mesons supports the view that color gauge fluxes are feeded to  $k = 107$  space-time sheet.

The alert reader has probably already asked whether also proton mass could be understood in terms of scaled up copies of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks. This does not seem to be the case, and an argument



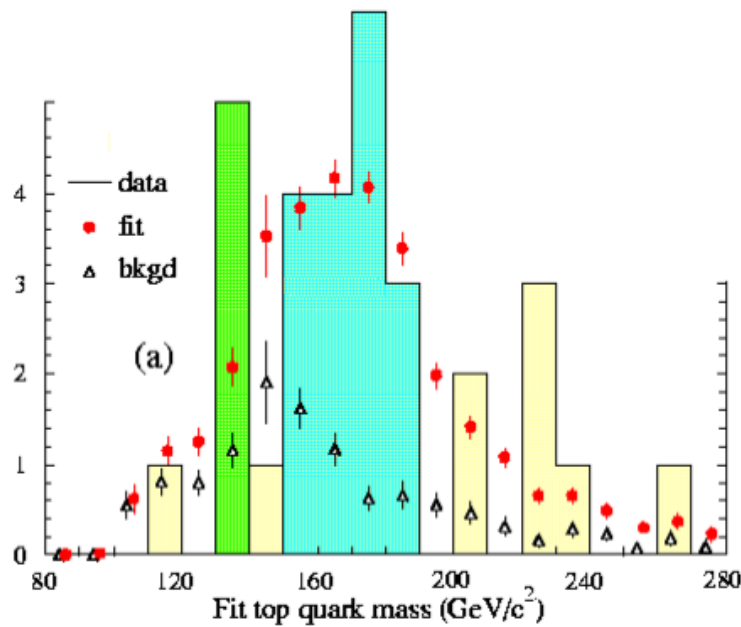


Figure 6.2: Fermilab D0 semileptonic histogram for the distribution of the mass of top quark candidate (hep-ex/9703008, April 26, 1994)

predicting with 23 per cent error proton mass scale from  $\rho - \pi$  and  $\Delta - N$  color magnetic splittings emerges.

To sum up, it seems quite possible that the scaled up quarks predicted by TGD have been observed for decade ago in FermiLab about that the prevailing dogmas has led to their neglect as statistical fluctuations. Even more, scaled up variants of  $s$  quarks might have been in front of our eyes for half century! Phenomenon is an existing phenomenon only if it is an understood phenomenon.

### The mystery of two $\Omega_b$ baryons

Tommaso Dorigo has three interesting postings [C114] about the discovery of  $\Omega_b$  baryon containing two strange quarks and one bottom quark.  $\Omega_b$  has been discovered -even twice. This is not a problem. The problem is that the masses of these  $\Omega_b$ s differ quite too much. D0 collaboration discovered  $\Omega_b$  with a significance of 5.4 sigma and a mass of  $6165 \pm 16.4$  MeV [C88]. Later CDF collaboration announced the discovery of the same particle with a significance of 5.5 sigma and a mass of  $6054.4 \pm 6.9$  MeV. Both D0 and CDF agree that the particle is there at better than 5 sigma significance and also that the other collaboration is wrong. They cant both be right Or could they? In some other Universe that that of standard model and all its standard generalizations, maybe in some less theoretically respected Universe, say TGD Universe?

The mass difference between the two  $\Omega_b$  candidates is 111 MeV, which represents the mass scale of strange quark. TDG inspired model for quark masses relies on p-adic thermodynamics and predicts that quarks can appear in several p-adic mass scales forming a hierarchy of half octaves - in other words mass scales comes as powers of square root of two. This property is absolutely essential for the TGD based model for masses of even low lying baryons and mesons where strange quarks indeed appear with several different p-adic mass scales. It also explains the large difference of the mass scales assigned to current quarks and constituent quarks. Light variants of quarks appear also in nuclear string model where nucleons are connected by color bonds containing light quark and antiquark at their ends.

$\Omega_b$  contains two strange quarks and the mass difference between the two candidates is of order of mass of strange quark. Could it be that both  $\Omega_b$  s are real and the discrepancy provides additional

support for p-adic length scale hypothesis? The prediction of p-adic mass calculations for the mass of s quark is 105 MeV (see Table 1) so that the mass difference can be understood if the second s-quark in  $\Omega_b$  has mass which is twice the "standard" value. Therefore the strange finding about  $\Omega_b$  could give additional support for quantum TGD. Before buying a bottle of champagne, one should however understand why D0 and CDF collaborations only one  $\Omega_b$  instead of both of them.

### 6.3 Topological mixing of quarks

The requirement that hadronic mass spectrum is physical requires mixing of  $U$  and  $D$  type boundary topologies. In this section quark masses and the mixing of the boundary topologies are considered on the general level and CKM matrix is derived using the existing empirical information plus the constraints on the quark masses to be derived from the hadronic mass spectrum in the later sections.

#### 6.3.1 Mixing of the boundary topologies

In TGD the different mixings of the boundary topologies for  $U$  and  $D$  type quarks provide the fundamental mechanism for CKM mixing and also CP breaking. In the determination of CKM matrix one can use following conditions.

1. Mass squared expectation values in order  $O(p)$  for the topologically mixed states must be integers and the study of the hadron mass spectrum leads to very stringent conditions on the values of these integers. Physical values for these integers imply essentially correct value for Cabibbo angle provided  $U$  and  $D$  matrices differ only slightly from the mixing matrices mixing only the two lowest generations.
2. The matrices  $U$  and  $D$  describing the mixing of  $U$  and  $D$  type boundary topologies are unitary in the p-adic sense. The requirement that the moduli squared of the matrix elements are rational numbers, is very attractive since it suggests equivalence of p-adic and real probability concepts and therefore could solve some conceptual problems related to the transition from the p-adic to real regime. It must be however immediately added that rationality assumption for the probabilities defined by S-matrix turns out to be non-physical. It turns out that the mixing scenario reproducing a physical CKM matrix is consistent with the rationality of the moduli squared of the matrix elements of  $U$  and  $D$  matrices but not with the rationality of the matrix elements themselves. The phase angles appearing in  $U$  and  $D$  matrix can be rational and in this case they correspond to Pythagorean triangles. In principle the rationality of the CKM matrix is possible.
3. The requirements that Cabibbo angle has correct value and that the elements  $V(t, d)$  and  $V(u, b)$  of the CKM matrix have small values not larger than  $10^{-2}$  fixes the integers  $n_i$  characterizing quark masses to a very high degree and in a good approximation one can estimate the angle parameters analytically. remains open at this stage. The requirement of a realistic CKM matrix leads to a scenario for the values of  $n_i$ , which seems to be essentially unique.

The mass squared constraints give for the  $D$  matrix the following conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
 9|D_{12}|^2 + 60|D_{13}|^2 &= n_1(D) \equiv n_d , \\
 9|D_{22}|^2 + 60|D_{23}|^2 &= n_2(D) \equiv n_s , \\
 9|D_{32}|^2 + 60|D_{33}|^2 &= n_3(D) \equiv n_b = 69 - n_2(D) - n_1(D) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{6.3.1}$$

The third condition is not independent since the sum of the conditions is identically true by unitarity.

For  $U$  matrix one has similar conditions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 9|U_{12}|^2 + 60|U_{13}|^2 &= n_1(U) \equiv n_u , \\
 9|U_{22}|^2 + 60|U_{23}|^2 &= n_2(U) \equiv n_c , \\
 9|U_{32}|^2 + 60|U_{33}|^2 &= n_3(U) \equiv n_t = 69 - n_2(U) - n_1(U) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{6.3.2}$$

The integers  $n_d, n_s$  and  $n_u, n_c$  characterize the masses of the physical quarks and the task is to derive the values of these integers by studying the spectrum of the hadronic masses. The second task is to find unitary mixing matrices satisfying these conditions.

The general form of U and D matrices can be deduced from the standard parametrization of the CKM matrix given by

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & s_1 c_3 & s_1 s_3 \\ -s_1 c_2 & c_1 c_2 c_3 - s_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta_{CP}) & c_1 c_2 s_3 + s_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta_{CP}) \\ -s_1 s_2 & c_1 s_2 c_3 + c_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta_{CP}) & c_1 s_2 s_3 - c_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta_{CP}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.3.3)$$

This form of the CKM matrix is always possible to achieve by multiplying each U and D type quark fields with a suitable phase factor: this induces a multiplication U and D from left by a diagonal phase factor matrix inducing the multiplication of the columns of U and D by phase factors:

$$\begin{aligned} U &\rightarrow U \times d(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) \ , \\ D &\rightarrow D \times d(\chi_1, \chi_2, \chi_3) \ , \\ d(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3) &\equiv \text{diag}(\exp(i\phi_1), \exp(i\phi_2), \exp(i\phi_3)) \ . \end{aligned}$$

The multiplication of the columns by the phase factors affects CKM matrix defined as

$$V = U^\dagger D \rightarrow d(-\phi_1, -\phi_2, -\phi_3) V d(\chi_1, \chi_2, \chi_3) \ . \quad (6.3.4)$$

By a suitable choice of the phases, the first row and column of  $V$  can be made real. The multiplication of the rows of U and D from the left by the same phase factors does not affect the elements of  $V$ . One can always choose D to be of the same general form as the CKM matrix but must allow U to have nontrivial phase overall factors on the second and third row so that the most general U matrix is parameterized by six parameters.

Mass squared conditions give two independent conditions on the values of the moduli of the matrix elements of U and D. This eliminates two coordinates so that the most general D matrix can be chosen to depend on 2 parameters, which can be taken to be  $r_{11} \equiv |D_{11}|$  and  $r_{21} \equiv |D_{21}|$ . U matrix contains also the overall phase angles associated with the second and third row and hence depends on four parameters altogether.

### 6.3.2 The constraints on $U$ and $D$ matrices from quark masses

The new view about quark masses allows a surprisingly simple model for U and D matrices predicting in the lowest order approximation that the probabilities defined by these matrices are identical and that the integers characterizing the masses of U and D type quarks are identical.

#### The constraints on $|U|$ and $|D|$ matrices from quark masses

The understanding of quark masses pose strong constraints on U and D matrices. The constraints are identical in the approximation that  $V$ -matrix is identity matrix and read in the case of  $D$ -matrix as

$$\begin{aligned} n_d &= 13 = P_{12}^D \times 9 + P_{13}^D \times 60 \ , \\ n_s &= 31 = P_{22}^D \times 9 + P_{23}^D \times 60 \ . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.5)$$

The conditions for  $b$  quark give nothing new. The extreme cases when only  $g = 1$  or  $g = 2$  contributes to  $n_q$  gives the bounds

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{15}{36} &\leq P_{13}^D \leq \frac{15}{60} \ , \\ \frac{22}{60} &\leq P_{23}^D \leq \frac{31}{60} \ . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.6)$$

### Unitarity conditions

The condition  $D = VU$  and the fact that  $V$  is in not too far from unit matrix being in a good approximation a direct sum of  $2 \times 2$  matrix and  $1 \times 1$  identity matrix, imply together that  $U$  and  $D$  cannot differ much from each other. At least the probabilities defined by the moduli squared of matrix elements are near to each other.

1. Instead of trying numerically to solve  $U$  and  $D$  matrices by a direct numerical search, it is more appropriate to try to deduce estimates for the probabilities  $P_{ij}^U = |U_{ij}|^2$  and  $P_{ij}^D = |D_{ij}|^2$  determined by the moduli squared of the matrix elements and satisfying the unitarity conditions  $\sum_j P_{ij}^X = 1$  and  $\sum_i P_{ij}^X = 1$ .
2. The formula  $D = UV$  using the fact that  $V_{i3}$  is small for  $i = 1, 2$  implies  $|D_{i3}| \simeq |U_{i3}|$ . By probability conservation also the condition  $|D_{33}| \simeq |U_{33}|$  must hold true so that the third columns of  $U$  and  $D$  are same in a reasonable approximation.

#### 1. Parametrization of $|U|$ and $|D|$ matrices

The following parametrization is natural for the matrices  $P_{ij}^X$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P_{12}^D &= \frac{k_D}{9} \quad , \quad P_{13}^D = \frac{n_d - k_D}{9} \quad , \\ P_{22}^D &= \frac{l_D}{9} \quad , \quad P_{23}^D = \frac{n_s - l_D}{60} \quad , \\ P_{32}^D &= \frac{9 - k_D - l_D}{9} \quad , \quad P_{33}^D = \frac{60 - n_s - n_d - k_D - l_D}{60} \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.7)$$

A similar parametrization holds true for  $P_{ij}^U$  but with  $n_d = n_u$  and  $n_s = n_c$  but possibly different values of  $k_U$  and  $l_U$ . Since  $l_D \ll n_s$  is expected to hold true,  $P_{23}^D$  is in a good approximation equal to  $P_{23}^D = n_s/60 = 31/60$ . Same applies to  $P_{23}^U$ .

$k_X = 2$  ( $k_X$  need not be an integer) gives a good first estimate for mixing probabilities of u and d quark. Thus only the parameter  $l_X$  remains free if  $k_D = 2$  is accepted.

The approximation  $P_{i3}^U = P_{i3}^D$  motivated by the near unit matrix property of  $V$ , gives the parametrization

$$P_{12}^D = P_{12}^U = \frac{k}{9} \quad , \quad P_{13}^D = P_{13}^U = \frac{n_d - k}{60} \quad . \quad (6.3.8)$$

#### 2. Constraints from CKM matrix in $|U| = |D|$ approximation

The condition  $D_{12} = (UV)_{12}$  when feeded to the condition

$$P_{12}^U = P_{12}^D \quad (6.3.9)$$

using the approximation  $k_D = k_U = k$   $l_D = l_U = l$  gives

$$|U_{i2}|^2 - |U_{i1}V_{12} + U_{i2}V_{22} + U_{i3}V_{32}|^2 = 0 \quad . \quad (6.3.10)$$

$i = 1, 2, 3$  In the approximation that the small  $V_{32}$  term does not contribute, this gives

$$|U_{i1}V_{12} + U_{i2}V_{22}|^2 = |U_{i2}|^2 \quad . \quad (6.3.11)$$

By dividing with  $|U_{i1}|^2|V_{22}|^2$  and using the approximation  $|V_{22}|^2 = 1$  this gives

$$\begin{aligned} v_i^2 + 2u_i v_i \cos(\Psi_i) &= 0 \quad , \\ \Psi_i &= \arg(V_{i2}) - \arg(V_{32}) + \arg(U_{i1}) - \arg(U_{i2}) \quad . \\ u_i &= \left| \frac{U_{i2}}{U_{i1}} \right| \quad , \quad v_i = \left| \frac{V_{i2}}{V_{22}} \right| \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.12)$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned}
\cos(\Psi_i) &= -\frac{v_i}{2u_i} = -\frac{v_i}{2} \sqrt{\frac{9x_i}{k_i}} , \\
x_i &= P_{ii}^D = 1 - \frac{k_i}{9} - \frac{n(i) - k(i)}{60} , \\
k(1) &= k , \quad k(2) = l , \quad n(1) = n_d , \quad n(2) \equiv n_s .
\end{aligned} \tag{6.3.13}$$

The condition  $|\cos(\Psi)| \leq 1$  is trivially satisfied. For  $n_d = 13$  and  $k = 2$  the condition gives  $x = .59$  and  $\cos(\Psi_1) = .185$ .  $k = 1.45$  gives  $x = .65$  and  $\cos(\Psi) = .226$ , which is rather near to  $V_{12}$ .

### 6.3.3 Constraints from CKM matrix

Besides the constraints from hadron masses, there are constraints from CKM matrix  $V = U^\dagger D$  on  $U$  and  $D$  matrices.

1. The fact that CKM matrix is near unit matrix implies that  $U$  and  $D$  matrix are near to each other and the assumption  $n(U_i) = n(D_i)$  predicting quark masses correctly is consistent with this.
2. Cabibbo angle allows to derive the estimate for the difference  $|U_{11}| - |D_{11}|$ . Together with other conditions this difference fixes the scenario essentially uniquely.
3. The requirement that CP breaking invariant  $J$  has a correct order of magnitude gives a very strong constraint on  $D$  matrix. The smallness of  $J$  implies that  $V$  is nearly orthogonal matrix and same assumption can be made about  $U$  and  $D$  matrices.
4. The requirement that the moduli the first row (column) of CKM matrix are predicted correctly makes it possible to deduce for given  $D$  ( $U$ )  $U$  ( $D$ ) matrix essentially uniquely. Unitarity requirement poses very strong additional constraints. It must be emphasized that the constraints from the moduli of the CKM alone are sufficient to determine  $U$  and  $D$  matrices and hence also quark masses and hadron masses to very high degree.

#### 1. Bounds on CKM matrix elements

The most recent experimental information [C58] concerning CKM matrix elements is summarized in table below

$ V_{13}  \equiv  V_{ub}  = (0.087 \pm 0.075)V_{cb} : 0.42 \cdot 10^{-3} <  V_{ub}  < 6.98 \cdot 10^{-3}$
$ V_{23}  \equiv  V_{cb}  = (41.2 \pm 4.5) \cdot 10^{-3}$
$ V_{31}  \equiv  V_{td}  = (9.6 \pm 0.9) \cdot 10^{-3}$
$ V_{32}  \equiv  V_{ts}  = (40.2 \pm 4.4) \cdot 10^{-3}$
$s_{Cab} = 0.226 \pm 0.002$

Table 4. The experimental constraints on the absolute values of the CKM matrix elements.

$$\begin{aligned}
s_1 &= .226 \pm .002 , \\
s_1 s_2 &= V_{31} = (9.6 \pm .9) \cdot 10^{-3} , \\
s_1 s_3 &= V_{13} = (.087 \pm .075) \cdot V_{23} , \\
V_{23} &= (40.2 \pm 4.4) \cdot 10^{-3} .
\end{aligned} \tag{6.3.14}$$

The remaining parameter is  $\sin(\delta)$  or equivalently the CP breaking parameter  $J$ :

$$J = \text{Im}(V_{11}V_{22}\bar{V}_{12}\bar{V}_{21}) = c_1 c_2 c_3 s_2 s_3 s_1^2 \sin(\delta) , \tag{6.3.15}$$

where the upper bound is for  $\sin(\delta) = 1$  and the previous average values of the parameters  $s_i, c_i$  (note that the poor knowledge of  $s_3$  affects on the upper bound for  $J$  considerably). Unitary triangle [C185] gives for the CP breaking parameter the limits

$$1.0 \times 10^{-4} \leq J \leq 1.7 \times 10^{-4} . \quad (6.3.16)$$

## 2. CP breaking in $M - \bar{M}$ systems as a source of information about CP breaking phase

Information about the value of  $\sin(\delta)$  as well as on the range of possible top quark masses comes from CP breaking in  $K - \bar{K}$  and  $B - \bar{B}$  systems.

The observables in  $K_L \rightarrow 2\pi$  system [C116]

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{+-} &= \frac{A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)}{A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-)} = \epsilon + \frac{\epsilon'}{1 + \omega/\sqrt{2}} , \\ \eta_{00} &= \frac{A(K_L \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)}{A(K_S \rightarrow \pi^0\pi^0)} = \epsilon - 2\frac{\epsilon'}{1 - \sqrt{2}\omega} , \\ \omega &\sim \frac{1}{20} , \\ \epsilon &= (2.27 \pm .02) \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot \exp(i43.7^\circ) , \\ \left| \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon} \right| &= (3.3 \pm 1.1) \cdot 10^{-3} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.17)$$

The phases of  $\epsilon$  and  $\epsilon'$  are in good approximation identical. CP breaking in  $K - \bar{K}$  mass matrix comes from the CP breaking imaginary part of  $\bar{s}d \rightarrow s\bar{d}$  amplitude  $M_{12}$  (via the decay to intermediate  $W^+W^-$  pair) whereas  $K^0\bar{K}^0$  mass difference  $\Delta m_K$  comes from the real part of this amplitude: the calculation of the real part cannot be done reliably for kaon since perturbative QCD does not work in the energy region in question. One can however relate the real part to the known mass difference between  $K_L$  and  $K_S$ :  $2\text{Re}(M_{12}) = \Delta m_K$ .

Using the results of [C116]) one can express  $\epsilon$  and  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  in the following numerical form

$$\begin{aligned} |\epsilon| &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\text{Im}(M_{12}^{sd})}{\Delta m_K} - .05 \cdot \left| \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon} \right| = 2J(22.2B_K \cdot X(m_t) - .28B'_K) , \\ \left| \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon} \right| &= C \cdot J \cdot B'_K , \\ X(m_t) &= \frac{H(m_t)}{H(m_t = 60 \text{ GeV})} , \\ H(m_t) &= -\eta_1 F(x_c) + \eta_2 F(x_t)K + \eta_3 G(x_c, x_t) , \\ x_q &= \frac{m(q)^2}{m_W^2} , \\ K &= s_2^2 + s_2 s_3 \cos(\delta) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.13)$$

Here the values of QCD parameters  $\eta_i$  depend on top mass slightly.  $B'_K$  and  $B_K$  are strong interaction matrix elements and vary between 1/3 and 1. The functions  $F$  and  $G$  [C116] are given by

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= x \left[ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{9}{4} \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \right] + \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{x}{x-1} \right)^3 \log(x) , \\ G(x, y) &= xy \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} \left[ \frac{1}{4} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{1-x} - \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{(1-x)^2} \right] \log(x) + (y \rightarrow x) - \frac{3}{4} \frac{1}{(1-x)(1-y)} \right] . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.12)$$

One can solve parameter  $B'_K$  by requiring that the value of  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  corresponds to the experimental mean value:

$$B'_K = \frac{1}{C \times J} \frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon} . \quad (6.3.13)$$

The most recent measurements by KTeV collaboration in Fermi Lab [C1] give for the ratio  $|\epsilon'/\epsilon|$  the value  $|\epsilon'/\epsilon| = (28 \pm 1) \times 10^{-4}$ . The proposed standard model explanation for the large value of  $B'_K$  is that s-quark has running mass about  $m_s(m_c) \simeq .1$  GeV at  $m_c$  [C270]. The explanation is marginally consistent with the TGD prediction  $m(s) = 127$  MeV for the mass of  $s$  quark. Also the effects caused by the predicted higher gluon generations having masses around 33 GeV can increase the value of  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  by a factor 3 in the lowest approximation since the corrections involve sum over three different one-gluon loop diagrams with gluon mass small respect to intermediate boson mass scale [K48].

A second source of information comes from  $B - \bar{B}$  mass difference. At the energies in question perturbative QCD is expected to be applicable for the calculation of the mass difference and mass difference is predicted correctly if the mass of the top quark is essentially the mass of the observed top candidate [C47].

### 3. $U$ and $D$ matrices could be nearly orthogonal matrices

The smallness of the CP breaking phase angle  $\delta_{CP}$  means that  $V$  is very near to an orthogonal matrix. This raises the hope that in a suitable gauge also  $U$  and  $D$  are nearly orthogonal matrices and would be thus almost determined by single angle parameter  $\theta_X$ ,  $X = U, D$ . Cabibbo angle  $s_c = \sin(\theta_c) = .226$  which is not too far from  $\sin^2(\theta_W) \simeq .23$  and appears in  $V$  matrix rotating the rows of  $U$  to those of  $D$ . In very vague sense this angle would characterize between the difference of angle parameters characterizing  $U$  and  $D$  matrices. If  $U$  is orthogonal matrix then the decomposition

$$V = V_1 V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & s_1 & 0 \\ -s_1 c_2 & c_1 c_2 & s_2 \exp(i\delta_{CP}) \\ -s_1 s_2 & c_1 s_2 & -c_2 \exp(i\delta_{CP}) \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_3 & s_3 \\ 0 & -s_3 & c_3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.3.14)$$

suggests that  $CP$  breaking can be visualized as a process in which first  $s$  and  $b$  quarks are slightly mixed to  $s'$  and  $b'$  by  $V_2$  ( $s_3 \simeq 1.4 \times 10^{-2}$ ) after which  $V_1$  induces a slightly CP-breaking mixing of  $d$  and  $s'$  with  $b'$  ( $s_2 \simeq .04$ ).

### 4. How the large mixing between $u$ and $c$ results

The prediction that  $u$  quark spends roughly 1/3 of time in  $g = 0$  state looks bizarre and it is desirable to understand this from basic principles. The basic observations are following.

1.  $V$  matrix is in good approximation direct sum of  $2 \times 2$  matrix inducing relatively large rotation with  $\sin(\theta_c) \simeq .23$  and unit matrix. In particular,  $V_{i3}$  are very small for  $i = 1, 2$ . Using the formula  $D = UV$  one finds that  $|U_{i3}| = |D_{i3}|$  in a good approximation for  $i = 1, 2$  and by unitarity also for  $I = 3$ . Thus the third columns of  $U$  and  $D$  are identical in a good approximation.
2. Assume that also  $U_{i3}$  and  $D_{i3}$  are small for  $i = 1, 2$ . A stronger assumption is that even the contribution of  $D_{13}$  and  $U_{13}$  are so small that they do not affect  $u$  and  $d$  masses. This implies

$$\begin{aligned} n_d &= 9|D_{12}|^2 + 60|D_{13}|^2 \simeq 9|D_{12}|^2 , \\ n_u &\simeq 9|U_{12}|^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.14)$$

Unitarity implies in this approximation

$$\begin{aligned} |U_{11}|^2 &\leq 1 - \frac{n_u}{9} = \frac{1}{3} , \\ |D_{11}|^2 &\leq 1 - \frac{n_d}{9} = \frac{5}{9} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.3.14)$$

3. It might be that there are also solutions for which mixing of  $u$  resp.  $d$  quark is mostly with  $t$  resp.  $b$  quarks but numerical experimentation does not favor this idea since CP breaking becomes extremely small. Since mixing presumably involves topology change, it seems obvious that topological mixing involving a creation or annihilation of two handles is improbable.

## 6.4 Construction of $U$ , $D$ , and CKM matrices

In this section it will be found that various mathematical and experimental constraints on  $U$  and  $D$  matrices determine them essentially uniquely.

### 6.4.1 The constraints from CKM matrix and number theoretical conditions

The requirement that  $U$ ,  $D$  and  $V$  allow an algebraic continuation to finite-dimensional extensions of various p-adic number fields provides a very strong additional constraints. The mathematical problem is to understand how many unitary  $V$  matrices acting on  $U$  as  $U \rightarrow D = UV$  respect the number theoretic constraints plus the constraints  $n_u = n_d + 2$  and  $n_c = n_d - 2$ .

It is instructive to what happens in much simpler 2-dimensional case. In this case the conditions boil down to the conditions on  $n(i)$  imply  $|U| = |D|$  and this condition is equivalent with (say) the condition  $|U_{11}| = D_{11}$ .  $U$  and  $D$  can be parameterized as

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\theta)\exp(i\psi) & \sin(\theta)\exp(i\phi) \\ -\sin(\theta)\exp(-i\phi) & \cos(\theta)\exp(-i\psi) \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $\cos(\theta)^2$  and  $\sin(\theta)^2$  are rational numbers,  $\exp(i\theta)$  is associated with a Gaussian integer. A more general requirement is that  $\exp(i\theta)$  belongs to a finite-dimensional extension of rational numbers and thus corresponds to a products of a phase associated with Gaussian integer and a phase in a finite-dimensional algebraic extension of rational numbers.

Eliminating the trivial multiplicative phases gives a set of matrices  $U$  identifiable as a double coset space  $X^2 = SU(2)/U(1)_R \times U(1)_L$ . The value of  $\cos(\theta) = |U_{11}|$  serving as a coordinate for  $X^2$  is respected by the right multiplication with  $V$ . Eliminating trivial  $U(1)_R$  phase multiplication, the space of  $V$ :s reduces to  $S^2 = SU(2)/U(1)_R$ . The condition that  $\cos(\theta)$  is not changed leaves one parameter set of allowed matrices  $V$ .

The translation of these results to 3-dimensional case is rather straightforward. In the 3-dimensional case the probabilities  $P_{i2}, P_{i3}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  characterize a general matrix  $|U|$ , and  $V$  can affect these probabilities subject to constraints on  $n(I)$ . When trivial phases affecting the probabilities are eliminated, the matrices  $U$  correspond naturally to points of the 4-dimensional double coset space  $X^4 = SU(3)/(U(1) \times U(1))_R \times U(1) \times U(1)_L$  having dimension  $D = 4$ .

The two constraints on the probabilities mean that allowed solutions for given values of  $n(I)$  define a 2-dimensional surface  $X^2$  in  $X^4$ . The allowed unitary transformations  $V$  must be such that they move  $U$  along this surface. Certainly they exist since  $X^2$  can be regarded as a local section in  $SU(3) \rightarrow X^2$  bundle obtained as a restriction of  $SU(3) \rightarrow X^4$  bundle. The action of  $V$  on rows of  $U$  is ordinary unitary transformation plus a 2-dimensional unitary transformation preserving the Hermitian degenerate lengths  $L_i = 9|U_{i2}|^2 + 60|U_{i3}|^2 = n_i$  defining the sub-bundle  $SU(3) \rightarrow X^2$ . Note for  $L_1 = 0$  ( $L_2 = 0$ ) the situation becomes 2-dimensional and solutions correspond to points in  $S^2$ . Thus these points seem to represent a conical singularity of  $X^2$ .

The 2-dimensionality of the solution space means that two moduli (probabilities) of any row or column of  $U$  or  $D$  matrix characterize the matrix apart from the non-uniqueness due to the gauge choice allowing  $U(1)_L \times U(1)_R$  transformation of  $U$ . Of course, discrete sign degeneracy might be present.

A highly non-trivial problem is whether the set  $X^2$  contains rational points and what is the number of these points. For instance, Fermat's theorem says that no rational solutions to the equation  $x^n + y^n - z^n = 0$  exist for  $n > 2$ . The fact that the degenerate situation allows infinite number of rational solutions suggest that they exist also in the general case. Note also that the additional conditions are second order polynomial equations with rational coefficients so that  $SU(3, Q)$  should contain non-trivial solutions to the equations.

It is possible to write  $|U|$  in a form containing minimal number of square roots:



$$\begin{aligned}
|U_{11}| &= \sqrt{n_u} \frac{p_1}{N_1}, & |U_{12}| &= \sqrt{\frac{n_u}{9}} \frac{r_1}{N_1}, & |U_{13}| &= \sqrt{\frac{n_u}{60}} \frac{s_1}{N_1}, \\
|U_{21}| &= \sqrt{n_c} \frac{p_2}{N_2}, & |U_{22}| &= \sqrt{\frac{n_c}{9}} \frac{r_2}{N_2}, & |U_{23}| &= \sqrt{\frac{n_c}{60}} \frac{s_2}{N_2}, \\
|U_{31}| &= \sqrt{n_t} \frac{p_3}{N_3}, & |U_{32}| &= \sqrt{\frac{n_t}{9}} \frac{r_3}{N_3}, & |U_{33}| &= \sqrt{\frac{n_t}{60}} \frac{s_3}{N_3}.
\end{aligned} \tag{6.4.1}$$

Completely analogous expression holds true for  $D$ .  $r_i$ ,  $s_i$  and  $N_i$  are integers, and the defining equations reduce in both cases to equations generalizing those satisfied by Pythagorean triangles

$$\begin{aligned}
r_1^2 + s_1^2 &= N_1^2, \\
r_2^2 + s_2^2 &= N_2^2, \\
r_3^2 + s_3^2 &= N_3^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{6.4.0}$$

The square roots of  $n_i$  are also eliminated from the unitarity conditions which become equations with rational coefficients for the phases appearing in  $U$  and  $D$ . Hence there are good hopes that even rational solutions to the conditions might exist.

#### 6.4.2 How strong number theoretic conditions one can pose on $U$ and $D$ matrices?

It is not quite clear how strong the number theoretic conditions on  $U$  and  $D$  matrices are. An attractive working hypothesis is that mixing probabilities are rational. This leaves a lot of freedom concerning the mixing matrices themselves since square roots of rationals, Pythagorean phases, and finite roots of unity can appear in the mixing matrices.

1. The most stringent requirement would be that  $U$  and  $D$  matrices are rational unitary matrices. p-adicization without algebraic extension allows only matrices for which various phases and trigonometric functions are products of Pythagorean phases. This option will be found to be too restrictive. The minimal extension allows square roots requiring a finite-dimensional extension of p-adic numbers: geometrically this means a generalization Pythagorean triangles to triangles for which short sides are integer valued and long side is square root of integer. Pythagorean phases and their generalizations span infinite discrete subgroups of  $SU(3)$ .
2. Both the phases and also cosines and sines appearing in the mixing matrices could be restricted to algebraic roots of unit that is of form  $\exp(i2\pi/N)$  requiring finite algebraic extension of rationals and p-adic numbers. Roots of unity could define finite discrete subgroup of  $SU(3)$  implying rather stringent conditions on the model. Root of unity option is highly suggestive in light of the most recent developments (more than decade after development of the model) related to the p-adicization in terms of harmonic analysis in symmetric spaces relying on the counterparts of plane waves defined in terms of roots of unity and leading to a p-adic version of real symmetric space [K79]. Finite roots of unity define as a special case discrete subgroups of  $SU(3)$  implying rather stringent conditions on the model. For instance, in case of  $SU(2)$  these finite groups are well-known.

#### 6.4.3 Could rational unitarity make sense?

In this section the considerations are restricted mostly to rational unitarity which at the time of writing of this chapter looked more attractive than the allowance of algebraic roots of unity. The number theoretic conditions following from the rational unitarity on the moduli of the  $U$  and  $D$  matrices are not completely independent of the parametrization used. The reason is that the products of the parameters in some algebraic extension of the rationals can combine to give a rational number. The safest parametrization to use is the one based on the moduli of the  $U$  and  $D$  matrix.

### Parameterization of moduli in the case of rational unitarity

If one assumes rationality for the mixing matrix then all moduli can be written in the form

$$|D_{ij}| = \frac{n_{ij}}{N} . \quad (6.4.1)$$

If only moduli squared are required to be rational, the condition is replaced with a milder one:

$$|D_{ij}| = \frac{n_{ij}}{\sqrt{N}} . \quad (6.4.2)$$

Here  $\sqrt{N}$  belongs to square root allowing algebraic extension of the p-adic numbers but is not an integer itself. An even milder condition is

$$|D_{ij}| = \sqrt{\frac{n_{ij}}{N}} . \quad (6.4.3)$$

The following arguments show that only this option or more general option allowing roots of unity with rational mixing probabilities is allowed. These options is also natural in light or preceding general considerations.

### Unitary and mass conditions modulo 8 for rational unitarity

For  $p_{ij} = (\sqrt{\frac{n_{ij}}{N}})^k$ ,  $k = 1$  or  $2$ , the requirement that the rows are unit vectors implies

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j n_{i,j}^k &= N^k , \\ k &= 1 \text{ or } 2 . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.3)$$

The problem of finding vectors with integer valued components and with a given integer valued length squared  $m$  ( $k = 2$  case) is a well known and well understood problem of the number theory [A48] . The basic idea is to write the conditions modulo 8 and use the fact that the square of odd (even) integer is 1 (0 or 4) modulo 8. The result is that one must have

$$m \in \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6\} , \quad (6.4.4)$$

for the conditions to possess nontrivial solutions. For  $m = N$  case this is the only condition needed. In  $m = N^2$  case the condition implies that  $N$  must be odd.

Using this result one can write the mass squared conditions modulo 8 for  $k = 2$  as

$$\begin{aligned} 3n_{i,2}^2 + 4n_{i,3}^2 &= n_i X , \\ X &= 1 \text{ for } m = N^2 , \\ X &\in \{1, 2, 3, 5, 6\} \text{ for } m = N . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.3)$$

Here modulo 8 arithmetics is understood. In  $m = N^2$  case one must have  $n_i \in \{0, 3, 4\}$  modulo 8. These conditions are not satisfied in general. For  $m = N$  conditions allow considerably more general set of solutions. By summing the equations and using probability conservation one however obtains  $7N = 5N$  implying  $2N = 0$  so that the non-allowed value  $N = 4$  or  $0$  results.

For  $k = 1$  no obvious conditions result on the values of  $n_i$  and only this option is allowed by mass conditions for the physical masses.

### Rational unitarity cannot hold true for $U$ and $D$ matrices separately

The mixing scenario is not consistent with the assumption that the matrix elements of  $U$  and  $D$  matrix are complex rational numbers. If this were the case then matrix elements had to be proportional to a common denominator  $1/N$  such that  $N$  is odd integer (otherwise the conditions stating that the unit vector property of the rows is not satisfied). The conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j r_{ij} &= 1 , \\ 9r_{12} + 60r_{13} &= n_d , \\ 9r_{22} + 60r_{23} &= n_s , \\ 9r_{32} + 60r_{33} &= n_b , \\ r_{ij} &= \frac{n_{ij}}{N_i} , \end{aligned} \tag{6.4-1}$$

can be written modulo 8 as

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j n_{ij}^k &= N^k , \\ n_{12}^k + 4n_{13}^k &= n_d N^k , \\ n_{22}^k + 4n_{23}^k &= n_s N^k , \\ n_{32}^k + 4n_{33}^k &= n_b N^k , \\ r_{ij} &= \left(\frac{n_{ij}}{N}\right)^{k/2} , \quad k = 1 \text{ or } 2 . \end{aligned} \tag{6.4-5}$$

1. Consider first the case  $k = 2$ . For odd  $n$   $n^2 = 1$  holds true and for even  $n$   $n^2 = 4$  or  $0$  holds true. It is easy to see that the conditions can be satisfied only if all integers are proportional to 4 but this cannot be possible since it would be possible since  $n_{ij}$  and  $N$  cannot contain common factors. Thus at least an extension allowing square roots is needed. Quite generally from  $N^2 = 1 \pmod{8}$  the above equations give

$$n_{q_i} \pmod{8} \in \{0, 3, 4, 7\} .$$

This condition fails to be satisfied by in the general case.

2. For the option  $k = 1$  for which only the probabilities are rational the sum of all three equations gives  $5N = 5N$  so that equations are consistent.

The result favors the possibility that roots of unity are the basic building bricks of the mixing matrices. This does not exclude the possibility that mixing probabilities are rational numbers.

### Rational unitarity for phase factors

The phase factors associated with the rows of the mixing matrix are rational provided the corresponding angles correspond to Pythagorean triangles. It must be however emphasized that roots of unity are highly suggestive in the recent vision about p-adicization. Combining this property with the orthogonality conditions for the rows of the  $U$  matrix, one obtains highly nontrivial conditions relating the integers characterizing the sides of the Pythagorean triangle to the integers  $n_{ij}$ . The requirement that the imaginary parts of the inner product vanish, gives the conditions

$$\frac{s_{i,2}}{s_{i3}} = \frac{n_{13}n_{i3}}{n_{12}n_{22}} , \quad i = 2, 3 . \tag{6.4-4}$$

Combining this conditions with the general representation for the sines of the Pythagorean triangle

$$\sin(\phi) = \frac{2rs}{r^2 + s^2} \text{ or } \frac{r^2 - s^2}{r^2 + s^2} , \quad (6.4.-3)$$

one obtains conditions relating the integers appearing characterizing the triangle to the integers on the right hand side.

An interesting possibility is that the lengths of the hypotenusae of the triangles associated with  $s(i, 2)$  ( $(r(i), s(i))$ ) and  $s_{i3}$  ( $(r_1(i), s_1(i))$ ) are the same and sines correspond to the products  $2rs$ :

$$\begin{aligned} r^2(i) + s^2(i) &= r_1^2(i) + s_1^2(i) , \\ s_{i,2} &= 2r(i)s(i)/(r^2(i) + s^2(i)) , \\ s_{i,3} &= 2r_1(i)s_1(i)/(r_1^2(i) + s_1^2(i)) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-4)$$

In this case the conditions give

$$\frac{r(i)s(i)}{r_1(i)s_1(i)} = \frac{n_{13}n_{i3}}{n_{12}n_{22}} . \quad (6.4.-3)$$

The conditions are satisfied if one has

$$\begin{aligned} r(i)s(i) &= n_{13}n_{i3} , \\ r_1(i)s_1(i) &= n_{12}n_{22} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-3)$$

This implies that  $r(i)$  and  $s(i)$  are products of the factors contained in the product  $n_{13}n_{i3}$ . Analogous conclusion applies to  $r_1(i)$  and  $s_1(i)$ .

Additional number theoretic conditions are obtained from the requirement that the real parts of the inner products between first row and second and third rows vanish:

$$n_{11}n_{i1} + c_{i,2}n_{12}n_{i2} + c_{i,3}n_{13}n_{i3} = 0 , \quad i = 2, 3 . \quad (6.4.-2)$$

#### 6.4.4 The parametrization suggested by the mass squared conditions

To understand the consequences of the mass squared conditions, it is useful to use a parametrization, which is more natural for the treatment of the mass squared conditions than the standard parametrization:

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & r_{13} \\ r_{21}x_2 & r_{22}x_2 \exp(i\phi_{22}) & r_{23}x_2 \exp(i\phi_{23}) \\ r_{31}x_3 & r_{32}x_3 \exp(i\phi_{32}) & r_{33}x_3 \exp(i\phi_{33}) \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.4.-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 &= \exp(i\phi_2) , \\ x_3 &= \exp(i\phi_3) . \end{aligned}$$

In case of D matrix, the phase factors  $x_2$  and  $x_3$  can be chosen to be trivial. As far as the treatment of the mass conditions and unitarity conditions for the rows is considered, one can restrict the consideration to the case, when the overall phase factors are trivial. The remaining parameters are not independent and one can deduce the formulas relating the moduli  $r_{ij}$  as well as the phase angles  $\phi_{ij}$  to the parameters  $r_{11}$  and  $r_{12}$ . In general, the resulting parameters are not real and unitarity is broken.

Mass squared conditions and the requirement that the rows are unit vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} 9r_{i2}^2 + 60r_{i3}^2 &= n_i , \quad i = 1, 2 , \\ \sum_k r_{ik}^2 &= 1 , \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-1)$$

allows one to express  $r_{i2}$  and  $r_{i3}$  in terms of  $r_{i1}$

$$\begin{aligned} r_{i2} &= \sqrt{\left[-\frac{n_i}{51} + \frac{20}{17}(1 - r_{i1}^2)\right]} , \\ r_{i3} &= \sqrt{\left[\frac{n_i}{51} - \frac{3}{17}(1 - r_{i1}^2)\right]} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-1)$$

The requirement that the rows are orthogonal to each other, relates the phase angles  $\phi_{ij}$  in terms to  $r_{11}$  and  $r_{21}$ . Using the notations  $\sin(\phi_{ij}) = s_{ij}$  and  $\cos(\phi_{ij}) = c_{ij}$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} c_{i2} &= \frac{a_i}{b_i} , & c_{i3} &= -\frac{(A_{1i} + c_{i2}A_{2i})}{A_{3i}} , \\ s_{i2} &= \epsilon(i)\sqrt{1 - c_{i2}^2} , & s_{i3} &= -\frac{A_{2i}}{A_{3i}}s_{i2} , \\ A_{1i} &= r_{11}r_{i1} , & A_{2i} &= r_{12}r_{i2} \\ A_{3i} &= r_{13}r_{i3} , & \epsilon(i) &= \pm 1 . \\ a_i &= A_{3i}^2 - A_{1i}^2 - A_{2i}^2 , & b_i &= 2A_{1i}A_{2i} , \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.0)$$

The sign factors  $\epsilon(i)$  are not completely free and must be chosen so that the second and third row are orthogonal.

The mass conditions imply the following bounds for the parameters  $r_{i1}$

$$\begin{aligned} m_i &\leq r_{i1} \leq M_i , \\ m_i &= \sqrt{1 - \frac{n_i}{9}} \text{ for } n_i \leq 9 , \\ m_i &= 0 \text{ for } n_i \geq 9 , \\ M_i &= \sqrt{1 - \frac{n_i}{60}} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-2)$$

The boundaries for the regions of the solution manifold in  $(r_{11}, r_{21})$  plane can be understood as follows. For given values of  $r_{11}$  and  $r_{21}$  there are in general two solutions corresponding to the sign factor  $\epsilon(i)$  appearing in the equations defining the solutions of the mass squared conditions. This means just that complex conjugation gives a new solution from a given one. These two branches become degenerate, when the phase factors become  $\pm 1$  so that  $(s_{i2}, s_{i3})$  vanishes for  $i = 2$  or  $i = 3$ . Thus the curves at which one has  $(s_{i2} = 0, s_{i3} = 0)$  define the boundaries of the projection of the solution manifold to  $(r_{11}, r_{21})$  plane. At the boundaries the orthogonality conditions reduce to the form

$$\begin{aligned} r_{11}r_{i1} + \epsilon(i, 2)r_{12}r_{i2} + \epsilon_{i3}r_{13}r_{i3} &= 0 , \quad i = 2 \text{ or } 3 , \\ \epsilon_{22} &= \epsilon_{32} , \\ \epsilon_{23} &= -\epsilon_{33} \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-1)$$

where  $\epsilon_{ij}$  corresponds to the value of the cosine of the phase angle in question. Consistency requires that either second or third row becomes real on the boundary of the unitarity region and that the matrices reduce to orthogonal matrices at the dip of the region allowed by unitarity.

### 6.4.5 Thermodynamical model for the topological mixing

What would be needed is a physical model for the topological mixing allowing to deduce  $U$  and  $D$  matrices from first principles. The physical mechanism behind the mixing is change of the topology of  $X^2$  in the dynamical evolution defined by the light like 2-surface  $X_l^3$  defining parton orbit. This suggests that the topology changes  $g \rightarrow g \pm 1$  dominate the dynamics so that matrix elements  $U_{13}$  and  $D_{13}$  should be indeed small so that the weird looking result  $P_{11}^U \simeq 1/3$  follows from the requirement  $n_u = 6$ . This model however suggests that the matrix elements  $U_{23}$  and  $D_{23}$  could be large unlike in the original model for  $U$  and  $D$  matrices.

### Solution of thermodynamical model

A possible approach to the construction of mixing matrices is based on the idea that the interactions causing the mixing lead to a thermal equilibrium so that the entropies for the ensemble defined by the probabilities  $p_{ij}^U$  and  $p_{ij}^D$  matrix is maximized (the subscripts  $U$  and  $D$  are dropped in the sequel).

1. The elements in the three rows of the mixing matrix represent probabilities for three states of the system with energies  $(E_{i1}, E_{i2}, E_{i3}) = (0, 9, 60)$  and average energy is fixed to  $\langle E \rangle = 69$ .
2. There are usual constraints from probability conservation for each row plus two independent constraints from columns. The latter constraints can be regarded as a constraint on a second quantity equal to 1 for each column and brings in variable analogous to chemical potential besides temperature.

The constraint from mass squared for the third row follows from these constraints. The independent constraints can be chosen to be the following ones

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_j p_{ij} - 1 = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3 & \quad \sum_i p_{ij} - 1 = 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \\ 9p_{i2} + 60p_{i3} - n_{q_i} = 0, \quad i = 1, 2. \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.0)$$

The obvious notations  $(q_1, q_2) = (d, s)$  and  $(q_1, 2_2) = (u, c)$  are introduced. The conditions on mass squared are completely analogous to the conditions fixing the energy of the ensemble and thus its temperature, and thermodynamical intuition suggests that the probabilities  $p_{ij}$  decrease exponentially as function of  $E_j$  in the absence of additional constraints coming from the probability conservation for the columns and meaning presence of chemical potential.

The variational principle maximizing entropy in presence of these constraints can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} L &= S + S_c \\ S &= \sum_{i,j} p_{ij} \times \log(p_{ij}) \\ S_c &= \sum_i \lambda_i (\sum_j p_{ij} - 1) + \sum_{j=1,2} \mu_j (\sum_i p_{ij} - 1) + \sum_{i=1,2} \sigma_i (9p_{i2} + 60p_{i3} - n_{q_i}). \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-2)$$

The variational equation is

$$\partial_{p_{ij}} L = 0, \quad (6.4.-1)$$

and gives the probabilities as

$$\begin{aligned} p_{11} &= \frac{1}{Z_1}, \quad p_{12} = \frac{xx_1^3}{Z_1^3}, \quad p_{13} = \frac{yx_1^{20}}{Z_1^{20}}, \\ p_{21} &= \frac{1}{Z_2}, \quad p_{22} = \frac{xx_2^3}{Z_2^3}, \quad p_{23} = \frac{yx_2^{20}}{Z_2^{20}}, \\ p_{31} &= \frac{1}{Z_3}, \quad p_{32} = \frac{x}{Z_3}, \quad p_{33} = \frac{y}{Z_3}, \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-1)$$

Here the parameters  $x, y, x_1, x_2$  are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \exp(-\mu_2), \quad y = \exp(-\mu_3), \\ x_1 &= \exp(-3\sigma_1), \quad x_2 = \exp(-3\sigma_2). \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-1)$$

whereas the row partition functions  $Z_i$  are defined as

$$Z_1 = 1 + xx_1^3 + yx_1^{20} , \quad Z_2 = 1 + xx_2^3 + yx_2^{20} , \quad Z_3 = 1 + x + y . \quad (6.4.0)$$

Note that the parameters  $\lambda_i$  have been eliminated. There are four parameters  $\mu_2, \mu_3, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$  and 2 conditions from columns and 2 mass conditions so that the number of solutions is discrete and only finite number of  $U$  and  $D$  matrices are possible in the thermodynamical approximation.

### Mass squared conditions

The mass squared conditions read as

$$9xx_1^3 + 60yx_1^{20} = n(q_1)Z_1 , \quad 9xx_2^3 + 60yx_2^{20} = n(q_2)Z_2 . \quad (6.4.1)$$

These equations allow to solve  $y$  as a simple linear function of  $x$

$$y = \frac{n(q_1) - xx_1^3(9 - n(q_1))}{(60 - n(q_1))x_1^{20}} \equiv kx + l , \quad y = \frac{n(q_2) - xx_2^3(9 - n(q_2))}{(60 - n(q_2))x_2^{20}} . \quad (6.4.2)$$

The identification of the two expressions for  $y$  allows to solve  $x_1$  in terms of  $x_2$  using equation of form  $x_1^{20} - bx_1^3 + c = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} & [60 - n(q_2)x_2^{20}] [n(q_1) - xx_1^3(9 - n(q_1))] \\ &= [60 - n(q_1)x_1^{20}] [n(q_2) - xx_2^3(9 - n(q_2))] . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.2)$$

In the most general case the equation allows 20 roots  $x_1 = x_2(x_1)$ .

### Probability conservation

Probability conditions give additional information. By solving  $1/Z_3$  from the first column gives

$$Z_1Z_2Z_3 - Z_1Z_2 - Z_2Z_3 - Z_1Z_3 = 0 , \quad (6.4.3)$$

$$(6.4.4)$$

This equation is a polynomial equation in  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  with degree 20 and together with Eq. 6.4.2 having same degree determines and  $(x_1, x_2)$  the possible values of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  as function of  $x$ . The number of real positive roots is at most  $20^2 = 400$ .

Probability conservation for the second column gives

$$x [(1 - x^3)Z_2 + (1 - x_2^3)Z_1] + (1 - x)Z_1Z_2 = 0 . \quad (6.4.5)$$

The row partition functions  $Z_i$  are linear functions of  $x$  and  $y$  and mass squared conditions give  $y = kx + l$  (see Eq. 6.4.2) so that a third order polynomial equation for  $x$  results and gives the roots as functions of control parameters  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . Either 1 or 3 real roots are obtained for  $x$ . The values of  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are determined by the probability constraint Eq. 6.4.4 for the first column and Eq. 6.4.2 relating  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .

### The analogy with spontaneous magnetization

Physically the situation is analogous to a spontaneous symmetry breaking with  $y$  representing the external magnetizing field and  $x$  linear magnetization or vice versa.  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are control parameters characterizing the interaction between spins. For single real root for  $x$  no spontaneous magnetization occurs but for 3 real roots there are two directions of spontaneous magnetization plus unstable state. In the recent case the roots must be positive. Since the maximal number of roots for  $(x_1, x_2)$  is 400, the maximal number of real roots is 1200. The trivial solution to the conditions is  $p_{11} = 1, p_{22} = 1, p_{33} = 1$  with  $x = y = 0$  represents corresponds to the absence of external magnetizing field and of magnetization.

### Catastrophe theoretic description of the system

In the catastrophe theoretic approach one can see that situation as a cusp catastrophe with  $x$  as a behavior variable and  $x_1, x_2$  in the role of control variables. In the standard parametrization of the cusp catastrophe [A66] the conditions correspond to the equation

$$x^3 - a - bx = 0 , \quad (6.4.5)$$

In the recent case a more general polynomial  $P_3(x)$  easily transformable to the standard form is in question. The coefficients of the polynomial  $P_3(x) = Dx^3 + Cx^2 + Bx + A$  are

$$\begin{aligned} A &= Q(x_1)Q(x_2) , \\ B &= P(x_1)Q(x_2) + P(x_2)Q(x_1) + R(x_2) + R(x_1) , \\ C &= P(x_1)R(x_2) + P(x_2)R(x_1) - R(x_1)Q(x_2) - R(x_2)Q(x_1) , \\ D &= R(x_1)R(x_2) , \\ P(u) &= 1 - u^3 , \quad Q(u) = 1 + lu^{20} , \quad R(u) = u^3 + ku^{20} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.2)$$

The trivial scaling transformation  $A \rightarrow A/D = \hat{A}$ ,  $B \rightarrow B/D = \hat{B}$ ,  $C \rightarrow C/D = \hat{C}$  and the shift  $x \rightarrow x + \hat{C}/3$  casts the equation in the standard form and gives

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -\hat{A} + \frac{\hat{C}^3}{9} , \\ b &= -\hat{B} + \frac{\hat{C}^2}{3} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.1)$$

The curve

$$a = \pm 2\left(\frac{b}{3}\right)^{3/2} , b \geq 0 \quad (6.4.2)$$

represents the bifurcation set for the solutions. For  $b \geq 0$ ,  $|a| \leq (\frac{b}{3})^{3/2}$  three roots are obtained for  $x$ .  $a = b = 0$  corresponds to the dip of the cusp. Three solutions result under the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\hat{C}^2}{3} &\geq 3\hat{B} , \\ \left(-\hat{B} + \frac{\hat{C}^2}{3}\right)^3 &\leq \frac{(-\hat{A} + \frac{\hat{C}^3}{9})^2}{4} , \\ \hat{A} &= \frac{Q(x_1)Q(x_2)}{R(x_1)R(x_2)} , \\ \hat{B} &= \frac{P(x_1)Q(x_2) + P(x_2)Q(x_1) + R(x_2) + R(x_1)}{R(x_1)R(x_2)} , \\ \hat{C} &= \frac{P(x_1)R(x_2) + P(x_2)R(x_1) - R(x_1)Q(x_2) - R(x_2)Q(x_1)}{R(x_1)R(x_2)} , \\ P(u) &= 1 - u^3 , \quad Q(u) = 1 + lu^{20} , \quad R(u) = u^3 + ku^{20} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-2)$$

The boundaries of the regions are defined by polynomial equations for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ . . The two mass squared conditions and the probability conservation for the first row select a discrete set of parameter combinations.

One might ask whether  $U$  and  $D$  matrices could correspond to different solutions of these equations for same values of  $n_{q_i}$ . This cannot be the case since this would predict too large  $u - d$  mass difference.



Orthogonalization conditions for the rows should determine the phases more or less uniquely and could force CP breaking. The requirement that probabilities are rational valued implies that  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x$  and  $y$  are rational and poses very strong additional conditions to the solutions. The roots should correspond to very special solutions possessing symmetries so that the solutions of polynomial equations give probabilities as rational numbers. Note however that the solutions of polynomial equations with integer coefficients are in question and the solutions are algebraic numbers: this is enough as far as the p-adicization of the theory is considered.

### Maximization of entropy solving constraint equations explicitly

The mass squared conditions allow to express the probabilities  $p_{ij}$  in terms of  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$  (for instance) and this allows a rather concise representation for the solution to the maximization the entropy of topological mixing. The key formulas are following.

$$\begin{aligned} p_{31} &= 1 - p_{11} - p_{12} , \\ p_{i2} &= -\frac{n_i}{51} + \frac{20}{17}(1 - p_{i1}) , \quad i = 1, 2 , \\ p_{i3} &= \frac{n_i}{51} - \frac{3}{17}(1 - p_{i1}) , \quad i = 1, 2 . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-3)$$

Expressing entropy directly in terms of  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$ , the conditions for the maximization of entropy imply the equations

$$\log(p_{ij})X^{ij} = 0 , \quad \log(p_{ij})Y^{ij} = 0 , \quad (6.4-2)$$

where a summation over repeated indices is carried out. The matrices  $X^{ij} = \partial_{p_{11}} p_{ij}$  and  $Y^{ij} = \partial_{p_{21}} p_{ij}$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} X &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{20}{17} & \frac{3}{17} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & \frac{20}{17} & -\frac{3}{17} \end{pmatrix} \\ Y &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -\frac{20}{17} & \frac{3}{17} \\ -1 & \frac{20}{17} & -\frac{3}{17} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-3)$$

The equations can be transformed into the form

$$\prod_{ij} p_{ij}^{X^{ij}} = 1 , \quad \prod_{ij} p_{ij}^{Y^{ij}} = 1 . \quad (6.4-2)$$

When written explicitly, these equations read as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{p_{11}}{1-p_{11}-p_{21}} \times \left( \frac{-n_1+60(1-p_{11})}{-n_3+60(p_{11}+p_{21})} \right)^{-20/17} \times \left( \frac{n_1-9(1-p_{11})}{n_3-9(p_{11}+p_{21})} \right)^{3/17} &= 1 , \\ \frac{p_{21}}{1-p_{11}-p_{21}} \times \left( \frac{-n_2+60(1-p_{21})}{-n_3+60(p_{11}+p_{21})} \right)^{-20/17} \times \left( \frac{n_2-9(1-p_{21})}{n_3-9(p_{11}+p_{21})} \right)^{3/17} &= 1 . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-2)$$

The equations can be cast into polynomial equations in  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$  by taking 17:th power of both equations. This gives polynomial equations of degree  $d = 17 + 20 + 3 = 40$ . The total number of solutions to the equations is at most  $40 \times 40 = 1600$ . The previous estimate gave upper bound  $3 \times 20 \times 20 = 1200$  for the number of solution. It might be that some symmetry is involved and reduces the upper bound by a factor  $3/4$ .

The solutions can be sought using gradient dynamics in which system in  $(p_{11}, p_{21})$  plane drifts in the force field defined by the gradient  $\nabla S$  of the entropy  $S = -\sum_{ij} p_{ij} \log(p_{ij})$  and ends up to the maximum of  $S$ ,  $S = -\sum_{ij} p_{ij} \log(p_{ij})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dp_{11}}{dt} &= \partial_{p_{11}} S = -X^{ij} \log(p_{ij}) , \\ \frac{dp_{21}}{dt} &= \partial_{p_{21}} S = -Y^{ij} \log(p_{ij}) , \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-2)$$

The conditions that the probabilities are positive give the constraints

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \frac{n_1}{9} &\leq p_{11} \leq 1 - \frac{n_1}{60} , \\ 1 - \frac{n_2}{9} &\leq p_{21} \leq 1 - \frac{n_2}{60} , \\ 0 &\leq p_{21} \leq 1 - p_{11} , \\ \frac{69 - n_1 - n_2}{60} - p_{11} &\leq p_{21} \leq \frac{69 - n_1 - n_2}{9} - p_{11} \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-5)$$

on the region containing the solutions.

#### 6.4.6 $U$ and $D$ matrices from the knowledge of top quark mass alone?

As already found, a possible resolution to the problems created by top quark is based on the additivity of mass squared so that top quark mass would be about 230 GeV, which indeed corresponds to a peak in mass distribution of top candidate, whereas  $t\bar{t}$  meson mass would be 163 GeV. This requires that top quark mass changes very little in topological mixing. It is easy to see that the mass constraints imply that for  $n_t = n_b = 60$  the smallness of  $V_{i3}$  and  $V(3i)$  matrix elements implies that both  $U$  and  $D$  must be direct sums of  $2 \times 2$  matrix and  $1 \times 1$  unit matrix and that  $V$  matrix would have also similar decomposition. Therefore  $n_b = n_t = 59$  seems to be the only number theoretically acceptable option. The comparison with the predictions with pion mass led to a unique identification  $(n_d, n_b, n_t) = (5, 5, 59), (n_u, n_c, n_t) = (4, 6, 59)$ .

#### $U$ and $D$ matrices as perturbations of matrices mixing only the first two genera

This picture suggests that  $U$  and  $D$  matrices could be seen as small perturbations of very simple  $U$  and  $D$  matrices satisfying  $|U| = |D|$  corresponding to  $n = 60$  and having  $(n_d, n_b, n_t) = (4, 5, 60), (n_u, n_c, n_t) = (4, 5, 60)$  predicting  $V$  matrix characterized by Cabibbo angle alone. For instance, CP breaking parameter would characterize this perturbation. The perturbed matrices should obey thermodynamical constraints and it could be possible to linearize the thermodynamical conditions and in this manner to predict realistic mixing matrices from first principles. The existence of small perturbations yielding acceptable matrices implies also that these matrices be near a point at which two different matrices resulting as a solution to the thermodynamical conditions coincide.

$D$  matrix can be deduced from  $U$  matrix since  $9|D_{12}|^2 \simeq n_d$  fixes the value of the relative phase of the two terms in the expression of  $D_{12}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |D_{12}|^2 &= |U_{11}V_{12} + U_{12}V_{22}|^2 \\ &= |U_{11}|^2|V_{12}|^2 + |U_{12}|^2|V_{22}|^2 \\ &\quad + 2|U_{11}||V_{12}||U_{12}||V_{22}|\cos(\Psi) = \frac{n_d}{9} , \\ \Psi &= \arg(U_{11}) + \arg(V_{12}) - \arg(U_{12}) - \arg(V_{22}) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4.-8)$$

Using the values of the moduli of  $U_{ij}$  and the approximation  $|V_{22}| = 1$  this gives for  $\cos(\Psi)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\cos(\Psi) &= \frac{A}{B} , \\
A &= \frac{n_d - n_u}{9} - \frac{9 - n_u}{9} |V_{12}|^2 , \\
B &= \frac{2}{9|V_{12}|} \sqrt{n_u(9 - n_u)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{6.4-9}$$

The experimentation with different values of  $n_d$  and  $n_u$  shows that  $n_u = 6, n_d = 4$  gives  $\cos(\Psi) = -1.123$ . Of course,  $n_u = 6, n_d = 4$  option is not even allowed by  $n_t = 60$ . For  $n_d = 4, n_u = 5$  one has  $\cos(\Psi) = -0.5958$ .  $n_d = 5, n_u = 6$  corresponding to the perturbed solution gives  $\cos(\Psi) = -0.6014$ .

Hence the initial situation could be  $(n_u = 5, n_s = 4, n_b = 60)$ ,  $(n_d = 4, n_s = 5, n_t = 60)$  and the physical  $U$  and  $D$  matrices result from  $U$  and  $D$  matrices by a small perturbation as one unit of  $t$  ( $b$ ) mass squared is transferred to  $u$  ( $s$ ) quark and produces symmetry breaking as  $(n_d = 5, n_s = 5, n_b = 59)$ ,  $(n_u = 6, n_c = 4, n_t = 59)$ .

The unperturbed matrices  $|U|$  and  $|D|$  would be identical with  $|U|$  given by

$$|U_{11}| = |U_{22}| = \frac{2}{3} , \quad |U_{12}| = |U_{21}| = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} , \tag{6.4-8}$$

The thermodynamical model allows solutions reducing to a direct sum of  $2 \times 2$  and  $1 \times 1$  matrices, and since  $|U|$  matrix is fixed completely by the mass constraints, it is trivially consistent with the thermodynamical model.

#### Direct search of $U$ and $D$ matrices

The general formulas for  $p^U$  and  $p^D$  in terms of the probabilities  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$  allow straightforward search for the probability matrices having maximum entropy just by scanning the  $(p_{11}, p_{21})$  plane constrained by the conditions that all probabilities are positive and smaller than 1. In the physically interesting case the solution is sought near a solution for which the non-vanishing probabilities are  $p_{11} = p_{22} = (9 - n_1)/9$ ,  $p_{12} = p_{21} = n_1/9$ ,  $p_{33} = 1$ ,  $n_1 = 4$  or 5. The inequalities allow to consider only the values  $p_{11} \geq (9 - n_1)/9$ .

##### 1. Probability matrices $p^U$ and $p^D$

The direct search leads to maximally entropic  $p^D$  matrix with  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$ :

$$p^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0.4982 & 0.4923 & 0.0095 \\ 0.4981 & 0.4924 & 0.0095 \\ 0.0037 & 0.0153 & 0.9810 \end{pmatrix} , \quad p_0^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5556 & 0.4444 & 0 \\ 0.4444 & 0.5556 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} . \tag{6.4-8}$$

$p_0^D$  represents the unperturbed matrix  $p_0^D$  with  $n(d = 4), n_s = 5$  and is included for the purpose of comparison. The entropy  $S(p^D) = 1.5603$  is larger than the entropy  $S(p_0^D) = 1.3739$ . A possible interpretation is in terms of the spontaneous symmetry breaking induced by entropy maximization in presence of constraints.

A maximally entropic  $p^U$  matrix with  $(n_u, n_c) = (5, 6)$  is given by

$$p^U = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5137 & 0.4741 & 0.0122 \\ 0.4775 & 0.4970 & 0.0254 \\ 0.0088 & 0.0289 & 0.9623 \end{pmatrix} \tag{6.4-8}$$

The value of entropy is  $S(p^U) = 1.7246$ . There could be also other maxima of entropy but in the range covering almost completely the allowed range of the parameters and in the accuracy used only single maximum appears.

The probabilities  $p_{ii}^D$  resp.  $p_{ii}^U$  satisfy the constraint  $p(i, i) \geq .492$  resp.  $p_{ii} \geq .497$  so that the earlier proposal for the solution of proton spin crisis must be given up and the solution discussed in [K32] remains the proposal in TGD framework.

### 2. Near orthogonality of $U$ and $D$ matrices

An interesting question whether  $U$  and  $D$  matrices can be transformed to approximately orthogonal matrices by a suitable  $(U(1) \times U(1))_L \times (U(1) \times U(1))_R$  transformation and whether CP breaking phase appearing in CKM matrix could reflect the small breaking of orthogonality. If this expectation is correct, it should be possible to construct from  $|U|$  ( $|D|$ ) an approximately orthogonal matrix by multiplying the matrix elements  $|U_{ij}|$ ,  $i, j \in \{2, 3\}$  by appropriate sign factors. A convenient manner to achieve this is to multiply  $|U|$  ( $|D|$ ) in an element wise manner  $((A \circ B)_{ij} = A_{ij}B_{ij})$  by a sign factor matrix  $S$ .

1. In the case of  $|U|$  the matrix  $U = S \circ |U|$ ,  $S(2, 2) = S(2, 3) = S(3, 2) = -1$ ,  $S_{ij} = 1$  otherwise, is approximately orthogonal as the fact that the matrix  $U^T U$  given by

$$U^T U = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0.0006 & -0.0075 \\ 0.0006 & 1.0000 & -0.0038 \\ -0.0075 & -0.0038 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix}$$

is near unit matrix, demonstrates.

2. For  $D$  matrix there are two nearly orthogonal variants. For  $D = S \circ |D|$ ,  $S(2, 2) = S(2, 3) = S(3, 2) = -1$ ,  $S_{ij} = 1$  otherwise, one has

$$D^T D = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & -0.0075 & 0.0604 \\ -0.0075 & 1.0000 & 0.0143 \\ 0.0604 & 0.0143 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix} .$$

The choice  $D = S \circ D$ ,  $S(2, 2) = S(2, 3) = S(3, 3) = -1$ ,  $S_{ij} = 1$  otherwise, is slightly better

$$D^T D = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & -0.0075 & 0.0604 \\ -0.0075 & 1.0000 & 0.0143 \\ 0.0601 & 0.0143 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix} .$$

### 3. The matrices $U$ and $D$ in the standard gauge

Entropy maximization indeed yields probability matrices associated with unitary matrices. 8 phase factors are possible for the matrix elements but only 4 are relevant as far as the unitarity conditions are considered. The vanishing of the inner products between row vectors, gives 6 conditions altogether so that the system seems to be over-determined. The values of the parameters  $s_1, s_2, s_3$  and phase angle  $\delta$  in the "standard gauge" can be solved in terms of  $r_{11}$  and  $r_{21}$ .

The requirement that the norms of the parameters  $c_i$  are not larger than unity poses non-trivial constraints on the probability matrices. This should be the case since the number of unitarity conditions is 9 whereas probability conservation for columns and rows gives only 5 conditions so that not every probability matrix can define unitary matrix. It would seem that the constraints are satisfied only if the 2 mass squared conditions and 2 conditions from the entropy maximization are equivalent with 4 unitarity conditions so that the number of conditions becomes  $5+4=9$ . Therefore entropy maximization and mass squared conditions would force the points of complex 9-dimensional space defined by  $3 \times 3$  matrices to a 9-dimensional surface representing group  $U(3)$  so that these conditions would have a group theoretic meaning.

The formulas

$$\begin{aligned} r_{i2} &= \sqrt{\left[-\frac{n_i}{51} + \frac{20}{17}(1 - r_{i1}^2)\right]} , \\ r_{i3} &= \sqrt{\left[\frac{n_i}{51} - \frac{3}{17}(1 - r_{i1}^2)\right]} . \end{aligned} \tag{6.4.-8}$$

and

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & s_1 c_3 & s_1 s_3 \\ -s_1 c_2 & c_1 c_2 c_3 - s_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta) & c_1 c_2 s_3 + s_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta) \\ -s_1 s_2 & c_1 s_2 c_3 + c_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta) & c_1 s_2 s_3 - c_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta) \end{bmatrix} \quad (6.4-7)$$

give

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= r_{11} \quad , \quad c_2 = \frac{r_{21}}{\sqrt{1-r_{11}^2}} \quad , \\ s_3 &= \frac{r_{13}}{\sqrt{1-r_{11}^2}} \quad , \quad \cos(\delta) = \frac{c_1^2 c_2^2 c_3^2 + s_2^2 s_3^2 - r_{22}^2}{2c_1 c_2 c_3 s_2 s_3} \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (6.4-6)$$

Preliminary calculations show that for  $n_1 = n_2 = 5$  case the matrix of moduli allows a continuation to a unitary matrix but that for  $n_1 = 4, n_2 = 6$  the value of  $\cos(\delta)$  is larger than one. This would suggest that unitarity indeed gives additional constraints on the integers  $n_i$ . The unitary (in the numerical accuracy used)  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$   $D$  matrix is given by

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7059 & 0.7016 & 0.0975 \\ -0.7057 & 0.7017 - 0.0106i & 0.0599 + 0.0766i \\ -0.0608 & 0.0005 + 0.1235i & 0.4366 - 0.8890i \end{pmatrix} .$$

The unitarity of this matrix supports the view that for certain integers  $n_i$  the mass squared conditions and entropy maximization reduce to group theoretic conditions. The numerical experimentation shows that the necessary condition for the unitarity is  $n_1 > 4$  for  $n_2 < 9$  whereas for  $n_2 \geq 9$  the unitarity is achieved also for  $n_1 = 4$ .

#### Direct search for CKM matrices

The standard gauge in which the first row and first column of unitary matrix are real provides a convenient representation for the topological mixing matrices: it is convenient to refer to these representations as  $U_0$  and  $D_0$ . The possibility to multiply the rows of  $U_0$  and  $D_0$  by phase factors ( $U(1) \times U(1)$ ) $_R$  transformations) provides 2 independent phases affecting the values of  $|V|$ . The phases  $\exp(i\phi_j)$ ,  $j = 2, 3$  multiplying the second and third row of  $D_0$  can be estimated from the matrix elements of  $|V|$ , say from the elements  $|V_{11}| = \cos(\theta_c) \equiv v_{11}$ ,  $\sin\theta_c = .226 \pm .002$  and  $|V_{31}| = (9.6 \pm .9) \cdot 10^{-3} \equiv v_{31}$ . Hence the model would predict two parameters of the CKM matrix, say  $s_3$  and  $\delta_{CP}$ , in its standard representation.

The fact that the existing empirical bounds on the matrix elements of  $V$  are based on the standard model physics raises the question about how seriously they should be taken. The possible existence of fractally scaled up versions of light quarks could effectively reduce the matrix elements for the electro-weak decays  $b \rightarrow c + W$ ,  $b \rightarrow u + W$  resp.  $t \rightarrow s + W$ ,  $t \rightarrow d + W$  since the decays involving scaled up versions of light quarks can be counted as decays  $W \rightarrow bc$  resp.  $W \rightarrow tb$ . This would favor too small experimental estimates for the matrix elements  $V_{i3}$  and  $V_{3i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . In particular, the matrix element  $V_{31} = V_{td}$  could be larger than the accepted value.

Various constraints do not leave much freedom to choose the parameters  $n_{q_i}$ . The preliminary numerical experimentation shows that the choice  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$  and  $(n_u, n_c) = (5, 6)$  yields realistic  $U$  and  $D$  matrices. In particular, the conditions  $|U(1, 1)| > .7$  and  $|D(1, 1)| > .7$  hold true and mean that the original proposal for the solution of spin puzzle of proton must be given up. In [K32] an alternative proposal based on more recent findings is discussed. Only for this choice reasonably realistic CKM matrices have been found.

1. The requirement that the parameters  $|V_{11}|$  (or equivalently, Cabibbo angle and  $|V_{31}|$ ) are produced correctly, yields CKM matrices for which CP breaking parameter  $J$  is roughly one half of its accepted value. The matrix elements  $V_{23} \equiv V_{cb}$ ,  $V_{32} \equiv V_{tc}$ , and  $V_{13} \equiv V_{ub}$  are roughly twice their accepted value. This suggests that the condition on  $V_{31}$  should be loosened.
2. The following tables summarize the results of the search requiring that
  - i) the value of the Cabibbo angle  $s_{Cab}$  is within the experimental limits  $s_{Cab} = .223 \pm .002$  ,
  - ii)  $V_{31} = (9.6 \pm .9) \cdot 10^{-3}$ , is allowed to have value at most twice its upper bound,

iii)  $V_{13}$  whose upper bound is determined by probability conservation, is within the experimental limits  $.42 \cdot 10^{-3} < |V_{ub}| < 6.98 \cdot 10^{-3}$  whereas  $V_{23} \simeq 4 \times 10^{-3}$  should come out as a prediction, iv) the CP breaking parameter satisfies the condition  $|(J - J_0)/J_0| < .6$ , where  $J_0 = 10^{-4}$  represents the lower bound for  $J$  (the experimental bounds for  $J$  are  $J \times 10^4 \in (1 - 1.7)$ ).

The pairs of the phase angles  $(\phi_1, \phi_2)$  defining the phases  $(\exp(i\phi_1), \exp(i\phi_2))$  are listed below

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{class 1: } \begin{array}{ccccc} \phi_1 & 0.1005 & 0.1005 & 4.8129 & 4.8129 \\ \phi_2 & 0.0754 & 1.4828 & 4.7878 & 6.1952 \end{array} \\
 \text{class 2: } \begin{array}{ccccc} \phi_1 & 0.1005 & 0.1005 & 4.8129 & 4.8129 \\ \phi_2 & 2.3122 & 5.5292 & 0.7414 & 3.9584 \end{array}
 \end{array} \tag{6.4.-6}$$

The phase angle pairs correspond to two different classes of  $U$ ,  $D$ , and  $V$  matrices. The  $U$ ,  $D$  and  $V$  matrices inside each class are identical at least up to 11 digits(!). Very probably the phase angle pairs are related by some kind of symmetry.

The values of the fitted parameters for the two classes are given by

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \begin{array}{cccc} |V_{11}| & |V_{31}| & |V_{13}| & J/10^{-4} \\ \text{class 1} & 0.9740 & 0.0157 & 0.0069 & .93953 \\ \text{class 2} & 0.9740 & 0.0164 & 0.0067 & 1.0267 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$V_{31}$  is predicted to be about 1.6 times larger than the experimental upper bound and for both classes  $V_{23}$  and  $V_{32}$  are roughly too times too large. Otherwise the fit is consistent with the experimental limits for class 2. For class 1 the CP breaking parameter is 7 per cent below the experimental lower bound. In fact, the value of  $J$  is fixed already by the constraints on  $V_{31}$  and  $V_{11}$  and reduces by a factor of one half if  $V_{31}$  is required to be within its experimental limits.

$U$ ,  $D$  and  $|V|$  matrices for class 1 are given by

$$\begin{array}{l}
 U = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7167 & 0.6885 & 0.1105 \\ -0.6910 & 0.7047 - 0.0210i & 0.0909 + 0.1310i \\ -0.0938 & 0.0696 + 0.1550i & 0.1747 - 0.9653i \end{bmatrix} \\
 D = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7059 & 0.7016 & 0.0975 \\ -0.6347 - 0.3085i & 0.6358 + 0.2972i & 0.0203 + 0.0951i \\ -0.0587 - 0.0159i & -0.0317 + 0.1194i & 0.6534 - 0.7444i \end{bmatrix} \\
 |V| = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9740 & 0.2265 & 0.0069 \\ 0.2261 & 0.9703 & 0.0862 \\ 0.0157 & 0.0850 & 0.9963 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array} \tag{6.4.-8}$$

$U$ ,  $D$  and  $|V|$  matrices for class 2 are given by

$$\begin{array}{l}
 U = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7167 & 0.6885 & 0.1105 \\ -0.6910 & 0.7047 - 0.0210i & 0.0909 + 0.1310i \\ -0.0938 & 0.0696 + 0.1550i & 0.1747 - 0.9653i \end{bmatrix} \\
 D = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7059 & 0.7016 & 0.0975 \\ -0.6347 - 0.3085i & 0.6358 + 0.2972i & 0.0203 + 0.0951i \\ -0.0589 - 0.0151i & -0.0302 + 0.1198i & 0.6440 - 0.7525i \end{bmatrix} \\
 |V| = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9740 & 0.2265 & 0.0067 \\ 0.2260 & 0.9704 & 0.0851 \\ 0.0164 & 0.0838 & 0.9963 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array} \tag{6.4.-10}$$

What raises worries is that the values of  $|V_{23}| = |V_{cb}|$  and  $|V_{32}| = |V_{ts}|$  are roughly twice their experimental estimates. This, as well as the discrepancy related to  $V_{31}$ , might be understood in terms of the electro-weak decays of  $b$  and  $t$  to scaled up quarks causing a reduction of the branching ratios

$b \rightarrow c + W$ ,  $t \rightarrow s + W$  and  $t \rightarrow t + d$ . The attempts to find more successful integer combinations  $n_i$  has failed hitherto. The model for pseudoscalar meson masses, the predicted relatively small masses of light quarks, and the explanation for  $t\bar{t}$  meson mass supports this mixing scenario.

## 6.5 Hadron masses

Besides the quark contributions already discussed, hadron mass squared can contain several other contributions and the task is to find a model allowing to identify and estimate these contributions. There are several guidelines for the numerical experimentation.

1. Conformal weight, that is mass squared, is assumed to be additive for quarks corresponding to the same p-adic prime. For instance, in case of  $q\bar{q}$  mesons the mass would be  $\sqrt{2}m(q)$  and the contribution of  $k = 113$   $u, d, s$  quarks to nucleon mass would be  $< \sqrt{3} \times 100$  MeV and thus surprisingly small. For  $cd$  meson quark masses would be additive.
2. Old fashioned quark model explains reasonably well hadron masses in terms of constituent quark masses. Effective 2-dimensionality of partons suggests an interpretation for the constituent quark as a composite structure formed by the current quark identified as a partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  characterized by  $k(q)$  and by join along boundaries bond, kind of a gluonic "rubber band" characterized by  $k = 107$  and connecting  $X^2$  to the  $k = 107$  hadronic 2-surface  $X^2(H)$  representing hadron.  $X^2(q_i)$  could be perhaps regarded as a hole in  $k = k(q)$  3-surface. The 2-dimensional visualization for a 3-dimensional topological condensation would become much more than a mere visualization. This view about hadrons brings in mind unavoidably the surreal 2-dimensional structures formed by organs like retina. Of course, effective 2-dimensionality allows to characterize the entire Universe as an extremely complex fractal 2-surface.

The large mass of the constituent quark would be due to the color Coulombic and spin-spin interaction conformal weights of join along boundaries bond. Quark mass and the mass due to the color interaction conformal weight would be additive unless  $k = 107$  for the quark (it seems that for  $\eta'$  this is indeed the case!). Classical color gauge fluxes would flow between  $k = 107$  and  $k \neq 107$  space-time sheets along the bonds. Color dynamics would take place at  $k = 107$  space-time sheet in the sense that color gauge flux between quarks  $q_1$  and  $q_2$  flows first from  $X^2(k(q_1))$  to the hadronic 2-surface  $X^2(k = 107)$  and then back to  $X^2(k(q_2))$ . The induced Kähler field is always accompanied by a classical color gauge field and the classical color gauge flux would represent non-perturbative aspects of color interactions at space-time level.

3. A crucial observation is that the mass of  $\eta$  meson is rather precisely 4 times the pion mass whereas the mass of its spin excited companion  $\omega$  is very nearly the same as the mass of  $\rho$  meson. This suggests that  $u, d$  quarks correspond to  $k = 109$  inside  $\eta$  but to  $k = 113$  inside  $\omega$ . This inspires the idea that the p-adic mass scale of quarks is dynamical and sensitive to small perturbations as the fact that for  $CP_2$  type extremals the operators corresponding to different p-adic primes reduce to one and same operator forces to suspect. If  $k$  characterizes the length scale associated with the elementary particle horizon as  $\sqrt{k}$  multiple of  $CP_2$  length scale, quark mass would be characterized by the size of elementary particle horizon sensitive to the dynamics in hadronic mass scale.

The physical states would result as small perturbations of this degenerate ground state and the value of  $k(q)$  would be sensitive to the perturbation. A rather nice fit for meson and baryon masses results by assuming that the p-adic length scale of the quark is dynamical.

4. In the case of pseudoscalar mesons the scaled up versions of light quarks identifiable as constituent quarks, turn out to explain almost all of the pseudo scalar meson mass, and this inspires a new formulation for the old vision about pseudoscalar mesons as Goldstone bosons. At least light pseudoscalar mesons are Goldstone bosons in the sense that the color Coulombic and spin-spin interaction energies cancel in a good approximation so that quarks at  $k \neq 107$  space-time sheets are responsible for most of the meson mass. The assumption that only  $k(s)$  is dynamical for light baryons is enough to understand the mass differences between baryons having different numbers of strange quarks.

5. Color magnetic spin-spin interaction energies are indeed surprisingly constant among baryons. Also for mesons spin-spin interaction energies vary much less than the scaling of quark masses would predict on basis of QCD formula. This motivates the replacement of the interaction energy with interaction conformal weight in the case of color interactions. The interaction conformal weight is assignable to  $k = 107$  space-time sheet, and the fact that spin-spin splittings of also heavy hadrons can be measured in few hundred MeVs, supports this identification. The mild dependence of color Coulombic conformal weight and spin-spin interaction conformal weight on hadron would be due to their dependence on the primes  $k(q_i)$  and  $k = 107$  characterizing space-time sheets connected by the the color bonds  $q_i \rightarrow 107$  and  $107 \rightarrow q_j$ .
6. The values for the parameters  $s_{ij}^c$  and  $S_{ij}$  characterizing color Coulombic and color magnetic interaction conformal weights can be deduced from the mass squared differences for hadrons and assuming definite values for the parameters  $k(q_i)$  characterizing quark masses. It seems that no other sources to meson mass (or at least pion mass) are needed.
7. In the case of nucleons the understanding of nucleon mass requires a large additional contribution about 780 MeV since quarks contribute only about 160 MeV to the mass of nucleon. This contribution can be assumed to be same for all baryons as the possibility to understand baryon mass differences in terms of quark masses demonstrates. The most plausible identification of this contribution is in terms of 2- or 3-particle state formed by super-symplectic gluons assignable to  $k = 107$  hadronic space-time sheet and having conformal weight  $s = 16$  corresponding to mass 934.2 MeV (rather near to nucleon mass and  $\eta'$  mass). This leads to a vision about non-perturbative aspects of color interactions and allows to understand baryon masses with accuracy better than one per cent. Also a connection with hadronic string model emerges and hadronic string tension is predicted correctly.

### 6.5.1 The definition of the model for hadron masses

The defining assumptions of the model of hadron masses are following.  $CP_2$  mass defines the overall elementary particle mass scale. Electron mass determines this mass only in certain limits.

#### Model for hadronic quarks

The numerical construction of  $U$  and  $D$  matrices using the thermodynamical model for the topological mixing justifies the assumptions  $n_d = n_s = 5, n_b = 59$  and  $n_u = 5, n_c = 6, n_t = 58$ .

Quarks can appear both as free quarks and bound state quarks and the value of  $k(q)$  is in general different for free and bound state quarks and can depend on hadron in case of bound state quarks. This allows to understand satisfactorily the masses of low lying hadrons.

#### Quark mass contribution to the mass of the hadron

Quark mass squared is p-adically additive for quarks with same value of p-adic prime. In the case of meson one has

$$m_M^2(p_1 = p_2) = m_{q_1}^2 + m_{q_2}^2 . \quad (6.5.1)$$

$m_q$  denotes constituent quark mass which is larger than current quark mass due to the smaller value of  $k$ .

Masses are additive for different values of  $p$ .

$$m_M(p_1 \neq p_2) = m_{q_1} + m_{q_2} . \quad (6.5.2)$$

The generalization of these formulas to the case of baryons is trivial.



### Super-symplectic gluons and non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics

At least in the case of light pseudoscalar mesons the contribution of quark masses to the mass squared of meson dominates whereas spin 1 mesons contain a large contribution identified as color interaction conformal weight (color magnetic spin-spin interaction conformal weight and color Coulombic conformal weight). This conformal weight cannot however correspond to the ordinary color interactions alone and is negative for pseudoscalars and compensated by some unknown contribution in the case of pion in order to avoid tachyonic mass. Quite generally this realizes the idea about light pseudoscalar mesons as Goldstone bosons. Analogous mass formulas hold for baryons but in this case the additional contribution which dominates.

The unknown contribution can be assigned to the  $k = 107$  hadronic space-time sheet and must correspond to the non-perturbative aspects of QCD and the failure of the quantum field theory approach at low energies. In TGD the failure of QFT picture corresponds to the presence of configuration space degrees of freedom ("world of classical worlds") in which super-symplectic algebra acts. The failure of the approximation assuming single fixed background space-time is in question.

The purely bosonic generators carry color and spin quantum numbers: spin has however the character of orbital angular momentum. The only electro-weak quantum numbers of super-generators are those of right-handed neutrino. If the super-generators degrees carry the quark spin at high energies, a solution of proton spin puzzle emerges [K48].

The presence of these degrees of freedom means that there are two contributions to color interaction energies corresponding to the ordinary gluon exchanges and exchanges of super-symplectic gluons. For  $g = 0$  these gluons are massless and in absence of topological mixing could form a contribution analogous to sea or Bose-Einstein condensate. For  $g = 1$  their mass can be calculated. It turns out the model assuming same topological mixing as in case of  $U$  quarks leads to excellent understanding of baryon masses assuming that hadron spin correlates with the super-symplectic particle content of the hadronic space-time sheet.

### Top quark mass as a fundamental constraint

$CP_2$  mass is an important parameter of the model. The vanishing second order contribution to electron mass gives an upper bound for  $CP_2$  mass. The bound  $Y_e \leq .7357$  can be derived from the requirement that it is possible to reproduce  $\tau$  mass in p-adic thermodynamics. Maximal second order contribution corresponds to a minimal  $CP_2$  mass reduced by a factor  $\sqrt{5/6} = .9129$  from its maximal value. There is a natural mechanism making second order contribution negligible. Leptonic masses tend to be predicted to be few per cent too high [K45] if the second order contribution from p-adic thermodynamics to the electron mass vanishes, which suggests that second order contribution might be there.

For  $Y_e = 0$  and  $Y_t = 1$  the most recent experimental best estimate 169.1 GeV [C110] for top quark mass is reproduced exactly. Even  $Y_t = 0$  allows a prediction in the allowed range. For too large  $Y_e$  top quark mass is predicted to be too small unless one allows first order Higgs contribution to the top quark mass. This means that  $CP_2$  mass can be scaled down from its maximal value at most 2.5 per cent. This translates to the condition  $Y_e < .26$ . It is possible to understand quark masses satisfactorily by assuming that Higgs contribution is second order p-adically and even negligible. In fact, there are good arguments suggesting that Higgs does not develop vacuum expectation at fermionic space-time sheets [K45]. If this is the case, top quark mass gives a very strong constraint to the model.

The super-symplectic color interactions associated with  $k = 107$  space-time sheet give rise to the dominant reduction of the color conformal weight having interpretation in terms of color magnetic and electric conformal weights. Canonical correspondence implies that this contribution is always non-negative. Therefore the simple additive formula can lead to a situation in which the contribution of quarks to the meson mass can be slightly larger than meson mass and it is not obvious whether it is possible to reduce this contribution by any means since the reduction of  $CP_2$  mass scale makes top quark mass too small.

For diagonal mesons for which quarks have the same value of p-adic prime, ordinary color interaction between quarks can contribute negative conformal weight reducing the contribution to the mass squared. In the case of non-diagonal mesons it is not clear whether this kind of color interaction exists. This kind of gluons would correspond to pairs of light-like partonic 3-surfaces for which throats correspond to different values of p-adic prime  $p$ . These are in principle possible but could couple weakly

to matter. It seems that the parameters of the model, essentially  $CP_2$  mass scale strongly constrained by the top quark mass, allow the quark contributions of non-diagonal mesons to be below the mass of the meson.

The fact that standard QCD model for color binding energies works rather well for heavy mesons suggests that the notion of negative color binding energy might make sense and could explain the discrepancy. The mixing of real and p-adic physics descriptions is however aesthetically very unappealing but might be the only way out of the problem. The p-adic counterpart of this description in case of heavy diagonal mesons would be based on the introduction of a negative color Coulombic contribution to the the conformal weight of quark pair.

### Smallness of isospin splittings

The smallness of isospin splittings inside  $I_s = 1/2$  doublets poses an further constraint.  $d_{113} - u_{113}$  mass difference is about  $\Delta m_{d-u} = 13$  MeV and larger than typical isospin splitting. The repulsive Coulomb interaction between quarks typically tends to reduce the mass differences due to  $\Delta m_{d-u}$  and the the sign of  $\Delta m_{d-u}$  explains the "wrong" sign of n-p mass difference equal to  $\Delta m_{n-p} = 1.3$  MeV. Non-diagonal hadrons containing scaled up u and d quarks would have anomalously large isospin splittings. On the other hand, for a diagonal meson containing  $b$  quark and scaled up  $u$  and  $d$  quark isospin splitting is proportional to  $(m_d^2 - m_u^2)/m_b$  and small.  $B$  meson corresponds to this kind of situation.

### 6.5.2 The anatomy of hadronic space-time sheet

Although the presence of the hadronic space-time sheet having  $k = 107$  has been obvious from the beginning, the questions about its anatomy emerged only quite recently after the vision about the spectrum of Kähler coupling strength had emerged [K5, K48] .

In the case of pseudoscalar mesons quarks give the dominating contribution to the meson mass. This is not true for spin 1/2 baryons and the dominating contribution must have some other origin. TGD allows to identify this contribution in terms of states created by purely bosonic generators of super-symplectic algebra and having as a space-time correlate  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals topologically condensed at  $k = 107$  hadronic space-time sheet (or having this space-time sheet as field body). Proton and neutron masses are predicted with .5 per cent accuracy and  $\Delta - N$  mass splitting with .6 per cent accuracy. A further outcome is a possible solution to the spin puzzle of proton proposed already earlier [K48] .

### Quark contribution cannot dominate light baryon mass

The first guess would be that the masses give dominating contribution to the mass of baryon. Since mass squared is additive, this would require rather large quark masses for proton and neutron.  $k(d) = k(u) = k(s) = 108$  would give  $(m(d), m(u), m(s)) = (571.3, 520.4, 616.6)$  MeV and  $(m(n), m(p)) = (961.1, 931.7)$  MeV to be compared with the actual masses  $(m(n), m(p)) = (939.6, 938.3)$  MeV. The difference looks too large to be explainable in terms of Coulombic self-interaction energy.  $\lambda - n$  mass splitting would be 27.6 MeV for  $k(s) = 108$  which is much smaller than the real mass splitting 176.0 MeV. For  $k(s) = 110$  one would have 120.0 MeV.

### Does $k = 107$ hadronic space-time sheet give the large contribution to baryon mass?

In the sigma model for baryons the dominating contribution to the mass of baryon results as a vacuum expectation value of scalar field and light pseudoscalar mesons are analogous to Goldstone bosons whose masses are basically due to the masses of light quarks.

This would suggest that  $k = 107$  gluonic/hadronic space-time sheet gives a large contribution to the mass squared of baryon. p-Adic thermodynamics allows to expect that the contribution to the mass squared is in a good approximation of form

$$\Delta m^2 = nm^2(107) ,$$

where  $m^2(107)$  is the minimum possible p-adic mass mass squared and  $n$  a positive integer. One has  $m(107) = 2^{10}m(127) = 2^{10}m_e/\sqrt{(5)} = 233.55$  MeV for  $Y_e = 0$  favored by the top quark mass.

1.  $n = 11$  predicts  $(m(n), m(p)) = (944.5, 939.3)$  MeV for  $k = 113$  quarks: the actual masses are  $(m(n), m(p)) = (939.6, 938.3)$  MeV. Coulombic repulsion between u quarks could reduce the p-n difference to a realistic value.
2.  $\lambda - n$  mass splitting would be 184.7 MeV for  $k(s) = 111$  to be compared with the real difference which is 176.0 MeV. Note however that color magnetic spin-spin splitting requires that the ground state mass squared is larger than  $11m_0^2(107)$ .

### What is responsible for the large ground state mass of the baryon?

The observations made above do not leave much room for alternative models. The basic problem is the identification of the large contribution to the mass squared coming from the hadronic space-time sheet with  $k = 107$ . This contribution could have the energy of classical color field as a space-time correlate.

1. The assignment of the energy to the vacuum expectation value of sigma boson does not look very promising since the very existence sigma boson is questionable and it does not relate naturally to classical color gauge fields. More generally, since no gauge symmetry breaking is involved, the counterpart of Higgs mechanism as a development of a coherent state of scalar bosons does not look a plausible idea.
2. One can however consider the possibility of a Bose-Einstein condensate or of a more general many-particle state of massive bosons possibly carrying color quantum numbers. A many-boson state of exotic bosons at  $k = 107$  space-time sheet having net mass squared

$$m^2 = nm_0^2(107) \quad , \quad n = \sum_i n_i$$

could explain the baryonic ground state mass. Note that the possible values of  $n_i$  are predicted by p-adic thermodynamics with  $T_p = 1$ .

### Glueballs cannot be in question

Glueballs [C10, C24] define the first candidate for the exotic boson in question. There are however several objections against this idea.

1. QCD predicts that lightest glue-balls consisting of two gluons have  $J^{PC} = 0^{++}$  and  $2^{++}$  and have mass 1650 MeV [C24]. If one takes QCD seriously, one must exclude this option. One can also argue that light glue balls should have been observed long ago and wonder why their Bose-Einstein condensate is not associated with mesons.
2. There are also theoretical objections in TGD framework.
  - i) Can one really apply p-adic thermodynamics to the bound states of gluons? Even if this is possible, can one assume the p-adic temperature  $T_p = 1$  for them if  $T_p < 1$  holds true for gauge bosons consisting of fermion-antifermion pairs [K5, K48].
  - ii) Baryons are fermions and one can argue that they must correspond to single space-time sheet rather than a pair of positive and negative energy space-time sheets required by the glueball Bose-Einstein condensate realized as wormhole contacts connecting these space-time sheets. This argument should be taken with a big grain of salt.

### Do exotic colored bosons give rise to the ground state mass of baryon?

The objections listed above lead to an identification of bosons responsible for the ground state mass, which looks much more promising.

#### 1. Super-symplectic gluons

TGD predicts exotic bosons and their super-conformal partners. The bosons created by the purely bosonic part of super-symplectic algebra [K18, K17], whose generators belong to the representations of the color group and 3-D rotation group but have vanishing electro-weak quantum numbers. Their

spin is analogous to orbital angular momentum whereas the spin of ordinary gauge bosons reduces to fermionic spin. The super-partners of the super-symplectic bosons have quantum numbers of a right handed neutrino and have no electro-weak couplings. Recall that super-symplectic algebra is crucial for the construction of configuration space Kähler geometry.

Exotic bosons are single-sheeted structures meaning that they correspond to a single wormhole throat associated with a  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal. The assignment of these bosons to hadronic space-time having  $k = 107$  is an attractive idea. The only contribution to the mass would come from the genus and  $g = 0$  state would be massless in absence of topological mixing. In this case  $g = 0$  bosons could condense on the ground state and define the analog of gluonic contribution to the parton sea. If they mix situation changes.

In the following calculations it is assumed that the contributions to mass from different p-adic primes sum up linearly whereas for contributions with same value of p-adic prime mass squared is additive. This rule is required if one wants to understand the mass differences of mesons and baryons in terms of mass differences due to quark flavor and the dependence of the p-adic length scale of quark on hadron. If one assumes that all contributions to masses sum up quadratically, unreasonably large quark mass differences are required. The objection from QCD based approach is that quarks contribute less than 2 per cent to the mass of the hadron. In TGD sea quarks would correspond to large value of p-adic prime and only their contribution would be so small whereas the contribution of the valence quarks would be of the order of largest quark mass present.

$g = 1$  unmixed super-symplectic boson would have mass squared  $9m_0^2(k)$  (mass would be 700.7 MeV). For a ground state containing two  $g = 1$  exotic bosons, one would have ground state mass squared  $M_0^2 = 18m_0^2$  corresponding to  $(m(n), m(p)) = (1160.8, 1155.6)$  MeV. Negative color Coulombic conformal weight and color magnetic spin-spin splitting can reduce the mass of the system. Electromagnetic Coulomb interaction energy can reduce the p-n mass splitting to a realistic value.

1. Color magnetic spin-spin splitting for baryons gives a test for this hypothesis. The splitting of the conformal weight is by group theoretic arguments of the same general form as that of color magnetic energy and given by  $(m^2(N), m^2(\Delta)) = (18m_0^2 - X, 18m_0^2 + X)$  in absence of topological mixing.  $n = 11$  for nucleon mass implies  $X = 7$  and  $m(\Delta) = 5m_0(107) = 1338$  MeV to be compared with the actual mass  $m(\Delta) = 1232$  MeV. The prediction is too large by about 8.6 per cent.
2. If one allows negative color Coulombic conformal weight  $\Delta s = -2$  the mass squared reduces by 2 units. The alternative is topological mixing one can have  $m^2 = 8m_0^2$  instead of  $9m_0^2$ . This gives  $m(\Delta) = 1240$  MeV so that the error is only .6 per cent. The mass of topologically mixed exotic boson would be 660.6 MeV and equals to  $m_{104}$ .

One must consider also the possibility that super-symplectic gluons suffer topological mixing identical with that suffered by say  $U$  type quarks in which the conformal weights would be (5,6,58) for the three lowest generations.

1. For this option the ground state of baryon could consist of 2 gluons of lowest generation and one gluon of second generation ( $5 + 5 + 6 = 16$ ).
2. If the mixing is same as for D type quarks with weights (5,5,59), one can have only  $s = 15$  state. It turns out that this option allows to predict hadron masses with amazing precision if one assumes correlation between hadron spin and its super-symplectic particle content.
3. For this option one can even consider the possibility that super-symplectic gluons are able to represent also color Coulombic conformal weight so that model would simply considerably.

The conclusion is that a many-particle state of super-symplectic bosons could be responsible for the ground state mass of baryon. Also the baryonic spin puzzle caused by the fact that quarks give only a small contribution to the spin of baryons, could find a natural solution since these bosons could give to the spin of baryon an angular momentum like contribution having nothing to do with the angular momentum of quarks.

## 2. A connection with hadronic string model

Hadronic string model provides a phenomenological description of the non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics, and TGD was born also as a generalization of the hadronic string model. Hence one can ask whether something resembling hadronic string model might emerge from the super-symplectic sector. TGD allows string like objects but the fundamental string tension is gigantic, roughly a factor  $10^{-8}$  of that defined by Planck constant. The hypothesis motivated by the p-adic length scale hypothesis is that vacuum extremals deformed to non-vacuum extremals give to a hierarchy of string like structures with string tension  $T \propto 1/L_p^2$ ,  $L_p$  the p-adic length scale. The challenge has been the identification of quantum counterpart of this picture.

The fundamental mass formula of the string model relates mass squared and angular momentum of the stringy state. It has the form

$$M^2 = kJ, \quad k \simeq .9 \text{ GeV}^2. \quad (6.5.3)$$

A more general formula is  $M^2 = kn$ .

This kind of formula results from the additivity of the conformal weight (and thus mass squared) if one constructs a many particle state from  $g = 1$  super-symplectic bosons with a thermal mass squared  $M^2 = M_0^2 n$ ,  $M_0^2 = n_0 m_{107}^2$ . The angular momentum of the building blocks has some spectrum fixed by Virasoro conditions. If the basic building block has angular momentum  $J_0$  and mass squared  $M_0^2$ , one obtains  $M^2 = M_0^2 J$ ,  $k = M_0^2$ ,  $J = nJ_0$ . The values of  $n$  are even in old fashioned string model for a Regge trajectory with a fixed parity.  $J_0 = 2$  implies the same result so that basic unit might be called "strong graviton".

One can consider several candidates for the values of  $n_0$ . In the absence of topological mixing one has  $n_0 = 9$  for super-symplectic gluons. The bound state of two super-symplectic  $g = 1$  bosons with mass squared  $M_0^2 = 16m_{107}^2$  (two units of color binding conformal weight) could be responsible for the ground state mass of baryons. If topological mixing occurs and is same as for  $U$  type quarks then also a bound state of 2 gluons of first generation and 1 gluon of second generation gives  $M_0^2 = 16m_{107}^2$ .

The table below summarizes the prediction for the string tension in various cases. The identification of the basic excitations as many-particle states from bound states of super-symplectic gluons with  $M_0^2 = 16m_{107}^2$  predicts the nominal value of the .9 GeV with 3 per cent accuracy.

$n_0$	5	9	16	18
$M_0^2/\text{GeV}^2$	.273	.490	0.872	0.982

Table 6. The prediction for the hadronic string tension for some values of the mass squared of super-symplectic particle used to construct hadronic excitations.

Pomeron [C222] represented an anomaly of the hadronic string model as a hadron like particle which was not accompanied by a Regge trajectory. A natural interpretation would be as a space-time sheet containing valence quarks as a structure connected by color flux tubes to single structure. There is recent quite direct experimental evidence for the existence of Pomeron [C151, C123, C124] in proton photon collisions: Pomeron seems to leave the hadronic space-time sheet for a moment and collide with photon after which it topologically condenses back to the hadronic space-time sheet. For a more detailed discussion see [K48].

This picture allows also to consider a possible mechanism explaining spin puzzle of proton and I have already earlier considered an explanation in terms of super-symplectic spin [K48] assuming that state is superposition of ordinary ( $J = 0, J_q = 1/2$ ) state and ( $J = 2, J_q = 3/2$ ) state in which super-symplectic bound state has spin 2.

### 3. Some implications

If one accepts this picture, it becomes possible to derive general mass formulas also for the baryons of scaled up copies of QCD possibly associated with various Mersenne primes and Gaussian Mersennes. In particular, the mass formulas for leptobaryons, in particular "electro-baryons", can be deduced [K84]. Good estimates for the masses of the mesons and baryons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics are also obtained by simple scaling of the ordinary hadron masses by factor 512. Scaled up isospin splittings would be one signature of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics: for instance, n-p splitting of 1.3 MeV would scale up to 665.6 MeV.

### What about mesons?

The original short-lived belief was that only baryons are accompanied by a pair of super-symplectic bosons condensed at hadronic  $k = 107$  space-time sheet. By noticing that color magnetic spin-spin splitting requires an additional contribution to the conformal weight of meson cancelled by spin-spin splitting conformal weight in the case of pseudoscalar mesons to first order in  $p$ , one ends up with the conclusion that also mesons could possess the hadronic space-time sheet.

It is however unclear whether one must include besides the quantized contribution of super-symplectic gluons also color Coulombic contribution having interpretation as perturbative contribution. These contributions are of same form and one could argue that only super-symplectic contribution should be allowed. This would mean very strong quantization rules.

It however turns out that the contribution of super-symplectic massive boson is necessarily only in the case of  $\pi - \rho$  system and produces mere nuisance in the case of heavier mesons. The special role of  $\pi - \rho$  system could be understood in terms of color confinement which would make pion  $k = 107$  tachyon without the presence of additional mass squared.

Assuming topological mixing of super-symplectic bosons to be same as for U type quarks, the super-symplectic contribution must correspond to a conformal weight of 5 units in the case of pion and thus to *single* super-symplectic boson with  $m^2 = 5m_{107}^2$  instead of  $9m_{107}^2$  as for  $g = 1$  super-symplectic bosons. A possible interpretation is in terms of  $g = 0$  boson which has suffered a topological mixing. That 5 units of conformal weight result also in the topological mixing of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks supports this option and forces to ask whether also super-symplectic topological mixing is same inside baryons and mesons. If it is same for U type quarks and super-symplectic bosons one has  $(s_1, s_2, s_3) = (5, 6, 58)$  for the super-symplectic gluons. As noticed,  $S_{SC} = 16$  for baryons is obtained if one has a bound state of 2 bosons of first generation and one boson of second generation giving  $s_{SC} = 5 + 5 + 6 = 16$ . One can wonder how tightly the super-symplectic gluons are associated with baryonic valence quarks.

### 6.5.3 Pseudoscalar meson masses

The requirement that all contributions to the meson masses have p-adic origin allows to fix the model uniquely and also constraints on the value of the parameter  $Y_e$  emerge. In the following only pseudoscalar mesons will be considered.

#### Light pseudoscalar mesons as analogs of Goldstone bosons

Fractally scaled up versions of light quarks allow a rather simple model for hadron masses. In the old fashioned  $SU(3)$  based quark model  $\eta$  meson is regarded as a combination  $u\bar{u} + d\bar{d} - 2s\bar{s}$ . The basic observation is that  $\eta$  mass is rather precisely 4 times the mass of  $\pi$  whereas the mass of  $\omega$  is very near to  $\rho$  mass. This suggests that  $\eta$  results by a fractal scaling of quark masses obtained by the replacement  $k(q) = 113 \rightarrow 109$  for the quarks appearing in  $\eta$ . This inspires the idea that mesonic quarks are scaled up variants of light quarks and at least light pseudoscalar mesons are almost Goldstone bosons in the sense that quark contribution to the mass is as large as possible but smaller than meson mass. This idea must of course be taken as an interesting ansatz and in the end of the chapter it will be found that this idea might work only in the case of pion and kaon systems.

#### Quark contributions to meson masses

The following table summarizes the predictions for quark contributions to the masses of mesons assuming  $k(q)$  depending on meson and assuming  $Y_e = 0$  guaranteeing maximum value of top quark mass.

<i>Meson</i>	<i>scaled quarks</i>	$m_q(M)/MeV$	$m_{exp}/MeV$
$\pi^0$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	140.0	135.0
$\pi^+$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	140.0	139.6
$K^0$	$d_{114}, s_{109}$	495.5	497.7
$K^+$	$u_{114}, s_{109}$	486.3	493.7
$\eta$	$u_{109}, d_{109}, s_{109}$	522.2	548.9
$\eta'$	$u_{107}, d_{107}, s_{107}, c_{107}$	1144.2	957.6
$\eta' = B_{SC} + \sum_i q_i \bar{q}_i$	$q_{118}$	959.2	957.6
$\eta_c$	$c_{104}$	3098	2980
$D^0$	$c_{105}, u_{113}$	1642	1865
$D^+$	$c_{105}, d_{113}$	1654	1870
$\Upsilon$	$b_{103}$	10814	9460
$B$	$b_{104}, d_{104}, u_{104}$	5909	5270

Table 7. Summary of the model for contribution of quarks to the masses of mesons containing scaled up u,d, and s quarks. The model assumes the maximal value of  $CP_2$  mass allowed by  $\eta'$  mass and the condition  $Y_e = 0$  favored by top quark mass.

1. The quark contribution to pion mass is predicted to be 140 MeV, which is by few percent above the pion mass. Ordinary color interactions between pionic quarks can however reduce the conformal weight of pion by one unit. The reduction of  $CP_2$  mass scaled cannot be considered since it would reduce top quark mass to 163.3 GeV which is slightly below the favored range of values [C110].
2. The success of the fit requires that spin-spin splitting cancels the mass of super-symplectic boson in a good approximation for pseudoscalar mesons. This would be in accordance with the Goldstone boson interpretation of pseudoscalar mesons in the sense that color contribution to the mass from  $k = 107$  space-time sheet vanishes in the lowest p-adic order.
3. In the case of  $\eta$  resp.  $\eta'$  meson it has been assumed that the states have form  $(u\bar{u} + \bar{d} - 2s\bar{s})/\sqrt{6}$  resp.  $(u\bar{u} + \bar{d} + s\bar{s})/\sqrt{3}$ .
4.  $B$  mesons have anomalously large coupling to  $\eta'K$  and  $\eta'X$  [C129], which indicates an anomalously large coupling of  $\eta'$  to gluons [C50]. The interpretation has been in terms of a considerable mixing  $\eta'$  with gluon-gluon bound state.

$\eta'$  mass is only 2.5 per cent higher than the mass  $4m_{107}$  of super-symplectic boson  $B_{SC}$  associated with the hadronic space-time sheet of hadron. Large mixing scenario is however not consistent with the existence of  $\Phi$  with nearly the same mass. This encourages to consider the possibility that  $\eta'$  corresponds to a super-symplectic boson  $B_{SC}$  plus quark pair with  $k(d) = k(u) = k(s) = k(c) = 118$  with maximal mixing. In this case the contribution of quarks to the mass would be 25.1 MeV and one would have  $m(\eta') = 959.2$  MeV which coincides with the actual mass with 1 per mille accuracy. Note that this model predicts identical couplings to various quark pairs as does also the model assuming that  $\eta' - \Phi$  system is singlet with respect to flavor  $SU(3)$  (having no fundamental status in TGD).

It is clear from the above table that the quark contributions to the masses of  $\pi$ ,  $\eta'$  and  $B$  are slightly above the meson masses. In the case of  $B$  the discrepancy is largest and about 12 per cent. If one assumes that all contributions to the mass have p-adic origin, they are necessarily non-negative.

1. In the case of diagonal mesons the ordinary color interactions can reduce the contribution of quark masses to the mass of the meson. In the case of  $\eta'$  baryonic super-symplectic gluon  $B_{SC}$  could resolve the problem.
2. In the case of non-diagonal mesons the only possible solution of the problem is that  $Y_e > 0$  holds true so that mass scale is reduced by a factor  $1 - P = \sqrt{5/(5 + Y_e)}$  giving  $Y_e \simeq .056$ . The prediction for top quark mass is reduced by 1.1 per cent to 167.2 GeV which belongs to the allowed range [C110].

3. In the case of  $B$  meson one is forced to assume  $k_b = k_d = k_u = 104$  although it would be possible to achieve smaller quark contribution by an alternative choice. This choice explains the observed very small isospin splitting and diagonality allows the ordinary color interaction to reduce the quark contribution to the  $B$  meson mass.
4. At the end of the chapter an alternative scenario in which quark masses give in good approximation only the masses of pion and kaon will be considered.

### An example about how the mesonic mass formula works

The mass of the  $B_c$  meson (bound state of  $b$  and  $c$  quark) has been measured with a precision by CDF (see the blog posting by Tommaso Dorigo [C109] ) and is found to be  $M(B_c) = 6276.5 \pm 4.8$  MeV. Dorigo notices that there is a strange "crackpottian" co-incidence involved. Take the masses of the fundamental mesons made of  $c\bar{c}$  ( $\Psi$ ) and  $b\bar{b}$  ( $\Upsilon$ ), add them, and divide by two. The value of mass turns out to be 6278.6 MeV, less than one part per mille away from the  $B_c$  mass!

The general p-adic mass formulas and the dependence of  $k_q$  on hadron explain the co-incidence. The mass of  $B_c$  is given as  $m(B_c) = m(c, k_c(B_c)) + m(b, k_b(B_c))$ , whereas the masses of  $\Psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  are given by  $m(\Psi) = \sqrt{2}m(c, k_\Psi)$  and  $m(\Upsilon) = \sqrt{2}m(b, k_\Upsilon)$ . Assuming  $k_c(B_c) = k_c(\Psi)$  and  $k_b(B_c) = k_b(\Upsilon)$  would give  $m(B_c) = [m(\Psi) + m(\Upsilon)]/\sqrt{2}$  which is by a factor  $\sqrt{2}$  higher than the prediction of the "crackpot" formula.  $k_c(B_c) = k_c(\Psi) + 1$  and  $k_b(B_c) = k_b(\Upsilon) + 1$  however gives the correct result.

As such the formula makes sense but the one part per mille accuracy must be an accident in TGD framework.

1. The predictions for  $\Psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  masses are too small by 2 *resp.* 5 per cent in the model assuming no effective scaling down of  $CP_2$  mass.
2. The formula makes sense if the quarks are effectively free inside hadrons and the only effect of the binding is the change of the mass scale of the quark. This makes sense if the contribution of the color interactions, in particular color magnetic spin-spin splitting, to the heavy meson masses are small enough.  $\Psi$  and  $\eta_c$  correspond to spin 1 and spin 0 states and their masses by 3.7 per cent ( $m(\eta_c) = 2980$  MeV and  $m(\Psi) = 3096.9$ ) so that color magnetic spin-spin splitting is measured using per cent as natural unit.

### 6.5.4 Baryonic mass differences as a source of information

The first step in the development of the model for the baryon masses was the observations that  $B - n$  mass differences can be understood if baryons are assumed to contain scaled versions of strange and heavy quarks. The deduction of precise values of  $k(q)$  is however not quite straightforward since the color magnetic contribution to the mass affects the situation. Thus a working hypothesis worth of studying is that ground state contribution is same for all baryons and that for spin 1/2 baryons quark contribution to the mass added to this contribution is near as possible to the real mass but smaller than it.

The purpose of the following explicit is to convince the reader that baryon mass difference can be indeed understood in terms of quark mass differences. This of course requires that quark space-time sheet is not the hadronic  $k = 107$  space-time sheet. Otherwise quadratic mass formula applies.

1.  $\Lambda - n$  mass difference is 176 MeV and ( $k(s) = 111, k(d) = 114$ ) for  $\lambda$  would predict the mass difference  $m(\lambda) - m(n) = m_q(\lambda) - m_q(n)$ , where one has  $m_q(\lambda) = m(s_{111}) + \sqrt{2}m(d_{114}) - m(n)$ ,  $m_q(n) = \sqrt{m(u_{113})^2 + 2m(d_{113})^2}$ . The prediction equals to 141 MeV. It is possible to achieve smaller discrepancy but more precise considerations support this identification. Note that the spin-spin interaction energy is same if  $u$  and  $d$  quark form the paired quark system which is in  $J = 0$  or  $J = 1$  state so that the mass difference indeed can be regarded as quark mass difference.
2.  $\Sigma - n$  mass difference is 257 MeV. If sigma contains  $s_{111}$ ,  $u_{114}$  and  $d_{114}$ , the mass difference is predicted to be  $m_q(\Sigma) - m_q(n)$ ,  $m_q(\Sigma) = m(s_{111}) + \sqrt{2}m(d_{114})$  and comes out as 228 MeV.
3. If  $\Xi$  contains two  $s_{110}$  quarks and  $u_{113}$  ( $d_{113}$ ), the mass difference comes out as 351 MeV to be compared with the experimental value 381 MeV.



4. Even single hadron, such as  $\Omega$ , could contain several scaled up variants of  $s$  quark.  $s_{108} + 2s_{111}$  decomposition would give mass difference 718 MeV to be compared with the real mass difference 734 MeV.
5. For  $\Lambda_c$  the mass is 2282 MeV. For  $k(c) = 105$  instead of  $k(c) = 104$  the predicted  $\Lambda_c - n$  mass difference is 1341 MeV whereas the experimental difference is 1344 MeV.
6. For  $\Lambda_b$  the mass is 5425 MeV. For  $k(b) = 104$  instead of  $k(b) = 103$  the predicted  $\Lambda_b - n$  mass difference is 4403 MeV. The experimental difference is 4485 MeV.

Baryon	$s$ content	$\Delta m/MeV$	$\Delta m_{exp}/MeV$
$\Lambda$	$s_{111}$	141	176
$\Sigma$	$s_{110}$	228	257
$\Xi$	$s_{110} + s_{111}$	351	381
$\Omega$	$s_{108} + 2s_{110}$	718	734
$\Lambda_c$	$c_{105}, d_{112}, u_{112}$	1341	1344
$\Lambda_b$	$b_{105}, u_{106}, d_{106}$	4403	4485

Table 8. Summary of the model for the quark contribution to the masses of baryons containing strange quarks deduced from mass differences and neglecting second order contributions to the mass.  $\Delta m$  denotes the predicted  $B-n$  mass difference  $m(B)-m(n)$ . The subscript 'exp' refer to experimental value of the quantity in question.

### 6.5.5 Color magnetic spin-spin splitting

Color magnetic hyperfine splitting makes it possible to understand the  $\rho - \pi$ ,  $K^* - K$ ,  $\Delta - N$ , etc. mass differences [B19]. That the order of magnitude for the splittings remains same over the entire spectrum of hadrons serves as a support for the idea that color fluxes are feeded to  $k = 107$  space-time sheet. This would suggest that color coupling strength does not run for the physical states and runs only for the intermediate states appearing in parton description of the hadron reactions. A possible manner to see the situation in terms of intermediate states feeding color gauge flux to space-time sheets with  $k > 107$  so that the additive color Coulombic interaction conformal weights  $s(q_i, q_j)$  would depend only on the integers  $k(q_i), k(q_j)$ . It will be found that the dependence is roughly of form  $1/(k(q_i) + k(q_j))$ , which brings in mind a logarithmic dependence of  $\alpha_s$  on p-adic length scales involved.

There are two approaches to the problem of estimating spin-spin splitting: the first one is based on spin-spin interaction energy and the second one on spin-spin interaction conformal weight. The latter one turns out to be the only working one.

#### The model based on spin-spin interaction energy fails

Classical model would apply real number based physics to estimate the splittings and calculate color magnetic interaction energies. Standard QCD approach predicts that the color magnetic interaction energy is of form

$$\Delta E = S \sum_{pairs} \frac{\bar{s}_i \cdot \bar{s}_j}{m_i m_j r_{ij}^3} . \quad (6.5.4)$$

The mass differences for hadrons allow to deduce information about the nature of color magnetic interaction and make some conclusions about the applicability this model.

1. For mesons the spin-spin splitting varies from 630 MeV for  $\rho - \pi$  system to 120 MeV  $\Psi - \eta_c$  excludes the classical model predicting that the splitting should be proportional to  $1/m(q_1)m(q_2)$  (variation by a factor  $2^{113-106} = 128$  instead of 5 would be predicted if the size of the hadron remains same). Also the predicted ratio of  $K^* - K$  splitting to  $\rho - \pi$  splitting would be 1/4 rather than .63. The ratio of  $\eta - \omega$  splitting to  $\rho - \pi$  splitting would be 1/16 rather than .34. The ratio of  $\Phi - \eta'$  splitting to  $\rho - \pi$  splitting would be  $1/32 \simeq .03$  instead of .11.

The inspection of the spin-spin interaction energies would suggest that the interaction energy scales  $E(i, j)$  obey roughly the formula

$$E(i, j) \sim \frac{5}{2} \times \frac{1}{(\Delta k(q_1) + \Delta k(q_2))} =$$

$$5 \times \frac{1}{\log_2\{[L(113)/L(k(q_1))] \times [L(113)/L(k(q_2))]\}}$$

$$\Delta k(q) = 113 - k(q)$$

rather than being proportional to  $2^{-k(q_1) - k(q_2)}$ . The hypothesis that p-adic length scale  $L(k)$  of order  $CP_2$  length scale range corresponds to the size of elementary particle horizon associated with wormhole contacts feeding gauge fluxes of the  $CP_2$  type extremal representing particle to the larger space-time sheet with  $p \simeq 2^k$  might allow to understand this dependence.

2.  $\Delta - N$ ,  $\Sigma^* - \Sigma$ , and  $\Xi^* - \Xi$  mass differences are 291 MeV, 194 MeV, 220 MeV. If strange quark inside  $\Sigma$  corresponds to  $k = 110$ , the ratio of  $\Sigma^* - \Sigma$  splitting to  $\Delta - N$  splitting is predicted to be by a factor 1.17 larger than experimental ratio.  $\Xi^* - \Xi$  splitting assuming  $k(s) = 109$  the ratio would be .19 and quite too small. Assuming that  $s, u, d$  quarks have more or less same mass, the model would predict reasonably well the ratios of the splittings. Either the idea about scaled up variants of  $s$  is wrong or the notion of interaction energy must be replaced with interaction conformal weight in order to calculate the effects of color interactions to hadron masses.

### The modelling of color magnetic spin-spin interaction in terms of conformal weight

The model based on the notion of interaction conformal weight generalizes the formula for color magnetic interaction energy to the p-adic context so that color magnetic interaction contributes directly to the conformal weight rather than rest mass. The effect is so large that it must be p-adically first order (the maximal contribution in second order to hadron mass would be however only 224 MeV) and the generalization of the mass splitting formula is rather obvious:

$$\Delta s = \sum_{pairs} S_{ij} \bar{s}_i \cdot \bar{s}_j . \quad (6.5.5)$$

The coefficients  $S_{ij}$  depend must be such that integer valued  $\Delta s$  results and  $CP_2$  masses are avoided: this makes the model highly predictive. Coefficients can depend both on quark pair and on hadron since the size of hadron need not be constant. In any case, very limited range of possibilities remains for the coefficients.

This might be understood if the color flux carrying JAB connecting quark to  $k = 107$  hadronic space-time sheet is also characterized by a value of  $k \geq 113$ . This fixes practically completely the model in the case of mesons. If the interaction strengths  $s_c(i, j)$  characterizing color Coulombic interaction conformal weight between two quarks depends only on the flux tube pair connecting the quarks via  $k = 107$  space-time sheet via the integers  $k(q_i)$ , the model contains only very few parameters.

### The modelling of color magnetic- spin-spin splitting in terms of super-symplectic boson content

The recent variant for the model of the color magnetic spin-spin splitting replacing energy with conformal weight is considerably simpler than the earlier one. Still one can argue that a model using perturbative QCD as a format is not the optimal one in a genuinely non-perturbative situation.

The explicit comparison of the super-symplectic conformal weights associated with spin 0 and spin 1 states on one hand and spin 1/2 and spin 3/2 states on the other hand is carried out at the end of the chapter. The comparison demonstrates that the difference between these states could be understood in terms of super-symplectic particle contents of the states by introducing only single additional negative conformal weight  $s_c$  describing color Coulombic binding .  $s_c$  is constant for baryons ( $s_c = -4$ ) and in the case of mesons non-vanishing only for pions ( $s_c = -5$ ) and kaons ( $s_c = -12$ ). This leads to an excellent prediction for the masses also in the meson sector since pseudoscalar mesons heavier than kaon are not Goldstone boson like states in this model.

The correlation of the spin of quark-system with the particle content of the super-symplectic sector increases dramatically the predictive power of the model since the allowed conformal weights of super-symplectic bosons are (5,6,58). One can even consider the possibility that also exotic hadrons with different super-symplectic particle content exist: this means a natural generalization of the notion of Regge trajectories. This description will be summarized at the end of the chapter.

### 6.5.6 Color magnetic spin-spin interaction and super-symplectic contribution to the mass of hadron

Since  $k = 107$  contribution to hadron mass is always non-negative, spin-spin interaction conformal weight and also color Coulombic conformal weight must be subtracted from some additional contribution both in the case of pseudo-scalars and spin 1/2 baryons.

#### Baryonic case

In the case of baryons the additional contribution could be identified as a 2-particle state of super-symplectic bosons with mass squared  $9m_{107}^2$  in case of baryons. The net mass is  $s_{CS} = 18m_{107}^2$ . The study of  $N - \Delta$  system shows that color Coulombic interaction energy for single super-symplectic structural unit corresponds to  $\Delta s_{SC} = -2$  in the case of nucleon system so that one has  $s_{SC} = 18 \rightarrow 16$ . If topological mixing for super-symplectic bosons is same as for  $U$  type quarks with conformal weights (5,6,58), the already discussed three-particle state of would give  $s_{SC} = 5 + 5 + 6 = 16$ .

The basic requirement is that the the sum of spin-spin interaction conformal weight and  $s_{CS}$  reduces to the conformal weight corresponding to the difference of nucleon mass and quark contribution to 774.6 MeV and corresponds to  $s = 11$ .

One might hope that the situation could be the same for all baryons but it is safer to introduce an additional color Coulombic conformal weight  $s_c(B)$  which vanishes for  $N - \Delta$  system and hope that it is small as suggested by the fact that quark contributions explain quite satisfactorily the mass differences of baryons. This conformal weight could be assigned to the interaction of quarks via super-symplectic gluons and would represent a correction to the simplest model. Strictly speaking, the term "color Coulombic" should be taken as a mere convenient letter sequence.

#### Pseudo scalars

In the case of pseudoscalars the situation is not so simple. What is clear that quark masses determine the meson mass in good accuracy.

In this case  $s_{CS}$  can be determined uniquely from the requirement that in case of pion it is cancelled the conformal weight characterizing  $\rho - \pi$  color magnetic spin-spin splitting:

$$s_{SC} = |\Delta s(\pi, spin - spin)| . \quad (6.5.6)$$

This gives  $s_{SC} = 21/4 \simeq 5$ .

The conformal weights assignable to gluons and super-symplectic gluon must compensate the negative color magnetic spin-spin splitting making pion a tachyon. The following options represent the extremes

1. A positive color Coulombic conformal weight assignable to ordinary gluons compensates the negative conformal weight .
2. Conformal weight of the lightest topologically mixed super-symplectic gluon takes care of the compensation.

The interpretation as a bound state of unmixed super-symplectic  $g = 1$  with  $n = 9$  and massless  $g = 0$  gluon would require binding conformal weight by 4 units i which looks somewhat strange. The masslessness of  $g = 0$  gluon does not support the formation of this kind of bound state. An alternative option is in terms of topological mixing in which case  $g = 0$  boson should receive 5 units of conformal weight which is near to the .

Explicit calculations demonstrate that for mesons heavier than pion the role of  $s_c$  is to compensate  $s_{SC}$ . This suggests that the boson of lowest generation is present only inside  $\pi - \rho$  system and prevents

the large and negative color magnetic spin-spin interaction conformal weight to make pion a tachyon. The special role of pion could be understood in terms of a phase transition to color confining phase. Note however that the mass of  $\eta'$  could be understood by assuming baryonic super-symplectic boson of conformal weight  $s_{SC} = 16$  and fully mixed  $k = 118$  quarks.

### Formulas for $s_c(H)$ for mesons

There are two options to consider. For option I one has  $s_{SC} = 5$  for all mesons. For option II  $s_{CS}$  vanishes for all mesons except  $\pi$  and  $\rho$ . For option I one obtains the formula

$$s_c(M) = -s_{SC} - \Delta s(M_0, spin - spin) = -5 + |\Delta s(M_0, spin - spin)| . \quad (6.5.6)$$

For option II one has

$$s_c(M) = -5 + |\Delta s(M_0, spin - spin)| , \quad M = \pi, \rho , \quad (6.5.6)$$

$$s_c(M) = |\Delta s(M_0, spin - spin)| , \quad M \neq \pi, \rho . \quad (6.5.7)$$

$M_0$  refers to the pseudoscalar.

### Formulas for $s_c(H)$ for baryons

In the case of spin 1/2 baryons the requirement that the sum of color Coulombic and color magnetic conformal weights is same as for nucleons fixes the values of  $s_c(B)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} s_c(B) &= s_0 - s_{SC} - \Delta s(B_{1/2}, spin - spin) = -5 + |\Delta s(B_{1/2}, spin - spin)| , \\ s_{SC} &= 16 , \\ s_0 &= S(m(n) - m_q(n), 107) , \\ m_q(n) &= \sqrt{2m_d^2 + m_u^2} , \\ S(x, 107) &\equiv \left[ \left( \frac{x}{m_{107}} \right)^2 \right] . \end{aligned} \quad (6.5.4)$$

$s_0 = 11$  corresponds to the contribution difference of (say) neutron mass and quark contribution to the nucleon mass.  $s_{CS}$  corresponds to the conformal weight due to super-symplectic bosons. In the defining formula for  $S(x, 107)$   $[x]$  denotes the integer closest to  $x$ .

### The conformal weights associated with spin-spin splitting

The general formula for the spin-spin splitting allowing to determine the parameters  $S_{ij}$  from the masses of a pair  $H^* - H$  of hadrons (say  $\rho - \pi$  or  $\Delta - N$ ). The parameters can be deduced from the observation that the mass difference  $m(M^*) - m(M)$  for mesons corresponds to the difference of spin-splitting contributions to the mass:

$$\Delta s(M^*) - \Delta s(M) = S(m(M^*) - m(M), 107) . \quad (6.5.5)$$

For baryons one has

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta s(B^*) - \Delta s(B) &= X_1 - X_0 , \\ X_1 &= S(m(B^*) - m_q(B), 107) = , \\ X_0 &= S(m(B) - m_q(B), 107) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.5.4)$$

Here  $m_q(B) = m_q(B^*)$  denotes the quark contribution to the nucleon mass. The possibility to understand the mass differences of spin 1/2 baryons in terms of differences for  $m_q(B)$  inspires the hypothesis that  $X_0$  is constant also for baryons (it vanishes for mesons). If so  $X_0$  can be determined from neutron mass as

$$\begin{aligned} X_0 &= S(m(n) - m_q(n), 107) , \\ m_q(n) &= \sqrt{2m_d^2 + m_u^2} . \end{aligned} \quad (6.5.4)$$

Here  $m_q(n)$  is the contribution of quarks to neutron mass.

These formulas are *not* identical with those used in the earlier calculations and the difference is due to the fact that  $k = 107$  contributions and quark contributions are calculated separately unless quarks correspond  $k = 107$ . The formula allows to calculate second order contribution to the mass splitting.

p-Adicization brings in additional constraints. The requirement that the predicted mass of spin 1 boson and spin 3/2 fermion is not larger than than the experimental mass can pose strong constraints the scaling factor  $\sqrt{5/(5 + Y_e)}$  in the case of non-diagonal hadrons unless one is willing to modify the model for spin-spin splittings. It was already found that in case of  $\rho - \pi$  system this implies that top quark mass is at the lower limit of the allowed mass interval. One cannot take these constraints so seriously as the constraints that quark mass contribution is lower than meson mass in the case the quarks do not correspond to  $k = 107$ .

### General mass formula

The general formula for the mass of hadron can be written as a sum of perturbative and non-perturbative contributions as

$$m(H) = m_P + m_{NP} . \quad (6.5.5)$$

Preceding considerations lead to a simple formula for the non-perturbative contribution  $m_{NP}$  to the masses of spin 0 and spin 1 doublet of mesons:

$$\begin{aligned} m_{NP}(M) &= \sqrt{s_{NP}(M)} \times m_{107} , \\ s_{NP}(M_0) &= 0 , \\ s_{NP}(M_1) &= S(m(M^*) - m(M), 107) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.5.4)$$

For spin 1/2 and 3/2 doublet of baryons one has

$$\begin{aligned} m_{NP}(B) &= \sqrt{s_{NP}(B)} \times m_{107} , \\ s_{NP}(B_{1/2}) &= S(m_n - \sqrt{2m_d^2 + m_u^2}, 107) , \\ s_{NP}(B_{3/2}) &= S(m(B^*) - m_q(B), 107) . \end{aligned} \quad (6.5.3)$$

Perturbative contribution  $m_P$  contains in the lowest order approximation only the contribution of quark masses. In the case of diagonal mesons also a contribution from the ordinary color-Coulombic force and color magnetic spin-spin splitting can be present. For heavy mesons this contribution seems necessary since pure quark contribution is exceeds by few per cent the mass of meson.

### Spin-spin interaction conformal weights for baryons

Consider now the determination of  $S_{ij}$  in the case of baryons. The general splitting pattern for baryons resulting from color Coulombic, and spin-spin interactions is given by the following table. The following equations summarize spin-spin splittings for baryons in a form of a table.

<i>baryon</i>	$J$	$J_{12}$	$\Delta_{S^{spin}}$
$N$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\Delta$	$\frac{3}{2}$	1	$\frac{3}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\Lambda$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\Sigma$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\Sigma^*$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,d}$ $+\frac{1}{2}S_{d,s}$
$\Xi$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{s,s}$
$\Xi^*$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{4}S_{s,s}$ $+\frac{1}{2}S_{d,s}$
$\Omega$	$\frac{3}{2}$	1	$\frac{3}{4}S_{s,s}$

(6.5.3)

Spin-spin splittings are deduced from the formulas

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{S^{spin}} &= S_{q_1, q_2} \left( \frac{J_{12}(J_{12} + 1)}{2} - \frac{3}{4} \right) , \\ &+ \frac{1}{4} (S_{q_1, q_3} + S_{q_2, q_3}) (J(J + 1) - J_{12}(J_{12} + 1) - \frac{3}{4}) , \end{aligned} \quad (6.5.2)$$

where  $J_{12}$  is the angular momentum eigenvalue of the 'first two quarks', whose value is fixed by the requirement that magnetic moments are of correct sign.

The masses determine the values of the parameters uniquely if one assumes that color binding energy is constant as indeed suggested by the very notion of  $M_{107}$  hadron physics. The requirement is that the mass difference squared for  $\Delta - N$ ,  $\Sigma^* - \Sigma$ , and  $\Xi^* - \Xi$  come out correctly.

Consider now the values of  $S_{ij}$  for the models assuming  $k = 113$  light quarks and dynamical  $k(s)$ .

1. For  $N - \Delta$  system the equation is

$$S_{d_{113}, d_{113}} = \frac{1}{3} S(m(\Delta) - m_q(N), 107) - S(m(N) - m_q(N), 107) .$$

Here  $m_q(N)$  refers to the quark contribution to the baryon mass.

2. For  $\Sigma^* - \Sigma$  system the basic equation can be written as

$$S_{d_{114}, s_{110}} = 2[S(m(\Sigma^*) - m_q(\Sigma), 107) - S(m(\Sigma) - m_q(\Sigma), 107) - S(d_{114}, d_{114})] .$$

One must make some assumption in order to find a unique solution. The simplest assumption is that  $S_{d_{114}, d_{114}} = S_{d_{114}, s_{110}}$ . This implies

$$S_{d_{114}, d_{114}} = \frac{1}{3} [S(m(\Sigma^*) - m_q(\Sigma), 107) - S(m(\Sigma) - m_q(\Sigma), 107)] .$$

3. In the case of  $\Xi^* - \Xi$  system the equation is

$$S_{s_{110}, s_{110}} = -\frac{1}{2} S_{d_{113}, s_{110}} + [S(m(\Xi^*) - m_q(\Xi), 107) - S(m(\Xi) - m_q(\Xi), 107)] .$$

If one assumes  $S_{s_{110}, s_{110}} = S_{d_{113}, s_{110}}$  one obtains

$$S_{s_{110}, s_{110}} = \frac{1}{3} [S(m(\Xi^*) - m_q(\Xi), 107) - S(m(\Xi) - m_q(\Xi), 107)] .$$

The resulting values of the parameters characterizing baryonic spin-spin splittings are in the table below. The parameters rela

$S_{d_{113},d_{113}}$	$S_{d_{114},d_{114}}$	$S_{d_{114},s_{110}}$	$S_{s_{110},s_{110}}$	$S_{d_{113},s_{110}}$
7	6	6	$\frac{8}{3}$	$\frac{8}{3}$

(6.5.3)

The mass squared unit used is  $m_0^2$  and  $k = 107$  defines the p-adic length scale used. The elements of  $S_{i,j}$  between different p-adic primes are assumed to be vanishing. The matrix elements are quite near to each other which raises the hope that the model indeed makes sense.

Color Coulombic binding conformal weights are given by the expression  $s_c = -5 + |\Delta s(B_{1/2}, spin - spin)|$ . The weights are given in the following table

<i>baryon</i>	$N$	$\Sigma$	$\Xi$
$s_c$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-3$

(6.5.3)

Some remarks are in order.

1. A good sign is that the values of  $s_c$  are small as compared to the value of  $s_{CS} = 18$  in all baryons so that only a small correction is in question.
2. The magnitude of  $s_c$  increases with the mass of baryon which does not conform with the expectations raised by ordinary QCD evolution. Could this mean that asymptotic freedom means that the color interaction between quarks occurs increasingly via super-symplectic gluons? For  $N - \Delta$  system the actual value of  $s_c$  should vanish.
3. One might worry about the fact the color binding conformal weights are not integral valued. The total conformal weights determining the mass squared are however integers.

### Spin-spin interaction conformal weights for mesons

The values of mesonic interaction strengths  $S_{i,j}$  can in principle deduced from the observed mass splittings. The following equations summarize the spin-spin splitting pattern for mesons in a form of table.

<i>meson</i>	$\Delta s^{spin}$
$\pi$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\rho$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\eta$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,d}$
$\omega$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,d}$
$K^\pm, K^0(CP = 1)$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,s}$
$K^0(CP = -1)$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,s}$
$K^{*,\pm}, K^{*,0}(CP = 1)$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,s}$
$K^{*,0}(CP = -1)$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,s}$
$\eta'$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{s,s}$
$\Phi$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{s,s}$
$\eta_c$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{c,c}$
$\Psi$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{c,c}$
$D^\pm, D^0(CP = 1)$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,c}$
$D^0(CP = -1)$	$-\frac{3}{4}S_{d,c}$
$D^{*,\pm}, D^{*0}(CP = 1)$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,c}$
$D^{*0}(CP = -1)$	$\frac{1}{4}S_{d,c}$

(6.5.3)

Consider the spin-spin interaction for mesons.

1. For  $\rho - \pi$  system one has

$$S_{d_{113},d_{113}} = s(m(\rho) - m_q(\pi)) .$$

Using  $s(\rho) = 14$  and  $s(\pi) = 0$  gives  $S(d_{113}, d_{113}) = 13$ .

2.  $\omega - \eta$  system one obtains

$$S_{q_{109},q_{109}} = S(m(\omega) - m_q(\eta), 107)$$

3.  $K^* - K$ -splitting gives  $S_{d_{114},s_{109}} = S(m(K^*) - m_q(K), 107)$ .

4.  $\Phi - \eta'$  splitting gives  $S_{q_{107},q_{107}} = S(m(\Phi) - m_q(\eta'), 107)$ .

5.  $D^* - D$  mass splitting gives  $S_{d_{113},c_{105}} = S(m(D^*) - m_q(D), 107)$ .

6.  $\Psi - \eta_c$  mass difference gives  $S_{c_{104},c_{104}} = s(m(\Psi) - m_q(\eta_c), 107)$ .

The results for the spin-spin interaction strengths  $S_{ij}$  are summarized in the table below.  $q_{109}$  refers to  $u, d,$  and  $s$  quarks.

$S_{d_{113},d_{113}}$	$S_{q_{109},q_{109}}$	$S_{q_{107},q_{107}}$	$S_{d_{114},s_{109}}$	$S_{d_{113},c_{105}}$	$S_{c_{104},c_{104}}$
7	1	0	3	2	0

(6.5.3)

Note that interaction strengths tend to be weaker for mesons than for baryons. For scaled up quarks the value of interaction strength tends to decrease and is smaller for non-diagonal than diagonal interactions. Since the values of  $k(q_i)$  maximize the quark contribution to hadron masses, the interaction strength produce a satisfactory mass fit for hadrons with errors of not larger than about five cent.

The color Coulombic binding conformal weights for meson states are given in the following table:

meson	$\pi$	$K$	$\eta$	$\eta'$	$D$	$\psi$
$s_c(I)$	+1/4	-4 - 1/4	-6	-3 - 1/4	-4 - 1/2	-5
$s_c(II)$	1/4	3/4	1	1 + 3/4	1/2	0

(6.5.3)

For option I  $g = 1$  boson is present in all mesons. The magnitude of  $s_c$  increases with the mass of the meson and more or less compensates  $s_{CS} = 5$ . This forces to consider the possibility that only pion contains the super-symplectic boson compensating the large and negative spin-spin interaction conformal weight making the state tachyon otherwise. The alternative possibility is that positive color Coulombic energy due to sea gluons does this. For option II  $s_c$  is relatively small and positive for this option.

### 6.5.7 Summary about the predictions for hadron masses

The following tables summarize the predictions for baryon masses following from the proposed model with optimal choices of the integers  $k(q)$  characterizing the mass scales of quarks and requiring that the predicted isospin splittings are of same order than the observed splittings. This condition is non-trivial: for instance, in case of  $B$  meson the smallness of splitting forces the condition  $k(b) = k(d) = k(u) = 104$  so that mass squared is additive and the large contribution of  $b$  quark minimizes the isospin splitting.



## Meson masses assuming that all pseudoscalars are Goldstone bosons

Meson	quarks	$m_{pr}(M)/MeV$	$m_{exp}/MeV$
$\pi^0$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	140.0	135.0
$\pi^+$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	140.0	139.6
$\rho^0$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	756	772
$\rho^+$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	756	770
$K^0$	$d_{114}, s_{109}$	496	498
$K^+$	$u_{114}, s_{109}$	486	494
$K^{0*}$	$d_{114}, s_{109}$	896	900
$K^{+*}$	$u_{114}, s_{109}$	892	891
$\eta$	$u_{109}, d_{109}, s_{109}$	522	549
$\omega^0$	$u_{109}, d_{109}, s_{109}$	817	783
$\eta'$	$u_{107}, d_{107}, s_{107}, c_{107}$	1144	958
$\Phi$	$u_{107}, d_{107}, s_{107}, c_{107}$	1144	1019
$\eta_c$	$c_{104}$	3098	2980
$D^0$	$c_{105}, u_{113}$	1642	1865
$D^+$	$c_{105}, d_{113}$	1655	1870
$D^{*0}$	$c_{105}, u_{114}$	1971	2007
$D^{*+}$	$c_{105}, d_{114}$	1985	2010
$F$	$c_{105}, s(106)$	1954	2021
$\Upsilon$	$b_{103}$	10814	9460
$B$	$b_{104}, d_{104}, u_{104}$	5909	5270

Table 9. The prediction of meson masses. The model assumes the maximal value of  $CP_2$  mass allowed by  $\eta'$  mass and the condition  $Y_e = 0$  favored by top quark mass.

In the case of meson masses the predictions for masses are not so good as for baryons. Errors are at worst about 5 per cent. For non-diagonal mesons the predicted masses are smaller than actual masses and in the case of kaons excellent. Also the prediction of pion mass is good but about 5 per cent too large. In the case of diagonal mesons ordinary color interactions could reduce the predicted masses in case that they are larger than actual ones.

## Meson masses assuming that only pion and kaon are Goldstone bosons

The Goldstone boson interpretation does not seem completely satisfactory. In order to make progress one can check whether the masses associated with super-symplectic bosons could serve as basic units for pseudoscalar and vector boson masses. A more general fit would be based on the use of fictive boson  $B_{107}$  with mass  $m_{107}$  as a basic unit in  $k = 107$  contribution to the mass. The table below gives very accurate formulas for the meson masses in terms of the scale  $m_{107}$  and quark contribution to the masses.

<i>Meson</i>	<i>quarks</i>	$m_{pr}(M)/MeV$	$m_{exp}/MeV$
$\pi^0$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	140.0	135.0
$\pi^+$	$d_{113}, u_{113}$	140.0	139.6
$\rho^0$	$7B_{107} + d_{113}, u_{113}$	758	772
$\rho^+$	$7B_{107} + d_{113}, u_{113}$	758	770
$K^0$	$d_{114}, s_{109}$	496	498
$K^+$	$u_{114}, s_{109}$	486	494
$K^{0*}$	$3B_{107} + d_{114}, s_{109}$	901	900
$K^{+*}$	$3B_{107} + u_{114}, s_{109}$	891	891
$\eta$	$B_{SC,1} + u_{118}, d_{118}, s_{118}$	548	549
$\omega^0$	$2B_{SC,1} + u_{118}, d_{118}, s_{118}$	803	783
$\eta'$	$2B_{SC,1} + B_{SC,2} + q_{118}$	959	958
$\Phi$	$2B_{SC,1} + B_{SC,2} + q_{118}$	959	1019
$\eta_c$	$2B_{SC,1} + c_{105}$	2929	2980
$\Psi$	$3B_{SC,1} + c_{105}$	3098	3100
$D^0$	$2B_{SC,1} + c_{106}, u_{118}$	1853	1865
$D^+$	$2B_{SC,1} + c_{106}, d_{118}$	1850	1870
$D^{*0}$	$3B_{SC,1} + c_{106}, u_{118}$	2019	2007
$D^{*+}$	$3B_{SC,1} + c_{106}, d_{118}$	2016	2010
$F$	$3B_{SC,2} + c_{105}, s(113)$	2010	2021
$\Upsilon$	$B_{SC,3} + b_{104}$	9441	9460
$B^\pm$	$3B_{SC,2} + b_{105}, d_{105}, u_{105}$	5169	5270

Table 10. Table demonstrates that scalar and vector meson masses can be effectively regarded as expressible in terms of quark contribution and contribution coming from many particle states of super-symplectic bosons  $B_{SC,k}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, 3$ , with conformal weights (5,6,58) associated also with U type quarks.  $B_{107}$  denotes effective super-symplectic boson with conformal weight 1 and mass  $m_{107} = 233.6$  MeV.  $Y_e = 0$  favored by top quark mass is assumed.

The table demonstrates following.

1. For mesons heavier than kaons, the masses can be expressed effective sums of masses for quarks and many-particle state formed by super-symplectic bosons allowed by the topological mixing of U type quarks. For lighter mesons it is not possible to express the masses in terms of the conformal weights of quarks and super-symplectic gluons. This suggests that one must introduce positive color Coulombic conformal weight as the analog of positive Coulombic energy. The simplest assumption is that this conformal weight compensates for the color-magnetic spin-spin splitting in the case of pseudo-scalars and to the Goldstone boson option. This option indeed looks more reasonable.
2. For  $\pi - \rho$  resp.  $K - K^*$  systems the masses can be expressed using effective  $7B_{107}$  state resp.  $3B_{107}$  state. Second order contribution to the conformal weight from the super-symplectic color interaction can explain the too small mass of  $\rho$  and too large mass of  $\pi$  if it interferes with the corresponding quark mass contribution.
3. For pseudo-scalars heavier than kaon the mass of the super-symplectic meson is not completely compensated by spin-spin splitting for the pseudoscalar state so that Goldstone boson interpretation does not make sense anymore. In the case of heavy mesons the predicted masses of pseudoscalars are slightly below the actual mass.
4. The predicted masses are not larger than actual masses ( $\omega_0$  is the troublemaker) if one assumes 2.5 per cent reduction of  $CP_2$  mass scale for which top quark mass is at the lower bound of the allowed mass range.
5. Color magnetic spin-spin splitting parameters can be deduced from the differences of super-symplectic conformal weights for pseudoscalar and spin one boson. There is however no absolute need for this perturbative construct.

6. One can consider the possibility that the super-symplectic boson content is actual and correlates with the spin of quark-antiquark system for mesons heavier than kaons. The point would be that the representability in terms of super-symplectic bosons would make the model for the color magnetic spin-spin splittings highly predictive. This interpretation makes sense in the case of  $\pi - \rho$  and  $K - K^*$  systems only if one introduces negative color Coulombic conformal weight  $s_c$ . For heavier mesons only this contribution would be second order in  $p$  which is more or less consistent with the view about color coupling evolution.  $\pi - \rho$  would correspond to  $B_1$  ( $s = 5$ ) and  $2B_2$  ( $s = 12$ ) ground states with color Coulombic conformal weight  $s_c = -12$ .  $K - K^*$  would correspond to  $2B_2$  ( $s = 12$ ) and  $3B_1$  with  $s_c = -12$ . The presence of ground state bosons saves  $\pi$  and  $K$  from becoming tachyons.

Whatever the correct physical interpretation of the mass formulas represented by the table above is, it is clear that  $m_{107}$  defines a fundamental mass scale also for meson systems.

### Baryon masses

One can ask whether the representability of spin-spin splitting in terms of super-symplectic conformal boson content is possible also in the case of baryons so that perturbative formulas altogether would not be necessary. The physical interpretation would be that the total spin of baryonic quarks correlates with the content of super-symplectic bosons. The existence of this kind of representation would be one step towards understanding of also spin-spin splitting from first principles.

This is indeed the case if one accepts negative color Coulombic conformal weight  $s_c = -4$ . What is disturbing is that the sign of the corresponding parameter is positive for mesons and compensates color magnetic spin-spin splitting for pseudo-scalars (for Goldstone option). Spin 1/2 ground states would correspond to  $3B_1$  with conformal weight  $s = 15$ , one  $B_1$  for each valence quark. Spin 3/2 states would correspond to  $5B_1$  with  $s = 25$  in the case of  $\Delta$ , to  $2B_1 + B_2$  in the case of  $\Sigma^*$  with  $s = 23$ , and to  $B_1 + 3B_2$  with  $s = 24$  in case of  $\Xi^*$ .

Baryon	quarks	$m_{pr}(B)/MeV$	$m_{exp}/MeV$
$p$	$3B_1 + u_{113}, d_{113}$	942.3	938.3
$n$	$3B_1 + u_{113}, d_{113}$	949.8	939.6
$\Delta^{++}$	$5B_1 + u_{113}$	1230	1231
$\Delta^+$	$5B_1 + u_{113}, d_{113}$	1238	1235
$\Delta^0$	$5B_1 + u_{113}, d_{113}$	1245	1237
$\Delta^-$	$5B_1 + d_{113}$	1253	$\leq 1238$
$\Lambda$	$3B_1 + u_{114}, d_{114}, s_{111}$	1090	1116
$\Sigma^+$	$3B_1 + u_{114}, s_{110}$	1165	1189
$\Sigma^0$	$3B_1 + u_{114}, d_{113}, s_{110}$	1171	1192
$\Sigma^-$	$3B_1 + d_{114}, s_{110}$	1178	1197
$\Sigma^{*+}$	$2B_1 + 2B_2 + u_{114}, s_{110}$	1381	1385
$\Xi^0$	$2B_1 + 2B_2 + u_{113}, s_{110}, s_{111}$	1301	1315
$\Xi^-$	$3B_1 + d_{113}, s_{110}$	1288	1321
$\Xi^{*0}$	$B_1 + 3B_2 + u_{113}, s_{110}$	1531	1532
$\Xi^{*-}$	$B_1 + 3B_2 + d_{113}, s_{110}$	1505	1535
$\Omega^-$	$3B_1 + s_{108}, s_{111}$	1667	1672
$\Lambda_c$	$3B_1 + d_{110}, u_{110}, c_{106}$	2261	2282
$\Lambda_b$	$3B_1 + d_{108}, u_{108}, b_{105}$	5390	5425

Table11. The predictions for baryon masses assuming  $Y_e = 0$ . One can represent color magnetic spin-spin splittings by assuming different super-symplectic boson content for spin 1/2 and spin 3/2 states. The number of super-symplectic bosons need not be however different for them.

From the table for the predicted baryon masses one finds that the predicted masses are slightly below the experimental masses for all baryons except for some baryons in  $N - \Delta$  multiplet and for  $\Omega$ . The reduction of the  $CP_2$  mass scale by a factor of order per cent consistent with what is known about top quark mass cures this problem (also ordinary color interactions could take of the problem).

In principle the quark contribution to the hadron mass is measurable. Suppose that color binding conformal weight can be assigned to the color interaction in super-symplectic degrees of freedom alone. Above the "ionization" energy, which corresponds to the contribution of quarks to the mass of hadron, valence quark space-time sheet can separate from the hadronic space-time sheet in the collisions of hadrons. This threshold might be visible in the collision cross sections for say nucleon-nucleon collisions. For nucleons this energy corresponds to 170 MeV.

### 6.5.8 Some critical comments

The number theoretical model for quark masses and topological mixing matrices and CKM matrix as well as the simple model for hadron masses give strong support for the belief that the general vision is correct. One must bear in mind that the scenario need not be final so that the basic objections deserve an explicit articulation.

#### Is the canonical identification the only manner to map mass squared values to their real counterparts

In p-adic thermodynamics p-adic particle mass squared is mapped to its real counterpart by the canonical identification. If the  $O(p)$  contribution corresponds to non-trivial rational number, the real mass is of order  $CP_2$  mass. This allows to eliminate a large number of exotics. In particular, it implies that the modular contribution to the mass squared must be of form  $np$  rather than  $(r/s)p$ . This assumption is absolutely crucial in the model of topological mixing matrices and CKM matrix.

One can however question the use of the standard form of the canonical identification to map p-adic mass squared to its real counterpart. The requirement that p-adic and real S-matrix elements (in particular coupling constants) are related in a realistic manner, forces a modification of the canonical identification. Instead of a direct identification of real and p-adic rationals, the p-adic rationals in  $R_p$  are mapped to real rationals (or vice versa) using a variant of the canonical identification  $I_{R \rightarrow R_p}$  in which the expansion of rational number  $q = r/s = \sum r_n p^n / \sum s_n p^n$  is replaced with the rational number  $q_1 = r_1/s_1 = \sum r_n p^{-n} / \sum s_n p^{-n}$  interpreted as a p-adic number:

$$q = \frac{r}{s} = \frac{\sum_n r_n p^n}{\sum_m s_m p^m} \rightarrow q_1 = \frac{\sum_n r_n p^{-n}}{\sum_m s_m p^{-m}} = \frac{I(r)}{I(s)}. \quad (6.5.4)$$

The nice feature of this variant of the canonical identification is that it respects quantitative behavior of amplitudes, respects symmetries, and maps unitary matrices to unitary matrices if the matrix elements correspond to rationals (or generalized rationals in algebraic extension of rationals) if the p-adic integers involved are smaller than  $p$ . At the limit of infinitely large  $p$  this is always satisfied.

Quite generally, the thermodynamical contribution to the particle mass squared is in the lowest p-adic order of form  $rp/s$ , where  $r$  is the number of excitations with conformal weight 1 and  $s$  the number of massless excitations with vanishing conformal weight. The real counterpart of mass squared for the ordinary canonical identification is of order  $CP_2$  mass by  $r/s = R + r_1 p + \dots$  with  $R < p$  near to  $p$ . Hence the states for which massless state is degenerate become ultra heavy if  $r$  is not divisible by  $s$ . For the new variant of canonical identification these states would be light.

Even worse, the new form does not require the modular contribution to the p-adic mass squared to be of form  $np$ . Some other justification for this assumption would be needed. The first guess is that the conditions on mass squared plus probability conservation might not be consistent with unitarity unless the modular contribution to the mass squared remains integer valued in the mixing (note that all integer values are not possible). Direct numerical experimentation however shows that that this is not the case.

The predicted integer valued contributions to the mass squared are minimal in the case of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and very nearly maximal in the case  $t$  and  $b$  quarks. This suggests a possible way out of the difficulty. Perhaps the rational valued p-adic mass squared of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks are minimal and those of  $b$  and  $t$  quarks maximal or nearly maximal. This might also allow to improve the prediction for the CKM matrix.

The objection against the use of the new variant of canonical identification is that the predictions of p-adic thermodynamics for mass squared are not rational numbers but infinite power series. p-Adic thermodynamics itself however defines a unique representation of probabilities as ratios of generalized

Boltzmann weights and partition function and thus the variant of canonical identification might indeed generalize. If this representation generalizes to the sum of modular and Virasoro contributions, then the new form of canonical identification becomes very attractive. Also an elegant model for the masses of intermediate gauge bosons results if  $O(p)$  contribution to mass squared is allowed to be a rational number.

#### Uncertainties related to the $CP_2$ length scale

The uncertainties related to the  $CP_2$  length scale mean that one cannot take the detailed model for hadron masses too literally unless one takes the recent value of top quark mass at face value and requiring  $(Y_e = 0, Y_t = 1)$  in rather high accuracy. This constraint allows at most 2.5 per cent reduction of the fundamental mass scale and baryonic masses suggest a 1 per cent reduction. The accurate knowledge of top quark mass is therefore of fundamental importance from the point of view of TGD.



# Chapter 7

## Higgs or Something Else?

### 7.1 Introduction

The question whether TGD predicts Higgs or not has been one of the longstanding issues of TGD. For 10 years ago I would not have hesitated to tell that TGD does not predict Higgs and had good looking arguments for my claim. During years my views have been alternating between Higgs and no-Higgs option.

#### 7.1.1 Why standard model Higgs is not needed?

There are several arguments against standard model Higgs, which by definition provides masses for both weak gauge bosons and fermions.

1. It is difficult to imagine any obvious classical geometric correlate for Higgs field although the proposal in the beginning was that  $CP_2$  part for the trace of the second fundamental form could be this correlate.
2. Zero energy ontology led much later to an argument against Higgs.
  - (a) The view about bosons as wormhole throats carrying fermionic quantum numbers are the opposite light-like wormhole throats of the contact makes it very difficult to assume that scalar particles would not exist. On the other hand, twistorial considerations force to assume that the wormhole throat as basic building bricks of particles are massless and that even virtual particles correspond to composites of on mass shell massless states with both signs of energy allowed.
  - (b) This argument seems to force the conclusion that spin 1 particles are necessary massive so that all Higgs like particles would be eaten by gauge bosons. This would make sense since Higgs and gauge bosons belong to same representations of electroweak symmetries. Even the super-partners of Higgs bosons would experience the same fate.
  - (c) One should not however make too hasty conclusions: photon could get very small mass from p-adic thermodynamics as also weak bosons: weak bosons get additional mass by eating three components of Higgs like particle.
  - (d) p-Adic thermodynamics could also provide massless particle with longitudinal mass squared assignable to  $M^2 \subset M^4$  projection of four-momentum. The most elegant formulation for p-adic thermodynamics is indeed for the longitudinal mass square as counterpart of energy. Zero energy ontology allows to overcome problems related to Lorentz invariance. This also leads to modification of gauge conditions so that that apply to longitudinal momentum and allow three polarizations.
3. Essentially one assumption, the separate conservation of quark and lepton numbers realized in terms of 8-D chiral invariance, excludes Higgs like states as also standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY: here Higgs likeness means that the couplings to fermions are proportional to fermion masses.

4. There are very general arguments requiring new physics at TeV scale. Also standard model Higgs has its difficulties with radiative corrections and standard SUSY has been the candidate for this new physics. The data from LHC however suggest that standard SUSY is not the choice of Nature. TGD proposal has been new hadron physics obtained as scaled up variant of standard hadron physics. The pion of this hadron physics could yield decay signatures suggesting interpretation as Higgs like state.

### 7.1.2 Why Higgs like particle is needed?

There are also several arguments in favor of Higgs like particle.

1. The  $W/Z$  mass ratio having group theoretic origin (Higgs should transform as  $2 + \bar{2}$  under  $U(2)$ ) and predicted correctly by Higgs mechanism is a strong argument in favor that gauge boson masses can be understood in terms of Higgs mechanism. In TGD framework the masses of fermions are predicted with amazing accuracy by p-adic thermodynamics which in turn fails to provide elegant explanation for  $W/Z$  mass ratio: it seems that the contribution of p-adic thermodynamics to gauge boson masses corresponds to same p-adic temperature as for photon and is therefore very small due to the lower p-adic temperature quantized as  $T = 1/n$  (for fermions one has  $T = 1$ ). Therefore one can consider the possibility that Higgs like state gives weak bosons their masses.
2. In fact, the experimental progress at LHC forced to seriously ask whether the pion of  $M_{89}$  physics could mimic Higgs. This might be possible if it develops vacuum expectation: something familiar from the model for the lepton [K84].
  - (a) Suppose that the pion like state transforms like  $3 + 1$  under  $u(2) \subset su(3)$ . One obtains an elegant looking model for the production of Higgs like state in terms of generation of coherent state of pions utilized in the model for lepton. The original hope was that the masses of weak gauge bosons would result by some non-Higgsey mechanism.
  - (b) One however finds that one cannot avoid Higgs mechanism for gauge bosons! Higgs mechanism emerges automatically using Higgs potential, which contains neither the tachyonic mass of the free Higgs nor  $\pi^4$ . In many respects the resulting massivation looks reasonable. One avoids the difficulties due to the radiative corrections and SUSY is not needed for radiative stability of Higgs. The massivation would be caused by a linear coupling to instanton density and its vacuum expectation would give rise to the mass of Higgs.
  - (c) There is however a problem: contrary to the original expectations inspired by ZEO, QFT description strongly suggests that weak bosons also now "eat" two - rather than three - components of the pion-like state and leave only singlet and the neutral component from triplet. If all three components were eaten one could circumvent the problem by assuming that the pion-like state is not ordinary  $M_{89}$  pion. The problem is still that also  $Z^0$  remains massless.
  - (d) As noticed, ZEO predicts that also photon is massive or at least has non-vanishing longitudinal mass squared. This seems to suggest that photon - and also other gauge bosons - gets its mass from p-adic thermodynamics and that this mass is much smaller than the mass coming from Higgs mechanism.

The data from LHC and other accelerators have been very important inspiration in the development of ideas. The discovery of a new spinless particle at LHC often interpreted as Higgs is of course a good argument in favor of the existence of Higgs like state and this motivated the question whether Higgs like particle could be possible in TGD after all. There is evidence that the decay rates of this particle to gamma pairs and weak boson pairs are somewhat too high to allow identification as standard model Higgs. The decay rates are however of correct order of magnitude and support the view that Higgs like particle gives masses for weak bosons. Also the failure to find the decays to  $\tau$  pairs speaks against the identification as standard model Higgs.

1. The final solution (one can hope so!) came from the observation that TGD predicts two kinds of meson like states corresponding to Kähler magnetic flux tubes connecting wormhole throats



of separate wormhole contacts and to throats of same wormhole contact. The first meson like states are "long" and have Minkowskian signature. Second meson like states are very "short" and have Euclidian signature. It would be Euclidian pions which take the role of Higgs like state. It is essential that these states transform as  $2 + \bar{2}$  under  $u(2) \subset su(3)$ . In the first approximation Higgs potential is exactly the same and the massivation of gauge bosons proceeds in the same manner as in standard model. Hierarchy problem due to the instability of the tachyonic mass term for Higgs like particle is avoided since the direct couplings to fermions proportional to fermion masses are not needed since p-adic thermodynamics makes them massive. Also the predictions for the decay rates remain the same as for standard model Higgs.

2. What is new is that one can also find a microscopic description for the tachyonic mass term in terms of a bilinear coupling to a superposition  $a \times \text{YM} + b \times I$  of YM action density and instanton term most naturally restricted to the induced Kähler form. This term also predicts that - besides ordinary decays to electroweak gauge boson pairs mediated by same action as in the case of the ordinary Higgs - there are also decays mediated by linear perturbative couplings to  $a \times \text{YM} + b \times I$ . Instanton density brings in also CP breaking possibly related to the poorly understood CP breaking of hadronic physics. The quantitative estimate gives a result consistent with experimental data for reasonable parameter values. Also a connection with the dark matter researches reporting signal at 130 GeV and possibly also at 110 GeV suggests itself: maybe also these signals also correspond to Minkowskian and Euclidian pion-like states.

This chapter summarizes the evolution of ideas related to the status of Higgs in TGD. It is certainly not a summary of final results in a concise form and contains several contradictory arguments containing also delicate errors and reflecting how my beliefs have changed during years. Also the recent situation is critical and the experimental results from LHC will be decisive for future developments.

## 7.2 How TGD based description of particle massivation relates to Higgs mechanism?

In TGD framework p-adic thermodynamics gives the dominating contribution to fermion masses, which is something completely new. In the case of gauge bosons thermodynamic contribution is small since the inverse integer valued p-adic temperature is  $T = 1/2$  for bosons or even lower: for fermions one has  $T = 1$ .

Whether Higgs can contribute to the masses is not completely clear. In TGD framework Mexican hat potential however looks like trick. One must however keep in mind that any other mechanism must explain the ratio of W and  $Z^0$  masses and how these bosons receive their longitudinal polarizations. One must also consider seriously the possibility that all components for the TGD counterpart of Higgs boson are transformed to the longitudinal polarizations of the gauge bosons. Twistorial approach to TGD indeed strongly suggests that also the gauge bosons regarded usually as massless have a small mass guaranteeing cancellation of IR singularities. As I started write to write this piece of text I believed that photon does not eat Higgs but had to challenge my beliefs. Maybe there is no Higgs to be found at LHC! Only pseudo-scalar partner of Higgs would remain to be discovered.

The weak form of electric magnetic duality implying that each wormhole throat carrying fermionic quantum numbers is accompanied by a second wormhole throat carrying opposite magnetic charge and neutrino pair screening weak isospin and making gauge bosons massive. Concerning the implications the following view looks the most plausible one at this moment.

1. Neutral Higgs-if not eaten by photon- could develop a coherent state meaning vacuum expectation value and this is naturally proportional to the inverse of the p-adic length scale as are boson masses. This contribution can be assigned to the magnetic flux tube mentioned above since it screens weak force - or equivalently - makes them massive. Higgs expectation would not cause boson massivation. Rather, massivation and Higgs vacuum expectation would be caused by the presence of the magnetic flux tubes. Standard model would suffer from a causal illusion. Even a worse illusion is possible if the photon eats the neutral Higgs.
2. The "stringy" magnetic flux tube connecting fermion wormhole throat and the wormhole throat containing neutrino pair would give to the vacuum conformal weight a small contribution and

therefore to the mass squared of both fermions and gauge bosons (dominating one for the latter). This contribution would be small in the p-adic sense (proportional  $1/p^2$  rather than  $1/p$ ). I cannot calculate this "stringy" contribution but stringy formula in weak scale is very suggestive.

3. In the case of light fermions and massless gauge bosons the stringy contribution must vanish and therefore must correspond to  $n = 0$  string excitation (string does not vibrate at all) : otherwise the mass of fermion would be of order weak boson mass. For weak bosons  $n = 1$  would look like a natural identification but also  $n = 0$  makes sense since  $h \pm 1$  states corresponds opposite three-momenta for massless fermion and antifermion so that the state is massive. The mechanism bringing in the  $h = 0$  helicity of gauge boson would be the TGD counterpart for the transformation of Higgs component to a longitudinal polarization.  $n \geq 0$  excited states of fermions and  $n \geq 1$  excitations of bosons having masses above weak boson masses are predicted and would mean new physics becoming possibly visible at LHC.

### 7.2.1 The identification of Higgs

Consider now the identification of Higgs in TGD framework.

1. In TGD framework Higgs particles do not correspond to complex  $SU(2)$  doublets but to triplet and singlet having same quantum numbers as gauge bosons. Therefore the idea that photon eats neutral Higgs is suggestive. Also a pseudo-scalar variant of Higgs is predicted. Let us see how these states emerge from weak strings.
2. The two kinds of massive states corresponding to  $n = 0$  and  $n = 1$  give rise to massive spin 1 and spin 2 particles. First of all, the helicity doublet  $(1, -1)$  is necessarily massive since the 3-momenta for massless fermion and anti-fermion are opposite. For  $n = L = 0$  this gives two states but helicity zero component is lacking. For  $n = L = 1$  one has tensor product of doublet  $(1, -1)$  and angular momentum triplet formed by  $L = 1$  rotational state of the weak string. This gives  $2 \times 3$  states corresponding to  $J = 0$  and  $J = 2$  multiplets. Note however than in spin degrees of freedom the Higgs candidate is not a genuine elementary scalar particle.
3. Fermion and antifermion can have parallel three momenta summing up to a massless 4-momentum. Spin vanishes so that one has Higgs like particle also now. This particle is however pseudo-scalar being group theoretically analogous to meson formed as a pair of quark and antiquark. p-Adic thermodynamics gives a contribution to the mass squared. By taking a tensor product with rotational states of strings one would obtain Regge trajectory containing pseudoscalar Higgs as the lowest state.

### 7.2.2 Do all gauge bosons possess small mass?

Consider now the problem how the gauge bosons can eat the Higgs boson to get their longitudinal component.

1. ( $J = 0, n = 1$ ) Higgs state can be combined with  $n = 0$   $h = \pm 1$  doublet to give spin 1 massive triplet provided the masses of the two states are same. This will be discussed below.
2. Also gauge bosons usually regarded as massless can eat the scalar Higgs so that Higgs like particle could disappear completely. There would be no Higgs to be discovered at LHC! But is this a real prediction? Could it be that it is not possible to have exactly massless photons and gluons? The mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities for Chern-Simons Dirac equation implies that also collinear massless fermion and antifermion can have helicity  $\pm 1$ . The problem is that the mixing of the chiralities is a signature of massivation!

Could it really be that even the gauge bosons regarded as massless have a small mass characterized by the length scale of the causal diamond defining the physical IR cutoff and that the remaining Higgs component would correspond to the longitudinal component of photon? This would mean the number of particles in the final states for a particle reaction with a fixed initial state is always bounded from above. This is important for the twistorial aesthetics of generalized Feynman diagrammatics implied by zero energy ontology. Also the vanishing of IR

divergences is guaranteed by a small physical mass [K92] . Maybe internal consistency allows only pseudo-scalar Higgs.

### 7.2.3 Weak Regge trajectories

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality suggests strongly the existence of weak Regge trajectories.

1. The most general mass squared formula with spin-orbit interaction term  $M_{L-S}^2 L \cdot S$  reads as

$$M^2 = nM_1^2 + M_0^2 + M_{L-S}^2 L \cdot S , \quad n = 0, 2, 4 \quad \text{or} \quad n = 1, 3, 5, \dots \quad (7.2.1)$$

$M_1^2$  corresponds to string tension and  $M_0^2$  corresponds to the thermodynamical mass squared and possible other contributions. For a given trajectory even (odd) values of  $n$  have same parity and can correspond to excitations of same ground state. From ancient books written about hadronic string model one vaguely recalls that one can have several trajectories (satellites) and if one has something called exchange degeneracy, the even and odd trajectories define single line in  $M^2 - J$  plane. As already noticed TGD variant of Higgs mechanism combines together  $n = 0$  states and  $n = 1$  states to form massive gauge bosons so that the trajectories are not independent.

2. For fermions, possible Higgs, and pseudo-scalar Higgs and their super partners also p-adic thermodynamical contributions are present.  $M_0^2$  must be non-vanishing also for gauge bosons and be equal to the mass squared for the  $n = L = 1$  spin singlet. By applying the formula to  $h = \pm 1$  states one obtains

$$M_0^2 = M^2(boson) \quad (7.2.2)$$

The mass squared for transversal polarizations with  $(h, n, L) = (\pm 1, n = L = 0, S = 1)$  should be same as for the longitudinal polarization with  $(h = 0, n = L = 1, S = 1, J = 0)$  state. This gives

$$M_1^2 + M_0^2 + M_{L-S}^2 L \cdot S = M_0^2 \quad (7.2.3)$$

From  $L \cdot S = [J(J + 1) - L(L + 1) - S(S + 1)]/2 = -2$  for  $J = 0, L = S = 1$  one has

$$M_{L-S}^2 = -\frac{M_1^2}{2} \quad (7.2.4)$$

Only the value of weak string tension  $M_1^2$  remains open.

3. If one applies this formula to arbitrary  $n = L$  one obtains total spins  $J = L + 1$  and  $L - 1$  from the tensor product. For  $J = L - 1$  one obtains

$$M^2 = (2n + 1)M_1^2 + M_0^2 \quad (7.2.5)$$

For  $J = L + 1$  only  $M_0^2$  contribution remains so that one would have infinite degeneracy of the lightest states. Therefore stringy mass formula must contain a non-linear term making Regge trajectory curved. The simplest possible generalization which does not affect  $n=0$  and  $n=1$  states is of from

$$M^2 = n(n - 1)M_2^2 + (n - \frac{L \cdot S}{2})M_1^2 + M_0^2 \quad (7.2.5)$$

The challenge is to understand the ratio of W and Z<sup>0</sup> masses, which is purely group theoretic and provides a strong support for the massivation by Higgs mechanism.

1. The above formula and empirical facts require

$$\frac{M_0^2(W)}{M_0^2(Z)} = \frac{M^2(W)}{M^2(Z)} = \cos^2(\theta_W) . \quad (7.2.6)$$

in excellent approximation. Since this parameter measures the interaction energy of the fermion and antifermion decomposing the gauge boson depending on the net quantum numbers of the pair, it would look very natural that one would have

$$M_0^2(W) = g_W^2 M_{SU(2)}^2 , \quad M_0^2(Z) = g_Z^2 M_{SU(2)}^2 . \quad (7.2.7)$$

Here  $M_{SU(2)}^2$  would be the fundamental mass squared parameter for  $SU(2)$  gauge bosons. p-Adic thermodynamics of course gives additional contribution which is vanishing or very small for gauge bosons.

2. The required mass ratio would result in an excellent approximation if one assumes that the mass scales associated with  $SU(2)$  and  $U(1)$  factors suffer a mixing completely analogous to the mixing of  $U(1)$  gauge boson and neutral  $SU(2)$  gauge boson  $W_3$  leading to  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$ . Also Higgs, which consists of  $SU(2)$  triplet and singlet in TGD Universe, would very naturally suffer similar mixing. Hence  $M_0(B)$  for gauge boson  $B$  would be analogous to the vacuum expectation of corresponding mixed Higgs component. More precisely, one would have

$$\begin{aligned} M_0(W) &= M_{SU(2)} , \\ M_0(Z) &= \cos(\theta_W) M_{SU(2)} + \sin(\theta_W) M_{U(1)} , \\ M_0(\gamma) &= -\sin(\theta_W) M_{SU(2)} + \cos(\theta_W) M_{U(1)} . \end{aligned} \quad (7.2.6)$$

The condition that photon mass is very small and corresponds to IR cutoff mass scale gives  $M_0(\gamma) = \epsilon \cos(\theta_W) M_{SU(2)}$ , where  $\epsilon$  is very small number, and implies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{M_{U(1)}}{M(W)} &= \tan(\theta_W) + \epsilon , \\ \frac{M(\gamma)}{M(W)} &= \epsilon \times \cos(\theta_W) , \\ \frac{M(Z)}{M(W)} &= \frac{1 + \epsilon \times \sin(\theta_W) \cos(\theta_W)}{\cos(\theta_W)} . \end{aligned} \quad (7.2.5)$$

There is a small deviation from the prediction of the standard model for W/Z mass ratio but by the smallness of photon mass the deviation is so small that there is no hope of measuring it. One can of course keep mind open for  $\epsilon = 0$ . The formulas allow also an interpretation in terms of Higgs vacuum expectations as it must. The vacuum expectation would most naturally correspond to interaction energy between the massless fermion and antifermion with opposite 3-momenta at the throats of the wormhole contact and the challenge is to show that the proposed formulas characterize this interaction energy. Since  $CP_2$  geometry codes for standard model symmetries and their breaking, it would not be surprising if this would happen. One cannot exclude the possibility that p-adic thermodynamics contributes to  $M_0^2(boson)$ . For instance,  $\epsilon$  might characterize the p-adic thermal mass of photon.

If the mixing applies to the entire Regge trajectories, the above formulas would apply also to weak string tensions, and also photons would belong to Regge trajectories containing high spin excitations.

3. What one can one say about the value of the weak string tension  $M_1^2$ ? The naive order of magnitude estimate is  $M_1^2 \simeq m_W^2 \simeq 10^4 \text{ GeV}^2$  is by a factor 1/25 smaller than the direct scaling up of the hadronic string tension about  $1 \text{ GeV}^2$  scaled up by a factor  $2^{18}$ . The above argument however allows also the identification as the scaled up variant of hadronic string tension in which case the higher states at weak Regge trajectories would not be easy to discover since the mass scale defined by string tension would be 512 GeV to be compared with the recent beam energy 7 TeV. Weak string tension need of course not be equal to the scaled up hadronic string tension. Weak string tension - unlike its hadronic counterpart- could also depend on the electromagnetic charge and other characteristics of the particle.

### 7.2.4 Is the earlier conjectured pseudoscalar Higgs there at all?

Spin 1 gauge bosons and Higgs differ only by different spin direction of fermions at opposite wormhole throats. For spin 1 gauge bosons the 3-momenta at two wormhole throats cannot be parallel if one wants non-vanishing spin component in the direction of moment. 3-momenta are most naturally opposite for the massless states at throats. This forces massivation for all gauge bosons and even graviton and this in turn requires Higgs even in the case of gluons.

This inspires the question whether the parity properties of the couplings of gauge boson and corresponding Higgs transforming like 3+1 under SU(2) (this is due to the special character of imbedding space spinors) could be exactly the same? Higgs would couple like a mixture of scalar and pseudoscalar to fermions just as weak gauge bosons couple and the mixture would be just the same. If there are no axial variants of vector gauge bosons there should exist no pseudoscalar Higgs. The nonexistence of axial variants of vector gauge bosons is suggested by quantum classical correspondence: only gauge bosons having classical space-time correlates as induced gauge potentials should be allowed, nothing else. Note that color variant of Higgs would exist and would be eaten by gluons to get mass.

The similarity of the construction of gauge bosons and Higgsinos as pairs of wormhole throats containing fermion and antifermion encourages to think that Higgs mechanism is invariant under supersymmetries. If so, also Higgsinos would be eaten and one would have massive super-symmetric gauge theory with fermions with photon and other massless particle possessing a tiny mass. This looks very simple. The testable implication would be that only weak gauginos should contribute to muon g-2 anomaly.

### 7.2.5 Higgs issue after Europhysics 2011

The general feeling at the Eve of Europhysics 2011 conference was that this meeting might become one of the key events in the history of physics. This might turn out to be the case. CDF and D0 were the groups representing the data from p-pbar collisions at Tevatron whereas ATLAS and CMS represented the data about p-p collisions at LHC. The blog participation transformed the conference from a closed meeting of specialists to a media event inspiring intense blog discussions and viXra log became the most interesting discussion forum thanks to the excellent postings of Phil Gibbs giving focused summaries of various reports about SUSY and Higgs.

The hope was that two basic questions would receive a unique answer. Does Higgs exist and if so what is its mass? Is the standard view about SUSY correct: in other words do the super-partners exist with masses below TeV scale? It was clear that negative answer to even the Higgs issue would force a thorough reconsideration of the status of not only MSSM but also that of super string theory and M-theory because of the general role of Higgs mechanism in the description massivation and symmetry breaking for the QFT limits of these theories. The implications are far reaching also for the inflationary cosmology where scalar fields and Higgs mechanism are taken as granted. Actually the non-existence of Higgs forces to reconsider the entire quantum field theoretic description of particle massivation.

Already before the conference several anomalies had emerged and the question was whether LHC data gives a support for these anomalies.

- A 145 GeV bump with 4 sigma significance in the mass distribution of jet pairs jj in Wjj final states was reported by CDF [C15] but not confirmed by D0 [C93]. The interpretation as Higgs was excluded and some of the proposed identifications of 145 GeV bump was as decay products of leptophobic Z' boson or of technicolor pion. There were also indications for 300 GeV bump in the mass distribution of Wjj states themselves suggesting cascade like decay.

- Both CDF and D0 had reported two bumps at almost same mass about 325 GeV [C42, C44] having no obvious interpretation in standard model framework. Technicolor approach and also TGD suggests an interpretation as pionlike state.
- CDF and D0 had also reported anomalous forward-backward asymmetry in top-pair production in p-pbar collisions suggesting the existence of new kind of flavor changing colored neutral currents [C73, C174]. TGD based explanation of family replication phenomenon combined with bosonic emergence predicts that gauge bosons should appear as flavor singlets and octets. Octets would indeed induce flavor changing currents and asymmetry. Also many other indications for new physics such as anomalously large CP breaking in BBbar system had been reported and one should not forget long list of forgotten anomalies from previous years, say the two and half year old CDF anomaly which D0 failed to observe. Recall also that proton has shown no signs of decaying.

What did we learn during these days? Already before the conference it was clear that standard SUSY had transformed from the healer of the standard model to a patient. The parameter space for MSSM (minimal supersymmetric extension of standard model predicting two Higgs multiplets) had been narrowed down by strong lower limits on squark and gluino masses to the extent that the original basic motivation for MSSM (stability of Higgs mass against radiative corrections) had been lost as well as the explanation for the anomaly of  $g-2$  of muon. During the conference the bounds on SUSY parameters were tightened further and the rough conclusion is that squark and gluino masses must be above 1 TeV. Even Lubos Motl was forced to conclude that the probability that LHC discovers standard SUSY is 50 per cent instead of 90 per cent or more of 2008 blog posting. In TGD framework simple p-adic scaling arguments lead to the proposal that the only sfermions with mass below 1 TeV are selectron and sneutrinos with selectron having mass equal to 262 GeV. Low sneutrino masses allow in principle to understand  $g-2$  of muon. Selectron could decay to electron plus neutralino for which mass must be larger than 46 GeV neutralino would eventually decay to photon or virtual Z plus neutrino.

The Higgs issue became the central theme of the conference and the three days from Thursday to Sunday were loaded with excitement. After many twists, the final conclusion was that there is 2.5 sigma evidence from ATLAS for a state in the mass range 140-150 GeV, which might be Higgs or something else. The press release of Fermi lab at Friday announced that they have confined Higgs to the interval 120-137 GeV. After the announcement of ATLAS both D0 and CDF discovered suddenly evidence for Higgs in 140-150 GeV mass range. The evidence for this mass range emerged from the decays of a might-be Higgs to WW pairs decaying in turn to lepton pairs. The proponent of technicolor would of course see this as evidence for an off mass shell state of a neutral pion like state explaining also the jj bump in Wjj system and at 145 GeV mass and not allowing an interpretation as Higgs. In TGD framework the experience with earlier anomalies such as two year old CDF anomaly encouraged the interpretation in terms p-adic mass octaves of the pion of p-adically scaled up variant of hadron physics with mass scale 512 times higher than that of the ordinary hadron physics. Somewhat frustratingly, the final conclusion about the Higgs issue was promised to emerge only towards the end of the next year but it is clear that already now standard model might well be inconsistent with all data irrespective of the mass of Higgs. MSSM would allow additional flexibility but is also in difficulties.

The surprise of the first conference day was additional evidence for the bump at 327 GeV reported already earlier by CDF. This state is a complete mystery in standard model framework and therefore extremely interesting. The proponents of technicolor would probably suggest interpretation as exotic  $\rho$  or  $\omega$  meson. In TGD framework both 145 GeV pion and 325 GeV  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  appear as mesons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics if one assumes that the  $u$  and  $d$  quarks of  $M_{89}$  physics have masses corresponding to the p-adic length scale  $k = 93$  (mass is 102 GeV and should be visible as a preferred quark jet mass). I would not be surprised if technicolor models would experience a brief renaissance but fail experimentally since a lot of new states and elementary particles is implied by the extension of the color gauge group. The mere p-adic scaling does not imply anything like this.

Also super string inspired predictions of various exotics such as microscopic black holes, strong gravity, large extra dimensions, Randall-Sundrum gravitons, split supersymmetry, and whatever were tested. No evidence was found. Neither there was evidence for lepto-quarks, heavier partners of intermediate gauge bosons, and various other exotics.

To my view, the results of the conference force to re-consider the basic assumptions of the approach followed during last more than three decades. Is it possible to find a more realistic physical interpretation of the mathematically extremely attractive supersymmetry? Unitarity requires new physics in TeV scale: is this new physics technicolor or its TGD analog without gauge group extension or something else? To me however the mother of all questions concerns the microscopic description of massivation. The description in terms of Higgs is after all a phenomenological description borrowed from condensed matter physics. It does not work for extended objects like strings but require quantum field theory limit. p-Adic thermodynamics for conformal weight (to which mass squared is proportional to) should be an essential element of the microscopic approach too since it is a description working for the fundamental objects and in presence of super-conformal invariance.

What actually happens in the massivation: could it be that all components of Higgs, of its super partners, and of its higher spin generalizations are eaten in a process in which massless multiplets with various spins combine to form only massive multiplets? Here twistor approach might provide the guideline since its applicability requires that massive particles should allow an interpretation as bound states of massless ones. Perhaps the simple observation that spin one bound states of massless fermion and anti-fermion are automatically massive might help to get to the deeper waters.

What next? Standard model Higgs is more or less excluded and the same fate is very probably waiting the SUSY Higgs. I would not be surprised if technicolor models would experience a brief renaissance but fail experimentally since very many new hadronlike states and new elementary particles are implied by the extension of the color gauge group. Sooner or later the simple p-adic scaling of the ordinary hadron physics probably turns out to be the only realistic option. If technicolor becomes in fashion, the hadrons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics will be however found as a side product of this search.

Eventually this requires giving up the Planck length scale reductionism as the basic philosophy and replacing it with p-adic fractality as the basic guiding principle tying together physics at very short and at very long length scales making possible the long search for ultraviolet completion of known physics. This led to the landscape catastrophe in M-theory since very many physics in long length scales had the same UV completion. Some general principle fixing the long range physics is obviously missing. p-Adic smoothness for which infinite in real sense is infinitesimal selects the unique long length scale physics among infinitely many alternatives. The real problems are really much much deeper than finding proper parameters for SUSY and it would be a high time for theoreticians to finally realize this.

## 7.3 Higgs and me

We have been told that a seminar to be held 13 December in CERN will represent results making possible a significant progress in Higgs research but that no answer to the question about the existence of Higgs exists will be provided. This could be the only politically correct manner to say that no Higgs has been found nor will be found. There might be however something else there as TGD indeed predicts. Therefore I feel that it is good time to clarify my own views about the Higgs issue.

My attitude to Higgs has developed from original denial to almost acceptance and back to denial. This denial has nothing to do with bets: anyone can bet that Higgs exists or does not exist. Without genuine justifications this kind of statements contain just single bit of information or disinformation.

### 7.3.1 Denying Higgs

My original attitude was a denial based on the following arguments natural in sub-manifold gravity.

1. TGD does not allow Higgs as a scalar in 8-D sense: this state would be leptoquark: Minkowski scalars are always H-vectors and have generalized polarization.
2. If Higgs is there it should behave like a  $SO(4)$  vector in  $CP_2$  tangent space with different directions analogous to polarizations. One can have 3+1 decomposition for tangent vectors of  $CP_2$  under electro-weak  $SU(2)$  but the problem is that there is no manner to build covariants or invariants in this manner.  $CP_2$  does not allow covariantly constant vector fields. The contractions of color isometry generators with the trace of second fundamental form would be general coordinate invariants but would give a color octet rather than complex electro-weak doublet (triplet plus singlet would result only if one identifies  $U(2) \subset SU(3)$  as electroweak gauge group). The

contractions of  $CP_2$  vierbein vectors with the trace of the second fundamental form would give a candidate for Higgs and its contraction with  $CP_2$  gamma matrices appears in the Dirac equation for induced spinor fields and makes it inconsistent unless the trace of the second fundamental form and thus Higgs vanishes (minimal surface property). For non-minimal surfaces this identification would make Higgs contribution to mass square tachyonic. Thus this identification is not promising.

3. Higgs is not needed to give mass for fermions since p-adic thermodynamics [K51] takes care of this. There are however some problems in the understanding of gauge boson masses. Some additional sources of mass seem to be necessary: p-adic thermodynamics in its basic form would give extremely small second order contribution to the gauge boson masses since the inverse integer valued p-adic temperature cannot be larger than  $T = 1/2$ . For fermions one has  $T = 1$ .

For these reasons I believed for a long time that TGD does not predict Higgs. I could have promoted this as a dramatic prediction of sub-manifold gravitation.

### 7.3.2 Could Higgs exist after all?

The last five years in blogs have been endless n-sigma talk related to rumors about Higgs and also now this kind of rumors are around. As a genuine skeptic I became skeptic also about my basic belief and asked whether Higgs might exist also in TGD Universe. I had also to understand the additional contribution to the mass of gauge bosons and how gauge bosons get their additional polarization state. Maybe Higgs might be necessary to achieve this. The identification of the basic objects as wormhole throats and contacts carrying quantum numbers was a decisive step of progress. The irony was that the progress began with the idea that Higgs could correspond to wormhole contact! Only later came the realization that this makes sense also for gauge bosons.

1. Free fermions are in this picture wormhole throat pairs and topological condensation makes them massive. The throats formed in the topological condensation of fermions have vanishing magnetic charge. One has throat pair at both sheets but only the members of the second pair are connected by a Kähler magnetic flux tube.
2. Bosonic emergence means that bosons consist of bound states of massless on mass shell fermion and anti-fermion associated with wormhole throats of wormhole contacts connecting space-time sheets. Also virtual particles consist of massless on mass-shell states in ZEO. Also bosons consist of two wormhole contacts since the total monopole charge must vanish. The throat pairs at both sheets are connected by Kähler magnetic flux tubes carrying monopole magnetic flux. Neutrino pair at the second wormhole throat neutralizes weak isospin for both bosons and fermions.
3. Kähler magnetic flux tubes contribute to the mass of the particle stringy contribution. For elementary fermions the contribution from wormhole throat pair carrying fermion quantum numbers dominates the mass. In the case of hadrons the reconnection process for color magnetic flux tubes is responsible for non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics and making possible to understand what happens in the formation of jets and in hadronization. The physics in question involves new physics: contrary to the general belief jet QCD does not follow from QCD as QFT. Color magnetic flux tubes make themselves visible via what has become known as quark-gluon plasma [K34]. This terminology is misleading and based on wrong expectations: the attribute "strongly interacting" does not help much. In TGD Universe the ideal quark-gluon plasma in TGD is like a big hadron containing very many quarks and gluons rather than gas of partons as it would be in QCD proper.
4. In TGD the *possibly* existing Higgs 4-plet would have same quantum numbers as electro-weak gauge bosons  $3 \oplus 1$  as  $SU(2)$  multiplets. There would be a nice 1-1 correspondence between Higgses and gauge bosons in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom. Only spin would be different. Sub-manifold gravity would be at work again.
5. Higgses *could* be there but gauge bosons would eat them to get longitudinal polarizations. All Higgs components would become longitudinal polarizations of Higgs boson. Also gauge bosons which are usually regarded a massless would have a small mass. Same applies to graviton and



all super-partners. The assumption that all physical particles have at least small mass resolves the infrared singularities and there are excellent hopes about a beautiful realization of twistorial approach in zero energy ontology (ZEO).

The problem is that one must postulate a lot of Higgs like particles and also their super-partners. And all of them would be eaten. Why the trouble of preparing all these Higgses if all of them end up to the plate?

### 7.3.3 Return to Higgs denialism

Now I am becoming a Higgs denialist again. There is no need for Higgs in TGD and TGD does not allow any natural mechanism transforming Higgs like states to longitudinal components of gauge bosons.

1. In ZEO just the condition that boson has spin 1 implies that it is massive and has therefore also the third polarization. The argument is simple: if one wants the composite system of on mass shell massless fermion and antifermion to have helicity 1 one must assume that either the 3-momenta or energies have opposite sign or at least that the directions of 3-momenta are different. There is no need to assume that gauge bosons get the additional polarization state by eating Higgs. This applies to all states with spin.
2. The recent advances in the formulation of generalized Feynman diagrams (see this) lead to the identification of the analog of the gauge condition eliminating unphysical polarizations. This condition allows three polarizations in the case of spin 1 states. Analogous conclusion applies in the case of higher spins.
3. One can express the condition on polarizations more precisely. One can assign to each causal diamond (CD) a preferred sub-manifold  $M^2$  (2-D Minkowski space) of  $M^4$  defining preferred time direction and spin quantization axis: there are many choices and these correspond to non-equivalent  $CD$ s. This 2-plane defines the analog for the plane in which Feynman graphs live and allows to realize the vision about generalized Feynman graphs as sub-manifold braids [K34].  $M^2$  corresponds in the number theoretical vision to hyper-complex numbers regarded as a 2-plane in the space of hyper-octonions.
4. The gauge condition  $p \cdot \epsilon = 0$  is modified. The modified condition says that the allowed polarization vectors are orthogonal to the *projection*  $p_{M^2}$  of the momentum of boson to  $M^2$ :  $p_{M^2} \cdot \epsilon = 0$ . Three polarization states are allowed instead of 2. All physical particles with spin are massive.

The conclusion is simple: no Higgs like states are needed! Just as I believed in the beginning. The prodigal son has returned back to his home! For reasons easy to understand, I am waiting eagerly the December 13:th. We know that 13 is the unlucky number but who will be the unlucky one? Higgs or me?

## 7.4 Higgs or $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

The newest results about Higgs search using 4.9/fb of data were published yesterday and there are many articles in arXiv. The overall view is that there is evidence for something around 125 GeV. Whether this something is Higgs or some other particle decaying to Higgs remains to my opinion an open question. Lubos of course is strong in this faith on Higgs. Somewhat surprisingly Tommaso Dorigo seems the result as a firm evidence for Higgs. Matt Strassler is skeptic. The evidence comes basically from Higgs to  $\gamma\gamma$  decays. There are some ZZ and WW events. CMS represented also data for more rare events. There are also indications about something at higher masses and the interpretation of them depends on the belief system of the blogger.

Bloggers were very active and Phil Gibbs certainly the most active one.

- Phil Gibbs [C43] gave online comments and combinations of various data in his blog. In particular, Phil produced a combination of data from ATLAS, CMS, LEP, and Tevatron clearly supporting the existence of bump around 124 GeV. Also the other plots by Phil are very illustrative of the situation: for instance this.

- Tommaso Dorigo commented the results. Tommaso gives many illustrations and sees the results as firm evidence for standard model Higgs and is skeptic about SUSY Higgs.
- Lubos Motl has a nice -abit over-optimistic from SUSY point of view- summary about the results and useful links to the articles by ATLAS and CMS.
- I liked very much about Matt Strassler's critical comments making clear what is known and what is not known. Also Resonaances had added comments on Higgs. And many other bloggers.

In TGD framework Higgs like states seem to be un-necessary. Zero energy ontology predicts that all states with spin 1 are massive and the third polarization state is allowed by the generalization of the gauge condition excluding the third polarization in the case of massless states [K34]. If one assumes Higgs like states, the particles which become massive "eat" all of them. Also photon, gluon, and graviton become massive and the small mass allows to get rid of infrared divergences plaguing gauge theories.

The basic question is whether the data could be interpreted as signatures of Higgs or of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. This question is discussed in detail in [K48]. Here I represent just the main arguments.

1. The basic observation is that the generalization of PCAC hypothesis leads to very similar predictions for the direct couplings of pseudo-scalar mesons as Higgs has and the decay rates are of the same form. The generalization of the hadronic sigma model with vacuum expectation value of sigma field replacing that of Higgs field makes it easy to understand the close resemblance but does not seem to be absolutely necessary unless one wants additional predictions. What is remarkable that the vacuum expectation of sigma field equals apart from sign to W boson mass.
2. If one believes in the indications about structures at higher masses than 125 GeV, one must conclude that standard Higgs hypothesis fails.  $M_{89}$  hadron physics might be able to explain these structures but the coupling  $X$  defined by  $f_\pi = Xm_\pi$  would be smaller for these higher pion-like states. One of them would be around 139 GeV.
3. TGD suggests that the spartners of quarks correspond to the same mass scale as quarks. The pion-like states with masses 139 GeV and 125 GeV would correspond to pion and spion (pair of squarks) which could have suffered mixing by exchange of gluino. The original proposal that spartners are generated by covariantly constant right-handed neutrino and antineutrino has the problem that it might produce just the same missing energy signatures of SUSY as ordinary SUSY and thus be excluded experimentally.

The simplest way out is the assumption that covariantly constant neutrino generates gauge supersymmetry and thus creates zero norm states. It would be color octet state of neutrino that would generate the dynamical supersymmetry and states with a non-vanishing norm. Color confinement would not allow the usual missing energy signature so that everything would be consistent with what we have learned from LHC. Lepto-hadrons [K84] would consist of pairs of sleptons which would be color octets so that same picture would apply to both leptons and quarks.

4. This is however not quite enough. There is evidence for a bumpy structure of signal cross section. The easy explanation is in terms of statistical fluctuations and time will show whether this explanation works. The bumpy structure suggests the existence of additional states not explainable in terms of the doubling predicted by TGD SUSY. Rather remarkably, the already mentioned quite recent anomaly suggests that similar phenomenon is encountered also in ordinary hadron physics.

According to a three-year old discovery [C51], there is evidence for narrow pion-like and nucleon like states with a mass splitting which is of order few tens of MeV. p-Adic fractality predicts the same in the case of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and the observed bumpy structure might have interpretation in terms of "infra-red" Regge trajectory with string tension assignable to the color magnetic flux tubes accompanying light quarks. This string tension is dramatically smaller than the hadronic string tension of order 1 GeV and measured using 10 MeV as a unit.

Needless to say, the existence of the exotic hadrons would kill QCD as a theory of strong interactions and provide a strong support for the notion of color magnetic flux tube central for TGD vision about hadrons.

An alternative explanation would be rely on Shnoll effect [K6] implying the splitting of resonances to separate peaks. It is not clear whether the explanations exclude each other. The question "Higgs or  $M_{89}$  hadron physics or something else?" will be probably answered within a year as the statistics from LHC improves.

### 7.4.1 The new data about Higgs candidate

#### 1. Overall view

It is good to try to summarize what has been found.

1. According to ATLAS the bump is at 126 GeV. Altogether gamma-gamma and ZZ events give 3.6 sigma deviation reducing to 2.3-2.5 sigma by look-elsewhere effect.
2. According to CMS the bump resides at 124 GeV. CMS has 2.6 sigma deviation reducing to 1.9 sigma when look- elsewhere effect is taken into account.
3. The positions of bumps reported by ATLAS and CMS are not quite same so that there is still room for the possibility that the bumps are artifacts.
4. Both collaborations publish also the results about signal for Higgs to ZZ decays. Fig 7 in ATLAS eprint [?]eports three candidates Higgs to ZZ events at 123.6 GeV, 124.3 GeV , and 124.8 GeV. CMS reports results about decays to  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $\tau\bar{\tau}$ , WW, ZZ, $\gamma\gamma$ , combines the data from various channels, and compares signal cross sections to those predicted by standard model Higgs. There is structure around 145 GeV in some channels. There is also data about higher energies bump like structures both below and above 300 GeV. Maybe the standard model Higgs is not enough. SUSY indeed predicts several Higgs like states and  $M_{89}$  hadron physics entire meson spectroscopy.

#### 2. $\gamma\gamma$ channel

Both ATLAS [C67] and CMS [C83] have published an reprint in arXiv about Higgs to  $\gamma\gamma$  signal.

The ratio of the  $\gamma\gamma$  signal cross section to the cross section predicted by standard model is given together with 1 and 2 sigma bands describing the background signal without Higgs contributions.

1. Fig 8 in ATLAS paper gives the observed and expected 95 per cent confidence level limits as a function of hypothesized Higgs boson mass.
2. Fig 3 of CMS paper gives bump around 124 GeV.

I wish I would understand the strange oscillating behavior for the ratio of signal cross section to cross section for signals mimicking Higgs predicted in absence of Higgs. There are bumps around 126 GeV, 139 GeV and 146 GeV. Is this an artifact produced - say - by a discretization in the data processing. There is also a small bump around 113 GeV.

I am a statistical dilettante so that I can make an innocent and possibly stupid question: Could these bumps be something real? For standard model Higgs this is certainly not the case but what about TGD inspired view [K48] about new physics at LHC. Going to another extreme: could all bumps with 126 GeV bump included be only data processing artifacts? We do not know yet.

Also the probability  $p_0$  that standard model without Higgs could explain the signal cross section is plotted.

1. Fig 7 of ATLAS paper [C67] gives the observed and expected  $p_0$  values as a function of the mass of hypothesized Higgs. Small  $p_0$  tells that standard model without Higgs contribution requires upwards fluctuation whose probability is  $p_0$  to explain the observed signal. There are strong downwards bumps at about 126 GeV and around 145 GeV. They are deeper than the prediction of standard model Higgs which might give rise to worries. There is also something very small at 139 GeV.
2. Fig 4 of CMS paper [C83] gives similar plot. Now the bumps of  $p_0$  are around 123.5 GeV, 137 GeV, and 147.5 GeV.

If taken at face value, also these figures suggest three-bump structure. This might well be a statistical artifact but one can make questions and one fool like me can make more or them than the wise guys are able to answer. Here are two of them.

1. Could  $M_{89}$  pion have higher excitations with a mass scale of 10-20 GeV? Could the pion-like state generating the signal besides ground state also excitations with excitation energy scale of order 20 GeV? Could these excitation assigned with the color magnetic flux tube structures associated associated with scaled up u and d quarks.

A rough guess for the p-adic prime of scaled up u and d quark in  $M_{89}$  hadron is  $k = 113 - 18 = 95$  ( $k = 113$  corresponds to Gaussian Mersenne and nuclear p-adic length scale). This corresponds to the p-adic mass scale the estimate 16 GeV from electron's p-adic mass scale about .25 MeV. It however turns out that the actual mass must be by a factor two higher so that one would have 32 GeV mass scale.

Could stringy excitations with string tension determined by 32 GeV scale be in question? If so then also ordinary pion should have similar fine structure in mass spectrum with energy scale of 31 MeV assignable with  $u$  and  $d$  quarks with  $k = 113$ . I have a vague memory that Tommaso Dorigo had reported something about low energy excitations of pion but I failed to find anything about this in web and concluded that I must have been hallucinating.

2. Shnoll effect is something which main stream colleagues certainly refuse to take seriously. In TGD framework one can develop a p-adic model for Shnoll effect, [K6], which can be justified in terms of quantum arithmetics [K93] giving a first principle justification for the canonical identification playing a key role in p-adic mass calculations. The model predicts a number theoretic deformation of probability distributions characterized p-adic prime  $p$ . The modification replaces the rational valued parameters of distribution by quantum rationals. Typically a probability distribution with single bump decomposes to several ones and the phenomenon occurs also in nuclear physics.

Could this deformation be at work even in particle physics? If so, it could cause the splitting of single very wide resonance bump around 125 GeV to several sharper bumps. Even the bump like structure at 113 GeV could correspond to this wide resonance bump. The original resonance bump could be rather wide: something like 30-40 GeV. Very naive guess would be that the width of leptopion obeys able to decay to ordinary quarks  $\Gamma \sim \alpha_s(89)m(\pi_{89})$ . Already for  $\alpha_s = .1$  one could have a bump with width of about 15 GeV. For ordinary pion the impossibility of strong decays would not allow Shnoll effect. The splitting into sub-bumps by Shnoll effect would make this wide bump visible.

After a painful web search I managed to find an article [C51] titled *Search for low-mass exotic mesonic structures: II. Attempts to understand the experimental results* reporting that there is experimental support for narrow excited states of pion at masses 62, 80, 100, 140, 181, 198, 215, 227.7, and 235 MeV (authors mention that the last might be uncertain). The states at 100, 140, and 198 MeV are half octaves of the lightest state. The article fits the states to Regge trajectories but it is not possible to use single slope for all states. The mass differences vary between 10 and 40 GeV so that the scale is what one would expect from the above string argument. Also Shnoll effect might explain the existence of the bumps and if the explanations are consistent the spectrum of the pion states is dictated by number theoretical arguments to a high degree.

### 3. Combination of signals from all channels

CMS has also a preprint about the combination of signals from all decay channels of Higgs.

1. CMS gives also a figure combination of all CMS searches ( $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $bb$ ,  $\tau\tau$ ,  $WW$ ,  $ZZ$ ) [C80].
2. Figure 1 of CMS article [C80] shows a clear structure around 124 GeV. There is another structure around about 145 GeV. In standard model Higgs scenario the structure at 145 GeV would not be taken seriously since the cross section need to produce the bump would be much below the predicted one but if one accepts super-symmetric  $M_{89}$  hadron physics, the situation changes. There is also structure around 325 GeV and in the range 260-285 GeV.  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would assign these structures to vector mesons  $\rho$  and  $\omega_{89}$  and corresponding smesons consisting of squark and anti-squark.

3. CMS gives a plot comparing the ratio of best fit for signal cross section to the predicted cross section for Higgs to  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $\tau\bar{\tau}$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ , ZZ, WW. The fit is rather satisfactory for Higgs to  $\gamma\gamma$  the signal cross section is about 1.7 times higher than predicted. One cannot deny that this can be seen as a strong support for standard model Higgs.

The original idea behind  $M_{89}$  hadron physics was that it effectively replaces Higgs. If one takes the CMS result seriously this idea must be realized rather concretely: the predicted signal cross sections must be rather near to those predicted by standard model Higgs. The crucial tests are decay rates to fermion pairs and the possibly existing other resonances.

#### 4. *Higgsy character of 126 GeV bump is not proven!*

Lubos has written a new post [?, ?] where he makes the strange assumption that if there is a signal it must be Higgs. Lubos also uses as a "proof" of Higgsyness the fit of Phil for which the gamma-gamma signal cross section at maximum equals to the prediction. This holds true because the fit forces it to hold true! For some reason Lubos "forgets" this!

By inspecting the figure more closely one finds that the observed cross section has a long tail unlike the predicted cross section. This long tail could correspond to the large width of resonance splitting into sub-bumps if Shnoll effect is present. If Higgs option is correct, this tail should disappear as statistics improves. Also the other structures which are present, should disappear.

What is of course remarkable that CMS paper shows that  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  cross section is of the same order of magnitude and only about 1.7 times higher than the predicted cross section. This gives a constraint on  $M_{89}$  hadron physics, which it of course might fail to satisfy unless the idea about replacement of Higgs with  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is true at a rather quantitative level.

One should also keep in mind that the value of Higgs mass is at the lower bound for the range with stable Higgs vacuum. This is not a good sign. An interesting question is whether the mass for pion-like state of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is in some sense also minimal and what this minimality could mean physically: some kind of criticality - maybe on instance of quantum criticality of TGD Universe-but not criticality against the decay of Higgs vacuum?

To sum up, one can agree with the official statement: the situation remains open. What is nice that there very probably is a signal and from TGD point view the nice thing is that this signal is still consistent with  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. To sum up, one can agree with the official statement: the situation remains open. What is nice that there very probably is a signal and from TGD point view the nice thing is that this signal could be still consistent with  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.

### 7.4.2 Higgs or $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

The comments of Lubos and Andrew Oh-Willeke to the blog posting about LHC data release inspired some comments on my side. These hastily typed comments were imprecise and I decided to write an improved version collecting the main points to a more organized structure. I want also to write about these topics to clarify myself some important open issues in my own approach and I will do my best to debunk myself in the following. I will very probably make imprecise and even wrong statements. This is work in progress. Apologies.

#### 1. *The basic issues*

1. The basic issue is whether the signal at LHC is a compelling evidence for Higgs or not. My claim is that it tells only that there is scalar or pseudo-scalar producing the signal and that under rather general assumptions this signal can be even quantitatively equivalent with the Higgs signal for the recently studied signatures.
2. Enthusiasts also forget that the signal cross section has features which do not favor its interpretation in terms of Higgs. Exclusion of Higgs does not mean the exclusion of signal! The clear structures around 135 and 145 GeV have not disappeared, there is a wide bump like structure in the entire region 110-150 GeV, and there is structure at both sides of 300 GeV. All these structures should disappear with increased statistics if Higgs interpretation is correct. We do not know whether this will happen and the natural question is whether one could interpret these structures by replacing Higgs paradigm with something else.

3. Higgs is also disfavored by profound theoretical reasons. It is just around the border of instability against the decay of vacuum. Could this criticality be a signal about the need to replace Higgs with something else? Presumably a microscopic description of particle massivation (provided by TGD already 15 years ago in terms of p-adic thermodynamics). Or are we happy with Higgs phenomenology which only reproduces instead of predicting?

## 2. Brief summary of the main results

The main results hitherto - preliminary of course - are following.

1. Various decay rates of pion like states of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics [K48] can be estimated using the generalization of partially conserved axial vector hypothesis (PCAC) stating that the divergence of the axial vector current is proportional to pion field. The proportionality constant is  $f_\pi m_\pi^2$ . The divergence of axial current equals to the sum of instanton densities for electro-weak gauge fields and color gauge field plus the divergence of axial vector currents for  $u$  and  $d$  type quarks assuming that they are massive: this divergence is by Dirac equation proportional to the mass of the quark.

The contribution of more massive quarks is absent, which is quite a remarkable difference as compared to the standard model Higgs for which the decay amplitudes to massive quark pairs are the most important ones by the proportionality of Higgs-fermion coupling to quark mass. This holds true in  $M^4$  effective QFT picture: one can hope that it is a good approximation. It is indeed known to work in ordinary low energy hadron physics and p-adic fractality suggests that the same holds true for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.

2. If the generalization of hadronic sigma model involving  $u$  and  $d$  type is accepted then  $f_\pi$  can be identified as the negative of the vacuum expectation value of sigma field:  $f_\pi = -v$ . The inspection of the decay rates of Higgs in standard model [B14] and those predicted by PCAC (Iztykson-Zuber [B12] is my source) shows that their structure is identical. This strongly suggests that by replacing Higgs vacuum expectation value by a suitable multiple of sigma field vacuum expectation it might be possible to reproduce all decay rates of standard model Higgs. This would apply also at the level of amplitudes.

This kind of duality like relation would not be terribly surprising since the structure of these two models is very similar. This would allow to estimate the decay rates of pionlike state to various channels and have very similar results for the decay rates to weak gauge bosons and also to the states produced via the decay to virtual gauge boson pair decaying to quarks or leptons. The direct decays to other than  $u$  and  $d$  quark pairs do not appear in the lowest order.

3. Assuming  $X = f_\pi/m_\pi = 91/140 = .65$  as for ordinary pion, the decay of pion-like state to gamma pair implied by PCAC is under very natural assumptions by a factor 1.54 times larger than the decay rate of Higgs. The observed signal cross section for gamma pair production by 125 GeV state is by the same factor about 1.5 higher than that predicted by the standard model! The value of  $f_\pi = -v = -81.3$  GeV to be compared with W boson mass 80.4 GeV.  $f_\pi = -m_W$  would give  $m(\pi_{89}) = 123.6$  GeV which is second favored value for the mass of the resonance.

This does not yet allow to shout *Heureka!* and claim that  $M_{89}$  pion hypothesis beats Higgs hypothesis. The production rates for Higgs and pion like state need not be the same. If however the production by fusion of electroweak bosons and gluons dominates and is described by PCAC (action would be just then one has excellent hopes that the production rates could indeed be identical for a propose choice of the parameter  $X$ ! There is also associated production in which W or Z boson emitted by a scattered quark in either proton emits Higgs boson. Also this vertex would be governed by PCAC, when Higgs is replaced by  $M_{89}$ .

4. The experimental data suggests that Higgs signal is much smaller than the predicted signal above 127 GeV but has bump like structure and at bumps larger than the effective signal from the standard model background. Also the  $p$ -value telling the probability that standard model background is able to explain the signal cross section has sharp downwards peaks at two other masses about 127 GeV. TGD interpretation would be in terms of pion like states. This interpretation makes sense only if the proportionality coefficient  $X$  in  $f_\pi = X m_\pi$  is considerably

large than its value for ordinary pion and lowest pion like state given by  $X = 91/140 \sim 1.54$ . This reduces the various couplings of pion like state by a factor  $1/X^2$ . This is of course possible but one should have a good explanation for why  $X$  increases with the mass of pseudo-scalar state.

One can clearly say that sigma model for low-lying  $M_{89}$  hadrons replaces Higgs mechanism as an approximate QFT description in TGD framework and a duality like relation between sigma model description of the meson decay amplitudes and those of standard model Higgs is highly suggestive.

In the following I will also criticize various aspects of the TGD vision about both ordinary and  $M_{89}$  hadron physics for the simple reason that this is the best manner to make progress if one is on the right track.

1. TGD SUSY is also in central role if one believes that higher pion like states are there and have explanation in terms of SUSY. 125 GeV pion like state would be apart from mixing effects spion consisting of squark pair. The assumption is that SUSY is essentially unbroken and that mixing of the quarks implies that mass squared matrix is non-diagonal having element between meson and smeson states.
  - (a) The first possibility is that the second eigenstate is tachyonic due to very strong mixing proportional to  $\alpha_s$  and must be excluded from the spectrum.
  - (b) Second - aesthetically more attractive - option is that second eigenstate indeed is there and quite recently I indeed found evidence for narrow resonances with quantum numbers of pion [C51] with mass differences between states typically in the range 10-40 MeV. Some of these might be SUSY states.
2. The experimental evidence suggests that pion has satellites but that their number is much larger than SUSY alone predicts. The bumpy structure of Higgs-like signal cross section suggests the same for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. There are two alternative but not mutually exclusive explanations. The color magnetic flux tubes for light quarks have length of the order of Compton length and one could assign to them a string tension and IR Regge trajectories. Another explanation would be in terms of Shnoll effect implying that probability distributions with single peak decompose to distribution with several peaks. The TGD based explanation of Shnoll effect suggests that it is universal and could take place even at the level of particle physics.
3. A strong objection against TGD SUSY is that there is no missing energy signal which should result from the decays of squarks to quark and  $\tilde{W}$  decaying in turn to lepton and sneutrino. This objection forces to consider a possible modification of the recent belief system. The covariantly constant right handed neutrino could act as super gauge symmetry annihilating physical states. This reduction of SUSY is standard mechanism of SUSY breaking. The color octet  $CP_2$  partial wave of right handed neutrino would generate superpartners. Color confinement would eliminate the decays producing right handed sneutrinos as missing energy. What would be nice is that leptohadrons could be interpreted in terms of color octet sleptons (dark in TGD sense) and TGD SUSY would be realized in a similar manner both for leptons and quarks and would have been discovered for decades ago. This is of course a speculation and p-adic mass calculations should be carried out to check whether this proposal really works.

### 7.4.3 Similarities and differences between Higgs and pion like state

The original - now 15 year old - vision was that  $M_{89}$  hadron physics or more precisely (pseudo-scalar) mesons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics replace Higgs. Technicolor could be seen analogous proposal but extending the gauge group.

The first argument in favor of Higgs instead of a pion-like state is that the signal cross section is of the same order of magnitude as the predicted signal cross section.  $\gamma\gamma$  cross section is only by a factor about 1.5 larger than the predicted one. This argument need not however bite.

#### 1. PCAC implies similarity of Higgs and $M_{89}$ pion

The key observation is that the generalization of PCAC from ordinary hadron physics to  $M_{89}$  hadron physics implies what might be seen as duality like relation at the level of decay amplitudes of

Higgs and pionlike states of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. If one is ready to take seriously the sigma model description of hadron physics this duality like relation becomes even more concrete since the vacuum expectation of Higgs field corresponds to the vacuum expectation of sigma field for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. The vacuum expectation would now determine the mass of the  $M_{89}$  proton and would not say anything about the masses of fermions predicted by p-adic mass calculations.

1. Gauge symmetry alone implies that the couplings of charged pion like states regarded as particle fields (approximation) to weak gauge bosons are same as in the case of Higgs.
2. For the decays of Higgs to  $\gamma\gamma$  the fermion and charged gauge boson loops involve direct couplings of Higgs to fermions and W boson. Also for WW and ZZ decays there is direct coupling for Higgs.
3. For neutral pseudo-scalars the generalization of PCAC [B12] from ordinary low energy hadron physics suggests a universal mechanism allowing to describe all couplings of the pion like state boson and fermion pairs. These three particle couplings would replace corresponding couplings for Higgs. Note that in the case of Higgs the couplings gluons and photon are radiative and thus involve loops. Therefore the descriptions would be very similar structurally.
4. This description could apply also to the decays of other mesons than pion. This mechanism should have also a supersymmetric generalization. The basic assumption is that pion like state is proportional to the divergence of the axial current constructed from  $u$  and  $d$  type quarks and the instanton densities assignable to gauge boson:  $\pi = \partial_\mu j_5^\mu / f_\pi m_\pi^2$ . This hypothesis taken in the sense of effective action allows to describe both the decays of pion like states and their production amplitudes. The basic parameter characterizing the pion like state is the proportionality coefficient  $X$  in  $f_\pi = X m_\pi$ . The assumption that  $X$  is for 125 GeV same as for ordinary pion implies  $X = 1.54$  and  $f_\pi = -m_W$  for for  $m(\pi) = 123.6$  GeV. The emergence of  $m_W$  as vacuum expectation value is highly encouraging since the number of parameters would be reduced by one.
5. PCAC implies that all couplings of pionlike state are proportional to  $1/f_\pi m_\pi^2 = 1/X m_\pi^3$ . The divergence of the axial current is essentially  $\partial_\mu j_5^\mu = 2m\bar{\psi}\gamma_5\psi$  and has the same mass proportionality as the coupling of Higgs if one requires that Higgs mechanism produces Higgs masses. In TGD framework Higgs mechanism is replaced by massivation based on p-adic thermodynamics. Only  $u$  and  $d$  quarks (and squarks) contribute to the axial current in the case of pion like states. The generalization for higher  $M_{89}$  pseudoscalar mesons would allow only couplings to fermion pairs appearing in the the decomposition of the meson to quark pairs. This is an important distinction between TGD and ordinary Higgs mechanism. For instance, the decays of pion like states to lepton pairs are forbidden in the lowest order unlike in the case of Higgs. A good guess is that allow a description in terms of PCAC coupling and loops involving gauge boson exchange or decay to virtual gauge boson pair annihilating to fermion pair.

## 2. Could Higgs mechanism have $M_{89}$ sigma model as counterpart?

Sigma model for nucleon, pion and sigma meson involves the analog of Higgs mechanism [B12] so that it might be possible to develop rather close analogies. What is intriguing is the connection between strong and weak interactions expressed by conserved vector current hypothesis and partially conserved axial current hypothesis. The question is whether this connection could generalize to all electroweak axial currents and be useful in understanding of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics?

1. Could sigma model description make sense as an approximation in  $M_{89}$  hadron physics at low energies? If so this model would give generalization of the familiar relations used in low energy hadron physics. For instance, the mass of  $M_{89}$  nucleon would satisfy  $m_N = gv$ , where  $g$  is pion-nucleon coupling. The interpretation of sigma field and its vacuum expectation is interesting of course. The status of sigma in ordinary hadron physics has remained unclear and could be used as an objection against this kind of approach.
2. Could sigma model as  $M^4$  QFT approximation bring in non-perturbative aspects such as the non-analytical dependence of the decay rate to gamma pair? Non-perturbative aspects for weak



interactions would reduce to non-perturbative aspect of strong interactions understandable in terms of parton-string duality of generalized Feynman diagrams. The vacuum expectation  $v$  of sigma field equals to  $v = -f_\pi$  and the decay width of pion to two-gamma and presumably also to other final states is proportional to  $1/v^2$  just like the decay rates of Higgs boson are.

3. Could sigma model description of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics replace the description in terms of standard model Higgs mechanism which fails because Higgs mass has the critical value at which vacuum ceases to be stable? What it means that the vacuum expectation value for sigma field equals to W boson mass within experimental uncertainties?

### 3. Comparison of the decay width to gamma pairs for pion like state and Higgs

As an example one can consider the decay rate of pion like state to gamma pairs using PCAC. Axial current anomaly tells that the divergence of the axial current is  $f_\pi m_\pi^2$  times pion field. Axial current divergence contains a part proportional to the instanton density for electromagnetic field and this defines the effective action allowing to calculate the production amplitude and rate for gamma pairs.

1. From Iztykson-Zuber the decay width of pion to two-gamma would be given as

$$\Gamma(\pi) = \frac{\alpha^2 m_\pi^2}{64\pi^2 f_\pi^2}.$$

$f_\pi$  is expected to be of order  $m_{pi}$ . Let us write  $f_\pi = X m_\pi$ .

2. The decay rates of Higgs can be found here. For the decay of Higgs to two photons the rate is

$$\Gamma(h) = \alpha^2 g_W^2 2^{-10} \pi^{-3} m_h^3 m_W^{-2}.$$

3. The ratio of these rates is for  $m(\pi) = m(h)$

$$r \equiv \frac{\Gamma(h)}{\Gamma(\pi)} = X^2 [\alpha \times \sin^2(\theta_W)]^{-1}.$$

For  $X = 91/140$  and  $m(h) = m(\pi) = 123.6$  GeV this gives  $r = 1.54$  and  $f(\pi) = m_W$ . The rate associated with the anomaly is about 2/3 of the prediction for Higgs. Taking this at face value would suggest that there is second contribution to the decay rate. It took time to realize that this must be the case: this was due to a human error: I confused  $r$  with its inverse value leading to the expectation that anomaly alone could be enough. In the next subsection the correct model will be discussed.

The decays to other gauge bosons can be treated in the similar manner. In the case of ZZ and WW only virtual states decaying to fermion pairs are possible but also in this case PCAC gives the vertex for the decay to virtual ZZ or WW pair and standard model vertices describe the decays of gauge bosons to lepton or quark pairs.

### 4. Comparison of the decay widths of Higgs and pion like states to fermions

The decays to fermion pairs would be mediated by two mechanisms.

1. Neutral  $M_{89}$  pion (spion) consists of superposition of p-adically scaled variant of  $u\bar{u}$  and  $d\bar{d}$  pair or a pair consisting of their spartners and by PCAC can be said to contain also a contribution expressible proportional to the sum of instanton densities of various gauge fields. In the lowest order the decays are expected to take mostly to  $u\bar{u}$  and  $d\bar{d}$  quark jet pairs and gamma pairs since the decay to WW and ZZ pairs is kinematically forbidden. Also the decays to gluon pairs are possible and produce hadronic jets. In Higgs scenario  $b\bar{b}$  and  $\tau\bar{\tau}$  are favored since direct decays to these are possible.

2. One can consider also higher order contributions to the decays. The pseudo-scalar couples democratically to all fermion pairs via the annihilation to virtual gauge boson ( $Z, W, \gamma$ , gluon) pair decaying to fermion pair. The couplings to gauge boson pairs are dictated by  $M_{89}$  generalization of PCAC and given by the instanton terms for gauge boson fields. This gives  $1/v^2$  proportionality with  $v = -f_\pi = X m_\pi$ . Similar factors appear also in Higgs decay rates as a consequence of Higgs mechanism and one expects the kinematical factors depending on mass to be essentially the same. The divergence of the fermionic contribution to the axial current is proportional to the mass of fermion so that the coupling to fermion pairs is proportional to fermion mass as in the case of Higgs boson.
3. The killer prediction is that for lepton pairs and also for quark pairs other than  $u\bar{u}$  and  $d\bar{d}$  the production is possible only in higher order. This should allow to distinguish between TGD and standard model. Reliable estimates for the decay rates of pion like states to all channels would be needed and should be compared with those for Higgs. At this moment most of the data is about  $\gamma\gamma$  decay mode. About  $ZZ$  there are only some events and fermion pairs the data is meager.

*Remark:* It must be warned that in TGD framework one has  $M^4 \times CP_2$  spinors and  $M^4$  scalars/pseudoscalars are necessarily  $CP_2$  vectors/axial vectors. This might mean some technical problems for  $M^4$  QFT limit.

#### 5. How to test the differences?

One can test this picture against Higgs hypothesis.

1. The presence of charged companions of Higgs like states is something new and a test for the scenario.
2. Signal cross sections have structure around 140 GeV and at both sides of 300 GeV. There are very clearly visible as peaks also in the probability  $p_0$  that the signal cross section can be understood in terms of background only. The believer on Higgs can only hope that these structures disappear with bigger statistics. The interpretation in terms of  $M_{89}$  mesons would be natural in TGD framework. For the higher pion like states the parameter  $X(\pi)$  must be smaller since the signal cross section is considerably below that predicted by standard model.

#### 6. Exotic pion like states: "infra-red" Regge trajectories or Shnoll effect?

The experimental claim is that pion is accompanied by pion like states with mass 60, 80, 100, 140, 181, 198, 215, 227.5, and 235 MeV means that besides pion also other pion like states should be there. Similar satellites have been observed for nucleons with ground state mass 934 MeV: the masses of the satellites are 1004, 1044, 1094 MeV. Also the signal cross sections for Higgs to gamma pairs at LHC suggest the existence of several pion and spion like states, and this was the reason why I decided to again search for data about this kind of states (I remembered vaguely that Tommaso Dorigo had talked about them but I failed to find the posting). What is their interpretation? One can imagine two explanations which could be also equivalent.

1. The states could be "infrared" Regge trajectories assignable to magnetic flux tubes of order Compton length of  $u$  and  $d$  quark (very long and with small string tension) could be the explanation. Hadron mass spectrum would have microstructure. This is something very natural in many-sheeted space-time with the predicted p-adic fractal hierarchy of physics. This conforms with the proposal that all baryons have the satellite states and that they correspond to stringy excitations of magnetic flux tubes assignable to quarks. Similar fine structure for nuclei is predicted for nuclei in nuclear string model [L2]. In fact, the first excited state for  ${}^4\text{He}$  has energy equal to 20 MeV not far from the average energy difference 17.5 MeV for the excited states of pion with energies 198, 215, and 227.5 MeV so that this state might correspond to an excitation of a color magnetic flux tube connecting two nucleons.
2. The p-adic model for Shnoll effect [K6] relies on universal modification of the notion of probability distribution based on the replacement of ordinary arithmetics with quantum arithmetics. Both the rational valued parameters characterizing the distribution and the integer or rational valued arguments of the distribution are replaced with quantum rationals. Quantum arithmetics

is characterized by quantum phase  $q = \exp(i2\pi/p)$  defined by the p-adic prime  $p$ . The primes in the decomposition of integer are replaced with quantum primes except  $p$  which remains as such. In canonical identification powers of  $p$  are mapped to their inverses. Quite generally, distributions with single peak are replaced with many peaked ones with sub-peak structure having number theoretic origin. A good example is Poisson distribution for which one has  $P(n) = \lambda^n/n!$ . The quantum Poisson distribution is obtained by replacing  $\lambda$  and  $n!$  with their quantum counterparts. Quantum Poisson distribution could apply in the case of resonance bump for which the number of count in a given mass squared interval is integer valued variable.

There are objections against Shnoll effect based explanation.

- (a) If the p-adic prime assignable to quark or hadron characterizes quantum arithmetics it is not distinguishable from ordinary arithmetics since the integers involved are certainly much smaller than say  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ . In the case of nuclear physics Shnoll effect involves small primes so that this argument is not water tight. For instance, if  $p = 107$  defines the quantum arithmetics, the effects would be visible in good enough resolution and one might even expect variations in the bump structure in the time scale of year.
- (b) The effect is present also for nucleons but the idea about a state with large width splitting into narrower bumps does not fit nicely with the stability of proton.

For Higgs like signals "infra-red" Regge trajectories/Shnoll effect would be visible as a splitting of wide bumps for pion and pion of  $M_{89}$  physics to sub-bumps. This oscillatory bumpy structure is certainly there but is regarded as a statistical artifact. It would be really fascinating to see this quantum deformation of the basic arithmetics at work even in elementary particle physics.

The prediction of the additional pion-like states is one of the predictions of TGD about hadron physics at low energies and one of the first tasks is to look quantitatively possible realizations of Shnoll effect in the case of resonances.

## 7.5 Is it really Higgs?

The discovery of the new spinless particle at LHC [C187, C198] is believed to be a turning point in physics, and for a full reason. Before discussing TGD based view about the discovery it is appropriate to discuss briefly the historical background to demonstrate that the answer to the question "Higgs or not Higgs?" indeed determines the path followed in future particle physics.

### 7.5.1 Background

#### GUT paradigm

The leading thread in the story of particle physics is GUT paradigm, which emerged for four decades ago. It however has its problems besides the fact that not a single thread of evidence has accumulated to support it.

1. The basic idea of GUTs is to put all fermions and bosons to multiplets of some big gauge group extending the standard model gauge group. This idea is applied also in the generalization of gauge theories to supersymmetric gauge theories and in superstring models. Scalar fields developing vacuum expectations define a key element of this approach and give hopes of obtaining a realistic mass spectrum. This rather simple minded approach would make unification an easy job. There are however difficulties.
2. One of the basic implications is that baryon and lepton numbers are not conserved separately. Proton decays would make this non-conservation manifest. These decays have not been however observed, and one of the challenges of the GUT based models is fine-tuning of couplings so that proton is long-lived enough. This raises the question whether one could somehow understand the separate conservation of  $B$  and  $L$  from basic principles.

- Putting all fermions in the same multiplet would suggest that the mass ratios for fermions should be simple algebraic numbers not too far from unity. Fermion families have however widely differing mass scales and the ratio of top quark mass scale to neutrino mass scale is gigantic. This suggests that fermion generations and even different charge states of fermions of single generation are characterized by inherent mass scales and do not belong to a multiplet of a big gauge group. Standard model gauge group would be the fundamental gauge group and the challenge would be to deduce it from some fundamental principles. In TGD framework number theoretical vision indeed leads to an explanation for standard model gauge group [K80].

It is also an empirical fact that fermion generations are identical copies of each other apart from widely different masses. This suggests some non-group theoretic explanation for family replication phenomenon. In TGD framework 2-D wormhole throats characterized topological by their genus in orientable category are the fundamental particle like objects. This provides a possible explanation for the family replication phenomenon. One must of course explain why genera higher than  $g = 2$  are heavy or absent from the spectrum, and one can indeed develop an argument for this based on the fact that  $g \leq 2$  2-surfaces allow always  $Z_2$  as conformal symmetries unlike  $g > 2$  2-surfaces [K19].

- Particle massivation in GUT framework is described by coupling the fermions and gauge bosons to a scalar field. The vacuum expectation values of the scalar fields define the mass scales. In the case of standard model one has only single scalar/Higgs field and by choosing the couplings to Higgs field to be proportional to fermion mass one can reproduce particle masses. Only a reproduction is in question and theory is certainly not microscopic. Vacuum expectation value (VEV) paradigm is central also for the inflationary cosmology - in fact for the entire theoretical particle physics developed during last decades. The no-existence of Higgs would force to return to the roots to the situation four decades ago. Therefore the new spinless particle could be a turning point in the history of physics, and it is easy to understand why the attitudes against or on behalf of Higgs interpretation are so passionate and why facts tend to be forgotten.

### How to achieve separate conservation of $B$ and $L$ ?

A possible manner to understand the separate conservation of both  $B$  and  $L$  would be via the identification of spinors as different chiralities of higher-dimensional spinors.

- This would however require the identification of color quantum numbers as angular momentum like quantum numbers assignable to partial waves in internal space. This is indeed the identification performed in TGD framework and  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  is the unique choice of imbedding space coding for the standard model quantum numbers. In TGD approach quarks and leptons correspond to different imbedding space chiralities, and this excludes Higgs as a genuine imbedding space scalar since it would couple to quark-lepton pairs. To get the couplings correctly Higgs should correspond to imbedding space vector having components only the direction of  $CP_2$  but it is rather difficult to imagine how gauge bosons could "eat" components of Higgs in this case. As a matter fact, Higgs components should be characterized by same charge matrices as weak bosons and would be a TGD counterpart for a mixture of scalar and pseudoscalar.
- Chiral invariance is indeed essential for the renormalizability of 4-D gauge theories. The absence of 8-D scalars would allow also a generalization of chiral invariance from 4-D to 8-D context implying separate conservation of  $B$  and  $L$ . This is the case even in string model framework if separate conservation of  $B$  and  $L$  is assumed. It is worth of mentioning that the separate conservation of  $B$  and  $L$  is not consistent with the standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY realized in terms of Majorana spinors. This is not a catastrophe since LHC has already excluded quite a considerable portion of parameter space for  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY.  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY however is and is generated in TGD framework by right-handed neutrino and its antiparticle.

There are however quite intricate delicacies involved discussed in detail in [K96]. For instance, the modes of covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor of  $CP_2$  generates 4-D generalization of super-conformal symmetry as modes delocalized into entire space-time surfaces whereas other modes are localized to 2-D surfaces and generate badly broken SUSY with very large value of  $\mathcal{N}$ . An open question is whether the  $\nu_R$  covariantly constant also in  $M^4$  degrees of freedom

could generate  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY analogous to the standard SUSY. In any case, TGD seems to be inconsistent with both scalar VEV paradigm and standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY.

3. p-Adic physics and p-adic length scale hypothesis allow to understand the widely different mass scales of fermions and various gauge bosons since p-adic prime and the primary p-adic length scale defined by it become the characterizers of elementary particle. Also the secondary p-adic length and time scales are important: for electron secondary p-adic time scale is .1 seconds and quite intriguingly the fundamental time scale of biology. p-Adic thermodynamics provides the microscopic theory of particle massivation leading to highly successful predictions not only for particle mass scale ratios but also for the particle masses. p-Adic primes near powers of two - in particular Mersenne primes - pop up naturally and define positive integer characterizing given particle. Number theory becomes the tool of understanding the mystery number  $10^{38}$  defined by the ratio of Planck mass and proton mass (this number is essentially the ratio of  $CP_2$  mass to electron mass) [K45].

If Higgs is needed in TGD framework at all, it might provide gauge bosons with longitudinal polarizations. Even this function seems to be un-necessary. Here so called zero energy ontology (ZEO) comes in rescue.

### Particle massivation from p-adic thermodynamics

p-Adic thermodynamics defines a core element of p-adic mass calculations [K19, K45, K54]. p-Adic thermodynamics is thermodynamics for the conformal scaling generator  $L_0$  in the tensor product representation of super-conformal algebra and the masses are fixed one the p-adic prime characterizing the particle is fixed. p-Adic length scale hypothesis  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  integer, implies an exponential sensitivity of the particle mass scale on  $k$  so that a fitting of particle masses is not possible.

1. The first thing that one can get worried about relates to the extension of conformal symmetries. If the conformal symmetries for light-like surfaces and  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  generalize to  $D = 4$ , how can one take seriously the results of p-adic mass calculations based on 2-D conformal invariance? There is actually no reason to worry. The reduction of the conformal invariance to 2-D one for the solutions of modified Dirac equation takes care of this problem [K96] This however requires that the fermionic contributions assignable to string world sheets and/or partonic 2-surfaces - Super- Kac-Moody contributions - dictate the elementary particle masses. For hadrons also super-symplectic contributions would be present and would give the dominating contribution to baryon masses.

The modes of right handed neutrino are delocalized to a 4-D region of space-time surface and characterized by two integers. The absence of all standard model interactions suggests that no thermalization takes place for them. These modes are de-localized either to a region of Euclidian signature identifiable as 4-D line of generalized Feynman graph or to a region of Minkowskian signature. Since modified gamma matrices vanish identically for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals one can ask whether the 4-D neutrino modes are associated only with Minkowskian regions. In this case the counterpart of  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY would assign spartner to a many-particle state rather than to elementary particle. This could explain for why LHC has not seen the analog of standard SUSY.

2. ZEO suggests that the wormhole throats carrying many-fermion states with parallel momenta are massless: this applies even to virtual wormhole throats [K89]. As a consequence, the twistor approach would work and the on mass shell kinematical constraints to the vertices would allow the cancellation of UV divergences. The 2-D Kac-Moody generators assignable to the boundaries of string world sheets would generate Yangian algebra [K92]. IR divergences would cancel because incoming and outgoing particles would be massive on mass shell particles as states involving several wormhole throats. The p-adic thermal expectation value is for the longitudinal  $M^2$  momentum squared rather than for the four-momentum squared (the definition of  $CD$  selects  $M^1 \subset M^2 \subset M^4$  as also does number theoretic vision). Also propagator would be determined by  $M^2$  momentum. Lorentz invariance would be achieved by averaging over the moduli for  $CD$  including also Lorentz boosts of  $CD$ .

3. In the original approach states with arbitrary large values of  $L_0^{tot}$  were allowed as physical states. Usually one would require that the generator  $L_0^{tot}$  of conformal scaling annihilates the states. In the calculations however mass squared was assumed to be proportional  $L_0^{tot}$  apart from vacuum contribution. This is a questionable assumption. ZEO suggests that total mass squared vanishes and that one can decompose mass squared to a sum of longitudinal and transversal parts. If one can do the same decomposition for the longitudinal and transverse parts also for the Super Virasoro algebra, one can calculate longitudinal mass squared as a p-adic thermal expectation of  $L_0^{tr}$  in the transversal Super-Virasoro algebra and only states with  $L_0^{tot} = 0$  would contribute and one would have conformal invariance in the standard sense. The decomposition is indeed possible since longitudinal parts correspond to pure gauge degrees of freedom.

Thermodynamics - or rather, its square root - would become part of quantum theory in ZEO.  $M$ -matrix is indeed product of hermitian square root of density matrix multiplied by unitary  $S$ -matrix and defines the entanglement coefficients between positive and negative energy parts of zero energy state. Different  $M$ -matrices orthogonal to each other with respect to trace become rows of the unitary  $U$ -matrix.

4. The crucial constraint is that the number of super-conformal tensor factors is  $N = 5$ : this suggests that thermodynamics applied in Super-Kac-Moody degrees of freedom assignable to string world sheets is enough if one is interested in the masses of fermions and gauge bosons. Super-symplectic degrees of freedom can also contribute and determine the dominant contribution to baryon masses. Should also this contribution obey p-adic thermodynamics in the case when it is present? Or does the very fact that this contribution need not be present mean that it is not thermal? The symplectic contribution should correspond to hadronic p-adic length scale rather the much longer (!) p-adic length scale assignable to say u quark (this paradoxical looking result can be understood in terms of uncertainty principle and the assignment of quarks to the color magnetic body of hadron). Hadronic p-adic mass squared and partonic p-adic mass squared cannot be summed since primes are different. If one accepts the basic rules [K54], longitudinal energy and momentum are additive as indeed assumed in perturbative QCD.
5. Calculations work if the vacuum expectation value of the mass squared must be assumed to be tachyonic. There are two options depending on whether one whether p-adic thermodynamics gives total mass squared or longitudinal mass squared.
  - (a) One could argue that the total mass squared has naturally tachyonic ground state expectation since for massless extremals (MEs, topological light rays [K12]) longitudinal momentum is light-like and transversal momentum squared is necessary present and non-vanishing by the localization to topological light ray of finite thickness of order p-adic length scale. Transversal degrees of freedom would be modeled with a particle in a box.
  - (b) If longitudinal mass squared is what is calculated, the condition would require that transversal momentum squared is negative so that instead of plane wave like behavior exponential damping would be required. This would conform with the localization in transversal degrees of freedom.

This is the general picture. One crucially important implication is that gauge conditions in Lorentz gauge must be modified. Only longitudinal  $M^2$  momentum appears in the propagators (recall that total mass squared vanishes and cannot appear in the propagator if virtual particles are massless). Therefore only  $M^2$  momentum appears in gauge conditions:  $p_L \cdot \epsilon = 0$  holds true and implies that also longitudinal polarization is allowed. Massivation is also unavoidable. The first guess for gauge boson state is as a wormhole contact containing fermion and anti-fermion at 3-D light-like wormhole throats. One must have spin 1 but since fermion and anti-fermion are massless they must have non-parallel 3-momenta in order to have parallel spins. For instance, they could have parallel and massive longitudinal momenta but non-parallel transverse momenta. The longitudinal mass squared would be in general non-vanishing and hence mass squared as the average over moduli of  $CD$  involving also integration over Lorentz boosts of  $CD$ . Higgs is not needed in TGD framework and its possible TGD counterpart seems also incapable of fulfilling its functions.

### Could a TGD counterpart of scalar boson have useful functions in TGD Universe?

The social pressures tending to force the interpretation of the new resonance as Higgs are rather strong and most bloggers seem to take this interpretation as granted. In this kind of situation theoretician with visions deviating from the mainstream thinking of course feels excitement and stress. I am not an exception to this rule. What if the production rate and branching ratios are those predicted by standard model? Is my vision wrong in this case? How it could be wrong? Can I modify it without losing something essential?

Recall that standard model Higgs has two functions. Higgs VEV gives masses for fermions and weak gauge bosons and Higgs gives longitudinal components for massive gauge bosons. Could one have Higgs like states performing only one or none of these functions?

1. In TGD framework fermion massivation by Higgs vacuum expectation is replaced by p-adic thermodynamics giving the dominant contribution to the longitudinal mass squared  $p_L^2$  (all particle states are massless at fundamental level). One cannot however exclude scalar vacuum expectations giving a small corrections to fermion masses. p-Adic thermodynamics as a microscopic mechanism of fermion massivation is so beautiful and predictive that it beats massivation based on Higgs expectation, which in TGD framework can be seen as a phenomenological parametrization at best.
2. In the case of weak gauge bosons p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n$  would be probably smaller ( $T \leq 1/2$  instead of  $T = 1$  for fermions) and the analog of Higgs expectation could give a significant or even dominating contribution to weak gauge boson masses. There are however conceptual problems. What is the TGD counterpart of Higgs VEV? Does it characterize coherent state? Does this expectation have classical space-time correlate as gauge bosons have?

What about the second function of Higgs as a provider of longitudinal polarizations for massive gauge bosons?

1. TGD allows to imagine the existence of analogs of Higgs like states [K48] (see the previous posting). They generalize the notions of scalar and pseudo-scalar in Minkowski space to vector and pseudo-vector in 8-D imbedding space with components only in  $CP_2$  directions defining the analogs of polarizations. These states appear always as singlet and charged triplet and are very much analogous to 1+3 formed by electroweak gauge bosons.
2. In standard model the three components of standard model Higgs also provide the longitudinal components of weak bosons W and Z. ZEO allows to understand the massivation of spin 1 bosons as something unavoidable without the need for Higgs like particle and I do not have any elegant proposal how the possible scalar 1+3 could transform to longitudinal components of weak bosons and single neutral Higgs. Thus there is a tendency to conclude that if Higgs like states exist in TGD Universe they appear as full multiplets 1+3 containing also charged states as physical particles.

I could of course be wrong! Maybe Higgs could after all manage to serve as a provider of longitudinal polarizations. Could one imagine the classical counterparts of gauge bosons eating Higgs components in classical TGD? To get some perspective, consider modified Dirac equation for induced spinors at preferred extremals of Kähler action.

1. For the TGD counterparts of induced Dirac equation both gamma matrices and gauge potentials appearing in the modified Dirac equation are induced from those of imbedding space by simply projecting them to the space-time surface. This implies that induced gamma matrices contain also  $CP_2$  part. This gives rise to new kind of couplings proportional to the contraction of gauge potential with  $CP_2$  part of induced gamma matrices.

Induced gamma matrices are actually replaced by modified gamma matrices defined by Kähler action to obtain supersymmetry and internal consistency of the theory but the conclusion remains the same. Modified gamma matrices are proportional to Maxwell energy momentum tensor expressible in terms of Einstein equations using Einstein tensor and metric for the proposed ansatz for preferred extremals. Could these couplings involving energy momentum tensor and thus mass mimic Higgs couplings? I do not regard this interpretation as plausible.

- Quantum classical correspondence requires the existence of classical counterparts of quanta, also Higgs. My inability to imagine any convincing candidate has been one of the reasons for my skepticism concerning Higgs like states. While writing this I however decided to try once again. I failed but learned that em charge as isospin like quantum number for fermions should be conserved in TGD classically - something very non-trivial that I have taken as granted and shown to be true only for the octonionic representation of imbedding space gamma matrices [K29].

Therefore it seems that the possibility to realize the longitudinal polarizations of weak gauge bosons using Higgs like states are rather meager.

### Could the conservation of em charge allow to identify unitary gauge and from this classical Higgs field?

An important aspect of the standard model Higgs mechanism is that it respects em charge leaving photons massless. In standard model the conservation of em charge defined as isospin like quantum number is non-trivial since the presence of classical gauge fields induces transitions between different charge states of fermions. In second quantization this problem is circumvented by replacing classical gauge fields with quantized ones. The so called unitary gauge defined by a gauge transformation depending on Higgs fields allows to express the action in terms of physical (in general massive) fields and makes charge conservation explicit. How the conservation of em charge is obtained in TGD?

- Doesn't one have the same problem but as a much worse variant since classical long range electro-weak gauge fields are unavoidable in TGD and there is no path integral but preferred extremals? Could it make sense to speak about unitary gauge also in TGD framework? Could one turn around this idea to derive classical Higgs from the possibly existing gauge transformation to unitary gauge? The answer is negative. There is actually no need for the unitary gauge.

As a matter fact, the conservation for em charge in spinorial sense leads to the earlier conjecture that the solutions of the modified Dirac equations are localized at 2-D surfaces whose ends define braid strands at space-like 3-surfaces at the ends of causal diamonds and at the light-like 3-surfaces connecting them and defining lines for generalized Feynman diagrams. This picture was earlier derived from the notion of finite measurement resolution implying discretization at the level of partonic 2-surfaces and also from number theoretical vision suggesting that basic objects correspond to 2-D commutative and co-commutative identifiable as sub-manifolds of 4-D associative and co-associated surfaces.

- The point is that the Kähler form of  $CP_2$  is covariantly constant and one can identify covariantly constant em charge as a matrix of form  $Q = aI + bJ_{kl}\Sigma^{kl}$ : the coefficients  $a$  and  $B$  are different for quarks and leptons (different chiralities of H-spinors). This matrix is covariantly constant also with respect to the induced spinor structure and commutes with Dirac operator (be it the TGD counterpart of the ordinary massless Dirac operator or modified Dirac operator). Therefore one should be able to choose the modes of induced spinor field to have a well-defined em charge at each point of space-time surface. The covariantly constant Kähler form of  $CP_2$  is an important element in making possible the conservation of em charge and derives from the supersymmetry generated by covariantly constant right-handed neutrino. This is however not enough as it became clear.
- Rather unexpectedly, the challenge of understanding the charge conservation in the spinorial sense led to a breakthrough in understanding of the modes of the modified Dirac equation. The condition for conservation leads to three separate analogs of Dirac equations and the two additional ones are satisfied if em charged projections of the generalized energy momentum currents defining components of modified gamma matrices vanish. If these components define Beltrami fields expressible as products  $j = \Psi\nabla\Phi$  the conditions can be satisfied for  $\Psi = 0$ . Since  $\Psi$  is complex or hyper-complex, the conditions are satisfied for 2-dimensional surfaces of space-time surfaces identifiable as string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces. This picture was earlier derived from various arguments. Em charge conservation does not there give rise to a counterpart of unitary gauge but leads to a bridge between modified Dirac equation and general view about quantum TGD based on generalization of super-conformal invariance.



Higgsteria had therefore at least one very positive impact in TGD framework! Note that only slightly earlier emerged the construction recipe for preferred extremals of Kähler action based on a generalization of minimal surface equations of string models to 4-D context and generalizing the 2-D conformal invariance to its four-dimensional analog. This had also a surprising and very pleasant outcome: Einstein's equations with cosmological term follow as consistency conditions for the reduction of field equations to purely algebraic conditions solved by assuming that Euclidian space-time region has hermitian structure and Minkowskian region its counterpart that I have christened Hamilton-Jacobi structure. This simplified considerably the vision about the representations of super-conformal symmetries [K96].

### 7.5.2 $M_{89}$ hadron physics instead of Higgs?

The original interpretation for 125 GeV state was as a pion-like state of scaled up copy of hadron physics. Two-photon decay and also the decays to other weak bosons and perhaps even gluons would be due to axial anomaly and involve only gauge boson loops. It however turned out that this does not work: the group theoretic properties of pion ( $3 + 1$  under weak  $u(2)$ ) are not correct, and the assumption of  $M^4$  QFT limit leads to the analog of Higgs mechanism in which some components of pion are eaten. Therefore one must modify the hypothesis by replacing  $M_{89}$  pion with something pion-like, which turned out to be its Euclidian counterpart transforming as  $2 + \bar{2}$  under weak  $u(2)$ . In the following the development of the idea is described in more detail.

#### Scaled copies of hadron physics as a basic prediction of TGD

One of the most surprising "almost-predictions" of TGD is the possibility of scaled variants of hadron physics.

1. Ordinary hadron physics is characterized by Mersenne prime  $M_n = 2^n - 1$ ,  $n = 107$ . There are also other physically interesting Mersenne primes.  $M_{127}$  corresponds to electron and has been tentatively assigned to electro-hadron physics for which color octet states of electron replace color triplet of quarks. Muon corresponds to Gaussian Mersenne  $M_{G,n} = (1 + i)^n - 1$ ,  $n = 113$ , and  $\tau$  to the hadronic Mersenne prime  $M_n$ ,  $n = 107$ .
2. There is evidence for lepto-hadron physics associated with these charged leptons too [K84].
3. The masses of current quarks are from QCD estimates in 10 MeV scale and there exists some evidence for Regge trajectories in 20 MeV string tension. The interpretation would be in terms of magnetic flux tubes associated with the "magnetic body" of the hadron and the question. It however seems that  $M_{127}$  variant of hadron physics with characteristic mass scale of order .5 MeV cannot be in question.
4. In biologically relevant length scale range ranging from cell membrane thickness (10 nm) to the size scale of cell nucleus about  $5 \mu\text{m}$  there are as many as four Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,n}$  corresponding to  $n = 151, 157, 163, 167$ . Dark matter identified as phases with non-standard value of effective Planck constant coming as integer multiple of ordinary Planck constant is essential for what it is to be living in TGD Universe. The dark matter residing at magnetic flux quanta could correspond to quarks and gluons free in the size scale involved.

$M_{89}$  corresponds to a candidate for a hadron physics with mass scale of hadron physics scaled up by a factor 512: this corresponds to TeV range. For instance, proton mass of order .94 GeV would be scaled up to about 500 GeV. General arguments suggests that some new physics must emerge at TeV energy scale. Could it be that  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is this new physics? If so then the identification of 125 GeV resonance as a pion-like state of the new hadron physics would be natural. It should be easy to kill this hypothesis at LHC since entire spectroscopy of hadron like states is predicted and the experience from QCD allows to predict the dynamics of these states. p-Adic mass calculations in turn allow to estimate the mass spectrum using simple scaling arguments.

### Is it really Higgs?

After the first wave of Higgsteria the attitudes to the discovery at LHC have become more realistic and i "Higgs discovery" is indeed transforming to "discovery". I of course feel empathy for those who have spent their professional career by doing calculations with Higgs: it is not pleasant to find that something totally different might be in question. In the latest New Scientist [C243] the problems are acknowledged and summarized.

For most decay channels the rates differ from standard model predictions considerably [C56]. In particular, gamma gamma decay rate is about three times too high and tau lepton pairs are not produced at all. This is very alarming since Higgs should couple to leptons with coupling proportional to its mass. It is becoming clear that it is not standard model Higgs. People have begun to talk about "Higgs like" state since nothing else they do not have because technicolor scenario is experimentally excluded. The surplus of gamma pairs is an important hint and suggests an additional decay channel to gamma pairs. The recent data from ATLAS (see figure 10 [C57]) support the Higgs like behavior for the decays to Z and W pairs. The decay rates to tau pairs and to b pairs in associated production together with W are lower than predict.

Statistical fluctuations could be in question but the spokesperson Fabiola Gianotti says that "It could well be that it's not the standard model Higgs boson" and later continues "When the uncertainties become even smaller, when we have even more data and more studies, we'll be able to understand better the properties of this particle, if it's a Higgs boson or a more exotic object". So we still do not know if it is Higgs, Higgs like particle, or something else.

The most natural - albeit not the only possible - TGD identification is as a pion-like state. This would mean that it is pseudo-scalar: also SUSY predicts pseudo-scalar as one of the several Higgses.

The basic predictions of TGD scenario deserve to be summarized.

1. Also two charged and one neutral companion of the effective pseudo-scalar should exist. This is because pseudo-scalar must be replaced by imbedding space axial vector having only  $CP_2$  components (4) forming electroweak triplet and singled just as ew gauge bosons do. The identification as  $CP_2$  tangent space vector looks promising at first but it is difficult to imagine how charged components of Higgs could be eaten by weak bosons.
2. ATLAS and CMS see their Higgs candidates at slightly different masses: mass difference is about 1 GeV. Could this mean that the predicted two neutral states contribute and have been already observed? Could this also explain the too large decay rate to two gammas.

One can however counter-argue that ordinary pion has no neutral companion of same mass. In hadronic sigma model it has scalar companion with which it forms 1+3 multiplet of  $SO(4)$ , the tangent space group of  $CP_2$  reducing to  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$  identifiable as  $U(2) \subset SU(3)$  in the concrete representation of pion states. Could one think that this is the case also now and sigma develops vacuum expectation analogous to that of Higgs determining most of the couplings just as in sigma model for ordinary hadrons? The problem is that the neutral component should be scalar.

Could one get rid of the additional sigma state?  $CP_2$  allows two geodesic spheres and the homologically trivial one allows  $SO(3)$  as isometries instead of  $U(2)$ . In this case one would have naturally  $SO(3)$  triplet instead of 3+1 and no sigma boson. For the four kaon like states one would have 3+1 naturally. This could distinguish between pion-like and kaon-like multiplets also in the ordinary hadron physics [K48]. What is genuinely new that strong isospin groups  $U(2)$  and  $SO(3)$  would reduce to subgroups of color group in spinor representation.

3. If there is pion-like state there, it is pseudo-scalar: this might become clear during this year. SUSY people would identify it as one of the SUSY Higgses.
4. Pion-like states consist of "scaled up" quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and they prefer to decay to hadrons. Lepton pairs are produced only in higher order via box diagrams with weak boson pair as vertical edges and quark line and lepton line as horizontal edges. This explains why tau pairs are not observed. The fastest decays could take place to two gluons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics transforming to ordinary gluons in turn decaying to quarks and producing jets.
5. The simplest option is that effective action for decays to weak gauge bosons is instanton action assignable to axial current anomaly. WW production rate is consistent with standard Higgs and

this fixes the coefficient of the instanton term if one assumes that electroweak symmetry is not broken so that  $\gamma$ ,  $Z$ , and  $W$  would have different coefficients.

6. Associated production of  $b\bar{b} + W$  has been observed as predicted. In TGD  $b\bar{b}$  would correspond to decay to two gluons annihilating to quark pair. Light quark pairs would be produced much more than in Higgs decays where Higgs-quark coupling is proportional to quark mass.
7. What is intriguing that the plots for the ratio of observed cross section divided by standard model prediction as a function of Higgs mass show periodically occurring peaks as a function of Higgs mass with period of order 20 GeV. This might be of course a mere artifact related to the size of data bin and probably is and also to the character of the plot. There is however intriguing similarity with the reported existence of satellites of ordinary pion with period of order 20-40 MeV. By scaling 40 MeV by a factor 512 one obtains 20 GeV. Could the 145 GeV state reported earlier by CDF collaboration [C45] correspond to this kind of state?

What experimenters have to say about these predictions after year is interesting. The discovery of charged partners, too low rate for the decays to lepton pairs, and too fast decays to light quark pairs would destroy the Higgs interpretation.

### Minkowskian pion as Higgs like state?

The original idea for the identification of Higgs like particle as Euclidian pion came from the model for the model of leptopions via a formation of coherent state of leptopions generated by the electromagnetic instanton term assignable to the strong electric and magnetic field of colliding hea by nuclei near the Coulomb wall [K84]. In this model the instanton term was inspired by the basic PCAC giving rise to axial anomaly stating that pion field is proportional to the instanton density. This simple argument can be refined so that it allows to have a linear coupling between pion like state and instanton density.

1. One should realize the linear coupling of Higgs like pion to instanton density. The problem is that  $Tr(F \wedge F\pi)$  since  $\pi$  does not make sense as such since  $\pi$  is defined in terms of gamma matrices of  $CP_2$  and  $F$  in terms of sigma matrices. The gamma matrices of the imbedding space allow octonionic representation as tensor products of 2-D Pauli sigma matrices and octonion units [K29]: this provides one manner to define the notion of quaternionicity for the space-time surface. In this representation  $CP_2$  gamma matrices span naturally the complement of quaternionic sub-space and their commutators define sigma matrices proportional to octonion units in quaternionic sub-space assignable to  $M^4$ .  $F$  and  $*F$  are proportional to octonion units in the complement of quaternionic sub-space and the cross product  $F \times *F$  defined as quaternionic commutator and  $H$  are proportional to quaternionic gamma matrices. Hence the quaternionic inner product  $\pi \cdot (F \times *F)$  is well-defined and non-vanishing and defines a generalization of the action term linear in pion. Note that it is necessary to use instanton term since  $F \times F$  not only vanishes but is also excluded by parity conservation.
2. The construction of preferred extremals [K96] however suggests that the cross product  $F \times *F$  is identically vanishing for a given Minkowskian space-time sheet. At  $M^4$  QFT limit one can however assume that the effects of parallel space-time sheets superpose for a particle topologically condensed on both space-time sheets. The superposition of fields expresses this at QFT limit. In the recent case  $F$  and  $*F$  could be interpreted as the fields at space-time sheets associated with the colliding hadrons or quarks.
3. This interaction term could appear in the analog of Higgs potential for  $3 + 1$  decomposition but would give a vanishing coupling of Higgs like particle to both  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  boson which would therefore remain massless. Hence only  $2 + \bar{2}$  pion like state defined as a vector in the the complement of  $u(2) \subset su(3)$  can define Euclidian pion serving as a candidate for a Higgs like state whereas  $3 + 1$  defines naturally the Minkowskian pion.
4. If the action density contains only the mass term  $m^2\pi^2/2$  plus instanton term  $\frac{1}{32\pi^2 f_\pi} \pi I$ , where  $I$  is the instanton density, one obtains the standard PCAC relation between the vacuum expectation of the pion field and instanton density.

$$\pi_0 = \frac{1}{32\pi^2 f_{pi} m_\pi^2} I .$$

This relation appears also in the model for leptopion production [?]

5. What about the identification of kaon? Ordinary strong interaction physics would suggest identification as a Minkowskian counterpart of  $2 + \bar{2}$  with a small CP breaking so that  $3 + 1$  cannot be excluded. If the  $CP_2$  projection of Minkowskian regions is indeed 3-dimensional as the construction of preferred extremals suggests then only 3  $CP_2$  polarizations are realized for same particle. Could this relate to the fact that  $K^0$  and  $\bar{K}^0$  have slightly different masses?

### Decay rate of Minkowskian pion to gamma pairs

A pion-like state transforming as  $3 + 1$  cannot correspond to Higgs since the it would leave  $Z$  boson massless. One can however ask whether this kind of vacua with massless  $Z$  and photon field could be realized and I have indeed proposed that in TGD inspired quantum biology a vacuum allowin massless  $Z$  is realized (model for the cell membrane [K24]).

Just for fun one can check if the decay rate to gamma pairs is realistic in this case. This exercise also gives idea about what kind of expression one can expect for the decay rate in  $2 + \bar{2}$  case: one actually expects that the decay rate is modified by some numerical factors only.

Consider the decay rate of pion like state to gamma pairs using PCAC. Axial current anomaly tells that the divergence  $\partial_\mu A^\mu$  of the axial current equals to  $f_\pi m_\pi^2 \pi_0$ , where  $\pi_0$  is the neutral pion field. Axial current divergence contains a part proportional to the instanton density for electromagnetic field and this defines the effective action allowing to calculate the production amplitude and rate for gamma pairs.

1. From Iztykson-Zuber [B13] the decay width of pion to two-gamma would be given as

$$\Gamma(\pi) = \frac{\alpha^2 m_\pi^2}{64\pi^2 f_\pi^2} .$$

$f_\pi$  is expected to be of order  $m_{pi}$ . Let us write  $f_\pi = X m_\pi$ .

2. The decay rates of Higgs can be found here [B14]. For the decay of Higgs to two photons the rate is

$$\Gamma(h) = \alpha^2 g_W^2 2^{-10} \pi^{-3} m_h^3 m_W^{-2} .$$

The prediction is exactly the same in the case of  $M_{89}$  pion. One only replaces scalar with pseudoscalar and Higgs vacuum expectation with that for pseudoscalar and given by PCAC anomaly expressible in terms of instanton density for classical induced em field  $F_{em}$  associated with the space-time sheet assignable to colliding quarks and defining the hadronic space-time sheet for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics (note that this space-time sheet could be also associated with colliding protons).

$$\pi_0(vac) = -\frac{1}{32\pi^2 m_\pi^2 f_\pi} \times I , \quad I = \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} F_{em}^{\alpha\beta} F_{em}^{\gamma\delta} = 2E \cdot B .$$

Here  $F_{em}$  is defined by identifying gauge potential as  $eA_{mu}$ , which corresponds to the classical gauge potentials in TGD. It is essential that the induced electric and magnetic fields are non-orthogonal: this is true if  $CP_2$  projection of space-time sheet has dimension larger than  $d = 2$ : this is actually always the case for preferred extremals so that the generation of the analog of Higgs expectation is basic phenomenon in TGD Universe but does not give rise to massivation. Instanton density  $I$  appears as a parameter which is in the first approximation constant.

3. The ratio of these rates is for  $m(\pi) = m(h)$

$$r \equiv \frac{\Gamma(h)}{\Gamma(\pi)} = X^2[\alpha \times \sin^2(\theta_W)]^{-1} .$$

Some comments about the result are in order.

- (a) For  $X = 93/135$  holding true for the ordinary neutral pion  $\pi_0$  and  $m(h) = m(\pi) = 125$  GeV this gives  $r = 1.63$  and  $f(\pi) = 1.07m_W$ . Therefore the contribution from the axial anomaly is .61 times the contribution of the gauge kinetic term to the decay rate assuming that the contributions of the amplitudes do not interfere. Interference effects can change the situation. Therefore PCAC anomaly alone is not enough and the prediction for the ratio  $r \equiv \frac{\Gamma(h)+\Gamma(\pi)}{\Gamma(h)}$  is 1.61 times higher than predicted by Higgs. Constructive interference can give rise to 3.17 times larger rate and destructive interference to rate which is only .05 of the rate predicted by Higgs alone.

The relative phase of the amplitudes from anomaly and kinetic term is expected to vary and the first guess is that the interference term gives a vanishing contribution average contribution. Local constructive interference in phase space would allow to understand the local values of  $r$  above 1.61. The ratio of the observed Higgs to gamma pair signal cross section to the predicted one is certainly consistent with this picture! Note that the anomalous contribution is present also for W and Z since instanton term is non-Abelian and only its vacuum expectation value is Abelian. This means that also the rates to W and Z pairs are enhanced as indeed observed by ATLAS.

- (b) The value of  $I$  characterizing the hadronic space-time sheet appears in the kinetic term responsible for the decays and also in the model for the production rate. The expression for the decay rate to gamma pairs involves a relation between Higgs vacuum expectation and Higgs mass provided by standard model. This relationship need not be same for the pion like state.

One cannot predict absolute production rates without a detailed model for the electric and magnetic fields of colliding quarks or protons predicting the instanton density  $I$ . This kind of model has been proposed in [K84].

### Windows to $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

Concerning the experimental testing of the theory one should have a clear answer to the question concerning the window to  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. One can imagine several alternative windows.

1. The production  $M_{89}$  pions in strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields of colliding charged particles provides a possible window to  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. In this case one must consider  $M^4$  QFT limit since the electric and magnetic fields are associated with the space-time sheets assignable to the colliding charged particles. If pions are the only window to the new hadron physics, the production of other  $M_{89}$  hadrons should take place via the reactions of the pions of  $M_{89}$  pion condensate producing other  $M_{89}$  hadrons.
2. If the instanton density is non-vanishing at microscopic level one has a portal to what might be regarded as weak physics via production of Higgs like states.
3. I have also considered a window which involves transformation of ordinary gluons to those of  $M_{89}$  physics and also direct transformation of ordinary hadronic space-time sheet to that of  $M_{89}$  physics. Two gluon states transforming to  $M_{89}$  gluons could be one possibility proposed earlier. The model contains a dimensional parameter with dimensions of mass squared characterizing the amplitude for the transformation of  $M_{107}$  gluon to  $M_{89}$  gluon. Both these p-adic length scales are natural parameters defining the dimensional parameter: the product of corresponding p-adic mass scales is the most natural guess.
4. Electroweak gauge bosons correspond to closed flux tubes decomposing to long and short parts. Two short flux tubes associated with the two wormhole contacts connecting the opposite throats define the "Higgsy" pions. Two long flux tubes connect two wormhole contacts at distance of

order weak length scale and define  $M_{89}$  pions and mesons in the more general case. This allows an interpretation as electroweak "de-confinement" transition producing  $M_{89}$  mesons and possibly also baryons. This kind of transition would be rather natural and would not require any specific mechanisms. Maybe the interpretation as a portal to  $M_{89}$  hadron physics makes sense.

### Connection with dark matter searches?

An additional fascinating thread to the story comes from the attempts to detect dark matter. The prediction of TGD approach is that dark matter resides at magnetic flux tubes as phases with large value of Planck constant and that dark energy corresponds to the magnetic energy of the flux tubes and is characterized by a gigantic value of (effective) Planck constant [K28]. This leads to a rather detailed vision about cosmic evolution with magnetic energy replacing the vacuum energy assigned with inflaton fields. The decay of the magnetic flux tubes rather than vacuum expectation of inflaton field would create ordinary matter and dark matter [K72].

The results of the dark matter searches are inconclusive. Some groups claim the detection of what they identify as dark matter [C94, C183], some groups see nothing [C102, C78]. The analysis is sensitive to the assumptions made and if the assumption that dark matter corresponds to WIMPs - say neutralino of standard SUSY- the analysis might fail. Second source of failure relates to the distribution of dark matter. For instance, the standard assumption about spherical halos around galaxies might be wrong and TGD indeed suggests that this particular form of dark matter is concentrate string like magnetic flux tubes containing galaxies around it like pearls in a necklace.

It has been reported that the nearby space around Earth does not contain dark matter [E6]. On the other hand, evidence for string like magnetic flux tubes containing dark matter and connecting galactic clusters has been reported [E5]. Even if dark matter candidates are detected, they could be fake since the particles in question could be created in atmosphere in the collisions of highly energetic cosmic rays creating hadrons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics: certain mysterious cosmic ray events with ultra high energies could be indeed due to  $M_{89}$  hadron physics [K49].

Independent positive reports come from groups studying the data from Fermi satellite in the hope of identifying particles of galactic dark matter. 3 sigma evidence has been represented for the claim that there is signal for dark particle with mass around 130 GeV [C263]. Gamma pairs would be produced in the annihilation of particles with this mass. Another group [C119] reports a signal at the same energy but argues that due to kinematical effects this signal actually corresponds to a particle with a mass of about 145 GeV: similar signal was earlier reported earlier by CDF at Fermilab [C45]. Also some indications for a signal at 110 GeV is proposed by the latter group: direct extrapolation to take into account the kinematical effects would suggest a particle at 125 GeV. It has been also claimed that the signal is too strong to be interpreted as neutralino, the main candidate for a WIMP defining dark matter in the standard sense [C256]. This is a further blow against standard SUSY. If the Higgs candidate is actually a pionlike state of scaled up variant of hadron physics, one can ask whether  $M_{89}$  hadron physics could be active in the extreme conditions of the galactic center and lead to a copious production of pionlike state of  $M_{89}$  physics annihilating and decaying to gamma pairs.

### 7.5.3 Pseudo-scalar Higgs as Euclidian pion?

The preceding observations and earlier work suggest that pionlike states in TGD framework could be analogous to Higgs like particles. This raises questions. Assuming that QFT in  $M^4$  is a reasonable approximation, does a modification of standard model Higgs mechanism allow to approximate TGD description? What aspects of Higgs mechanism remain intact when Higgs is replaced with pseudo-scalar? Could these aspects be assignable to the massivation of weak gauge bosons?

The key idea allowing to answer these questions is that "Higgsy" pion and ordinary  $M_{89}$  pion are not one and the same thing: the first one corresponds to Euclidian flux tube and the latter one to Minkowskian flux tube and they transform according to  $2+\bar{2}$  and  $3+1$  under  $u(2) \subset su(3)$  respectively.

Hegel would say that one begins with thesis about Higgs, represents anti-thesis replacing Higgs with pion, and ends up with a synthesis in which Higgs is transformed to pseudo-scalar Higgs, "Higgsy" pion, or Higgs like state if you wish! Higgs certainly loses its key role in the massivation of fermions.

### Can one assume that $M^4$ QFT limit exists?

The above approach assumes implicitly - as all comparisons of TGD with experiment - that  $M^4$  QFT limit of TGD exists. The analysis of the assumptions involved with this limit helps also to understand what happens in the generation of "Higgsy" pions.

1. QFT limit involves the assumption that quantum fields and also classical fields superpose in linear approximation. This is certainly not true at given space-time sheet since the number of field like is only four by General Coordinate Invariance. The resolution of the problem is simple: only the effects of fields carried by space-time sheets superpose and this takes place in multiple topological condensation of the particle on several space-time sheets simultaneously. Therefore  $M^4$  QFT limit can make sense only for many-sheeted space-time.
2. The light-like 3-surfaces representing lines of Feynman graphs effectively reduce to braid strands and are just at the light-like boundary between Minkowskian and Euclidian regions so that the fermions at braid strands can experience the presence of the instanton density also in the more fundamental description. The constancy of the instanton density can hold true in a good approximation at braid strands. Certainly the  $M^4$  QFT limit treats Euclidian regions as 1-dimensional lines so that instanton density is replaced with its average.
3. In particular, the instanton density can be non-vanishing for  $M^4$  limit since  $E$  and  $B$  at different space-time sheets can superpose at QFT limit although only their effects superpose in the microscopic theory. At given space-time sheet  $I$  can be non-vanishing only in Euclidian regions representing lines of generalized Feynman graphs.
4. The mechanism leading to the creation of pion like states is assumed to be the presence of strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields accompanying colliding charged particles [K84]: this of course in  $M^4$  QFT approximation. Microscopically this corresponds to the presence of separate space-time sheets for the colliding particles. The generation of "Higgsy" pion condensate or pion like states must involve formation of wormhole contacts representing the "Higgsy" pions. These wormhole contacts must connect the space-time sheets containing strong electric and magnetic fields.

### Higgs like pseudo-scalar as Euclidian pion?

The recent view about the construction of preferred extremals predicts that in Minkowskian space-time regions the  $CP_2$  projection is at most 3-D. In Euclidian regions  $M^4$  projection satisfies similar condition. As a consequence, the instanton density vanishes in Minkowskian regions and pion can generate vacuum expectation only in Euclidian regions. Long Minkowskian flux tubes connecting wormhole contacts would correspond to pion like states and short Euclidian flux tubes connecting opposite wormhole throats to "Higgsy" pions.

1. If pseudo-scalar pion like state develops a vacuum expectation value the QFT limit, it provides weak gauge bosons with longitudinal components just as in the case of ordinary Higgs mechanism. Pseudo-scalar boson vacuum expectation contributes to the masses of weak bosons and predicts correctly the ratio of W and Z masses. If p-adic thermodynamics gives a contribution to weak boson masses it must be small as observed already earlier. Higgs like pion cannot give dominant contributions to fermion masses but small radiative correction to fermion masses are possible.

Photon would be massless in 4-D sense unlike weak bosons. If ZEO picture is correct, photon would have small longitudinal mass and should have a third polarization. One must of course remain critical concerning the proposal that longitudinal  $M^2$  momentum replaces momentum in gauge conditions. Certainly only longitudinal momentum can appear in propagators.

2. If three components of Euclidian pion are eaten by weak gauge bosons, only single neutral pion-like state remains. This is not a problem if ordinary pion corresponds to Minkowskian flux tube. Accordingly, the 126 GeV boson would correspond to the remaining component Higgs like Euclidian pion and the boson with mass around 140 GeV for which CDF has provided some evidence to the Minkowskian  $M_{89}$  pion [C77] and which might have also shown itself in dark matter searches [C263, C119].

3. One can consider two candidates for pion like pseudo-scalars as states whose form apart from parallel translation factor is  $\Psi_1 j^{Ak} \gamma_k \Psi_2$  (see Appendix). Here  $j^A$  is generator of color isometry either in  $U(2)$  sub-algebra or its complement. The state in  $U(2)$  algebra transforms as  $3+1$  under  $U(2)$  and the state in its complement like  $2 + \bar{2}$  under  $U(2)$ .

These states are analogous of  $CP_2$  polarizations, whose number can be at most four. One must select either of these polarization basis.  $2 + \bar{2}$  is an unique candidate for the Higgs like pion and can be naturally assigned with the Euclidian regions having Hermitian structure.  $3+1$  in turn can be assigned naturally to Minkowskian regions having Hamilton-Jacobi structure.

Ordinary pion has however only three components. If one takes seriously the construction of preferred extremals the solution of the problem is simple:  $CP_2$  projection is at most 3-dimensional so that only 3 polarizations in  $CP_2$  direction are possible and only the triplet remains. This corresponds exactly to what happens in sigma model combining describing pion field as field having values at 3-sphere.

4. Minkowskian and Euclidian signatures correspond naturally to the decompositions  $3+1$  and  $2+\bar{2}$ , which could be assigned to quaternionic and co-quaternionic subspaces of  $SU(3)$  Lie algebra or imbedding space with tangent vectors realized in terms of the octonionic representation of gamma matrices.

One can proceed further by making objections.

1. What about kaon, which has a natural  $2 + \bar{2}$  composition but can be also understood as  $3 + 1$  state? Is kaon is Euclidian pion which has not suffered Higgs mechanism? Kaons consists of  $u\bar{s}$   $d\bar{s}$  and their antiparticles. Could this non-diagonal character of kaon states explain why all four states are possible? Or could kaon corresponds to Minkowskian triplet plus singlet remaining from the Euclidian variant of kaon? If so, then neutral kaons having very nearly the same mass - so called short lived and long lived kaons - would correspond to Minkowskian and Euclidian variants of kaon. Why the masses if these states should be so near each other? Could this relate closely to  $CP$  breaking for non-diagonal mesons involving mixing of Euclidian and Minkowskian neutral kaons? Why  $CP$  symmetry requires mass degeneracy?
2. Are also  $M_{107}$  electroweak gauge bosons? Could they correspond to dark variant of electroweak bosons with non-standard value of Planck constant? This would predict the existence of additional - possibly dark - pion-like state lighter than ordinary pion. The Euclidian neutral pion would have mass about  $(125/140) \times 135 \sim 125$  MeV from scaling argument. Interestingly, there is evidence for satellites of pion: they include also a states which are lighter than pion [C51]. The reported masses of these states would be  $M = 62, 80, 100, 181, 198, 215, 227.5,$  and  $235$  MeV. 125 MeV state is not included. The interpretation of these states is as IR Regge trajectories in TGD framework.

### How the vacuum expectation of the pseudo-scalar pion is generated?

There are two options to choose concerning the identification of the Euclidian pion.  $2 + \bar{2}$  defining the complement of  $u(2) \subset su(3)$  defines the analog of kaon and antikaon for old-fashioned flavor  $SU(3)$ .  $3 + 1$  in  $u(2)$  is second option but it is easy to see that this option fails.

Euclidian regions have 4-D  $CP_2$  projection so that the instanton density is non-vanishing and Euclidian pion can generate vacuum expectation for both options. In the following an attempt to understand details of this process is made using the unique Higgs potential consistent with conformal invariance.

1. The first observation is that in the case of  $2 + \bar{2}$  the standard form of the Higgs potential gives rise to massivation and the formulas are exactly same as in the standard model. In the standard model the mass term must be tachyonic. This leads to the so called hierarchy problem [?] The source of the problem are the couplings of Higgs to fermions proportional to the mass of fermion. The radiative corrections to Higgs mass squared are positive and proportional to fermion mass so that top quark gives the dominating contribution. This implies that the sign of the mass squared can become positive and the state with vanishing vacuum expectation value of Higgs field becomes the ground state. In the recent case this is not a problem since fermions couple to the  $2 + \bar{2}$  pion like state only radiatively.



2. If the Higgs mass is of order  $O(p)$  p-adically, the lowest order contribution to Higgs mass is  $m_{min}^2 = m^2(CP_2)/p$ . This mass is obtained by scaling the p-adic mass scale  $m_{127}$  assignable to electron having upper bound  $m_{127} \leq m_e/\sqrt{5}$  with the factor  $\sqrt{M_{127}/M_{89}} \simeq 2^{(127-89)/2}$ . This gives  $m_{min} \leq 119.8$  GeV, which is about 4 per cent smaller than the actual mass estimate 125 GeV. This suggests that p-adic mass squared of Euclidian pion is given by  $m_\pi^2 = p + O(p^2)$  mapping to  $m_{\pi,R}^2 = 1/p + O(p^{-2})$  by canonical identification  $\sum x_n p^n \rightarrow \sum x_n p^{-n}$ . The correction could be due to radiative corrections or second order contributions from p-adic thermodynamics. Note that the vacuum expectation value of Higgs is  $v = 246$  GeV, which is slightly larger than  $v = 2m_{min}$ .

The most important result is a solution of the hierarchy problem and one could stop here. One should however have an explanation for the anomalous production of gamma pairs and also a microscopic theory for the tachyonic mass term.

### The microscopic origin of the tachyonic mass term

In the proposed model predicts p-adic thermodynamics does not give rise to the physical Higgs mass. As a matter fact, there are also other arguments forbidding this. 125 GeV is very near to minimal one in p-adic thermodynamics for  $T_p = 1$  for single fermion. Now Higgs like particle consists of a superposition of fermion and antifermion pairs with non-minimal p-adic masses so that the lower bound for minimal mass is two times larger and the mass would be thermodynamical. Hence the physical mass cannot be due to p-adic thermodynamics with  $T_p = 1$  for  $p = M_{89}$ . Of course, the tachyonic mass term cannot be due to p-adic thermodynamics since it gives rise to positive mass squared.

The problem is to understand the origin of the tachyonic mass term.

1. The original erratic ideas was that Higgs like boson has a linear coupling to the instanton density for weak fields: this indeed gives Higgs a mass assuming only that besides the instanton term there is a non-tachyonic mass term in the Higgs potential. In Euclidian regions classical instanton term defined by the induced gauge fields develops a vacuum expectation value and would give rise to mass term. This works if Higgs has the structure  $3+1$  under electroweak  $U(2)$  but not for  $2+\bar{2}$ . Linear coupling is favored by anomaly considerations in the case of ordinary pion transforming as  $3+1$  under  $u(2)$  and also in the case of  $M_{89}$  pion one can expect this kind of term.
2. It is easy to modify the instanton term so that it gives rise to an effective mass term. This term is just the expectation value for the product  $F \wedge *F$  (YM action density) or  $F \wedge F$  (instanton term) in the "state" defined by the 2-spinor representing Higgs like field. Since Higgs like field and its conjugate appear in a bilinear manner in the interaction term, one obtains net scalar contribution from Higgs like fields irrespective of whether the Higgs like field is scalar or pseudoscalar or something between them. In ordinary QFT CP and P invariance would require therefore  $F \wedge *F$  in order to get a scalar.
3. One can wonder whether all electroweak gauge boson fields can appear in the interaction terms. The assumption that only the induced Kähler form is present is very natural one and might be forced by mathematical consistency. In this case only  $Z^0$  and  $\gamma$  would appear in the interaction term: the reason is that their charge matrices contain electro-weak hyper-charge  $Y$ . Therefore only  $Z$  and  $\gamma$  pairs would be produced anomalously in the decays of the Higgs like particle.

The instanton density  $F \wedge F$  is non-vanishing in the Euclidian regions for single space-time sheet. If one restricts  $F$  to be the induced Kähler form,  $F \wedge *F$  and  $F \wedge F$  are identical for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals by their self duality. Hence one might hope that the resulting CP breaking effects are small and could relate to the CP breaking occurring in hadron physics and having no explanation in terms of a microscopic theory. One must be however very cautious with interpretations: the point is that CP and P are defined at the level of imbedding space and P and CP for instanton term at space-time level. It is not clear whether these notions of CP and P are equivalent.

4. If one accepts this picture, the mass term in Higgs potential is replaced by effective mass term and one would have

$$\frac{m^2}{2}\overline{H}H \rightarrow K\overline{H}(aF \wedge *F + bF \wedge F)H . \quad (7.5.1)$$

The condition that the mass squared term is tachyonic, dictates the sign of the factor  $K$  if one assumes that the Euclidian region can be approximated by  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal in the lowest approximation. The value of the Euclidian YM action is always negative so that  $K$  must be positive. This mass term gives at braid strands a constant term of the Higgs potential. The two extreme options corresponding to  $(a = 1, b = 0)$  and  $(a = 0, b = 1)$ .

5. What can one say about the value of the parameter  $K$ ?  $K$  has dimensions of length squared, and the first guess is that  $K$  is proportional to  $m_p^2/m_{CP_2}^2 \propto 1/p$  with  $p = M_{89}$  in the recent case. The values of the action terms are identical for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals and do not depend on  $p$ . This option however predicts extremely small value of  $K$  and therefore extremely low anomalous decay rate to gamma pairs. Therefore the reasonable option is that both  $F \wedge *F$  and  $F \wedge F$  are of order  $1/L_p^4$  and  $K \sim L_p^2$  holds true. The interpretation could be that the  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal is deformed to  $M^4$  directions and its  $M^4$  projection has size of order  $L_p$ .
6. The model avoids the hierarchy problem and explains massivation and the emergence of longitudinal polarizations of weak bosons in standard manner. Higgs like particle could be either scalar or pseudoscalar. The model explains also the two-gamma anomaly. The reason is that the effective mass squared term gives in linearization a term, which makes possible the decays of Higgs to gauge boson pairs.

$$K [\overline{\delta H}(aF \wedge *F + bF \wedge F)H_0 + \overline{H}_0(aF \wedge *F + bF \wedge F)\delta H] . \quad (7.5.2)$$

This term could explain the anomalous production of gamma pairs and predicts also anomalous production of Z pairs and for the most general YM terms also that of W boson pairs. There are 4 unknown real parameters corresponding to  $K$ ,  $a/b$ , and the average values of  $F \wedge *F$  and  $F \wedge F$ . Higgs expectation  $\mu$  and tachyonic Higgs mass squared combined with the p-adic length scale hypothesis give constraints on the parameters. Interesting special cases correspond to  $a = 0$  resp.  $b = 0$  suggesting maximal/minimal CP breaking. The parity of the Euclidian pion does not pose constraints on the action term.

7. The relative phase between the instanton term and kinetic term of pion like state is highly relevant to the decay rate. If the relative phase corresponds to imaginary unit then the rate is just the sum of the anomalous and non-anomalous rates since interference is absent.

### An estimate for the magnitude of the parameter $K$

One can evaluate the magnitude of the anomalous contribution to the decay rate by using standard Feynman rules and the proposed interaction term. Interference with the standard contribution is not excluded so that one should not draw too far reaching conclusions from the estimate. The differential of the decay rate is obtained by using a general expression for the decay rate of a massive particle to two-boson final state given in the Appendix of [B13]:

$$\begin{aligned} d\Gamma &= \frac{1}{2m_H}|T|^2 d\mu , \\ d\mu &= (2\pi)^{-2} \frac{d\Omega}{4} . \end{aligned} \quad (7.5.2)$$

For  $|T|^2$  one has in the case of gamma pair

$$\begin{aligned} |T|^2 &= K^2(4\pi\alpha)^2\mu^2|af \circ f + b\tilde{f} \circ f|^2 , \\ f \circ f &= f^{\mu\nu}f_{\mu\nu} , \quad \tilde{f} \circ f = \frac{1}{2}\epsilon^{\mu\nu\gamma\delta}f_{\mu\nu}f_{\gamma\delta} , \quad f_{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_\mu k_\nu - \epsilon_\nu k_\mu . \end{aligned} \quad (7.5.2)$$

Here  $\mu$  denotes Higgs vacuum expectation ( $\mu \simeq 246$  GeV). The factor  $(4\pi\alpha)^2 = (e^2/\hbar)^2$  comes from the  $e^2/\hbar$  factors associated with  $F \circ F$  and  $\bar{F} \circ F$ .

The trivial integration over final state momenta and the averaging over the angle between polarization directions gives the expression for the magnitude of the anomalous contribution to the decay rate

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma_{ano} &= \frac{X^2}{2\pi} \frac{\mu^2}{m_H} (4\pi\alpha)^2 (a^2 + b^2) , \\ X &\equiv K m_H^2\end{aligned}\tag{7.5.2}$$

The standard model prediction  $\Gamma_{stand}$  for the decay rate to gamma pairs [B14] is given by the expression

$$\Gamma_{stand} = (\alpha)^2 g_W^2 2^{-10} \pi^{-3} m_h^3 m_W^{-2} .\tag{7.5.3}$$

If the two contributions to the decay rate sum up incoherently, and if one estimates the ratio of the anomalous rate to the standard model rate to be  $x = .6$  (the observed rate would be 1.6 times higher than predicted), one obtains for the parameter  $X^2(a^2 + b^2)$  the estimate

$$X^2(a^2 + b^2) = 2\pi \times 2^{-10} \times (4\pi)^2 \times (m_H/m_W)^2 \times x \simeq 1.41 .\tag{7.5.4}$$

The value of  $r \equiv K\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}/m_H \simeq 1.19$  looks rather natural taking into account that  $m_H$  is slightly larger than the primary p-adic mass scale squared associated with  $M_{89}$ .  $K\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} = 1/m(M_{89})^2 = L_{89}^2$  is a reasonable first guess.

#### 7.5.4 About the microscopic description of gauge boson massivation

The conjectured QFT limit allows to estimate the quantitative predictions of the theory. This is not however enough. One should identify the microscopic counterparts for various aspects of gauge boson massivation relying on Euclidian pion - something radically new in the space-time ontology. There is also the question about the consistency of the gauge theory limit with the ZEO inspired view about massivation and suggesting gauge conditions differing dramatically from the conventional ones. The basic challenge are obvious: one should translate notions like Higgs vacuum expectation, massivation of gauge bosons, and finite range of weak interactions to the language of wormhole throats, Kähler magnetic flux tubes, and string world sheets.

#### Elementary particles in ZEO

Let us first summarize what kind of picture ZEO suggests about elementary particles.

1. Kähler magnetically charged wormhole throats are the basic building bricks of elementary particles. The lines of generalized Feynman diagrams are identified as the Euclidian regions of space-time surface. The weak form of electric magnetic duality forces magnetic monopoles and gives classical quantization of the Kähler electric charge. Wormhole throat is a carrier of many-fermion state with parallel momenta and the fermionic oscillator algebra gives rise to a badly broken large  $\mathcal{N}$  SUSY [K30].
2. The first guess would be that elementary fermions correspond to wormhole throats with unit fermion number and bosons to wormhole contacts carrying fermion and antifermion at opposite throats. The magnetic charges of wormhole throats do not however allow this option. The reason is that the field lines of Kähler magnetic monopole field must close. Both in the case of fermions and bosons one must have a pair of wormhole contacts connected by flux tubes. The most general option is that net quantum numbers are distributed amongst the four wormhole throats. A simpler option is that quantum numbers are carried by the second wormhole: fermion quantum numbers would be carried by its second throat and bosonic quantum numbers by fermion and antifermion at the opposite throats. All elementary particles would therefore be accompanied by parallel flux tubes and string world sheets.

3. A cautious proposal in its original form was that the throats of the other wormhole contact could carry weak isospin represented in terms of neutrinos and neutralizing the weak isospin of the fermion at second end. This would imply weak neutrality and weak confinement above length scales longer than the length of the flux tube. This condition might be un-necessarily strong.

The realization of the weak neutrality using pair of left handed neutrino and right handed antineutrino or a conjugate of this state is possible if one allows right-handed neutrino to have also unphysical helicity. The weak screening of a fermion at wormhole throat is possible if  $\nu_R$  is a constant spinor since in this case Dirac equation trivializes and allows both helicities as solutions. The new element from the solution of the modified Dirac equation is that  $\nu_R$  would be interior mode delocalized either to the other wormhole contact or to the Minkowskian flux tube. The state at the other end of the flux tube is spartner of left-handed neutrino.

It must be emphasized that weak confinement is just a proposal and looks somewhat complex: Nature is perhaps not so complex at the basic level. To understand this better, one can think about how  $M_{89}$  mesons having quark and antiquark at the ends of long flux tube returning back along second space-time sheet could decay to ordinary quark and antiquark.

### ZEO and gauge conditions

ZEO suggests a new approach to gauge conditions. The proposal is of course something which must be taken with extreme cautiousness.

1. In ZEO all wormhole throats - also those associated with virtual particles - are massless. Fermionic propagators identified as 4-D massless propagators would diverge identically. The first guess is that only the longitudinal momentum  $p_L$  defined as  $M^2$  projection of four-momentum appears in propagators. The construction of the functional integral however implies that the propagator defined by the modified Dirac operator appears naturally in the fermion part of perturbation theory. For the light-like braid strands the perturbation theory for fermion  $n$ -point function is conjectured to reduce from stringy perturbation theory to 1-D theory involving only the fermion propagators assigned with the braid strands. The propagator defined by the modified Dirac operator need not of course reduce to  $M^2$  propagator even in this case but this is possible in principle. The momentum in the propagator brings in mind the region momentum of the twistor approach.
2. In the light of 2-D fermionic propagation it would not be terribly surprising if  $p_L$  would appear in the gauge conditions for the physical states so that one would have  $p_L \cdot \epsilon = 0$ .  $M^2$  would be the counterpart of string world sheet at imbedding space level and its presence is strongly suggested both by number theoretical vision and by ZEO. For  $M^2$  option also the third polarization is possible for states massless in 4-D sense - a clear signal about longitudinal massivation (at least this) of gauge bosons. The simplest interpretation of the p-adic mass calculations for fermions would be that p-adic thermodynamics gives longitudinal momentum squared as a thermal expectation value in a state satisfying Virasoro conditions and having massless state as the ground state. One must be however very cautious in introducing completely new elements to the theory.
3. The introduction of  $M^2$  does not Lorentz invariance since one has integral over all  $CDs$  characterized by the choice of  $M^2 \subset M^4$  defining the energy quantization axis (rest system) and spin quantization axis. One should demonstrate that this integration yields sensible scattering amplitudes.

To sum up, for states consisting of several wormhole throats longitudinal massivation allows state to be massless in 4-D sense but does not require this. At least weak bosons could be massive also in 4-D sense, maybe also photon.

### Gauge bosons and pseudoscalars must be massive in 4-D sense

What Higgs mechanism for gauge bosons really means? Is it a QFT counterpart for the  $M^2$  massivation or for a massivation in 4-D sense? The wormhole contacts could have non-parallel massless momenta without giving up the idea about on mass shell massless propagation essential for the twistor approach so that the answer to the question is not obvious. For fermions p-adic thermodynamics suggests

strongly longitudinal massivation and masslessness in 4-D sense. Internal consistency would favor  $M^2$  massivation also in the case of bosons.

The construction of massless states for bosons assuming that second wormhole contact carries the momentum however yields a surprise: spin 1 bosons are necessarily massive in 4-D sense whereas spin 0 bosons can be massless. The Higgs mechanism based on instanton anomaly however implies the massivation of also pseudoscalar bosons. Scalar boson states are the only ones that can remain massless. 4-D form of gauge conditions is therefore possible and obviously the safest option also in ZEO.

Consider now the argument in detail.

1. If one assumes that both fermions are not only massless but also have only physical polarization (in other words satisfy massless Dirac equation with the same sign of energy) one finds that fermion-antifermion state with parallel four-momenta must have vanishing net spin since fermion and antifermion with same  $M^4$  chirality have opposite helicities. Thus it would seem that spin 0 states can be massless but that all spin 1 particles, including photon and gluon, are inherently massive in 4-D sense since the momenta of fermions cannot be exactly parallel. What is important is that this holds true irrespective of gauge conditions.
2. Indeed, if fermions are massless on mass shell states satisfying therefore also massless Dirac equation in  $M^4$ , wormhole throats must carry slightly non-parallel light-like momenta in order to have helicity one states. Massivation of spin one states is unavoidable. Situation changes if one requires masslessness but gives up massless Dirac equation for second fermion so that it can have opposite energy or 3-momentum implying non-physical polarization. The value of either fermion or antifermion energy can dominate and corresponding momentum defines the direction of helicity for the non-vanishing helicity. This being the case one could use also  $M^4$  momentum in gauge conditions since one would obtain three polarizations in any case.
3. If only  $M^2$  momentum appears in the gauge conditions, also the longitudinal polarization is possible for states which remain massless in 4-D sense (note however that this requires unphysical polarization state). This is possible because  $M^2$  momentum is in general massive: wormhole throats can carry parallel massless 4-momenta with massive  $M^2$  momentum.
4. Spinless states exactly massless states with on mass shell fermions with physical helicities are possible since the spins of the parallel on mass shell massless fermion and antifermion sum up to zero. The analog of Higgs mechanism would however make this state massive making the momenta slightly un-parallel. If also the wormhole throat at the second end of flux tube carries momentum, the massivation mechanism is more complex.

It must be noticed that the massivation of gauge bosons is obtained without any reference to Higgs like particle. In gauge theory context the choice of gauge transfers part of Higgsy degrees of freedom to gauge bosons.

### The role of string world sheets and magnetic flux tubes in massivation

What is the role of string world sheets and flux tubes in the massivation? At the fundamental level one studies correlation functions for particles and finite correlation length means massivation.

1. String world sheets define as essential element in 4-D description. All particles are basically bi-local objects: pairs of string at parallel space-time sheets extremely near to each other and connected by wormhole contacts at ends. String world sheets are expected to represent correlations between wormhole throats.
2. Correlation length for the propagator of the gauge boson characterizes its mass. Correlation length can be estimated by calculating the correlation function. For bosons this reduces to the calculation of fermionic correlations functions assignable to string world sheets connecting the upper and lower boundaries of  $CD$  and having four external fermions at the ends of  $CD$ . The perturbation theory reduces to functional integral over space-time sheets and deformation of the space-time sheet inducing the deformation of the induced spinor field expressible as convolution of the propagator associated with the modified Dirac operator with vertex factor defined by the

deformation multiplying the spinor field. The external vertices are braid ends at partonic 2-surfaces and internal vertices are in the interior of string world sheet. Recall that the conjecture is that the restriction to the wormhole throat orbits implies the reduction to diagrams involving only propagators connecting braid ends. The challenge is to understand how the coherent state assigned to the Euclidian pion field induces the finite correlation length in the case of gauge bosons other than photon.

3. The non-vanishing commutator of the gauge boson charge matrix with the vacuum expectation assigned to the Euclidian pion must play a key role. The study of the modified Dirac operator suggests that the braid strands contain the Abelianized variant of non-integrable phase factor defined as  $\exp(i \int A dx)$ . If  $A$  is identified as string world sheet Hodge dual of Kac-Moody charge the opposite edges of string world sheet with geometry of square given contributions which compensate each other by conservation of Kac-Moody charge if  $A$  commutes with the operators building the coherent Higgs state. For photon this would be true. For weak gauge bosons this would not be the case and this gives hopes about obtaining destructive interference leading to a finite correlation length.

One can also consider try to build more concrete manners to understand the finite correlation length.

1. Quantum classical correspondence suggests that string with length of order  $L \sim \hbar/E$ ,  $E = \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}$  serves as a correlate for particle defined by a pair of wormhole contacts. For massive particle wave length satisfies  $L \leq \hbar/m$ . Here  $(p, m)$  must be replaced with  $(p_L, m_L)$  if one takes the notion of longitudinal mass seriously. For photon standard option gives  $L = \lambda$  or  $L = \lambda_L$  and photon can be a bi-local object connecting arbitrarily distant objects. For the second option small longitudinal mass of photon gives an upper bound for the range of the interaction. Also gluon would have longitudinal mass: this makes sense in QCD where the decomposition  $M^4 = M^2 \times E^2$  is basic element of the theory.
2. The magnetic flux tube associated with the particle carries magnetic energy. Magnetic energy grows as the length of flux tube increases. If the flux is quantized magnetic field behaves like  $1/S$ , where  $S$  is the area of the cross section of the flux tube, the total magnetic energy behaves like  $L/S$ . The dependence of  $S$  on  $L$  determines how the magnetic energy depends on  $L$ . If the magnetic energy increases as function of  $L$  the probability of long flux tubes is small and the particle cannot have large size and therefore mediates short range interactions. For  $S \propto L^\alpha \sim \lambda^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha > 1$ , the magnetic energy behaves like  $\lambda^{-\alpha+1}$  and the thickness of the flux tube scales like  $\sqrt{\lambda^\alpha}$ . In case of photon one might expect this option to be true. Note that for photon string world sheet one can argue that the natural choice of string is as light-like string so that its length vanishes.

What kind of string world sheets are possible? One can imagine two options.

1. All strings could connect only the wormhole contacts defining a particle as a bi-local object so that particle would be literally the geometric correlate for the interaction between two objects. The notion of free particle would be figment of imagination. This would lead to a rather stringy picture about gauge interactions. The gauge interaction between systems  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  would mean the emission of gauge bosons as flux tubes with charge carrying end at  $S_1$  and neutral end. Absorption of the gauge boson would mean that the neutral end of boson and neutral end of charge particle fuse together line the lines of Feynman diagram at 3-vertex.
2. Second option allows also string world sheets connecting wormhole contacts of different particles so that there is no flux tube accompanying the string world sheet. In this case particles would be independent entities interacting via string world sheets. In this case one could consider the possibility that photon corresponds to string world sheet (or actually parallel pair of them) not accompanied by a magnetic flux tube and that this makes the photon massless at least in excellent approximation

The first option represents the ontological minimum.

### The counterpart of Higgs vacuum expectation in microscopic language

The challenge is to translate the QFT description of gauge boson massivation to microscopic description. One can say that gauge bosons "eat" the components of Higgs. In unitary gauge one gauge rotates Higgs field to electromagnetically neutral direction defined by the vacuum expectation value of Higgs. The rotation matrix codes for the degrees of freedom assignable to non-neutral part of Higgs and they are transferred to the longitudinal components of Higgs in gauge transformation. This gives rise to the third polarization direction for gauge boson.

1. In path integral formulation the description of the situation is straightforward: unfortunately the mathematical status of path integral formalism is not established. This formulation does not have any obvious connection with its microscopic counterpart in TGD framework.
2. In QFT language the generation of vacuum expectation value could correspond to a formation of coherent state defined as eigenstate for the negative frequency part of Higgs field and obtained by acting with the exponential of positive frequency part of Higgs field to vacuum. Formally can regard the state as a continuous tensor product of states associated with point of 3-space with coherent state with same coherence parameter at each point. Also this notion is mathematically questionable. The parameter in the exponential would be a parameter with dimensions of mass and define the vacuum expectation value of Higgs like field. Note that the Higgs expectation can be constant although the coherent state contains many particle states associated with all possible frequencies and momenta.

One might hope that the latter description has a microscopic counterpart. Higgs like state is a wormhole contact with fermion and antifermion at the throats. This state is different from its Hermitian conjugate since the permutation of the wormhole throats takes place in Hermitian conjugation. One might hope that this pair of operators defines a pair of bosonic operators analogous to a pair formed by bosonic annihilation and creation operator, and that the exponential of the creation operator like part acting on vacuum would define the counterpart of coherent state now. More general coherent state  $|coh\rangle$  could be defined by a series in monomials  $P_{m_1, \dots, m_n}^{N\uparrow} = a^{\dagger, m_1} \dots a^{\dagger, m_n}$  of fermionic creation operators with some coefficients  $C_{m_1, \dots, m_n}$ . One can also assume some canonical ordering of the oscillator operators.

The counterpart  $A$  of the bosonic annihilation operator would be defined by the Higgs like state as a sum  $\sum_{mn} A_{mn} P_{mn}^2$  of monomials  $P_{mn}^2 = a_m a_n$  of two fermionic annihilation operators with some coefficients.

The action of a pair  $a_m a_n$  of annihilation operators in  $A$  on  $P_{m_1, \dots, m_N}^N$  produces zero if either of the operators is not contained in  $P^{N\uparrow}$  and otherwise cancels the  $a_m^\dagger$  and  $a_n^\dagger$  from it. There is also a sign factor from anticommutators. In the lowest order term one would have  $\sum_{mn} A_{mn} C_{mn} P_{mn}^{2\uparrow} = h$ . General conditions would read

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{n_1 n_2} A_{n_1 n_2} C_{m_1, \dots, m_N} P_{m_1, \dots, \hat{m}_r, \dots, \hat{m}_s, \dots, m_N}^{N\uparrow} \delta_{n_1, m_r} \delta_{n_2, m_s} (-1)^{r+s+\epsilon(r,s)} \\ &= h \times C_{m_1, \dots, m_N} P_{m_1, \dots, m_N}^{N-2\uparrow} . \\ & \epsilon(r, s) = 0 \text{ for } r < s \text{ , } \epsilon(r, s) = 1 \text{ for } r > s \text{ .} \end{aligned} \tag{7.5.5}$$

Apart from  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  all indices appearing  $P^{N\uparrow}$  appear in  $P^{N-2\uparrow}$  in the same order. The equations have a solution only if the number of the oscillator operators is infinite since if  $N_{max}$  is finite, the action produces a polynomial of degree  $N_{max} - 2$ . One can of course consider the weakening of the coherence conditions so that it need not hold for the highest monomials. Finite measurement resolution indeed suggest that the number of oscillator operators is finite and proportional to the number braid strands.

The parameter  $h$  defining the vacuum expectation value should be proportional to the electromagnetic part of instanton density at the end of braid strand. Each component of the Euclidian pion is pseudoscalar so that  $h$  must be pseudoscalar and proportionality to instanton density is the only possible option. The value of the parameter characterizing the instanton density should be characterized by p-adic length scale. Since one needs the Higgs expectation only at the ends of braid strands, the coherent state is well defined since everything is discrete.

### 7.5.5 Could Higgs mechanism provide a description of p-adic particle massivation at QFT limit?

The most recent TGD based explanation of the observed Higgs like state with 125 GeV mass is as "half-Higgs" identified as "Euclidian pion". Euclidian pion would give a dominating contribution to the masses of gauge bosons but the contribution to fermion masses would be negligible and come from p-adic thermodynamics. This scenario saves from the hierarchy problem resulting from fermionic loops giving large contribution from heavy fermion masses and destabilizes Higgs mechanism. It is also known that for the observed mass of the Higgs like state Higgs vacuum is unstable.

What if the Higgs like state decays to fermions pairs with the rate predicted by standard form of Higgs mechanism? This is unpleasant question from TGD point of view. Could it mean that TGD is deadly wrong? Unpleasant questions are often the most useful ones so that it is perhaps time to boldly articulate also this question.

Is the recent TGD based view about Higgs like state as "Euclidian pion" as source of gauge boson masses and p-adic thermodynamics as a source of fermion masses exactly correct? Could Higgs description be only an effective description necessary at QFT limit? p-Adic thermodynamics is based on very general assumptions like super-conformal invariance, the existence of string like objects of length of order  $CP_2$  length predicted by the modified Dirac equation, and the powerful number theoretic constraints coming from p-adic thermodynamics and p-adic length scale hypothesis. Could Higgs mechanism be only a QFT approximation for a microscopic description of massivation based on p-adic thermodynamics so that the two approaches would not be actually competitors?

#### Microscopic description of massivation

Consider first the microscopic description in more detail.

1. In TGD description elementary particles correspond to loops carrying Kähler magnetic monopole flux and having two wormhole contacts with Euclidian signature of induced metric as ends at which magnetic flux flows between opposite light-like 3-D wormhole throats at different space-time sheets. In the case of fermions fermion number resides at wormhole throat at the either end of the loop. In the case of bosons fermion and antifermion number reside at the opposite throats of either wormhole contact. One can imagine variants of this picture since two wormhole contacts are involved: fermion number could be delocalized to both wormhole contacts and both wormhole throats, and bosons could have fermion and antifermion at the throats of different wormhole contacts. p-Adic mass calculations do not allow to distinguish between these options. The solutions of the modified Dirac equation assign to the flux loop closed string and this leads to a rich spectrum of topological quantum numbers and implies that elementary particles are also knots: unfortunately the predicted effects are extremely small [K39].
2. What does one actually mean with the expectation value of mass squared in p-adic thermodynamics (as a matter of fact, ZEO suggests that p-adic thermodynamics is replaced with its "complex square root". This has some non-trivial number theoretical implications in the case of fermions discussed in [K79])? There are two options.
  - (a) Genuine mass squared is in question. The simplest possibility is that both throats of the wormhole carry light-like momentum. If the momenta are not parallel, this can give rise to stringy mass squared spectrum with string tension determined by  $CP_2$  length. The role of string is connects the opposite throats of the wormhole contact. In the case of bosons the ends of the short string connecting the throats would carry fermion and antifermion. In the case of fermions second throat would carry purely bosonic excitations generated by the symplectic algebra of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$ . One could also assign mass squared to the string but holography suggests that this mass squared is identifiable as total mass squared assignable to the ends.
  - (b) Longitudinal mass squared is in question. The other option favored by ZEO and number theoretical arguments is that p-adic thermodynamics gives only longitudinal mass squared, that this the square of  $M^2$ -projection of light-like fermion momentum, where  $M^2 \subset M^4$  characterizes given  $CD$ .



What happens in the case of contact? Could the transversal momenta of the throats cancel and give rise to a purely longitudinal contribution equal to the entire momentum so that longitudinal option would be equivalent with the first one?

Or could it be that the second wormhole throat does not contribute to the mass squared. The physical mass squared would be the average of longitudinal mass squared over various choices of  $M^2 \subset M^4$  so that Lorentz invariance would be achieved.

Note that the propagators associated with massless twistor lines would be defined by the  $M^2$  projections of fermionic or bosonic momenta and would therefore be finite. Also gauge conditions would involve only the longitudinal projection. I have not been able to develop any killer argument against this option.

3. According to the most recent view, the dominating contribution to gauge boson masses would be due to their coupling to Higgs like Euclidian pion developing vacuum expectation associated with coherent state. But is this fundamental description or only effective description obtained at 8-D QFT limit? An alternative view discussed for a year or two ago is that gauge boson masses correspond to "stringy" contribution from the *long* portion of the closed flux tube pair connecting the two wormhole contacts with a distance of order weak length scale associated with the gauge boson - the analog of Minkowskian meson. The contribution from the *short* part of the closed flux tube - the wormhole contact defining Euclidian pion - would dominate fermionic masses. In this case Higgs vacuum expectation could provide only a convenient effective description at QFT limit.
4. This picture leads naturally to generalized Feynman diagrams suggesting strongly twistor Grassmannian description since even the virtual wormhole throats are light-like. This description in turn would lead to QFT description when wormhole contacts are approximated by points of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  or even  $M^4$ .

p-Adic mass calculations give universal results but the drawback clearly is that they cannot fix the details of the model of elementary particles.

### Does Higgs mechanism emerge in the QFT limit as effective description?

The above description is definitely not QFT description. Does QFT description exist at all - say as a limit of twistorial description? If the QFT limit exists in some sense, what can one conclude about it? In the possibly existing QFT description one must idealize flux loops with point-like particles. Even if p-adic thermodynamics predicts fermion masses by assigning them to short Euclidian strings and gauge boson masses by assigning them to long Minkowskian strings in the closed flux tube, the only manner to describe this at QFT limit might be based on the use of vacuum expectation of Higgs like field and coupling to Higgs field. One could even argue that p-adic thermodynamics is equivalent to Higgs mechanism at QFT limit.

Even if both fermionic and bosonic particle massivation were due to p-adic thermodynamics at the fundamental level, one is forced to describe it at QFT limit by taking mass as given thermal mass. This could be achieved by using coupling to the vacuum expectation of the Higgs like state (Euclidian pion) and by choosing the dimensionless coupling so that a correct value of mass results.

If the fermions couple also to the quantum part of Higgs field as bosons would certainly do, one obtains standard model prediction but encounters the hierarchy problem and vacuum stability problem.  $M_{89}$  hadron physics for which the bump at mass about 130 GeV suggested by the results of Fermi laboratory serves as evidence, might solve these problems. A more plausible option is that the badly broken supersymmetry generated by the second quantized modes of induced spinor field labelled by conformal weight - essentially conformal supersymmetry - guarantees the cancellation of loop contributions at high energies. Note that the modes associated with right-handed neutrino are delocalized at the entire 4-surface, and do not seem plausible candidates for the needed SUSY [K96]. One would end up with a description in which Higgs effectively gives rise to the masses of fermions. The outcome would be however an artifact of the QFT approximation.

One can consider QFT limits in  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  and  $M^4$  respectively.

1. The 8-dimensional QFT limit treats fermions using  $H$ -spinors with quarks and leptons having different  $H$ -chiralities. In this case it is impossible to describe mass as in  $M^4$  since it would

give rise to a coupling between quarks and leptons and break separate conservation of baryon and lepton numbers. One must introduce instead of scalar mass a vector in  $CP_2$  tangent space analogous to polarization vector.

- (a) At quantum level Higgs vacuum expectation value defines a vector in  $CP_2$  tangent space expressible in terms of complexified gamma matrices having dimension 1/length so that is natural for the phenomenological description of mass generated by p-adic thermodynamics. In this description the counterpart of Higgs vacuum expectation would be the quantity  $H^k \gamma_k = H^A \gamma_A$ , where  $H^A$  is a vector in  $CP_2$  tangent space assignable to braid end at the partonic 2-surface (end or wormhole throat orbit at the boundary of  $CD$ ).  $H^A$  has dimensions of 1/length just as Higgs like field. The length squared of this vector would define the mass squared.
  - (b) Can one identify  $H^A$  in terms of induced geometry? The  $CP_2$  part of second fundamental form vanishing for minimal surfaces (analogous to massless particles) is such a vector field. Only the value of  $H^A$  at braid end is needed so that  $H^A$  would be effectively constant. Quantum classical correspondence suggests that  $H^A$  corresponds to vacuum expectation of Higgs field.
2.  $M^4$  QFT limit would define even stronger approximation, which must be however consistent with 8-D QFT limit. Now one must use 4-D spinors and describe the coupling in terms of scalar mass coupling different  $M^4$  chiralities. There are two options for the coupling  $g\bar{\Psi}\Psi\Phi$  and  $(g/m_0)\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\Psi D_\mu\Phi$ . The latter option gives automatically effective coupling  $gm/m_0$  and Higgs couplings are therefore proportional to fermion masses. Fermion masses can be reproduced by the standard form of Higgs mechanism and also now the illusion that Higgs gives rise to fermion masses is created.

To sum up, it is possible that p-adic thermodynamics giving a dominating contribution to fermion and perhaps even boson masses from short/long flux tubes could have Higgs mechanism as the unique description at QFT limit so that the hopes of killing TGD or Higgs mechanism at one blow of experimentalist might be too optimistic. This could give a lesson in the art of ontology: wrong ontology can demand the existence of something that does not exist in more advanced ontology.

### 7.5.6 Low mass exotic mesonic structures as evidence for dark scaled down variants of weak bosons?

During last years reports about low mass exotic mesonic structures have appeared. It is interesting to combine these bits of data with the recent view about TGD analog of Higgs mechanism and find whether new predictions become possible. The basic idea is to derive understanding of the low mass exotic structures from LHC data by scaling and understanding of LHC data from data about mesonic structures by scaling back.

1. The article *Search for low-mass exotic mesonic structures: II. attempts to understand the experimental results* by Tatischeff and Tomasi-Gustafsson [C51] mentions evidence for exotic mesonic structures. The motivation came from the observation of a narrow range of dimuon masses in  $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow pP^0$ ,  $P^0 \rightarrow \mu^-\mu^+$  in the decays of  $P^0$  with mass of  $214.3 \pm .5$  MeV: muon mass is 105.7 MeV giving  $2m_\mu = 211.4$  MeV. Mesonlike exotic states with masses  $M = 62, 80, 100, 181, 198, 215, 227.5,$  and  $235$  MeV are reported. This fine structure of states with mass difference 20-40 MeV between nearby states is reported for also for some baryons.
2. The preprint *Observation of the E(38) boson* by Kh.U. Abraamyan et al [C120, C121, C148] reports the observation of what they call E(38) boson decaying to gamma pair observed in  $d(2.0 \text{ GeV/n})+C, d(3.0 \text{ GeV/n})+Cu$  and  $p(4.6 \text{ GeV})+C$  reactions in experiments carried in JINR Nuclotron.

If these results can be replicated they mean a revolution in nuclear and hadron physics. What strongly suggests itself is a fine structure for ordinary hadron states in much smaller energy scale than characterizing hadronic states. Unfortunately the main stream, in particular the theoreticians

interested in beyond standard model physics, regard the physics of strong interactions and weak interactions as closed chapters of physics, and are not interested on results obtained in nuclear collisions.

In TGD framework situation is different. The basic characteristic of TGD Universe is fractality. This predicts new physics in all scales although standard model symmetries are fundamental unlike in GUTs and are reduced to number theory. p-Adic length scale hypothesis characterizes the fractality.

1. In TGD Universe p-adic length scale hypothesis predicts the possibility of scaled versions of both strong and weak interactions. The basic objection against new light bosons is that the decay widths of weak bosons do not allow them. A possible manner to circumvent the objection is that the new light states correspond to dark matter in the sense that the value of Planck constant is not the standard one but its integer multiple [K28].

The assumption that only particles with the same value of Planck constant can appear in the vertex, would explain why weak bosons do not decay directly to light dark particles. One must however allow the transformation of gauge bosons to their dark counterparts. The 2-particle vertex is characterized by a coupling having dimensions of mass squared in the case of bosons, and p-adic length scale hypothesis suggests that the primary p-adic mass scale characterizes the parameter (the secondary p-adic mass scale is lower by factor  $1/\sqrt{p}$  and would give extremely small transformation rate).

2. Ordinary strong interactions correspond to Mersenne prime  $M_n$ ,  $n = 2^{107} - 1$ , in the sense that hadronic space-time sheets correspond to this p-adic prime. Light quarks correspond to space-time sheets identifiable as color magnetic flux tubes, which are much larger than hadron itself.  $M_{89}$  hadron physics has hadronic mass scale 512 times higher than ordinary hadron physics and should be observed at LHC. There exist some pieces of evidence for the mesons of this hadron physics but masked by the Higgsteria.

The original proposal that 125 GeV state could correspond to pion of  $M_{89}$  physics was wrong. The modified proposal replaces the Minkowskian pion (that is ordinary pion) with its Euclidian variant assignable to a flux tube connecting opposite throats of wormhole contact. Euclidian pion would provide masses for intermediate gauge bosons via the analog of Higgs mechanism involving instanton density non-vanishing only in Euclidian regions but giving a negligible contribution to fermion masses: this would solve the hierarchy problem motivating space-time  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY not possible in TGD Universe. The expectation is that Minkowskian  $M_{89}$  pion (the real one!) has mass around 140 GeV assigned to CDF bump [C77].

3. In the leptonic sector there is evidence for lepto-hadron physics for all charged leptons labelled by Mersenne primes  $M_{127}$ ,  $M_{G,113}$  (Gaussian Mersenne), and  $M_{107}$  [K84]. One can ask whether the above mentioned resonance  $P^0$  decaying to  $\mu^- \mu^+$  pair motivating the work described in [C51] could correspond to pion of muon-hadron physics consisting of a pair of color octet excitations of muon. Its production would presumably take place via production of virtual gluon pair decaying to a pair of color octet muons.
4. The meson-like exotic states seem to be arranged along Regge trajectories but with string tension lower than that for the ordinary Regge trajectories with string tension  $T = .9 \text{ GeV}^2$ . String tension increases slowly with mass of meson like state and has three values  $T/\text{GeV}^2 \in \{1/390, 1/149.7, 1/32.5\}$  in the piecewise linear fit discussed in the article. The TGD inspired proposal has been that IR Regge trajectories assignable to the color magnetic flux tubes accompanying quarks are in question. For instance, in hadrons  $u$  and  $d$  quarks - understood as constituent quarks - would have  $k = 113$  quarks and string tension would be by naive scaling by a factor  $2^{107-113} = 1/64$  lower: as a matter of fact, the largest value of the string tension is twice this value. For current quark with mass scale around 5 MeV the string tension would be by a factor of order  $2^{107-121} = 2^{-16}$  lower.

If one accepts the proposal that the 125 GeV Higgs like state discovered at LHC corresponds to Euclidian pion, one can ask whether the new states could contain a scaled down counterpart of Euclidian pion and whether even scaled down dark counterparts of weak bosons might be involved. These "weak" interaction would be actually of same strength as em interactions below the hadronic length and even above that faster than weak interactions by a factor of  $2^{36}$  coming from the scaling of the factor  $1/m_W^4$  in the simplest scattering involving weak boson exchange.

1. The naive estimate for the mass of  $M_{107}$  Euclidian pion is  $r \times 125$  GeV,  $r = 2^{(89-107)/2} = 2^{-9}$ ; this would give  $m(\pi_{E,107})=244$  MeV. The highest state in the IR Regge trajectory mentioned in [C51] has mass 235 MeV. The weak bosons of  $M_{107}$  weak physics would have masses obtained by using the same scaling factor. This would give 156 MeV for  $W_{107}$  and 176 MeV for  $Z_{107}$ . It seems that these states with these masses do not belong to the reported list  $M = 62, 80, 100, 181, 198, 215, 227.5,$  and 235 MeV of masses. For  $k = 109$ , which is also prime, one obtains states with  $m(\pi_{E,109})=122$  MeV,  $m(W_{109}) = m(Z_{109}) = 88$  MeV for vanishing value of Weinberg angle. Also these states seem to be absent from the spectrum listed above.
2. In the original version of dark matter hierarchy the scalings  $\hbar \rightarrow r\hbar$  of Planck constant were restricted to  $r = 2^{11}$ , which is in a reasonable approximation equal to proton/electron mass ratio. If one replaces the  $k = 107$  with  $k = 111$ , which corresponds to a scaling of  $M_{89}$  masses by a factor  $2^{-11}$ , one obtains scaling of  $M_{107}$  masses downwards by a factor  $1/4$ .

Euclidian pion  $\pi_{E,111}$  would have mass 61 MeV: this is near to the mass 62 MeV reported as the mass of the lowest lying mesonlike state at IR Regge trajectory.  $W_{111}$  and  $Z_{111}$  would have masses 39 MeV and 44 MeV for the standard value of Weinberg angle.  $Z$  decays to gamma pairs radiatively via intermediate  $W$  pair: could  $Z_{111}$  correspond to  $E(38)$  with mass 39 MeV? If the Weinberg angle is near to zero, the masses of  $W_{111}$  and  $Z_{111}$  are degenerate, and one would have 39 MeV mass for both. The accuracy of the mass determination for  $E(38)$  is 3 MeV so that the mass would be consistent with the identification as  $Z_{111}$ . Note that small Weinberg angle means that the ratio  $g'/g$  for  $U(1)$  and  $SU(2)$  couplings is small ( $U(1)$  part of ew gauge potential corresponds to Kähler potential for  $CP_2$  in TGD framework).

One can estimate the weak string tension from the mass squared difference for the states with masses 60 MeV and 80 MeV as  $\Delta M^2 = T_{111}$  giving  $2.8 \times 10^{-3}$  GeV<sup>2</sup>. The lowest value for the experimental estimate is  $2.6 \times 10^{-3}$  GeV<sup>2</sup>: the two values are consistent with each other.

3. These observations inspire the question whether  $k = 111 = 3 \times 37$  scaled variant of weak physics could be involved. One can of course ask why the Gaussian Mersenne  $M_{G,k}$ ,  $k = 113$ , assigned to nuclear space-time sheet, would not be realized in dark nuclear physics too. For this option masses would be scaled down a further factor of  $1/2$  to 19.5 MeV for weak bosons and to 30.5 MeV for Euclidian pion. Could it be that dark nuclear physics must correspond to different p-adic length scale differing by a factor 2 from that associated with ordinary nuclear physics? What is interesting is that one of the most long standing interpretational problems of quantum TGD was the fact that the classical theory predicts long ranged classical weak fields: the proposed solution of the problem was that the space-time sheets carrying these fields correspond to a non-standard value of Planck constant.

What does one obtain if one scales back the indications for scaled down variant of weak physics?

1. Scaling back to  $M_{89}$  would give string tension  $T_{89} = 2^{22}T_{111} = 10.8 \times 10^{-3}$  TeV<sup>2</sup>. This predicts that first excited state of Euclidian pion has mass about 168 GeV: a bump with this mass corresponds to one of the many wrong alarms in Higgs hunting. There are indications for an oscillatory bump like structure in LHC data giving the ratio of the observed to predicted production cross section as a function of Higgs mass. This bump structure could reflect the actual presence of IR Regge trajectory for Euclidian pion inducing oscillatory behavior to the production cross section.
2. The obvious question is whether also the intermediate gauge bosons should have Regge trajectories so that the TGD counterpart Higgs mechanism would take place for each state in Regge trajectory separately. The flux tube structure made unavoidable by Kähler magnetic charges of wormhole throats indeed suggests Regge trajectories. For  $M_{89}$  weak physics the first excited state of  $W$  boson would be 144.5 GeV if one assumes the value of  $T_{89}$  given above.

Clearly, a lot of new physics is predicted and it begins to look that fractality - one of the key predictions of TGD - might be realized both in the sense of hierarchy of Planck constants (scaled variants with same mass) and p-adic length scale hypothesis (scaled variants with varying masses). Both hierarchies would represent dark matter if one assumes that the values of Planck constant and p-adic length scale are same in given vertex. The testing of predictions is not however expected to

be easy since one must understand how ordinary matter transforms to dark matter and vice versa. Consider only the fact, that only recently the exotic meson like states have been observed and modern nuclear physics regarded often as more or less trivial low energy phenomenology was born about 80 years ago when Chadwick discovered neutron.

### 7.5.7 Cautious conclusions

The discussion of TGD counterpart of Higgs mechanism gives support for the following general picture.

1. p-Adic thermodynamics for wormhole contacts contributes to the masses of all particles including photon and gluons: in these cases the contributions are however small. For fermions they dominate. For weak bosons the contribution from Euclidian Higgs is dominating as the correct group theoretical prediction for the  $W/Z$  mass ratio demonstrates. The mere spin 1 character for gauge bosons implies that they are massive in 4-D sense. The mass term for Euclidian pion in the analog of Higgs potential is not tachyonic, and the absence of linear couplings to fermions proportional to their masses saves from radiative instability which standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY was hoped to solve. Therefore the usual space-time SUSY associated with imbedding space in TGD framework is not needed, and there are strong arguments suggesting that it is not present [?] For space-time regarded as 4-surfaces one obtains 2-D super-conformal invariance for fermions localized at 2-surfaces and for right-handed neutrino it extends to 4-D superconformal symmetry generalizing ordinary SUSY to infinite-D symmetry.
2. The basic predictions to LHC are following. Euclidian pion will be found to decay to fermion pairs in a manner inconsistent with Higgs interpretation and its pseudoscalar nature will be established. There is an anomalous contribution to the decays to weak gauge boson pairs which for the simplest option is present only for photon and  $Z^0$ .  $M_{89}$  hadron physics will be discovered. Fermi satellite has produced evidence for a particle with mass around 140 GeV and this particle could correspond to the pion of  $M_{89}$  physics. This particle should be observed also at LHC and CDF reported already earlier evidence for it. There has been also indications for other mesons of  $M_{89}$  physics from LHC discussed in [K48].
3. Fermion and boson massivation could emerge unavoidably as a theoretical artifact if one requires the existence of QFT limit leading unavoidably to a description in terms of Higgs mechanism. In the real microscopic theory p-adic thermodynamics for wormhole contacts would describe fermion massivation, and might describe even boson massivation in terms of long parts of flux tubes. Situation remains open in this respect. Therefore the observation of decays of Higgs at expected rate to fermion pairs cannot kill TGD based vision.
4. The new view about Higgs allows to see several conjectures related to ZEO in new light.
  - (a) The basic conjecture related to the perturbation theory is that wormhole throats are massless on mass shell states in imbedding space sense: this would hold true also for virtual particles and brings in mind what happens in twistor program. The recent progress [K96] in the construction of n-point functions leads to explicit general formulas for them expressing them in terms of a functional integral over four-surfaces. The deformation of the space-time surface fixes the deformation of basis for induced spinor fields and one obtains a perturbation theory in which correlation functions for imbedding space coordinates and fermionic propagator defined by the inverse of the modified Dirac operator appear as building bricks and the electroweak gauge coupling of the modified Dirac operator define the basic vertex. This operator is indeed 2-D for all other fermions than right-handed neutrino.
  - (b) The functional integral gives some expressions for amplitudes which resemble twistor amplitudes in the sense that the vertices define polygons and external fermions are massless although gauge bosons as their bound states are massive. This suggests perturbation at imbedding space level such that fermionic propagator is defined by longitudinal part of  $M^4$  momentum. Integration over possible choices  $M^2 \subset M^4$  for  $CD$  would give Lorentz invariance and transform propagator terms to something else. As a matter of fact, Yangian invariance suggests general expressions very similar to those obtained in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY for amplitudes in Grassmannian approach.

- (c) Another conjecture is that gauge conditions for gauge bosons hold true for longitudinal ( $M^2$ -) momentum and automatically allow 3 polarization states. This allows to consider the possibility that all gauge bosons are massless in 4-D sense. By above argument this conjecture must be wrong. Could one do without  $M^2$  altogether? A strong argument favoring longitudinal massivation is from p-adic thermodynamics for fermions. If p-adic thermodynamics determines longitudinal mass squared as a thermal expectation value such that 4-D momentum always light-like (this is important for twistor approach) one can assume that Super Virasoro conditions hold true for the fermion states. There are also number theoretic arguments and supporting the role of preferred  $M^2$ . Also the condition that the choice of quantization axes has WCW correlates favors  $M^2$  as also the construction of the generalized Feynman graphs analogous to non-planar diagrams as generalization of knot diagrams [K39]. Longitudinal scenario is equivalent with more standard one if the transversal momenta at opposite wormhole throats cancel each other.

The ZEO conjectures involving  $M^2$  remain open. If the conjecture that Yangian invariance realized in terms of Grassmannians makes sense it could allow to deduce the outcome of the functional integral over four-surfaces and one could hope that TGD can be transformed to a calculable theory.

## 7.6 Two options for Higgs like states in TGD framework

HCP2012 conference (Hadron Collider Physics Symposium) at Kyoto will provide new data about Higgs candidate at next Wednesday. Resonaances has summarized the basic problem related to the interpretation as standard model Higgs: too high yield of gamma pairs and too low yield of  $\tau\bar{\tau}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  pairs. It is of course possible that higher statistics changes the situation.

### 7.6.1 Two options concerning the interpretation of Higgs like particle in TGD framework

Theoretically the situation quite intricate. The basic starting point is that the original p-adic mass calculations provided excellent predictions for fermion masses. For the gauge bosons the situation was different: a natural prediction for the W/Z mass ratio in terms of Weinberg angle is the fundamental prediction of Higgs mechanism and this prediction did not follow automatically from the p-adic mass calculation in the original form. Classical Higgs field does not seem to have any natural counterpart in the geometry of space-time surface (the trace of the second fundamental form does not work since it vanishes for preferred extremals which are also minimal surfaces). This raised the question whether there is any Higgs boson in TGD Universe and for some time I took seriously the interpretation of the Higgs like state observed by LHC as a pion of  $M_{89}$ . To sum up, the evolution of ideas about TGD counterpart of Higgs mechanism has been full of twists and turns. This summary is warmly recommended for a seriously interested reader.

p-Adic mass calculations and the results from LHC leave two options under consideration.

1. Option I (see also this): Only fermions get the dominating contribution to their masses from p-adic thermodynamics and in the case of gauge bosons the dominating contribution is due to the standard Higgs mechanism. p-Adic thermodynamics would contribute also to the boson masses, in particular photon mass but the contribution would be extremely small and correspond to p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n$ ,  $n > 2$ . For this option only gauge bosons would have standard model couplings to Higgs whereas fermionic couplings could be small. Of course, standard model couplings proportional to fermion mass are also possible. One can criticize this option because fermions and bosons are in an asymmetric position. The beautiful feature is that one could get rid of the hierarchy problem due to the couplings of Higgs to heavy fermions.
2. Option II (see also this and this): p-Adic mass calculations explain also the masses of gauge bosons and Higgs like particle. If Higgs like state develops a coherent state describable in terms of vacuum expectation value as  $M^4$  QFT limit, this expectation value is determined by the mass spectrum determined by the p-adic mass calculations. The mass spectrum of particles determines Higgs expectation and the couplings of Higgs rather than vice versa! For this option Weinberg

angle would be *defined* by the ratio of W and Z boson mass as  $\cos^2(\theta_W) = m_W^2/m_Z^2$  and these masses should be given by p-adic mass calculations.

The recent view about particles as Kähler magnetic loops carrying monopole flux is forced by the assumption that the corresponding partonic 2-surfaces are Kähler magnetic monopoles (implied by the weak form of electric-magnetic duality). The loop proceeds from wormhole throat to another one, then traverses along wormhole contact to another space-time sheet and returns back and eventually is transferred to the first sheet via wormhole contact. The mass squared assignable to this flux loop could give the contribution usually assigned to Higgs vacuum expectation. If this picture is correct, then the reduction of the W/Z mass ratio to Weinberg angle might be much easier to understand. As a matter fact, I have proposed that the flux loop gives rise to a stringy spectrum of states with string tension determined by p-adic length scale associated with  $M_{89}$ .

This option is attractive because fermions and bosons are in an exactly same position. Hierarchy problem is possible problem of this approach: note however that the considerations in the sequel imply that standard model action is predicted to be an effective action giving only tree diagrams so that there are no radiative corrections at  $M^4$  QFT limit.

The original interpretation of Higgs like state was as  $M_{89}$  pion. The recent observations from Fermi telescope suggest the existence of a boson with mass 135 GeV. It would be a good candidate for  $M_{89}$  pion. One can test the hypothesis by scaling the mass of ordinary neutral pion, which corresponds to  $M_{107}$ . The scaling gives mass 69.11 GeV. p-Adic length scale however allows also octaves of the minimum mass (they appear for leptopions) and scaling by two gives mass equal to 138.22 GeV not too far from 135 GeV.

There is also second encouraging numerical co-incidence. It is probably not an accident that Higgs vacuum expectation value corresponds to the minimum mass for  $p = M_{89}$  if the p-adic counterpart of Higgs expectation squared is of order  $O(p)$  in other words one has  $\mu^2/m_{CP_2}^2 = p = M_{89}$ .

My sincere hope is that the results of HCP2012 would allow to distinguish between these two options.

### 7.6.2 Microscopic description of gauge bosons and Higgs like and meson like states

Under the pressures from LHC (and rather harsh social pressures from Helsinki University;-)) it has become gradually clear that the understanding of whether TGD has  $M^4$  QFT limit or not, and how this limit can be defined, is essential for the understanding also the role of Higgs. In the following a first attempt to understand this limit is made. I find it somewhat surprising that I am making this attempt only now but the understanding of the proper role of the classical gauge potentials has been quite a challenge.

1. If one believes that  $M^4$  QFT is a good approximation to TGD at low energy limit then the standard description of Higgs mechanism seems to be the only possibility: this just on purely mathematical grounds. The interpretation would however be that the masses of the particles determine Higgs vacuum expectation value and Higgs couplings rather than vice versa. This would of course be nothing unheard in the history of physics: the emergence of a microscopic theory - in the recent case p-adic thermodynamics - would force to change the direction of the causal arrow in "Higgs makes particles massive" to that in "Higgs expectation is determined by particle masses".
2. The existence of  $M^4$  QFT limit is an intricate issue. In TGD Universe baryon and lepton number correspond to different chiralities of  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  spinors and this means that Higgs like state cannot be  $H$  scalar (it would be lepto-quark in this case). Rather, Higgs like state must be a vector in  $CP_2$  tangent space degrees of freedom. One can indeed construct a candidate for a Higgs like state as an Euclidian pion or its scalar counterpart: both are possible and one can even consider the mixture of them. The  $H$ -counterpart of Higgs like state is therefore  $CP_2$  axial vector or  $CP_2$  vector or mixture of them.

Euclidian pion or scalar carries fermion and anti-fermion at opposite throat of the wormhole contact. It is easy to imagine that a coherent state of Euclidian pseudo-scalars or scalars or

their mixture having Higgs expectation as  $M^4$  QFT correlate is formed. This state transforms as  $2 \oplus 2$  under  $U(2 \subset SU(3))$  identifiable as weak gauge group. This representation is natural in Euclidian regions Higgs as a tangent space vector of  $CP_2$  has naturally  $2 \oplus 2$  decomposition in tangent space of  $CP_2$  allowing an interpretation as Lie algebra complement of  $u(2) \subset su(3)$ .

In Minkowskian regions  $CP_2$  projection is 3-D and a natural counterpart of Higgs would be pseudo-scalar (or scalar) transforming as  $3 \oplus 1$  and  $U(2 \subset SU(3))$  identifiable now as strong  $U(2)$ . The 3-dimensionality of the  $M^4$  projection suggests that one obtains only the triplet state.

3. By bosonic emergence also gauge bosons correspond at microscopic level to fermion and anti-fermion at opposite throats of wormhole contacts. Meson like states in turn correspond to fermion and anti-fermion at the ends of a flux tube connecting throats of two different wormhole contacts so that both Higgs, gauge bosons, and meson-like states are obtained using similar construction recipe.
4. The popular statement "gauge bosons eat almost all Higgs components" makes sense at the  $M^4$  QFT limit.: just a transition to the unitary gauge effectively eliminates all but one of the components of the Higgs like state and gauge bosons get third polarization. This means gauge boson massivation but for option II it would take place already in p-adic thermodynamics in ZEO (zero energy ontology).

### 7.6.3 Trying to understand the QFT limit of TGD

The counterparts of gauge potentials and Higgs field are not needed in the microscopic description if p-adic thermodynamics gives the masses so that the gauge potentials and Higgs field should emerge only at  $M^4$  QFT limit. It is not even necessary to speak about Higgs and YM parts of the action at the microscopic level. The functional integral defined by the vacuum function expressed as exponent of Kähler action for preferred extremals to which couplings of microscopic expressions of particles in terms of fermions coupled to the effective fields describing them at QFT limit should define the effective action at QFT limit.

The basic recipe is simple.

1. Start from the vacuum functional which is exponent of Kähler action for preferred extremals with Euclidian regions giving real exponent and Minkowskian regions imaginary exponent.
2. Add to this action terms which are bilinear in the microscopic expression for the particle state and the corresponding effective field appearing in the effective action.
3. Perform the functional integration over WCW ("world of classical worlds") and take vacuum expectation value in fermionic degrees of freedom.
4. This gives an effective field theory in  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . To get  $M^4$  QFT integrate over  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom in the action. This dimensional reduction is similar to what occurs in Kaluza-Klein theories.

The functional integration of WCW induces also integration of induced spinor fields which apart from right-handed neutrino are restricted to the string world sheets. In principle induced spinor fields could be non-vanishing also at partonic 2-surfaces but simple physical considerations suggest that they are restricted to the intersection points of partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets defining the ends of braid strands. Therefore the effective spinor fields  $\Psi_{eff}$  would appear only at braid ends in the integration over WCW and one has good hopes of performing the functional integral.

1. One can assign to the induced spinor fields  $\Psi$  imbedding space spinor fields  $\Psi_{eff}$  appearing in the effective action. The dimensions of  $\Psi$  and  $\Psi_{eff}$  are  $1/L^{3/2}$ . A dimensionally correct guess is the term  $\int d^2x \sqrt{g_2} \bar{\Psi}_{eff}(P) D^{-1} \Psi + h.c.$ , where  $\Gamma^\alpha$  denotes the induced gamma matrices,  $P$  denotes the end point of a braid strand at the wormhole throat, and  $D$  denotes the "ordinary" massless Dirac operator  $\Gamma^\alpha D_\alpha$  for the induced gamma matrices. Propagator contributes dimension  $L$  and is well-defined since  $\Psi$  is not annihilated by  $D$  but by the modified Dirac operator in which modified gamma matrices defined by the modified Dirac action appear. Note that internal



consistency does not allow the replacement of Kähler action with four-volume. Integral over the second wormhole throat contributes dimension  $L^2$ . Therefore the outcome is a dimensionless finite quantity, which reduces to the value of integrand at the intersection of partonic 2-surface and string world sheet - that is at ends of braid strand since induced spinors are localized at string world sheets unless right-handed neutrinos are in question. The fact that induced spinor fields are proportional to a delta function restricting them to string world sheets does not lead to problems since the modified Dirac action itself vanishes by modified Dirac equation.

2. Both Higgs and gauge bosons correspond to bi-local objects consisting of fermion and anti-fermion at opposite throats of wormhole contact and restricted to braid ends. They are connected by the analog of non-integrable phase factor defined by classical gauge potentials. These bilinear fermionic objects should correspond to Higgs and gauge potentials at QFT limit. The two integrations over the partonic 2-surfaces contribute  $L^2$  both, whereas the dimension of the quantity defining the gauge boson or Higgs like state is  $1/L^3$  from the dimensions of spinor fields and from the dimension of generalized polarization vector compensated by that of gamma matrices. Hence the dimensions of the bi-local quantities are  $L$  for both gauge bosons and Higgs like particles. They must be coupled to their effective QFT counterparts so that a dimensionless term in action results. Note that delta functions associated with the induced spinor fields reduce them to the end points of braid strand connecting wormhole throats and finite result is obtained.
3. How to identify these dimensional bilinear terms defining the QFT limit? The basic problem is that the microscopic representation of the particle is bi-local and the effective field at QFT limit should be local. The only possibility is to consider an average of the effective field over the stringy curve connecting the points at two throats. The resulting quantities must have dimensions  $1/L$  in accordance with naive scaling dimensions of gauge bosons and Higgs to compensate the dimension  $L$  of the microscopic representation of bosons. For gauge bosons having zero dimension as 1-forms the average  $\int A_\mu dx^\mu/l$  along a unique stringy curve of length  $l$  connecting wormhole throats defines a quantity with dimension  $1/L$ . For Higgs components having dimension  $1/L$  the quantities  $\int H_A \sqrt{g_1} dx/l$ , where  $g_1$  corresponds to the induced metric at the stringy curve, has also dimension  $1/L$ . The presence of the induced metric depending on  $CP_2$  metric guarantees that the effective action contains dimensional parameters so that the breaking of scale invariance results.

To sum up, for option II the parameters for the counterpart of Higgs action emerging at QFT limit must be determined by the p-adic mass calculations in TGD framework and the flux tube structure of particles would in the case of gauge bosons should give the standard contribution to gauge boson masses. For option I fermionic masses would emerge as mass parameters of the effective action. The presence of Euclidian regions of space-time having interpretation as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams is absolutely crucial in making possible Higgs like states. One must however emphasize that at this stage both option I and II must be considered.

#### 7.6.4 To deeper waters

Higgs issue seems to divide theoreticians to two classes: the simple-minded pragmatists and real thinkers.

For pragmatists the existence of Higgs and Higgs mechanism is something absolute: Higgs exists or not and one can make a bet about it. Most bloggers and most phenomenologists applying numerical models belong to this group. In particular, bloggers have had heated discussions and have made bets pro and con, mostly pro.

Thinkers see the situation in a wider perspective. The real issue is the status of quantum field theory as a description of fundamental forces. Is QFT something fundamental or is it only a low energy limit of a more fundamental microscopic theory? Could it even happen that QFT limit fails in some respects and could the description of particle massivation represent such an aspect?

Already string models taught (or at least should have taught) to see quantum field theory as an effective description of a microscopic theory working at low energy limit. Since string theorists have not been able to cook up any convincing answer to the layman's innocent question "How would you describe an atom using these tiny strings which are so awe inspiring?", QFT limits have become what string models actually are at the phenomenological level. AdS-CFT correspondence actually equates

string theory with a conformal quantum field theory in Minkowski space so that hopes about genuine microscopic theory are lost. This is disappointing but not surprising since strings are still too simple: they are either open or closed, there is no interesting internal topology.

In TGD framework string world sheets are replaced with 4-D space-time surfaces. One ends up with a very concrete vision about matter based on the notion of many-sheeted space-time and the implications are highly non-trivial in all scales. For instance, blackhole interior is replaced with a space-time region with Euclidian signature of the induced metric characterizing any physical system be it elementary particle, condensed matter system, or astrophysical object. Therefore the key question becomes the following. Does TGD have QFT in  $M^4$  as low energy limit or rather - as a limit holding true in a given scale in the infinite length scale hierarchies predicted by theory (p-adic length scale hierarchy and hierarchy of effective Planck constants and hierarchy of causal diamonds)?

### Deeper question: Does QFT limit of the fundamental theory exist?

Could the QFT limit defined as QFT in  $M^4$  fail to exist? After this question one cannot avoid questions about the character of Higgs and Higgs mechanism.

1. It is quite possible that in QFT framework Higgs mechanism is the only description of particle massivation. But this is just a mimicry, not a predictive description. QFT limit can only reproduce the spectrum of elementary particles masses or rather - mass ratios. The ratio of Planck mass (also an ad hoc concept) to proton mass remains a complete mystery.

This failure has been convincingly demonstrated by a huge amount of work in particle phenomenology. First came the GUT theorists. They applied every imaginable gauge group with elementary particles put in all imaginable group representations to reproduce the known part of the particle spectrum. They have reproduced standard model gauge symmetries at low energy limit. They have also done the necessary fine-tuning to make proton long-lived enough, to give large enough masses for the exotics, and to make beta functions sensical.

The same procedures have been repeated in SUSY framework and finally super string phenomenology has produced QFT limits with Higgs mechanism, and are now doing intense fine tuning to save poor SUSY from the aggressive attacks by LHC. During these 40 years of busy modeling practically nothing has been achieved but the work goes on since theoreticians have their methods and they must produce highly technical papers to preserve the illusion of hard science.

2. Higgs mechanism is also plagued by profound problems. The hierarchy problem means that the Higgs mechanism with mass of about 125 GeV is just at the border of stability. The problem is that the sign of mass squared term in Higgs potential can change by radiative corrections so that the vacuum with a vanishing Higgs expectation value becomes stable. SUSY was hoped to solve the hierarchy problem but LHC has made SUSY in standard sense implausible. Even if it exists cannot help in this issue. Another problem is that the coefficients of the fourth power in the Higgs potential can become negative so that vacuum becomes unstable: the bottom of a valley becomes top of a hill. The value of Higgs mass is such that also this seems to happen! (see the posting of Resonances).

Quite generally, fine tuning problems are the characteristic issues of the QFT limit. Proton must be long-lived enough, baryon and lepton number violating decay rates cannot be too high, the predicted exotic particles implied by the extension of the standard model gauge group must be massive enough, and so on... This requires a lot of fine tuning. Theory has transformed from a healer to a patient: the efforts of theoreticians reduce to attempts to resuscitate the patient. All this becomes understandable as one realizes that QFT is just a mimicry, not the fundamental theory.

One could also see these two problems of the Higgs mechanism as the last attempt of the frustrated Nature to signal to the busy mainstream career builders something very profound about reality by using paradox as its last means. From TGD vantage point the intended message of Nature looks quite obvious.

### Shut up and calculate

The problem in the recent theoretical physics is that thinking has not been allowed for more than half century. Thinking is seen as "philosophy" - something very very bad. The fathers of quantum theory were philosophers: they realized the deep problems of quantum measurement theory and considered possible conclusions for the world view. For instance, Bohr - whose view became orthodoxy - concluded that objective reality cannot exist at all and that quantum theory is just a collection of calculational recipes with  $\Psi$  having no real existence. Einstein had totally different view. He believed that quantum theory is somehow fundamentally wrong.

Neither of them was yet mature to see that the problem involves the conscious observer in a very intimate manner: in particular, how the subjective time and the geometric time of physicist - certainly not one and the same thing - relate to each other. Both were also unable to see that objective reality could be replaced by objective realities identified as "solutions of field equations" and that quantum jumps would take between them and give rise to conscious experience. This would resolve both the problem of time and the basic problem of quantum measurement theory.

Later theoreticians followed the advice which has been put to the mouth of Feynman, and decided to just shut up and calculate. This long silence has lasted more than half a century now. I belong to those few who refused to follow the advice with the consequence that the decision makers of Helsinki University gave me officially a label of a madman and besides intensive blackmailing did their best to prevent any support for my work (see previous posting motivated by a warning of young readers about the dangers of reading my blog - sent by presumably finnish physics authority calling himself Anonymous).

LHC has now demonstrated how catastrophic consequences can be when the profession of the theoretician reduces to mindless calculation. We have got lost generations of theoreticians who continue to fill hep-th and hep-ph with preprints with a minimal connection to physical reality and mostly trying to solve the problems created by the theory itself rather than those provided by physics. This is however what they are able to do: collective silence has lasted too long. Even string model gurus have lost their beliefs on The Only Possible Theory of Everything. Some of them have suffered a regression to surprisingly childish models of gravitation (entropic gravity). Some have begun to see everything as black-holes without realizing that blackholes as a mathematical failure of general relativity should have been the starting point rather than the end. Some are making bets and having learned debates about paradoxes related to blackholes (firewall paradox is the latest newcomer (see the blog posting).

### Or could thinking be a rewarding activity after all?

There are also some theoreticians who have followed their own star and have not been able to resist the temptation to think and imagine. I have used to call my own star TGD. As described in previous posting, p-adic thermodynamics can be seen as a- or even *the* - microscopic mechanism of massivation in TGD framework. There are two options to consider. According to Option I p-adic thermodynamics alone explains only fermion masses and the microscopic counterpart of Higgs mechanism would give the dominant contribution to gauge boson masses. For Option II p-adic thermodynamics would produce both gauge boson and Higgs masses and Higgs mechanism could appear at QFT limit as a mere phenomenological description of the massivation.

Option II is the most conservative option and apparently conforms with the standard model view. It also treats all particles in the same position. Note that in standard model Higgs itself like eye which cannot see itself since its tachyonic bare mass is put in by hand. Option II is also aesthetically more satisfactory if one believes that QFT limit of TGD indeed exists. For Option I one should invent new QFT mechanism describing fermion massivation in QFT framework or give up the idea about QFT limit altogether. Option I or Option II? This question might find an answer within few days!

The existence of  $M^4$  QFT limit is not obvious in TGD framework (what this limit could be if it exists has been discussed in the previous posting). This is due to a dramatic simplification in the microscopic description of particles. The only fundamental fields are spinors of  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  having just spin and electroweak quantum numbers and conserved carrying quark or lepton number depending on H-chirality. Color emerges and corresponds to color partial waves in  $H$ . Also bosons emerge meaning that gauge bosons, Higgs, and graviton have pairs of fermion and anti-fermion at the opposite throats of wormhole contacts as building bricks. Gauge fields, Higgs field, gravitational field and also Higgs mechanism can emerge in this approach only as a phenomenological description

at  $M^4$  QFT limit assuming that it exists. Fermionic families emerge from topology and also bosons are expected the analog of family replication phenomenon induced from the fermionic one.

Higgs like bosons exist as Euclidian pions or scalar particles and they might also develop coherent states characterized by the vacuum expectation value of Higgs but already this possibility must be taken critically since coherent states is a QFT based notion and it is not quite clear whether it generalizes to microscopic level (see this).

What is important that Higgs does not make fermions massive. For Option II this is true also for bosons. Rather, the couplings and vacuum expectation of Higgs are such that Higgs can pretend of achieving this feat. Higgs mechanism reproduces: p-adic thermodynamics predicts.

Standard model action is only an effective action providing tree diagrams so that the loop corrections leading to the hierarchy problem are not present unless the counterpart of fatal radiative corrections appear in the effective action which must depend on p-adic length scale (in TGD the discrete p-adic length scale evolution replaces the continuous renormalization group evolution of quantum field theories). Zero energy ontology however dramatically modifies the view about Feynman diagrams, and can save the situation since standard SUSY generalizes to super-conformal invariance.

There are of course lot of critical questions to be answered. I have written an entire book motivated by the challenge of understanding why p-adic thermodynamics should be needed in real number based physics. p-Adic physics for single prime is definitely not enough: one must fuse p-adic physics for various primes  $p$  and real physics to single coherent whole and this requires a lot of not yet existing mathematics such as generalization of number concept. The connections of p-adic physics to the description of cognition and intention in quantum consciousness theory are also obvious and p-adic space-time sheet would correspond to the "mind stuff" of Descartes. These few examples show how profound and totally unexpected new visions a more philosophical and imaginative attitude to physics generates.

Another book is devoted to the physical implications of p-adic physics and of the hierarchy of effective Planck constants, a notion implied by the very special properties of the basic variational principle dictating the space-time dynamics in TGD framework.

### 7.6.5 Higgs-like state according to TGD after HCP2012

As both Phil Gibbs and Tommaso Dorigo have already told, ATLAS and CMS reported new Higgs results at LHC in Kyoto. From TGD perspective these results are of special interest since - as explained in previous postings (see this and this), they could allow to distinguish between two options suggested by TGD for the interpretation of the Higgs like particle. Before continuing it must be made clear that the road to these options has been long and with many twists and turns (see this). Rather imaginatively, I have christened the basic options as Option I and II.

#### The two options

I have described these options here. In follow up posting I have described how Option II can be understood in TGD framework, where both gauge fields, Higgs field, and also graviton field are only constructs emerging at the QFT limit of the theory rather than having a fundamental ontological status.

1. Option I assumes that Higgs like state cannot explain fermion masses so that the couplings of Higgs to fermions can even vanish. Gauge boson masses are however assumed to result by the counterpart of Higgs mechanism which would be formation of a coherent state assignable to the Higgs like particle identified a  $M^4$  scalar formed from fermion and antifermion at opposite throats of wormhole contacts (just like gauge bosons). Note that Higgs like state is actually  $CP_2$  vector.
  - (a) One can wonder why not allow coherent states of Higgs like particle also for option II at the microscopic level. p-Adic thermodynamics does not tolerate this. The conclusion that these coherent states explain also fermion masses is difficult to avoid. For me it would mean return 17 years back to the times before p-adic mass calculations without a slightest idea why fermion masses are what they are.

- (b) Both scalar and pseudoscalar identification is possible for Higgs like state in TGD as it is now. Somewhat misleadingly I have referred to the Higgs like state as Euclidian pion. "Pion" is a misleading terminological mammoth bone from my original identification of 125 GeV state as pion of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.  $M_{89}$  hadrons is one of the most important new physics (almost)-predictions of TGD. The 135 GeV particle for which Fermi telescope has provided considerable evidence could correspond to  $M_{89}$  pion. It is a pity that the experimentalist are testing only the mainstream theories such as standard SUSY, whose state after HCP2012 is so critical that journalists have rumored that SUSY is now at hospital.

The reason for "Euclidian" is that the space-time regions assignable to the (thickened) lines of generalized Feynman diagrams have Euclidian signature of induced metric. The Minkowskian parts of the flux tubes would be much longer, of the order of Compton length of particle, and could be identified as counterparts of hadronic strings if both ends carry fermion number. This means a unification of elementary particles and hadron like states: they are both string like objects but with widely differing typical lengths and string tensions. The string tension assignable to the long strings/flux tubes would give the dominant contribution to hadron masses.

2. Option II is conservative in the sense that apparently Higgs would make both bosons and fermions massive: aesthetically this is of course very nice feature. This conservative character is only apparent since p-adic thermodynamics would determine both fermion and boson masses - also the mass of Higgs.

- (a) Both gauge boson fields and Higgs field would be constructs of QFT limit for the microscopic physical objects not describable as fields and obtained by making 3-surfaces assigned with particles to point like objects. In the earlier posting I described how standard model like theory would result as a QFT limit of TGD by using a modification of a standard construction for the effective action.
- (b) "Apparent" would mean that Higgs vacuum expectation value is a purely fictive notion for this option. It would apparently explain masses for gauge bosons and fermions if the coupling of fermions to the scalar state mapped to Higgs field corresponds to gradient coupling  $\bar{\Psi}\gamma^\mu\partial_\mu\Phi\Psi/\mu$ ,  $\mu$  the Higgs vacuum expectation value reproducing the fermion mass from this coupling. In the case of gauge bosons the standard gauge coupling to Higgs would reproduce the gauge boson mass in same manner. This is however only a mimicry of the mass spectrum, not its prediction. QFT limit cannot do better. The crucial ratio of W and Z boson masses expressible in terms of Weinberg angle would become a definition of Weinberg angle.
- (c) The identification of elementary particles in terms of monopole flux loops allows also to consider gauge boson masses as contributions to the conformal weight of the gauge boson ground state so that it would not result from the p-adic thermodynamics proper. Is this contribution present also in fermionic ground states and does it give only a small shift to fermion mass squared from the value determined by p-adic thermodynamics?

For gauge bosons this contribution is of order  $O(p^2)$ : the coefficient would be large so that the contribution would not be much below the smallest possible  $O(p)$  contribution. Assuming this for fermions this contribution would induce only a small upwards shift of fermion masses whose relative size would be largest for lowest fermion families. For this option the parameter  $\mu \simeq 246$  GeV, which actually corresponds to the smallest possible value of p-adic mass squared of order  $O(p)$ : clearly W and Z boson masses are below this but not much and this would require p-adic temperature  $T = 1/2$  in p-adic thermodynamics. The proportionality of the mass of long string to the square of appropriate gauge coupling constant appearing in the gauge boson masses would be also natural and predict W/Z mass ratio correctly.

### Option I or Option II?

What do the results of the data released by ATLAS and CMS groups allow to conclude? Option I or Option II?

1. Perhaps the most important piece of data is the production rate for  $\tau^+\tau^-$  pairs by Higgs decays. CMS reports excess of  $.72 \pm .52$  and ATLAS  $.72 \pm .64$ . Earlier Tevatron reported evidence excess in bb channel. Together these results are quite strong and if taken at face value (note however the large error margins) then Option II survives in TGD framework.
2. The crucial diphoton channels, where gamma pair excess has been reported hitherto have not been updated by either group. This is a pity since for Option I the development of coherent state of Euclidian scalar serving as a counterpart for the Higgs expectation would be due to a coupling of pseudoscalar (scalar) to instanton density (YM action density) - call it just  $X$  - slashed between Higgs like state and its conjugate in QFT description. The addition of a quantized piece to  $X$  would give rise to a term giving rise to anomalous decays to photon pairs/gauge boson pairs.

For the pseudoscalar Higgs the coefficient of the interaction term would be dictated by anomaly considerations. For a scalar Higgs the ad hoc guess would be that the coefficient is same.  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal represents the extreme case of Euclidian space-time region and for this induced Kähler form is self dual. Could this be used to justify this adhoc assumption?

Many explanations for diphoton excess have been proposed and I cannot avoid the temptation to add an additional contribution to the soup. There have been rumors that the state around 125 GeV splits into two: ATLAS and CMS have indeed reported slightly different masses. Could this be a real effect and explain the diphoton excess - and also why nothing was reported in Kyoto? The believer on  $M_{89}$  physics could argue as follows.

- (a) The pion like state corresponds to  $3 \oplus 1$  representation for strong isospin group  $U(2)$  realized using sub-algebra  $SU(2)$  of  $SU(3)$  playing the role of strong isospin group in TGD. Pion realizes only "3". Could "1" correspond to the sigma meson of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and have mass around 125 GeV and thus explain two-photon anomaly? Unfortunately, the status of sigma even in ordinary hadron physics has turned out to be very problematic.
  - (b) One can also play with a second idea. There is recent evidence that ordinary pion has what might be called an infrared Regge trajectory with the mass splitting about 20 MeV or 40 MeV between different states (see this). This pion would satellites also below its usual mass: the first reported one around 100 MeV. If also  $M_{89}$  pion has similar IR Regge trajectory then by scaling by a factor 512 the splitting of 20 (40) MeV would scale up to a splitting of 10 (20) GeV. This would map 100 MeV pion to a copy of 135 GeV  $M_{89}$  pion with mass around 115 GeV (for which ATLAS found evidence for a couple of years ago!). This state is unfortunately 10 GeV too low! 20 MeV splitting would suggest a satellite of pion around 120 MeV, and its  $M_{89}$  variant would be around 125 GeV! In this case the different parities of Euclidian scalar and scaled down copy of Euclidian pion would allow to distinguish between them. This copy of pion would have also charged companions. There have been also rumors about charged companions of Higgs.
3. Tommaso Dorigo tells that also the first determination of the spin parity of the state has been made.  $0_+$  is slightly favored so that scalar Higgs would be in question. TGD indeed allows both options but for the scalar option the coupling of Higgs like state to YM action density remains the ad hoc guess mentioned above.

To sum up, the challenge of understanding Higgs like states in TGD framework seems to be now to be accomplished to high extent. The outcome is a formulation for the QFT limit of TGD which allows to understand how TGD implies standard model like theory as its QFT limit and rather precise view about limitations of QFT approximation.

### 7.6.6 About the basic assumptions behind p-adic mass calculations

The motivation for this piece of text was the basic horror experience of theoretician waking him up at early morning hours. Is there something wrong with basic assumptions of some particular piece of theory? At this time it was p-adic thermodynamics. Theoretician tries to figure this out in a drowsy state between wake-up and sleep, fails repeatedly, and blames the mighties of the Universe for his miserable fate as eternal doubter. Eventually merciful sleep arrives and theoretician wakes up in the

morning, recalls the problem and feels that nothing is wrong. But theoretician knows that it is better to check everything once again.

So that this is what I am doing in the sequel: listing and challenging the basic assumptions and philosophy behind p-adic mass calculations. As always in this kind of situation, I prefer to think it all over again rather than finding what I have written earlier: reader can check whether the recent me agrees with the earlier me. This list is not the only one that I have made during these years and other, possibly different, lists can be found in the chapters of various books. Although the results of calculations are unique and involve only very general assumptions, the guessing of the detailed physical picture behind them is difficult.

I hope that this piece of text would also help to understand better how p-adic mass calculations as a microscopic theory and the standard description of Higgs mechanism as a phenomenological low energy parameterization relate to each other.

### Why p-adic thermodynamics?

p-Adic thermodynamics is a fundamental assumption behind the p-adic mass calculations: p-adic mass squared is identified as a thermal average of mass squared for super-conformal representation with p-adic mass squared given essentially by the conformal weight.

Zero energy ontology (ZEO) has gradually gained a status of second fundamental assumption. In fact, ZEO strongly suggests the replacement of p-adic thermodynamics with its "complex square root" so that one would be actually considering genuine quantum states squaring to thermodynamical states. This idea looks highly satisfactory for anyone used to think that elementary particles cannot be thermodynamical objects. The square root of p-adic thermodynamics raises delicate number theoretical issues [K79] since the p-adic square root of the conformal weight having value  $p$  does not exist without a proper algebraic extension of p-adic numbers leading to algebraic integers and generalized notion of primeness.

**Q:** Why p-adic thermodynamics, which predicts the thermal expectation of p-adic mass squared and requires the mapping of p-adic valued mass squared to real mass squared by some variant of canonical identification?

**A:** Number theoretical universality requires fusion of real and p-adic number based physics for various primes so that p-adic thermodynamics becomes natural.

1. The answer inspired by TGD inspired theory of consciousness would be that the interaction of p-adic space-time sheets serving as correlates of cognition with real space-time sheets representing matter makes p-adic topology effective topology in some length scale range also for real space-time sheets (as an effective topology for discretization). One could even speak about cognitive representations of elementary particles using the rational or algebraic intersections of real and p-adic space-time sheets. These cognitive representations are very simple in p-adic topology and it is easy to calculate the masses of the particles using p-adic thermodynamics. Since representation is in question, the result should characterize also real particle.
2. The pragmatic answer would be that p-adic thermodynamics gives extremely powerful number theoretical constraints leading to the quantization of mass scales and masses with p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n$  and p-adic prime appearing as free parameters. Also conformal invariance is strongly favored since the counterpart of Hamiltonian must be integer valued as the super-conformal scaling generator indeed is.
3. By number theoretical universality one can require that the p-adic mass thermodynamics is equivalent with real thermodynamics for real mass squared. This is the case if partition function has cutoff so that conformal weights only up to some maximum value  $N$  are allowed. This has no practical consequences since the real-valued contribution from the conformal weight  $n$  is proportional to  $p^{-n+1/2}$  and for  $n > 2$  is completely negligible since the primes involved are so large ( $p = M_{127} = 2^{127} - 1$  for electron for instance).

**Q:** Is the canonical identification mapping the p-adic mass squared to real mass squared unique? This is not the case. One can imagine a family of identification for which integers  $n < p^N$ ,  $N = 1, 2, \dots$  are mapped to itself. This however has no practical implications for the calculations since the values of primes involved are so large.

The calculations themselves assume only p-adic thermodynamics and super-conformal invariance. The most important thing that matters is the number of tensor factors in the tensor product of representations of conformal algebra, which must be *five*.

**Q:** What are the fundamental conformal algebras giving rise to the super conformal symmetries?

**A:** There are two conformal algebras involved.

1. The symplectic algebra of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4 \times CP_2$  has the formal structure of Kac-Moody algebra with the light-like radial coordinate  $r$  of the light-cone boundary  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  taking the role of complex coordinate  $z$ . It has symplectic algebras of  $CP_2$  and sphere  $S^2$  of light-cone boundary as building blocks taking the role of the finite-dimensional Lie group defining Kac-Moody algebra. This algebra has not in string models.
2. There is also the Kac-Moody algebra assignable to the light-like wormhole throats and assignable to the isometries of the imbedding space having  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  isometries as factors. There are also electroweak symmetries acting on spinor fields. In fact, the construction of the solutions of the modified Dirac equation [K96] suggests that electroweak and color gauge symmetries become Kac-Moody symmetries in TGD framework. In practice this means that only the generators with positive conformal weight annihilate the physical states. For gauge symmetry also those with negative conformal weight annihilate the physical states.

One can of course ask whether also  $SU(2)$  sub-algebra of  $SL(2,C)$  acting on spinors should be counted. One could argue that this is not the case since spin does correspond to gauge or Kac-Moody symmetry as electroweak quantum numbers do.

**Q:** One must have five tensor factors. How should one count the number of tensor factors, in other words what is the basic building brick to which one identifies as a tensor factor of Super-Virasoro algebra?

**A:** One can imagine two options.

1. The most general option is that one takes the  $CP_2$  and  $S^2$  symplectic algebras as factors in the symplectic sector. In Kac-Moody sector one has  $E^2 \subset M^4$  isometries (longitudinal degrees of freedom of string world sheet carrying induce spinors fields are not physical) and  $SU(3)$ . Besides this one has electroweak algebra  $U(2)$ , which almost but quite not decomposes to  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$  (there are correlations between  $SU(2)_L$  and  $U(1)$  quantum numbers and the existence of spinor structure of  $CP_2$  makes also these correlations manifest). This would give 5 tensor factors as required.
2. I have also considered Cartan algebras as separate tensor factors. I must confess, that at this moment I am unable to rediscover what my motivation for this actually has been. This would give a larger number of tensor factors: 1+2 factors in symplectic sector from Cartan algebras of  $SO(3) \times SU(3)$  defining subgroup of symplectic group, 2+2 for isometries in Kac-Moody sector from  $E^2$  and  $SU(3)$ , and 1+1 in the electroweak sector with spin giving a possible further factor. This means 9 (or possibly 10) factors so that thermalization is not possible for all Cartan algebra factors. Symplectic sectors are certainly a natural candidate in this respect so that one would have 5 as required (or 6 if spin is allowed to have Kac-Moody structure) sectors.

The first option looks more convincing to me.

### How to understand the conformal weight of the ground state?

Ground state conformal weight which is non-positive can receives various contributions. One contribution is negative and therefore corresponds to a tachyonic mass squared, second contribution corresponds to  $CP_2$  cm degrees of freedom and together with the momentum squared boils down to an eigenvalue of the square of spinor d'Alembertian for  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  (by bosonic emergence). Third one comes from the conformal moduli of the partonic 2-surface at the end of the space-time sheet at light-like boundary of causal diamond and distinguishes between different fermion families.

**Q:** Tachyonic ground state mass does not look physical and is quite generally seen as a serious - if not lethal - problem also in string models. What is the origin of the tachyonic contribution to the mass squared in TGD framework?



**A:** The recent picture about elementary particles is as lines of generalized Feynman diagram identified as space-time regions with Euclidian signature of the induced metric. In this regions mass squared is naturally negative and it is natural to think that ground state mass squared receives contributions from both Euclidian and Minkowskian regions. If so, the necessary tachyonic contribution would be a direct signal for the presence of the Euclidian regions, which have actually turned out to define a generalization of blackhole interior and be assignable to any system as a space-time sheet characterizing the system geometrically [L20]. For instance, my own body as I experience it would correspond to my personal Euclidian space-time sheet as a line of generalized Feynman diagram.

**Q:** Where does the  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$  contribution to the scaling generator  $L_0$  assignable to spinor partial waves in  $H$  come from?

**A:** Zero energy ontology (ZEO) allows to assign to each particle a causal diamond  $CD$  and according to the recent view emerging from the analysis of the relationship between subjective (experienced) time and geometric time, particle is characterized by a quantum superposition of  $CD$ s. Every state function reduction means localization of the upper or lower tip of all  $CD$ s in the superposition and delocalization of the other tip. The position of the upper tip has wave function in  $H_{\pm} = M^4_{\pm} \times CP_2$  and there is a great temptation to identify the wave function as being induced from a partial wave in  $H = M^4 \times CP_2$ . As a matter of fact, number theoretic arguments and arguments related to finite measurement resolution strongly suggest discretization of  $H_{\pm}$ .  $M^4_{\pm}$  would be replaced with a union of hyperboloids with a distance from the tip of  $M^4_{\pm}$  which is quantized as a multiple of  $CP_2$  radius. Furthermore at each hyperboloid the allowed points would correspond to the orbit of some discrete subgroup of  $SL(2, C)$ .  $CP_2$  would be also discretized.

### What about Lorentz invariance?

The square root of p-adic thermodynamics implies quantum superposition of states with different values of mass squared and hence four-momenta. In ZEO this does not mean obvious breaking of Lorentz invariance since physical states have vanishing total energy. Note that coherent states of Cooper pairs, which in ordinary ontology would have both ill-defined energy and fermion number, have a natural interpretation in ZEO.

1. A natural assumption is that the state in the rest system involves only a superposition of states with vanishing three-momentum. For Lorentz boosts the state would be a superposition of states with different three-momenta but same velocity. Classically the assumption about same 3-velocity is natural.

**Q:** Could Lorentz invariance break down by the presence of the superposition of different momenta?

**A:** This is not the case if only the average four-momentum is observable. The reason is that average four-momentum transforms linearly under Lorentz boosts. I have earlier considered the possibility of replacing momentum squared with conformal weight but this option looks somewhat artificial and even wrong to me now.

2. The decomposition  $M^4 = M^2 \times E^2$  is fundamental in the formulation of quantum TGD, in the number theoretical vision about TGD, in the construction of preferred extremals, and for the vision about generalized Feynman diagrams. It is also fundamental in the decomposition of the degrees of string to longitudinal and transversal ones. An additional item to the list is that also the states appearing in thermodynamical ensemble in p-adic thermodynamics correspond to four-momenta in  $M^2$  fixed by the direction of the Lorentz boost.

**Q:** In parton model of hadrons it is assumed that the partons have a distribution with respect to longitudinal momentum, which means that the velocities of partons are same along the direction of motion of hadron. Could one have p-adic thermodynamics for hadrons?

**A:** For hadronic p-adic thermodynamics the value of the string tension parameter would be much smaller and the thermal contributions from  $n > 0$  states would be completely negligible so that the idea does not look good. In p-adic thermodynamics for elementary particles one would have distribution coming from different values of p-adic mass squared which is integer valued apart from ground state configuration.

### What are the fundamental dynamical objects?

The original assumption was that elementary particles correspond to wormhole throats. With the discovery of the weak form of electric-magnetic duality came the realization that wormhole throat is homological magnetic monopole (rather than Dirac monopole) and must therefore have (Kähler) magnetic charge. Magnetic flux lines must be however closed so that the wormhole throat must be associated with closed flux loop.

The most natural assumption is that this loop connects two wormhole throats at the first space-time sheet, that the flux goes through a second wormhole contact to another sheet, returns back along second flux tube, and eventually is transferred to the original throat along the first wormhole contact.

The solutions of the Modified Dirac equation [K96] assign to this flux tube string like curve as a boundary of string world sheet carrying the induced fermion field. This closed string has "short" portions assignable to wormhole contacts and "long" portions corresponding to the flux tubes connecting the two wormhole contacts. One can assign a string tension defined by  $CP_2$  scale with the "short" portions of the string and string tension defined by the primary or perhaps secondary p-adic length scale to the "long" portions of the closed string.

Also the "long" portion of the string can contribute to the mass of the elementary particle as a contribution to the vacuum conformal weight. In the case of weak gauge bosons this would be the case and since the contribution is naturally proportional to gauge couplings strength of W/Z boson one could understand Q/Z mass ratio if the p-adic thermodynamics gives a very small contribution from the "short" piece of string (also photon would receive this small contribution in ZEO): this is the case if one must have  $T = 1/2$  for gauge bosons. Note that "long" portion of string can contribute also to fermion masses a small shift. Hence no Higgs vacuum expectation value or coherent state of Higgs would be needed. There are two options for the interpretation of recent results about Higgs and Option II in which Higgs mechanism emerges as an effective description of particle massivation at QFT limit of the theory and both gauge fields and Higgs fields and its vacuum expectation exist only as constructs making sense at QFT limit. Higgs like particles do of course exist. At WCW limit they are replaced by WCW spinor fields as fundamental object.

**Q:** One can consider several identifications of the fundamental dynamical object of p-adic mass calculations. Either as a wormhole throat (in the case of fermions for which either wormhole throat carries the fermion quantum number this looks natural), as entire wormhole contact, or as the entire flux tube having two wormhole contacts. Which one of these options is correct?

**A:** The strong analogy with string model implied by the presence of fermionic string world sheet would support that the identification as entire flux tube in which case the large masses for higher conformal excitations could be interpreted in terms of string tension. Note that this is the only possibility in case of gauge bosons.

**Q:** What about p-adic thermodynamics or its square root in hadronic scale?

**A:** As noticed the contributions from  $n > 0$  conformal excitations would be extremely small in p-adic thermodynamics for "long" portions. It would seem that this contribution is non-thermal and comes from each value of  $n$  labelling states in Regge trajectory separately just as in old-fashioned string model. Even weak bosons would have Regge trajectories. The dominant contribution to the hadron mass can be assigned to the magnetic body of the hadron consisting of Kähler magnetic flux tubes. The Kähler-magnetic (or equivalently color-magnetic) flux tubes connecting valence quarks can contribute to the mass squared of hadron. I have also considered the possibility that symplectic conformal symmetries distinguishing between TGD and superstring models could be responsible for a contribution identifiable as color magnetic energy of hadron classically.

## 7.7 Appendix: The particle spectrum predicted by TGD

The detailed model of elementary particles has evolved slowly during more than 15 years and is still in progress. What SUSY means in TGD framework is second difficult question. In this problem text books provide no help since the SUSY differs in several respects from the standard SUSY. It must be admitted that there are open questions and several competing candidates for interpretations at the level of details and following just summarizes various competing approaches.

### 7.7.1 The general TGD based view about elementary particles

A rough overall view about the particle spectrum predicted by TGD has remained rather stable since 1995 when I performed first p-adic mass calculations but several important ideas have emerged allowing to make the vision more detailed.

1. The discovery of bosonic emergence [K60] had far reaching implications for both the formulation and interpretation of TGD. Bosonic emergence means that the basic building bricks of bosons are identifiable as wormhole contacts with throats carrying fermion and anti-fermion quantum numbers.
2. A big step was the realization wormhole throats carry Kähler magnetic charge [K29]. This forces to assume that observed elementary particles are string like objects carrying opposite magnetic charges at the wormhole ends of magnetic flux tubes. The obvious idea is that weak massivation corresponds to the screening of weak charges by neutrino pairs at the second end of the flux tube.

At least for weak gauge bosons this would fix the length of the flux tube to be given by weak length scale. For fermions and gluons the length of flux tube could also correspond to Compton length: the second end would be invisible since it would contain only neutrino pair. In the case of quarks an attractive idea is that flux tubes carry color magnetic fluxes and connect valence quarks and have hadronic size scale.

There are thus several stringy length scales present. The most fundamental corresponds to wormhole contacts and to  $CP_2$  length scale appearing in p-adic mass calculations and is analogous to the Planck scale characterizing string models. String like objects indeed appear at all levels in TGD Universe: one can say that strings emerge. The assumption that strings are fundamental objects would be a fatal error.

3. p-Adic massivation does not involve Higgs mechanism [K45]. The idea that Higgs provides longitudinal polarizations for gauge bosons is attractive, and its TGD based variant was that *all* Higgs components become longitudinal polarizations so that also photon has a small mass. The recent formulation of gauge conditions as  $p_{M^2} \cdot \epsilon = 0$ , where  $p_{M^2}$  is a projection of the momentum to a preferred plane  $M^2 \subset M^4$  assignable to a given  $CD$  and defining rest system and spin quantization axis, allows three polarizations automatically. Also the construction of gauge bosons as wormhole contacts with fermion and anti-fermion at the ends of throat massless on mass-shell states implies that all gauge bosons must be massive. Therefore Higgs does not seem to serve its original purposes in TGD.
4. This does not however mean that Higgs like states - or more generally spin 0 particles, could not exist. Here one encounters the problem of formulating what the notions like "scalar" and "pseudo-scalar" defined in  $M^4$  field theory mean when  $M^4$  is replaced with  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . The reason is that genuine scalars and pseudo-scalars in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  would correspond to lepto-quark states and chiral invariance implying separate conservation of quark and lepton numbers denies their existence.

These problems are highly non-trivial, and depending on what one is willing to assume, one can have spin 0 particles which however need not have anything to do with Higgs.

- (a) For a subset of these spin 0 particles the interpretation as 4 polarizations of gauge bosons in  $CP_2$  direction is highly suggestive: the polarizations can be regarded as doublets  $2 \oplus \bar{2}$  defining representations of  $u(2) \subset su(3)$  in its complement and therefore being rather "Higgsy". Another subset consists of triplet and singlet representations for  $u(2) \subset u(3)$  allowing interpretation as the analog of strong isospin symmetry in  $CP_2$  scale for the analogs of hadrons defined by wormhole contacts.
- (b)  $3 \oplus 1$  representation of  $u(2) \subset su(3)$  acting on  $u(2)$  is highly analogous to  $(\pi, \eta)$  system and  $2 \oplus \bar{2}$  representation assignable naturally to the complement of  $u(2)$  is analogous to kaon system. Exactly the same representations are obtained from the model of hadrons as string like objects and the two representations explain the difference between  $(\pi, \eta)$  like and  $(K, \bar{K})$  systems in terms of  $SU(3)$  Lie-algebra. Also the vector bosons associated

with pseudo-scalar mesons identified as string like objects have counterparts at the level of wormhole contacts. A surprisingly precise analogy between hadronic spectrum and the spectrum of elementary particle states emerges and could help to understand the details of elementary particle spectrum in TGD Universe.

In both cases charge matrices are expressible in terms of Killing vector fields of color isometries and gamma matrices or sigma matrices acting however on electroweak spin degrees of freedom so that a close connection between color and strong isospin is suggestive. This connection is empirically suggested also by the conserved vector current hypothesis and and partially conserved vector current hypothesis allowing to express strong interaction observables in terms of weak currents. In TGD framework color and electro-weak quantum numbers are therefore not totally unrelated as they are in standard model and it would be interesting to see whether this could allow to distinguish between TGD and standard model.

The detailed model for elementary particles involves still many un-certainties and in the following some suggestions allowing more detailed view are considered.

### 7.7.2 Construction of single fermion states

The general prediction of TGD is that particles correspond to partonic 2-surfaces, which can carry arbitrary high fermion number. The question is why only wormhole throats seem to carry fermion number 1 or 0 and why higher fermion numbers can be only assigned to the possibly existing super-partners.

1. p-Adic calculations assume that fermions correspond at imbedding space level to color partial waves assignable to the  $CP_2$  cm degrees of freedom of partonic 2-surface. The challenge is to give a precise mathematical content to the statement that partonic 2-surface moves in color partial wave. Color partial wave for the generic partonic 2-surface in general varies along the surface. One must either identify a special point of the surface as cm or assume that color partial wave is constant at the partonic 2-surface.
2. The first option looks artificial. Constancy condition is however very attractive since it would correlate the geometry of partonic 2-surface with the geometry of color partial wave and therefore code color quantum numbers to the geometry of space-time surface. This quantum classical correlation cannot hold true generally but could be true for the maxima of Kähler function.
3. Similar condition can be posed in  $M^4$  degrees of freedom and would state that the plane wave representing momentum eigenstate is constant at the partonic 2-surface.

For momentum eigenstates one obtains only one condition stating

$$p_{M^4} \cdot m = \text{constant} = C$$

at the partonic 2-surface located at the light-like boundary of  $CD$ . Here  $p_{M^4}$  denotes the  $M^2$  projection of the four-momentum.  $CD$  projection is at most 2-dimensional and at the surface of ellipsoid of form

$$x^2 + y^2 + k^2(z - z_0)^2 = R^2 \quad ,$$

where the parameters are expressible in terms of the momentum components  $p_0, p_3$  parameter  $C$ . In this case, the assumption that fermions have collinear  $M^2$  momentum projection allows to add several fermions to the state provided the conditions in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom allow this. In particular, covariantly constant right-handed neutrino must be collinear with the other fermions possibly present in the state.

For color partial waves the condition says that color partial wave is complex constant at partonic 2-surface  $\Psi = C$ .

1. The condition implies that the  $CP_2$  projection of the color partial wave is 2-dimensional so that one obtains a family of 2-surfaces  $Y^2$  labelled by complex parameter  $C$ . Color transformations act in this space of 2-surfaces. In general  $Y^2$  is not holomorphic since only the lowest representations (1,0) and (0,1) of  $SU(3)$  correspond to holomorphic color partial waves. What is highly satisfying is that the condition allows  $CP_2$  projection with maximal possible dimension.

2. If one requires covariant constancy of fermionic spinors, only vanishing induced spinor curvature is possible and  $CP_2$  projection is 1-dimensional, which does not conform with the assumption that elementary particles correspond to Kähler magnetic monopoles.
3. There is an objection against this picture. The topology of  $CP_2$  projection must be consistent with the genus of the partonic 2-surface [K19]. The conditions that plane waves and color partial waves are constant at the partonic 2-surface means that one can regard partonic 2-surfaces as sub-manifolds in 4-dimensional sub-manifold of  $A \times B \subset \delta CD \times CP_2$ . The topologies of  $A$  and  $B$  pose no conditions on the genus of partonic 2-surface locally. Therefore the objection does not bite.

One can consider also partonic 2-surfaces containing several fermions. In the case of covariantly constant right-handed neutrino this gives no additional conditions in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom if the right handed neutrino has  $M^2$  momentum projection collinear with the already existing fermion. Therefore  $\Psi = C$  constraint is consistent with SUSY in TGD sense. For other fermions  $N$ -fermion state gives  $2N$  conditions in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom. Already for  $N = 2$  the solutions consist of discrete points of  $CP_2$ . Physical intuition suggests that the states with higher fermion number are not realized as maxima of Kähler function and are effectively absent unlike the observed states and their partners.

### 7.7.3 About the construction of mesons and elementary bosons in TGD Universe

It looks somewhat strange to talk about the construction of mesons and elementary bosons in the same sentence. The construction recipes are however structurally identical so that it is perhaps sensible to proceed from mesons to elementary bosons. Therefore I will first consider the construction of meson like states relevant for the TGD based model of hadrons, in particular for the model of the pion of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics possibly explaining the 125 GeV state for which LHC finds evidence. The more standard interpretation is as elementary spin 0 boson, which need not however have anything to do with Higgs. Amusingly, the two alternatives obey very similar mathematics.

#### Construction of meson like states in TGD framework

The challenge is how translate attributes like scalar and pseudo-scalar making sense at  $M^4$  level to statements making sense at the level of  $M^4 \times CP_2$ .

In QCD the view about construction of pseudo-scalar mesons is roughly that one has string like object having quark and antiquark at its ends, call them  $A$  and  $B$ . The parallel translation of the antiquark spinor from  $A$  to  $B$  is needed in order to construct gauge invariant object of type  $\bar{\Psi}O\Psi$ , where  $O$  characterizes the meson. The parallel translation implies stringy non-locality. In lattice QCD this string correspond to the edge of lattice cell. For a general meson  $O$  is "charge matrix" obtained as a combination of gamma matrices ( $\gamma_5$  matrix for pseudo-scalar), polarization vectors, and isospin matrices.

This procedure must be generalized to TGD context. In fact a similar procedure applies also in the construction of gauge bosons possible Higgs like states since also in this case one must have general coordinate invariance and gauge invariance. Consider as an example pseudo-scalars.

1. Pseudo-scalars in  $M^4$  are replaced with axial vectors in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  with components in  $CP_2$  direction. One can say that these pseudo-scalars have  $CP_2$  polarization representing the charge of the pseudo-scalar meson. One replaces  $\gamma_5$  with  $\gamma_5 \times O_a$  where  $O_a = O_a^k \gamma_k$  is the analog of  $\epsilon^k \gamma_k$  for gauge boson. Now however the gamma matrices are  $CP_2$  gamma matrices and  $O_a^k$  is some vector field in  $CP_2$ . The index  $a$  labels the isospin components of the meson.
2. What can one assume about  $O_a$  at the partonic 2-surfaces? In the case of pseudo-scalars pion and  $\eta$  (or vector mesons  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  with nearly the same masses) one should have four such fields forming isospin triplet and singlet with large mass splitting. In the case of kaon would should have also 4 such fields but with almost degenerate masses. Why such a large difference between kaon and  $(\pi, \eta)$  system? A plausible explanation is in terms of mixing of neutral pseudo-scalar mesons with vanishing weak isospin mesons raising the mass of  $\eta$  but one might dream of alternative explanations too.

- (a) Obviously  $O_a$ 's should form strong isospin triplets and singlets in case of  $(\pi, \eta)$  system. In the case of kaon system they should form strong isospin doublets. The group in question should be identifiable as strong isospin group. One can formally identify the subgroup  $U(2) \subset SU(3)$  as a counterpart of strong isospin group. The group  $SO(3) \subset SU(3)$  defines second candidate of this kind. These subgroups correspond to two different geodesic spheres of  $S^2$ . The first gives rise to vacuum extremals of Kähler action and second one to non-vacuum extremals carrying magnetic charge at the partonic 2-surface. Cosmic strings as vacuum extremals and cosmic strings as magnetically charged objects are basic examples of what one obtains. The fact that partonic 2-surfaces carry Kähler magnetic charge strongly suggests that  $U(2)$  option is the only sensible one but one must avoid too strong conclusions.
- (b) Could one identify  $O_a$  as Killing vector fields for  $u(2) \subset su(3)$  or for its complement and in this manner obtain two kinds of meson states directly from the basic Lie algebra structure of color algebra? For  $u(2)$  one would obtain 3+1 vector fields forming a representation of  $u(2)$  decomposing to a direct sum of representations 3 and 1 of  $U(2)$  having interpretation in terms of  $\pi$  and  $\eta$  the symmetry breaking is expected to be small between these representations. For the complement of  $u(2)$  one would obtain doublet and its conjugate corresponding to kaon like states. Mesons states are constructed from the four states  $U_i \bar{D}_j$ ,  $\bar{U}_i D_j$ ,  $U_i \bar{U}_j$ ,  $D_i \bar{D}_j$ . For  $i = j$  one would have  $u(2)$  and for  $i \neq j$  its complement.
- (c) One would obtain a connection between color group and strong isospin group at the level of meson states and one could say that mesons states are not color invariants in the strict sense of the world since color would act on electroweak spin degrees of freedom non-trivially. This could relate naturally to the possibility to characterize hadrons at the low energy limit of theory in terms of electroweak quantum numbers. Strong force at low energies could be described as color force but acting only on the electroweak spin degrees of freedom. This is certainly something new not predicted by the standard model.
3. Covariant constancy of  $O_a$  at the entire partonic 2-surface is perhaps too strong a constraint. One can however assume this condition only at the the braid ends.
- (a) The holonomy algebra of the partonic 2-surface is Abelian and reduces to a direct sum of left and right handed parts. For both left- and right-handed parts it reduces to a direct sum of two algebras. Covariant constancy requires that the induced spinor curvature defining classical electroweak gauge field commutes with  $O_a$ . The physical interpretation is that electroweak symmetries commute with strong symmetries defined by  $O_a$ . There would be at least two conditions depending only on the  $CP_2$  projection of the partonic 2-surface.
- (b) The conditions have the form

$$F^{AB} j_B^a = 0 \quad ,$$

where  $a$  is color index for the sub-algebra in question and  $A, B$  are electroweak indices. The conditions are quadratic in the gradients of  $CP_2$  coordinates. One can interpret  $F^{AB}$  as components of gauge field in  $CP_2$  with Abelian holonomy and  $j^a$  as electroweak current. The condition would say that the electroweak Lorentz force acting on  $j^a$  vanishes at the partonic 2-surface projected to  $CP_2$ . This interpretation looks natural classically. The conditions are trivially satisfied at points, where one has  $j_B^a = 0$ , that is at the fixed points of the one-parameter subgroups of isometries in question.  $O_a$  would however vanish identically in this case.

- (c) The condition  $F^{AB} j_B^a = 0$  at all points of the partonic 2-surface looks un-necessary strong and might fail to have solution. The reason is that quantum classical correspondence strongly suggests that the color partial waves of fermions and planewaves associated with 4-momentum are constant along the partonic surface. The additional condition  $F^{AB} j_B^a = 0$  allows only a discrete set of solutions.

A weaker form of these conditions would hold true for the braid ends only and could be used to identify them. This conforms with the notion of finite measurement resolution and looks rather natural from the point of view of quantum classical correspondence. Both forms of the conditions allows SUSY in the sense that one can add to the fermionic state

at partonic 2-surface a covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor with opposite fermionic helicity.

- (d) These conditions would be satisfied only for the operators  $O_a$  characterizing the meson state and this would give rise to symmetry breaking relating to the mass splittings. Physical intuition suggests that the constraint on the partonic 2-surface should select or at least pose constraints on the maximum of Kähler function. This would give the desired quantum classical correlation between the quantum numbers of meson and space-time surface.
4. The parallel translation between the ends connecting the partonic 2-surfaces at which quark and antiquark reside at braid ends is along braid strand defining the state of string like object at the boundary of  $CD$ . These stringy world sheets are fundamental structures in quantum TGD and a possible interpretation is as singularity of the effective covering of the imbedding space associated with the hierarchy of Planck constants and due to the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action implying that canonical momentum densities correspond to several values for the gradients of imbedding space coordinates. The parallel translation is therefore unique once the partonic 2-surface is fixed. This is of outmost importance for the well-definedness of quantum states. Obviously this state of affairs gives an additional "must" for braids.

The construction recipe generalizes trivially to scalars. There is however a delicate issue associated with the construction of spin 1 partners of the pseudo-scalar mesons. One must assign to a spin 1 meson polarization vector using  $\epsilon^k \gamma_k$  as an additional factor in the "charge matrix" slashed between fermion and antifermion. If the charge matrix is taken to be  $Q_a = \epsilon^k \gamma_k j_k^a \Gamma^k$ , it has matrix elements only between quark and lepton spinors. The solution of the problem is simple. The triplet of charge matrices defined as  $Q_a = \epsilon^k \gamma_k D_k j_l^a \Sigma^{kl}$  transforms in the same manner as the original triplet under  $U(2)$  rotations and can be used in the construction of spin 1 vector mesons.

### Generalization to the construction of gauge bosons and spin 0 bosons

The above developed argument generalizes with trivial modifications to the construction of the gauge bosons and possible Higgs like states as well as their super-partners.

1. Now one must form bi-linears from fermion and anti-fermion at the opposite throats of the wormhole contact rather than at the ends of magnetic flux tube. This requires braid strands along the wormhole contact and parallel translation of the spinors along them. Hadronic strings are replaced with the TGD counterparts of fundamental strings.
2. For electro-weak gauge bosons  $O$  corresponds to the product  $\epsilon_k \gamma^k Q_i$ , where  $Q_i$  is the charge matrix associated with gauge bosons contracted between both leptonic and quark like states. For gluons the charge matrix is of form  $Q_A = \epsilon_k \gamma^k H_A$ , where  $H_A$  is the Hamiltonian of the corresponding color isometry.
3. One can also consider the possibility of charge matrices of form  $Q_A = \epsilon^k \gamma_k D_k j_l^A \Sigma^{kl}$ , where  $j^A$  is the Killing vector field of color isometry. These states would compose to representations of  $u(2) \subset u(3)$  to form the analogs of  $(\rho, \omega)$  and  $(K^*, \bar{K}^*)$  system in  $CP_2$  scale. This is definitely something new.
4. In the case of spin zero states polarization vector is replaced with polarization in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom represented by one of the operators  $O_a$  already discussed. One would obtain the analogs of  $(\pi, \eta)$  and  $(K, \bar{K})$  systems at the level of wormhole contacts. Higgs mechanism for these does not explain fermionic masses since p-adic thermodynamics gives the dominant contributions to them. It is also difficult to imagine how gauge bosons could eat these states and what the generation of vacuum expectation value could mean mathematically. Higgs mechanism is essentially 4-D concept and now the situation is 8-dimensional.
5. At least part of spin zero states corresponds to polarizations in  $CP_2$  directions for the electroweak gauge bosons. This would mean that one replaces  $\epsilon_k \gamma^k$  with  $j_a^k \Gamma^k$ , where  $j_a$  is Killing vector field of color isometry in the complement of  $u(2) \subset su(3)$ . This would give four additional polarization states. One would have 4+2=6 polarization just as one for a gauge field in 8-D Minkowski space. What about the polarization directions defined by  $u(2)$  itself? For the Kähler

part of electroweak gauge field this part would give just the  $(\rho, \omega)$  like states already mentioned. Internal consistency might force to drop these states from consideration.

The nice aspect of p-adic mass calculations is that they are so general: only super-conformal invariance and p-adic thermodynamics and p-adic length scale hypothesis are assumed. The drawback is that this leaves a lot of room for the detailed modeling of elementary particles.

1. Lightest mesons are lowest states at Regge trajectories and also p-adic mass calculations assign Regge trajectories in  $CP_2$  scale to both fermions and bosons.
2. It would be natural to assign the string tension with the wormhole contact in the case of bosons and identifiable in terms of the Kähler action assignable to the wormhole contact modelable as piece of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal and having interpretation in terms of the action of Kähler magnetic fields.
3. Free fermion has only single wormhole throat. The action of the piece of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal could give rise to the string tension also now. One would have something analogous to a string with only one end, and one can worry whether this is enough. The magnetic flux of the fermion however enters to the Minkowskian region and ends up eventually to a wormhole throat with opposite magnetic charge. This contribution to the string tension is however expected to be small being proportional to  $1/S$ , where  $S$  is the thickness of the magnetic flux tube connecting the throats. Only if the magnetic flux tube remains narrow, does one obtain the needed string tension from the Minkowskian contribution. This is the case if the flux tube is very short. It seem that the dominant contribution to the string tension must come from the wormhole throat.
4. The explanation of family replication phenomenon [K19] based on the genus of wormhole throat works for fermions if the the genus is same for the two throats associated with the fermion. In case of bosons the possibility of different genera leads to a prediction of dynamical SU(3) group assignable to genus degree of freedom and gauge bosons should appear also in octets besides singlets corresponding to ordinary elementary particles. For the option assuming identical genera also for bosons only the singlets are possible.
5. Regge trajectories in  $CP_2$  scale indeed absolutely essential in p-adic thermodynamics in which massless states generate thermal mass in p-adic sense. This makes sense in zero energy ontology without breaking of Poincare invariance if  $CD$  corresponds to the rest system of the massive particle. An alternative way to achieve Lorentz invariance is to assume that observed mass squared equals to the thermal expectation value of thermal weight rather than being thermal expectation for mass squared.

It must be emphasized that spin 0 states and exotic spin 1 states togetherwith their super-partners might be excluded by some general arguments. Induced gauge fields have only two polarization states, and one might argue that that same reduction takes place at the quantum level for the number of polarization states which would mean the elimination of  $F_L \overline{F}_R$  type states having interpretation as  $CP_2$  type polarizations for gauge bosons. One could also argue that only gauge bosons with charge matrices corresponding to induced spinor connection and gluons are realized. The situation remains open in this respect.

#### 7.7.4 What SUSY could mean in TGD framework?

What SUSY means in TGD framework is second long-standing problem. In TGD framework SUSY is inherited from super-conformal symmetry at the level of WCW [K18, K21]. The SUSY differs from  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY of the MSSM and from the SUSY predicted by its generalization and by string models. One obtains the analog of the  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY in bosonic sector but there are profound differences in the physical interpretation.

1. One could understand SUSY in very general sense as an algebra of fermionic oscillator operators acting on vacuum states at partonic 2-surfaces. Oscillator operators are assignable to braids ends and generate fermionic many particle states. SUSY in this sense is badly broken and the algebra corresponds to rather large  $\mathcal{N}$ . The restriction to covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos (in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom) gives rise to the counterpart of ordinary SUSY, which is more physically interesting at this moment.



2. Right handed neutrino and antineutrino are not Majorana fermions. This is necessary for separate conservation of lepton and baryon numbers. For fermions one obtains the analog  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY.
3. Bosonic emergence [K60] means the construction of bosons as bound states of fermions and anti-fermions at opposite throats of wormhole contact. This reduces TGD SUSY to that for fermions. This difference is fundamental and means deviation from the SUSY of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY, where SUSY acts on gauge boson states. Bosonic representations are obtained as tensor products of representation assigned to the opposite throats of wormhole contacts. Further tensor products with representations associated with the wormhole ends of magnetic flux tubes are needed to construct physical particles. This represents a crucial difference with respect to standard approach, where one introduces at the fundamental level both fermions and bosons or gauge bosons as in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY. Fermionic  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  representations are analogous to "short"  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  representations for which one half of super-generators annihilates the states.
4. The introduction of both fermions and gauge bosons as fundamental particles leads in quantum gravity theories and string models to  $d = 10$  condition for the target space, spontaneous compactification, and eventually to the landscape catastrophe.

For a supersymmetric gauge theory (SYM) in  $d$ -dimensional Minkowski space the condition that the number of transversal polarization for gauge bosons given by  $d - 2$  equals to the number of fermionic states made of Majorana fermions gives  $d - 2 = 2^k$ , since the the number of fermionic spinor components is always power of 2.

This allows only  $d = 3, 4, 6, 10, 16, \dots$ . Also the dimensions  $d + 1$  are actually possible since the number of spinor components for  $d$  and  $d + 1$  is same for  $d$  even. This is the standard argument leading to super-string models and M-theory. It is lost - or better to say, one gets rid of it - if the basic fields include only fermion fields and bosonic states are constructed as the tensor products of fermionic states. This is indeed the case in TGD, where spontaneous compactification plays no role and bosons are emergent.

5. Spontaneous compactification leads in string model picture from  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY in say  $d = 10$  to  $\mathcal{N} > 1$  SUSY in  $d = 4$  since the fermionic multiplet reduces to a direct sum of fermionic multiplets in  $d = 4$ . In TGD imbedding space is not dynamical but fixed by internal consistency requirements, and also by the condition that the theory is consistent with the standard model symmetries. The identification of space-time as 4-surface makes the induced spinor field dynamical and the notion of many-sheeted space-time allows to circumvent the objections related to the fact that only 4 field like degrees of freedom are present.

The missing energy predicted standard SUSY is absent at LHC. The easy explanation would be that the mass scale of SUSY is unexpectedly high, of order 1 TeV. This would however destroy the original motivations for SUSY.

In TGD framework the natural first guess was that the missing energy corresponds to covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos carrying four-momentum. The objection is that covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos cannot appear in asymptotic states because one cannot assign a super-multiplet to right-handed neutrinos consistently. Covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos can however generate SUSY.

This alone would explain the missing missing momentum at LHC predicted by standard SUSY. The assumption that fermions correspond to color partial waves in  $H$  implies that color excitations of the right handed neutrino that would appear in asymptotic states are necessarily colored. It could happen that these excitations are color neutralized by super-conformal generators. If this is not the case, these neutrinos would be like quarks and color confinement would explain why they cannot be observed as asymptotic states in macroscopic scales. So called leptohadrons could correspond to bound states of colored sleptons and have same p-adic mass scale as leptons have [K84]. Even in the case of quarks the situation could be the same.

Second possibility considered earlier is that SUSY itself is generated by color partial waves of right-handed neutrino, octet most naturally. This option is not however consistent with the above model for one-fermion states and their super-partners.

The breakthrough in the understanding of the preferred extremals of Kähler action and solutions of the modified Dirac equation led to a radical reconsideration of the existing picture. The most

natural conclusion is that the TGD counterpart of standard SUSY is most naturally absent. The arguments in favor of this conclusion discussed in the last section are rather strong. The breakthrough in understanding of TGD counterpart for Higgs like particle - Euclidian  $M_{89}$  pion - led to a model for the generation of weak gauge bosons masses free of the problem of the standard Higgs mechanism caused by the fact that tachyonic mass term is not stable under radiative corrections. In TGD framework this kind of term is absent. Therefore also the basic motivation for standard SUSY as stabilizer of radiative corrections disappears. Standard space-time SUSY would be replaced with 4-D generalization of 2-D super-conformal invariance but restricted to the modes of right-handed neutrino. For other fermion states the modes would be restricted to 2-D string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces and super-conformal symmetry would reduce to 2-D one. The 2-D super-conformal symmetry is mathematically analogous to badly broken SUSY with very large value of  $\mathcal{N}$  and massive neutrino would represent the least broken aspect of this symmetry. The masses of sparticles are expected to be higher than particles for this SUSY.

## Chapter 8

# SUSY in TGD Universe

### 8.1 Introduction

TGD based vision about supersymmetry has developed rather slowly.

1. From the beginning it was clear that super-conformal symmetry is realized in TGD but differs in many respects from the more standard realizations such as  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  SUSY realized in MSSM [B7] involving Majorana spinors in an essential manner. The covariantly constant right-handed neutrino generates the super-symmetry at the level of  $CP_2$  geometry and the construction of super-partners would be more or less equivalent with the addition of right-handed covariantly constant right-handed neutrino and antineutrinos. It was however not clear whether space-time supersymmetry is realized at all since one could argue that that these states are just gauge degrees of freedom.
2. A more general general SUSY algebra is generated by the generalized eigen modes of the modified Dirac operator at partonic 2-surface. The value of  $\mathcal{N}$  can be very large-even infinite- for this algebra and the SUSY is badly broken: this picture leads to a construction of QFT limit of TGD [K30], which seems to be crucial also for the understanding of TGD itself. Right-handed neutrinos represent the sub-SUSY with minimal breaking induced by the mixing of right- and left handed neutrinos caused by the properties of the modified gamma matrices for which mixing between  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices takes place induced breaking of  $M^4$  chirality serving as a signature for massivation.
3. R-parity conservation leading to strong predictions in the case of MSSM is broken and since super-particles can decay to neutrino and particles the life-times of super-partners are finite and there is no lightest sparticle. The decay to neutrinos would however produce missing energy and the problem of missing missing energy, which is the basic difficulty of the standard SUSY, might be encountered also in TGD framework. One proposal avoiding this difficulty relies on the assumption that the right-handed neutrino generating supersymmetry is colored and color confinement forces spartners to combine to non-colored state transforming to ordinary hadrons.
4. Quite recent developments in the understanding of the modified Dirac equation [K96] (I am writing this 2012) have led to a considerable understanding of the special role of right-handed neutrino. Whereas all other fermions are localized to 2-D string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces by the condition that electromagnetic charge defined in spinorial sense is conserved, right-handed neutrino is delocalized at entire space-time surface and there is unbroken 4-dimensional counterpart of 2-D super-conformal symmetry associated with it. One has also 2-D badly broken SUSY generated by all fermion modes of the modified Dirac equation and labelled by conformal weight. This SUSY could be also interpreted super-conformal symmetry. One has also the unbroken  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  space-time SUSY generated by right-handed neutrino and antineutrino. The rapid experimental progress at LHC during 2011-2012 has more or less eliminated standard SUSY and this gives a powerful constraint in the attempts to understand what TGD SUSY could be.

What remains to be understood is the role of the covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor carrying no momentum: it behaves like Majorana spinor and its helicity is not constrained by Dirac equation. It is not clear whether the states defined by 2-D parton and by parton plus 4-D delocalized right-handed neutrino can be distinguished experimentally if right-handed neutrino does not carry four-momentum. This would be a trivial explanation for the failure to find evidence for SUSY at LHC. In fact, this argument can be developed to a more precise one: both fermions and sfermions exist and form representations of SUSY with second state having zero norm. Therefore fermion and sfermion candidates exist but belong to different representations of SUSY, and right-handed neutrinos remain invisible in the dynamics and the characteristic spin and momentum dependent vertex factors distinguishing between particle and sparticle are absent. The loss of space-time SUSY is not a catastrophe since it is not needed to stabilize Higgs in TGD framework since the variant of Higgs mechanism based on Higgs like pseudo-scalar is based conformally covariant Higgs potential containing no tachyonic Higgs mass term and is free of the problems related to radiative instability of the tachyonic Higgs mass term.

Personally I have a strong temptation to take the argument for the absence of space-time SUSY - space-time understood here as  $M^4$  or  $M^4 \times CP_1$  - seriously. This would conform with the failure of LHC to find space-time SUSY. At first one might see the absence of space-time SUSY as disappointing. Space-time SUSY however extends to the 4D analog of super-conformal invariance (not the usual super-conformal invariance but an infinite-dimensional symmetry) when space-time is understood as space-time surface.

If this argument - described later in more detail in the section "What is the role of the right-handed neutrino?" - one can conclude that most of the chapter is more or less obsolete! It is however better to be very cautious: some-one has said that our theories are much more intelligent than their builders, and from my personal experience I can fully agree with this statement! Therefore I dare not take the recent view as the final one: only the experimental input allows to fill in the details correctly. It is however clear that TGD based SUSY differs dramatically from the SUSY as it is usually understood and that LHC could allow to decide which of these views is nearer to truth.

In the following I will describe the evolution of ideas related to SUSY in TGD framework. There is no attempt to build a coherent final view and arguments in different sections represent how the views have developed.

## 8.2 A concise view about SUSY phenomenology in TGD inspired Universe

The results from SUSY have been very inspiring and forced me to learn the basics of MSSM phenomenology and abstract what it shares with TGD view. As always this kind of process has been very useful. In the following I summarize the big ideas which distinguish TGD SUSY from MSSM and try to formulate the resulting general phenomenological picture. Of course, one can argue that this kind of approach assuming that QFT calculations can be interpreted in TGD framework is ad hoc since twistor approach applied in TGD means deviation from QFT at the fundamental level. I just assume that QFT approach is a good approximation to TGD and look for consequences. Also the experimental constraints on SUSY parameters deduced in the framework of MSSM model with R-symmetry are discussed in TGD framework and shown to be relaxed considerably so that it is possible to avoid problems plaguing MSSM approach: mention only little hierarchy problem and conflicting demands from g-2 anomaly of muon and from squark mass limits.

### 8.2.1 Super-conformal invariance and generalized space-time supersymmetry

Super-conformal symmetry is behind the space-time supersymmetry in TGD framework. It took long time to get convinced that one obtains space-time supersymmetry in some sense.

1. The basic new idea is that the fermionic oscillator operators assignable to partonic 2-surfaces defined the SUSY algebra analogous to space-time SUSY algebra. Without length scale cutoff

the number of oscillator operators is infinite and one would have  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  SUSY. Finite measurement resolution realized automatically by the dynamics of the modified Dirac action however effectively replaces the partonic two-surface with a discrete set of points which is expected to be finite and one obtains reduction finite value of  $\mathcal{N}$ . Braids become basic objects in finite measurement resolution at light-like 3-D wormhole throats. String world sheets become the basic objects at the level of 4-D space-time surfaces and it is now possible to identify them uniquely and a connection with the theory of 1-knots, their cobordisms and 2-knots emerges.

The supersymmetry involves several algebras for which the fermionic oscillator operator algebra serves as a building block. Also the gamma matrices of the world of classical worlds (WCW) are expressible in terms of the fermionic oscillator operators so that fermionic anticommutations have purely geometric interpretation. The presence of SUSY in the sense of conservation of fermionic supra currents requires a consistency condition. For induced gamma matrices the surface must be minimal surfaces (extremal of volume action). For Kähler action and Chern-Simons action one must replace induced gammas by modified ones defined by the contractions of canonical momentum densities with the imbedding space gamma matrices.

The super-symmetry in TGD framework differs from that in standard approach in that Majorana spinors are not involved. One has 8-D imbedding space spinors with interpretation as quark and lepton spinors. This makes sense because color corresponds to color partial waves and quarks move in triality  $t = \pm 1$  and leptons in  $t = 0$  waves. Baryon and lepton number are conserved exactly.

2. A highly non-trivial aspect of TGD based SUSY is bosonic emergence meaning that bosons can be constructed from fermions. Zero energy ontology makes this construction extremely elegant since both massive states and virtual states are composites of massless states. The mass shell constraints on vertices reduce dramatically the momentum space for virtual momenta and resolves UV divergences. General arguments support the existence of pseudoscalar Higgs but it is not quite clear whether its existence is somehow forbidden by symmetries. Scalar and pseudoscalar Higgs transforming according to 3+1 decomposition under weak  $SU(2)$  replace two complex doublets of MSSM if this is not the case. This difference is essentially due to the fact that spinors are not  $M^4$  spinors but  $M^4 \times CP_2$  spinors. A proper notation would be  $B, h_B$  for the gauge bosons and corresponding Higgs particles and one expects that electroweak mixing characterized by Weinberg angle takes place for neutral Higgs particles and also their super-counterparts.

The sfermions associated with left and right handed fermions should couple to fermions via  $P_{\pm} = 1 \pm \gamma_5$  so that one can speak about left- and right-handed scalars. Maximal mixing between them leads to scalar and pseudoscalar. This observation raises a question about Higgs and its pseudoscalar variant. Could one also assume that the initial states are right and left handed Higgs and that maximal mixing leads to scalar and pseudoscalar with scalar eaten by gauge bosons?

3. Also spin one particles regarded usually as massless must have small mass and this means that Higgs scalar is completely eaten by gauge bosons. Also scalar gluons are predicted and would be eaten by gluons to develop a small mass. This resolves the IR difficulties of massless gauge theories and conjecture to make possible exact Yangian symmetry in the twistor approach to TGD. The disappearance of Higgs means that corresponding limits on the parameters of SUSY are lost. For instance the limits in  $(\tan(\beta), M_{SUSY})$  coming from Higgs mass do not hold anymore. The disappearance of Higgs means also the disappearance of the little hierarchy problem, which is one of the worst headaches of MSSM SUSY: no Higgs- no Higgs mass to be stabilized.

### 8.2.2 Induced spinor structure and purely geometric breaking of SUSY

Particle massivation and the breaking of SUSY and R-symmetry are the basic problems of both QFT and stringy approach to SUSY. Just by looking the arguments related to how MSSM could emerge from string models make clear how hopelessly ad hoc the constructions are. The notion of modified gamma matrix provides a purely geometric approach to these symmetric breakings involving no free

parameters. To my view the failure to realize partially explains the recent situation in the forefront of theoretical physics and LHC findings are now making clear that something is badly wrong.

1. The space-time supersymmetry is broken. The reason is that the modified gamma matrices are superpositions of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices. This implies mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities, which is a direct symptom of massivation and is responsible for Higgs like aspects of massivation: p-adic thermodynamics is second and completely new aspect. There is hierarchy of supersymmetries according to the strength of breaking. Right handed neutrino generates supersymmetry which is broken only by the mixing of right handed neutrino with left handed one and induced by the mixing of gamma matrices. This corresponds to the supersymmetry analogous to that of MSSM. The supersymmetries generated by other fermionic oscillator operators with electroweak quantum numbers break the super-symmetry in much more dramatic manner but the basic algebra remains and should allow an elegant formulation of TGD in terms of generalized super fields [K30] .
2. One important implication is R-parity breaking due to the transformation of right handed neutrino of superpartner to left-handed neutrino. If this takes place fast enough, the process  $\tilde{P} \rightarrow P + \nu$  becomes possible. The universal decay signature would be lonely neutrino representing missing energy without accompanying charged lepton. This means that the experimental limits on sparticle masses deduced assuming R-symmetry do not hold anymore. For instance, the masses of charginos and neutralinos can be considerably lower than weak mass scale as suggested by strange 1995 event [C230] . The recent very high lower bounds of squark masses putting them above 800 GeV assume also R-symmetry and therefore need not hold true if the decays  $\tilde{h} \rightarrow q + \nu$  and  $\tilde{g} \rightarrow g + \nu$  take place fast enough. A further implication is that the scale of SUSY can be weak mass scale- say the p-adic mass scale of 105 GeV corresponding to Mersenne prime  $M_{89}$ .

### 8.2.3 p-Adic length scale hypothesis and breaking of SUSY by a selection of p-adic length scale

p-Adic length scale symmetry leads to a completely new view about SUSY breaking which leads to extremely strong prediction. The basic conjecture is that if the p-adic length scales associated with particles and sparticle are same, their masses are identical. The basic aspect of SUSY breaking is therefore different p-adic mass scales of particle and sparticle. By p-adic length scale hypothesis the masses of particle and superpartner therefore differ by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$ . This is extremely powerful prediction and given only minimal kinematical constraints on the event suggesting super-symmetry allows to deduce the mass of super-partner. Some examples give an idea about what is involved.

1. The idea about  $M_{89}$  as the prime characterizing both electroweak scale and SUSY mass scale leads to the proposal that all superpartners correspond to the same p-adic mass scale characterized by  $k = 89$ . For instance, the masses of sfermions would be given in first order p-adic thermodynamics calculation by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{m_{\tilde{L}}}{GeV} &= (262, 439, 945) , \\
 \frac{m_{\tilde{e}}}{GeV} &= (235, 423, 938) , \\
 \frac{m_{\tilde{U}}}{GeV} &= (262, 287, 893) , \\
 \frac{m_{\tilde{D}}}{GeV} &= (235, 287, 900) .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{8.2.-3}$$

The recent results from LHC force imply that in absence of R-parity breaking the masses of squarks must be in the region 800-1000 GeV, which forces to conclude that neutrino mixing must be fast enough to allow direct decays  $\tilde{P} \rightarrow P + \nu$ .

2. In case of the mixing of gaugino and corresponding Higgsino the hypothesis means that the mass matrix is of such form that its eigenvalues have same magnitude but opposite sign. For instance, for the mixing of wino and  $h_W$  one would have

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M_2 & \sqrt{2}M_W \cos(\beta) \\ \sqrt{2}M_W \cos(\beta) & \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

so that the hypothesis implies

$$M_2 = -\mu .$$

The masses of the resulting two states would be same but they could correspond to different p-adic primes so that mass scales would differ by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$ . This formula applies also zino and  $\tilde{h}_Z$  and photino and  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$ . One possibility is that heavier weak gaugino corresponds to intermediate gauge boson mass scale and light gaugino to 1/2 of this scale: lighter mass scales are forbidden by the decay widths of weak gauge bosons. The exotic event of 1995 suggest that heavier zino has very nearly the same mass as  $Z^0$  and the lighter one mass which in good approximation equal to one half of  $Z^0$  mass. This would mean  $M_2 = -\mu \ll M_Z$ .

3. If one accepts the SUSY formula

$$m_{\tilde{\nu}}^2 = m_{\tilde{L}}^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_Z^2 \cos(2\beta)$$

relating neutrino and sneutrino masses, one can conclude that  $\cos(\beta) = 1/\sqrt{2}$  is the only possible option so that  $\tan(\beta) = 1$  is obtained. This value is excluded by R-parity conserving MSSM but could be consistent with the explanation of g-2 anomaly of muon in terms of loops involving weak gauginos and corresponding higgsinos. One can however argue that this formula can hold only if the particles involved correspond to same value of p-adic prime. This formula relates to the standard view about massivation and might well be a mere nuisance in the scenario based on p-adic thermodynamics.

4. One must distinguish between right- and left handed sfermions  $\tilde{F}_R$  and  $\tilde{F}_L$ . These states couple via  $1 \pm \gamma_5$  to fermions and are not therefore either pure scalars or pure pseudoscalars. One expects that a maximal mixing of left and right handed sfermions occurs and leads to scalar and pseudoscalar. Mass formula is naturally same for the states for the same value of p-adic prime and also same value of p-adic prime is suggestive. It might however happen that a p-adic mass scales are different for scalars and pseudoscalars. This would allow to have light and heavy variants of squarks and sleptons with scalars probably being the lighter ones.

To sum up, TGD leads to a very predictive model for SUSY and its breaking.

1. Since there is no Higgs, there are no bounds to parameters from Higgs mass and little hierarchy problem is avoided.
2. The basic element is R-parity breaking reflected in the possibility of decays of sparticles to particle and lonely neutrino not balanced by charge lepton. This together with the absence of Higgs would allow to circumvent various mass limits deduced from LHC and its predecessors and only the limits from the decay width of intermediate gauge bosons on charginos and neutralinos would remain.
3. The assumption that the masses of particles and sparticles are same for same p-adic length scale and that the choice of p-adic length scale breaks SUSY means that sparticle masses can be deduce from those of particles apart from a scaling by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$ . This is a powerful and directly testable prediction and predicts the  $2 \times 2$  mixing matrices for charginos and neutralinos completely apart from the parameter  $M = -\mu$ . One must however take it very cautiously in TGD framework since in TGD framework higgsino might disappear from the spectrum just like Higgs and the situation becomes degenerate. An attractive idea is that  $m_{SUSY}$  corresponds to p-adic mass scale associated with Mersenne prime  $M_{89}$  characterizing electro-weak length scale

and that Mesrenne hypothesis poses conditions on sfermion masses so that all sparticles so that the only light particles are selectron and sneutrinos and other sfermions have masses about 13 TeV.

4. Muon g-2 anomaly could be understood from the predictions  $\tan(\beta) = 1$ ,  $m_{SUSY} \simeq 105$  GeV if one assumes that sneutrinos are light. Scalar and pseudoscalar sfermions could in principle have different mass scales but there seems to be no recently accepted anomalies requiring this.

### 8.3 What do experiments say about the situation?

#### Do also Higgsinos disappear from the spectrum?

In the following still some comments about TGD based view about symmetry breaking, Higgs, electroweak symmetry breaking, and SUSY. There are several unclear issues at the level of details. This is thanks to my unforgivable laziness in writing down the details. The results from LHC are however so fascinating that they force me to win my laziness. In the following I try to clarify my thoughts.

##### 1. *Is the earlier conjectured pseudoscalar Higgs there at all?*

Spin 1 gauge bosons and Higgs differ only by different spin direction of fermions at opposite wormhole throats. For spin 1 gauge bosons the 3-momenta at two wormhole throats cannot be parallel if one wants non-vanishing spin component in the direction of moment. 3-momenta are most naturally opposite for the massless states at throats. This forces massivation for all gauge bosons and even graviton and this in turn requires Higgs even in the case of gluons.

The question is whether the parity properties of the couplings of gauge boson and corresponding Higgs transforming like 3+1 under SU(2) (this is due to the special character of imbedding space spinors) be exactly the same? Higgs would couple like a mixture of scalar and pseudoscalar to fermions just as weak gauge bosons couple and the mixture would be just the same. If there are no axial variants of vector gauge bosons there should exist no pseudoscalar Higgs. The nonexistence of axial variants of vector gauge bosons is suggested by quantum classical correspondence: only gauge bosons having classical space-time correlates as induced gauge potentials should be allowed, nothing else. Note that color variant of Higgs would exist and would be eaten by gluons to get mass.

##### 2. *Could Higgs mechanism lead to the disappearance of also Higgsinos?*

The similarity of the construction of gauge bosons and Higgsinos as pairs of wormhole throats containing fermion and antifermion encourages to think that Higgs mechanism is invariant under supersymmetries. If so, also Higgsinos would be eaten and one would have massive super-symmetric gauge theory with fermions with photon and other massless particle possessing a tiny mass. This looks very simple. The testable implication would be that only weak gauginos should contribute to muon g-2 anomaly.

##### 3. *Electroweak symmetry breaking*

The recent view about electroweak symmetry breaking is less than year old. The basic realization was that wormhole throats carrying elementary particle quantum numbers possess Kähler magnetic charge (in homological sense-  $CP_2$  has non-trivial second homology). This magnetic charge must be compensated and this is achieved if the particle wormhole throat is connected to a second wormhole throat by a magnetic flux tube. The second wormhole would carry a weak charge of neutrino pair compensating the weak isospin of the particle so that weak interactions would be screened above the weak length scale. For colored states the compensation could also occur in longer length scale and corresponds to color confinement.

This does not actually require the length scale of flux tubes associated with all elementary particles to be the weak length scale as I have thought. Rather, the flux tube length for a particle at rest could correspond to the Compton length of the particle. For instance, for electron the maximal flux tube length would be about  $10^{-13}$  meters. For particles not at rest the length would get shorter by length contraction. For very light but massive particles such as photon and graviton the maximum length of flux tube would be very long. The interaction of very low energy photons and gravitons would be essentially classical and induced by the classical oscillations of induced gauge fields induced by a long flux tube connecting the interacting systems. For high energy quanta this interaction would be



essentially quantal and realized as absorption of quanta with flux tube length -essentially wave length of quantum- much shorter than the distance between the interacting systems. Gravitational waves would interact essentially classically even when absorbed since absorption would mean that the flux tube would connect two parts of the measurement apparatus. For large  $\hbar$  gravitons the length of flux tube could correspond to the distance between interaction systems.

A fascinating possibility is that electronic Cooper pairs of superconductors with large value of  $\hbar$ , could correspond to long flux tubes with electron's quantum numbers at both ends. Maybe this takes place in high  $T_c$  super conductors.

#### 4. Some details of the SUSY predictions

TGD SUSY differs from the standard SUSY in many respects.

1. All fermionic oscillator operators assignable to the wormhole throats generate supersymmetries. These oscillator operators differ from ordinary ones in that they do not have momentum label and momentum can be only assigned to the entire state. Therefore the interpretation of all states assignable to wormhole throats as large SUSY multiplet is possible. This SUSY is badly broken and there is hierarchy of breakings defined by the interactions inducing the breaking in turn define by the quantum numbers of SUSY generators. For quark generators the breaking is largest and the smallest breaking is associated with the oscillator operators assignable to right-handed neutrinos since they have only gravitational interactions.
2. The symmetry generators are not Majorana spinors and this does not lead to any difficulties as has been found. Only if one would try stringy quantization trying to define stringy diagrams in terms of stringy propagators defined by stringy form of super-conformal algebra, one would end up with difficulties. Majorana property is also excluded by the separate conservation of baryon and lepton number.

For single wormhole throat one can see the situation in terms of N=2 SUSY with right handed neutrino and its antiparticle appearing as SUSY generators carrying conserved fermion number. One can classify the superpartners by their right-handed neutrino number which is  $\pm 1$ . For instance, for single wormhole throat one obtains fermion and its partner containing  $\nu_R$  pair, and fermion number 0 and fermion number 2 sfermions. In the case of gauge bosons and Higgs similar degeneracy is obtained for both wormhole throats.

3. Since induced gamma matrices and modified gamma matrices are mixtures of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices right handed neutrino is mixed with the left handed neutrino meaning breaking of R-parity. The simplest decays of sparticles are of form  $P \rightarrow P + \nu$  and can be said to be gravitationally induced since the mixing of gamma matrices is indeed a characteristic phenomenon of induced spinor structure. Also more complex decays with neutrino replaced with charge lepton are possible. The basic signature is lonely lepton not possible in decays of weak bosons.
4. The basic outcome of SUSY QFT limit of TGD [K30] is that wormhole throat can carry only spin 0, 1/2, 1 corresponding to fermion and fermion pair if one wants to obtain standard propagator: otherwise one obtains  $1/p^n$ ,  $n > 2$  and this is not an ordinary particle pole. The reason is that one cannot assign to fermionic oscillator operators independent momenta but only common momentum so they propagate effectively collinearly.

One can criticize this argument as being inconsistent with the twistorial approach combined with zero energy ontology implying that wormhole throats are massless even for on mass shell states. In this approach one in principle avoids completely the use of propagators which would of course diverge for on shell wormhole throats. Also for twistor diagrams the counterparts of virtual particles are massless and off shell. The so called region momentum replaces momentum in Grassmannian twistor approach and has a direct counterpart as eigenvalue of the modified Dirac operator so that the analog of propagator exists in TGD framework. Since QFT limit must be a reasonable approximation to the full theory, one might hope that the QFT based argument makes sense when one replaces momentum with region momentum (or pseudo momentum as I have called it in TGD framework).

5. Should one allow both  $\nu_R$  and its antiparticle as SUSY generators? This would mean more states as in standard SUSY for which only  $\bar{\nu}_R$  would be allowed for fermion. This would assign to a given wormhole throat with fermion number 1 spin 1 and spin 0 super partner and companion of fermion containing  $\nu_R - \bar{\nu}_R$  pair. For this state however propagator would behave like  $1/p^3$  should that again strong SUSY breaking would occur for this extended SUSY. Only one half of SUSY would be broken weakly by the mixing of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices appearing in modified gamma matrices: the mixing would not involve weak or color interactions but could be said to be gravitational but not in the sense of abstract for geometry but induced geometry.

The breaking of symmetries by this mechanism would be a beautiful demonstration that it is sub-manifold geometry rather than abstract manifold geometry that matters. Again string theorists managed to miss the point by effectively eliminating induced geometry from the original string model by inducing the metric of space-time sheet as an independent variable. The motivation was that it became easy to calculate! The price paid was symmetry breaking mechanisms involving hundreds of three parameters.

6. Single wormhole contact could carry spin  $J=2$  and give rise to graviton like state. If one constructs from this gravitino by adding right-handed neutrinos, and if SUSY QFT limit makes sense, one obtains particle with propagator decreasing faster at either throat so that gravitino in standard sense would not exist. This would represent strong SUSY breaking in gravitational sector. These results are of utmost importance since the basic argument in favor dimension  $D=10$  or  $D=11$  for the target space of superstring models is that higher dimensions would give fundamental massless particles with higher spin.

Note that the replacement of wormhole throats by flux tubes having neutrino pair at the second end of the flux tube complicates the situation since one can add right handed neutrino also to the neutrino end. The SUSY QFT criterion would however suggest that these states are not particle like.

### Super-symplectic bosons

TGD predicts also exotic bosons which are analogous to fermion in the sense that they correspond to single wormhole throat associated with  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal whereas ordinary gauge bosons corresponds to a pair of wormhole contacts assignable to wormhole contact connecting positive and negative energy space-time sheets. These bosons have super-conformal partners with quantum numbers of right handed neutrino and thus having no electro-weak couplings. The bosons are created by the purely bosonic part of super-symplectic algebra [K18, K17], whose generators belong to the representations of the color group and 3-D rotation group but have vanishing electro-weak quantum numbers. Their spin is analogous to orbital angular momentum whereas the spin of ordinary gauge bosons reduces to fermionic spin. Recall that super-symplectic algebra is crucial for the construction of configuration space Kähler geometry. If one assumes that super-symplectic gluons suffer topological mixing identical with that suffered by say  $U$  type quarks, the conformal weights would be (5,6,58) for the three lowest generations. The application of super-symplectic bosons in TGD based model of hadron masses is discussed in [K54] and here only a brief summary is given.

As explained in [K54], the assignment of these bosons to hadronic space-time sheet is an attractive idea.

1. Quarks explain only a small fraction of the baryon mass and that there is an additional contribution which in a good approximation does not depend on baryon. This contribution should correspond to the non-perturbative aspects of QCD. A possible identification of this contribution is in terms of super-symplectic gluons. Baryonic space-time sheet with  $k = 107$  would contain a many-particle state of super-symplectic gluons with net conformal weight of 16 units. This leads to a model of baryon masses in which masses are predicted with an accuracy better than 1 per cent.
2. Hadronic string model provides a phenomenological description of non-perturbative aspects of QCD and a connection with the hadronic string model indeed emerges. Hadronic string tension is predicted correctly from the additivity of mass squared for  $J = 2$  bound states of super-symplectic quanta. If the topological mixing for super-symplectic bosons is equal to that for  $U$

type quarks then a 3-particle state formed by 2 super-symplectic quanta from the first generation and 1 quantum from the second generation would define baryonic ground state with 16 units of conformal weight. A very precise prediction for hadron masses results by assuming that the spin of hadron correlates with its super-symplectic particle content.

3. Also the baryonic spin puzzle caused by the fact that quarks give only a small contribution to the spin of baryons, could find a natural solution since these bosons could give to the spin of baryon an angular momentum like contribution having nothing to do with the angular momentum of quarks.
4. Super-symplectic bosons suggest a solution to several other anomalies related to hadron physics. The events observed for a couple of years ago in RHIC [C127] suggest a creation of a black-hole like state in the collision of heavy nuclei and inspire the notion of color glass condensate of gluons, whose natural identification in TGD framework would be in terms of a fusion of hadronic space-time sheets containing super-symplectic matter materialized also from the collision energy. In the collision, valence quarks connected together by color bonds to form separate units would evaporate from their hadronic space-time sheets in the collision, and would define TGD counterpart of Pomeron, which experienced a reincarnation for few years ago [C151]. The strange features of the events related to the collisions of high energy cosmic rays with hadrons of atmosphere (the particles in question are hadron like but the penetration length is anomalously long and the rate for the production of hadrons increases as one approaches surface of Earth) could be also understood in terms of the same general mechanism.

### 8.3.1 Experimental situation

The experimental situation in the case of SUSY is still open but it there are excellent hopes that the results from LHC will determine the fate of the MSSM SUSY and also constraint more general scenarios. Unfortunately, the research concentrates to the signatures of MSSM and its variants quite different from those of TGD SUSY so that it might happen that TGD SUSY will be discovered accidentally if its there: say by the decays of spartner to partner and neutrino. Already from the recent results it is clear that the allowed parameter space for MSSM SUSY is very small and that superpartners of quarks and also weak gauge bosons must be very heavy if MSSM SUSY is realized. This leads to difficulties with the only known evidence for SUSY coming from the g-2 anomaly of muon. TGD based SUSY allows light masses and also SUSY explanation of g-2 anomaly if sneutrino masses are light.

The representation involves a lot of references to blog postings and this might irritate so called serious scientists. I however feel that since blogs provide my only contact to the particle physics it is only fair to make clear that this communication tool is absolutely essential for a scientist working as out-of-law in academic community. Blogs could indeed bring democracy to science and mean end of the era of secrecy and censorship by the referee system.

#### Experimental indication for space-time super-symmetry

There is experimental indication for super-symmetry dating back to 1995 [C230]. The event involves  $e^+e^-\gamma\gamma$  plus missing transverse energy  $\cancel{E}_T$ . The electron-positron pair has transversal energies  $E_T = (36, 59)$  GeV and invariant mass  $M_{ee} = 165$  GeV. The two photons have transversal energies (30,38) GeV. The missing transverse energy is  $\cancel{E}_T = 53$  GeV. The cross sections for these events in standard model are too small to be observed. Statistical fluctuation could be in question but one could also consider the event as an indication for super-symmetry.

In [C157] an explanation of the event in terms of minimal super-symmetric standard model (MSSM) was proposed.

1. The collision of proton and antiproton would induce an annihilation of quark and antiquark to selectron pair  $\tilde{e}^-\tilde{e}^+$  via virtual photon or  $Z^0$  boson with the mass of  $\tilde{e}$  in the range (80,130) GeV (the upper bound comes from the total energy of the particles involved).
2.  $\tilde{e}^\pm$  would in turn decay to  $e^\pm$  and neutralino  $\chi_2^0$  and  $\chi_2^0$  in turn to the lightest super-symmetric particle  $\chi_1^0$  and photon. The neutralinos are in principle mixtures of the super partners associated

with  $\gamma$ ,  $Z^0$ , and neutral higgs  $h$  (there are two of them in minimal super-symmetric generalization of standard model). The highest probability for the chain is obtained if  $\chi_2^0$  is zino and  $\chi_1^0$  is higgsino.

3. The kinematics of the event allows to deduce the bounds

$$\begin{aligned} 80 &< m(\tilde{e})/GeV < 130 \quad , \\ 38 &\leq m(\chi_2^0)/GeV \leq \min [1.12m(\tilde{e})/GeV - 37, 95 + 0.17m(\chi_1^0)/GeV] \quad , \\ m(\chi_1^0)/GeV &\leq m(\chi_2^0)/GeV \leq \min [1.4m(\tilde{e})/GeV - 105, 1.6m(\chi_2^0)/GeV - 60] \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-2)$$

Note that the bounds give no lower bound for  $m(\chi_1^0)$  so that it could correspond to neutrino.

4. Sfermion production rate depends only on masses of the sfermions, so that slepton production cross section decouples from the analysis of particular scenarios. The cross section is at the level of  $\sigma = 10$  fb and consistent with data (one event!). The parameters of MSSM are super-symmetric soft-breaking parameters, super-potential parameters, and the parameter  $\tan(\beta)$ . This allows to derive more stringent limits on the masses and parameters of MSSM.

Consider now the explanation of the event in TGD framework.

1. For the simplest TGD inspired option both Higgs and higgsino would disappear from the spectrum in the massivation and  $\chi_2^0$  would decay to photon and neutrino so that the missing energy would consist of neutrinos.
2. By the properties of super-partners the production rate for  $\tilde{e}^- \tilde{e}^+$  is predicted to be same as in MSSM for  $\tilde{e} = e_R \bar{\nu}_R$ . Same order of magnitude is predicted also for more exotic super-partners such as  $e_L \bar{\nu}_R$  with spin 1.
3. In TGD framework it is safest to use just the kinematical bounds on the masses and p-adic length scale hypothesis. If super-symmetry breaking means same mass formula from p-adic thermodynamics but in a different p-adic mass scale,  $m(\tilde{e})$  is related by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$  to  $m(e)$ . Using  $m(\tilde{e}) = 2^{(127-k(\tilde{e}))/2} m(e)$  one finds that the mass range [80, 130] GeV allows two possible masses for selectron corresponding to  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k = 91$  with  $m(\tilde{e}) = 131.1$  GeV and  $k = 92$  with  $m(\tilde{e}) = 92.7$  GeV. The bounds on  $m(Z)$  leave only the option  $m(\tilde{Z}) = m(Z) = 91.2$  GeV and  $m(\tilde{e}) = 131.1$  GeV.
4. In the earlier variant of the TGD inspired model the existence of Higgs was considered as a realistic option. The indirect determinations of Higgs masses from experimental data seemed to converge to two different values. The first one seemed to correspond to  $m(h) = 129$  GeV and  $k(h) = 94$  and second one to  $m(h) = 91$  GeV with  $k(h) = 95$  [K45]. The fact that already the TGD counterpart for the Gell-Mann-Okubo mass formula in TGD framework requires quarks to exist at several p-adic mass scales [K54], suggests that Higgs can exist in both of these mass scales depending on the experimental situation. The mass of Higgsino would correspond to some half octave of  $m(h)$ . Note that the model allows to conclude that Higgs indeed exists also in TGD Universe although it does not seem to play the same role in particle massivation as in the standard model. The bounds allow only  $k(\tilde{h}) = k(h) + 3 = 97$  and  $m(\tilde{h}) = 45.6$  GeV for  $m(h) = 129$  GeV. The same mass is obtained for  $m(h) = 91$  GeV. Therefore the kinematic limits plus super-symmetry breaking at the level of p-adic mass scale fix completely the masses of the super-particles involved in absence of mixing effects for sneutralinos.

To sum up, the masses of sparticles involved for the option allowing Higgs are predicted to be

$$m(\tilde{e}) = 131 \text{ GeV} \quad , \quad m(\tilde{Z}^0) = 91.2 \text{ GeV} \quad , \quad m(\tilde{h}) = 45.6 \text{ GeV} \quad . \quad (8.3.-1)$$

If Higgs and Higgsino are both eaten in the massivation, the third condition drops off. The argument to be represented below suggests that also sleptons could correspond to Mersennes and Gaussian Mersennes: this option predictions  $k(\tilde{e}) = 89$  so that the mass would be 250 GeV: this excludes the proposed interpretation of the strange event.

### Goodbye large extra dimensions and MSSM

New results giving strong constraints on large extra dimensions and on the parameters of minimally supersymmetric standard model (MSSM) have come from LHC and one might say that both larger extra dimensions and MSSM are experimentally excluded.

#### 1. *The problems of MSSM*

According to the article *The fine-tuning price of the early LHC* by A. Strumia [C34] the results from LHC reduce the parameter space of MSSM dramatically. Recall that the king idea of MSSM is that the presence of super partners tends to cancel the loop corrections from ordinary particles giving to Higgs mass much larger correction than the mass itself. Note that the essential assumption is that R-parity is an exact symmetry so that the lightest superpartner is stable. The signature of SUSY is indeed missing energy resulting in the decay chain beginning with the decay of gluino to chargino and quark pair followed by the decay of chargino to W boson and neutralino representing missing energy.

The article *Search for supersymmetry using final states with onelepton, jets, and missing transverse momentum with the ATLAS detector in  $s^{1/2} = 7$  TeV pp collisions* [C29] by ATLAS collaboration at LHC poses strong limits on the parameters of MSSM implying that the mass of gluino is above 700 GeV in the case that gluino mass is same as that of squark. In Europhysics 1011 meeting the lower bounds for squark and gluino masses were raised to about 1 TeV. The experimental lower bounds on masses of superpartners are so high and the upper bound on Higgs mass so low that the superpartners cannot give rise to large enough compensating corrections to stabilize Higgs. This requires fine-tuning even in MSSM known as little hierarchy problem.

In typical models this also means that the bounds on slepton masses are too high to be able to explain the muonic g-2 anomaly, which was one of the original experimental motivations for MSSM. Therefore the simplest candidates for supersymmetric unifications are lost. This strengthens the suspicion that something is badly wrong with the standard view about SUSY forcing among other things to assume unstability of proton due to non-conservation of baryon and lepton numbers separately.

#### 2. *The difficulties of large extra dimensions*

The results from LHC do not leave much about the dream of solving hierarchy problem using SUSY. One must try something else. One example of this something else are large extra dimensions implying massive graviton, which could provide a new mechanism for massivation based on the idea that massive particle in Minkowski space are massless particles in higher dimensional space (also essential element of TGD). This could perhaps solve the little hierarchy problem if the mass of Kaluza-Klein graviton is in TeV range.

The article *LHC bounds on large extra dimensions* by A. Strumia and collaborators [C18] poses very strong constraints on large extra dimensions and mass and effective coupling constant parameter of massive graviton. Kaluza-Klein graviton would appear in exchange diagrams and loop diagrams for 2-jet production and could become visible in higher energy proton-proton collisions at LHC. KK graviton would be also produced as invisible KK-graviton energy in proton-proton collisions. The general conclusion from data gathered hitherto shrinks dramatically the allowed parameter space for the KK-graviton. Does this mean that we are left with the anthropic option?

#### 3. *Also M-theorists admit that there are reasons for the skepticism*

Michael Dine admits in the article *Supersymmetry From the Top Down* [C31] that there are strong reasons for skepticism. Dine emphasizes that the hierarchy problem related to the instability of Higgs mass due to the radiative corrections is the main experimental motivation for SUSY but that little hierarchy problem remains the greatest challenge of the approach. As noticed, in TGD this problem is absent. The same basic vision based on zero energy ontology and twistors predicts among other things

- the cancellation of UV and IR infinities in generalized Feynman (or more like twistor-) diagrams,

- predicts that in the electroweak scale the stringy character of particles identifiable as magnetically charged wormhole flux tubes should begin to make itself manifest,
- particles regarded usually as massless eat all Higgs like particles accompanying them (here "predict" is perhaps too strong a statement),
- also pseudo-scalar counterparts of Higgs-like particles which avoid the fate of their scalar variants (there already exist indications for pseudo-scalar gluons).

Combined with the powerful predictions of p-adic thermodynamics for particle masses these qualitative successes make TGD a respectable candidate for the follower of string theory.

### Could TGD approach save super-symmetry?

In TGD framework the situation is not at all so desolate. Due to the differences between the induced spinor structure and ordinary spinors, Higgs corresponds to  $SU(2)$  triplet and singlet in TGD framework rather than complex doublet. The recent view about particles as bound states of massless wormhole throats forced by twistorial considerations and emergence of physical particles as bound states of wormhole contacts carrying fermion number and vibrational degrees of freedom strongly suggests- I do not quite dare to say "implies"- that also photon and gluons become massive and eat their Higgs partners to get longitudinal polarization they need. No Higgs- no fine tuning of Higgs mass- no hierarchy problems.

Note that super-symmetry is not given up in TGD but differs in many essential respects from that of MSSM. In particular, super-symmetry breaking and breaking of R-parity are automatically present from the beginning and relate very closely to the massivation.

1. If the gamma matrices were induced gamma matrices, the mixing would be large by the light-likeness of wormhole throats carrying the quantum numbers. Induced gamma matrices are however excluded by internal consistency requiring modified gamma matrices obtained as contractions of canonical momentum densities with imbedding space gamma matrices. Induced gamma matrices would require the replacement of Kähler action with 4-volume and this is unphysical option.
2. In the interior Kähler action defines the canonical momentum densities and near wormhole throats the mixing is large: one should note that the condition that the modified gamma matrices multiplied by square root of metric determinant must be finite. One should show that the weak form of electric-magnetic duality guarantees this: it could even imply the vanishing of the limiting values of these quantities with the interpretation that the space-time surfaces becomes the analog of Abelian instanton with Minkowski signature having vanishing energy momentum tensor near the wormhole throats. If this is the case, Euclidian and Minkowskian regions of space-time surface could provide dual descriptions of physics in terms of generalized Feynman diagrams and fields.
3. At wormhole throats Abelian Chern-Simons-Kähler action with the constraint term guaranteeing the weak form of electric-magnetic duality defines the modified gamma matrices. Without the constraint term Chern-Simons gammas would involve only  $CP_2$  gamma matrices and no mixing of  $M^4$  chiralities would occur. The constraint term transforming TGD from topological QFT to almost topological QFT by bringing in  $M^4$  part to the modified gamma matrices however induces a mixing proportional to Lagrange multiplier. It is difficult to say anything precise about the strength of the constraint force density but one expect that the mixing is large since it is also large in the nearby interior.

If the mixing of the modified gamma matrices is indeed large, the transformation of the right-handed neutrino to its left handed companion should take place rapidly. If this is the case, the decay signatures of spartners are dramatically changed as will be found and the bounds on the masses of squarks and gluinos derived for MSSM do not apply in TGD framework.

#### 1. Proposal for the mass spectrum of sfermions

In TGD framework p-adic length scale hypothesis (stating that preferred p-adic primes come as  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  integer) allows to predict the masses of sleptons and squarks modulo scaling by a powers

$\sqrt{2}$  determined by the p-adic length scale by using information coming from CKM mixing induced by topological mixing of particle families in TGD framework. Also natural guesses for the mass scales of ew gauginos and gluinos are obtained.

1. If one assumes that the mass scale of SUSY corresponds to Mersenne prime  $M_{89}$  assigned with intermediate gauge bosons one obtains unique predictions for the various masses apart from uncertainties due to the mixing of quarks and neutrinos [K45] .
2. In first order the p-adic mass formulas for fermions read as

$$\begin{aligned} m_F &= \sqrt{\frac{n_F}{5}} \times 2^{(127-k_F)/2} \times m_e , \\ n_L &= (5, 14, 65) , \quad n_\nu = (4, 24, 64) , \quad n_U = (5, 6, 58) , \quad n_D = (4, 6, 59) . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-2)$$

Here  $k_F$  is the integer characterizing p-adic mass scale of fermion via  $p \simeq 2^{k_F}$ . The values of  $k_F$  are not listed here since they are not needed now. Note that electroweak symmetry breaking distinguish U and D type fermions is very small when one uses p-adic length scale as unit.

By taking  $k_F = 89$  for super-partners as a reference mass scale, one obtains in good approximation (the first calculation contained erranous scaling factor)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m_{\tilde{L}}}{GeV} &= 2^{(89-k_F)/2} (262, 439, 945) , \\ \frac{m_{\tilde{\nu}}}{GeV} &= 2^{(89-k_F)/2} (235, 423, 938) , \\ \frac{m_{\tilde{U}}}{GeV} &= 2^{(89-k_F)/2} (262, 287, 893) , \\ \frac{m_{\tilde{D}}}{GeV} &= 2^{(89-k_F)/2} (235, 287, 900) . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-5)$$

Charged leptons correspond to subsequent Mersennes or Gaussian Mersennes. The first guess is that this holds true also for charged sleptons. This would give  $k_F(\tilde{e}) = 89$ ,  $k_F(\tilde{\mu}) = 79$ , and  $k_F(\tilde{\tau}) = 61$ . For quarks one has  $k_F(q) \geq 113$  ( $k = 113$  corresponds to Gaussian Mersenne). If one generalizes this to  $k_F(\tilde{q}) \leq 79$ , all sfermion masses expect those of selectron and sneutrinos are above 13 TeV. This option might well be consistent with the recent experimental data require that squark masses are above 1 TeV. The possible problem is selectron mass 262 GeV.

3. The simplest possibility is that ew gauginos are characterized by  $k = 89$  and have same masses as  $W$  and  $Z$  in good approximation. Therefore  $\tilde{W}$  could be the lightest super-symmetric particle and could be observed directly if the neutrino mixing is not too fast and allowing the decay  $\tilde{W} + \nu$ . Also gluinos could be characterized by  $M_{89}$  and have mass of order intermediate gauge boson mass. For this option to be discussed below the decay scenario of MSSM changes considerably.
4. It should be noticed that the single strange event reported 1995 [C230] discussed in [?]ives for the mass of selectron the estimate 131 GeV, which corresponds to  $M_{91}$  instead of  $M_{89}$  and is thus one half of the selectron mass for Mersenne option. This event allowed also to estimate the masses of Zino and corresponding Higgsino. The results are summarized by the following table:

$$m(\tilde{e}) = 131 \text{ GeV} , \quad m(\tilde{Z}^0) = 91.2 \text{ GeV} , \quad m(\tilde{h}) = 45.6 \text{ GeV} . \quad (8.3.-4)$$

If one takes these results at face value one must conclude either that  $M_{89}$  hypothesis is too strong or  $M_{SUSY}$  corresponds to  $M_{91}$  or that  $M_{89}$  is correct identification but also sfermions can appear in several p-adic mass scales.

The decay cascades searched for in LHC are initiated by the decay  $q \rightarrow \tilde{q} + \tilde{g}$  and  $g \rightarrow \tilde{q} + \tilde{q}_c$ . Consider first R-parity conserving decays. Gluino could decay in R-parity conserving manner via  $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{q} + q$ . Squark in turn could decay via  $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q_1 + \tilde{W}$  or via  $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q + \tilde{Z}^0$ . For the proposed first guess about masses the decay  $\tilde{W} \rightarrow \nu_e + \tilde{e}$  or  $\tilde{Z}^0 \rightarrow \nu_e + \tilde{\nu}_e$  would not be possible on mass shell.

If the mixing of right-handed and left-handed neutrinos is fast enough, R-parity is not conserved and the decays  $\tilde{g} \rightarrow g + \nu$  and  $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q + \nu$  could take place by the mixing  $\nu_R \rightarrow \nu_L$  following by electroweak interaction between  $\nu_L$  quark or antiquark appearing as composite of gluon. The decay signature in this case would be pair of jets (quark and antiquark or gluon gluon jet both containing a lonely neutrino not accompanied by a charged lepton required by electroweak decays. Also the decays of electroweak gauginos and sleptons could produce similar lonely neutrinos.

The lower bound to quark masses from LHC is about 600 GeV and 800 GeV for gluon masses assuming light neutralino is slightly above the proposed masses of lightest squarks [C13]. In Europhysics 2011 lower bounds were raised to 1 TeV for both gluino and squark masses. These bounds are consistent with the above speculative picture. These masses are allowed for R-parity conserving option if the decay rate producing chargino is reduced by the large mass of chargino the bounds become weaker. If the decay via R-parity breaking is fast enough no bounds on masses of squarks and gluinos are obtained in TGD framework but jets with neutrino unbalanced by a charged lepton should be observed.

## 2. How to relate MSSM picture to TGD picture?

In order to utilize MSSM calculation in TGD framework one must relate MSSM picture to TGD picture. The basic constraint is that Higgs is absent. This could apply also to Higgsino. This certainly simplifies the formulas. A further condition is that superpartners obey the same mass formulas as partners for same p-adic length scale.

It has been proposed that the loops involving superpartners could explain the anomaly [C249]. In one-loop order one would have the processes  $\mu \rightarrow \tilde{\mu} + \tilde{Z}^0$  and  $\mu \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_\mu + \tilde{W}^0$ . The situation is complicated by the possible mixing of the gauginos and Higgsinos and in MSSM this mixing is described by the mixing matrices called  $X$  and  $Y$ . The general conclusion is however clear: if muonic sneutrino is light, it is possible to have sizable contribution to the g-2 anomaly.

1. Magnetic moment operator mixes different  $M^4$  chiralities. For simplest one-loop diagrams this corresponds in TGD framework to coupling in the modified Dirac equation mixing different chiralities describable as an effective mass term. The couplings between right and left handed sfermions also contributes to the magnetic moment and these couplings reduce to those of sfermions being basically induced by the fermionic chirality mixing which reduces to the fact that modified gamma matrices are superpositions of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices.
2. The basic outcome in the standard SUSY approach is that the mixing is proportional to the factor  $m_\mu^2/m_{SUSY}^2$ . One expects that in the recent situation  $m_{SUSY} = m_W$  is a reasonable first guess so that the mixing is large and could explain the anomaly. Second guess is as  $M_{89}$  p-adic mass scale.
3. MSSM calculations for anomalous g-2 involve the mixing of both  $\tilde{f}_L$  and  $\tilde{f}_R$  and of gauginos and Higgsinos. In MSSM the mixing matrices involve the parameter  $\tan(\beta)$  where the angle  $\beta$  characterizes the ratio of mass scales of U and D type fermions fixed by the ratio of Higgs expectations for the two complex Higgs doublets [C249].  $\tan(\beta)$  also characterizes in MSSM the ratio of vacuum expectation values of two Higgses assignable to U and D type quarks and cannot be fixed from this criterion since in TGD framework one has one scalar Higgs and pseudo-scalar Higgs decomposing to triplet and singlet under  $SU(2)$  and the mass ratio is fixed by p-adic mass calculations.

The question is what happens if Higgs and Higgsino are absent and what one can conclude about the value of  $\beta$  in TGD framework where p-adic mass calculations give the dominant contribution to fermion masses and the mass formulas for particles and sparticles should be identical for a fixed p-adic prime.

### 2.1 Mixing of charged gauginos and Higgsinos

Consider first the mixing between charged gauginos and Higgsinos. The angle  $\beta$  characterizes also the mixing of  $\tilde{W}$  and charged Higgsino parametrized by the mass matrix



$$X = \begin{pmatrix} M_2 & M_W \sqrt{2} \sin(\beta) \\ M_W \sqrt{2} \cos(\beta) & \mu \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8.3-3)$$

The  $\tan(\beta)$  gives the ratio of mass scales of U and D type quarks in MSSM. In MSSM  $\tan(\beta)$  reduces to the ratio of Higgs vacuum expectations and it would be better to get rid of the entire parameter in TGD framework. The maximally symmetric situation corresponds to the same mass scale for U and D type quarks and this suggests that one has  $\sin(\beta) = \cos(\beta) = 1/\sqrt{2}$  implying  $\tan(\beta) = 1$ . In MSSM  $\tan(\beta) > 2$  is required and this is due to the large value of the  $m_{SUSY}$ .

Whether this parameterization makes sense in TGD framework depends on whether one allows Higgsino.

1. If also Higgsino is absent the formula does not make sense. A natural condition is that the value of  $\tan(\beta)$  does not appear at all in the limiting formulas for the anomalous g-2. Note that in p-adic mass calculations do not contain this kind of a priori continuous parameter. There the simplest TGD based option is that the Higgsino is just absent and the mass matrix reduces  $1 \times 1$  matrix  $M_2$  giving wino mass. The idea that particle and sparticles have identical masses for the same p-adic mass scale would give  $M_2 = M_W$ . One must however remember that in TGD framework mass operator acts like a preferred combination of gamma matrices in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom mixing  $M^3$  chiralities.
2. If one allows Higgsinos, the simplest guess is that apart from p-adic mass scale same has  $M_2 = -\mu = m$ : this guarantees identical masses for the mixed states in accordance with the ideas that different masses for particles and sparticles result from the different p-adic length scale. For  $\cos(\beta) = 1/\sqrt{2}$  this would give mass matrix with eigen values  $(M, -M)$ ,  $M = \sqrt{m^2 + m_W^2}$  so that mass squared values of the mixed states would be identical and above  $m_W$  mass for  $p = M_{89}$ . Symmetry breaking by an increase of the p-adic length scale could however reduce the mass of other state by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$ .

If also winos and zinos eat the higgsinos, one can argue that the determinant of  $X$  must vanish so that the eigenstate with vanishing eigen value would correspond to unphysical statete meaning the elimination of second state from the spetrum. This would require  $M_2\mu - M_W^2 \sin(2\beta) = 0$ .  $\sin(\beta) = 1/\sqrt{2}$  and  $M_2 = \mu = M_W$  is the simplest solution to the condition. This looks tricky.

### 2.2 Mixing of neutral gauginos and Higgsinos

In MSSM  $4 \times 4$  matrix is needed to describe the mixing of neutral gauginos and two kinds of neutral Higgsinos. In TGD framework second Higgs (if it exists at all) is pseudo-scalar and does not contribute and the  $2 \times 2$  matrices describe the mixing also now.

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & 0 \\ 0 & M_2 \end{pmatrix} & M_Z \begin{pmatrix} s_W \cos(\beta) & s_W \sin(\beta) \\ c_W \cos(\beta) & c_W \sin(\beta) \end{pmatrix} \\ M_Z \begin{pmatrix} s_W \cos(\beta) & s_W \sin(\beta) \\ c_W \cos(\beta) & c_W \sin(\beta) \end{pmatrix} & -\mu \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8.3-2)$$

For  $\sin(\beta) = \cos(\beta) = 0$  the non-diagonal part of the mass matrix is degenerate.

Again there are two options depending on whether Higgsinos are present and if they are absent the dependence on the angle  $\beta$  vanishes. Indeed, if Higgsinos are absent the matrix reduces to a diagonal  $2 \times 2$  mass matrix for U(1) gaugino  $\tilde{B}$  and neutral SU(2) gaugino  $\tilde{W}^3$ . If one takes seriously MSSM, there would be no mixing. On the other hand, TGD suggests that neutral gauginos mix in the same manner as neutral gauge bosons so that Weinberg angle would characterize the mixing with photino and zino appearing as mass eigen states. Again for same value of p-adic prime the values of mass squared for gauge bosons and gauginos should be identical.

One can also consider the option with Higgsino.

1. Since Higgs and Higgsino have representation content 3+1 with respect to electroweak SU(2) in TGD framework, one can speak about  $\tilde{h}_B$ ,  $B = W, Z, \gamma$ . An attractive assumption is that Weinberg angle characterizes also the mixing giving rise to  $\tilde{Z}$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}$  on one hand and  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$  and  $\tilde{h}_Z$  on the other hand if these belong to the spectrum. This would reduce the mixing matrix to two  $2 \times 2$  matrices: the first one for  $\tilde{\gamma}$  and  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$  and the second one for  $\tilde{Z}$  and  $\tilde{h}_Z$ .

2. A further attractive assumption is that the mass matrices describing mixing of gauginos and corresponding Higgsinos are in some sense universal with respect to electroweak interactions. The form of the mixing matrix would be essentially same for all cases. This would suggest that  $M_W$  is replaced in the above formula with the mass of  $Z^0$  and photon in these matrices (recall that it is assumed that photon gets small mass by eating the neutral Higgs). Note that for photino and corresponding Higgsino the mixing would be small. The guess is  $M_2 = -\mu = m_Z$ . For photino one can guess that  $M_2$  corresponds to  $M_{89}$  mass scale.

These assumptions of course define only the first maximally symmetric guess and the simplest modification that one can imagine is due to the different p-adic mass scales. If the above discussed values for zino and neutralino masses deduced from the 1995 event [C230] are taken at face value, the eigenvalues would be  $\pm\sqrt{M_Z^2 + m^2}$  with  $m = M_2 = -\mu$  for  $\tilde{Z} - \tilde{h}_Z$ -mixing and the other state would have p-adic length scale  $k = 91$  rather than  $k = 89$ .  $M$  and  $\mu$  would have opposite signs as required by the correct sign for the  $g - 2$  anomaly for muon assuming that smuons correspond to  $p = M_{89}$  as will be found.

### 2.3 The relationship between masses of charged sleptons and sneutrinos

In MSSM approach one has also the formula relating the masses of sneutrinos and charged sleptons [C249]:

$$m_{\tilde{\nu}}^2 = m_L^2 + \frac{1}{2}M_Z^2 \cos(2\beta) . \quad (8.3.-1)$$

For  $\beta = \pm\pi/4$  one would have  $\tan(\beta) = 1$  and

$$m_{\tilde{\nu}}^2 = m_L^2 .$$

In p-adic mass calculations this kind of formula is highly questionable and could make sense only if these particles involved correspond to same value of p-adic prime and therefore would not make sense after symmetry breaking.

### 3. The anomalous magnetic moment of muon as a constraint on SUSY

The anomalous magnetic moment  $a_\mu \equiv (g - 2)/2$  of muon has been used as a further constraint on SUSY. The measured value of  $a_\mu$  is  $a_\mu^{exp} = 11659208.0(6.3) \times 10^{10}$ . The theoretical prediction decomposes to a sum of reliably calculable contributions and hadronic contribution for which the low energy photon appearing as vertex correction decays to virtual hadrons. This contribution is not easy to calculate since non-perturbative regime of QCD is involved. The deviation between prediction and experimental value is  $\Delta a_\mu(exp - SM) = 23.9(9.9) \times 10^{-10}$  giving  $\Delta a_\mu(exp - SM)/a_\mu = 2 \times 10^{-6}$ . The hadronic contribution is estimated to be  $692.3 \times 10^{-10}$  so that the anomaly is 3 per cent from the hadronic contribution [C249]. One can ask whether the uncertainties due to the non-perturbative effects could explain the anomaly.

The following calculation is a poor man's version of MSSM calculation [C249]. Also now SUSY requires that the electroweak couplings between particles dictate those between sparticles. Supersymmetry for massivation suggests that in TGD framework higgsinos do not belong to the spectrum. Light sfermions appear as single copy with vanishing fermion number so that various mixing matrices of MSSM reduce to unit matrices. This leads to a rough recipe: take only the one loop contributions to  $g-2$  and assume trivial mixing matrices and drop off summations. At least a good order of magnitude estimate should result in this manner.

#### 3.1 A rough MSSM inspired estimate $g-2$ anomaly

Consider now a rough estimate for the  $g-2$  anomaly by using the formulas 56-58 of [C249]. One obtains for the charged loop the expression

$$\Delta a_\mu^\pm = -\frac{21g_2^2}{32\pi^2} \times \left(\frac{m_\mu}{m_W}\right)^2 \times \text{sign}(\mu M_2) . \quad (8.3.0)$$

This however involves a formula relating sneutrino and charged slepton masses. There is no reason to expect this formula to hold true in TGD framework.

For neutral contribution the expression is more difficult to deduce. As physical intuition suggests, the expression inversely proportional to  $1/m_W^2$  since  $m_W$  corresponds now  $m_{SUSY}$  although this is not obvious on the basis of the general formulas suggesting the proportionality to  $1/m_{\tilde{\nu}_\mu}^2$ . The p-adic mass scale corresponding to  $M_{89}$  is the natural guess for  $M_{SUSY}$  and would give  $M_{SUSY} = 104.9$  GeV. The fact that the correction has positive sign requires that  $\mu$  and  $M_2$  have opposite signs unlike in MSSM. The sign factor is opposite to that in MSSM because sfermion mass scales are assumed to be much higher than weak gaugino mass scale.

The ratio of the correction to the lowest QED estimate  $a_{\mu,0} = \alpha/2\pi$  can be written as

$$\frac{\Delta a_\mu^+}{a_{\mu,0}} = \frac{21}{4\sin^2(\theta_W)} \times \left(\frac{m_\mu}{m_{SUSY}}\right)^2 \simeq 2.73 \times 10^{-5} . \quad (8.3.1)$$

which is roughly 10 times larger than the observed correction. The contribution  $\Delta a_\mu^0$  could reduce this contribution. At this moment I am however not yet able to transform the formula for it to TGD context. Also the scaling up of the  $m_{SUSY}$  by a factor of order  $2^{3/2}$  could reduce the correction.

The parameter values ( $\tan(\beta) = 1, M_{SUSY} = 100$  GeV) corresponds to the boundary of the region allowed by the LHC data and  $g-2$  anomaly is marginally consistent with these parameter values (see figure 16 of [C249]). The reason is that in the recent case the mass of lightest Higgs particle does not pose any restrictions (the brown region in the figure). Due to the different mixing pattern of gauginos and higgsinos in neutral sector TGD prediction need not be identical with MSSM prediction.

The contribution from Higgs loop is not present if Higgs is eaten by photon [C204]. This contribution by a factor of order  $(m_\mu/h_H)^2$  smaller than the estimate for the SUSY contribution so that the dropping of Higgs contribution does not affect considerably the situation.

$$\Delta a_\mu^H = \frac{2}{2.24^2} \left(\frac{m_\mu}{m_H}\right)^4 \times \left(\log\left(\left(\frac{m_H}{m_\tau}\right)^2\right) - \frac{3}{2}\right) . \quad (8.3.2)$$

The proposed estimate is certainly poor man's estimate since it is not clear how near the proposed twistorial approach relying on zero energy ontology is to QFT approach. It is however encouraging that the simplest possible scenario might work and that this is essentially due to the p-adic length scale hypothesis.

### 3.2 An improved estimate for $g-2$ anomaly

An attractive scenario for sfermion masses marginally consistent with the recent data from LHC generalizes the observation that charged lepton masses correspond to subsequent Mersenne primes of Gaussian Mersennes. The only sfermions lighter than about 13 TeV are selectron with mass 262 GeV ( $k = 89$ ) and sneutrinos, which can have much smaller masses.  $\tilde{W}\tilde{\nu}_\mu$  virtual state would be mostly responsible for the muonic  $g-2$  anomaly since the largest term in the correction is proportional to  $m(\mu)m(\tilde{W})/m^2(\tilde{\nu}_\mu)$  and the anomaly might allow to determine  $m(\tilde{\nu}_\mu)$ . This option should be explain the  $g-2$  anomaly.

The following estimate demonstrates that there are hopes about this. Using the formulas of [C249] one can write the one loop contributions to the anomalous contribution  $a(\mu)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\chi^0} &= \frac{m(\mu)}{16\pi^2} \sum_{i,m} X_{im} , \\ X_{im} &= -\frac{m(\mu)}{12m^2(\tilde{\mu}_m)} \left[ |n_{im}^L|^2 + |n_{im}^R|^2 \right] F_1^N(x_{im}) + \frac{m(\chi_i^0)}{3m^2(\tilde{\mu}_m)} \text{Re} [n_{im}^L n_{im}^R] F_2^N(x_{im}) , \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{\chi^\pm} &= \frac{m(\mu)}{16\pi^2} \sum_k X_k , \\ X_k &= -\frac{m(\mu)}{12m^2(\tilde{\nu}_\mu)} \left[ |c_k^L|^2 + |c_k^R|^2 \right] F_1^C(x_k) + \frac{2m(\chi_k^\pm)}{3m^2(\tilde{\nu}_\mu)} \text{Re} [c_k^L c_k^R] F_2^C(x_k) . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.0)$$

Here  $i = 1, \dots, 4$  denotes neutralino indices which should reduce to two if also Higgsinos disappear from the spectrum.  $k = 1, 2$  denotes the neutral and charginos indices reducing to single index now.  $m = 1, 2$  denotes smuon index. Note that TGD suggests strongly that the masses of  $\tilde{\mu}_R$  and  $\tilde{\mu}_L$  are degenerate. The matrices  $n_{im}^L, n_{im}^R$  and  $c_k^L$  and  $c_k^R$  relate to the mixing of mass eigenstates and are given explicitly in MSSM [C249].

The kinematic variables are defined as the mass ratios  $x_{im} = m^2(\chi_i^0)/m^2(\tilde{\mu}_m)$  and  $x_k = m^2(\chi_k^\pm)/m^2(\tilde{\nu}_\mu)$  and the loop functions are given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_1^N(x) &= \frac{2}{(1-x)^4} [1 - 6x + 3x^2 + 2x^3 - 6x^2 \log(x)] \quad , \\ F_2^N(x) &= \frac{3}{(1-x)^3} [1 - x^2 + 2x \log(x)] \quad , \\ F_1^C(x) &= \frac{2}{(1-x)^4} [2 + 3x - 6x^2 + x^3 + 6x \log(x)] \quad , \\ F_2^C(x) &= \frac{3}{(1-x)^3} [-3 + 4x - x^2 - 2 \log(x)] \quad . \end{aligned} \tag{8.3.-3}$$

If one does not assume any relationship between sneutrino and charged slepton masses then for  $m(\tilde{\nu}_\mu)/m(\tilde{\mu}) \ll 1$ ,  $m(\mu)/m(\chi^\pm) \ll 1$ , and  $m(\chi_k^0)/m(\tilde{\mu}) \ll 1$  the functions  $F_1^N$  and  $F_2^N(x)$  are in good approximation constant and the corresponding contributions are negligible. One has  $F_1^C(x) \simeq 1/x$  and  $F_2^C(x) \simeq 3/x$ . It turns out that the terms proportional to  $F_1^C(x)$  and  $F_2^C(x_k)$  are of the same order of magnitude. If Higgsinos do not belong to the spectrum one has  $U_{k2} = 0$  giving  $V_{k1}U_{k2} = 0$  leaving only the  $F_1^C$  contribution.

Consider now the mixing matrices for sfermions.

1. One has

$$\begin{aligned} c_k^L &= -g_2 V_{k1} \quad , \quad c_k^R = y_\mu U_{k2} \quad , \\ y_\mu &= \frac{m(\mu)}{m(W)} \frac{g_2}{\sqrt{2} \cos(\beta)} \quad , \quad g_2 = \frac{e}{\sin(\theta_W)} \quad . \end{aligned} \tag{8.3.-3}$$

Here the index  $k$  refers to the mixed states of  $L$  and  $R$  type sfermions. Since they are formed from fermion and right-handed neutrino, one expects that at higher energies the mixing is negligible. Mixing is however present and induced by the mixing of right and left handed fermion so that the mixing matrices are non-trivial at low energies and give relate closely to the massivation of sfermions and fermions.

2. One obtains

$$\begin{aligned} c_k^L c_k^R &= -g_2^2 \frac{m(\mu)}{m(W)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \cos(\beta)} V_{k1} U_{k2} = -\frac{m(\mu)}{m(W)} \times \frac{4\pi\alpha}{\sin^2(\theta_W)} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \cos(\beta)} V_{k1} U_{k2} \quad , \\ |c_k^L|^2 + |c_k^R|^2 &= g_2^2 \left[ |V_{k1}|^2 + \frac{m^2(\mu)}{m^2(W)} \frac{1}{2 \cos^2(\beta)} |U_{k2}|^2 \right] \quad . \end{aligned} \tag{8.3.-3}$$

Using these results one obtains explicit expressions for the two terms in  $a_\mu$ .

1. The expressions for the term resulting from mixing of right and left handed sfermions is given by

$$\begin{aligned} a_\mu^{mix,k} &= \frac{m(\mu)}{8\pi^2 m(\chi_k^\pm)} \sum_k \text{Re}[c_k^L c_k^R] \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{4\pi\alpha}{\sin^2(\theta_W) \sqrt{2} \cos(\beta)} \frac{m^2(\mu)}{m(W) m(\chi_k^\pm)} \text{Re}[V_{k1} U_{k2}] \quad . \end{aligned} \tag{8.3.-3}$$

2. Second term is diagonal and non-vanishing also when Higgsino is absent from the spectrum.

$$a_{\mu}^{diag,k} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{m^2(\mu)}{m^2(\chi^{\pm})} [ |c_k^L|^2 + |c_k^R|^2 ] . \quad (8.3-2)$$

Note that  $|c_k^R| \ll |c_k^L|$  holds true unless  $\cos(\beta)$  is very small.

3. The ratio of the contributions is

$$\left| \frac{a_{\mu}^{diag,k}}{a_{\mu}^{mix,k}} \right| = \frac{m(W)}{m(\chi^{\pm})_k} \sqrt{2} \cos(\beta) \times \left| \frac{V_{k1}}{U_{k2}} \right| . \quad (8.3-1)$$

For  $c_k^R = 0$  (no Higgsino) one has

$$a_{\mu} \simeq a_{\mu}^{diag,k} = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \frac{m^2(\mu)}{m^2(\chi^{\pm})} \sqrt{2} \cos(\beta) \frac{4\pi\alpha}{\sin^2(\theta_W)} |V_{k1}|^2 . \quad (8.3.0)$$

The dependence on the mass of muonic sneutrino disappears so that one cannot conclude anything about its value in this approximation.  $a_{\mu}$  is determined by the mass scale of  $\tilde{W}$ , which should be of the same order of magnitude as  $W$  boson mass. The sign of the diagonal term is positive so that this contribution gives to  $g-2$  a contribution which is of correct sign. This encourages to consider the option for which Higgsinos disappear from the spectrum.

The experimental value of the anomaly is equal to  $\Delta a_{\mu} \simeq 23.9 \times 10^{-10}$ . The order of magnitude estimate obtained by assuming ( $\cos(\beta) = 1/\sqrt{2}, V_{k1} = 1, U_{k2} = 0$ ) one obtains  $a_{\mu} = 82.7 \times 10^{-10} \times (m(W)/m(\chi^{\pm}))^2$ , which for  $m(W)/m(\chi^{\pm}) = 1$  is roughly 3.46 times larger than the anomaly. The p-adic scaling  $k(\tilde{W}) = 89 \rightarrow k(\tilde{W}) - 2 = 87$  would give a value of  $a_{\mu}$  near to the observed one. The mass of  $\tilde{W}$  would be 160.8 GeV. Clearly the TGD inspired view about SUSY leads to a remarkably simple picture explaining the  $g-2$  anomaly.

#### 4. Basic differences between MSSM and TGD

The basic differences between TGD and MSSM [B31] and related approaches deserve to be noticed (see also the article about the experimental side [C210]). If Higgses and Higgsinos are absent from the spectrum, SUSY in TGD sense does not introduce flavor non-conserving currents (FNCC problem plaguing MSSM type approaches). In MSSM approach the mass spectrum of superpartners can be only guessed using various constraints and in a typical scenario masses of sfermions are assumed to be same in GUT unification scales so that at long length scales the mass spectrum for sfermions is inverted from that for fermions with stop and stau being the lightest superpartners. In TGD framework p-adic thermodynamics and the topological explanation of family replication phenomenon changes the situation completely and the spectrum of sfermions is very naturally qualitatively similar to that of fermions (genus generation correspondence is the SUSY invariant answer to the famous question of Rabi "Who ordered them?" !). This is essential for the explanation of  $g-2$  anomaly for instance. Note that the experimental searches concentrating on finding the production of stop or stau pairs are bound to fail in TGD Universe.

Another key difference is that in TGD the huge number of parameters of MSSM is replaced with a single parameter- the universal coupling characterizing the decay  
 sparticle  $\rightarrow$  particle+right handed neutrino,

which by its universality is very "gravitational". The gravitational character suggests that it is small so that SUSY would not be badly broken meaning for instance that sparticles are rather longlived and R-parity is a rather good symmetry.

One can try to fix the coupling by requiring that the decay rate of sfermion is proportional to gravitational constant  $G$  or equivalently, to the square of  $CP_2$  radius

$$R \simeq 10^{7+1/2} \left( \frac{G}{\hbar_0} \right)^{1/2} .$$

Sfermion-fermion-neutrino vertex coupling to each other same fermion  $M^4$  chiralities involves the gradient of the sfermion field. Yukawa coupling - call it  $L$  - would have dimension of length. For massive fermions in  $M^4$  it would reduce to dimensionless coupling  $g$  different  $M^4$  chiralities. In equal mass case  $g$  would be proportional to  $L(m_1 + m_2)/\hbar$ , where  $m_i$  are the masses of fermions.

1. For the simplest option  $L$  is expressible in terms of  $CP_2$  geometry alone and corresponds to

$$L = kR .$$

$k$  is a numerical constant of order unity.  $\hbar_0$  denotes the standard value of Planck constant, whose multiple the effective value of Planck constant is in TGD Universe in dark matter sectors. The decay rate of sfermion would be proportional to

$$k^2 R^2 \left( \frac{M}{\hbar} \right)^3 \simeq k^2 \times 10^7 \times \frac{G}{\hbar_0} \times \left( \frac{M}{\hbar} \right)^3 ,$$

where  $M$  is the mass scale characterizing the phase space volume for the decays of sfermion and is given by the mass of sfermion multiplied by a dimensionless factor depending on mass ratios. The decay rate is extremely low so that R-parity conservation would be an excellent approximate symmetry. In cosmology this could mean that zinos and photinos would decay by an exchange of sfermions rather than directly and could give rise to dark matter like phase as in MSSM.

2. Second option carries also information about Kähler action one would have apart from a numerical constant of order unity  $k = \alpha_K$ . The Kähler coupling strength

$$\alpha_K = \frac{g_K^2}{4\pi \times \hbar_0} \simeq 1/137$$

is the fundamental dimensionless coupling of TGD analogous to critical temperature.

3. For the option which "knows" nothing about  $CP_2$  geometry the length scale would be proportional to the Schwarzschild radius

$$L = kGM .$$

In this case the decay rate would be proportional to  $k^2 G^2 M^2 (M/\hbar)^3$  and extremely low.

4. The purely kinematic option which one cannot call "gravitational" "knows" only about sfermion mass and Planck constant, and one would have

$$L = k \times \frac{\hbar}{M} .$$

The decay rate would be proportional to the naive order of magnitude guess  $k^2 (M/\hbar)$  and fast unlike in all "gravitational cases". R-parity would be badly broken. Again  $k \propto \alpha_K$  option can be considered.

Note that also in mSUGRA gravitational sector in short length scales determines MSSM parameters via flavor blind interactions and also breaking of SUSY via breaking of local SUSY in short scales.

### 8.3.2 Do $X$ and $Y$ mesons provide evidence for color excited quarks or squarks?

Now and then come the days when head is completely empty of ideas. One just walks around and gets more and more frustrated. One can of course make authoritative appearances in blog groups and express strong opinions but sooner or later one is forced to look for web if one could find some problem. At this time I had good luck. By some kind of divine guidance I found myself immediately in Quantum Diaries and found a blog posting with title *Who ordered that?! An X-traordinary particle?* [L16].

Not too many unified theorists take meson spectroscopy seriously. Although they are now accepting low energy phenomenology (*the physics for the rest of us*) as something to be taken seriously, meson physics is for them a totally uninteresting branch of botany. They could not care less. As a crackpot I am however not well-informed about what good theoretician should do and shouldn't do and got interested. Could this give me a problem that my poor crackpot brain is crying for?

The posting told me that in the spectroscopy of  $c\bar{c}$  type mesons is understood except for some troublesome mesons christened imaginatively with letters  $X$  and  $Y$  plus brackets containing their mass in MeVs.  $X(3872)$  is the firstly discovered troublemaker and what is known about it can be found in the blog posting and also in Particle Data Tables [C26]. The problem is that these mesons should not be there. Their decay widths seem to be narrow taking into account their mass and their decay characteristics are strange: in particular the kinematically allow decays to  $D\bar{D}$  dominating the decays of  $\Psi(3770)$  with branching ratio 93 per cent has not been observed whereas the decay to  $D\bar{D}\pi^0$  occurs with a branching fraction  $> 3.2 \times 10^{-3}$ . Why the pion is needed?  $X(3872)$  should decay to photon and charmonium state in a predictable way but it does not.

#### Could these be the good questions?

TGD predicts a lot of exotic physics and I of course started to exclude various alternatives. First one must however try to invent a good question. Maybe the following questions might satisfy the criterion of goodness.

1. Why these exotic states appear only for mesons made of heavy quark and antiquark? Why not for light mesons? Why not for mesons containing one heavy quark and light quark? Could it be that also  $b\bar{b}$  mesons could have exotic partners not yet detected? Could it be that also exotic  $b\bar{c}$  type mesons could be there? Why the presence of light quark would eliminate the exotic partner from the spectrum?
2. Do the decays obey some selection rules? There is indeed this kind of rule: the numbers of  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  quarks in the final state are equal to one.
  - (a) If  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  exist in the initial state and the decay involves only strong interactions, the rule holds true.
  - (b) If  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  are not present in the initial state the only option that one can imagine is the exchange of two  $W$  bosons transforming  $d$  type quarks to  $c$  type quarks must be present. If this were the case the initial state should correspond to  $d\bar{d}$  like state rather than  $c\bar{c}$  and this looks very strange from the standard physics point of view. Also the rate for this kind of decays would be very small and it seems that this option cannot make sense.

#### Both leptons and quarks have color excitations in TGD Universe

TGD predicts that both leptons and quarks have color excitations [K84]. For leptons they correspond to color octets and there is a lot of experimental evidence for them. Why we do not have any evidence for color excited quarks? Or do we actually have?! Could these strange  $X$ :s and  $Y$ :s provide this evidence?

Ordinary quarks correspond to triality one color triplet partial waves in  $CP_2$ . The higher color partial waves would also correspond to triality one states but in higher color partial waves in  $CP_2$ . The representations of the color group are labelled by two integers  $(p,q)$  and the dimension of the representation is given by

$$d = \frac{(p+1)(q+1)(p+q+2)}{2} .$$

A given  $t = \pm 1$  representation is accompanied by its conjugate with the same dimension and opposite triality  $t = \mp 1$ .  $t = 1$  representations satisfy  $p - q = 1$  modulo 3 and come as  $(1,0)$ ,  $(0,2)$ ,  $(3,0)$ ,  $(2,1)$ , with dimensions 3, 6, 10, 15,... The simplest candidate for the color excitations would correspond to the representation  $\bar{6}$ . It does not correspond directly to a solution of the Dirac equation in  $CP_2$  since physical states involve also color Kac-Moody generators [K45].

Some remarks are in order:

1. The tensor product of gluon octet with  $t = 1$  with color triplet representation contains  $8 \times 3 = 24$  states and decomposes into  $t = 1$  representations as  $3 \oplus \bar{6} \oplus 15$ . The coupling of gluons by Lie algebra action can couple given representation only with itself. The coupling between triplet and  $\bar{6}$  and 15 is therefore not by Lie algebra action. The coupling constant between quarks and color excited quarks is *assumed* to be proportional to color coupling.
2. The existence of this kind of coupling would explain the selection rules elegantly. If this kind of coupling is not allowed then only the annihilation of exotic quark to gluon decaying to quark pair can transform exotic mesons to ordinary ones and I have not been able to explain selection rules using this option.

The basic constraint applying to all variants based on exotic states of quarks comes from the fact that the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons do not allow new light particles. This objection is encountered already in the model of lepto-hadrons [K84]. The solution is that the light exotic states are possible only if they are dark in TGD sense having therefore non-standard value of Planck constant and behaving as dark matter. The value of Planck constant is only effective and has purely geometric interpretation in TGD framework. This implies that a phase transition transforming quarks and gluons to their dark counterparts is the key element of the model. After this a phase transition a gluon exchange would transform the quark pair to an exotic quark pair.

### Also squarks could explain exotic charmonium states

Supersymmetry provides an alternative mechanism. Right-handed neutrino generates super-symmetries in TGD Universe and quarks are accompanied by squarks consisting in a well-defined sense of quark and right-handed neutrino. Super-symmetry would allow completely standard couplings to gluons by adding to the spectrum squarks and gluinos. Exactly the same selection rules result if these new states are mesonlike states from squark and anti-squark and the exchange of gluino after the  $\hbar$  changing phase transition transforms exotic meson to ordinary one and vice versa.

In the sequel it will be shown that the existence of color excited quarks or of their superpartners could indeed allow to understand the origin of  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons and also the absence of analogous states accompanying mesons containing light quarks or antiquarks.

This picture would lead to a completely new view about detection of squarks and gluinos.

1. In the standard scenario the basic processes are production of squark and gluino pair. The creation of squark-antisquark pair is followed by the decay of squark (anti-squark) to quark (antiquark) and neutralino or chargino. If R-parity is conserved, the decay chain eventually gives rise to at least two hadron jets and lightest neutralinos identifiable as missing energy. Gluinos in turn decay to quark and anti-squark (squark and antiquark) and squark (anti-squark) in turn to quark (anti-quark) and neutralino or chargino. At least four hadron jets and missing energy is produced. In TGD framework neutralinos would decay eventually to zinos or photinos and right-handed neutrino transforming to ordinary neutrino (R-parity is not conserved). This process might be however slow.
2. In the recent case quite different scenario relying on color confinement and "shadronization" suggests itself. By definition smesons consist of squarks and antisquark. Sbaryons could consist of two squarks containing right-handed neutrino and its antineutrino ( $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY) and one quark and thus have same quantum numbers as baryon. Note that the squarks are dark in TGD sense.

Also now dark squark or gluino pair would be produced at the first step and would require  $\hbar$  changing phase transition of gluon. These would shadronize to form a dark shadron. One can indeed argue that the required emission of winos and zinos and photinos is too slow a process



as compared to shadronization. Shadrons (mostly smesons) would in turn decay to hadrons by the exchange of gluinos between squarks. No neutralinos (missing energy) would be produced. This would explain the failure to detect squarks and gluinos at LHC.

This mechanism does not however apply to sleptons so that it seems that the p-adic mass scale of sleptons must be much higher for sleptons than that for squarks as I have indeed proposed.

### Could exotic charmonium states consist of color excited $c$ and $\bar{c}$ or of their partners?

Could one provide answers to the questions presented in the beginning assuming that exotic charmonium states consists of dark color excited  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$ : or more generally, a mixture of ordinary charmonium and exotic charmonium state? The mixing is expected since  $\hbar$  changing phase transition followed by a gluon exchange can transform these meson states to each other. Also annihilation to gluon and back to quark pair can induce this mixing. The mixing is however small for heavy quarks for which  $\alpha_s \simeq .1$  holds true. Exactly the same arguments apply to the meson like bound states of squarks and in the following only the first option will be discussed.

1. In the case of charged leptons colored excitations have have same p-adic mass scale: for  $\tau$  however several p-adic mass scales appear as the model if the two year old CDF anomaly is taken seriously [K84]. Assume that p-adic mass scales - but not necessarily masses- are the same also now. This assumption might be non-sensical since also light mesons would have exotic counterparts and somehow they should disappear from the spectrum. To simplify the estimates one could even assume even that the masses are same.
2. In the presence of small mixing the decay amplitude would come solely from the small contribution of the ordinary  $c\bar{c}$  state present in the state dominated by color excited pair. The two manners to see the situation should give essentially the same answer.
3. The decays would take place via strong interactions.

The challenge is to understand why the dominating decays to  $D\bar{D}$  with branching fraction of 93 per cent are not allowed whereas  $D\bar{D}\pi^0$  takes place. Why the pion is needed? The second challenge is to understand why  $X$  does not decay to charmonium and photon.

1. For ordinary charmonium the decay to  $D\bar{D}$  could take place by the emission of gluon from either  $c$  or  $\bar{c}$  which then decays to light quark pair whose members combine with  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  to form  $D$  and  $\bar{D}$ . Now this mechanism does not work. At least *two* gluons must be emitted to transform colored excited  $c\bar{c}$  to ordinary  $c\bar{c}$ . If these gluons decay to light quark pairs one indeed obtains an additional pion in hadronization. The emission of two gluons instead of only one is expected to reduce the rate roughly by  $\alpha_s^2 \simeq 10^{-2}$  factor.
2. Also ordinary decays are predicted to occur but with a slower rate. The first step would be an exchange of gluon transforming color excited charmed quark pair to an ordinary charmed quark pair. After the transformation to off mass shell  $c\bar{c}$  pair, the only difference to the decays of charmonium states would be due to the fact that charmonium would be replaced with  $c\bar{c}$  pair. The exchange of the gluon preceding this step could reduce the decay rate with respect to charmonium decay rates by a factor of order  $\alpha_s^2 \simeq 10^{-2}$ . Therefore also the ordinary decay modes should be there but with a considerably reduced rate.
3. Why the direct decays to photon and charmonium state do not occur in the manner predicted by the model of charmonium? For ordinary charmonium the decay proceeds by an emission of photon by either quark or antiquark. Same mechanism applies for exotic charmonium states but leads to final state which consists of *exotic* charmonium and photon. In the case of  $X(3872)$  there exists no lighter exotic charmonium state so that the decay is forbidden in this order of perturbation theory. Heavier exotic charmonium states can however decay to photon plus exotic charmonium state in this order of perturbation theory if discrete symmetries favor this.

Essentially identical arguments go through if  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  are replaced with their dark partners and exchange of gluon by the emission of gluino. The transformation of gluon to its dark variants is an essential element in the process.

### Why the color excitations/spartners of light quarks would be effectively absent?

Can one understand the effective absence of mesons consisting of color excited light quarks or squarks if the excitations have same mass scale and even mass as the light quarks? The following arguments are for color excited quarks but they apply also to squarks.

1. Suppose that the mixing induced by  $\hbar$  changing phase transition followed by a gluon exchange and annihilation is described by mass squared matrix containing besides diagonal components  $M_1^2 = M_2^2$  also non-diagonal component  $M_{12}^2 = \overline{M_{21}^2}$ . The eigenstates of the mass squared matrix correspond to the physical states which are mixtures of states consisting of ordinary quark pair and pair of color excited quarks. The non-diagonal elements of the mass squared matrix corresponds to gluon exchange and since color interactions get very strong at low energy scales, one expects that these elements get very large. In the degenerate case  $M_1^2 = M_2^2$  the mass squared eigen values are given by

$$M_{\pm}^2 = M_0^2 \pm |M_{12}|^2 . \quad (8.3.1)$$

2. Suppose that  $M_0^2 = 0$  holds true in accordance with approximate pseudo Goldstone nature of pion and more generally all light pseudo-scalar mesons. In fact assume that this is the case before color magnetic spin-spin splitting has taken place so that in this approximation pion and  $\rho$  would have same mass  $m_{\pi}^2 = m_{\rho}^2 = M_0^2$ . In TGD based model for color magnetic spin-spin splitting  $M_0^2$  energy is replaced with mass squared [K54] and  $M_0^2$  is obtained in terms of physical masses of  $\pi$  and  $\rho$  from the basic formulas

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi}^2 &= M_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta , & m_{\rho}^2 &= M_0^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta , \\ M_0^2 &= \frac{m_{\rho}^2 + 3m_{\pi}^2}{2} , & \Delta &= m_{\rho}^2 - m_{\pi}^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.0)$$

The exotic  $\pi$  and  $\rho$  would have masses

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi_{ex}}^2 &= -M_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta = m_{\pi}^2 - 2M_0^2 , \\ m_{\rho_{ex}}^2 &= -M_0^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta = m_{\rho}^2 - 2M_0^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.0)$$

For  $m_{\pi} = 140 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_{\rho} = 770 \text{ MeV}$  the calculation gives  $m_{\pi_{ex}} = i \times 685 \text{ MeV}$  so a tachyon would be in question. For  $\rho$  one would have  $m_{\rho_{ex}} = 323 \text{ MeV}$  so that the mass would not be tachyonic.

One can try to improve the situation by allowing  $M_1^2 \neq M_2^2$  giving additional flexibility and hopes about tachyonicity of the exotic  $\rho$ .

1. In this case one obtains the equations

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi}^2 &= M_+^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta , & m_{\rho}^2 &= M_+^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta \\ m_{\pi_{ex}}^2 &= M_-^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta , & m_{\rho_{ex}}^2 &= M_-^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta , \\ M_+^2 &= \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 - M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} = \frac{m_{\rho}^2 + 3m_{\pi}^2}{2} , \\ M_-^2 &= \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 - M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} = M_+^2 - 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 - M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-2)$$

2. The condition that  $\rho_{ex}$  is tachyonic gives

$$m_{\rho_{ex}}^2 = M_-^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta < 0 , \quad (8.3.-2)$$

giving

$$\begin{aligned} m_\rho^2 &< 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} , \\ M_+^2 &= \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} = \frac{m_\rho^2 + 3m_\pi^2}{2} , \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-2)$$

3. In the parametrization  $(m_1^2, m_2^2, M_{12}^2) = (x, y, z)m_\rho^2$  one obtains the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} D \equiv \sqrt{(x+y)^2 + z^2} &> 1/2 , \\ \frac{x+y}{2} + D &= \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2} . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-2)$$

4. These equations imply the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} x+y &< 3 \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2} \simeq .099 , \\ .490 &< z < .599 . \end{aligned} \quad (8.3.-2)$$

The first condition implies  $\sqrt{m_1^2 + m_2^2} < 242.7$  MeV. Second condition gives  $339 < M_{12}/MeV < 595.9$  so that rather stringent bounds on the parameters are obtained. The simplest solution to the conditions corresponds to  $x = y = 0$  and  $z = .599$ . This solution would mean vanishing masses in the absence of mixing and spin-spin splitting and could be defended by the Golstone boson property of pions mass degenerate with  $\rho$  mesons.

This little calculation encourages to consider the possibility that all exotic counterparts of light mesons are tachyonic and that this due the very large mixing induced by gluon exchange (gluino exchange squark option) at low energies. It would be nice if also mesons containing only single heavy quark were tachyonic and this could be the case if the p-adic length scale defining the strength of color interactions corresponds to that of the light quark so that the mass matrix has large enough non-diagonal component. Here one must be however very cautious since experimental situation is far from clear.

The model suggests that ordinary charmonium states and their exotic partners are in 1-1 correspondence. If so then many new exotic states are waiting to be discovered.

### The option based on heavy color excitations/spartners of light quarks

An alternative option is that color excitations/spartners of light quarks have large mass: this mass should not be however larger than the mass of  $c$  quarks if we want to explain  $X$ :s and  $Y$ :s as pairs of color excitations of light quarks. Suppose that the p-adic mass scale is same as that for  $c$  quarks or near it (not that the scales come as powers of  $\sqrt{2}$ ). This raises the question whether exotic  $c\bar{c}$  mesons really consist of exotic  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$ : why not color excitations of  $u, d, s$  and their antiquarks? As a matter fact, we cannot be sure about the quark content of  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons. Could these states be  $d\bar{d}$  and

$u\bar{u}$  states for their color excitations? It however seems that the presence of two  $W$  exchanges makes the decay rate quite too low so that this option seems to be out of question.

One can however consider the option in which the squarks associated with light quarks are heavy. This option is indeed realized in standard SUSY were the mass scales of particles families are inverted so that stop and sbottom are the lightest squarks and super-partners of  $u$  and  $d$  the heaviest ones. This would predict that the smesons associated with  $\bar{t}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  are lighter than  $X$  and  $Y$  (s)mesons. This option does not look at all natural in TGD but of course deserves experimental checking.

### How to test the dark squark option?

The identification of  $X$  and  $Y$  as dark smesons looks like a viable option and explains the failure to find SUSY at LHC if hadronization is a fast process as compared to the selectro-weak decays. The option certainly deserves an experimental testing. One could learn a lot about SUSY in TGD sense (or maybe in some other sense!) by just carefully scanning the existing data at lower energies. For instance, one could try to answer the following questions by analyzing the already existing experimental data.

1. Are  $X$  and  $Y$  type mesons indeed in 1-1 correspondence with charmonium states? One could develop numerical models allowing to predict the precise masses of charmonium states and their decay rates to various final states and test the predictions experimentally.
2. Do  $b\bar{b}$  mesons have smesonic counterparts with the same mass scale? What about  $B_c$  type mesons containing two heavy squarks?
3. Do the mesons containing one heavy quark and one light quark have smesonic counterparts? My light-hearted guess that this is not the case is based on the assumption that the general mass scale of the mass squared matrix is defined by the p-adic mass scale of the heavy quark and the non-diagonal elements are proportional to the color coupling strength at p-adic length scale associated with the light quark and therefore very large: as a consequence the second mass eigenstate would be tachyonic.
4. What implications the strong mixing of light mesons and smesons would have for CP breaking? CP breaking amplitudes would be superpositions of diagrams representing CP breaking for mesons *resp.* smesons. Could the presence of smesonic contributions perhaps shed light on the poorly understood aspects of CP breaking?

### Objection against covariantly constant neutrinos as SUSY generators

TGD SUSY in its simplest form assumes that covariantly constant right-handed neutrino generates SUSY. The second purely TGD based element is that squarks would correspond to the same p-adic mass scale as partners.

This looks nice but there are objections.

1. The first objection relates to the tachyonicity needed to get rid of double degeneracy of light mesons consisting of  $u$ ,  $d$ , and  $s$  quarks. Mesons and smesons consisting of squark pair mix and for large  $\alpha_s$  the mixing is large and can indeed make second eigenvalue of the mass squared matrix negative. If so, these states disappears from spectrum. At least to me this looks however somewhat unaesthetic.

Luckily, the transformation of second pion-like state to tachyon and disappearance from spectrum is not the only possibility. After a painful search I found experimental work [C51] claiming the existence of states analogous to ordinary pion with masses 60, 80, 100, 140,.... MeV. Also nucleons have this kind of satellite states. Could it be that one of these states is spion predicted by TGD SUSY for ordinary hadrons? But what about other states? They are not partners: what are they?

2. The second objection relates to the missing energy. SUSY signatures involving missing energy have not been observed at LHC. This excludes standard SUSY candidates and could do the same in the case of TGD. In TGD framework the missing energy would be eventually right handed neutrinos resulting from the decays of sfermions to fermion and sneutrino in turn decaying to neutrino and right handed neutrino. The naive argument is that hadronization would be much

faster process than the decay of squarks to quarks and spartners of electro-weak gauge bosons and missing energy so that these events would not be observed. Shadrons would in turn decay to hadrons by gluino exchanges. The problem with this argument is that the weak decays of squarks producing right handed neutrinos as missing energy are still there!

This objection forces to consider the possibility that covariantly constant right handed neutrino which generates SUSY is replaced with a color octet. Color excitations of leptons of leptoquark hypothesis would be sleptons which are color octets so that SUSY for leptons would have been seen already at seventies in the case of electron. The whole picture would be nicely unified. Sleptons and squark states would contain color octet right handed neutrino the same wormhole throats as their em charge resides. In the case of squarks the tensor product  $3 \otimes 8 = 3 + \bar{6} + 15$  would give several colored exotics. Triplet squark would be like ordinary quark with respect to color.

Covariantly constant right-handed neutrino as such would represent pure gauge symmetry, a super-generator annihilating the physical states. Something very similar can occur in the reduction of ordinary SUSY algebra to sub-algebra familiar in string model context. By color confinement missing energy realized as a color octet right handed neutrino could not be produced and one could overcome the basic objections against SUSY by LHC.

What about the claimed anomalous trilepton events at LHC interpreted in terms of SUSY, which however breaks either the conservation of lepton or baryon number. I have proposed TGD based interpretation [K48] is in terms of the decays of  $W$  to  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$ , which in turn decay and produce the three lepton signature. Suppose that  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$  are color octets and that sleptons replace the color octet excitations of leptons responsible for leptoquark physics [K84]. One possible decay chain would involve the decays  $\tilde{W}^+ \rightarrow \tilde{L}^+ + \bar{\nu}_L$  and  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow L^+ + \tilde{L}^-$ . Color octet sleptons pair combine to form leptopion which decays to lepton pair. This decay cascade would produce missing energy as neutrino and this seems to be the case for other options too. One could overcome the basic objections against SUSY by LHC.

This view about TGD SUSY clearly represents a hybrid of the two alternative views about X and Y bosons as composites of either color excitations of quarks or of squarks and is just one possibility. The situation is not completely settled and one must keep mind open.

### Does one really obtain pseudo-scalar mesons?

The critical question is whether one obtains pseudo-scalar states as mesonlike bound states of squarks. This depends on what one means with squarks. Also the notion of pseudo-scalar is not the same for  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and  $M^4$ . In TGD framework  $M^4$  (pseudo-)scalars constructed from fermions and anti-fermions are replaced by  $CP_2$  (pseudo-)vectors since the chiral symmetry for  $M^4 \times CP_2$  implying separate conservation of lepton and baryon numbers implies that genuine fermionic H-scalars and pseudo-scalars would have quantum numbers of leptoquark.

1. The first question is what one means with ordinary pseudo-scalar mesons in TGD framework. These mesons should be characterized by a bi-local quantity which behaves like a preferred  $CP_2$  pseudo-vector and therefore like  $M^4$  pseudo-scalar. One should identify a unique direction of  $CP_2$  polarization mathematically analogous to Higgs vacuum expectation value and construct a bilinear in quark wave functions associated with the partonic 2-surfaces assigned to the quarks. The problem is however that  $CP_2$  is not a flat space. Also non-locality is a problem. Somehow one should be able to construct general coordinate invariant quantities with well-defined transformation properties under discrete symmetries.
2. The effective 2-dimensionality implying the notions of partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets suggests a solution to the non-locality problem. Also the experience with QCD suggests that bilinear expression contains a non-integrable phase factor  $U$  connecting quark and anti-quark and defined by the classical color gauge potentials which are just projections of SU(4) Killing vector fields to the space-time surface. The curve would be analogous to a string connecting the partonic 2-surfaces and fixed uniquely by the strong form of holography in turn reducing to the strong form of general coordinate invariance. TGD indeed predicts the existence of string world sheets and thus strings at the 3-D ends of space-time sheets defined by causal diamond.

3. What about the preferred  $CP_2$  vector?
  - (a) The first candidate is the quantity  $X = I_3 j_3^{Ak} \Gamma_k + Y j_Y^{Ak} \Gamma_k$  where  $I_3$  and  $Y$  denote color isospin and hyper-charge of the quark and  $j_i^{Ak}$  corresponding Killing vectors. The preferred vector would be due to the choice of quantization axes. This option is natural for in the case of quark bilinears but fails for a bilinear constructed from covariantly constant right handed neutrino.
  - (b) Second candidate would be the  $CP_2$  part for the trace of the second fundamental form contracted with  $CP_2$  gamma matrices -denote it by  $X = H^k \Gamma_k$  -at the either end of the string connecting fermion and anti-fermion at partonic 2-surfaces. This option would be natural for the right-handed neutrino. Bi-local super-generators would vanish when the partonic 2-surface is minimal surface. This would be analogous to the representations of SUSY for which  $2^{-k} \mathcal{N}$  generators annihilate the physical states and act as pure gauge symmetries.
4. This would suggest that the basic invariants in the construction is the quantity  $\bar{\Psi}_1 U X O \Psi_2$ . Sub-script  $i = 1, 2$  refers to the partonic 2-surface,  $X$  can occur at both ends and  $\gamma_5$  guarantees pseudo-scalar property.  $O$  is  $1 \pm \gamma_5$  for right- *resp.* left-handed quarks. The recipe would apply also to the bilinears formed right-handed neutrinos: now only the projector  $(1 + \gamma_5)$  to right-handed neutrino appears so that only single state is obtained.

Most of the options that one can imagine give something else than pseudo-scalar meson.

1. Assuming that  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  symmetry is not too badly broken, one can add to the partonic 2-surface carrying quark either right-handed neutrino or anti-neutrino or both so that one obtains a 4-plet containing two quark states, spin zero squark and spin 1 squark. From these states one can construct meson like states.
  - (a) The first implication is degeneracy of quark like states because of the presence of neutrino pair. TGD however predicts large breaking of SUSY. According to the arguments of [K30] the state containing right handed neutrino pair has propagator behaving like  $1/p^3$  and does not correspond to ordinary particle. It is not at all clear whether this kind squarks can give rise to meson like states. Also the R-parity of these squarks would be +1 and the model requires negative R-parity.
  - (b) For spin one squarks one obtains pseudo-vector state with spin 1: the meson state would transform like the cross product of the vectors characterizing spin 1 squarks. These states could be also present in the spectrum although they do not correspond to pseudo-scalars.

This suggests that  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY is badly broken and one must restrict the consideration to  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  option.

2. For  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  option both squarks are scalars (quark plus anti-neutrino option).
  - (a) Forgetting the non-locality and regarding partonic 2-surfaces as basic objects as a whole, one has bound state of scalar squarks and the possible mesonlike state is most naturally a scalar rather than pseudo-scalar.
  - (b) Non-locality brought in by strings however changes the situation. One could construct a pseudo-scalar by starting from pseudo-scalar meson constructed by using the non-local recipe. To add neutrino and anti-neutrino at the partonic 2-surfaces one could use the bilinears  $\bar{\nu}_{R,1} H^k \Gamma_{k\nu_{R,2}}$  and  $\bar{\nu}_{R,2} H^k \Gamma_{k\nu_{R,1}}$  to obtain the needed right-handed  $CP_2$  current, which is neither scalar nor pseudo-scalar. The stringy picture (braids as representation of many fermion states) forced by the strong form of general coordinate invariance (or strong form of holography or effective two-dimensionality) would be absolutely essential for this picture to work.

To sum up, it is not completely clear whether the squark option really gives pseudo-scalar mesons. One cannot exclude additional pseudo-vector states and scalars unless  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY is badly broken. The option based on color excitations in turn predicts only pseudo-scalar mesons but also for this option a non-local state construction is needed.

### What are the implications for $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

Lubos told about the latest information concerning Higgs search. It is not clear how much these data reflect actual situation [C3]. Certainly the mass values must correspond to observed bumps. The statistical significances are *expected* statistical significances, not based on real data. Hence a special caution is required. At 4.5/fb of data one has following bumps together with their expected statistical significance:

- 119 GeV: 3 sigma
- 144 GeV: 6 sigma(!)
- 240 GeV: 4.5 sigma
- 500 GeV: 4 sigma

It is interesting to try to interpret these numbers in TGD framework. The first thing to observe is that weak boson decay widths do not pose any constraints on the model and one could assume that  $M_{89}$  squarks are not dark.

#### 1. *The interpretation of 144 GeV bump*

Consider first the 144 GeV state 6 sigma expected significance, which is usually regarded as a criterion for discovery. Of course this is only expected statistical significance, which cannot be taken seriously.

1. 144 GeV is exactly the predicted mass of the pion of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics which was first observed by *CDF* and then decided to be a statistical fluctuation. I found myself rather alone while defending the interpretation as  $M_{89}$  pion in viXra log and trying to warn that one should not throw baby with the bath water.
2. From an earlier posting of Lubos one learns that 244 GeV state must be CP odd -just like neutral pion- and should correspond to  $A_0$  Higgs of SUSY. Probably this conclusion as well as the claimed CP even property of 119 GeV state follow both from the assumption that these states correspond to SUSY Higgses so that one must not take them seriously.
3. The next step before TGD will be accepted is to discover that this state cannot be Higgs of any kind.

#### 2. *Possible identification of the remaining bumps*

Could the other bumps correspond to the pseudoscalar mesons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics? For only a week ago I would have answered 'Definitely not'! Could the claimed bumps explained by assuming that also  $M_{89}$  quarks have either color excitations or super partners with the same mass scale and the same mechanism is at work for  $M_{89}$  mesons as for ordinary mesons. The same question can be made for the option based on color excitations of quarks in  $\bar{6}$  or 15.

Consider now the possible identification of the remaining Higgs candidates concentrating for definiteness to the squark option.

1. In the earlier framework there was no identification for meson like states below 144 GeV. The discovery of this week was however that squarks could have the same p-adic mass scale as quarks and that one has besides mesons also smesons consisting of squark pair as a consequence. Every meson would be accompanied by a smeson. Gluino exchange however mixes mesons and smesons so that mass eigenstates are mixtures of these states. At low energies however the very large non-diagonal element of mass squared matrix can make second mass eigenstate tachyonic. This must happen for mesons consisting of light quarks. This of course for the  $M_{107}$  hadron physics familiar to us.
2. Does same happen in  $M_{89}$  hadron physics? Or is the non-diagonal element of mass squared matrix so small that both states remain in the spectrum? Could 119 GeV state and 144 GeV state correspond to the mass eigenstates of supersymmetric  $M_{89}$  hadron physics? If this is the case one could understand also this state.

3. What about 240 GeV state? The proposal has been that selectron corresponds to  $M_{89}$ . This would give it the mass 262.14 GeV by direct scaling;  $m(\text{selectron}) = 2^{(127-89)/2}m(\text{electron})$ . This is somewhat larger than 240 GeV.

Could this state correspond to spartner of the  $\rho_{89}$  consisting of  $M_{89}$  squarks. There is already earlier evidence for bumps at 325 GeV interpreted in terms of  $\rho_{89}$  and  $\omega_{89}$ . The mass squared difference should be same for pionic mass eigenstates and  $\rho_{89}$  like mass eigenstates. This would predict that the mass of the second  $\rho$  like eigenstate is 259 GeV, which is not too far from 240 GeV.

Tommaso Dorigo's newest posting The Plot Of The Week - The 327 GeV ZZ Anomaly [C35] tells about further support about ZZ anomaly at 327 GeV, which in TGD framework could be interpreted in terms of decays of the neutral member of  $\rho_{89}$  isospin triplet or  $\omega_{89}$ , which is isospin singlet. A small splitting in mass found earlier is expected unless this decay corresponds to  $\omega_{89}$ . Also WZ anomaly is predicted.

4. What about the interpretation of 500 GeV state? The  $\eta'$  meson of  $M_{107}$  hadron physics has mass 957.66 MeV. The scaling by 512 gives 490.3 GeV- not too far from 500 GeV!

The alternative option replaces squarks with their color excitations. The arguments are identical in this case. Many other pseudoscalar mesons states are predicted if either of these options is correct. In the case of squark option one could say that also SUSY in TGD sense has been discovered and has been discovered in ordinary hadron physics for 8 years ago! SUSY would not reveal itself via the usual signatures since shadronization would be faster process than the decay of squarks via emission of selectro-weak bosons.

All these looks too good to be true. I do not know how the *expected* significances are estimated and how precisely the mass values correspond to experimental data. In any case, if these states turn out to be pseudoscalars, one can say that this is a triumph for TGD. Combining this with the neutrino super-luminality which can be explained easily in terms of sub-manifold gravitation, the prospects for TGD to become the next TOE are brighter than ever.

### 8.3.3 Strange trilepton events at CMS

Lubos Motl reports that CMS sees SUSY-like trilepton excesses. Also Matt Strassler tells about indications that something curious has been detected at the Large Hadron Collider [C253]. Probably a statistical fluctuation is in questions as so many times earlier. The dream to discover SUSY easily leads to mis-interpretations. Trilepton events however provide an excellent opportunity to learn about SUSY in TGD framework.

#### The recent view about TGD SUSY briefly

Before continuing it is good to say something about what SUSY in TGD Universe might mean and also about expected masses of squarks and sleptons as well as intermediate gauge bosons in TGD Universe. The picture is of course preliminary and developing all the time in strong interaction with experimental input from LHC so that there is no guarantee that I agree with this view for the rest of my life.

1. Super-partner of the particle is obtained by adding a the partonic 2-surface a parallelly moving right-handed neutrino or antineutrino so that one has  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY. It must be emphasized that one has higher SUSYs but they are badly broken. Allowing both right-handed neutrino and antineutrino one obtains  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY and interpreting all fermionic oscillator operators as generators of SUSY one obtains badly broken SUSY with rather large  $\mathcal{N}$ , which is however finite by finite measurement resolution inducing a cutoff on the number of fermionic oscillator operators.
2. R-parity is broken in TGD SUSY since sparticle can decay to particle and neutrino. Therefore all neutral sparticles manifesting themselves as missing energy in TGD framework eventually decay and produce neutrinos as the eventual missing energy. The decay rates to particles and neutrinos can however be so slow that photino and sneutrinos leave the reactor volume before decaying.



3. The basic assumption is that particle and sparticle obey the same mass formula apart from p-adic mass scale that can be different. For instance, the masses of sleptons are half-octaves of lepton masses. This breaking of SUSY is extremely elegant and is absolutely essential part of ordinary particle massivation too explaining the enormous mass scale differences between neutrinos and top quark in a natural manner.
4. I have proposed that the super-partners of  $M_{107}$  quarks (ordinary quarks) and gluon could have the same mass scale but be dark in TGD sense, in other words have Planck constant which is integer multiple of the ordinary Planck constant. This is required by the fact that intermediate gauge boson decay widths do not allow light exotic particles. This hypothesis could allow to understand the exotic  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons and also the absence of smesons containing light squarks could be understood. Since shadronization is expected to proceed much faster than selectro-weak decays of squarks, the squarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics need not be dark and  $M_{89}$  shadrons might be there. The fruitless search for squarks would be based on wrong signatures if this the case and already now we would have direct evidence for the squarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.
5. Only the decays of electro-weak gauginos and sleptons would produce the standard signatures.
  - (a) Charged sleptons must have large p-adic scales in TGD Universe. Ordinary leptons correspond to Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$ , Gaussian Mersenne  $M_{G,113}$ , and Mersenne prime  $M_{107}$ . If also sleptons obey this rule, they would correspond to the Mersenne primes  $M_{89}$  and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,n}$ ,  $n = 79, 73$ . Assuming that particle and sparticle obey the same mass formula apart from different p-adic mass scale, the masses of selectron, smuon, and stau would be about 267 GeV, 13.9 TeV, and 164.6 TeV. Only selectron is expected to be visible at LHC.
  - (b) About the mass scales of sneutrinos it is difficult to say anything definite. A natural guess is that sneutrinos are relatively light so that they would be produced in the decays of sleptons and electro-weak gauginos. Same applies to photino. These particles are good candidates to missing energy unless their decay to particle plus neutrino is fast enough.
  - (c) There seems to be no strong constraints to the mass scales of  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$ . The mass scale could be even  $M_{89}$  characterizing  $W$  and  $Z$ . p-Adic length scale hypothesis predicts that the p-adic mass scale is half octave of intermediate boson mass scale and if the Weinberg angle is same the masses are half octaves of  $W/Z$  masses.
6. The most general option inspired by twistorial considerations (absence of IR divergences) and zero energy ontology is that both Higgs like states and Higgsinos and their higher spin generalizations are eaten so that the outcome is spectrum of massive states. This might have something do with the phenomenon in which some supersymmetry generators annihilate physical states. In any case the fermions at wormhole throats are always massless- even the virtual particles identified in terms of wormhole contacts consist of massless wormhole throats which can have also negative energy.

It is important to notice that trilepton events as signals for SUSY have nothing to do with squarks and gluinos for which I have proposed a non-standard interpretation in the previous postings (see this, this ,this) and in the article [L16].

### How to interpret the trilepton events in TGD framework?

Trilepton events [C188] represent the simplest SUSY signal and would be created in the decays  $W \rightarrow \tilde{W} + \tilde{Z}$ . The decays  $Z \rightarrow \tilde{W}^+ + \tilde{W}^-$  would give rise to dilepton events. Electro-weak gauginos would in turn decay and yield multi-lepton events. Neither  $W/Z$  boson nor the gauginos need to be on mass shell.

In the following I will discuss these decays taking seriously the above listed conjectures about SUSY a la TGD.

1. Obviously the situation reduces to the study of the decays of  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$ .
  - (a) For  $\tilde{W}$  the decay channels are  $\tilde{W} \rightarrow W + \tilde{\gamma}$  and  $\tilde{W} \rightarrow L + \tilde{\nu}_L$ .  $W$  would decay to charged lepton-neutrino pair. One charged lepton would result in both cases.

- (b) For  $\tilde{Z}$  the decay channels are  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow \nu + \tilde{\nu}_L$ ,  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{W}^+ + W^-$ , and  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{L} + \bar{L}$  and charge conjugates of these. For the second decay mode the decays of  $W^+$  and  $\tilde{W}^-$  produce lepton antilepton pair. For the third decay mode selectron is the most plausible slepton candidate and is expected to have rather large masses in TGD Universe (about 267 GeV and thus off mass-shell).  $\tilde{L} \rightarrow L + \tilde{\gamma}$  is the most natural decay for slepton.
2. The decay cascade beginning with  $Z \rightarrow \tilde{W}^+ + \tilde{W}^-$  would produce 2 charged leptons (more generally even number of charged leptons) plus missing energy. Charged leptons would have opposite charges. No sleptons would be needed as intermediate states and all lepton families would be democratically represented as final states.
  3. The decay cascade beginning with  $W \rightarrow \tilde{W} + \tilde{Z}$  would produce 2 or 3 charged leptons plus missing energy.
    - (a) For  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{W}^+ + W^-$  option 3 charged leptons would result and there would be a complete family democracy. For this option the rate is expected to be largest.
    - (b) For the option having slepton as intermediate state, the large masses for smuon and stau would favor selectron for 3 lepton events. 3-lepton events would have charge signatures  $-+$  or  $++-$  following from charge conservation alone. The suggested large mass for selectron would however reduce also the rate of 3 lepton events considerably. Note that the reported events have total transversal energy larger than 200 GeV.
  4. In MSSM also  $sZ \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 + Z$  followed by  $Z \rightarrow L^+ + L^-$  is possible so that trilepton state results. Here  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  denotes the lightest neutral sboson and is a mixture of  $\tilde{h}$ ,  $\tilde{Z}$ , and  $\tilde{\gamma}$ . If  $\tilde{h}$  is not in the spectrum, then  $\tilde{\gamma}$  is an excellent candidate for the lightest neutral gaugino. If the Weinberg angle is SUSY invariant the decay producing three charged leptons in this manner is not possible.
  5. Photinos would decay to photons and neutrinos producing photons and missing energy. It is not clear whether this decay is fast enough to take place in the reactor volume.

To sum up, the trilepton events are possible and would be produced in the decays  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow \tilde{W} + W$  and  $\tilde{W} \rightarrow e + \tilde{\gamma}$ . The trilepton events involving selectron as intermediate state do not look highly plausible in TGD framework if one takes seriously the guess for the slepton mass scales.

### More about strange trilepton events

I already told about indications for strange charged tri-lepton events at CMS. The inspiration came from a posting CMS sees SUSY-like tri-lepton excesses of Lubos.

Only a few days later both Tommaso and Lubos discussed a quite recent paper telling about charged tri-lepton events observed at CMS.

1. From Tommaso's posting one learns that three charged leptons with total mass near to  $Z$  mass have been observed. Charge conservation of course requires fourth charged lepton if the particles originate in the decay of  $Z$  as assumed and Tommaso argues that this lepton has so low energy that it is not detected. This kind of lepton could result in an energy asymmetric decay of photon. The assumption that  $Z$  is the decaying particle might be however un-necessarily strong: it could be quite well  $W$  with almost the same mass. In this case charge conservation allows genuine charged tri-lepton event. The above discussion suggests the decay  $W \rightarrow \tilde{W} + \tilde{Z}$  to be the source of charged tri-lepton events.
2. The authors of the paper propose that the reaction could be initiated by a decay of squark or gluino and necessarily involving R-parity breaking. There are two possible options for R-parity breaking allowed by proton stability depending on whether it conserves lepton or baryon number. For lepton number violating option intermediate particle is neutralino (lightest sparticle which is stable in R-parity breaking scenarios) and for baryon number violating scenario bino or higgsino. The R-parity violating decay of lightest spartner (neutral) would yield slepton-lepton pair and the R-parity violating decay of slepton a lepton pair plus neutrino. This would produce instead single observed lepton charged tri-lepton state. The authors do not give enough details to make possible for a non-professional to deduce what the detailed model for the process really is.

It is interesting to consider the situation in TGD framework in light of the crucial additional data (the three charged leptons have mass rather near to that of  $Z$  and therefore to that of  $W$ ).

1. The decay of  $W \rightarrow \tilde{W} + \tilde{Z}$  with the decays  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$  proceeding in either of the two manners discussed above would predict that the *total mass of all particles produced* is near to  $W$  mass (and therefore  $Z$  mass) and also why one obtains genuine charged tri-lepton states. The problem is that missing energy in the form of neutrinos and neutral sparticles is present and it is not at all clear why this energy should be small.
2. An option not discussed above is the decay  $W \rightarrow \tilde{\nu} + L$  followed by the decay  $\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow L + \tilde{W}$  followed by  $\tilde{W} \rightarrow L + \tilde{\nu}$  would not break R-parity and would produce  $\tilde{\nu}$ . Total energy would correspond to  $W$  mass but it is not clear why the missing energy assigned with  $\tilde{\nu}$  should be small.
3. R-parity violation predicted by TGD however allows also to consider the direct decay  $\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow L^+ + L^-$  so that there would be no missing energy. One could say that the decay is the reversal of a process in which  $L^+ + L^-$  annihilates to a  $\tilde{\nu}$  identifiable as a pair of neutrino and right-handed neutrino at microscopic level. All standard model quantum numbers would be conserved.

In TGD framework R-parity violation is a prediction of the theory and it would not violate either baryon or lepton number conservation. There is no need to assume undetected charged lepton since charge conservation allows charged tri-lepton final state as such without any missing energy. Obviously the TGD based model is by several orders of magnitude simpler than the model based on standard SUSY.

### 8.3.4 CMS observes large diphoton excess

LHC has started to produce data indicating that the new physics required by very general arguments indeed is there. Lubos [C40] told today about a preprint by CMS collaboration [C82] showing a very large excess of di-photons in proto-proton collisions. This excess is so large that only a rough systematic error can threaten its status.

#### What has been observed?

The following two data bits give strong hints about what might be involved.

1. From the figure in the posting of Lubos [C40] one learns that the distribution for the difference  $\Delta\phi$  for the difference of the azimuthal angles with respect to the beam direction covers rather evenly the span  $\Delta\phi < 2.80$  and the production rate is considerably higher than predicted by QCD calculations except near  $\pi$  where the production rate is smaller than the prediction. From momentum conservation one would expect  $\Delta\phi \sim \pi$  in a good approximation in the cm frame of photons. Unless the resonance does not move with a very high velocity, the photons  $\Delta\phi \simeq \pi$  should hold true quite generally. This gives hints about the production mechanism.
2. Figure 3 of the CMS preprint [C82] gives the differential cross section with respect to diphoton invariant mass  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  as a function of  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ . The distribution has a sharp knee between 45-55 GeV. One might be able to see double peak at invariant masses about 50 GeV and 75 GeV and even third peak around 175 GeV. The differential cross section is however anomalous already around 20 GeV which serves as transverse momentum cutoff for photons

The naive question by a non-professional is whether there could be resonance decaying to two photons with mass in this range.  $\Delta\phi \sim \pi$  would be however required if the resonance does not move very fast in the cm frame of colliding protons. The cut on transversal momenta is 20 GeV making 40 GeV transversal energy and I am not absolutely sure whether this could cause the shoulder. The experimenters however speak about shoulder and certainly they would not do this if it were due to the cutoff. Therefore I will assume that the shoulder is genuine.

3. If the shoulder located roughly between 45 GeV and 75 GeV is real, it would seem that the two-photon state must be accompanied by a state with opposite momentum and roughly the same energy and thus moving in opposite direction. This suggests two states with mass(es) in the range [90,150] GeV.

### What could it be?

The speculation of Lubos is that the decay of Higgs like state with mass around 119 GeV might explain the finding but admits that standard model Higgs should not produce any visible effect. Even worse, the so called little Higgs alternative would predict a reduction of diphoton production rate. There are also exotic explanations involving large dimensions and exotic gravitons but to my opinion these alternatives belong to the realm of bad science fiction and can be safely forgotten.

In my naive mind frame the strong knee around 55 GeV is something which I find very difficult to not interpret as a bump suggesting the presence of a meson like state. On the other hand, the distribution for  $\Delta\phi$ ; does not fit with this simplistic picture.

What about the TGD inspired interpretation? The first interpretation that comes into mind relies on the TGD based view about SUSY, which differs considerably from the standard view.

1. As explained in the earlier posting [K48], TGD could allow the realization of SUSY in which quarks and squarks have same p-adic mass scale- perhaps even masses- before the mixing of hadrons and shadrons allowed by R-parity conservation. The mechanism explaining the experimental absence of squarks would be shadronization proceeding faster than the decay of squarks to quark and electroweak gaugino.
  - (a) In this framework the mysterious  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons accompanying charmonium states would be their super partners in a good approximation since the mixing would be small. The mixing of mesons and smesons would be however very large near confinement mass scale and make the other mixed state (identified as eigen state of mass squared matrix) tachyonic and eliminate it from the spectrum. The companion of pion would be tachyonic and excluded from spectrum: this would hold true for all smesons containing light quarks and perhaps also those containing only single light squark if the mass scale of the mass squared matrix is determined by the heavier quark and  $\alpha_s$  by the lighter quark so that mixing is very large.
  - (b) A crucial assumption is that the squarks are dark in the sense of having a non-standard value of Planck constant: otherwise the decay widths of electro-weak gauge bosons would be too large. The phase transition changing the value of  $\hbar$  and having a purely geometric (topological) meaning in TGD framework would accompany also the mixing process being analogous to mass insertions in the lines of Feynman graph.
2. In TGD framework the proposed view about squarks as particles having common p-adic mass scale with quark is suggested to hold true in both the ordinary  $M_{107}$ - and  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. There is however no need to assume that  $M_{89}$  squarks are dark. The pion of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics could identified as the earlier 144 GeV Higgs candidate, forgotten but mentioned again by Lubos [C3], would have 119 GeV bump as a lighter companion. The two states would be mixtures of pion and spion. The mass values for the bumps assigned to  $\rho_{89}$  and  $\omega_{89}$  and to their spartner candidates allow to estimate the mass of the partner of  $\pi_{89}$ . The mass would near to 119 GeV for which there are slight indications [K48].

How the shoulder around 45-55 GeV could be created from the decays of the partner of  $\pi_{89}$ - a (probably strong) mixture of pion and spion. Could the two mixtures of  $M_{89}$  pion and its spartner with masses (say) 119 GeV and 144 GeV (one should not take these number too literally) be responsible for the effect as the indications about two peaked structure suggest? Could the spionic parts of the states produce the events diphoton events.

1. The simplest Feynman diagram for the decay of the pion-like state would describe the turn around of squark backwards in time via the emission of two photons. This would produce only  $\Delta\phi \sim \pi$  events and photons with energies around 60 GeV and 72 GeV for the proposed masses 119 GeV and 144 GeV.

**Comment:** 144 GeV is the estimate for the mass of  $\pi_{89}^\pm$ , one obtains 138 GeV for  $\pi_{89}^0$ : I have earlier neglected electromagnetic mass splitting of pions and approximated pion masses with charged pion mass 140 MeV. This scales the second mass to 69 GeV.

2. For a more complex Feynman diagram exchanged squark turning around in time would emit quark and antiquark transforming in this manner to gluino and back to squark. Another possibility is emission of two gluons. This would give photon pair and something which could be just two hadron jets if the emitted quarks and gluons transform to ordinary quarks.

3. The objection is that this model need not explain the strong concentration of diphoton invariant mass to the range 45-75 GeV since in principle 4-particle final states are in question and phase space distribution does not predict anything like this. p-Adic length scale hypothesis however suggests that the resulting quark pairs actually form a p-adically scaled down variant of the pion like state and have therefore mass, which is half of its mass. This would give rise to a resonance like behavior and imply a strong concentration of the events to the invariant masses which are one half of the mass of the mother particle.

The p-adically scaled up quarks appear even in the TGD based model of light hadrons and produce mass formula replacing Gell-Mann-Nishijima mass formula (see this). As a matter fact, the naive prediction for the mass of  $M_{89}$  pion is just 512 times the mass of the ordinary neutral pion and gives 69.1 GeV!

4. One must also worry about overall parity conservation required if only strong and electromagnetic interactions are involved with the decay process. Pion is pseudoscalar and the decay of pion to two pions with scaled down mass requires parity breaking in the effective action involving the pion fields only unless the vertex contains derivatives but one cannot build a Lorentz invariant involving 4-D permutation symbol from three pion fields. Should one assume that the process breaks parity conservation and involves therefore weak interactions? Or should one assume that second scaled down pion is replaced with two pions with mass equal 1/4 the mass of the decaying pion to give parity invariant effective interaction Lagrangian as assumed in the model of CDF anomaly. This would predict also diphoton pairs with invariant masses scaled down to 22.5-40 GeV. The differential cross section is anomalous down to the 20 GeV cutoff. One should be able to resolve this issue before one can take the model seriously.

#### A connection with Aleph anomaly

There is an old anomaly known as Aleph anomaly [C219] producing 4-jets states with *jet-jet* invariant mass of 55 GeV. According to the reference, the anomaly did not survive improved statistics. Delphi and L3 also observed 4-jet anomaly with dijet invariant mass about 68 GeV: this not too far from the mass for p-adically scaled down mass of  $\pi_{89}$  equal to 69.1 GeV! Remarkably, according to the above reference L3 observation survived the improvement of the statistics!

1. For more than decade ago I proposed an explanation of Aleph anomaly in terms of a meson-like state formed by p-adically scaled up variants of  $b$  quark and its antiquark (see this ) [K54]. The mass of the resonance was predicted correctly using p-adic length scale hypothesis predicting that the mass of scaled up  $b$  quark is half octave of the mass of  $b$  quark.
2. The model could be generalized by replacing  $b$  quark with its super-partner if one assumes that SUSY breaking means only different p-adic mass scale. There is however an aesthetic problem (I take aesthetic arguments very seriously). The model for  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons assumed that the p-adic mass scale is same: now one should give up this assumption for  $b$  quark. The reader has probably already asked whether Aleph anomaly and the recent CMS anomaly could correspond to the same meson like state. 4-jets could be produced when  $\tilde{b}$  and  $\tilde{b}^*$  decay to  $bb^*$  pair by emission of gluinos which then exchange quark to produce quark pair or gluon pair. In the decays of  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons the resulting quark pair would form pion or some other meson. Now two quark or gluon jets by exchanged gluinos would be produced giving altogether four jets.
3. CMS anomaly suggests a different interpretation. Perhaps the 4-jets with di-jet energies around 55 GeV and 68 GeV are produced by the decays of the mixtures of  $M_{89}$  pion and spion with masses around 110 GeV and 144 GeV producing as intermediate state the 2-adically scaled down pions with half of their original masses.

The same mechanism is assumed also in the model of CDF anomaly discovered for three years ago but already forgotten [K84]. Political memory is short! The mechanism would be a modification of that producing the diphoton excess. Squark and anti-squark would transform to quark-antiquark pair giving rise to intermediate scaled down pionlike state decaying to two jets with invariant mass concentrated around the mass of pion-like state. The exchanged gluino emits quark and antiquark or two gluons. Quark antiquark state could also form a scaled down  $M_{89}$  pion before the decay to two jets. The outcome would be four jets with concentration to preferred invariant masses.

## 8.4 Understanding of the role of right-handed neutrino in supersymmetry

From the beginning it was clear that right-handed neutrino should generate super-conformal symmetry of some kind and the natural question was whether it generates also space-time SUSY.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY was excluded by separate conservation of  $B$  and  $L$  but  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  variant of this symmetry could be considered. The new element in the picture was the physical realization of the supersymmetry by adding right-handed neutrino to the state: Does this produce in the case of covariantly constant right-handed neutrino space-time SUSY or something else?: this was the question. Only the breakthrough in understanding of the preferred extremals of Kähler action and solutions of the modified Dirac equations allowed to provide reasonably convincing negative answer to the question about existence of space-time SUSY.

### 8.4.1 Basic vision

What SUSY means in TGD framework is second long-standing problem. In TGD framework SUSY is inherited from super-conformal symmetry at the level of WCW [K18, K21]. The SUSY differs from  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY of the MSSM and from the SUSY predicted by its generalization and by string models. One obtains the analog of the  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY in bosonic sector but there are profound differences in the physical interpretation.

1. One could understand SUSY in very general sense as an algebra of fermionic oscillator operators acting on vacuum states at partonic 2-surfaces. Oscillator operators are assignable to braids ends and generate fermionic many particle states. SUSY in this sense is badly broken and the algebra corresponds to rather large  $\mathcal{N}$ . The restriction to covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos (in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom) gives rise to the counterpart of ordinary SUSY, which is more physically interesting at this moment.
2. Right handed neutrino and antineutrino are not Majorana fermions. This is necessary for separate conservation of lepton and baryon numbers. For fermions one obtains the analog  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY.
3. Bosonic emergence [K60] means the construction of bosons as bound states of fermions and anti-fermions at opposite throats of wormhole contact. This reduces TGD SUSY to that for fermions. This difference is fundamental and means deviation from the SUSY of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY, where SUSY acts on gauge boson states. Bosonic representations are obtained as tensor products of representation assigned to the opposite throats of wormhole contacts. Further tensor products with representations associated with the wormhole ends of magnetic flux tubes are needed to construct physical particles. This represents a crucial difference with respect to standard approach, where one introduces at the fundamental level both fermions and bosons or gauge bosons as in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY. Fermionic  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  representations are analogous to "short"  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  representations for which one half of super-generators annihilates the states.
4. The introduction of both fermions and gauge bosons as fundamental particles leads in quantum gravity theories and string models to  $d = 10$  condition for the target space, spontaneous compactification, and eventually to the landscape catastrophe.

For a supersymmetric gauge theory (SYM) in  $d$ -dimensional Minkowski space the condition that the number of transversal polarization for gauge bosons given by  $d - 2$  equals to the number of fermionic states made of Majorana fermions gives  $d - 2 = 2^k$ , since the the number of fermionic spinor components is always power of 2.

This allows only  $d = 3, 4, 6, 10, 16, \dots$ . Also the dimensions  $d + 1$  are actually possible since the number of spinor components for  $d$  and  $d + 1$  is same for  $d$  even. This is the standard argument leading to super-string models and M-theory. It is lost - or better to say, one gets rid of it - if the basic fields include only fermion fields and bosonic states are constructed as the tensor products of fermionic states. This is indeed the case in TGD, where spontaneous compactification plays no role and bosons are emergent.

5. Spontaneous compactification leads in string model picture from  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY in say  $d = 10$  to  $\mathcal{N} > 1$  SUSY in  $d = 4$  since the fermionic multiplet reduces to a direct sum of fermionic multiplets in  $d = 4$ . In TGD imbedding space is not dynamical but fixed by internal consistency requirements, and also by the condition that the theory is consistent with the standard model symmetries. The identification of space-time as 4-surface makes the induced spinor field dynamical and the notion of many-sheeted space-time allows to circumvent the objections related to the fact that only 4 field like degrees of freedom are present.

### 8.4.2 What is the role of the right-handed neutrino?

The general ansatz for the preferred extremals of Kähler action and application of the conservation of em charge to the modified Dirac equation have led to a rather detailed view about classical and TGD and allowed to build a bridge between general vision about super-conformal symmetries in TGD Universe and field equations. This vision is discussed in detail in [L21] and [K96] and also in the second chapter of this book. This input represents the newest layer of TGD and I cannot guarantee a full consistency with other pieces of text about SUSY appearing in this chapter.

1. Equivalence Principle realized as Einstein's equations in all scales follows directly from the general ansatz for preferred extremals implying that space-time surface has either hermitian or Hamilton-Jacobi structure (which of them depends on the signature of the induced metric).
2. The general structure of Super Virasoro representations can be understood: super-symplectic algebra is responsible for the non-perturbative aspects of QCD and determines also the ground states of elementary particles determining their quantum numbers.
3. Super-Kac-Moody algebras associated with isometries and holonomies dictate standard model quantum numbers and lead to a massivation by p-adic thermodynamics: the crucial condition that the number of tensor factors in Super-Virasoro representation is 5 is satisfied.
4. One can understand how the Super-Kac-Moody currents assignable to stringy world sheets emerging naturally from the conservation of em charge defined as their string world sheet Hodge duals gauge potentials for standard model gauge group and also their analogs for gravitons. Also the conjecture Yangian algebra generated by Super-Kac-Moody charges emerges naturally.
5. One also finds that right handed neutrino is in a very special role because of its lacking couplings in electroweak sector and its role as a generator of the least broken SUSY. All other modes of induced spinor field are restricted to 2-D string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces. Right-handed neutrino allows also the mode delocalized to entire space-time surface or perhaps only to the Euclidian regions defined by the 4-D line of the generalized Feynman diagrams.

In fact, in the following the possibility that the resulting sparticles cannot be distinguished from particles since the presence of right handed neutrino is not seen in the interactions and does not manifest itself in different spin structures for the couplings of particle and sparticle. This could explain the failure to detect spartners at LHC. Intermediate gauge boson decay widths however require that sparticles are dark in the sense of having non-standard value of Planck constant. Another variant of the argument assumes that 4-D right handed neutrinos are associated with space-time regions of Minkowskian signature and SUSY is defined for many-particle states rather than single particle states. It should be emphasized that TGD predicts that all fermions act as generators of badly broken supersymmetries at partonic 2-surfaces but these super-symmetries could correspond to much higher mass scale as that associated with the delocalized right-handed neutrino. The following piece of text summarizes the argument.

Right-handed neutrino has a very special role in TGD view about Super-Kac-Moody symmetry and its generalization to 4-D context.

1. Only right handed neutrino allows besides the modes restricted to 2-D surfaces also the 4D modes delocalized to the entire space-time surface. The first ones are holomorphic functions of single coordinate and the latter ones holomorphic functions of two complex/Hamilton-Jacobi coordinates. Only  $\nu_R$  has the full  $D = 4$  counterpart of the conformal symmetry and the localization to 2-surfaces has interpretation as super-conformal symmetry breaking halving the number of super-conformal generators.

2. This forces to ask for the meaning of super-partners. Are super-partners obtained by adding  $\nu_R$  neutrino localized at partonic 2-surface or delocalized to entire space-time surface or its Euclidian or Minkowskian region accompanying particle identified as wormhole throat? Only the Euclidian option allows to assign right handed neutrino to a unique partonic 2-surface. For the Minkowskian regions the assignment is to many particle state defined by the partonic 2-surfaces associated with the 3-surface. Hence for spartners the 4-D right-handed neutrino must be associated with the 4-D Euclidian line of the generalized Feynman diagram.
3. The orthogonality of the localized and de-localized right handed neutrino modes requires that 2-D modes correspond to higher color partial waves at the level of imbedding space. If color octet is in question, the 2-D right handed neutrino as the candidate for the generator of standard SUSY would combine with the left handed neutrino to form a massive neutrino. If 2-D massive neutrino acts as a generator of super-symmetries, it is in the same role as badly broken supersymmetries generated by other 2-D modes of the induced spinor field (SUSY with rather large value of  $\mathcal{N}$ ) and one can argue that the counterpart of standard SUSY cannot correspond to this kind of super-symmetries. The right-handed neutrinos delocalized inside the lines of generalized Feynman diagrams, could generate  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  variant of the standard SUSY.

### How particle and right handed neutrino are bound together?

Ordinary SUSY means that apart from kinematical spin factors sparticles and particles behave identically with respect to standard model interactions. These spin factors would allow to distinguish between particles and sparticles. But is this the case now?

1. One can argue that 2-D particle and 4-D right-handed neutrino behave like independent entities, and because  $\nu_R$  has no standard model couplings this entire structure behaves like a particle rather than sparticle with respect to standard model interactions: the kinematical spin dependent factors would be absent.
2. The question is also about the internal structure of the sparticle. How the four-momentum is divided between the  $\nu_R$  and 2-D fermion. If  $\nu_R$  carries a negligible portion of four-momentum, the four-momentum carried by the particle part of sparticle is same as that carried by particle for given four-momentum so that the distinctions are only kinematical for the ordinary view about sparticle and trivial for the view suggested by the 4-D character of  $\nu_R$ .

Could sparticle character become manifest in the ordinary scattering of sparticle?

1. If  $\nu_R$  behaves as an independent unit not bound to the particle, it would continue in the original direction as particle scatters: sparticle would decay to particle and right-handed neutrino. If  $\nu_R$  carries a non-negligible energy the scattering could be detected via a missing energy. If not, then the decay could be detected by the interactions revealing the presence of  $\nu_R$ .  $\nu_R$  can have only gravitational interactions. What these gravitational interactions are is not however quite clear since the proposed identification of gravitational gauge potentials is as duals of Kac-Moody currents analogous to gauge potentials located at the boundaries of string world sheets. Does this mean that 4-D right-handed neutrino has no quantal gravitational interactions? Does internal consistency require  $\nu_R$  to have a vanishing gravitational and inertial masses and does this mean that this particle carries only spin?
2. The cautious conclusion would be following: if delocalized  $\nu_R$  and parton are un-correlated particle and sparticle cannot be distinguished experimentally and one might perhaps understand the failure to detect standard SUSY at LHC. Note however that the 2-D fermionic oscillator algebra defines badly broken large  $\mathcal{N}$  SUSY containing also massive (longitudinal momentum square is non-vanishing) neutrino modes as generators.

### Taking a closer look on sparticles

It is good to take a closer look at the delocalized right handed neutrino modes.



1. At imbedding space level that is in cm mass degrees of freedom they correspond to covariantly constant  $CP_2$  spinors carrying light-like momentum which for causal diamond could be discretized. For non-vanishing momentum one can speak about helicity having opposite sign for  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$ . For vanishing four-momentum the situation is delicate since only spin remains and Majorana like behavior is suggestive. Unless one has momentum continuum, this mode might be important and generate additional SUSY resembling standard  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY.
2. At space-time level the solutions of modified Dirac equation are holomorphic or anti-holomorphic.
  - (a) For non-constant holomorphic modes these characteristics correlate naturally with fermion number and helicity of  $\nu_R$ . One can assign creation/annihilation operator to these two kinds of modes and the sign of fermion number correlates with the sign of helicity.
  - (b) The covariantly constant mode is naturally assignable to the covariantly constant neutrino spinor of imbedding space. To the two helicities one can assign also oscillator operators  $\{a_{\pm}, a_{\pm}^{\dagger}\}$ . The effective Majorana property is expressed in terms of non-orthogonality of  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$  translated to the non-vanishing of the anti-commutator  $\{a_{+}^{\dagger}, a_{-}\} = \{a_{-}^{\dagger}, a_{+}\} = 1$ . The reduction of the rank of the  $4 \times 4$  matrix defined by anti-commutators to two expresses the fact that the number of degrees of freedom has halved.  $a_{+}^{\dagger} = a_{-}$  realizes the conditions and implies that one has only  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY multiplet since the state containing both  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$  is same as that containing no right handed neutrinos.
  - (c) One can wonder whether this SUSY is masked totally by the fact that sparticles with all possible conformal weights  $n$  for induced spinor field are possible and the branching ratio to  $n = 0$  channel is small. If momentum continuum is present, the zero momentum mode might be equivalent to nothing.

What can happen in spin degrees of freedom in super-symmetric interaction vertices if one accepts this interpretation? As already noticed, this depends solely on what one assumes about the correlation of the four-momenta of particle and  $\nu_R$ . One can only imagine alternatives.

1. For SUSY generated by covariantly constant  $\nu_R$  and  $\bar{\nu}_R$  there is no neutrino four-momentum involved so that only spin matters. One cannot speak about the change of direction for  $\nu_R$ . In the scattering of sparticle the direction of particle changes and introduces different spin quantization axes.  $\nu_R$  retains its spin and in new system it is superposition of two spin projections. The presence of both helicities requires that the transformation  $\nu_R \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_R$  happens with an amplitude determined purely kinematically by spin rotation matrices. This is consistent with fermion number conservation modulo 2.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY based on Majorana spinors is highly suggestive.
2. For SUSY generated by non-constant holomorphic and anti-holomorphic modes carrying fermion number the behavior in the scattering is different. Suppose that the sparticle does not split to particle moving in the new direction and  $\nu_R$  moving in the original direction so that also  $\nu_R$  or  $\bar{\nu}_R$  carrying some massless fraction of four-momentum changes its direction of motion. One can form the spin projections with respect to the new spin axis but must drop the projection which does not conserve fermion number. Therefore the kinematics at the vertices is different. Hence  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY with fermion number conservation is suggestive when the momentum directions of particle and  $\nu_R$  are completely correlated.
3. Since right-handed neutrino has no standard model couplings, p-adic thermodynamics for 4-D right-handed neutrino must correspond to a very low p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n$ . This implies that the excitations with non-vanishing conformal weights are effectively absent and one would have  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY effectively.

The simplest assumption is that particle and sparticle correspond to the same p-adic mass scale and have degenerate masses: it is difficult to imagine any good reason for why the p-adic mass scales should differ. This should have been observed -say in decay widths of weak bosons - unless the spartners correspond to large hbar phase and therefore to dark matter. Note that for the badly broken 2-D  $\mathcal{N}=2$  SUSY in fermionic sector this kind of almost degeneracy cannot be excluded and I have considered an explanation for the mysterious X and Y mesons in terms of this degeneracy [K48].

### Why space-time SUSY is not possible in TGD framework?

LHC suggests that one does not have  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY in standard sense. Why one cannot have standard space-time SUSY in TGD framework. Let us begin by listing all arguments popping in mind.

1. Could covariantly constant  $\nu_R$  represents a gauge degree of freedom? This is plausible since the corresponding fermion current is non-vanishing.
2. The original argument for absence of space-time SUSY years ago was indirect:  $M^4 \times CP_2$  does not allow Majorana spinors so that  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is excluded.
3. One can however consider  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY by including both helicities possible for covariantly constant  $\nu_R$ . For  $\nu_R$  the four-momentum vanishes so that one cannot distinguish the modes assigned to the creation operator and its conjugate via complex conjugation of the spinor. Rather, one oscillator operator and its conjugate correspond to the two different helicities of right-handed neutrino with respect to the direction determined by the momentum of the particle. The spinors can be chosen to be real in this basis. This indeed gives rise to an irreducible representation of spin 1/2 SUSY algebra with right-handed neutrino creation operator acting as a ladder operator. This is however  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  algebra and right-handed neutrino in this particular basis behaves effectively like Majorana spinor. One can argue that the system is mathematically inconsistent. By choosing the spin projection axis differently the spinor basis becomes complex. In the new basis one would have  $\mathcal{N} = 2$ , which however reduces to  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  in the real basis.
4. Or could it be that fermion and sfermion do exist but cannot be related by SUSY? In standard SUSY fermions and sfermions forming irreducible representations of super Poincare algebra are combined to components of superfield very much like finite-dimensional representations of Lorentz group are combined to those of Poincare. In TGD framework  $\nu_R$  generates in space-time interior generalization of 2-D super-conformal symmetry but covariantly constant  $\nu_R$  cannot give rise to space-time SUSY.

This would be very natural since right-handed neutrinos do not have any electroweak interactions and are delocalized into the interior of the space-time surface unlike other particles localized at 2-surfaces. It is difficult to imagine how fermion and  $\nu_R$  could behave as a single coherent unit reflecting itself in the characteristic spin and momentum dependence of vertices implied by SUSY. Rather, it would seem that fermion and sfermion should behave identically with respect to electroweak interactions.

The third argument looks rather convincing and can be developed to a precise argument.

1. If sfermion is to represent elementary bosons, the products of fermionic oscillator operators with the oscillator operators assignable to the covariantly constant right handed neutrinos must define might-be bosonic oscillator operators as  $b_n = a_n a$  and  $b_n^\dagger = a_n^\dagger a^\dagger$ . One can calculate the commutator for the product of operators. If fermionic oscillator operators commute, so do the corresponding bosonic operators. The commutator  $[b_n, b_n^\dagger]$  is however proportional to occupation number for  $\nu_R$  in  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY representation and vanishes for the second state of the representation. Therefore  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is a pure gauge symmetry.
2. One can however have both irreducible representations of SUSY: for them either fermion or sfermion has a non-vanishing norm. One would have both fermions and sfermions but they would not belong to the same SUSY multiplet, and one cannot expect SUSY symmetries of 3-particle vertices.
3. For instance,  $\gamma FF$  vertex is closely related to  $\gamma \tilde{F} \tilde{F}$  in standard SUSY. Now one expects this vertex to decompose to a product of  $\gamma F \tilde{F}$  vertex and amplitude for the creation of  $\nu_R \tilde{\nu}_R$  from vacuum so that the characteristic momentum and spin dependent factors distinguishing between the couplings of photon to scalar and fermion are absent. Both states behave like fermions. The amplitude for the creation of  $\nu_R \tilde{\nu}_R$  from vacuum is naturally equal to unity as an occupation number operator by crossing symmetry. The presence of right-handed neutrinos would be invisible if this picture is correct. Whether this invisible label can have some consequences is not quite clear: one could argue that the decay rates of weak bosons to fermion pairs are doubled unless one introduces  $1/\sqrt{2}$  factors to couplings.

Where the sfermions might make themselves visible are loops. What loops are? Consider boson line first. Boson line is replaced with a sum of two contributions corresponding to ordinary contribution with fermion and antifermion at opposite throats and second contribution with fermion and antifermion accompanied by right-handed neutrino  $\nu_R$  and its antiparticle which now has opposite helicity to  $\nu_R$ . The loop for  $\nu_R$  decomposes to four pieces since also the propagation from wormhole throat to the opposite wormhole throat must be taken into account. Each of the four propagators equals to  $a_{1/2}^\dagger a_{-1/2}^\dagger$  or its hermitian conjugate. The product of these is slashed between vacuum states and anti-commutations give imaginary unit per propagator giving  $i^4 = 1$ . The two contributions are therefore identical and the scaling  $g \rightarrow g/\sqrt{2}$  for coupling constants guarantees that sfermions do not affect the scattering amplitudes at all. The argument is identical for the internal fermion lines.

### 8.4.3 The impact from LHC and evolution of TGD itself

The missing energy predicted standard SUSY is absent at LHC. The easy explanation would be that the mass scale of SUSY is unexpectedly high, of order 1 TeV. This would however destroy the original motivations for SUSY. The arguments developed in the following manner.

1. In TGD framework the natural first guess was that the missing energy corresponds to covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos carrying four-momentum. The objection is that covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos cannot appear in asymptotic states because one cannot assign a super-multiplet to right-handed neutrinos consistently. Covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos could however generate SUSY in some sense.
2. This alone would not explain the missing missing momentum at LHC predicted by standard SUSY. The assumption that fermions correspond to color partial waves in  $H$  implies that color excitations of the right handed neutrino that would appear in asymptotic states are necessarily colored. It could happen that these excitations are color neutralized by super-conformal generators. If this is not the case, these neutrinos would be like quarks and color confinement would explain why they cannot be observed as asymptotic states in macroscopic scales.

Second possibility considered earlier is that SUSY itself is generated by color partial waves of right-handed neutrino, octet most naturally. This option is not however consistent with the above model for one-fermion states and their super-partners.

3. The breakthrough in the understanding of the preferred extremals of Kähler action and solutions of the modified Dirac equation led to a radical reconsideration of the existing picture. The most natural conclusion is that the TGD counterpart of standard SUSY is most naturally absent. The arguments in favor of this conclusion discussed in the last section are rather strong. The breakthrough in understanding of TGD counterpart for Higgs like particle - Euclidian  $M_{89}$  pion - led to a model for the generation of weak gauge bosons masses free of the problem of the standard Higgs mechanism caused by the fact that tachyonic mass term is not stable under radiative corrections. In TGD framework this kind of term is absent. Therefore also the basic motivation for standard SUSY as stabilizer of radiative corrections disappears.

Standard space-time SUSY would be replaced with 4-D generalization of 2-D super-conformal invariance but restricted to the modes of right-handed neutrino. For other fermion states the modes would be restricted to 2-D string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces and super-conformal symmetry would reduce to 2-D one. The 2-D super-conformal symmetry is mathematically analogous to badly broken SUSY with very large value of  $\mathcal{N}$  and massive neutrino would represent the least broken aspect of this symmetry. The masses of sparticles are expected to be higher than particles for this SUSY and there is no reason to require that they should correspond to the TeV scale required by the radiative stability of the standard model Higgs.

### 8.4.4 Conclusions

The conclusion that the standard SUSY is absent looks very attractive in light of various arguments discussed in this chapter and also conforms with the LHC data. During the attempts to understand SUSY several ideas emerged and the original discussions are retained as such in this chapter. It is interesting to see that their fate is if standard SUSY has no TGD counterpart.

1. One of the craziest ideas was that spartners indeed exists and even with the same p-adic mass scale but might be realized as dark matter. Same mass is indeed natural prediction since right-handed neutrino carries no momentum and has no electroweak interactions with fermions. Therefore even the mesons of ordinary hadron physics would be accompanied by smesons - pairs of squark and antisquark. In fact, this is what the most recent form of the theory predicts: unfortunately there is no manner to experimentally distinguish between fermion and pseudo-fermion if  $\nu_R$  is zero momentum state lacking even gravitational interactions.
2. There are indications that charmonium as exotic states christened as X and Y mesons and the question was that they could correspond to mesons built either from colored excitations of charged quark and antiquark or from squark and antisquark. The recent view leaves only the option based on colored excitations alive. The states in question would be analogous to pairs of color excitations of leptons introduced to explain various anomalies in leptonic sector [K84]. The question was whether lepto-hadrons could correspond to bound states of colored sleptons and have same p-adic mass scale as leptons have [K84]. The original form of lepto-hadron hypothesis remains intact.
3. Evidence that pion and also other hadrons have what could be called infrared Regge trajectories has been reported, and one could ask whether these trajectories could include spion identified as a bound state of squarks. Also this identification is excluded and the proposed identification in terms of stringy states assignable to long color magnetic flux tubes accompanying hadron remains under consideration. IR Regge trajectories would serve as a signature for the non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics.

## 8.5 Could $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM be a part of TGD after all?

Whether right-handed neutrinos generate a supersymmetry in TGD has been a long standing open question.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is certainly excluded by fermion number conservation but already  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  defining a "complexification" of  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is possible and could generate right-handed neutrino and its antiparticle. These states should however possess a non-vanishing light-like momentum since the fully covariantly constant right-handed neutrino generates zero norm states. So called massless extremals (MEs) allow massless solutions of the modified Dirac equation for right-handed neutrino in the interior of space-time surface, and this seems to be case quite generally in Minkowskian signature for preferred extremals. This suggests that particle represented as magnetic flux tube structure with two wormhole contacts sliced between two MEs could serve as a starting point in attempts to understand the role of right handed neutrinos and how  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM emerges at the level of space-time geometry. The following arguments inspired by the article of Nima Arkani-Hamed et al [B16] about twistorial scattering amplitudes suggest a more detailed physical interpretation of the possible SUSY associated with the right-handed neutrinos.

The fact that right handed neutrinos have only gravitational interaction suggests a radical re-interpretation of SUSY: no SUSY breaking is needed since it is very difficult to distinguish between mass degenerate spartners of ordinary particles. In order to distinguish between different spartners one must be able to compare the gravitomagnetic energies of spartners in slowly varying external gravimagnetic field: this effect is extremely small.

### 8.5.1 Scattering amplitudes and the positive Grassmannian

The work of Nima Arkani-Hamed and others represents something which makes me very optimistic and I would be happy if I could understand the horrible technicalities of their work. The article Scattering Amplitudes and the Positive Grassmannian by Arkani-Hamed, Bourjaily, Cachazo, Goncharov, Postnikov, and Trnka [B16] summarizes the recent situation in a form, which should be accessible to ordinary physicist. Lubos has already discussed the article. The following considerations do not relate much to the main message of the article (positive Grassmannians) but more to the question how this approach could be applied in TGD framework.

### All scattering amplitudes have on shell amplitudes for massless particles as building bricks

The key idea is that all planar amplitudes can be constructed from on shell amplitudes: all virtual particles are actually real. In zero energy ontology I ended up with the representation of TGD analogs of Feynman diagrams using only mass shell massless states with both positive and negative energies. The enormous number of kinematic constraints eliminates UV and IR divergences and also the description of massive particles as bound states of massless ones becomes possible.

In TGD framework quantum classical correspondence requires a space-time correlate for the on mass shell property and it indeed exists. The mathematically ill-defined path integral over all 4-surfaces is replaced with a superposition of preferred extremals of Kähler action analogous to Bohr orbits, and one has only a functional integral over the 3-D ends at the light-like boundaries of causal diamond (Euclidian/Minkowskian space-time regions give real/imaginary Chern-Simons exponent to the vacuum functional). This would be obviously the deeper principle behind on mass shell representation of scattering amplitudes that Nima and others are certainly trying to identify. This principle in turn reduces to general coordinate invariance at the level of the world of classical worlds.

Quantum classical correspondence and quantum ergodicity would imply even stronger condition: the quantal correlation functions should be identical with classical correlation functions for any preferred extremal in the superposition: all preferred extremals in the superposition would be statistically equivalent [K96]. 4-D spin glass degeneracy of Kähler action however suggests that this is probably too strong a condition applying only to building bricks of the superposition.

Minimal surface property is the geometric counterpart for masslessness and the preferred extremals are also minimal surfaces: this property reduces to the generalization of complex structure at space-time surfaces, which I call Hamilton-Jacobi structure for the Minkowskian signature of the induced metric. Einstein Maxwell equations with cosmological term are also satisfied.

### Massless extremals and twistor approach

The decomposition  $M^4 = M^2 \times E^2$  is fundamental in the formulation of quantum TGD, in the number theoretical vision about TGD, in the construction of preferred extremals, and for the vision about generalized Feynman diagrams. It is also fundamental in the decomposition of the degrees of string to longitudinal and transversal ones. An additional item to the list is that also the states appearing in thermodynamical ensemble in p-adic thermodynamics correspond to four-momenta in  $M^2$  fixed by the direction of the Lorentz boost. In twistor approach to TGD the possibility to decompose also internal lines to massless states at parallel space-time sheets is crucial.

Can one find a concrete identification for  $M^2 \times E^2$  decomposition at the level of preferred extremals? Could these preferred extremals be interpreted as the internal lines of generalized Feynman diagrams carrying massless momenta? Could one identify the mass of particle predicted by p-adic thermodynamics with the sum of massless classical momenta assignable to two preferred extremals of this kind connected by wormhole contacts defining the elementary particle?

Candidates for this kind of preferred extremals indeed exist. Local  $M^2 \times E^2$  decomposition and light-like longitudinal massless momentum assignable to  $M^2$  characterizes "massless extremals" (MEs, "topological light rays"). The simplest MEs correspond to single space-time sheet carrying a conserved light-like  $M^2$  momentum. For several MEs connected by wormhole contacts the longitudinal massless momenta are not conserved anymore but their sum defines a time-like conserved four-momentum: one has a bound states of massless MEs. The stable wormhole contacts binding MEs together possess Kähler magnetic charge and serve as building bricks of elementary particles. Particles are necessary closed magnetic flux tubes having two wormhole contacts at their ends and connecting the two MEs.

The sum of the classical massless momenta assignable to the pair of MEs is conserved even when they exchange momentum. Quantum classical correspondence requires that the conserved classical rest energy of the particle equals to the prediction of p-adic mass calculations. The massless momenta assignable to MEs would naturally correspond to the massless momenta propagating along the internal lines of generalized Feynman diagrams assumed in zero energy ontology. Masslessness of virtual particles makes also possible twistor approach. This supports the view that MEs are fundamental for the twistor approach in TGD framework.

### Scattering amplitudes as representations for braids whose threads can fuse at 3-vertices

Just a little comment about the content of the article. The main message of the article is that non-equivalent contributions to a given scattering amplitude in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM represent elements of the group of permutations of external lines - or to be more precise - decorated permutations which replace permutation group  $S_n$  with  $n!$  elements with its decorated version containing  $2^n n!$  elements. Besides 3-vertex the basic dynamical process is permutation having the exchange of neighboring lines as a generating permutation completely analogous to fundamental braiding. BFCW bridge has interpretation as a representations for the basic braiding operation.

This supports the TGD inspired proposal (TGD as almost topological QFT) that generalized Feynman diagrams are in some sense also knot or braid diagrams allowing besides braiding operation also two 3-vertices [K39]. The first 3-vertex generalizes the standard stringy 3-vertex but with totally different interpretation having nothing to do with particle decay: rather particle travels along two paths simultaneously after  $1 \rightarrow 2$  decay. Second 3-vertex generalizes the 3-vertex of ordinary Feynman diagram (three 4-D lines of generalized Feynman diagram identified as Euclidian space-time regions meet at this vertex). The main idea is that in TGD framework knotting and braiding emerges at two levels.

1. At the level of space-time surface string world sheets at which the induced spinor fields (except right-handed neutrino [K96]) are localized due to the conservation of electric charge can form 2-knots and can intersect at discrete points in the generic case. The boundaries of strings world sheets at light-like wormhole throat orbits and at space-like 3-surfaces defining the ends of the space-time at light-like boundaries of causal diamonds can form ordinary 1-knots, and get linked and braided. Elementary particles themselves correspond to closed loops at the ends of space-time surface and can also get knotted (possible effects are discussed in [K39]).
2. One can assign to the lines of generalized Feynman diagrams lines in  $M^2$  characterizing given causal diamond. Therefore the 2-D representation of Feynman diagrams has concrete physical interpretation in TGD. These lines can intersect and what suggests itself is a description of non-planar diagrams (having this kind of intersections) in terms of an algebraic knot theory. A natural guess is that it is this knot theoretic operation which allows to describe also non-planar diagrams by reducing them to planar ones as one does when one constructs knot invariant by reducing the knot to a trivial one. Scattering amplitudes would be basically knot invariants.

"Almost topological" has also a meaning usually not assigned with it. Thurston's geometrization conjecture stating that geometric invariants of canonical representation of manifold as Riemann geometry, defined topological invariants, could generalize somehow. For instance, the geometric invariants of preferred extremals could be seen as topological or more refined invariants (symplectic, conformal in the sense of 4-D generalization of conformal structure). If quantum ergodicity holds true, the statistical geometric invariants defined by the classical correlation functions of various induced classical gauge fields for preferred extremals could be regarded as this kind of invariants for sub-manifolds. What would distinguish TGD from standard topological QFT would be that the invariants in question would involve length scale and thus have a physical content in the usual sense of the word!

#### 8.5.2 Could $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY have something to do with TGD?

$\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM has been the theoretical laboratory of Nima and others.  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM is definitely a completely exceptional theory, and one cannot avoid the question whether it could in some sense be part of fundamental physics. In TGD framework right handed neutrinos have remained a mystery: whether one should assign space-time SUSY to them or not. Could they give rise to something resembling  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY with fermion number conservation?

#### Earlier results

My latest view is that *fully* covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos decouple from the dynamics completely. I will repeat first the earlier arguments which consider only fully covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos.

1.  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is certainly excluded since it would require Majorana property not possible in TGD framework since it would require superposition of left and right handed neutrinos and lead to a breaking of lepton number conservation. Could one imagine SUSY in which both MEs between which particle wormhole contacts reside have  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY which combine to form an  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY?
2. Right-handed neutrinos which are covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos in both  $M^4$  degrees of freedom cannot define a non-trivial theory as shown already earlier. They have no electroweak nor gravitational couplings and carry no momentum, only spin.

The fully covariantly constant right-handed neutrinos with two possible helicities at given ME would define representation of SUSY at the limit of vanishing light-like momentum. At this limit the creation and annihilation operators creating the states would have vanishing anticommutator so that the oscillator operators would generate Grassmann algebra. Since creation and annihilation operators are hermitian conjugates, the states would have zero norm and the states generated by oscillator operators would be pure gauge and decouple from physics. This is the core of the earlier argument demonstrating that  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY is not possible in TGD framework: LHC has given convincing experimental support for this belief.

### Could massless right-handed neutrinos covariantly constant in $CP_2$ degrees of freedom define $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SUSY?

Consider next right-handed neutrinos, which are covariantly constant in  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom but have a light-like four-momentum. In this case fermion number is conserved but this is consistent with  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY at both MEs with fermion number conservation.  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSYs could emerge from  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY when one half of SUSY generators annihilate the states, which is a basic phenomenon in supersymmetric theories.

1. At space-time level right-handed neutrinos couple to the space-time geometry - gravitation - although weak and color interactions are absent. One can say that this coupling forces them to move with light-like momentum parallel to that of ME. At the level of space-time surface right-handed neutrinos have a spectrum of excitations of four-dimensional analogs of conformal spinors at string world sheet (Hamilton-Jacobi structure).

For MEs one indeed obtains massless solutions depending on longitudinal  $M^2$  coordinates only since the induced metric in  $M^2$  differs from the light-like metric only by a contribution which is light-like and contracts to zero with light-like momentum in the same direction. These solutions are analogs of (say) left movers of string theory. The dependence on  $E^2$  degrees of freedom is holomorphic. That left movers are only possible would suggest that one has only single helicity and conservation of fermion number at given space-time sheet rather than 2 helicities and non-conserved fermion number: two real Majorana spinors combine to single complex Weyl spinor.

2. At imbedding space level one obtains a tensor product of ordinary representations of  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY consisting of Weyl spinors with opposite helicities assigned with the ME. The state content is same as for a reduced  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY with four  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  Majorana spinors replaced by two complex  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  spinors with fermion number conservation. This gives 4 states at both space-time sheets constructed from  $\nu_R$  and its antiparticle. Altogether the two MEs give 8 states, which is one half of the 16 states of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY so that a degeneration of this symmetry forced by non-Majorana property is in question.

### Is the dynamics of $\mathcal{N} = 2$ or $\mathcal{N} = 4$ SYM possible in right-handed neutrino sector?

Could  $\mathcal{N} = 2$  or  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM be a part of quantum TGD? Could TGD be seen a fusion of a degenerate  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM describing the right-handed neutrino sector and string theory like theory describing the contribution of string world sheets carrying other leptonic and quark spinors? Or could one imagine even something simpler?

What is interesting that the net momenta assigned to the right handed neutrinos associated with a pair of MEs would correspond to the momenta assignable to the particles and obtained by p-adic mass calculations. It would seem that right-handed neutrinos provide a representation of the momenta of

the elementary particles represented by wormhole contact structures. Does this mimicry generalize to a full duality so that all quantum numbers and even microscopic dynamics of defined by generalized Feynman diagrams (Euclidian space-time regions) would be represented by right-handed neutrinos and MEs? Could a generalization of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM with non-trivial gauge group with proper choices of the ground states helicities allow to represent the entire microscopic dynamics?

Irrespective of the answer to this question one can compare the TGD based view about supersymmetric dynamics with what I have understood about  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM.

1. In the scattering of MEs induced by the dynamics of Kähler action the right-handed neutrinos play a passive role. Modified Dirac equation forces them to adopt the same direction of four-momentum as the MEs so that the scattering reduces to the geometric scattering for MEs as one indeed expects on basis of quantum classical correspondence. In  $\nu_R$  sector the basic scattering vertex involves four MEs and could be a re-sharing of the right-handed neutrino content of the incoming two MEs between outgoing two MEs respecting fermion number conservation. Therefore  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM with fermion number conservation would represent the scattering of MEs at quantum level.
2.  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SUSY would suggest that also in the degenerate case one obtains the full scattering amplitude as a sum of permutations of external particles followed by projections to the directions of light-like momenta and that BCFW bridge represents the analog of fundamental braiding operation. The decoration of permutations means that each external line is effectively doubled. Could the scattering of MEs can be interpreted in terms of these decorated permutations? Could the doubling of permutations by decoration relate to the occurrence of pairs of MEs?

One can also revert these questions. Could one construct massive states in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM using pairs of momenta associated with particle with integer label  $k$  and its decorated copy with label  $k+n$ ? Massive external particles obtained in this manner as bound states of massless ones could solve the IR divergence problem of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM.

3. The description of amplitudes in terms of leading singularities means picking up of the singular contribution by putting the fermionic propagators on mass shell. In the recent case it would give the inverse of massless Dirac propagator acting on the spinor at the end of the internal line annihilating it if it is a solution of Dirac equation.

The only way out is a kind of cohomology theory in which solutions of Dirac equation represent exact forms. Dirac operator defines the exterior derivative  $d$  and virtual lines correspond to non-physical helicities with  $d\Psi \neq 0$ . Virtual fermions would be on mass-shell fermions with non-physical polarization satisfying  $d^2\Psi = 0$ . External particles would be those with physical polarization satisfying  $d\Psi = 0$ , and one can say that the Feynman diagrams containing physical helicities split into products of Feynman diagrams containing only non-physical helicities in internal lines.

4. The fermionic states at wormhole contacts should define the ground states of SUSY representation with helicity  $+1/2$  and  $-1/2$  rather than spin 1 or -1 as in standard realization of  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM used in the article. This would modify the theory but the twistorial and Grassmannian description would remain more or less as such since it depends on light-likeness and momentum conservation only.

### 3-vertices for sparticles are replaced with 4-vertices for MEs

In  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  SYM the basic vertex is on mass-shell 3-vertex which requires that for real light-like momenta all 3 states are parallel. One must allow complex momenta in order to satisfy energy conservation and light-likeness conditions. This is strange from the point of view of physics although number theoretically oriented person might argue that the extensions of rationals involving also imaginary unit are rather natural.

The complex momenta can be expressed in terms of two light-like momenta in 3-vertex with one real momentum. For instance, the three light-like momenta can be taken to be  $p, k$ , and  $p - ka$  with  $k = ap_R$ . Here  $p$  (incoming momentum) and  $p_R$  are real light-like momenta satisfying  $p \cdot p_R = 0$  but with opposite sign of energy, and  $a$  is complex number. What is remarkable that also the negative sign of energy is necessary also now.



Should one allow complex light-like momenta in TGD framework? One can imagine two options.

1. Option I: no complex momenta. In zero energy ontology the situation is different due to the presence of a pair of MEs meaning replaced of 3-vertices with 4-vertices or 6-vertices, the allowance of negative energies in internal lines, and the fact that scattering of particles is induced by that of MEs. In the simplest vertex a massive external particle with non-parallel MEs carrying non-parallel light-like momenta can decay to a pair of MEs with light-like momenta. This can be interpreted as 4-ME-vertex rather than 3-vertex (say) BFF so that complex momenta are not needed. For an incoming boson identified as wormhole contact the vertex can be seen as BFF vertex.

To obtain space-like momentum exchanges one must allow negative sign of energy and one has strong conditions coming from momentum conservation and light-likeness which allow non-trivial solutions (real momenta in the vertex are not parallel) since basically the vertices are 4-vertices. This reduces dramatically the number of graphs. Note that one can also consider vertices in which three pairs of MEs join along their ends so that 6 MEs (analog of 3-boson vertex) would be involved.

2. Option II: complex momenta are allowed. Proceeding just formally, the  $\sqrt{g_4}$  factor in Kähler action density is imaginary in Minkowskian and real in Euclidian regions. It is now clear that the formal approach is correct: Euclidian regions give rise to Kähler function and Minkowskian regions to the analog of Morse function. TGD as almost topological QFT inspires the conjecture about the reduction of Kähler action to boundary terms proportional to Chern-Simons term. This is guaranteed if the condition  $j_K^\mu A_\mu = 0$  holds true: for the known extremals this is the case since Kähler current  $j_K$  is light-like or vanishing for them. This would seem that Minkowskian and Euclidian regions provide dual descriptions of physics. If so, it would not be surprising if the real and complex parts of the four-momentum were parallel and in constant proportion to each other.

This argument suggests that also the conserved quantities implied by the Noether theorem have the same structure so that charges would receive an imaginary contribution from Minkowskian regions and a real contribution from Euclidian regions (or vice versa). Four-momentum would be complex number of form  $P = P_M + iP_E$ . Generalized light-likeness condition would give  $P_M^2 = P_E^2$  and  $P_M \cdot P_E = 0$ . Complexified momentum would have 6 free components. A stronger condition would be  $P_M^2 = 0 = P_E^2$  so that one would have two light-like momenta "orthogonal" to each other. For both relative signs energy  $P_M$  and  $P_E$  would be actually parallel: parametrization would be in terms of light-like momentum and scaling factor. This would suggest that complex momenta do not bring in anything new and Option II reduces effectively to Option I. If one wants a complete analogy with the usual twistor approach then  $P_M^2 = P_E^2 \neq 0$  must be allowed.

### Is SUSY breaking possible or needed?

It is difficult to imagine the breaking of the proposed kind of SUSY in TGD framework, and the first guess is that all these 4 super-partners of particle have identical masses. p-Adic thermodynamics does not distinguish between these states and the only possibility is that the p-adic primes differ for the spartners. But is the breaking of SUSY really necessary? Can one really distinguish between the 8 different states of a given elementary particle using the recent day experimental methods?

- (a) In electroweak and color interactions the spartners behave in an identical manner classically. The coupling of right-handed neutrinos to space-time geometry however forces the right-handed neutrinos to adopt the same direction of four-momentum as MEs has. Could some gravitational effect allow to distinguish between spartners? This would be trivially the case if the p-adic mass scales of spartners would be different. Why this should be the case remains however an open question.
- (b) In the case of unbroken SUSY only spin distinguishes between spartners. Spin determines statistics and the first naive guess would be that bosonic spartners obey totally different

atomic physics allowing condensation of selectrons to the ground state. Very probably this is not true: the right-handed neutrinos are delocalized to 4-D MEs and other fermions correspond to wormhole contact structures and 2-D string world sheets.

The coupling of the spin to the space-time geometry seems to provide the only possible manner to distinguish between spartners. Could one imagine a gravimagnetic effect with energy splitting proportional to the product of gravimagnetic moment and external gravimagnetic field  $B$ ? If gravimagnetic moment is proportional to spin projection in the direction of  $B$ , a non-trivial effect would be possible. Needless to say this kind of effect is extremely small so that the unbroken SUSY might remain undetected.

- (c) If the spin of sparticle be seen in the classical angular momentum of ME as quantum classical correspondence would suggest then the value of the angular momentum might allow to distinguish between spartners. Also now the effect is extremely small.

### What can one say about scattering amplitudes?

One expect that scattering amplitudes factorize with the only correlation between right-handed neutrino scattering and ordinary particle scattering coming from the condition that the four-momentum of the right-handed neutrino is parallel to that of massless extremal of more general preferred extremal having interpretation as a geometric counterpart of radiation quantum. This momentum is in turn equal to the massless four-momentum associated with the space-time sheet in question such that the sum of classical four-momenta associated with the space-time sheets equals to that for all wormhole throats involved. The right-handed neutrino amplitude itself would be simply constant. This certainly satisfies the SUSY constraint and it is actually difficult to find other candidates for the amplitude. The dynamics of right-handed neutrinos would be therefore that of spectator following the leader.

### 8.5.3 Right-handed neutrino as inert neutrino?

There is a very interesting posting by Jester in Resonaances with title How many neutrinos in the sky? [C12]. Jester tells about the recent 9 years WMAP data [C138] and compares it with earlier 7 years data. In the earlier data the effective number of neutrino types was  $N_{eff} = 4.34 \pm 0.87$  and in the recent data it is  $N_{eff} = 3.26 \pm 0.35$ . WMAP alone would give  $N_{eff} = 3.89 \pm 0.67$  also in the recent data but also other data are used to pose constraints on  $N_{eff}$ .

To be precise,  $N_{eff}$  could include instead of fourth neutrino species also some other weakly interacting particle. The only criterion for contributing to  $N_{eff}$  is that the particle is in thermal equilibrium with other massless particles and thus contributes to the density of matter considerably during the radiation dominated epoch.

Jester also refers to the constraints on  $N_{eff}$  from nucleosynthesis, which show that  $N_{eff} \sim 4$  is slightly favored although the entire range [3, 5] is consistent with data.

It seems that the effective number of neutrinos could be 4 instead of 3 although latest WMAP data combined with some other measurements favor 3. Later a corrected version of the eprint appeared [C138] telling that the original estimate of  $N_{eff}$  contained a mistake and the correct estimate is  $N_{eff} = 3.84 \pm 0.40$ .

An interesting question is what  $N_{eff} = 4$  could mean in TGD framework?

- (a) One poses to the modes of the modified Dirac equation the following condition: electric charge is conserved in the sense that the time evolution by modified Dirac equation does not mix a mode with a well-defined em charge with those with different em charge. The implication is that all modes except pure right handed neutrino are restricted at string world sheets. The first guess is that string world sheets are minimal surfaces of space-time surface (rather than those of imbedding space). One can also consider minimal surfaces of imbedding space but with effective metric defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices. This would give a direct physical meaning for this somewhat mysterious effective metric.

For the neutrino modes localized at string world sheets mixing of left and right handed modes takes place and they become massive. If only 3 lowest genera for partonic 2-surfaces are light, one has 3 neutrinos of this kind. The same applies to all other fermion species. The argument for why this could be the case relies on simple observation [K19]: the genera  $g=0,1,2$  have the property that they allow for all values of conformal moduli  $Z_2$  as a conformal symmetry (hyper-ellipticity). For  $g > 2$  this is not the case. The guess is that this additional conformal symmetry is the reason for lightness of the three lowest genera.

- (b) Only purely right-handed neutrino is completely delocalized in 4-volume so that one cannot assign to it genus of the partonic 2-surfaces as a topological quantum number and it effectively gives rise to a fourth neutrino very much analogous to what is called sterile neutrino. Delocalized right-handed neutrinos couple only to gravitation and in case of massless extremals this forces them to have four-momentum parallel to that of ME: only massless modes are possible. Very probably this holds true for all preferred extremals to which one can assign massless longitudinal momentum direction which can vary with spatial position.
- (c) The coupling of  $\nu_R$  is to gravitation alone and all electroweak and color couplings are absent. According to standard wisdom delocalized right-handed neutrinos cannot be in thermal equilibrium with other particles. This according to standard wisdom. But what about TGD?

One should be very careful here: delocalized right-handed neutrinos is proposed to give rise to SUSY (not  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  requiring Majorana fermions) and their dynamics is that of passive spectator who follows the leader. The simplest guess is that the dynamics of right handed neutrinos at the level of amplitudes is completely trivial and thus trivially supersymmetric. There are however correlations between four-momenta.

- i. The four-momentum of  $\nu_R$  is parallel to the light-like momentum direction assignable to the massless extremal (or more general preferred extremal). This direct coupling to the geometry is a special feature of the modified Dirac operator and thus of sub-manifold gravity.
- ii. On the other hand, the sum of massless four-momenta of two parallel pieces of preferred extremals is the - in general massive - four-momentum of the elementary particle defined by the wormhole contact structure connecting the space-time sheets (which are glued along their boundaries together since this seems to be the only manner to get rid of boundary conditions requiring vacuum extremal property near the boundary). Could this direct coupling of the four-momentum direction of right-handed neutrino to geometry and four-momentum directions of other fermions be enough for the right handed neutrinos to be counted as a fourth neutrino species in thermal equilibrium? This might be the case!

One cannot of course exclude the coupling of 2-D neutrino at string world sheets to 4-D purely right handed neutrinos analogous to the coupling inducing a mixing of sterile neutrino with ordinary neutrinos. Also this could help to achieve the thermal equilibrium with 2-D neutrino species.



## Chapter 9

# New Physics Predicted by TGD: Part I

### 9.1 Introduction

TGD predicts a lot of new physics and it is quite possible that this new physics becomes visible at LHC. Although calculational formalism is still lacking, p-adic length scale hypothesis allows to make precise quantitative predictions for particle masses by using simple scaling arguments. Actually there is already now evidence for effects providing further support for TGD based view about QCD and first rumors about super-symmetric particles have appeared.

Before detailed discussion it is good to summarize what elements of quantum TGD are responsible for new physics.

- (a) The new view about particles relies on their identification as partonic 2-surfaces (plus 4-D tangent space data to be precise). This effective metric 2-dimensionality implies generalization of the notion of Feynman diagram and holography in strong sense. One implication is the notion of field identity or field body making sense also for elementary particles and the Lamb shift anomaly of muonic hydrogen could be explained in terms of field bodies of quarks.
- (b) The topological explanation for family replication phenomenon implies genus generation correspondence and predicts in principle infinite number of fermion families. One can however develop a rather general argument based on the notion of conformal symmetry known as hyper-ellipticity stating that only the genera  $g = 0, 1, 2$  are light [?] What "light" means is however an open question. If light means something below  $CP_2$  mass there is no hope of observing new fermion families at LHC. If it means weak mass scale situation changes.

For bosons the implications of family replication phenomenon can be understood from the fact that they can be regarded as pairs of fermion and antifermion assignable to the opposite wormhole throats of wormhole throat. This means that bosons formally belong to octet and singlet representations of dynamical  $SU(3)$  for which 3 fermion families define 3-D representation. Singlet would correspond to ordinary gauge bosons. Also interacting fermions suffer topological condensation and correspond to wormhole contact. One can either assume that the resulting wormhole throat has the topology of sphere or that the genus is same for both throats.

- (c) The view about space-time supersymmetry differs from the standard view in many respects. First of all, the super symmetries are not associated with Majorana spinors. Super generators correspond to the fermionic oscillator operators assignable to leptonic and quark-like induced spinors and there is in principle infinite number of them so that formally one would have  $\mathcal{N} = \infty$  SUSY. I have discussed the required modification of the formalism of SUSY theories in [?] and it turns out that effectively one obtains just  $\mathcal{N} = 1$  SUSY required by

experimental constraints. The reason is that the fermion states with higher fermion number define only short range interactions analogous to van der Waals forces. Right handed neutrino generates this super-symmetry broken by the mixing of the  $M^4$  chiralities implied by the mixing of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  gamma matrices for induced gamma matrices. The simplest assumption is that particles and their superpartners obey the same mass formula but that the p-adic length scale can be different for them.

- (d) The new view about particle massivation involves besides p-adic thermodynamics also Higgs but there is no need to assume that Higgs vacuum expectation plays any role. The most natural option favored by the assumption that elementary bosons are bound states of massless elementary fermions, by twistorial considerations, and by the fact that both gauge bosons and Higgs form SU(2) triplet and singlet, predicts that also photon and other massless gauge bosons develop small mass so that all Higgs particles and their colored variants would disappear from spectrum. Also Higgsinos could be eaten by gauginos so that only massive gauginos would be seen at LHC.
- (e) One of the basic distinctions between TGD and standard model is the new view about color.
  - i. The first implication is separate conservation of quark and lepton quantum numbers implying the stability of proton against the decay via the channels predicted by GUTs. This does not mean that proton would be absolutely stable. p-Adic and dark length scale hierarchies indeed predict the existence of scale variants of quarks and leptons and proton could decay to hadrons of some zoomed up copy of hadrons physics. These decays should be slow and presumably they would involve phase transition changing the value of Planck constant characterizing proton. It might be that the simultaneous increase of Planck constant for all quarks occurs with very low rate.
  - ii. Also color excitations of leptons and quarks are in principle possible. Detailed calculations would be required to see whether their mass scale is given by  $CP_2$  mass scale. The so called leptohadron physics proposed to explain certain anomalies associated with both electron, muon, and  $\tau$  lepton could be understood in terms of color octet excitations of leptons [?]
- (f) Fractal hierarchies of weak and hadronic physics labelled by p-adic primes and by the levels of dark matter hierarchy are highly suggestive. Ordinary hadron physics corresponds to  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ . One especially interesting candidate would be scaled up hadronic physics which would correspond to  $M_{89} = 2^{89} - 1$  defining the p-adic prime of weak bosons. The corresponding string tension is about 512 GeV and it might be possible to see the first signatures of this physics at LHC. Nuclear string model in turn predicts that nuclei correspond to nuclear strings of nucleons connected by colored flux tubes having light quarks at their ends. The interpretation might be in terms of  $M_{127}$  hadron physics. In biologically most interesting length scale range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu$ m there are four Gaussian Mersennes and the conjecture is that these and other Gaussian Mersennes are associated with zoomed up variants of hadron physics relevant for living matter. Cosmic rays might also reveal copies of hadron physics corresponding to  $M_{61}$  and  $M_{31}$ .
- (g) Weak form of electric magnetic duality implies that the fermions and antifermions associated with both leptons and bosons are Kähler magnetic monopoles accompanied by monopoles of opposite magnetic charge and with opposite weak isospin. For quarks Kähler magnetic charge need not cancel and cancellation might occur only in hadronic length scale. The magnetic flux tubes behave like string like objects and if the string tension is determined by weak length scale, these string aspects should become visible at LHC. If the string tension is 512 GeV the situation becomes less promising.

In this chapter the predicted new elementary particle physics and possible indications for it are discussed. Second chapter is devoted to new hadron physics and scaled up variants of hadron physics in both quark and lepton sector.

## 9.2 Family replication phenomenon

### 9.2.1 Family replication phenomenon for bosons

TGD predicts that also gauge bosons, with gravitons included, should be characterized by family replication phenomenon but not quite in the expected manner. The first expectation was that these gauge bosons would have at least 3 light generations just like quarks and leptons.

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### New view about interaction vertices and bosons

There are two options for the identification of particle vertices as topological vertices.

#### 1. Option a)

The original assumption was that one can assign also to bosons a partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  with more or less well defined genus  $g$ . The hypothesis is consistent with the view that particle reactions are described by smooth 4-surfaces with vertices being singular 3-surfaces intermediate between two three-topologies. The basic objection against this option is that it can induce too high rates

for flavor changing currents. In particular  $g > 0$  gluons could induce these currents. Second counter argument is that stable  $n > 4$ -particle vertices are not possible.

### 2. Option b)

According to the new vision (option 2)), particle decays correspond to branchings of the partonic 2-surfaces in the same sense as the vertices of the ordinary Feynman diagrams do correspond to branchings of lines. The basic mathematical justification for this vision is the enormous simplification caused by the fact that vertices correspond to non-singular 2-manifolds. This option allows also  $n > 3$ -vertices as stable vertices.

A consistency with the experimental facts is achieved if the observed gauge bosons have each value of  $g(X^2)$  with the same probability. Hence the general boson state would correspond to a phase  $\exp(in2\pi g/3)$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2$ , in the discrete space of 3 lowest topologies  $g = 0, 1, 2$ . The observed bosons would correspond to  $n = 0$  state and exotic higher states to  $n = 1, 2$ .

The nice feature of this option is that no flavor changing neutral electro-weak or color currents are predicted. This conforms with the fact that CKM mixing can be understood as electro-weak phenomenon described most naturally by causal determinants  $X_l^3$  (appearing as lines of generalized Feynman diagram) connecting fermionic 2-surfaces of different genus.

Consider now objections against this scenario.

- (a) Since the modular contribution does not depend on the gradient of the elementary particle vacuum functional but only on its logarithm, all three boson states should have mass squared which is the average of the mass squared values  $M^2(g)$  associated with three generations. The fact that modular contribution to the mass squared is due to the super-symplectic thermodynamics allows to circumvent this objection. If the super-symplectic p-adic temperature is small, say  $T_p = 1/2$ , then the modular contribution to the mass squared is completely negligible also for  $g > 0$  and photon, graviton, and gluons could remain massless. The wiggling of the elementary particle vacuum functionals at the boundaries of the moduli spaces  $\mathcal{M}_g$  corresponding to 2-surfaces intermediate between different 2-topologies (say pinched torus and self-touching sphere) caused by the change of overall phase might relate to the higher p-adic temperature  $T_p$  for exotic bosons.
- (b) If photon states had a 3-fold degeneracy, the energy density of black body radiation would be three times higher than it is. This problem is avoided if the the super-symplectic temperature for  $n = 1, 2$  states is higher than for  $n = 0$  states, and same as for fermions, say  $T_p = 1$ . In this case two mass degenerate bosons would be predicted with mass squared being the average over the three genera. In this kind of situation the factor  $1/3$  could make the real mass squared very large, or order  $CP_2$  mass squared, unless the sum of the modular contributions to the mass squared values  $M_{mod}^2(g) \propto n(g)$  is divisible by 3. This would make also photon, graviton, and gluons massive. Fortunately,  $n(g)$  is divisible by 3 as is clear from  $n(0) = 0$ ,  $n(1) = 9$ ,  $n(2) = 60$ .

### Masses of genus-octet bosons

For option 1) ordinary bosons are accompanied by  $g > 0$  massive partners. For option 2) both ordinary gauge bosons and their exotic partners have suffered maximal topological mixing in the case that they are singlets with respect to the dynamical  $SU(3)$ . There are good reasons to expect that Higgs mechanism for ordinary gauge bosons generalizes as such and that  $1/T_p > 1$  means that the contribution of p-adic thermodynamics to the mass is negligible. The scale of Higgs boson expectation would be given by p-adic length scale and mass degeneracy of octet is expected. A good guess is obtained by scaling the masses of electro-weak bosons by the factor  $2^{(k-89)/2}$ . Also the masses of genus-octet of gluons and photon should be non-vanishing and induced by a vacuum expectation of Higgs particle which is electro-weak singlet but genus-octet.



### Indications for genus-generation correspondence for gauge bosons

Tommaso Dorigo is a highly inspiring blogger since he writes from the point of view of experimental physicist without the burden of theoretical dogmas. I share with him also the symptoms of splitting of personality to fluctuation-enthusiast and die-hard skeptic. This makes life interesting but not easy. This time Tommaso told about the evidence for new neutral gauge boson states in  $p\bar{p}$  collisions. The title of the posting was "A New  $Z'$  Boson at 240 GeV? No, Wait, at 720!?" [C38] .

#### 1. *The findings*

The title tells that the tentative interpretation of these states are as excited states of  $Z^0$  boson and that the masses of the states are around 240 GeV and 720 GeV. The evidence for the new states comes from electron-positron pairs in relatively narrow energy interval produced by the decays of the might-be-there gauge boson. This kind of decay is an especially clean signature since strong interaction effects are not present and it appears at sharp energy.

240 GeV bump was reported by CDF last year [C71] CDF last year in  $p\bar{p}$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV. The probability that it is a fluctuation is .6 per cent. What is encouraging that also D0 found the same bump. If the particle in question is analogous to  $Z^0$ , it should decay also to muons. CDF checked this and found a negative result. This made Tommaso rather skeptic.

Also indications for 720 GeV resonance (720 GeV is just a nominal value, the mass could be somewhere between 700-800 GeV) was reported by D0 collaboration: the report is titled as "Search for high-mass narrow resonances in the di-electron channel at D0" [C89] . There are just 2 events above 700 GeV but background is small: just three events above 600 GeV. It is easy to guess what skeptic would say.

Before continuing I want to make clear that I refuse to be blind believer or die-hard skeptic and that I am unable to say anything serious about the experimental side. I am just interested to see whether these events might be interpreted in TGD framework. TGD indeed predicts -or should I say strongly suggests- a lot of new physics above intermediate boson length scale.

#### 2. *Are exotic $Z^0$ bosons p-adically scaled up variants of ordinary $Z^0$ boson?*

p-Adic length scale hypothesis allows the p-adic length scale characterized by prime  $p \simeq 2^k$  vary since  $k$  can have several integer values. The TGD counterpart of Gell-Mann-Okubo mass formula involves varying value of  $k$  for quark masses. Several anomalies reported by Tommaso during years could be resolved if  $k$  can have several values. Last anomaly was the discovery that  $\Omega_b$  baryon containing two strange quarks and bottom quark seems to appear with two masses differing by about 100 MeV. TGD explains the mass difference correctly by assuming that strange quark can have besides ordinary mass scale mass differing by factor of 2. The prediction is 105 MeV.

One can look whether p-adic length scale hypothesis could explain the masses of exotic  $Z^0$  candidates as multiples of half octaves of  $Z^0$  mass which is 91 GeV.  $k=3$  would give 257 GeV, not too far from 240 GeV.  $k=6$  would give 728 GeV consistent with the nominal value of the mass. Also other masses are predicted and this could serve as a test for the theory. This option does not however explain why muon pairs are not produced in the case of 240 GeV resonance.

#### 3. *Support for topological explanation of family replication phenomenon?*

The improved explanation is based on TGD based view about family replication phenomenon [K19] .

- (a) In TGD the explanation of family replication is in terms of genus of 2-dimensional partonic surface representing fermion. Fermions correspond to SU(3) triplet of a dynamical symmetry assignable to the three lowest genera (sphere, torus, sphere with two handles). Bosons as wormhole contacts have two wormhole throats carrying fermion numbers and correspond to SU(3) singlet and octet. Sooner or later the members of the octet - presumably heavier than singlet- should be observed (maybe this has been done now;-).

- (b) The exchange of these particles predicts also charged flavor changing currents respecting conservation of corresponding "isospin" and "hypercharge." For instance, lepton quark scattering  $e + s \rightarrow \mu + d$  would be possible. The most dramatic signature of these states is production of muon-positron pairs (for instance) via decays.
- (c) Since the  $Z^0$  or photon like boson in question has vanishing "isospin" and "hypercharge", it must be orthogonal to the ordinary  $Z^0$  which couples identically to all families. There are two states of this kind and they correspond to superpositions of fermion pairs of different generations in TGD framework. The two bosons - very optimistically identified as 240 GeV and 720 GeV  $Z^0$ , must be orthogonal to the ordinary  $Z^0$ . This requires that the phase factors in superposition of pairs adjust themselves properly. Also mixing effects breaking color symmetry are possible and expected to occur since the SU(3) in question is not an exact symmetry. Hence the exotic  $Z^0$  bosons *could* couple preferentially to some fermion generation. This kind of mixing might be used to explain the absence of muon pair signal in the case of 240 GeV resonance.
- (d) The prediction for the masses is same as for the first option if the octet and singlet bosons have identical masses for same p-adic mass scale so that mass splitting between different representations would take place via the choice of the mass scale alone.

#### 4. *Could scaled up copy of hadron physics involved?*

One can also ask whether these particles could come from the decays of hadrons of a scaled up copy of hadron physics strongly suggested by p-Adic length scale hypothesis.

- (a) Various hadron physics would correspond to Mersenne primes: standard hadron physics to  $M_{107}$  and new hadron physics to Mersenne prime  $M_{89} = 2^{89} - 1$ . The first guess for the mass scale of "light"  $M^{89}$  hadrons would be  $2^{(107-89)/2} = 512$  times that for ordinary hadrons. The electron pairs might result in a decay of scaled up variant of pseudoscalar mesons  $\pi$ ,  $\eta$ , or of  $\eta'$  or spin one  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  mesons with nearly the same mass. Only scaled up  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  mesons remains under consideration if one assumes spin 1.
- (b) The scaling of pion mass about 140 MeV gives 72 GeV. This is three times smaller than 240 GeV but this is extremely rough estimate. Actually it is the p-adic mass scale of quarks involved which matters rather than that of hadronic space-time sheet characterized by  $M_{89}$ . The naive scaling of the mass of  $\eta$  meson with mass 548 MeV would give about 281 GeV.  $\eta'$  would give 490 GeV.  $\rho$  meson with mass would give 396 GeV. The estimates are just order of magnitude estimates since the mass splitting between pseudoscalar and corresponding vector meson is sensitive to quark mass scale.
- (c) This option does not provide any explanation for the lack of muon pairs in decays of 240 GeV resonance.

To conclude, family replication phenomenon for gauge bosons is consistent with the claimed masses and also absence of muon pairs might be understood and it remains to be seen whether only statistical fluctuations are in question.

#### **A slight indication for the exotic octet of gauge bosons from forward-backward asymmetry in top pair production**

CDF has reported two anomalies related to the production of top quark pairs. The production rate for the pairs is too high and the forward backward asymmetry is also anomalously high. Both these anomalies could be understood as support for the octet of gauge bosons associated predicted by TGD based explanation of family replication phenomenon [K19]. The exchange of both gauge bosons would induce both charged and neutral flavour changing electroweak and color currents.

##### 1. *Two high production rate for top quark pairs*

Both Jester and Lubos tell about top quark related anomaly in proton-antiproton collisions at Tevatron reported by CDF collaboration. The anomaly has been actually reported already last summer but has gone un-noticed. For more detailed data see this [C21] .

What has been found is that the production rate for jet pairs with jet mass around 170 GeV, which happens to correspond to top quark mass, the production cross section is about 3 times higher than QCD simulations predict. 3.44 sigma deviation is in question meaning that its probability is same as for the normalized random variable  $x/\sigma$  to be larger than 3.44 for Gaussian distribution  $\exp(-(x/\sigma)^2/2)/(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}$ . Recall that 5 sigma is regarded as so improbable fluctuation that one speaks about discovery. If top pairs are produced by some new particle, this deviation should be seen also when second top decays leptonically meaning a large missing energy of neutrino. There is however a slight deficit rather than excess of these events.

One can consider three interpretations.

- (a) The effect is a statistical fluke. But why just at the top quark mass?
- (b) The hadronic signal is real but there is a downwards fluctuation reducing the number of leptonic events slightly from the expected one. In the leptonic sector the measurement resolution is poorer so that this interpretation looks reasonable. In this case the decay of some exotic boson to top quark pair could explain the signal. Below this option will be considered in more detail in TGD framework and the nice thing is that it can be connected to the anomalously high forward backward asymmetry in top quark pair production reported by CDF for few weeks ago [C73] .
- (c) Both effects are real and the signal is due to R-parity violating 3-particle decays of gluinos with mass near to top quark mass. This is the explanation proposed in the paper of Perez and collaborators.

### 2. Too high forward backward asymmetry in the production rate for top quark pairs

There is also a second anomaly involved with top pair production. Jester reports new data [C174] about the strange top-pair forward-backward asymmetry in top pair production in p-pbar collisions already mentioned [C73]. In Europhysics 2011 conference D0 collaboration reported the same result. CMS collaboration found however no evidence for the asymmetry in p-p collisions at LHC [C81]. For top pairs with invariant mass above 450 GeV the asymmetry is claimed by CDF to be stunningly large 48+/-11 per cent. 3 times more often top quarks produced in qqbar annihilation prefer to move in the direction of quark. Note that this experiment would have reduced the situation from the level of p-pbar collisions to the level of quark-antiquark collisions and the negative result suggests that valence quarks might play an essential role in the anomaly.

The TGD based explanation for the finding would relation on the flavor octet of gluons and the new view about Feynman diagrams.

- (a) The identification of family replication phenomenon in terms of genus of the wormhole throats (see this) predicts that family replication corresponds to a dynamical SU(3) symmetry (having nothing to do with color SU(3) or Gell-Mann's SU(3)) with gauge bosons belonging to the octet and singlet representations. Ordinary gauge bosons would correspond besides the familiar singlet representation also to exotic octet representation for which the exchanges induce neutral flavor changing currents in the case of gluons and neutral weak bosons and charge changing ones in the case of charged gauge bosons. The exchanges of the octet representation for gluons could explain both the anomalously high production rate of top quark pairs and the anomalously large forward backward asymmetry! Also electroweak octet could of course contribute.
- (b) This argument requires a more detailed explanation for what happens in the exchange of gauge boson changing the genus. Particles correspond to wormhole contacts. For topologically condensed fermions the genus of the second throat is that of sphere created when the fermionic  $CP_2$  vacuum extremal touches background space sheet. For bosons both wormhole throats are dynamical and the topologies of both throats matter. The exchange diagram corresponds to a situation in which  $g = g_i$  fermionic wormhole throat from past

turns back in time spending some time as second throat of virtual boson wormhole contact and  $g = g_f$  from future turns back in time and defines the second throat of virtual boson wormhole contact. The turning corresponds to gauge boson exchange represented by a wormhole contact with  $g = g_i$  and  $g = g_f$  wormhole throats. Ordinary gauge bosons are quantum superpositions of  $(g, g)$  pairs transforming as SU(3) singlets and SU(3) charged octet bosons are of pairs  $(g_1, g_2)$  with  $g_1 \neq g_2$ . In the absence of topological mixing of fermions inducing CKM mixing the exchange is possible only between fermions of same generation. The mixing is however large and changes the situation.

- (c) One could say that top quark from the geometric future transforms at exchange line to space-like t-quark (genus  $g = 2$ ) and returns to future. The quark from the geometric past does the same and returns back to the past as antiquark of antiproton. In the exchange line this quark combines with t-quark to form a virtual color octet gluon.

This mechanism could also give additional contributions to the mechanism generating CP breaking since new box diagrams involving two exchanges of flavor octet weak boson contribute to the mixings of quark pairs in mesons. The exchanges giving rise to an intermediate state of two top quarks are expected to give the largest contribution to the mixing of the neutral quark pairs making up the meson. This involves exchange of a member W boson flavor octet boson analogous to the usual exchange of the flavor singlet boson. This might relate to the reported anomalous like sign muon asymmetry in  $B\bar{B}$  decay [C90] suggesting that the CP breaking in this system is roughly 50 times larger than predicted by CKM matrix. The new diagrams would only amplify the CP breaking associated with CKM matrix rather than bringing in any new source of CP breaking. This mechanism increases also the CP breaking in  $K\bar{K}$  system known to be also anomalously high.

### 9.2.3 The physics of $M - \bar{M}$ systems forces the identification of vertices as branchings of partonic 2-surfaces

For option 2) gluons are superpositions of  $g = 0, 1, 2$  states with identical probabilities and vertices correspond to branchings of partonic 2-surfaces. Exotic gluons do not induce mixing of quark families and genus changing transitions correspond to light like 3-surfaces connecting partonic 2-surfaces with different genera. CKM mixing is induced by this topological mixing. The basic testable predictions relate to the physics of  $M\bar{M}$  systems and are due to the contribution of exotic gluons and large direct CP breaking effects in  $K - \bar{K}$  favor this option.

For option 1) vertices correspond to fusions rather than branchings of the partonic 2-surfaces. The prediction that quarks can exchange handle number by exchanging  $g > 0$  gluons (to be denoted by  $G_g$  in the sequel) could be in conflict with the experimental facts.

#### 1. CP breaking in $K - \bar{K}$ as a basic test

CP breaking physics in kaon-antikaon and other neutral pseudoscalar meson systems is very sensitive to the new physics. What makes the situation especially interesting, is the recently reported high precision value for the parameter  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  describing direct CP breaking in kaon-antikaon system [C122]. The value is almost by an order of magnitude larger than the standard model expectation.  $K - \bar{K}$  mass difference predicted by perturbative standard model is 30 per cent smaller than the the experimental value and one cannot exclude the possibility that new physics instead of/besides non-perturbative QCD might be involved.

In standard model the low energy effective action is determined by box and penguin diagrams.  $\Delta S = 2$  piece of the effective weak Lagrangian, which describes processes like  $s\bar{d} \rightarrow d\bar{s}$ , determines the value of the  $K - \bar{K}$  mass difference  $\Delta m_K$  and since this piece determines  $K \rightarrow \bar{K}$  amplitude it also contributes to the parameter  $\epsilon$  characterizing indirect CP breaking.  $\Delta S = 2$  part of the weak effective action corresponds to box diagrams involving two  $W$  boson exchanges.

#### 2. $\Delta m_K$ kills option a

For option 1) box diagrams involving  $Z$  and  $g > 0$  exchanges are allowed provided exchanges correspond to exchange of both  $Z$  and  $g > 0$  gluon. The most obvious objection is that the

exchanges of  $g > 0$  gluons make strong  $\Delta S > 0$  decays of mesons possible:  $K_S \rightarrow \pi\pi$  is a good example of this kind of decay. The enhancement of the decay rate would be of order  $(\alpha_s(g=1)/\alpha_{em})^2(m_W/m_G(g=1))^2 \sim 10^3$ . Also other  $\Delta S = 1$  decay rates would be enhanced by this factor. The real killer prediction is a gigantic value of  $\Delta m_K$  for kaon-antikaon system resulting from the possibility of  $\bar{s}d \rightarrow \bar{d}s$  decay by single  $g = 1$  gluon exchange. This prediction alone excludes option 1).

### 3. Option 2) could explain direct CP breaking

For option 2) box diagrams are not affected in the lowest order by exotic gluons. The standard model contributions to  $\Delta m_K$  and indirect CP breaking are correct for the observed value of the top quark mass which results if top corresponds to a secondary p-adic length scale  $L(2, k)$  associated with  $k = 47$  (Appendix). Higher order gluonic contribution could increase the value of  $\Delta m_K$  predicted to be about 30 per cent too small by the standard model.

In standard model penguin diagrams contribute to  $\Delta S = 1$  piece of the weak Lagrangian, which determines the direct CP breaking characterized by the parameter  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$ . Penguin diagrams, which describe processes like  $s\bar{d} \rightarrow d\bar{d}$ , are characterized by effective vertices  $dsB$ , where  $B$  denotes photon, gluon or  $Z$  boson.  $dsB$  vertices give the dominant contribution to direct CP breaking in standard model. The new penguin diagrams are obtained from ordinary penguin diagrams by replacing ordinary gluons with exotic gluons.

For option 2) the contributions predicted by the standard model are multiplied by a factor 3 in the approximation that exotic gluon mass is negligible in the mass scale of intermediate gauge boson. These diagrams affect the value of the parameter  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  characterizing direct CP breaking in  $K - \bar{K}$  system found experimentally to be almost order of magnitude larger than standard model expectation [C122].

## 9.3 Dark matter in TGD Universe

TGD based explanation of dark matter means one of the strongest departures of TGD from the more standard approaches. In standard approaches dark matter corresponds to some very weakly interaction exotic particles contributing to the mass density of the Universe a fraction considerably larger than the contributions of "visible" matter. In TGD Universe dark matter corresponds to phases with non-standard value of Planck constant and also ordinary particles could be in dark phase.

### 9.3.1 Dark matter and energy in TGD Universe

In TGD framework the identification of dark matter comes from arguments which could start from the strange finding that ELF em fields in frequency range of EEG have quantal effects on vertebrate brain [K25]. This is impossible in standard physics since the energies of photons many orders of magnitude below the thermal energy.

The proposal is that Planck constant is dynamical having a discrete integer valued spectrum so that for given frequency the energy of photon can be above thermal energy for sufficiently large value of Planck constant. Large values of Planck constant make possible macroscopic quantum coherence so that the hypothesis would explain how living matter manages to be quantum system in macroscopic scales. Particles characterized by different values of Planck constant cannot appear in same interaction vertices so that in this sense particles with different values of  $\hbar$  are dark relative to each other. This however allows interactions by particle exchange involving phase transition changing the value of Planck constant and also the interaction via classical fields.

The observation of Nottale [E20] that planetary orbits could be understood as Bohr orbits with a gigantic value of gravitational Planck constant leads also to the same idea [K71, K59]. The expression  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$ , where  $v_0$  has dimensions of velocity, forces to identify the Planck constant as a characterizer of the space-time sheets mediating the gravitational interaction

between Sun and planet. Quite generally, there is a strong temptation to assign dark matter with the field bodies (or magnetic bodies) of physical systems and this assumption is made in the model of living matter based on the notion of the magnetic body.

One must be cautious with the identification of galactic dark matter in terms of phases with large value of Planck constant. One explanation for the galactic dark matter would be in terms of string like objects containing galaxies like pearls in the necklace [K22]. The Newtonian gravitational potential of the long galactic string would give rise to constant velocity spectrum. It could of course be that dark matter in TGD sense resides as particles at the long strings which could also carry antimatter. At least part of dark matter could be in this form.

What can one conclude about dark energy in this framework?

- (a) Dark energy might allow interpretation as dark matter at the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction and macroscopically quantum coherent in cosmological scales. The enormous Compton wave lengths would imply that the density of dark energy would be constant as required by the interpretation in terms of cosmological constant.
- (b) This is however not the only possible interpretation. The magnetic tension of the magnetic flux tubes gives rise to the negative "pressure" inducing the accelerated expansion of the Universe serving as the basic motivation for the dark energy [K72].
- (c) The Robertson-Walker cosmologies with critical or over-critical mass density imbeddable to the imbedding space are characterized by their necessarily finite duration and possess a negative pressure. The interpretation as a constraint force due to the imbeddability to  $M^2 \times CP_2$  might explain dark energy [K72].
- (d) The GRT limit of TGD based on Einstein-Maxwell system with cosmological constant assigned with Euclidian regions of space-time allowing to get  $CP_2$  as a special solution of field equation suggests that cosmological constant equals to the cosmological constant of  $CP_2$  multiplied by the fraction of 3-volume with Euclidian signature of metric and representing generalized Feynman graphs [K85].

Whether these explanations represent different manners to say one and the same thing is not clear.

One could add the hierarchy of Planck constants as a separate postulate to TGD but it has turned out that the vacuum degeneracy characterizing TGD could imply this hierarchy as an effective hierarchy so that at the fundamental level one would have just the standard value of Planck constant [K28]. For both options the geometric realization for the hierarchy of Planck constants comes in terms of local covering spaces of imbedding space.

- (a) If the hierarchy is postulated rather than derived, the coverings in questions would be those of the causal diamond  $CD \times CP_2$  such that the number of sheets of the covering equals to the value of Planck constant. The coverings of both  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  are possible so that Planck constant is product of integers.
- (b) The hierarchy of local coverings would follow from the fact that time derivatives of imbedding space coordinates are in general many-valued functions of canonical momentum densities by the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action. In this case the covering would be covering of  $H$  assignable to a regions of space-time sheet. Note that, for the vacuum extremals for which induced Kähler gauge field is pure gauge and  $CP_2$  projection any 2-D Lagrangian of  $CP_2$ , an infinite number of branches of the covering co-incide. The situation can be characterized in terms of a generalization of catastrophe theory [A66] to infinite-D context.

An open question is whether dark matter phases can/must correspond to same p-adic length scale and therefore same mass. Dark matter would correspond to particles with non-standard values of Planck constant and also ordinary particles with standard values of masses could appear in dark phase and is assumed in TGD inspired quantum biology. Even quarks with Compton lengths scaled up to cell length scale appear in the model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27]. The model of leptopions [K84] in terms of colored excitations of leptons would suggest that colored excitations of leptons have same mass as leptons or possibly p-adically

scaled octave of it in the case of colored ta lepton. The colored excitation of lepton with ordinary value of Planck constant must have mass larger than one half of intermediate gauge boson mass scale. Same applies to possible colored excitations of quarks.

This picture modifies profoundly the ideas about how to detect dark matter.

- (a) For instance, it might be possible to photograph dark matter and it might be that Peter Gariaev and his group have actually achieved this. What they observe are strange flux tube like structures associated with DNA sample [I11]: a TGD based model for the findings is developed in [K2]. If dark matter is what TGD claims it to be, the experimental methods used to detect dark matter might be on wrong track.
- (b) One should try to find a situation in which the particles must be created in dark phase and in this respect colored excitations of leptons are a good candidate since the decay widths of intermediate gauge boson do not allow new light fermions so that if these excitations exist they must have non-standard value of Planck constant.
- (c) The recent results of DAMA and Cogent suggesting the existence of dark matter particles with mass around 7 GeV are in conflict with the findings of CDMS and Xenon100 experiments. It is encouraging that this conflict could be explained by using the fact that the detection criteria in these experiments are different and by assuming that the dark matter particles involved are tau-pions formed as bound states of colored excitations of tau-leptons.

### 9.3.2 Shy positrons

The latest weird looking effect in atomic physics is the observation that positrium atoms consisting of positron and electron scatter particles almost as if they were lonely electrons [C221, C159]. The effect has been christened cloaking effect for positron.

The following arguments represent the first attempts to understand the cloaking of positron in terms of these notions.

- (a) Let us start with the erratic argument since it comes first in mind. If positron and electron correspond to different space-time sheets and if the scattered particles are at the space-time sheet of electron then they do not see positron's Coulombic field at all. The objection is obvious. If positron interacts with the electron with its full electromagnetic charge to form a bound state, the corresponding electric flux at electron's space-time sheet is expected to combine with the electric flux of electron so that positronium would look like neutral particle after all. Does the electric flux of positron return back to the space-time sheet of positronium at some distance larger than the radius of atom? Why should it do this? No obvious answer.
- (b) Assume that positron dark but still interacts classically with electron via Coulomb potential. In TGD Universe darkness means that positron has large  $\hbar$  and Compton size much larger than positronic wormhole throat (actually wormhole contact but this is a minor complication) would have more or less constant wave function in the volume of this larger space-time sheet characterized by zoomed up Compton length of electron. The scattering particle would see pointlike electron plus background charge diffused in a much larger volume. If the value of  $\hbar$  is large enough, the effect of this constant charge density to the scattering is small and only electron would be seen.
- (c) As a matter fact, I have proposed this kind of mechanism to explain how the Coulomb wall, which is the basic argument against cold fusion could be overcome by the incoming deuteron nucleus [L2], [L2]. Some fraction of deuteron nuclei in the palladium target would be dark and have large size just as positron in the above example. It is also possible that only the protons of these nuclei are dark. I have also proposed that dark protons explain the effective chemical formula  $H_{1.5}O$  of water in scattering by neutrons and electrons in attosecond time scale [L2], [L2]. The connection with cloaked positrons is highly suggestive.
- (d) Also one of TGD inspired proposals for the absence of antimatter is that antiparticles reside at different space-time sheets as dark matter and are apparently absent [K72]. Also the

modified Dirac equation with measurement interaction term suggests that fermions and antifermions reside at different space-time sheets, in particular that bosons correspond to wormhole contacts [K29]. Cloaking positrons (shy as also their discoverer Dirac!) might provide an experimental supports for these ideas.

The recent view about the detailed structure of elementary particles forces to consider the above proposal in more detail.

- (a) According to this view all particles are weak string like objects having wormhole contacts at its ends and magnetically charged wormhole throats (four altogether) at the ends of the string like objects with length given by the weak length scale connected by a magnetic flux tube at both space-time sheets. Topological condensation means that these structures in turn are glued to larger space-time sheets and this generates one or more wormhole contacts for which also particle interpretation is highly suggestive and could serve as space-time correlate for interactions described in terms of particle exchanges. As far electrodynamics is considered, the second ends of weak strings containing neutrino pairs are effectively non-existing. In the case of fermions also only the second wormhole throat carrying the fermion number is effectively present so that for practical purposes weak string is only responsible for the massivation of the fermions. In the case of photons both wormhole throats carry fermion number.
- (b) An interesting question is whether the formation of bound states of two charged particles at the same space-time sheet could involve magnetic flux tubes connecting magnetically charged wormhole throats associated with the two particles. If so, Kähler magnetic monopoles would be part of even atomic and molecular physics. I have proposed already earlier that gravitational interaction in astrophysical scales involves magnetic flux tubes. These flux tubes would have an interpretation as analogs of say photons responsible for bound state energy. In principle it is indeed possible that the energies of the two wormhole throats are of opposite sign for topological sum contact so that the net energy of the wormhole contact pair responsible for the interaction could be negative.
- (c) Also the interaction of positron and electron would be based on topological condensation at the same space-time sheet and the formation of wormhole contacts mediating the interaction. Also now bound states could be glued together by magnetically charged wormhole contacts. In the case of dark positron, the details of the interaction are rather intricate since dark positron would correspond to a multi-sheeted structure analogous to Riemann surface with different sheets identified in terms of the roots of the equation relating generalized velocities defined by the time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates to corresponding canonical momentum densities.

### 9.3.3 Dark matter puzzle

Sean Carroll has explained in *Cosmic Variance* the latest rather puzzling situation in dark matter searches. Some experiments support the existence of dark matter particles with mass of about 7 GeV, some experiments exclude them. The following arguments show that TGD based explanation allows to understand the discrepancy.

#### How to detect dark matter and what's the problem?

Consider first the general idea behind the attempts to detect dark matter particles and how one ends up with the puzzling situation.

- (a) Galactic nucleus serves as a source of dark matter particles and these one should be able to detect. There is an intense cosmic ray flux of ordinary particles from galactic center which must be eliminated so that only dark matter particles interacting very weakly with matter remain in the flux. The elimination is achieved by going sufficiently deep underground so that ordinary cosmic rays are shielded but extremely weakly interacting dark matter particles remain in the flux. After this one can in the ideal situation record only the events



in which dark matter particles scatter from nuclei provided one eliminates events such as neutrino scattering.

- (b) DAMA experiment does not detect dark matter events as such but annual variations in the rate of events which can include besides dark matter events and other kind of events. DAMA finds annual variation interpreted as dark matter signal since other sources of events are not expected to have this kind of variation [C94]. Also CoGENT has reported the annual variation with 2.8 sigma confidence level [C183]. The mass of the dark matter particle should be around 7 GeV rather than hundreds of GeVs as required by many models. An unidentified noise with annual variation having nothing to do with dark matter could of course be present and this is the weakness of this approach.
- (c) For a few weeks ago we learned that XENON100 experiment detects no dark matter [C102]. Also CDMS has reported a negative result [C78]. According to Sean Carroll, the detection strategy used by XENON100 is different from that of DAMA: individual dark matter scatterings on nuclei are detected. This is a very significant difference which might explain the discrepancy since the theory laden prejudices about what dark matter particle scattering can look like, could eliminate the particles causing the annual variations. For instance, these prejudices are quite different for the habitants of the main stream Universe and TGD Universe.

### TGD based explanation of the DAMA events and related anomalies

I have commented earlier the possible interpretation of DAMA events in terms of tau-pions. The spirit is highly speculative.

- (a) Tau-pions would be identifiable as the particles claimed by Fermi Gamma Ray telescope with mass around 7 GeV and decaying into tau pairs so that one could cope with several independent observations instead of only single one.
- (b) Recall that the *CDF* anomaly gave for two and half years ago support for tau-pions whereas earlier anomalies dating back to seventies give support for electro-pions and mu-pions. The existence of these particles is purely TGD based phenomenon and due to the different view about the origin of color quantum numbers. In TGD colored states would be partial waves in  $CP_2$  and spin like quantum numbers in standard theories so that leptons would not have colored excitations.
- (c) Tau-pions are of course highly unstable and would not come from the galactic center. Instead, they would be created in cosmic ray events at the surface of Earth and if they can penetrate the shielding eliminating ordinary cosmic rays they could produce events responsible for the annual variation caused by that for the cosmic ray flux from galactic center.

Can one regard tau-pion as dark matter in some sense? Or must one do so? The answer is affirmative to both questions on both theoretical and experimental grounds.

- (a) The existence of colored variants of leptons is excluded in standard physics by intermediate gauge boson decay widths. They could however appear as states with non-standard value of Planck constant and therefore not appearing in same vertices with ordinary gauge bosons so that they would not contribute to the decay widths of weak bosons. In this minimal sense they would be dark and this is what is required in order to understand what we know about dark matter.

Of course, all particles can in principle appear in states with non-standard value of Planck constant so that tau-pion would be one special instance of dark matter. For instance, in living matter the role of dark variants of electrons and possibly also other stable particles would be decisive. To put it bluntly: in mainstream approach dark matter is identified as some exotic particle with ad hoc properties whereas in TGD framework dark matter is outcome of a generalization of quantum theory itself.

- (b) DAMA experiment requires that the tau-pions behave like dark matter: otherwise they would never reach the strongly shielded detector. The interaction with the nuclei of detector would be preceded by a transformation to a particle-tau-pion or something else- with ordinary value of Planck constant.

### TGD based explanation for the dark matter puzzle

The criteria used in experiments to eliminate events which definitely are not dark matter events - according to the prevailing wisdom of course - dictates to high degree what interactions of tau pions with solid matter detector are used as a signature of dark matter event. It could well be that the criteria used in XENON100 do not allow the scatterings of tau-pions with nuclei. This is indeed the case. The clue comes from the comments of Jester in Resonaances. From a comment of Jester one learns that CoGENT - and also DAMA utilizing the same detections strategy - "does not cut on ionization fraction". Therefore, if dark matter mimics electron recoils (as Jester says) or if dark matter produced in the collisions of cosmic rays with the nuclei of the atmosphere decays to charged particles one can understand the discrepancy.

The TGD based model [K84] explaining the more than two years old CDF anomaly [C72, C228] indeed explains also the discrepancy between XENON100 and CDMS on one hand and DAMA and CoGENT on the other hand. The TGD based model for the CDF anomaly can be found here. See also blog postings such as this and also two and half year old What's News at my homepage.

- (a) To explain the observations of CDF [C72, C228] one had to assume that tau-pions and therefore also color excited tau-leptons inside them appear as several p-adically scaled up variants so that one would have several octaves of the ground state of tau-pion with masses in good approximation equal to 3.6 GeV (two times the tau-lepton mass), 7.2 GeV, 14.4 GeV. The 14.4 GeV tau-pion was assumed to decay in a cascade like manner via lepto-strong interactions to lighter tau-pions- both charged and neutral- which eventually decayed to ordinary charged leptons and neutrinos.
- (b) Also other decay modes -say the decay of neutral tau-pions to gamma pair and to a pair of ordinary leptons- are possible but the corresponding rates are much slower than the decay rates for cascade like decay via multi-tau-pion states proceeding via lepto-strong interactions.
- (c) Just this cascade would take place also now after the collision of the incoming cosmic ray with the nucleus of atmosphere. The mechanism producing the neutral tau-pions -perhaps a coherent state of them- would degenerate in the collision of charged cosmic ray with nucleus generating strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields and the production amplitude would be essentially the Fourier transform of the "instanton density"  $E \cdot B$ . The decays of 14 GeV neutral tau-pions would produce 7 GeV charged tau-pions, which would scatter from the protons of nuclei and generate the events excluded by XENON100 but not by DAMA and Cogent.
- (d) In principle the model predicts to a high degree quantitatively the rate of the events. The scattering rates are proportional to an unknown parameter characterizing the transformation probability of tau-pion to a particle with ordinary value of Planck constant and this allows to perform some parameter tuning. This parameter would correspond to a mass insertion in the tau-pion line changing the value of Planck constant and have dimensions of mass squared.

The overall conclusion is that the discrepancy between DAMA and XENON100 might be interpreted as favoring TGD view about dark matter and it is fascinating to see how the situation develops. This confusion is not the only confusion in recent day particle physics. All believed-to-be almost-certainties are challenged.

### Has Fermi observed dark matter?

Resonaances reports about a possible dark matter signal at Fermi satellite [C263]. Also Lubos has a posting about the finding and mentions that the statistical significance is 3.3 sigma.

The proposed dark matter interpretation for the signal would be pair of monochromatic photons with second one detected at Earth. The interpretation would be that dark matter particles with mass  $m$  nearly at rest in galactic center annihilate to a pair of photons so that one obtains a pair of photons with energy equal to the cm energy which is in a good approximation the sum  $E = 2 \times m$  for the masses of the particles. The mass value would be around  $m=130$  GeV if the final state involves only 2 photons.

In TGD framework I would consider as a first guess a pion like state decaying to two photons with standard coupling given by the coupling to the "instanton density"  $E \cdot B$  of electromagnetic field. The mass of this particle would be 260 GeV, in reasonable approximation 2 times the mass  $m=125$  GeV of the Higgs candidate.

- (a) Similar coupling was assumed to explain the CDF anomaly [K84]. The anomaly would have been produced by tau-pions, which are pionlike states formed by pairs of colored excitations of tau and its antiparticle (or possibly their super-partners). What was remarkable that the mass had three values coming as powers of two:  $M = 2^k \times 2m(\tau;)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2$ . The interpretation in terms of p-adic length scale hypothesis would be obvious: also the octaves of the basic state are there. The constraint from intermediate gauge boson decay widths requires that these states are dark in TGD sense and therefore correspond to a non-standard value of Planck constant coming as an integer multiple of the standard value.
- (b) Also the explanation of the findings of Pamela discussed in this chapter require octaves of tau-pion produced in Earth's atmosphere.
- (c) Even ordinary pion should have 2-adic octaves. But doesn't this kill the hypothesis? We "know" that pion does not have any octaves! Maybe not, there is recent evidence for satellites of ordinary pion with energy scale of 40 MeV interpreted in terms of IR Regge trajectories assignable to the color magnetic flux tubes assignable to pion. There has been several wrong alarms about Higgs: at 115 GeV and 155 GeV at least. Could it be that there there is something real behind these wrong alarms: the scale for IR Regge trajectories would be about 20 GeV now!

So: could the dark matter candidates with mass around 260 GeV correspond to the first octave of  $M_{89}$  pion with mass around 125 GeV, the particle that colleagues want to call Higgs boson although its decay signatures suggest something different?

- (a) In this case it does not seem necessary to assume that the Planck constant has non-standard value although this is possible.
- (b) This particle should be produced in  $M_{89}$  strong interactions in the galactic center. This would require the presence of matter consisting of  $M_{89}$  nucleons emitting these pions in strong interactions. Galactic center is very exotic place and believed to contain even super-massive black hole. Could this environment accommodate also a scaled up copy of hadron physics? Presumably this would require very high temperatures with thermal energy of order .5 TeV correspond to the mass of  $M_{89}$  proton to make possible the presence of  $M_{89}$  matter. Or could  $M_{89}$  pion be produced in ultrastrong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields in the galactic center by the coupling to the instanton density. The needed field strengths would be extremely high. I have indeed proposed long time ago an explanation of very high energy cosmic rays in terms of the decay products of scaled up hadron physics (see "Cosmic Rays and Mersenne primes" in this chapter).

One can of course imagine that the photon pair is produced in the annihilation of  $M_{89}$  pions with opposite charges via standard electromagnetic coupling. Also the annihilation of  $M_{89}$  spions consisting of squark pair can be considered in TGD framework where squarks could have same mass scale as quarks. In this case mass would be near 125 GeV identified as mass of neutral  $M_{89}$  pion. By scaling up the mass difference 139.570-134.976 MeV of the ordinary charged and

neutral pion by the ratio of the pion  $M_{89}$  and  $M_{107}$  pion masses equal to  $(125/140) \times 10^3$  one obtains that the charged  $M_{89}$  pion should have mass equal to 129.6 MeV to be compared with the 130 GeV mass suggested by experimental evidence.

The story did not end here as so often when observations cannot be replicated. The Estonian researchers Elmo Tempel, Andi Hektora and Martti Raidala have found confirmation for the 130 GeV Fermi excess in gamma radiation from galactic center discovered by Cristoph Weniger [E4]. An important conclusion of these researchers is that best fit is obtained if the dark matter candidates decay by two-body annihilation to photons and have mass 145 GeV. The reason for why the gamma peak is at 130 GeV rather than 145 GeV would be due to the emission light particle pairs by the photons. There are also indications for a peak at 111 GeV: this could be assigned to  $\gamma Z$  final state of two-body decay.

In TGD framework the annihilating particles with 145 GeV mass could be charged pion-like states of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. They could be dark in the sense of having large value of Planck constant but it is not clear whether this is necessarily so. The TGD based on view about galactic dark matter locates in cosmic string like objects containing galaxies as pearls in necklace and no halo is needed to explain galactic rotation spectrum [K22]. An ultrahigh temperature would be needed to excite  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and if there is giant blackhole in galactic nucleus, there are hopes about this.  $M_{89}$  hadron physics could also produce ultrahigh energy cosmic rays as described in this chapter.

It is amusing that also CDF found for a couple of years ago evidence for a bump at the same 145 GeV energy (this has been forgotten long time ago by bloggers in 125 GeV Higgs hysteria). Estonians propose that also a particle with 290 GeV (mass would twice that of 145 GeV state) is needed. This brings further support for the idea about mass octaves of ground state of pionlike states needed to explain various anomalies (see this chapter and [K84]).

If one takes seriously the evidence for 125 GeV state and its identification as Euclidian pion together with the evidence for galactic pionlike state with mass of 145 GeV identified as  $M_{89}$ , one has a nice support for the overall TGD based view about situation described in this chapter. The small splitting between pionlike states has possible counterpart in the ordinary hadron physics: there is evidence for satellites of pion, mesons, and baryons in 20-40 MeV scale for mass splittings and in TGD framework they would correspond to IR Regge trajectories with the scale of 10-20 GeV mass splittings (see this chapter).

We are living exciting times!

## 9.4 Scaled variants of quarks and leptons

### 9.4.1 Fractally scaled up versions of quarks

The strange anomalies of neutrino oscillations [C105] suggesting that neutrino mass scale depends on environment can be understood if neutrinos can suffer topological condensation in several p-adic length scales [K45]. The obvious question whether this could occur also in the case of quarks led to a very fruitful developments leading to the understanding of hadronic mass spectrum in terms of scaled up variants of quarks. Also the mass distribution of top quark candidate exhibits structure which could be interpreted in terms of heavy variants of light quarks. The ALEPH anomaly [C261], which I first erratically explained in terms of a light top quark has a nice explanation in terms of  $b$  quark condensed at  $k = 97$  level and having mass  $\sim 55$  GeV. These points are discussed in detail in [K54].

The emergence of ALEPH results [C261] meant a an important twist in the development of ideas related to the identification of top quark. In the LEP 1.5 run with  $E_{cm} = 130 - 140$  GeV, ALEPH found 14  $e^+e^-$  annihilation events, which pass their 4-jet criteria whereas 7.1 events are expected from standard model physics. Pairs of dijets with vanishing mass difference are in question and dijets could result from the decay of a new particle with mass about 55 GeV.

The data do not allow to conclude whether the new particle candidate is a fermion or boson. Top quark pairs produced in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation could produce 4-jets via gluon emission but this

mechanism does not lead to an enhancement of 4-jet fraction. No  $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$  jets have been observed and only one event containing  $b$  has been identified so that the interpretation in terms of top quark is not possible unless there exists some new decay channel, which dominates in decays and leads to hadronic jets not initiated by  $b$  quarks. For option 2), which seems to be the only sensible option, this kind of decay channels are absent.

Super symmetrized standard model suggests the interpretation in terms of super partners of quarks or/and gauge bosons [C179]. It seems now safe to conclude that TGD does not predict sparticles. If the exotic particles are gluons their presence does not affect  $Z^0$  and  $W$  decay widths. If the condensation level of gluons is  $k = 97$  and mixing is absent the gluon masses are given by  $m_g(0) = 0$ ,  $m_g(1) = 19.2 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_g(2) = 49.5 \text{ GeV}$  for option 1) and assuming  $k = 97$  and hadronic mass renormalization. It is however very difficult to understand how a pair of  $g = 2$  gluons could be created in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation. Moreover, for option 2), which seems to be the only sensible option, the gluon masses are  $m_g(0) = 0$ ,  $m_g(1) = m_g(2) = 30.6 \text{ GeV}$  for  $k = 97$ . In this case also other values of  $k$  are possible since strong decays of quarks are not possible.

The strong variations in the order of magnitude of mass squared differences between neutrino families [C105] can be understood if they can suffer a topological condensation in several p-adic length scales. One can ask whether also  $t$  and  $b$  quark could do the same. In absence of mixing effects the masses of  $k = 97$   $t$  and  $b$  quarks would be given by  $m_t \simeq 48.7 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_b \simeq 52.3 \text{ GeV}$  taking into account the hadronic mass renormalization. Topological mixing reduces the masses somewhat. The fact that  $b$  quarks are not observed in the final state leaves only  $b(97)$  as a realistic option. Since  $Z^0$  boson mass is  $\sim 94 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $b(97)$  does not appreciably affect  $Z^0$  boson decay width. The observed anomalies concentrate at cm energy about  $105 \text{ GeV}$ . This energy is 15 percent smaller than the total mass of top pair. The discrepancy could be understood as resulting from the binding energy of the  $b(97)\bar{b}(97)$  bound states. Binding energy should be a fraction of order  $\alpha_s \simeq .1$  of the total energy and about ten per cent so that consistency is achieved.

The following arguments suggest that p-adically scaled up variants of quarks might appear not only at very high energies but even in low energy hadron physics.

#### Aleph anomaly and scaled up copy of $b$ quark

The prediction for the  $b$  quark mass is consistent with the explanation of the long since forgotten Aleph anomaly [C261] suggesting the existence of a particle with 55 GeV mass which might represent something real. If  $b$  quark condenses at  $k(b) = 97$  level, the predicted mass is  $m(b, 97) = 52.3 \text{ GeV}$  for  $n_b = 59$  for the maximal  $CP_2$  mass consistent with  $\eta'$  mass and interpretation as Aleph particle. If the mass of the particle candidate is defined experimentally as one half of the mass of resonance,  $b$  quark mass is actually by a factor  $\sqrt{2}$  higher and scaled up  $b$  corresponds to  $k(b) = 96 = 2^5 \times 3$ . The prediction is consistent with the estimate 55 GeV for the mass of the Aleph particle and gives additional support for the model of topological mixing. Also the decay characteristics of Aleph particle are consistent with the interpretation as a scaled up  $b$  quark.

#### Could top quark have scaled variants?

Tony Smith has emphasized the fact that the distribution for the mass of the top quark candidate has a clear structure suggesting the existence of several states, which he interprets as excited states of top quark [C244]. According to the figures 9.4.1 and 9.4.1 representing published FermiLab data, this structure is indeed clearly visible.

There is evidence for a sharp peak in the mass distribution of the top quark in 140-150 GeV range (Fig. 9.4.1). There is also a peak slightly below 120 GeV, which could correspond to a p-adically scaled down variant  $t$  quark with  $k = 95$  having mass 119.6 GeV for  $(Y_e = 0, Y_t = 1)$ . There is also a small peak also around 265 GeV which could relate to  $m(t(93)) = 240.4 \text{ GeV}$ . There top could appear at least for the p-adic scales  $k = 93, 94, 95$  as also  $u$  and  $d$  quarks seem to appear as current quarks.

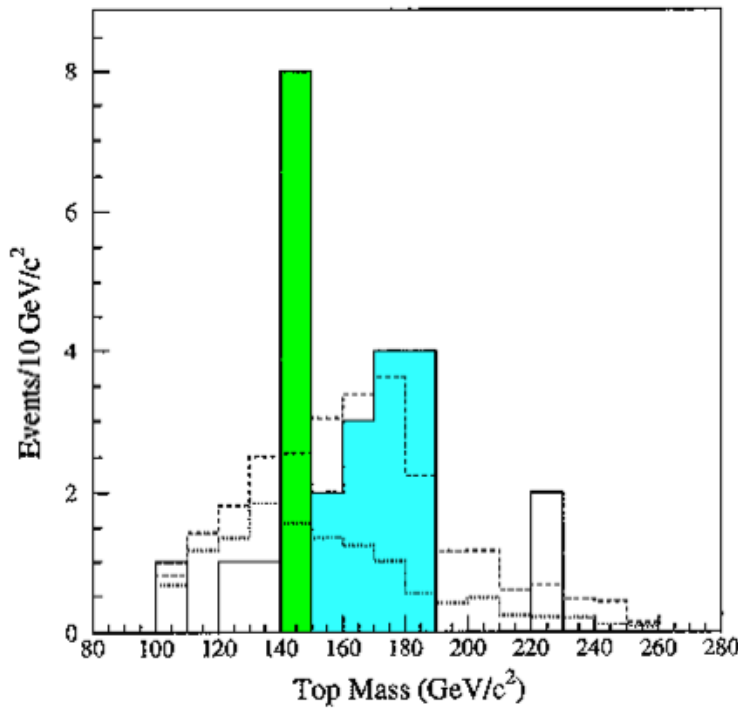


Figure 9.1: Fermilab semileptonic histogram for the distribution of the mass of top quark candidate (FERMILAB-PUB-94/097-E).

### Scaled up variants of d, s, u, c in top quark mass scale

The fact that all neutrinos seem to appear as scaled up versions in several scales, encourages to look whether also u, d, s, and c could appear as scaled up variants transforming to the more stable variants by a stepwise increase of the size scale involving the emission of electro-weak gauge bosons. In the following the scenario in which  $t$  and  $b$  quarks mix minimally is considered.

$q$	$m(92)/GeV$	$m(91)/GeV$	$m(90)/GeV$
$u$	134	189	267
$d$	152	216	304
$c$	140	198	280
$s$	152	216	304

Table 1. The masses of  $k = 92, 91$  and  $k = 90$  scaled up variants of u,d,c,s quarks assuming same integers  $n_{q_i}$  as for ordinary quarks in the scenario  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$  and  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$  and maximal  $CP_2$  mass consistent with the  $\eta'$  mass.

- For  $k = 92$ , the masses would be  $m(q, 92) = 134, 140, 152, 152$  GeV in the order  $q = u, c, d, s$  so that all these quarks might appear in the critical region where the top quark mass has been wandering.
- For  $k = 91$  copies would have masses  $m(q, 91) = 189, 198, 256, 256$  GeV in the order  $q = u, c, d, s$ . The masses of u and c are somewhat above the value of latest estimate 170 GeV for top quark mass [C110].

Note that it is possible to distinguish between scaled up quarks of  $M_{107}$  hadron physics and the quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics since the unique signature of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would be

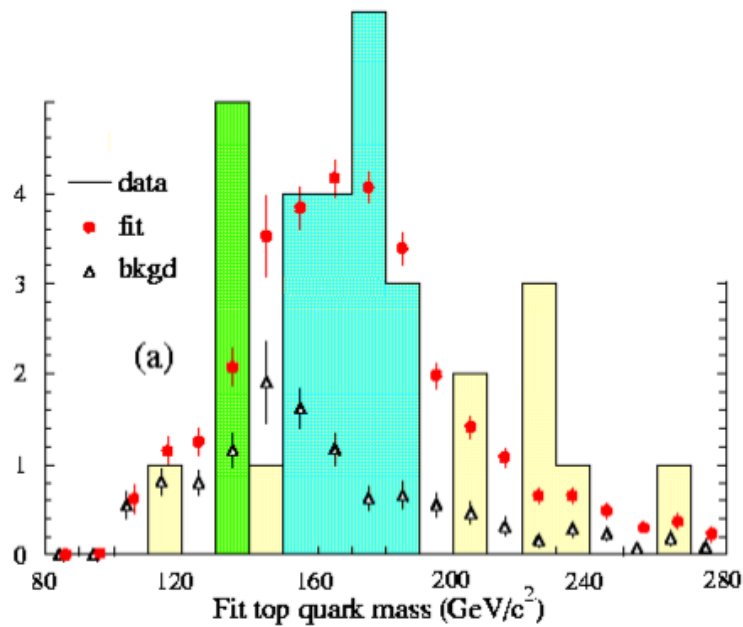


Figure 9.2: Fermilab D0 semileptonic histogram for the distribution of the mass of top quark candidate (hep-ex/9703008, April 26, 1994)

the increase of the scale of color Coulombic and magnetic energies by a factor of 512. As will be found, this allows to estimate the masses of corresponding mesons and baryons by a direct scaling. For instance,  $M_{89}$  pion and nucleon would have masses 71.7 GeV and 481 GeV.

It must be added that the detailed identifications are sensitive to the exact value of the  $CP_2$  mass scale. The possibility of at most 2.5 per cent downward scaling of masses occurs is allowed by the recent value range for top quark mass.

#### Fractally scaled up copies of light quarks and low mass hadrons?

One can of course ask, whether the fractally scaled up quarks could appear also in low lying hadrons. The arguments to be developed in detail later suggest that  $u$ ,  $d$ , and  $s$  quark masses could be dynamical in the sense that several fractally scaled up copies can appear in low mass hadrons and explain the mass differences between hadrons.

In this picture the mass splittings of low lying hadrons with different flavors would result from fractally scaled up excitations of  $s$  and also  $u$  and  $d$  quarks in case of mesons. This notion would also throw light into the paradoxical presence of two kinds of quark masses: constituent quark masses and current quark masses having much smaller values than constituent quarks masses. That color spin-spin splittings are of same order of magnitude for all mesons supports the view that color gauge fluxes are feeded to  $k = 107$  space-time sheet.

The alert reader has probably already asked whether also proton mass could be understood in terms of scaled up copies of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks. This does not seem to be the case, and an argument predicting with 23 per cent error proton mass scale from  $\rho - \pi$  and  $\Delta - N$  color magnetic splittings emerges.

To sum up, it seems quite possible that the scaled up quarks predicted by TGD have been observed for decade ago in FermiLab about that the prevailing dogmas has led to their neglect as statistical fluctuations. Even more, scaled up variants of  $s$  quarks might have been in front of our eyes for half century! Phenomenon is an existing phenomenon only if it is an understood phenomenon.

### The mystery of two $\Omega_b$ baryons

Tommaso Dorigo has three interesting postings [C114] about the discovery of  $\Omega_b$  baryon containing two strange quarks and one bottom quark.  $\Omega_b$  has been discovered -even twice. This is not a problem. The problem is that the masses of these  $\Omega_b$ s differ quite too much. D0 collaboration discovered  $\Omega_b$  with a significance of 5.4 sigma and a mass of  $6165 \pm 16.4$  MeV [C88]. Later CDF collaboration announced the discovery of the same particle with a significance of 5.5 sigma and a mass of  $6054.4 \pm 6.9$  MeV. Both D0 and CDF agree that the particle is there at better than 5 sigma significance and also that the other collaboration is wrong. They cannot both be right. Or could they? In some other Universe that that of standard model and all its standard generalizations, maybe in some less theoretically respected Universe, say TGD Universe?

The mass difference between the two  $\Omega_b$  candidates is 111 MeV, which represents the mass scale of strange quark. TGD inspired model for quark masses relies on p-adic thermodynamics and predicts that quarks can appear in several p-adic mass scales forming a hierarchy of half octaves - in other words mass scales comes as powers of square root of two. This property is absolutely essential for the TGD based model for masses of even low lying baryons and mesons where strange quarks indeed appear with several different p-adic mass scales. It also explains the large difference of the mass scales assigned to current quarks and constituent quarks. Light variants of quarks appear also in nuclear string model where nucleons are connected by color bonds containing light quark and antiquark at their ends.

$\Omega_b$  contains two strange quarks and the mass difference between the two candidates is of order of mass of strange quark. Could it be that both  $\Omega_b$ s are real and the discrepancy provides additional support for p-adic length scale hypothesis? The prediction of p-adic mass calculations for the mass of s quark is 105 MeV (see Table 1) so that the mass difference can be understood if the second s-quark in  $\Omega_b$  has mass which is twice the "standard" value. Therefore the strange finding about  $\Omega_b$  could give additional support for quantum TGD. Before buying a bottle of champagne, one should however understand why D0 and CDF collaborations only one  $\Omega_b$  instead of both of them.

#### 9.4.2 Could neutrinos appear in several p-adic mass scales?

There are some indications that neutrinos can appear in several mass scales from neutrino oscillations [C23]. These oscillations can be classified to vacuum oscillations and to solar neutrino oscillations believed to be due to the so called MSW effect in the dense matter of Sun. There are also indications that the mixing is different for neutrinos and antineutrinos [?, C22].

In TGD framework p-adic length scale hypothesis might explain these findings. The basic vision is that the p-adic length scale of neutrino can vary so that the mass squared scale comes as octaves. Mixing matrices would be universal. The large discrepancy between LSND and MiniBoone results [?] contra solar neutrino results could be understood if electron and muon neutrinos have same p-adic mass scale for solar neutrinos but for LSND and MiniBoone the mass scale of either neutrino type is scaled up. The existence of a sterile neutrino [C205] suggested as an explanation of the findings would be replaced by p-adically scaled up variant of ordinary neutrino having standard weak interactions. This scaling up can be different for neutrinos and antineutrinos as suggested by the fact that the anomaly is present only for antineutrinos.

The different values of  $\Delta m^2$  for neutrinos and antineutrinos in MINOS experiment [C22] can be understood if the p-adic mass scale for neutrinos increases by one unit. The breaking of CP and CPT would be spontaneous and realized as a choice of different p-adic mass scales and could be understood in zero energy ontology. Similar mechanism would break supersymmetry and explain large differences between the mass scales of elementary fermions, which for same p-adic prime would have mass scales differing not too much.

#### Experimental results

There several different type of experimental approaches to study the oscillations. One can study the deficit of electron type solar electron neutrinos (Kamiokande, Super-Kamiokande); one can



measure the deficit of muon to electron flux ratio measuring the rate for the transformation of  $\nu_\mu$  to  $\nu_\tau$  (super-Kamiokande); one can study directly the deficit of  $\nu_e$  ( $\bar{\nu}_e$ ) neutrinos due to transformation to  $\nu_\mu$   $\nu_\mu$  coming from nuclear reactor with energies in the same range as for solar neutrinos (KamLAND); and one can also study neutrinos from particle accelerators in much higher energy range such as solar neutrino oscillations (K2K,LSND,Miniboone,Minos).

### 1. Solar neutrino experiments and atmospheric neutrino experiments

The rate of neutrino oscillations is sensitive to the mass squared differences  $\Delta m_{12}^2$ ,  $\Delta m_{13}^2$ ,  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  and corresponding mixing angles  $\theta_{12}$ ,  $\theta_{13}$ ,  $\theta_{23}$  between  $\nu_e$ ,  $\nu_\mu$ , and  $\nu_\tau$  (ordered in obvious manner). Solar neutrino experiments allow to determine  $\sin^2(2\theta_{12})$  and  $\Delta m_{12}^2$ . The experiments involving atmospheric neutrino oscillations allow to determine  $\sin^2(2\theta_{23})$  and  $\Delta m_{23}^2$ .

The estimates of the mixing parameters obtained from solar neutrino experiments and atmospheric neutrino experiments are  $\sin^2(2\theta_{13}) = 0.08$ ,  $\sin^2(2\theta_{23}) = 0.95$ , and  $\sin^2(2\theta_{12}) = 0.86$ . The mixing between  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\tau$  is very small. The mixing between  $\nu_e$  and  $\nu_\mu$ , and  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$  tends is rather near to maximal. The estimates for the mass squared differences are  $\Delta m_{12}^2 = 8 \times 10^{-5}$  eV<sup>2</sup>,  $\Delta m_{23}^2 \simeq \Delta m_{13}^2 = 2.4 \times 10^{-3}$  eV<sup>2</sup>. The mass squared differences have obviously very different scale but this need not means that the same is true for mass squared values.

### 2. The results of LSND and MiniBoone

LSND experiment measuring the transformation of  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  to  $\bar{\nu}_e$  gave a totally different estimate for  $\Delta m_{12}^2$  than solar neutrino experiments MiniBoone, [C205]. If one assumes same value of  $\sin^2(\theta_{12})^2 \simeq .86$  one obtains  $\Delta m_{23}^2 \sim .1$  eV<sup>2</sup> to be compared with  $\Delta m_{12}^2 = 8 \times 10^{-5}$  eV<sup>2</sup>. This result is known as LSND anomaly and led to the hypothesis that there exists a sterile neutrino having no weak interactions and mixing with the ordinary electron neutrino and inducing a rapid mixing caused by the large value of  $\Delta m^2$ . The purpose of MiniBoone experiment [?] was to test LSND anomaly.

- (a) It was found that the two-neutrino fit for the oscillations for  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  is not consistent with LSND results. There is an unexplained  $3\sigma$  electron excess for  $E < 475$  MeV. For  $E > 475$  MeV the two-neutrino fit is not consistent with LSND fit. The estimate for  $\Delta m^2$  is in the range  $.1 - 1$  eV<sup>2</sup> and differs dramatically from the solar neutrino data.
- (b) For antineutrinos there is a small  $1.3\sigma$  electron excess for  $E < 475$  MeV. For  $E > 475$  MeV the excess is 3 per cent consistent with null. Two-neutrino oscillation fits are consistent with LSND. The best fit gives  $(\Delta m_{12}^2, \sin^2(2\theta_{12})) = (0.064 \text{ eV}^2, 0.96)$ . The value of  $\Delta m_{12}^2$  is by a factor 800 larger than that estimated from solar neutrino experiments.

All other experiments (see the table of the summary of [C205] about sterile neutrino hypothesis) are consistent with the absence of  $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  mixing and only LSND and MiniBoone report an indication for a signal. If one however takes these findings seriously they suggest that neutrinos and antineutrinos behave differently in the experimental situations considered. Two-neutrino scenarios for the mixing (no sterile neutrinos) are consistent with data for either neutrinos or antineutrinos but not both [C205].

### 3. The results of MINOS group

The MINOS group at Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory has reported evidence that the mass squared differences between neutrinos are not same for neutrinos and antineutrinos [C22]. In this case one measures the disappearance of  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  neutrinos from high energy beam in the range .5-1 GeV and the dominating contribution comes from the transformation to  $\tau$  neutrinos.  $\Delta m_{23}^2$  is reported to be about 40 percent larger for antineutrinos than for neutrinos. There is 5 percent probability that the mass squared differences are same. The best fits for the basic parameters are  $(\Delta m_{23}^2 = 2.35 \times 10^{-3}, \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) = 1)$  for neutrinos with error margin for  $\Delta m^2$  being about 5 per cent and  $(\Delta m_{23}^2 = 3.36 \times 10^{-3}, \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) = .86)$  for antineutrinos with errors margin around 10 per cent. The ratio of mass squared differences is  $r \equiv \Delta m^2(\bar{\nu})/\Delta m^2(\nu) = 1.42$ . If one assumes  $\sin^2(2\theta_{23}) = 1$  in both cases the ratio comes as  $r = 1.3$ .

### Explanation of findings in terms of p-adic length scale hypothesis

p-Adic length scale hypothesis predicts that fermions can correspond to several values of p-adic prime meaning that the mass squared comes as octaves (powers of two). The simplest model for the neutrino mixing assumes universal topological mixing matrices and therefore for CKM matrices so that the results should be understood in terms of different p-adic mass scales. Even CP breaking and CPT breaking at fundamental level is un-necessary although it would occur spontaneously in the experimental situation selecting different p-adic mass scales for neutrinos and antineutrinos. The expression for the mixing probability a function of neutrino energy in two-neutrino model for the mixing is of form

$$P(E) = \sin^2(2\theta)\sin^2(X) \quad , \quad X = k \times \Delta m^2 \times \frac{L}{E} \quad .$$

Here  $k$  is a numerical constant,  $L$  is the length travelled, and  $E$  is neutrino energy.

#### 1. LSND and MiniBoone results

LSND and MiniBoone results are inconsistent with solar neutrino data since the value of  $\Delta m_{12}^2$  is by a factor 800 larger than that estimated from solar neutrino experiments. This could be understood if in solar neutrino experiments  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_e$  correspond to the same p-adic mass scale  $k = k_0$  and have very nearly identical masses so that  $\Delta m^2$  scale is much smaller than the mass squared scale. If either p-adic scale is changed from  $k_0$  to  $k_0 + k$ , the mass squared difference increases dramatically. The counterpart of the sterile neutrino would be a p-adically scaled up version of the ordinary neutrino having standard electro-weak interactions. The p-adic mass scale would correspond to the mass scale defined by  $\Delta m^2$  in LSND and MiniBoone experiments and therefore a mass scale in the range .3-1 eV. The p-adic length scale assignable to eV mass scale could correspond to  $k = 167$ , which corresponds to cell length scale of  $2.5 \mu\text{m}$ .  $k = 167$  defines one of the Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1+i)^k - 1$   $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  varying in the range 10 nm (cell membrane thickness) and  $2.5 \mu\text{m}$  defining the size of cell nucleus proposed to be fundamental for the understanding of living matter [K25] .

#### 2. MINOS results

One must assume also now that the p-adic mass scales for  $\nu_\tau$  and  $\bar{\nu}_\tau$  are near to each other in the "normal" experimental situation. Assuming that the mass squared scales of  $\nu_\mu$  or  $\bar{\nu}_\mu$  come as  $2^{-k}$  powers of  $m_{\nu_\mu}^2 = m_{\nu_\tau}^2 + \Delta m^2$ , one obtains

$$m_{\nu_\tau}^2(k_0) - m_{\bar{\nu}_\mu}^2(k_0 + k) = (1 - 2^{-k})m_{\nu_\tau}^2 - 2^{-k}\Delta m_0^2 \quad .$$

For  $k = 1$  this gives

$$r = \frac{\Delta m^2(k=2)}{\Delta m^2(k=1)} = \frac{\frac{3}{2} - \frac{2r}{3}}{1-r} \quad , \quad r = \frac{\Delta m_0^2}{m_{\nu_\tau}^2} \quad . \quad (9.4.1)$$

One has  $r \geq 3/2$  for  $r > 0$  if one has  $m_{\nu_\tau} > m_{\nu_\mu}$  for the same p-adic length scale. The experimental ratio  $r \simeq 1.3$  could be understood for  $r \simeq -.31$ . The experimental uncertainties certainly allow the value  $r = 1.5$  for  $k(\bar{\nu}_\mu) = 1$  and  $k(\nu_\mu) = 2$ .

This result implies that the mass scale of  $\nu_\mu$  and  $\nu_\tau$  differ by a factor 1/2 in the "normal" situation so that mass squared scale of  $\nu_\tau$  would be of order  $5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2$ . The mass scales for  $\bar{\nu}_\tau$  and  $\nu_\tau$  would about .07 eV and .05 eV. In the LSND and MiniBoone experiments the p-adic mass scale of other neutrino would be around .1-1 eV so that different p-adic mass scale large by a factor  $2^{k/2}$ ,  $2 \leq k \leq 7$  would be in question. The different results from various experiments could be perhaps understood in terms of the sensitivity of the p-adic mass scale to the experimental situation. Neutrino energy could serve as a control parameter.

### CP and CPT breaking

Different values of  $\Delta m_{ij}^2$  for neutrinos and antineutrinos would require in standard QFT framework not only the violation of CP but also CP [B3] which is the cherished symmetry of quantum field theories. CPT symmetry states that when one reverses time's arrow, reverses the signs of momenta and replaces particles with their antiparticles, the resulting Universe obeys the same laws as the original one. CPT invariance follows from Lorentz invariance, Lorentz invariance of vacuum state, and from the assumption that energy is bounded from below. On the other hand, CPT violation requires the breaking of Lorentz invariance.

In TGD framework this kind of violation does not seem to be necessary at fundamental level since p-adic scale hypothesis allowing neutrinos and also other fermions to have several mass scales coming as half-octaves of a basic mass scale for given quantum numbers. In fact, even in TGD inspired low energy hadron physics quarks appear in several mass scales. One could explain the different choice of the p-adic mass scales as being due to the experimental arrangement which selects different p-adic length scales for neutrinos and antineutrinos so that one could speak about spontaneous breaking of CP and possibly CPT. The CP breaking at the fundamental level which is however expected to be small in the case considered. The basic prediction of TGD and relates to the CP breaking of Chern-Simons action inducing CP breaking in the modified Dirac action defining the fermionic propagator [L6].

One can indeed consider the possibility of a spontaneous breaking of CPT symmetry in TGD framework since for a given  $CD$  (causal diamond defined as the intersection of future and past directed light-cones whose size scales are assumed to come as octaves) the Lorentz invariance is broken due to the preferred time direction (rest system) defined by the time-like line connecting the tips of  $CD$ . Since the world of classical worlds is union of  $CD$ s with all boosts included the Lorentz invariance is not violated at the level of WCW. Spontaneous symmetry breaking would be analogous to that for the solutions of field equations possessing the symmetry themselves. The mechanism of breaking would be same as that for supersymmetry. For same p-adic length scale particles and their super-partners would have same masses and only the selection of the p-adic mass scale would induce the mass splitting.

There is an article about CPT violation [B33] of the dynamics defined by what the authors also call Chern-Simons term. This term is not identical with the measurement interaction term introduced in TGD framework. It is however linear in momentum as is also the measurement interaction term added to Chern-Simons Dirac action and this is what is essential from the point of view of CPT. The measurement interaction term has a formal interpretation as  $U(1)$  gauge transform but having non-trivial physical effect since it is added only to the Chern-Simons Dirac action term but not to Kähler-Dirac action. The linearity with respect to momentum suggests CPT oddness of the measurement interaction term. In absence of the measurement interaction CPT would be intact but the change of the sign of the measurement interaction term in PT would bring in CPT violation. One must however notice that in TGD framework both imbedding space level and space-time level are involved and this does not allow straightforward application of standard arguments.

## 9.5 Scaled variants of hadron physics

### 9.5.1 Leptohadron physics

TGD suggest strongly ('predicts' is perhaps too strong expression) the existence of color excited leptons. The mass calculations based on p-adic thermodynamics and p-adic conformal invariance lead to a rather detailed picture about color excited leptons.

- (a) The simplest color excited neutrinos and charged leptons belong to the color octets  $\nu_8$  and  $L_{10}$  and  $L_{\bar{10}}$  decuplet representations respectively and lepto-hadrons are formed as the color singlet bound states of these and possible other representations. Electro-weak symmetry suggests strongly that the minimal representation content is octet and decuplets for both neutrinos and charged leptons.

- (b) The basic mass scale for lepto-hadron physics is completely fixed by p-adic length scale hypothesis. The first guess is that color excited leptons have the levels  $k = 127, 113, 107, \dots$  ( $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  prime or power of prime) associated with charged leptons as primary condensation levels. p-Adic length scale hypothesis allows however also the level  $k = 11^2 = 121$  in case of electronic lepto-hadrons. Thus both  $k = 127$  and  $k = 121$  must be considered as a candidate for the level associated with the observed lepto-hadrons. If also lepto-hadrons correspond non-perturbatively to exotic Super Virasoro representations, lepto-pion mass relates to pion mass by the scaling factor  $L(107)/L(k) = k^{(107-k)/2}$ . For  $k = 121$  one has  $m_{\pi_L} \simeq 1.057$  MeV which compares favorably with the mass  $m_{\pi_L} \simeq 1.062$  MeV of the lowest observed state: thus  $k = 121$  is the best candidate contrary to the earlier beliefs. The mass spectrum of lepto-hadrons is expected to have same general characteristics as hadronic mass spectrum and a satisfactory description should be based on string tension concept. Regge slope is predicted to be of order  $\alpha' \simeq 1.02/MeV^2$  for  $k = 121$ . The masses of ground state lepto-hadrons are calculable once primary condensation levels for colored leptons and the CKM matrix describing the mixing of color excited lepton families is known.

The strongest counter arguments against color excited leptons are the following ones.

- (a) The decay widths of  $Z^0$  and  $W$  boson allow only  $N = 3$  light particles with neutrino quantum numbers. The introduction of new light elementary particles seems to make the decay widths of  $Z^0$  and  $W$  intolerably large.
- (b) Lepto-hadrons should have been seen in  $e^+e^-$  scattering at energies above few  $MeV$ . In particular, lepto-hadronic counterparts of hadron jets should have been observed.

A possible resolution of these problems is provided by the loss of asymptotic freedom in lepto-hadron physics. Lepto-hadron physics would effectively exist in a rather limited energy range about one MeV.

The development of the ideas about dark matter hierarchy [K32, K76, K26, K24] led however to a much more elegant solution of the problem.

- (a) TGD predicts an infinite hierarchy of various kinds of dark matters which in particular means a hierarchy of color and electro-weak physics with weak mass scales labelled by appropriate p-adic primes different from  $M_{89}$ : the simplest option is that also ordinary photons and gluons are labelled by  $M_{89}$ .
- (b) There are number theoretical selection rules telling which particles can interact with each other. The assignment of a collection of primes to elementary particle as characterizer of p-adic primes characterizing the particles coupling directly to it, is inspired by the notion of infinite primes [K78], and discussed in [K32]. Only particles characterized by integers having common prime factors can interact by the exchange of elementary bosons: the p-adic length scale of boson corresponds to a common primes.
- (c) Also the physics characterized by different values of  $\hbar$  are dark with respect to each other as far quantum coherent gauge interactions are considered. Laser beams might well correspond to photons characterized by p-adic prime different from  $M_{89}$  and de-coherence for the beam would mean decay to ordinary photons. De-coherence interaction involves scaling down of the Compton length characterizing the size of the space-time of particle implying that particles do not anymore overlap so that macroscopic quantum coherence is lost.
- (d) Those dark physics which are dark relative to each other can interact only via graviton exchange. If lepto-hadrons correspond to a physics for which weak bosons correspond to a p-adic prime different from  $M_{89}$ , intermediate gauge bosons cannot have direct decays to colored excitations of leptons irrespective of whether the QCD in question is asymptotically free or not. Neither are there direct interactions between the QED:s and QCD:s in question if  $M_{89}$  characterizes also ordinary photons and gluons. These ideas are discussed and applied in detail in [K32, K76, K26].

Skeptic reader might stop the reading after these counter arguments unless there were definite experimental evidence supporting the lepto-hadron hypothesis.

- (a) The production of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs in heavy ion collisions (energies just above the Coulomb barrier) suggests the existence of pseudoscalar particles decaying to  $e^+e^-$  pairs. A natural identification is as lepto-pions that is bound states of color octet excitations of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$ .
- (b) The second puzzle, Karmen anomaly, is quite recent [C206]. It has been found that in charge pion decay the distribution for the number of neutrinos accompanying muon in decay  $\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu_\mu$  as a function of time seems to have a small shoulder at  $t_0 \sim ms$ . A possible explanation is the decay of charged pion to muon plus some new weakly interacting particle with mass of order  $30 MeV$  [C260]: the production and decay of this particle would proceed via mixing with muon neutrino. TGD suggests the identification of this state as color singlet leptobaryon of, say type  $L_B = f_{abc}L_8^a L_8^b \bar{L}_8^c$ , having electro-weak quantum numbers of neutrino.
- (c) The third puzzle is the anomalously high decay rate of orto-positronium. [C61].  $e^+e^-$  annihilation to virtual photon followed by the decay to real photon plus virtual lepto-pion followed by the decay of the virtual lepto-pion to real photon pair,  $\pi_L \gamma \gamma$  coupling being determined by axial anomaly, provides a possible explanation of the puzzle.
- (d) There exists also evidence for anomalously large production of low energy  $e^+e^-$  pairs [C162, C125, C155, C52] in hadronic collisions, which might be basically due to the production of lepto-hadrons via the decay of virtual photons to colored leptons.

In this chapter a revised form of lepto-hadron hypothesis is described.

- (a) Sigma model realization of PCAC hypothesis allows to determine the decay widths of lepto-pion and lepto-sigma to photon pairs and  $e^+e^-$  pairs. Ortopositronium anomaly determines the value of  $f(\pi_L)$  and therefore the value of lepto-pion-lepto-nucleon coupling and the decay rate of lepto-pion to two photons. Various decay widths are in accordance with the experimental data and corrections to electro-weak decay rates of neutron and muon are small.
- (b) One can consider several alternative interpretations for the resonances.
 

*Option 1:* For the minimal color representation content, three lepto-pions are predicted corresponding to 8, 10,  $\bar{10}$  representations of the color group. If the lightest lepto-nucleons  $e_{ex}$  have masses only slightly larger than electron mass, the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  could be actually  $e_{ex}^+ + e_{ex}^-$  pairs produced in the decays of lepto-pions. One could identify 1.062, 1.63 and 1.77 MeV states as the three lepto-pions corresponding to 8, 10,  $\bar{10}$  representations and also understand why the latter two resonances have nearly degenerate masses. Since  $d$  and  $s$  quarks have same primary condensation level and same weak quantum numbers as colored  $e$  and  $\mu$ , one might argue that also colored  $e$  and  $\mu$  correspond to  $k = 121$ . From the mass ratio of the colored  $e$  and  $\mu$ , as predicted by TGD, the mass of the muonic lepto-pion should be about 1.8 MeV in the absence of topological mixing. This suggests that 1.83 MeV state corresponds to the lightest  $g = 1$  lepto-pion.

*Option 2:* If one believes sigma model (in ordinary hadron physics the existence of sigma meson is not established and its width is certainly very large if it exists), then lepto-pions are accompanied by sigma scalars. If lepto-sigmas decay dominantly to  $e^+e^-$  pairs (this might be forced by kinematics) then one could adopt the previous sceneario and could identify 1.062 state as lepto-pion and 1.63, 1.77 and 1.83 MeV states as lepto-sigmas rather than lepto-pions. The fact that muonic lepto-pion should have mass about 1.8 MeV in the absence of topological mixing, suggests that the masses of lepto-sigma and lepto-pion should be rather close to each other.

*Option 3:* One could also interpret the resonances as string model 'satellite states' having interpretation as radial excitations of the ground state lepto-pion and lepto-sigma. This identification is not however so plausible as the genuinely TGD based identification and will not be discussed in the sequel.
- (c) PCAC hypothesis and sigma model leads to a general model for lepto-hadron production in the electromagnetic fields of the colliding nuclei and production rates for lepto-pion and other lepto-hadrons are closely related to the Fourier transform of the instanton density

$\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$  of the electromagnetic field created by nuclei. The first source of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs is the production of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs from vacuum followed by  $\sigma_L \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decay. If  $e_{ex}^+e_{ex}^-$  pairs rather than genuine  $e^+e^-$  pairs are in question, the production is production of lepto-pions from vacuum followed by lepto-pion decay to lepto-nucleon pair.

*Option 1:* For the production of lepto-nucleon pairs the cross section is only slightly below the experimental upper bound for the production of the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs and the decay rate of lepto-pion to lepto-nucleon pair is of correct order of magnitude.

*Option 2:* The rough order of magnitude estimate for the production cross section of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs via  $\sigma_l\pi_l$  pair creation followed by  $\sigma_L \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decay, is by a factor of order  $1/\sum N_c^2$  ( $N_c$  is the total number of states for a given colour representation and sum over the representations contributing to the orthopositronium anomaly appears) smaller than the reported cross section in case of 1.8 MeV resonance. The discrepancy could be due to the neglect of the large radiative corrections (the coupling  $g(\pi_L\pi_L\sigma_L) = g(\sigma_L\sigma_L\sigma_L)$  is very large) and also due to the uncertainties in the value of the measured cross section.

Given the unclear status of sigma in hadron physics, one has a temptation to conclude that anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs actually correspond to lepto-nucleon pairs.

- (d) The vision about dark matter suggests that direct couplings between leptons and lepto-hadrons are absent in which case no new effects in the direct interactions of ordinary leptons are predicted. If colored leptons couple directly to ordinary leptons, several new physics effects such as resonances in photon-photon scattering at cm energy equal to lepto-pion masses and the production of  $e_{ex}\bar{e}_{ex}$  ( $e_{ex}$  is leptobaryon with quantum numbers of electron) and  $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  pairs in heavy ion collisions, are possible. Lepto-pion exchange would give dominating contribution to  $\nu - e$  and  $\bar{\nu} - e$  scattering at low energies. Lepto-hadron jets should be observed in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at energies above few MeV:s unless the loss of asymptotic freedom restricts lepto-hadronic physics to a very narrow energy range and perhaps to entirely non-perturbative regime of lepto-hadronic QCD.

During 18 years after the first published version of the model also evidence for colored  $\mu$  has emerged. Towards the end of 2008 CDF anomaly gave a strong support for the colored excitation of  $\tau$ . The lifetime of the light long lived state identified as a charged  $\tau$ -pion comes out correctly and the identification of the reported 3 new particles as p-adically scaled up variants of neutral  $\tau$ -pion predicts their masses correctly. The observed muon jets can be understood in terms of the special reaction kinematics for the decays of neutral  $\tau$ -pion to 3  $\tau$ -pions with mass scale smaller by a factor 1/2 and therefore almost at rest. A spectrum of new particles is predicted. The discussion of CDF anomaly led to a modification and generalization of the original model for lepto-pion production and the predicted production cross section is consistent with the experimental estimate.

### 9.5.2 First evidence for $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

The first evidence -or should we say indication- for the existence of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics has emerged from CDF which for two and half years ago provided evidence also for the colored excitations of tau lepton and for lepto-hadron physics.

#### Has CDF discovered a new boson with mass around 145 GeV?

The story began when The eprint of CDF collaboration [C15] reported evidence for a new resonance like state, presumably a boson decaying to a dijet (jj) with mass around 145 GeV. The dijet is produced in association with W boson. The interpretation as Higgs is definitely excluded.

Bloggers reacted intensively to the possibility of a new particle. Tommaso Dorigo gave a nice detailed analysis about the intricacies of the analysis of the data leading to the identification of the bump. Also Lubos and Resonaances commented the new particle. Probably the existence of the bump had been known for months in physics circles. The flow of eprints to arXiv explaining the new particle begun immediately.

One should not forget that 3 sigma observation was in question and that 5 sigma is required for discovery. It is quite possible that the particle is just a statistical fluke due to an erratic estimation of the background as Tommaso Dorigo emphasizes. Despite this anyone who has a theory able to predict something is extremely keen to see whether the possibly existing new particle has a natural explanation. This also provides the opportunity for dilettantes like me to develop the theoretical framework in more detail. We also know from general consistency conditions that New Physics must emerge in TeV scale: what we do not know what this New Physics is. Therefore all indications for it must be taken seriously.

CDF bump did not disappear and the most recent analysis assigns 4.1 sigma significance to it. The mass of the bump was reported to be at  $147 \pm 5$  GeV. Also some evidence that the entire  $W_{jj}$  system results in a decay of a resonance with mass slightly below 300 GeV has emerged. D0 was however not able to confirm the existence of the bump and the latest reincarnation of the bump is as 2.8 sigma evidence for Higgs candidate in the range 140-150 GeV range and one can ask whether this is actually evidence for the familiar 145 GeV boson which cannot be Higgs. The story involves many twists and turns and teaches how cautiously theoretician should take also the claims of experimentalists. In the following I pretend that the 145 GeV bump is real but this should not confuse the reader to believe that this is really the case.

### Why an exotic weak boson a la TGD cannot be in question?

For the inhabitant of the TGD Universe the most obvious identification of the new particle would be as an exotic weak boson. The TGD based explanation of family replication phenomenon predicts that gauge bosons come in singlets and octets of a dynamical  $SU(3)$  symmetry associated with three fermion generations (fermion families correspond to topologies of partonic wormhole throats characterized by the number of handles attached to sphere). Exotic  $Z$  or  $W$  boson could be in question.

If the symmetry breaking between octet and singlet is due to different value of p-adic prime alone then the mass would come as a power of half-octave of the mass of  $Z$  or  $W$ . For  $W$  boson one would obtain 160 GeV only marginally consistent with 145 GeV.  $Z$  would give 180 GeV mass which is certainly too high. The Weinberg angle could be however different for the singlet and octet so that the naive p-adic scaling need not hold true exactly.

Note that the strange forward backward asymmetry in the production of top quark pairs [C73, C174] might be understood in terms of exotic gluon octet whose existence means neutral flavor changing currents as discussed in this chapter.

The *extremely* important data bit is that the decays to two jets favor quark pairs over lepton pairs. A model assuming exotic  $Z$  -called  $Z'$ - produced together with  $W$  and decaying preferentially to quark pairs has been proposed as an explanation [C19]. Neither ordinary nor the exotic weak gauge bosons of TGD Universe have this kind of preference to decay to quark pairs so that my first guess was wrong.

### Is a scaled up copy of hadron physics in question?

The natural explanation for the preference of quark pairs over lepton pairs would be that strong interactions are somehow involved. This suggests a state analogous to a charged pion decaying to  $W$  boson two gluons annihilating to the quark pair (box diagram). This kind of proposal is indeed made in Technicolor at the Tevatron [C32]: the problem is also now why the decays to quarks are favored. Technicolor has as its rough analog second fundamental prediction of TGD that p-adically scaled up variants of hadron physics should exist and one of them is waiting to be discovered in TeV region. This prediction emerged already for about 15 years ago as I carried out p-adic mass calculations and discovered that Mersenne primes define fundamental mass scales.

Also colored excitations of leptons and therefore lepto-hadron physics are predicted [K84]. What is amusing that CDF discovered towards the end of 2008 what became known as CDF anomaly giving support for tau-pions. The evidence for electro-pions and mu-pions had emerged already

earlier (for references see [K84]). All these facts have been buried underground because they simply do not fit to the standard model wisdom. TGD based view about dark matter is indeed needed to circumvent the fact that the lifetimes of weak bosons do not allow new light particles. There is also a long series of blog postings in my blog summarizing development of the TGD based model for CDF anomaly.

As should have become already clear, TGD indeed predicts p-adically scaled up copy of hadron physics in TeV region and the lightest hadron of this physics is a pion like state produced abundantly in the hadronic reactions. Ordinary hadron physics corresponds to Mersenne prime  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$  whereas the scaled up copy would correspond to  $M_{89}$ . The mass scale would be 512 times the mass scale 1 GeV of ordinary hadron physics so that the mass of  $M_{89}$  proton should be about 512 GeV. The mass of the  $M_{89}$  pion would be by a naive scaling 71.7 GeV and about two times smaller than the observed mass in the range 120-160 GeV and with the most probable value around 145 GeV as Lubos reports in his blog.  $2 \times 71.7 \text{ GeV} = 143.4 \text{ GeV}$  would be the guess of the believer in the p-adic scaling hypothesis and the assumption that pion mass is solely due to quarks. It is important to notice that this scaling works precisely only if CKM mixing matrix is same for the scaled up quarks and if charged pion consisting of u-d quark pair is in question. The well-known current algebra hypothesis that pion is massless in the first approximation would mean that pion mass is solely due to the quark masses whereas proton mass is dominated by other contributions if one assumes that also valence quarks are current quarks with rather small masses. The alternative which also works is that valence quarks are constituent quarks with much higher mass scale.

According to p-adic mass calculations the mass of pion is just the sum of mass squared for the quarks composing. If one assumes that u and d quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics correspond to  $k = 93$  (top corresponds to  $k = 94$ , the mass of these quarks is predicted to be 102 GeV whereas the pion mass is predicted to be 144.3 GeV (the argument will be discussed in detail later). My guess based on deep ignorance about the experimental side is that this signature should be easily testable: one should try to detect mono-chromatic gamma pairs with gamma ray energy around 72.2 GeV.

### The simplest identification of the 145 GeV resonance

The picture about CDF resonance has become (see the postings Theorists vs. the CDF bump and More details about the CDF bump by Jester [C45]). One of the results is that leptophobic  $Z'$  can explain only 60 per cent of the production rate. There is also evidence that  $W_{jj}$  corresponds to a resonance with mass slightly below 300 GeV as naturally predicted by technicolor models [C118].

The simplest TGD based model indeed relies on the assumption that the entire  $W_{jj}$  corresponds to a resonance with mass slightly below 300 GeV for which there is some evidence as noticed. If one assume that only *neutral pions* are produced in strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields of colliding proton and antiproton, the mother particle must be actually second octave of 147 GeV pion and have mass somewhat below 600 GeV producing in its possibly allowed strong decays pions which are almost at rest for kinematic reasons. Therefore the production mechanism could be exactly the same as proposed for two and one half year old CDF anomaly and for the explanation of DAMA events and DAMA-Xenon100 discrepancy,

- (a) This suggests that the mass of the mother resonance is in a good accuracy two times the mass of 145 GeV bump for which best estimate is  $147 \pm 5 \text{ GeV}$ . This brings in mind the explanation for the two and half year old CDF anomaly in which tau-pions with masses coming as octaves of basic tau-pion played a key role (masses were in good approximation  $2^k \times m(\pi_\tau)$ ,  $m(\pi_\tau) \simeq 2m_\tau$ ,  $k = 1, 2$ ). The same mechanism would explain the discrepancy between the DAMA and Xenon100 experiments.
- (b) If this mechanism is at work now, the mass of the lowest  $M_{89}$  pion should be around 73 GeV as the naivest scaling estimate gives. One can however consider first the option for which lightest  $M_{89}$  has mass around 147 GeV so that the 300 GeV resonance could correspond to its first p-adic octave. This pion would decay to W and neutral  $M_{89}$  pion with mass around 147 GeV in turn decaying to two jets. At quark level the simplest diagram would



involve the emission of  $W$  and exchange of gluon of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. Also the decay to  $Z$  and charged pion is possible but in this case the decay of the final state could not take place via annihilation to gluon so that jet pair need not be produced.

- (c) One could also imagine the mother particle to be  $\rho$  meson of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics with mass in a good approximation equal to pion mass. At the level of mathematics this option is very similar to the technicolor model of CDF bump based also on the decay of  $\rho$  meson discussed in [C118]. In this model the decays of  $\pi$  to heavy quarks have been assumed to dominate. In TGD framework the situation is different. If  $\pi$  consists of scaled up  $u$  and  $d$  quarks, the decays mediated by boson exchanges would produce light quarks. In the annihilation to quark pair by a box diagram involving two gluons and two quarks at edges the information about the quark content of pion is lost. The decays involving emission of  $Z$  boson the resulting pion would be charged and its decays by annihilation to gluon would be forbidden so that  $Wjj$  final states would dominate over  $Zjj$  final states as observed.
- (d) The strong decay of scaled up pion to charged and neutral pion are forbidden by parity conservation. The decay can however proceed by via the exchange of intermediate gauge boson as a virtual particle. The first quark would emit virtual  $W/Z$  boson and second quark the gluon of the hadron physics. Gluon would decay to a quark pair and second quark would absorb the virtual  $W$  boson so that a two-pion final state would be produced. The process would involve same vertices as the decay of  $\rho$  meson to  $W$  boson and pion. The proposed model of the two and one half year old CDF anomaly and the explanation of DAMA and Xenon100 experiments assumes cascade like decay of pion at given level of hierarchy to two pions at lower level of hierarchy and the mechanism of decay should be this.

Consider next the masses of the  $M_{89}$  mesons. Naive scaling of the mass of ordinary pion gives mass about 71 GeV for  $M_{89}$  pion. One can however argue that color magnetic spin-spin splitting need not obey scaling formula and that it becomes small because it is proportional to  $eB/m$  where  $B$  denotes typical value of color magnetic field and  $m$  quark mass scale which is now large. The mass of pion at the limit of vanishing color magnetic splitting given by  $m_0$  could however obey the naive scaling.

- (a) For  $(\rho, \pi)$  system the QCD estimate for the color magnetic spin-spin splitting would be

$$(m(\rho), m(\pi)) = (m_0 + 3\Delta/4, m_0 - \Delta/4) .$$

p-Adic mass calculations are for mass squared rather than mass and the calculations for the mass splittings of mesons [K54] force to replace this formula with

$$(m^2(\rho), m^2(\pi)) = (m_0^2 + 3\Delta^2/4, m_0^2 - \Delta^2/4) . \quad (9.5.1)$$

The masses of  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  are very near to each other:  $(m(\rho), m(\omega)) = (.770, .782)$  GeV and obey the same mass formula in good approximation. The same is expected to hold true also for  $M_{89}$ .

- (b) One obtains for the parameters  $\Delta$  and  $m_0$  the formulas

$$\Delta = [m^n(\rho) - m^n(\pi)]^{1/n} , \quad m_0 = [(m^2(\rho) + 3m(\pi)^2)/4]^{1/n} . \quad (9.5.2)$$

Here  $n = 1$  corresponds to ordinary QCD and  $n = 2$  to p-adic mass calculations.

- (c) Assuming that  $m_0$  experiences an exact scaling by a factor 512, one can deduce the value of the parameter  $\Delta$  from the mass 147 GeV of  $M_{89}$  pion and therefore predict the mass of  $\rho_{89}$ . The results are following

$$m_0 = 152.3 \text{ GeV} , \quad \Delta = 21.3 \text{ GeV} , \quad m(\rho_{89}) = 168.28 \text{ GeV} \quad (9.5.3)$$

for QCD model for spin-spin splitting and

$$m_0 = 206.7 \text{ GeV} , \quad \Delta = 290.5 \text{ GeV} , \quad m(\rho_{89}) = 325.6 \text{ GeV} . \quad (9.5.4)$$

for TGD model for spin-spin splitting.

- (d) Rather remarkably, there are indications from D0 [C42] for charged and from CDF [C42, C44] for neutral resonances with masses around 325 GeV such that the neutral one is split by .2 GeV: the splitting could correspond to  $\rho - \omega$  mass splitting. Hence one obtains support for both  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and p-adic formulas for color magnetic spin-spin splitting. Note that the result excludes also the interpretation of the nearly 300 GeV resonance as  $\rho_{89}$  in TGD framework.
- (e) This scenario allows to make estimates also for the masses other resonances and naive scaling argument is expected to improve as the mass increases. For  $(K_{89}, K_{89}^*)$  system this would predict mass  $m(K_{89}) > 256 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m(K_{89}^*) < 456.7 \text{ GeV}$ .

The nasty question is why the octaves of pion are not realized as a resonances in ordinary hadron physics. If they were there, their decays to ordinary pion pairs by this mechanism would very slow.

- (a) Could it be that also ordinary pion has these octaves but are not produced by ordinary strong interactions in nucleon collisions since the nucleons do not contain the p-adically scaled up quarks fusing to form the higher octave of the pion. Also the fusion rate for two pions to higher octave of pion would be rather small by parity breaking requiring weak interactions.
- (b) The production mechanism for the octaves of ordinary pions, for  $M_{89}$  pions in the collisions of ordinary nucleons, and for lepto-hadrons would be universal, namely the collision of charged particles with cm kinetic energy above the octave of pion. The presence of strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields varying considerably in the time scale defined by the Compton time of the pion is necessary since the interaction Lagrangian density is essentially the product of the abelian instanton density and pion field. In fact, in [C118] it is mentioned that 300 GeV particle candidate is indeed created at rest in Tevatron lab -in other words in the cm system of colliding proton and antiproton beams.
- (c) The question is whether the production of the octaves of scaled up pions could have been missed in proton-proton and proton antiproton collisions due to the very peculiar kinematics: pions would be created almost at rest in cm system [K84]. Whether or not this is the case should be easy to test. For a theorists this kind of scenario does not look impossible but at the era of LHC it would require a diplomatic genius and authority of Witten to persuade experimentalists to check whether low energy collisions of protons produce octaves of pions!

There is also the question about the general production mechanisms for  $M_{89}$  hadrons.

- (a) Besides the production of scalar mesons in strong non-orthogonal magnetic and electric fields also the production via annihilation of quark pairs to photon and weak bosons in turn decaying to the quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics serves as a possible production mechanism. These production mechanisms do not give much hopes about the production of nucleons of  $M_{89}$  physics.
- (b) If ordinary gluons couple to  $M_{89}$  quarks, also the production via fusion to gluons is possible. If the transition from  $M_{107}$  hadron physics corresponds to a phase transition transforming  $M_{107}$  hadronic space-time sheets/gluons to  $M_{89}$  space-time sheets/gluons,  $M_{107}$  gluons do not couple directly to  $M_{89}$  gluons. In this case however color spin glass phase for  $M_{107}$  gluons could decay to  $M_{89}$  gluons in turn producing also  $M_{89}$  nucleons. Recall that naive scalings for  $M_{89}$  nucleon the mass 481 GeV. The actual mass is expected to be higher but below the scaled up  $\Delta$  resonance mass predicted to be below 631 GeV.

### How could one understand CDF-D0 discrepancy concerning 145 GeV resonance?

The situation concerning 145 GeV bump has become rather paradoxical. CDF claims that 145 GeV resonance is there at 4.3 sigma level. The new results from D0 however fail to support CDF bump [C93] (see Lubos, Jester, and Tommaso).

This shows only that either CDF or D0 is wrong, not that CDF is wrong as some of us suddenly want to believe. My own tentative interpretation -not a belief- relies on bigger picture provided by TGD and is that both 145 GeV, 300 GeV, and 325 GeV resonances are there and have interpretations in terms of  $\pi$  and its p-adic octave,  $\rho$ , and  $\omega$  of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. I could of course be wrong. LHC will be the ultimate jury.

In any case, neither CDF and D0 are cheating and one should explain the discrepancy rationally. Resonances mentions different estimates for QCD background as a possible explanation. What one could say about this in TGD framework allowing some brain storming?

- (a) There is long history of this kind of forgotten discoveries having same interpretation in TGD framework. Always pionlike states-possibly coherent state of them- would have been produced in strong non-orthogonal magnetic and electric fields of the colliding charges and most pion-like states predicted to be almost at rest in cm frame.

Electro-pions were observed already at seventies in the collisions of heavy nuclei at energies near Coulomb wall, resonances having interpretation as mu-pions about three years ago, tau-pions detected by CDF for two and half years ago with refutation coming from D0, now DAMA and Cogent observed dark matter candidate having explanation in terms of tau-pion in TGD framework but Xenon100 found nothing (in this case one can understand the discrepancy in TGD framework). The octaves of  $M_{89}$  pions would represent the last episode of this strange history. In the previous posting universality of the production mechanism forced to make the proposal that also the collisions of ordinary nuclei could generate octaves of ordinary pions. They have not been observed and as I proposed this might be due to the peculiarity of the production mechanism.

What could be a common denominator for this strange sequence of almost discoveries? Light colored excitations of leptons can be of course be argued to be non-existent because intermediate boson decay widths do not allow them but it is difficult to believe that this would have been the sole reason for not taking leptopions seriously.

- (b) Could the generation of a pionic coherent state as a critical phenomenon very sensitive to the detailed values of the dynamical parameters, say the precise cm energies of the colliding beams? For leptopions a phase transition generating dark colored variants of leptons (dark in the sense having non-standard value of Planck constant) would indeed take place so that criticality might make sense. Could also  $M_{89}$  quarks be dark or colored excitations of ordinary quarks which are dark? Could the  $M_{107} \rightarrow M_{89}$  phase transition take place only near criticality? This alone does not seem to be enough however.
- (c) The peculiarity of the production mechanism is that the pion like states are produced mostly at rest in cm frame of the colliding charges. Suppose that the cm frame for the colliding charged particles is not quite the lab frame in D0. Since most dark pions are produced nearly at rest in the cm frame, they could in this kind of situation leave the detector before decaying to ordinary particles: they would behave just like dark matter is expected to behave and would not be detected. The only signature would be missing energy. This would also predict that dark octaves of ordinary pions would not be detected in experiments using target which is at rest in lab frame.
- (d) This mechanism is actually quite general. Dark matter particles decaying to ordinary matter and having long lifetime remain undetected if they move with high enough velocity with respect to laboratory. Long lifetime would be partially due to the large value of  $\hbar$  and relativistic with respect to laboratory velocities also time dilation would increase the lifetime. Dark matter particles could be detected only as a missing energy not identifiable in terms of neutrinos. A special attention should be directed to state candidates which are nearly at rest in laboratory.

An example from ordinary hadron physics is the production of pions and their octaves in the strong electric and magnetic field of nuclei colliding with a target at rest in lab. The lifetime of neutral pion is about  $10^{-8}$  seconds and scaled up for large  $\hbar$  and by time dilation when the colliding nucleons have relativistic energies. Therefore the dark pion might leave the measurement volume before decay to two gammas when the target is at rest in laboratory. It is not even clear whether the gammas need to have standard value of Planck constant.

For the second octave of  $M_{89}$  pion the lifetime would be scaled down by the ratio of masses giving a factor  $2^{11}$  and lifetime of order  $.5 \times 10^{-11}$  seconds. Large  $\hbar$  would scale up the lifetime. For non-relativistic velocities the distance travelled before the decay to gamma pair would  $L = (\hbar/\hbar_0) \times (v/c) \times 1.1$  mm.

If also the gamma pair is dark, the detection would require even larger volume. TGD suggests strongly that also photons have a small mass which they obtain by eating the remaining component of Higgs a la TGD (transforming like 1+3 under vectorial weak SU(2)). If photon mass defines the upper bound for the rate for the transformation to ordinary photons, dark photons would remain undetected.

### Higgs or a pion of $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

D0 refuted the 145 GeV bump and after this it was more or less forgotten in blogs, which demonstrates how regrettably short the memory span of blog physicists is. CDF reported it in Europhysics 2011 and it seems that the groups are considering seriously possible explanations for the discrepancy. To my opinion the clarification of this issue is of extreme importance.

The situation changed at the third day of conference (Saturday) when ATLAS reported about average 2.5 sigma evidence for what might be Higgs in the mass range 140-150 GeV. The candidate revealed itself via decays to WW in turn decaying to lepton pairs. Also D0 and CDF told suddenly that they have observed similar evidence although the press release had informed that Higgs had been located to the mass range 120-137 GeV. There is of course no reason to exclude the possibility that the decays of 145 GeV resonance are in question and in this case the interpretation as standard model Higgs would be definitely excluded. If the pion of  $M_{89}$  physics is in question it would decay to WW pair instead of quark pair producing two jets. Since weak decay is in question one can expect that the decay rate is small.

If this line of reasoning is correct, standard model Higgs is absent. TGD indeed predicts that the components of TGD Higgs become longitudinal components of gauge bosons since also photon and graviton gain a small mass. This however leaves the two Higgses predicted by MSSM under consideration. The stringent lower bounds for the masses of squarks and gluinos of standard SUSY were tightened in the conference and are now about 1 TeV and this means that the basic argument justifying MSSM (stability of Higgs mass against radiative corrections) is lost.

The absence of Higgs forces a thorough re-consideration of the fundamental ideas about particle massivation. p-Adic thermodynamics combined with zero energy ontology and the identification of massive particles as bound states of massless fermions is the vision provided by TGD.

### Short digression to TGD SUSY

Although the question about TGD variant of SUSY is slightly off-topic, its importance justifies a short discussion. Although SUSY is not needed to stabilize Higgs mass, the anomaly of muonic g-2 suggests TGD SUSY and the question is whether TGD SUSY could explain it.

- (a) Leptons are characterized by Mersennes or Gaussian Mersennes:  $(M_{127}, M_{G,113}, M_{107})$  for  $(e, \mu, \tau)$ . If also sleptons correspond to Mersennes or Gaussian Mersennes, then (selectron, smuon, stau) should correspond to  $(M_{89}, M_{G,79}, M_{61})$  if one assumes that selectron corresponds to  $M_{89}$ . Selectron mass would be 250 GeV and smuon mass 13.9 TeV. g-2 anomaly for muon [K48] suggests that the mass of selectron should not be much above .1 TeV and  $M_{89}$  fits the bill. Valence quarks correspond to the Gaussian Mersenne  $k \leq 113$ , which suggests that squarks have  $k \geq 79$  so that squark masses should be above 13 TeV. If sneutrinos correspond to Gaussian Mersenne  $k = 167$  then sneutrinos could have mass below

electron mass scale. Selectron would remain the only experiment signature of TGD SUSY at this moment.

- (b) One decay channel for selectron would be to electron+  $sZ$  or neutrino+  $sW$ .  $sZ/sW$  would eventually decay to possibly virtual  $Z$ + neutrino/ $W$ +neutrino: that is weak gauge boson plus missing energy. Neutralino and chargino need not decay in the detection volume. The lower bound for neutralino mass is 46 GeV from intermediate gauge boson decay widths. Hence this option is not excluded by experimental facts.
- (c) If the sfermions decay rapidly enough to fermion plus neutrino, the signature of TGD SUSY would be excess of events of type lepton+ missing energy or jet+ missing energy. For instance, lepton+missing jet could be mis-identified as decay products of possibly exotic counterpart of weak gauge boson. The decays of 250 GeV selectron would give rise to decays which might be erratically interpreted as decays of  $W'$  to electron plus missing energy. The study of CDF at  $\sqrt{s}= 1.96$  TeV in p-pbar collisions excludes heavy  $W'$  with mass below 1.12 TeV [C76]. The decay rate to electron plus neutrino must therefore be slow.

There are indications for a tiny excess of muon + missing energy events in the decays of what has been tentatively identified as a heavy W boson  $W^{prime}$  (see Figure 1 of [C69]). The excess is regarded as insignificant by experimenters.  $W^{prime}$  candidate is assumed to have mass 1.0 TeV or 1.4 TeV. If smuon is in question, one must give up the Mersenne hypothesis.

### The mass of $u$ and $d$ quarks of $M_{89}$ physics

While updating the chapter about the p-adic model for hadronic masses [K54] I found besides some silly numerical errors also a gem that I had forgotten. For pion the contributions to mass squared from color-magnetic spin-spin interaction and color Coulombic interaction and super-symplectic gluons cancel and the mass is in excellent approximation given by the  $m^2(\pi) = 2m^2(u)$  with  $m(u) = m(d) = 0.1$  GeV in good approximation. That only quarks contribute is the TGD counterpart for the almost Goldstone boson character of pion meaning that its mass is only due to the massivation of quarks. The value of the p-adic prime is  $p \simeq 2^k$ , with  $k(u) = k(d) = 113$  and the mass of charged pion is predicted with error of .2 per cent.

If the reduction of pion mass to mere quark mass holds true for all scaled variants of ordinary hadron physics, one can deduce the value of u and d quark masses from the mass of the pion of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and vice versa. The mass estimate is 145 GeV if one identifies the bump claimed by CDF [C77] as  $M_{89}$  pion. Recall that D0 did not detect the CDF bump [C93] (I have discussed possible reasons for the discrepancy in terms of the hypothesis that dark quarks are in question). From this one can deduce that the p-adic prime  $p \simeq 2^k$  for the  $u$  and  $d$  quarks of  $M_{89}$  physics is  $k = 93$  using  $m(u, 93) = 2^{(113-93)/2}m(u, 113)$ ,  $m(u, 113) \simeq .1$  GeV. For top quark one has  $k = 94$  so that a very natural transition takes place to a new hadron physics. The predicted mass of  $\pi(89)$  is 144.8 GeV and consistent with the value claimed by CDF. What makes the prediction non-trivial is that possible quark masses comes as as half-octaves meaning exponential sensitivity with respect to the p-adic length scale.

The common mass of  $u(89)$  and  $d(89)$  quarks is 102 GeV in a good approximation and quark jets with mass peaked around 100 GeV should serve as a signature for them. The direct decays of the  $\pi(89)$  to  $M_{89}$  quarks are of course non-allowed kinematically.

### A connection with the top pair backward-forward asymmetry in the production of top quark pairs?

One cannot exclude the possibility that the predicted exotic octet of gluons proposed as an explanation of the anomalous backward-forward asymmetry in top pair production correspond to the gluons of the scaled up variant of hadron physics.  $M_{107}$  hadron physics would correspond to ordinary gluons only and  $M_{89}$  only to the exotic octet of gluons only so that a strict scaled up copy would not be in question. Could it be that given Mersenne prime tolerates only single hadron physics or leptohadron physics?

In any case, this would give a connection with the TGD based explanation of the backward-forward asymmetry in the production of top pairs also discussed in this chapter. In the collision incoming quark of proton and antiquark of antiproton would topologically condense at  $M_{89}$  hadronic space-time sheet and scatter by the exchange of exotic octet of gluons: the exchange between quark and antiquark would not destroy the information about directions of incoming and outgoing beams as s-channel annihilation would do and one would obtain the large asymmetry. The TGD based generalized Feynman diagram would involve an exchange of a gluon represented by a wormhole contact. The first wormhole throat would have genus two as also top quark and second throat genus zero. One can imagine that the top quark comes from future and then travels along space-like direction together with antiquark wormhole throat of genus zero and then turns back to the future. Incoming quark and antiquark perform similar turn around [K48].

This asymmetry observed found a further confirmation in Europhysics 2011 conference [C87]. The obvious question is whether this asymmetry could be reduced to that in collisions of quarks and antiquarks. Tommaso Dorigo tells that CMS has found that this is not the case, which suggests that the phenomenon might be assignable to valence quarks only.

### 9.5.3 Other indications for $M_{89}$ hadron physics

Also other indications for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics have emerged during this year and although the fate of these signals is probably the usual one, they deserve to be discussed briefly.

#### Bumps also at CDF and D0?

It seems that experimentalists have gone totally crazy. Maybe new physics is indeed emerging from LHC and they want to publish every data bit in the hope of getting paid visit to Stockholm. *CDF* and *ATLAS* have told about bumps and now Lubos [C42] tells about a new 3 sigma bump reported by D0 collaboration at mass 325 GeV producing muon in its decay producing W boson plus jets [C92]. The proposed identification of bump is in terms of decay of  $t'$  quark producing W boson.

Lubos mentions also second mysterious bump at 324.8 GeV or 325.0 GeV reported by *CDF* collaboration [C75] and discussed by Tommaso Dorigo [C44] towards the end of the last year. The decays of these particles produce 4 muons through the decays of two Z bosons to two muons. What is peculiar is that two mass values differing by .2 GeV are reported. The proposed explanation is in terms of Higgs decaying to two Z bosons. TGD based view about new physics suggests strongly that the three of four particles forming a multiplet is in question.

One can consider several explanations in TGD framework without forgetting that these bumps very probably disappear. Consider first the D0 anomaly alone.

- (a) TGD predicts also higher generations but there is a nice argument based on conformal invariance and saying that higher particle families are heavy. What "heavy" means is not clear. It could of mean heavier than intermediate gauge boson mass scale. This explanation does not look convincing to me.
- (b) Another interpretation would be in terms of scaled up variant of top quark. The mass of top is around 170 GeV and p-adic length scale hypothesis would predict that the mass should equal to a multiple of half octave of top quark mass. Single octave would give mass of 340 GeV. The deviation from predicted mass would be 5 per cent.
- (c) The third interpretation is in terms of  $\rho$  and  $\omega$  mesons of  $M_{89}$ . By assuming that the masses of  $M_{89}$   $\pi$  and  $\rho$  in absence of color magnetic spin-spin splitting scale naively in the transition from  $M_{107}$  to  $M_{89}$  physics and by determining the parameter characterizing color magnetic spin-spin splitting from the condition that  $M_{89}$  pion has 157 GeV mass, one predicts that  $M_{89}$   $\rho$  and  $\omega$  have same mass 325.6 GeV in good approximation. The .2 GeV mass difference would have interpretation as  $\rho - \omega$  mass difference. In TGD framework this explanation is unique.

### Indications for $M_{89}$ charmonium from ATLAS

Lubos commented last ATLAS release about dijet production. There is something which one might interpret as the presence of resonances above 3.3 TeV [see Fig. 2) of the article] [C66]. Of course, just a slight indication is in question, so that it is perhaps too early to pay attention to the ATLAS release. I am however advocating a new hadron physics and it is perhaps forgivable that I am alert for even tiniest signals of new physics.

In a very optimistic mood I could believe that a new hadron physics is being discovered (145 GeV boson could be identified as charged pion and 325 GeV bumps could allow interpretation as kaons). With this almost killer dose of optimism the natural question is whether this extremely slight indication about new physics might have interpretation as a scaled up  $J/\Psi$  and various other charmonium states above it giving rise to what is not single very wide bump to a family of several resonances in the range 3-4 TeV by scaling the 3-4 GeV range for charmonium resonances. For instance,  $J/\Psi$  decay width is very small, about .1 MeV, which is about  $.3 \times 10^{-4}$  of the mass of  $J/\Psi$ . In the recent case direct scaling would give decay of about 300 MeV for the counterpart of  $J/\Psi$  if the decay is also now slow for kinematic reasons. For other charmonium resonances the widths are measurement in per cents meaning in the recent case width of order of magnitude 30 GeV: this estimate looks more reasonable as the first estimate.

One can also now perform naive scalings.  $J/\Psi$  has mass of about 3 GeV. If the scaling of ordinary pion mass from .14 GeV indeed gives something like 145 GeV then one can be very naive and apply the same scaling factor of about 1030 to get the scaled up  $J/\Psi$ ; with mass of order 3.1 TeV. The better way to understand the situation is to assume that color-magnetic spin spin splitting is small also for  $M_{89}$  charmonium states and apply naive scaling to the mass of  $J/\Psi$ ; to get a lower bound for the mass of its  $M_{89}$  counterpart. This would give mass of 1.55 TeV which is by a factor 1/2 too small. p-Adic mass calculations lead to the conclusion that c quark is characterized by  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k = 104$ . Naive scaling would give  $k = 104 - 18 = 86$  and 1.55 TeV mass for  $J/\Psi$ . Nothing however excludes  $k = 84$  and the lower bound 3.1 TGD for the mass of  $J/\Psi$ . Since color magnetic spin-spin splitting is smaller for  $M_{89}$  pion, same is expected to be true also for charmonium states so that the mass might well be around 3.3 TeV.

### Blackholes at LHC: or just bottonium of $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

The latest Tommaso Dorigo's posting has a rather provocative title: The Plot Of The Week - A Black Hole Candidate. Some theories inspired by string theories predict micro black holes at LHC. Micro blackholes have been proposed as explanation for certain exotic cosmic ray events such as Centauros, which however seem to have standard physics explanation.

Without being a specialist one could expect that evaporating black hole would be in many respects analogous to quark gluon plasma phase decaying to elementary particles producing jets. Or any particle like system, which has forgot all information about colliding particles which created it- say the information about the scattering plane of partons leading to the jets as a final state and reflecting itself as the coplanarity of the jets. If the information about the initial state is lost, one would expect more or less spherical jet distribution. The variable used as in the study is sum of transverse energies for jets emerging from same point and having at least 50 GeV transverse energy. QCD predicts that this kind of events should be rather scarce and if they are present, one can seriously consider the possibility of new physics.

The LHC document containing the sensational proposal is titled Search for Black Holes in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV [C64] and has the following abstract:

*An update on a search for microscopic black hole production in pp collisions at a center-of-mass energy of 7 TeV by the CMS experiment at the LHC is presented using a 2011 data sample corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 190 pb1. This corresponds to a six-fold increase in statistics compared to the original search based on 2010 data. Events with large total transverse energy have been analyzed for the presence of multiple energetic jets, leptons, and photons, typical of a signal from an evaporating black hole. A good agreement with the expected standard model backgrounds, dominated by QCD multijet production, has been observed for various multiplicities of the final state. Stringent model-independent limits on new physics*

*production in high-multiplicity energetic final states have been set, along with model-specific limits on semi-classical black hole masses in the 4-5 TeV range for a variety of model parameters. This update extends substantially the sensitivity of the 2010 analysis.*

The abstract would suggest that nothing special has been found but in sharp contrast with this the article mentions black hole candidate decaying to 10 jets with total transverse energy  $S_T$ . The event is illustrated in the figure 3 of the article. The large number of jets emanating from single point would suggest a single object decaying producing the jets.

Personally I cannot take black holes as an explanation of the event seriously. What can I offer instead? p-Adic mass calculations rely on p-adic thermodynamics and this inspires obvious questions. What p-adic cooling and heating processes could mean? Can one speak about p-adic hot spots? What p-adic overheating and over-cooling could mean? Could the octaves of pions and possibly other mesons explaining several anomalous findings including CDF bump correspond to unstable over-heated hadrons for which the p-adic prime near power of two is smaller than normally and p-adic mass scale is correspondingly scaled up by a power of two?

The best manner to learn is by excluding various alternative explanations for the 10 jet event.

- (a)  $M_{89}$  variants of QCD jets are excluded both because their production requires higher energies and because their number would be small. The first QCD three-jets were observed around 1979 [C245].  $q-\bar{q}-g$  three-jet was in question and it was detected in  $e^+e^-$  collision with cm energy about 7 GeV. The naive scaling by factor 512 would suggest that something like 5.6 TeV cm energy is needed to observed  $M_{89}$  parton jets. The recent energy is 7 TeV so that there are hopes of observing  $M_{89}$  three-jets in decays of heavy  $M_{89}$ . For instance, the decays of charmonium and bottomium of  $M_{89}$  physics to three gluons or two-gluons and photon would create three-jets.
- (b) Ordinary quark gluon plasma is excluded since in a sufficiently large volume of quark gluon plasma so called jet quenching [C16] occurs so that jets have small transverse energies. This would be due to the dissipation of energy in the dense quark gluon plasma. Also ordinary QCD jets are predicted to be rare at these transverse energies: this is of course the very idea of how black hole evaporation might be observed. Creation of quark gluon plasma of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics cannot be in question since ordinary quark gluon plasma was created in p-anti-p collision with cm energy of few TeV so that something like 512 TeV of cm energy might be needed!
- (c) Could the decay correspond to a decay of a blob of  $M_{89}$  hadronic phase to  $M_{107}$  hadrons? How this process could take place? I proposed for about 15 years ago [K48] that the transition from  $M_{89}$  hadron physics to  $M_{107}$  hadron physics might take place as a p-adic cooling via a cascade like process via highly unstable intermediate hadron physics. The p-adic temperature is quantized and given by  $T_p = n/\log(p) \simeq n/k\log(2)$  for  $p \simeq 2^k$  and p-adic cooling process would proceed in a step-wise manner as  $k \rightarrow k+2 \rightarrow k+4 + \dots$  Also  $k \rightarrow k+1 \rightarrow k+2 + \dots$  with mass scale reduced in powers of  $\sqrt{2}$  can be considered. If only octaves are allowed, the p-adic prime characterizing the hadronic space-time sheets and quark mass scale could decrease in nine steps from  $M_{89}$  mass scale proportional to  $2^{-89/2}$  octave by octave down to the hadronic mass scale proportional  $2^{-107/2}$  as  $k = 89 \rightarrow 91 \rightarrow 93 \dots \rightarrow 107$ . At each step the mass in the propagator of the particle would be changed. In particular on mass shell particles would become off mass shell particles which could decay.

At quark level the cooling process would naturally stop when the value of  $k$  corresponds to that characterizing the quark. For instance  $b$  quark one has  $k(b) = 103$  so that 7 steps would be involved. This would mean the decay of  $M_{89}$  hadrons to highly unstable intermediate states corresponding to  $k = 91, 93, \dots, 107$ . At every step states almost at rest could be produced and the final decay would produce large number of jets and the outcome would resemble the spectrum blackhole evaporation. Note that for  $u, d, s$  quarks one has  $k = 113$  characterizing also nuclei and muon which would mean that valence quark space-time sheets of lightest hadrons would be cooler than hadronic space-time sheet, which could be heated by sea partons. Note also that quantum superposition of phases with several p-adic temperatures can be considered in zero energy ontology.



This is of course just a proposal and might not be the real mechanism. If  $M_{89}$  hadrons are dark in TGD sense as the TGD based explanation of CDF-D0 discrepancy suggests, also the transformation changing the value of Planck constant is involved.

- (d) This picture does not make sense in the TGD inspired model explaining DAMA observations and DAMA-Xenon100 anomaly, CDF bump discussed in this chapter and two and half year old CDF anomaly [K84]. The model involves creation of second octave of  $M_{89}$  pions decaying in stepwise manner. A natural interpretation of p-adic octaves of pions is in terms of a creation of over-heated unstable hadronic space-time sheet having  $k = 85$  instead of  $k = 89$  and p-adically cooling down to relatively thermally stable  $M_{89}$  sheet and containing light mesons and electroweak bosons. If so then the production of CDF bump would correspond to a creation of hadronic space-time sheet with p-adic temperature corresponding to  $k = 85$  cooling by the decay to  $k = 87$  pions in turn decaying to  $k = 89$ . After this the decay to  $M_{107}$  hadrons and other particles would take place.

Consider now whether the 10 jet event could be understood as a creation of a p-adic hot spot perhaps assignable to some heavy meson of  $M_{89}$  physics. The table below is from [K45, K53] and gives the p-adic primes assigned with constituent quarks identified as valence quarks. For current quarks the p-adic primes can be much large so that in the case of u and d quark the masses can be in 10 MeV range (which together with detailed model for light hadrons supports the view that quarks can appear at several p-adic temperatures).

- (a) According to p-adic mass calculations [K53] ordinary charmed quark corresponds to  $k = 104 = 107 - 3$  and that of bottom quark to  $k = 103 = 107 - 4$ , which is prime and correspond to the second octave of  $M_{107}$  mass scale assignable to the highest state of pion cascade. By naive scaling  $M_{89}$  charmonium states ( $\Psi$  would correspond to  $k = 89 - 3 = 86$  with mass of about 1.55 TeV by direct scaling.  $k = 89 - 4 = 85$  would give mass about 3.1 GeV and there is slight evidence for a resonance around 3.3 TeV perhaps identifiable as charmonium.  $\Upsilon$  (bottomonium) consisting of  $b\bar{b}$  pair correspond to  $k = 89 - 4 = 85$  just like the second octave of  $M_{89}$  pion. The mass of  $M_{89}$   $\Upsilon$  meson would be about 4.8 TeV for  $k = 85$ .  $k = 83$  one obtains 9.6 TeV, which exceeds the total cm energy 7 TeV.
- (b) Intriguingly,  $k = 85$  for the bottom quark and for first octave of charmonium would correspond to the second octave of  $M_{89}$  pion. Could it be that the hadronic space-time sheet of  $\Upsilon$  is heated to the p-adic temperature of the bottom quark and then cools down in a stepwise manner? If so, the decay of  $\Upsilon$  could proceed by the decay to higher octaves of light  $M_{89}$  mesons in a process involving two steps and could produce a large number jets.
- (c) For the decay of ordinary  $\Upsilon$  meson 81.7 per cent of the decays take place via  $ggg$  state. In the recent case they would create three  $M_{89}$  parton jets producing relativistic  $M_{89}$  hadrons. 2.2 per cent of decays take place via  $\gamma gg$  state producing virtual photon plus  $M_{89}$  hadrons. The total energies of the three jets would be about 1.6 TeV each and much higher than the energies of QCD jets so that this kind of jets would serve as a clearcut signature of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and its bottom quark. Note that there already exists slight evidence for charmonium state. Recall that the total transverse energy of the 10 jet event was about 1 TeV.

Also direct decays to  $M_{89}$  hadrons take place.  $\eta'$  +anything- presumably favored by the large contribution of  $b\bar{b}$  state in  $\eta'$ - corresponds to 2.9 per cent branching ratio for ordinary hadrons. If second octaves of  $\eta'$  and other hadrons appear in the hadron state, the decay product could be nearly at rest and large number of  $M_{89}$  would result in the p-adic cooling process (the naive scaling of  $\eta'$  mass gives .5 TeV and second octave would correspond to 2 TeV.

- (d) If two octave p-adic over-heating is dynamically favored, one must also consider the first octave of of scaled variant of  $J/\Psi$  state with mass around 3.1 GeV scaled up to 3.1 TeV for the first octave. The dominating hadronic final state in the decay of  $J/\Psi$  is  $\rho^\pm\pi^\mp$  with branching ratio of 1.7 per cent. The branching fractions of  $\omega\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-\pi^-$ ,  $\omega\pi^+\pi^-\pi^0$ , and  $\omega\pi^+\pi^+pi^-$  are  $8.5 \times 10^{-3}$ ,  $4.0 \times 10^{-3}$ , and  $8.6 \times 10^{-3}$  respectively. The second octaves for the masses of  $\rho$  and  $\pi$  would be 1.3 TeV and .6 TeV giving net mass of 1.9 TeV so that these mesons would be relativistic if charmonium state with mass around 3.3 TeV is in question.

If the two mesons decay by cooling, one would obtain two jets decaying two jets. Since the original mesons are relativistic one would probably obtain two wide jets decomposing to sub-jets. This would not give the desired fireball like outcome.

The decays  $\omega\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-\pi^-$  (see Particle Data Tables would produce five mesons, which are second octaves of  $M_{89}$  mesons. The rest masses of  $M_{89}$  mesons would in this case give total rest mass of 3.5 TeV. In this kind of decay -if kinematically possible- the hadrons would be nearly at rest. They would decay further to lower octaves almost at rest. These states in turn would decay to ordinary quark pairs and electroweak bosons producing a large number of jets and black hole like signatures might be obtained. If the process proceeds more slowly from  $M_{89}$  level, the visible jets would correspond to  $M_{89}$  hadrons decaying to ordinary hadrons. Their transverse energies would be very high.

$q$	d	u	s	c	b	t	Constituent quark masses predicted
$n_q$	4	5	6	6	59	58	
$s_q$	12	10	14	11	67	63	
$k(q)$	113	113	113	104	103	94	
$m(q)/GeV$	.105	.092	.105	2.191	7.647	167.8	

for diagonal mesons assuming  $(n_d, n_s, n_b) = (5, 5, 59)$  and  $(n_u, n_c, n_t) = (5, 6, 58)$ , maximal  $CP_2$  mass scale ( $Y_e = 0$ ), and vanishing of second order contributions.

To sum up, the most natural interpretation for the 10-jet event in TGD framework would be as p-adic hot spots produced in collision.

**Has CMS detected  $\lambda$  baryon of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics?**

In his recent posting Lubos tells about a near 3-sigma excess of 390 GeV 3-jet RPV-gluino-like signal reported by CMS collaboration in article Search for Three-Jet Resonances in p-p collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV [C68]. This represents one of the long waited results from LHC and there are good reason to consider it at least half-seriously.

Gluinos are produced in pairs and in the model based on standard super-symmetry decay to three quarks. The observed 3-jets in question would correspond to a decay to uds quark triplet. The decay would be R-parity breaking. The production rate would however too high for standard SUSY so that something else is involved if the 3 sigma excess is real.

*1. Signatures for standard gluinos correspond to signatures for  $M_{89}$  baryons in TGD framework*

In TGD Universe gluinos would decay to ordinary gluons and right-handed neutrino mixing with the left handed one so that gluino in TGD sense is excluded as an explanation of the 3-jets. In TGD framework the gluino candidate would be naturally replaced with  $k = 89$  variant of strange baryon  $\lambda$  decaying to  $uds$  quark triplet. Also the 3-jets resulting from the decays of proton and neutron and  $\Delta$  resonances are predicted. The mass of ordinary  $\lambda$  is  $m(\lambda, 107) = 1.115$  GeV. The naive scaling by a factor 512 would give mass  $m(\lambda, 107) = 571$  GeV, which is considerably higher than 390 GeV. Naive scaling would predict the scaled up copies of the ordinary light hadrons so that the model is testable.

It is quite possible that the bump is a statistical fluctuation. One can however reconsider the situation to see whether a less naive scaling could allow the interpretation of 3-jets as decay products of  $M_{89}$   $\lambda$ -baryon.

*2. Massivation of hadrons in TGD framework*

Let us first look the model for the masses of nucleons in p-adic thermodynamics [K54].

- (a) The basic model for baryon masses assumes that mass squared -rather than energy as in QCD and mass in naive quark model- is additive at space-time sheet corresponding to given p-adic prime whereas masses are additive if they correspond to different p-adic primes. Mass

contains besides quark contributions also "gluonic contribution" which dominates in the case of baryons. The additivity of mass squared follows naturally from string mass formula and distinguishes dramatically between TGD and QCD. The value of the p-adic prime  $p \simeq 2^k$  characterizing quark depends on hadron: this explains the mass differences between baryons and mesons. In QCD approach the contribution of quark masses to nucleon masses is found to be less than 2 per cent from experimental constraints. In TGD framework this applies only to sea quarks for which masses are much lighter whereas the light valence quarks have masses of order 100 MeV.

For a mass formula for quark contributions additive with respect to quark mass squared quark masses in proton would be around 100 MeV. The masses of  $u, d$ , and  $s$  quarks are in good approximation 100 MeV if p-adic prime is  $k = 113$ , which characterizes the nuclear space-time sheet and also the space-time sheet of muon. The contribution to proton mass is therefore about  $\sqrt{3} \times 100$  MeV.

*Remark:* The masses of  $u$  and  $d$  sea quarks must be of order 10 MeV to achieve consistency with QCD. In this case p-adic primes characterizing the quarks are considerably larger. Quarks with mass scale of order MeV are important in nuclear string model which is TGD based view about nuclear physics [L2].

- (b) If color magnetic spin-spin splitting is neglected, p-adic mass calculations lead to the following additive formula for mass squared.

$$M(\text{baryon}) = M(\text{quarks}) + M(\text{gluonic}) \quad , \quad M^2(\text{gluonic}) = nm^2(107) \quad . \quad (9.5.5)$$

The value of integer  $n$  can almost predicted from a model for the TGD counterpart of the gluonic contribution [K54] to be  $n = 18$ .  $m^2(107)$  corresponds to p-adic mass squared associated with the Mersenne prime  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$  characterizing hadronic space-time sheet responsible for the gluonic contribution to the mass squared. One has  $m(107) = 233.55$  MeV from electron mass  $m_e \simeq \sqrt{5} \times m(127) \simeq 0.5$  MeV and from  $m(107) = 2^{(127-107)/2} \times m(127)$ .

- (c) For proton one has

$$M(\text{quarks}) = \left( \sum_{\text{quarks}} m^2(\text{quark}) \right)^{1/2} \simeq 3^{1/2} \times 100 \text{ MeV}$$

for  $k(u) = k(d) = 113$  [K54].

### 3. Super-symplectic gluons as TGD counterpart for non-perturbative aspects of QCD

A key difference as compared to QCD is that the TGD counterpart for the gluonic contribution would contain also that due to "super-symplectic gluons" besides the possible contribution assignable to ordinary gluons.

- (a) Super-symplectic gluons do not correspond to pairs of quark and anti-quark at the opposite throats of wormhole contact as ordinary gluons do but to single wormhole throat carrying purely bosonic excitation corresponding to color Hamiltonian for  $CP_2$ . They therefore correspond directly to wave functions in WCW ("world of classical worlds") and could therefore be seen as a genuinely non-perturbative objects allowing no description in terms of a quantum field theory in fixed background space-time.
- (b) The description of the massivation of super-symplectic gluons using p-adic thermodynamics allows to estimate the integer  $n$  characterizing the gluonic contribution. Also super-symplectic gluons are characterized by genus  $g$  of the partonic 2-surface and in the absence of topological mixing  $g = 0$  super-symplectic gluons are massless and do not contribute to the ground state mass squared in p-adic thermodynamics. It turns out that a more elegant model is obtained if the super-symplectic gluons suffer a topological mixing assumed to be same as for U type quarks. Their contributions to the mass squared would be  $(5, 6, 58) \times m^2(107)$  with these assumptions.

- (c) The quark contribution  $(M(\text{nucleon}) - M(\text{gluonic}))/M(\text{nucleon})$  is roughly 82 per cent of proton mass. In QCD approach experimental constraints imply that the sum of quark masses is less than 2 per cent about proton mass. Therefore one has consistency with QCD approach if one assumes that the light quarks correspond to sea quarks.

#### 4. What happens in $M_{107} \rightarrow M_{89}$ transition?

What happens in the transition  $M_{107} \rightarrow M_{89}$  depends on how the quark and gluon contributions depend on the Mersenne prime.

- (a) One can also scale the "gluonic" contribution to baryon mass which should be same for proton and  $\lambda$ . Assuming that the color magnetic spin-spin splitting and color Coulombic conformal weight expressed in terms of conformal weight are same as for the ordinary baryons, the gluonic contribution to the mass of  $p(89)$  corresponds to conformal weight  $n = 11$  reduced from its maximal value  $n = 3 \times 5 = 15$  corresponding to three topologically mixed super-symplectic gluons with conformal weight 5 [K54]. The reduction is due to the negative colour Coulombic conformal weight. This is equal to  $M_g = \sqrt{11} \times 512 \times m(107)$ ,  $m(107) = 233.6$  MeV, giving  $M_g = 396.7$  GeV which happens to be very near to the mass about 390 GeV of CMS bump. The facts that quarks appear already in light hadrons in several p-adic length scales and quark and gluonic contributions to mass are additive, raises the question whether the state in question corresponds to p-adically hot ( $1/T_p \propto \log(p) \simeq k \log(2)$ ) gluonic/hadronic space-time sheet with  $k = 89$  containing ordinary quarks giving a small contribution to the mass squared. Kind of overheating of hadronic space-time sheet would be in question.
- (b) The option for which quarks have masses of thermally stable  $M_{89}$  hadrons with quark masses deduced from the questionable 145 GeV CDF bump identified as the pion of  $M_{89}$  physics does not work.

- i. If both contributions scale up by factor 512, one obtains  $m(p, 89) = 482$  GeV and  $m(\lambda) = 571$  GeV. The values are too large.
- ii. A more detailed estimate gives the same result. One can deduce the scaling of the quark contribution to the baryon mass by generalizing the condition that the mass of pion is in a good approximation just  $m(\pi) = \sqrt{2}m(u, 107)$  (Goldstone property). One obtains that  $u$  and  $d$  quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics correspond to  $k = 93$  whereas top quark corresponds to  $k = 94$ : the transition between hadron physics would be therefore natural. One obtains  $m(u, 89) = m(d, 89) = 102$  GeV in good approximation: note that this predicts quark jets with mass around 100 GeV as a signature of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.

The contribution of quarks to proton mass would be  $M_q = \sqrt{3} \times 2^{(113-93)/2} m(u, 107) \simeq 173$  GeV. By adding the quark contribution to gluonic contribution  $M_g = 396.7$  GeV, one obtains  $m(p, 89) = 469.7$  GeV which is rather near to the naively scaled mass 482 GeV and too large. For  $\lambda(89)$  the mass is even larger: if  $\lambda(89) - p(89)$  mass difference obeys the naive scaling one has  $m(\lambda, 89) - m(p, 89) = 512 \times m(\lambda, 107) - m(p, 107)$ . One obtains  $m(\lambda, 89) = m(p, 89) + m(s, 89) - m(u, 89) = 469.7 + 89.6$  GeV = 559.3 GeV rather near to the naive scaling estimate 571 GeV. This option fails.

Maybe I would be happier if the 390 GeV bump would turn out to be a fluctuation (as it probably does) and were replaced with a bump around 570 GeV plus other bumps corresponding to nucleons and  $\Delta$  resonances and heavier strange baryons. The essential point is however that the mass scale of the gluino candidate is consistent with the interpretation as  $\lambda$  baryon of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. Quite generally, the signatures of R-parity breaking standard SUSY have interpretation as signatures for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics in TGD framework.

#### 3-jet and 9-jet events as a further evidence for $M_{89}$ hadron physics?

The following arguments represent a fresh approach to 390 GeV bump which I developed without noticing that I had discussed already earlier the above un-successful explanation.

Lubos Motl told about slight 3-jet and 9-jet excesses seen by CMS collaboration in LHC data. There is an article about 3-jet excess titled Search for Three-Jet Resonances in pp Collisions at  $s^{1/2} = 7$  TeV by CMS collaboration [C84]. The figure in Lubos's blog [C41] shows what has been found. In 3-jet case the effects exceeds 3-sigma level between 350 GeV and 410 GeV and the center is around 380-390 GeV.

Experimenters see 3-jets as 1.9 sigma evidence for SUSY. It is probably needless to tell that 1.9 sigma evidences come and go and should not be taken seriously. Gluino pair would be produced and each gluino with mass around 385 GeV would decay to three quarks producing three jets. In tri-jet case altogether 3+3=6 jets would be produced in the decays of gluinos. The problem is that there is no missing energy predicted by MSSM scenario without R-parity breaking. Therefore the straightforward proposal of CMS collaboration is that R-parity is broken by a coupling of gluino to 3 quark state so that gluino would effectively have quark number three and gluino can decay to 3 light quarks- say  $uds$ .

The basic objection against this idea is that the distribution of 3-jet masses is very wide extending from 75 GeV (slightly below 100 GeV for selected events) to about 700 GeV as one learns from figure 1 of the CMS preprint [C84]. Resonance interpretation does not look convincing to me and to my humble opinion this is a noble but desperate attempt to save the standard view about SUSY. After proposing the explanation which follows I realized to my surprise that I had already earlier tried to explain the 390 GeV bump in terms of  $M_{89}$  baryon but found that this explanation fails [L17] since the mass is too low to allow this interpretation.

There is also an article about nona-jets titled Has SUSY Gone Undetected in 9-jet Events? A Ten-Fold Enhancement in the LHC Signal Efficiency [C168] but I will not discuss this except by noticing that nona-jet events would serve as a unique signature of  $M_{89}$  baryon decays in TGD framework if the proposed model for tri-jets is correct.

Before continuing I want to make clear my motivations for spending time with thinking about this kind events which are probably statistical fluctuations. If I were an opportunist I would concentrate all my efforts to make a maximum noise about the successes of TGD. I am however an explorer rather than career builder and physics is to me a passion- something much more inspiring than personal fame. My urge is to learn what TGD SUSY is and what it predicts and this kind of activity is the best manner to do it.

#### 1. Could one interpret the 3-jet events in terms of TGD SUSY without R-parity breaking?

I already mentioned the very wide range of 3-jet distribution as a basic objection against gluino pair interpretation. But just for curiosity one can also consider a possible interpretation in the framework provided by TGD SUSY.

As I have explained in the article [L16], one could understand the apparent absence of squarks and gluinos in TGD framework in terms of shadronization which would be faster process than the selectro-weak decays of squarks so that the standard signatures of SUSY (jest plus missing energy) would not be produced. The mass scales and even masses of quark and squark could be identical part from a splitting caused by mixing. The decay widths of weak bosons do not however allow light exotic fermions coupling to them and this in the case of ordinary hadron physics this requires that squarks are dark having therefore non-standard value of Planck constant coming as an integer multiple of the ordinary Planck constant [K28]. For  $M_{89}$  hadron physics this constraint is not necessary.

One can indeed imagine an explanation for 3-jets in terms of decays of gluino pair in TGD framework without R-parity breaking.

- (a) Both gluinos would decay as  $\tilde{g} \rightarrow \tilde{q} + \bar{q}$  (or charge conjugate of this) and squark in turn decays as  $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q + \tilde{g}$ . This would give quark pair and two virtual gluinos. Virtual gluinos would transform to a quark pair by an exchange of virtual squark:  $\tilde{g} \rightarrow q + \bar{q}$ . This would give 3 quark jets and 3 anti-quark jets.
- (b) Why this option possible also in MSSM is not considered by CMS collaboration? Do the bounds on squark masses make the rate quite too low? The very strong lower bounds on squark masses in MSSM type SUSY were indeed known towards the end of August when

the article was published. In TGD framework these bounds are not present since squarks could appear with masses of ordinary quarks if they are dark in TGD sense. Gluinos would be however dark and the amplitude for the phase transition transforming gluon to its dark variant decaying to a gluino pair could make the rate too low.

- (c) If one takes the estimate for the  $M_{89}$  gluino mass seriously and scales to a very naive mass estimate for  $M_{107}$  gluino by a factor  $1/512$ , one obtains  $m(\tilde{g}_{107}) = 752$  MeV.

As already noticed, I do not take this explanation too seriously: the tri-jet distribution is quite too wide.

2. *Could tri-jets be interpreted in terms of decays of  $M_{89}$  quarks to three ordinary quarks?*

3+3 jets are observed and they correspond to 3 quarks and antiquarks. If one takes 3-jet excess seriously it seems that one has to assume a fermion decaying to 3 quarks or two quarks and antiquark. All these quarks could be light ( $u, d, s$  type quarks).

Could  $M_{89}$  quarks decaying to three  $M_{107}$  (ordinary) quarks ( $q_{89} \rightarrow q_{107}q_{107}\bar{q}_{107}$ ) be in question? If this were the case the 9-jets might allow interpretation as decays of  $M_{89}$  proton or neutron with mass which from naive scaling would be  $512 \times .94$  GeV  $\simeq 481$  GeV resulting when each quark the nucleon decays to three ordinary quarks. Nona-jets would serve as a unique signature for the production of  $M_{89}$  baryons!

$M_{89}$  quarks must decay somehow to ordinary quarks.

- (a) The simplest guess is that the transformation  $q_{89} \rightarrow q_{107}q_{107}\bar{q}_{107}$  begins with the decay  $q_{89} \rightarrow q_{107} + g_{89}$ . Here  $g_{89}$  can be virtual.
- (b) This would be followed by  $g_{89} \rightarrow q_{107}\bar{q}_{107}$ . The final state would consist of two quarks and one antiquark giving rise to tri-jet. The decay of  $M_{89}$  gluon could produce all quark families democratically apart from phase space factors larger for light quarks. This would produce 3+3 jets with a slight dominance of light quark 3-jets.

There are two options to consider. The first option corresponds to a production of a pair of on mass shell  $M_{89}$  quarks with mass around 385 GeV (resonance option) and second option to a production of a pair of virtual  $M_{89}$  quarks suggested by the wide distribution of tri-jets.

- (a) Could the resonance interpretation make sense? Can the average 3-jet mass about 385 GeV correspond to the mass of  $M_{89}$  quark? The formulas  $m(\pi_{89}) = 2^{1/2}m(u_{89})$  (mass squared is additive) together with  $m(\pi_{89}) = 144$  GeV would give  $m(u_{89}) \simeq 101.8$  GeV. Unfortunately the mass proposed for the gluino is almost 4 times higher. The naive scaling by factor 512 for charmed quark mass  $m(c_{107}) = 1.29$  GeV would give 660.5 GeV, which is quite too high. It seems very difficult to find any reasonable interpretation in terms of decays of on mass shell  $M_{89}$  quarks with mass around 385 GeV.
- (b) One can however consider completely different interpretation. From figure 1 [C84] of the CMS preprint one learns that the distribution of 3-jet masses is very wide beginning around 75 GeV (certainly consistent with 72 GeV, which is one half of the predicted mass 144 GeV of  $M_{89}$  pion) for all triplets and slightly below 100 GeV for selected triplets.

Could one interpret the situation without selection by assuming that a pair of  $M_{89}$  quarks forming a virtual  $M_{89}$  pion is produced just as the naive expectation that the old-fashioned proton-pion picture could make sense at "low" energies (using of course  $M_{89}$  QCD  $\Lambda$  as a natural mass scale) also for  $M_{89}$  physics. The total mass of  $M_{89}$  quark pair would be above 144 GeV and its decay to virtual  $M_{89}$  quark pair would give quark pair with quark masses above 72 GeV. Could the selected events with total 3-jet mass above 100 GeV correspond to the production of a virtual  $M_{89}$  quark pair?

To sum up, if one takes the indications for 3-jets seriously, the interpretation in terms of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is the most plausible TGD option. I am unable to say anything about the 9-jet article but 9-jets would serve as a unique and very dramatic signature of  $M_{89}$  baryons: the naive prediction for the mass of  $M_{89}$  nucleon is 481 GeV.

### 9.5.4 LHC might have produced new matter: are $M_{89}$ hadrons in question?

Large Hadron Collider May Have Produced New Matter is the title of popular article explaining briefly the surprising findings of LHC made for the first time September 2010. A fascinating possibility is that these events could be seen as a direct signature of brand new hadron physics. I distinguish this new hadron physics using the attribute  $M_{89}$  to distinguish it from ordinary hadron physics assigned to Mersenne prime  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ .

#### Some background

Quark gluon plasma is expected to be generated in high energy heavy ion collisions if QCD is *the* theory of strong interactions. This would mean that quarks and gluons are de-confined and form a gas of free partons. Something different was however observed already at RHIC: the surprise was the presence of highly correlated pairs of charged particles. The members of pairs tended to move in parallel: either in same or opposite directions.

This forced to give up the description in terms of quark gluon plasma and to introduce what was called color glass condensate. The proposal was that so called color glass condensate, which is liquid with strong correlations between the velocities of nearby particles rather than gas like state in which these correlations are absent, is created: one can imagine that a kind of thin wall of gluons is generated as the highly Lorentz contracted nuclei collide. The liquid like character would explain why pairs tend to move in parallel manner. Why they can move also in antiparallel manner is not obvious to me although I have considered the TGD based view about color glass condensate inspired by the fact that the field equations for preferred extremals are hydrodynamical and it might be possible to model this phase of collision using scaled version of critical cosmology which is unique apart from scaling of the parameter characterizing the duration of this critical period. Later LHC found a similar behavior in heavy ion collisions. The theoretical understanding of the phenomenon is however far from complete.

The real surprise was the observation of similar events in proton proton collisions at LHC: for the first time already at 2010. Lubos Motl wrote a nice posting about this observation. Also I wrote a short comment about the finding. Now the findings have been published: preprint can be found in arXiv [C85]. Below is the abstract of the preprint.

*Results on two-particle angular correlations for charged particles emitted in pPb collisions at a nucleon-nucleon center-of-mass energy of 5.02 TeV are presented. The analysis uses two million collisions collected with the CMS detector at the LHC. The correlations are studied over a broad range of pseudorapidity  $\eta$ , and full azimuth  $\phi$ , as a function of charged particle multiplicity and particle transverse momentum,  $p_T$ . In high-multiplicity events, a long-range ( $2 < |\Delta\eta| < 4$ ), near-side ( $\Delta\phi$  approximately 0) structure emerges in the two-particle  $\Delta\eta - \Delta\phi$  correlation functions. This is the first observation of such correlations in proton-nucleus collisions, resembling the ridge-like correlations seen in high-multiplicity pp collisions at  $s^{1/2} = 7$  TeV and in A on A collisions over a broad range of center-of-mass energies. The correlation strength exhibits a pronounced maximum in the range of  $p_T = 1-1.5$  GeV and an approximately linear increase with charged particle multiplicity for high-multiplicity events. These observations are qualitatively similar to those in pp collisions when selecting the same observed particle multiplicity, while the overall strength of the correlations is significantly larger in pPb collisions.*

#### Could $M_{89}$ hadrons give rise to the events?

Second highly attractive explanation discussed by Lubos is in terms of production of string like objects. In this case the momenta of the decay products tend to be parallel to the strings since the constituents giving rise to ultimate decay products are confined inside 1-dimensional string like object. In this case it is easy to understand the presence of both parallel and antiparallel pairs. If the string is very heavy, a large number of particles would move in collinear manner in opposite directions. Color quark condensate would explain this in terms of hydrodynamical flow.

In TGD framework these string like objects would correspond to color magnetic flux tubes. These flux tubes carrying quark and antiquark at their ends should however make them manifest only in low energy hadron physics serving as a model for hadrons, not at ultrahigh collision energies for protons. Could this mean that these flux tubes correspond to hadrons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics?  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would be low energy hadron physics since the scaled counterpart of QCD  $\Lambda$  around 200 MeV is about 100 GeV and the scaled counterpart of proton mass is around .5 TeV (scaling is by factor is 512 as ratio of square roots of  $M_{89} = 2^{89} - 1$ , and  $M_{107}$ ). What would happen in the collision would be the formation of p-adically hot spot at p-adic temperature  $T = 1$  for  $M_{89}$ .

For instance, the resulting  $M_{89}$  pion would have mass around 67.5 GeV if a naive scaling of ordinary pion mass holds true. p-Adic length scale hypothesis allows power of  $2^{1/2}$  as a multiplicative factor and one would obtain something like 135 GeV for factor 2: Fermi telescope has provided evidence for this kind particle although it might be that systematic error is involved (see the nice posting of Resonaances). The signal has been also observed by Fermi telescope for the Earth limb data where there should be none if dark matter in galactic center is the source of the events. I have proposed that  $M_{89}$  hadrons - in particular  $M_{89}$  pions - are also produced in the collisions of ultrahigh energy cosmic rays with the nuclei of the atmosphere: maybe this could explain also the Earth limb data. Recall that my first erratic interpretation for 125 GeV Higgs like state was as  $M_{89}$  pion and only later emerged the interpretation of Fermi events in terms of  $M_{89}$  pion.

What about the explanation in terms of  $M_{89}$  color spin glass? It does not make sense. First of all, both color spin glass and quark gluon plasma would be higher energy phenomena in QCD like theory. Now low energy  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would be in question. Secondly, for the color spin glass of ordinary hadron physics the temperature would be about 1 GeV, the mass of proton in good approximation. For  $M_{89}$  color spin glass the temperature would be by a factor 512 higher, that is .5 TeV: this cannot make sense since the model based on temperature 1 GeV works satisfactorily.

### How this picture relates to earlier ideas?

I have made three earlier proposals relating to the unexpected correlations just discussed. The earlier picture is consistent with the recent one.

- (a) I have already earlier proposed a realization of the color glass condensate in terms of color magnetic flux tubes confining partons to move along string like objects. This indeed explains why charged particle pairs tend to move in parallel or antiparallel manner. Amusingly, I did not realize that ordinary hadronic strings (low energy phenomenon) cannot be in question, and therefore failed to make the obvious conclusion that  $M_{89}$  hadrons could be in question. Direct signals of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics have been in front of our eyes since the findings of RHIC around 2005 but our prejudices - in particular, the stubborn belief that QCD is a final theory of strong interactions - have prevented us to see them! Instead of this we try desperately to see superstrings and standard SUSY!
- (b) One basic question is how the hadrons and quarks of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics decay to ordinary hadrons. I proposed the basic idea for about fifteen years ago - soon after the discovery of p-adic physics. The idea was that the hadrons of  $M_{89}$  physics are p-adic hot spots created in the collisions of hadrons. Also quarks get heated so that corresponding p-adic prime increases and the mass of the quark increases by some power of  $\sqrt{2}$  meaning a reduction in size by the same power. The cooling of these hot spots is a sequence of phase transitions increasing the p-adic prime of the appropriate (hadronic or partonic) space-time sheet so that the eventual outcome consists of ordinary hadrons. p-Adic length scale hypothesis suggests that only primes near powers of 2 (or their subset) appear in the sequence of phase transitions. For instance,  $M_{89}$  hadronic space-time sheet would end up to an ordinary hadronic space-time sheets consisting of at most 18 steps from  $M_{107}/M_{89} \simeq 2^{18}$ . If only powers of 2 are allowed as scalings (the analog of period doubling) there are 9 steps at most.



Each step scales the size of the space-time sheet in question so that the process is highly analogous to cosmic expansion leading from very short and thin  $M_{89}$  flux tube to  $M_{107}$  flux tube with scaled up dimensions. Since a critical phenomenon is in question and TGD Universe is fractal, a rough macroscopic description would be in terms of scaled variant of critical cosmology, which is unique apart from its finite duration and describes accelerated cosmic expansion. The almost uniqueness of the critical cosmology follows from the imbeddability to  $M^4 \times CP_2$ . Cosmic expansion would take place only during these periods. Both the cosmic expansion associated with the cooling of hadronic and partonic space-time sheets would take via jerks followed by stationary periods with no expansion. The size of the scale of the hadronic or partonic space-time sheet would increase by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$  during a single jerk.

By the fractality of the TGD Universe this model of cosmic expansion based on p-adic phase transitions should apply in all scales. In particular, it should apply to stars and planetary systems. The fact that various astrophysical objects do not seem to participate in cosmic expansion supports the view that the expansion takes place in jerks identifiable as phase transitions increasing the p-adic prime of particular space-time sheet so that in the average sense a continuous smooth expansion is obtained. For instance, I have proposed a variant of expanding Earth model [K59] explaining the strange observation that the continents would nicely cover the entire surface of Earth if the radius of Earth were one half of its recent radius. The assumed relatively rapid phase transition doubling the radius of Earth explains several strange findings in the thermal, geological, and biological history of Earth. This approach also explains also how the magnetic energy of primordial cosmic strings identifiable as dark energy has gradually transformed to dark or ordinary matter [L15]. In this model the vacuum energy density of inflation field is replaced with that of Kähler magnetic field assignable to the flux tubes originating from primordial cosmic strings with a 2-D  $M^4$  projection. The model explains also the magnetic fields filling the Universe in all scales: in standard Big Bang cosmology their origin remains a mystery.

- (c) What about the energetics of the process? If the jerk induces an overall scaling, the Kähler magnetic energy of the magnetic flux tubes decreases since - by the conservation of magnetic flux giving  $B \propto 1/S$  - the energy is proportional to  $L/S$  scaling like  $1/\sqrt{p}$  ( $L$  and  $S$  denote the length and the transversal area of the flux tube). Therefore magnetic energy is liberated in the process and by p-adic length scale hypothesis the total rest energy liberated is  $\Delta E = E_i(1 - 2^{(k_i - k_f)/2})$ , where  $i$  and  $f$  refer to initial and final values of the p-adic prime  $p \simeq 2^k$ . Similar consideration applies to partons. The natural assumption is that the Kähler magnetic (equivalently color magnetic) energy is liberated as partons. These partons would eventually transform to ordinary partons and materialize to ordinary hadrons. The scaling of the flux tube would preserve its size would force the observed correlations.

To conclude, the brave conjecture would be that a production of  $M_{89}$  hadrons could explain the observations. There would be no quark gluon plasma nor color spin glass (a highly questionable notion in high energy QCD). Instead of this new hadron physics would emerge by the confinement of quarks (or their scaled up variants) in shorter length scale as collision energies become high enough, and already RHIC would have observed  $M_{89}$  hadron physics!

### 9.5.5 Anomalous like sign dimuons at LHC?

We are not protected against particle physics rumors even during Christmas. This time the rumor was launched from the comment section of Peter Woit's blog and soon propagated to the blogs of Lubos and Phil Gibbs.

The rumor says that ATLAS has observed 5 sigma excess of like sign di-muon events. This would suggest a resonance with charge  $Q = \pm 2$  and muon number two. In the 3-triplet SUSY model there is a Higgs with charge 2 but the lower limit for its mass is already now around 300-400 GeV. Rumors are usually just rumors and at this time the most plausible interpretation is as a nasty joke intended to spoil the Christmas of phenomenologists. Lubos however represents a graph from a publication of ATLAS [C70] based on 2011 data giving a slight support for the rumor.

The experiences during last years give strong reasons to believe that statistical fluctuation is in question. Despite this the temptation to find some explanation is irresistible.

### TGD view about color allows charge 2 leptomesons

TGD color differs from that of other unified theories in the sense that colored states correspond to color partial waves in  $CP_2$ . Most of these states are extremely massive but I have proposed that light color octet leptons are possible [K84], and there is indeed some evidence for pion like states with mass very near to  $m = 2m_L$  for all charged lepton generations decaying to lepton-antilepton pairs and gamma pairs also p-adically scaled up variant having masses coming as octaves of the lowest state have been reported for the tau-pion.

Since leptons move in triality zero color partial waves, color does not distinguish between lepton and anti-lepton so that also leptons with the same charge can in principle form a pion-like color singlet with charge  $Q = \pm 2$ . This is of course not possible for quarks. In the recent case the p-adic prime should be such that the mass for the color octet muon is  $105/2$  GeV which is about  $2^9 m(\mu)$ , where  $m(\mu) = 105.6$  MeV is the mass of muon. Therefore the color octet muons would correspond to  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k = k(\mu) - 2 \times 9 = 113 - 18 = 95$ , which not prime but is allowed by the p-adic length scale hypothesis.

But why just  $k = 95$ ? Is it an accident that the scaling factor is same as between the mass scales of the ordinary hadron physics characterized by  $M_{107}$  and  $M_{89}$  hadron physics? If one applies the same argument to tau leptons characterized by  $M_{107}$ , one finds that like sign tau pairs should result from pairs of  $M_{89}$   $\tau$  leptons having mass  $m = 512 \times 1.776 \text{ GeV} = 909$  GeV. The mass of resonance would be twice this. For electron one has  $m = 512 \times .51 \text{ MeV} = 261.6$  MeV with resonance mass equal to 523.2 MeV. Sceptic would argue that this kind of states should have been observed for long time ago if they really exist.

### Production of parallel gluon pairs from the decay of strings of $M_{89}$ hadron physics as source of the leptomesons?

The production mechanism would be via two-gluon intermediate states. Both gluons would decay to unbound colored lepton-antilepton pair such that the two colored leptons and two antileptons would fuse to form two like sign lepton pairs. This process favors gluons moving in parallel. The required presence of also other like sign lepton pair in the state might allow to kill the hypothesis easily.

The presence of parallel gluons could relate to the TGD inspired explanation [?] for the correlated charged particle pairs observed in proton proton collisions (QCD predicts quark gluon plasma and the absence of correlations) in terms of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. The decay of  $M_{89}$  string like objects is expected to produce not only correlated charged pairs but also correlated gluon pairs with members moving in parallel or antiparallel manner. Parallel gluons could produce like sign di-muons and di-electrons and even pairs of like sign  $\mu$  and  $e$ . In the case of ordinary hadron physics this mechanism would not be at work so that one could understand why resonances with electron number two and mass 523 MeV have not been observed earlier.

Even leptons belonging to different generations could in principle form this kind of states and Phil Gibbs has represented a graph which he interprets as providing indications for a state with mass around 105 GeV decaying to like sign  $\mu e$  pairs. In this case one would however expect that mass is roughly  $105/2$  GeV since electron is considerably lighter than muon in given p-adic length scale.

The decay of bound states of two colored leptons with same (or opposite) charge would require a trilinear coupling  $gLL_8$  analogous to magnetic moment coupling. Color octet leptons  $L_8$  would transform to ordinary leptons by gluon emission.

To sum up, if the rumor is true, then  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would have begun to demonstrate its explanatory power. The new hadron physics would explain the correlated charged particle pairs not possible to understand in high energy QCD. The additional gamma pair background resulting from the decays of  $M_{89}$  pions could explain the two-gamma anomaly of Higgs decays,

and also the failure to get same mass for the Higgs from  $ZZ$  and gamma-gamma decays. One should not forget that  $M_{89}$  pion explains the Fermi bump around 135 GeV. And it would also explain the anomalous like sign lepton pairs if one accepts TGD view about color.

### 9.5.6 Dark nucleons and genetic code

Water memory is one of the ugly words in the vocabulary of a main stream scientist. The work of pioneers is however now carrying fruit. The group led by Jean-Luc Montagnier, who received Nobel prize for discovering HIV virus, has found strong evidence for water memory and detailed information about the mechanism involved [K37, K83] , [I8] . The work leading to the discovery was motivated by the following mysterious finding. When the water solution containing human cells infected by bacteria was filtered in purpose of sterilizing it, it indeed satisfied the criteria for the absence of infected cells immediately after the procedure. When one however adds human cells to the filtrate, infected cells appear within few weeks. If this is really the case and if the filter does what it is believed to do, this raises the question whether there might be a representation of genetic code based on nano-structures able to leak through the filter with pores size below 200 nm.

The question is whether dark nuclear strings might provide a representation of the genetic code. In fact, I posed this question year before the results of the experiment came with motivation coming from attempts to understand water memory. The outcome was a totally unexpected finding: the states of dark nucleons formed from three quarks can be naturally grouped to multiplets in one-one correspondence with 64 DNAs, 64 RNAs, and 20 aminoacids and there is natural mapping of DNA and RNA type states to aminoacid type states such that the numbers of DNAs/RNAs mapped to given aminoacid are same as for the vertebrate genetic code.

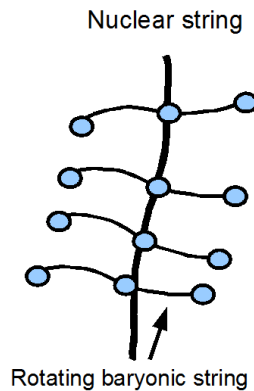


Figure 9.3: Illustration of a possible vision about dark nucleus as a nuclear string consisting of rotating baryonic strings.

The basic idea is simple. Since baryons consist of 3 quarks just as DNA codons consist of three nucleotides, one might ask whether codons could correspond to baryons obtained as open strings with quarks connected by two color flux tubes. This representation would be based on entanglement rather than letter sequences. The question is therefore whether the dark baryons constructed as string of 3 quarks using color flux tubes could realize 64 codons and whether 20 aminoacids could be identified as equivalence classes of some equivalence relation between 64 fundamental codons in a natural manner.

The following model indeed reproduces the genetic code directly from a model of dark neutral baryons as strings of 3 quarks connected by color flux tubes.

- (a) Dark nuclear baryons are considered as a fundamental realization of DNA codons and constructed as open strings of 3 dark quarks connected by two colored flux tubes, which can be

also charged. The baryonic strings cannot combine to form a strictly linear structure since strict rotational invariance would not allow the quark strings to have angular momentum with respect to the quantization axis defined by the nuclear string. The independent rotation of quark strings and breaking of rotational symmetry from  $SO(3)$  to  $SO(2)$  induced by the direction of the nuclear string is essential for the model.

- i. Baryonic strings could form a helical nuclear string (stability might require this) locally parallel to DNA, RNA, or aminoacid) helix with rotations acting either along the axis of the DNA or along the local axis of DNA along helix. The rotation of a flux tube portion around an axis parallel to the local axis along DNA helix requires that magnetic flux tube has a kink in this portion. An interesting question is whether this kink has correlate at the level of DNA too. Notice that color bonds appear in two scales corresponding to these two strings. The model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27] allows a modification in which dark nuclear string of this kind is parallel to DNA and each codon has a flux tube connection to the lipid of cell membrane or possibly to some other bio-molecule.
  - ii. The analogs of DNA -, RNA -, and of amino-acid sequences could also correspond to sequences of dark baryons in which baryons would be 3-quark strings in the plane transversal to the dark nuclear string and expected to rotate by stringy boundary conditions. Thus one would have nuclear string consisting of short baryonic strings not connected along their ends (see Fig. 13.8). In this case all baryons would be free to rotate.
- (b) The new element as compared to the standard quark model is that between both dark quarks and dark baryons can be charged carrying charge  $0, \pm 1$ . This is assumed also in nuclear string model and there is empirical support for the existence of exotic nuclei containing charged color bonds between nuclei.
- (c) The net charge of the dark baryons in question is assumed to vanish to minimize Coulomb repulsion:

$$\sum_q Q_{em}(q) = - \sum_{flux\ tubes} Q_{em}(flux\ tube) . \quad (9.5.6)$$

This kind of selection is natural taking into account the breaking of isospin symmetry. In the recent case the breaking cannot however be as large as for ordinary baryons (implying large mass difference between  $\Delta$  and nucleon states).

- (d) One can classify the states of the open 3-quark string by the total charges and spins associated with 3 quarks and to the two color bonds. Total em charges of quarks vary in the range  $Z_B \in \{2, 1, 0, -1\}$  and total color bond charges in the range  $Z_b \in \{2, 1, 0, -1, -2\}$ . Only neutral states are allowed. Total quark spin projection varies in the range  $J_B = 3/2, 1/2, -1/2, -3/2$  and the total flux tube spin projection in the range  $J_b = 2, 1, -1, -2$ . If one takes for a given total charge assumed to be vanishing one representative from each class  $(J_B, J_b)$ , one obtains  $4 \times 5 = 20$  states which is the number of amino-acids. Thus genetic code might be realized at the level of baryons by mapping the neutral states with a given spin projection to single representative state with the same spin projection. The problem is to find whether one can identify the analogs of DNA, RNA and aminoacids as baryon like states.

### States in the quark degrees of freedom

One must construct many-particle states both in quark and flux tube degrees of freedom. These states can be constructed as representations of rotation group  $SU(2)$  and strong isospin group  $SU(2)$  by using the standard tensor product rule  $j_1 \times j_2 = j_1 + j_2 \oplus j_1 + j_2 - 1 \oplus \dots \oplus |j_1 - j_2|$  for the representation of  $SU(2)$  and Fermi statistics and Bose-Einstein statistics are used to deduce correlations between total spin and total isospin (for instance,  $J = I$  rule holds true in quark degrees of freedom). Charge neutrality is assumed and the breaking of rotational symmetry in the direction of nuclear string is assumed.

Consider first the states of dark baryons in quark degrees of freedom.

- (a) The tensor product  $2 \otimes 2 \otimes 2$  is involved in both cases. Without any additional constraints this tensor product decomposes as  $(3 \oplus 1) \otimes 2 = 4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2$ : 8 states altogether. This is what one should have for DNA and RNA candidates. If one has only identical quarks  $uuu$  or  $ddd$ , Pauli exclusion rule allows only the 4-D spin  $3/2$  representation corresponding to completely symmetric representation -just as in standard quark model. These 4 states correspond to a candidate for amino-acids. Thus RNA and DNA should correspond to states of type  $uud$  and  $ddu$  and aminoacids to states of type  $uuu$  or  $ddd$ . What this means physically will be considered later.
- (b) Due to spin-statistics constraint only the representations with  $(J, I) = (3/2, 3/2)$  ( $\Delta$  resonance) and the second  $(J, I) = (1/2, 1/2)$  (proton and neutron) are realized as free baryons. Now of course a dark -possibly p-adically scaled up - variant of QCD is considered so that more general baryonic states are possible. By the way, the spin statistics problem which forced to introduce quark color strongly suggests that the construction of the codons as sequences of 3 nucleons - which one might also consider - is not a good idea.
- (c) Second nucleon like spin doublet - call it  $2_{odd}$  - has wrong parity in the sense that it would require  $L = 1$  ground state for two identical quarks ( $uu$  or  $dd$  pair). Dropping  $2_{odd}$  and using only  $4 \oplus 2$  for the rotation group would give degeneracies  $(1, 2, 2, 1)$  and 6 states only. All the representations in  $4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2_{odd}$  are needed to get 8 states with a given quark charge and one should transform the wrong parity doublet to positive parity doublet somehow. Since open string geometry breaks rotational symmetry to a subgroup  $SO(2)$  of rotations acting along the direction of the string and since the boundary conditions on baryonic strings force their ends to rotate with light velocity, the attractive possibility is to add a baryonic stringy excitation with angular momentum projection  $L_z = -1$  to the wrong parity doublet so that the parity comes out correctly.  $L_z = -1$  orbital angular momentum for the relative motion of  $uu$  or  $dd$  quark pair in the open 3-quark string would be in question. The degeneracies for spin projection value  $J_z = 3/2, \dots, -3/2$  are  $(1, 2, 3, 2)$ . Genetic code means spin projection mapping the states in  $4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2_{odd}$  to 4.

### States in the flux tube degrees of freedom

Consider next the states in flux tube degrees of freedom.

- (a) The situation is analogous to a construction of mesons from quarks and antiquarks and one obtains the analogs of  $\pi$  meson (pion) with spin 0 and  $\rho$  meson with spin 1 since spin statistics forces  $J = I$  condition also now. States of a given charge for a flux tube correspond to the tensor product  $2 \otimes 2 = 3 \oplus 1$  for the rotation group.
- (b) Without any further constraints the tensor product  $3 \otimes 3 = 5 \oplus 3 \oplus 1$  for the flux tubes states gives 8+1 states. By dropping the scalar state this gives 8 states required by DNA and RNA analogs. The degeneracies of the states for DNA/RNA type realization with a given spin projection for  $5 \oplus 3$  are  $(1, 2, 2, 2, 1)$ .  $8 \times 8$  states result altogether for both  $uud$  and  $udd$  for which color bonds have different charges. Also for  $ddd$  state with quark charge -1 one obtains  $5 \oplus 3$  states giving 40 states altogether.
- (c) If the charges of the color bonds are identical as the are for  $uuu$  type states serving as candidates for the counterparts of aminoacids bosonic statistics allows only 5 states ( $J = 2$  state). Hence 20 counterparts of aminoacids are obtained for  $uuu$ . Genetic code means the projection of the states of  $5 \oplus 3$  to those of 5 with the same spin projection and same total charge.

### Analogues of DNA, RNA, aminoacids, and of translation and transcription mechanisms

Consider next the identification of analogs of DNA, RNA and aminoacids and the baryonic realization of the genetic code, translation and transcription.

- (a) The analogs of DNA and RNA can be identified dark baryons with quark content  $uud$ ,  $ddu$  with color bonds having different charges. There are 3 color bond pairs corresponding to charge pairs  $(q_1, q_2) = (-1, 0), (-1, 1), (0, 1)$  (the order of charges does not matter). The condition that the total charge of dark baryon vanishes allows for  $uud$  only the bond pair  $(-1, 0)$  and for  $udd$  only the pair  $(-1, 1)$ . These thus only single neutral dark baryon of type  $uud$  resp.  $udd$ : these would be the analogous of DNA and RNA codons. Amino-acids would correspond to  $uuu$  states with identical color bonds with charges  $(-1, -1), (0, 0)$ , or  $(1, 1)$ .  $uuu$  with color bond charges  $(-1, -1)$  is the only neutral state. Hence only the analogs of DNA, RNA, and aminoacids are obtained, which is rather remarkable result.
- (b) The basic transcription and translation machinery could be realized as processes in which the analog of DNA can replicate, and can be transcribed to the analog of mRNA in turn translated to the analogs of amino-acids. In terms of flux tube connections the realization of genetic code, transcription, and translation, would mean that only dark baryons with same total quark spin and same total color bond spin can be connected by flux tubes. Charges are of course identical since they vanish.
- (c) Genetic code maps of  $(4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2) \otimes (5 \oplus 3)$  to the states of  $4 \times 5$ . The most natural map takes the states with a given spin to a state with the same spin so that the code is unique. This would give the degeneracies  $D(k)$  as products of numbers  $D_B \in \{1, 2, 3, 2\}$  and  $D_b \in \{1, 2, 2, 2, 1\}$ :  $D = D_B \times D_b$ . Only the observed degeneracies  $D = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6$  are predicted. The numbers  $N(k)$  of aminoacids coded by  $D$  codons would be

$$[N(1), N(2), N(3), N(4), N(6)] = [2, 7, 2, 6, 3] .$$

The correct numbers for vertebrate nuclear code are  $(N(1), N(2), N(3), N(4), N(6)) = (2, 9, 1, 5, 3)$ . Some kind of symmetry breaking must take place and should relate to the emergence of stopping codons. If one codon in second 3-plet becomes stopping codon, the 3-plet becomes doublet. If 2 codons in 4-plet become stopping codons it also becomes doublet and one obtains the correct result  $(2, 9, 1, 5, 3)$ !

- (d) Stopping codons would most naturally correspond to the codons, which involve the  $L_z = -1$  relative rotational excitation of  $uu$  or  $dd$  type quark pair. For the 3-plet the two candidates for the stopping codon state are  $|1/2, -1/2\rangle \otimes \{|2, k\rangle\}$ ,  $k = 2, -2$ . The total spins are  $J_z = 3/2$  and  $J_z = -7/2$ . The three candidates for the 4-plet from which two states are thrown out are  $|1/2, -3/2\rangle \otimes \{|2, k\rangle, |1, k\rangle\}$ ,  $k = 1, 0, -1$ . The total spins are now  $J_z = -1/2, -3/2, -5/2$ . One guess is that the states with smallest value of  $J_z$  are dropped which would mean that  $J_z = -7/2$  states in 3-plet and  $J_z = -5/2$  states 4-plet become stopping codons.
- (e) One can ask why just vertebrate code? Why not vertebrate mitochondrial code, which has unbroken  $A - G$  and  $T - C$  symmetries with respect to the third nucleotide. And is it possible to understand the rarely occurring variants of the genetic code in this framework? One explanation is that the baryonic realization is the fundamental one and biochemical realization has gradually evolved from non-faithful realization to a faithful one as kind of emulation of dark nuclear physics. Also the role of tRNA in the realization of the code is crucial and could explain the fact that the code can be context sensitive for some codons.

### Understanding the symmetries of the code

Quantum entanglement between quarks and color flux tubes would be essential for the baryonic realization of the genetic code whereas chemical realization could be said to be classical. Quantal aspect means that one cannot decompose to codon to letters anymore. This raises questions concerning the symmetries of the code.

- (a) What is the counterpart for the conjugation  $ZYZ \rightarrow X_c Y_c Z_c$  for the codons?
- (b) The conjugation of the second nucleotide  $Y$  having chemical interpretation in terms of hydrophoby-hydrophily dichotomy in biology. In DNA as tqc model it corresponds to matter-antimatter conjugation for quarks associated with flux tubes connecting DNA nucleotides to the lipids of the cell membrane. What is the interpretation in now?

- (c) The A-G, T-C symmetries with respect to the third nucleotide  $Z$  allow an interpretation as weak isospin symmetry in DNA as tqc model. Can one identify counterpart of this symmetry when the decomposition into individual nucleotides does not make sense?

Natural candidates for the building blocks of the analogs of these symmetries are the change of the sign of the spin direction for quarks and for flux tubes.

- (a) For quarks the spin projections are always non-vanishing so that the map has no fixed points. For flux tube spin the states of spin  $S_z = 0$  are fixed points. The change of the sign of quark spin projection must therefore be present for both  $XYZ \rightarrow X_c Y_c Z_c$  and  $Y \rightarrow Y_c$  but also something else might be needed. Note that without the symmetry breaking  $(1, 3, 3, 1) \rightarrow (1, 2, 3, 2)$  the code table would be symmetric in the permutation of 2 first and 2 last columns of the code table induced by both full conjugation and conjugation of  $Y$ .
- (b) The analogs of the approximate  $A - G$  and  $T - C$  symmetries cannot involve the change of spin direction in neither quark nor flux tube sector. These symmetries act inside the A-G and T-C sub-2-columns of the 4-columns defining the rows of the code table. Hence this symmetry must permute the states of same spin inside 5 and 3 for flux tubes and 4 and 2 for quarks but leave  $2_{odd}$  invariant. This guarantees that for the two non-degenerate codons coding for only single amino-acid and one of the codons inside triplet the action is trivial. Hence the baryonic analog of the approximate  $A - G$  and  $T - C$  symmetry would be exact symmetry and be due to the basic definition of the genetic code as a mapping states of same flux tube spin and quark spin to single representative state. The existence of full 4-columns coding for the same aminoacid would be due to the fact that states with same quark spin inside  $(2, 3, 2)$  code for the same amino-acid.
- (c) A detailed comparison of the code table with the code table in spin representation should allow to fix their correspondence uniquely apart from permutations of n-plets and thus also the representation of the conjugations. What is clear that  $Y$  conjugation must involve the change of quark spin direction whereas  $Z$  conjugation which maps typically 2-plets to each other must involve the permutation of states with same  $J_z$  for the flux tubes. It is not quite clear what  $X$  conjugation correspond to.

### Some comments about the physics behind the code

Consider next some particle physicist's objections against this picture.

- (a) The realization of the code requires the dark scaled variants of spin 3/2 baryons known as  $\Delta$  resonance and the analogs (and only the analogs) of spin 1 mesons known as  $\rho$  mesons. The lifetime of these states is very short in ordinary hadron physics. Now one has a scaled up variant of hadron physics: possibly in both dark and p-adic senses with latter allowing arbitrarily small overall mass scales. Hence the lifetimes of states can be scaled up.
- (b) Both the absolute and relative mass differences between  $\Delta$  and  $N$  resp.  $\rho$  and  $\pi$  are large in ordinary hadron physics and this makes the decays of  $\Delta$  and  $\rho$  possible kinematically. This is due to color magnetic spin-spin splitting proportional to the color coupling strength  $\alpha_s \sim .1$ , which is large. In the recent case  $\alpha_s$  could be considerably smaller - say of the same order of magnitude as fine structure constant  $1/137$  - so that the mass splittings could be so small as to make decays impossible.
- (c) Dark hadrons could have lower mass scale than the ordinary ones if scaled up variants of quarks in p-adic sense are in question. Note that the model for cold fusion that inspired the idea about genetic code requires that dark nuclear strings have the same mass scale as ordinary baryons. In any case, the most general option inspired by the vision about hierarchy of conscious entities extended to a hierarchy of life forms is that several dark and p-adic scaled up variants of baryons realizing genetic code are possible.
- (d) The heaviest objection relates to the addition of  $L_z = -1$  excitation to  $S_z = |1/2, \pm 1/2\rangle_{odd}$  states which transforms the degeneracies of the quark spin states from  $(1, 3, 3, 1)$  to  $(1, 2, 3, 2)$ .

The only reasonable answer is that the breaking of the full rotation symmetry reduces  $SO(3)$  to  $SO(2)$ . Also the fact that the states of massless particles are labeled by the representation of  $SO(2)$  might be of some relevance. The deeper level explanation in TGD framework might be as follows. The generalized imbedding space is constructed by gluing almost copies of the 8-D imbedding space with different Planck constants together along a 4-D subspace like pages of book along a common back. The construction involves symmetry breaking in both rotational and color degrees of freedom to Cartan sub-group and the interpretation is as a geometric representation for the selection of the quantization axis. Quantum TGD is indeed meant to be a geometrization of the entire quantum physics as a physics of the classical spinor fields in the "world of classical worlds" so that also the choice of measurement axis must have a geometric description.

The conclusion is that genetic code can be understood as a map of stringy baryonic states induced by the projection of all states with same spin projection to a representative state with the same spin projection. Genetic code would be realized at the level of dark nuclear physics and biochemical representation would be only one particular higher level representation of the code. A hierarchy of dark baryon realizations corresponding to p-adic and dark matter hierarchies can be considered. Translation and transcription machinery would be realized by flux tubes connecting only states with same quark spin and flux tube spin. Charge neutrality is essential for having only the analogs of DNA, RNA and aminoacids and would guarantee the em stability of the states.

## 9.6 QCD and TGD

During last week I have been listening some very inspiring Harvard lectures relating to QCD, jets, gauge-gravity correspondence, and quark gluon plasma. Matthew Schwartz gave a talk titled *The Emergence of Jets at the Large Hadron Collider* [C240]. Dam Thanh Son gave a talk titled *Viscosity, Quark Gluon Plasma, and String Theory* [C246]. Factorization theorems of jet QCD discussed in very clear manner by Ian Stewart [C248] in this talk titled *Mastering Jets: New Windows into Strong Interaction and Beyond*.

These lecture inspired several blog postings and also the idea about systematical comparison of QCD and TGD. This kind of comparisons are always very useful - at least to myself - since they make it easier to see why the cherished beliefs- now the belief that QCD is *the* theory of strong interactions - might be wrong.

There are several crucial differences between QCD and TGD.

- (a) The notion of color is different in these two theories. One prediction is the possibility of lepto-hadron physics [K84] involving colored excitations of leptons.
- (b) In QCD AdS/CFT duality is hoped to allow the description of strong interactions in long scales where perturbative QCD fails. The TGD version of gauge-gravity duality is realized at space-time level and is much stronger: string-parton duality is manifest at the level of generalized Feynman diagrams.
- (c) TGD form of gauge-gravity duality suggests a stronger duality: p-adic-real duality. This duality allows to sum the perturbation theories in strong coupling regime by summing the p-adic perturbation series and mapping it to real one by canonical correspondence between p-adics and reals. This duality suggests that factorization "theorems" have a rigorous basis due to the fact that quantum superposition of amplitudes would be possible inside regions characterized by given p-adic prime. p-Adic length scale hypothesis suggests that p-adically scaled up variants of quarks are important for the understanding of the masses of low lying hadrons. Also scaled up versions of hadron physics are important and both Tevatron and LHC have found several indications for  $M_{89}$  hadron physics.
- (d) Magnetic flux tubes are the key entities in TGD Universe. In hadron physics color magnetic flux tubes carrying Kähler magnetic monopole fluxes would be responsible for the non-perturbative aspects of QCD [K34]. Reconnection process for the flux tubes (or for the



corresponding strings) would be responsible for the formation of jets and their hadronization. Jets could be seen as structures connected by magnetic flux tubes to form a connected structure and therefore as hadron like objects. Ideal QCD plasma would be single hadron like objects. In QCD framework quark-gluon plasma would be more naturally gas of partons.

- (e) Super-symmetry in TGD framework differs from the standard SUSY and the difficult-to-understand X and Y bosons believed to consist of charmed quark pair force to consider the possibility that they are actually smesons rather than mesons [K48]. This leads to a vision in which squarks have the same p-adic length scale as quarks but that the strong mixing between smesons and mesons makes second mass squared eigenstate tachyonic and thus unphysical. This together with the fact that hadronization is a fast process as compared to electroweak decays of squarks weak bosons and missing energy would explain the failure to observe SUSY at LHC.
- (f) p-Adic length scale hypothesis leads to the prediction that hadron physics should possess scaled variants. A good guess is that these scaled variants correspond to ordinary Mersenne primes  $M_n = 2^n - 1$  or Gaussian (complex) Mersenne primes.  $M_{89} = 2^{89} - 1$  hadron physics would be one such scaled variant of hadron physics. The mass scale of hadrons would be roughly 512 higher than for ordinary hadrons, which correspond to  $M_{107}$ . In zero energy ontology Higgs is not necessarily needed to give mass for gauge bosons and if Higgs like states are there, all of them are eaten by states which become massive. Therefore Higgs would be only trouble makers in TGD Universe.

The neutral mesons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would however give rise to Higgs like signals since their decay amplitudes are very similar to those of Higgs even at quantitative level if one accepts the generalization of partially conserved axial current hypothesis [K48] [L18].

The recent reports by ATLAS and CMS about Higgs search support the existence of Higgs like signal around about 125 GeV. In TGD framework the interpretation would be as pion like state. There is however also evidence for Higgs like signals at higher masses and standard Higgs is not able to explain this signals. Furthermore, Higgs with about 125 GeV mass is just at the border of vacuum stability, and new particles would be needed to stabilize the vacuum. The solution provided by TGD is that entire scaled up variant of hadron physics replaces Higgs. Within a year it should become clear whether the observed signal is Higgs or pionlike state of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics or something else.

### 9.6.1 How the TGD based notion of color differs from QCD color

TGD view about color is different from that of QCD. In QCD color is spin like quantum number. In TGD Universe it is like angular momentum and one can speak about color partial waves in  $CP_2$ . Quarks and leptons must have non-trivial coupling to  $CP_2$  Kähler gauge potential in order to obtain a respectable spinor structure. This coupling is odd multiplet of Kähler gauge potential and for  $n = 1$  for quarks and  $n = 3$  for leptons one obtains a geometrization of electro-weak quantum numbers in terms of induced spinor structure and geometrization of classical and color gauge potentials. This has several far reaching implications.

- (a) Lepton and baryon numbers are separately conserved. This is not possible in GUTs. Despite the intense search no decays of proton predicted by GUTs have been observed: a strong support for TGD approach.
- (b) Infinite number of color partial waves can assigned to leptons and quarks and they obey the triality rule:  $t = 0$  or leptons and  $t = +1/-1$  for quarks/antiquarks. The color partial waves however depend on charge and  $CP_2$  handedness and therefore on  $M^4$  chirality. The correlation is not correct. Also the masses are gigantic of order  $CP_2$  mass as eigenvalues of  $CP_2$  Laplace operator. Only right handed covariantly constant lepton would have correct color quantum numbers.

The problem can be cured if one accepts super-conformal invariance. Conformal generators carrying color contribute to the color quantum numbers of the particle state. p-Adic mass calculations show that if ground states have simple negative conformal weight making it

tachyon, it is possible to have massless states with correct correlation between electroweak quantum numbers and color<sub>i</sub> [K45].

- (c) Both leptons and quarks have color excited states. In leptonic sector color octet leptons are possible and there is evidence already from seventies that states having interpretation as leptonium are created in heavy ion collisions [K84]. During last years evidence for muon-pions and tau-pions has emerged and quite recently CDF provided additional evidence for tau-pions.

Light colored excitations of leptons and quarks are in conflict what is known about the decay width of intermediate gauge bosons and the way out is to assume that these states are dark matter in the sense that they have effective value of Planck constant coming as integer multiple of the ordinary Planck constant [K28]. Only particles with the same value of Planck constant can appear in the same vertex of generalized Feynman diagram so that these particles are dark in the weakest possible sense of the world. The Planck constant can however change when particle tunnels between different sectors of the generalized imbedding spaces consisting of coverings of the imbedding space  $M^4 \times CP_2$ .

The attribute "effective" applies in the simplest interpretation for the dark matter hierarchy based on many-valuedness of the normal derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates as functions of the canonical momentum densities of Kähler action. Many-valuedness is implied by the gigantic vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action: any 4-surface with  $CP_2$  projection which is Lagrangian manifold of  $CP_2$  is vacuum extremal and preferred extremals are deformations of these. The branches co-incide at 3-D space-like ends of the space-time surface at boundaries of  $CD$  and at 3-D light-like orbits of wormhole throats at which the signature of the induced metric changes. The value of the effective Planck constant corresponds to the number of sheets of this covering of imbedding space and there are arguments suggesting that this integer is product of two integers assignable to the multiplicities of the branches of space-like 3-surfaces and light-like orbits. At partonic 2-surfaces the degeneracy is maximal since all  $n = n_1 \times n_2$  sheets co-incide. This structure brings very strongly in mind the stack of branes infinitesimally near to each other appearing in AdS/CFT duality. TGD analogs of 3-branes of the stacks would be distinct in the interior of the space-time surface.

- (d) TGD predicts the presence of long ranged classical color gauge potentials identified as projections of  $CP_2$  Killing forms to the space-time surface. Classical color gauge fields are proportional to induced Kähler form and Hamiltonians of color isometries:  $G_A = H_A J$ . All components of the classical gluon field have the same direction. Also long ranged classical electroweak gauge fields are predicted and one of the implications is an explanation for the large parity breaking in living matter (chiral selection of molecules).

Long ranged classical color fields mean a very profound distinction between QCD color and TGD color and in TGD inspired hadron physics color magnetic flux tubes carrying classical color gauge fields are responsible for the strong interactions in long length scales. These color magnetic fields carrying Kähler magnetic monopole fluxes are absolutely essential in TGD based view about quark distribution functions and hadronic fragmentation functions of quarks and represent the long range hadron physics about which QCD cannot say much using analytic formulas: numerical lattice calculations provide the only manner to tackle the problem.

- (e) Twistorial approach to  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  super-symmetric gauge theory could be seen as a diametrical opposite of jet QCD. It has been very successful but it is perturbative approach and I find it difficult to see how it could produce something having the explanatory power of color magnetic flux tubes.

### 9.6.2 Basic differences between QCD and TGD

The basic difference between QCD and TGD follow from different views about color, zero energy ontology, and from the notion of generalized Feynman diagram.

### Generalized Feynman diagrams and string-parton duality as gauge-gravity duality

Generalized Feynman diagrams reduce to generalized braid diagrams [K34]. Braid strands have unique identification as so called Legendrean braids identifiable as boundaries of string world sheets which are minimal surfaces for which area form is proportional to Kähler flux. One can speak about sub-manifold braids.

There are no  $n > 2$ -vertices at the fundamental braid strand level. Together with the fact that in zero energy ontology (ZEO) all virtual states consist of on mass shell massless states assignable to braid strands, this means that UV and IR infinities are absent. All physical states are massive bound states of massless on mass shell states. Even photon, gluon, and graviton have small masses. No Higgs is needed since for the generalized Feynman diagrams the condition eliminating unphysical polarizations eliminates only the polarization parallel to the projection of the total momentum of the particle to the preferred plane  $M^2$  defining the counterpart of the plane in which one usually projects Feynman diagrams.

The crossings for the lines of non-planar Feynman diagrams represent generalization of the crossings of the braid diagrams and integrable  $M^2$  QFT is suggested to describe the braiding algebraically. This would mean that non-planar diagrams are obtained from planar ones by braiding operations and generalized Feynman diagrams might be constructed like knot invariants by gradually trivializing the braid diagram. This would allow to reduce the construction of also non-planar Feynman amplitudes to twistorial rules.

One can interpret gluons emission by quark as an emission of meson like state by hadron. This duality is exact and does not require  $N_c \rightarrow \infty$  limit allowing to neglect non-planar diagrams as AdS/CFT correspondence requires. The interpretation is in terms of duality: one might call this duality parton-hadron duality, gauge-gravity duality, or particle-string duality.

### $Q^2$ dependent quark distribution functions and fragmentation functions in zero energy ontology

Factorization of the strong interaction physics in short and long time scales is one of the basic assumptions of jet QCD and originally motivated by parton model which preceded QCD [C196, C199]. The physical motivation for the factorization in higher energy collision is easy to deduce at the level of parton model. By Lorentz contraction of colliding hadrons look very thin and by time dilation the collision time is very long in cm system. Therefore the second projectile moves in very short time through the hadron and sees the hadron in frozen configuration so that the state of the hadron can be thought of as being fixed during collision and partons interact independently. This looks very clear intuitively but it is not at all clear whether QCD predicts this picture.

#### 1. Probabilistic description of quarks in ZEO

Probabilistic description requires further assumptions. Scattering matrix element is in good approximation sum over matrix elements describing scattering of partons of hadron from -say- the partons of another hadron or from electron. Scattering amplitudes in the sum reduce to contractions of current matrix elements with gluon or gauge boson propagator. Scattering probability is the square of this quantity and contains besides diagonal terms for currents also cross terms. Probabilistic description demands that the sum of cross terms can be neglected. Why the phases of the terms in this sum should vary randomly? Does QCD really imply this kind of factorization?

Could the probabilistic interpretation require and even have a deeper justification?

- (a) p-Adic real correspondence to be discussed in more detail below suggest how to proceed. Quarks with different p-adic mass scales can correspond to different p-adic number fields with real amplitudes or probabilities obtained from their p-adic counterparts by canonical identification. Interference makes sense only for amplitudes in the same number field. Does this imply that cross terms involving different p-adic primes cannot appear in the scattering amplitudes?

- (b) Should one assume only a density matrix description for the many quark states formed from particles with different values of p-adic prime  $p$ ? If so the probabilistic description would be un-avoidable. This does not look an attractive idea as such. Zero energy ontology however replaces density matrix with  $M$ -matrix defined as the hermitian square root of the density matrix multiplied by a universal unitary  $S$ -matrix. The modulus squared of  $M$ -matrix element gives scattering probability.

One can imagine that  $M$ -matrix at least approximately decomposes to a tensor product of  $M$ -matrices in different length scales: these matrices could correspond to different number fields before the map to real numbers and probabilities could be formed as "numbers" in the tensor product of p-adic number fields before the mapping to real numbers by canonical identification.

In finite measurement resolution one sums over probabilities in short length scales so that the square of  $M$ -matrix in short scale gives density matrix. Could this lead to a probabilistic description at quark level? Distribution functions and fragmentation functions could indeed correspond to these probabilities since they emerge in QCD picture from matrix elements between initial and final states of quark in scattering process. Now these states correspond to the positive and negative energy parts of zero energy state.

## 2. $Q^2$ dependence of distribution and fragmentation functions in ZEO

The probabilistic description of the jet QCD differs from that of parton model in that the parton distributions and fragmentation functions depend on the value of  $Q^2$ , where  $Q$  is defined as the possibly virtual momentum of the initial state of the parton level system.  $Q$  could correspond to the momentum of virtual photon annihilation to quark pair in the annihilation of  $e^+e^-$  pair to hadrons, to the virtual photon decaying to  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs and emitted by quark after quark-quark scattering in Drell-Yan process, or to the momentum of gluon or quark giving rise to a jet, ... What is highly non-trivial is that distribution and fragmentation functions are universal in the sense that they do not depend on the scattering process. Furthermore, the dependence on  $Q^2$  can be determined from renormalization group equations [C196, C199].

What does  $Q^2$ 's dependence mean in TGD framework?

- (a) In partonic model this dependence looks strange. If one thinks the scattering at quantum level, this dependence is very natural since it corresponds to the dependence of the matrix elements of current operators on the momentum difference between quark spinors in the matrix element. In QCD framework  $Q^2$  dependence is not mysterious. It is the emergence of probabilistic description which is questionable in QFT framework.
- (b) One could perhaps say that  $Q^2$  represents resolution and that hadron looks different in different resolutions. One could also say that there is no hadron "an sich": what hadron looks like depends on the process used to study it.
- (c) In zero energy ontology the very notion of state changes. Zero energy state corresponds to physical event or quantum superposition of them with  $M$ -matrix defining the time like entanglement coefficient and equal to a hermitian square root of density matrix and  $S$ -matrix. In this framework different values of  $Q$  correspond to different momentum differences for spinor pairs appearing in the matrix element of the currents and  $Q^2$  dependence of the probabilistic description is very natural. The universality of distribution and fragmentation functions follows in zero energy ontology if one assumes the factorization of the dynamics in different length scales. This should follow from the universality of the  $S$ -matrix in given number field (in given p-adic length scale).

### 9.6.3 p-Adic physics and strong interactions

p-Adic physics provides new insights to hadron physics not provided by QCD.

### p-Adic real correspondence as a new symmetry

The exactness of the gauge-gravity duality suggests the presence of an additional symmetry. Perhaps the non-converging perturbative expansion at long scales could make sense after all in some sense. p-Adic-real duality suggests how.

- (a) The perturbative expansion is interpreted in terms of p-adic numbers and the effective coupling constant  $g^2MN_c$  is interpreted as p-adic number which for some preferred primes is proportional to the p-adic prime  $p$  and therefore p-adically small. Hence the expansion converges rapidly p-adically. The p-adic amplitudes would be obtained by interpreting momenta as p-adic valued momenta. If the momenta are rationals not divisible by any non-trivial power of  $p$  the canonical identification maps the momenta to themselves. If momenta are small rationals this certainly makes sense but does so also more generally.
- (b) The converging p-adic valued perturbation series is mapped to real numbers using the generalization of the canonical identification appearing in quantum arithmetics [K93]. The basic rule is simple: replace powers of  $p$  with their inverses everywhere. The coefficients of powers of  $p$  are however allowed to be rationals for which neither numerator or denominator is divisible by  $p$ . This modification affects the predictions of p-adic mass calculations only in a negligible manner.
- (c) p-Adic-real duality has an interpretation in terms of cognition having p-adic physics as a correlat: it maps the physical system in long length scale to short length scales or vice versa and the image of the system assigning to physical object thought about it or vice versa provides a faithful representation. Same interpretation could explain also the successful p-adic mass calculations. It must be emphasized that real partonic 2-surfaces would obey effective p-adic topology and this would be due to the large number of common points shared by real and p-adic partonic 2-surfaces. Common points would be rational points in the simplest picture: in quantum arithmetics they would be replaced by quantum rationals.

p-Adic-real correspondence generalizes the canonical identification used to map the p-adic valued mass squared predicted by p-adic thermodynamics as the analog of thermal energy to a real number. An important implication is that *p-adic mass squared value is additive* [K54].

- (a) For instance, for mesons consisting of pairs of quark and its antiquark the values of p-adic mass squared for quark and antiquark are additive and this sum is mapped to a real number: this kind of additivity was observed already at early days of hadron physics but there was no sensible interpretation for it. In TGD framework additivity of the scaling generator of Virasoro algebra is in question completely analogous to the additivity of energy.
- (b) For mesons consisting of quarks labelled by different value of p-adic prime  $p$ , one cannot sum mass squared values since they belong to different number fields. One must map both of them first to real numbers and after this sum real mass values (rather than mass squared values).

This picture generalizes. Only p-adic valued amplitudes belonging to same p-adic number field and therefore corresponding to the same p-adic length scales can be summed. There is no interference between amplitudes corresponding to different p-adic scales.

- (a) This could allow to understand at deeper level the somewhat mysterious and ad hoc assumption of jet QCD that the strong interactions in long scales and short scales factorize at the level of probabilities. Typically the reaction rate is expressible using products of probabilities. The probability for pulling out quarks from colliding protons (non-perturbative QCD), the probability describing parton level particle reaction (perturbative QCD), and the probability that the scattering quarks fragment to the final state hadrons (non-perturbative QCD). Ordinary QCD would suggest the analog of this formula but with probability amplitudes replacing probabilities and in order to obtain a probabilistic description one must assume that various interference terms sum up to zero (decoherence). p-Adic-real duality would predict the relative decoherence of different scales as an exact result. p-adic length scale hypothesis would also allow to define the notion of scale precisely. From the stance

provided by TGD it seems quite possible that the standard belief that jet QCD follows from QCD is simply wrong. The repeated emphasis of this belief is of course part of the liturgy: it would be suicidal for a specialist of jet QCD to publicly conjecture that jet QCD is more than QCD.

- (b) The number theoretical decoherence would be very general and could explain the somewhat mysterious decoherence phenomenon. Decoherence could have as a number theoretical correlate the decomposition of space-time surfaces to regions characterized by different values of p-adic primes. In given region the amplitudes would be constructed as p-adic valued amplitudes and then mapped to real amplitudes by canonical identification. A space-time region characterized by given  $p$  would be the number theoretical counterpart of the coherence region. The regions with different value of  $p$  would behave classically with respect to each other and region with given  $p$  could understand what happens in regions with different values of  $p$  using classical probability. This would also resolve paradoxes like whether the Moon is there when no-one is looking. It could also mean that the anticommutative statistics for fermions holds true only for fermionic oscillator operators associated with a space-time region with given value of p-adic prime  $p$ . Somewhat ironically, p-adic physics would bring quantum reality much nearer to the classical reality.

### Logarithmic corrections to cross sections and jets

Even in the perturbative regime exclusive cross sections for parton-parton scattering contain large logarithmic corrections of form  $\log(Q^2/\mu^2)$  [C196], where  $Q$  is cm energy and  $\mu$  is mass scale which could be assigned to quark or - perhaps more naturally - to jet. These corrections spoil the convergence of the perturbative expansion at  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$  limit. One can also say that the cross sections are singular at the limit of vanishing quark mass: this is the basic problem of the twistor approach.

For "infra-red safe" cross sections the logarithmic singularities can be eliminated by summing over all initial and final states not distinguishable from each other in the energy and angle resolutions available. It is indeed impossible to distinguish between quark and quark and almost collinear soft gluon and one must therefore sum over all final states containing soft gluons. A simple example about IR safe cross section is the cross section for  $e^+e^-$  annihilation to hadrons in finite measurement resolution, from which logarithms  $\log(Q/\mu)$  disappear.

In hadronic reactions jets are studied instead of hadrons. IR safety is one criterion for what it is to be a jet. Jet can be imagined to result as a cascade. Parton annihilates to a pair of partons, resulting partons annihilate into softer partons, and so on... The outcome is a cascade of increasingly softer partons. The experimental definition of jet is constrained by a finite measurement resolution for energy and angle, and jet is parameterized by the cm energy  $Q$ , by the energy resolution  $\epsilon$ , and by the jet opening angle  $\delta$ : apart from a fraction  $\epsilon$  all cm energy  $Q$  of the jet is contained within a cone with opening angle  $\delta$ . According to the estimate [C196] the mass scale of the jet resulting at the  $k$ :th step of the cascade is roughly  $\delta^k Q$ .

What could be the counterpart for this description of jets in TGD framework?

- (a) Jet should be a structure with a vanishing total Kähler magnetic charge bound by flux tubes to a connected hadron like structure. By hadron-parton duality gluon emission from quark has interpretation as a meson emission from hadron: jets could be also interpreted as collections of hadrons at different space-time sheets. Reconnection process could play a key role in the decay of jet to hadrons. p-Adic length scale hypothesis suggests the interpretation of jets as hadron like objects which are off mass shell in the sense that the p-adic prime  $p \simeq 2^k$  characterizing the jet space-time sheets is smaller than  $M_{107}$  characterizing the final state hadrons. One could say that jets represent p-adically hot hadron-like objects which cool and decay to hadrons. If so, the transition from  $M_{107}$  hadron physics to  $M_{89}$  hadron physics could be rather smooth. The only new thing would be the abnormally long lifetime of  $M_{89}$  hadrons formed as intermediate states in the process.
- (b) p-Adic length scale hypothesis suggests that the p-adic length scale assignable to the parton (hadron like object) at the  $k + 1$ :th step is by power of  $\sqrt{2}$  longer than that associated with

$k$ :th step:  $p \rightarrow p_{next} \simeq 2 \times p$  is the simplest possibility. The naive formula  $Q(k+1) \sim \delta \times Q(k)$  would probably require a generalization to  $Q(k+1) \sim 2^{-r/2} \times Q(k)$ ,  $r$  integer with  $\delta = 2^{-nr/2} \times 2\pi$ ,  $n$  an integer.  $r = 1$  would be the simplest option. The cascade at the level of jet space-time sheets would stop when the p-adic length scale corresponds to  $M_{107}$ , which corresponds to .5 GeV mass scale. At the level of quarks one can imagine a similar cascade stopping at p-adic length scales corresponding to the mass scale about 5 MeV for u and d quarks.

- (c) Zero energy ontology brings in natural IR cutoffs since also gluons have small mass. Final and initial state quarks could emit only a finite number of gluons as brehmstrahlung and soft gluons could not produce IR divergences.
- (d) The notion of finite measurement resolution in QCD involves the cone opening angle  $\delta$  and energy resolution characterized by  $\epsilon$ . In TGD framework the notion of finite measurement resolution is fundamental and among other things implies the description in terms of braids. Could TGD simplify the QCD description for finite measurement resolution? Discretization in the space of momentum directions is what comes in mind first and is strongly suggested also by the number theoretical vision. One would not perform integral over the cone but sum over all events producing quark and a finite number of collinear gluons with an upper bound form them deducible from cm energy and gluon mass. For massive gluons the number of amplitudes to be summed should be finite and the jet cascade would have only finite number of steps.

Could number theoretical constraints allow additional insights? Are the logarithmic singularities present in the p-adic approach at all? Are they consistent with the number theoretical constraints?

- (a) The p-adic amplitudes might well involve only rational functions and thus be free of logarithmic singularities resulting from the loop integrals which are dramatically simplified in zero energy ontology by on mass shell conditions for massless partonic 2-surfaces at internal lines.
- (b) For the sheer curiosity one can consider the brehmstrahlung from a quark characterized by p-adic prime  $p$ . Do the logarithms  $\log((Q^2/\mu^2))$ , where  $\mu^2$  is naturally p-adic mass scale, make sense p-adically? This is the case if one has  $Q^2/\mu^2 = (1+O(p))$ . The logarithm would be of form  $O(p)$  and p-adically very small. Also its real counterpart obtained by canonical identification would be very small for  $O(p) = np$ ,  $n \ll p$ . For  $Q^2/mu^2 = m(1+O(p))$ ,  $m$  integer, one must introduce an extension of p-adic numbers guaranteeing that  $\log(m)$  exists for  $1 < m < p$ . Only single logarithm  $\log(a)$  and its powers are needed since for primitive roots  $a$  of unity one has  $m = a^n \pmod p$  for some  $n$ . Since the powers of  $\log(a)$  are algebraically independent, the extension is infinite-dimensional and therefore can be questioned.
- (c) For the original form of the canonical identification one would have  $O(p) = np$ . In the real sense the value of  $Q^2$  would be gigantic for  $p = M_{107}$  (say). p-Adically  $Q^2$  would be extremely near to  $\mu^2$ . The modified form of canonical identification replaces pinary expansion  $x = \sum x_n p^n$ ,  $0 \leq x_n < p$ , of the p-adic integer with the quantum rational  $q = \sum q_n p^n$ , where  $q_n$  are quantum rationals, which are algebraic numbers involving only the quantum phase  $e^{i2\pi/p}$  and are not divisible by any power of  $p$  [K93].

This would allow physically sensible values for  $Q^2/mu^2 = 1 + qp + ..$  in the real sense for arbitrarily large values of p-adic prime. In the canonical identification they would be mapped to  $Q^2/mu^2 = 1 + q/p + ..$  appearing in the scattering amplitude. For  $q/p$  near unity logarithmic corrections could be sizable. If  $qp$  is of order unity as one might expect, the corrections are of order  $q/p$  and completely negligible. Even at the limit  $Q^2 \rightarrow \infty$  understood in the real sense the logarithmic corrections would be always negligible if  $Q^2$  is p-adic quantum rational. Similar extremely rapid convergence characterizes p-adic thermodynamics [K45] and makes the calculations practically exact. Smallness of logarithmic corrections quite generally could thus distinguish between QCD and TGD.

- (d) In p-adic thermodynamics the p-adic mass squared defined as a thermal average of conformal weight is a ratio of two quantities infinite as real numbers. Even when finite cutoff of

conformal weight is introduced one obtains a ratio of two gigantic real numbers. The limit taking cutoff for conformal weight to infinity does not exist in real sense. Does same true for scattering amplitudes? Quantum arithmetics would guarantee that canonical identification respects discretized symmetries natural for a finite measurement resolution.

### p-Adic length scale hypothesis and hadrons

Also p-adic length scale hypothesis distinguishes between QCD and TGD. The basic predictions are scaled variants of quarks and the TGD variant of Gell-Mann Okubo mass formula indeed assumes that in light hadrons quarks can appear in several p-adic mass scales. One can also imagine the possibility that quarks can have short lived excitations with non-standard p-adic mass scale. The model for tau-pion needed to explain the 3-year old CDF anomaly for which additional support emerged recently, assumes that color octet version of tau lepton appears as three different mass scales coming as octaves of the basic mass scale [K84]. Similar model has been applied to explain also some other anomalies.

$M_{89}$  hadron physics corresponds to a p-adic mass scale in TeV range [K48]: the proton of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics would have mass near 500 GeV if naive scaling holds true. The findings from Tevatron and LHC have provided support for the existence of  $M_{89}$  mesons and the bumps usually seen as evidence for Higgs would correspond to the mesons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. It is a matter of time to settle whether  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is there or not.

### 9.6.4 Magnetic flux tubes and strong interactions

Color magnetic flux tubes carrying Kähler magnetic monopole flux define the key element of quantum TGD and allow precise formulation for the non-perturbative aspects of strong interaction physics.

#### Magnetic flux tube in TGD

The following examples should make clear that magnetic flux tubes are the central theme of entire TGD present in all scales.

- (a) Color magnetic flux tubes are the key element of hadron physics according to TGD and will be discussed in more detail below.
- (b) In TGD Universe atomic nucleus is modelled as nuclear string with nucleons connected by color magnetic flux tubes which have length of order Compton length of u and d quark [K76, L2]. One of the basic predictions is that the color flux tubes can be also charged. This predicts a spectrum of exotic nuclei. The energy scale of these states could be small and measured using keV as a natural unit. These exotic states with non-standard value of Planck constant giving to the flux tubes the size of the atom and the scaling up electroweak scale to atomic scale could explain cold fusion for which empirical support is accumulating.
- (c) Magnetic flux tubes are also an essential element in the model of high  $T_c$  super conductivity. The transition to super-conductivity in macroscopic scale would be a percolation type process in which shorter flux tubes would combine at critical point to form long flux tubes so that the supra currents could flow over macroscopic distances [K16]. The basic prediction is that there are two critical temperatures. Below the first one the super-conductivity is possible for "short" flux tubes and at lower critical temperature the "short" flux tubes fuse to form long flux tubes. Two critical temperatures have been indeed observed.
- (d) Magnetic flux tubes carrying dark matter are the corner stone of TGD inspired quantum biology, where the notion of magnetic body is in a central role. For instance, the vision about DNA as topological quantum computer is based on the braiding of flux tubes connecting DNA nucleotides and the lipids of nuclear or cellular membrane [K27].



- (e) In the very early TGD inspired cosmology [K72] string like objects with 2-D  $M^4$  projection are the basic objects. Cosmic evolution means gradual thickening of their  $M^4$  projection and flux conservation means that the flux weakens. If the lengths of the flux tubes increase correspondingly, magnetic energy is conserved. Local phase transitions increasing Planck constant locally can occur and led to a thickening of the flux tube and liberation of magnetic energy as radiation which later gives rise to radiation and matter. This mechanism replaces the decay of the energy of inflation field to radiation as a mechanism giving rise to stars and galaxies [K71]. The magnetic tension is responsible for the negative pressures explaining accelerated expansion and magnetic energy has identification as the dark energy.

### Reconnection of color magnetic flux tubes and non-perturbative aspects of strong interactions

The reconnection of color magnetic flux tubes is the key mechanism of hadronization and a slow process as compared to quark gluon emission.

- (a) Reconnection vertices have interpretation in terms of stringy vertices  $AB+CD \rightarrow AD+BC$  for which interiors of strings serving as representatives of flux tubes touch. The first guess is that reconnection is responsible for the low energy dynamics of hadronic collisions.
- (b) Reconnection process takes place for both the hadronic color magnetic flux tubes and those of quarks and gluons. For ordinary hadron physics hadrons are characterized by Mersenne prime  $M_{107}$ . For  $M_{89}$  hadron physics reconnection process takes place in much shorter scales for hadronic flux tubes.
- (c) Each quarks is characterized by a p-adic length scale: this scale characterizes the length scale of the magnetic bodies of the quark. Therefore reconnection at the level of the magnetic bodies of quarks take places in several time and length scales. For top quark the size scale of magnetic body is very small as is also the reconnection time scale. In the case of u and d quarks with mass in MeV range the size scale of the magnetic body would be of the order of electron Compton length. This scale assigned with quark is longer than the size scale of hadrons characterized by  $M_{89}$ . Classically this does not make sense but in quantum theory Uncertainty Principle predicts it from the smallness of the light quark masses as compared to the hadron mass. The large size of the color magnetic body of quark could explain the strange finding about the charge radius of proton [K48].
- (d) Reconnection process in the beginning of proton-proton collision would give rise to the formation of jets identified as big hadron like entities connected to single structure by color magnetic flux tubes. The decay of jets to hadrons would be also reconnection process but in opposite time direction and would generate the hadrons in the final state (negative energy part of the zero energy state). The short scale process would be the process in which partons scatter from each other and produce partons. These processes would have a dual description in terms of hadronic reactions.
- (e) Factorization theorems are the corner stone of jet QCD. They are not theorems in the mathematical sense of the word and one can quite well ask whether they really follow from QCD or whether they represent correct physical intuitions transcending the too rigid framework provided by QCD as a gauge theory. Reconnection process would obviously represent the slow non-perturbative aspects of QCD and occur both for the flux tubes associated with quarks and those assignable to hadrons. Several scales would be present in case of quarks corresponding to p-adic length scales assigned to quarks which even in light hadrons would depend on hadron [K54]. The hadronic p-adic length scale would correspond to Mersenne prime  $M_{107}$ . One of the basic predictions of TGD is the existence of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and there are several indications that LHC has already observed mesons of this hadron physics. p-Adic-real duality would provide a further mathematical justification for the factorization theorems as a consequence of the fact that interference between amplitudes belong to different p-adic number fields is not possible.

Reconnection process is not present in QCD although it reduces to string re-connection in the approximation that partonic 2-surfaces are replaced by braids. An interesting signature of 4-D

stringyness is the knotting of the color flux tubes possible only because the strings reside in 4-D space-time. This braiding and knotting could give rise to effects not predicted by QCD or at least its description using AdS/CFT strings. The knotting and linking of color flux tubes could give rise to exotic topological effects in nuclear physics if nuclei are nuclear strings.

### Quark gluon plasma

A detailed qualitative view about quark-gluon plasma in TGD Universe can be found from [K34].

- (a) The formation of quark gluon plasma would involve a reconnection process for the magnetic bodies of colliding protons or nuclei in short time scale due to the Lorentz contraction of nuclei in the direction of the collision axis. Quark-gluon plasma would correspond to a situation in which the magnetic fluxes are distributed in such a manner that the system cannot be decomposed to hadrons anymore but acts like a single coherent unit. Therefore quark-gluon plasma in TGD sense does not correspond to the thermal quark-gluon plasma in the naive QCD sense in which there are no long range correlations. Ideal quark gluon plasma is like single very large hadron rather than a gas of partons bound to single unit by the conservation of magnetic fluxes connecting the quarks and antiquarks.
- (b) Long range correlations and quantum coherence suggest that the viscosity to entropy ratio is low as indeed observed [K48]. The earlier arguments suggest that the preferred extremals of Kähler action have interpretation as perfect fluid flows [K29]. This means at given space-time sheet allows global time coordinate assignable to flow lines of the flow and defined by conserved isometry current defining Beltrami flow. As a matter fact, all conserved currents are predicted to define Beltrami flows. Classically perfect fluid flow implies that viscosity, which is basically due to a mixing causing the loss of Beltrami property, vanishes. Viscosity would be only due to the finite size of space-time sheets and the radiative corrections describable in terms of fractal hierarchy CDs within CDs. In quantum field theory radiative corrections indeed give rise to the absorptive parts of the scattering amplitudes. In the case of quark gluon plasma viscosity is very large although the viscosity to entropy ratio is near to its minimum  $\eta/s = \hbar/4\pi$  predicted by AdS/CFT correspondence. In TGD framework the lower bound is smaller [K34].
- (c) There are good motivations for challenging the belief that QCD predicts strongly interacting quark gluon plasma having very large viscosity begin more like glass than a gas of partons. The reason for the skepticism is that classical color magnetic fields carrying magnetic monopole charges are absent. Also the notion of many-sheeted space-time is essential element of the description. The recent evidence for the failure of AdS/CFT correspondence in the description of jet fragmentation in plasma support the pessimistic views.

### 9.6.5 Exotic pion like states: "infra-red" Regge trajectories or Shnoll effect?

TGD based view about non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics (see this) relies on the notion of color magnetic flux tubes. These flux tubes are string like objects and it would not be surprising if the outcome would be satellite states of hadrons with string tension below the pion mass scale. One would have kind of infrared Regge trajectories satisfying in a reasonable approximation a mass formula analogous to string mass formula. What is amazing that this phenomenon could allow new interpretation for the claims for a signal interpreted as Higgs at several masses (115 GeV by ATLAS, at 125 GeV by ATLAS and CMS, and at 145 GeV by CDF). They would not be actually statistical fluctuations but observations of states at IR Regge trajectory of pion of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics!

Consider first the mass formula for the hadrons at IR Regge trajectories.

- (a) There are two options depending on whether the mass squared or mass for hadron and for the flux tubes are assumed to be additive. p-Adic physics would suggest that if the p-adic primes characterizing the flux tubes associated with hadron and hadron proper are different then mass is additive. If the p-adic prime is same, the mass squared is additive.

- (b) The simplest guess is that the IR stringy spectrum is universal in the sense that  $m_0$  does not depend on hadron at all. This is the case if the flux tubes in question correspond to hadronic space-time sheets characterized by p-adic prime  $M_{107}$  in the case of ordinary hadron physics. This would give for the IR contribution to mass the expression

$$m^2 = \sqrt{m_0^2 + nm_1^2} .$$

- (c) The net mass of hadron results from the contribution of the "core" hadron and the stringy contribution. If mass squared is additive, one obtains  $m(H_n) = \sqrt{m^2(H_0) + m_0^2 + nm_1^2}$ , where  $H_0$  denotes hadron ground state and  $H_n$  its excitation assignable to magnetic flux tube. For heavy hadrons this would give the approximate spectrum

$$m(H_n) \simeq m(H_0) + \frac{m_0^2 + nm_1^2}{2m(H_0)} .$$

The mass unit for the excitations decreases with the mass of the hadron.

- (d) If mass is additive as one indeed expects since the p-adic primes characterizing heavy quarks are smaller than hadronic p-adic prime, one obtains

$$m(H_n) = m(H_0) + \sqrt{m_0^2 + nm_1^2} .$$

For  $m_0^2 \gg m_1^2$  one has

$$m(H_n) = m(H_0) + m_0 + n \frac{m_1^2}{2m_0} .$$

If the flux tubes correspond to p-adic prime. This would give linear spectrum which is same for all hadrons.

There is evidence for this kind of states.

The experimental claim of Tatischeff and Tomasi-Gustafsson is that pion is accompanied by pion like states with mass 60, 80, 100, 140, 181, 198, 215, 227.5, and 235 MeV means that besides spion also other pion like states should be there. Similar satellites have been observed for nucleons with ground state mass 934 MeV: the masses of the satellites are 1004, 1044, 1094 MeV. Also the signal cross sections for Higgs to gamma pairs at LHC [C67, C83] suggest the existence of several pion and spion like states, and this was the reason why I decided to to again the search for data about this kind of states (I remembered vaguely that Tommaso Dorigo had talked about them but I failed to find the posting). What is their interpretation? One can imagine two explanations which could be also equivalent.

- (a) The states could be "infrared" Regge trajectories assignable to magnetic flux tubes of order Compton length of  $u$  and  $d$  quark (very long and with small string tension) could be the explanation. Hadron mass spectrum would have microstructure. This is something very natural in many-sheeted space-time with the predicted p-adic fractal hierarchy of physics. This conforms with the proposal that all baryons have the satellite states and that they correspond to stringy excitations of magnetic flux tubes assignable to quarks. Similar fine structure for nuclei is predicted for nuclei in nuclear string model [L2]. In fact, the first excited state for  ${}^4\text{He}$  has energy equal to 20 MeV not far from the average energy difference 17.5 MeV for the excited states of pion with energies 198, 215, and 227.5 MeV so that this state might correspond to an excitation of a color magnetic flux tube connecting two nucleons.
- (b) The p-adic model for Shnoll effect [K6] relies on universal modification of the notion of probability distribution based on the replacement of ordinary arithmetics with quantum arithmetics. Both the rational valued parameters characterizing the distribution and the integer or rational valued arguments of the distribution are replaced with quantum rationals. Quantum arithmetics is characterized by quantum phase  $q = \exp(i2\pi/p)$  defined by the p-adic prime  $p$ . The primes in the decomposition of integer are replaced with

quantum primes except  $p$  which remains as such. In canonical identification powers of  $p$  are mapped to their inverses. Quite generally, distributions with single peak are replaced with many peaked ones with sub-peak structure having number theoretic origin. A good example is Poisson distribution for which one has  $P(n) = \lambda^n/n!$ . The quantum Poisson distribution is obtained by replacing  $\lambda$  and  $n!$  with their quantum counterparts. Quantum Poisson distribution could apply in the case of resonance bump for which the number of count in a given mass squared interval is integer valued variable.

There are objections against Shnoll effect based explanation.

- i. If the p-adic prime assignable to quark or hadron characterizes quantum arithmetics it is not distinguishable from ordinary arithmetics since the integers involved are certainly much smaller than say  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ . In the case of nuclear physics Shnoll effect involves small primes so that this argument is not water tight. For instance, if  $p = 107$  defines the quantum arithmetics, the effects would be visible in good enough resolution and one might even expect variations in the bump structure in the time scale of year.
- ii. The effect is present also for nucleons but the idea about a state with large width splitting into narrower bumps does not fit nicely with the stability of proton.

For Higgs like signals IR-Regge trajectories/Shnoll effect would be visible as a splitting of wide bumps for spion and pion of  $M_{89}$  physics to sub-bumps. This oscillatory bumpy structure is certainly there but is regarded as a statistical artifact. It would be really fascinating to see this quantum deformation of the basic arithmetics at work even in elementary particle physics.

Second piece of evidence comes from two articles by Eef van Beveren and George Rupp. The first article is titled *First indications of the existence of a 38 MeV light scalar boson* [C120]. Second article has title *Material evidence of a 38 MeV boson* [C121]. The basic observations are following. The rate for the annihilation  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow u\bar{u}$  assignable to the reaction  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  has a small periodic oscillation with a period of  $78 \pm 2$  MeV and amplitude of about 5 per cent. The rate for the annihilation  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ , assignable to the reaction  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow \Upsilon\pi^+\pi^-$  has similar oscillatory behavior with a period of  $73 \pm 3$  MeV and amplitude about 12.5 per cent. The rate for the annihilation  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  assignable to the reaction  $e^+ + e^- \rightarrow J/\Psi\pi^+\pi^-$  has similar oscillatory behavior with period of  $79 \pm 5$  MeV and amplitude .75 per cent.

In these examples universal Regge slope is consistent with the experimental findings and supports additive mass formula and the assignment of IR Regge trajectories to hadronic flux tubes with fixed p-adic length scale. There is also consistency with the experiments of Tatitscheff and Tomasi-Gustafsson.

What does one obtain if one scales up the IR Regge trajectories to the  $M_{89}$  which replaces Higgs in TGD framework?

- (a) In the case of  $M_{89}$  pion the mass differences 20 MeV and 40 MeV appearing in the IR Regge trajectories of pion would scale up to 10 GeV and 20 GeV respectively. This would suggest the spectrum of pion like states with masses 115, 125, 145, 165 GeV. What makes this interesting that ATLAS reported during last year evidence for a signal at 115 GeV taken as evidence for Higgs and CDF reported before this signal taken as evidence for Higgs around 145 GeV! 125 GeV is the mass of the the most recent Higgs candidate. Could it be that all these reported signals have been genuine signals - not for Higgs- but for  $M_{89}$  pion and corresponding spion consisting of squark pair and its IR satellites?
- (b) I the case of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics the naive scaling of the parameters  $m_0$  and  $m_1$  by factor 512 would scale 38 MeV to 19.5 GeV.

## 9.7 Cosmic rays and Mersenne primes

Sabine Hossenfelder has written two excellent blog postings about cosmic rays. The first one is about the GKZ cutoff for cosmic ray energies and second one about possible indications for new physics above 100 TeV. This inspired me to read what I have said about cosmic rays and

Mersenne primes- this was around 1996 - immediately after performing for the first time p-adic mass calculations. It was unpleasant to find that some pieces of the text contained a stupid mistake related to the notion of cosmic ray energy. I had forgotten to take into account the fact that the cosmic ray energies are in the rest system of Earth- what a shame! The recent version should be free of worst kind of blunders. Before continuing it should be noticed I am now living year 2012 and this section was written for the first time for around 1996 - and as it became clear - contained some blunders due to the confusion with what one means with cosmic ray energy. The recent version should be free of worst kind of blunders.

TGD suggests the existence of a scaled up copy of hadron physics associated with each Mersenne prime  $M_n = 2^n - 1$ ,  $n$  prime:  $M_{107}$  corresponds to ordinary hadron physics. Also lepto-hadrons are predicted. Also Gaussian Mersennes  $(1+i)^k - 1$ , could correspond to hadron physics. Four of them ( $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$ ) are in the biologically interesting length scale range between cell membrane thickness and the size of cell nucleus. Also leptonic counterparts of hadron physics assignable to certain Mersennes are predicted and there is evidence for them [K84].

The scaled up variants of hadron physics corresponding to  $k < 107$  are of special interest.  $k = 89$  defines the interesting Mersenne prime at LHC, and the near future will probably tell whether the 125 GeV signal corresponds to Higgs or a pion of  $M_{89}$  physics. Also cosmic ray spectrum could provide support for  $M_{89}$  hadrons and quite recent cosmic ray observations [C226] are claimed to provide support for new physics around 100 TeV.  $M_{89}$  proton would correspond to .5 TeV mass considerably below 100 TeV but this mass scale could correspond to a mass scale of a scaled up copy of a heavy quark of  $M_{107}$  hadron physics: a naive scaling of top quark mass by factor 512 would give mass about 87 TeV. Also the lighter hadrons of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics should contribute to cosmic ray spectrum and there are indeed indications for this.

The mechanisms giving rise to ultra high energy cosmic rays are poorly understood. The standard explanation would be acceleration in huge magnetic fields. TGD suggests a new mechanism based on the decay cascade of cosmic strings. The basis idea is that cosmic string decays *cosmic string*  $\rightarrow M_2$  hadrons  $\rightarrow M_3$  hadrons  $\dots \rightarrow M_{61} \rightarrow M_{89} \rightarrow M_{107}$  hadrons could be a new source of cosmic rays. Also variants of this scenario with decay cascade beginning from larger Mersenne prime can be considered. One expects that the decay cascade leads rapidly to extremely energetic ordinary hadrons, which can collide with ordinary hadrons in atmosphere and create hadrons of scaled variants of ordinary hadron physics. These cosmic ray events could serve as a signature for the existence of these scale up variants of hadron physics.

- (a) Centauro events and the peculiar events associated with  $E > 10^5$  GeV radiation from Cygnus X-3.  $E$  refers to energy in Earth's rest frame and for a collision with proton the cm energy would be  $E_{cm} = \sqrt{2EM} > 10$  TeV in good approximation whereas  $M_{89}$  variant of proton would have mass of .5 TeV. These events be understood as being due to the collisions of energetic  $M_{89}$  hadrons with ordinary hadrons (nucleons) in the atmosphere.
- (b) The decay  $\pi_n \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  produces a peak in the spectrum of the cosmic gamma rays at energy  $\frac{m(\pi_n)}{2}$ . These produce peaks in cosmic gamma ray spectrum at energies which depend on the energy of  $\pi_n$  in the rest system of Earth. If the pion is at rest in the cm system of incoming proton and atmospheric proton one can estimate the energy of the peak if the total energy of the shower can be estimated reliably.
- (c) The slope in the hadronic cosmic ray spectrum changes at  $E = 3 \cdot 10^6$  GeV. This corresponds to the energy  $E_{cm} = 2.5$  TeV in the cm system of cosmic ray hadron and atmospheric proton. This is not very far from  $M_{89}$  proton mass .5 TeV. The creation of  $M_{89}$  hadrons in atmospheric collisions could explain the change of the slope.
- (d) The ultra-higher energy cosmic ray radiation having energies of order  $10^9$  GeV in Earth's rest system apparently consisting of protons and nuclei not lighter than Fe might be actually dominated by gamma rays: at these energies  $\gamma$  and  $p$  induced showers have same muon content.  $E = 10^9$  GeV corresponds to  $E_{cm} = \sqrt{2Em_p} = 4 \times 10^4$  GeV.  $M_{89}$  nucleon would correspond to mass scale 512 GeV.
- (e) So called GKZ cutoff should take place for cosmic gamma ray spectrum due to the collisions with the cosmic microwave background. This should occur around  $E = 6 \times 10^{10}$  GeV, which corresponds to  $E_{cm} = 3.5 \times 10^5$  GeV. Cosmic ray events above this cutoff are however

claimed. There should be some mechanism allowing for ultra high energy cosmic rays to propagate over much longer distances as allowed by the limits. Cosmic rays should be able to propagate without collisions. Many-sheeted space-time suggests manners for how gamma rays could avoid collisions with microwave background. For instance, gamma rays could be dark in TGD sense and therefore have large value of Planck constant. One can even imagine exotic variants of hadrons, which differ from ordinary hadrons in that they do not have quarks and therefore no interactions with the microwave background.

- (f) The highest energies of cosmic rays are around  $E = 10^{11}$  GeV, which corresponds to  $E_{cm} = 4 \times 10^5$  GeV.  $M_{61}$  nucleon and pion correspond to the mass scale of  $6 \times 10^6$  GeV and  $8.4 \times 10^5$  GeV. These events might correspond to the creation of  $M_{61}$  hadrons in atmosphere.

The identification of the hadronic space-time sheet as a super-symplectic mini black-hole [K54] suggests the science fictive possibility that part of ultra-high energy cosmic rays could be also protons which have lost their valence quarks. These particles would have essentially same mass as proton and would behave like mini black-holes consisting of dark matter. They could even give a large contribution to the dark matter. Since electro-weak interactions are absent, the scattering from microwave background is absent, and they could propagate over much longer distances than ordinary particles. An interesting question is whether the ultrahigh energy cosmic rays having energies larger than the GZK cut-off of  $5 \times 10^{10}$  GeV in the rest system of Earth are super-symplectic mini black-holes associated with  $M_{107}$  hadron physics or some other copy of hadron physics.

### 9.7.1 Mersenne primes and mass scales

p-Adic mass calculations lead to quite detailed predictions for elementary particle masses. In particular, there are reasons to believe that the most important fundamental elementary particle mass scales correspond to Mersenne primes  $M_n = 2^n - 1$ ,  $n = 2, 3, 7, 13, 17, 19, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} m_n^2 &= \frac{m_0^2}{M_n} , \\ m_0 &\simeq 1.41 \cdot \frac{10^{-4}}{\sqrt{G}} , \end{aligned} \quad (9.7.0)$$

where  $\sqrt{G}$  is Planck length. The lower bound for  $n$  can be of course larger than  $n = 2$ . The known elementary particle mass scales were identified as mass scales associated identified with Mersenne primes  $M_{127} \simeq 10^{38}$  (leptons),  $M_{107}$  (hadrons) and  $M_{89}$  (intermediate gauge bosons). Of course, also other p-adic length scales are possible and it is quite possible that not all Mersenne primes are realized. On the other hand, also Gaussian Mersennes could be important (muon and atomic nuclei corresponds to Gaussian Mersenne  $(1+i)^k - 1$  with  $k = 113$ ).

Theory predicts also some higher mass scales corresponding to the Mersenne primes  $M_n$  for  $n = 89, 61, 31, 19, 17, 13, 7, 3$  and suggests the existence of a scaled up copy of hadron physics with each of these mass scales. In particular, masses should be related by simple scalings to the masses of the ordinary hadrons.

An attractive first working hypothesis hypothesis is that the color interactions of the particles of level  $M_n$  can be described using the ordinary QCD scaled up to the level  $M_n$  so that that masses and the confinement mass scale  $\Lambda$  is scaled up by the factor  $\sqrt{M_n/M_{107}}$ .

$$\Lambda_n = \sqrt{\frac{M_n}{M_{107}}} \Lambda . \quad (9.7.1)$$

In particular, the naive scaling prediction for the masses of the exotic pions associated with  $M_n$  is given by

$$m(\pi_n) = \sqrt{\frac{M_n}{M_{107}}} m_\pi . \quad (9.7.2)$$

Here  $m_\pi \simeq 135 \text{ MeV}$  is the mass of the ordinary pion. This estimate is of course extremely naive and the recent LHC data suggests that the 125 GeV Higgs candidate could be  $M_{89}$  pion. The mass would be two times higher than the naive estimate gives. p-Adic scalings by small powers of  $\sqrt{2}$  must be considered in these estimates.

The interactions between the different level hadrons are mediated by the emission of electro-weak gauge bosons and by gluons with cm energies larger than the energy defined by the confinement scale of level with smaller  $p$ . The decay of the exotic hadrons at level  $M_{n_k}$  to exotic hadrons at level  $M_{n_{k+1}}$  must take place by a transition sequence leading from the effective  $M_{n_k}$ -adic space-time topology to effective  $M_{n_{k+1}}$ -adic topology. All intermediate p-adic topologies might be involved.

### 9.7.2 Cosmic strings and cosmic rays

Cosmic strings are fundamental objects in quantum TGD and dominated during early cosmology.

#### Cosmic strings

Cosmic strings (not quite the same thing in TGD as in GUTs) are basic objects in TGD inspired cosmology [K22, K72] .

- (a) In TGD inspired galaxy model galaxies are regarded as mass concentrations around cosmic strings and the energy of the string corresponds to the dark energy whereas the particles condensed at cosmic strings and magnetic flux tubes resulting from them during cosmic expansion correspond to dark matter [K22, K72] . The galactic nuclei, often regarded as candidates for black holes, are the most probable seats for decaying highly entangled cosmic strings.
- (b) Galaxies are known to organize to form larger linear structures. This can be understood if the highly entangled galactic strings organize around long strings like pearls in necklace. Long strings could correspond to galactic jets and their gravitational field could explain the constant velocity spectrum of distant stars in the galactic halo.
- (c) In [K22, K72, K71] it is suggested that decaying cosmic strings might provide a common explanation for the energy production of quasars, galactic jets and gamma ray bursters and that the visible matter in galaxies could be regarded as decay products of cosmic strings. The magnetic and  $Z^0$  magnetic flux tubes resulting during the cosmic expansion from cosmic strings allow to assign at least part of gamma ray bursts to neutron stars. Hot spots (with temperature even as high as  $T \sim \frac{10^{-3,5}}{\sqrt{G}}$ ) in the cosmic string emitting ultra high energy cosmic rays might be created under the violent conditions prevailing in the galactic nucleus.

The decay of the cosmic strings provides a possible mechanism for the production of the exotic hadrons and in particular, exotic pions. In [C267] the idea that cosmic strings might produce gamma rays by decaying first into 'X' particles with mass of order  $10^{15} \text{ GeV}$  and then to gamma rays, was proposed. As authors notice this model has some potential difficulties resulting from the direct production of gamma rays in the source region and the presence of intensive electromagnetic fields near the source. These difficulties are overcome if cosmic strings decay first into exotic hadrons of type  $M_{n_0}$ ,  $n_0 \geq 3$  of energy of order  $2^{-n_0+2} 10^{25} \text{ GeV}$  , which in turn decay to exotic hadrons corresponding to  $M_k$ ,  $k > n_0$  via ordinary color interaction, and so on so that a sequence of  $M_k$ :s starting some value of  $n_0$  in  $n = 2, 3, 7, 13, 17, 19, 31, 61, 89, 107$  is obtained. The value of  $n$  remains open at this stage and depends on the temperature of the hot spot and much smaller temperatures than the  $T \sim m_0$  are possible: favored temperatures are the temperatures  $T_n \sim m_n$  at which  $M_n$  hadrons become unstable against thermal decay.

### Decays of cosmic strings as producer of high energy cosmic gamma rays

In [C216] the gamma ray signatures from ordinary cosmic strings were considered and a dynamical QCD based model for the decay of cosmic string was developed. In this model the final state particles were assumed to be ordinary hadrons and final state interactions were neglected. In the recent case the string decays first to  $M_{n_0}$  hadrons and the time scale of for color interaction between  $M_{n_0}$  hadrons is extremely short (given by the length scale defined by the inverse of  $\pi_{n_0}$  mass) as compared to the time time scale in case of ordinary hadrons. Therefore the interactions between the final state particles must be taken into account and there are good reasons to expect that thermal equilibrium sets on and much simpler thermodynamic description of the process becomes possible.

A possible description for the decaying part of the highly tangled cosmic string is as a 'fireball' containing various  $M_{n_0}$  ( $n \geq 3$ ) partons in thermal equilibrium at Hagedorn temperature  $T_{n_0}$  of order  $T_{n_0} \sim m_{n_0} = 2^{-2+n_0} \frac{10^{-4}}{k\sqrt{G}}$ ,  $k \simeq 1.288$ . The experimental discoveries made in RHIC suggest [C214] that high energy nuclear collisions create instead of quark gluon plasma a liquid like phase involving gluonic BE condensate christened as color glass condensate. Also black hole like behavior is suggested by the experiments.

RHIC findings inspire a TGD based model for this phase as a macroscopic quantum phase condensed on a highly tangled color magnetic string at Hagedorn temperature. The model relies also on the notion of dynamical but quantized  $\hbar$  [K24] and its recent form to the realization that super-symplectic many-particle states at hadronic space-time sheets give dominating contribution to the baryonic mass and explain hadronic masses with an excellent accuracy.

This phase has no direct gauge interactions with ordinary matter and is identified in TGD framework as a particular instance of dark matter. Quite generally, quantum coherent dark matter would reside at magnetic flux tubes idealizable as string like objects with string tension determined by the p-adic length scale and thus outside the "ordinary" space-time. This suggests that color glass condensate forms when hadronic space-time sheets fuse to single long string like object containing large number of super-symplectic bosons.

Color glass condensate has black-hole like properties by its electro-weak darkness and there are excellent reasons to believe that also ordinary black holes could by their large density correspond to states in which super-symplectic matter would form single connected string like structure (if Planck constant is larger for super-symplectic hadrons, this fusion is even more probable).

This inspires the following mechanism for the decay of exotic boson.

- (a) The tangled cosmic string begins to cool down and when the temperature becomes smaller than  $m(\pi_{n_0})$  mass it has decayed to  $M_{n_1}$  matter which in turn continues to decay to  $M_{n_2}$  matter. The decay to  $M_{n_1}$  matter could occur via a sequence  $n_0 \rightarrow n_0 - 1 \rightarrow \dots n_1$  of phase transitions corresponding to the intermediate p-adic length scales  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $n_1 \geq k > n_0$ . Of course, all intermediate p-adic length scales are in principle possible so that the process would be practically continuous and analogous to p-adic length scale evolution with  $p \simeq 2^k$  representing more stable intermediate states.
- (b) The first possibility is that virtual hadrons decay to virtual hadrons in the transition  $k \rightarrow k - 1$ . The alternative option is that the density of final state hadrons is so high that they fuse to form a single highly entangled hadronic string at Hagedorn temperature  $T_{k-1}$  so that the process would resemble an evaporation of a hadronic black hole staying in quark plasma phase without freezing to hadrons in the intermediate states. This entangled string would contain partons as "color glass condensate".
- (c) The process continues until all particles have decayed to ordinary hadrons. Part of the  $M_n$  low energy thermal pions decay to gamma ray pairs and produce a characteristic peak in cosmic gamma ray spectrum at energies  $E_n = \frac{m(\pi_n)}{2}$  (possibly red-shifted by the expansion of the Universe). The decay of the cosmic string generates also ultra high energy hadronic cosmic rays, say protons. Since the creation of ordinary hadron with ultra high energy is certainly a rare process there are good hopes of avoiding the problems related to the direct production of protons by cosmic strings (these protons produce two high flux of low energy gamma rays, when interacting with cosmic microwave background [C267]).



### Topologically condensed cosmic strings as analogs super-symplectic black-holes?

Super-symplectic matter has very stringy character. For instance, it obeys stringy mass formula due the additivity and quantization of mass squared as multiples of p-adic mass scale squared [K54] . The ensuing additivity of mass squared defines a universal formula for binding energy having no independence on interaction mechanism. Highly entangled strings carrying super-symplectic dark matter are indeed excellent candidates for TGD variants of black-holes. The space-time sheet containing the highly entangled cosmic string is separated from environment by a wormhole contact with a radius of black-hole horizon. Schwarzschild radius has also interpretation as Compton length with Planck constant equal to gravitational Planck constant  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = 2GM^2$ . In this framework the proposed decay of cosmic strings would represent nothing but the TGD counterpart of Hawking radiation. Presumably the value of p-adic prime in primordial stage was as small as possible, even  $p = 2$  can be considered.

### Exotic cosmic ray events and exotic hadrons

One signature of the exotic hadrons is related to the interaction of the ultra high energy gamma rays with the atmosphere. What can happen is that gamma rays in the presence of an atmospheric nucleus decay to virtual exotic quark pair associated with  $M_{n_k}$ , which in turn produces a cascade of exotic hadrons associated with  $M_{n_k}$  through the ordinary scaled up color interaction. These hadrons in turn decay  $M_{n_{k+1}}$  type hadrons via mechanisms to be discussed later. At the last step ordinary hadrons are produced. The collision creates in the atmospheric nucleus the analog of quark gluon plasma which forms a second kind of fireball decaying to ordinary hadrons. RHIC experiments have already discovered these fireballs and identified them as color glass condensates [C214]. It must be emphasized that it is far from clear whether QCD really predicts this phase.

These showers differ from ordinary gamma ray showers in several respects.

- (a) Exotic hadrons can have small momenta and the decay products can have isotropic angular distribution so that the shower created by gamma rays looks like that created by a massive particle.
- (b) The muon content is expected to be similar to that of a typical hadronic shower generated by proton and larger than the muon content of ordinary gamma ray shower [C262] .
- (c) Due to the kinematics of the reactions of type  $\gamma + p \rightarrow H_{M_n} + \dots + p$  the only possibility at the available gamma ray energies is that  $M_{89}$  hadrons are produced at gamma ray energies above 10  $TeV$ . The masses of these hadrons are predicted to be above 70  $GeV$  and this suggests that these hadrons might be identified incorrectly as heavy nuclei (heavier than  $^{56}Fe$ ). These signatures will be discussed in more detail in the sequel in relation to Centauro type events, Cygnus X-3 events and other exotic cosmic ray events. For a good review for these events and models form them see the review article [C2] .

Some cosmic ray events [C184, C101] have total laboratory energy as high as 3000 TeV which suggests that the shower contains hadron like particles, which are more penetrating than ordinary hadrons.

- (a) One might argue that exotic hadrons corresponding  $M_k$ ,  $k > 107$  with interact only electro-weakly (color is confined in the length scale associated with  $M_n$ ) with the atmosphere one might argue that they are more penetrating than the ordinary hadrons.
- (b) The observed highly penetrating fireballs could also correspond super-symplectic dark matter part of incoming, possibly exotic, hadron fused with that for a hadron of atmosphere. Both hadrons would have lost their valence quarks in the collision just as in the case of Pomeron events. Large fraction of the collision energy would be transformed to super-symplectic quanta in the process and give rise to a large color spin glass condensate. These condensates would have no direct electro-weak interactions with ordinary matter which would explain their long penetration lengths in the atmosphere. Sooner or later the color glass condensate would decay to hadrons by the analog of blackhole evaporation. This

process is different from QCD type hadronization process occurring in hadronic collisions and this might allow to understand the anomalously low production of neutral pions.

Exotic mesons can also decay to lepton pairs and neutral exotic pions produce gamma pairs. These gamma pairs in principle provide a signature for the presence of exotic pions in the cosmic ray shower. If  $M_{89}$  proton is sufficiently long-lived enough they might be detectable. The properties of Centauro type events however suggest that  $M_{89}$  protons are short lived.

### 9.7.3 Centauro type events, Cygnus X-3 and $M_{89}$ hadrons

The results reported by Brazil-Japan Emulsion Chamber Collaboration [C184, C143] on multiple production of hadrons induced by cosmic rays with energies  $E_{lab} > 10^5 GeV$  provide evidence for new Physics. The distributions for the transverse momentum  $p_T$  and longitudinal momentum fraction  $x$  for pions were found to differ from the distributions extrapolated from lower energies. The widening of the transversal momentum distributions has also been observed at accelerator energies (*ISR* above  $\sqrt{s} = 63 GeV$  and CERN SPS- $p\bar{p}$  Collider at  $\sqrt{s} = 540 GeV$ ). Furthermore, exotic events called Geminion, Centauro, Chiron with emission of  $n_B \leq 100$  hundred baryons but practically no pions were detected. There are also peculiar events associated with the radiation coming from Cygnus X-3. A recent summary about peculiar events is given in the review article [C2] .

#### Mirim, Acu and Quacu

The exotic cosmic ray events are described in the review article of [C184] . In [C184] the multiple production of pions is classified into 3 jet types called Mirim, Acu and Quacu. Although the transverse momentum distributions for pions observed at low energies are universal, Acu and Quacu jets are characterized by wider transverse momentum distributions with larger value of average transverse momentum  $p_T$  than in low energy pionization: this widening is in accordance with accelerator results. The distributions for the longitudinal momentum fraction  $x$  scale but differ from the low energy situation for Acu and Quacu jets.

In [C184, C227] a description of these events in terms of 'fireballs' decaying into ordinary hadrons were considered. The  $p_T$  distribution associated with Mirim is just the ordinary low energy transverse momentum distribution whereas the distributions associated with Acu and Quacu are wider. The masses of the fireballs were assumed to be discrete and were found to be  $M_0 \sim 2 - 3 GeV$  (Mirim),  $M_1 \sim 15 - 30 GeV$  (Acu) ,  $M_2 \sim 100 - 300 GeV$  (Quacu). It should be noticed that the upper bounds for the masses associated with Acu and Quacu fireballs are roughly by a factor of two smaller than the naive mass estimates 69 GeV and 481 GeV associated with  $M_{89}$  pion and  $M_{89}$  proton. The temperatures were found to be in range  $0.4 - 10 GeV$  for Acu and Quacu fireball and to be substantially larger than the ordinary Hagedorn temperature  $T_H \simeq 0.16 GeV$ .

#### Chirons, Centauros, anti-Centauros, and Geminions

For the second class of events consisting of Chirons, Centauros and Geminions observed at laboratory energies  $100 - 1000 TeV$  pion production is strongly suppressed (gamma pairs resulting from the decay of neutral pions are almost absent) [C184] . The primary event takes place few hundred meters above the detector and decay products are known to be hadrons and mostly baryons: about 15 (100 ) for Mini-Centauros (Centauros). This excludes the possibility that exotic hadrons decay in emulsion chamber and implies also that the decay mechanism of the primary particle is such that very few mesons are produced.

The fireball hypothesis has been applied also to Centauro type events assuming that fireballs corresponds to a different phase than in the case of Mirim, Acu and Quacu [C184] . The fireball masses associated with Mini-Centauro and Centauro are according to the estimate of [C184]  $M_{mini} = 35 GeV$  and  $M_{Centauro} = 230 GeV$ . These masses are almost exactly one half of the masses of the  $M_{89}$  pion (70 GeV) and proton (470 GeV) respectively!

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_{Mini} &\simeq \frac{m(\pi_{89})}{2} , \\
 M_{Centauro} &\simeq \frac{m(p_{89})}{2} .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{9.7.2}$$

This suggests that the decay of cosmic gamma ray to  $M_{89}$  quark pair which in turn hadronizes to (possibly virtual)  $M_{89}$  hadrons induced by the interaction with the nucleon of atmosphere is the origin of Mini-Centauro/Centauro events.

The basic difference between the decaying fireballs in Acu/Quacu events and Centauro type events is that Acu/Quacu decays produce neutral pions unlike Centauros.

The appearance of the factor of 1/2 in the mass estimates needs an explanation. One explanation is systematic error in the evaluation of hadronic energy: for instance, the gamma inelasticity  $k_\gamma$  telling which fraction of hadronic energy is transformed to electromagnetic energy might be actually smaller than believed by a factor of order two. An alternative explanation is related to the decay mechanism of  $M_{89}$  particle: if the decay takes place via a decay to two off mass shell  $M_{89}$  hadrons decaying in turn to hadrons then the average rest energy of the fireball is indeed one half of the mass of the decaying on mass shell particle. The reason for the necessity of off mass shell intermediate states is perhaps the stability of the on mass shell exotic hadrons against the direct decay to ordinary hadrons.

Anti-Centauros are much like Centauros except that neutral pions are over-abundant [C2]. The speculative model [C54] relies on the notion of chiral condensates consisting of neutral pions in the case of Centauros and charged pions in the case of anti-Centauros. If one wants to explain Anti-Centauros in terms of  $M_{89}$  physics should be able to explain the over abundance of neutral pions in terms of decay products of ordinary hadrons at later stages of the decay cascade.

### The case of Cygnus X-3

There are peculiar events associated with the cosmic rays coming from Cygnus X-3 at gamma ray energies above  $10^5$  GeV [C55]. The primary particle must be massless particle and is most probably ordinary gamma ray. The structure of the shower however suggests that the decaying particle is very massive! Furthermore, the muon content of the shower is larger than that associated with gamma ray shower. A possible explanation is that the gamma rays coming from Cygnus X-3 with energy above the threshold  $10^4$  GeV produce  $M_{89}$  hadrons, which in turn create the cosmic ray shower through the decay to  $M_{89}$  hadrons and the decay of these to the ordinary  $M_{107}$  hadrons: this indeed means that the gamma rays behave like a massive particles in the atmosphere.

### 9.7.4 TGD based explanation of the exotic events

The TGD based model for exotic events involve p-adic length scale hierarchy, many-sheeted space-time, and TGD inspired view about dark matter. A decisive empirical input comes from RHIC events suggesting that quark gluon plasma is actually a liquid like "macroscopic" quantum phase identifiable as a particular instance of dark matter.

#### General considerations

The mass estimates for the fireballs and the absence of neutral pions suggest that Mini-Centauro/Centauro type events correspond to the decay of  $M_{89}$  hadrons (pion/proton) to ordinary hadrons. The general model for the exotic events would be following.

- (a) Cosmic gamma ray decays first into  $M_{89}$  quark pair via electromagnetic interaction with the nucleon of the atmosphere. Pairs of Centauros/anti-Centauros and quark-gluon-plasma blobs explaining Mirim/Qcu/Quacu events would be naturally created in these collisions.

- (b) The quark pair in turn hadronizes to  $M_{89}$  hadrons decaying to virtual  $k > 89$  hadrons which in turn end up via a sequential decay process to ordinary hadrons. This process is kinematically possible if the condition  $E_{tot} > 2M^2/m_p$ , is satisfied ( $M$  is the mass of the exotic hadron). For example, the energy of the gamma ray must be larger than 500 TeV for exotic proton pair production. For the exotic pion the corresponding lower bound is about 10 TeV. The energies of the exotic events are indeed above 100 TeV in accordance with these bounds. The average total energy is about  $E_{tot} = 1740$  TeV for Centauros and  $E_{tot} \simeq 903$  TeV for Mini-Centauros [C184]. The mechanism implies that two  $M_{89}$  fireballs are produced. 'Binocular' events (Geminions) consisting of two widely separated fireballs have indeed been observed [C184].
- (c) If anti-Centauros result via the same mechanism there must be a mechanism explaining why the production of neutral pions varies from event to event. One proposal is that the difference is due to a formation of pion condensates consisting of neutral *resp.* charged pions in the two situations [C54]. This hypothesis would unify Centauro events with anti-Centauro events in which the production of neutral pions is abnormally high [C2].
- (d) Mirim/Acu/Quacu events could correspond to the decay of a high temperature quark-gluon plasma blob, or rather color glass condensate, to hadrons (recall that the estimated plasma temperatures are much lower than for Centauros). The collision of  $M_{89}$  hadron possibly generated in the interaction of the cosmic gamma ray with ordinary nucleon could induce both the decay of  $M_{89}$  hadron to virtual hadrons and generate quark-gluon plasma blob in the atmospheric target nucleus. Hagedorn temperature  $T(k)$ ,  $89 < k \leq 107$  is a good guess for the temperature of this plasma blob. RHIC findings [C214] suggest that the blob corresponds to highly tangled hadronic string containing super-symplectic dark matter and decaying by de-coherence to ordinary hadrons [K24].

### Connection with TGD based model for RHIC events

The counterparts of Centauros and other exotic events have not been observed in accelerator experiments. More than a decade after writing the first version of the model for Centauros came however data from RHIC experiment [C214], which seems to provide a connection between laboratory and cosmic ray data. In RHIC collisions of very energetic Gold nuclei are studied. The collisions were expected to create a quark gluon plasma freezing to ordinary hadrons. The surprise was that the resulting state behaves like an ideal liquid and has also black hole like properties [C214].

Recall that the TGD based model [K71, K24] for RHIC findings is following.

- (a) The state in question corresponds to a highly entangled hadronic string at Hagedorn temperature defining the analog of black hole and decaying by evaporation. The gravitational constant defined by Planck length is effectively replaced by a hadronic gravitational constant defined by the hadronic length scale. p-Adic length scale hypothesis predicts entire hierarchy of Hagedorn temperatures.
- (b) Bose-Einstein condensate of gluons referred to as color glass condensate has been proposed as an explanation for the liquid like behavior of the quark-gluon phase. TGD based explanation for the liquid like state is that that the state in question corresponds to a large Bose-Einstein condensate like state of super-symplectic particles resulting as hadronic space-time sheets fuse. Super-symplectic bosons have vanishing electro-weak quantum numbers since super-symplectic generators are either purely bosonic or possess quantum numbers of right handed neutrino. Dark matter is in question.
- (c) LHC has already produce evidence for quark gluon plasma possessing anomalous properties but created in collisions of protons rather than those of heavy nuclei. The TGD based explanation is in formation of long highly entangled color flux tube producing hadrons as it decays [K48]. It might be that the creation of these objects in the decays of  $M_{89}$  hadrons are responsible for some aspects of the exotic cosmic ray events.

### A more precise model for exotic events

A more detailed formulation necessitates a rough model for the transformation of  $M_{89}$  hadrons to  $M_{107}$  hadrons.

- (a) On mass shell exotic hadrons can be assumed to be stable against direct decay to ordinary hadrons so that their decay must take place via a sequential decay to off mass shell exotic hadrons characterized by  $107 > k > 89$ , which eventually decay to ordinary hadrons. The simplest decay mode is the decay to two virtual exotic hadrons with average mass, which is one half of the mass of the decaying exotic hadron in accordance with observations.
- (b)  $M_{89}$  hadron decays to virtual hadrons with  $p \simeq 2^k > M_{89}$  dominate over electro-weak decays since the characteristic time scale is defined by  $\Lambda(QCD, M_{89}) = 512\Lambda(QCD, 107)$ . This means that most of the energy in the process goes to virtual  $k > 89$  virtual mesons. Neutral  $k > 89$  virtual pions, if created, can decay to gamma pairs so that the problem of understanding the absence of neutral pions remains.
- (c)  $M_{89}$  hadronic space-time sheet suffers a topological phase transition to  $M_{107}$  hadronic space-time sheet via several steps  $k = 89 \rightarrow k_1 > 89.. \rightarrow k_n = 107$ . In the process the size of hadronic surface suffers a  $2^9 = 512$ -fold expansion meaning the increase of volume by a factor for  $2^{27} \sim 10^9/8$  so that a small scale Big Bang is really in question! The expansion brings in mind liquid-vapor phase transition but the freezing to hadrons (due to the properties of color coupling constant evolution) makes the transition more like a liquid-solid phase transition.

As noticed, all p-adic length scales in the range involved could be present but  $p \simeq 2^k$  would define more stable intermediate states. A possible experimental signature for the sequence of the phase transitions labeled by  $89 \leq k \leq 107$  is a bumpy structure of the detected hadronic cascades with a maximum of 17 maxima. This kind of structure with a constant distance between maxima and 11 maxima has been indeed observed for some cascades (see Fig. 8 of [C2] ).

A good guess for the critical temperature of the Big Bang like phase transition to occur is  $T_{cr}(89) = km_{89}$ , where  $k$  is some numerical factor. TGD inspired model for the early cosmology provides a universal hydrodynamics model for this period as a mini Big Bang, or rather "a soft whisper amplified to a relatively big bang", containing the duration of the period as the only parameter [K72] .

- (d) If the decay process is fast enough, the density of virtual hadrons in the final state becomes so high that they form single highly tangled cosmic string in Hagedorn temperature  $T(k)$ . An entire sequence of  $T(k) = km_k$ ,  $107 > k > 89$  of phase transition temperatures could be involved without intermediate freezing to hadrons. Since the transformation of  $k = 89$  hadrons to  $k = 107$  hadrons would be essentially a decay process, the distribution of decay products is isotropic in the center of mass frame of  $k = 89$  hadron (Centaurus/anti-Centaurus). The same conclusion holds true for the decay of quark gluon plasma (Mirim/Qcu/Quacu).

### How to understand the anomalous production of pions?

One can imagine two different explanations for the varying number of pions in the events.

1.  $M_{89}$  hadrons produce  $M_{89}$  pions

This model would explain the special features of Centaurus. To Anti-Centaurus the model does not apply. One could hope that the decay cascade of Centauro leads at later stages to color glass phases for ordinary hadrons producing surplus of neutral pions.

2. *Restoration of electro-weak symmetry?*

The anomalous production of pions might relate to the restoration of electro-weak symmetry in case of  $M_{89}$  hadrons. For  $M_{89}$  hadrons the restoration of the electro-weak symmetry would

be natural since in TGD framework classical induced gauge fields are massless for known non-vacuum extremals below the p-adic length scale  $L(89)$  defining the fundamental electro-weak length scale. The finite size of the space-time sheet carrying these fields brings in the length scale determining the boson mass when the space-time sheet in question looks point like in the length scale resolution used. The model of elementary particles as weak strings (Kähler magnetic flux tubes) suggests that electroweak symmetry restoration takes place inside weak magnetic flux tubes and that one might have Bose-Einstein condensate with negative and positive net charges in turn implying the abundance of charged pions. One might argue that for particles topologically condensed to space-time sheets with  $k > 89 M_{61}$  defines the weak scale so that weak interactions effectively disappear.

In zero energy ontology zero energy states are characterized by time-like entanglement coefficients defining  $M$ -matrices in turn identifiable as the rows of the unitary  $U$ -matrix coding for physics in TGD Universe. The superposition of zero energy states for which positive energy parts have varying values of conserved charges (say electromagnetic charge) do not break conservation laws. Note that also in super-conductors coherent states of Cooper pairs make sense in zero energy ontology without breaking the conservation of fermion number. Therefore one can consider generation of coherent states of pions with non-standard direction of isospin in the collisions of cosmic rays with the nuclei of atmosphere. The TGD inspired model for leptohadrons [K84] assumes that the coherent states of leptopions consisting of pionlike bound states of colored excitations of leptons are created in the strong non-orthogonal magnetic and electric fields of the colliding heavy nuclei or other charged particles. Similar situation might be encountered in the collision of high energy cosmic rays with the nuclei of the atmosphere.

Both Centauros and anti-Centauros could be understood if the transformation of  $M_{89}$  hadrons to ordinary hadrons generates "mis-aligned" pionic BE condensates.  $U(2)_{ew}$  symmetry is restored for  $M_{89}$  hadrons and there is no preferred isospin direction for the order parameter of  $M_{89}$  pionic BE condensate. This BE condensate is however excluded by energetic considerations. The sequence of phase transitions leading to  $M_{107}$  hadrons involving intermediate p-adic length scales could however generate this kind of BE condensate.

If an overcooling occurs in the sense that electro-weak symmetry is not lost, the first intermediate pion condensate can correspond to  $\pi_+, \pi_-$  or  $\pi_0$ . Charged  $\pi$  condensates would be created in pairs with opposite charges. In this kind of situation the number of gamma rays produced in the decay to ordinary hadrons would vary from event to event.

The presence of pionic BE condensates favors the decay to  $M_{107}$  hadrons via hadronic intermediate states rather than via the cooling of partonic phase condensed on single tangled string whose length grows. This and the idea that  $U(2)_{ew}$  symmetry could be exact for the dark matter phase, encourages to consider also the possibility that  $M_{89}$  hadron decays to a state consisting of dark  $M_{107}$  hadrons forming a BE condensate like state behaving like single coherent unit and interacting with the ordinary matter only via emission of dark gauge boson BE condensates de-cohering to ordinary gauge bosons.

Dark pionic BE condensates with various charges could be present. These dark  $\pi$  condensates would decay coherently to pairs of dark ew boson "laser beams", which can interact with the ordinary matter only after they have de-cohered to ordinary ew gauge bosons and remain undetected if the de-coherence time for dark bosons is long enough, probably not so. Dark hadron option could thus explain also the abnormally long penetration lengths.

### 3. Is long range charge entanglement involved?

The variation for the number of pions could involve electromagnetic charge entanglement between particles produced in the event and ordinary matter. This would guarantee strict charge conservation when the quantization axis for weak isospin for the resulting hadrons differs from that for the ordinary matter. The decay of the pion to gamma pair becomes possible only after the entanglement is reduced and if de-coherence time is long enough it is possible to understand the variation.

### 9.7.5 Cosmic ray spectrum and exotic hadrons

The hierarchy of  $M_n$  hadron physics provides also a mechanism producing ultra high energy cosmic gamma rays and hadrons.

#### Do gamma rays dominate the spectrum at ultrahigh energies?

A possible piece of evidence for  $M_{89}$  hadrons is related to the analysis [C167] of the cosmic ray composition near  $E = 10^9 \text{ GeV}$  (note that the energy is in the rest frame of Earth). The analysis was based on the assumption that the spectrum consists of nuclei. The assumptions and conclusions of the analysis can be criticized:

- (a) There is argument [C189], which states that the interaction of protons having energy above  $10^9 \text{ GeV}$  with the cosmic microwave background implies pion pair creation and a rapid loss of proton energy so that the contribution of protons should be strongly suppressed in the cosmic ray spectrum above  $E = 7 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$ . If protons dominate, cosmic ray spectrum should effectively terminate at energy of order  $7 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ GeV}$ : some events above  $E = 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$  have been however detected [C229].
- (b) It is not obvious whether one can distinguish between protons and gamma rays at these energies since the muon content of the photon and proton showers are near to each other at these energies [C267]. Therefore the particles identified as protons might well be gamma rays.
- (c) The spectrum can be fitted assuming that cosmic ray spectrum has two components. Light component ('protons') can be identified as protons and He nuclei. The heavy component ('Fe') corresponds to Fe and heavier nuclei. The nuclei between He and Fe seem to be peculiarly absent. Furthermore, there are also indications that spectrum contains only light nuclei in the range  $3 \cdot 10^7 - 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$  [C212].

An alternative interpretation suggested also in [C267] is that cosmic ray flux is dominated by gamma rays at these energies. 'Protons' could correspond to gamma rays interacting ordinarily with matter. 'Fe nuclei' correspond to the fraction of gamma rays decaying first into  $M_{89}$  exotic quark pair producing corresponding exotic hadrons, which then decay to ordinary hadrons and produce showers resembling ordinary heavy nucleus shower. Super-symplectic vision allows to consider the possibility that 'protons' correspond to super-symplectic part of proton having essentially the same mass.

#### Hadronic component of the cosmic ray spectrum

The properties of the hadronic cosmic ray spectrum above  $4 \cdot 10^5 \text{ GeV}$  are not well understood. This energy correspond for a collision with atmospheric proton to cm energy of about  $E_{cm} = 10^3 \text{ GeV}$  which suggests that the production of  $M_{89}$  hadrons in atmosphere is involved.

- (a) It has turned out difficult to invent acceleration mechanisms producing hadronic cosmic rays having energies above  $10^5 \text{ GeV}$  [C167].
- (b) The spectrum contains a 'knee' (power  $E^{-2.7}$  changes to about  $E^{-3}$  at the knee), which is at the energy  $E = 3 \cdot 10^6 \text{ GeV}$  corresponding to  $E_{cm} = 2.5 \times 10^3 \text{ GeV}$  [C167]. This could relate to production of  $M_{89}$  hadrons: the mass of  $M_{89}$  proton is 512 GeV by naive scaling. It is difficult to understand how the knee is generated although several explanations have been proposed (these are reviewed shortly in [C167]).

A possible solution of the problems is that part of the hadronic cosmic rays are generated in the decay of string like objects rather than by some acceleration mechanism. Assume that  $M_{n_k}$  hadron is created in the decay cascade. Since  $M_{n_k+m}$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$  hadrons can have rest masses above  $M_{n_k}$  threshold mass, one can consider the possibility that  $M_{n_k}$  hadron decays sequentially to ordinary  $M_{107}$  hadron with arbitrary large rest mass (even larger than  $M_{n_k}$  pion mass) and that this ordinary hadron in turn produces some very energetic low mass hadrons, say proton

and antiproton, identifiable as cosmic rays. The most efficient producers of hadrons are  $M_{n_k}$  pions since these are produced most abundantly in the decay of  $M_{n_{k+1}}$  hadrons.  $M_{n_k}$  pion at rest cannot however decay to ordinary hadrons with energy above  $M_{n_k}$  pion mass. Therefore the slope of the cosmic ray energy flux should become steeper above  $M_{n_k}$ , in particular  $M_{61}$ , threshold.

The incoming hadrons would outcome of the decay sequence and therefore ordinary hadrons. They would collide with the hadrons of atmosphere and collisions would create  $M_{89}$  hadrons if sufficiently energetic.

### The problem of relic quarks and hierarchy of QCD:s

Baryon and lepton numbers are conserved separately in TGD and one of the basic problems of the gauge theories with conserved baryon number is the problem of relic quarks. Hadronization starts in temperature of the order of quark mass and since hadronization is basically many quark process it continues until the expansion rate of the Universe becomes larger than the rate of the hadronization. As a consequence the number density of relic quarks is much larger than the upper bound  $n_{relic} < \rho_B/m_q = 10^{-9}n_\gamma m_p/m_q$  obtained from the requirement that the contribution of relic quarks to mass density is smaller than the baryonic mass density. There is also an experimental upper bound  $n_{relic} < 10^{-28}n_\gamma$ .

The assumption about the existence of QCD:s with a hierarchy of increasing scales  $\Lambda_{QCD}(M_n)$  implies that the length scale  $L(n) \sim 1/\sqrt{\Lambda_{QCD}(M_n)}$  below which quarks are free, decreases with increasing cosmic temperature and therefore the problem of the relic quarks disappears.

### 9.7.6 Ultrahigh energy cosmic rays as super-symplectic quanta?

Near the end of year 2007 Pierre Auger Collaboration made a very important announcement relating to ultrahigh energy cosmic rays. I glue below a popular summary of the findings [E10] .

*Scientists of the Pierre Auger Collaboration announced today (8 Nov. 2007) that active galactic nuclei are the most likely candidate for the source of the highest-energy cosmic rays that hit Earth. Using the Pierre Auger Observatory in Argentina, the largest cosmic-ray observatory in the world, a team of scientists from 17 countries found that the sources of the highest-energy particles are not distributed uniformly across the sky. Instead, the Auger results link the origins of these mysterious particles to the locations of nearby galaxies that have active nuclei in their centers. The results appear in the Nov. 9 issue of the journal Science.*

*Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) are thought to be powered by supermassive black holes that are devouring large amounts of matter. They have long been considered sites where high-energy particle production might take place. They swallow gas, dust and other matter from their host galaxies and spew out particles and energy. While most galaxies have black holes at their center, only a fraction of all galaxies have an AGN. The exact mechanism of how AGNs can accelerate particles to energies 100 million times higher than the most powerful particle accelerator on Earth is still a mystery.*

### What has been found?

About million cosmic ray events have been recorded and 80 of them correspond to particles with energy above the so called GKZ bound, which is  $.54 \times 10^{11}$  GeV. Electromagnetically interacting particles with these energies from distant galaxies should not be able to reach Earth. This would be due to the scattering from the photons of the microwave background. About 20 particles of this kind however comes from the direction of distant active galactic nuclei and the probability that this is an accident is about 1 per cent. Particles having only strong interactions would be in question. The problem is that this kind of particles are not predicted by the standard model (gluons are confined).



### What could TGD say about the finding?

TGD provides a possible explanation for the new kind of particles.

- (a) The original TGD based model for the galactic nucleus is as a highly tangled cosmic string (in TGD sense of course [K22] . Much later it became clear that also TGD based model for black-hole is as this kind of string like object near Hagedorn temperature [K22] . Ultrahigh energy particles could result as decay products of a decaying split cosmic string as an extremely energetic galactic jet. Kind of cosmic fire cracker would be in question. Originally I proposed this decay as an explanation for the gamma ray bursts. It seems that gamma ray bursts however come from thickened cosmic strings having weaker magnetic field and much lower energy density [K71] .
- (b) TGD predicts particles having only strong interactions [K45] . I have christened these particles super-symplectic quanta. These particles correspond to the vibrational degrees of freedom of partonic 2-surface and are not visible at the quantum field theory limit for which partonic 2-surfaces become points.

### What super-symplectic quanta are?

Super-symplectic quanta are created by the elements of super-symplectic algebra, which creates quantum states besides the super Kac-Moody algebra present also in super string model. Both algebras relate closely to the conformal invariance of light-like 3-surfaces.

- (a) The elements of super-symplectic algebra are in one-one correspondence with the Hamiltonians generating symplectic transformations of  $\delta M_+^4 \times CP_2$ . Note that the 3-D light-cone boundary is metrically 2-dimensional and possesses degenerate symplectic and Kähler structures so that one can indeed speak about symplectic (canonical) transformations.
- (b) This algebra is the analog of Kac-Moody algebra with finite-dimensional Lie group replaced with the infinite-dimensional group of symplectic transformations [K18] . This should give an idea about how gigantic a symmetry is in question. This is as it should be since these symmetries act as the largest possible symmetry group for the Kähler geometry of the world of classical worlds (WCW) consisting of light-like 3-surfaces in 8-D imbedding space for given values of zero modes (labeling the spaces in the union of infinite-dimensional symmetric spaces). This implies that for the given values of zero modes all points of WCW are metrically equivalent: a generalization of the perfect cosmological principle making theory calculable and guaranteeing that WCW metric exists mathematically. Super-symplectic generators correspond to gamma matrices of WCW and have the quantum numbers of right handed neutrino (no electro-weak interactions). Note that a geometrization of fermionic statistics is achieved.
- (c) The Hamiltonians and super-Hamiltonians have only color and angular momentum quantum numbers and no electro-weak quantum numbers so that electro-weak interactions are absent. Super-symplectic quanta however interact strongly.

### Also hadrons contain super-symplectic quanta

One can say that TGD based model for hadron is at space-time level kind of combination of QCD and old fashioned string model forgotten when QCD came in fashion and then transformed to the highly unsuccessful but equally fashionable theory of everything.

- (a) At quantum level the energy corresponding to string tension explaining about 70 per cent of proton mass corresponds to super-symplectic quanta [K54] . Super-symplectic quanta allow to understand hadron masses with a precision better than 1 per cent.
- (b) Super-symplectic degrees of freedom allow also to solve spin puzzle of the proton: the average quark spin would be zero since same net angular momentum of hadron can be obtained by coupling quarks of opposite spin with angular momentum eigen states with different projection to the direction of quantization axis.

- (c) If one considers proton without valence quarks and gluons, one obtains a boson with mass very nearly equal to that of proton (for proton super-symplectic binding energy compensates quark masses with high precision). These kind of pseudo protons might be created in high energy collisions when the space-time sheets carrying valence quarks and super-symplectic space-time sheet separate from each other. Super-symplectic quanta might be produced in accelerators in this manner and there is actually experimental support for this from Hera.
- (d) The exotic particles could correspond to some p-adic copy of hadron physics predicted by TGD and have very large mass smaller however than the energy. Mersenne primes  $M_n = 2^n - 1$  define excellent candidates for these copies. Ordinary hadrons correspond to  $M_{107}$ . The protons of  $M_{61}$  hadron physics would have the mass of proton scaled up by a factor  $2^{(107-61)/2} = 2^{23} \simeq 8 \times 10^6$ . GKZ limit  $E = .54 \times 10^{11}$  GeV corresponds to cm energy  $E_{cm} = 3.3 \times 10^5$  GeV and is below  $8 \times 10^6$  GeV. Super-symplectic  $M_{89}$  protons having no valence quarks can propagate without interactions with cosmic microwave background. Note that  $CP_2$  mass corresponds roughly to about  $10^{14}$  proton masses.
- (e) Ideal blackholes would be very long highly tangled string like objects, scaled up hadrons, containing only super-symplectic quanta. Hence it would not be surprising if they would emit super-symplectic quanta. The transformation of supernovas to neutron stars and possibly blackholes would involve the fusion of hadronic strings to longer strings and eventual annihilation and evaporation of the ordinary matter so that only super-symplectic matter would remain eventually. A wide variety of intermediate states with different values of string tension would be possible and the ultimate blackhole would correspond to highly tangled cosmic string. Dark matter would be in question in the sense that Planck constant could be very large.

# Chapter 10

## New Physics Predicted by TGD: Part II

### 10.1 Introduction

In this chapter the focus is on the hadron physics . The applications are to various anomalies discovered during years.

#### 10.1.1 Application of the many-sheeted space-time concept in hadron physics

The many-sheeted space-time concept involving also the notion of field body can be applied to hadron physics to explain findings which are difficult to understand in the framework of standard model

- (a) The spin puzzle of proton [C144, C152] is at the time of writing a two decades old mystery with no satisfactory explanation in QCD framework. The notion of hadronic space-time sheet which could be imagined as string like rotating object suggests a possible approach to the spin puzzle. The entanglement between valence quark spins and the angular momentum states of the rotating hadronic space-time sheet could allow natural explanation for why the average valence quark spin vanishes.
- (b) The notion of Pomeron was invented during the Bootstrap era preceding QCD to solve difficulties of Regge approach. There are experimental findings suggesting the reincarnation of this concept [C151, C123, C124]. The possibility that the newly born concept of Pomeron of Regge theory might be identified as the sea of perturbative QCD in TGD framework is considered. Geometrically Pomeron would correspond to hadronic space-time sheet without valence quarks.
- (c) The discovery that the charge radius of proton deduced from the muonic version of hydrogen atom is about 4 per cent smaller than from the radius deduced from hydrogen atom [C181, C217] is in complete conflict with the cherished belief that atomic physics belongs to the museum of science. The title of the article *Quantum electrodynamics-a chink in the armour?* of the article published in Nature [C156] expresses well the possible implications, which might actually go well extend beyond QED. TGD based model for the findings relies on the notion of color magnetic body carrying both electromagnetic and color fields and extends well beyond the size scale of the particle. This gives rather detailed constraints on the model of the magnetic body.
- (d) The soft photon production rate in hadronic reactions is by an average factor of about four higher than expected [?] In the article soft photons assignable to the decays of  $Z^0$  to quark-antiquark pairs. This anomaly has not reached the attention of particle physics which seems to be the fate of anomalies quite generally nowadays: large extra dimensions

and black-holes at LHC are much more sexy topics of study than the anomalies about which both existing and speculative theories must remain silent. TGD based model is based on the notion of electric flux tube.

### 10.1.2 Quark gluon plasma

QCD predicts that at sufficiently high collision energies de-confinement phase transitions for quarks should take place leading to quark gluon plasma. In heavy ion collisions at RHIC [C127] something like this was found to happen. The properties of the quark gluon plasma were however not what was expected. There are long range correlations and the plasma seems to behave like perfect fluid with minimal viscosity/entropy ratio. The lifetime of the plasma phase is longer than expected and its density much higher than QCD would suggest. The experiments at LHC for proton proton collisions suggest also the presence of quark gluon plasma with similar properties.

TGD suggests an interpretation in terms of long color magnetic flux tubes containing the plasma so that additional support for the notion of field would emerge. The confinement to color magnetic flux tubes would force higher density. The preferred extremals of Kähler action have interpretation as defining a flow of perfect incompressible fluid and the perfect fluid property is broken only by the many-sheeted structure of space-time with smaller space-time sheets assignable to sub-*CD*s representing radiative corrections. The phase in question corresponds to a non-standard value of Planck constant: this could also explain why the lifetime of the phase is longer than expected.

### 10.1.3 Breaking of discrete symmetries

Zero energy ontology provides a fresh approach to discrete symmetries and provides also a general mechanism for their breaking. A general vision about breaking of discrete symmetries relies on quantum measurement theory: the quantum jump selecting the quantization axes induces localization to a single *CD* and therefore induces breaking of discrete symmetries due to the choice of quantization axes. The time scale of *CD* is excellent candidate for defining mass and time scales characterizing the symmetry breaking. Entropic gravity idea has a variant in TGD framework resulting from the fact that in ZEO quantum theory is a square root of thermodynamics in a well-defined sense. This suggests that thermodynamical stability forces the generation of the arrow of time and forces it to be different for matter and antimatter inducing in this manner matter antimatter asymmetry and breaking of discrete symmetries like CP. Also CPT can be broken spontaneously and there are experimental indications that this takes place for top quark with mass difference which is surprisingly large- few per cent of top mass.

The anomalously large direct CP breaking in  $K_L \rightarrow \pi\pi$  decays is included as old application of TGD. The breaking is explained in terms of loop corrections due to the predicted 2 exotic gluons having masses around 33.6 GeV. It will be also found that the TGD version of the chiral field theory believed to provide a phenomenological low energy description of QCD differs from its standard model version in that quark masses are replaced in TGD framework with shifts of quark masses induced by the vacuum expectation values of the scalar meson fields. This conforms with the TGD view about Higgs mechanism as causing only small mass shifts. It must be however emphasized that there is an argument suggesting that the vacuum expectation value of Higgs in fermionic case does not even make sense.

### 10.1.4 Are exotic Super Virasoro representations relevant for hadron physics?

The last section of the chapter can be taken as miscellaneous material, which I have not been able to throw away yet. In p-adic context exotic representations of Super Virasoro with  $M^2 \propto p^k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$  are possible. For  $k = 1$  the states of these representations have same mass scale as elementary particles although in real context the masses would

be gigantic. This inspires the question whether non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics could be assigned to the presence of these representations.

The prospects for this are promising. Pion mass is almost exactly equal to the mass of lowest state of the exotic representation for  $k = 107$  and Regge slope for rotational excitations of hadrons is predicted with three per cent accuracy assuming that they correspond to the states of  $k = 101$  exotic Super Virasoro representations. This leads to the idea that hadronization and fragmentation correspond to phase transitions between ordinary and exotic Super Virasoro representations and that there is entire fractal hierarchy of hadrons inside hadrons and QCD:s inside QCD:s corresponding to p-adic length scales  $L(k)$ ,  $k = 107, 103, 101, 97, \dots$ . Some intriguing numerical co-incidences suggest that the exotic representations of Super-Virasoro should be assigned with hadron and whereas ordinary Virasoro representations could be assigned with the quark-gluon plasma or possibly sea partons.

## 10.2 New space-time concept applied to hadrons

### 10.2.1 A new twist in the spin puzzle of proton

The so called proton spin crisis or spin puzzle of proton was an outcome of the experimental finding that the quarks contribute only 13-17 per cent of proton spin [C144, C152] whereas the simplest valence quark model predicts that quarks contribute about 75 per cent to the spin of proton with the remaining 25 per cent being due to the orbital motion of quarks. Besides the orbital motion of valence quarks also gluons could contribute to the spin of proton. Also polarized sea quarks can be considered as a source of proton spin.

Quite recently, the spin crisis got a new twist [C177]. One of the few absolute predictions of perturbative QCD (pQCD) is that at the limit, when the momentum fraction of quark approaches unity, quark spin should be parallel to the proton spin. This is due to the helicity conservation predicted by pQCD in the lowest order. The findings are consistent with this expectation in the case of protonic  $u$  quarks but not in the case of protonic  $d$  quark. The discovery is of a special interest from the point of view of TGD since it might have an explanation involving the notions of many-sheeted space-time, of color-magnetic flux tubes, the predicted super-symplectic "vacuum" spin, and also the concept of quantum parallel dissipation.

#### The experimental findings

In the experiment performed in Jefferson Lab [C177] neutron spin asymmetries  $A_1^n$  and polarized structure functions  $g_{1,2}^n$  were deduced for three kinematic configurations in the deep inelastic region from  $e^{-3}\text{He}$  scattering using 5.7 GeV longitudinally polarized electron beam and a polarized  $^3\text{He}$  target.  $A_1^n$  and  $g_{1,2}^n$  were deduced for  $x = .33, .47, \text{ and } .60$  and  $Q^2 = 2.7, 3.5 \text{ and } 4.8$   $(\text{GeV}/c)^2$ .  $A_1^n$  and  $g_1^n$  at  $x = .33$  are consistent with the world data. At  $x = .47$   $A_1^n$  crosses zero and is significantly positive at  $x = 0.60$ . This finding agrees with the next-to-leading order QCD analysis of previous world data without the helicity conservation constraint. The trend of the data agrees with the predictions of the constituent quark model but disagrees with the leading order pQCD assuming hadron helicity conservation.

By isospin symmetry one can translate the result to the case of proton by the replacement  $u \leftrightarrow d$ . By using world proton data, the polarized quark distribution functions were deduced for proton using isospin symmetry between neutron and proton. It was found that  $\Delta u/u$  agrees with the predictions of various models while  $\Delta d/d$  disagrees with the leading-order pQCD.

Let us denote by  $q(x) = q^\uparrow + q^\downarrow(x)$  the spin independent quark distribution function. The difference  $\Delta q(x) = q^\uparrow - q^\downarrow(x)$  measures the contribution of quark  $q$  to the spin of hadron. The measurement allowed to deduce estimates for the ratios  $(\Delta q(x) + \Delta \bar{q}(x))/(q(x) + \bar{q}(x))$ .

The conclusion of [C177] is that for proton one has

$$\frac{\Delta u(x) + \Delta \bar{u}(x)}{u(x) + \bar{u}(x)} \simeq .737 \pm .007 \quad , \quad \text{for } x = .6 \quad .$$

This is consistent with the pQCD prediction. For  $d$  quark the experiment gives

$$\frac{\Delta d(x) + \Delta \bar{d}(x)}{d(x) + \bar{d}(x)} \simeq -.324 \pm .083 \quad \text{for } x = .6 \quad .$$

The interpretation is that  $d$  quark with momentum fraction  $x > .6$  in proton spends a considerable fraction of time in a state in which its spin is opposite to the spin of proton so that the helicity conservation predicted by first order pQCD fails. This prediction is of special importance as one of the few absolute predictions of pQCD.

The finding is consistent with the relativistic  $SU(6)$  symmetry broken by spin-spin interaction and the QCD based model interpolated from data but giving up helicity conservation [C177].  $SU(6)$  is however not a fundamental symmetry so that its success is probably accidental.

It has been also proposed that the spin crisis might be illusory [C215] and due to the fact that the vector sum of quark spins is not a Lorentz invariant quantity so that the sum of quark spins in infinite-momentum frame where quark distribution functions are defined is not same as, and could thus be smaller than, the spin sum in the rest frame. The correction due to the transverse momentum of the quark brings in a non-negative numerical correction factor which is in the range  $(0, 1)$ . The negative sign of  $\Delta d/d$  is not consistent with this proposal.

### TGD based model for the findings

The TGD based explanation for the finding involves the following elements.

- (a) TGD predicts the possibility of vacuum spin due to the super-symplectic symmetry. Valence quarks can be modelled as a star like formation of magnetic flux tubes emanating from a vertex with the conservation of color magnetic flux forcing the valence quarks to form a single coherent structure. A good guess is that the super-symplectic spin corresponds classically to the rotation of the the star like structure.
- (b) By parity conservation only even values of super-symplectic spin  $J$  are allowed and the simplest assumption is that the valence quark state is a superposition of ordinary  $J = 0$  states predicted by pQCD and  $J = 2$  state in which all quarks have spin which is in a direction opposite to the direction of the proton spin. The state of  $J = 1/2$  baryon is thus replaced by a new one:

$$\begin{aligned} |B, \frac{1}{2}, \uparrow\rangle &= a|B, 1/2, \frac{1}{2}\rangle |J = J_z = 0\rangle + b|B, \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\rangle |J = J_z = 2\rangle \quad , \\ |B, 1/2, \frac{1}{2}\rangle &= \sum_{q_1, q_2, q_3} c_{q_1, q_2, q_3} q_1^\uparrow q_2^\uparrow q_3^\downarrow \quad , \\ |B, \frac{3}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\rangle &= d_{q_1, q_2, q_3} q_1^\downarrow q_2^\downarrow q_3^\downarrow \quad . \end{aligned} \tag{10.2.-1}$$

$|B, 1/2, \frac{1}{2}\rangle$  is in a good approximation the baryon state as predicted by pQCD. The coefficients  $c_{q_1, q_2, q_3}$  and  $d_{q_1, q_2, q_3}$  depend on momentum fractions of quarks and the states are normalized so that  $|a|^2 + |b|^2 = 1$  is satisfied: the notation  $p = |a|^2$  will be used in the sequel. The quark parts of  $J = 0$  and  $J = 2$  have quantum numbers of proton and  $\Delta$  resonance.  $J = 2$  part need not however have the quark distribution functions of  $\Delta$ .

- (c) The introduction of  $J = 0$  and  $J = 2$  ground states with a simultaneous use of quark distribution functions makes sense if one allows quantum parallel dissipation. Although the system is coherent in the super-symplectic degrees of freedom which correspond to the hadron size scale, there is a de-coherence in quark degrees of freedom which correspond to a shorter p-adic length scale and smaller space-time sheets.

- (d) Consider now the detailed structure of the  $J = 2$  state in the case of proton. If the  $d$  quark is at the rotation axis, the rotating part of the triangular flux tube structure resembles a string containing  $u$ -quarks at its ends and forming a di-quark like structure. Di-quark structure is taken to mean correlations between  $u$ -quarks in the sense that they have nearly the same value of  $x$  so that  $x < 1/2$  holds true for them whereas the  $d$ -quark behaving more like a free quark can have  $x > 1/2$ .

A stronger assumption is that di-quark behaves like a single colored hadron with a small value of  $x$  and only the  $d$ -quark behaves as a free quark able to have large values of  $x$ . Certainly this would be achieved if  $u$  quarks reside at their own string like space-time sheet having  $J = 2$ .

From these assumptions it follows that if  $u$  quark has  $x > 1/2$ , the state effectively reduces to a state predicted by pQCD and  $u(x) \rightarrow 1$  for  $x \rightarrow 1$  is predicted. For the  $d$  quark the situation is different and introducing distribution functions  $q^J(x)$  for  $J = 0, 2$  separately, one can write the spin asymmetry at the limit  $x \rightarrow 1$  as

$$\begin{aligned} A_d &\equiv \frac{\Delta d(x) + \Delta \bar{d}(x)}{d(x) + \bar{d}(x)} = \frac{p(\Delta d_0 + \Delta \bar{d}_0) + (1-p)(\Delta d_2 + \Delta \bar{d}_2)}{p(d_0 + \bar{d}_0) + (1-p)(d_2 + \bar{d}_2)} , \\ p &= |a|^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2-1)$$

Helicity conservation gives  $\Delta d_0/d_0 \rightarrow 1$  at the limit  $x \rightarrow 1$  and one has trivially  $\Delta d_2/d_2 = -1$ . Taking the ratio

$$y = \frac{d_2}{d_0}$$

as a parameter, one can write

$$A_d \rightarrow \frac{p - (1-p)y}{p + (1-p)y} \quad (10.2.0)$$

at the limit  $x \rightarrow 1$ . This allows to deduce the value of the parameter  $y$  once the value of  $p$  is known:

$$y = \frac{p}{1-p} \times \frac{1 - A_d}{1 + A_d} . \quad (10.2.1)$$

From the requirement that quarks contribute a fraction  $\Sigma = \sum_q \Delta q \in (13, 17)$  per cent to proton spin, one can deduce the value of  $p$  using

$$\frac{p \times \frac{1}{2} - (1-p) \times \frac{3}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = \Sigma \quad (10.2.2)$$

giving  $p = (3 + \Sigma)/4 \simeq .75$ .

Eq. 10.2.1 allows estimate the value of  $y$ . In the range  $\Sigma \in (.13, .30)$  defined by the lower and upper bounds for the contribution of quarks to the proton spin,  $A_d = -.32$  gives  $y \in (6.98, 9.15)$ .  $d_2(x)$  would be more strongly concentrated at high values of  $x$  than  $d_0(x)$ . This conforms with the assumption that  $u$  quarks tend to carry a small fraction of proton momentum in  $J = 2$  state for which  $uu$  can be regarded as a string like di-quark state.

A further input to the model comes from the ratio of neutron and proton  $F_2$  structure functions expressible in terms of quark distribution functions of proton as

$$R^{np} \equiv \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p} = \frac{u(x) + 4d(x)}{4u(x) + d(x)} . \quad (10.2.3)$$

According to [C177]  $R^{np}(x)$  is a straight line starting with  $R^{np}(x \rightarrow 0) \simeq 1$  and dropping below  $1/2$  as  $x \rightarrow 1$ . The behavior for small  $x$  can be understood in terms of sea quark dominance. The pQCD prediction for  $R^{np}$  is  $R^{np} \rightarrow 3/7$  for  $x \rightarrow 1$ , which corresponds to  $d/u \rightarrow z = 1/5$ . TGD prediction for  $R^{np}$  for  $x \rightarrow 1$

$$\begin{aligned} R^{np} &\equiv \frac{F_2^n}{F_2^p} = \frac{pu_0 + 4(pd_0 + (1-p)d_2)}{4pu_0 + pd_0 + (1-p)d_2} \\ &= \frac{p + 4z(p + (1-p)y)}{4p + z(p + (1-p)y)} . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.3)$$

In the range  $\Sigma \in (.13, .30)$  which corresponds to  $y \in (6.98, 9.15)$  for  $A_d = -.32$   $R^{np} = 1/2$  gives  $z \simeq .1$ , which is 20 per cent of pQCD prediction. 80 percent of  $d$ -quarks with large  $x$  predicted to be in  $J = 0$  state by pQCD would be in  $J = 2$  state.

### 10.2.2 Topological evaporation and the concept of Pomeron

Topological evaporation provides an explanation for the mysterious concept of Pomeron originally introduced to describe hadronic diffractive scattering as the exchange of Pomeron Regge trajectory [C222]. No hadrons belonging to Pomeron trajectory were however found and via the advent of QCD Pomeron was almost forgotten. Pomeron has recently experienced reincarnation [C151, C123, C124]. In Hera [C151]  $e - p$  collisions, where proton scatters essentially elastically whereas jets in the direction of incoming virtual photon emitted by electron are observed. These events can be understood by assuming that proton emits color singlet particle carrying small fraction of proton's momentum. This particle in turn collides with virtual photon (antiproton) whereas proton scatters essentially elastically.

The identification of the color singlet particle as Pomeron looks natural since Pomeron emission describes nicely diffractive scattering of hadrons. Analogous hard diffractive scattering events in  $pX$  diffractive scattering with  $X = \bar{p}$  [C123] or  $X = p$  [C124] have also been observed. What happens is that proton scatters essentially elastically and emitted Pomeron collides with  $X$  and suffers hard scattering so that large rapidity gap jets in the direction of  $X$  are observed. These results suggest that Pomeron is real and consists of ordinary partons.

TGD framework leads to two alternative identifications of Pomeron relying on same geometric picture in which Pomeron corresponds to a space-time sheet separating from hadronic space-time sheet and colliding with photon.

#### Earlier model

The earlier model is based on the assumption that baryonic quarks carry the entire four-momentum of baryon.  $p$ -Adic mass calculations have shown that this assumption is wrong. The modification of the model requires however to change only wordings so that I will represent the earlier model first.

The TGD based identification of Pomeron is very economical: Pomeron corresponds to sea partons, when valence quarks are in vapor phase. In TGD inspired phenomenology events involving Pomeron correspond to  $pX$  collisions, where incoming  $X$  collides with proton, when valence quarks have suffered coherent simultaneous (by color confinement) evaporation into



vapor phase. System  $X$  sees only the sea left behind in evaporation and scatters from it whereas valence quarks continue without noticing  $X$  and condense later to form quasi-elastically scattered proton. If  $X$  suffers hard scattering from the sea the peculiar hard diffractive scattering events are observed. The fraction of these events is equal to the fraction  $f$  of time spent by valence quarks in vapor phase.

Dimensional argument can be used to derive a rough order of magnitude estimate for  $f$  as  $f \sim 1/\alpha = 1/137 \sim 10^{-2}$  for  $f$ :  $f$  is of same order of magnitude as the fraction (about 5 per cent) of peculiar events from all deep inelastic scattering events in Hera. The time spent in condensate is by dimensional arguments of the order of the p-adic length scale  $L(M_{107})$ , not far from proton Compton length. Time dilation effects at high collision energies guarantee that valence quarks indeed stay in vapor phase during the collision. The identification of Pomeron as sea explains also why Pomeron Regge trajectory does not correspond to actual on mass shell particles.

The existing detailed knowledge about the properties of sea structure functions provides a stringent test for the TGD scenario. According to [C123] Pomeron structure function seems to consist of soft  $((1-x)^5)$ , hard  $((1-x))$  and super-hard component (delta function like component at  $x=1$ ). The peculiar super hard component finds explanation in TGD based picture. The structure function  $q_P(x, z)$  of parton in Pomeron contains the longitudinal momentum fraction  $z$  of the Pomeron as a parameter and  $q_P(x, z)$  is obtained by scaling from the sea structure function  $q(x)$  for proton  $q_P(x, z) = q(zx)$ . The value of structure function at  $x=1$  is non-vanishing:  $q_P(x=1, z) = q(z)$  and this explains the necessity to introduce super hard delta function component in the fit of [C123].

### Updated model

The recent developments in the understanding of hadron mass spectrum involve the realization that hadronic  $k=107$  space-time sheet is a carrier of super-symplectic bosons (and possibly their super-counterparts with quantum numbers of right handed neutrino) [K54]. The model leads to amazingly simple and accurate mass formulas for hadrons. Most of the baryonic momentum is carried by super-symplectic quanta: valence quarks correspond in proton to a relatively small fraction of total mass: about 170 MeV. The counterparts of string excitations correspond to super-symplectic many-particle states and the additivity of conformal weight proportional to mass squared implies stringy mass formula and generalization of Regge trajectory picture. Hadronic string tension is predicted correctly. Model also provides a solution to the proton spin puzzle.

In this framework valence quarks would naturally correspond to a color singlet state formed by space-time sheets connected by color flux tubes having no Regge trajectories and carrying a relatively small fraction of baryonic momentum. In the collisions discussed valence quarks would leave the hadronic space-time sheet and suffer a collision with photon. The lightness of Pomeron and electro-weak neutrality of Pomeron support the view that photon stripes valence quarks from Pomeron, which continues its flight more or less unperturbed. Instead of an actual topological evaporation the bonds connecting valence quarks to the hadronic space-time sheet could be stretched during the collision with photon.

The large value of  $\alpha_K = 1/4$  for super-symplectic matter suggests that the criterion for a phase transition increasing the value of Planck constant [K28] and leading to a phase, where  $\alpha_K \propto 1/\hbar$  is reduced, could occur. For  $\alpha_K$  to remain invariant,  $\hbar_0 \rightarrow 26\hbar_0$  would be required. In this case, the size of hadronic space-time sheet, "color field body of the hadron", would be  $26 \times L(107) = 46$  fm, roughly the size of the heaviest nuclei. Hence a natural expectation is that the dark side of nuclei plays a role in the formation of atomic nuclei. Note that the sizes of electromagnetic field bodies of current quarks  $u$  and  $d$  with masses of order few MeV is not much smaller than the Compton length of electron. This would mean that super-symplectic bosons would represent dark matter in a well-defined sense and Pomeron exchange would represent temporary separation of ordinary and dark matter.

Note however that the fact that super-symplectic bosons have no electro-weak interactions, implies their dark matter character even for the ordinary value of Planck constant: this could

be taken as an objection against dark matter hierarchy. My own interpretation is that super-symplectic matter is dark matter in the strongest sense of the world whereas ordinary matter in the large  $\hbar$  phase is only apparently dark matter because standard interactions do not reveal themselves in the expected manner.

### Astrophysical counterpart of Pomeron events

Pomeron events have direct analogy in astrophysical length scales. In the collision of two galaxies dark and visible matter parts of the colliding galaxies have been found to separate by Chandra X-ray Observatory [C223] .

Imagine a collision between two galaxies. The ordinary matter in them collides and gets interlocked due to the mutual gravitational attraction. Dark matter, however, just keeps its momentum and keeps going on leaving behind the colliding galaxies. This kind of event has been detected by the Chandra X-Ray Observatory by using an ingenious manner to detect dark matter. Collisions of ordinary matter produces a lot of X-rays and the dark matter outside the galaxies acts as a gravitational lens.

### 10.2.3 The incredibly shrinking proton

The discovery that the charge radius of proton deduced from the muonic version of hydrogen atom is about 4 per cent smaller than from the radius deduced from hydrogen atom [C181, C217] is in complete conflict with the cherished belief that atomic physics belongs to the museum of science. The title of the article *Quantum electrodynamics-a chink in the armour?* of the article published in Nature [C156] expresses well the possible implications, which might actually go well extend beyond QED.

The finding is a problem of QED or to the standard view about what proton is. Lamb shift [C17] is the effect distinguishing between the states hydrogen atom having otherwise the same energy but different angular momentum. The effect is due to the quantum fluctuations of the electromagnetic field. The energy shift factorizes to a product of two expressions. The first one describes the effect of these zero point fluctuations on the position of electron or muon and the second one characterizes the average of nuclear charge density as "seen" by electron or muon. The latter one should be same as in the case of ordinary hydrogen atom but it is not. Does this mean that the presence of muon reduces the charge radius of proton as determined from muon wave function? This of course looks implausible since the radius of proton is so small. Note that the compression of the muon's wave function has the same effect.

Before continuing it is good to recall that QED and quantum field theories in general have difficulties with the description of bound states: something which has not received too much attention. For instance, van der Waals force at molecular scales is a problem. A possible TGD based explanation and a possible solution of difficulties proposed for two decades ago is that for bound states the two charged particles (say nucleus and electron or two atoms) correspond to two 3-D surfaces glued by flux tubes rather than being idealized to points of Minkowski space. This would make the non-relativistic description based on Schrödinger amplitude natural and replace the description based on Bethe-Salpeter equation having horrible mathematical properties.

### Basic facts and notions

In this section the basic TGD inspired ideas and notions - in particular the notion of field body- are introduced and the general mechanism possibly explaining the reduction of the effective charge radius relying on the leakage of muon wave function to the flux tubes associated with u quarks is introduced. After this the value of leakage probability is estimated from the standard formula for the Lamb shift in the experimental situation considered.

#### 1. Basic notions of TGD which might be relevant for the problem

Can one say anything interesting about the possible mechanism behind the anomaly if one accepts TGD framework? How the presence of muon could reduce the charge radius of proton? Let us first list the basic facts and notions.

- (a) One can say that the size of muonic hydrogen characterized by Bohr radius is by factor  $m_e/m_\mu = 1/211.4 = 4.7 \times 10^{-4}$  smaller than for hydrogen atom and equals to 250 fm. Hydrogen atom Bohr radius is .53 Angstroms.
- (b) Proton contains 2 quarks with charge  $2e/3$  and one d quark which charge  $-e/3$ . These quarks are light. The last determination of u and d quark masses [C135] gives masses, which are  $m_u = 2$  MeV and  $m_d = 5$  MeV (I leave out the error bars). The standard view is that the contribution of quarks to proton mass is of same order of magnitude. This would mean that quarks are not too relativistic meaning that one can assign to them a size of order Compton wave length of order  $4 \times r_e \simeq 600$  fm in the case of u quark (roughly twice the Bohr radius of muonic hydrogen) and  $10 \times r_e \simeq 24$  fm in the case of d quark. These wavelengths are much longer than the proton charge radius and for u quark more than twice longer than the Bohr radius of the muonic hydrogen. That parts of proton would be hundreds of times larger than proton itself sounds a rather weird idea. One could of course argue that the scales in question do not correspond to anything geometric. In TGD framework this is not the way out since quantum classical correspondence requires this geometric correlate.
- (c) There is also the notion of classical radius of electron and quark. It is given by  $r = \alpha\hbar/m$  and is in the case of electron this radius is 2.8 fm whereas proton charge radius is .877 fm and smaller. The dependence on Planck constant is only apparent as it should be since classical radius is in question. For u quark the classical radius is .52 fm and smaller than proton charge radius. The constraint that the classical radii of quarks are smaller than proton charge radius gives a lower bound of quark masses: p-adic scaling of u quark mass by  $2^{-1/2}$  would give classical radius .73 fm which still satisfies the bound. TGD framework the proper generalization would be  $r = \alpha_K\hbar/m$ , where  $\alpha_K$  is Kähler coupling strength defining the fundamental coupling constant of the theory and quantized from quantum criticality. Its value is very near or equal to fine structure constant in electron length scale.
- (d) The intuitive picture is that light-like 3-surfaces assignable to quarks describe random motion of partonic 2-surfaces with light-velocity. This is analogous to zitterbewegung assigned classically to the ordinary Dirac equation. The notion of braid emerging from Chern-Simons Dirac equation via periodic boundary conditions means that the orbits of partonic 2-surface effectively reduces to braids carrying fermionic quantum numbers. These braids in turn define higher level braids which would move inside a structure characterizing the particle geometrically. Internal consistency suggests that the classical radius  $r = \alpha_K\hbar/m$  characterizes the size scale of the zitterbewegung orbits of quarks.

I cannot resist the temptation to emphasize the fact that Bohr orbitology is now reasonably well understood. The solutions of field equations with higher than 3-D  $CP_2$  projection describing radiation fields allow only generalizations of plane waves but not their superpositions in accordance with the fact it is these modes that are observed. For massless extremals with 2-D  $CP_2$  projection superposition is possible only for parallel light-like wave vectors. Furthermore, the restriction of the solutions of the Chern-Simons Dirac equation at light-like 3-surfaces to braid strands gives the analogs of Bohr orbits. Wave functions of -say electron in atom- are wave functions for the position of wormhole throat and thus for braid strands so that Bohr's theory becomes part of quantum theory.

- (e) In TGD framework quantum classical correspondence requires -or at least strongly suggests- that also the p-adic length scales assignable to u and d quarks have geometrical correlates. That quarks would have sizes much larger than proton itself how sounds rather paradoxical and could be used as an objection against p-adic length scale hypothesis. Topological field quantization however leads to the notion of field body as a structure consisting of flux tubes and and the identification of this geometric correlate would be in terms of Kähler (or color-, or electro-) magnetic body of proton consisting of color flux tubes beginning from space-time sheets of valence quarks and having length scale of order Compton wavelength much longer than the size of proton itself. Magnetic loops and electric flux tubes would be

in question. Also secondary p-adic length scale characterizes field body. For instance, in the case of electron the causal diamond assigned to electron would correspond to the time scale of .1 seconds defining an important bio-rhythm.

2. *Could the notion of field body explain the anomaly?*

The large Compton radii of quarks and the notion of field body encourage the attempt to imagine a mechanism affecting the charge radius of proton as determined from electron's or muon's wave function.

- (a) Muon's wave function is compressed to a volume which is about 8 million times smaller than the corresponding volume in the case of electron. The Compton radius of u quark more that twice larger than the Bohr radius of muonic hydrogen so that muon should interact directly with the field body of u quark. The field body of d quark would have size 24 fm which is about ten times smaller than the Bohr radius so that one can say that the volume in which muons sees the field body of d quark is only one thousandth of the total volume. The main effect would be therefore due to the two u quarks having total charge of  $4e/3$ . One can say that muon begins to "see" the field bodies of u quarks and interacts directly with u quarks rather than with proton via its electromagnetic field body. With d quarks it would still interact via protons field body to which d quark should feed its electromagnetic flux. This could be quite enough to explain why the charge radius of proton determined from the expectation value defined by its wave function wave function is smaller than for electron. One must of course notice that this brings in also direct magnetic interactions with u quarks.
- (b) What could be the basic mechanism for the reduction of charge radius? Could it be that the electron is caught with some probability into the flux tubes of u quarks and that Schrödinger amplitude for this kind state vanishes near the origin? If so, this portion of state would not contribute to the charge radius and the since the portion ordinary state would smaller, this would imply an effective reduction of the charge radius determined from experimental data using the standard theory since the reduction of the norm of the standard part of the state would be erratically interpreted as a reduction of the charge radius.
- (c) This effect would be of course present also in the case of electron but in this case the u quarks correspond to a volume which million times smaller than the volume defined by Bohr radius so that electron does not in practice "see" the quark sub-structure of proton. The probability  $P$  for getting caught would be in a good approximation proportional to the value of  $|\Psi(r_u)|^2$  and in the first approximation one would have

$$\frac{P_e}{P_\mu} \sim (a_\mu/a_e)^3 = (m_e/m_\mu)^3 \sim 10^{-7} .$$

from the proportionality  $\Psi_i \propto 1/a_i^{3/2}$ ,  $i=e,\mu$ .

3. *A general formula for Lamb shift in terms of proton charge radius*

The charge radius of proton is determined from the Lamb shift between 2S- and 2P states of muonic hydrogen. Without this effect resulting from vacuum polarization of photon Dirac equation for hydrogen would predict identical energies for these states. The calculation reduces to the calculation of vacuum polarization of photon inducing to the Coulomb potential and an additional vacuum polarization term. Besides this effect one must also take into account the finite size of the proton which can be coded in terms of the form factor deducible from scattering data. It is just this correction which makes it possible to determine the charge radius of proton from the Lamb shift.

- (a) In the article [C48] the basic theoretical results related to the Lamb shift in terms of the vacuum polarization of photon are discussed. Proton's charge density is in this representation is expressed in terms of proton form factor in principle deducible from the scattering

data. Two special cases can be distinguished corresponding to the point like proton for which Lamb shift is non-vanishing only for S wave states and non-point like proton for which energy shift is present also for other states. The theoretical expression for the Lamb shift involves very refined calculations. Between 2P and 2S states the expression for the Lamb shift is of form

$$\Delta E(2P_{3/2}^{F=2} 2S_{1/2}^{F=1}) = a - br_p^2 + cr_p^3 = 209.968(5)5.2248 \times r_p^2 + 0.0347 \times r_p^3 \text{ meV} \quad (10.2.4)$$

where the charge radius  $r_p = .8750$  is expressed in femtometers and energy in meVs.

(b) The general expression of Lamb shift is given in terms of the form factor by

$$E(2P - 2S) = \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} \times (-4\pi\alpha) \frac{F(q^2)}{q^2} \frac{\Pi(q^2)}{q^2} \times \int (|\Psi_{2P}(r)|^2 - |\Psi_{2S}(r)|^2) \exp(iq \cdot r) dV . \quad (10.2.4)$$

Here  $\Pi$  is a scalar representing vacuum polarization due to decay of photon to virtual pairs.

The model to be discussed predicts that the effect is due to a leakage from "standard" state to what I call flux tube state. This means a multiplication of  $|\Psi_{2P}|^2$  with the normalization factor  $1/N$  of the standard state orthogonalized with respect to flux tube state. It is essential that  $1/N$  is larger than unity so that the effect is a genuine quantum effect not understandable in terms of classical probability.

The modification of the formula is due to the normalization of the 2P and 2S states. These are in general different. The normalization factor  $1/N$  is same for all terms in the expression of Lamb shift for a given state but in general different for 2S and 2P states. Since the lowest order term dominates by a factor of  $\sim 40$  over the second one, one can conclude that the modification should affect the lowest order term by about 4 per cent. Since the second term is negative and the modification of the first term is interpreted as a modification of the second term when  $r_p$  is estimated from the standard formula, the first term must increase by about 4 per cent. This is achieved if this state is orthogonalized with respect to the flux tube state. For states  $\Psi_0$  and  $\Psi_{tube}$  with unit norm this means the modification

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_0 &\rightarrow \frac{1}{1 - |C|^2} \times (\Psi_i - C\Psi_{tube}) , \\ C &= \langle \Psi_{tube} | \Psi_0 \rangle . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.4)$$

In the lowest order approximation one obtains

$$a - br_p^2 + cr_p^3 \rightarrow (1 + |C|^2)a - br_p^2 + cr_p^3 . \quad (10.2.5)$$

Using instead of this expression the standard formula gives a wrong estimate  $r_p$  from the condition

$$a - b\hat{r}_p^2 + c\hat{r}_p^3 \rightarrow (1 + |C|^2)a - br_p^2 + cr_p^3 . \quad (10.2.6)$$

This gives the equivalent conditions

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{r}_p^2 &= r_p^2 - \frac{|C|^2 a}{b} , \\ P_{tube} &\equiv |C|^2 \simeq 2\frac{b}{a} \times r_p^2 \times \frac{(r_p - \hat{r}_p)}{r_p} .\end{aligned}\quad (10.2.6)$$

The resulting estimate for the leakage probability is  $P_{tube} \simeq .0015$ . The model should be able to reproduce this probability.

### A model for the coupling between standard states and flux tube states

Just for fun one can look whether the idea about confinement of muon to quark flux tube carrying electric flux could make sense.

- (a) Assume that the quark is accompanied by a flux tube carrying electric flux  $\int EdS = -\int \nabla\Phi \cdot dS = q$ , where  $q = 2e/3 = ke$  is the u quark charge. The potential created by the u quark at the proton end of the flux tube with transversal area  $S = \pi R^2$  idealized as effectively 1-D structure is

$$\Phi = -\frac{ke}{\pi R^2}|x| + \Phi_0 . \quad (10.2.7)$$

The normalization factor comes from the condition that the total electric flux is  $q$ . The value of the additive constant  $V_0$  is fixed by the condition that the potential coincides with Coulomb potential at  $r = r_u$ , where  $r_u$  is u quark Compton length. This gives

$$e\Phi_0 = \frac{e^2}{r_u} + Kr_u , \quad K = \frac{ke^2}{\pi R^2} . \quad (10.2.8)$$

- (b) Parameter  $R$  should be of order of magnitude of charge radius  $\alpha_K r_u$  of u quark is free parameter in some limits.  $\alpha_K = \alpha$  is expected to hold true in excellent approximation. Therefore a convenient parametrization is

$$R = z\alpha r_u . \quad (10.2.9)$$

This gives

$$K = \frac{4k}{\alpha r_u^2} , \quad e\Phi_0 = 4\left(\pi\alpha + \frac{k}{\alpha}\right)\frac{1}{r_u} . \quad (10.2.10)$$

- (c) The requirement that electron with four times larger charge radius than  $u$  quark can topologically condensed inside the flux tube without a change in the average radius of the flux tube (and thus in a reduction in p-adic length scale increasing its mass by a factor 4!) suggests that  $z \geq 4$  holds true at least far away from proton. Near proton the condition that the radius of the flux tube is smaller than electron's charge radius is satisfied for  $z = 1$ .

#### 1. Reduction of Schrödinger equation at flux tube to Airy equation

The 1-D Schrödinger equation at flux tube has as its solutions Airy functions and the related functions known as "Bairy" functions.

(a) What one has is a one-dimensional Schrödinger equation of general form

$$-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m_\mu} \frac{d^2\Psi}{dx^2} + (Kx - e\Phi_0)\Psi = E\Psi, \quad K = \frac{ke^2}{\pi R^2}. \quad (10.2.11)$$

By performing a linear coordinate change

$$u = \left(\frac{2m_\mu K}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/3}(x - x_E), \quad x_E = \frac{-|E| + e\Phi_0}{K}, \quad (10.2.12)$$

one obtains

$$\frac{d^2\Psi}{du^2} - u\Psi = 0. \quad (10.2.13)$$

This differential equation is known as Airy equation (or Stokes equation) and defines special functions  $Ai(x)$  known as Airy functions and related functions  $Bi(x)$  referred to as "Bairy" functions [B1]. Airy functions characterize the intensity near an optical directional caustic such as that of rainbow.

(b) The explicit expressions for  $Ai(u)$  and  $Bi(u)$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} Ai(u) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \cos\left(\frac{1}{3}t^3 + ut\right) dt, \\ Bi(u) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{1}{3}t^3\right) + \sin\left(\frac{1}{3}t^3 + ut\right) \right] dt. \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.13)$$

$Ai(u)$  oscillates rapidly for negative values of  $u$  having interpretation in terms of real wave vector and goes exponentially to zero for  $u > 0$ .  $Bi(u)$  oscillates also for negative values of  $x$  but increases exponentially for positive values of  $u$ . The oscillatory behavior and its character become obvious by noticing that stationary phase approximation is possible for  $x < 0$ .

The approximate expressions of  $Ai(u)$  and  $Bi(u)$  for  $u > 0$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} Ai(u) &\sim \frac{1}{2\pi^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{2}{3}u^{3/2}\right) u^{-1/4}, \\ Bi(u) &\sim \frac{1}{\pi^{1/2}} \exp\left(\frac{2}{3}u^{3/2}\right) u^{-1/4}. \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.13)$$

For  $u < 0$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} Ai(u) &\sim \frac{1}{\pi^{1/2}} \sin\left(\frac{2}{3}(-u)^{3/2}\right) (-u)^{-1/4}, \\ Bi(u) &\sim \frac{1}{\pi^{1/2}} \cos\left(\frac{2}{3}(-u)^{3/2}\right) (-u)^{-1/4}. \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.13)$$

(c)  $u = 0$  corresponds to the turning point of the classical motion where the kinetic energy changes sign.  $x = 0$  and  $x = r_u$  correspond to the points

$$\begin{aligned} u_{min} \equiv u(0) &= -\left(\frac{2m_\mu K}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/3} x_E, \\ u_{max} \equiv u(r_u) &= \left(\frac{2m_\mu K}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/3} (r_u - x_E), \\ x_E &= \frac{-|E| + e\Phi_0}{K}. \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.12)$$

(d) The general solution is

$$\Psi = aAi(u) + bBi(u) . \quad (10.2.13)$$

The natural boundary condition is the vanishing of  $\Psi$  at the lower end of the flux tube giving

$$\frac{b}{a} = -\frac{Ai(u(0))}{Bi(u(0))} . \quad (10.2.14)$$

A non-vanishing value of  $b$  implies that the solution increases exponentially for positive values of the argument and the solution can be regarded as being concentrated in an excellent approximation near the upper end of the flux tube.

Second boundary condition is perhaps most naturally the condition that the energy is same for the flux tube amplitude as for the standard solution. Alternative boundary conditions would require the vanishing of the solution at both ends of the flux tube and in this case one obtains very large number of solutions as WKB approximation demonstrates. The normalization of the state so that it has a unit norm fixes the magnitude of the coefficients  $a$  and  $b$  since one can choose them to be real.

## 2. Estimate for the probability that muon is caught to the flux tube

The simplest estimate for the muon to be caught to the flux tube state characterized by the same energy as standard state is the overlap integral of the ordinary hydrogen wave function of muon and of the effectively one-dimensional flux tube. What one means with overlap integral is however not quite obvious.

(a) The basic condition is that the modified "standard" state is orthogonal to the flux tube state. One can write the expression of a general state as

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_{nlm} &\rightarrow N \times (\Psi_{nlm} - C(E, nlm)\Phi_{nlm}) , \\ \Phi_{nlm} &= Y_{lm}\Psi_E , \\ C(E, nlm) &= \langle \Psi_E | \Psi_{nlm} \rangle . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.13)$$

Here  $\Phi_{nlm}$  depends a flux tube state in which spherical harmonics is wave function in the space of orientations of the flux tube and  $\Psi_E$  is flux tube state with same energy as standard state. Here an inner product between standard states and flux tube states is introduced.

(b) Assuming same energy for flux tube state and standard state, the expression for the total total probability for ending up to single flux tube would be determined from the orthogonality condition as

$$P_{nlm} = \frac{|C(E, nlm)|^2}{1 - |C(E, lmn)|^2} . \quad (10.2.14)$$

Here  $E$  refers to the common energy of flux tube state and standard state. The fact that flux tube states vanish at the lower end of the flux tube implies that they do not contribute to the expression for average charge density. The reduced contribution of the standard part implies that the attempt to interpret the experimental results in "standard model" gives a reduced value of the charge radius. The size of the contribution is given by  $P_{nlm}$  whose value should be about 4 per cent.

One can consider two alternative forms for the inner product between standard states and flux tube states. Intuitively it is clear that an overlap between the two wave functions must be in question.



- (a) The simplest possibility is that one takes only overlap at the upper end of the flux tube which defines 2-D surface. Second possibility is that that the overlap is over entire flux tube projection at the space-time sheet of atom.

$$\begin{aligned}\langle \Psi_E | \Psi_{nlm} \rangle &= \int_{end} \bar{\Psi}_r \Psi_{nlm} dS \quad (\text{Option I}) \quad , \\ \langle \Psi_E | \Psi_{nlm} \rangle &= \int_{tube} \bar{\Psi}_r \Psi_{nlm} dV \quad (\text{Option II}) \quad .\end{aligned}\quad (10.2.14)$$

- (b) For option I the inner product is non-vanishing only if  $\Psi_E$  is non-vanishing at the end of the flux tube. This would mean that electron ends up to the flux tube through its end. The inner product is dimensionless without introduction of a dimensional coupling parameter if the inner product for flux tube states is defined by 1-dimensional integral: one might criticize this assumption as illogical. Unitarity might be a problem since the local behaviour of the flux tube wave function at the end of the flux tube could imply that the contribution of the flux tube state in the quantum state dominates and this does not look plausible. One can of course consider the introduction to the inner product a coefficient representing coupling constant but this would mean loss of predictivity. Schrödinger equation at the end of the flux tubes guarantees the conservation of the probability current only if the energy of flux tube state is same as that of standard state or if the flux tube Schrödinger amplitude vanishes at the end of the flux tube.
- (c) For option II there are no problems with unitary since the overlap probability is always smaller than unity. Option II however involves overlap between standard states and flux tube states even when the wave function at the upper end of the flux tube vanishes. One can however consider the possibility that the possible flux tube states are orthogonalized with respect to standard states with leakage to flux tubes. The interpretation for the overlap integral would be that electron ends up to the flux tube via the formation of wormhole contact.

### 3. Option I fails

The considerations will be first restricted to the simpler option I. The generalization of the results of calculation to option II is rather straightforward. It turns out that option II gives correct order of magnitude for the reduction of charge radius for reasonable parameter values.

- (a) In a good approximation one can express the overlap integrals over the flux tube end (option I) as

$$\begin{aligned}C(E, nlm) &= \int_{tube} \bar{\Psi}_E \Psi_{nlm} dS \simeq \pi R^2 \times Y_{lm} \times C(E, nl) \quad , \\ C(E, nl) &= \bar{\Psi}_E(r_u) R_{nl}(r_u) \quad .\end{aligned}\quad (10.2.14)$$

An explicit expression for the coefficients can be deduced by using expression for  $\Psi_E$  as a superposition of Airy and Bairy functions. This gives

$$\begin{aligned}C(E, nl) &= \bar{\Psi}_E(r_u) R_{nl}(r_u) \quad , \\ \Psi_E(x) &= a_E Ai(u_E) + b Bi(u_E) \quad , \quad \frac{a_E}{b_E} = -\frac{Bi(u_E(0))}{Ai(u_E(0))} \quad , \\ u_E(x) &= \left(\frac{2m_\mu K}{\hbar^2}\right)^{1/3} (x - x_E) \quad , \quad x_E = \frac{|E| - e\Phi_0}{K} \quad , \\ K &= \frac{ke^2}{\pi R^2} \quad , \quad R = z\alpha_K r_u \quad , \quad k = \frac{2}{3} \quad .\end{aligned}\quad (10.2.11)$$

The normalization of the coefficients is fixed from the condition that  $a$  and  $b$  chosen in such a manner that  $\Psi$  has unit norm. For these boundary conditions  $Bi$  is expected to dominate completely in the sum and the solution can be regarded as exponentially decreasing function concentrated around the upper end of the flux tube.

In order to get a quantitative view about the situation one can express the parameters  $u_{min}$  and  $u_{max}$  in terms of the basic dimensionless parameters of the problem.

(a) One obtains

$$\begin{aligned} u_{min} \equiv u(0) &= -2\left(\frac{k}{z\alpha}\right)^{1/3} \left[ 1 + \pi \frac{z}{k} \alpha^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \alpha r\right) \right] \times r^{1/3} , \\ u_{max} \equiv u(r_u) &= u(0) + 2 \frac{k}{z\alpha} \times r^{1/3} , \\ r &= \frac{m_\mu}{m_u} , \quad R = z\alpha r_u . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.10)$$

Using the numerical values of the parameters one obtains for  $z = 1$  and  $\alpha = 1/137$  the values  $u_{min} = -33.807$  and  $u_{max} = 651.69$ . The value of  $u_{max}$  is so large that the normalization is in practice fixed by the exponential behavior of  $Bi$  for the suggested boundary conditions.

(b) The normalization constant is in good approximation defined by the integral of the approximate form of  $Bi^2$  over positive values of  $u$  and one has

$$N^2 \simeq \frac{dx}{du} \times \int_{u_{min}}^{u_{max}} Bi(u)^2 du , \quad \frac{dx}{du} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{z^2\alpha}{k}\right)^{1/3} \times r^{1/3} r_u , \quad (10.2.10)$$

By taking  $t = \exp(\frac{4}{3}u^{3/2})$  as integration variable one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{u_{min}}^{u_{max}} Bi(u)^2 du &\simeq \pi^{-1} \int_{u_{min}}^{u_{max}} \exp\left(\frac{4}{3}u^{3/2}\right) u^{-1/2} du \\ &= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{2/3} \pi^{-1} \int_{t_{min}}^{t_{max}} \frac{dt}{\log(t)^{2/3}} \simeq \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{\exp(\frac{4}{3}u_{max}^{3/2})}{u_{max}} . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.10)$$

This gives for the normalization factor the expression

$$N \simeq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{z^2\alpha}{k}\right)^{2/3} r^{1/3} r_u^{1/2} \exp\left(\frac{2}{3}u_{max}^{3/2}\right) . \quad (10.2.11)$$

(c) One obtains for the value of  $\Psi_E$  at the end of the flux tube the estimate

$$\Psi_E(r_u) = \frac{Bi(u_{max})}{N} \simeq 2\pi^{-1/2} \times \left(\frac{k}{z^2\alpha}\right)^{2/3} r^{1/3} r_u^{-1/2} , \quad r = \frac{r_u}{r_\mu} . \quad (10.2.12)$$

(d) The inner product defined as overlap integral gives for the ground state

$$\begin{aligned} C_{E,00} &= \Psi_E(r_u) \times \Psi_{1,0,0}(r_u) \times \pi R^2 \\ &= 2\pi^{-1/2} \left(\frac{k}{z^2\alpha}\right)^{2/3} r^{1/3} r_u^{-1/2} \times \left(\frac{1}{\pi a(\mu)^3}\right)^{1/2} \times \exp(-\alpha r) \times \pi z^2 \alpha^2 r_u^2 \\ &= 2\pi^{1/2} k^{2/3} z^{2/3} r^{11/6} \alpha^{17/6} \exp(-\alpha r) . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.11)$$

The relative reduction of charge radius equals to  $P = C_{E,00}^2$ . For  $z = 1$  one obtains  $P = C_{E,00}^2 = 5.5 \times 10^{-6}$ , which is by three orders of magnitude smaller than the value needed for  $P_{tube} = C_{E,20}^2 = .0015$ . The obvious explanation for the smallness is the  $\alpha^2$  factor coming from the area of flux tube in the inner product.

#### 4. Option II could work

The failure of the simplest model is essentially due to the inner product. For option II the inner product for the flux tube states involves the integral over the area of flux tube so that the normalization factor for the state is obtained from the previous one by the replacement  $N \rightarrow N/\sqrt{\pi R^2}$ . In the integral over the flux tube the exponent function is in the first approximation equal to constant since the wave function for ground state is at the end of the flux tube only by a factor .678 smaller than at the origin and the wave function is strongly concentrated near the end of the flux tube. The inner product defined by the overlap integral over the flux tube implies  $N \rightarrow NS^{1/2}$ ,  $S = \pi R^2 = z^2 \alpha^2 r_u^2$ . In good approximation the inner product for option II means the replacement

$$\begin{aligned} C_{E,n0} &\rightarrow A \times B \times C_{E,n0} \ , \\ A &= \frac{\frac{dx}{du}}{\sqrt{\pi R^2}} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} z^{-1/3} k^{-1/3} \alpha^{-2/3} r^{1/3} \ , \\ B &= \frac{\int Bi(u) du}{\sqrt{Bi(u_{max})}} = u_{max}^{-1/4} = 2^{-1/4} z^{1/2} k^{-1/4} \alpha^{1/4} r^{-1/12} \ . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.10)$$

Using the expression

$$R_{20}(r_u) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \times \left(\frac{1}{a_\mu}\right)^{3/2} \times (2 - r\alpha) \times \exp(-r\alpha) \ , \quad r = \frac{r_u}{r_\mu} \quad (10.2.11)$$

one obtains for  $C_{E,20}$  the expression

$$C_{E,20} = 2^{-3/4} z^{5/6} k^{1/12} \alpha^{29/12} r^{25/12} \times (2 - r\alpha) \times \exp(-r\alpha) \ . \quad (10.2.12)$$

By the earlier general argument one should have  $P_{tube} = |C_{E,20}|^2 \simeq .0015$ .  $P_{tube} = .0015$  is obtained for  $z = 1$  and  $N = 2$  corresponding to single flux tube per u quark. If the flux tubes are in opposite directions, the leakage into 2P state vanishes. Note that this leakage does not affect the value of the coefficient  $a$  in the general formula for the Lamb shift. The radius of the flux tube is by a factor 1/4 smaller than the classical radius of electron and one could argue that this makes it impossible for electron to topologically condense at the flux tube. For  $z = 4$  one would have  $P_{tube} = .015$  which is 10 times too large a value. Note that the nucleus possess a wave function for the orientation of the flux tube. If this corresponds to S-wave state then only the leakage between S-wave states and standard states is possible.

#### Are exotic flux tube bound states possible?

There seems to be no deep reason forbidding the possibility of genuine flux tube states decoupling from the standard states completely. To get some idea about the energy eigenvalues one can apply WKB approximation. This approach should work now: in fact, the study on WKB approximation near turning point by using linearization of the the potential leads always to Airy equation so that the linear potential represents an ideal situation for WKB approximation. As noticed these states do not seem to be directly relevant for the recent situation. The fact that these states have larger binding energies than the ordinary states of hydrogen atom might make possible to liberate energy by inducing transitions to these states.

- (a) Assume that a bound state with a negative energy  $E$  is formed inside the flux tube. This means that the condition  $p^2 = 2m(E - V) \geq 0$ ,  $V = -e\Phi$ , holds true in the region  $x \leq x_{max} < r_u$  and  $p^2 = 2m(E - V) < 0$  in the region  $r_u > x \geq x_{max}$ . The expression for  $x_{max}$  is

$$x_{max} = \frac{\pi R^2}{k} \left( -\frac{|E|}{e^2} + \frac{1}{r_u} + \frac{kr_u}{\pi R^2} \right) \hbar . \quad (10.2.13)$$

$x_{max} < r_u$  holds true if one has

$$|E| < \frac{e^2}{r_u} = E_{max} . \quad (10.2.14)$$

The ratio of this energy to the ground state energy of muonic hydrogen is from  $E(1) = e^2/2a(\mu)$  and  $a = \hbar/\alpha m$  given by

$$\frac{E_{max}}{E(n=1)} = \frac{2m_u}{\alpha m_\mu} \simeq 5.185 . \quad (10.2.15)$$

This encourages to think that the ground state energy could be reduced by the formation of this kind of bound state if it is possible to find a value of  $n$  in the allowed range. The physical state would of course contain only a small fraction of this state. In the case of electron the increase of the binding energy is even more dramatic since one has

$$\frac{E_{max}}{E(n=1)} = \frac{2m_u}{\alpha m_e} = \frac{8}{\alpha} \simeq 1096 . \quad (10.2.16)$$

Obviously the formation of this kind of states could provide a new source of energy. There have been claims about anomalous energy production in hydrogen [D45] . I have discussed these claims from TGD viewpoint in [K82]

- (b) One can apply WKB quantization in the region where the momentum is real to get the condition

$$I = \int_0^{x_{max}} \sqrt{2m(E + e\Phi)} \frac{dx}{\hbar} = n + \frac{1}{2} . \quad (10.2.17)$$

By performing the integral one obtains the quantization condition

$$\begin{aligned} I &= k^{-1} (8\pi\alpha)^{1/2} \times \frac{R^2}{r_u^{3/2} r_\mu} \times A^{3/2} = n + \frac{1}{2} , \\ A &= 1 + kx^2 - \frac{|E|r_u}{e^2} , \\ x &= \frac{r_u}{R} , \quad k = \frac{2}{3\pi} , \quad r_i = \frac{\hbar}{m_i} . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.16)$$

- (c) Parameter  $R$  should be of order of magnitude of charge radius  $\alpha_K r_u$  of u quark is free parameter in some limits.  $\alpha_K = \alpha$  is expected to hold true in excellent approximation. Therefore a convenient parametrization is

$$R = z\alpha r_u . \quad (10.2.17)$$

This gives for the binding energy the general expression in terms of the ground state binding energy  $E(1, \mu)$  of muonic hydrogen as

$$\begin{aligned}
|E| &= C \times E(1, \mu) , \\
C &= D \times (1 + Kz^{-2}\alpha^{-2} - (\frac{y}{z^2})^{2/3} \times (n + 1/2)^{2/3}) , \\
D &= 2y \times (\frac{K^2}{8\pi\alpha})^{1/3} , \\
y &= \frac{m_u}{m_\mu} , \quad K = \frac{2}{3\pi} .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.2.15}$$

- (d) There is a finite number of bound states. The above mentioned consistency conditions coming from  $0 < x_{max} < r_\mu$  give  $0 < C < C_{max} = 5.185$  restricting the allowed value of  $n$  to some interval. One obtains the estimates

$$\begin{aligned}
n_{min} &\simeq \frac{z^2}{y} (1 + Kz^{-2}\alpha^{-2} - \frac{C_{max}}{D})^{3/2} - \frac{1}{2} , \\
n_{max} &= \frac{z^2}{y} (1 + Kz^{-2}\alpha^{-2})^{3/2} - \frac{1}{2} .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.2.15}$$

Very large value of  $n$  is required by the consistency condition. The calculation gives  $n_{min} \in \{1.22 \times 10^7, 4.59 \times 10^6, 1.48 \times 10^5\}$  and  $n_{max} \in \{1.33 \times 10^7, 6.66 \times 10^6, 3.34 \times 10^6\}$  for  $z \in \{1, 2, 4\}$ . This would be a very large number of allowed bound states -about  $3.2 \times 10^6$  for  $z = 1$ .

The WKB state behaves as a plane wave below  $x_{max}$  and sum of exponentially decaying and increasing amplitudes above  $x_{max}$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{\sqrt{k(x)}} \left[ A \exp(i \int_0^x k(y) dy) + B \exp(-i \int_0^x k(y) dy) \right] , \\
&\frac{1}{\sqrt{\kappa(x)}} \left[ C \exp(- \int_{x_{max}}^x \kappa(y) dy) + D \exp(\int_{x_{max}}^x \kappa(y) dy) \right] , \\
&k(x) = \sqrt{2m(-|E| + e\Phi)} , \quad \kappa(x) = \sqrt{2m(|E| - e\Phi)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.2.12}$$

At the classical turning point these two amplitudes must be identical.

The next task is to decide about natural boundary conditions. Two types of boundary conditions must be considered. The basic condition is that genuine flux tube states are in question. This requires that the inner product between flux tube states and standard states defined by the integral over flux tube ends vanishes. This is guaranteed if the Schrödinger amplitude for the flux tube state vanishes at the ends of the flux tube so that flux tube behaves like an infinite potential well. The condition  $\Psi(0) = 0$  at the lower end of the flux tube would give  $A = -B$ . Combined with the continuity condition at the turning point these conditions imply that  $\Psi$  can be assumed to be real. The  $\Psi(r_u) = 0$  gives a condition leading to the quantization of energy.

The wave function over the directions of flux tube with a given value of  $n$  is given by the spherical harmonics assigned to the state  $(n, l, m)$ .

#### 10.2.4 Explanation for the soft photon excess in hadron production

There is quite a recent article entitled Study of the Dependence of Direct Soft Photon Production on the Jet Characteristics in Hadronic  $Z^0$  Decays discussing one particular manifestation of an anomaly of hadron physics known for two decades: the soft photon production rate in hadronic reactions is by an average factor of about four higher than expected. In the article soft photons assignable to the decays of  $Z^0$  to quark-antiquark pairs. This anomaly has not reached the attention of particle physics which seems to be the fate of anomalies quite generally nowadays: large extra dimensions and blackholes at LHC are much more sexy topics of study than the anomalies about which both existing and speculative theories must remain silent.

### Soft photon anomaly

The general observations are summarized by the abstract of the paper.

*An analysis of the direct soft photon production rate as a function of the parent jet characteristics is presented, based on hadronic events collected by the DELPHI experiment at LEP1. The dependences of the photon rates on the jet kinematic characteristics (momentum, mass, etc.) and on the jet charged, neutral and total hadron multiplicities are reported. Up to a scale factor of about four, which characterizes the overall value of the soft photon excess, a similarity of the observed soft photon behaviour to that of the inner hadronic bremsstrahlung predictions is found for the momentum, mass, and jet charged multiplicity dependences. However for the dependence of the soft photon rate on the jet neutral and total hadron multiplicities a prominent difference is found for the observed soft photon signal as compared to the expected bremsstrahlung from final state hadrons. The observed linear increase of the soft photon production rate with the jet total hadron multiplicity and its strong dependence on the jet neutral multiplicity suggest that the rate is proportional to the number of quark pairs produced in the fragmentation process, with the neutral pairs being more effectively radiating than the charged ones.*

I try to abstract the essentials of the article.

- (a) One considers soft photon production in kinematic range  $.2 \text{ GeV} < E < 1 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $p_T < .08 \text{ GeV}$ , where  $p_T$  is photon transverse momentum with respect to the parent jet direction. The soft photon excess is associated with hadron production only and does not appear in leptonic sector. As one subtracts the photon yield due to the decays of hadrons (mainly neutral pions), one finds that what remains is on the average 4 times larger than the photon yield by inner hadronic bremsstrahlung, which means bremsstrahlung by charged final state hadrons. This suggests that the description in terms of charged hadron bremsstrahlung is not correct and one must go to quark level.
- (b) Up to the scale factor with average value four, the dependence of soft photon production on jet momentum, mass, and jet charged multiplicity is consistent with the inner hadronic bremsstrahlung predictions.
- (c) The dependence of the soft photon rate on jet neutral and total hadron multiplicities differs from the expected bremsstrahlung from final state hadrons. The linear increase of the rate with the jet total hadron multiplicity and strong dependence on the jet neutral multiplicity does not conform with internal hadron bremsstrahlung prediction which suggests that the anomalous soft photon production is proportional to the number of neutral quark pairs giving rise to neutral mesons. For some reason neutral pairs would thus radiate more effectively than the charged ones. Therefore the hypothesis that sea quarks alone are responsible for anomalous bremsstrahlung cannot hold true as such.

The article discusses the data and also the models that has been proposed. Incoherent production of photons by quarks predict satisfactorily the linear dependence of total intensity of bremsstrahlung on total number of jet particle if the number of quarks in jet is assumed to be proportional to the number jet particles (see Fig. 7 of [C96]). The model cannot however explain the deviations from the model based on charged hadron inner bremsstrahlung: the problems are produced by the sensitive dependence on the number of neutral hadrons (see Fig. 6 of [C96]).

The models assuming that jet acts as a coherent structure fail also and it is proposed that somehow neutral quark pairs must act as electric dipoles generating dipole radiation at low energies. The dipole moments assignable to neutral quark pairs  $U\bar{U}$  and  $D\bar{D}$ .  $U\bar{D}$ ,  $D\bar{U}$  with given respect to center of mass are proportional to the difference of the quark charges  $4/3, 2/3, 1/3, -1/3$  so that one might argue that the dipole radiation from neutral pairs is by a factor 16 *resp.* 4 stronger than from charged pair and authors argue that this might be part of the explanation. This would suggest that the excess radiation comes from dipole radiation from quarks inside neutral hadrons. The dipole radiation intensity is expected to be weaker than monopole radiation by a factor  $1/\lambda^2$  roughly so that this line of thought does not look promising.

### TGD based explanation of the anomaly

Could one find an explanation for the anomaly in TGD framework? The following model finds its inspiration from TGD inspired models for two other anomalies.

- (a) The first model explains the reported deviation of the charge radius of muonic hydrogen from the predicted radius. Key role is played by the electric flux tubes associated with quarks and having size scale of order quark Compton radius and therefore extending up to the Bohr radius of muonic hydrogen in the case of u quark.
- (b) Second model explains the observed anomalous behavior of the quark-gluon plasma. What is observed is almost perfect fluid behavior instead of gas like behavior reflecting itself as small viscosity to entropy ratio. The findings suggest coherence in rather long length scales and also existence of string like objects. Color magnetic (or color electric or both) flux tubes containing quarks and antiquarks are proposed as a space-time correlate for the quark gluon plasma.

Electric flux tubes as basic objects provide a promising candidate for the counterparts of dipoles now. In the case of neutral hadrons color flux tubes and em flux tubes can be one and the same thing. In the case of charged hadrons this cannot be the case and em flux tubes connect oppositely charged hadrons. This could explain the difference between neutral and charged hadrons. If the production amplitude is coherent sum over amplitudes for quarks and antiquarks inside hadron and if also sea quarks contribute, only neutral hadrons would contribute to the brehmstrahlung at long wave length limit and the excess would correspond to the contribution of sea quarks insided neutral hadrons.

A more precise argument goes as follows.

- (a) The first guess would be that the production amplitude of photons is sum over incoherent contributions of valence and sea quarks. This cannot be the case since both charged and neutral hadrons would contribute equally.
- (b) Quantum classical correspondence requires some space-time correlate for the classical electric fields. In TGD electric flux is carried by flux tubes and this suggests that flux tubes serve as this correlate. These flux tubes must begin from quark and end to an anti-quark of opposite charge. One must distinguish between the flux tubes assignable to electric field and gluon field. The flux tubes connecting charged hadrons cannot correspond to color flux tubes. For electromagnetically neutral hadrons color flux tubes and em flux tubes can be one and the same thing: this conforms with the fact that classical color fields are proportional to the induced Kähler form as is also the U(1) part of the classical em field. This will be assumed so that only the flux tubes associated with neutral quark pairs (hadrons) can contribute to the coherent dipole radiation. In particular, the sea quarks at these flux tubes can contribute. The flux tubes connecting different hadrons of the final state would not carry color gauge flux making possible materialization of sea quarks from vacuum. If the sea quarks at flux electric flux tubes are responsible for the anomaly, the excess is present only for the neutral hadrons.
- (c) Low energy phenomenon is in question. This means that the description of quark pairs as coherently scattering pairs of charges (dipole approximation is not necessary) should make sense only when the photon wavelength is longer than the size scale of the dipole: the relevant length scale could be expressed in terms of the distance  $d$  between the quark and antiquark of the pair. The criterion can be written as  $\lambda \geq xd/2$ , where  $x$  is a numerical constant of order unity whose value, which should be fixed by the precise criterion of coherence length which should be few wave lengths. For higher energies description as incoherently radiating quarks should be a good approximation. The quark and antiquark with opposite charges can belong to the same to-be-hadron or different charged to-be-hadrons. In the first case there distance remains more or less the same during fragmentation process. In the latter case it increases. In the first case the treatment of the flux tube as a coherently radiating unit makes sense for wavelengths  $\lambda \geq xd/2$ .

- (d) The assumption that the bremsstrahlung amplitude is a coherent sum over the amplitudes for the quarks and antiquarks inside to-be-hadron gives a heuristic estimate for the radiation power. Consider first the situation in which the ends of the flux tube contain quark and antiquark. Denoting by  $A$  value of the photon emission amplitude for free quark, this would give amplitude squared  $|A|^2|(1 - \exp(\exp(ik \cdot d)))|^2$ , whose maximum value is by a factor 4 larger than that for a single particle. The maxima would correspond to  $\lambda = 2d\cos(\theta)/(2n + 1)$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle between the wave vector of photon and  $d$ .  $n = 0$  would correspond to  $\lambda = 2d\cos(\theta)$ . For given value of  $\lambda$  one would obtain a diffraction pattern with maxima at  $\cos(\theta) = (n + 1/2)\lambda/d$ . This cannot however give large enough radiation power: the angle average of the factor  $|1 - \exp(i\phi)|^2$  is 2 instead of 4 and corresponds to the incoherent sum of production rates.
- (e) More complex model would assume that the flux tubes contain quarks and antiquarks also in their interior so that one would have coherent sum of a larger number of amplitudes which would give diffraction conditions for  $\lambda$  analogous to those above. In this case the maximum of the diffractive factor would be  $N^2$ , where  $N = 2n$  is total number of quarks and antiquarks for mesons. For neutral baryons flux tube would contain odd number of quarks. The angle average would be in this case be equal to  $N$ . If all quarks and antiquarks inside the flux tube appear as valence quarks of the final state hadron, one obtains just the result predicted by the independent quark model. Therefore the only possible interpretation for additional contribution is in terms of sea quarks.

Consider now a more detailed quantitative estimate. Assume that the emission inside flux tubes is incoherent. Assume that the sea quarks with charges  $\pm 2/3$  and  $\pm 1/3$  appear with same probabilities and this is true also for valence quarks for energetic enough jets. Therefore the average quark charge squared is  $\langle Q_q^2 \rangle = 5/18$ .

- (a) The model based on incoherent bremsstrahlung on quarks mentioned in [C96] assumes that the number of partons in jet is proportional to the hadrons in the jet:

$$R \propto (N_{sea,neu} + N_{val,neu} + N_{sea,ch} + N_{val,ch}) \propto N_{tot} \quad . \quad (10.2.13)$$

According to [C96] the model explains the excess as a linear function of jet total hadron multiplicity  $N_{tot}$  (see Fig. 7 of [C96]). This behavior is obtained if the production rate satisfies

$$R \propto (N_{sea,neu} + N_{val,neu} + N_{sea,ch} + N_{val,ch}) \langle Q_q^2 \rangle \quad .$$

One however considers inclusive distribution meaning integration over the various combinations  $(N_{neu}, N_{ch})$  and also other jet variables weighted by differential cross section so that similar result is obtained under much weaker conditions.

- (b) Indeed, if sea quarks and valence quarks have same p-adic mass scale, one has

$$R \propto (N_{sea,neu} + N_{val,neu} + N_{val,ch}) \langle Q_q^2 \rangle \quad (10.2.14)$$

p-Adic length scale hypothesis however allows the sea quarks to be considerably lighter than valence quarks so that their contribution to the bremsstrahlung can be larger. This would mean the proportionality

$$\begin{aligned} R &\propto (xN_{sea,neu} + N_{val,neu} + N_{val,ch}) \langle Q_q^2 \rangle \quad , \\ x &= \left(\frac{m_{val}}{m_{sea}}\right)^2 \quad . \end{aligned} \quad (10.2.14)$$

p-Adic length scale hypothesis predicts that  $x$  is power of two:  $x = 2^k$ ,  $k \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ .

The above constraint gives rise to the consistency condition

$$\langle R \rangle \propto \langle xN_{sea,neu} + N_{val,neu} + N_{val,ch} \rangle \propto N_{tot} \quad . \quad (10.2.15)$$



- (c) The data [C96] support the the appearance of  $N_{sea,neu}$  in the rate.
- i. The dependence on  $xN_{sea}$  could explain the exceptionally large deviation (by factor of 8, see Fig. 5 of [C96] ) from hadronic inner bremsstrahlung for smallest charged multiplicity meaning large number sea quarks assignable to neutral hadrons. For large values of charged multiplicity the contribution of  $xN_{sea,neu} + N_{val,neu}$  becomes small and the one should obtain approximate factor 4.
  - ii. The linear fit of the distribution in the form  $R = a_1N_{ch} + a_2N_{neu}$  gives  $a_2/a_1 \simeq 6$  so that the dependence on neutral multiplicity is six time stronger than on charged multiplicity (see table 6 of [C96] ). This suggests that  $xN_{sea,neu}$  dominates in the formula. The first possibility is that the parameter  $r = N_{sea,neu}/N_{val,neu}$  is considerably larger than unity. Second possibility is that one has  $x > 1$ .
  - iii. The ratio of signal to bremsstrahlung prediction increases rapidly as a function of neutral jet multiplicity  $n_{neu}$  and increases from 2.5 to about 16 in the range  $[0, 6]$  for the neutral multiplicity (see Fig. 6 of [C96] ). This conforms with the dependence on  $N_{sea,neu}$ . Also the dependence of the signal to bremsstrahlung ratio on the core charged multiplicity is non-trivial being largest for vanishing core charge and decreasing with core  $n_{ch}$ . Also this confirms with the proposal.

To sum up, the model depends crucially on the notion of induced gauge field and proportionality of the classical color fields and U(1) part of em field to the induced Kähler form and therefore the anomaly gives support for the basic prediction of TGD distinguishing it from QCD. It is possible that two times lighter p-adic mass scale for sea quarks than for valence quarks is needed in order to explain the findings.

### 10.3 Simulating Big Bang in laboratory

Ultra-high energy collisions of heavy nuclei at Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (RHIC) can create so high temperatures that there are hopes of simulating Big Bang in laboratory. The experiment with PHOBOS detector [C128] probed the nature of the strong nuclear force by smashing two Gold atoms together at ultrahigh energies. The analysis of the experimental data has been carried out by Prof. Manly and his collaborators at RHIC in Brookhaven, NY [C127]. The surprise was that the hydrodynamical flow for non-head-on collisions did not possess the expected longitudinal boost invariance.

This finding stimulates in TGD framework the idea that something much deeper might be involved.

- (a) The quantum criticality of the TGD inspired very early cosmology predicts the flatness of 3-space as do also inflationary cosmologies. The TGD inspired cosmology is 'silent whisper amplified to big bang' since the matter gradually topologically condenses from decaying cosmic string to the space-time sheet representing the cosmology. This suggests that one could model also the evolution of the quark-gluon plasma in an analogous manner. Now the matter condensing to the quark-gluon plasma space-time sheet would flow from other space-time sheets. The evolution of the quark-gluon plasma would very literally look like the very early critical cosmology.
- (b) What is so remarkable is that critical cosmology is not a small perturbation of the empty cosmology represented by the future light cone. By perturbing this cosmology so that the spherical symmetry is broken, it might possible to understand qualitatively the findings of [C127]. Maybe even the breaking of the spherical symmetry in the collision might be understood as a strong gravitational effect on distances transforming the spherical shape of the plasma ball to a non-spherical shape without affecting the spherical shape of its  $M_+^4$  projection.
- (c) The model seems to work at qualitative level and predicts strong gravitational effects in elementary particle length scales so that TGD based gravitational physics would differ dramatically from that predicted by the competing theories. Standard cosmology cannot

produce these effects without a large breaking of the cherished Lorentz and rotational symmetries forming the basis of elementary particle physics. Thus the the PHOBOS experiment gives direct support for the view that Poincare symmetry is symmetry of the imbedding space rather than that of the space-time.

- (d) This picture was completed a couple of years later by the progress made in hadronic mass calculations [K54] . It has already earlier been clear that quarks are responsible only for a small part of the mass of baryons (170 GeV in case of nucleons). The assumption that hadronic  $k = 107$  space-time sheet carries a many-particle state of super-symplectic particles with vanishing electro-weak quantum numbers (meaning darkness in the strongest sense of the word.)
- (e) TGD allows a model of hadrons predicting their masses with accuracy better than one per cent. In this framework color glass condensate can be identified as a state formed when the hadronic space-time sheets of colliding hadrons fuse to single long stringy object and collision energy is transformed to super-symplectic hadrons.

What I have written above reflects the situation around 2005 when RHIC was in blogs. After 5 years later (2010) LHC gave its first results suggesting similar phenomena in proton-proton collisions. These results provide support for the idea that the formation of long entangled hadronic strings by a fusion of hadronic strings forming a structure analogous to black hole or initial string dominated phase of the cosmology are responsible for the RHIC findings. In the LHC case the mechanism leading to this kind of strings must be different since initial state contains only two protons. I would not anymore distinguish between hadrons and super-symplectic hadrons since in the recent picture super-symplectic excitations are responsible for most of the mass of the hadron. The view about dark matter as macroscopic quantum phase with large Planck constant has also evolved a lot from what it was at that time and I have polished reference to some short lived ideas for the benefit of the reader and me. I did not speak about zero energy ontology at that time and the understanding of the general mathematical structure of TGD has improved dramatically during these years.

### 10.3.1 Experimental arrangement and findings

#### Heuristic description of the findings

In the experiments using PHOBOS detector ultrahigh energy Au+Au collisions at center of mass energy for which nucleon-nucleon center of mass energy is  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 130$  GeV, were studied [C128].

- (a) In the analyzed collisions the Au nuclei did not collide quite head-on. In classical picture the collision region, where quark gluon plasma is created, can be modelled as the intersection of two colliding balls, and its intersection with plane orthogonal to the colliding beams going through the center of mass of the system is defined by two pieces of circles, whose intersection points are sharp tips. Thus rotational symmetry is broken for the initial state in this picture.
- (b) The particles in quark-gluon plasma can be compared to a persons in a crowded room trying to get out. The particles collide many times with the particles of the quark gluon plasma before reaching the surface of the plasma. The distance  $d(z, \phi)$  from the point  $(z, 0)$  at the beam axis to the point  $(0, \phi)$  at the plasma surface depends on  $\phi$ . Obviously, the distance is longest to the tips  $\phi = \pm\pi/2$  and shortest to the points  $\phi = 0, \phi = \phi$  of the surface at the sides of the collision region. The time  $\tau(z, \phi)$  spent by a particle to the travel to the plasma surface should be a monotonically increasing function  $f(d)$  of  $d$ :

$$\tau(z, \phi) = f(d(z, \phi)) .$$

For instance, for diffusion one would have  $\tau \propto d^2$  and  $\tau \propto d$  for a pure drift.

- (c) What was observed that for  $z = 0$  the difference

$$\Delta\tau = \tau(z = 0, \pi/2) - \tau(z = 0, 0)$$

was indeed non-vanishing but that for larger values of  $z$  the difference tended to zero. Since the variation of  $z$  correspond that for the rapidity variable  $y$  for a given particle energy, this means that particle distributions depend on rapidity which means a breaking of the longitudinal boost invariance assumed in hydrodynamical models of the plasma. It was also found that the difference vanishes for large values of  $y$ : this finding is also important for what follows.

### A more detailed description

Consider now the situation in a more quantitative manner.

- (a) Let  $z$ -axis be in the direction of the beam and  $\phi$  the angle coordinate in the plane  $E^2$  orthogonal to the beam. The kinematical variables are the rapidity of the detected particle defined as  $y = \log[(E + p_z)/(E - p_z)]/2$  ( $E$  and  $p_z$  denote energy and longitudinal momentum), Feynman scaling variable  $x_F \simeq 2E/\sqrt{s}$ , and transversal momentum  $p_T$ .
- (b) By quantum-classical correspondence, one can translate the components of momentum to space-time coordinates since classically one has  $x^\mu = p^\mu a/m$ . Here  $a$  is proper time for a future light cone, whose tip defines the point where the quark gluon plasma begins to be generated, and  $v^\mu = p^\mu/m$  is the four-velocity of the particle. Momentum space is thus mapped to an  $a = \text{constant}$  hyperboloid of the future light cone for each value of  $a$ .  
In this correspondence the rapidity variable  $y$  is mapped to  $y = \log[(t + z)/(t - z)]$ ,  $|z| \leq t$  and non-vanishing values for  $y$  correspond to particles which emerge, not from the collision point defining the origin of the plane  $E^2$ , but from a point above or below  $E^2$ .  $|z| \leq t$  tells the coordinate along the beam direction for the vertex, where the particle was created. The limit  $y \rightarrow 0$  corresponds to the limit  $a \rightarrow \infty$  and the limit  $y \rightarrow \pm\infty$  to  $a \rightarrow 0$  (light cone boundary).
- (c) Quark-parton models predict at low energies an exponential cutoff in transverse momentum  $p_T$ ; Feynman scaling  $dN/dx_F = f(x_F)$  independent of  $s$ ; and longitudinal boost invariance, that is rapidity plateau meaning that the distributions of particles do not depend on  $y$ . In the space-time picture this means that the space-time is effectively two-dimensional and that particle distributions are Lorentz invariant: string like space-time sheets provide a possible geometric description of this situation.
- (d) In the case of an ideal quark-gluon plasma, the system completely forgets that it was created in a collision and particle distributions do not contain any information about the beam direction. In a head-on collision there is a full rotational symmetry and even Lorentz invariance so that transverse momentum cutoff disappears. Rapidity plateau is predicted in all directions.
- (e) The collisions studied were not quite head-on collisions and were characterized by an impact parameter vector with length  $b$  and direction angle  $\psi_2$  in the plane  $E^2$ . The particle distribution at the boundary of the plane  $E^2$  was studied as a function of the angle coordinate  $\phi - \psi_2$  and rapidity  $y$  which corresponds for given energy distance to a definite point of beam axis.

The hydrodynamical view about the situation looks like follows.

- (a) The particle distributions  $N(p^\mu)$  as function of momentum components are mapped to space-time distributions  $N(x^\mu, a)$  of particles. This leads to the idea that one could model the situation using Robertson-Walker type cosmology. Co-moving Lorentz invariant particle currents depending on the cosmic time only would correspond in this picture to Lorentz invariant momentum distributions.
- (b) Hydrodynamical models assign to the particle distribution  $d^2N/dy d\phi$  a hydrodynamical flow characterized by four-velocity  $v^\mu(y, \phi)$  for each value of the rapidity variable  $y$ . Longitudinal boost invariance predicting rapidity plateau states that the hydrodynamical flow does not depend on  $y$  at all. Because of the breaking of the rotational symmetry in the plane orthogonal to the beam, the hydrodynamical flow  $v$  depends on the angle coordinate

$\phi - \psi_2$ . It is possible to Fourier analyze this dependence and the second Fourier coefficient  $v_2$  of  $\cos(2(\phi - \psi_2))$  in the expansion

$$\frac{dN}{d\phi} \simeq 1 + \sum_n v_n \cos(n(\phi - \psi_2)) \quad (10.3.1)$$

was analyzed in [C127].

- (c) It was found that the Fourier component  $v_2$  depends on rapidity  $y$ , which means a breaking of the longitudinal boost invariance.  $v_2$  also vanishes for large values of  $y$ . If this is true for all Fourier coefficients  $v_n$ , the situation becomes effectively Lorentz invariant for large values of  $y$  since one has  $v(y, \phi) \rightarrow 1$ .

Large values of  $y$  correspond to small values of  $a$  and to the initial moment of big bang in cosmological analogy. Hence the finding could be interpreted as a cosmological Lorentz invariance inside the light cone cosmology emerging from the collision point. Small values of  $y$  in turn correspond to large values of  $a$  so that the breaking of the spherical symmetry of the cosmology should be manifest only at  $a \rightarrow \infty$  limit. These observations suggest a radical re-consideration of what happens in the collision: the breaking of the spherical symmetry would not be a property of the initial state but of the final state.

### 10.3.2 TGD based model for the quark-gluon plasma

Consider now the general assumptions the TGD based model for the quark gluon plasma region in the approximation that spherical symmetry is not broken.

- (a) Quantum-classical correspondence supports the mapping of the momentum space of a particle to a hyperboloid of future light cone. Thus the symmetries of the particle distributions with respect to momentum variables correspond directly to space-time symmetries.
- (b) The  $M_+^4$  projection of a Robertson-Walker cosmology imbedded to  $H = M_+^4 \times CP_2$  is future light cone. Hence it is natural to model the hydrodynamical flow as a mini-cosmology. Even more, one can assume that the collision quite literally creates a space-time sheet which locally obeys Robertson-Walker type cosmology. This assumption is sensible in many-sheeted space-time and conforms with the fractality of TGD inspired cosmology (cosmologies inside cosmologies).
- (c) If the space-time sheet containing the quark-gluon plasma is gradually filled with matter, one can quite well consider the possibility that the breaking of the spherical symmetry develops gradually, as suggested by the finding  $v_2 \rightarrow 1$  for large values of  $|y|$  (small values of  $a$ ). To achieve Lorentz invariance at the limit  $a \rightarrow 0$ , one must assume that the expanding region corresponds to  $r = \text{constant}$  "coordinate ball" in Robertson-Walker cosmology, and that the breaking of the spherical symmetry for the induced metric leads for large values of  $a$  to a situation described as a "not head-on collision".
- (d) Critical cosmology is by definition unstable, and one can model the Au+Au collision as a perturbation of the critical cosmology breaking the spherical symmetry. The shape of  $r = \text{constant}$  sphere defined by the induced metric is changed by strong gravitational interactions such that it corresponds to the shape for the intersection of the colliding nuclei. One can view the collision as a spontaneous symmetry breaking process in which a critical quark-gluon plasma cosmology develops a quantum fluctuation leading to a situation described in terms of impact parameter. This kind of modelling is not natural for a hyperbolic cosmology, which is a small perturbation of the empty  $M_+^4$  cosmology.

#### The imbedding of the critical cosmology

Any Robertson-Walker cosmology can be imbedded as a space-time sheet, whose  $M_+^4$  projection is future light cone. The line element is

$$ds^2 = f(a)da^2 - a^2(K(r)dr^2 + r^2d\Omega^2) . \quad (10.3.2)$$

Here  $a$  is the scaling factor of the cosmology and for the imbedding as surface corresponds to the future light cone proper time.

This light cone has its tip at the point, where the formation of quark gluon plasma starts.  $(\theta, \phi)$  are the spherical coordinates and appear in  $d\Omega^2$  defining the line element of the unit sphere.  $a$  and  $r$  are related to the spherical Minkowski coordinates  $(m^0, r_M, \theta, \phi)$  by  $(a = \sqrt{(m^0)^2 - r_M^2}, r = r_M/a)$ . If hyperbolic cosmology is in question, the function  $K(r)$  is given by  $K(r) = 1/(1+r^2)$ . For the critical cosmology 3-space is flat and one has  $K(r) = 1$ .

- (a) The critical cosmologies imbeddable to  $H = M_+^4 \times CP_2$  are unique apart from a single parameter defining the duration of this cosmology. Eventually the critical cosmology must transform to a hyperbolic cosmology. Critical cosmology breaks Lorentz symmetry at space-time level since Lorentz group is replaced by the group of rotations and translations acting as symmetries of the flat Euclidian space.
- (b) Critical cosmology replaces Big Bang with a silent whisper amplified to a big but not infinitely big bang. The silent whisper aspect makes the cosmology ideal for the space-time sheet associated with the quark gluon plasma: the interpretation is that the quark gluon plasma is gradually transferred to the plasma space-time sheet from the other space-time sheets. In the real cosmology the condensing matter corresponds to the decay products of cosmic string in 'vapor phase'. The density of the quark gluon plasma cannot increase without limit and after some critical period the transition to a hyperbolic cosmology occurs. This transition could, but need not, correspond to the hadronization.
- (c) The imbedding of the critical cosmology to  $M_+^4 \times S^2$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\Theta) &= \frac{a}{a_m} , \\ \Phi &= g(r) . \end{aligned} \quad (10.3.2)$$

Here  $\Theta$  and  $\Phi$  denote the spherical coordinates of the geodesic sphere  $S^2$  of  $CP_2$ . One has

$$\begin{aligned} f(a) &= 1 - \frac{R^2 k^2}{(1 - (a/a_m)^2)} , \\ (\partial_r \Phi)^2 &= \frac{a_m^2}{R^2} \times \frac{r^2}{1+r^2} . \end{aligned} \quad (10.3.2)$$

Here  $R$  denotes the radius of  $S^2$ . From the expression for the gradient of  $\Phi$  it is clear that gravitational effects are very strong. The imbedding becomes singular for  $a = a_m$ . The transition to a hyperbolic cosmology must occur before this.

This model for the quark-gluon plasma would predict Lorentz symmetry and  $v = 1$  (and  $v_n = 0$ ) corresponding to head-on collision so that it is not yet a realistic model.

### TGD based model for the quark-gluon plasma without breaking of spherical symmetry

There is a highly unique deformation of the critical cosmology transforming metric spheres to highly non-spherical structures purely gravitationally. The deformation can be characterized by the following formula

$$\sin^2(\Theta) = \left(\frac{a}{a_m}\right)^2 \times (1 + \Delta(a, \theta, \phi)^2) . \quad (10.3.3)$$

- (a) This induces deformation of the  $g_{rr}$  component of the induced metric given by

$$g_{rr} = -a^2 \left[ 1 + \Delta^2(a, \theta, \phi) \frac{r^2}{1+r^2} \right]. \quad (10.3.4)$$

Remarkably,  $g_{rr}$  does not depend at all on  $CP_2$  size and the parameter  $a_m$  determining the duration of the critical cosmology. The disappearance of the dimensional parameters can be understood to reflect the criticality. Thus a strong gravitational effect independent of the gravitational constant (proportional to  $R^2$ ) results. This implies that the expanding plasma space-time sheet having sphere as  $M_+^4$  projection differs radically from sphere in the induced metric for large values of  $a$ . Thus one can understand why the parameter  $v_2$  is non-vanishing for small values of the rapidity  $y$ .

- (b) The line element contains also the components  $g_{ij}$ ,  $i, j \in \{a, \theta, \phi\}$ . These components are proportional to the factor

$$\frac{1}{1 - (a/a_m)^2(1 + \Delta^2)}, \quad (10.3.5)$$

which diverges for

$$a_m(\theta, \phi) = \frac{a_m}{\sqrt{1 + \Delta^2}}. \quad (10.3.6)$$

Presumably quark-gluon plasma phase begins to hadronize first at the points of the plasma surface for which  $\Delta(\theta, \phi)$  is maximum, that is at the tips of the intersection region of the colliding nuclei. A phase transition producing string like objects is one possible space-time description of the process.

### 10.3.3 Further experimental findings and theoretical ideas

The interaction between experiment and theory is pure magic. Although experimenter and theorist are often working without any direct interaction (as in case of TGD), I have the strong feeling that this disjointness is only apparent and there is higher organizing intellect behind this coherence. Again and again it has turned out that just few experimental findings allow to organize separate and loosely related physical ideas to a consistent scheme. The physics done in RHIC has played completely unique role in this respect.

#### Super-symplectic matter as the TGD counterpart of CGC?

The model discussed above explained the strange breaking of longitudinal Lorentz invariance in terms of a hadronic mini bang cosmology. The next twist in the story was the shocking finding, compared to Columbus's discovery of America, was that, rather than behaving as a dilute gas, the plasma behaved like a liquid with strong correlations between partons, and having density 30-50 times higher than predicted by QCD calculations [C239]. When I learned about these findings towards the end of 2004, I proposed how TGD might explain them in terms of what I called conformal confinement [K45]. This idea - although not wrong for any obvious reason - did not however have any obvious implications. After the progress made in p-adic mass calculations of hadrons leading to highly successful model for both hadron and meson masses [K54], the idea was replaced with the hypothesis that the condensate in question is Bose-Einstein condensate like state of super-symplectic particles formed when the hadronic space-time sheets of colliding nucleons fuse together to form a long string like object.

A further refinement of the idea comes from the hypothesis that quark gluon plasma is formed by the topological condensation of quarks to hadronic strings identified as color flux tubes. This would explain the high density of the plasma. The highly entangled hadronic string would be analogous to the initial state of TGD inspired cosmology with the only difference that string tension is extremely small in the hadronic context. This structure would possess also characteristics of blackhole.

### Fireballs behaving like black hole like objects

The latest discovery in RHIC is that fireball, which lasts a mere  $10^{-23}$  seconds, can be detected because it absorbs jets of particles produced by the collision [C233]. The association with the notion black hole is unavoidable and there indeed exists a rather esoteric M-theory inspired model "The RHIC fireball as a dual black hole" by Hortiu Nastase [C224] for the strange findings.

The Physics Today article [C214] "What Have We Learned From the Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider?" gives a nice account about experimental findings. Extremely high collision energies are in question: Gold nuclei contain energy of about 100 GeV per nucleon: 100 times proton mass. The expectation was that a large volume of thermalized Quark-Gluon Plasma (QGP) is formed in which partons lose rapidly their transverse momentum. The great surprise was the suppression of high transverse momentum collisions suggesting that in this phase strong collective interactions are present. This has inspired the proposal that quark gluon plasma is preceded by liquid like phase which has been christened as Color Glass Condensate (CGC) thought to contain Bose-Einstein condensate of gluons.

### The theoretical ideas relating CGC to gravitational interactions

Color glass condensate relates naturally to several gravitation related theoretical ideas discovered during the last year.

#### 1. Classical gravitation and color confinement

Just some time ago it became clear that strong classical gravitation might play a key role in the understanding of color confinement [K80]. Whether the situation looks confinement or asymptotic freedom would be in the eyes of beholder: this is one example of dualities filling TGD Universe. If one looks the situation at the hadronic space-time sheet or one has asymptotic freedom, particles move essentially like free massless particles. But - and this is absolutely essential- in the induced metric of hadronic space-time sheet. This metric represents classical gravitational field becoming extremely strong near hadronic boundary. From the point of view of outsider, the motion of quarks slows down to rest when they approach hadronic boundary: confinement. The distance to hadron surface is infinite or at least very large since the induced metric becomes singular at the light-like boundary! Also hadronic time ceases to run near the boundary and finite hadronic time corresponds to infinite time of observer. When you look from outside you find that this light-like 3-surface is just static surface like a black hole horizon which is also a light-like 3-surface. This gives confinement.

#### 2. Dark matter in TGD

The evidence for hadronic black hole like structures is especially fascinating. In TGD Universe dark matter can be (not always) ordinary matter at larger space-time sheets in particular magnetic flux tubes. The mere fact that the particles are at larger space-time sheets might make them more or less invisible.

Matter can be however dark in much stronger sense, should I use the word "black"! The findings suggesting that planetary orbits obey Bohr rules with a gigantic Planck constant [K71], [E20] would suggest quantum coherence of dark matter even in astrophysical length scales and this raises the fascinating possibility that Planck constant is dynamical so that fine structure constant. Dark matter would correspond to phases with non-standard value of Planck constant. This quantization saves from black hole collapse just as the quantization of hydrogen atom saves from the infrared catastrophe.

The basic criterion for the transition to this phase would be that it occurs when some coupling strength - say fine structure constant multiplied by appropriate charges or gravitational constant multiplied by masses- becomes so large that the perturbation series for scattering amplitudes fails to converge. The phase transition increases Planck constant so that convergence is achieved. The attempts to build a detailed view about what might happen led to a generalization of the imbedding space concept by replacing  $M^4$  (or rather the causal diamond) and  $CP_2$  with their

singular coverings. During 2010 it turned out that this generalization could be regarded as a conventional manner to describe a situation in which space-time surface becomes analogous to a multi-sheeted Riemann surface. If so, then Planck constant would be replaced by its integer multiple only in effective sense.

The obvious questions are following. Could black hole like objects/magnetic flux tubes/cosmic strings consist of quantum coherent dark matter? Does this dark matter consist dominantly from hadronic space-time sheets which have fused together and contain super-symplectic bosons and their super-partners (with quantum numbers of right handed neutrino) having therefore no electro-weak interactions. Electro-weak charges would be at different space-time sheets.

- (a) Gravitational interaction cannot force the transition to dark phase in a purely hadronic system at RHIC energies since the product  $GM_1M_2$  characterizing the interaction strength of two masses must be larger than unity ( $\hbar = c = 1$ ) for the phase transition increasing Planck constant to occur. Hence the collision energy should be above Planck mass for the phase transition to occur if gravitational interactions are responsible for the transition.
- (b) The criterion for the transition to dark phase is however much more general and states that the system does its best to stay perturbative by increasing its Planck constant in discrete steps and applies thus also in the case of color interactions and governs the phase transition to the TGD counterpart of non-perturbative QCD. Criterion would be roughly  $\alpha_s Q_s^2 > 1$  for two color charges of opposite sign. Hadronic string picture would suggest that the criterion is equivalent to the generalization of the gravitational criterion to its strong gravity analog  $nL_p^2 M^2 > 1$ , where  $L_p$  is the p-adic length scale characterizing color magnetic energy density (hadronic string tension) and  $M$  is the mass of the color magnetic flux tube and  $n$  is a numerical constant. Presumably  $L_p$ ,  $p = M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ , is the p-adic length scale since Mersenne prime  $M_{107}$  labels the space-time sheet at which partons feed their color gauge fluxes. The temperature during this phase could correspond to Hagedorn temperature (for the history and various interpretations of Hagedorn temperature see the CERN Courier article [B15] ) for strings and is determined by string tension and would naturally correspond also to the temperature during the critical phase determined by its duration as well as corresponding black-hole temperature. This temperature is expected to be somewhat higher than hadronization temperature found to be about  $\simeq 176$  MeV. The density of inertial mass would be maximal during this phase as also the density of gravitational mass during the critical phase.

Lepto-hadron physics [K84] , one of the predictions of TGD, is one instance of a similar situation. In this case electromagnetic interaction strength defined in an analogous manner becomes larger than unity in heavy ion collisions just above the Coulomb wall and leads to the appearance of mysterious states having a natural interpretation in terms of lepto-pion condensate. Lepto-pions are pairs of color octet excitations of electron and positron.

### 3. Description of collisions using analogy with black holes

The following view about RHIC events represents my immediate reaction to the latest RHIC news in terms of black-hole physics instead of notions related to big bang. Since black hole collapse is roughly the time reversal of big bang, the description is complementary to the earliest one.

In TGD context one can ask whether the fireballs possibly detected at RHIC are produced when a portion of quark-gluon plasma in the collision region formed by to Gold nuclei separates from hadronic space-time sheets which in turn fuse to form a larger space-time sheet separated from the remaining collision region by a light-like 3-D surface (I have used to speak about light-like causal determinants) mathematically completely analogous to a black hole horizon. This larger space-time sheet would contain color glass condensate of super-symplectic gluons formed from the collision energy. A formation of an analog of black hole would indeed be in question.

The valence quarks forming structures connected by color bonds would in the first step of the collision separate from their hadronic space-time sheets which fuse together to form color glass condensate. Similar process has been observed experimentally in the collisions demonstrating



the experimental reality of Pomeron, a color singlet state having no Regge trajectory [C151] and identifiable as a structure formed by valence quarks connected by color bonds. In the collision it temporarily separates from the hadronic space-time sheet. Later the Pomeron and the new mesonic and baryonic Pomerons created in the collision suffer a topological condensation to the color glass condensate: this process would be analogous to a process in which black hole sucks matter from environment.

Of course, the relationship between mass and radius would be completely different with gravitational constant presumably replacement by the the square of appropriate p-adic length scale presumably of order pion Compton length: this is very natural if TGD counterparts of black-holes are formed by color magnetic flux tubes. This gravitational constant expressible in terms of hadronic string tension of  $.9 \text{ GeV}^2$  predicted correctly by super-symplectic picture would characterize the strong gravitational interaction assignable to super-symplectic  $J = 2$  gravitons. I have long time ago in the context of p-adic mass calculations formulated quantitatively the notion of elementary particle black hole analogy making the notion of elementary particle horizon and generalization of Hawking-Bekenstein law [K56] .

The size  $L$  of the "hadronic black hole" would be relatively large using protonic Compton radius as a unit of length. For instance, for  $\hbar = 26\hbar_0$  the size would be  $26 \times L(107) = 46 \text{ fm}$  and correspond to a size of a heavy nucleus. This large size would fit nicely with the idea about nuclear sized color glass condensate. The density of partons (possibly gluons) would be very high and large fraction of them would have been materialized from the brehmstrahlung produced by the de-accelerating nuclei. Partons would be gravitationally confined inside this region. The interactions of partons would lead to a generation of a liquid like dense phase and a rapid thermalization would occur. The collisions of partons producing high transverse momentum partons occurring inside this region would yield no detectable high  $p_T$  jets since the matter coming out from this region would be somewhat like a thermal radiation from an evaporating black hole identified as a highly entangled hadronic string in Hagedorn temperature. This space-time sheet would expand and cool down to QQP and crystallize into hadrons.

#### 4. Quantitative comparison with experimental data

Consider now a quantitative comparison of the model with experimental data. The estimated freeze-out temperature of quark gluon plasma is  $T_f \simeq 175.76 \text{ MeV}$  [C214, C224], not far from the total contribution of quarks to the mass of nucleon, which is  $170 \text{ MeV}$  [K54] . Hagedorn temperature identified as black-hole temperature should be higher than this temperature. The experimental estimate for the hadronic Hagedorn temperature from the transversal momentum distribution of baryons is  $\simeq 160 \text{ MeV}$ . On the other hand, according to the estimates of hep-ph/0006020 the values of Hagedorn temperatures for mesons and baryons are  $T_H(M) = 195 \text{ MeV}$  and  $T_H(B) = 141 \text{ MeV}$  respectively.

D-dimensional bosonic string model for hadrons gives for the mesonic Hagedorn temperature the expression [B15]

$$T_H = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2\pi(D-2)\alpha'} , \quad (10.3.7)$$

For a string in  $D = 4$ -dimensional space-time and for the value  $\alpha' \sim 1 \text{ GeV}^{-2}$  of Regge slope, this would give  $T_H = 195 \text{ MeV}$ , which is slightly larger than the freezing out temperature as it indeed should be, and in an excellent agreement with the experimental value of [B11] . It deserves to be noticed that in the model for fireball as a dual 10-D black-hole the rough estimate for the temperature of color glass condensate becomes too low by a factor  $1/8$  [C224]. In light of this I would not yet rush to conclude that the fireball is actually a 10-dimensional black hole.

Note that the baryonic Hagedorn temperature is smaller than mesonic one by a factor of about  $\sqrt{2}$ . According to [B11] this could be qualitatively understood from the fact that the number of degrees of freedom is larger so that the effective value of  $D$  in the mesonic formula is larger.  $D_{eff} = 6$  would give  $T_H = 138 \text{ MeV}$  to be compared with  $T_H(B) = 141 \text{ MeV}$ . On the other

hand, TGD based model for hadronic masses [K54] assumes that quarks feed their color fluxes to  $k = 107$  space-time sheets. For mesons there are two color flux tubes and for baryons three. Using the same logic as in [B11], one would have  $D_{eff}(B)/D_{eff}(M) = 3/2$ . This predicts  $T_H(B) = 159$  MeV to be compared with 160 MeV deduced from the distribution of transversal momenta in p-p collisions.

### 10.3.4 Are ordinary black-holes replaced with super-symplectic black-holes in TGD Universe?

Some variants of super string model predict the production of small black-holes at LHC. I have never taken this idea seriously but in a well-defined sense TGD predicts black-holes associated with super-symplectic gravitons with strong gravitational constant defined by the hadronic string tension. The proposal is that super-symplectic black-holes have been already seen in Hera, RHIC, and the strange cosmic ray events.

Baryonic super-symplectic black-holes of the ordinary  $M_{107}$  hadron physics would have mass 934.2 MeV, very near to proton mass. The mass of their  $M_{89}$  counterparts would be 512 times higher, about 478 GeV if quark masses scale also by this factor. This need not be the case: if one has  $k = 113 \rightarrow 103$  instead of 105 one has 434 GeV mass. "Ionization energy" for Pomeron, the structure formed by valence quarks connected by color bonds separating from the space-time sheet of super-symplectic black-hole in the production process, corresponds to the total quark mass and is about 170 MeV for ordinary proton and 87 GeV for  $M_{89}$  proton. This kind of picture about black-hole formation expected to occur in LHC differs from the stringy picture since a fusion of the hadronic mini black-holes to a larger black-hole is in question.

An interesting question is whether the ultrahigh energy cosmic rays having energies larger than the GZK cut-off of  $5 \times 10^{10}$  GeV are baryons, which have lost their valence quarks in a collision with hadron and therefore have no interactions with the microwave background so that they are able to propagate through long distances.

In neutron stars the hadronic space-time sheets could form a gigantic super-symplectic black-hole and ordinary black-holes would be naturally replaced with super-symplectic black-holes in TGD framework (only a small part of black-hole interior metric is representable as an induced metric). This obviously means a profound difference between TGD and string models.

- (a) Hawking-Bekenstein black-hole entropy would be replaced with its p-adic counterpart given by

$$S_p = \left(\frac{M}{m(CP_2)}\right)^2 \times \log(p) , \quad (10.3.8)$$

where  $m(CP_2)$  is  $CP_2$  mass, which is roughly  $10^{-4}$  times Planck mass.  $M$  is the contribution of p-adic thermodynamics to the mass. This contribution is extremely small for gauge bosons but for fermions and super-symplectic particles it gives the entire mass.

- (b) If p-adic length scale hypothesis  $p \simeq 2^k$  holds true, one obtains

$$S_p = k \log(2) \times \left(\frac{M}{m(CP_2)}\right)^2, \quad (10.3.9)$$

$m(CP_2) = \hbar/R$ ,  $R$  the "radius" of  $CP_2$ , corresponds to the standard value of  $\hbar_0$  for all values of  $\hbar$ .

- (c) Hawking-Bekenstein area law gives in the case of Schwarzschild black-hole

$$S = \frac{A}{4G} \times \hbar = \pi G M^2 \times \hbar . \quad (10.3.10)$$

For the p-adic variant of the law Planck mass is replaced with  $CP_2$  mass and  $k \log(2) \simeq \log(p)$  appears as an additional factor. Area law is obtained in the case of elementary

particles if  $k$  is prime and wormhole throats have  $M^4$  radius given by p-adic length scale  $L_k = \sqrt{k}R$  which is exponentially smaller than  $L_p$ . For macroscopic super-symplectic black-holes modified area law results if the radius of the large wormhole throat equals to Schwarzschild radius. Schwarzschild radius is indeed natural: in [K85] I have shown that a simple deformation of the Schwarzschild exterior metric to a metric representing rotating star transforms Schwarzschild horizon to a light-like 3-surface at which the signature of the induced metric is transformed from Minkowskian to Euclidian.

- (d) The formula for the gravitational Planck constant appearing in the Bohr quantization of planetary orbits and characterizing the gravitational field body mediating gravitational interaction between masses  $M$  and  $m$  [K71] reads as

$$\hbar_{gr} = \frac{GMm}{v_0} \hbar_0 .$$

$v_0 = 2^{-11}$  is the preferred value of  $v_0$ . One could argue that the value of gravitational Planck constant is such that the Compton length  $\hbar_{gr}/M$  of the black-hole equals to its Schwarzschild radius. This would give

$$\hbar_{gr} = \frac{GM^2}{v_0} \hbar_0 , \quad v_0 = 1/2 . \quad (10.3.11)$$

The requirement that  $\hbar_{gr}$  is a ratio of ruler-and-compass integers expressible as a product of distinct Fermat primes (only four of them are known) and power of 2 would quantize the mass spectrum of black hole [K71]. Even without this constraint  $M^2$  is integer valued using p-adic mass squared unit and if p-adic length scale hypothesis holds true this unit is in an excellent approximation power of two.

- (e) The gravitational collapse of a star would correspond to a process in which the initial value of  $v_0$ , say  $v_0 = 2^{-11}$ , increases in a stepwise manner to some value  $v_0 \leq 1/2$ . For a supernova with solar mass with radius of 9 km the final value of  $v_0$  would be  $v_0 = 1/6$ . The star could have an onion like structure with largest values of  $v_0$  at the core as suggested by the model of planetary system. Powers of two would be favored values of  $v_0$ . If the formula holds true also for Sun one obtains  $1/v_0 = 3 \times 17 \times 2^{13}$  with 10 per cent error.
- (f) Black-hole evaporation could be seen as means for the super-symplectic black-hole to get rid of its electro-weak charges and fermion numbers (except right handed neutrino number) as the antiparticles of the emitted particles annihilate with the particles inside super-symplectic black-hole. This kind of minimally interacting state is a natural final state of star. Ideal super-symplectic black-hole would have only angular momentum and right handed neutrino number.
- (g) In TGD light-like partonic 3-surfaces are the fundamental objects and space-time interior defines only the classical correlates of quantum physics. The space-time sheet containing the highly entangled cosmic string might be separated from environment by a wormhole contact with size of black-hole horizon.

This looks the most plausible option but one can of course ask whether the large partonic 3-surface defining the horizon of the black-hole actually contains all super-symplectic particles so that super-symplectic black-hole would be single gigantic super-symplectic parton. The interior of super-symplectic black-hole would be a space-like region of space-time, perhaps resulting as a large deformation of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal. Black-hole sized wormhole contact would define a gauge boson like variant of the black-hole connecting two space-time sheets and getting its mass through Higgs mechanism. A good guess is that these states are extremely light.

### 10.3.5 Very cautious conclusions

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The attempts to understand later strange events reported by RHIC have led to a dramatic increase of understanding of TGD and allow to fuse together separate threads of TGD.

- (a) The description of RHIC events in terms of the formation of hadronic black hole and its evaporation seems to be also possible and essentially identical with description as a mini bang.
- (b) It took some time to realize that scaled down TGD inspired cosmology as a model for quark gluon plasma predicts a new phase identifiable as color glass condensate and still a couple of years to realize the proper interpretation of it in terms of super-symplectic bosons having no counterpart in QCD framework.
- (c) There is also a connection with the dramatic findings suggesting that Planck constant for dark matter has a gigantic value.
- (d) Black holes and their scaled counterparts would not be merciless information destroyers in TGD Universe. The entanglement of particles having particle like integrity would make black hole like states ideal candidates for quantum computer like systems. One could even imagine that the galactic black hole is a highly tangled cosmic string in Hagedorn temperature performing quantum computations the complexity of which is totally out of reach of human intellect! Indeed, TGD inspired consciousness predicts that evolution leads to the increase of information and intelligence, and the evolution of stars should not form exception to this. Also the interpretation of black hole as consisting of dark matter follows from this picture.

Summarizing, it seems that thanks to some crucial experimental inputs the new physics predicted by TGD is becoming testable in laboratory.

### 10.3.6 Five years later

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- (c) This structure would have also black hole like aspects but in totally different sense as the 10-D hadronic black-hole proposed by Nastase to describe the findings. Note that M-theorists identify black holes as highly entangled strings: in TGD 1-D strings are replaced by 3-D string like objects.

This picture leaves does not yet make the perfect fluid behavior obvious. The following argument relates it to the properties of the preferred extremals of Kähler action.

### Preferred extremals as perfect fluids

Almost perfect fluids seems to be abundant in Nature. For instance, QCD plasma was originally thought to behave like gas and therefore have a rather high viscosity to entropy density ratio  $x = \eta/s$ . Already RHIC found that it however behaves like almost perfect fluid with  $x$  near to the minimum predicted by AdS/CFT. The findings from LHC gave additional conform the discovery [C65]. Also Fermi gas is predicted on basis of experimental observations to have at low temperatures a low viscosity roughly 5-6 times the minimal value [D32]. In the following the argument that the preferred extremals of Kähler action are perfect fluids apart from the symmetry breaking to space-time sheets is developed. The argument requires some basic formulas summarized first.

The detailed definition of the viscous part of the stress energy tensor linear in velocity (oddness in velocity relates directly to second law) can be found in [D19].

- (a) The symmetric part of the gradient of velocity gives the viscous part of the stress-energy tensor as a tensor linear in velocity. Velocity gradient decomposes to a term traceless tensor term and a term reducing to scalar.

$$\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i = \frac{2}{3} \partial_k v^k g_{ij} + (\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} \partial_k v^k g_{ij}) . \quad (10.3.12)$$

The viscous contribution to stress tensor is given in terms of this decomposition as

$$\sigma_{visc;ij} = \zeta \partial_k v^k g_{ij} + \eta (\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i - \frac{2}{3} \partial_k v^k g_{ij}) . \quad (10.3.13)$$

From  $dF^i = T^{ij} S_j$  it is clear that bulk viscosity  $\zeta$  gives to energy momentum tensor a pressure like contribution having interpretation in terms of friction opposing. Shear viscosity  $\eta$  corresponds to the traceless part of the velocity gradient often called just viscosity. This contribution to the stress tensor is non-diagonal and corresponds to momentum transfer in directions not parallel to momentum and makes the flow rotational. This term is essential for the thermal conduction and thermal conductivity vanishes for ideal fluids.

- (b) The 3-D total stress tensor can be written as

$$\sigma_{ij} = \rho v_i v_j - p g_{ij} + \sigma_{visc;ij} . \quad (10.3.14)$$

The generalization to a 4-D relativistic situation is simple. One just adds terms corresponding to energy density and energy flow to obtain

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = (\rho - p) u^\alpha u^\beta + p g^{\alpha\beta} - \sigma_{visc}^{\alpha\beta} . \quad (10.3.15)$$

Here  $u^\alpha$  denotes the local four-velocity satisfying  $u^\alpha u_\alpha = 1$ . The sign factors relate to the conventions in the definition of Minkowski metric  $((1, -1, -1, -1))$ .

- (c) If the flow is such that the flow parameters associated with the flow lines integrate to a global flow parameter one can identify new time coordinate  $t$  as this flow parameter. This means a transition to a coordinate system in which fluid is at rest everywhere (comoving coordinates in cosmology) so that energy momentum tensor reduces to a diagonal term plus viscous term.

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = (\rho - p)g^{tt}\delta_t^\alpha\delta_t^\beta + pg^{\alpha\beta} - \sigma_{visc}^{\alpha\beta} . \tag{10.3.16}$$

In this case the vanishing of the viscous term means that one has perfect fluid in strong sense.

The existence of a global flow parameter means that one has

$$v_i = \Psi\partial_i\Phi . \tag{10.3.17}$$

$\Psi$  and  $\Phi$  depend on space-time point. The proportionality to a gradient of scalar  $\Phi$  implies that  $\Phi$  can be taken as a global time coordinate. If this condition is not satisfied, the perfect fluid property makes sense only locally.

AdS/CFT correspondence allows to deduce a lower limit for the coefficient of shear viscosity as

$$x = \frac{\eta}{s} \geq \frac{\hbar}{4\pi} . \tag{10.3.18}$$

This formula holds true in units in which one has  $k_B = 1$  so that temperature has unit of energy. What makes this interesting from TGD view is that in TGD framework perfect fluid property in appropriately generalized sense indeed characterizes locally the preferred extremals of Kähler action defining space-time surface.

- (a) Kähler action is Maxwell action with U(1) gauge field replaced with the projection of  $CP_2$  Kähler form so that the four  $CP_2$  coordinates become the dynamical variables at QFT limit. This means enormous reduction in the number of degrees of freedom as compared to the ordinary unifications. The field equations for Kähler action define the dynamics of space-time surfaces and this dynamics reduces to conservation laws for the currents assignable to isometries. This means that the system has a hydrodynamic interpretation. This is a considerable difference to ordinary Maxwell equations. Notice however that the "topological" half of Maxwell's equations (Faraday's induction law and the statement that no non-topological magnetic are possible) is satisfied.
- (b) Even more, the resulting hydrodynamical system allows an interpretation in terms of a perfect fluid. The general ansatz for the preferred extremals of field equations assumes that various conserved currents are proportional to a vector field characterized by so called Beltrami property. The coefficient of proportionality depends on space-time point and the conserved current in question. Beltrami fields by definition is a vector field such that the time parameters assignable to its flow lines integrate to single global coordinate. This is highly non-trivial and one of the implications is almost topological QFT property due to the fact that Kähler action reduces to a boundary term assignable to wormhole throats which are light-like 3-surfaces at the boundaries of regions of space-time with Euclidian and Minkowskian signatures. The Euclidian regions (or wormhole throats, depends on one's tastes ) define what I identify as generalized Feynman diagrams.

Beltrami property means that if the time coordinate for a space-time sheet is chosen to be this global flow parameter, all conserved currents have only time component. In TGD framework energy momentum tensor is replaced with a collection of conserved currents assignable to various isometries and the analog of energy momentum tensor complex constructed in this manner has no counterparts of non-diagonal components. Hence the preferred extremals allow an interpretation in terms of perfect fluid without any viscosity.

This argument justifies the expectation that TGD Universe is characterized by the presence of low-viscosity fluids. Real fluids of course have a non-vanishing albeit small value of  $x$ . What causes the failure of the exact perfect fluid property?

- (a) Many-sheetedness of the space-time is the underlying reason. Space-time surface decomposes into finite-sized space-time sheets containing topologically condensed smaller space-time sheets containing.... Only within given sheet perfect fluid property holds true and fails at wormhole contacts and because the sheet has a finite size. As a consequence, the global flow parameter exists only in given length and time scale. At imbedding space level and in zero energy ontology the phrasing of the same would be in terms of hierarchy of causal diamonds (CDs).
- (b) The so called eddy viscosity is caused by eddies (vortices) of the flow. The space-time sheets glued to a larger one are indeed analogous to eddies so that the reduction of viscosity to eddy viscosity could make sense quite generally. Also the phase slippage phenomenon of super-conductivity meaning that the total phase increment of the super-conducting order parameter is reduced by a multiple of  $2\pi$  in phase slippage so that the average velocity proportional to the increment of the phase along the channel divided by the length of the channel is reduced by a quantized amount.

The standard arrangement for measuring viscosity involves a lipid layer flowing along plane. The velocity of flow with respect to the surface increases from  $v = 0$  at the lower boundary to  $v_{upper}$  at the upper boundary of the layer: this situation can be regarded as outcome of the dissipation process and prevails as long as energy is feeded into the system. The reduction of the velocity in direction orthogonal to the layer means that the flow becomes rotational during dissipation leading to this stationary situation.

This suggests that the elementary building block of dissipation process corresponds to a generation of vortex identifiable as cylindrical space-time sheets parallel to the plane of the flow and orthogonal to the velocity of flow and carrying quantized angular momentum. One expects that vortices have a spectrum labelled by quantum numbers like energy and angular momentum so that dissipation takes in discrete steps by the generation of vortices which transfer the energy and angular momentum to environment and in this manner generate the velocity gradient.

- (c) The quantization of the parameter  $x$  is suggestive in this framework. If entropy density and viscosity are both proportional to the density  $n$  of the eddies, the value of  $x$  would equal to the ratio of the quanta of entropy and kinematic viscosity  $\eta/n$  for single eddy if all eddies are identical. The quantum would be  $\hbar/4\pi$  in the units used and the suggestive interpretation is in terms of the quantization of angular momentum. One of course expects a spectrum of eddies so that this simple prediction should hold true only at temperatures for which the excitation energies of vortices are above the thermal energy. The increase of the temperature would suggest that gradually more and more vortices come into play and that the ratio increases in a stepwise manner bringing in mind quantum Hall effect. In TGD Universe the value of  $\hbar$  can be large in some situations so that the quantal character of dissipation could become visible even macroscopically. Whether this a situation with large  $\hbar$  is encountered even in the case of QCD plasma is an interesting question.

The following poor man's argument tries to make the idea about quantization a little bit more concrete.

- (a) The vortices transfer momentum parallel to the plane from the flow. Therefore they must have momentum parallel to the flow given by the total cm momentum of the vortex. Before continuing some notations are needed. Let the densities of vortices and absorbed vortices be  $n$  and  $n_{abs}$  respectively. Denote by  $v_{\parallel}$  resp.  $v_{\perp}$  the components of cm momenta parallel to the main flow resp. perpendicular to the plane boundary plane. Let  $m$  be the mass of the vortex. Denote by  $S$  are parallel to the boundary plane.
- (b) The flow of momentum component parallel to the main flow due to the absorbed at  $S$  is

$$n_{abs} m v_{\parallel} v_{\perp} S .$$



This momentum flow must be equal to the viscous force

$$F_{visc} = \eta \frac{v_{\parallel}}{d} \times S .$$

From this one obtains

$$\eta = n_{abs} m v_{\perp} d .$$

If the entropy density is due to the vortices, it equals apart from possible numerical factors to

$$s = n$$

so that one has

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = m v_{\perp} d .$$

This quantity should have lower bound  $x = \hbar/4\pi$  and perhaps even quantized in multiples of  $x$ , Angular momentum quantization suggests strongly itself as origin of the quantization.

- (c) Local momentum conservation requires that the comoving vortices are created in pairs with opposite momenta and thus propagating with opposite velocities  $v_{\perp}$ . Only one half of vortices is absorbed so that one has  $n_{abs} = n/2$ . Vortex has quantized angular momentum associated with its internal rotation. Angular momentum is generated to the flow since the vortices flowing downwards are absorbed at the boundary surface.

Suppose that the distance of their center of mass lines parallel to plane is  $D = \epsilon d$ ,  $\epsilon$  a numerical constant not too far from unity. The vortices of the pair moving in opposite direction have same angular momentum  $m v D/2$  relative to their center of mass line between them. Angular momentum conservation requires that the sum these relative angular momenta cancels the sum of the angular momenta associated with the vortices themselves. Quantization for the total angular momentum for the pair of vortices gives

$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{n \hbar}{\epsilon}$$

Quantization condition would give

$$\epsilon = 4\pi .$$

One should understand why  $D = 4\pi d$  - four times the circumference for the largest circle contained by the boundary layer- should define the minimal distance between the vortices of the pair. This distance is larger than the distance  $d$  for maximally sized vortices of radius  $d/2$  just touching. This distance obviously increases as the thickness of the boundary layer increases suggesting that also the radius of the vortices scales like  $d$ .

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The microscopic level the description would be like follows.

- (a) A highly entangled long hadronic string like object (color-magnetic flux tube) would be formed at high density of nucleons via the fusion of ordinary hadronic color-magnetic flux tubes to much longer one and containing quark gluon plasma. In QCD world plasma would not be at flux tube.
- (b) This geometrically (and perhaps also quantally!) entangled string like object would straighten and split to hadrons in the subsequent "cosmological evolution" and yield large numbers of almost collinear particles. The initial situation should be apart from scaling similar as in cosmology where a highly entangled soup of cosmic strings (magnetic flux tubes) precedes the space-time as we understand it. Maybe ordinary cosmology could provide analogy as galaxies arranged to form linear structures?

- (c) This structure would have also black hole like aspects but in totally different sense as the 10-D hadronic black-hole proposed by Nastase to describe the findings. Note that M-theorists identify black holes as highly entangled strings: in TGD 1-D strings are replaced by 3-D string like objects.

## 10.4 Breaking of discrete symmetries

Zero energy ontology provides a fresh approach to the rather poorly understood breaking patterns of discrete symmetries. In the following TGD based vision about breaking of discrete symmetries is discussed and some examples are considered. The old quantitative model for anomalously large CP breaking in kaon-antikaon system is in need of updating and is left to a separate section.

### 10.4.1 Experimental inputs

There are several findings which do not fit with the picture about the breaking of discrete symmetries provided by standard model.

- (a) The large parity breaking in living matter manifesting itself as chiral selection remains a mystery in standard model framework. In TGD framework the possibility of classical weak fields in macroscopic scales combined with the hierarchy of Planck constants suggests a solution of this parity breaking and also a connection with the breaking of matter antimatter asymmetry is suggestive.
- (b) KTeV collaboration in Fermilab [C122] has measured the parameter  $|\epsilon'/\epsilon|$  characterizing the size of the direct CP violation in the decays of kaons to two pions. The value of the parameter was found to be  $|\epsilon'/\epsilon| = (2.8 \pm .1)10^{-3}$  and is almost by an order of magnitude larger than the naive standard model expectations based on the hypothesis that direct CP breaking is induced by CKM matrix. In [C270] it was shown that the value of the parameter could be understood without introducing any new physics if the value of running strange quark mass at  $m_c$  is about  $m_s(m_c) = .1$  GeV and  $m_d \ll m_s$  holds true.
- (c) During year 2010 also large CP breaking in  $B - \bar{B}$  system was reported by D0 collaboration [C90]. The claimed symmetry breaking is about 50 times larger than the breaking predicted by the standard model, and manifests itself as an asymmetry in the production of  $\mu^+ \mu^+$  and  $\mu^- \mu^-$  pairs in the decays producing  $B^0 \bar{B}^0$  pairs. The asymmetry is due to the oscillations between almost mass degenerate states  $B^0$  and  $\bar{B}^0$ . It is the mass difference which is much larger than predicted one.

There has been also claims for the breaking of CPT symmetry which is regarded as cherished in Lorentz invariant quantum field theories,

- (a) There are indications that the mixing is different for muonic neutrinos and antineutrinos [?, C22, C99] meaning that the masses of neutrino and antineutrino are different. In TGD framework a possible explanation is obtained by assuming different p-adic length scales for neutrinos and antineutrinos in turn dictated by the interactions with environment which could be different for neutrinos and antineutrinos by the nature of measurement apparatus used to detect them. Hence a spontaneous breaking induced by environment could be in question [K48].

*Remark:* The improved analysis of MINOS collaboration using larger statistics than half year ago has led to the evaporation of the evidence for different masses for muonic neutrinos and antineutrinos [?] The values for  $\Delta m^2$  and mixing angle parameter  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  for muonic antineutrino are consistent with the values of these parameters for the muonic neutrino.

- (b) 2 sigma evidence for a gigantic CPT breaking in top-antitop system have been claimed. *Measurement of the mass difference between  $t$  and  $\bar{t}$  quarks* [C74] is the title of the e-print by a group working in Fermilab. The finding of the group is that  $t - \bar{t}$  mass difference is

$$\Delta M = M_t - M_{\bar{t}} = -3.3 \pm 1.7 \text{ GeV} .$$

The best fit is obtained with

$$\Delta M = -4 \text{ GeV} .$$

For top quark mass  $M_t = 170 \text{ GeV}$  this means  $\Delta M/M \simeq 2.3$  per cent and is the scale for electromagnetic mass splittings. The result deviates from CPT-symmetric expectation  $\Delta M = 0$  at  $2\sigma$  level. Also D0 collaboration has reported similar results two years earlier (PRL 103, 132001 (2009)) but at time the errors bars were so large that the finding was consistent with CPT symmetry. The last twist in the story is the eprint of D0 collaboration reporting that the value of the mass difference is consistent with zero [C91]. The huge value of the CPT breaking suggest for a conservative mind that the issue is settled. At this time I will adopt the conservative approach.

- (c) The findings encourage to consider the possibility of CPT breaking seriously [B33, B3]. In TGD framework a very strong form of apparent CPT breaking results if fermion and anti-fermion correspond to different values of p-adic prime so that mass scales differ by a multiple of half octave. The different choices of the p-adic mass scale would be induced by the interaction with environment. This option might explain the observations suggesting that neutrino and antineutrino masses and mixing matrices are different without introducing sterile neutrino: sterile neutrino would correspond to neutrino but in different p-adic length scale. In the recent case this option is excluded by the smallness of the mass difference. In zero energy ontology, which assigns to elementary particles size scale which is macroscopic, one can however consider a more delicate breaking of CPT induced by the interactions with environment.

If one takes conservative attitude only the anomalously large CP breaking in B-Bbar system remains to be explained.

### 10.4.2 Discrete symmetries in zero energy ontology

Discrete symmetries C,P,T, CP, and even CPT are not too well-understood in standard model and zero energy ontology combined with the various experimental inputs (many of them still uncertain) leads to a vision about the breaking of discrete symmetries in TGD Universe.

#### CP breaking and ground state degeneracy

The Minkowskian contribution of Kähler action is imaginary due to the negative of the metric determinant and gives a phase factor to vacuum functional reducing to Chern-Simons terms at wormhole throats. Ground state degeneracy due to the possibility of having both signs for Minkowskian contribution to the exponent of vacuum functional provides a general view about the description of CP breaking in TGD framework.

- (a) In TGD framework path integral is replaced by inner product involving integral over WCV. The vacuum functional and its conjugate are associated with the states in the inner product so that the phases of vacuum functionals cancel if only one sign for the phase is allowed. Minkowskian contribution would have no physical significance. This of course cannot be the case. The ground state is actually degenerate corresponding to the phase factor and its complex conjugate since  $\sqrt{g}$  can have two signs in Minkowskian regions. Therefore the inner products between states associated with the two ground states define  $2 \times 2$  matrix and non-diagonal elements contain interference terms due to the presence of the phase factor. At the limit of full  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal the two ground states would reduce to each other and the determinant of the matrix would vanish.

- (b) A small mixing of the two ground states would give rise to CP breaking and the first principle description of CP breaking in systems like  $K-\bar{K}$  and of CKM matrix should reduce to this mixing.  $K^0$  mesons would be CP even and odd states in the first approximation and correspond to the sum and difference of the ground states. Small mixing would be present having exponential sensitivity to the actions of  $CP_2$  type extremals representing wormhole throats. This might allow to understand qualitatively why the mixing is about 50 times larger than expected for  $B^0$  mesons.
- (c) There is a strong temptation to assign the two ground states with two possible arrows of geometric time. At the level of M-matrix the two arrows would correspond to state preparation at either upper or lower boundary of CD. Do long- and shortlived neutral K mesons correspond to almost fifty-fifty orthogonal superpositions for the two arrow of geometric time or almost completely to a fixed arrow of time induced by environment? Is the dominant part of the arrow same for both or is it opposite for long and short-lived neutral mesons? Different lifetimes would suggest that the arrow must be the same and apart from small leakage that induced by environment. CP breaking would be induced by the fact that CP is performed only  $K^0$  but not for the environment in the construction of states. One can probably imagine also alternative interpretations.

### What CPT and CPT breaking do mean?

To begin, recall that CPT breaking would mean that the invariance condition

$$P(\Psi_i, \Psi_f) = P(\theta\Psi_f, \theta\Psi_i) \quad (10.4.1)$$

for probabilities fails to be satisfied. Here  $\theta$  is a shorthand for CPT. The permutation of initial and final states is what distinguishes T and thus CPT from ordinary symmetries and means that T must be realized anti-linearly. In standard QFT P and T have geometric meaning whereas C does not. In TGD framework also C is geometric and this means that one must reconsider CPT and its tests based on phenomenological models.

CPT symmetry is one of the basic tenets of quantum field theory. In particular, the breaking of CPT requires the breaking of Lorentz invariance in standard QFT framework. In TGD framework the situation is actually different as I realized only now! The reason is that also charge conjugation is induced by a geometric transformation just like P and T. C indeed involves complex conjugation of  $CP_2$  coordinates, and one can quite well consider a situation in which T and P are unbroken and only C is broken so that CPT is broken. What actually happens depends on the detailed action of the symmetries on the modified Dirac action.

### Some fact about zero energy ontology

Before one can proceed, one must consider in more detail the notion of  $CD$ .  $CD$  is a product of  $CD$  proper defined as intersection of future and past directed light-cones of  $M^4$  and of  $CP_2$ . The scales of  $CD$ s are assumed to come in powers of two of  $CP_2$  scale to explain p-adic length scale hypothesis (one can consider also prime and even integer multiples). What is of utmost significance is that these scales are macroscopic. Poincare transformations affect  $CD$ s and give rise to a moduli space for  $CD$ s. In the case of  $CP_2$  this is not the case unless one introduces additional physically well motivated structure.

Quite generally, this additional structure corresponds to the choice of quantization axes for various isometry currents realized at the level of the geometry of world of classical worlds which decomposes to a union of the geometries assigned with difference  $CD$ s labelled by moduli specifying the choice of quantization axes. In the case of  $M^4$  the line joining the tips of  $CD$  defines a unique rest system with origin at the middle point of the line and selects quantization axes of energy. The direction of spin quantization axes is fixed if one introduces preferred plane  $M^2$  physically analogous to the preferred plane of unphysical polarizations. This plane is fixed

also by number theoretical vision and correspond to hyper-octonionic plane of complexified octonions highly relevant for the number theoretic formulation of TGD.

One must also introduce  $CP_2$  coordinates transforming linearly with respect to  $U(2)$  sub-group. The choice of preferred point of  $CP_2$  at either boundary of  $CD$  allows to fix complex coordinates of  $CP_2$  only apart from  $U(2)$  rotation. Hyper-charge quantization axes is fixed but color isospin direction remains free. In fact, there is a preferred color isospin generator leaving the points of the geodesic sphere invariant whereas hypercharge generator induces phase multiplication. By choosing two preferred points of  $CP_2$  assigned to the opposite boundaries of  $CD$  one can identify the geodesic line connecting the points as a flow line of color isospin rotations so that the quantization axes are fixed.

The choices of preferred plane  $M^2$  and preferred geodesic sphere  $S^2$  make sense also at the level of the preferred extremals of Kähler action and this leads to a concrete realization of the conjectured slicing of the space-time surface by string world sheets having braid strands at their ends at light-like wormhole throats carrying particle quantum numbers.

The vision about how quantum TGD gives rise to symplectic theory of knots, braids, braid cobordisms, and of two-knots [K39] (see also the blog posting) led to the realization that preferred extremals should involve preferred geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$ , whose inverse image under imbedding map assigns to the space-time surface unique complex of stringy two surfaces. These stringy two-surfaces define braid cobordisms and 2-knots and provide also the reduction of quantum TGD to string theory like structure in finite measurement resolution meaning the replacement of the orbits of partonic 2-surfaces with braids.

### Charge conjugation is geometric in TGD framework

Charge conjugation in TGD Universe involves complex conjugation of  $CP_2$  coordinates. Complex conjugation commutes with color rotations only if they belong to a subgroup  $U(2) \subset SU(3)$  leaving a preferred point of  $CP_2$  invariant remaining invariant also under  $C$  just like the origin of  $M^4$  remains invariant under  $P$  and  $T$ . The situation differs from that for  $P$  and  $T$  decisively since the scale of  $CP_2$  is about  $10^4$  Planck lengths. More general color rotations acting non-linearly and affecting non-trivially on the preferred point do not commute with  $C$ .

A simple example is provided by sphere. In this case  $C$  would act in complex coordinates as  $\phi \rightarrow -\phi$ , where  $\phi$  is the phase angle of the complex coordinate with origin at the preferred point of the sphere. The action obviously depends on the choice of the preferred point.

The situation is therefore same as for  $P$  and  $T$  which also fail to commute with Poincare group and commute only with Lorentz transformations leaving the selected space-time point fixed. In TGD framework this point would correspond naturally to the center of the line connecting the tips of the causal diamond proper.

The action of  $C$  on physical states involves a linear transformation of spinors transformation besides the geometric action. The details of this action were discussed already in my thesis for almost three decades ago and the reader can consult the appendix of some of the books about TGD or the little article titled The Geometry of  $CP_2$  and its Relationship to Standard Model as the appendix of an article series summarizing Quantum TGD published in Prespacetime Journal. What is essential is that the action of  $C$  does not commute with color rotations acting on the moduli of  $CD$  unless they belong to the  $U(2)$  subgroup leaving the geodesic sphere invariant. One can define  $C$  for the two boundaries of  $CD$  by requiring that the corresponding geodesic spheres remain invariant under  $C$ .

### The action of CPT in zero energy ontology

The action of CPT is following.

- (a) First one applies  $P$  and  $T$ . If one assumes that the preferred point of  $M^4$  corresponds to the middle point of the line connecting the tips of  $CD$  proper, these transformations permute upper and lower boundaries of  $CD$  proper. This is indeed a very natural requirement and

means that positive and negative energy parts of the quantum state serving as counterparts of initial and final states in positive energy ontology are permuted just as they are permuted in CPT. That T is realized anti-linearly conforms with the fact that T does leave invariant the boundary of  $CD$  proper.

- (b) Next one applies  $C$  involving complex conjugation which in general affects the moduli of  $CD$ . If  $C$  is chosen differently at the opposite boundaries it leaves the corresponding moduli invariant but since CPT involves the permutation of positive and negative energy states the moduli of  $CD$  are changed since the preferred point of upper boundary becomes the preferred point of the lower boundary and vice versa.

Only in the case that the preferred points assigned to the upper and lower boundaries are same, this does not happen but in this case the quantization axes are not completely fixed which could make sense only if color isospin of all particles or at least of the positive (and negative) energy part of the zero energy state vanishes. Unless the  $CD$  has a wave function in the space of moduli which is constant, a spontaneous and a purely geometric breaking of  $C$  symmetry is induced. The breaking would be highly analogous to the breaking of rotational symmetry in spontaneous magnetization taking place in many particle systems.

- (c) The size scale of the  $CD$  proper is macroscopic even for elementary particles and corresponds to the secondary p-adic length scale associated with the particle. For electron with  $p = M_{127} = 2^{127} - 1$  this time scale is  $T(2, 127) = .1$  seconds, defining the fundamental biological rhythm. For u and d quarks it is of order millisecond and for t quark characterized by  $p \simeq 2^{93}$  it is given by

$$T(2, 93)2^{-127+93} \times T(2, 127) \simeq 5.8 \times 10^{-12} \text{ seconds} .$$

The corresponding length scale is 1.74 mm and is macroscopic. There are very many particles in  $CD$  of this size scale which suggests the possibility of spontaneous  $C$  breaking inducing by a localization in the moduli space of  $CD$ s implying the breaking of the CPT invariance condition. The many-particle system would be present since the  $CD$ s assignable to individual quarks intersect which suggests that they correspond to common  $CD$ . The non-invariance of the many-particle system under CPT could also result from that under  $PT$  operation in macroscopic situation.

Building a quantitative picture about CPT breaking requires answering many questions. The mass difference should depend on the moduli of  $CD$ s characterizing color quantization axes and characterize by preferred points of  $CP_2$  assigned with future and past boundaries of  $CD$ . A natural measure for the symmetry breaking is defined by the geodesic distance -call it  $s$ - between the preferred points so that one expects that the mass of a fermion assigned with a particular  $CD$  involves a small contribution depending on  $s$ . This distance is however not changed in  $C$ .

The additional contribution to the mass should contain a term which is odd under  $C$  (most naturally),  $CP$ , or  $CPT$ . Could the oddness come from the spontaneous symmetry breaking giving rise to an interaction term with environment affecting the mass of particle and antiparticle in different manner? This oddness would be analogous to the oddness of the interaction energy of magnetic dipole with an external magnetic field.

### Questions

This picture inspires several questions.

- (a) Can one consider  $C$  breaking without the presence of  $P$  and  $T$  breakings? If the  $CP$  breaking assigned with kaon-antikaon system and other neutral meson systems is  $CP$  breaking in TGD sense, does it involve the breaking of  $T$  at all? The answers to these questions are not obvious since the tests of discrete symmetries rely on the standard view about charge conjugation lacking totally the geometric aspect of  $C$  in TGD Universe.
- (b) Could it be that the different topological mixings of  $U$  and  $D$  quarks inducing in turn CKM mixing are induced by  $C$  breaking basically so that the mass differences would correlate directly with CKM mixing parameters?

- (c) Is the geometric view about breaking of  $C$  relevant for the understanding of matter antimatter asymmetry? I have considered several models for the generation of matter antimatter asymmetry, one of them assuming that antimatter is eaten by long cosmic strings with breaking induced by the Kähler electric fields inducing small difference in the densities of fermions and anti-fermions outside cosmic strings. Could matter antimatter asymmetry be mathematically analogous to chiral selection in living matter so that  $P$  would be only replaced with  $C$ ? Whether the geometric view about  $C$  is relevant for the understanding of the matter antimatter asymmetry must be however left open question. Different masses for fermions anti-fermions could however help to understand why this kind of separation takes place.
- (d)  $C$  acts in  $CP_2$  and in color degrees of freedom. Does this mean that for non-colored states  $C$  is not broken and that  $CP$  breaking is present only for quarks but not for leptons? The answers to these questions are not obvious since in TGD framework  $M^4 \times CP_2$  spinor harmonics correspond to color partial waves which have wrong correlation with electroweak quantum numbers. Only covariantly constant right-handed neutrino spinor generating supersymmetry can move in color single partial wave. The physical color assignments are the result of a state construction involving super-conformal algebra with algebra elements carrying color.

### 10.4.3 An attempt to build a concrete model for the breaking of discrete symmetries

In the following a concrete proposal for the mechanism for the breaking of discrete symmetries is considered in the case of hadrons.

#### How zero energy ontology could help?

The experimental findings about breaking of  $CP$  and other discrete symmetries suggest that new physics is involved and zero energy ontology (ZEO) suggests what might be involved. In ZEO the notion of causal diamond ( $CD$ ) is central. Causal diamonds form a fractal hierarchy with  $CD$ s within  $CD$ s. The most general assumption is that size scales of  $CD$ s come as integer multiples of  $CP_2$  size scale. p-Adic length scale hypothesis would suggest that the integers correspond to powers of two but the recent construction of U-matrix allows and M-matrices leaves only integer multiples as the only mathematically elegant option [K20]. Discrete Lorentz boosts of  $CD$ s are allowed and the condition that the geometry of  $CD$ s represents symmetry breaking representing the choice of quantization axes implies rather rich moduli space for  $CD$ s.

One can say that the world of classical worlds decomposes into a union of WCWs associated with various  $CD$ s and that the choice quantization axes in quantum measurement implies a localization to a WCW with definite quantization axes. The geometry of  $CD$  breaks both Lorentz invariance and color symmetry although the entire WCW geometry is Poincare and color invariant.

This raises the question whether measurement interaction could induce spontaneous breaking of discrete symmetries. Even CPT could be broken since the breaking of Lorentz invariance necessary for CPT breaking takes place. If this mechanism is at work the secondary p-adic time scale characterizing the  $CD$  characterizing particle should characterize the energy and time scales of  $CP$  breaking. This is quite strong a prediction since in the existing models one must take  $CP$  breaking parameters as given and coded by the CKM matrix.

- (a) In the case of  $K - \bar{K}$  system the scale of the mass splitting comes out correctly: the scale for the mass difference between short and long lived kaons is about  $10^{-6}$  eV and corresponds to the Mersenne prime  $M_{107}$  characterizing hadrons.
- (b) For  $B - \bar{B}$  the secondary p-adic length scale deduced from the mass difference of order  $10^{-2}$  eV would however correspond to  $M_{89}$ , which suggests that  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is somehow involved. Could  $M_{89}$  hadrons appear in the loops giving rise to the symmetry breaking? This kind of difference between kaons and B mesons looks strange.



Zero energy ontology implies that quantum theory can be regarded as a square root of thermodynamics in a well-define sense.  $M$ -matrices forming the rows of the unitary  $U$ -matrix acting between zero energy states define the counterpart of ordinary  $S$ -matrix and are expressible as products of Hermitian square root of density matrices and unitary  $S$ -matrix. An attractive hypothesis is that Hermitian square roots of density matrices commute with  $S$ -matrix and therefore form a symmetry algebra of  $S$ -matrix. One can even consider the possibility that the  $M$ -matrices define Kac-Moody type algebra with integer powers of  $S$ -matrix defining the analog for the powers of phase for Kac-Moody algebras. This hierarchy of  $U$ -matrices would make sense for the hierarchy  $CDs$  for which scales are integer multiples of a fundamental scale. One could say that zero energy states would represent their own symmetry algebra.

ZEO leads to a variant of entropic gravity [B39] in which one does not assume that space-time emerges and that gravitons are absent [K85], [L19] Gravitons arriving along flux tubes from the source are simply thermalized when the distance of the source is much longer than the wavelength of the gravitons and this explains the basic formulas for the temperature and entropy. The arguments however apply also to electromagnetic interaction [B22] but imply that the temperature is negative either for particle or antiparticle. This suggests that thermal instability of antimatter for the standard arrow of geometric time and that antimatter resides at space-time regions with opposite arrow of geometric time. The arrow of geometric time in turn would be realized at the level of quantum states as a property of zero energy states. One can localize either the future or past part of zero energy state so that it has well define particle number and various other quantum numbers and represents naturally the incoming state of particle reaction.

The natural expectation is that the breaking of CP and T at the fundamental level relate to the thermodynamical instability of the antimatter explaining also why it is so difficult to manufacture dark matter in laboratory. Also the recently observed strange behavior of positronium atom [C221, C159] could relate to this asymmetry.

This framework suggests also a more concrete view about the breaking of discrete symmetries.

- (a) Gravitons are still there but in thermal equilibrium at flux tubes along which their travel and also photons are in similar thermal equilibrium so all interactions are entropic in TGD sense as the vision about quantum theory as a square root of thermodynamics suggests.
- (b) Entropic gravity and electromagnetism would provide a phenomenological view about what happens and would also suggests a general view about how discrete symmetries break down. Charged matter and antimatter could obey different arrow of geometric time by the requirement of thermal stability (temperatures are proportional to the normal component of electric field have opposite sign for charged particle and antiparticle).
- (c) The arrow of geometric time is a property of zero energy states rather than dynamics and realized as a property of  $M$ -matrix for which states are localized with respect to various quantum numbers (in particular particle- and fermion numbers) at the second end of the causal diamond defining the counterpart of initial state).

#### **Anomalously high asymmetry production of top pairs in proton-antiproton collisions and CP breaking in B-Bbar system**

The above theoretical arguments do not help in attempts to build a concrete model for CP breaking in say B-Bbar system. Something more concrete is needed. Here the two anomalies discovered in the production of top pairs in ppbar collisions at Tevatron come in rescue. At first they do not seem to have anything to do with the CP breaking in BBbar system.

- (a) Both Jester and Lubos tell about top quark related anomaly in proton-antiproton collisions at Tevatron reported by CDF collaboration. The anomaly has been actually reported already last summer but has gone un-noticed. For more detailed data see this [C21] .  
What has been found is that the production rate for jet pairs with jet mass around 170 GeV, which happens to correspond to top quark mass, the production cross section is about 3 times higher higher than QCD simulations predict. 3.44 sigma deviation is in question

meaning that its probability is same as for the normalized random variable  $x/\sigma$  to be larger than 3.44 for Gaussian distribution  $\exp(-(x/\sigma)^2/2)/(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}$ . Recall that 5 sigma is regarded as so improbable fluctuation that one speaks about discovery. If top pairs are produced by some new particle, this deviation should be seen also when second top decays leptonically meaning a large missing energy of neutrino. There is however a slight deficit rather than excess of these events.

- (b) There is also a second anomaly involved with top pair production. Jester reports new data [C174] about the strange top-pair forward-backward asymmetry in top pair production in p-pbar collisions already mentioned [C73]. In Europhysics 2011 conference D0 collaboration reported the same result. CMS collaboration found however no evidence for the asymmetry in p-p collisions at LHC [C81]. For top pairs with invariant mass above 450 GeV the asymmetry is claimed by CDF to be stunningly large  $48\pm 11$  per cent. 3 times more often top quarks produced in qqbar annihilation prefer to move in the direction of quark. Note that this experiment would have reduced the situation from the level of ppbar collisions to the level of quark-antiquark collisions and the negative result suggests that valence quarks might play an essential role in the anomaly.

The TGD based explanation for the finding would relation on the flavor octet of gluons and the new view about Feynman diagrams.

- (a) The identification of family replication phenomenon in terms of genus of the wormhole throats (see this) predicts that family replication corresponds to a dynamical SU(3) symmetry (having nothing to do with color SU(3) or Gell-Mann's SU(3)) with gauge bosons belonging to the octet and singlet representations. Ordinary gauge bosons would correspond besides the familiar singlet representation also to exotic octet representation for which the exchanges induce neutral flavor changing currents in the case of gluons and neutral weak bosons and charge changing ones in the case of charged gauge bosons. The exchanges of the octet representation for gluons could explain both the anomalously high production rate of top quark pairs and the anomalously large forward backward asymmetry! Also electroweak octet could of course contribute.
- (b) One could say that top quark from the geometric future transforms at exchange line to space-like t-quark (genus  $g = 2$ ) and returns to future. The quark from the geometric past does the same and returns back to the past as antiquark of antiproton. In the exchange line this quark combines with t-quark to form a virtual color octet gluon.

This mechanism could also give additional contributions to the mechanism generating CP breaking since new box diagrams involving two exchanges of flavor octet weak boson contribute to the mixings of quark pairs in mesons. The exchanges giving rise to an intermediate state of two top quarks are expected to give the largest contribution to the mixing of the neutral quark pairs making up the meson. This involves exchange of a member W boson flavor octet boson analogous to the usual exchange of the flavor singlet boson. This might relate to the reported anomalous like sign muon asymmetry in BBbar decay [?] suggesting that the CP breaking in this system is roughly 50 times larger than predicted by CKM matrix. The new diagrams would only amplify the CP breaking associated with CKM matrix rather than bringing in any new source of CP breaking. This mechanism increases also the CP breaking in KKbar system known to be also anomalously high.

## 10.5 TGD based explanation for the anomalously large direct CP violation in $K \rightarrow 2\pi$ decay

KTeV collaboration in Fermilab [C122] has measured the parameter  $|\epsilon'/\epsilon|$  characterizing the size of the direct CP violation in the decays of kaons to two pions. The value of the parameter was found to be  $|\epsilon'/\epsilon| = (2.8 \pm .1)10^{-3}$  and is almost by an order of magnitude larger than the naive standard model expectations based on the hypothesis that direct CP breaking is induced by CKM matrix. In [C270] it was shown that the value of the parameter could be understood

without introducing any new physics if the value of running strange quark mass at  $m_c$  is about  $m_s(m_c) = .1$  GeV and  $m_d \ll m_s$  holds true.

### 10.5.1 How to solve the problems in TGD framework

#### Problems

Also in TGD framework the situation looks confusing.

- (a) The TGD based prediction for the value of the CP breaking parameter for CKM matrices satisfying the constraints coming from p-adicity is within the experimental constraints  $1.0 \times 10^{-4} \leq J \leq 1.7 \times 10^{-4}$  coming from the standard model so that  $J$  produces no problems (see [K54] or Appendix for the CKM matrix as predicted by TGD).
- (b) The dominating contributions of the chiral field theory to  $Re(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$  are proportional to  $1/(m_s + m_d)^2$ . The predictions of p-adic thermodynamics for  $s$  and  $d$  quark masses for  $k(d) = k(s) = 113$  are  $m_d(113) = m_s(113) = 90$  MeV and if this mass can be interpreted as  $m_s(m_c) \simeq 0.1$  GeV, the prediction is too small by a factor  $1/4$ . Even worse, if  $m_s$  corresponds to the scaled up mass  $m_s(109) \simeq 360$  MeV of the  $s$  quark inside kaon, the situation changes completely and  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  is too small by a factor  $\sim 1/4.5^2 \simeq .05$ .
- (c) TGD predicts that family replication phenomenon has also a bosonic counterpart. In the original scenario gauge bosons had single light-like wormhole throat as space-time correlate just like fermions and two exotic gluons were predicted corresponding to  $g = 1$  and  $g = 2$ . The assumption that fermions at partonic space-time sheets are free fermions however forces to identify gauge bosons as wormhole contacts such that the two light-like wormhole throats carry quantum numbers of fermion and antifermion. Gauge bosons can be arranged into SU(3) singlet corresponding to ordinary gauge bosons and octet, where SU(3) states correspond to pairs  $(g_1, g_2)$  of handle numbers  $0 \leq g_i \leq 2$ .  
The experimental non-existence of flavor changing currents suggest strongly that the masses of octet gauge bosons are high. This requires that they correspond to  $L(89)$  or even shorter p-adic length scale. Hence these gauge bosons are not interesting from the point of view of CP breaking.
- (d) The recent breakthrough in p-adic mass calculations for hadrons [K54] led also the understanding of non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics in terms of super-symplectic bosons which correspond to single light-like wormhole throat so that they couplings to quarks in the sense of generalized Feynman diagrams do not imply flavor changing neutral currents.

The basic prediction is that topologically mixed super-symplectic bosons are responsible for the most of the mass of proton and that it is possible to deduce the super-symplectic content of hadrons from their masses if their topological mixing is assumed to be same as for  $U$  type quarks. The masses of these bosons correspond to p-adic length scale  $L(107)$  and are small in length scale  $L(89)$  relevant for CP breaking. These observations suggest that higher gluon genera of the earlier model should be replaced with super-symplectic gluons.

In the standard diagrammatic expression for the CP breaking parameter gluon propagators are replaced by a sum of ordinary massless and two exotic gluon massive gluon propagators. The fact that the matrix elements relevant for the estimation of the CP breaking parameter are estimated at momentum transfer of order  $\mu = m_W$ , implies that gluon masses do not significantly change the contribution of the super-symplectic gluons to the amplitude apart from the change in value of color coupling strength. Hence the penguin amplitudes are simply multiplied by some factor  $X$  determined by the number of super-symplectic gluons light in length scale  $L(89)$  and by the coupling constants of these gluons and the ratio  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  is multiplied by a factor  $X$ . Unfortunately, it is not possible to calculate this factor at this stage.

#### The model based on exotic gluons and current quarks

It is essential that exotic gluons correspond to single light-like wormhole throat and thus have family replication phenomenon analogous to that of fermions. Two models can be considered.

- (a) The original model based on the assumption that ordinary gauge bosons correspond to single wormhole throat. There are good reasons to believe that this interpretation is wrong.
- (b) The new model based on super-symplectic exotic gluons whose number is not known but is multiple of 3. The couplings to quarks are not known. Also color single super-symplectic bosons could be also present.

### 1. The difficulty of the original model

The problem of this model is that assuming exotic gluons in sense 1)  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  would be still by a factor .15 too small for  $m_s(109)$  relevant for kaons.

The basic observation is that the gluon contribution is proportional to  $1/(m_s + md)^2$  and for  $m_s(113)$  instead of  $m_s(109)$   $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  would be a fraction  $(16+1)/2 = 8.5$  large and by a factor 1.275 larger than the experimental value since  $m_d = m_s$  rather than  $m_d \ll m_s$  holds true.

This observation stimulated the idea that a transition  $s_{109} \rightarrow s_{113}$  occurs before electro-weak process and would have an interpretation as a transformation of a constituent quark to current quark. This requires that the amplitudes for the transition  $s(109) \rightarrow s(113)$  and its reversal are near to unity.

The question is why  $s(109) \rightarrow s(113)$  constituent-current transformation should occur in electro-weak interactions and why it occurs with amplitude  $A \sim 1$ . Of course it could also be that also  $d$  quark is transformed to a very low mass variant with mass about 4 MeV predicted by chiral field theory. This would correspond to  $k = 125$ . As a result the amplitude would be multiplied by a factor 4 and  $A = 1/2$  would become possible.

For some reason the join along boundaries bonds feeding em gauge flux of  $s$  quark to  $k = 109$  space-time sheet would be transferred to nuclear space-time sheets with  $k = 113$  before the electro-weak scattering process responsible for the  $CP$  breaking. Note that the value of strange quark mass about 176 MeV deduced from  $\tau$  lepton decay rate corresponds to  $m_s(111)$  in a good approximation. Also this indicates that various scaled up variants of quark masses can appear in the electro-weak dynamics as intermediate states.

The assumption for the proportionality  $\epsilon'/\epsilon \propto 1/(m_s + m_d)^2$  derivable from chiral field theory can be criticized. Finding a justification for this assumption seems to be a non-trivial challenge since it is not at all clear that chiral field theory based on  $SU(3)$  flavor symmetry makes sense in TGD context.

### 2. Super-symplectic variant of the original model

For super-symplectic gluons one can predict only that the relevant gluon exchange amplitude increases by a factor

$$X = \sum_{i,j} \alpha_s(B_{i,j}) ,$$

where  $\alpha_s(B_{i,j})$  is the color coupling strength to  $j$ :th generation of the super-symplectic gluon  $B_i$ . In principle also color neutral super-symplectic bosons having spin might contribute.

For  $\alpha_s(B_{i,j}) = \alpha_s(B_i)$  one would have

$$X = 3 \sum_i \alpha_s(B_i) .$$

If the number of light super-symplectic gluons large enough, it is possible to have a large enough value of  $X$  to compensate for the factor .14 so that the assumption about the transformation  $s(109) \rightarrow s(113)$  from constituent quark to current quark would become un-necessary.  $X \sim 8$  would be needed.

Recall that super-symplectic algebra is analogous to Kac-Moody algebra in the sense that finite-dimensional Lie-group is replaced with symplectic group. Super-symplectic gluons correspond

to states created by super-algebra generators, which are in one-one correspondence Hamiltonians of  $\delta M_+^4 \times CP_2$  subject to some additional conditions making subset of states zero norm states. Therefore more than single octet of super-symplectic bosons and also higher dimensional representations might be possible.

All depends on which of these super-symplectic states correspond to light particles. This in turn depends on the details of super-symplectic representations (they correspond to the states of negative conformal weight annihilated by Virasoro generators  $L_n, n < 0$  [K21] ). Here the help of a mathematician specialized to the representations of super-conformal algebras would be needed.

At this moment it is not possible to know whether the transformation to current quark is needed or even possible and this motivates the following discussion of the basic notions and chiral field theory approach in more detail in order to clarify what is involved.

### 10.5.2 Basic notations and concepts

Until 1963 CP symmetry was believed to be an exact symmetry of Nature. In this year it was however observed by Christensen, Cronin, Fitch and Turlay that CP symmetry is violated in hadronic decays of neutral kaons. In order to interpret the experimental evidence one must consider the strong Hamiltonian eigen states  $K^0$  and its CP conjugate  $\bar{K}^0$  as a mixture of physical short lived  $K_S$  decaying predominantly to two pions and long-lived  $K_L$  decaying mostly semi-leptonically and into 3 pion states. Two- and three pion final states have odd and even CP parity. In absence of CP breaking one would identify  $K_S$  and  $K_L$  as the CP even and CP odd states

$$\begin{aligned} K_1 &= (K^0 + \bar{K}^0)/\sqrt{2} \ , \\ K_2 &= (K^0 - \bar{K}^0)/\sqrt{2} \ . \end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

What was observed in 1963 was that  $K_L$  decays also to two-pion final states.

There are two mechanisms of CP violation. The indirect mechanism involves a slight mixing of  $K^1$  and  $K^2$  characterized by a complex mixing parameter  $\bar{\epsilon}$

$$\begin{aligned} K_S &= \frac{K_1 + \bar{\epsilon}K_2}{1 + |\bar{\epsilon}|^2} \ , \\ K_L &= \frac{K_2 + \bar{\epsilon}K_1}{1 + |\bar{\epsilon}|^2} \ . \end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

Direct mechanism involves the direct decay of  $K_2$  to two pion state and is induced by the weak interaction Lagrangian  $L_W$  directly. Both mechanisms can be parameterized in terms of the small ratios

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_{00} &= \frac{\langle \pi^0 \pi^0 | L_W | K_L \rangle}{\langle \pi^0 \pi^0 | L_W | K_S \rangle} \ , \\ \eta_{+-} &= \frac{\langle \pi^+ \pi^- | L_W | K_L \rangle}{\langle \pi^+ \pi^- | L_W | K_S \rangle} \ . \end{aligned} \tag{10.5.-1}$$

Here  $L_W$  represents the  $\Delta S = 1$  part of the weak Lagrangian. The equations for  $\eta$  parameters can be also written as

$$\begin{aligned}
\eta_{00} &= \epsilon - \frac{2\epsilon'}{1 - \omega\sqrt{2}} \simeq \epsilon - 2\epsilon' , \\
\eta_{+-} &= \epsilon - \frac{2\epsilon'}{1 + \omega/\sqrt{2}} \simeq \epsilon + \epsilon' .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.5.-1}$$

Parameter  $\bar{\epsilon}$  is simply related to  $\epsilon$ . The parameter  $\omega$  measures the ratio

$$|\omega| = \frac{|\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=2}|L_W|K_S\rangle|}{|\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=0}|L_W|K_S\rangle|} \simeq 1/22.2 . \tag{10.5.0}$$

$I = 0$  and  $I = 2$  denote the isospin states of final state pions.

The CP violating parameters are expressible in terms of  $K_{S,L}$  decay amplitudes as

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon &= \frac{\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=0}|L_W|K_L\rangle}{\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=0}|L_W|K_S\rangle} , \\
\epsilon' &= \frac{\epsilon}{\sqrt{2}} \left[ \frac{\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=2}|L_W|K_L\rangle}{\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=0}|L_W|K_L\rangle} - \frac{\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=2}|L_W|K_S\rangle}{\langle(\pi\pi)_{I=0}|L_W|K_S\rangle} \right] .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

By Watson's theorem one can write the generic amplitudes for  $K^0$  and  $\bar{K}^0$  decay as

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle(\pi\pi)_I|L_W|K^0\rangle &= -iA_I \exp(i\delta_I) , \\
\langle(\pi\pi)_I|L_W|\bar{K}^0\rangle &= -iA_I^* \exp(i\delta_I) ,
\end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

where the phases  $\delta_I$  arise from the pion final state interactions. In good approximation ( $|\bar{\epsilon}ImA_0| \ll |ReA_0|$ ,  $|\bar{\epsilon}|^2 \ll 1$ ) one can write

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon' &= \exp(i(\pi/2 + \delta_2 - \delta_1)) \times \frac{\omega}{\sqrt{2}} \times \left( \frac{ImA_2}{ReA_2} - \frac{ImA_0}{ReA_0} \right) , \\
\omega &= \frac{ReA_2}{ReA_0} .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

With the approximations used one obtains a relationship

$$\epsilon' = \bar{\epsilon} + i \frac{ImA_0}{ReA_0} . \tag{10.5.1}$$

One can find a more detailed representation of the subject in various review articles [C116, C238, C237]. The standard model of CP breaking is based on the presence of complex phases in CKM matrix.

The value of the parameter  $\epsilon$  describing indirect CP violation is well established and given by

$$|\epsilon| = (2.266 \pm .017) \times 10^{-3} .$$

The phases of  $\epsilon$  and  $\epsilon'$  are in good approximation identical so that their signs are same. The value of  $Re(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$  was finally established by KTeV collaboration at Fermi Lab to be

$$Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right) = (2.8 \pm .01) \times 10^{-3} .$$

The measurement is consistent with the result of the CERN experiment NA31, which has also found a non-vanishing value for this parameter.

There are several theories of CP violation. The so called milliweak theory predicts vanishing value of  $\epsilon'$ . The model based on the presence of CP breaking phases in three-generation CKM matrix predicts non-vanishing value for the parameter. Also Higgs particles can effect the value of the parameter in standard model. Standard model predicts this parameter to be nonzero but the expectation has been that the value is roughly ten times smaller than the measured value.

A possible explanation of the effect which does not introduce new physics is based on the hypothesis that the mass of  $s$  quark is smaller than the mass of  $d$  quark: the running mass  $m_s(2 \text{ GeV}) \simeq .1 \text{ GeV}$  is needed to explain the anomaly if CP breaking parameter  $J$  is taken to be in the range  $(1 - 1.7) \times 10^{-4}$  claimed in [C185] to follow from unitarity. There is however experimental evidence from  $\tau$  decays for  $m_s(m(\tau)) = (172 \pm 31) \text{ MeV}$ . This suggests that some new short length scale physics is involved.

Standard model prediction for  $Re(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$  [C270] can be summarized in a handy formula

$$\begin{aligned} Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right) &= J \times \left[ -1.35 + R_s \left( A_6 B_6^{1/2} + A_8 B_8^{3/2} \right) \right] , \\ A_6 &= 1.1 |r_Z^8| , \\ A_8 &= 1.0 - .67 |r_Z^8| . \end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

The subscript  $Z$  refers to renormalization mass  $m_Z$ . The parameter  $R_s$  is given by

$$R_s \simeq \left[ \frac{150 \text{ MeV}}{m_s(m_c) + m_d(m_c)} \right]^2 . \tag{10.5.1}$$

The dominating contributions to  $Re(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$  come from second ( $A_6$ ) and third terms ( $A_8$ ). These terms correspond to gluonic and electro-weak penguin diagram contributions to the CP breaking decays and of opposite sign. Clearly, the sum of the two terms is roughly one third of the gluonic term alone.

### 10.5.3 Separation of short and long distance physics using operator product expansion

The calculation of CP breaking parameters involves physics in very wide energy scale. The strategy is to derive low energy effective action by functionally integrating over the short distance effects coming from energies larger than  $m_c$ . This leads to Wilson expansion for the low energy electro-weak effective Lagrangian

$$L_{low,W} = - \sum_i C_i(\mu, m_c, m_b, m_t, m_W, \dots) Q_i(\mu) . \tag{10.5.2}$$

The coefficients  $C_i$  of the operators  $Q_i$  in the low energy effective action for light quarks ( $u, d, s$ ) are functionals of various parameters characterizing short distance physics. The coefficients  $C_i(\mu)$  in Wilson expansion of electro-weak effective action can be written as

$$C_i(\mu) = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{ud} V_{us}^* [x_i(\mu) + \tau y_i(\mu)] . \quad (10.5.3)$$

Here  $x_i$  and  $y_i$  are Wilson coefficients.  $V_{ij}$  denotes CKM matrix and  $\tau$  is defined as  $\tau = V_{td} V_{ts}^* / V_{ud} V_{us}^*$ .  $V_{td} V_{ts}^*$  is identical with CP breaking invariant  $J$  in standard parametrization. Coefficients  $y_i(\mu)$  summarize short distance CP breaking physics and in order to determine CP breaking one needs to consider only the coefficients  $y_i$ .

Long distance physics is the difficult part of the calculation since it involves calculation of matrix elements of the quark operators  $Q_i$  between initial kaon state and final two-pion state. There are several approaches to the problem. Chiral field theory [C186] is phenomenological approach and relies on the idea that low energy effective action for quarks can be expressed in a good approximation using meson fields. Lattice QCD is believed to provide a more fundamental direct method for the calculation of the correlation functions of  $Q_i$ .

### Short distance physics

In present initial states are kaons and  $\mu$  denotes the momentum exchange for a typical diagram associated with the scattering of  $d\bar{s}$  quark to final state consisting of of light quarks.  $\mu$  is taken to be of order  $m_W$  and by using renormalization group equations one can deduce the values of the coefficients  $C_i(\mu)$  at energy scales, typically of order 1 GeV.

The basic standard diagrams contributing to the  $\Delta S = 1$  and  $\Delta S = 2$  processes are given by the figure below.

The quark operators  $Q_i$  appearing in the expansion can be classified. In present case the list of relevant operators correspond to various terms possible in four-fermion Fermi interaction and are given by the following list.

$$Q_1 = (\bar{s}_\alpha u_\beta)_{V-A} (\bar{u}_\beta d_\alpha)_{V-A} , \quad (10.5.3)$$

$$Q_2 = (\bar{s}u)_{V-A} (\bar{u}d)_{V-A} , \quad (10.5.3)$$

$$Q_{3,5} = (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} \sum_q (\bar{q}q)_{V\mp A} ,$$

$$Q_{4,6} = (\bar{s}_\alpha d_\beta)_{V-A} \sum_q (\bar{q}_\beta q_\alpha)_{V\mp A} ,$$

$$Q_{7,9} = \frac{3}{2} (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} \sum_q \hat{e}_q (\bar{q}q)_{V\pm A} ,$$

$$Q_{8,10} = \frac{3}{2} (\bar{s}_\alpha d_\beta)_{V-A} \sum_q \hat{e}_q (\bar{q}_\beta q_\alpha)_{V\pm A} . \quad (10.5.1)$$

$\alpha, \beta$  denote color indices and  $\hat{e}_q$  denote quark charges.  $V \pm A$  refers to the Dirac structure  $\gamma_\mu(1 \pm \gamma_5)$ .  $Q_2$  is induced by mere  $W$  exchange whereas gluonic loop corrections to  $Q_2$  induce  $Q_1$ . QCD through penguin loop induces the penguin operators  $Q_{3-6}$ . Electro-weak loops, in which penguin gluon is replaced with electro-weak gauge boson, induce  $Q_{7,9}$  and part of  $Q_3$ . The operators  $Q_{8,10}$  are induced by the QCD renormalization of the electro-weak loop operators  $Q_{7,9}$ .

As far as the calculation of  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  is considered, the dominating contributions come from the penguin diagrams, which are proportional to the vertices  $s\bar{d}V$ , where  $V$  is either gluon or electro-weak gauge boson and to the propagator denominator of  $V$  with momentum squared equal to momentum exchange between initial state quarks, which equals to  $(p_i - p_j)^2 = \mu^2$ . For option



2) the standard gluon contribution is replaced with a sum over contributions of ordinary and exotic gluons. For option 1) situation is more complicated since  $g > 0$  gluons can change the genus of the fermion.

The operators  $Q_6$  and  $Q_8$  give the dominating contributions to  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  and these contributions are competing.  $Q_6$  and  $Q_8$  differ only by the fact that in  $Q_8$  penguin gluon is replaced with penguin electro-weak boson  $\gamma$  or  $Z^0$ . For neutral kaon initial state electro-weak penguin diagram is proportional to the product  $e_q e_{\bar{q}} = -e_q^2$  of the virtual quark whereas in case of gluons the factor  $Tr(T^a T^a) > 0$  appears. Therefore the contributions associated with  $Q_6$  and  $Q_8$  are of opposite sign and mutually competing.

Detailed calculations lead to the formula already described:

$$\begin{aligned} Re\left(\frac{\epsilon'}{\epsilon}\right) &= J \times \left[-1.35 + R_s \left(A_6 B_6^{1/2} + A_8 B_8^{3/2}\right)\right] , \\ A_6 &= 1.1 |r_Z^8| , \\ A_8 &= 1.0 - .67 |r_Z^8| . \end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

for  $Re(\epsilon'/\epsilon)$ . The coefficients  $B_6$  and  $B_8$  code the long distance physics and their values do not differ too much from  $B_6 = B_8 = 1$ . Clearly, the sum of  $Q_6$  and  $Q_8$  contributions is roughly one third of the  $Q_6$  contribution alone. From the general structure of Feynman diagrams it is clear that for option 2) the effect caused by the introduction of exotic gluons is in a good approximation a simple scaling of the  $Q_6$  contribution by a factor 3 in the approximation that gluon masses are negligible as compared to  $W$  mass, and that this new contribution can enhance direct CP breaking dramatically.

### Chiral field theory approach

The basic problem is to calculate electro-weak matrix elements of the quark effective action between hadronic states. These matrix elements reduce to vacuum expectation values of various quark bi-linears appearing in four-fermion Fermi interaction Lagrangian. This problem is very difficult since non-perturbative QCD is involved in an essential manner. An attempt to circumvent this problem [C186] is based on the hypothesis that low energy effective action for quarks is essentially equivalent with the low energy effective action, where pseudoscalar meson fields as dynamical fields and scalar, vector and axial vector meson fields occur as external fields not subject to variations. Quark masses are identified as vacuum expectation values of the external scalar meson field. The approximate symmetry of the chiral field theory is flavor  $SU(3)_L \times SU(3)_R$  which is exact symmetry at the limit of massless quarks. This symmetry can be realized if mesons are represented by an element  $U$  of  $SU(3)$  regarded as a dynamical field: the two  $SU(3)$ 's act on  $U$  from left and right respectively. For small perturbations around ground state mesons correspond to various Lie-algebra generators of  $SU(3)$ . Chiral field develops vacuum expectation value. If vacuum expectation is not proportional to unit matrix it corresponds to the presence of coherent states associated with the neutral components of the pseudo scalar meson field.

The basic formulation of the chiral field theory approach is described in [C186] whereas its application to the calculation of  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  is described in [C238]. The strong part of the chiral action [C186] is given by the formula

$$\begin{aligned} L_S &= \frac{f^2}{4} [Tr\{D_\mu U^\dagger D^\mu U\} + 2B_0 Tr\{(s - ip)U\} + 2B_0^* Tr\{(s + ip)U^\dagger\}] \\ &+ \frac{1}{12} H_0 D_\mu \theta D^\mu \theta . \end{aligned} \tag{10.5.0}$$

$D_\mu$  denotes the covariant derivative defined by the couplings to the left and right handed gauge bosons  $L_\mu$  and  $R_\mu$  defined as superpositions  $R_\mu = v_\mu + a_\mu$  and  $L_\mu = v_\mu - a_\mu$  of the vector and

axial vector mesons fields  $v$  and  $a$ . Action contains three coupling constant parameters:  $f$ ,  $B_0$  and  $H_0$ , which is present because the presence of color instantons can lead to a non-vanishing value of the  $\theta$  parameter in QCD. In lowest order  $f$  is pion decay constant  $f_\pi$  and  $B_0$  sets the scale in the formula  $M_M^2 = B_0(\sum_i m(q_i))$  inspired by broken  $SU(3)$  symmetry and resulting as a prediction of the model. The components for the non-vanishing vacuum expectation value for the external scalar field are identified as quark masses. The generation of vacuum expectation value of  $s$  implies that quark condensates are developed:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \bar{q}_i q_j \rangle &= B_0 f^2 \delta_{i,j} \ , \\ B_0 f^2 &= \frac{f_\pi^2 m_\pi^2}{(m_u + m_d)} = \frac{f_K^2 m_K^2}{(m_s + m_d)} \ . \end{aligned} \quad (10.5.0)$$

Note that the strong part of the chiral Lagrangian is invariant under the overall scaling of quark masses.

The weak part of the chiral action corresponds to the sigma model counterpart of the most general electro-weak four-fermion action. The recipe for constructing this action is described in more detail in [C238] and can be summarized as rules associating with various fermionic bi-linears appearing in the generalized Fermi action corresponding terms of the weak part of the chiral action. In particular, the following rules hold true:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{q}_L^j \gamma^\mu q_L^i &\rightarrow -i f_\pi^2 (U^\dagger D_\mu U)_{ij} \ , \\ \bar{q}_R^j \gamma^\mu q_R^i &\rightarrow -i f_\pi^2 (U D_\mu U^\dagger)_{ij} \ , \\ \bar{q}_L^j \gamma^\mu q_R^i &\rightarrow -2B_0 \left[ \frac{f^2}{4} U + \text{higher order terms} \right]_{ij} \ , \\ \bar{q}_R^j \gamma^\mu q_L^i &\rightarrow -2B_0 \left[ \frac{f^2}{4} U^\dagger + \text{higher order terms} \right]_{ij} \ . \end{aligned} \quad (10.5.-2)$$

The chiral counterparts of the left and right handed currents are proportional to  $BM$  and depend on the ratios of quark masses only. The terms giving dominating contribution to the  $\Delta S = 1$  part of the weak effective action involve the chiral counterparts of terms  $\bar{q}_L^j q_R^i$  breaking chiral invariance. The chiral counterparts of these terms are proportional to  $B$  and, in accordance with expectations, fail to be invariant under the overall scaling of quark masses. The higher order contributions to these terms are important for the calculations of direct CP breaking effects but are not written explicitly here because they are not needed in the estimate for how the predictions of the standard model are modified in TGD framework. The terms breaking chiral symmetry give rise to  $\epsilon'/\epsilon$  a contribution, which is proportional to  $1/(m_s + m_d)^2$ .

The  $\Delta S = 2$  part of effective quark action is involved with  $K^0 \rightarrow \bar{K}^0$  transitions and the corresponding quark operator is given by

$$Q_{S2} = (\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu d_L)(\bar{s}_L \gamma^\mu d_L) \ . \quad (10.5.-1)$$

The chiral counterpart of this operator is obviously invariant under overall scaling of quark masses.

### Does chiral theory approach make sense in TGD framework?

The TGD based model for the large direct CP breaking based on exotic gluons and on the transformation of  $s_{109}$  to  $s_{113}$  has been already discussed. The open question is whether the

$1/(m_s + m_d)^2$  proportionality of the CP breaking amplitude can be justified in TGD context where it is not at all clear that chiral theory approach makes sense.

In standard model framework chiral field theory provides a phenomenological description of the low energy hadron physics and makes possible the calculation of various hadronic matrix elements needed to derive the predictions for CP breaking effect.

Chiral field theory limit however involves some questionable assumptions about the relationship between QCD and low energy hadron physics.

- (a)  $SU(3)$  symmetry is assumed and allows description of light mesons in terms of  $SU(3)$  valued chiral field  $U$  possessing  $SU(3)_R \times SU(3)_R$  symmetry broken only by quark mass matrix. In TGD framework  $SU(3)$  symmetry is purely phenomenological symmetry since the fundamental gauge group is the gauge group of the standard model.
- (b) The generation of quark masses is described as effective spontaneous symmetry breaking caused by the vacuum expectation value of  $SU(3)$  Lie-algebra valued external scalar field  $s$ . Quark masses are identified as the components of the diagonal vacuum expectation value of this field. Physically the scalar field corresponds to scalar meson field so that quark masses would result from the coupling of the quarks to coherent states of scalar mesons. This cannot be a correct physical description in TGD framework, where p-adic thermodynamics gives rise to quark masses. Of course, the presence of the scalar field can give rise to a small shift in the values of the quark masses. Also Higgs field could be in question.
- (c) The coupling of the field  $s$  to chiral field  $U$  implies in the standard model context that the mass squared values of mesons are proportional to the sums of masses of the mesonic quarks: for instance,  $M_\pi^2 = B_0(m_u + m_d)$  and  $M_K^2 = B_0(m_s + m_d)$ , where  $B_0$  is one of the basic coupling constants of the chiral field theory. This formula is not consistent with the p-adic mass calculations, where quark mass squared is additive for quarks with the same value of  $k_q$  and quark mass for different values of  $k_q$ . Indeed, the formulas  $M_\pi^2 = m_u^2 + m_d^2$  and  $M_K^2 = (m_s + m_d)^2$  are true. The chiral field formula predicts  $m_s/m_d \simeq 24$  requiring  $m_u = m_d \simeq 13$  MeV ( $k = 121$ ) for  $m_s(113) = 320$  MeV whereas TGD predicts  $m_s(109)/m_d(107) = 4$ . For  $m_s \simeq 100$  MeV the prediction is  $m_d \simeq 4.2$  MeV. This looks suspiciously small.

To sum up, although the basic assumptions of chiral field theory limit look too specific in TGD framework, its predictions for low energy hadron physics are well-tested and TGD could be consistent with them. If this the case, the assumption about  $s_{109} \rightarrow s_{107}$  transition allows a correct prediction of direct CP breaking amplitude using chiral field theory limit.

## 10.6 Wild speculations about non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics and exotic Super Virasoro representations

If the canonical correspondence mapping the p-adic mass squared values to real numbers is taken completely seriously, then TGD predicts infinite hierarchy of exotic light representations of Super Virasoro. These exotic states are created by sub-algebras of Super Kac-Moody and SKM algebras whose generators have conformal weights divisible by  $p^n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . Ordinary representations would correspond to  $n = 0$ .

### 10.6.1 Exotic Super-Virasoro representations

For the exotic representations the p-adic mass squared of the particle is proportional to Virasoro  $p^n$ . When the value of the p-adic mass squared is power of  $p$ :  $M^2 \propto p^n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , the real counterpart of the mass squared in canonical identification is extremely small since it is proportional to  $1/p^n$  in this case. It is of course not at all clear whether these representations have any real counterpart and if even this the case the could be thermally unstable in an environment with higher p-adic temperature.

Also ordinary low temperature ( $T_p = 1/n$ ) Super Virasoro representations allow extremely light states but in this case there is no subalgebra generating these states. If these representations exist they could correspond to low energy-long length scale fractal copies of elementary particles. Due to the state degeneracy providing an enormous information storage capacity associated with these states these representations, if realized in nature, might have biological relevance [K47, K58] .

There is however an objection against this idea: these representations are possible also in elementary particle length scales and for  $M^2 \propto L_0 = n p m_0^2$  the representations have same mass scale as ordinary elementary particles. These representations couple to ordinary elementary particles via classical gauge fields and could therefore be present also in elementary particle physics. For reasons which become clear below, exotic Super Virasoro representations might provide a model for low energy hadron physics.

(a) The formula

$$M_R^2 = \frac{n m_0^2}{p}$$

is generalization of the mass formula of hadronic string models and reduces to it when the angular momentum

$$J = \alpha' M^2$$

of the hadronic state satisfies  $J = n$ . From this Regge slope  $\alpha'$  and string tension  $T$  are given by

$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha'} \quad , \quad \frac{1}{\alpha'} = \frac{m_0^2}{p} \quad .$$

The observed value of the Regge slope is  $\alpha' = .9/GeV^2$ .

(b) The value of the predicted string tension is easily found. The prediction of TGD based mass calculations for the value of the p-adic pion mass squared is

$$m_\pi^2 = p m_0^2 + O(p^2) \simeq p m_0^2 \quad , \quad p = M_{107} \quad .$$

$m_\pi \geq m_0/\sqrt{M_{107}}$  and  $m_\pi = 134$  MeV gives upper bound for  $m_0$  which is consistent with the prediction for the mass of electron. For  $k = 107$  the value of  $\alpha'$  would be roughly 64 times too large as simple calculation shows. For  $k = 101$  one has

$$\alpha' = \frac{.87}{GeV^2} \quad ,$$

which deviates from the value  $\alpha' = .9/GeV^2$  determined from  $\rho$  Regge trajectory only by three per cent.

- (c) This would suggest that excited states of ordinary hadrons contain  $k = 101$  space-time sheets with p-adic length scale of .3 fm condensed on  $k = 107$  hadronic space-time sheet with 8 times larger p-adic length scale and that the angular momentum of these excitations is not assignable to the ordinary quarks but to the states of  $k = 101$  exotic Super Virasoro representation. The slight deviation from  $.9/GeV^2$  could be explained if the contribution of quarks and gluons to the mass squared decreases as a function of  $J$  so that the effective value of  $\alpha'$  increases and effective string tension increases. This might be due to the transformation of parton mass squared to the mass squared associated with  $k = 101$  exotic Super Virasoro states. Note that  $n = 1$  excitation of  $k = 101$  Super Virasoro has mass  $m_1 = 1.07$  GeV, which is larger than proton mass: therefore the spin of these excitations cannot resolve the spin crisis of proton.
- (d) For  $k = 103$  the predicted value of string tension is by a factor 1/4 smaller. An interesting question is whether  $k = 107$  and  $k = 103$  excitations might be observable in low energy hadron physics.

### 10.6.2 Could hadrons correspond to exotic Super-Virasoro representations and quark-gluon plasma to the ordinary ones?

The second thought provoking observation is that pion mass squared corresponds in excellent approximation to that for  $n = 1$  state of exotic Super Virasoro representation for  $k = 107$ . This suggests that in case of pion quark masses are compensated apart from  $O(p^2)$  contributions completely by various interaction energy and the energy associated with exotic Super Virasoro representation contributes to the mass squared. This would be p-adic articulation for the statement that pion is massless Goldstone boson. Since pion represents essentially non-perturbative aspects of QCD, this raises the possibility that exotic Super Virasoro representations could provide the long sought first principle theory of low energy hadronic physics.

- (a) In this theory hadrons would correspond to exotic Super Virasoro representations whereas quark-gluon plasma would correspond to ordinary p-adic Super Virasoro representations. In color confined phase p-adic  $\alpha_c$  would have increased to the critical value  $\alpha_c = p + O(p^2)$  implying dramatic drop of the real counterpart of  $\alpha_c$  to  $\alpha_c^R \simeq 1/p$  so that color interactions would disappear effectively and only electro-weak interactions and the geometric interactions between the space-time sheets would remain. What is important is that these phases can exist inside hadron for several values of  $p$ . This suggests a fractal hierarchy of hadrons inside hadrons and QCD:s inside QCD:s with the values of  $\Lambda(k) \propto 1/L^2(k)$ ,  $k = 107, 103, 101, \dots$ . In particular, rotational excitations would mean generation of  $k = 101$  hadrons inside  $k = 107$  hadrons.
- (b) Hadronization and fragmentation are semi-phenomenological aspects of QCD and would correspond at fundamental level to the phase transitions between the exotic Super Virasoro representations and ordinary Super Virasoro representations. Also the concepts of sea and Pomeron could be reduced the states of exotic Super Virasoro representations associated with  $k = 107, 103, 101, 97, \dots$

In light of the successes of the hadron model based on super-symplectic many-particle states assigned to hadrons [K54] the exotic Super Virasoro representations do not look attractive from the point of view of ordinary hadron physics. Also the thermal instability is a good objection against them.

## 10.7 Appendix

### 10.7.1 Effective Feynman rules and the effect of top quark mass on the effective action

The effective low energy field theory relevant for  $K - \bar{K}$  systems is in the standard model context summarized elegantly using the Feynman rules of effective field theory deriving from box and penguin diagrams. The rules in t'Hooft-Feynman gauge are summarized in excellent review article of Buras and Fleischer [C59]. For box diagrams the rules are following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Box}(\Delta S = 2) &= \lambda_i^2 \frac{G_F^2}{16\pi^2} M_W^2 S_0(x_i) (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} , \\
 \text{Box}(T_3 = -1/2) &= \lambda_i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\sin^2(\theta_W)} B_0(x_i) (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} (\bar{\mu}\mu)_{V-A} , \\
 \text{Box}(T_3 = 1/2) &= \lambda_i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\alpha}{\sin^2(\theta_W)} [-4B_0(x_i)] (\bar{s}d)_{V-A} (\bar{\nu}\nu)_{V-A} , \\
 \lambda_i &= V_{is}^* V_{id} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{10.7.-2}$$

The box vertices listed here describe the decays  $K_0 \rightarrow \bar{K}_0$  and contribute to  $K_0 \rightarrow \bar{\mu}\mu$  and  $K_0 \rightarrow \bar{\nu}\nu$  decays.  $(\bar{q}_1 q_2)_{V-A}$  is shorthand notation for the left handed weak current involving

gamma matrices and the products of fermionic bi-linears actually involve contraction of the gamma matrix indices.

Penguin diagrams can be characterized by the effective vertices  $\bar{s}dB$ , where  $B$  is photon,  $Z$  boson or gluon, which is treated as usual in effective field theory

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{s}Zd &= i\lambda_i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{g_Z}{2\pi^2} M_Z^2 g_Z C_0(x_i) \bar{s} \gamma^\mu (1 - \gamma_5) d , \\
\bar{s}\gamma d &= -i\lambda_i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{e}{8\pi^2} D_0(x_i) \bar{s} (q^2 \gamma^\mu - q^\mu q^\nu \gamma_\nu) (1 - \gamma_5) d , \\
\bar{s}G^a d &= -i\lambda_i \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{g_s}{8\pi^2} E_0(x_i) \bar{s} (q^2 \gamma^\mu - q^\mu q^\nu \gamma_\nu) (1 - \gamma_5) T^a d .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.7-3}$$

The vertices above correspond to the exchange of  $Z$ , photon and gluon between the quarks. Boson propagator and second vertex is constructed using the standard Feynman rules. The counterparts of the  $sdB$  vertices are easily constructed for  $g > 0$  gluons. The orthogonality of single hadron states requires that flavor is conserved for  $g > 0$  exchanges.

The functions  $B_0, C_0, \dots$  characterize the low energy effective action at mass scale  $\mu = m_W$ . The subscript '0' refers to the values of these functions without QCD corrections, which are taken into account using renormalization group equations to deduced the functions at mass scale of order 1 GeV. The functions are listed below:

$$\begin{aligned}
B_0(x_t) &= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \frac{x_t}{y_t} + \frac{x_t \log(x_t)}{y_t^2} \right] , \\
C_0(x_t) &= \frac{x_t}{8} \left[ -\frac{x_t - 6}{y_t} + \frac{3x_t + 2}{y_t^2} \log(x_t) \right] , \\
D_0(x_t) &= -\frac{4}{9} \log(x_t) - \frac{25x_t^2 - 19x_t^3}{36y_t^3} + \frac{x_t^2(-6 - 2x_t + 5x_t^2)}{18y_t^3} \log(x_t) , \\
E_0(x_t) &= -\frac{2}{3} \log(x_t) + \frac{x_t^2(15 - 16x_t - 4x_t^2)}{6y_t^4} \log(x_t) + \frac{x_t(18 - 11x_t - x_t^2)}{12y_t^3} , \\
S_0(x_t) &= \frac{4x_t - 11x_t^2 + x_t^3}{4y_t^2} - \frac{3x_t^2 \log(x_t)}{2y_t^3} , \\
S_0(x_c, x_t) &= x_c \left[ \log\left(\frac{x_t}{x_c}\right) - \frac{3x_t}{4y_t} - \frac{3x_t^2 \log(x_t)}{4y_t^2} \right] , \\
& x_c = \left(\frac{m_c}{m_W}\right)^2 \quad x_t = \left(\frac{m_t}{m_W}\right)^2 , \quad y_t = 1 - x_t .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.7-8}$$

Although  $x_t$ , being the interesting parameter, appears as the only argument of these functions, also the contributions coming from light quarks propagating in the loops are included. For comparison purposes it is useful to give the explicit relations between electro-weak coupling parameters and  $G_F$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} &= \frac{g_W^2}{8m_W^2} , \\
g_W &= \frac{e}{\sin(\theta_W)} , \\
g_Z &= \frac{e}{\sin(\theta_W) \cos(\theta_W)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.7-9}$$

The following table summarizes the effect of the change of the top quark mass on the functions  $B_0, C_0, \dots$ . What is given are the ratios  $r(f) = f(55)/f(175)$  of the functions  $B_0, C_0, \dots$  evaluated for top quark masses 55 GeV and 175 GeV respectively.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
f & B_0(x_t) & C_0(x_t) & D_0(x_t) & E_0(x_t) & S_0(x_t) & S_0(x_c, x_t) \\
r & .51 & .09 & -.70 & 3.44 & .15 & .81
\end{array} \tag{10.7.-8}$$

These results leave allow only the identification of the experimental candidate as a realistic candidate for top quark.

- (a) The function  $B_0$  is reduced only by a factor of 1/2 and there are no new physics contributions to  $B_0$  in the lowest order. The function  $C_0$  characterizing  $Z$  penguin diagrams is reduced by an order of magnitude. The coefficient  $C_0(x_t) - 4B_0(x_t)$  characterizes the dominating contribution to  $K \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  decay in standard model and the decay amplitude is reduced by a factor .27 so that this decay would provide a stringent test selecting between 55 GeV top quark and 175 GeV top quark. Unfortunately, the predicted  $K \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  rate is still by several orders of magnitude below the experimental upper bound.
- (b) The function  $S_0(x_t)$  characterizing  $B - \bar{B}$  and  $K - \bar{K}$  mass differences is reduced almost by an order of magnitude. Note that in case of  $\Delta m_K$  the ratio  $r(tt/ct)$  of the WW box diagram amplitudes with two top quarks and c and t in internal fermion lines is  $r(tt/ct) \sim 738$  for  $m_t = 175$  GeV and  $r(tt/ct) \sim 138$  for  $m_t = 55$  GeV (the moduli of the factors coming from CKM matrix are taken into account). Thus  $m_t = 175$  GeV is the only sensible choice.

### 10.7.2 $U$ and $D$ matrices from the knowledge of top quark mass alone?

As already found, a possible resolution to the problems created by top quark is based on the additivity of mass squared so that top quark mass would be about 230 GeV, which indeed corresponds to a peak in mass distribution of top candidate, whereas  $t\bar{t}$  meson mass would be 163 GeV. This requires that top quark mass changes very little in topological mixing. It is easy to see that the mass constraints imply that for  $n_t = n_b = 60$  the smallness of  $V_{i3}$  and  $V(3i)$  matrix elements implies that both  $U$  and  $D$  must be direct sums of  $2 \times 2$  matrix and  $1 \times 1$  unit matrix and that  $V$  matrix would have also similar decomposition. Therefore  $n_b = n_t = 59$  seems to be the only number theoretically acceptable option. The comparison with the predictions with pion mass led to a unique identification  $(n_d, n_b, n_b) = (5, 5, 59), (n_u, n_c, n_t) = (4, 6, 59)$ .

#### $U$ and $D$ matrices as perturbations of matrices mixing only the first two genera

This picture suggests that  $U$  and  $D$  matrices could be seen as small perturbations of very simple  $U$  and  $D$  matrices satisfying  $|U| = |D|$  corresponding to  $n = 60$  and having  $(n_d, n_b, n_b) = (4, 5, 60), (n_u, n_c, n_t) = (4, 5, 60)$  predicting  $V$  matrix characterized by Cabibbo angle alone. For instance, CP breaking parameter would characterize this perturbation. The perturbed matrices should obey thermodynamical constraints and it could be possible to linearize the thermodynamical conditions and in this manner to predict realistic mixing matrices from first principles. The existence of small perturbations yielding acceptable matrices implies also that these matrices be near a point at which two different matrices resulting as a solution to the thermodynamical conditions coincide.

$D$  matrix can be deduced from  $U$  matrix since  $9|D_{12}|^2 \simeq n_d$  fixes the value of the relative phase of the two terms in the expression of  $D_{12}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
|D_{12}|^2 &= |U_{11}V_{12} + U_{12}V_{22}|^2 \\
&= |U_{11}|^2|V_{12}|^2 + |U_{12}|^2|V_{22}|^2 \\
&\quad + 2|U_{11}||V_{12}||U_{12}||V_{22}|\cos(\Psi) = \frac{n_d}{9} \ , \\
\Psi &= \arg(U_{11}) + \arg(V_{12}) - \arg(U_{12}) - \arg(V_{22}) \ .
\end{aligned} \tag{10.7.-11}$$

Using the values of the moduli of  $U_{ij}$  and the approximation  $|V_{22}| = 1$  this gives for  $\cos(\Psi)$

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(\Psi) &= \frac{A}{B} , \\ A &= \frac{n_d - n_u}{9} - \frac{9 - n_u}{9} |V_{12}|^2 , \\ B &= \frac{2}{9|V_{12}|} \sqrt{n_u(9 - n_u)} .\end{aligned}\tag{10.7.-12}$$

The experimentation with different values of  $n_d$  and  $n_u$  shows that  $n_u = 6, n_d = 4$  gives  $\cos(\Psi) = -1.123$ . Of course,  $n_u = 6, n_d = 4$  option is not even allowed by  $n_t = 60$ . For  $n_d = 4, n_u = 5$  one has  $\cos(\Psi) = -0.5958$ .  $n_d = 5, n_u = 6$  corresponding to the perturbed solution gives  $\cos(\Psi) = -0.6014$ .

Hence the initial situation could be  $(n_u = 5, n_s = 4, n_b = 60)$ ,  $(n_d = 4, n_s = 5, n_t = 60)$  and the physical  $U$  and  $D$  matrices result from  $U$  and  $D$  matrices by a small perturbation as one unit of  $t$  (b) mass squared is transferred to  $u$  (s) quark and produces symmetry breaking as  $(n_d = 5, n_s = t, n_b = 59)$ ,  $(n_u = 6, n_c = 4, n_t = 59)$ .

The unperturbed matrices  $|U|$  and  $|D|$  would be identical with  $|U|$  given by

$$|U_{11}| = |U_{22}| = \frac{2}{3} , \quad |U_{12}| = |U_{21}| = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} ,\tag{10.7.-11}$$

The thermodynamical model allows solutions reducing to a direct sum of  $2 \times 2$  and  $1 \times 1$  matrices, and since  $|U|$  matrix is fixed completely by the mass constraints, it is trivially consistent with the thermodynamical model.

### Direct search of $U$ and $D$ matrices

The general formulas for  $p^U$  and  $p^D$  in terms of the probabilities  $p_{11}$  and  $p_{21}$  allow straightforward search for the probability matrices having maximum entropy just by scanning the  $(p_{11}, p_{21})$  plane constrained by the conditions that all probabilities are positive and smaller than 1. In the physically interesting case the solution is sought near a solution for which the non-vanishing probabilities are  $p_{11} = p_{22} = (9 - n_1)/9$ ,  $p_{12} = p_{21} = n_1/9$ ,  $p_{33} = 1$ ,  $n_1 = 4$  or  $5$ . The inequalities allow to consider only the values  $p_{11} \geq (9 - n_1)/9$ .

#### 1. Probability matrices $p^U$ and $p^D$

The direct search leads to maximally entropic  $p^D$  matrix with  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$ :

$$p^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0.4982 & 0.4923 & 0.0095 \\ 0.4981 & 0.4924 & 0.0095 \\ 0.0037 & 0.0153 & 0.9810 \end{pmatrix} , \quad p_0^D = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5556 & 0.4444 & 0 \\ 0.4444 & 0.5556 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} .\tag{10.7.-11}$$

$p_0^D$  represents the unperturbed matrix  $p_0^D$  with  $n(d=4), n_s = 5$  and is included for the purpose of comparison. The entropy  $S(p^D) = 1.5603$  is larger than the entropy  $S(p_0^D) = 1.3739$ . A possible interpretation is in terms of the spontaneous symmetry breaking induced by entropy maximization in presence of constraints.

A maximally entropic  $p^U$  matrix with  $(n_u, n_c) = (5, 6)$  is given by



$$p^U = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5137 & 0.4741 & 0.0122 \\ 0.4775 & 0.4970 & 0.0254 \\ 0.0088 & 0.0289 & 0.9623 \end{pmatrix} \quad (10.7.-11)$$

The value of entropy is  $S(p^U) = 1.7246$ . There could be also other maxima of entropy but in the range covering almost completely the allowed range of the parameters and in the accuracy used only single maximum appears.

The probabilities  $p_{ii}^D$  resp.  $p_{ii}^U$  satisfy the constraint  $p(i, i) \geq .492$  resp.  $p_{ii} \geq .497$  so that the earlier proposal for the solution of proton spin crisis must be given up and the solution discussed in [K32] remains the proposal in TGD framework.

### 2. Near orthogonality of $U$ and $D$ matrices

An interesting question whether  $U$  and  $D$  matrices can be transformed to approximately orthogonal matrices by a suitable  $(U(1) \times U(1))_L \times (U(1) \times U(1))_R$  transformation and whether CP breaking phase appearing in CKM matrix could reflect the small breaking of orthogonality. If this expectation is correct, it should be possible to construct from  $|U|$  ( $|D|$ ) an approximately orthogonal matrix by multiplying the matrix elements  $|U_{ij}|$ ,  $i, j \in \{2, 3\}$  by appropriate sign factors. A convenient manner to achieve this is to multiply  $|U|$  ( $|D|$ ) in an element wise manner  $((A \circ B)_{ij} = A_{ij}B_{ij})$  by a sign factor matrix  $S$ .

- (a) In the case of  $|U|$  the matrix  $U = S \circ |U|$ ,  $S(2, 2) = S(2, 3) = S(3, 2) = -1$ ,  $S_{ij} = 1$  otherwise, is approximately orthogonal as the fact that the matrix  $U^T U$  given by

$$U^T U = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & 0.0006 & -0.0075 \\ 0.0006 & 1.0000 & -0.0038 \\ -0.0075 & -0.0038 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix}$$

is near unit matrix, demonstrates.

- (b) For  $D$  matrix there are two nearly orthogonal variants. For  $D = S \circ |D|$ ,  $S(2, 2) = S(2, 3) = S(3, 2) = -1$ ,  $S_{ij} = 1$  otherwise, one has

$$D^T D = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & -0.0075 & 0.0604 \\ -0.0075 & 1.0000 & 0.0143 \\ 0.0604 & 0.0143 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The choice  $D = S \circ D$ ,  $S(2, 2) = S(2, 3) = S(3, 3) = -1$ ,  $S_{ij} = 1$  otherwise, is slightly better

$$D^T D = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0000 & -0.0075 & 0.0604 \\ -0.0075 & 1.0000 & 0.0143 \\ 0.0601 & 0.0143 & 1.0000 \end{pmatrix}.$$

### 3. The matrices $U$ and $D$ in the standard gauge

Entropy maximization indeed yields probability matrices associated with unitary matrices. 8 phase factors are possible for the matrix elements but only 4 are relevant as far as the unitarity conditions are considered. The vanishing of the inner products between row vectors, gives 6 conditions altogether so that the system seems to be over-determined. The values of the parameters  $s_1, s_2, s_3$  and phase angle  $\delta$  in the "standard gauge" can be solved in terms of  $r_{11}$  and  $r_{21}$ .

The requirement that the norms of the parameters  $c_i$  are not larger than unity poses non-trivial constraints on the probability matrices. This should be the case since the number of unitarity conditions is 9 whereas probability conservation for columns and rows gives only 5

conditions so that not every probability matrix can define unitary matrix. It would seem that that the constraints are satisfied only if the the 2 mass squared conditions and 2 conditions from the entropy maximization are equivalent with 4 unitarity conditions so that the number of conditions becomes  $5+4=9$ . Therefore entropy maximization and mass squared conditions would force the points of complex 9-dimensional space defined by  $3 \times 3$  matrices to a 9-dimensional surface representing group  $U(3)$  so that these conditions would have a group theoretic meaning.

The formulas

$$\begin{aligned} r_{i2} &= \sqrt{\left[-\frac{n_i}{51} + \frac{20}{17}(1 - r_{i1}^2)\right]}, \\ r_{i3} &= \sqrt{\left[\frac{n_i}{51} - \frac{3}{17}(1 - r_{i1}^2)\right]}. \end{aligned} \quad (10.7.-11)$$

and

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & s_1 c_3 & s_1 s_3 \\ -s_1 c_2 & c_1 c_2 c_3 - s_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta) & c_1 c_2 s_3 + s_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta) \\ -s_1 s_2 & c_1 s_2 c_3 + c_2 s_3 \exp(i\delta) & c_1 s_2 s_3 - c_2 c_3 \exp(i\delta) \end{bmatrix} \quad (10.7.-10)$$

give

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 &= r_{11}, & c_2 &= \frac{r_{21}}{\sqrt{1-r_{11}^2}}, \\ s_3 &= \frac{r_{13}}{\sqrt{1-r_{11}^2}}, & \cos(\delta) &= \frac{c_1^2 c_2^2 c_3^2 + s_2^2 s_3^2 - r_{22}^2}{2c_1 c_2 c_3 s_2 s_3}. \end{aligned} \quad (10.7.-9)$$

Preliminary calculations show that for  $n_1 = n_2 = 5$  case the matrix of moduli allows a continuation to a unitary matrix but that for  $n_1 = 4, n_2 = 6$  the value of  $\cos(\delta)$  is larger than one. This would suggest that unitarity indeed gives additional constraints on the integers  $n_i$ . The unitary (in the numerical accuracy used)  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$   $D$  matrix is given by

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0.7059 & 0.7016 & 0.0975 \\ -0.7057 & 0.7017 - 0.0106i & 0.0599 + 0.0766i \\ -0.0608 & 0.0005 + 0.1235i & 0.4366 - 0.8890i \end{pmatrix}.$$

The unitarity of this matrix supports the view that for certain integers  $n_i$  the mass squared conditions and entropy maximization reduce to group theoretic conditions. The numerical experimentation shows that the necessary condition for the unitarity is  $n_1 > 4$  for  $n_2 < 9$  whereas for  $n_2 \geq 9$  the unitarity is achieved also for  $n_1 = 4$ .

### Direct search for CKM matrices

The standard gauge in which the first row and first column of unitary matrix are real provides a convenient representation for the topological mixing matrices: it is convenient to refer to these representations as  $U_0$  and  $D_0$ . The possibility to multiply the rows of  $U_0$  and  $D_0$  by phase factors ( $U(1) \times U(1)$ ) $_R$  transformations) provides 2 independent phases affecting the values of  $|V|$ . The phases  $\exp(i\phi_j)$ ,  $j = 2, 3$  multiplying the second and third row of  $D_0$  can be estimated from the matrix elements of  $|V|$ , say from the elements  $|V_{11}| = \cos(\theta_c) \equiv v_{11}$ ,  $\sin\theta_c = .226 \pm .002$  and  $|V_{31}| = (9.6 \pm .9) \cdot 10^{-3} \equiv v_{31}$ . Hence the model would predict two parameters of the CKM matrix, say  $s_3$  and  $\delta_{CP}$ , in its standard representation.

The fact that the existing empirical bounds on the matrix elements of  $V$  are based on the standard model physics raises the question about how seriously they should be taken. The

possible existence of fractally scaled up versions of light quarks could effectively reduce the matrix elements for the electro-weak decays  $b \rightarrow c + W$ ,  $b \rightarrow u + W$  resp.  $t \rightarrow s + W$ ,  $t \rightarrow d + W$  since the decays involving scaled up versions of light quarks can be counted as decays  $W \rightarrow bc$  resp.  $W \rightarrow tb$ . This would favor too small experimental estimates for the matrix elements  $V_{i3}$  and  $V_{3i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . In particular, the matrix element  $V_{31} = V_{td}$  could be larger than the accepted value.

Various constraints do not leave much freedom to choose the parameters  $n_{q_i}$ . The preliminary numerical experimentation shows that the choice  $(n_d, n_s) = (5, 5)$  and  $(n_u, n_c) = (5, 6)$  yields realistic  $U$  and  $D$  matrices. In particular, the conditions  $|U(1, 1)| > .7$  and  $|D(1, 1)| > .7$  hold true and mean that the original proposal for the solution of spin puzzle of proton must be given up. In [K32] an alternative proposal based on more recent findings is discussed. Only for this choice reasonably realistic CKM matrices have been found. For  $n_t = 58$  the mass of  $t\bar{t}$  meson mass is reduced by one percent from  $2 \times 163$  GeV for  $n(5) = 59$  so that  $n_t = 58$  is still acceptable if the additivity of conformal weight rather than mass is accepted for diagonal mesons.

- (a) The requirement that the parameters  $|V_{11}|$  (or equivalently, Cabibbo angle) and  $|V_{31}|$  are produced correctly, yields CKM matrices for which CP breaking parameter  $J$  is roughly one half of its accepted value. The matrix elements  $V_{23} \equiv V_{cb}$ ,  $V_{32} \equiv V_{tc}$ , and  $V_{13} \equiv V_{ub}$  are roughly twice their accepted value. This suggests that the condition on  $V_{31}$  should be loosened.
- (b) The following tables summarize the results of the search requiring that
- i) the value of the Cabibbo angle  $s_{Cab}$  is within the experimental limits  $s_{Cab} = .223 \pm .002$ ,
  - ii)  $V_{31} = (9.6 \pm .9) \cdot 10^{-3}$ , is allowed to have value at most twice its upper bound,
  - iii)  $V_{13}$  whose upper bound is determined by probability conservation, is within the experimental limits  $.42 \cdot 10^{-3} < |V_{ub}| < 6.98 \cdot 10^{-3}$  whereas  $V_{23} \simeq 4 \times 10^{-3}$  should come out as a prediction,
  - iv) the CP breaking parameter satisfies the condition  $|(J - J_0)/J_0| < .6$ , where  $J_0 = 10^{-4}$  represents the lower bound for  $J$  (the experimental bounds for  $J$  are  $J \times 10^4 \in (1 - 1.7)$ ).

The pairs of the phase angles  $(\phi_1, \phi_2)$  defining the phases  $(\exp(i\phi_1), \exp(i\phi_2))$  are listed below

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{class 1: } \begin{array}{cc} \phi_1 & 0.1005 & 0.1005 & 4.8129 & 4.8129 \\ \phi_2 & 0.0754 & 1.4828 & 4.7878 & 6.1952 \end{array} \\
 \text{class 2: } \begin{array}{cc} \phi_1 & 0.1005 & 0.1005 & 4.8129 & 4.8129 \\ \phi_2 & 2.3122 & 5.5292 & 0.7414 & 3.9584 \end{array}
 \end{array} \tag{10.7-9}$$

The phase angle pairs correspond to two different classes of  $U$ ,  $D$ , and  $V$  matrices. The  $U$ ,  $D$  and  $V$  matrices inside each class are identical at least up to 11 digits(!). Very probably the phase angle pairs are related by some kind of symmetry.

The values of the fitted parameters for the two classes are given by

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \begin{array}{ccccc} & |V_{11}| & |V_{31}| & |V_{13}| & J/10^{-4} \\
 \text{class 1} & 0.9740 & 0.0157 & 0.0069 & .93953 \\
 \text{class 2} & 0.9740 & 0.0164 & 0.0067 & 1.0267 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$V_{31}$  is predicted to be about 1.6 times larger than the experimental upper bound and for both classes  $V_{23}$  and  $V_{32}$  are roughly too times too large. Otherwise the fit is consistent with the experimental limits for class 2. For class 1 the CP breaking parameter is 7 per cent below the experimental lower bound. In fact, the value of  $J$  is fixed already by the constraints on  $V_{31}$  and  $V_{11}$  and reduces by a factor of one half if  $V_{31}$  is required to be within its experimental limits.

$U$ ,  $D$  and  $|V|$  matrices for class 1 are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7167 & 0.6885 & 0.1105 \\ -0.6910 & 0.7047 - 0.0210i & 0.0909 + 0.1310i \\ -0.0938 & 0.0696 + 0.1550i & 0.1747 - 0.9653i \end{bmatrix} \\
 D &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7059 & 0.7016 & 0.0975 \\ -0.6347 - 0.3085i & 0.6358 + 0.2972i & 0.0203 + 0.0951i \\ -0.0587 - 0.0159i & -0.0317 + 0.1194i & 0.6534 - 0.7444i \end{bmatrix} \\
 |V| &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9740 & 0.2265 & 0.0069 \\ 0.2261 & 0.9703 & 0.0862 \\ 0.0157 & 0.0850 & 0.9963 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{10.7.-11}$$

$U$ ,  $D$  and  $|V|$  matrices for class 2 are given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 U &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7167 & 0.6885 & 0.1105 \\ -0.6910 & 0.7047 - 0.0210i & 0.0909 + 0.1310i \\ -0.0938 & 0.0696 + 0.1550i & 0.1747 - 0.9653i \end{bmatrix} \\
 D &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.7059 & 0.7016 & 0.0975 \\ -0.6347 - 0.3085i & 0.6358 + 0.2972i & 0.0203 + 0.0951i \\ -0.0589 - 0.0151i & -0.0302 + 0.1198i & 0.6440 - 0.7525i \end{bmatrix} \\
 |V| &= \begin{bmatrix} 0.9740 & 0.2265 & 0.0067 \\ 0.2260 & 0.9704 & 0.0851 \\ 0.0164 & 0.0838 & 0.9963 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{10.7.-13}$$

What raises worries is that the values of  $|V_{23}| = |V_{cb}|$  and  $|V_{32}| = |V_{ts}|$  are roughly twice their experimental estimates. This, as well as the discrepancy related to  $V_{31}$ , might be understood in terms of the electro-weak decays of  $b$  and  $t$  to scaled up quarks causing a reduction of the branching ratios  $b \rightarrow c+W$ ,  $t \rightarrow s+W$  and  $t \rightarrow t+d$ . The attempts to find more successful integer combinations  $n_i$  has failed hitherto. The model for pseudoscalar meson masses, the predicted relatively small masses of light quarks, and the explanation for  $t\bar{t}$  meson mass supports this mixing scenario.

## 10.8 Figures and Illustrations

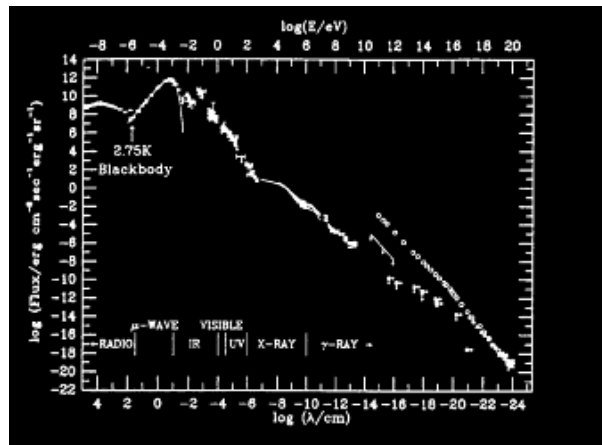


Figure 10.1: There are some indications that cosmic gamma ray flux contains a peak in the energy interval  $10^{10} - 10^{11} \text{ eV}$ . Figure is taken from [C234].

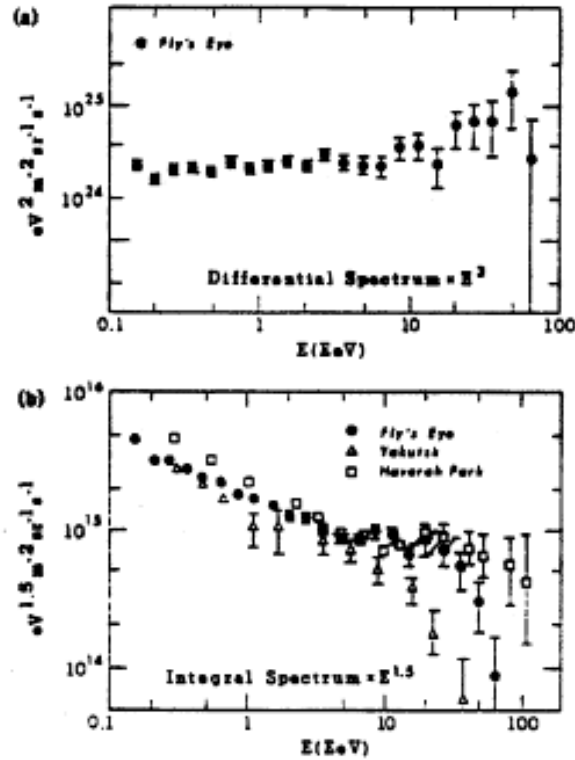


FIG. 2. (a) Differential spectrum  $j(E)$  plotted as  $E^2 j(E)$ . A power-law best fit of the form  $j(E) = aE^{-\gamma}$  yields  $a = 109.6 \pm 2.2 \text{ EeV}^{-1} \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  and  $\gamma = 2.94 \pm 0.02$  for events at  $E < 10 \text{ EeV}$ . Between 10 and 50 EeV we obtain  $a = 34 \pm 17 \text{ EeV}^{-1} \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  and  $\gamma = 2.42 \pm 0.27$ . The lack of events above 50 EeV indicates that the flattened slope does not continue. (b) Integral spectrum  $I(>E)$  plotted as  $E^{1.5} I(>E)$ . Data from both Haverah Park and Yakutsk (Refs. 10, 12, and 13) experiments are also shown.

Figure 10.2:

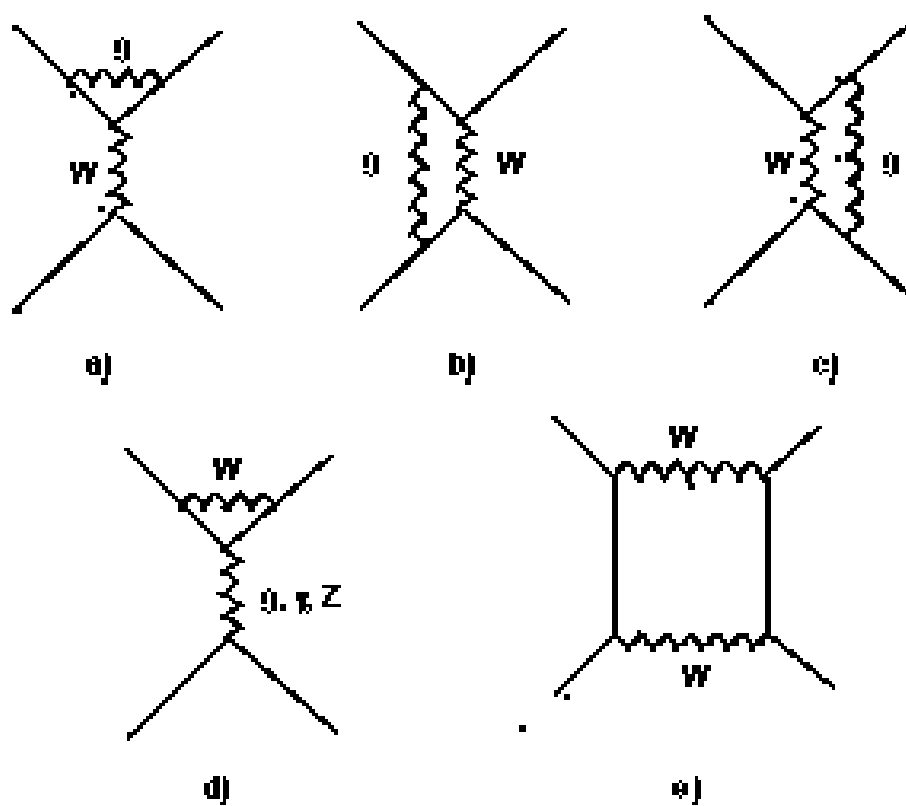


Figure 10.3: Standard model contributions to the matching of the quark operators in the effective flavor-changing Lagrangian





## Part II

# P-ADIC LENGTH SCALE HYPOTHESIS AND DARK MATTER HIERARCHY



# Chapter 11

## Recent Status of Lepto-Hadron Hypothesis

### 11.1 Introduction

TGD suggest strongly ('predicts' is perhaps too strong expression) the existence of color excited leptons. The mass calculations based on p-adic thermodynamics and p-adic conformal invariance lead to a rather detailed picture about color excited leptons.

- (a) The simplest color excited neutrinos and charged leptons belong to the color octets  $\nu_8$  and  $L_{10}$  and  $L_{\bar{10}}$  decuplet representations respectively and lepto-hadrons are formed as the color singlet bound states of these and possible other representations. Electro-weak symmetry suggests strongly that the minimal representation content is octet and decuplets for both neutrinos and charged leptons.
- (b) The basic mass scale for lepto-hadron physics is completely fixed by p-adic length scale hypothesis. The first guess is that color excited leptons have the levels  $k = 127, 113, 107, \dots$  ( $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k$  prime or power of prime) associated with charged leptons as primary condensation levels. p-Adic length scale hypothesis allows however also the level  $k = 11^2 = 121$  in case of electronic lepto-hadrons. Thus both  $k = 127$  and  $k = 121$  must be considered as a candidate for the level associated with the observed lepto-hadrons. If also lepto-hadrons correspond non-perturbatively to exotic Super Virasoro representations, lepto-pion mass relates to pion mass by the scaling factor  $L(107)/L(k) = k^{(107-k)/2}$ . For  $k = 121$  one has  $m_{\pi_L} \simeq 1.057$  MeV which compares favorably with the mass  $m_{\pi_L} \simeq 1.062$  MeV of the lowest observed state: thus  $k = 121$  is the best candidate contrary to the earlier beliefs. The mass spectrum of lepto-hadrons is expected to have same general characteristics as hadronic mass spectrum and a satisfactory description should be based on string tension concept. Regge slope is predicted to be of order  $\alpha' \simeq 1.02/MeV^2$  for  $k = 121$ . The masses of ground state lepto-hadrons are calculable once primary condensation levels for colored leptons and the CKM matrix describing the mixing of color excited lepton families is known.

The strongest counter arguments against color excited leptons are the following ones.

- (a) The decay widths of  $Z^0$  and  $W$  boson allow only  $N = 3$  light particles with neutrino quantum numbers. The introduction of new light elementary particles seems to make the decay widths of  $Z^0$  and  $W$  intolerably large.
- (b) Lepto-hadrons should have been seen in  $e^+e^-$  scattering at energies above few  $MeV$ . In particular, lepto-hadronic counterparts of hadron jets should have been observed.

A possible resolution of these problems is provided by the loss of asymptotic freedom in lepto-hadron physics. Lepto-hadron physics would effectively exist in a rather limited energy range about one MeV.

The development of the ideas about dark matter hierarchy [K32, K76, K26, K24] led however to a much more elegant solution of the problem.

- (a) TGD predicts an infinite hierarchy of various kinds of dark matters which in particular means a hierarchy of color and electro-weak physics with weak mass scales labelled by appropriate p-adic primes different from  $M_{89}$ : the simplest option is that also ordinary photons and gluons are labelled by  $M_{89}$ .
- (b) There are number theoretical selection rules telling which particles can interact with each other. The assignment of a collection of primes to elementary particle as characterizer of p-adic primes characterizing the particles coupling directly to it, is inspired by the notion of infinite primes [K78], and discussed in [K32]. Only particles characterized by integers having common prime factors can interact by the exchange of elementary bosons: the p-adic length scale of boson corresponds to a common primes.
- (c) Also the physics characterized by different values of  $\hbar$  are dark with respect to each other as far quantum coherent gauge interactions are considered. Laser beams might well correspond to photons characterized by p-adic prime different from  $M_{89}$  and de-coherence for the beam would mean decay to ordinary photons. De-coherence interaction involves scaling down of the Compton length characterizing the size of the space-time of particle implying that particles do not anymore overlap so that macroscopic quantum coherence is lost.
- (d) Those dark physics which are dark relative to each other can interact only via graviton exchange. If lepto-hadrons correspond to a physics for which weak bosons correspond to a p-adic prime different from  $M_{89}$ , intermediate gauge bosons cannot have direct decays to colored excitations of leptons irrespective of whether the QCD in question is asymptotically free or not. Neither are there direct interactions between the QED:s and QCD:s in question if  $M_{89}$  characterizes also ordinary photons and gluons. These ideas are discussed and applied in detail in [K32, K76, K26].

Skeptic reader might stop the reading after these counter arguments unless there were definite experimental evidence supporting the lepto-hadron hypothesis.

- (a) The production of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs in heavy ion collisions (energies just above the Coulomb barrier) suggests the existence of pseudoscalar particles decaying to  $e^+e^-$  pairs. A natural identification is as lepto-pions that is bound states of color octet excitations of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$ .
- (b) The second puzzle, Karmen anomaly, is quite recent [C206]. It has been found that in charge pion decay the distribution for the number of neutrinos accompanying muon in decay  $\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu_\mu$  as a function of time seems to have a small shoulder at  $t_0 \sim ms$ . A possible explanation is the decay of charged pion to muon plus some new weakly interacting particle with mass of order  $30 MeV$  [C260]: the production and decay of this particle would proceed via mixing with muon neutrino. TGD suggests the identification of this state as color singlet leptobaryon of, say type  $L_B = f_{abc}L_8^a L_8^b \bar{L}_8^c$ , having electro-weak quantum numbers of neutrino.
- (c) The third puzzle is the anomalously high decay rate of orto-positronium. [C61].  $e^+e^-$  annihilation to virtual photon followed by the decay to real photon plus virtual lepto-pion followed by the decay of the virtual lepto-pion to real photon pair,  $\pi_L \gamma \gamma$  coupling being determined by axial anomaly, provides a possible explanation of the puzzle.
- (d) There exists also evidence for anomalously large production of low energy  $e^+e^-$  pairs [C162, C125, C155, C52] in hadronic collisions, which might be basically due to the production of lepto-hadrons via the decay of virtual photons to colored leptons.

In this chapter a revised form of lepto-hadron hypothesis is described.

- (a) Sigma model realization of PCAC hypothesis allows to determine the decay widths of lepto-pion and lepto-sigma to photon pairs and  $e^+e^-$  pairs. Ortopositronium anomaly determines the value of  $f(\pi_L)$  and therefore the value of lepto-pion-lepto-nucleon coupling and the decay rate of lepto-pion to two photons. Various decay widths are in accordance

with the experimental data and corrections to electro-weak decay rates of neutron and muon are small.

- (b) One can consider several alternative interpretations for the resonances.

*Option 1:* For the minimal color representation content, three lepto-pions are predicted corresponding to 8, 10,  $\overline{10}$  representations of the color group. If the lightest lepto-nucleons  $e_{ex}$  have masses only slightly larger than electron mass, the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  could be actually  $e_{ex}^+ + e_{ex}^-$  pairs produced in the decays of lepto-pions. One could identify 1.062, 1.63 and 1.77 MeV states as the three lepto-pions corresponding to 8, 10,  $\overline{10}$  representations and also understand why the latter two resonances have nearly degenerate masses. Since  $d$  and  $s$  quarks have same primary condensation level and same weak quantum numbers as colored  $e$  and  $\mu$ , one might argue that also colored  $e$  and  $\mu$  correspond to  $k = 121$ . From the mass ratio of the colored  $e$  and  $\mu$ , as predicted by TGD, the mass of the muonic lepto-pion should be about 1.8 MeV in the absence of topological mixing. This suggests that 1.83 MeV state corresponds to the lightest  $g = 1$  lepto-pion.

*Option 2:* If one believes sigma model (in ordinary hadron physics the existence of sigma meson is not established and its width is certainly very large if it exists), then lepto-pions are accompanied by sigma scalars. If lepto-sigmas decay dominantly to  $e^+e^-$  pairs (this might be forced by kinematics) then one could adopt the previous scenario and could identify 1.062 state as lepto-pion and 1.63, 1.77 and 1.83 MeV states as lepto-sigmas rather than lepto-pions. The fact that muonic lepto-pion should have mass about 1.8 MeV in the absence of topological mixing, suggests that the masses of lepto-sigma and lepto-pion should be rather close to each other.

*Option 3:* One could also interpret the resonances as string model 'satellite states' having interpretation as radial excitations of the ground state lepto-pion and lepto-sigma. This identification is not however so plausible as the genuinely TGD based identification and will not be discussed in the sequel.

- (c) PCAC hypothesis and sigma model leads to a general model for lepto-hadron production in the electromagnetic fields of the colliding nuclei and production rates for lepto-pion and other lepto-hadrons are closely related to the Fourier transform of the instanton density  $\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}$  of the electromagnetic field created by nuclei. The first source of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs is the production of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs from vacuum followed by  $\sigma_L \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decay. If  $e_{ex}^+e_{ex}^-$  pairs rather than genuine  $e^+e^-$  pairs are in question, the production is production of lepto-pions from vacuum followed by lepto-pion decay to lepto-nucleon pair.

*Option 1:* For the production of lepto-nucleon pairs the cross section is only slightly below the experimental upper bound for the production of the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs and the decay rate of lepto-pion to lepto-nucleon pair is of correct order of magnitude.

*Option 2:* The rough order of magnitude estimate for the production cross section of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs via  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pair creation followed by  $\sigma_L \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decay, is by a factor of order  $1/\sum N_c^2$  ( $N_c$  is the total number of states for a given colour representation and sum over the representations contributing to the orthopositronium anomaly appears) smaller than the reported cross section in case of 1.8 MeV resonance. The discrepancy could be due to the neglect of the large radiative corrections (the coupling  $g(\pi_L\pi_L\sigma_L) = g(\sigma_L\sigma_L\sigma_L)$  is very large) and also due to the uncertainties in the value of the measured cross section.

Given the unclear status of sigma in hadron physics, one has a temptation to conclude that anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs actually correspond to lepto-nucleon pairs.

- (d) The vision about dark matter suggests that direct couplings between leptons and lepto-hadrons are absent in which case no new effects in the direct interactions of ordinary leptons are predicted. If colored leptons couple directly to ordinary leptons, several new physics effects such as resonances in photon-photon scattering at cm energy equal to lepto-pion masses and the production of  $e_{ex}\bar{e}_{ex}$  ( $e_{ex}$  is lepto-baryon with quantum numbers of electron) and  $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  pairs in heavy ion collisions, are possible. Lepto-pion exchange would give dominating contribution to  $\nu - e$  and  $\bar{\nu} - e$  scattering at low energies. Lepto-hadron jets should be observed in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation at energies above few MeV:s unless the loss of asymptotic freedom restricts lepto-hadronic physics to a very narrow energy range and perhaps to entirely non-perturbative regime of lepto-hadronic QCD.

This chapter is a revised version of the earlier chapter [K1] and still a work in progress. I apologize for the reader for possible inconvenience. The motivation for the re-writing came from the evidence for the production of  $\tau$ -pions in high energy proton-antiproton collisions [C72]. Since the kinematics of these collisions differs dramatically from that for heavy ion collisions, a critical re-examination of the earlier model - which had admittedly somewhat ad hoc character- became necessary. As a consequence the earlier model simplified dramatically. As far as basic calculations are considered, the modification makes itself visible only at the level of coefficients. Even more remarkably, it turned out possible to calculate exactly the lepto-pion production amplitude under a very natural approximation, which can be also generalized so that the calculation of production amplitude can be made analytically in high accuracy and only the integration over lepto-pion momentum must be carried out numerically. As a consequence, a rough analytic estimate for the production cross section follows and turns out to be of correct order of magnitude. It must be however stressed that the cross section is highly sensitive to the value of the cutoff parameter (at least in this naive estimate) and only a precise calculation can settle the situation.

## 11.2 Lepto-hadron hypothesis

### 11.2.1 Anomalous $e^+e^-$ pairs in heavy ion collisions

Heavy ion collision experiments carried out at the Gesellschaft für Schwerionenforschung in Darmstadt, West Germany [C146, C150, C164, C142] have yielded a rather puzzling set of results. The expectation was that in heavy ion collisions in which the combined charge of the two colliding ions exceeds 173, a composite nucleus with  $Z > Z_{cr}$  would form and the probability for spontaneous positron emission would become appreciable.

Indeed, narrow peaks of widths of roughly 50-70 keV and energies about  $350 \pm 50$  keV were observed in the positron spectra but it turned out that the position of the peaks seems to be a constant function of Z rather than vary as  $Z^{20}$  as expected and that peaks are generated also for Z smaller than the critical Z. The collision energies at which peaks occur lie in the neighborhood of 5.7-6 MeV/nucleon. Also it was found that positrons are accompanied by  $e^-$  emission. Data are consistent with the assumption that some structure at rest in cm is formed and decays subsequently to  $e^+e^-$  pair.

Various theoretical explanations for these peaks have been suggested [C62, C211]. For example, lines might be created by pair conversion in the presence of heavy nuclei. In nuclear physics explanations the lines are due to some nuclear transition that occurs in the compound nucleus formed in the collision or in the fragments formed. The Z-independence of the peaks seems however to exclude both atomic and nuclear physics explanations [C62]. Elementary particle physics explanations [C62, C211] seem to be excluded already by the fact that several peaks have been observed in the range 1.6 – 1.8 MeV with widths of order  $10^1 - 10^2$  keV. These states decay to  $e^+e^-$  pairs. There is evidence for one narrow peak with width of order one keV at 1.062 MeV [C62]: this state decays to photon-photon pairs.

Thus it seems that the structures produced might be composite, perhaps resonances in  $e^+e^-$  system. The difficulty of this explanation is that conventional QED seems to offer no natural explanation for the strong force needed to explain the energy scale of the states. One idea is that the strong electromagnetic fields create a new phase of QED [C62] and that the resonances are analogous to pseudoscalar mesons appearing as resonances in strongly interacting systems.

TGD based explanation relies on the following hypothesis motivated by Topological Geometro-dynamics.

- (a) Ordinary leptons are not point like particles and can have colored excitations, which form color singlet bound states. A natural identification for the primary condensate level is  $k = 121$  so that the mass scale is of order one MeV for the states containing lowest generation colored leptons. The fact that d and s quarks, having the same weak quantum numbers as charged leptons, have same primary condensation level, suggests that both

colored electron and muon condense to the same level. The expectation that lepto-hadron physics exists in a narrow energy interval only, suggests that also colored  $\tau$  should condense on the same level.

- (b) The states in question are lepto-hadrons, that is color confined states formed from the colored excitations of  $e^+$  and  $e^-$ . The decay rate to lepto-nucleon pairs  $e_{ex}^+e_{ex}^-$  is large and turns out to give rise to correct order of magnitude for the decay width. Hence two options emerge.

*Option 1:* Lepto-nucleons  $e_{ex}$  have masses only slightly above the electron mass and since they behave like electrons, anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs could actually correspond to lepto-nucleon pairs created in the decays of lepto-pions. 1.062, 1.63 and 1.77 MeV states can be identified as lowest generation lepto-pions correspond to octet and two decuplets. 1.83 MeV state could be identified as the second generation lepto-pion corresponding to colored muon. The small branching fraction to gamma pairs explains why the decays of the higher mass lepto-pions to gamma pairs has not been observed.  $g = 0$  lepto-pion decays to lepto-nucleon pairs can be visualized as occurring via dual diagrams obeying Zweig's rule (annihilation is not allowed inside incoming or outgoing particle states). The decay of  $g = 1$  colored muon pair occurs via Zweig rule violating annihilation to two gluon intermediate state, which transforms back to virtual  $g = 0$  colored electron pair decaying via dual diagram: the violation of Zweig's rule suggests that the decay rate for 1.8 MeV state is smaller than for the lighter states. Quantitative model shows that this scenario is the most plausible one.

*Option 2:* Lepto-sigmas, which are the scalar partners of lepto-pions predicted by sigma model, are the source of anomalous (and genuine)  $e^+e^-$  pairs. In this case 1.062 state must correspond to lepto-pion whereas higher states must be identified as lepto-sigmas. Also now new lepto-pion states decaying to gamma pairs are predicted and one could hence argue that this prediction is not consistent with what has been observed. A crucial assumption is that lepto-sigmas are light and cannot decay to other lepto-mesons. Ordinary hadronic physics suggests that this need not be the case: the hadronic decay width of the ordinary sigma, if it exists, is very large.

The program of the section is following:

- (a) PCAC hypothesis, successful in low energy pion physics, is generalized to the case of lepto-pion. Hypothesis allows to deduce the coupling of lepto-pion to leptons and lepto-baryons in terms of leptobaryon-lepton mixing angles. Ortopositronium anomaly allows to deduce precise value of  $f(\pi_L)$  characterizing the decay rate of lepto-pion so that the crucial parameters of the model are completely fixed. The decay rates of lepto-pion to photon pair and of lepto-sigma to ordinary  $e^+e^-$  pairs are within experimental bounds and corrections to muon and beta decay rates are small. New calculable resonance contributions to photon-photon scattering at cm energy equal to lepto-pion masses are predicted.
- (b) If anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs are actually lepto-nucleon pairs, only a model for the creation of lepto-pions from vacuum is needed. In an external electromagnetic field lepto-pion develops a vacuum expectation value proportional to electromagnetic anomaly term [B13] so that the production amplitude for the lepto-pion is essentially the Fourier transform of the scalar product of the electric field of the stationary target nucleus with the magnetic field of the colliding nucleus.
- (c) If anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs are produced in the decays of lepto-sigmas, the starting point is sigma model providing a realization of PCAC hypothesis. Sigma model makes it possible to relate the production amplitude for  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs to the lepto-pion production amplitude: the key element of the model is the large value of the  $\sigma\pi_L\pi_L$  coupling constant.
- (d) Lepto-hadron production amplitudes are proportional to lepto-pion production amplitude and this motivates a detailed study of lepto-pion production. Two models for lepto-pion production are developed: in classical model colliding nucleus is treated classically whereas in quantum model the colliding nucleus is described quantum mechanically. It turns out that classical model explains the peculiar production characteristics of lepto-pion but that production cross section is too small by several orders of magnitude. Quantum mechanical model predicts also diffractive effects: production cross section varies rapidly as a function

of the scattering angle and for a fixed value of scattering angle there is a rapid variation with the collision velocity. The estimate for the total lepto-pion production cross section increases by several orders of magnitude due to the coherent summation of the contributions to the amplitude from different values of the impact parameter at the peak.

- (e) The production rate for lepto-nucleon pairs is only slightly smaller than the experimental upper bound but the  $e^+e^-$  production rate predicted by sigma model approach is still by a factor of order  $1/\sum N_c^2$  smaller than the reported maximum cross section. A possible explanation for this discrepancy is the huge value of the coupling  $g(\pi_L, \pi_L, \sigma_L) = g(\sigma_L, \sigma_L, \sigma_L)$  implying that the diagram involving the exchange of virtual sigma can give the dominant contribution to the production cross section of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pair.

### 11.2.2 Lepto-pions and generalized PCAC hypothesis

One can say that the PCAC hypothesis predicts the existence of pions and a connection between the pion nucleon coupling strength and the pion decay rate to leptons. In the following we give the PCAC argument and its generalization and consider various consequences.

#### PCAC for ordinary pions

The PCAC argument for ordinary pions goes as follows [B34] :

- (a) Consider the contribution of the hadronic axial current to the matrix element describing lepton nucleon scattering (say  $N + \nu \rightarrow P + e^-$ ) by weak interactions. The contribution in question reduces to the well-known current-current form

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} g_A L_\alpha \langle P | A^\alpha | P \rangle , \\ L_\alpha &= \bar{e} \gamma_\alpha (1 + \gamma_5) \nu , \\ \langle P | A^\alpha | P \rangle &= \bar{P} \gamma^\alpha N , \end{aligned} \quad (11.2-1)$$

where  $G_F = \frac{\pi\alpha}{2m_W^2 \sin^2(\theta_W)} \simeq 10^{-5}/m_p^2$  denotes the dimensional weak interaction coupling strength and  $g_A$  is the nucleon axial form factor:  $g_A \simeq 1.253$ .

- (b) The matrix element of the hadronic axial current is not divergenceless, due to the non-vanishing nucleon mass,

$$a_\alpha \langle P | A^\alpha | P \rangle \simeq 2m_p \bar{P} \gamma_5 N . \quad (11.2.0)$$

Here  $q^\alpha$  denotes the momentum transfer vector. In order to obtain divergenceless current, one can modify the expression for the matrix element of the axial current

$$\langle P | A^\alpha | N \rangle \rightarrow \langle P | A^\alpha | N \rangle - q^\alpha 2m_p \bar{P} \gamma_5 N \frac{1}{q^2} . \quad (11.2.1)$$

- (c) The modification introduces a new term to the lepton-hadron scattering amplitude identifiable as an exchange of a massless pseudoscalar particle

$$\delta T = \frac{G_F g_A}{\sqrt{2}} L_\alpha \frac{2m_p q^\alpha}{q^2} \bar{P} \gamma_5 N . \quad (11.2.2)$$

The amplitude is identifiable as the amplitude describing the exchange of the pion, which gets its mass via the breaking of chiral invariance and one obtains by the straightforward replacement  $q^2 \rightarrow q^2 - m_\pi^2$  the correct form of the amplitude.



- (d) The nontrivial point is that the interpretations as pion exchange is indeed possible since the amplitude obtained is to a good approximation identical to that obtained from the Feynman diagram describing pion exchange, where the pion nucleon coupling constant and pion decay amplitude appear

$$T_2 = \frac{G}{\sqrt{2}} f_\pi q^\alpha L_\alpha \frac{1}{q^2 - m_\pi^2} g \sqrt{2} \bar{P} \gamma_5 N . \quad (11.2.3)$$

The condition  $\delta T \sim T_2$  gives from Goldberger-Treiman [B34]

$$g_A (\simeq 1.25) = \sqrt{2} \frac{f_\pi g}{2m_p} (\simeq 1.3) , \quad (11.2.4)$$

satisfied in a good accuracy experimentally.

### PCAC in leptonic sector

A natural question is why not generalize the previous argument to the leptonic sector and look at what one obtains. The generalization is based on following general picture.

- (a) There are two levels to be considered: the level of ordinary leptons and the level of leptobaryons of, say type  $f_{ABC} \nu_8^A \nu_8^B \bar{L}_{10}^C$ , possessing same quantum numbers as leptons. The interaction transforming these states to each other causes in mass eigenstates mixing of leptobaryons with ordinary leptons described by mixing angles. The masses of lepton and corresponding leptobaryon could be quite near to each other and in case of electron this should be the case as it turns out.
- (b) A counterargument against the applications of PCAC hypothesis at level of ordinary leptons is that baryons and mesons are both bound states of quarks whereas ordinary leptons are not bound states of colored leptons. The divergence of the axial current is however completely independent of the possible internal structure of leptons and microscopic emission mechanism. Ordinary lepton cannot emit lepto-pion directly but must first transform to leptobaryon with same quantum numbers: phenomenologically this process can be described using mixing angle  $\sin(\theta_B)$ . The emission of lepto-pion proceeds as  $L \rightarrow B_L : B_L \rightarrow B_L + \pi_L : B_L \rightarrow L$ , where  $B_L$  denotes leptobaryon of type structure  $f_{ABC} L_8^A L_8^B \bar{L}_8^C$ . The transformation amplitude  $L \rightarrow B_L$  is proportional to the mixing angle  $\sin(\theta_L)$ .

Three different PCAC type identities are assumed to hold true:

PCAC1) The vertex for the emission of lepto-pion by ordinary lepton is equivalent with the graph in which lepton  $L$  transforms to leptobaryon  $L^{ex}$  with same quantum numbers, emits lepto-pion and transforms back to ordinary lepton. The assumption relates the couplings  $g(L_1, L_2)$  and  $g(L_1^{ex}, L_2^{ex})$  (analogous to strong coupling) and mixing angles to each other

$$g(L_1, L_2) = g(L_1^{ex}, L_2^{ex}) \sin(\theta_1) \sin(\theta_2) . \quad (11.2.5)$$

The condition implies that in electro-weak interactions ordinary leptons do not transform to their exotic counterparts.

PCAC2) The generalization of the ordinary Goldberger-Treiman argument holds true, when ordinary baryons are replaced with leptobaryons. This gives the condition expressing the coupling  $f(\pi_L)$  of the lepto-pion state to axial current defined as

$$\langle vac | A_\alpha | \pi_L \rangle = i p_\alpha f(\pi_L) , \quad (11.2.6)$$

in terms of the masses of leptobaryons and strong coupling  $g$ .

$$f(\pi_L) = \sqrt{2}g_A \frac{(m_{ex}(1) + m_{ex}(2))\sin(\theta_1)\sin(\theta_2)}{g(L_1, L_2)} , \quad (11.2.7)$$

where  $g_A$  is parameter characterizing the deviation of weak coupling strength associated with leptobaryon from ideal value:  $g_A \sim 1$  holds true in good approximation.

PCAC3) The elimination of leptonic axial anomaly from leptonic current fixes the values of  $g(L_i, L_j)$ .

- (a) The standard contribution to the scattering of leptons by weak interactions given by the expression

$$\begin{aligned} T &= \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} \langle L_1 | A^\alpha | L_2 \rangle \langle L_3 | A_\alpha | L_4 \rangle , \\ \langle L_i | A^\alpha | L_j \rangle &= \bar{L}_i \gamma^\alpha \gamma_5 L_j . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.7)$$

- (b) The elimination of the leptonic axial anomaly

$$g_\alpha \langle L_i | A^\alpha | L_j \rangle = (m(L_i) + m(L_j)) \bar{L}_i \gamma_5 L_j , \quad (11.2.8)$$

by modifying the axial current by the anomaly term

$$\langle L_i | A^\alpha | L_j \rangle \rightarrow \langle L_i | A^\alpha | L_j \rangle - (m(L_i) + m(L_j)) \frac{q^\alpha}{q^2} \bar{L}_i \gamma_5 L_j , \quad (11.2.9)$$

induces a new interaction term in the scattering of ordinary leptons.

- (c) It is assumed that this term is equivalent with the exchange of lepto-pion. This fixes the value of the coupling constant  $g(L_1, L_2)$  to

$$\begin{aligned} g(L_1, L_2) &= 2^{1/4} \sqrt{G_F} (m(L_1) + m(L_2)) \xi , \\ \xi(\text{charged}) &= 1 , \\ \xi(\text{neutral}) &= \cos(\theta_W) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.8)$$

Here the coefficient  $\xi$  is related to different values of masses for gauge bosons  $W$  and  $Z$  appearing in charged and neutral current interactions. An important factor 2 comes from the modification of the axial current in both matrix elements of the axial current.

Lepto-pion exchange interaction couples right and left handed leptons to each other and its strength is of the same order of magnitude as the strength of the ordinary weak interaction at energies not considerably large than the mass of the lepto-pion. At high energies this interaction is negligible and the existence of the lepto-pion predicts no corrections to the parameters of the standard model since these are determined from weak interactions at much higher energies. If lepto-pion mass is sufficiently small (as found,  $m(\pi_L) < 2m_e$  is allowed by the experimental data), the interaction mediated by lepto-pion exchange can become quite strong due to the presence of the lepto-pion propagator. The value of the lepton-lepto-pion coupling is  $g(e, e) \equiv g \sim 5.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$ . It is perhaps worth noticing that the value of the coupling constant is of the same order as lepton-Higgs coupling constant and also proportional to the mass of the lepton.

PCAC identities fix the values of coupling constants apart from the values of mixing angles. If one assumes that the strong interaction mediated by lepto-pions is really strong and the coupling strength  $g(L_{ex}, L_{ex})$  is of same order of magnitude as the ordinary pion nucleon coupling strength  $g(\pi NN) \simeq 13.5$  one obtains an estimate for the value of the mixing angle  $\sin(\theta_e)$

$\sin^2(\theta_e) \sim \frac{g(\pi NN)}{g(L,L)} \sim 2.4 \cdot 10^{-6}$ . This implies the order of magnitude  $f(\pi_L) \sim 10^{-6} m_W \sim 10^2 \text{ keV}$  for  $f(\pi_L)$ . The order of magnitude is correct as will be found. Ortopositronium decay rate anomaly  $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma \sim 10^{-3}$  and the assumption  $m_{ex} \geq 1.3 \text{ MeV}$  (so that  $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  decay is not possible) gives the upper bound  $\sin(\theta_e) \leq x \cdot \sqrt{N_c} \cdot 10^{-4}$ , where the value of  $x \sim 1$  depends on the number of the lepto-pion type states and on the precise value of the Op anomaly.

### 11.2.3 Lepto-pion decays and PCAC hypothesis

The PCAC argument makes it possible to predict the lepto-pion coupling and decay rates of the lepto-pion to various channels. Actually the orders of magnitude for the decay rates of the lepto-sigma and other lepto-mesons can be deduced also. The comparison with the experimental data is made difficult by the uncertainty of the identifications. The lightest candidate has mass  $1.062 \text{ MeV}$  and decay width of order  $1 \text{ keV}$  [C62] : only photon photon decay has been observed for this state. The next lepto-meson candidates are in the mass range  $1.6-1.8 \text{ MeV}$ . Perhaps the best status is possessed by 'Darmstadtium' with mass  $1.8 \text{ MeV}$ . For these states decays to final states identified as  $e^+e^-$  pairs dominate: if indeed  $e^+e^-$  pairs, these states probably correspond to the decay products of lepto-sigma. Another possibility is that pairs are actually lepto-nucleon pairs with the mass of the lepto-nucleon only slightly larger than electron mass. Hadron physics experience suggests that the decay widths of the lepto-hadrons (lepto-pion forming a possible exception) should be about 1-10 per cent of particle mass as in hadron physics. The upper bounds for the widths are indeed in the range  $50 - 70 \text{ keV}$  [C62] .

$$\Gamma(\pi_L \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$$

As in the case of the ordinary pion, anomaly considerations give the following approximate expression for the decay rate of the lepto-pion to two-photon final states [B13] )

$$\Gamma(\pi_L \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = \frac{N_c^2 \alpha^2 m^3(\pi_L)}{64 f(\pi_L)^2 \pi^3} . \quad (11.2.9)$$

$N_c = 8, 10$  is the number of the colored lepton states coming from the axial anomaly loop. For  $m(\pi_L) = 1.062 \text{ MeV}$  and  $f(\pi_L) = N_c \cdot 7.9 \text{ keV}$  implied by the orpositronium decay rate anomaly  $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma = 10^{-3}$  one has  $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma) = .52 \text{ keV}$ , which is consistent with the experimental estimate of order  $1 \text{ keV}$  [C62] .

In fact, several lepto-pion states could exist (4 at least corresponding to the resonances at  $1.062, 1.63, 1.77$  and  $1.83 \text{ MeV}$ ). Since all these lepto-pion states contribute to Op decay rate, the actual value of  $f(\pi_L)$  assumed to scale as  $m(\pi_L)$ , is actually larger in this case: it turns out that  $f(\pi_L)$  for the lightest lepto-pion increases to  $f(\pi_L)(lightest) = N_c \cdot 15 \text{ keV}$  and gives  $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma) \simeq .13 \text{ keV}$  in case of the lightest lepto-pion if lepto-pions are assumed to correspond the resonances. Note that the order of magnitude for  $f(\pi_L)$  is same as deduced from the assumption that lepto-hadronic counterpart of  $g(\pi NN)$  equals to the ordinary  $g(\pi NN)$ . The increase of the orpositronium anomaly by a factor of, say 4, implies corresponding decrease in  $f(\pi_L)^2$ . The value of  $f(\pi_L)$  is also sensitive to the precise value of the mass of the lightest lepto-pion.

#### Lepto-pion-lepton coupling

The value of the lepto-pion-lepton coupling can be used to predict the decay rate of lepto-pion to leptons. One obtains for the decay rate  $\pi_L^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-$  the estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma(\pi_L \rightarrow e^+e^-) &= 4 \frac{g(e,e)^2 \pi}{2(2\pi)^2} (1-4x^2) m(\pi_L) \\
&= 16 G m_e^2 \cos^2(\theta_W) \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4\pi} (1-4x^2) m(\pi_L) , \\
x &= \frac{m_e}{m(\pi_L)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.8}$$

for the decay rate of the lepto-pion: for lepto-pion mass  $m(\pi_L) \simeq 1.062 \text{ MeV}$  one obtains for the decay rate the estimate  $\Gamma \sim 1/(1.3 \cdot 10^{-8} \text{ sec})$ : the low decay rate is partly due to the phase space suppression and implies that  $e^+e^-$  decay products cannot be observed in the measurement volume. The low decay rate is in accordance with the identification of the lepto-pion as the  $m = 1.062 \text{ MeV}$  lepto-pion candidate. In sigma model lepto-pion and lepto-sigma have identical lifetimes and for lepto-sigma mass of order  $1.8 \text{ MeV}$  one obtains  $\Gamma(\sigma_L \rightarrow e^+e^-) \simeq 1/(8.2 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ sec})$ : the prediction is larger than the lower limit  $\sim 1/(10^{-9} \text{ sec})$  for the decay rate implied by the requirement that  $\sigma_L$  decays inside the measurement volume. The estimates of the lifetime obtained from heavy ion collisions [C172] give the estimate  $\tau \geq 10^{-10} \text{ sec}$ . The large value of the lifetime is in accordance with the limits for the lifetime obtained from Babbha scattering [C160] , which indicate that the lifetime must be longer than  $10^{-12} \text{ sec}$ .

For lepto-meson candidates with mass above  $1.6 \text{ MeV}$  no experimental evidence for other decay modes than  $X \rightarrow e^+e^-$  has been found and the empirical upper limit for  $\gamma\gamma/e^+e^-$  branching ratio [C147] is  $\Gamma(\gamma\gamma)/\Gamma(e^+e^-) \leq 10^{-3}$ . If the identification of the decay products as  $e^+e^-$  pairs is correct then the only possible conclusion is that these states cannot correspond to lepto-pion since lepto-pion should decay dominantly into photon photon pairs. Situation changes if pairs of lepton-ucleons  $e_{ex}\bar{e}_{ex}$  of type  $e_{ex} = e_8\nu_8\bar{\nu}_8$  pair are in question.

I realized that this conclusion might be questioned for more than decade after writing the above text as I developed a model for CDF anomaly suggesting the existence of  $\tau$ -pions. Since colored leptons are color octets, anomalous magnetic moment type coupling of form  $\bar{L}Tr(F^{\mu\nu}\Sigma_{\mu\nu}L_8)$  (the trace is over the Lie-algebra generators of  $SU(3)$  and  $F^{\mu\nu}$  denotes color gauge field) between ordinary lepton, colored lepton and lepto-gluon is possible. The exchange of a virtual lepto-gluon allows lepto-pion to decay by lepto-strong interactions to electron-positron pairs. The decay rate is limited by the kinematics for the lightest state very near to the final state mass and might make decay rate to in this case very small. If the rate for the decay to electron-positron pair is comparable to that for the decay to two photons the production rate for electron-positron pairs could be of the same order of magnitude as lepton production rate. The anomalous magnetic moment of electron however poses strong limitations on this coupling and it might be that the coupling is too small. This coupling could however induce the mixing of  $e_{ex}$  with  $e$ .

$$\Gamma(\pi_L \rightarrow e + \bar{\nu}_e)$$

The expression for the decay rate  $\pi_L \rightarrow e + \bar{\nu}_e$  reads as

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma(\pi_L^- \rightarrow e\nu_e) &= 8 G m_e^2 \frac{(1-x^2)^2}{2(1+x^2)} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{(2\pi)^5} m(\pi_L) , \\
&= \frac{4}{\cos^2(\theta_W)} \frac{(1-x^2)}{(1+x^2)(1-4x^2)} \Gamma(\pi_L^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-) ,
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.8}$$

and gives  $\Gamma(\pi_L^- \rightarrow e\nu_e) \simeq 1/(3.6 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ sec})$  for  $m(\pi_L) = 1.062 \text{ MeV}$ .

$$\Gamma(\pi_L/\sigma_L \rightarrow e_{ex}\bar{e}_{ex}) \text{ and } \Gamma(\pi_L/\sigma_L \rightarrow e_{ex}\bar{e})$$

Sigma model predicts lepto-pion and lepto-sigma to have same coupling to lepto-nucleon  $e_{ex}$  pair so that in the sequel only lepto-pion decay rates are considered. One must consider also the possibility that lepto-pion decay products are either  $e_{ex}\bar{e}_{ex}$  or  $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  pairs with  $e_{ex}$  having mass of near the mass of electron so that it could be misidentified as electron. If the mass of lepto-nucleon  $e_{ex}$  with quantum numbers of electron is smaller than  $m(\pi_L)/2$  it can be produced in lepto-pion annihilation. One must also assume  $m(e_{ex}) > m_e$ : otherwise electrons would spontaneously decay to lepto-nucleons via photon emission. The production rate to lepto-nucleon pair can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\pi_L \rightarrow e_{ex}^+ e_{ex}^-) &= \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta_e)} \frac{(1-4y^2)}{(1-4x^2)} \Gamma(\pi_L \rightarrow e^+ e^-) , \\ y &= \frac{m(e_{ex})}{m(\pi_L)} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.8)$$

If  $e-e_{ex}$  mass difference is sufficiently small the kinematic suppression does not differ significantly from that for  $e^+e^-$  pair. The limits from Bhabha scattering give no bounds on the rate of  $\pi_L \rightarrow e_{ex}^+ e_{ex}^-$  decay. The decay rate  $\Gamma \sim 10^{20}/\text{sec}$  implied by  $\sin(\theta_e) \sim 10^{-4}$  implies decay width of order .1 MeV: the order of magnitude is the naively expected one and means that the decay to  $e_{ex}^+ e_{ex}^-$  pairs dominates over the decay to gamma pairs except in the case of the lightest lepto-pion state for which the decay is kinematically forbidden.

The decay rate of the lepto-pion to  $\bar{e}_{ex}$  pair has sensible order of magnitude: for  $\sin(\theta_e) = 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ,  $m_{\sigma_L} = 1.8 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_{e_{ex}} = 1.3 \text{ MeV}$  one has  $\Gamma \simeq 60 \text{ eV}$  allowed by the experimental limits. This decay is kinematically possible only provided the mass of  $e_{ex}$  is in below  $1.3 \text{ MeV}$ . These decays should dominate by a factor  $1/\sin^2(\theta_e)$  over  $e^+e^-$  decays if kinematically allowed.

A signature of these events, if identified erratically as electron positron pairs, is the non-vanishing value of the energy difference in the cm frame of the pair:  $E(e^-) - E(e^+) \simeq (m^2(e_{ex}) - m_e^2)/2E > 160 \text{ keV}$  for  $E = 1.8 \text{ MeV}$ . If the decay  $e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \gamma$  takes place before the detection the energy asymmetry changes its sign. Energy asymmetry [C154] increasing with the rest energy of the decaying object has indeed been observed: the proposed interpretation has been that electron forms a bound state with the second nucleus so that its energy is lowered. Also a deviation from the momentum distribution implied by the decay of neutral particle to  $e^+e^-$  pair (momenta are opposite in the rest frame) results from the emission of photon. This kind of deviation has also been observed [C154]: the proposed explanation is that third object is involved in the decay. A possible alternative explanation for the asymmetries is the production mechanism ( $\sigma_L \pi_L$  pairs instead of single particle states).

$$\Gamma(e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \gamma)$$

The decay to electron and photon would be a unique signature of  $e_{ex}$ . The general feature of fermion family mixing is that mixing takes place in charged currents. In present case mixing is of different type so that  $e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \gamma$  might be allowed. If this is not the case then the decay takes place as weak decay via the emission of virtual  $W$  boson:  $e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$  and is very slow due to the presence of mixing angle and kinematical suppression. The energy of the emitted photon is  $E_\gamma = (m_{e_{ex}}^2 - m_e^2)/2m_e$ . The decay rate  $\Gamma(e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \gamma)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \gamma) &= \alpha_{em} \sin^2(\theta_e) X m_e , \\ X &= \frac{(m_1 - m_e)^3 (m_1 + m_e) m_e}{(m_1^2 + m_e^2)^2 m_1} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.7)$$

For  $m(e_{ex}) = 1.3 \text{ MeV}$  the decay of order  $1/(1.4 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ sec})$  for  $\sin(\theta_e) = 1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$  so that lepto-nucleons would decay to electrons in the measurement volume. In the experiments positrons are identified via pair annihilation and since pair annihilation rate for  $\bar{e}_{ex}$  is by a factor  $\sin^2(\theta_e)$  slower than for  $e^+$  the particles identified as positrons must indeed be positrons. For sufficiently small mass difference  $m(e_{ex}) - m_e$  the particles identified as electron could actually be  $e_{ex}$ . The decay of  $e_{ex}$  to electron plus photon before its detection seems however more reasonable alternative since it could explain the observed energy asymmetry [C154].

### Some implications

The results have several implications as far as the decays of on mass shell states are considered:

- (a) For  $m(e_{ex}) > 1.3 \text{ MeV}$  the only kinematically possible decay mode is the decay to  $e^+e^-$  pair. Production mechanism might explain the asymmetries [C154]. The decay rate of on mass shell  $\pi_L$  and  $\sigma_L$  (or  $\eta_L, \rho_L, \dots$ ) is above the lower limit allowed by the detection in the measurement volume.
- (b) If the mass of  $e_{ex}$  is larger than  $.9 \text{ MeV}$  but smaller than  $1.3 \text{ MeV}$   $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  decays dominate over  $e^+e^-$  decays. The decay  $e_{ex} \rightarrow e + \gamma$  before detection could explain the observed energy asymmetry.
- (c) It will be found that the direct production of  $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  pairs is also possible in the heavy ion collision but the rate is much smaller due to the smaller phase space volume in two-particle case. The annihilation rate of  $\bar{e}_{ex}$  in matter is by a factor  $\sin^2(\theta_e)$  smaller than the annihilation rate of positron. This provides a unique signature of  $e_{ex}$  if  $e^+$  annihilation rate in matter is larger than the decay rate of  $\bar{e}_{ex}$ . In lead the lifetime of positron is  $\tau \sim 10^{-10} \text{ sec}$  and indeed larger than  $e_{ex}$  lifetime.

### Karmen anomaly

A brief comment on the Karmen anomaly [C206] observed in the decays of  $\pi^+$  is in order. The anomaly suggests the existence [C260] of new weakly interacting neutral particle  $x$ , which mixes with muon neutrino. Since  $g = 1$  neutrino corresponds to charmed quark in hadron physics context having  $k = 103$  rather than  $k = 107$  as primary condensation level, a natural guess for its primary condensation level is  $k = 113$ , which would mean that the mass scale would be of order muon mass: the particle candidate indeed has mass of order  $30 \text{ MeV}$ . One class of solutions to laboratory constraints, which might evade also cosmological and astrophysical constraints, corresponds to object  $x$  mixing with muon type neutrino and decaying radiatively to  $\gamma + \nu_\mu$  via the emission of virtual  $W$  boson. The value of the mixing parameter  $U(\mu, x)$  describing  $\nu_{mu} - x$  mixing satisfies  $|U_{\mu,x}|^4 \simeq .8 \cdot 10^{-10}$ .

The following naive PCAC argument gives order of magnitude estimate for  $|U(\mu, x)| \sim \sin(\theta_\mu)$ . The value of  $g(\mu, \mu)$  is by a factor  $m(\mu)/m_e$  larger than  $g(e, e)$ . If the lepto-hadronic couplings  $g(\mu_{ex}, \mu_{ex})$  and  $g(e_{ex}, e_{ex})$  are of same order of magnitude then one has  $\sin(\theta_\mu) \leq .02$  (3 lepto-pion states and Op anomaly equal to  $Op = 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$ ): the lower bound is 6.5 times larger than the value .003 deduced in [C260]. The actual value could be considerably smaller since  $e_{ex}$  mass could be larger than  $1.3 \text{ MeV}$  by a factor of order 10.

#### 11.2.4 Lepto-pions and weak decays

The couplings of lepto-meson to electro-weak gauge bosons can be estimated using PCAC and CVC hypothesis [B13]. The effective  $m_{\pi_L} - W$  vertex is the matrix element of electro-weak axial current between vacuum and charged lepto-meson state and can be deduced using same arguments as in the case of ordinary charged pion

$$\langle 0 | J_A^\alpha | \pi_L^- \rangle = K m(\pi_l) p^\alpha, \quad (11.2.7)$$

where  $K$  is some numerical factor and  $p^\alpha$  denotes the momentum of lepto-pion. For neutral lepto-pion the same argument gives vanishing coupling to photon by the conservation of vector current. This has the important consequence that lepto-pion cannot be observed as resonance in  $e^+e^-$  annihilation in single photon channel. In two photon channel lepto-pion should appear as resonance. The effective interaction Lagrangian is the 'instanton' density of electromagnetic field giving additional contribution to the divergence of the axial current and was used to derive a model for lepto-pion production in heavy ion collisions.

### Lepto-hadrons and lepton decays

The lifetime of charged lepto-pion is from PCAC estimates larger than  $10^{-10}$  seconds by the previous PCAC estimates. Therefore lepto-pions are practically stable particles and can appear in the final states of particle reactions. In particular, lepto-pion atoms are possible and by Bose statistics have the peculiar property that ground state can contain many lepto-pions.

Lepton decays  $L \rightarrow \nu_\mu + H_L$ ,  $L = e, \mu, \tau$  via emission of virtual  $W$  are kinematically allowed and an anomalous resonance peak in the neutrino energy spectrum at energy

$$E(\nu_L) = \frac{m(L)}{2} - \frac{m_H^2}{2m(L)}, \quad (11.2.8)$$

provides a unique test for the lepto-hadron hypothesis. If lepto-pion is too light electrons would decay to charged lepto-pions and neutrinos unless the condition  $m(\pi_L) > m_e$  holds true.

The existence of a new decay channel for muon is an obvious danger to the lepto-hadron scenario: large changes in muon decay rate are not allowed.

Consider first the decay  $\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu + \pi_L$  where  $\pi_L$  is on mass shell lepto-pion. Lepto-pion has energy  $\sim m(\mu)/2$  in muon rest system and is highly relativistic so that in the muon rest system the lifetime of lepto-pion is of order  $\frac{m(\mu)}{2m(\pi_L)}\tau(\pi_L)$  and the average length traveled by lepto-pion before decay is of order  $10^8$  meters! This means that lepto-pion can be treated as stable particle. The presence of a new decay channel changes the lifetime of muon although the rate for events using  $e\nu_e$  pair as signature is not changed. The effective  $H_L - W$  vertex was deduced above. The rate for the decay via lepto-pion emission and its ratio to ordinary rate for muon decay are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu + H_L) &= \frac{G^2 K^2}{2^5 \pi} m^4(\mu) m^2(H_L) \left(1 - \frac{m^2(H_L)}{m^2(\mu)}\right) \frac{(m^2(\mu) - m^2(H_L))}{(m^2(\mu) + m^2(H_L))}, \\ \frac{\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu + H_L)}{\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu + e + \bar{\nu}_e)} &= 6 \cdot (2\pi^4) K^2 \frac{m^2(H_L)}{m^2(\mu)} \frac{(m^2(\mu) - m^2(H_L))}{(m^2(\mu) + m^2(H_L))}, \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.7)$$

and is of order  $.93K^2$  in case of lepto-pion. As far as the determination of  $G_F$  or equivalently  $m_W^2$  from muon decay rate is considered the situation seems to be good since the change introduced to  $G_F$  is of order  $\Delta G_F/G_F \simeq 0.93K^2$  so that  $K$  must be considerably smaller than one. For the physical value of  $K$ :  $K \leq 10^{-2}$  the contribution to the muon decay rate is negligible.

Lepto-hadrons can appear also as virtual particles in the decay amplitude  $\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu + e\nu_e$  and this changes the value of muon decay rate. The correction is however extremely small since the decay vertex of intermediate off mass shell lepto-pion is proportional to its decay rate.

### Lepto-pions and beta decay

If lepto-pions are allowed as final state particles lepto-pion emission provides a new channel  $n \rightarrow p + \pi_L$  for beta decay of nuclei since the invariant mass of virtual  $W$  boson varies within the range ( $m_e = 0.511 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $m_n - m_p = 1.293 \text{ MeV}$ ). The resonance peak for  $m(\pi_L) \simeq 1 \text{ MeV}$  is extremely sharp due to the long lifetime of the charged lepto-pion. The energy of the lepto-pion at resonance is

$$E(\pi_L) = (m_n - m_p) \frac{(m_n + m_p)}{2m_n} + \frac{m(\pi_L)^2}{2m_n} \simeq m_n - m_p . \quad (11.2.8)$$

Together with long lifetime this lepto-pions escape the detector volume without decaying (the exact knowledge of the energy of charged lepto-pion might make possible its direct detection).

The contribution of lepto-pion to neutron decay rate is not negligible. Decay amplitude is proportional to superposition of divergences of axial and vector currents between proton and neutron states.

$$M = \frac{G}{\sqrt{2}} K m(\pi_L) (q^\alpha V_\alpha + q^\alpha A_\alpha) . \quad (11.2.9)$$

For exactly conserved vector current the contribution of vector current vanishes identically. The matrix element of the divergence of axial vector current at small momentum transfer (approximately zero) is in good approximation given by

$$\begin{aligned} \langle p | q^\alpha A_\alpha | n \rangle &= g_A (m_p + m_n) \bar{u}_p \gamma_5 u_n , \\ g_A &\simeq 1.253 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.9)$$

Straightforward calculation shows that the ratio for the decay rate via lepto-pion emission and ordinary beta decay rate is in good approximation given by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Gamma(n \rightarrow p + \pi_L)}{\Gamma(n \rightarrow p + e + \bar{\nu}_e)} &= \frac{30\pi^2 g_A^2 K^2}{0.47 \cdot (1 + 3g_A^2)} \frac{m_{\pi_L}^2 (\Delta^2 - m_{\pi_L}^2)^2}{\Delta^6} , \\ \Delta &= m(n) - m(p) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.9)$$

Lepto-pion contribution is smaller than ordinary contribution if the condition

$$K < \left[ \frac{.47 \cdot (1 + 3g_A^2)}{30\pi^2 g_A^2} \frac{\Delta^6}{(\Delta^2 - m_{\pi_L}^2)^2 m_{\pi_L}^2} \right]^{1/2} \simeq .28 , \quad (11.2.10)$$

is satisfied. The upper bound  $K \leq 10^{-2}$  coming from the lepto-pion decay width and Op anomaly implies that the contribution of the lepto-pion to beta decay rate is very small.



### 11.2.5 Ortopositronium puzzle and lepto-pion in photon photon scattering

The decay rate of ortopositronium (Op) has been found to be slightly larger than the rate predicted by QED [C61, C232] : the discrepancy is of order  $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma \sim 10^{-3}$ . For parapositronium no anomaly has been observed. Most of the proposed explanations [C232] are based on the decay mode  $Op \rightarrow X + \gamma$ , where  $X$  is some exotic particle. The experimental limits on the branching ratio  $\Gamma(Op \rightarrow X + \gamma)$  are below the required value of order  $10^{-3}$ . This explanation is excluded also by the standard cosmology [C232] .

Lepto-pion hypothesis suggests an obvious solution of the Op-puzzle. The increase in annihilation rate is due to the additional contribution to  $Op \rightarrow 3\gamma$  decay coming from the decay  $Op \rightarrow \gamma_V$  ( $V$  denotes 'virtual') followed by the decay  $\gamma_V \rightarrow \gamma + \pi_L^V$  followed by the decay  $\pi_L^V \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$  of the virtual lepto-pion to two photon state.  $\gamma\gamma\pi_L$  vertices are induced by the axial current anomaly  $\propto E \cdot B$ . Also a modification of parapositronium decay rate is predicted. The first contribution comes from the decay  $Op \rightarrow \pi_L^V \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$  but the contribution is very small due the smallness of the coupling  $g(e, e)$ . The second contribution obtained from ortopositronium contribution by replacing one outgoing photon with a loop photon is also small. Since the production of a real lepto-pion is impossible, the mechanism is consistent with the experimental constraints.

The modification to the Op annihilation amplitude comes in a good approximation from the interference term between the ordinary  $e^+e^-$  annihilation amplitude  $F_{st}$  and lepto-pion induced annihilation amplitude  $F_{new}$ :

$$\Delta\Gamma \propto 2Re(F_{st}\bar{F}_{new}) , \quad (11.2.11)$$

and rough order of magnitude estimate suggests  $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma \sim K^2/e^2 = \alpha^2/4\pi \sim 10^{-3}$ . It turns out that the sign and the order of magnitude of the new contribution are correct for  $f(\pi_L) \sim 2 keV$  deduced also from the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  production rate.

The new contribution to  $e^+e^- \rightarrow 3\gamma$  decay amplitude is most easily derivable using for lepto-pion-photon interaction the effective action

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 &= K\pi_L F \wedge F , \\ K &= \frac{\alpha_{em}N_c}{8\pi f(\pi_L)} , \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.11)$$

where  $F$  is quantized electromagnetic field. The calculation of the lepto-pion contribution proceeds in manner described in [B13] , where the expression for the standard contribution and an elegant method for treating the average over  $e^+e^-$  spin triplet states and sum over photon polarizations, can be found. The contribution to the decay rate can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{\Gamma} &\simeq K_1 I_0 , \\ K_1 &= \frac{3\alpha N_c^2}{(\pi^2 - 9)2^9(2\pi)^3} \left(\frac{m_e}{f(\pi_L)}\right)^2 , \\ I_0 &= \int_0^1 \int_{-1}^{umax} \frac{f}{v+f-1-x^2} v^2 (2(f-v)u + 2 - v - f) dv du , \\ f &\equiv f(v, u) = 1 - \frac{v}{2} - \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{v}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1-v}{1-u}} , \\ u &= \bar{n}_1 \cdot \bar{n}_2 , \quad \bar{n}_i = \frac{\bar{k}_i}{\omega_i} , \quad umax = \frac{(\frac{v}{2})^2}{(1 - \frac{v}{2})^2} , \\ v &= \frac{\omega_3}{m_e} , \quad x = \frac{m_{\pi_L}}{2m_e} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.7)$$

$\omega_i$  and  $\bar{k}_i$  denote the energies of photons,  $u$  denotes the cosine of the angle between first and second photon and  $v$  is the energy of the third photon using electron mass as unit. The condition  $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma = 10^{-3}$  gives for the parameter  $f(\pi_L)$  the value  $f(\pi_L)(1.062 \text{ MeV}) \simeq N_c \cdot 7.9 \text{ keV}$ . If there are several lepto-pion states, they contribute to the decay anomaly additively. If the four known resonances correspond directly to lepto-pions decaying to lepto-nucleon pairs and  $f(\pi_L)$  is assumed to scale as  $N_c m_{\pi_L}$ , one obtains  $f(\pi_L)(1.062 \text{ MeV}) \simeq N_c \cdot 14.7 \text{ keV}$ . From the PCAC relation one obtains for  $\sin(\theta_e)$  the upper bound  $\sin(\theta_e) \leq x \cdot \sqrt{N_c} 10^{-4}$  assuming  $m_{ex} \geq 1.3 \text{ MeV}$  (so that  $e_{ex}\bar{e}$  decay is not possible), where  $x = 1.2$  for single lepto-pion state and  $x = 1.36$  for four lepto-pion states identified as the observed resonances.

Lepto-pion photon interaction implies also a new contribution to photon-photon scattering. Just at the threshold  $E = m_{\pi_L}/2$  the creation of lepto-pion in photon photon scattering is possible and the appearance of lepto-pion as virtual particle gives resonance type behaviour to photon photon scattering near  $s = m_{\pi_L}^2$ . The total photon-photon cross section in zero decay width approximation is given by

$$\sigma = \frac{\alpha^4 N_c^2}{2^{14} (2\pi)^6} \frac{E^6}{f_{\pi_L}^4 (E^2 - \frac{m_{\pi_L}^2}{4})^2} . \quad (11.2.8)$$

$N$	$Op/10^{-3}$	$f(\pi_L)/(N_c \text{ keV})$	$\sin(\theta_e)(m_{ex}/1.3 \text{ MeV})^{1/2}$	$\Gamma(\pi_L)/\text{keV}$
1	1	7.9	$1.2 \cdot 10^{-4} \sqrt{N_c}$	.51
3	1	14.7	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4} \sqrt{N_c}$	.13
3	5	6.5	$3.6 \cdot 10^{-4} \sqrt{N_c}$	.73

Table 1: The dependence of various quantities on the number of lepto-pion type states and  $Op$  anomaly, whose value is varied assuming the proportionality  $f(\pi_L) \propto N_c m_{\pi_L}$ .  $N_c$  refers to the number of lepto-pion states in given representation and  $Op$  denotes lepto-pion anomaly.

### 11.2.6 Spontaneous vacuum expectation of lepto-pion field as source of lepto-pions

The basic assumption in the model of lepto-pion and lepto-hadron production is the spontaneous generation of lepto-pion vacuum expectation value in strong nonorthogonal electric and magnetic fields. This assumption is in fact very natural in TGD <sup>1</sup>.

- (a) The well known relation [B13] expressing pion field as a sum of the divergence of axial vector current and anomaly term generalizes to the case of lepto-pion

$$\pi_L = \frac{1}{f(\pi_L) m^2(\pi_L)} (\nabla \cdot j^A + \frac{\alpha_{em} N_c}{2\pi} E \cdot B) . \quad (11.2.9)$$

In the case of lepto-pion case the value of  $f(\pi_L)$  has been already deduced from PCAC argument. Anomaly term gives rise to pion decay to two photons so that one obtains an estimate for the lifetime of the lepto-pion.

This relation is taken as the basis for the model describing also the production of lepto-pion in external electromagnetic field. The idea is that the presence of external electromagnetic field gives rise to a vacuum expectation value of lepto-pion field. Vacuum expectation is obtained by assuming that the vacuum expectation value of axial vector current vanishes.

<sup>1</sup> 'Instanton density' generates coherent state of lepto-pions just like classical em current generates coherent state of photons

$$\begin{aligned} \langle vac | \pi | vac \rangle &= KE \cdot B , \\ K &= \frac{\alpha_{em} N_c}{2\pi f(\pi_L) m^2(\pi_L)} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.9)$$

Some comments concerning this hypothesis are in order here:

- i. The basic hypothesis making possible to avoid large parity breaking effects in atomic and molecular physics is that p-adic condensation levels with length scale  $L(n) < 10^{-6} m$  are purely electromagnetic in the sense that nuclei feed their  $Z^0$  charges on condensate levels with  $L(n) \geq 10^{-6} m$ . The absence of  $Z^0$  charges does not however exclude the possibility of the classical  $Z^0$  fields induced by the nonorthogonality of the ordinary electric and magnetic fields (if  $Z^0$  fields vanish  $E$  and  $B$  are orthogonal in TGD).
  - ii. The non-vanishing vacuum expectation value of the lepto-pion field implies parity breaking in atomic length scales. This is understandable from basic principles of TGD since classical  $Z^0$  field has parity breaking axial coupling to electrons and protons. The non-vanishing classical lepto-pion field is in fact more or less equivalent with the presence of classical  $Z^0$  field.
- (b) The amplitude for the production of lepto-pion with four momentum  $p = (p_0, \vec{p})$  in an external electromagnetic field can be deduced by writing lepto-pion field as sum of classical and quantum parts:  $\pi_L = \pi_L(class) + \pi_L(quant)$  and by decomposing the mass term into interaction term plus c-number term and standard mass term:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{m^2(\pi_L)\pi_L^2}{2} &= L_{int} + L_0 , \\ L_0 &= \frac{m^2(\pi_L)}{2} (\pi_L^2(class) + \pi_L^2(quant)) , \\ L_{int} &= m^2(\pi_L)\pi_L(class)\pi_L(quant) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.8)$$

Interaction Lagrangian corresponds to  $L_{int}$  linear in lepto-pion oscillator operators. Using standard LSZ reduction formula and normalization conventions of [B13] one obtains for the probability amplitude for creating lepto-pion of momentum  $p$  from vacuum the expression

$$\begin{aligned} A(p) &\equiv \langle a(p)\pi_L \rangle = (2\pi)^3 m^2(\pi_L) \int f_p(x) \langle vac | \pi | vac \rangle d^4x , \\ f_p &= e^{ip \cdot x} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.8)$$

The probability for the production of lepto-pion in phase space volume element  $d^3p$  is obtained by multiplying with the density of states factor  $d^3n = V \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} dP &= A|U|^2 V d^3p , \\ A &= \left( \frac{\alpha_{em} N_c^2 m^2(\pi_L)}{2\pi f(\pi_L)} \right)^2 , \\ U &= \int e^{ip \cdot x} E \cdot B d^4x . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.7)$$

The first conclusion that one can draw is that nonstatic electromagnetic fields are required for lepto-pion creation since in static fields energy conservation forces lepto-pion to have zero energy and thus prohibits real lepto-pion production. In particular, the spontaneous creation lepto-pion in static Coulombic and magnetic dipole fields of nucleus is impossible.

### 11.2.7 Sigma model and creation of lepto-hadrons in electromagnetic fields

#### Why sigma model approach?

For several reasons it is necessary to generalize the model for lepto-pion production to a model for lepto-hadron production.

- (a) Sigma model approach is necessary if one assumes that anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs are genuine  $e^+e^-$  pairs rather lepto-nucleon pairs produced in the decays of lepto-sigmas.
- (b) A model for the production of lepto-hadrons is obtained from an effective action describing the strong and electromagnetic interactions between lepto-hadrons. The simplest model is sigma model describing the interaction between lepto-nucleons, lepto-pion and a hypothetical scalar particle  $\sigma_L$  [B13]. This model realizes lepto-pion field as a divergence of the axial current and gives the standard relation between  $f(\pi_L), g$  and  $m_{ex}$ . All couplings of the model are related to the masses of  $e_{ex}, \pi_L$  and  $\sigma_L$ . The generation of lepto-pion vacuum expectation value in the proposed manner takes place via triangle anomaly diagrams in the external electromagnetic field.
- (c) If needed the model can be generalized to contain terms describing also other lepto-hadrons. The generalized model should contain also vector bosons  $\rho_L$  and  $\omega_L$  as well as pseudoscalars  $\eta_L$  and  $\eta'_L$  and radial excitations of  $\pi_L$  and  $\sigma_L$ . An open question is whether also  $\eta$  and  $\eta'$  generate vacuum expectation value proportional to  $E \cdot B$ . Actually all these states appear as 3-fold degenerate for the minimal color representation content of the theory.
- (d) The following observations are useful for what follows.
  - i. Ortopositronium decay width anomaly gives the estimate  $f(\pi_L) \sim N_c \cdot 7.9 \text{ keV}$  and from this one can deduce an upper bound for lepto-pion production cross section in an external electromagnetic field. The calculation of lepto-pion production cross section shows that lepto-pion production cross section is somewhat smaller than the upper bound for the observed anomalous  $e^+e^-$  production cross section, even when one tunes the values of the various parameters. This is consistent with the idea that lepto-nucleon pairs, with lepto-nucleon mass being only slightly larger than electron mass, are in question.
  - ii. Also the direct production of the lepto-nucleon pairs via the interaction term  $g \cos(\theta_e) \bar{e}_{ex} \gamma_5 e_{ex} \pi_L (cl)$  is possible but gives rise to continuum mass squared spectrum rather than resonant structures. The direct production of the pairs via the interaction term  $g \sin(\theta_e) \bar{e} \gamma_5 e_{ex} \pi_L (cl)$  from is much slower process than the production via the meson decays and does not give rise to resonant structures since Also the production via the  $\bar{e} e_{ex}$  decay of virtual lepto-pion created from classical field is slow process since it involves  $\sin^2(\theta_e)$ .
  - iii.  $e^+e^-$  production can also proceed also via the creation of many particle states. The simplest candidates are  $V_L + \pi_L$  states created via  $\partial_\alpha \pi_L V^\alpha \pi_L (class)$  term in action and  $\sigma_L + \pi_L$  states created via the the  $k \sigma_L \pi_L \pi_L (class)$  term in the sigma model action. The production cross section via the decays of vector mesons is certainly very small since the production vertex involves the inner product of vector boson 3 momentum with its polarization vector and the situation is non-relativistic.
  - iv. If the strong decay of  $\sigma_L$  to lepto-mesons is kinematically forbidden (this is not suggested by the experience with the ordinary hadron physics), the production rate for  $\sigma_L$  meson is large since the coupling  $k$  turns out to be given by  $k = (m_{\sigma_L}^2 - m_{\pi_L}^2) / 2f(\pi_L)$  and is anomalously large for the value of  $f(\pi_L) \geq 7.9 \cdot N_c \text{ keV}$  derived from ortopositronium anomaly:  $k \sim 336 m(\pi_L) / N_c$  for  $f(\pi_L) \sim N_c \cdot 7.9 \text{ keV}$ . The resulting additional factor in the production cross section compensates the reduction factor coming from two-particle phase space volume. Despite this the estimate for the production cross section of anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs is roughly by a factor  $1/N_c^2$  smaller than the maximum experimental cross section. The radiative corrections are huge and should give

the dominant contribution to the cross section. It is however questionable very the assumed small lepto-hadronic decay width and mass of  $\sigma_L$  is consistent with the extremely strong interactions of  $\sigma_L$ .

### Simplest sigma model

A detailed description of the sigma model can be found in [B13] and it suffices to outline only the crucial features here.

- (a) The action of lepto-hadronic sigma model reads as

$$\begin{aligned} L &= L_S + c\sigma_L , \\ L_S &= \bar{\psi}_L(i\gamma^k\partial_k + g(\sigma_L + i\pi_L \cdot \tau\gamma_5))\psi_L + \frac{1}{2}((\partial\pi_L)^2 + (\partial\sigma_L)^2) \\ &\quad - \frac{\mu^2}{2}(\sigma_L^2 + \pi_L^2) - \frac{\lambda}{4}(\sigma_L^2 + \pi_L^2)^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.6)$$

$\pi_L$  is isospin triplet and  $\sigma_L$  isospin singlet.  $\psi_L$  is isospin doublet with electro-weak quantum numbers of electron and neutrino ( $e_{ex}$  and  $\nu_{ex}$ ). The model allows  $so(4)$  symmetry. Vector current is conserved but for  $c \neq 0$  axial current generates divergence, which is proportional to pion field:  $\partial^\alpha A_\alpha = -c\pi_L$ .

- (b) The presence of the linear term implies that  $\sigma_L$  field generates vacuum expectation value  $\langle 0|\sigma_L|0\rangle = v$ . When the action is written in terms of new quantum field  $\sigma'_L = \sigma_L - v$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \bar{\psi}_L(i\gamma^k\partial_k + m + g(\sigma'_L + i\pi_L \cdot \tau\gamma_5))\psi_L + \frac{1}{2}((\partial\pi_L)^2 + (\partial\sigma'_L)^2) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2}m_{\sigma_L}^2(\sigma'_L)^2 - \frac{m_{\pi_L}^2}{2}\pi_L^2 \\ &\quad - \lambda v\sigma'_L((\sigma'_L)^2 + \pi_L^2) - \frac{\lambda}{4}((\sigma'_L)^2 + \pi_L^2)^2 , \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.4)$$

The masses are given by

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi_L}^2 &= \mu^2 + \lambda v^2 , \\ m_{\sigma_L}^2 &= \mu^2 + 3\lambda v^2 , \\ m &= -gv . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.3)$$

These formulas relate the parameters  $\mu, v, g$  to lepto-hadrons masses.

- (c) The requirement that  $\sigma'_L$  has vanishing vacuum expectation implies in Born approximation

$$c - \mu^2 v - \lambda v^3 = 0 , \quad (11.2.4)$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} f(\pi_L) &= -v = -\frac{c}{m^2(\pi_L)} , \\ m_{ex} &= gf(\pi_L) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.4)$$

Note that  $e_{ex}$  and  $\nu_{ex}$  are predicted to have identical masses in this approximation. The value of the strong coupling constant  $g$  of lepto-hadronic physics is indeed strong from  $m_{ex} > m_e$  and  $f(\pi_L) < N_c \cdot 10$  keV.

- (d) A new feature is the generation of the lepto-pion vacuum expectation value in an external electromagnetic field (of course, this is possible for the ordinary pion field, too!). The vacuum expectation is generated via the triangle anomaly diagram in a manner identical to the generation of a non-vanishing photon-photon decay amplitude and is proportional to the instanton density of the electromagnetic field. By redefining the pion field as a sum  $\pi_L = \pi_L(cl) + \pi'_L$  one obtains effective action describing the creation of the lepto-hadrons in strong electromagnetic fields.
- (e) As far as the production of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs is considered, the interaction term  $\lambda v\sigma'_L\pi_L^2$  is especially interesting since it leads to the creation of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs via the interaction term  $k\lambda v\sigma'_L\pi_L(qu)\pi_L(cl)$ .

The coefficient of this term can be expressed in terms of the lepto-meson masses and  $f(\pi_L)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 k &\equiv 2\lambda v = \frac{m_{\sigma_L}^2 - m_{\pi_L}^2}{2f(\pi_L)} = xm_{\pi_L} \ , \\
 x &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{m_{\sigma_L}^2}{m_{\pi_L}^2} - 1 \right) \frac{m_{\pi_L}}{f(\pi_L)} \ .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{11.2.4}$$

The large value of the coupling deriving from  $f(\pi_L) = N_c \cdot 7.9 \text{ keV}$  compensates the reduction of the production rate coming from the smallness of two-particle phase space volume as compared with single particle-phase space volume but fails to produce large enough production cross section. The large value of  $g(\sigma_L, \sigma_L, \sigma_L) = g(\sigma_L, \pi_L, \pi_L)$  however implies that the radiative contribution to the production cross section coming from the emission of a virtual sigma in the production vertex is much larger than the lowest order production cross section and with a rather small value of the relative  $\sigma_L - \pi_L$  mass difference correct order of magnitude of cross section should be possible.

### 11.2.8 Classical model for lepto-pion production

The nice feature of both quantum and classical model is that the production amplitudes associated with all lepto-hadron production reactions in external electromagnetic field are proportional to the lepto-pion production amplitude and apart from phase space volume factors production cross sections are expected to be given by lepto-pion production cross section. Therefore it makes sense to construct a detailed model for lepto-pion production despite the fact that lepto-pion decays probably contribute only a very small fraction to the observed  $e^+e^-$  pairs.

#### General considerations

Angular momentum barrier makes the production of lepto-mesons with orbital angular momentum  $L > 0$  improbable. Therefore the observed resonances are expected to be  $L = 0$  pseudoscalar states. Lepto-pion production has two signatures which any realistic model should reproduce.

- (a) Data are consistent with the assumption that states are produced at rest in cm frame.
- (b) The production probability has a peak in a narrow region of velocities of colliding nucleus around the velocity needed to overcome Coulomb barrier in head on collision. The relative width of the velocity peak is of order  $\Delta\beta/\beta \simeq \cdot 10^{-2}$  [C164]. In Th-Th system [J6] two peaks at projectile energies 5.70 MeV and 5.75 MeV per nucleon have been observed. This suggests that some kind of diffraction mechanism based on the finite size of nuclei is at work.

In this section a model treating nuclei as point like charges and nucleus-nucleus collision purely classically is developed. This model yields qualitative predictions in agreement with the signature 1) but fails to reproduce the possible diffraction behavior although one can develop argument for understanding the behavior above Coulomb wall.

The general expression for the amplitude for creation of leptopion in external electric and magnetic fields has been derived in Appendix. Let us now specialize to the case of heavy ion collision. We consider the situation, where the scattering angle of the colliding nucleus is measured. Treating the collision completely classically we can assume that collision occurs with a well defined value of the impact parameter in a fixed scattering plane. The coordinates are chosen so that target nucleus is at rest at the origin of the coordinates and colliding nucleus moves in  $z$ -direction in  $y=0$  plane with velocity  $\beta$ . The scattering angle of the scattered nucleus is denoted by  $\alpha$ , the velocity of the lepto- pion by  $v$  and the direction angles of leptopion velocity by  $(\theta, \phi)$ .

The minimum value of the impact parameter for the Coulomb collision of point like charges is given by the expression

$$\begin{aligned} b &= \frac{b_0 \cot(\alpha/2)}{2} , \\ b_0 &= \frac{2Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}}{M_R \beta^2} , \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.4)$$

where  $b_0$  is the expression for the distance of the closest approach in head on collision.  $M_R$  denotes the reduced mass of the nucleus-nucleus system.

To estimate the amplitude for leptopion production the following simplifying assumptions are made.

- (a) Nuclei can be treated as point like charges. This assumption is well motivated, when the impact parameter of the collision is larger than the critical impact parameter given by the sum of radii of the colliding nuclei:

$$b_{cr} = R_1 + R_2 . \quad (11.2.5)$$

For scattering angles that are sufficiently large the values of the impact parameter do not satisfy the above condition in the region of the velocity peak. p-Adic considerations lead to the conclusion that nuclear condensation level corresponds to prime  $p \sim 2^k$ ,  $k = 113$  ( $k$  is prime). This suggest that nuclear radius should be replaced by the size  $L(113)$  of the p-adic convergence cube associated with nucleus (see the chapter "TGD and Nuclear Physics":  $L(113) \sim 1.7 \cdot 10^{-14} m$  implies that cutoff radius is  $b_{cr} \sim 2L(113) \sim 3.4 \cdot 10^{-14} m$ .

- (b) Since the velocities are non-relativistic (about  $0.12c$ ) one can treat the motion of the nuclei non-relativistically and the non-retarded electromagnetic fields associated with the exactly known classical orbits can be used. The use of classical orbit doesn't take into account recoil effect caused by leptopion production. Since the mass ratio of leptopion and the reduced mass of heavy nucleus system is of order  $10^{-5}$  the recoil effect is however negligible.
- (c) The model simplifies considerably, when the orbit is idealized with a straight line with impact parameter determined from the condition expressing scattering angle in terms of the impact parameter. This approximation is certainly well founded for large values of impact parameter. For small values of impact parameter the situation is quite different and an interesting problem is whether the contributions of long range radiation fields created by accelerating nuclei in head-on collision could give large contribution to leptopion production rate. On the line connecting the nuclei the electric part of the radiation field created by first nucleus is indeed parallel to the magnetic part of the radiation field created by second nucleus. In this approximation the instanton density in the rest frame of the target nucleus is just the scalar product of the Coulombic electric field  $E$  of the target nucleus and of the magnetic field  $B$  of the colliding nucleus obtained by boosting it from the Coulomb field of nucleus at rest.

### Expression of the classical cross section

First some kinematical notations. lepton four-momentum in the rest system of target nucleus is given by the following expression

$$\begin{aligned} p &= (p_0, \vec{p}) = m\gamma_1(1, v\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi), v\sin(\theta)\sin(\phi), v\cos(\theta)) , \\ \gamma_1 &= 1/(1-v^2)^{1/2} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.5)$$

The velocity and Lorentz boost factor of the projectile nucleus are denoted by  $\beta$  and  $\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1-\beta^2}$ .

The double differential cross section in the classical model can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma &= dP2\pi b db , \\ dP &= K|A(b,p)|^2 d^3n , \text{ per } d^3n = V \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} , \\ K &= (Z_1 Z_2)^2 (\alpha_{em})^4 \times N_c^2 \left(\frac{m(\pi_L)}{f(\pi_L)}\right)^2 \frac{1}{2\pi^{13}} , \\ A(b,p) &= N_0 \frac{4\pi}{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}} \times U(b,p) , \\ U(b,p) &= \int e^{ip \cdot x} E \cdot B d^4x , \\ N_0 &= \frac{(2\pi)^7}{i} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.1)$$

where  $b$  denotes impact parameter. The formula generalizes the classical formula for the cross section of Coulomb scattering. In the calculation of the total cross section one must introduce some cutoff radii and the presence of the volume factor  $V$  brings in the cutoff volume explicitly (particle in the box description for leptopions). Obviously the cutoff length must be longer than lepton Compton length. Normalization factor  $N_0$  has been introduced in order to extract out large powers of  $2\pi$ .

From this one obtains differential cross section as

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma &= P2\pi b db , \\ P &= \int K|A(b,p)|^2 V \frac{d^3p}{(2\pi)^3} , . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.1)$$

The first objection is the need to explicitly introduce the reaction volume: this obviously breaks manifest Lorentz invariance. The cross section was estimated in the earlier version of the model [K1] and turned to be too small by several orders of magnitude. This inspired the idea that constructive interference for the production amplitudes for different values of impact parameter could increase the cross section.

### 11.2.9 Quantum model for lepton production

There are good reasons for considering the quantum model. First, the lepton production cross section is by several orders of magnitude too small in classical model. Secondly, in Th-Th collisions there are indications about the presence of two velocity peaks with separation  $\delta\beta/\beta \sim 10^{-2}$  [C164] and this suggests that quantum mechanical diffraction effects might be in



question. These effects could come from the upper and/or lower length scale cutoff and from the delocalization of the wave function of incoming nucleus.

The question is what quantum model means. The most natural thing is to start from Coulomb scattering and multiply Coulomb scattering amplitude for a given impact parameter value  $b$  with the amplitude for leptopion production. This because the classical differential cross section given by  $2\pi b db$  in Coulomb scattering equals to the quantum cross section. One might however argue that on basis of  $S = 1 + T$  decomposition of S-matrix the lowest order contribution to leptopion production in quantum situation corresponds to the absence of any scattering. The leptopion production amplitude is indeed non-vanishing also for the free motion of nuclei. The resolution of what looks like a paradox could come from many-sheeted space-time concept: if no scattering occurs, the space-time sheets representing colliding nuclei do not touch and all and there is no interference of em fields so that there is no leptopion production. It turns however that lowest order contribution indeed corresponds to the absence of scattering in the model that works.

### Two possible approaches

One can imagine two approaches to the construction of the model for production amplitude in quantum case.

The first approach is based on eikonal approximation [B38]. Eikonal approximation applies at high energy limit when the scattering angle is small and one can approximate the orbit of the projectile with a straight orbit.

The expression for the scattering amplitude in eikonal approximation reads as

$$\begin{aligned} f(\theta, \phi) &= \frac{k}{2\pi i} \int d^2b \exp(-ik \cdot b) \exp(i\xi(b)) - 1, \\ \xi(b) &= \frac{-m}{k\hbar^2} \int_{z=-\infty}^{z=\infty} dz V(z, b), \\ \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} &= |f^2|. \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.0)$$

as one expands the exponential in lowest in spherically symmetric potential order one obtains the

$$f(\theta, \phi) \simeq -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int J_0(k_T b) \xi(b) b db. \quad (11.2.0)$$

The challenge is to find whether it is possible to generalize this expression so that it applies to the production of leptopions.

- (a) The simplest guess is that one should multiply the eikonal amplitude with the dimensionless amplitude  $A(b)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f(\theta, \phi) &\rightarrow f(\theta, \phi, p) = \frac{k}{2\pi i} \int d^2b \exp(-ik \cdot b) \exp(i\xi(b)) - 1) A(b, p) \\ &\simeq -\frac{m}{2\pi\hbar^2} \int J_0(k_T b) \xi(b) A(b, p) b db. \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.0)$$

- (b) Amplitude squared must give differential cross section for lepton production and scattering

$$\begin{aligned} d\sigma &= |f(\theta, \phi, p)|^2 d\Omega d^3n \ , \\ d^3n &= V d^3p \ . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.0)$$

This requires an explicit introduction of a volume factor  $V$  via a spatial cutoff. This cutoff is necessary for the coordinate  $z$  in the case of Coulomb potential, and would have interpretation in terms of a finite spatio-temporal volume in which the space-time sheets of the colliding particles are in contact and fields interfere.

- (c) There are several objections against this approach. The loss of a manifest relativistic invariance in the density of states factor for lepton does not look nice. One must keep count about the scattering of the projectile which means a considerable complication from the point of view of numerical calculations. In classical picture for orbits the scattering angle in principle is fixed once impact parameter is known so that the introduction of scattering angles does not look logical.

Second approach starts from the classical picture in which each impact parameter corresponds to a definite scattering angle so that the resulting amplitude describes lepton production amplitude and says nothing about the scattering of the projectile. This approach is more in spirit with TGD since classical physics is exact part of quantum TGD and classical orbit is absolutely real from the point of view of lepton production amplitude.

- (a) The counterpart of the eikonal exponent has interpretation as the exponent of classical action associated with the Coulomb interaction

$$S(b) = \int_{\gamma} V ds \quad (11.2.1)$$

along the orbit  $\gamma$  of the particle, which can be taken also as a real classical orbit but will be approximated with rectilinear orbit in sequel.

- (b) The first guess for the production amplitude is

$$\begin{aligned} f(p) &= \int d^2b \exp(-i\Delta k(b) \cdot b) \exp\left[\frac{i}{\hbar} S(b)\right] A(b, p) \\ &= \int J_0(k_T(b)b) \left(1 + \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{z=-a}^{z=a} dz V(z, b) + \dots\right) A(b, p) \ . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.1)$$

$\Delta k$  is the change of the momentum in the classical scattering and in the scattering plane. The cutoff  $|z| \leq a$  in the longitudinal direction corresponds to a finite imbedding space volume inside which the space-time sheets of target and projectile are in contact.

- (c) The production amplitude is non-trivial even if the interaction potential vanishes being given by

$$f(p) = \int d^2b \exp(-ik \cdot b) A(b, p) = 2\pi i n t J_0(k_T(b)b) \times A(b, p) b db \ . \quad (11.2.2)$$

This formula can be seen as a generalization of quantum formula in the sense that incoherent integral over production probabilities at various values of  $b$  is replaced by an integral over production amplitude over  $b$  so that interference effects become possible.

- (d) This result could be seen as a problem. On basis of  $S = 1 + iT$  decomposition corresponding to free motion and genuine interaction, one could argue that since the exponent of action corresponds to  $S$ ,  $A(p, b)$  vanishes when the space-time sheets are not in contact. The improved guess for the amplitude is

$$\begin{aligned}
f(p) &= \int d^2b \exp(-ik \cdot b) \exp\left(\frac{i}{\hbar} S(b)\right) A(b, p) \\
&= \int J_0(k_T(b)b) \left(\frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{z=-a}^{z=a} V(z, b) + \dots\right) A(b, p) .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.2}$$

This would mean that there would be no classical limit when coherence is assumed to be lost. At this stage one must keep mind open for both options.

(e) The dimension of  $f(p)$  is  $L^2/\hbar$

$$d\sigma = |f(p)|^2 \frac{d^3p}{2E_p(2\pi)^3} . \tag{11.2.3}$$

has correct dimension. This model will be considered in sequel. The earlier work in [K1] was however based on the first option.

### Production amplitude

The Fourier transform of  $E \cdot B$  can be expressed as a convolution of Fourier transforms of E and B and the resulting expression for the amplitude reduces by residue calculus (see APPENDIX) to the following general form

$$\begin{aligned}
A(b, p) &\equiv N_0 \times \frac{4\pi}{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}} \times U(b, p) = 2\pi i (CUT_1 + CUT_2) , \\
N_0 &= \frac{(2\pi)^7}{i} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.3}$$

where nuclear charges are such that Coulomb potential is  $1/r$ . The motivation for the strange looking notation is to extract all powers of  $2\pi$  so that the resulting amplitudes contain only factors of order unity.

The contribution of the first cut for  $\phi \in [0, \pi/2]$  is given by the expression

$$\begin{aligned}
CUT_1 &= D_1 \times \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{b_0} \cos(\psi)\right) A_1 d\psi , \\
D_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin(\phi)}{\sin(\theta)} , \quad b_0 = \frac{\hbar \beta \gamma}{m \gamma_1} , \\
A_1 &= \frac{A + iB \cos(\psi)}{\cos^2(\psi) + 2iC \cos(\psi) + D} , \\
A &= \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) , \quad B = K , \\
C &= K \frac{\cos(\phi)}{\sin(\theta)} , \quad D = -\sin^2(\phi) - \frac{K^2}{\sin^2(\theta)} , \\
K &= \beta \gamma \left(1 - \frac{v_{cm}}{\beta} \cos(\theta)\right) , \quad v_{cm} = \frac{2v}{1+v^2} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-2}$$

The definitions of the various kinematical variables are given in previous formulas. The notation is tailored to express the facts that  $A_1$  is rational function of  $\cos(\psi)$  and that integrand depends exponentially on the impact parameter.

The expression for  $CUT_2$  reads as

$$\begin{aligned}
CUT_2 &= D_2 \times \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp(i \frac{b}{b_1} \cos(\psi)) A_2 d\psi , \\
D_2 &= -\frac{\sin(\frac{\phi}{2})}{u \sin(\theta)} \times \exp(-\frac{b}{b_2}) , \\
b_1 &= \frac{\hbar \beta}{m \gamma_1} , \quad b_2 = \frac{\hbar}{mb \gamma_1 \times \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi)} \\
A_2 &= \frac{A \cos(\psi) + B}{\cos^2(\psi) + C \cos(\psi) + D} , \\
A &= \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) u , \quad B = \frac{w}{v_{cm}} + \frac{v}{\beta} \sin^2(\theta) [\sin^2(\phi) - \cos^2(\phi)] , \\
C &= 2i \frac{\beta w \cos(\phi)}{u v_{cm} \sin(\theta)} , \quad D = -\frac{1}{u^2} \left( \frac{\sin^2(\phi)}{\gamma^2} + \beta^2 (v^2 \sin^2(\theta) - \frac{2vw}{v_{cm}}) \cos^2(\phi) \right) \\
&\quad + \frac{w^2}{v_{cm}^2 u^2 \sin^2(\theta)} + 2i \frac{\beta v}{u} \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) , \\
u &= 1 - \beta v \cos(\theta) , \quad w = 1 - \frac{v_{cm}}{\beta} \cos(\theta) .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2-8}$$

(11.2-7)

The denominator  $X_2$  has no poles and the contribution of the second cut is therefore always finite. Again the expression is tailored to make clear the functional dependence of the integrand on  $\cos(\psi)$  and on impact parameter. Besides this the exponential damping makes in non-relativistic situation the integrand small everywhere expect in the vicinity of  $\cos(\Psi) = 0$  and for small values of the impact parameter.

Using the symmetries

$$\begin{aligned}
U(b, p_x, -p_y) &= -U(b, p_x, p_y) , \\
U(b, -p_x, -p_y) &= \bar{U}(b, p_x, p_y) ,
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2-7}$$

of the amplitude one can calculate the amplitude for other values of  $\phi$ .

$CUT_1$  gives the singular contribution to the amplitude. The reason is that the factor  $X_1$  appearing in denominator of cut term vanishes, when the conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
\cos(\theta) &= \frac{\beta}{v_{cm}} , \\
\sin(\phi) &= \cos(\psi) ,
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2-7}$$

are satisfied. In forward direction this condition tells that z- component of the leptonion momentum in velocity center of mass coordinate system vanishes. In laboratory this condition means that the leptonion moves in certain cone defined by the value of its velocity. The condition is possible to satisfy only above the threshold  $v_{cm} \geq \beta$ .

For  $K = 0$  the integral reduces to the form

$$CUT_1 = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_0^{\pi/2} \exp(-\frac{\cos(\psi)}{\sin(\phi_0)}) d\psi}{(\sin^2(\phi) - \cos^2\psi + i\varepsilon)} . \tag{11.2-7}$$

One can estimate the singular part of the integral by replacing the exponent term with its value at the pole. The integral contains two parts: the first part is principal value integral and second part can be regarded as integral over a small semicircle going around the pole of integrand in upper half plane. The remaining integrations can be performed using elementary calculus and one obtains for the singular cut contribution the approximate expression

$$\begin{aligned}
 CUT_1 &\simeq e^{-(b/a)(\sin(\phi)/\sin(\phi_0))} \left( \frac{\ln(X)}{2} + \frac{i\pi}{2} \right) , \\
 X &= \frac{((1+s)^{1/2} + (1-s)^{1/2})}{((1+s)^{1/2} - (1-s)^{1/2})} , \\
 s &= \sin(\phi) , \\
 \sin(\phi_0) &= \frac{\beta\gamma}{\gamma_1 m(\pi_L) a} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-9}$$

The principal value contribution to the amplitude diverges logarithmically for  $\phi = 0$  and dominates over 'pole' contribution for small values of  $\phi$ . For finite values of impact parameter the amplitude decreases exponentially as a function of  $\phi$ .

If the singular term appearing in  $CUT_1$  indeed gives the dominant contribution to the lepton production one can make some conclusions concerning the properties of the production amplitude. For given lepton cm velocity  $v_{cm}$  the production associated with the singular peak is predicted to occur mainly in the cone  $\cos(\theta) = \beta/v_{cm}$ : in forward direction this corresponds to the vanishing of the z-component of the lepton momentum in velocity center of mass frame. Since the values of  $\sin(\theta)$  are of order .1 the transversal momentum is small and production occurs almost at rest in cm frame as observed. In addition, the singular production cross section is concentrated in the production plane ( $\phi = 0$ ) due to the exponential dependence of the singular production amplitude on the angle  $\phi$  and impact parameter and the presence of the logarithmic singularity. The observed lepton velocities are in the range  $\Delta v/v \simeq 0.2$  [C164] and this corresponds to the angular width  $\Delta\theta \simeq 34$  degrees.

### Differential cross section in the quantum model

There are two options to consider depending on whether one uses  $\exp(iS)$  or  $\exp(iS) - 1$  to define the production amplitude.

- (a) For the  $\exp(iS)$  option the expression for the differential cross section reads in the lowest order as

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\sigma &= K |f_B|^2 \frac{d^3p}{2E_p} , \\
 f_B &\simeq i \int \exp(-i\Delta k \cdot r) (CUT_1 + CUT_2) bdbdzd\phi , \\
 K &= (Z_1 Z_2)^2 \alpha_{em}^4 N_c^2 \left( \frac{m(\pi_L)}{f(\pi_L)} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{15}} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-10}$$

Here  $\Delta k$  is the momentum exchange in Coulomb scattering and a vector in the scattering plane so that the above described formula is obtained for the linear orbits.

- (b) For the  $\exp(iS) - 1$  option the differential production cross section for lepton is in the lowest non-trivial approximation for the exponent of action  $S$  given by the expression

$$\begin{aligned}
d\sigma &= K|f_B|^2 \frac{d^3p}{2E_p} , \\
f_B &\simeq \int \exp(-i\Delta k \cdot r) V(z, b) (CUT_1 + CUT_2) b db dz d\phi , \\
V(z, b) &= \frac{1}{r} , \\
K &= (Z_1 Z_2)^4 \alpha_{em}^6 N_c^2 \left( \frac{m(\pi_L)}{f(\pi_L)} \right)^2 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{15}} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-12}$$

Effectively the Coulomb potential is replaced with the product of the Coulomb potential and leptopion production amplitude  $A(b, p)$ . Since  $\alpha_{em}$  is assumed to correspond to relate to its standard value by a scaling  $\hbar_0/\hbar$  factor.

- (c) Coulomb potential brings in an additional  $(Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em})^2$  factor to the differential cross section, which in the case of heavy ion scattering increases the contribution to the cross section by a factor of order  $3 \times 10^3$  but reduces it by a factor of order  $5 \times 10^{-5}$  in the case of proton-antiproton scattering. The increase of  $\hbar$  expected to be forced by the requirement that perturbation theory is not lost however reduces the contribution from higher orders in  $V$ . It should be possible to distinguish between the two options on basis of these differences.

The scattering amplitude can be reduced to a simpler form by using the defining integral representation

$$J_0(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \exp(-ix \sin(\phi)) d\phi$$

of Bessel functions.

- (a) For  $\exp(iS)$  option this gives

$$\begin{aligned}
f_B &= 2\pi i \int J_0(\Delta kb) (CUT_1 + CUT_2) b db , \\
\Delta k &= 2k \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) , \quad k = M_R \beta , \\
M_R &\simeq A_R m_p , \quad A_R = \frac{A_1 A_2}{A_1 + A_2} ,
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-13}$$

where the length scale cutoffs in various integrations are not written explicitly. The value of  $\alpha$  can be deduced once the value of impact parameter is known in the case of the classical Coulomb scattering.

- (b) For  $\exp(iS) - 1$  option one has

$$\begin{aligned}
f_B &= 2\pi i \int F(b) J_0(\Delta kb) (CUT_1 + CUT_2) b db , \\
F(b \geq b_{cr}) &= 2 \int dz \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + b^2}} = \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2} + a}{b}\right) ,
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-14}$$

Note that the factors  $K$  appearing in the different cross section are different in these to cases.

### Calculation of the lepton production amplitude in the quantum model

The details related to the calculation of the production amplitude can be found in appendix and it suffices to describe only the general treatment here. The production amplitude of the quantum model contains integrations over the impact parameter and angle parameter  $\psi$  associated with the cut. The integrands appearing in the definition of the contributions  $CUT_1$  and  $CUT_2$  to the scattering amplitude have simple exponential dependence on impact parameter. The function  $F$  appearing in the definition of the scattering amplitude is a rather slow varying function as compared to the Bessel function, which allows trigonometric approximation and for small values of scattering angle equals to its value at origin. This motivates the division of the impact parameter range into pieces so that  $F$  can be approximated with its mean value inside each piece so that integration over cutoff parameters can be performed exactly inside each piece.

In Appendix the explicit expansion in power series with respect to impact parameter is derived by assuming  $J_0(k_T b) \simeq 1$  and  $F(b) = F = \text{constant}$ . These formulas can be easily generalized by assuming a piecewise constancy of these two functions. This means that the only the integration over the lepton phase space must be carried out numerically.

$CUT_1$  becomes also singular at  $\cos(\theta) = \beta/v_{cm}$ ,  $\cos(\psi) = \sin(\phi)$ . The singular contribution of the production amplitude can be extracted by putting  $\cos(\psi) = \sin(\phi)$  in the arguments of the exponent functions appearing in the amplitude so that one obtains a rational function of  $\cos(\psi)$  and  $\sin(\psi)$  integrable analytically. The remaining nonsingular contribution can be integrated numerically.

### Formula for the production cross section

In the case of heavy ion collisions the rectilinear motion is not an excellent approximation since the anomalous events are observed near Coulomb wall and  $\beta \simeq .1$  holds true. Despite this this can be taken as a first approximation.

The expression for the differential cross section for lepton production in heavy ion collisions is given by

$$d\sigma = KF^2 \left| \int (CUT_1 + CUT_2) b db \right|^2 \frac{d^3p}{2E} , \quad (11.2.-14)$$

This expression and also the expressions of the integrals of  $CUT_1$  and  $CUT_2$  are calculated explicitly as powers series of the impact parameter in the Appendix.

(a) For  $\exp(iS)$  option one has

$$\begin{aligned} K &= (Z_1 Z_2)^2 \alpha_{em}^4 N_c^2 \left[ \frac{m(\pi_L)}{f(\pi_L)} \right]^2 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{13}} , \\ F &= 1 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.-14)$$

(b) For  $\exp(iS) - 1$  option one has

$$\begin{aligned} K &= (Z_1 Z_2)^4 \alpha_{em}^6 N_c^2 \left[ \frac{m(\pi_L)}{f(\pi_L)} \right]^2 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{13}} , \\ F &= 2 \left\langle \ln \left( \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2} + a}{b} \right) \right\rangle . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.-14)$$

In the approximation that  $F$  is constant the two lowest order predictions are related by a scaling factor

$$R = (Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em})^2 F^2 . \quad (11.2.-13)$$

It is interesting to get a rough order of magnitude feeling about the situation assuming that the contributions of  $CUT_1$  and  $CUT_2$  are of order unity. For  $Z_1 = Z_2 = 92$  and  $m(\pi_L)/f(\pi_L) \simeq 1.5$  -as in the case of ordinary pion- one obtains following results. It must be emphasized that these estimates are extremely sensitive to the over all scaling of  $f_B$  and to the choice of the cutoff parameter  $a$  and cannot be taken too seriously.

- (a) From  $\beta \simeq .1$  one has  $b_0 \simeq .1/m(\pi_L)$ . One can argue that the impact parameter cutoff  $a = xb_0$  should satisfy  $a \geq 1/m_{\pi_L}$  so that  $x \geq 10$  should hold true.
- (b) For  $exp(iS) - 1$  option one has  $K = 4.7 \times 10^{-6}$ . From the classical model the allowed phase space volume is of order  $\frac{1}{3}\Delta v^3 \sim 10^{-4}$ . By using  $a = m(\pi_L)$  as a cutoff and  $m(\pi_L) \simeq 2m_e$  one obtains  $\sigma \sim 4 \mu\text{b}$ , which is of same order of magnitude as the experimental estimate  $5 \mu\text{b}$ .
- (c) For  $exp(iS)$  option one has  $K = 1.2 \times 10^{-9}$  and the estimate for cross section is  $1.1 \text{ nb}$  for  $a = 1/m(\pi_L)$ . A correct order of magnitude is obtained by assuming  $a = 5.5/m(\pi_L)$  and that  $a^4$  scaling holds true. At larger values of impact parameter  $a^2$  scaling sets on and would require  $a \sim 30/m(\pi_L)$  which would correspond to  $.36 \text{ \AA}$  and to atomic length scale. It is not possible to distinguish between the two options.
- (d) The singular contribution near to production plane at the cone  $v_{cm} \cos(\theta) = \beta$  is expected to enhance the total cross section. The strong sensitivity of the cross section to the choice of the cutoff parameter allows to reproduce the experimental findings easily and it would be important to establish strong bounds on the value of the impact parameter.

### Dominating contribution to production cross section and diffractive effects

Consider now the behavior of the dominating singular contribution to the production amplitude at the cone  $\cos(\theta) = \beta/v_{cm}$  depending on  $b$  via the exponent factor . This amplitude factorizes into a product

$$\begin{aligned} f_{B,sing} &= K_0 a^2 B(\Delta k) A_{sing}(b, p) , \\ B(\Delta k) &= \int F(ax) J_0(\Delta k ax) \exp\left(-\frac{\sin(\phi)}{\sin(\phi_0)} x\right) x dx , \\ &\sim \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi \Delta k a}} \int F(ax) \cos\left(\Delta k ax - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{\sin(\phi)}{\sin(\phi_0)} x\right) \sqrt{x} dx , \\ x &= \frac{b}{a} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.2.-15)$$

The factor  $A_{sing}(b, p) \equiv (4\pi/(Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em})) U_{sing}(b, p)$  is the analytically calculable singular and dominating part of the lepton production amplitude (see appendix) with the exponential factor excluded. The factor  $B$  is responsible for diffractive effects. The contribution of the peak to the total production cross section is of same order of magnitude as the classical production cross section.

At the peak  $\phi \sim 0$  the contribution the exponent of the production amplitude is constant at this limit one obtains product of the Fourier transform of Coulomb potential with cutoffs with the production amplitude. One can calculate the Fourier transform of the Coulomb potential analytically to obtain



$$f_{B,sing} \simeq 4\pi K_0 \frac{(\cos(\Delta ka) - \cos(\Delta kb_{cr}))}{\Delta k^2} CUT_1$$

$$\Delta k = 2\beta \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) . \quad (11.2.-15)$$

One obtains oscillatory behavior as a function of the collision velocity in fixed angle scattering and the period of oscillation depends on scattering angle and varies in wide limits.

The relationship between scattering angle  $\alpha$  and impact parameter in Coulomb scattering translates the impact parameter cutoffs to the scattering angle cutoffs

$$a = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}}{M_R \beta^2} \cot(\alpha(min)/2) ,$$

$$b_{cr} = \frac{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}}{M_R \beta^2} \cot(\alpha(max)/2) . \quad (11.2.-15)$$

This gives for the argument  $\Delta kb$  of the Bessel function at lower and upper cutoffs the approximate expressions

$$\Delta ka \simeq \frac{2Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}}{\beta} \sim \frac{124}{\beta} ,$$

$$\Delta kb_{cr} \simeq x_0 \frac{2Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}}{\beta} \sim \frac{124x_0}{\beta} . \quad (11.2.-15)$$

The numerical values are for  $Z_1 = Z_2 = 92$  (U-U collision). What is remarkable that the argument  $\Delta ka$  at upper momentum cutoff does not depend at all on the value of the cutoff length. The resulting oscillation at minimum scattering angle is more rapid than allowed by the width of the observed peak:  $\Delta\beta/\beta \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-3}$  instead of  $\Delta\beta/\beta \sim 10^{-2}$ : of course, the measured value need not correspond to minimum scattering angle. The oscillation associated with the lower cutoff comes from  $\cos(2M_R b_{cr} \beta \sin(\alpha/2))$  and is slow for small scattering angles  $\alpha < 1/A_R \sim 10^{-2}$ . For  $\alpha(max)$  the oscillation is rapid:  $\delta\beta/\beta \sim 10^{-3}$ .

In the total production cross section integrated over all scattering angles (or finite angular range) diffractive effects disappear. This might explain why the peak has not been observed in some experiments [C164] .

### Cutoff length scales

Consider next the constraints on the upper cutoff length scale.

- (a) The production amplitude turns out to decrease exponentially as a function of impact parameter  $b$  unless leptopion is produced in scattering plane. The contribution of leptopions produced in scattering plane however gives divergent contribution to the total cross section integrated over all impact parameter values and upper cutoff length scale  $a$  is necessary. If one considers scattering with scattering angle between specified limits this is of course not a problem of classical model.
- (b) Upper cutoff length scale must be longer than the Compton length of leptopion.
- (c) Upper cutoff length scale  $a$  should be certainly smaller than the interatomic distance. For partially ionized atoms a more stringent upper bound for  $a$  is the size  $r$  of atom defined as the distance above which atom looks essentially neutral: a rough extrapolation from hydrogen atom gives  $r \sim a_0/Z^{1/3} \sim 1.5 \cdot 10^{-11} m$  ( $a_0$  is Bohr radius of hydrogen atom). Therefore cutoff scale would be between Bohr radius  $a_0/Z \sim .5 \cdot 10^{-12} m$  and  $r$ . In the recent case however atoms are completely ionized so that cutoff length scale can be longer. It turns out that 10 A reproduces the empirical estimate for the cross section correctly.

### Numerical estimate for the electro-pion production cross section

The numerical estimate for the electro-pion production cross section is carried out for thorium with ( $Z = 90, A = 232$ ). The value of the collision velocity of the incoming nucleus in the rest frame of the second nucleus is taken as  $\beta = .1$ . From the width  $\delta v/v = .2$  of velocity distribution in the same frame the upper bound  $\gamma \leq 1 + \delta$ ,  $\delta \simeq 2 \times 10^{-3}$  for the Lorentz boost factor of electro-pion in cm system is deduced. The cutoff is necessary because energy conservation is not coded to the structure of the model.

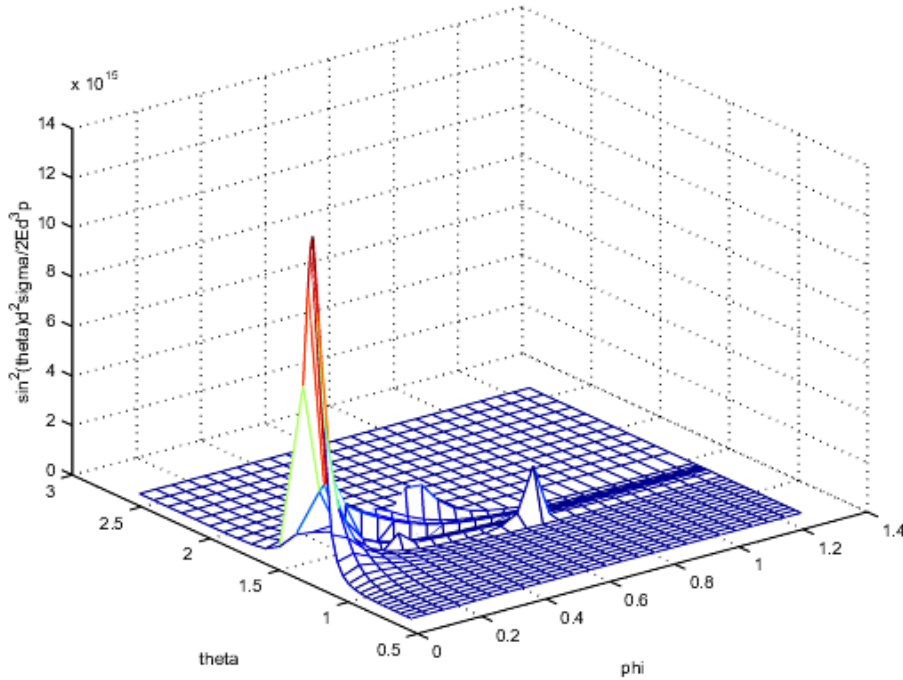


Figure 11.1: Differential cross section  $\sin^2(\theta) \times \frac{d^2\sigma}{2E d^3p}$  for  $\tau$ -pion production for  $\gamma_1 = 1.0319 \times 10^3$  in the rest system of antiproton for  $\delta = 1.5$ .  $m(\pi_\tau)$  defines the unit of energy and nb is the unit for cross section. The ranges of  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  are  $(0, \pi)$  and  $(0, \pi/2)$ .

As expected, the singular contribution from the cone  $v_{cm} \cos(\theta) = \beta$ ,  $v_{cm} = 2v/(1 + v^2)$  gives the dominating contribution to the cross section. This contribution is proportional to the value of  $b_{max}^2$  at the limit  $\phi = 0$ . Cutoff radius is taken to be  $b_{max} = 150 \times \gamma_{cm} \hbar / m(\pi_e) = 1.04$  A. The numerical estimate for the cross section using the parameter values listed comes out as  $\sigma = 5.6 \mu b$  to be compared with the rough experimental estimate of about  $5 \mu b$ . The interpretation would be that the space-time sheet associated with colliding nuclei during the collision has this transversal size in cm system. At this space-time sheet the electric and magnetic fields of the nuclei interfere.

From this one can cautiously conclude that leptopion model is consistent with both electro-pion production and  $\tau$ -pion production in proton antiproton collisions. One can of course criticize the large value of impact parameter and a good justification for 1 Angstrom should be found. One could also worry about the singular character of the amplitude making the integration of total cross section somewhat risky business using the rather meager numerical facilities available. The rigorous method to calculate the contribution near the singularity relies on stepwise halving of the increment  $\Delta\theta$  as one approaches the singularity. The calculation gives essentially the same result as that with constant value of  $\Delta\theta$ . Hence it seems that one can trust on the result of calculation.

Figure 2. gives the differential production cross section for  $\gamma_1 = 1.0319$ . Obviously the differential cross section is strongly concentrated at the cone due to singularity of the production amplitude for fixed  $b$ .

The important conclusion is that the same model can reproduce the value of production cross section for both electro-pions explaining the old electron-positron anomaly of heavy ion collisions and  $\tau$ -pions explaining the CDF anomaly of proton-antiproton collisions at cm energy  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV (to be discussed later) with essentially same and rather reasonable assumptions (do not however forget the large maximal value of the impact parameter!).

In the case of electro-pions one must notice that depending on situation the final states are gamma pairs for the electron-pion with mass very nearly equal to electron mass. In the case of neutral tau-pion the strong decay to three p-adically scaled down versions of  $\tau$ -pion proceeds faster or at least rate comparable to that for the decay to gamma pair. For higher mass variants of electro-pion for which there is evidence (for instance, one with mass 1.6 MeV) the final states are dominated by electron-positron pairs. This is true if the primary decay products are electro-baryons of form (say)  $e_{ex} = e_8\nu_8\nu_{c,8}$  resulting via electro-strong decays instead of electrons and having slightly larger mass than electron. Otherwise the decay to gamma pair would dominate also the decays of higher mass states. A small magnetic moment type coupling between  $e, e_{ex}$  and electro-gluon field made possible by the color octet character of colored leptons induces the mixing of  $e$  and  $e_{ex}$  so that  $e_{ex}$  can transform to  $e$  by the emission of photon. The anomalous magnetic moment of electron poses restrictions on the color magnetic coupling.

$e_{ex}^+e_{ex}^-$  pairs from leptonions or  $e^+e^-$  pairs from lepto-sigmas?

If one assumes that anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs correspond to lepto-nucleon pairs, then leptonion production cross section gives a direct estimate for the production rate of  $e^+e^-$  pairs. The results of the table 3 show that in case of 1.8 MeV state, the predicted cross section is roughly by a factor 5 smaller than the experimental upper bound for the cross section. Since this leptonion state is rather massive, positron decay width allows smaller  $f(\pi_L)$  in this case and the production cross section could be larger than the estimate used by the  $1/f(\pi_L)^2$  proportionality of the cross section. Both the simplicity and predictive power of this option and the satisfactory agreement with the experimental data suggest that this option provides the most plausible explanation of the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs.

$N$	$Op/10^{-3}$	$\Gamma(\pi_L)/keV$	$\sigma(\pi_L)/\mu b$	$\sigma(\pi_L)/\mu b$
			$a = .01$	$a = .1$
1	1	.51	.13	1.4
3	1	.13	.04	.41
3	5	.73	.19	2.1

Table 2. The table summarizes leptonion lifetime and the upper bounds for leptonion (and lepto-nucleon pair) production cross sections for the lightest leptonion.  $N$  refers to the number of leptonion states and  $Op = \Delta\Gamma/\Gamma$  refers to ortopositronium decay anomaly. The values of upper cutoff length  $a$  are in units of  $10^{-10} m$ .

If one assumes that anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs result from the decays of lepto-sigmas, the value of  $e^+e^-$  production cross section can be estimated as follows.  $e^+e^-$  pairs are produced from via the creation of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs from vacuum and subsequent decay  $\sigma_L$  to  $e^+e^-$  pairs. The estimate for (or rather for the upper bound of)  $\pi_L\sigma_L$  production cross section is obtained as

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma(e^+e^-) &\simeq X\sigma(\pi_L) , \\
X &= \frac{V_2}{V_1} \left( \frac{km_{\sigma_L}}{m_{\pi_L}^2} \right)^2 , \\
\frac{V_2}{V_1} &= V_{rel} = \frac{v_{12}^3}{3(2\pi)^2} \sim 1.1 \cdot 10^{-5} , \\
\frac{k}{m_{p_{iL}}} &= \frac{(m_{\sigma}^2 - m_{\pi_L}^2)}{2m_{\pi_L} f(\pi_L)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.2.-17}$$

Here  $V_2/V_1$  of two-particle and single particle phase space volumes.  $V_2$  is in good approximation the product  $V_1(cm)V_1(rel)$  of single particle phase space volumes associated with cm coordinate and relative coordinate and one has  $V_2/V_1 \sim V_{rel} = \frac{v_{12}^3}{3(2\pi)^2} \simeq 1.1 \cdot 10^{-5}$  if the maximum value of the relative velocity is  $v_{12} \sim .1$ .

Situation is partially saved by the anomalously large value of  $\sigma_L\pi_L\pi_L$  coupling constant  $k$  appearing in the production vertex  $k\sigma_L\pi_L\pi_L(class)$ . Production cross section is very sensitive to the value of  $f(\pi_L)$  and Op anomaly  $\Delta\Gamma/\Gamma = 5 \cdot 10^{-3}$  gives upper bound  $2 \mu b/N_c^2$  for  $a = 10^{-11} m$ , which is considerably smaller than the experimental upper bound  $5 \mu b$ . The huge value of the  $g(\pi_L, \pi_L, \sigma_L)$  and  $g(\sigma_L, \sigma_L, \sigma_L)$ , however implies that radiative corrections to the cross section given by  $\sigma$  exchange are much larger than the lowest order contribution to the cross section! If this is the case then lepto-sigma option might survive but perturbative approach probably would not make sense. On the other hand, one could argue that sigma model action should be regarded as an effective action giving only tree diagrams so that radiative corrections cannot save the situation. There are also purely physical counter arguments against lepto-sigma option: hadronic physics experience suggests that the mass of lepto-sigma is much larger than lepton mass so that lepto-sigma becomes very wide resonance decaying strongly and having negligibly small branching ratio to  $e^+e^-$  pairs.

It must be emphasized that the estimates are very rough (the replacement of the integral over the angle  $\alpha$  with rough upper bound, estimate for the phase space volume, the values of cutoff radii, the neglect of the velocity dependence of the production cross section, the estimate for the minimum scattering angle, ...). Also the measured production cross section is subject to considerable uncertainties (even the issue whether or not anomalous pairs are produced is not yet completely settled!).

## Summary

The usefulness of the modeling lepton production is that the knowledge of lepton production rate makes it possible to estimate also the production rates for other lepto-hadrons and even for many particle states consisting of lepto-hadrons using some effective action describing the strong interactions between lepto-hadrons. One can consider two basic models for lepton production. The models contain no free parameters unless one regards cutoff length scales as such. Classical model predicts the singular production characteristics of lepton. Quantum model predicts several velocity peaks at fixed scattering angle and the distance between the peaks of the production cross section depends sensitively on the value of the scattering angle. Production cross section depends sensitively on the value of the scattering angle for a fixed collision velocity. In both models the reduction of the lepton production rate above Coulomb wall could be understood as a threshold effect: for the collisions with impact parameter smaller than two times nuclear radius, the production amplitude becomes very small since  $E \cdot B$  is more or less random for these collisions in the interaction region. The effect is visible for fixed sufficiently large scattering angle only. The value of the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  production cross section is of nearly the observed order of magnitude provided that  $e^+e^-$  pairs are actually lepto-nucleon pairs originating from the decays of the leptons. Alternative mechanism, in which anomalous pairs originate from the creation of  $\sigma_L\pi_L$  pairs from vacuum followed by the decay  $\sigma_L \rightarrow e^+e^-$  gives too small production cross section by a factor of order  $1/N_c^2$  in lowest order calculation.

This alternative works only provided that radiative corrections give the dominant contribution to the production rate of  $\pi_L\sigma_L$  pairs as is the case if  $\pi_L\sigma_L$  mass difference is of order ten per cent. The existence of at least three colored leptons and family replication provide the most plausible explanation the appearance of several peaks.

The proposed models are certainly over idealizations: in particular the approximation that nuclear motion is free motion fails for those values of the impact parameter, which are most important in the classical model. To improve the models one should calculate the Fourier transform of  $E \cdot B$  using the fields of nuclei for classical orbits in Coulomb field rather than free motion. The second improvement is related to the more precise modelling of the situation at length scales below  $b_{cr}$ , where nuclei do not behave like point like charges. A peculiar feature of the model from the point of view of standard physics is the appearance of the classical electromagnetic fields associated with the classical orbits of the colliding nuclei in the definition of the quantum model. This is in spirit with Quantum TGD: Quantum TGD associates a unique space-time surface (classical history) to a given 3-surface (counterpart of quantum state).

## 11.3 Further developments

This section represents further developments of leptohadron model which have emerged during years after the first version of the model published in International Journal of Theoretical Physics.

### 11.3.1 How to observe leptonic color?

The most obvious argument against lepto-hadrons is that their production via the decay of virtual photons to lepto-mesons has not been observed in hadronic collisions. The argument is wrong. Anomalously large production of low energy  $e^+e^-$  pairs [C162, C125, C155, C52] in hadronic collisions has been actually observed. The most natural source for photons and  $e^+e^-$  pairs are lepto-hadrons. There are two possibilities for the basic production mechanism.

- (a) Colored leptons result directly from the decay of hadronic gluons. Internal consistency excludes this alternative.
- (b) Colored leptons result from the decay of virtual photons. This hypothesis is in accordance with the general idea that the QCD:s associated with different condensate levels of p-adic topological condensate do not communicate. More precisely, in TGD framework leptons and quarks correspond to different chiralities of configuration space spinors: this implies that baryon and lepton numbers are conserved exactly and therefore the stability of proton. In particular, leptons and quarks correspond to different Kac Moody representations: important difference as compared with typical unified theory, where leptons and quarks share common multiplets of the unifying group. The special feature of TGD is that there are several gluons since it is possible to associate to each Kac-Moody representation gluons, which are "irreducible" in the sense that they couple only to a single Kac Moody representation. It is clear that if the physical gluons are "irreducible" the world separates into different Kac Moody representations having their own color interactions and communicating only via electro-weak and gravitational interactions. In particular, no strong interactions between leptons and hadrons occur. Since colored lepton corresponds to colored ground state of Kac-Moody representations the gluonic color coupling between ordinary lepton and colored lepton vanishes.

If this picture is correct then lepto-hadrons are produced only via the ordinary electro-weak interactions: at higher energies via the decay of virtual photon to colored lepton pair and at low energies via the emission of leptopion by photon. Consider next various manners to observe the effects of lepton color.

- (a) Resonance structure in the photon-photon scattering and energy near leptopion mass is a unique signature of leptopion.

- (b) The production of lepto-mesons in strong classical electromagnetic fields (of nuclei, for example) is one possibility. There are several important constraints for the production of leptopions in this kind of situation.
- i) The scalar product  $E \cdot B$  must be large. Faraway from the source region this scalar product tends to vanish: consider only Coulomb field.
  - ii) The region, where  $E \cdot B$  has considerable size cannot be too small as compared with leptopion de Broglie wavelength (large when compared with the size of nuclei for example). If this condition doesn't hold true the plane wave appearing in Fourier amplitude is essentially constant spatially and since the fields are approximately static the Fourier component of  $E \cdot B$  is expressible as a spatial divergence, which reduces to a surface integral over a surface faraway from the source region. Resulting amplitude is small since fields in faraway region have essentially vanishing  $E \cdot B$ .
  - iii) If fields are exactly static, then energy conservation prohibits lepto-hadron production.
- (c) Also the production of  $e_{ex}^+ e_{ex}^-$  and  $e^+ e_{ex}^-$  pairs in nuclear electromagnetic fields with non-vanishing  $E \cdot B$  is possible either directly or as decay products of leptopions. In the direct production, the predicted cross section is small due to the presence of two-particle phase space factor. One signature of  $e_{ex}^-$  is emission line accompanying the decay  $e_{ex}^- \rightarrow e^- + \gamma$ . The collisions of nuclei in highly ionized (perhaps astrophysical) plasmas provide a possible source of leptobaryons.
- (d) The interaction of quantized em field with classical electromagnetic fields is one experimental arrangement to come into mind. The simplest arrangement consisting of linearly polarized photons with energy near leptopion mass plus constant classical em field does not however work. The direct production of  $\pi_L - \gamma$  pairs in rapidly varying classical electromagnetic field with frequency near leptopion mass is perhaps a more realistic possibility. An interesting possibility is that violent collisions inside astrophysical objects could lead to gamma ray bursts via the production of pions and leptopions in rapidly varying classical  $E$  and  $B$  fields.
- (e) In the collisions of hadrons, virtual photon produced in collision can decay to leptohadrons, which in turn produce leptopions decaying to leptonucleon pairs. As already noticed, anomalous production of low energy  $e^+ e^-$  pairs (actually leptonucleon pairs!) [C162] in hadronic collisions has been observed.
- (f)  $e - \nu_e$  and  $e - \bar{\nu}_e$  scattering at energies below one MeV provide a unique signature of leptopion. In  $e - \bar{\nu}_e$  scattering  $\pi_L$  appears as resonance.
- (g) If leptonic color coupling strength has sufficiently small value in the energy range at which leptohadronic QCD exists,  $e^+ e^-$  annihilation at energies above few MeV should produce colored pairs and leptohadronic counterparts of the hadron jets should be observed. The fact that nothing like this has been observed, suggests that leptohadronic coupling constant evolution does not allow the perturbative QCD phase.

### 11.3.2 New experimental evidence

After writing this chapter astrophysical support for the notion of leptopions has appeared. There is also experimental evidence for the existence of colored muons

#### Could leptohadrons correspond to dark matter?

The proposed identification of cosmic strings (in TGD sense) as the ultimate source of both visible and dark matter discussed in [K22] does not exclude the possibility that a considerable portion of topologically condensed cosmic strings have decayed to some light particles. In particular, this could be the situation in the galactic nuclei.

The idea that leptohadrons might have something to do with the dark matter has popped up now and then during the last decade but for some reason I have not taken it seriously. Situation changed towards the end of the year 2003. There exist now detailed maps of the dark matter in the center of galaxy and it has been found that the density of dark matter correlates strongly

with the intensity of monochromatic photons with energy equal to the rest mass of electron [E7]

The only explanation for the radiation is that some yet unidentified particle of mass very nearly equal to  $2m_e$  decays to an electron positron pair. Electron and positron are almost at rest and this implies a high rate for the annihilation to a pair of gamma rays. A natural identification for the particle in question would be as a leptopion (or rather, electro-pion). By their low mass leptopions, just like ordinary pions, would be produced in high abundance, in leptohadronic strong reactions and therefore the intensity of the monochromatic photons resulting in their decays would serve as a measure for the density of the leptohadronic matter. Also the presence of leptopionic condensates can be considered.

These findings force to take seriously the identification of the dark matter as leptohadrons. This is however not the only possibility. The TGD based model for tetra-neutrons discussed in [K76] is based on the hypothesis that mesons made of scaled down versions of quarks corresponding to Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$  (ordinary quarks correspond to  $k = 107$ ) and having masses around one MeV could correspond to the color electric flux tubes binding the neutrons to form a tetra-neutron. The same force would be also relevant for the understanding of alpha particles.

There are also good theoretical arguments for why leptohadrons should be dark matter in the sense of having a non-standard value of Planck constant.

- (a) Since particles with different Planck constant correspond to different pages of the book like structure defining the generalization of the imbedding space, the decays of intermediate gauge bosons to colored excitations of leptons would not occur and would thus not contribute to their decay widths.
- (b) In the case of electro-pions the large value of the coupling parameter  $Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em} > 1$  combined with the hypothesis that a phase transition increasing Planck constant occurs as perturbative QFT like description fails would predict that electro-pions represent dark matter. Indeed, the power series expansion of the  $\exp(iS)$  term might well fail to converge in this case since  $S$  is proportional to  $Z_1 Z_2$ . For  $\tau$ -pion production one has  $Z_1 = -Z_2 = 1$  and in this case one can consider also the possibility that  $\tau$ -pions are not dark in the sense of having large Planck constant. Contrary to the original expectations darkness does not affect the lowest order prediction for the production cross section of leptopion.

The proposed identification raises several questions.

- (a) Why the ratio of the leptohadronic mass density to the mass density of the ordinary hadrons would be so high, of order 7? Could an entire hierarchy of asymptotically non-free QCDs be responsible for the dark matter so that leptohadrons would explain only a small portion of the dark matter?
- (b) Under what conditions one can regard leptohadronic matter as a dark matter? Could short life-times of leptohadrons make them effectively dark matter in the sense that there would be no stable enough atom like structures consisting of say charged leptobaryons bound electromagnetically to the ordinary nuclei or electrons? But what would be the mechanism producing leptohadrons in this case (nuclear collisions produce leptopions only under very special conditions)?
- (c) What would be the role of the many-sheeted space-time: could leptohadrons and atomic nuclei reside at different space-time sheets so that leptobaryons could be long-lived? Could dark matter quite generally correspond to the matter at different space-time sheets and thus serve as a direct signature of the many-sheeted space-time topology?

### Lightnings and leptopions

The latest discovery of Fermi space-telescope [C63] is the finding of .511 MeV gamma rays in the the spectrum of photons associated with lightnings. It was discovered already years ago that lightnings are accompanied by X-rays [C201] and even gamma rays [C218] . For instance, the strong electric fields created by a positively charged region of cloud could accelerate electron

from both downwards and upwards to this region. The problem is that atmosphere is not empty and dissipation would restrict the energies to be much lower than gamma ray energies which are in MeV range. Note that the temperatures in lightning are about  $3 \times 10^4$  K and correspond to electron energy of 2.6 eV which is by a factor  $10^5$  smaller than electron mass and gamma ray energy scale!

Situation changes if dissipation is absent so that the electrons are accelerated without any energy losses. This is the case if the electrons reside in large  $\hbar$  quantum phase at magnetic flux tubes so that dissipative losses are small and electrons can reach relativistic energies. This is the explanation that I provided years ago for the [K24] .

Fermi however observed also something completely new. There is also a peaking of gamma rays around energy .511 MeV. The decay of electro-pion is an obvious explanation for this peaking. If electro-pions are there, collisions of highly energetic particles lasting for time of about  $\tau \sim \hbar/\text{MeV}$  are expected. The natural candidates for the colliding charged particles are electrons. The center of mass system -the system in which total momentum of colliding electron pair vanishes- should be in a good approximation at rest with respect to Fermi space telescope. Otherwise the energy of gamma rays would be higher or lower than .511 MeV.

The only possibility that I can imagine is that the second electron comes from below and second from above the positively charged region of the thunder cloud. Both arrive as dark electrons with a large value of  $\hbar$  and are accelerated to relativistic energies since dissipation is very small. They could collide as dark electrons (the more probable option as will be found below) or suffer a phase transition transforming them to ordinary electrons before the collision. Electro-pion coherent state is created in the strong  $E \cdot B$  created for a a period of time of order  $\tau \sim \hbar_0/\text{MeV}$ . This state annihilates rapidly to pairs of gamma rays which are ordinary or transform to ordinary ones depending on whether electrons where dark or not.

What the phase transition of dark electrons to ordinary electrons means, needs some explaining. The generalized imbedding space is obtained by gluing almost copies of 8-D imbedding space  $M^4 \times CP_2$  along their common back to get a book like structure. Particles at different pages of the book are dark with respect to each other in the sense that they have no local interactions. This is enough to explain what is actually known about dark matter. Particles at different pages can however interact via classical fields and photon exchange (for instance). The phase transition of electron from dark to visible form preceding the collision of dark electrons would simply mean the leakage from large  $\hbar$  page to the "visible" page with ordinary value of Planck constant.

Alert reader might be ready to ask the obvious question. Why not to test the hypothesis in laboratory? It should not be too difficult to allow two electrons to collide with a relativistic energy and find whether gamma pairs with energy .511 MeV are produced in rest system. Maybe gamma ray pairs have been missed for some reason? If not (the probable option), then colored electrons and leptopions are always dark. This would explain why the colored leptons do not contribute to the decay widths of weak gauge bosons which pose very strong constraints for the existence of light exotic particles.

### Experimental evidence for colored muons

Also  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  should possess colored excitations. About fifteen years after this prediction was made. Direct experimental evidence for these states finally emerges (the year I am adding this comment is 2007) [C268, C269] . The mass of the new particle, which is either scalar or pseudoscalar, is 214.4 MeV whereas muon mass is 105.6 MeV. The mass is about 1.5 per cent higher than two times muon mass. The proposed interpretation is as a light Higgs. I do not immediately resonate with this interpretation although p-adically scaled up variants of also Higgs bosons live happily in the fractal Universe of TGD. The most natural TGD inspired interpretation is as a pion like bound state of colored excitations of muon completely analogous to leptopion (or rather, electro-pion).

Scaled up variants of QCD appear also in nuclear string model [K76, L2] , [L2] , where scaled variant of QCD for exotic quarks in p-adic length scale of electron is responsible for the binding



of  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei to nuclear strings. One cannot exclude the possibility that the fermion and anti-fermion at the ends of color flux tubes connecting nucleons are actually colored leptons although the working hypothesis is that they are exotic quark and anti-quark. One can of course also turn around the argument: could it be that leptons are "leptonuclei", that is bound states of ordinary leptons bound by color flux tubes for a QCD in length scale considerably shorter than the p-adic length scale of lepton.

### 11.3.3 Evidence for $\tau$ -hadrons

The evidence for  $\tau$ -leptons came in somewhat funny but very pleasant manner. During my Friday morning blog walk, the day next to my birthday October 30, I found that Peter Woit had told in his blog about a possible discovery of a new long-lived particle by CDF experiment [C265] emphasizing how revolutionary finding is if it is real. There is a detailed paper [C72] with title *Study of multi-muon events produced in p-pbar collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV}$*  by CDF collaboration added to the ArXiv October 29 - the eve of my birthday. I got even second gift posted to arXiv the very same day and reporting an anomalously high abundance of positrons in cosmic ray radiation [C100]. Both of these articles give support for basic predictions of TGD differentiating between TGD and standard model and its generalizations.

#### The first gift

A brief summary of Peter Woit about the finding gives good idea about what is involved.

*The article originates in studies designed to determine the b-bbar cross-section by looking for events, where a b-bbar pair is produced, each component of the pair decaying into a muon. The b-quark lifetime is of order a picosecond, so b-quarks travel a millimeter or so before decaying. The tracks from these decays can be reconstructed using the inner silicon detectors surrounding the beam-pipe, which has a radius of 1.5 cm. They can be characterized by their impact parameter, the closest distance between the extrapolated track and the primary interaction vertex, in the plane transverse to the beam.*

*If one looks at events where the b-quark vertices are directly reconstructed, fitting a secondary vertex, the cross-section for b-bbar production comes out about as expected. On the other hand, if one just tries to identify b-quarks by their semi-leptonic decays, one gets a value for the b-bbar cross-section that is too large by a factor of two. In the second case, presumably there is some background being misidentified as b-bbar production.*

*The new result is based on a study of this background using a sample of events containing two muons, varying the tightness of the requirements on observed tracks in the layers of the silicon detector. The background being searched for should appear as the requirements are loosened. It turns out that such events seem to contain an anomalous component with unexpected properties that disagree with those of the known possible sources of background. The number of these anomalous events is large (tens of thousands), so this cannot just be a statistical fluctuation.*

*One of the anomalous properties of these events is that they contain tracks with large impact parameters, of order a centimeter rather than the hundreds of microns characteristic of b-quark decays. Fitting this tail by an exponential, one gets what one would expect to see from the decay of a new, unknown particle with a lifetime of about 20 picoseconds. These events have further unusual properties, including an anomalously high number of additional muons in small angular cones about the primary ones.*

The lifetime is estimated to be considerably longer than b quark life time and below the lifetime 89.5 ps of  $K_{0,s}$  mesons. The fit to the tail of "ghost" muons gives the estimate of 20 picoseconds.

#### The second gift

In October 29 also another remarkable paper [C100] had appeared in arXiv. It was titled *Observation of an anomalous positron abundance in the cosmic radiation*. PAMELA collaboration finds an excess of cosmic ray positron at energies  $10 \rightarrow 50 \text{ GeV}$ . PAMELA anomaly is discussed

in Resonaances blog [C25] . ATIC collaboration in turn sees an excess of electrons and positrons going all the way up to energies of order 500-800 GeV [C175] .

Also Peter Woit refers to these cosmic ray anomalies and also to the article *LHC Signals for a SuperUnified Theory of Dark Matter* by Nima Arkani-Hamed and Neal Weiner [C49] , where a model of dark matter inspired by these anomalies is proposed together with a prediction of lepton jets with invariant masses with mass scale of order GeV. The model assumes a new gauge interaction for dark matter particles with Higgs and gauge boson masses around GeV. The prediction is that LHC should detect "lepton jets" with smaller angular separations and GeV scale invariant masses.

### Explanation of the CDF anomaly

Consider first the CDF anomaly. TGD predicts a fractal hierarchy of QCD type physics. In particular, colored excitations of leptons are predicted to exist. Neutral leptopions would have mass only slightly above two times the charged lepton mass. Also charged leptopions are predicted and their masses depend on what is the p-adic mass scale of neutrino and it is not clear whether it is much longer than that for charge colored lepton as in the case of ordinary leptons.

- (a) There exists a considerable evidence for colored electrons as already found. The anomalous production of electron positron pairs discovered in heavy ion collisions can be understood in terms of decays of electro-pions produced in the strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields created in these collisions. The action determining the production rate would be proportional to the product of the leptopion field and highly unique "instanton" action for electromagnetic field determined by anomaly arguments so that the model is highly predictive.
- (b) Also the .511 MeV emission line [C117, C140] from the galactic center can be understood in terms of decays of neutral electro-pions to photon pairs. Electro-pions would reside at magnetic flux tubes of strong galactic magnetic fields. It is also possible that these particles are dark in TGD sense.
- (c) There is also evidence for colored excitations of muon and muo-pion [C268, C269] . Muo-pions could be produced by the same mechanism as electro-pions in high energy collisions of charged particles when strong non-orthogonal magnetic and electric fields are generated.

Also  $\tau$ -hadrons are possible and CDF anomaly can be understood in terms of a production of higher energy  $\tau$ -hadrons as the following argument demonstrates.

- (a)  $\tau$ -QCD at high energies would produce "lepton jets" just as ordinary QCD. In particular, muon pairs with invariant energy below  $2m(\tau) \sim 3.6$  GeV would be produced by the decays of neutral  $\tau$ -pions. The production of monochromatic gamma ray pairs is predicted to dominate the decays. Note that the space-time sheet associated with both ordinary hadrons and  $\tau$  lepton correspond to the p-adic prime  $M_{107} = 2^{107} - 1$ .
- (b) The model for the production of electro-pions in heavy ion collisions suggests that the production of  $\tau$ -pions could take place in higher energy collisions of protons generating very strong non-orthogonal magnetic and electric fields. This This would reduce the model to the quantum model for electro-pion production.
- (c) One can imagine several options for the detailed production mechanism.
  - i. The decay of *virtual*  $\tau$ -pions created in these fields to pairs of leptobaryons generates lepton jets. Since colored leptons correspond to color octets, leptobaryons could correspond to states of form  $LLL$  or  $L\bar{L}\bar{L}$ .
  - ii. The option inspired by a blog discussion with Ervin Goldfein is that a coherent state of  $\tau$ -pions is created first and is then heated to QCD plasma like state producing the lepton jets like in QCD. The linear coupling to  $E \cdot B$  defined by em fields of colliding nucleons would be analogous to the coupling of harmonic oscillator to constant force and generate the coherent state.

- iii. The option inspired by CDF model [C165] is that a p-adically scaled up variant of *on mass shell* neutral  $\tau$ -pion having  $k = 103$  and 4 times larger mass than  $k = 107$   $\tau$ -pion is produced and decays to three  $k = 105$   $\tau$ -pions with  $k = 105$  neutral  $\tau$ -pion in turn decaying to three  $k = 107$   $\tau$ -pions.
- (d) The basic characteristics of the anomalous muon pair prediction seems to fit with what one would expect from a jet generating a cascade of  $\tau$ -pions. Muons with both charges would be produced democratically from neutral  $\tau$ -pions; the number of muons would be anomalously high; and the invariant masses of muon pairs would be below 3.6 GeV for neutral  $\tau$ -pions and below 1.8 GeV for charged  $\tau$ -pions if colored neutrinos are light.
- (e) The lifetime of 20 ps can be assigned with charged  $\tau$ -pion decaying weakly only into muon and neutrino. This provides a killer test for the hypothesis. In absence of CKM mixing for colored neutrinos, the decay rate to lepton and its antineutrino is given by

$$\Gamma(\pi_\tau \rightarrow L + \bar{\nu}_L) = \frac{G^2 m(L)^2 f^2(\pi_\tau) (m(\pi_\tau)^2 - m(L)^2)^2}{4\pi m^3(\pi_\tau)} . \quad (11.3.1)$$

The parameter  $f(\pi_\tau)$  characterizing the coupling of pion to the axial current can be written as  $f(\pi_\tau) = r(\pi_\tau)m(\pi_\tau)$ . For ordinary pion one has  $f(\pi) = 93$  MeV and  $r(\pi) = .67$ . The decay rate for charged  $\tau$ -pion is obtained by simple scaling giving

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\pi_\tau \rightarrow L + \bar{\nu}_L) &= 8x^2 u^2 y^3 (1 - z^2) \frac{1}{\cos^2(\theta_c)} \Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu) , \\ x &= \frac{m(L)}{m(\mu)} , \quad y = \frac{m(\tau)}{m(\pi)} , \quad z = \frac{m(L)}{2m(\tau)} , \quad u = \frac{r(\pi_\tau)}{r(\pi)} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.3.0)$$

If the p-adic mass scale of the colored neutrino is same as for ordinary neutrinos, the mass of charged leptopion is in good approximation equal to the mass of  $\tau$  and the decay rates to  $\tau$  and electron are for the lack of phase space much slower than to muons so that muons are produced preferentially.

- (f) For  $m(\tau) = 1.8$  GeV and  $m(\pi) = .14$  GeV and the same value for  $f_\pi$  as for ordinary pion the lifetime is obtained by scaling from the lifetime of charged pion about  $2.6 \times 10^{-8}$  s. The prediction is  $3.31 \times 10^{-12}$  s to be compared with the experimental estimate about  $20 \times 10^{-12}$  s.  $r(\pi_\tau) = .41r_\pi$  gives a correct prediction. Hence the explanation in terms of  $\tau$ -pions seems to be rather convincing unless one is willing to believe in really nasty miracles.
- (g) Neutral  $\tau$ -pion would decay dominantly to monochromatic pairs of gamma rays. The decay rate is dictated by the product of  $\tau$ -pion field and "instanton" action, essentially the inner product of electric and magnetic fields and reducing to total divergence of instanton current locally. The rate is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(\pi_\tau \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma) &= \frac{\alpha_{em}^2 m^3(\pi_\tau)}{64\pi^3 f(\pi_\tau)^2} = 2x^{-2}y \times \Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma) , \\ x &= \frac{f(\pi_\tau)}{m(\pi_\tau)} , \quad y = \frac{m(\tau)}{m(\pi)} . \Gamma(\pi \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma) = 7.37 \text{ eV} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.3.-1)$$

The predicted lifetime is  $1.17 \times 10^{-17}$  seconds.

- (h) Second decay channel is to lepton pairs, with muon pair production dominating for kinematical reasons. The invariant mass of the pairs is 3.6 GeV if no other particles are produced. Whether the mass of colored neutrino is essentially the same as that of charged lepton or corresponds to the same p-adic scale as the mass of the ordinary neutrino remains an open question. If colored neutrino is light, the invariant mass of muon-neutrino pair is below 1.78 GeV.

### PAMELA and ATIC anomalies

TGD predicts also a hierarchy of hadron physics assignable to Mersenne primes. The mass scale of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics is by a factor 512 higher than that of ordinary hadron physics. Therefore a very rough estimate for the nucleons of this physics is 512 GeV. This suggest that the decays of  $M_{89}$  hadrons are responsible for the anomalous positrons and electrons up to energies 500-800 GeV reported by ATIC collaboration. An equally naive scaling for the mass of pion predicts that  $M_{89}$  pion has mass 72 GeV. This could relate to the anomalous cosmic ray positrons in the energy interval 10-50 GeV reported by PAMELA collaboration. Be as it may, the prediction is that  $M_{89}$  hadron physics exists and could make itself visible in LHC.

The surprising finding is that positron fraction (the ratio of flux of positrons to the sum of electron and positron fluxes) increases above 10 GeV. If positrons emerge from secondary production during the propagation of cosmic ray-nuclei, this ratio should decrease if only standard physics is be involved with the collisions. This is taken as evidence for the production of electron-positron pairs, possibly in the decays of dark matter particles.

Leptohadron hypothesis predicts that in high energy collisions of charged nuclei with charged particles of matter it is possible to produce also charged electro-pions, which decay to electrons or positrons depending on their charge and produce the electronic counterparts of the jets discovered in CDF. This proposal - and more generally leptohadron hypothesis - could be tested by trying to find whether also electronic jets can be found in proton-proton collisions. They should be present at considerably lower energies than muon jets. I decided to check whether I have said something about this earlier and found that I have noticed years ago that there is evidence for the production of anomalous electron-positron pairs in hadronic reactions [C162, C125, C155, C52] : some of it dates back to seventies.

The first guess is that the center of mass energy at which the jet formation begins to make itself visible is in a constant ratio to the mass of charged lepton. From CDF data this ratio satisfies  $\sqrt{s}/m_\tau = x < 10^3$ . For electro-pions the threshold energy would be around  $10^{-3}x \times .5$  GeV and for muo-pions around  $10^{-3}x \times 100$  GeV.

### Comparison of TGD model with the model of CDF collaboration

Few days after the experimental a theoretical paper by CDF collaboration proposing a phenomenological model for the CDF anomaly appeared in the arXiv [C165], and it is interesting to compare the model with TGD based model (or rather, one of them corresponding to the third option mentioned above).

The paper proposes that three new particles are involved. The masses for the particles - christened  $h_3$ ,  $h_2$ , and  $h_1$  - are assumed to be 3.6 GeV, 7.3 GeV, and 15 GeV.  $h_1$  is assumed to be pair produced and decay to  $h_2$  pair decaying to  $h_3$  pair decaying to a  $\tau$  pair.

$h_3$  is assumed to have mass 3.6 GeV and life-time of  $20 \times 10^{-12}$  seconds. The mass is same as the TGD based prediction for neutral  $\tau$ -pion mass, whose lifetime however equals to  $1.12 \times 10^{-17}$  seconds ( $\gamma + \gamma$  decay dominates). The correct prediction for the lifetime provides a strong support for the identification of long-lived state as charged  $\tau$ -pion with mass near  $\tau$  mass so that the decay to  $\mu$  and its antineutrino dominates. Hence the model is not consistent with leptohadronic model.

p-Adic length scale hypothesis predicts that allowed mass scales come as powers of  $\sqrt{2}$  and these masses indeed come in good approximation as powers of 2. Several p-adic scales appear in low energy hadron physics for quarks and this replaces Gell-Mann formula for low-lying hadron masses. Therefore one can ask whether the proposed masses correspond to neutral tau-pion with  $p = M_k = 2^k - 1$ ,  $k = 107$ , and its p-adically scaled up variants with  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k = 105$ , and  $k = 103$  (also prime). The prediction for masses would be 3.6 GeV, 7.2 GeV, 14.4 GeV.

This co-incidence cannot of course be taken too seriously since the powers of two in CDF model have a rather mundane origin: they follow from the assumed production mechanism producing 8  $\tau$ -leptons from  $h_1$ . One can however spend some time by looking whether it could be realized somehow allowing p-adically scaled up variants of  $\tau$ -pion.

- (a) The proposed model for the production of muon jets is based on production of  $k=103$  neutral  $\tau$ -pion (or several of them) having 4 times larger mass than  $k=107$   $\tau$ -pion in strong EB background of the colliding proton and antiproton and decaying via weak boson and gluon exchanges to  $k=105$  and  $k=107$   $\tau$ -pions. The simplest decays are parity breaking  $1 \rightarrow 2$  decays and must involve exchange of virtual  $W$  or  $Z$  boson. Three-pion coupling  $\lambda$  with dimensions of mass determines the decay rates for neutral  $\tau$ -pions appearing in the cascade. For the four-pion decay the coupling is dimensionless. Rates are proportional to phase space-volumes, which are rather small by kinetic reasons and also reduced by weak coupling.
- (b) For a neutral initial state the first step could be one of the following ones:

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_{\tau}^0(103) &\rightarrow \pi_{\tau}^+(105) + \pi_{\tau}^-(105) \\ \pi_{\tau}^0(103) &\rightarrow \pi_{\tau}^0(105) + \pi_{\tau}^0(105) \\ \pi_{\tau}^0(103) &\rightarrow 2\gamma \\ \pi_{\tau}^0(103) &\rightarrow \pi_{\tau}^+(105) + \pi_{\tau}^-(107) + \pi_{\tau}^0(107)\end{aligned}$$

In the last decay permutations of the final state charges are possible. Since the last reaction is parity conserving and governed by strong interactions it dominates. This step is not kinematically possible if masses are obtained by exact scaling and if  $m(\pi_{\tau}^0) < m(\pi_{\tau}^{\pm})$  holds true as for ordinary pion. p-Adic mass formulas do not however predict exact scaling. In the case that reaction is not kinematically possible, it must be replaced with a reaction in which one final state pion is virtual.

- (c) At the second step charged pion would decay to two pions

$$\pi_{\tau}^{\pm}(105) \rightarrow \pi_{\tau}^0(107) + \pi_{\tau}^{\pm}(107) ,$$

Neutral pion could decay to two gammas or to two pions

$$\pi_{\tau}^0(105) \rightarrow 2\gamma \text{ or } \pi_{\tau}^+(107) + \pi_{\tau}^-(107) \text{ or } \pi_{\tau}^0(107) + \pi_{\tau}^0(107) ,$$

Here second charged pion also can be virtual and decay weakly, and the weak decays of the  $\pi_{\tau}^{\pm}(105)$  with mass  $2m(\tau)$  to lepton pairs. The rates for these are obtained from previous formulas by scaling. For neutral pion the decay to two gammas dominates now.

- (d) The last step would involve the decays of both charged and neutral  $\pi_{\tau}(107)$ . The signature of the mechanism would be anomalous  $\gamma$  pairs with invariant masses  $2^k \times m(\tau)$ ,  $k = 1, 2, 3$  coming from the decays of neutral  $\tau$ -pions.

The total cross section for producing single leptopion can be estimated by using the quantum model for leptopion production. Production amplitude is essentially Coulomb scattering amplitude for a given value of the impact parameter  $b$  for colliding proton and anti-proton multiplied by the amplitude  $U(b, p)$  for producing on mass shell  $k = 103$  leptopion with given four-momentum in the fields  $E$  and  $B$  and given essentially by the Fourier transform of  $E \cdot B$ . The replacement of the motion with free motion should be a good approximation.

UV and IR cutoffs for the impact parameter appear in the model and are identifiable as appropriate p-adic length scales. UV cutoff could correspond to the Compton size of nucleon ( $k = 107$ ) and IR cutoff to the size of the space-time sheets representing topologically quantized electromagnetic fields of colliding nucleons (perhaps  $k = 113$  corresponding to nuclear p-adic length scale and size for color magnetic body of constituent quarks or  $k = 127$  for the magnetic body of current quarks with mass scale of order MeV). If one has  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = 2^7$  one could also guess that the IR cutoff corresponds to the size of dark em space-time sheet equal to  $2^7 L(113) = L(127)$  (or  $2^7 L(127) = L(141)$ ), which corresponds to electron's p-adic length scale. These are of course rough guesses.

Quantitatively the jet-likeness of muons means that the additional muons are contained in the cone  $\theta < 36.8$  degrees around the initial muon direction. If the decay of  $\pi_{\tau}^0(k)$  can occur to on mass shell  $\pi_{\tau}^0(k+2)$ ,  $k = 103, 105$ , it is possible to understand jets as a consequence of the decay kinematics forcing the pions resulting as decay products to be almost at rest.

- (a) Suppose that the decays to three pions can take place as on mass shell decays so that pions are very nearly at rest. The distribution of decay products  $\mu\bar{\nu}$  in the decays of  $\pi^\pm(105)$  is spherically symmetric in the rest frame and the energy and momentum of the muon are given by

$$[E, p] = \left[ m(\tau) + \frac{m^2(\mu)}{4m(\tau)}, m(\tau) - \frac{m^2(\mu)}{4m(\tau)} \right] .$$

The boost factor  $\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1-v^2}$  to the rest system of muon is  $\gamma = \frac{m(\tau)}{m(\mu)} + \frac{m(\mu)}{4m(\tau)} \sim 18$ .

- (b) The momentum distribution for  $\mu^+$  coming from  $\pi_r^+$  is spherically symmetric in the rest system of  $\pi^+$ . In the rest system of  $\mu^-$  the momentum distribution is non-vanishing only for when the angle  $\theta$  between the direction of velocity of  $\mu^-$  is below a maximum value of given by  $\tan(\theta_{max}) = 1$  corresponding to a situation in which the momentum  $\mu^+$  is orthogonal to the momentum of  $\mu^-$  (the maximum transverse momentum equals to  $m(\mu)v\gamma$  and longitudinal momentum becomes  $m(\mu)v\gamma$  in the boost). This angle corresponds to 45 degrees and is not too far from 36.8 degrees.
- (c) At the next step the energy of muons resulting in the decays of  $\pi^\pm(103)$

$$[E, p] = \left[ \frac{m(\tau)}{2} + \frac{m^2(\mu)}{2m(\tau)}, \frac{m(\tau)}{2} - \frac{m^2(\mu)}{2m(\tau)} \right] ,$$

and the boost factor is  $\gamma_1 = \frac{m(\tau)}{2m(\mu)} + \frac{m(\mu)}{2m(\tau)} \sim 9$ .  $\theta_{max}$  satisfies the condition  $\tan(\theta_{max}) = \gamma_1 v_1 / \gamma v \simeq 1/2$  giving  $\theta_{max} \simeq 26.6$  degrees.

If on mass shell decays are not allowed the situation changes since either of the charged pions is off mass shell. In order to obtain similar result the virtual should occur dominantly via states near to on mass shell pion. Since four-pion coupling is just constant, this option does not seem to be realized.

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- (c) At the next step the energy of muons resulting in the decays of  $\pi^\pm(103)$

$$[E, p] = \left[ \frac{m(\tau)}{2} + \frac{m^2(\mu)}{2m(\tau)}, \frac{m(\tau)}{2} - \frac{m^2(\mu)}{2m(\tau)} \right] ,$$

and the boost factor is  $\gamma_1 = \frac{m(\tau)}{2m(\mu)} + \frac{m(\mu)}{2m(\tau)} \sim 9$ .  $\theta_{max}$  satisfies the condition  $\tan(\theta_{max}) = \gamma_1 v_1 / \gamma v \simeq 1/2$  giving  $\theta_{max} \simeq 26.6$  degrees.

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### Numerical estimate for the production cross section

The numerical estimate of the cross section involves some delicacies. The model has purely physical cutoffs which must be formulated in a precise manner.

- (a) Since energy conservation is not coded into the model, some assumption about the maximal  $\tau$ -pion energy in cm system expressed as a fraction  $\epsilon$  of proton's center of mass energy is necessary. Maximal fraction corresponds to the condition  $m(\pi_\tau) \leq m(\pi_\tau)\gamma_1 \leq \epsilon m_p \gamma_{cm}$  in cm system giving  $[m(\pi_\tau)/(m_p \gamma_{cm})] \leq \epsilon \leq 1$ .  $\gamma_{cm}$  can be deduced from the center of mass energy of proton as  $\gamma_{cm} = \sqrt{s}2m_p$ ,  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV. This gives  $1.6 \times 10^{-2} < \epsilon < 1$  in a reasonable approximation. It is convenient to parameterize  $\epsilon$  as

$$\epsilon = (1 + \delta) \times \frac{m(\pi_\tau)}{m_p} \times \frac{1}{\gamma_{cm}} .$$

The coordinate system in which the calculations are carried out is taken to be the rest system of (say) antiproton so that one must perform a Lorentz boost to obtain upper and lower limits for the velocity of  $\tau$ -pion in this system. In this system the range of  $\gamma_1$  is fixed by the maximal cm velocity fixed by  $\epsilon$  and the upper/lower limit of  $\gamma_1$  corresponds to a direction parallel/opposite to the velocity of proton.

- (b) By Lorentz invariance the value of the impact parameter cutoff  $b_{max}$  should be expressible in terms  $\tau$ -pion Compton length and the center of mass energy of the colliding proton and the assumption is that  $b_{max} = \gamma_{cm} \times \hbar/m(\pi_\tau)$ , where it is assumed  $m(\pi_\tau) = 8m(\tau)$ . The production cross section does not depend much on the precise choice of the impact parameter cutoff  $b_{max}$  unless it is un-physically large in which case  $b_{max}^2$  proportionality is predicted.

The numerical estimate for the production cross section involves some delicacies.

- (a) The power series expansion of the integral of  $CUT_1$  using partial fraction representation does not converge since that roots  $c_\pm$  are very large in the entire integration region. Instead the approximation  $A_1 \simeq iB\cos(\psi)/D$  simplifying considerably the calculations can be used. Also the value of  $b_1L$  is rather small and one can use stationary phase approximation for  $CUT_2$ . It turns out that the contribution of  $CUT_2$  is negligible as compared to that of  $CUT_1$ .
- (b) Since the situation is singular for  $\theta = 0$  and  $\phi = 0$  and  $\phi = \pi/2$  (by symmetry it is enough to calculate the cross section only for this kinematical region), cutoffs

$$\theta \in [\epsilon_1, (1 - \epsilon_1)] \times \pi , \quad \phi \in [\epsilon_1, (1 - \epsilon_1)] \times \pi/2 , \quad \epsilon_1 = 10^{-3} .$$

The result of the calculation is not very sensitive to the value of the cutoff.

- (c) Since the available numerical environment was rather primitive (MATLAB in personal computer), the requirement of a reasonable calculation time restricted the number of intervals in the discretization for the three kinematical variables  $\gamma, \theta, \phi$  to be below  $N_{max} = 80$ . The result of calculation did not depend appreciably on the number of intervals above  $N = 40$  for  $\gamma_1$  integral and for  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  integrals even  $N = 10$  gave a good estimate.

The calculations were carried for the  $exp(iS)$  option since in good approximation the estimate for  $exp(iS) - 1$  model is obtained by a simple scaling.  $exp(iS)$  model produces a correct order of magnitude for the cross section whereas  $exp(iS) - 1$  variant predicts a cross section, which is by several orders of magnitude smaller by downwards  $\alpha_{em}^2$  scaling. As I asked Tommaso Dorigo for an estimate for the production cross section in his first blog posting [C112] , he mentioned that

authors refer to a production cross section is 100 nb which looks to me suspiciously large (too large by three orders of magnitude), when compared with the production rate of muon pairs from  $b\bar{b}$ .  $\delta = 1.5$  which corresponds to  $\tau$ -pion energy 36 GeV gives the estimate  $\sigma = 351$  nb. The energy is suspiciously high.

In fact, in the recent blog posting of Tommaso Dorigo [C111] a value of order .1 nb for the production cross section was mentioned. Electro-pions in heavy ion collisions are produced almost at rest and one has  $\Delta v/v \simeq .2$  giving  $\delta = \Delta E/m(\pi) \simeq 2 \times 10^{-3}$ . If one believes in fractal scaling, this should be at least the order of magnitude also in the case of  $\tau$ -pion. This would give the estimate  $\sigma = 1$  nb. For  $\delta = \Delta E/m(\pi) \simeq 10^{-3}$  a cross section  $\sigma = .16$  nb would result.

One must of course take the estimate cautiously but there are reasons to hope that large systematic errors are not present anymore. In any case, the model can explain also the order of magnitude of the production cross section under reasonable assumptions about cutoffs.

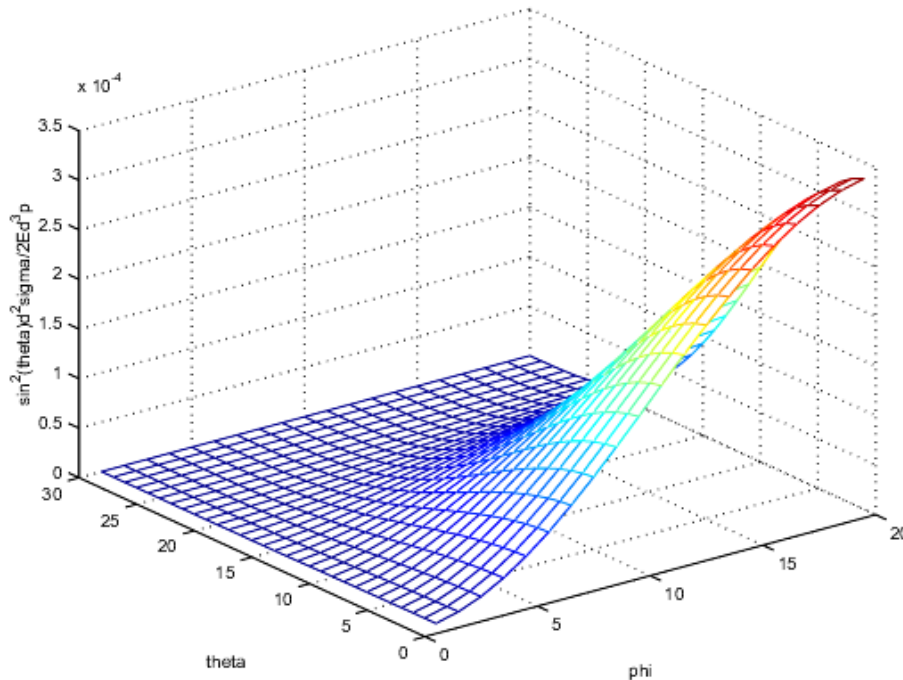


Figure 11.2: Differential cross section  $\sin^2(\theta) \times \frac{d^2\sigma}{2E d^3p}$  for  $\tau$ -pion production for  $\gamma_1 = 1.090 \times 10^3$  in the rest system of antiproton for  $\delta = 1.5$ .  $m(\pi_\tau)$  defines the unit of energy and nb is the unit for cross section. The ranges of  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  are  $(0, \pi)$  and  $(0, \pi/2)$ .

### Does the production of leptopions involve a phase transition increasing Planck constant?

The critical argument of Tommaso Dorigo in his blog inspired an attempt to formulate more precisely the hypothesis  $\sqrt{s}/m_\tau > x < 10^3$ . This led to the realization that a phase transition increasing Planck constant might happen in the production process as also the model for the production of electro-pions requires.

Suppose that the instanton coupling gives rise to *virtual* neutral leptopions which ultimately produce the jets (this is first of the three models that one can imagine).  $E$  and  $B$  could be associated with the colliding proton and antiproton or quarks.

- (a) The amplitude for leptopion production is essentially Fourier transform of  $E \cdot B$ , where  $E$  and  $B$  are the non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields of the colliding charges. At the



level of scales one has  $\tau \sim \hbar/E$ , where  $\tau$  is the time during which  $E \cdot B$  is large enough during collision and  $E$  is the energy scale of the virtual lepton giving rise to the jet.

- (b) In order to have jets one must have  $m(\pi_\tau) \ll E$ . If the scaling law  $E \propto \sqrt{s}$  hold true, one indeed has  $\sqrt{s}/m(\pi_\tau) > x < 10^3$ .
- (c) If proton and antiproton would move freely,  $\tau$  would be of the order of the time for proton to move through a distance, which is 2 times the Lorentz contracted radius of proton:  $\tau_{free} = 2 \times \sqrt{1-v^2} R_p/v = 2\hbar/E_p$ . This would give for the energy scale of virtual  $\tau$ -pion the estimate  $E = \hbar/\tau_{free} = \sqrt{s}/4$ .  $x = 4$  is certainly quite too small value. Actually  $\tau > \tau_{free}$  holds true but one can argue that without new physics the time for the preservation of  $E \cdot B$  cannot be by a factor of order  $2^8$  longer than for free collision.
- (d) For a colliding quark pair one would have  $\tau_{free} = 4\hbar/\sqrt{s_{pair}(s)}$ , where  $\sqrt{s_{pair}(s)}$  would be the typical invariant energy of the pair which is exponentially smaller than  $\sqrt{s}$ . Somewhat paradoxically from classical physics point of view, the time scale would be much longer for the collision of quarks than that for proton and antiproton.

The possible new physics relates to the possibility that leptopions are dark matter in the sense that they have Planck constant larger than the standard value.

- (a) Suppose that the produced leptopions have Planck constant larger than its standard value  $\hbar_0$ . Originally the idea was that larger value of  $\hbar$  would scale up the production cross section. It turned out that this is not the case. For  $exp(iS)$  option the lowest order contribution is not affected by the scaling of  $\hbar$  and for  $exp(iS) - 1$  option the lowest order contribution scales down as  $1/\hbar^2$ . The improved formulation of the model however led to a correct order of magnitude estimates for the production cross section.
- (b) Assume that a phase transition increasing Planck constant occurs during the collision. Hence  $\tau$  is scaled up by a factor  $y = \hbar/\hbar_0$ . The inverse of the leptopion mass scale is a natural candidate for the scaled up dark time scale.  $\tau(\hbar_0) \sim \tau_{free}$ , one obtains  $y \sim \sqrt{s_{min}}/4m(\pi_\tau) \leq 2^8$  giving for proton-antiproton option the first guess  $\sqrt{s}/m(\pi_\tau) > x < 2^{10}$ . If the value of  $y$  does not depend on the type of leptopion, the proposed estimates for muo- and electro-pion follow.
- (c) If the fields  $E$  and  $B$  are associated with colliding quarks, only colliding quark pairs with  $\sqrt{s_{pair}(s)} > (>)m(\pi_\tau)$  contribute giving  $y_q(s) = \sqrt{s_{pair}(s)}/s \times y$ .

If the  $\tau$ -pions produced in the magnetic field are on-mass shell  $\tau$ -pions with  $k = 113$ , the value of  $\hbar$  would satisfy  $\hbar/\hbar_0 < 2^5$  and  $\sqrt{s}/m(\pi_\tau) > x < 2^7$ .

### Tau-pions again but now as dark matter candidate in galactic center

The standard view about dark matter is that it has only gravitational interactions with ordinary matter so that high densities of dark matter are required to detect its signatures. On the average the density of dark matter is about 80 per cent of ordinary matter. Clearly, Milky Way's center is an excellent place for detecting the signatures of dark matter. The annihilation of pairs of dark matter particles to gamma rays is one possible signature and one could study the anomalous features of gamma ray spectrum from the galactic center (a region with radius about 100 light years).

Europe's INTEGRAL satellite launched in 2002 indeed found bright gamma ray radiations coming from the center of galaxy with energy of .511 MeV, which is slightly above electron mass (see the references below). The official interpretation is that the gammas are produced in the annihilations of particles of positrons and electrons in turn created in dark matter annihilations. TGD suggests much simpler mechanism. Gamma rays would be produced in the decay of what I call electropions having mass which is slightly larger than  $m = 2m_e$ .

The news of the day [C104] was that the data from Fermi Gamma Ray telescope give analyzed by Dan Hooper and Lisa Goodenough [C194] gives evidence for a dark matter candidate with mass between 7.3-9.2 GeV decaying predominantly into a pair of  $\tau$  leptons. The estimate for

the mass region is roughly 4 times  $\tau$  mass. What puts bells ringing that a mass of a charged lepton appears again!

### 1. Explanation in TGD framework

The new finding fits nicely to a bigger story based on TGD.

- (a) TGD predicts that both quarks and leptons should have colored excitations devoted to the lepto-hadron model). In the case of leptons lowest excitations are color octets. In the case of electro-pion this hypothesis finds support from the anomalous production of electron positron pairs in heavy ion collisions discovered already at seventies but forgotten for long ago since the existence of light particle at this mass scale simply was in total complete with standard model and what was known about the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons. Also orthopositronium decay width anomaly -forgotten also-has explanation in terms of leptopion hypothesis [C61, C232].
- (b) The colored leptons would be dark in TGD sense, which means that they live in dark sector of the "world of classical worlds" (WCW) meaning that they have no direct interactions (common vertices of Feynman diagrams) with ordinary matter. They simply live at different space-time sheets. A phase transition which is geometrically a leakage between dark sector and ordinary sector are possible and make possible interactions between ordinary and dark matter based on exchanged particles suffering this phase transition. Therefore the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons do not kill the model. TGD based model of dark matter in terms of hierarchy of values of Planck constants coming as multiples of its smallest possible value (the simplest option) need not to be postulated separately and can be regarded as a prediction of quantum TGD reflecting directly the vacuum degeneracy and extreme non-linearity of Kähler action (Maxwell action for induced  $CP_2$  Kähler form).
- (c) CDF anomaly which created a lot of discussion in blogs for two years ago can be understood in terms of taupion. Taupion and its p-adically scaled up versions with masses about  $2^k m_\tau$ ,  $k = 1, 2, 3$  and  $m_\tau \simeq 1.8$  GeV explains the findings reported by CDF in TGD framework. The masses of taupions would be 3.6 GeV, 7.2 GeV, and 14.2 GeV in good approximation and come as octaves of the mass of tau-lepton pair.

### 2. Predictions

The mass estimate for the dark matter particle suggests by Fermi Gamma Ray telescope corresponds to  $k = 2$  octave for taupion and the predict mass is about 7.2 GeV which at the lower boundary of the range 7.3-9.2 GeV. Also dark matter particles decaying to tau pairs and having masses 3.6 GeV and 14.2 GeV should be found.

Also muo-pion should exist there and should have mass slightly above  $2m_\mu = 210.4$  MeV so that a gamma rays peak slightly above the energy  $m_\mu = 105.2$  MeV should be discovered. Also octaves of this mass can be imagined. There is also evidence also for the existence of muo-pion [C268, C269].

LHC should provide excellent opportunities to test tau-pion and muo-pion hypothesis. Electro-pion was discovered in heavy ion collisions and also at LHC they study have heavy ion collisions but at much higher energies generating the required very strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields for which the "instanton density" defined as the inner product of electric and magnetic fields is large and rapidly varying. As an optimist I hope that muo-pion and tau-pion could be discovered despite the fact that their decay signatures are very different from those for ordinary particles and despite that fact that at these energies one must know precisely what one is trying to find in order to disentangle it from the enormous background.

### 3. Also DAMA, CoGeNT, and PAMELA give indications for tau-pion

Note that also DAMA experiment [C95] suggests the existence of dark matter particle in this mass range but it is not clear whether it can have anything to do with tau-pion state. One could of course imagine that dark tau-pions are created in the collisions of highly energetic cosmic

rays with the nuclei of atmosphere. Also Coherent Germanium Neutrino Technology (CoGeNT) experiment [C86] has released data that are best explained in terms of a dark matter particle with mass in the range 7-11 GeV.

The decay of tau-pions produce lepton pairs, mostly tau but also muons and electrons. The subsequent decays of tau-leptons to muons and electrons produce also electrons and positrons. This relates interestingly to the positron excess reported by PAMELA collaboration [C100] at the same time as CDF anomaly was reported. The anomaly started at positron energy about 3.6 GeV, which is one just one half of 7. 2 GeV for tau-pion mass! What was remarkable that no antiproton excess predicted by standard dark matter candidates was observed. Therefore the interpretation as decay products of tau-pions seems to make sense!

### Could it have been otherwise?

To sum up, the probability that a correct prediction for the lifetime of the new particle using only known lepton masses and standard formulas for weak decay rates follows by accident is extremely low. Throwing billion times coin and getting the same result every time might be something comparable to this. Therefore my sincere hope is that colleagues would be finally mature to take TGD seriously. If TGD based explanation of the anomalous production of electron positron pairs in heavy ion collisions would have been taken seriously for fifteen years ago, particle physics might look quite different now.

### 11.3.4 Dark matter puzzle

Sean Carroll has explained in Cosmic Variance the latest rather puzzling situation in dark matter searches. Some experiments support the existence of dark matter particles with mass of about 7 GeV, some experiments exclude them. The following arguments show that TGD based explanation allows to understand the discrepancy.

#### How to detect dark matter and what's the problem?

Consider first the general idea behind the attempts to detect dark matter particles and how one ends up with the puzzling situation.

- (a) Galactic nucleus serves as a source of dark matter particles and these one should be able to detect. There is an intense cosmic ray flux of ordinary particles from galactic center which must be eliminated so that only dark matter particles interacting very weakly with matter remain in the flux. The elimination is achieved by going sufficiently deep underground so that ordinary cosmic rays are shielded but extremely weakly interacting dark matter particles remain in the flux. After this one can in the ideal situation record only the events in which dark matter particles scatter from nuclei provided one eliminates events such as neutrino scattering.
- (b) DAMA experiment does not detect dark matter events as such but annual variations in the rate of events which can include besides dark matter events and other kind of events. DAMA finds annual variation interpreted as dark matter signal since other sources of events are not expected to have this kind of variation [C94]. Also CoGENT has reported the annual variation with 2.8 sigma confidence level [C183]. The mass of the dark matter particle should be around 7 GeV rather than hundreds of GeVs as required by many models. An unidentified noise with annual variation having nothing to do with dark matter could of course be present and this is the weakness of this approach.
- (c) For a few weeks ago we learned that XENON100 experiment detects no dark matter [C102]. Also CDMS has reported a negative result [C78]. According to Sean Carroll, the detection strategy used by XENON100 is different from that of DAMA: individual dark matter scatterings on nuclei are detected. This is a very significant difference which might explain the discrepancy since the theory laden prejudices about what dark matter particle scattering can look like, could eliminate the particles causing the annual variations. For instance,

these prejudices are quite different for the inhabitants of the main stream Universe and TGD Universe.

### TGD based explanation of the DAMA events and related anomalies

I have commented earlier the possible interpretation of DAMA events in terms of tau-pions. The spirit is highly speculative.

- (a) Tau-pions would be identifiable as the particles claimed by Fermi Gamma Ray telescope with mass around 7 GeV and decaying into tau pairs so that one could cope with several independent observations instead of only single one.
- (b) Recall that the *CDF* anomaly gave for two and half years ago support for tau-pions whereas earlier anomalies dating back to seventies give support for electro-pions and mu-pions. The existence of these particles is purely TGD based phenomenon and due to the different view about the origin of color quantum numbers. In TGD colored states would be partial waves in  $CP_2$  and spin like quantum numbers in standard theories so that leptons would not have colored excitations.
- (c) Tau-pions are of course highly unstable and would not come from the galactic center. Instead, they would be created in cosmic ray events at the surface of Earth and if they can penetrate the shielding eliminating ordinary cosmic rays they could produce events responsible for the annual variation caused by that for the cosmic ray flux from galactic center.

Can one regard tau-pion as dark matter in some sense? Or must one do so? The answer is affirmative to both questions on both theoretical and experimental grounds.

- (a) The existence of colored variants of leptons is excluded in standard physics by intermediate gauge boson decay widths. They could however appear as states with non-standard value of Planck constant and therefore not appearing in same vertices with ordinary gauge bosons so that they would not contribute to the decay widths of weak bosons. In this minimal sense they would be dark and this is what is required in order to understand what we know about dark matter.

Of course, all particles can in principle appear in states with non-standard value of Planck constant so that tau-pion would be one special instance of dark matter. For instance, in living matter the role of dark variants of electrons and possibly also other stable particles would be decisive. To put it bluntly: in mainstream approach dark matter is identified as some exotic particle with ad hoc properties whereas in TGD framework dark matter is outcome of a generalization of quantum theory itself.

- (b) DAMA experiment requires that the tau-pions behave like dark matter: otherwise they would never reach the strongly shielded detector. The interaction with the nuclei of detector would be preceded by a transformation to a particle-tau-pion or something else- with ordinary value of Planck constant.

### TGD based explanation for the dark matter puzzle

The criteria used in experiments to eliminate events which definitely are not dark matter events - according to the prevailing wisdom of course - dictates to high degree what interactions of tau pions with solid matter detector are used as a signature of dark matter event. It could well be that the criteria used in XENON100 do not allow the scatterings of tau-pions with nuclei. This is indeed the case. The clue comes from the comments of Jester in Resonaances. From a comment of Jester one learns that CoGENT - and also DAMA utilizing the same detections strategy - "does not cut on ionization fraction". Therefore, if dark matter mimics electron recoils (as Jester says) or if dark matter produced in the collisions of cosmic rays with the nuclei of the atmosphere decays to charged particles one can understand the discrepancy.

The TGD based model [K84] explaining the more than two years old CDF anomaly [C72, C228] indeed explains also the discrepancy between XENON100 and CDMS on one hand and DAMA

and CoGENT on the other hand. The TGD based model for the CDF anomaly can be found here. See also blog postings such as this and also two and half year old What's News at my homepage.

- (a) To explain the observations of CDF [C72, C228] one had to assume that tau-pions and therefore also color excited tau-leptons inside them appear as several p-adically scaled up variants so that one would have several octaves of the ground state of tau-pion with masses in good approximation equal to 3.6 GeV (two times the tau-lepton mass), 7.2 GeV, 14.4 GeV. The 14.4 GeV tau-pion was assumed to decay in a cascade like manner via lepto-strong interactions to lighter tau-pions- both charged and neutral- which eventually decayed to ordinary charged leptons and neutrinos.
- (b) Also other decay modes -say the decay of neutral tau-pions to gamma pair and to a pair of ordinary leptons- are possible but the corresponding rates are much slower than the decay rates for cascade like decay via multi-tau-pion states proceeding via lepto-strong interactions.
- (c) Just this cascade would take place also now after the collision of the incoming cosmic ray with the nucleus of atmosphere. The mechanism producing the neutral tau-pions -perhaps a coherent state of them- would degenerate in the collision of charged cosmic ray with nucleus generating strong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields and the production amplitude would be essentially the Fourier transform of the "instanton density"  $E \cdot B$ . The decays of 14 GeV neutral tau-pions would produce 7 GeV charged tau-pions, which would scatter from the protons of nuclei and generate the events excluded by XENON100 but not by DAMA and Cogent.
- (d) In principle the model predicts to a high degree quantitatively the rate of the events. The scattering rates are proportional to an unknown parameter characterizing the transformation probability of tau-pion to a particle with ordinary value of Planck constant and this allows to perform some parameter tuning. This parameter would correspond to a mass insertion in the tau-pion line changing the value of Planck constant and have dimensions of mass squared.

The overall conclusion is that the discrepancy between DAMA and XENON100 might be interpreted as favoring TGD view about dark matter and it is fascinating to see how the situation develops. This confusion is not the only confusion in recent day particle physics. All believed-to-be almost-certainties are challenged.

### Has Fermi observed dark matter?

Resonaances reports about a possible dark matter signal at Fermi satellite [C263]. Also Lubos has a posting about the finding and mentions that the statistical significance is 3.3 sigma.

The proposed dark matter interpretation for the signal would be pair of monochromatic photons with second one detected at Earth. The interpretation would be that dark matter particles with mass  $m$  nearly at rest in galactic center annihilate to a pair of photons so that one obtains a pair of photons with energy equal to the cm energy which is in a good approximation the sum  $E = 2 \times m$  for the masses of the particles. The mass value would be around  $m=130$  GeV if the final state involves only 2 photons.

In TGD framework I would consider as a first guess a pion like state decaying to two photons with standard coupling given by the coupling to the "instanton density"  $E \cdot B$  of electromagnetic field. The mass of this particle would be 260 GeV, in reasonable approximation 2 times the mass  $m=125$  GeV of the Higgs candidate.

- (a) Similar coupling was assumed to explain the CDF anomaly [K84]. The anomaly would have been produced by tau-pions, which are pionlike states formed by pairs of colored excitations of tau and its antiparticle (or possibly their super-partners). What was remarkable that the mass had three values coming as powers of two:  $M = 2^k \times 2m(\tau)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2$ . The interpretation in terms of p-adic length scale hypothesis would be obvious: also the octaves

of the basic state are there. The constraint from intermediate gauge boson decay widths requires that these states are dark in TGD sense and therefore correspond to a non-standard value of Planck constant coming as an integer multiple of the standard value.

- (b) Also the explanation of the findings of Pamela discussed in this chapter require octaves of tau-pion produced in Earth's atmosphere.
- (c) Even ordinary pion should have 2-adic octaves. But doesn't this kill the hypothesis? We "know" that pion does not have any octaves! Maybe not, there is recent evidence for satellites of ordinary pion with energy scale of 40 MeV interpreted in terms of IR Regge trajectories assignable to the color magnetic flux tubes assignable to pion. There has been several wrong alarms about Higgs: at 115 GeV and 155 GeV at least. Could it be that there there is something real behind these wrong alarms: the scale for IR Regge trajectories would be about 20 GeV now!

So: could the dark matter candidates with mass around 260 GeV correspond to the first octave of  $M_{89}$  pion with mass around 125 GeV, the particle that colleagues want to call Higgs boson although its decay signatures suggest something different?

- (a) In this case it does not seem necessary to assume that the Planck constant has non-standard value although this is possible.
- (b) This particle should be produced in  $M_{89}$  strong interactions in the galactic center. This would require the presence of matter consisting of  $M_{89}$  nucleons emitting these pions in strong interactions. Galactic center is very exotic place and believed to contain even super-massive black hole. Could this environment accommodate also a scaled up copy of hadron physics? Presumably this would require very high temperatures with thermal energy of order .5 TeV correspond to the mass of  $M_{89}$  proton to make possible the presence of  $M_{89}$  matter. Or could  $M_{89}$  pion be produced in ultrastrong non-orthogonal electric and magnetic fields in the galactic center by the coupling to the instanton density. The needed field strengths would be extremely high. I have indeed proposed long time ago an explanation of very high energy cosmic rays in terms of the decay products of scaled up hadron physics (see "Cosmic Rays and Mersenne primes" in this chapter).

One can of course imagine that the photon pair is produced in the annihilation of  $M_{89}$  pions with opposite charges via standard electromagnetic coupling. Also the annihilation of  $M_{89}$  spions consisting of squark pair can be considered in TGD framework where squarks could have same mass scale as quarks. In this case mass would be near 125 GeV identified as mass of neutral  $M_{89}$  pion. By scaling up the mass difference 139.570-134.976 MeV of the ordinary charged and neutral pion by the ratio of the pion  $M_{89}$  and  $M_{107}$  pion masses equal to  $(125/140) \times 10^3$  one obtains that the charged  $M_{89}$  pion should have mass equal to 129.6 MeV to be compared with the 130 GeV mass suggested by experimental evidence.

The story did not end here as so often when observations cannot be replicated. The Estonian researchers Elmo Tempel, Andi Hektora and Martti Raidala have found confirmation for the 130 GeV Fermi excess in gamma radiation from galactic center discovered by Cristoph Weniger [E4]. An important conclusion of these researchers is that best fit is obtained if the dark matter candidates decay by two-body annihilation to photons and have mass 145 GeV. The reason for why the gamma peak is at 130 GeV rather than 145 GeV would be due to the emission light particle pairs by the photons. There are also indications for a peak at 111 GeV: this could be assigned to  $\gamma Z$  final state of two-body decay.

In TGD framework the annihilating particles with 145 GeV mass could be charged pion-like states of  $M_{89}$  hadron physics. They could be dark in the sense of having large value of Planck constant but it is not clear whether this is necessarily so. The TGD based on view about galactic dark matter locates in cosmic string like objects containing galaxies as pearls in necklace and no halo is needed to explain galactic rotation spectrum [K22]. An ultrahigh temperature would be needed to excite  $M_{89}$  hadron physics and if there is giant blackhole in galactic nucleus, there are hopes about this.  $M_{89}$  hadron physics could also produce ultrahigh energy cosmic rays as described in this chapter.

It is amusing that also CDF found for a couple of years ago evidence for a bump at the same 145 GeV energy (this has been forgotten long time ago by bloggers in 125 GeV Higgs hysteria). Estonians propose that also a particle with 290 GeV (mass would twice that of 145 GeV state) is needed. This brings further support for the idea about mass octaves of ground state of pionlike states needed to explain various anomalies (see this chapter and [K84]).

If one takes seriously the evidence for 125 GeV state and its identification as Euclidian pion together with the evidence for galactic pionlike state with mass of 145 GeV identified as  $M_{89}$ , one has a nice support for the overall TGD based view about situation described in this chapter. The small splitting between pionlike states has possible counterpart in the ordinary hadron physics: there is evidence for satellites of pion, mesons, and baryons in 20-40 MeV scale for mass splittings and in TGD framework they would correspond to IR Regge trajectories with the scale of 10-20 GeV mass splittings (see this chapter).

We are living exciting times!

### 11.3.5 Has Pamela observed evidence for the non-dark electro-pion of $M_{89}$ lepto-hadron physics?

Resonaances tells that the Fermi collaboration confirms the claim of PAMELA collaboration about anomalous  $e^+e^-$  pairs in cosmic ray radiation (see that abstract *Consistency of fermi-lat and pamela cosmic ray lepton measurement* by P. Grandi et al at [http://fermi.gsfc.nasa.gov/science/symposium/2011/Fermi\\_Symposium\\_2011\\_Abstracts.pdf](http://fermi.gsfc.nasa.gov/science/symposium/2011/Fermi_Symposium_2011_Abstracts.pdf)).

The announcement of Pamela was my second birthday gift at October 30 for two and half years ago. The first gift was CDF anomaly which found a beautiful explanation in terms of tau-pions and the p-adically scaled up variants with color tau- lepton having mass scale by power of two. The tau-pion of mass about 14 GeV decaying in cascade like manner to lower octaves of basic tau-pion explained elegantly the observations reported by CDF.

For some time ago the dilemma posed by the contradictory claims of DAMA and Cogent collaborations on one hand and XENON100 collaboration on one hand finds also nice solution in terms of 14 GeV taupion decaying to charged taupions with mass about 7 GeV [K84].

The decays of electro-pions to gamma pair can explain the observed anomalous gammas from galactic nucleus with energy very nearly to electron rest mass. Could one understand also the anomalous positrons reported by PAMELA as decay products of lepto-pion like states, say taupions? Intriguingly, the first figures of the article by Alessandro Strumia [C254] discussing the constraints on the possible explanations of the PAMELA anomaly show that the anomalous positron excess starts around 10 GeV, possible it starts already at 7 GeV. It is not possible to say anything certain below 10 GeV since the measurements are affected by the solar activity below 10 GeV. What is however clear is that the excess cannot be explained by taupion decays with 14 GeV mass since the excess would be localized around energy of about 7 GeV. Higher mass is required.

The article by Alessandro Strumia summarizes various theoretical constraints on the new particle explaining positron and electron excesses. The conclusions are following.

- (a) DM should result in a decay of quite a narrow particle with a mass very near to  $2M$ , which is nearly at rest. What narrow means quantitatively is not clear to me.
- (b) DM should carry a charge mediating long range interaction with the mediating boson which is must lighter than the particle itself: photon is the obvious candidate. Electromagnetically charged dark matter is however in conflict with the standard prejudices about dark matter and actually in dramatic conflict with its basic property of being invisible. Hierarchy of Planck constants is the only solution to the paradox of charged invisible dark matter.
- (c) DM must prefer the decays to leptons since otherwise there would be also antiproton and proton excess which has not been observed.
- (d) The mass of DM should be above 100 GeV.

These conditions encourage the identification of DM as a decay product of lepton like state but with mass considerably higher than the 14 GeV mass. Tau-pions could of course be present but would not contribute to the anomaly at energies not too much above 7 GeV. Tau-pions would also give muon pair anomaly. Heavier lepton like states are required and electropion would be the most natural candidate.

- (a) If a scaled up variant of ordinary hadron physics characterized by  $M_{89}$  is there as the recent bumps having interpretation as mesons of this physics suggest, there is no deep reason preventing the presence of also the scale variant of lepto-hadron physics in this scale. Even more, one can argue that colored leptons must appear as both dark and ordinary variants. Dark variants with non-standard value of Planck constant can have masses of ordinary leptons plus possibly their octaves as in the case of tau at least. The decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons require ordinary colored leptons to have mass higher than 45 GeV.
- (b) The mass of scaled up electropion would be obtained by scaling the mass of the dark electropion which for  $M_{89}$  electro-pion physics is in a good approximation  $2m_e=1$  MeV by a factor  $2^{(127-89)/2} = 2^{19}$ . This gives electropion mass equal to 500 GeV. Ordinary colored electron would therefore have mass of 250 GeV consistent with the lower bound. The conclusion would be rather ironic: we would have seen dark colored electron (in TGD sense) already at seventies and covered it carefully under the rug and would be seeing now the ordinary colored electron and stubbornly trying to identify it as DM without caring about the fact that if dark matter is invisible in the standard sense it cannot be electromagnetically charged!
- (c) By stretching one's imagination one might play with the thought that superpartners of colored leptons with mass scale of order 100 GeV could form pion like states. The superpartners decay to partner and neutrino since R-parity is not exact invariance in TGD and all depends on how fast this process occurs.
- (d) Skeptic could wonder why the counterparts for colored excitations of quarks are not there and induce the increase of proton and antiproton fluxes.

To summarize, entire Zoo of not only new particles but even of new physics could be waiting for us at LHC energies if we live in TGD Universe!

### 11.3.6 Could lepto-hadrons be replaced with bound states of exotic quarks?

Can one then exclude the possibility that electron-hadrons correspond to colored quarks condensed around  $k = 127$  hadronic space-time sheet: that is  $M_{127}$  hadron physics? There are several objections against this identification.

- (a) The recent empirical evidence for the colored counterpart of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  supports the view that colored excitations of leptons are in question.
- (b) The octet character of color representation makes possible the mixing of leptons with lepton-baryons of form  $L\nu_L\bar{\nu}_L$  by color magnetic coupling between lepton-gluons and ordinary and colored lepton. This is essential for understanding the production of electron-positron pairs.
- (c) In the case CDF anomaly also the assumption that colored variant of  $\tau$  neutrino is very light is essential. In the case of colored quarks this assumption is not natural.

### 11.3.7 About the masses of lepto-hadrons

The progress made in understanding of dark matter hierarchy [K28] and non-perturbative aspects of hadron physics [K54, K48] allow to sharpen also the model of lepto-hadrons.

The model for the masses of ordinary hadrons [K54] applies also to the scaled up variants of the hadron physics. The two contributions to the hadron mass correspond to quark contribution



and a contribution from super-symplectic bosons. For quarks labeled identical p-adic primes mass squared is additive and for quarks labeled by different primes mass is additive. Quark contribution is calculable once the p-adic primes of quarks are fixed.

super-symplectic contribution comes from super-symplectic bosons at hadronic space-time sheet labeled by Mersenne prime and is universal if one assumes that the topological mixing of the super-symplectic bosons is universal. If this mixing is same as for  $U$  type quarks, hadron masses can be reproduced in an excellent approximation if the super-symplectic boson content of hadron is assumed to correlate with the net spin of quarks.

In the case of baryons and pion and kaon one must assume the presence of a negative color conformal weight characterizing color binding. The value of this conformal weight is same for all baryons and super-symplectic contribution dominates over quark contribution for nucleons. In the case of mesons binding conformal weight can be assumed to vanish for mesons heavier than kaon and one can regard pion and kaon as Golstone bosons in the sense that quark contribution gives the mass of the meson.

This picture generalizes to the case of leptohadrons.

- (a) By the additivity of the mass squared leptonic contribution to lepton mass would be  $\sqrt{2}m_e(k)$ , where  $k$  characterizes the p-adic length scale of colored electron. For  $k = 127$  the mass of lepton would be .702 MeV and too small. For  $k = 126$  the mass would be  $2m_e = 1.02$  MeV and is very near to the mass of the lepton. Note that for ordinary hadrons quarks can appear in several scaled up variants inside hadrons and the value of  $k$  depends on hadron. The prediction for the mass of lepton would be  $m_{\pi_L} + \sqrt{7}m_{127} \simeq 1.62$  MeV ( $m_{127} = m_e/\sqrt{5}$ ).
- (b) The state consisting of three colored electrons would correspond to leptonic variant of  $\Delta_{++}$  having charge  $q = -3$ . The quark contribution to the mass of  $\Delta_L \equiv \Delta_{L,3-}$  would be by the additivity of mass squared  $\sqrt{3} \times m_e(k = 126) = 1.25$  MeV. If super-symplectic particle content is same as for  $\Delta_L$ , super-symplectic contribution would be  $m_{SC} = 5 \times m_{127}$ , and equal to  $m_{SC} = .765$  MeV so that the mass of  $\Delta_L$  would be  $m_{\Delta_L} = 2.34$  MeV. If colored neutrino corresponds to the same p-adic prime as colored electron, also leptonproton has mass in MeV scale.

### 11.3.8 Do X and Y mesons provide evidence for color excited quarks or squarks?

Now and then come the days when head is completely empty of ideas. One just walks around and gets more and more frustrated. One can of course make authoritative appearances in blog groups and express strong opinions but sooner or later one is forced to look for web if one could find some problem. At this time I had good luck. By some kind of divine guidance I found myself immediately in Quantum Diaries and found a blog posting with title *Who ordered that?! An X-traordinary particle?* [L16].

Not too many unified theorists take meson spectroscopy seriously. Although they are now accepting low energy phenomenology (*the* physics for the rest of us) as something to be taken seriously, meson physics is for them a totally uninteresting branch of botany. They could not care less. As a crackpot I am however not well-informed about what good theoretician should do and shouldn't do and got interested. Could this give me a problem that my poor crackpot brain is crying for?

The posting told me that in the spectroscopy of  $c\bar{c}$  type mesons is understood except for some troublesome mesons christened imaginatively with letters  $X$  and  $Y$  plus brackets containing their mass in MeVs.  $X(3872)$  is the firstly discovered troublemaker and what is known about it can be found in the blog posting and also in Particle Data Tables [C26]. The problem is that these mesons should not be there. Their decay widths seem to be narrow taking into account their mass and their decay characteristics are strange: in particular the kinematically allow decays to  $D\bar{D}$  dominating the decays of  $\Psi(3770)$  with branching ratio 93 per cent has not been observed whereas the decay to  $D\bar{D}\pi^0$  occurs with a branching fraction  $> 3.2 \times 10^{-3}$ . Why the pion is

needed?  $X(3872)$  should decay to photon and charmonium state in a predictable way but it does not.

### Could these be the good questions?

TGD predicts a lot of exotic physics and I of course started to exclude various alternatives. First one must however try to invent a good question. Maybe the following questions might satisfy the criterion of goodness.

- (a) Why these exotic states appear only for mesons made of heavy quark and antiquark? Why not for light mesons? Why not for mesons containing one heavy quark and light quark? Could it be that also  $b\bar{b}$  mesons could have exotic partners not yet detected? Could it be that also exotic  $b\bar{c}$  type mesons could be there? Why the presence of light quark would eliminate the exotic partner from the spectrum?
- (b) Do the decays obey some selection rules? There is indeed this kind of rule: the numbers of  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  quarks in the final state are equal to one.
  - i. If  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  exist in the initial state and the decay involves only strong interactions, the rule holds true.
  - ii. If  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  are not present in the initial state the only option that one can imagine is the exchange of two  $W$  bosons transforming  $d$  type quarks to  $c$  type quarks must be present. If this were the case the initial state should correspond to  $d\bar{d}$  like state rather than  $c\bar{c}$  and this looks very strange from the standard physics point of view. Also the rate for this kind of decays would be very small and it seems that this option cannot make sense.

### Both leptons and quarks have color excitations in TGD Universe

TGD predicts that both leptons and quarks have color excitations [K84]. For leptons they correspond to color octets and there is a lot of experimental evidence for them. Why we do not have any evidence for color excited quarks? Or do we actually have?! Could these strange  $X$ :s and  $Y$ :s provide this evidence?

Ordinary quarks correspond to triality one color triplet partial waves in  $CP_2$ . The higher color partial waves would also correspond to triality one states but in higher color partial waves in  $CP_2$ . The representations of the color group are labelled by two integers  $(p,q)$  and the dimension of the representation is given by

$$d = \frac{(p+1)(q+1)(p+q+2)}{2} .$$

A given  $t = \pm 1$  representation is accompanied by its conjugate with the same dimension and opposite triality  $t = \mp 1$ .  $t = 1$  representations satisfy  $p - q = 1$  modulo 3 and come as  $(1,0)$ ,  $(0,2)$ ,  $(3,0)$ ,  $(2,1)$ , with dimensions 3, 6, 10, 15,... The simplest candidate for the color excitations would correspond to the representation  $\bar{6}$ . It does not correspond directly to a solution of the Dirac equation in  $CP_2$  since physical states involve also color Kac-Moody generators [K45].

Some remarks are in order:

- (a) The tensor product of gluon octet with  $t = 1$  with color triplet representation contains  $8 \times 3 = 24$  states and decomposes into  $t = 1$  representations as  $3 \oplus \bar{6} \oplus 15$ . The coupling of gluons by Lie algebra action can couple given representation only with itself. The coupling between triplet and  $\bar{6}$  and 15 is therefore not by Lie algebra action. The coupling constant between quarks and color excited quarks is *assumed* to be proportional to color coupling.
- (b) The existence of this kind of coupling would explain the selection rules elegantly. If this kind of coupling is not allowed then only the annihilation of exotic quark to gluon decaying to quark pair can transform exotic mesons to ordinary ones and I have not been able to explain selection rules using this option.

The basic constraint applying to all variants based on exotic states of quarks comes from the fact that the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons do not allow new light particles. This objection is encountered already in the model of leptohadrons [K84]. The solution is that the light exotic states are possible only if they are dark in TGD sense having therefore non-standard value of Planck constant and behaving as dark matter. The value of Planck constant is only effective and has purely geometric interpretation in TGD framework. This implies that a phase transition transforming quarks and gluons to their dark counterparts is the key element of the model. After this a phase transition a gluon exchange would transform the quark pair to an exotic quark pair.

### Also squarks could explain exotic charmonium states

Supersymmetry provides an alternative mechanism. Right-handed neutrino generates supersymmetries in TGD Universe and quarks are accompanied by squarks consisting in a well-defined sense of of quark and right-handed neutrino. Super-symmetry would allow completely standard couplings to gluons by adding to the spectrum squarks and gluinos. Exactly the same selection rules result if these new states are mesonlike states from from squark and anti-squark and the exchange of gluino after the  $\hbar$  changing phase transition transforms exotic meson to ordinary one and vice versa.

In the sequel it will be shown that the existence of color excited quarks or of their superpartners could indeed allow to understand the origin of  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons and also the absence of analogous states accompanying mesons containing light quarks or antiquarks.

This picture would lead to a completely new view about detection of squarks and gluinos.

- (a) In the standard scenario the basic processes are production of squark and gluino pair. The creation of squark-antisquark pair is followed by the decay of squark (anti-squark) to quark (antiquark) and neutralino or chargino. If R-parity is conserved, the decay chain eventually gives rise to at least two hadron jets and lightest neutralinos identifiable as missing energy. Gluinos in turn decay to quark and anti-squark (squark and antiquark) and squark (anti-squark) in turn to quark (anti-quark) and neutralino or chargino. At least four hadron jets and missing energy is produced. In TGD framework neutralinos would decay eventually to zinos or photinos and right-handed neutrino transforming to ordinary neutrino (R-parity is not conserved). This process might be however slow.
- (b) In the recent case quite different scenario relying on color confinement and "shadronization" suggests itself. By definition smesons consist of squarks and antisquark. Sbaryons could consist of two squarks containing right-handed neutrino and its antineutrino ( $\mathcal{N} = 2$  SUSY) and one quark and thus have same quantum numbers as baryon. Note that the squarks are dark in TGD sense.

Also now dark squark or gluino pair would be produced at the first step and would require  $\hbar$  changing phase transition of gluon. These would shadronize to form a dark shadron. One can indeed argue that the required emission of winos and zinos and photinos is too slow a process as compared to shadronization. Shadrons (mostly smesons) would in turn decay to hadrons by the exchange of gluinos between squarks. No neutralinos (missing energy) would be produced. This would explain the failure to detect squarks and gluinos at LHC.

This mechanism does not however apply to sleptons so that it seems that the p-adic mass scale of sleptons must be much higher for sleptons than that for squarks as I have indeed proposed.

### Could exotic charmonium states consist of color excited $c$ and $\bar{c}$ or of their spartners?

Could one provide answers to the questions presented in the beginning assuming that exotic charmonium states consists of dark color excited  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$ : or more generally, a mixture of ordinary charmonium and exotic charmonium state? The mixing is expected since  $\hbar$  changing phase transition followed by a gluon exchange can transform these meson states to each other. Also annihilation to gluon and back to quark pair can induce this mixing. The mixing is however

small for heavy quarks for which  $\alpha_s \simeq .1$  holds true. Exactly the same arguments apply to the meson like bound states of squarks and in the following only the first option will be discussed.

- (a) In the case of charged leptons colored excitations have have same p-adic mass scale: for  $\tau$  however several p-adic mass scales appear as the model if the two year old CDF anomaly is taken seriously [K84]. Assume that p-adic mass scales - but not necessarily masses- are the same also now. This assumption might be non-sensical since also light mesons would have exotic counterparts and somehow they should disappear from the spectrum. To simplify the estimates one could even assume even that the masses are same.
- (b) In the presence of small mixing the decay amplitude would come solely from the small contribution of the ordinary  $c\bar{c}$  state present in the state dominated by color excited pair. The two manners to see the situation should give essentially the same answer.
- (c) The decays would take place via strong interactions.

The challenge is to understand why the dominating decays to  $D\bar{D}$  with branching fraction of 93 per cent are not allowed whereas  $D\bar{D}\pi^0$  takes place. Why the pion is needed? The second challenge is to understand why  $X$  does not decay to charmonium and photon.

- (a) For ordinary charmonium the decay to  $D\bar{D}$  could take place by the emission of gluon from either  $c$  or  $\bar{c}$  which then decays to light quark pair whose members combine with  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  to form  $D$  and  $\bar{D}$ . Now this mechanism does not work. At least *two* gluons must be emitted to transform colored excited  $c\bar{c}$  to ordinary  $c\bar{c}$ . If these gluons decay to light quark pairs one indeed obtains an additional pion in hadronization. The emission of two gluons instead of only one is expected to reduce the rate roughly by  $\alpha_s^2 \simeq 10^{-2}$  factor.
- (b) Also ordinary decays are predicted to occur but with a slower rate. The first step would be an exchange of gluon transforming color excited charmed quark pair to an ordinary charmed quark pair. After the transformation to off mass shell  $c\bar{c}$  pair, the only difference to the decays of charmonium states would be due to the fact that charmonium would be replaced with  $c\bar{c}$  pair. The exchange of the gluon preceding this step could reduce the decay rate with respect to charmonium decay rates by a factor of order  $\alpha_s^2 \simeq 10^{-2}$ . Therefore also the ordinary decay modes should be there but with a considerably reduced rate.
- (c) Why the direct decays to photon and charmonium state do not occur in the manner predicted by the model of charmonium? For ordinary charmonium the decay proceeds by an emission of photon by either quark or antiquark. Same mechanism applies for exotic charmonium states but leads to final state which consists of *exotic* charmonium and photon. In the case of  $X(3872)$  there exists no lighter exotic charmonium state so that the decay is forbidden in this order of perturbation theory. Heavier exotic charmonium states can however decay to photon plus exotic charmonium state in this order of perturbation theory if discrete symmetries favor this.

Essentially identical arguments go through if  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$  are replaced with their dark spartners and exchange of gluon by the emission of gluino. The transformation of gluon to its dark variants is an essential element in the process.

### Why the color excitations/spartners of light quarks would be effectively absent?

Can one understand the effective absence of mesons consisting of color excited light quarks or squarks if the excitations have same mass scale and even mass as the light quarks? The following arguments are for color excited quarks but they apply also to squarks.

- (a) Suppose that the mixing induced by  $\hbar$  changing phase transition followed by a gluon exchange and annihilation is described by mass squared matrix containing besides diagonal components  $M_1^2 = M_2^2$  also non-diagonal component  $M_{12}^2 = M_{21}^2$ . The eigenstates of the mass squared matrix correspond to the physical states which are mixtures of states consisting of ordinary quark pair and pair of color excited quarks. The non-diagonal elements of the mass squared matrix corresponds to gluon exchange and since color interactions get

very strong at low energy scales, one expects that these elements get very large. In the degenerate case  $M_1^2 = M_2^2$  the mass squared eigen values are given by

$$M_{\pm}^2 = M_0^2 \pm |M_{12}|^2 . \quad (11.3.0)$$

- (b) Suppose that  $M_0^2 = 0$  holds true in accordance with approximate pseudo Goldstone nature of pion and more generally all light pseudo-scalar mesons. In fact assume that this is the case before color magnetic spin-spin splitting has taken place so that in this approximation pion and  $\rho$  would have same mass  $m_{\pi}^2 = m_{\rho}^2 = M_0^2$ . In TGD based model for color magnetic spin-spin splitting  $M_0^2$  energy is replaced with mass squared [K54] and  $M_0^2$  is obtained in terms of physical masses of  $\pi$  and  $\rho$  from the basic formulas

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi}^2 &= M_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta , \quad m_{\rho}^2 = M_0^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta , \\ M_0^2 &= \frac{m_{\rho}^2 + 3m_{\pi}^2}{2} , \quad \Delta = m_{\rho}^2 - m_{\pi}^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.3.-1)$$

The exotic  $\pi$  and  $\rho$  would have masses

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi_{ex}}^2 &= -M_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta = m_{\pi}^2 - 2M_0^2 , \\ m_{\rho_{ex}}^2 &= -M_0^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta = m_{\rho}^2 - 2M_0^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.3.-1)$$

For  $m_{\pi} = 140 \text{ MeV}$  and  $m_{\rho} = 770 \text{ MeV}$  the calculation gives  $m_{\pi_{ex}} = i \times 685 \text{ MeV}$  so a tachyon would be in question. For  $\rho$  one would have  $m_{\rho_{ex}} = 323 \text{ MeV}$  so that the mass would not be tachyonic.

One can try to improve the situation by allowing  $M_1^2 \neq M_2^2$  giving additional flexibility and hopes about tachyonicity of the exotic  $\rho$ .

- (a) In this case one obtains the equations

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\pi}^2 &= M_+^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta , \quad m_{\rho}^2 = M_+^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta \\ m_{\pi_{ex}}^2 &= M_-^2 - \frac{1}{4}\Delta , \quad m_{\rho_{ex}}^2 = M_-^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta , \\ M_+^2 &= \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} = \frac{m_{\rho}^2 + 3m_{\pi}^2}{2} , \\ M_-^2 &= \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2} - \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} = M_+^2 - 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.3.-3)$$

- (b) The condition that  $\rho_{ex}$  is tachyonic gives

$$m_{\rho_{ex}}^2 = M_-^2 + \frac{3}{4}\Delta < 0 , \quad (11.3.-3)$$

giving

$$\begin{aligned} m_{\rho}^2 &< 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} , \\ M_+^2 &= \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{2}\right)^2 + M_{12}^4} = \frac{m_{\rho}^2 + 3m_{\pi}^2}{2} , \end{aligned} \quad (11.3.-3)$$

(c) In the parametrization  $(m_1^2, m_2^2, M_{12}^2) = (x, y, z)m_\rho^2$  one obtains the conditions

$$D \equiv \sqrt{(x+y)^2 + z^2} > 1/2 ,$$

$$\frac{x+y}{2} + D = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2} . \quad (11.3.-3)$$

(d) These equations imply the conditions

$$x+y < 3 \frac{m_\pi^2}{m_\rho^2} \simeq .099 ,$$

$$.490 < z < .599 . \quad (11.3.-3)$$

The first condition implies  $\sqrt{m_1^2 + m_2^2} < 242.7$  MeV. Second condition gives  $339 < M_{12}/MeV < 595.9$  so that rather stringent bounds on the parameters are obtained. The simplest solution to the conditions corresponds to  $x = y = 0$  and  $z = .599$ . This solution would mean vanishing masses in the absence of mixing and spin-spin splitting and could be defended by the Golstone boson property of pions mass degenerate with  $\rho$  mesons.

This little calculation encourages to consider the possibility that all exotic counterparts of light mesons are tachyonic and that this due the very large mixing induced by gluon exchange (gluino exchange squark option) at low energies. It would be nice if also mesons containing only single heavy quark were tachyonic and this could be the case if the p-adic length scale defining the strength of color interactions corresponds to that of the light quark so that the mass matrix has large enough non-diagonal component. Here one must be however very cautious since experimental situation is far from clear.

The model suggests that ordinary charmonium states and their exotic partners are in 1-1 correspondence. If so then many new exotic states are waiting to be discovered.

### The option based on heavy color excitations/spartners of light quarks

An alternative option is that color excitations/spartners of light quarks have large mass: this mass should not be however larger than the mass of  $c$  quarks if we want to explain  $X$ :s and  $Y$ :s as pairs of color excitations of light quarks. Suppose that the p-adic mass scale is same as that for  $c$  quarks or near it (not that the scales come as powers of  $\sqrt{2}$ ). This raises the question whether exotic  $c\bar{c}$  mesons really consist of exotic  $c$  and  $\bar{c}$ : why not color excitations of  $u, d, s$  and their antiquarks? As a matter fact, we cannot be sure about the quark content of  $X$  and  $Y$  mesons. Could these states be  $d\bar{d}$  and  $u\bar{u}$  states for their color excitations? It however seems that the presence of two  $W$  exchanges makes the decay rate quite too low so that this option seems to be out of question.

One can however consider the option in which the squarks associated with light quarks are heavy. This option is indeed realized in standard SUSY were the mass scales of particles families are inverted so that stop and sbottom are the lightest squarks and super-partners of  $u$  and  $d$  the heaviest ones. This would predict that the smesons associated with  $\bar{t}$  and  $b\bar{b}$  are lighter than  $X$  and  $Y$  (s)mesons. This option does not look at all natural in TGD but of course deserves experimental checking.

### How to test the dark squark option?

The identification of  $X$  and  $Y$  as dark smesons looks like a viable option and explains the failure to find SUSY at LHC if shadronization is a fast process as compared to the selectro-weak decays. The option certainly deserves an experimental testing. One could learn a lot about SUSY in TGD sense (or maybe in some other sense!) by just carefully scanning the existing data at lower energies. For instance, one could try to answer the following questions by analyzing the already existing experimental data.

- (a) Are  $X$  and  $Y$  type mesons indeed in 1-1 correspondence with charmonium states? One could develop numerical models allowing to predict the precise masses of charmonium states and their decay rates to various final states and test the predictions experimentally.
- (b) Do  $b\bar{b}$  mesons have smesonic counterparts with the same mass scale? What about  $B_c$  type smesons containing two heavy squarks?
- (c) Do the mesons containing one heavy quark and one light quark have smesonic counterparts? My light-hearted guess that this is not the case is based on the assumption that the general mass scale of the mass squared matrix is defined by the p-adic mass scale of the heavy quark and the non-diagonal elements are proportional to the color coupling strength at p-adic length scale associated with the light quark and therefore very large: as a consequence the second mass eigenstate would be tachyonic.
- (d) What implications the strong mixing of light mesons and smesons would have for CP breaking? CP breaking amplitudes would be superpositions of diagrams representing CP breaking for mesons *resp.* smesons. Could the presence of smesonic contributions perhaps shed light on the poorly understood aspects of CP breaking?

### Objection against covariantly constant neutrinos as SUSY generators

TGD SUSY in its simplest form assumes that covariantly constant right-handed neutrino generates SUSY. The second purely TGD based element is that squarks would correspond to the same p-adic mass scale as partners.

This looks nice but there are objections.

- (a) The first objection relates to the tachyonicity needed to get rid of double degeneracy of light mesons consisting of u, d, and s quarks. Mesons and smesons consisting of squark pair mix and for large  $\alpha_s$  the mixing is large and can indeed make second eigenvalue of the mass squared matrix negative. If so, these states disappear from spectrum. At least to me this looks however somewhat unaesthetic.

Luckily, the transformation of second pion-like state to tachyon and disappearance from spectrum is not the only possibility. After a painful search I found experimental work [C51] claiming the existence of states analogous to ordinary pion with masses 60, 80, 100, 140, ... MeV. Also nucleons have this kind of satellite states. Could it be that one of these states is spion predicted by TGD SUSY for ordinary hadrons? But what about other states? They are not partners: what are they?

- (b) The second objection relates to the missing energy. SUSY signatures involving missing energy have not been observed at LHC. This excludes standard SUSY candidates and could do the same in the case of TGD. In TGD framework the missing energy would be eventually right handed neutrinos resulting from the decays of sfermions to fermion and sneutrino in turn decaying to neutrino and right handed neutrino. The naive argument is that shadronization would be much faster process than the decay of squarks to quarks and spartners of electro-weak gauge bosons and missing energy so that these events would not be observed. Shadrons would in turn decay to hadrons by gluino exchanges. The problem with this argument is that the weak decays of squarks producing right handed neutrinos as missing energy are still there!

This objection forces to consider the possibility that covariantly constant right handed neutrino which generates SUSY is replaced with a color octet. Color excitations of leptons of leptohadron hypothesis would be sleptons which are color octets so that SUSY for leptons would have been seen already at seventies in the case of electron. The whole picture would be nicely unified. Sleptons and squark states would contain color octet right handed neutrino the same wormhole throats as their em charge resides. In the case of squarks the tensor product  $3 \otimes 8 = 3 + \bar{6} + 15$  would give several colored exotics. Triplet squark would be like ordinary quark with respect to color.

Covariantly constant right-handed neutrino as such would represent pure gauge symmetry, a super-generator annihilating the physical states. Something very similar can occur in the reduction of ordinary SUSY algebra to sub-algebra familiar in string model context. By

color confinement missing energy realized as a color octet right handed neutrino could not be produced and one could overcome the basic objections against SUSY by LHC.

What about the claimed anomalous trilepton events at LHC interpreted in terms of SUSY, which however breaks either the conservation of lepton or baryon number. I have proposed TGD based interpretation [K48] is in terms of the decays of  $W$  to  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$ , which in turn decay and produce the three lepton signature. Suppose that  $\tilde{W}$  and  $\tilde{Z}$  are color octets and that sleptons replace the color octet excitations of leptons responsible for lepto-hadron physics [K84]. One possible decay chain would involve the decays  $\tilde{W}^+ \rightarrow \tilde{L}^+ + \bar{\nu}_L$  and  $\tilde{Z} \rightarrow L^+ + \tilde{L}^-$ . Color octet sleptons pair combine to form leptonium which decays to lepton pair. This decay cascade would produce missing energy as neutrino and this seems to be the case for other options too. One could overcome the basic objections against SUSY by LHC.

This view about TGD SUSY clearly represents a hybrid of the two alternative views about X and Y bosons as composites of either color excitations of quarks or of squarks and is just one possibility. The situation is not completely settled and one must keep mind open.

## 11.4 APPENDIX

### 11.4.1 Evaluation of leptonium production amplitude

#### General form of the integral

The amplitude for leptonium production with four momentum

$$\begin{aligned} p &= (p_0, \vec{p}) = m\gamma_1(1, v\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi), v\sin(\theta)\sin(\phi), v\cos(\theta)) , \\ \gamma_1 &= 1/(1-v^2)^{1/2} , \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.0)$$

is essentially the Fourier component of the instanton density

$$U(b, p) = \int e^{ip \cdot x} E \cdot B d^4x \quad (11.4.1)$$

associated with the electromagnetic field of the colliding nuclei.

In order to avoid cumbersome numerical factors, it is convenient to introduce the amplitude  $A(b, p)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} A(b, p) &= N_0 \times \frac{4\pi}{Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em}} \times U(b, p) , \\ N_0 &= \frac{(2\pi)^7}{i} \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.1)$$

Coordinates are chosen so that target nucleus is at rest at the origin of coordinates and colliding nucleus moves along positive z direction in  $y = 0$  plane with velocity  $\beta$ . The orbit is approximated with straight line with impact parameter  $b$ .

Instanton density is just the scalar product of the static electric field  $E$  of the target nucleus and magnetic field  $B$  the magnetic field associated with the colliding nucleus, which is obtained by boosting the Coulomb field of static nucleus to velocity  $\beta$ . The flux lines of the magnetic field rotate around the direction of the velocity of the colliding nucleus so that instanton density is indeed non vanishing.



The Fourier transforms of E and B for nuclear charge  $4\pi$  (chose for convenience) giving rise to Coulomb potential  $1/r$  are given by the expressions

$$\begin{aligned} E_i(k) &= N\delta(k_0)k_i/k^2 , \\ B_i(k) &= N\delta(\gamma(k_0 - \beta k_z))k_j\varepsilon_{ijz}e^{ik_x b}/((\frac{k_z}{\gamma})^2 + k_T^2) , \\ N &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.0)$$

The normalization factor corresponds to momentum space integration measure  $d^4p$ . The Fourier transform of the instanton density can be expressed as a convolution of the Fourier transforms of E and B.

$$\begin{aligned} A(b, p) &\equiv = N_0 N_1 \int E(p-k) \cdot B(k) d^4k , \\ N_1 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^4} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.0)$$

Where the fields correspond to charges  $\pm 4\pi$ . In the convolution the presence of two delta functions makes it possible to integrate over  $k_0$  and  $k_z$  and the expression for U reduces to a two-fold integral

$$\begin{aligned} A(b, p) &= \beta\gamma \int dk_x dk_y \exp(ik_x b)(k_x p_y - k_y p_x)/AB , \\ A &= (p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + p_T^2 + k_T^2 - 2k_T \cdot p_T \\ B &= k_T^2 + (\frac{p_0}{\beta\gamma})^2 , \\ p_T &= (p_x, p_y) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-2)$$

To carry out the remaining integrations one can apply residue calculus.

- (a)  $k_y$  integral is expressed as a sum of two pole contributions
- (b)  $k_x$  integral is expressed as a sum of two pole contributions plus two cut contributions.

#### $k_y$ -integration

Integration over  $k_y$  can be performed by completing the integration contour along real axis to a half circle in upper half plane (see Fig. 11.4.1).

The poles of the integrand come from the two factors A and B in denominator and are given by the expressions

$$\begin{aligned} k_y^1 &= i(k_x^2 + (\frac{p_0}{\beta\gamma})^2)^{1/2} , \\ k_y^2 &= p_y + i((p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + p_x^2 + k_x^2 - 2p_x k_x)^{1/2} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-2)$$

One obtains for the amplitude an expression as a sum of two terms

$$A(b, p) = 2\pi i \int e^{ik_x b} (U_1 + U_2) dk_x , \quad (11.4.-1)$$

corresponding to two poles in upper half plane.

The explicit expression for the first term is given by

$$\begin{aligned} U_1 &= RE_1 + iIM_1 , \\ RE_1 &= (k_x \frac{p_0}{\beta} y - p_x r e_1 / 2) / (r e_1^2 + i m_1^2) , \\ IM_1 &= (-k_x p_y r e_1 / 2 K_1^{1/2} - p_x p_y K_1^{1/2}) / (r e_1^2 + i m_1^2) , \\ r e_1 &= (p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + p_T^2 - (\frac{p_0}{\beta \gamma})^2 - 2 p_x k_x , \\ i m_1 &= -2 K_1^{1/2} p_y , \\ K_1 &= k_x^2 + (\frac{p_0}{\beta \gamma})^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-5)$$

The expression for the second term is given by

$$\begin{aligned} U_2 &= RE_2 + iIM_2 , \\ RE_2 &= -((k_x p_y - p_x p_y) p_y + p_x r e_2 / 2) / (r e_2^2 + i m_2^2) , \\ IM_2 &= -(k_x p_y - p_x p_y) r e_2 / 2 K_2^{1/2} + p_x p_y K_2^{1/2} / (r e_2^2 + i m_2^2) , \\ r e_2 &= -(p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + (\frac{p_0}{\beta \gamma})^2 + 2 p_x k_x + \frac{p_0}{\beta} y - \frac{p_0}{\beta} x , \\ i m_2 &= 2 p_y K_2^{1/2} , \\ K_2 &= (p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + \frac{p_0}{\beta} x + k_x^2 - 2 p_x k_x . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-9)$$

A little inspection shows that the real parts cancel each other:  $RE_1 + RE_2 = 0$ . A further useful result is the identity  $i m_1^2 + r e_1^2 = r e_2^2 + i m_2^2$  and the identity  $r e_2 = -r e_1 + 2 p_y^2$ .

### $k_x$ -integration

One cannot perform  $k_x$ -integration completely using residue calculus. The reason is that the terms  $IM_1$  and  $IM_2$  have cuts in complex plane. One can however reduce the integral to a sum of pole terms plus integrals over the cuts.

The poles of  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  come from the denominators and are in fact common for the two integrands. The explicit expressions for the pole in upper half plane, where integrand converges exponentially are given by

$$\begin{aligned} r e_i^2 + i m_i^2 &= 0 , \quad i = 1, 2 , \\ k_x &= (-b + i(-b^2 + 4ac)^{1/2}) / 2a , \\ a &= 4 p_T^2 , \\ b &= -4((p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + p_T^2 - (\frac{p_0}{\beta \gamma})^2) p_x , \\ c &= ((p_z - \frac{p_0}{\beta})^2 + p_T^2 - (\frac{p_0}{\beta \gamma})^2)^2 + 4(\frac{p_0}{\beta \gamma})^2 p_y^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-12)$$

A straightforward calculation using the previous identities shows that the contributions of  $IM_1$  and  $IM_2$  at pole have opposite signs and the contribution from poles vanishes identically!

The cuts associated with  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  come from the square root terms  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ . The condition for the appearance of the cut is that  $K_1$  ( $K_2$ ) is real and positive. In case of  $K_1$  this condition gives

$$k_x = it, \quad t \in \left(0, \frac{p_0}{\beta\gamma}\right) . \quad (11.4-11)$$

In case of  $K_2$  the same condition gives

$$k_x = p_x + it, \quad t \in \left(0, \frac{p_0}{\beta} - p_z\right) . \quad (11.4-10)$$

Both cuts are in the direction of imaginary axis.

The integral over real axis can be completed to an integral over semi-circle and this integral in turn can be expressed as a sum of two terms (see Fig. 11.4.1).

$$A(b, p) = 2\pi i(CUT_1 + CUT_2) . \quad (11.4-9)$$

The first term corresponds to contour, which avoids the cuts and reduces to a sum of pole contributions. Second term corresponds to the addition of the cut contributions.

In the following we shall give the expressions of various terms in the region  $\phi \in [0, \pi/2]$ . Using the symmetries

$$\begin{aligned} A(b, p_x, -p_y) &= -A(b, p_x, p_y) , \\ A(b, -p_x, -p_y) &= \bar{A}(b, p_x, p_y) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4-9)$$

of the amplitude one can calculate the amplitude for other values of  $\phi$ .

The integration variable for cuts is the imaginary part  $t$  of complexified  $k_x$ . To get a more convenient form for cut integrals one can perform a change of the integration variable

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\psi) &= \frac{t}{\left(\frac{p_0}{\beta\gamma}\right)} , \\ \cos(\psi) &= \frac{t}{\left(\frac{p_0}{\beta} - p_z\right)} , \\ \psi &\in [0, \pi/2] . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4-10)$$

#### 1. The contribution of the first cut

By a painstaking calculation one verifies that the expression for the contribution of the first cut is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
CUT_1 &= D_1 \times \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{b_0} \cos(\psi)\right) A_1 d\psi , \\
D_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin(\phi)}{\sin(\theta)} , \quad b_0 = \frac{\hbar}{m} \frac{\beta\gamma}{\gamma_1} , \\
A_1 &= \frac{A + iB \cos(\psi)}{\cos^2(\psi) + 2iC \cos(\psi) + D} , \\
A &= \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) , \quad B = K , \\
C &= K \frac{\cos(\phi)}{\sin(\theta)} , \quad D = -\sin^2(\phi) - \frac{K^2}{\sin^2(\theta)} , \\
K &= \beta\gamma \left(1 - \frac{v_{cm}}{\beta} \cos(\theta)\right) , \quad v_{cm} = \frac{2v}{1+v^2} .
\end{aligned}
\tag{11.4.-15}$$

The definitions of the various kinematical variables are given in previous formulas. The notation is tailored to express that  $A_1$  is rational function of  $\cos(\psi)$ .

- (a) The exponential  $\exp(-b \cos(\psi)/b_0)$  is very small in the condition

$$\cos(\psi) \geq \cos(\psi_0) \equiv \frac{\hbar}{mb} \frac{\beta\gamma}{\gamma_1 \cos(\phi)}
\tag{11.4.-14}$$

holds true. Here  $\hbar = 1$  convention has been given up to make clear that the increase of the Compton length of lepton due to the scaling of  $\hbar$  increase the magnitude of the contribution. If the condition  $\cos(\psi_0) \ll 1$  holds true, the integral over  $\psi$  receives contributions only from narrow range of values near the upper boundary  $\psi = \pi/2$  plus the contribution corresponding to the pole of  $X_1$ . The practical condition is in terms of critical parameter  $b_{max}$  above which exponential approaches zero very rapidly.

- (b) For  $\cos(\psi_0) \ll 1$ , that is for  $b > b_{max}$  and in the approximation that the function multiplying the exponent is replaced with its value for  $\psi = \pi/2$ , one obtains for  $CUT_1$  the expression

$$\begin{aligned}
CUT_1 &\simeq D_1 A_1(\psi = \pi/2) \frac{\hbar}{mb} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{\beta\gamma}{\gamma_1} \times \frac{\hbar}{mb} \times \frac{\sin^2(\theta) \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi)}{\sin^2(\theta) \sin^2(\phi) + K^2} .
\end{aligned}
\tag{11.4.-14}$$

- (c) For  $\cos(\psi_0) \gg 1$  exponential factor can be replaced by unity in good approximation and the integral reduces to an integral of rational function of  $\cos(\psi)$  having the form

$$D_1 \frac{A + iB \cos(\psi)}{\cos^2(\psi) + 2iC \cos(\psi) + D}
\tag{11.4.-14}$$

which can be expressed in terms of the roots  $c_{\pm}$  of the denominator as

$$D_1 \times \sum_{\pm} \frac{A \mp iB c_{\pm}}{\cos(\psi) - c_{\pm}} , \quad c_{\pm} = -iC \pm \sqrt{-C^2 - D} .
\tag{11.4.-13}$$

Integral reduces to an integral of rational function over the interval  $[0, 1]$  by the standard substitution  $\tan(\psi/2) = t$ ,  $d\psi = 2dt/(1+t^2)$ ,  $\cos(\psi) = (1-t^2)/(1+t^2)$ ,  $\sin(\psi) = 2t/(1+t^2)$ .

$$I = 2D_1 \sum_{\pm} \int_0^1 dt \frac{A \mp iBc_{\pm}}{1 - c_{\pm} - (1 + c_{\pm})t^2} \quad (11.4.-12)$$

This gives

$$I = 2D_1 \sum_{\pm} \frac{A \mp iBc_{\pm}}{s_{\pm}} \times \arctan\left(\frac{1 + c_{\pm}}{1 - c_{\pm}}\right) . \quad (11.4.-12)$$

$s_{\pm}$  is defined as  $\sqrt{1 - c_{\pm}^2}$  and one must be careful with the signs. This gives for  $CUT_1$  the approximate expression

$$\begin{aligned} CUT_1 &= D_1 \sum_{\pm} \frac{\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi) \mp iKc_{\pm}}{s_{\pm}} \times \arctan\left(\frac{1 + c_{\pm}}{1 - c_{\pm}}\right) , \\ c_{\pm} &= \frac{-iK\cos(\phi) \pm \sin(\phi)\sqrt{\sin^2(\theta) + K^2}}{\sin(\theta)} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-12)$$

Arcus tangent function must be defined in terms of logarithm functions since the argument is complex.

- (d) In the intermediate region, where the exponential differs from unity one can use expansion in Taylor polynomial to sum over integrals of rational functions of  $\cos(\psi)$  and one obtains the expression

$$\begin{aligned} CUT_1 &= D_1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left(\frac{b}{b_0}\right)^n I_n , \\ I_n &= \sum_{\pm} (A \mp iBc_{\pm} I_n(c_{\pm})) , \\ I_n(c) &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\cos^n(\psi)}{\cos(\psi) - c} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-14)$$

$I_n(c)$  can be calculated explicitly by expanding in the integrand  $\cos(\psi)^n$  to polynomial with respect to  $\cos(\psi) - c$ ,  $c \equiv c_{\pm}$

$$\frac{\cos^n(\psi)}{\cos(\psi) - c} = \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} \binom{n}{m} c^m (\cos(\psi) - c)^{n-m-1} + \frac{c^n}{\cos(\psi) - c} . \quad (11.4.-14)$$

After the change of the integration variable the integral reads as

$$\begin{aligned} I_n(c) &= \sum_{m=0}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-m-1} \binom{n}{m} \binom{n-m-1}{k} (-1)^k (1-c)^{n-m-1-k} (1+c)^k c^m I(k, n-m) \\ &\quad + \frac{c^n}{1-c} \times \log\left[\frac{\sqrt{1-c} + \sqrt{1+c}}{\sqrt{1-c} - \sqrt{1+c}}\right] , \\ I(k, n) &= 2 \int dt \frac{t^{2k}}{(1+t^2)^n} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-15)$$

Partial integration for  $I(k, n)$  gives the recursion formula

$$I(k, n) = -\frac{2^{-n+1}}{n-1} + \frac{2k-1}{2(n-1)} \times I(k-1, n-1) . \quad (11.4.-14)$$

The lowest term in the recursion formula corresponds to  $I(0, n-k)$ , can be calculated by using the expression

$$(1+t^2)^{-n} = \sum_{k=0}^n c(n, k)[(1+it)^{-k} + (1-it)^{-k}] ,$$

$$c(n, k) = \sum_{l=0}^{n-k-1} c(n-1, k+l)2^{-l-2} + c(n-1, n-1)2^{-n+k-1} . \quad (11.4.-14)$$

The formula is deducible by assuming the expression to be known for  $n$  and multiplying the expression with  $(1+t^2)^{-1} = [(1+it)^{-1} + (1-it)^{-1}]/2$  and applying this identity to the resulting products of  $(1+it)^{-1}$  and  $(1-it)^{-1}$ . This gives

$$I(0, n) = -2i \sum_{k=2, n}^n \frac{c(n, k)}{(k-1)} [1 + 2^{(k-1)/2} \sin((k-1)\pi/4)] + c(n, 1) \log\left(\frac{1+i}{1-i}\right) . \quad (11.4.-13)$$

This boils down to the following expression for  $CUT_1$

$$CUT_1 = D_1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!} \left(\frac{b}{b_0}\right)^n I_n ,$$

$$I_n = \sum_{\pm} [A \mp iBc_{\pm}] I_n(\cos(c_{\pm})) ,$$

$$I_n(c) = \sum_{m=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=0}^{n-m-1} \binom{n}{m} \binom{n-m-1}{k} (1-c)^{n-m-1-k} (1+c)^k c^m I(k, n-m-1)$$

$$+ \frac{c^n}{1-c} \times \log\left[\frac{\sqrt{1-c} + \sqrt{1+c}}{\sqrt{1-c} - \sqrt{1+c}}\right] ,$$

$$I(k, n) = -\frac{2^{-n+1}}{n-1} + \frac{2k-1}{2(n-1)} \times I(k-1, n-1) ,$$

$$I(0, n) = -2i \sum_{k=2}^n \frac{c(n, k)}{(k-1)} [1 + 2^{(k-1)/2} \sin((k-1)\pi/4)] - c(n, 1) ,$$

$$c(n, k) = \sum_{l=0}^{n-k-1} c(n-1, k+l)2^{-l-2} + c(n-1, n-1)2^{-n+k-1} . \quad (11.4.-18)$$

This expansion in powers of  $c_{\pm}$  fails to converge when their values are very large. This happens in the case of  $\tau$ -pion production amplitude. In this case one typically has however the situation in which the conditions  $A_1 \simeq iB\cos(\psi)/D$  holds true in excellent approximation and one can write

$$CUT_1 \simeq i \frac{D_1 B}{D} \times \sum_{n=0, 1, \dots} \frac{(-1)^n}{n! 2^n} \left(\frac{b}{b_0}\right)^n I_n \times ,$$

$$I_n = \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos(\psi)^{n+1} d\psi = \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{k} \frac{i^{n-2k} - 1}{n+1-2k} . \quad (11.4.-18)$$

The denominator  $X_1$  vanishes, when the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(\theta) &= \frac{\beta}{v_{cm}} , \\ \sin(\phi) &= \cos(\psi) \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-18)$$

hold. In forward direction the conditions express the vanishing of the z-component of the lepton velocity in velocity cm frame as one can realize by noticing that condition reduces to the condition  $v = \beta/2$  in non-relativistic limit. This corresponds to the production of lepton with momentum in scattering plane and with direction angle  $\cos(\theta) = \beta/v_{cm}$ .

$CUT_1$  diverges logarithmically for these values of kinematical variables at the limit  $\phi \rightarrow 0$  as is easy to see by studying the behavior of the integral near as  $K$  approaches zero so that  $X_1$  approaches zero at  $\sin(\phi) = \cos(\Phi)$  and the integral over a small interval of length  $\Delta\Psi$  around  $\cos(\Psi) = \sin(\phi)$  gives a contribution proportional to  $\log(A + B\Delta\Psi)/B$ ,  $A = K[K - 2i\sin(\theta)\sin^2(\phi)]$  and  $B = 2\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi)[\sin(\theta)\sin(\phi) - iK\cos(\phi)]$ . Both  $A$  and  $B$  vanish at the limit  $\phi \rightarrow 0$ ,  $K \rightarrow 0$ . The exponential damping reduces the magnitude of the singular contribution for large values of  $\sin(\phi)$  as is clear from the first formula.

## 2. The contribution of the second cut

The expression for  $CUT_2$  reads as

$$\begin{aligned} CUT_2 &= D_2 \exp\left(-\frac{b}{b_2}\right) \times \int_0^{\pi/2} \exp\left(i\frac{b}{b_1}\cos(\psi)\right) A_2 d\psi , \\ D_2 &= -\frac{\sin(\frac{\phi}{2})}{u\sin(\theta)} , \\ b_1 &= \frac{\hbar \beta}{m \gamma_1} , \quad b_2 = \frac{\hbar}{mb \gamma_1 \times \sin(\theta)\cos(\phi)} \\ A_2 &= \frac{A\cos(\psi) + B}{\cos^2(\psi) + 2iC\cos(\psi) + D} , \\ A &= \sin(\theta)\cos(\phi)u , \quad B = \frac{w}{v_{cm}} + \frac{v}{\beta}\sin^2(\theta)[\sin^2(\phi) - \cos^2(\phi)] , \\ C &= \frac{\beta w \cos(\phi)}{uv_{cm} \sin(\theta)} , \quad D = -\frac{1}{u^2}\left(\frac{\sin^2(\phi)}{\gamma^2} + \beta^2(v^2\sin^2(\theta) - \frac{2vw}{v_{cm}})\cos^2(\phi)\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{w^2}{v_{cm}^2 u^2 \sin^2(\theta)} + 2i\frac{\beta v}{u}\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi) , \\ u &= 1 - \beta v \cos(\theta) , \quad w = 1 - \frac{v_{cm}}{\beta}\cos(\theta) . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-24)$$

$$(11.4.-23)$$

The denominator  $X_2$  has no poles and the contribution of the second cut is therefore always finite.

- (a) The factor  $\exp(-b/b_2)$  gives an exponential reduction and the contribution of  $CUT_2$  is large only when the criterion

$$b < \frac{\hbar}{m} \times \frac{1}{v\gamma_1 \sin(\theta)\cos(\phi)}$$

for the impact parameter  $b$  is satisfied. Large values of  $\hbar$  increase the range of allowed impact parameters since the Compton length of lepton increases.

- (b) At the limit when the exponent becomes very large the variation of the phase factor implies destructive interference and one can perform stationary phase approximation around  $\psi = \pi/2$ . This gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 CUT_2 &\simeq \sqrt{\frac{2\pi b_1}{b}} \times D_2 \times \exp\left(\frac{b}{b_2}\right) A_2(\psi = 0) \ , \\
 D_2 &= -\frac{\sin(\frac{\phi}{2})}{u \sin(\theta)} \ , \quad A_2 = \frac{A}{D} \ .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{11.4.-23}$$

- (c) As for  $CUT_1$ , the integral over  $\psi$  can be expressed as a finite sum of integrals of rational functions, when the value of  $(b/b_1)\cos(\psi)$  is so small that  $\exp(i(b/b_1)\cos(\psi))$  can be approximated by a Taylor polynomial. More generally, one obtains the expansion

$$\begin{aligned}
 CUT_2 &= D_2 \exp\left(-\frac{b}{b_2}\right) \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} i^n \left(\frac{b}{b_1}\right)^n I_n(A, B, C, D) \ , \\
 I_n(A, B, C, D) &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos(\psi)^n \frac{A + iB \cos(\psi)}{\cos^2(\psi) + C \cos(\psi) + D} \ .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{11.4.-23}$$

The integrand of  $I_n(A, B, C, D)$  is same rational function as in the case of  $CUT_1$  but the parameters  $A, B, C, D$  given in the expression for  $CUT_2$  are different functions of the kinematical variables. The functions appearing in the expression for integrals  $I_n(c)$  correspond to the roots of the denominator of  $A_2$  and are given by  $c_{\pm} = -iC \pm \sqrt{-C^2 - D}$ , where  $C$  and  $D$  are the function appearing in the general expression for  $CUT_2$  in Eq. 11.4.-23.

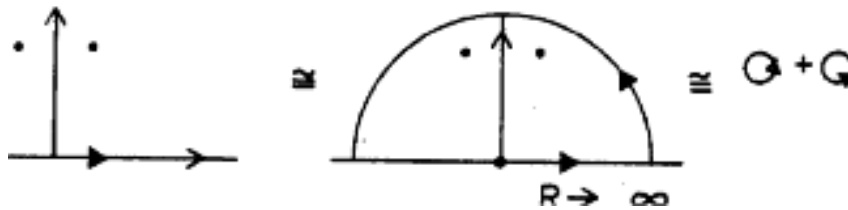


Figure 11.3: Evaluation of  $k_y$ -integral using residue calculus.



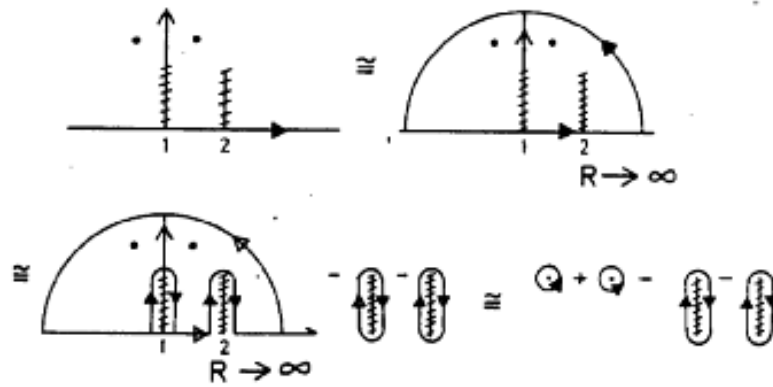


Figure 11.4: Evaluation of  $k_x$ -integral using residue calculus.

### 11.4.2 Production amplitude in quantum model

The previous expressions for  $CUT_1$  and  $CUT_2$  as such give the production amplitude for given  $b$  in the classical model and the cross section can be calculated by integrating over the values of  $b$ . The finite Taylor expansion of the amplitude in powers of  $b$  allows explicit formulas when impact parameter cutoff is assumed.

#### General expression of the production amplitude

In quantum model the production amplitude can be reduced to simpler form by using the defining integral representation of Bessel functions

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_B &= i \int F(b) J_0(\Delta kb) (CUT_1 + CUT_2) b db , \\
 F &= 1 \text{ for } \exp(i(S)) \text{ option} , \\
 F(b \geq b_{cr}) &= \int dz \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 + b^2}} = 2 \ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2} + a}{b}\right) \text{ for } \exp(i(S)) - 1 \text{ option} , \\
 \Delta k &= 2k \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) , \quad k = M_R \beta .
 \end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-25}$$

Note that  $F$  is a rather slowly varying function of  $b$  and in good approximation can be replaced by its average value  $A(b, p)$ , which has been already explicitly calculated as power series in  $b$ .  $\alpha_{em}$  corresponds to the value of  $\alpha_{em}$  for the standard value of Planck constant.

#### The limit $\Delta k = 0$

The integral of the contribution of  $CUT_1$  over the impact parameter  $b$  involves integrals of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{1,n} &= b_0^2 \int J_0(\Delta kb) F(b) x^{n+1} dx , \\
 x &= \frac{b}{b_0} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-25}$$

Here  $a$  is the upper impact parameter cutoff. For  $CUT_2$  one has integrals of the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{2,n} &= b_1^2 \left(\frac{b_2}{b_1}\right)^{n+2} \int J_0(\Delta kb) F(b) \exp(-x) x^{n+1} dx , \\
 x &= \frac{b}{b_2} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-25}$$

Using the following approximations it is possible to estimate the integrals analytically.

- (a) The logarithmic term is slowly varying function and can be replaced with its average value

$$F(b) \rightarrow \langle F(b) \rangle \equiv F . \tag{11.4.-24}$$

- (b)  $\Delta k$  is fixed once the value of the impact parameter is known. At the limit  $\Delta k = 0$  making sense for very high energy collisions one can put the value of Bessel function to  $J_0(0) = 1$ . Hence it is advantageous to calculate the integrals of  $\int CUT_i b db$ .

Consider first the integral  $\int CUT_1 b db$ . If exponential series converges rapidly one can use Taylor polynomial and calculate the integrals explicitly. When this is not the case one can calculate integral approximately and the total integral is sum over two contributions:

$$\int CUT_1 b db = I_a + I_b . \quad (11.4.-23)$$

(a) The region in which Taylor expansion converges rapidly gives rise integrals

$$\begin{aligned} I_{1,n} &\simeq b_0^2 \int x^{n+1} dx = b_0^2 \frac{1}{n+2} \left[ \left( \frac{b_{max}}{b_0} \right)^{n+2} - \left( \frac{b_{cr}}{b_0} \right)^{n+2} \right] \simeq b_0^2 \frac{1}{n+2} \left( \frac{b_{max}}{b_0} \right)^{n+2} , \\ I_{2,n} &\simeq b_1^2 \left( \frac{b_2}{b_1} \right)^{n+2} \int exp(-x) x^{n+1} dx = b_1^2 \left( \frac{b_2}{b_1} \right)^{n+2} (n+1)! . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-24)$$

(b) For the perturbative part of  $CUT_1$  one obtains the expression

$$\begin{aligned} I_a &= \int_0^{b_{max}} CUT_1 b db = D_1 \times b_0^2 \times \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!(n+2)} \left( \frac{b_{max}}{b_0} \right)^{n+2} I_n(A, B, C, D) , \\ D_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin(\phi)}{\sin(\theta)} , \quad b_0 = \frac{\hbar\beta\gamma}{m\gamma_1} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-25)$$

There  $b_{max}$  is the largest value of  $b$  for which the series converges sufficiently rapidly.

(c) The convergence of the exponential series is poor for large values of  $b/b_0$ , that is for  $b > b_m$ . In this case one can use the approximation in which the multiplier of exponent function in the integrand is replaced with its value at  $\psi = \pi/2$  so that amplitude becomes proportional to  $b_0/b$ . In this case the integral over  $b$  gives a factor proportional to  $ab_0$ , where  $a$  is the impact parameter cutoff.

$$\begin{aligned} I_b &\equiv \int_{b_m}^a CUT_1 b db \simeq b_0(a - b_m) D_1 \times A_1(\psi = \pi/2) \\ &= \frac{\beta\gamma}{\gamma_1} \times \frac{\hbar}{m} \times \frac{\sin^2(\theta) \cos(\phi) \sin(\phi)}{\sin^2(\theta) \sin^2(\phi) + K^2} , \\ D_1 &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin(\phi)}{\sin(\theta)} , \quad A_1(\psi = \pi/2) = \frac{A}{D} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-27)$$

(d) As already explained, the expansion based on partial fractions does not converge, when the roots  $c_{\pm}$  have very large values. This indeed occurs in the case of  $\tau$ -pion production cross section. In this case one has  $A_1 \simeq iB \cos(\psi)/D$  in excellent approximation and one can calculate  $CUT_1$  in much easier manner. Using the formula of Eq. 11.4.-18 for  $CUT_1$ , one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \int CUT_1 b db &\simeq b_0^2 \frac{D_1 B}{D} \times \sum_{n=0,1,\dots} \frac{(-1)^n}{n!(n+2)2^n} \times \sum_{k=0}^{n+1} \binom{n+1}{k} c_{n,k} \times \left( \frac{b_{max}}{b_0} \right)^n , \\ c_{n,k} &= \frac{i^{n+1-2k} - 1}{n+1-2k} \text{ for } n \neq 2k-1 , \quad c_{n,k} = \frac{i\pi}{2} \text{ for } n = 2k-1 \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-27)$$

Note that for  $n = 2k + 1 = k$  the coefficient diverges formally and actual

Highly analogous treatment applies to the integral of  $CUT_2$ .

(a) For the perturbative contribution to  $\int CUT_2 b db$  one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} I_a &= \int_0^{b_{1,max}} CUT_2 b db = b_1^2 D_2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) i^n I_n(A, B, C, D) \times \left(\frac{b_2}{b_1}\right)^{n+2} , \\ D_2 &= -\frac{\sin(\frac{\phi}{2})}{u \sin(\theta)} , \\ b_1 &= \frac{\hbar \beta}{m \gamma_1} , \quad b_2 = \frac{\hbar}{m \gamma_1} \frac{1}{\sin(\theta) \cos(\phi)} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-28)$$

(b) Taylor series converges slowly for

$$\frac{b_1}{b_2} = \frac{\sin(\theta) \cos(\phi)}{\beta} \rightarrow 0 .$$

In this case one can replace  $\exp(-b/b_2)$  with unity or expand it as Taylor series taking only few terms. This gives the expression for the integral which is of the same general form as in the case of  $CUT_1$

$$I_a = \int_0^{b_{max}} CUT_2 b db = b_1^2 D_2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{i^n}{n!(n+2)} I_n(A, B, C, D) \left(\frac{b_{max}}{b_1}\right)^{n+1} . \quad (11.4.-28)$$

(c) Also when  $b/b_1$  becomes very large, one must apply stationary phase approximation to calculate the contribution of  $CUT_2$  which gives a result proportional to  $\sqrt{b_1/b}$ . Assume that  $b_m \gg b_1$  is the value of impact parameter above which stationary phase approximation is good. This gives for the non-perturbative contribution to the production amplitude the expression

$$\begin{aligned} I_b &= \int_{b_m}^a CUT_2 b db = k \sqrt{\frac{2\pi b_1}{b_2}} b_2^2 \times D_2 \times A_2(\psi = \pi/2) , \\ k &= \int_{x_1}^{x_2} \exp(-x) x^{1/2} dx = 2 \int_{\sqrt{x_1}}^{\sqrt{x_2}} \exp(-u^2) u^2 du , \\ x_1 &= \frac{b_m}{b_2} , \quad x_2 = \frac{a}{b_2} . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-29)$$

In good approximation one can take  $x_2 = \infty$ .  $x_1 = 0$  gives the upper bound  $k \leq \sqrt{\pi}$  for the integral.

Some remarks relating to the numerics are in order.

(a) The contributions of both  $CUT_1$  and  $CUT_2$  are proportional to  $1/\sin(\theta)$  in the forward direction. The denominators of  $A_i$  however behave like  $1/\sin^2(\theta)$  at this limit so that the amplitude behaves as  $\sin(\theta)$  at this limit and the amplitude approaches to zero like  $\sin(\theta)$ . Therefore the singularity is only apparent but must be taken into account in the calculation since one has  $c_{\pm} \rightarrow i\infty$  at this limit for  $CUT_2$  and for  $CUT_1$  the roots approach to  $c_+ = c_- = i\infty$ . One must pose a cutoff  $\theta_{min}$  below which the contribution of  $CUT_1$  and  $CUT_2$  are calculated directly using approximate the expressions for  $D_i A_i$ .

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 A_1 &\rightarrow -\frac{i}{K} \cos(\psi) \times \sin(\theta) \rightarrow 0 \\ D_2 A_2 &\rightarrow -\frac{uv_{cm}}{w} \times \sin(\theta) \rightarrow 0 . \end{aligned} \quad (11.4.-29)$$

In good approximation both contributions vanish since also  $\sin^2(\theta)$  factor from the phase space integration reduces the contribution.

(b) A second numerical problem is posed by the possible vanishing of

$$K = \beta\gamma\left(1 - \frac{v_c m}{\beta} \cos(\theta)\right) .$$

In this case the roots  $c_{\pm} = \pm \sin(\phi)$  are real and  $c_+$  gives rise to a pole in the integrand.

The singularity to the amplitude comes from the logarithmic contributions in the Taylor series expansion of the amplitude. The sum of the singular contributions coming from  $c_+$  and  $c_-$  are of form

$$\frac{c_n}{2} (\sqrt{1 - \sin(\phi)} + \sqrt{1 + \sin(\phi)}) \log\left(\frac{1+u}{1-u}\right) , \quad u = \sqrt{\frac{1 + \sin(\phi)}{1 - \sin(\phi)}} .$$

Here  $c_n$  characterizes the  $1/(\cos(\psi) - c_{\pm})$  term of associated with the  $\cos(\psi)^n$  term in the Taylor expansion. Logarithm becomes singular for the two terms in the sum at the limit  $\phi \rightarrow 0$ . The sum however behaves as

$$\frac{c_n}{2} \sin(\phi) \log\left(\frac{\sin(\phi)}{2}\right) .$$

so that the net result vanishes at the limit  $\phi \rightarrow 0$ . It is essential that the logarithmic singularities corresponding to the roots  $c_+$  and  $c_-$  cancel each other and this must be taken into account in numerics. There is also apparent singularity at  $\phi = \pi/2$  canceled by  $\cos(\phi)$  factor in  $D_1$ . The simplest manner to get rid of the problem is to exclude small intervals  $[0, \epsilon]$  and  $[\pi/2 - \epsilon, \pi/2]$  from the phase space volume.

### Improved approximation to the production cross section

The approximation  $J_0(\Delta k_T(b)b) = 1$  and  $F(b) = F = \text{constant}$  allows to perform the integrations over impact parameter explicitly (for  $\exp(iS)$  option  $F = 1$  holds true identically in the lowest order approximation). An improved approximation is obtained by dividing the range of impact parameters to pieces and performing the integrals over the impact parameter ranges exactly using the average values of these functions. This requires only a straightforward generalization of the formulas derived above involving integrals of the functions  $x^n$  and  $\exp(-x)x^n$  over finite range. Obviously this is still numerically well-controlled procedure.

### 11.4.3 Evaluation of the singular parts of the amplitudes

The singular parts of the amplitudes  $CUT_{1,sing}$  and  $B_{1,sing}$  are rational functions of  $\cos(\psi)$  and the integrals over  $\psi$  can be evaluated exactly.

In the classical model the expression for  $U_{1,sing}$  appearing as integrand in the expression of  $CUT_{1,sing}$  reads as

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{1,sing} &= -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{K^2 + \sin^2(\theta)}} (\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi)A_a + iK A_b) , \\
A_a &= I_1(\beta, \pi/2) = \int_0^{\pi/2} d\psi f_1 , \\
A_b &= I_2(\beta, \pi/2) = \int_0^{\pi/2} d\psi f_2 , \\
f_1 &= \frac{1}{(\cos(\psi) - c_1)(\cos(\psi) - c_2)} , \\
f_2 &= \cos(\psi)f_1 , \\
c_1 &= \frac{-iK\cos(\phi) + \sin(\phi)\sqrt{K^2 + \sin^2(\theta)}}{\sin(\theta)} , \\
c_2 &= -\bar{c}_1 .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-34}$$

Here  $c_i$  are the roots of the polynomial  $X_1$  appearing in the denominator of the integrand.

In quantum model the approximate expression for the singular contribution to the production amplitude can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
B_{1,sing} &\simeq k_1 \frac{\sin(\theta)\sin(\phi)}{2\sqrt{K^2 + \sin^2(\theta)}} \sum_n \langle F \rangle_n (I(x(n+1)) - I(x(n))) , \\
I(x) &= \exp\left(-\frac{\sin(\phi)x}{\sin(\phi_0)}\right) (\sin(\theta)\cos(\phi)A_a(\Delta ka, x) + iK A_b(\Delta ka, x)) , \\
k_1 &= 2\pi^2 M_R Z_1 Z_2 \alpha_{em} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\Delta k \pi}} \sin(\phi_0) .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-36}$$

The expressions for the amplitudes  $A_a(k, x)$  and  $A_b(k, x)$  read as

$$\begin{aligned}
A_a(k, x) &= \cos(kx)I_3(k, 0, \pi/2) + i\sin(\phi_0)k\sin(kx)I_5(k, 0, \pi/2) , \\
A_b(k, x) &= \cos(kx)I_4(k, 0, \pi/2) + i\sin(\phi_0)k\sin(kx)I_3(k, 0, \pi/2) , \\
I_i(k, \alpha, \beta) &= \int_\alpha^\beta f_i(k)d\psi , \\
f_3(k) &= \frac{\cos(\psi)}{(\cos^2(\psi) + \sin^2(\phi_0)k^2)} f_1(k) , \\
f_4(k) &= \cos(\psi)f_3(k) , \\
f_5(k) &= \frac{1}{(\cos^2(\psi) + \sin^2(\phi_0)k^2)} f_1(k) .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-41}$$

The expressions for the integrals  $I_i$  as functions of the endpoints  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
I_1(k, \alpha, \beta) &= I_0(c_1, \alpha, \beta) - I_0(c_2, \alpha, \beta) , \\
I_2(\alpha, \beta) &= c_1 I_0(c_1, \alpha, \beta) - c_2 I_0(c_2, \alpha, \beta) , \\
I_3 &= C_{34} \sum_{i=1,2,j=3,4} \frac{1}{(c_i - c_j)} (c_i I_0(c_i, \alpha, \beta) - c_j I_0(c_j, \alpha, \beta)) , \\
I_4 &= C_{34} \sum_{i=1,2,j=3,4} \frac{1}{(c_i - c_j)} ((c_i - c_j)(\beta - \alpha) - c_i^2 I_0(c_i, \alpha, \beta) + c_j^2 I_0(c_j, \alpha, \beta)) , \\
I_5 &= C_{34} \sum_{i=1,2,j=3,4} \frac{1}{(c_i - c_j)} (I_0(c_i, \alpha, \beta) - I_0(c_j, \alpha, \beta)) , \\
C_{34} &= \frac{1}{c_3 - c_4} = \frac{1}{2ikas(\phi_0)} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-45}$$

The parameters  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are the zeros of  $X_1$  as function of  $\cos(\psi)$  and  $c_3$  and  $c_4$  the zeros of the function  $\cos^2(\psi) + k^2 a^2 \sin^2(\phi_0)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
c_1 &= \frac{-iK \cos(\phi) + \sin(\phi) \sqrt{K^2 + \sin^2(\theta)}}{\sin(\theta)} , \\
c_2 &= \frac{-iK \cos(\phi) - \sin(\phi) \sqrt{K^2 + \sin^2(\theta)}}{\sin(\theta)} , \\
c_3 &= ikas(\phi_0) , \\
c_4 &= -ikas(\phi_0) .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-48}$$

The basic integral  $I_0(c, \alpha, \beta)$  appearing in the formulas is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
I_0(c, \alpha, \beta) &= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} d\psi \frac{1}{(\cos(\psi) - c)} , \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - c^2}} (f(\alpha) - f(\beta)) , \\
f(x) &= \ln \left( \frac{1 + \tan(x/2)t_0}{1 - \tan(x/2)t_0} \right) , \\
t_0 &= \sqrt{\frac{1 - c}{1 + c}} .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-50}$$

From the expression of  $I_0$  one discovers that scattering amplitude has logarithmic singularity, when the condition  $\tan(\alpha/2) = 1/t_0$  or  $\tan(\beta/2) = 1/t_0$  is satisfied and appears, when  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are real. This happens at the cone  $K = 0$  ( $\theta = \theta_0$ ), when the condition

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{\frac{1 - \sin(\phi)}{1 + \sin(\phi)}} &= \tan(x/2) , \\
x &= \alpha \text{ or } \beta .
\end{aligned} \tag{11.4.-50}$$

holds true. The condition is satisfied for  $\phi \simeq x/2$ .  $x = 0$  is the only interesting case and gives singularity at  $\phi = 0$ . In the classical case this gives logarithmic singularity in production amplitude for all scattering angles.





# Chapter 12

## TGD and Nuclear Physics

### 12.1 Introduction

Despite the immense amount of data about nuclear properties, the first principle understanding of the nuclear strong force is still lacking. The conventional meson exchange description works at qualitative level only and does not provide a viable perturbative approach to the description of the strong force. The new concept of atomic nucleus forced by TGD suggests quite different approach to the quantitative description of the strong force in terms of the notion of field body, join along boundaries bond concept, long ranged color gauge fields associated with dark hadronic matter, and p-adic length scale hierarchy.

#### 12.1.1 p-Adic length scale hierarchy

##### p-Adic length scale hypothesis

The concept of the p-adic topological condensate is the corner stone of p-adic TGD. Various levels of the topological condensate obey effective p-adic topology and are assumed to form a p-adic hierarchy ( $p_1 \leq p_2$  can condense on  $p_2$ ). By the length scale hypothesis, the physically interesting length scales should come as square roots of powers of 2:  $L(k) \simeq 2^{\frac{k}{2}} l$ ,  $l \simeq 1.288E + 4\sqrt{G}$  and prime powers of  $k$  are especially interesting.

For nuclear physics applications the most interesting values of  $k$  are:  $k = 107$  (hadronic space-time sheet at which quarks feed their color gauge fluxes),  $k = 109$  (radius of light nucleus such as alpha particle,  $k = 113$  (the space-time at which quarks feed their electromagnetic gauge fluxes),  $k = k_{em} = 127$  or 131 (electronic or atomic space-time sheet receiving electromagnetic gauge fluxes of nuclei).

The so called Gaussian primes are to complex integers what primes are for the ordinary integers and the Gaussian counterparts of the Mersenne primes are Gaussian primes of form  $(1 \pm i)^k - 1$ . Rather interestingly,  $k = 113$  corresponds to a Gaussian Mersenne. Also the primes  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  defining biologically important length scales correspond to Gaussian Mersennes. Thus the electromagnetic p-adic length scales associated with quarks, hadrons, and nuclear physics as well as with muon are in well defined sense also Mersenne length scales. A possible interpretation for complex primes is in terms of complex conformal weights for elementary particles. If the net conformal weights of physical states are required to be real this gives rise to conformal confinement.

There are however arguments suggesting the conformal weights can be complex for particles and that the imaginary part of the conformal weight defines a new kind of conserved quantum number, "scaling momentum", whose sign distinguishes between particles and their phase conjugates which can be regarded as particles of negative energy traveling to the direction of geometric past. There would be inherent arrow of geometric time associated with particles with complex conformal weight. For instance, the strange properties of phase conjugate photons could

be understood since second law of thermodynamics would hold true in a reversed direction of geometric time for them.

### Particles are characterized by a collection of p-adic primes

It seems that is not correct to speak about particle as a space-time sheet characterized by single p-adic prime. Already p-adic mass calculations suggest that there are several sizes corresponding to space-time sheets at which particle feeds its gauge charges. p-Adic length scale hypothesis provides further insight: the length scale is more like the size of field body and possibly also delocalization volume of particle determining the p-adic mass scale in p-adic thermodynamics rather than the geometric size for the elementary particle.

What one can definitely say that each particle is characterized by a collection of p-adic primes and one of them characterizes the mass scale of the particle whereas other characterize its interactions. There are two possible interpretations and both of them allow to resolve objections against p-adic hierarchies of color and electro-weak physics.

- (a) These primes characterize the space-time sheets at which it feeds its gauge fluxes and particles can interact only via their common space-time sheets and are otherwise dark with respect to each other.
- (b) Number theoretical vision supports the notion of multi-p p-adicity and the idea that elementary particles correspond to infinite primes, integers, or perhaps even rationals [K32, K78]. To infinite primes, integers, and rationals it is possible to associate a finite rational  $q = m/n$  by a homomorphism.  $q$  defines an effective q-adic topology of space-time sheet consistent with p-adic topologies defined by the primes dividing  $m$  and  $n$  ( $1/p$ -adic topology is homeomorphic to p-adic topology). The largest prime dividing  $m$  determines the mass scale of the space-time sheet in p-adic thermodynamics.  $m$  and  $n$  are exchanged by super-symmetry and the primes dividing  $m$  ( $n$ ) correspond to space-time sheets with positive (negative) time orientation. Two space-time sheets characterized by rationals having common prime factors can be connected by a  $\#_B$  contact and can interact by the exchange of particles characterized by divisors of  $m$  or  $n$ .

The nice feature of this option is that single multi-p p-adic space-time sheet rather than a collection of them characterizes elementary particle. Concerning the description of interaction vertices as generalization of vertices of Feynman graphs (vertices as branchings of 3-surfaces) this option is decisively simpler than option 1) and is consistent with earlier number theoretic argument allowing to evaluate gravitational coupling strength [K32, K78]. It is also easier to understand why the largest prime in the collection determines the mass scale of elementary particle.

Interestingly, these two options are not necessarily mutually exclusive: single multi-p p-adic space-time sheet could correspond to many-sheeted structure with respect to real topology.

### What is the proper interpretation of p-adic length scales

One of the surprises of p-adic mass calculations was that for  $u$  and  $d$  quarks electromagnetic size corresponds to  $k = 113$  which corresponds to the length scale of  $2 \times 10^{-14}$  m. This leads to the view that also hadrons and nuclei have this size in some sense. The charge radii of even largest nuclei without neutron halo are smaller than this.

- (a) If electromagnetic charges of quarks inside nucleons were separately delocalized in the scale  $L(113)$ , also the distributions of electromagnetic charges of nuclei would be non-trivial in surprisingly long length scale. Em charges would exhibit fractionality in this length scale and Rutherford scattering cross sections would be modified. The fact that the height of the Coulomb wall at  $L(113)$  is lower than the observed heights of the Coulomb wall would lead to a paradox.

This suggests that the p-adic length scale  $L(113)$  does not characterize the geometric size of neither nucleons nor nuclei but to the size, perhaps height, of the electromagnetic field body associated with quark/hadron/nucleus.

- (b) If protons feed their electric em gauge fluxes to the same space-time sheet, there is an electromagnetic harmonic oscillator potential contributing to the nuclear energies. The Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$  as a characterizer of the field body of nucleus is natural and it also corresponds to the space-time sheet of electron.
- (c) For weak forces the size of the field body would be given by electro-weak length scale  $L(89)$ . The size scale would also correspond to the p-adic delocalization length scale of ordinary sized nucleons and nuclei.
- (d) It turns out that the identification of nuclear strong interactions in terms of dark QCD with large value of  $\hbar$  and color length scale scaled up to  $L_c \simeq 2^{11}L(107) \simeq .5 \times 10^{-11}$  m (!) predicts for the nuclei same electromagnetic sizes as in the conventional theory: scaled up sizes appear only in the dark sector and characterize the size of color field body so that paradoxes are avoided. There are also reasons to believe that dark quarks are dark also with respect to electromagnetic and weak interactions so that the sizes of corresponding field bodies are scaled up by a factor  $1/v_0$ .

The hypothesis that the collection of primes corresponds to multi-p p-adicity rather than collection of space-time sheets implies this. For this option various field bodies could form single field body in q-adic sense with superposed p-adic fractalities much like waves of shorter wavelength scale superposed on waves of longer wavelength scale. As noticed, this might be consistent with the existence of several p-adic field bodies with respect to real topology.

Field/magnetic bodies would represent the space-time correlate for the formation of bound states. It is even possible to think that bound state entanglement corresponds to the linking of magnetic flux tubes. The contributions of say color interactions between nucleons to the binding energy would be estimated using the field magnitudes at position of exotic quarks and the hypothesis is made that these intensities correlate with the shortest distance between dark quarks although the distance along the field body is of order  $L_c$ .

This picture finds experimental support.

- (a) Neutron proton scattering at low energies gives however surprisingly clear evidence for the presence of the p-adic length scales  $L(109)$  ( $k = 109$  is prime) and  $L(113)$  in nuclear physics. The scattering lengths for s and p waves are  $a_s = -2.37 \times 10^{-14}$  m and  $a_t = 5.4 \times 10^{-15}$  m [C242].  $a_s$  is anomalously large and the standard explanation is that deuteron almost allows singlet wave bound state.  $a_t$  is near to  $L(109) = 2L(107) \simeq 5.0 \times 10^{-15}$  m, which is in accordance with the assumption that in triplet state neutron and proton are glued by color bond together to form structure with size or order  $L(109) = 2L(107)$ .  $a_s$  is of same order of magnitude as  $L(113) = 2 \times 10^{-14}$  m so that the interpretation in terms of the  $k = 113$  space-time sheet is suggestive.
- (b) Neutron halos at distance of about  $2.5 \times 10^{-14}$  m longer than even  $L(113) = 2 \times 10^{-14}$  m are difficult to understand in the standard nuclear physics framework and provide support for the large value of  $L_c$ . They could be understood in terms of delocalization of quarks in the length scale  $L(113)$  and color charges in the length scale of  $L_c$ . For instance, the nucleus in the center could be color charged and neutron halo would be analogous to a colored matter around the central halo.

### 12.1.2 TGD based view about dark matter

TGD suggests an explanation of dark matter as a macroscopically quantum coherent phase residing at larger space-time sheets [K24].

- (a) TGD suggests that  $\hbar$  is dynamical and possesses a spectrum expressible in terms of generalized Beraha numbers  $B_r = 4\cos^2(\pi/r)$ , where  $r > 3$  is a rational number [K90, K24]. Just above  $r = 3$  arbitrarily large values of  $\hbar$  and thus also macroscopic quantum phases are possible. The criterion for transition to large  $\hbar$  phase is the failure of perturbative expansion so that Mother Nature takes care of the problems of theoretician. A good guess is that the criticality condition reads as  $Q_1 Q_2 \alpha \simeq 1$  where  $Q_i$  are gauge charges and  $\alpha$  gauge

coupling strength. This leads to universal properties of the large  $\hbar$  phase. For instance,  $\hbar$  is scaled in the transition to dark phase by a harmonic or subharmonic of parameter  $1/v_0 \simeq 2^{11}$  which is essentially the ratio of  $CP_2$  length scale and Planck length [K71, K24]. The criticality condition can be applied also to dark matter itself and entire hierarchy of dark matters is predicted corresponding to the spectrum of values of  $\hbar$ .

- (b) The particles of dark matter can also carry phase carry complex conformal weights but the net conformal weights for blocks of this kind of dark matter would be real. This implies macroscopic quantum coherence. It is not absolutely necessary that  $\hbar$  is large for this phase.
- (c) From the point of view of nuclear physics application of this hypothesis is to QCD. The prediction is that the electromagnetic Compton sizes of dark quarks are scaled from  $L(107)$  to about  $2^{11}L(107) = L(129) = 2L(127)$ , which is larger than the p-adic electromagnetic size of electron! The classical scattering cross sections are not changed but changes the geometric sizes of dark quarks, hadrons, and nuclei. The original hypothesis that ordinary valence quarks are dark whereas sea quarks correspond to ordinary value of  $\hbar$  is taken as a starting point. In accordance with the earlier model, nucleons in atomic nuclei are assumed to be accompanied by color bonds connecting exotic quark and anti-quark characterized p-adic length scale  $L(127)$  with ordinary value of  $\hbar$  and having thus scaled down mass of order MeV. The strong binding would be due the color bonds having exotic quark and anti-quark at their ends.
- (d) Quantum classical correspondence suggests that classical long ranged electro-weak gauge fields serve as classical space-time correlates for dark electro-weak gauge bosons, which are massless. This hypothesis could explain the special properties of bio-matter, in particular the chiral selection as resulting from the coupling to dark  $Z^0$  quanta. Long range weak forces present in TGD counterpart of Higgs=0 phase should allow to understand the differences between biochemistry and the chemistry of dead matter.

The basic implication of the new view is that the earlier view about nuclear physics applies now to dark nuclear physics and large parity breaking effects and contribution of  $Z^0$  force to scattering and interaction energy are not anymore a nuisance.

- (e) For ordinary condensed matter quarks and leptons  $Z^0$  charge are screened in electro-weak length scale whereas in dark matter  $k = 89$  electro-weak space-time sheet have suffered a phase transition to a p-adic topology with a larger value of  $k$ . Gaussian Mersennes, in particular those associated with  $k = 113, 151, 157, 163, 167$  are excellent candidates in this respect. The particles of this exotic phase of matter would have complex conformal weights closely related to the zeros of Riemann Zeta. The simplest possibility is that they correspond to a single non-trivial zero of Zeta and there is infinite hierarchy of particles of this kind.

In dark matter phase weak gauge fluxes could be feeded to say  $k = k_Z = 169$  space-time sheet corresponding to neutrino Compton length and having size of cell. For this scenario to make sense it is essential that p-adic thermodynamics predicts for dark quarks and leptons essentially the same masses as for their ordinary counterparts [K45].

### 12.1.3 The identification of long range classical weak gauge fields as correlates for dark massless weak bosons

Long ranged electro-weak gauge fields are unavoidably present when the dimension  $D$  of the  $CP_2$  projection of the space-time sheet is larger than 2. Classical color gauge fields are non-vanishing for all non-vacuum extremals. This poses deep interpretational problems. If ordinary quarks and leptons are assumed to carry weak charges feeded to larger space-time sheets within electro-weak length scale, large hadronic, nuclear, and atomic parity breaking effects, large contributions of the classical  $Z^0$  force to Rutherford scattering, and strong isotopic effects, are expected. If weak charges are screened within electro-weak length scale, the question about the interpretation of long ranged classical weak fields remains.

During years I have discussed several solutions to these problems.

*Option I:* The trivial solution of the constraints is that  $Z^0$  charges are neutralized at electro-weak length scale. The problem is that this option leaves open the interpretation of classical long ranged electro-weak gauge fields unavoidably present in all length scales when the dimension for the  $CP_2$  projection of the space-time surface satisfies  $D > 2$ .

*Option II:* Second option involves several variants but the basic assumption is that nuclei or even quarks feed their  $Z^0$  charges to a space-time sheet with size of order neutrino Compton length. The large parity breaking effects in hadronic, atomic, and nuclear length scales is not the only difficulty. The scattering of electrons, neutrons and protons in the classical long range  $Z^0$  force contributes to the Rutherford cross section and it is very difficult to see how neutrino screening could make these effects small enough. Strong isotopic effects in condensed matter due to the classical  $Z^0$  interaction energy are expected. It is far from clear whether all these constraints can be satisfied by any assumptions about the structure of topological condensate.

*Option III:* During 2005 third option solving the problems emerged based on the progress in the understanding of the basic mathematics behind TGD.

In ordinary phase the  $Z^0$  charges of elementary particles are indeed neutralized in intermediate boson length scale so that the problems related to the parity breaking, the large contributions of classical  $Z^0$  force to Rutherford scattering, and large isotopic effects in condensed matter, trivialize.

Classical electro-weak gauge fields in macroscopic length scales are identified as space-time correlates for the gauge fields created by dark matter, which corresponds to a macroscopically quantum coherent phase for which elementary particles possess complex conformal weights such that the net conformal weight of the system is real.

In this phase  $U(2)_{ew}$  symmetry is not broken below the scaled up weak scale except for fermions so that gauge bosons are massless below this length scale whereas fermion masses are essentially the same as for ordinary matter. By charge screening gauge bosons look massive in length scales much longer than the relevant p-adic length scale. The large parity breaking effects in living matter (chiral selection for bio-molecules) support the view that dark matter is what makes living matter living.

Classical long ranged color gauge fields always present for non-vacuum extremals are interpreted as space-time correlates of gluon fields associated with dark copies of hadron physics. It seems that this picture is indeed what TGD predicts.

#### 12.1.4 Dark color force as a space-time correlate for the strong nuclear force?

Color confinement suggests a basic application of the basic criteria for the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase. The obvious guess is that valence quarks are dark [K26, K24]. Dark matter phase for quarks does not change the lowest order classical strong interaction cross sections but reduces dramatically higher order perturbative corrections and resolves the problems created by the large value of QCD coupling strength in the hadronic phase.

The challenge is to understand the strong binding solely in terms of dark QCD with large value of  $\hbar$  reducing color coupling strength of valence quarks to  $v_0 \simeq 2^{-11}$ . The best manner to introduce the basic ideas is as a series of not so frequently asked questions and answers.

##### Rubber band model of strong nuclear force as starting point

The first question is what is the vision for nuclear strong interaction that one can start from. The sticky toffee model of Chris Illert [C197] is based on the paradox created by the fact alpha particles can tunnel from the nucleus but that the reversal of this process in nuclear collisions does not occur. Illert proposes a classical model for the tunnelling of alpha particles from nucleus based on dynamical electromagnetic charge. Illert is forced to assume that virtual pions inside nuclei have considerably larger size than predicted by QCD and the model. Strikingly, the model favors fractional alpha particle charges at the nuclear surface. The TGD based interpretation

would be based on the identification of the rubber bands of Illert as long color bonds having exotic light quark and anti-quark at their ends and connecting escaping alpha particle to the mother nucleus. The challenge is to give meaning to the attribute "exotic".

### How the darkness of valence quarks can be consistent with the known sizes of nuclei?

The assumption about darkness of valence quarks in the sense of large  $\hbar$  ( $\hbar_s = \hbar/v_0$ ) is very natural if one takes the basic criterion for darkness seriously. The obvious question is how the dark color force can bind the nucleons to nuclei of ordinary size if the strength of color force is  $v_0$  and color sizes of valence quarks are about  $L(129)$ ?

It seems also obvious that  $L(107)$  in some sense defines the size for nucleons, and somehow this should be consistent with scaled up size  $L(k_{eff} = 129)$  implied by the valence quarks with large  $\hbar$ . The proposal of [K26, K24] inspired by RHIC findings [C214] is that valence quarks are dark in the sense of having large value of  $\hbar$  and thus correspond to  $k_{eff} = 129$  whereas sea quarks correspond to ordinary value for  $\hbar$  and give rise to the QCD size  $\sim L(107)$  of nucleon.

If one assumes that the typical distances between sea quark space-time sheets of nucleons is obtained by scaling down the size scale of valence quarks, the size scale of nuclei comes out correctly.

### Valence quarks and exotic quarks cannot be identical

The hypothesis is that nucleons contain or there are associated with them pairs of exotic quarks and flux tubes of color field bodies of size  $\sim L(129)$  connecting the exotic quark and anti-quark in separate nuclei. Nucleons would be structures with the size of ordinary nucleus formed as densely packed structures of size  $L(129)$  identifiable as the size of color magnetic body.

The masses of exotic quarks must be however small so that they must differ from valence quarks. The simplest possibility is that exotic quarks are not dark but p-adically scaled down versions of sea quarks with ordinary value of  $\hbar$  having  $k = 127$  so that masses are scaled down by a factor  $2^{-10}$ .

Energetic considerations favor the option that exotic quarks associate with nucleons via the  $k_{eff} = 111$  space-time sheets containing nucleons and dark quarks. Encouragingly, the assumption that nucleons topologically condense at the weak  $k_{eff} = 111$  space-time sheet of size  $L(111) \simeq 10^{-14}$  m of exotic quarks predicts essentially correctly the mass number of the highest known super-massive nucleus. Neutron halos are outside this radius and can be understood in terms color Coulombic binding by dark gluons. Tetraneutron can be identified as alpha particle containing two negatively charged color bonds.

### What determines the binding energy per nucleon?

The binding energies per nucleon for  $A \geq 4$  to not vary too much from 7 MeV but the lighter nuclei have anomalously small binding energies. The color bond defined by a color magnetic flux tube of length  $\sim L(k = 127)$  or  $\sim L(k_{eff} = 129)$  connecting exotic quark and anti-quark in separate nucleons with scaled down masses  $m_q(dark) \sim xm_q$ , with  $x = 2^{-10}$  for option for  $k = 127$ , is a good candidate in this respect. Color magnetic spin-spin interaction would give the dominant contribution to the interaction energy as in the case of hadrons. This interaction energy is expected to depend on exotic quark pair only. The large zero point kinetic energy of light nuclei topologically condensed at  $k_{eff} = 111$  space-time sheet having possible identification as the dark variant of  $k = 89$  weak space-time sheet explains why the binding energies of D and  $^3\text{He}$  are anomalously small.

### What can one assume about the color bonds?

Can one allow only quark anti-quark type color bonds? Can one allow the bonds to be also electromagnetically charged as the earlier model for tetra-neutron suggests (tetra-neutron would

be alpha particle containing two negatively charged color bonds so that the problems with the Fermi statistics are circumvented). Can one apply Fermi statistics simultaneously to exotic quarks and anti-quarks and dark valence quarks?

Option I: Assume that exotic and dark valence quarks are identical in the sense of Fermi statistics. This assumption sounds somewhat non-convincing but is favored by p-adic mass calculations supporting the view that the p-adic mass scale of hadronic quarks can vary. If this hypothesis holds true at least effectively, very few color bonds from a given nucleon are allowed by statistics and there are good reasons to argue that nucleons are arranged to highly tangled string like structures filling nuclear volume with two nucleons being connected by color bonds having of length of order  $L(129)$ . The organization into closed strings is also favored by the conservation of magnetic flux.

The notion of nuclear string is strongly supported by the resulting model explaining the nuclear binding energies per nucleon. It is essential that nucleons form what might be called nuclear strings rather than more general tangles. Attractive p-p and n-n bonds must correspond to colored  $\rho_0$  type bonds with spin one and attractive p-n type bonds to color singlet pion type bonds. The quantitative estimates for the spin-spin interaction energy of the lightest nuclei lead to more precise estimates for the lengths of color bonds. The resulting net color quantum numbers must be compensated by dark gluon condensate, the existence of which is suggested by RHIC experiments [C214]. This option is strongly favored by the estimate of nuclear binding energies.

Option II: If Fermi statistics is not assumed to apply in the proposed manner, then color magnetic flux tubes bonds between any pair of nucleons are possible. The identification of color isospin as strong isospin still effective removes color degree of freedom. As many as 8 color tubes can leave the nucleus if exotic quarks and anti-quarks are in the same orbital state and a cubic lattice like structure would become possible. This picture would be consistent with the idea that in ordinary field theory all particle pairs contribute to the interaction energy. The large scale of the magnetic flux tubes would suggest that the contributions cannot depend much on particle pair. The behavior of the binding energies favors strongly the idea of nuclear string and reduces this option to the first one.

### **What is the origin of strong force and strong isospin?**

Here the answer is motivated by the geometry of  $CP_2$  allowing to identify the holonomy group of electro-weak spinor connection as  $U(2)$  subgroup of color group. Strong isospin group  $SU(2)$  is identified as subgroup of isotropy group  $U(2)$  for space-time surfaces in a sub-theory defined by  $M^4 \times S^2$ ,  $S^2$  a homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$  and second factor of  $U(1) \times U(1)$  subgroup of the holonomies for the induced Abelian gauge fields corresponds to strong isospin component  $I_3$ . The extremely tight correlations between various classical fields lead to the hypothesis that the strong isospin identifiable as color isospin  $I_3$  of exotic quarks at the ends of color bonds attached to a given nucleon is identical with the weak isospin of the nucleon. Note that this does not require that exotic and valence quarks are identical particles in the sense of Fermi statistics.

Does the model explain the strong spin orbit coupling ( $L \cdot S$  force)? This force can be identified as an effect due to the motion of fermion string containing the effectively color charged nucleons in the color magnetic field  $v \times E$  induced by the motion of string in the color electric field at the dark  $k = 107$  space-time sheet.

### **How the phenomenological shell model with harmonic oscillator potential emerges?**

Nucleus can be seen as a collection of long color magnetic flux tubes glued to nucleons with the mediation of exotic quarks and anti-quarks. If nuclei form closed string, as one expects in the case of Fermi statistics constraint, also this string defines a closed string or possibly a collection of linked and knotted closed strings. If Fermi statistics constraint is not applied, the nuclear strings form a more complex knotted and linked tangle. The stringy space-time sheets would be the color magnetic flux tubes connecting exotic quarks belonging to different nucleons.

The color bonds between the nucleons are indeed strings connecting them and the averaged interaction between neighboring nucleons in the nuclear string gives in the lowest order approximation 3-D harmonic oscillator potential although strings have  $D = 2$  transversal degrees of freedom. Even in the case that nucleons for nuclear strings and thus have only two bonds to neighbors the average force around equilibrium position is expected to be a harmonic force in a good approximation. The nuclear wave functions fix the restrictions of stringy wave functionals to the positions of nucleons at the nuclear strings. Using M-theory language, nucleons would represent branes connected by color magnetic flux tubes representing strings whose ends co-move with branes.

### Which nuclei are the most stable ones and what is the origin of magic numbers?

$P = N$  closed strings correspond to energy minima and their deformations obtained by adding or subtracting nucleons in general correspond to smaller binding energy per nucleon. Thus the observed strong correlation between  $P$  and  $N$  finds a natural explanation unlike in the harmonic oscillator model. For large values of  $A$  the generation of dark gluon condensate and corresponding color Coulombic binding energy favors the surplus of neutrons and the generation of neutron halos. The model explains also the spectrum of light nuclei, in particular the absence of  $pp$ ,  $nn$ ,  $ppp$ , and  $nnn$  nuclei.

In the standard framework spin-orbit coupling explains the magic nuclei and color Coulombic force gives rise to this kind of force in the same manner as in atomic physics context. Besides the standard magic numbers there are also non-standard ones (such as  $Z, N = 6, 12$ ) if the maximum of binding energy is taken as a definition of magic, there are also other magic numbers than the standard ones. Hence can consider also alternative explanations for magic numbers. The geometric view about nucleus suggests that the five Platonic regular solids might defined favor nuclear configurations and it indeed turns that they explain non-standard magic numbers for light nuclei.

New magic nuclei might be obtained by linking strings representing doubly magic nuclei. An entire hierarchy of linkings becomes possible and could explain the new magic numbers 14, 16, 30, 32 discovered for neutrons [C115]. Linking of the nuclear strings could be rather stable by Pauli Exclusion Principle. For instance,  $^{16}\text{O}$  would correspond to linked  $^4\text{He}$  and  $^{12}\text{C}$  nuclei. Higher magic numbers 28, 50, ... allow partitions to sums of lower magic numbers which encourages to consider the geometric interpretation as linked nuclei. p-Adic length scale hypothesis in turn suggest the existence of magic numbers coming as powers of  $2^3$ .

### What about the description of nuclear reactions?

The identification of nuclei as linked and knotted strings filling the nuclear volume for constant nuclear density leads to a topological description for the nuclear reactions with simplest reactions corresponding to fusion and fission of closed nuclear strings. The microscopic description is in terms of nucleon collisions in which exotic quarks and anti-quarks are re-shared between nucleons and also new pairs are created. The distinction to ordinary string model is that the topological reactions for strings can occur only when the points at which where they are attached to nucleons collide.

The old fashioned description of the nuclear strong force is based on the meson exchange picture. The perturbation theory based on the exchange of pions doesn't however make sense in practice. In the hadronic string model this description would be replaced by hadronic string diagrams. The description of nuclear scattering in terms of nuclear strings allows phenomenological interpretation in terms of stringy diagrams but color bonds between nucleons do not correspond to meson exchanges but are something genuinely new.

#### 12.1.5 Tritium beta decay anomaly

The proposed model explains the anomaly associated with the tritium beta decay. What has been observed [C171, C134] is that the spectrum intensity of electrons has a narrow bump near



the endpoint energy. Also the maximum energy  $E_0$  of electrons is shifted downwards.

I have considered two explanations for the anomaly. The original models are based on TGD variants of original models [C103, C202] involving belt of dark neutrinos or antineutrinos along the orbit of Earth. Only recently (towards the end of year 2008) I realized that nuclear string model provides much more elegant explanation of the anomaly and has also the potential to explain much more general anomalies [E12, C145, C200] , [E12] .

### 12.1.6 Cold fusion and Trojan horse mechanism

Cold fusion [C252] has not been taken seriously by the physics community but the situation has begun to change gradually. There is an increasing evidence for the occurrence of nuclear transmutations of heavier elements besides the production of  ${}^4\text{He}$  and  ${}^3\text{H}$  whereas the production rate of  ${}^3\text{He}$  and neutrons is very low. These characteristics are not consistent with the standard nuclear physics predictions. Also Coulomb wall and the absence of gamma rays and the lack of a mechanism transferring nuclear energy to the electrolyte have been used as an argument against cold fusion.

An additional piece to the puzzle came when Ditmire *et al* [C166] observed that the spectrum of electron energies in laser induced explosions of ion clusters extends up to energies of order MeV (rather than  $10^2$  eV!): this suggests that strong interactions are involved.

The possibility of charged color bonds explaining tetra-neutron allows to construct a model explaining both the observations of Ditmire *et al* and cold fusion and nuclear transmutations. 'Trojan horse mechanism' allows to circumvent the Coulomb wall, and explains various selection rules and the absence of gamma rays, and also provides a mechanism for the heating of electrolyte.

## 12.2 Model for the nucleus based on exotic quarks

The challenge is to understand the strong binding solely in terms of the color bonds and large value of  $\hbar$  for valence quarks reducing color coupling strength to  $v_0$  and scaling there sizes to  $L(107)/v_0 = L(129)$ . There are many questions to be answered. How exotic quarks with scaled down masses differ from dark valence quarks? How the model can be consistent with the known nuclear radii of nuclei if valence quarks have Compton length of order  $L(129)$ ?

### 12.2.1 The notion of color bond

The basic notion is that of color bond having exotic quark and anti-quark at its ends. Color bonds connecting nucleons make them effectively color charged so that nuclei can be regarded as color bound states of nucleons glued together using color bonds.

The motivation for the notion of color bond comes from the hypothesis that valence quarks are in large  $\hbar$  phase, and also from the ideas inspired by the work of Chris Illert [C197] suggesting that long virtual pions act as "rubber bands" connecting nucleons to each other. There are indications that the quark distribution functions for the nucleons inside nuclei differ from those for free nucleons [C266, C126] . QCD based estimates show that color van der Waals force is not involved [C266] . The contribution of the quark pairs associated with color bonds is a possible explanation for this phenomenon.

### 12.2.2 Are the quarks associated with color bonds dark or p-adically scaled down quarks?

What seems clear is that color bonds with light quark and antiquark, to be referred as exotic quarks in the sequel, at their ends could explain strong nuclear force. Concerning the identification of the exotic quarks there are frustratingly many options. In lack of deeper understanding,

the only manner to proceed is to try to make a detailed comparison of various alternatives in hope of identifying a unique internally consistent option.

The basic observation is that if four-momentum is conserved in the phase transition to the dark phase, the masses of quarks in large  $\hbar$  phase should not differ from those in ordinary phase, which means that Compton lengths and p-adic length scale are scaled up by a factor  $1/v_0$ . This assumption explains elegantly cold fusion and many other anomalies [K26, K24]. The quarks at the ends of color bonds must however have scaled down masses to not affect too much the masses of nuclei. This option would also allow to identify valence and possibly also sea quarks as dark quarks in accordance with the general criterion for the transition to dark phase as proposed in the model for RHIC events [K24].

Exotic quarks must be light. Hence there should be some difference between exotic and valence quarks. This leaves two options to consider.

### Are the exotic quarks p-adically scaled down versions of ordinary quarks with ordinary value of $\hbar$ ?

Exotic quarks could simply correspond to longer p-adic length scale, say  $M_{127}$  and thus having masses scaled down by a factor  $2^{-10}$  but ordinary value of  $\hbar$ . One can also consider the possibility that they correspond to a QCD associated with  $M_{127}$  as proposed earlier. They could also correspond to their own weak length scale and weak bosons. This would resolve the objections against new elementary particles coming from the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons even without assumption about the loss of asymptotic freedom implying that the QCD in question effectively exists only in finite length scale range.

p-Adic mass calculations indeed support the view to that hadronic quarks appear as several scaled up variants and there is no reason to assume that also scaled down variants could not appear. This hypothesis leads to correct order of magnitude estimates for the color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy.

For this option valence (and possibly also sea) quarks could be dark and have color sizes of order  $L(k_{eff} = 129)$  as suggested by the criterion  $\alpha_s Q_c^2 \simeq 1$  for color confinement as a transition to a dark phase.

### Do exotic quarks correspond to large $\hbar$ and reduced $c$ ?

If valence quarks are dark one can wonder why not also exotic quarks are dark and whether there exists a mechanism reducing their masses by a factor  $v_0$ .

If one questions the assumption that  $\hbar$  is a fundamental constant, sooner or later also the question "What about  $c$ ?" pops up. There are indeed motivations for expecting that  $c$  has a discrete spectrum in a well-defined sense. TGD predicts an infinite variety of warped vacuum extremals defining imbeddings of  $M^4$  to  $M^4 \times CP_2$  with  $g_{tt} = \sqrt{1 - R^2\omega^2}$ ,  $g_{ij} = -\delta_{ij}$ , and if common  $M^4$  time coordinate is used for them the maximal signal velocity is for them given by  $c_{\#}/c = \sqrt{1 - R^2\omega^2}$ .

Physically this means that the time taken for light to travel between point A and B depends on what space-time sheet the light travels even in the case that gravitational and gauge fields are absent. The fact that the analog of Bohr quantization occurs for the deformed vacuum extremals of Kähler action suggests that  $c_{\#}$  has a discrete spectrum.

This inspires the question whether also light velocity  $c$  besides  $\hbar$  is quantized in powers of  $v_0$  so that the rest energies of dark quarks would be given by  $E_0 = \hbar_s c_{\#}/L(k_{eff} = k + 22) = \hbar c_{\#}/L(k)$  and scale down because of the scaling  $c \rightarrow v_0 \times c$ . A distinction between rest mass and rest energy should be made since rest mass is scaled up as  $M \rightarrow M/v_0$ . Compton time would be by a factor  $1/v_0^2$  longer than the ordinary Compton time.

If  $c$  and  $\hbar$  can scale up separately but in powers of  $v_0$  (or its harmonics and sub-harmonics) it is possible to have a situation in which  $\hbar c$  remains invariant because mass scale is reduced  $v_0$  and  $\hbar$  is increased by  $1/v_0$ . In the case of dark quarks this would mean that light would propagate with velocity  $2^{-11}c$  along various space-time sheets associated with dark quarks.

This admittedly complex looking option would mean that valence quarks have large  $\hbar$  but ordinary  $c$  and exotic quarks have large  $\hbar$  but small  $c$  due to the warping of their space-time sheet in time direction.

### 12.2.3 Electro-weak properties of exotic and dark quarks

#### Are exotic quarks scaled down with respect to electromagnetic interactions?

The earlier models involving large  $\hbar$  rely on the assumption that the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase with respect to electromagnetic interactions occurs only under special conditions (models for cold fusion and structure of water represent basic examples). Hence valence quarks can be in large  $\hbar$  phase only with respect to strong and possibly weak interactions.

- (a) For p-adically scaled down exotic quarks also the electromagnetic space-time sheet should correspond to scaled up value of  $k$  since  $k = 113$  would give too large contribution to the quark mass. It is not clear whether both em and color space-time sheets can correspond to  $k = 127$  or whether one must have  $k_{em} = 131$ .
- (b) For exotic quarks with large  $\hbar$  and small  $c$  the situation can be different  $k = 107$  contribution to quark mass is scaled down by  $v_0$  factor:  $m_q(\text{dark}) = v_0 m_q \sim .05$  MeV. Since  $k = 113$  contributes a considerable fraction to hadron mass, one can argue that also the  $k = 113$  contribution to the mass must be scaled down so that dark quarks would be also electromagnetically dark. If so, the size of  $k = 113$  dark electromagnetic field body would be of order atomic size and nuclei would represent in their structure also atomic length scale.

#### Are exotic and dark quarks scaled down with respect to weak interactions?

What about darkness of exotic and dark quarks with respect to weak interactions? The qualitative behavior of the binding energies of  $A \leq 4$  nuclei can be understood if they possess zero point kinetic energy associated with space-time sheet with size characterized by  $L(k = 111 = 3 \times 37) \simeq 10^{-14}$  m. Also the maximal mass number of super-heavy nuclei without neutron halo is predicted correctly.  $k_{eff} = 111$  happens to correspond to the scaled weak length scale  $M_{89}$  which raises the possibility that dark quarks correspond to large value of  $\hbar$  with respect to weak interactions. This could be the case for dark valence quarks and both identifications of exotic quarks.

- (a) For  $k = 127$  quarks with dark weak interactions no large parity breaking effects are induced neither below mass scale  $m_W$ .
- (b) For large  $\hbar$ -small  $c$  option the scale invariance of gauge interactions would mean that the masses of the corresponding weak bosons are of order 50 MeV but the weak interaction rates are scaled down by a factor  $v_0^2$  since the ratios  $m_q/m_W$  invariant under the transition to dark phase appear in the rates: this at energy scale smaller than  $v_0 m_w$ . This disfavors this option.

### 12.2.4 How the statistics of exotic and ordinary quarks relate to each other?

Exotic and ordinary quarks should be identical or in some sense effectively identical in order that nuclear string picture would result.

#### Can one regard exotic quarks and ordinary quarks as identical fermions?

The first guess would be that this is not the case. One must be however cautious. The fact that p-adically scaled up variants of quarks appear in the model of hadrons suggested by p-adic mass calculations, suggests that the scaled up versions must be regarded as identical fermions.

Since also the scaling of  $\hbar$  induces only a scaling up of length scale, one might argue that this conclusion holds true quite generally.

Identity is also favored by a physical argument. If identity holds true, Fermi statistics forces the nucleons to form closed nuclear strings to maximize their binding energies. The notion nuclear string explains nicely the behavior nuclear binding energies per nucleon and also suggests that linking and knotting could define mechanisms for nuclear binding.

### Could dark quarks and ordinary quarks be only effectively identical?

The idea of regarding quarks and dark quarks as identical fermions does not sound convincing, and one can ask the idea could make sense in some effective sense only.

- (a) The effective identity follows from a model for matter antimatter symmetry assuming that ordinary quarks form strongly correlated pairs with dark anti-quarks so that nucleons would be accompanied by dark antinucleons and quarks and dark quarks would be effectively identical. This option looks however rather science fictive and involves un-necessarily strong assumption.
- (b) A weaker hypothesis is inspired by the model of topological condensation based on # (/wormhole/ topological sum) contacts [K32]. # contact can be modelled as a  $CP_2$  type extremal with Euclidian signature of induced metric forming topological sum with the two space-time sheets having Minkowskian signature of induced metric. # contact is thus accompanied by two light-like 3-D causal horizons at which the metric determinant vanishes. These causal horizons carry of quantum numbers and are identified as partons. If the contact is passive in the sense that it mediates only gauge fluxes, the quantum numbers of the two partons cancel each other. This can be true also for four-momentum in the case that time orientations of the space-time sheets are opposite.

This kind of # contacts between  $k_{eff} = 129$  and  $k = 127$  space-time sheets would force effective identity of  $k = 127$  and  $k_{eff} = 129$  quarks. The implication would be that in many-sheeted sense nucleons inside nuclei would have ordinary quantum numbers whereas in single sheeted point sense they would carry quantum numbers of quark or anti-quark.

## 12.3 Model of strong nuclear force based on color bonds between exotic quarks

In this section the color bond model of strong nuclear force is developed in more detail.

### 12.3.1 A model for color bonds in terms of color flux tubes

#### Simple model for color bond

Consider next a simple model for color bond.

- (a) The first guess would be that the color bond has quantum numbers of neutral pion so that also the pair of nucleons connected by a color bond would behave like a pion. This gives attractive color magnetic interaction energy and an attractive identification is as p-n bond.
- (b) Also the bonds with identical spins and identical color charges at the ends of the bond yield an attractive color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy. This kind of bonds would be responsible for p-p and n-n pairing. In this case color magnetic energy is however by a factor 1/3 smaller and could explain the non-existence of pp and nn bound states. An even number of neutral  $\rho$  type bonds could be allowed without anomalous contribution to the spin. High spin nuclei could contain many  $\rho$  type bonds so that antimatter would play important role in the physics of heavy nuclei.

- (c) A further generalization by allowing also electromagnetically charged color bonds with em quantum numbers of pion and  $\rho$  would explain tetra-neutron [C137, C60] as alpha particle (pnpn) with two  $\pi_-$  type color bonds. This would predict a rich variety of exotic nuclei. Long color bonds connecting quark and anti-quark attached to different nucleons would also allow to understand the observation of Chris Illert [C197] that the classical description of quantum tunneling suggests that nucleons at the surface of nucleus have charges which are fractional.

This picture would suggest that the color isospin of the quark at the end of the bond equals to the weak isospin of the nucleon and is also identifiable as the strong isospin of the nucleon inside nucleus. To achieve an overall color neutrality the presence a dark gluon condensate compensating for the net color charge of colored bonds must be assumed. This could also compensate the net spin of the colored bonds.

The surplus of neutrons in nuclei would tend to create a non-vanishing color isospin which could be cancelled by the dark gluon condensate. The results of RHIC experiment [C214] can be understood in TGD framework as a generation of a highly tangled string like structure containing large number of p-p and n-n type bonds and thus also dark gluon condensate neutralizing the net color charge. This would suggest that in a good approximation the nuclei could be seen as tangled string like structures formed from protons and neutrons. If the distances between nuclei are indeed what standard nuclear physics suggests, kind of nuclear strings would be in question.

### Simple model for color magnetic flux tubes

Color magnetic flux tubes carrying also color electric fields would define the color magnetic body of the nucleus having size of order  $L(129)$ . Dark quarks would have also weak and electromagnetic field bodies with sizes  $L(111)$  and  $L(135)$ . The color magnetic body codes information about nucleus itself but also has independent degrees of freedom, in particular those associated with linking and knotting of the flux tubes (braiding plays a key role in the models of topological quantum computation [K88]).

Color flux tubes carry a non-trivial color magnetic flux and one can wonder whether the color flux tubes can end or whether they form closed circuits. Since  $CP_2$  geometry allows homological magnetic charges, color magnetic flux tubes could have ends with quarks and anti-quark at them acting as sources of the color magnetic field. The model for binding energies however favors closed strings. In the general case the color magnetic flux tubes would have a complex sub-manifold of  $CP_2$  with boundary as a  $CP_2$  projection.

The spin-spin interaction energies depend crucially on the value of the color magnetic field strength experienced by the exotic quark at the end of color flux tube, and one can at least try make educated guesses about it. The conservation of the color magnetic flux gives the condition  $g_s B \propto 1/S$ , where  $S$  is the area of the cross section of the tube.  $S \geq L^2(107)$  is the first guess for the area if valence quarks are ordinary.  $S \geq L^2(k_{eff} = 129)$  is the natural guess if valence quarks are dark.

The quantization of the color magnetic flux using the scaled up value of  $\hbar$  would give  $\int g_s B dS = n/v_0$  implying  $g_s B \simeq n/v_0 S$ . When applied to  $S \sim L^2(107)$  the quantization condition would give quite too large estimate for the spin-spin interaction energy. For  $S \sim L^2(129)$  the scale of the interaction energy would come out correctly. For  $k = 127$  option  $S \sim L^2(127)$  is forced by the quantization condition.

This observation favors strongly dark valence quarks for both options. The magnetic flux of exotic quarks would be feeded to flux tubes of transverse area  $\sim L^2(k)$ ,  $k = 127$  or  $k = 129$ , coupling naturally with the color magnetic flux tubes of valence quarks with size  $L(129)$ .

A further constraint could come from the requirement that the flux tubes is such that locally the magnetic field looks like a dipole field. This would mean that the flux tube would become thicker at larger distances roughly as  $S(r) \propto r^3$ . An alternative restriction would come from the requirement that the energy of the color magnetic flux tube is same irrespective of its cross section at dark quark position. This would give  $S \propto L$  where  $L$  is the length of the flux tube.

### Quantum classical correspondence requires color bonds

Non-vacuum extremals are always accompanied by a non-vanishing classical electro-weak and color gauge fields. This is an obvious challenge for quantum classical correspondence. The presence of a suitable configuration of color bonds with dark quarks at their ends starting from nucleon gives hopes of resolving this interpretational problem. Dark quarks and anti-quarks would serve as sources of the color and weak electric gauge fluxes and quarks and nucleons would create the classical em field.

The requirement that classical Abelian gauge fluxes are equal to the quantum charges would pose very strong conditions on the physical states. For instance, quantization condition for Weinberg angle is expected to appear. The fact that classical fluxes are inversely proportional to the inverse of the corresponding gauge coupling strength  $1/\alpha_i$  gives additional flexibility and with a proper choice of gauge coupling strengths the conditions might be satisfied and space-time description would also code for the values of gauge coupling strengths. Color bonds should be present in all length scales for non-vacuum extremals encouraging the hypothesis about the p-adic hierarchy of dark QCD type phases.

### Identification of dark quarks and valence quarks as identical fermions forces the organization of nucleons to nuclear strings?

Quantum classical correspondence in strong form gives strong constraints on the construction. The model explaining the nuclear binding energies per nucleon strongly favors the option in which nucleons arrange to form closed nuclear strings. If dark quarks and ordinary valence quarks can be regarded as identical fermions this hypothesis follows as a prediction. Therefore this hypothesis, which admittedly looks ad hoc and might make sense only effectively (see the discussion below), deserves a detailed consideration.

Fermi statistics implies that the quark at the end of the color bond must be in a spin state which is different from the spin state of the nucleon (spin of d quark in the case of p=uud and u quark in the case of n) to allow local S-wave. For anti-quarks there are no constraints. Only d (u) quark with spin opposite to that of p (n) can be associated with p (n) end of the color bond. Hence at most five different bonds can begin from a given nucleon. In the case of proton  $p_\downarrow$  they are given by  $d_\uparrow \bar{d}_\downarrow, \bar{q}_\downarrow q_\uparrow, q = u, d$ .

Only two bonds between given nuclei are possible as following examples demonstrate.

- (a)  $p_\downarrow - n_\uparrow: d_\uparrow \bar{d}_\downarrow, \bar{u}_\downarrow u_\uparrow.$
- (b)  $p_\downarrow - p_\uparrow: d_\uparrow \bar{d}_\uparrow, \bar{d}_\uparrow d_\uparrow.$

The experimentation with the rules in case of neutral color bonds supports the view that although branchings are possible, they do not allow more than  $A = Z + N$  bonds. One example is 6 nucleon state with p at center connected by 5 bonds to p+ 4n at periphery and an additional bond connecting peripheral p and n. This kind of configuration could be considered as one possible configuration in the case of  ${}^6\text{Li}$  and  ${}^6\text{He}$ . It would seem that there is always a closed string structure with  $A$  bonds maximizing the color magnetic binding energy. The allowance of also charged color bonds makes possible to understand tetra-neutron as alpha particle with two charged color bonds.

The fact that neutron number for nuclei tends to be larger than proton number implies that the number of n-n type  $\rho$  bonds for stringy configurations is higher than p-p type bonds so that net color isospin equal equal to  $I_3 = -(A - 2Z)$  is generated in case of stringy nuclei and is most naturally cancelled by a dark gluon condensate. Neutralizing gluon condensate allows neutron halo with a non-vanishing value of  $I_3$ .

### 12.3.2 About the energetics of color bonds

To build a more quantitative picture about the anatomy of the color bond it is necessary to consider its energetics. The assumption that in lowest order in  $\hbar$  the binding energy transforms

as rest energy under the p-adic scaling and scaling of  $\hbar$  makes it easy to make order of magnitude estimates by scaling from the hadronic case.

**Color field energy of the bond**

At the microscopic level the harmonic oscillator description should correspond to the color energy associated with color bonds having u or d type quark and corresponding anti-quarks at their ends. For simplicity restrict the consideration in the sequel to electromagnetically neutral color bonds.

Besides spin-spin interaction energy and color Coulombic interaction energy there are contributions of color fields coded by the string tension  $T_d = v_0 T$  of the color bond, where  $T \simeq 1/\text{GeV}^2$  is hadronic string tension. The energy of string with given length remains invariant in the combined scaling of  $\hbar$ , string tension, and length  $L$  of the color bond represented by color magnetic flux tube (which contain also color electric fields).

- (a) The mass of the color bonds between valence quarks assumed to have  $\hbar_s = \hbar/v_0$  of length  $L = xL(129)$  are given by  $M(107) \sim x \times \hbar/L(107) \sim x \times .5 \text{ GeV}$  and correspond naturally to the energy scale of hadronic strong interactions.
- (b) The rest energy of the color bonds between  $k = 127$  quarks with ordinary value of  $\hbar$  having length  $L = xL(127)$  are given by  $M(127) \sim x \times \hbar/L(127) = 2^{-10} M(107)$  so that the order order of magnitude is  $x \times .5 \text{ MeV}$ .
- (c) The rest energy of the color bonds between  $k_{eff} = 129$  dark quarks with  $c_{\#} = v_0 c$  is given by the same expression. Note however that rest mass would be scaled up by a factor  $1/v_0$ .

The resulting picture seems to be in a dramatic conflict with the electromagnetic size of nucleus which favors the  $L \sim L(107) < 2 \text{ fm}$  rather than  $L \sim L(129)$  and which is smaller by a factor  $2^{-11}$  and which favors also the notion of nuclear string. The resolution of the paradox is based on the notion of color magnetic body. Color bonds behave like color magnetic dipoles and bonds correspond to flux tubes of a topologically quantized dipole type color magnetic field having length of order  $L(129) \simeq 5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$  connecting nucleons at distance  $L < L(107)$ .

**Color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy, the structure of color bonds, and the size scale of the nucleus**

Color magnetic spin-spin interaction allows to understand  $\rho - \pi$  mass splitting in terms of color magnetic spin-spin interaction expected to give the dominating contribution to the nuclear binding energy. The quantitative formulation of this idea requiring consistency with p-adic mass calculations and with existing view about typical electromagnetic nuclear size scale fixed by the height of Coulomb wall leads to a rather unique picture about color magnetic bonds.

*1. Questions*

One can pose several questions helping to develop a detailed model for the structure of the color bond.

- (a) The contributions  $k = 113$  and  $k = 107$  space-time sheets to the mass squared are of same order of magnitude [K54]. The contributions to the mass squared add coherently inside a given space-time sheet. This requires that nucleonic space-time sheet are not directly connected by join along boundaries bonds and the assumption that color bond connect dark quarks is consistent with this. This means that it makes sense to estimate contributions to the mass squared at single nucleon level.
- (b) The contribution of color magnetic spin-spin interaction to the mass squared of nucleon can be regarded as coming from  $k = 107$  space-time sheets as p-adic contribution but with a large value of  $\hbar$ . If  $k = 107$  contribution would vanish, only a positive contribution to mass would be possible since the real counterpart  $\Delta m_R^2$  of p-adic  $\Delta m^2$  is always positive whereas  $(m^2 + \Delta m^2)_R < m_R^2$  can hold true.

- (c) What has been said about color magnetic body and color bonds applies also to electromagnetic field body characterized by  $k = 113$ . The usual electromagnetic size of nucleus is defined by the relative distances of nucleons in  $M^4$  can be much smaller than  $L(113)$  so that the prediction for Coulomb wall is not reduced to the Coulomb potential at distance  $L(113)$ . Nucleon mass could be seen as due to p-adic thermodynamics for mass squared (or rather, conformal weight) with the real counterpart of the temperature being determined by p-adic length scale  $L(113)$ .
- (d) The model inspired by p-adic mass calculations [K54] forced the conclusion that valence quarks have join along boundaries bonds between  $k = 107$  and  $k = 113$  space-time sheets possibly feeding color fluxes so that closed flux loops between the two space-time sheets result. The counter intuitive conclusion was that roughly half of quark mass is contributed by the  $k = 113$  space-time sheet which is by a scale factor 8 larger than the color size of quarks. If valence quarks are dark, scaled up  $k = 107$  space-time sheet having  $k_{eff} = 129$  becomes the larger space-time sheet, and the situation would not look so counter-intuitive anymore.
- (e) How the ends of the color bonds are attached to the  $k = 113$  nucleon space-time sheets? The simplest assumption is that color bonds correspond to color magnetic flux tubes of length scale  $L(129)$  starting at or being closely associated with  $k = 107$  space-time sheets of nucleons. Hence the contribution to the mass squared would come from scaled up  $k_{eff} = 129$  space-time sheet and add coherently to the dominating p-adic  $k = 107$  contribution to the mass squared of nucleon.
- (f) If exotic quarks are  $k = 127$  quarks with ordinary value of  $\hbar$ , one encounters the problem how their contributions can add coherently with  $k_{eff} = 129$  color contribution to reduce the rest energy of nucleus. One possibility allowed by the appearance of harmonics of  $v_0$  is that  $\hbar$  is scaled up by  $1/(2v_0) \simeq 2^{10}$  so that space-time sheets have same size or that p-adic additivity of mass squared is possible for effective p-adic topologies which do not differ too much from each other.

## 2. Estimate for color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy

Suppose the scaling invariance in the sense that the binding energies transform in the lowest order just like rest masses so that one can estimate the color magnetic spin-spin splittings from the corresponding splittings for hadrons without any detailed modelling. This hypothesis is very attractive predicts for both options that the scale of color magnetic spin-spin splitting is  $2^{-n}$  times lower than for  $\pi$ -rho system, where  $n = 10$  for  $n = 127$  option and  $n = 11$  for  $k_{eff} = 129$  option. For scaled down spin-spin interaction energy for  $\pi$  type bond is  $E \sim .4$  MeV for  $k = 127$  and  $\sim .2$  MeV for  $k_{eff} = 11$ , which would mean that the bond is shorter than scaled up length  $L(\pi)$  of color bond between valence quarks of pion.

The further assumption that color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy behaves as  $\alpha_s/m_q^2 L^3$ ,  $L = x2^n L(\pi)$ . This gives  $E \simeq x^{-3} 2^{-n} E(107)$ . The value of  $x$  can be estimated from the requirement that the energy is of order few MeV. This gives  $x \sim 10^{-1/3}$  for  $k = 127$  option and  $x \sim (20)^{-1/3}$  for  $k_{eff} = 129$  option.

## 12.4 How the color bond model relates to the ordinary description of nuclear strong interactions?

How the notion of strong isospin emerges from the color bond model? What about shell model description based on harmonic oscillator potential? Does the model predict spin-orbit interaction? Is it possible to understand the general behavior of the nuclear binding energies, in particular the anomalously small binding energies of light nuclei? What about magic numbers? The following discussion tries to answer these questions.



### 12.4.1 How strong isospin emerges?

The notion of strong isospin is a crucial piece of standard nuclear physics. Could it emerge naturally in the transition to the phase involving dark quarks? Could the transition to color confined phase mean a reduction of color group as isotropy group of  $CP_2$  type extremals representing elementary particles to  $U(2)$  identifiable as strong isospin group. Could  $U(1)_Y \times U(1)_{I_3}$  or  $U(1)_{I_3}$  be identifiable as the Abelian holonomy group of the classical color field responsible for the selection of a preferred direction of strong isospin?

This picture would not mean breaking of the color symmetry at the configuration space level where it would rotate space-time surfaces in  $CP_2$  like rigid bodies. Rather, the breaking would be analogous to the breaking of rotational symmetry of individual particles by particle interactions. Strong isospin would correspond to the isotropy group of the space-time surface and the preferred quantization direction to the holonomy group of the induced color gauge field. The topological condensation of quarks and gluons at hadronic and nuclear space-time surfaces would freeze the color rotational degrees of freedom apart from isotropies providing thus the appropriate description for the reduced color symmetries.

#### Mathematical support for the picture from classical TGD

There is mathematical support for the proposed view and closely relating to the long-standing interpretational problems of TGD.

- (a)  $CP_2$  holonomy group is identifiable as  $U(2)$  subgroup of color group and well as electro-weak gauge group. Hitherto the possible physical meaning of this connection has remained poorly understood.  $U(2)$  subgroup as isotropies of space-time surfaces with  $D = 2$ -dimensional  $CP_2$  projection, which belongs to a homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2$ , and defines a sub-theory for which all induced gauge fields are Abelian and a natural selection of a preferred strong isospin direction occurs. Thus one might identify strong isospin symmetry as the  $SU(2)$  subgroup of color group acting as the isotropy group of the space-time surface and strong isospin would not correspond to the group of isometries but to space-time isotropies.
- (b) Color isospin component of gluon field, em field and  $Z^0$  field which corresponds to weak isospin, are proportional to each other for solutions having 2-dimensional  $CP_2$  projection. In fact, both  $Z^0$  and  $I_3$  component of gluon field are proportional to the induced Kähler form with a positive coefficient. If the proposed quantum classical correspondence for color bonds holds true, this means that the signs of these charges are indeed correlated also for nucleon and quark/ anti-quark. The ratios of these charges are fixed for the extremals for which  $CP_2$  projection is homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2$ .
- (c) It is far from clear whether the classical  $Z^0$  field can vanish for any non-vacuum extremals. If this is not the case, dark weak bosons would be unavoidable and strong isospin could be identifiable as color isospin and dark weak isospin. The predicted parity breaking effects need not be easily detectable since dark quarks would be indeed dark matter. An open question is whether some kind of duality holds true in the sense that either color field or vectorial part of  $Z^0$  field could be used to describe the nuclear interaction. This duality brings in mind the  $SO(4) \leftrightarrow SU(3)$  duality motivated by the number theoretical vision [K10, K9, K75, K80] .
- (d) The minimal form of the quantum classical correspondence is that at least the signs of the  $I_3$  and  $Y$  components of the color electric flux correlate with the dark quark at the end of color bond and the signs of the  $Z^0$  field and Kähler field correlate with the sign of weak isospin and weak hyper-charge of nucleon. A stronger condition is that these classical gauge fluxes are identical with a proper choice of the values of gauge coupling strengths and that in the case of color fluxes the quark at the end of the bond determines the color gauge fluxes in the bond whereas electromagnetic would distribute freely between the bonds.

### Correlation between weak isospin and color isospin

The weakest assumption motivated by this picture would be that the sign of color isospin correlates with the sign of weak isospin so that the quarks at the ends of color bonds starting from nucleon would have color isospin equal to the weak isospin of the nucleon:

$$I_{3,s} = I_{3,w} = I_{3,c} .$$

This assumption would allow to interpret the attractive strong interaction between nucleons in terms of color magnetic interaction. p-n bond would be neutral  $\pi_0$  type color singlet bonds. n-n and p-p bonds would have spin  $\pm 1$  and color isospin equal to strong iso-spin of  $\rho_{\pm}$ . Note that QCD type color singlet states invariant under  $I_3 \rightarrow -I_3$  would not be possible. Color magnetic interaction mediated by the pion type color bond would be attractive for p and n since color isospins would be opposite sign but repulsive for pp and nn since color isospins would have same sign. The  $\rho$  type color bond with identical spins and color isospins  $I_3$  would generate attractive interaction between identical nucleons. The color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy would be 3 times larger for  $\pi$  type bond so that the formation of deuterium as bound state of p and n and absence of pp and nn bound states might be understood.

It is not possible to exclude charged color bonds, and as will be found, their presence provides an elegant explanation for tetra-neutron [C137, C60] .

### 12.4.2 How to understand the emergence of harmonic oscillator potential and spin-orbit interaction?

Shell model based on harmonic oscillator potential and spin-orbit interaction provide rather satisfactory model of nuclei explaining among other things magic numbers.

#### Harmonic oscillator potential as a phenomenological description

It would be a mistake to interpret nuclear harmonic oscillator potential in terms Coulomb potential for the  $I_3$  component of the classical gluon field having color isospin as its source. Interaction energy would have correct sign only for proton+quark/ anti-quark or neutron+quark/ anti-quark at the end of the color bond so that only neutrons or protons would experience an attractive force.

Rather, the harmonic oscillator potential codes for the presence of color Coulombic and color magnetic interaction energies and is thus only a phenomenological notion. Harmonic oscillator potential emerges indeed naturally since the nucleus can be regarded as a collection of nucleons connected by color flux tubes acting rather literally as strings. The expansion the interaction energy around equilibrium position naturally gives a collection of harmonic oscillators. The average force experience by a nucleon is expected to be radial and this justifies the introduction of external harmonic oscillator potential depending on  $A$  via the oscillator frequency.

At the deeper level the system could be seen as a tangle formed by bosonic strings represented by magnetic flux tubes connecting  $k = 111$  space-time sheets containing dark quarks closely associated with nucleons. The oscillations of nucleons in harmonic oscillator potential induce the motion of dark quark space-time sheets play the role of branes in turn inducing motion of the ends of flux tubes fix the boundary values for the vibrations of the flux tubes. The average force experienced by nucleons around equilibrium configuration is expected to define radial harmonic force. This holds true even in the case of nuclear string.

In this picture  $k = 111$  space-time sheets could contain the nucleons of even heaviest nuclei if the nucleon size is taken to be  $2L(107)/3 \simeq 1.5$  fm. The prediction for the highest possible mass number without neutron halo, which is at radius  $2.5 \times L(111)$ , would be  $A = 296$  assuming that nuclear radius is  $R = 1.4$  fm.  $A = 298$  is the mass number of the heaviest known superheavy nucleus [C193] so that the prediction can be regarded as a victory of the model.

**Could conformal invariance play a key role in nuclear physics?**

The behavior the binding energies of  $A \leq 4$  nucleons strongly suggest that nucleons are arranged to closed string like structure and have thus only two color bonds to the neighboring nucleons in the nuclear string. The thickness of the string at the positions of fermions defines the length scale cutoff defining the minimal volume taken by a single localized fermion characterized by given p-adic prime.

The conformal invariance for the sections of the string defined by color bonds is should allow a deeper formulation of the model in terms of conformal field theory. The harmonic oscillator spectrum for single particle states could be interpreted in terms of stringy mass squared formula  $M^2 = M_0^2 + m_1^2 n$  which gives in good approximation

$$M = m_0 + \frac{m_1^2}{2M_0} n . \tag{12.4.1}$$

The force constant would be determined by  $M_0$  which would be equal to nucleon mass.

Presumably this would bring to the mind of M-theorist nucleus as a system of  $A$  branes connected by strings. The restriction of the wave functional of the string consisting of portions connecting nucleons to each other at the junction points would be induced by the wave functions of nucleons. The bosonic excitations of the color magnetic strings would contribute to color magnetic energy of the string characterized by its string tension. This energy scale might be considerably smaller than the fermionic energy scale determined by the color magnetic spin-spin interaction.

**Dark color force as the origin of spin-orbit interaction**

The deviation of the magic numbers associated with protons ( $Z = 2, 8, 20, 28, 40, 82$ ) and neutrons ( $A - Z = 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126$ ) from the predictions of harmonic oscillator model provided the motivation for the introduction of the spin orbit interaction  $V_{L-S}$  [C266] with the following general form

$$V_{L-S}(r) = \bar{L} \cdot \bar{S} \frac{1}{r} \left( \frac{dV_s}{dr} + \frac{dV_I}{dr} \bar{\tau}_1 \cdot \bar{\tau}_2 \right) . \tag{12.4.2}$$

The interaction implies the splitting of  $(j, l, s)$  eigen states so that states  $j, l = j \pm \frac{1}{2}$  have different energies. If the energy splitting is large enough, some states belonging to a higher shell come down and combine with the states of the lower shell to form a new shell with a larger magic number. This is what should happen for both proton and neutron single particle states.

The origin of spin-orbit interaction would be the classical color field created by the color isospin in p-p and n-n color bonds and dark gluons compensating the color charge. Spin-orbit interaction results in the atomic physics context from the motion of electrons in the electric field of the nucleus. The moving particle experiences in its rest frame a magnetic field  $\bar{B} = \bar{v} \times \bar{E}$ , which in the spherically symmetric case can by little manipulations can be cast into the form

$$\bar{B} = \frac{\bar{p}}{m} \times \frac{\bar{r}}{r} \frac{dV}{dr} = \bar{L} \frac{1}{m} \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV}{dr} .$$

The interaction energy is given by

$$E = -\bar{\mu} \cdot \bar{B} = -\frac{ge}{2m^2} \bar{S} \cdot \bar{L} \times \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV}{dr} . \tag{12.4.3}$$

Here magnetic moment is expressed in terms of spin using the standard definitions.  $g$  denotes Lande factor and equals in good approximation to  $g = 2$  for point like fermion.

Classical color field can be assumed to contain only  $I_3$  component and be derivable from spherically symmetric potential. In the recent case the color bonds moving made from two quarks and moving with nuclear string experience the force.

The color magnetic moments of the quark and anti-quark are of same sign in for both  $\rho$  and  $\pi$  type bond so that the isospin component of the net color magnetic moment can be written as

$$\bar{\mu}_c = g \frac{g_s}{m_q(\text{dark})} I_3 \bar{S} . \quad (12.4.4)$$

Here  $g_s$  denotes color coupling constant,  $g$  is the Lander factor equal to  $g = 2$  in ideal case, and  $m$  is mass parameter. Since the color bond is color magnetic flux tube attached from its ends to dark quarks it seems that the mass parameter  $m_q(\text{dark})$  in the magnetic moment is that of dark quark and should be  $m_q(\text{dark}) = v_0 m_q$ .

An additional factor of 2 is present because both quark and anti-quark of the bond give same contribution to the color moment of the bond.  $I_3$  equals to the strong isospin of the nucleon to which the quark is attached and spin is opposite to the spin of this quark so that a complete correlation with the quantum numbers of the second nucleon results and one can effectively assign the spin orbit interaction with nucleons. The net interaction energy is small for spin paired states. The sign of the interaction is same for both neutrons and protons.

Using the general form of the spin orbit interaction potential in the non-relativistic limit, one can cast the  $L - S$  interaction term in a the form

$$V_{L-S}(r) = \frac{16\pi\mu_c}{m_q(\text{dark})} \bar{L} \cdot \bar{S} \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV_{I_3}}{dr} . \quad (12.4.5)$$

In the first order perturbation theory the energy change for  $(j, l, s)$  eigen state with  $l = j + \epsilon \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\epsilon = \pm 1$  and spherically symmetric electromagnetic gauge potential  $V(r)$  [B28] given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E(j, l = j + \epsilon \frac{1}{2}) &= \frac{4g_s^2}{m_q^2(\text{dark})L^3} (N - P)c(l) \left[ \epsilon(j + \frac{1}{2}) + 1 \right] , \\ c(l) &= -\frac{4\pi L^3}{g_s(N - P)} \langle l | \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV_{I_3}}{dr} | l \rangle . \end{aligned} \quad (12.4.4)$$

The coefficient  $g_s/4\pi$  and factor  $N - P$  have been extracted from the color gauge potential in the expression of  $a(l)$  to get a more kinematical expression.  $N - P$ -proportionality is expected since the system has net nuclear color isospin proportional to  $N - P$  neutralized by dark gluons which can be thought of as creating the potential in which the nuclear string moves. The constant  $c(l)$  contains information about the detailed distribution of the color isospin.  $c(l)$  depends also on the details of the model (the behavior of single particle radial wave function  $R_{n,l}(r)$  in case of wave mechanical model and now on its analog defined by the wave function of nucleon induced by nuclear string).  $R$  denotes the nuclear charge radius.

The general order of magnitude of  $L$  is  $L \sim L(129)$ . What comes in mind first is the scaling  $L \sim v_0^{-1} R_0$ ,  $R_0 \sim (3/5) \times L(107) \simeq 1.5 \times 10^{-15}$  m. This is not consistent with the fact that for light nuclei with  $A \leq 4$   $L$  decreases with  $A$  but conforms with the fact that spin-spin interaction energies which are very sensitive to  $L$  can depend only slightly on  $A$  so that  $L$  must be more or less independent on  $A$ . Assume  $g_s^2/4\pi = .1$  and  $m_q = m_u \sim .1$  GeV,  $g = 1$  in the formula for the color magnetic moment. By using  $2\pi/L(107) \simeq .5$  GeV these assumptions lead to the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E(j, l = j + \epsilon \frac{1}{2}) &= \frac{4g_s^2}{m_q^2 L^3 (107)} \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^3 \times v_0 \times (N - P) \times c(l) \times \left[ \epsilon(j + \frac{1}{2}) + 1 \right] \\ &\simeq (\epsilon(j + \frac{1}{2}) + 1) \times (N - P) \times c(l) \times 2.9 \text{ MeV} . \end{aligned} \tag{12.4.3}$$

The splitting is predicted to be same for protons and neutrons and also the magnitude looks reasonable. If the dark gluons are at the center and create a potential which is gradually screened by the dark quark pairs, the sign of the spin-orbit interaction term is correct meaning that the contribution to binding energy is positive for  $j + 1/2$  state. In the case of neutron halo the unscreened remainder of the dark gluon color charge would define  $1/r$  potential at the halo possibly responsible for the stability.

This estimate should be compared to the general estimate for the energy scale in the harmonic oscillator model given by  $\omega_0 \simeq 41 \cdot A^{-1/3}$  MeV [C266] so that the general orders of magnitude make sense.

### 12.4.3 Binding energies and stability of light nuclei

Some examples are in order to see whether the proposed picture might have something to do with reality.

#### Binding energies of light nuclei

The estimate for the binding energies of light nuclei is based on the following assumptions.

- (a) Neglect the contribution of the string tension and dark gluon condensate to the binding energy.
- (b) Suppose that the number of bonds equals to  $A$  for  $A \leq 4$  nuclei and that the the bonds are arranged to maximize color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy. A possible interpretation is in terms of a closed color magnetic flux tube connecting nucleons. The presence of close color magnetic flux tubes is necessary unless one allows homological color magnetic monopoles. This option favors the maximization of the number of n-p type bonds since their spin-spin interaction energy is 3 times higher than that for p-p and n-n type bonds. This is just a working hypothesis and would mean that nuclei could be seen as nuclear strings.

The alternative interpretation is that the number bonds per nucleon is constant so that the binding energy would not depend on nucleon. The number of bonds could be quite large. Scaling the  $c$  quark mass of about 4 GeV gives gives dark mass of about 2 MeV so that two dark generations might be possible. For two dark quark generations 8+8 different quarks can appear at the ends of color flux tubes and 64 different color bonds are in principle possible (which brings in mind the idea of nuclear genetic code and TGD proposal for quantum computation utilizing braided flux tubes!). Also in this case the bond energy can depend on whether  $p$  or  $n$  is question for  $P \neq N$  nuclei since p-p and n-n bonds have smaller bind energy than p-n type bonds.

- (c) Assume that the nucleons are topologically condensed at  $k = 111$  space-time sheet with zero point kinetic energy

$$E_0(A) \sim \frac{3n}{2} \frac{\pi^2}{Am_p L^2(111)} \equiv \frac{n}{A} \times E_0(A = 1) ,$$

where  $n$  is a numerical factor and  $E_0(A = 1) \simeq 23$  MeV. Let  $\Delta E$  denote the color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy per nucleon for  $\pi$  type bond. The zero point kinetic energy is largest for  $A \leq 3$  and explains why the binding energy is so small. For  $n = 1$  the zero point kinetic energy would be 5.8 MeV for  $A = 4$ , 7.7 MeV for  $A = 3$ , and 11.5 MeV for  $A = 2$ .

With these assumptions the binding energy per bond can be written for  $A \leq 4$  as

$$E = r \times \Delta E - \frac{nE_0(p)}{A^2} ,$$

where  $\Delta$  denotes the color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy per bond. The parameter  $r$  codes for the fact that color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy depends on whether p-p or n-n type bond is in question. The values of  $r$  are  $r(^4He) = 1, r(^3He) = 7/9, r(^2H) = 1$ .

Estimates for  $n$  and  $\Delta$  can be deduced from the binding energies of  $^2H$  and  $^3He$ . The result is  $n = 1.0296$  and  $\Delta E = 7.03$  MeV. The prediction for  $^4He$  binding energy is 6.71 MeV which is slightly smaller than the actual energy 7.07 MeV. The value of the binding energy per nucleon is in the range 7.4-8.8 MeV for heavier nuclei which compares favorably with the prediction 7.66 MeV at the limit  $A \rightarrow \infty$ . The generation of dark gluon condensate and color Coulombic energy per nucleon increasing with the number of nucleons could explain the discrepancy.

(A,Z)	(2,1)	(3,1)	(3,2)	(4,2)
$E_B/MeV$	1.111	2.826	2.572	7.0720

Table 1. The binding energies per nucleon for the lightest nuclei.

### Why certain light nuclei do not exist?

The model should also explain why some light nuclei do not exist. In the case of proton rich nuclei electromagnetic Coulomb interaction acts as un-stabilizer. For heavy nuclei with non-vanishing value of  $P - N$  the positive contribution of dark gluons to the energy tends to in-stabilize the nuclei. The color Coulombic interaction energy is expected to behave as  $(N - P)^2$  whereas the energy of dark gluons behaves as  $|N - P|$ . Hence one expects that for some critical value of  $|N - P|$  color Coulombic interaction is able to compensate the contribution of dark gluon energy. On the other hand, the larger number of nn type bonds tends reduced the color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy.

- Coulomb repulsion for pp is estimated to be .76 MeV from  $^3He - ^3H$  mass difference whereas the color magnetic binding energy would be  $E_D/3 = .74$  MeV from the fact that the energy of  $\rho$  type bond is 1/3 from that for  $\pi$  type bond. Hence pp bound state would not be possible. The fact that nn bound state does not exist, suggests that the energy of the color neutralizing dark gluon overcomes the color Coulombic interaction energy of dark gluon and dark quarks and spin-spin interaction energy of  $\rho_0$  type bond.
- For ppp and nnn protons cannot be in S wave. The color magnetic bond energy per nucleon would be predicted to be  $E_D = 2.233$  MeV whereas a rough order of magnitude estimate for Coulombic repulsion as

$$E_{em} = Z(Z - 1) \times [E_B(^3H) - E_B(^3He)] = Z(Z - 1) \times .76 \text{ MeV}$$

gives  $E_{em} \simeq 4.56$  MeV so that ppp bound state is not possible. nnn bound state would not be possible because three dark gluons would not be able to create high enough color Coulomb interaction energy  $E_c$  which together with color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy  $E_D$  would compensate their own negative contribution  $3E_g$ :

$$3E_g > E_D + E_c .$$

- For pppp and nnnn Fermi statistics forces two nucleons to higher partial waves so that the states are not stable. Tetraneutron need not correspond to nnnn state in TGD framework but has more natural interpretation as an alpha particle containing two negatively charged dark quark pairs.

### 12.4.4 Strong correlation between proton and neutron numbers and magic numbers

The estimates for the binding energies suggest that nucleons arrange into closed nuclear strings in which nucleons are connected by long color magnetics with one dark quark anti-quark pair per nucleon. Nuclear string approach allows to understand the strong correlation between proton and neutron numbers as well as magic numbers.

#### Strong correlation between $Z$ and $N$

$N = Z$  nuclei with maximal color magnetic spin-spin interaction energy arranged into closed nuclear strings contain only colored  $\pi$  type bonds between p and n and should be especially stable. The question is how to create minimum energy configurations with  $N \neq Z$ .

- (a) If only stringy configurations are allowed, the removal of the proton would create  $\rho$  type n-n bond and lead to a reduction of binding energy per nucleon. This would predict that  $(Z,Z)$  type isotopes correspond to maxima of binding energy per nucleon. The increase of the Coulombic energy disfavors the removal of neutrons and addition of protons.
- (b) For a given closed string structure one can always link any given proton by  $\bar{u}u$  bond to neutron and by  $\bar{d}d$  bonds to two protons (same for neutron). The addition of only neutron to a branch from proton gives nuclei  $(Z,N=Z+k)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, Z$ , having only  $\pi$  type bonds. In a similar manner nuclei with  $(Z+k, Z)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, Z$ , containing only  $\pi$  type bonds are obtained. This mechanism would predict isotopes in the ranges  $(Z,Z)-(Z,2Z)$  and  $(Z,Z)-(2Z,Z)$  with the same strong binding energy per nucleon apart from increase of the binding energy caused by the generation of dark gluon condensate which in the case of protons seems to be overcome by Coulomb repulsion. Very many of these isotopes are not observed so that this mechanism is not favored.

Consider how this picture compares with experimental facts.

- (a) Most  $Z = N$  with  $Z \leq 29$  nuclei exist and are stable against strong decays but can decay weakly. The interpretation for the absence of  $Z > 29$   $Z = N$  nuclei would be in terms of Coulomb repulsion. Binding energy per nucleon is usually maximum for  $N = Z$  or  $N = Z + 1$  for nuclei lighter than Si. The tendency  $N > Z$  for heavier nuclei could be perhaps understood in terms of the color Coulombic interaction energy of dark gluon condensate with color charges in n-n type color bonds. This would allow also to understand why for  $Z = 20$  all isotopes with  $(Z = 20, N > 20)$  have higher binding energy per nucleon than  $(Z = 20, N = 20)$  isotope in conflict with the idea that doubly magic nucleus should have a maximal binding energy.

The addition of neutrons to  $^{40}\text{Ca}$  nucleus, besides increasing the binding energy per nucleon, also decreases the charge radius of the nucleus contrary to the expectation that the radius of the nucleus should be proportional to  $A^{1/3}$  [C266]. A possible interpretation is in terms of the color Coulombic interaction energy due to the generation of dark gluon condensate, the presence of which reduces the equilibrium charge radius of the nucleus.

- (b)  $^8\text{Be}$  having  $(Z, N) = (4, 4)$  decaying by alpha emission (to two alpha particles) is an exception to the rule. The binding energy per nucleon 7.0603 MeV of Be is slightly lower than the binding energy 7.0720 MeV of alpha particle and the pinching of the Be string to form two alpha strings could be a possible topological decay mechanism.

#### Magic nuclei in shell model and TGD context

Spin-spin pairing for identical nucleons in the harmonic oscillator potential is an essential element of the harmonic oscillator model explaining among other things shell structure and lowest magic numbers 2, 8, 20 but failing for higher magic numbers 28, 50, 82, 126 (the prediction is 2,8,20 and 40, 68, 82, 122). Spin-orbit coupling [C220] reproduces effectively the desired shell structure by

drawing some states of the higher shell to the lower shell, and it is indeed possible to reproduce the magic numbers in this manner for 3-D harmonic oscillator model.

This picture works nicely if magic nuclei are identified as nuclei which have exceptionally high abundances.  $^{28}\text{Fe}$ , the most abundant element, is however an exception to the rule since neither  $Z$  nor  $N$  are magic in this case. The standard explanation for the stable nuclei of this kind is as endpoints of radioactive series. This explanation does not however remove the problem of understanding their large binding energy, which is after all what matters.

The surprise of recent years has been that even for neutron rich unstable nuclei 28 appears as a magic number for unstable neutrons in very neutron rich nuclei such as  $\text{Si}(14,28)$  [C115] so that the notion of magic number does not seem to be so dependent on spin-orbit interactions with the nuclear environment as believed. Also new magic numbers such as  $N=14,16,30,32$  have been discovered in the neutron sector [C115]. Already the stable isotope  $\text{Mg}(12,14)$  has larger binding energy per nucleon than doubly magic  $\text{Mg}(12,12)$  and could be perhaps understood in terms of dark gluons.  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  and  $^{58}\text{Fe}$  correspond to  $N=30$  and  $32$ . The linking of two  $N=8$  magic nuclei would give  $N=16$  and various linkings of  $N=14$  and  $N=16$  nuclei would reduce the stability  $N = 28, 30, 32$  magic nuclei to the stability of their building blocks. Perhaps these findings could provide motivations for considering whether the stringy picture might provide an alternative approach to understanding of the magic numbers.

#### 1. The identification of magic nuclei as minima of binding energy predicts new magic numbers

The identification of the magic nuclei as minima of the binding energy as function of  $Z$  and  $N$  provides an alternative definition for magic numbers but this would predict among other things that also  $Z = N = 4, 6, 12$  also correspond to doubly magic nuclei in the sense that  $E_b(^8\text{Be}) = 7.0603$ ,  $E_b(^{12}\text{C}) = 7.677$  MeV and  $E_B(^{24}\text{Mg}) = 8.2526$  are maxima for the binding energy per nucleon as a function of  $Z$  and  $N$ . For higher nuclei addition of neutrons to a doubly magic nucleus typically increases the binding energy up to some critical number of added neutrons (the generation of the dark gluon condensate would explain this in TGD framework). The maximum for the excitation energy of the first excitation seems to be the definition of magic in the shell model.

#### 2. Platonic solids and magic numbers

The TGD picture suggest that light magic nuclei could have a different, purely geometric, interpretation in terms of five regular Platonic solids.  $Z = N = 4, 6, 8, 12, 20$  could correspond to tetrahedron, octahedron (6 vertices), hexahedron (8 vertices), dodecahedron (12 vertices), and icosahedron (20) vertices. Each vertex would contain a bonded neutron and proton in the case of doubly magic nucleus. This model would predict correctly all the maxima of the binding energy per nucleon for  $Z, N \leq 20$ .

#### 3. p-Adic length scale hypothesis and magic numbers

$Z = N = 8$  could be also interpreted as a maximal number of nucleons which  $k = 109$  space-time sheet associated with dark quarks can contain. p-Adic length scale hypothesis would suggest that strings with length coming as p-adic length scale  $L(k)$  are especially stable. Strings with thickness  $L(109)$  would correspond to  $Z=N=2$  for length  $L = L(109)$ ,  $L(k = 109 + 2n)$  would correspond to  $Z = 2^{n+1}$  explaining  $N = 2, 8, 16, 32$ .

#### 4. Could the linking of magic nuclei produce new magic nuclei?

Nuclear strings can become knotted and linked with fermion statistics guaranteing that the links cannot be destroyed by a 3-dimensional topological transition.

An interesting question is whether the magic numbers  $N = 14, 16, 30, 32$  could be interpreted in terms of lower level magic numbers:  $14=8+6, 16=8+8, 30=16+14, 32=16+16$ . This would make sense if  $k = 111$  space-time sheets containing  $Z, N \leq 4, 6, 8$  neutrons and protons define basic nucleon clusters forming closed nuclear strings. The linking these structures could give rise to higher magic nuclei whose stability would reduce that of the building blocks, and it would be possible to interpret magic number  $Z, N = 28 = 20 + 8$  as linked lower level magic nuclei.



The partitions  $28=20+8$ ,  $50=20+2+28 = 20+2+8+20$ ,  $82=50+2+28$ ,  $126=50+50+20+6=82+28+8+8$  inspire the question whether higher doubly magic nuclei and their deformations could correspond to linked lower level magic nuclei so that a linking hierarchy would result.

**Could the transition to the electromagnetically dark matter cause the absence of higher shells?**

Spin orbit coupling explains the failure of the shell model as an explanation of the magic numbers. Transition to electromagnetic dark matter at critical charge number  $Z = 12$  suggests an alternative explanation for the failure in the case of protons. The phase transition of Pd nuclei ( $Z=46$ ) to electromagnetically dark nuclear phase inducing in turn the transition of  $D$  nuclei to dark matter phase has been proposed as an explanation for cold fusion [K24] .

On basis of  $Z^2\alpha_{em} \simeq 1$  criterion  $Z = 12$  would correspond to the critical value for the nuclear charge causing this transition. One can argue that due to the Fermi statistics nuclear shells behave as weakly interacting units and the transition occurs for the first time for  $Z = 20$  nucleus, which corresponds to Ca, one of the most important ions biologically and neurophysiologically. These necessarily completely filled structures would become structural units of nuclei at electromagnetically dark level.

An alternative interpretation is that the criterion to dark matter phase applies only to a pair of two systems and reads thus  $Z_1Z_2\alpha_{em} \simeq 1$  implying that only the nuclei  $Z, N \geq 40$  can perform the transition to the dark phase (what this really means is an interesting question). This would explain why Pd with  $Z = 46$  has so special role in cold fusion.

Interestingly, the number of protons at  $n = 2$  shell of harmonic oscillator is  $Z = 12$  and thus corresponds to a critical value for em charge above which a transition to an electromagnetic dark matter phase increasing the size of the electromagnetic  $k = 113$  space-time sheet of nucleus by a factor  $\simeq 2^{11}$  could occur. This could explain why  $n = 2$  represents the highest allowed harmonic oscillator shell with higher level structures consisting of clusters of  $n < 3$  shells. Neutrons halos could however allow higher shells.

**Could only the hadronic space-time sheet be scaled up for light nuclei?**

The model discussed in this chapter is based on guess work and leaves a lot of room for different scenarios. One of them emerged only after a couple of months finishing the work with this chapter.

*1. Is only the  $\hbar$  associated with hadronic space-time sheet large?*

The surprising and poorly understood conclusion from the p-adic mass calculations was that the p-adic primes characterizing light quarks u,d,s satisfy  $k_q < 107$ , where  $k = 107$  characterizes hadronic space-time sheet [K54] .

- (a) The interpretation of  $k = 107$  space-time sheet as a hadronic space-time sheet implies that quarks topologically condense at this space-time sheet so that  $k = 107$  cannot belong to the collection of primes characterizing quark.
- (b) Since hadron is expected to be larger than quark, quark space-time sheets should satisfy  $k_q < 107$  unless  $\hbar$  is large for the hadronic space-time sheet so that one has  $k_{eff} = 107+22 = 129$ . This would predict two kinds of hadrons. Low energy hadrons consists of u, d, and s quarks with  $k_q < 107$  so that hadronic space-time sheet must correspond to  $k_{eff} = 129$  and large value of  $\hbar$ . One can speak of confined phase. This allows also  $k = 127$  light variants of quarks appearing in the model of atomic nucleus. The hadrons consisting of c,t,b and the p-adically scaled up variants of u,d,s having  $k_q > 107$ ,  $\hbar$  has its ordinary value in accordance with the idea about asymptotic freedom and the view that the states in question correspond to short-lived resonances.

This picture is very elegant but would mean that it would be light *hadron* rather than quark which should have large  $\hbar$  and scaled up Compton length. This does not affect appreciably the model of atomic nucleus since the crucial length scales  $L(127)$  and  $L(129)$  are still present.

2. *Under what conditions quarks correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase?*

What creates worries is that the scaling up of  $k = 113$  quark space-time sheets of quarks forms an essential ingredient of condensed matter applications [K26] assuming also that these scaled up space-time sheets couple to scaled up  $k = 113$  variants of weak bosons. Thus one must ask under what conditions  $k = 113$  quarks, and more generally, all quarks can make a transition to a dark phase accompanying a simultaneous transition of hadron to a doubly dark phase.

The criterion for the transition to a large  $\hbar$  phase at the level of valence quarks would require that the criticality criterion is satisfied at  $k = 111$  space-time sheet and would be expressible as  $Z^2 \alpha_{em} = 1$  or some variant of this condition discussed above.

The scaled up  $k = 127$  quark would correspond to  $k = 149$ , the thickness of the lipid layer of cell membrane. The scaled up hadron would correspond to  $k = 151$ , the thickness of cell membrane. This would mean that already the magnetic bodies of hadrons would have size of cell membrane thickness so that the formation of macroscopic quantum phases would be a necessity since the average distance between hadrons is much smaller than their Compton length.

#### 12.4.5 A remark about stringy description of strong reactions

If nucleons are arranged into possibly linked and knotted closed nuclear strings, nuclear reactions could be described in terms of basic string diagrams for closed nuclear strings.

The simplest fusion/fission reactions  $A_1 + A_2 \leftrightarrow (A_1 + A_2)$ ,  $A_i > 2$ , could correspond to reactions in which the  $k = 111$  dark space-time sheets fuse or decay and re-distribution of dark quarks and anti-quarks between nucleons occurs so that system can form a new nucleus or decay to a new nuclei. This also means re-organizes the linking and knotting of the color flux tubes.

The reactions  $p/n + A \rightarrow ..$  would involve the topological condensation of the nucleon to  $k = 111$  space-time sheet after which it can receive quark anti-quark pair, which can be also created by dark gluon emission followed by annihilation to a dark quark pair.

#### 12.4.6 Nuclear strings and DNA strands

Nuclear strings consisting of protons and neutrons bring in mind bit arrays. Their dark mirror counterparts in turn brings in mind the structure of DNA double strand. This idea does not look so weird once one fully accepts the hierarchies associated with TGD. The hierarchy of space-time sheets quantified by p-adic fractality, the hierarchy of infinite primes representable as a repeated second quantization of a super-symmetric arithmetic quantum field theory, the self hierarchy predicted by TGD inspired theory of consciousness, the Jones inclusion hierarchy for von Neumann factors of type  $II_1$  appearing in quantum TGD and allowing to formulate what might be called Feynman rules for cognition, and the hierarchy of dark matters would all reflect the same reflective hierarchy.

The experience with DNA suggests that nuclear strings could form coiled tight double helices for which only transversal degrees of freedom would appear as collective degrees of freedom. DNA allows a hierarchy of coilings and DNA molecules can also link and this could happen also now. Nuclei as collections of linked nuclear strings could perhaps be said to code the electromagnetic and color field bodies and it is difficult to avoid the idea that DNA would code in the same manner field bodies at which matter condenses to form much larger structures. The hierarchy of dark matters would give rise to a hierarchy of this kind of codings.

The linking and knotting of string like structures is the key element in the model of topological quantum computation and the large value of  $\hbar$  for dark matter makes it ideal for this purpose. I have already earlier proposed a model of DNA based topological quantum computation inspired by some strange numerical co-incidences [K88]. If dark matter is the essence of intelligent and

intentional life at the level of molecular physics, it is difficult to see how it could not serve a similar role even at the level of elementary particle physics and provide kind of zoomed up "cognitive" representation for the ordinary matter.

The precise dark-visible correspondence might fail at the level of nuclei and nucleons because the lifetimes of the scaled down dark matter nucleons and nuclei are different from those of ordinary nucleons if dark matter is dark also with respect to weak interactions. The weak interaction rates in the lowest order are scaled up by the presence of  $1/m_W^4$  factors by a factor  $2^{-44}$  so that weak interactions are not so weak anymore. If dark electron and neutrino have their ordinary masses, dark proton and neutron would be stable. If also they appear as scaled down versions situation changes, but only a small change of the mass ratio of dark proton and neutron can make the weak decay of free dark neutron impossible kinematically and the one-to-one correspondence would make sense for stable nuclei. The beta decays of dark nuclei could however as a third order process with a considerable rate and change dramatically the weak decay rates of dark nuclei.

## 12.5 Neutron halos, tetra-neutron, and "sticky toffee" model of nucleus

Neutron halos and tetra neutron represent two poorly understood features of nuclear physics which all have been seen as suggesting the existence of an unknown long range force or forces.

### 12.5.1 Tetra-neutron

There is evidence for the existence of tetra-neutrons [C137]. Standard theory does not support their existence [C60] so that the evidence for them came as a complete experimental surprise. Tetra-neutrons are believed to consist of 4 neutrons. In particular their lifetime, which is about 100 nanoseconds, is almost an eternity in the natural time scale of nuclear physics. The reason why the existing theory of nuclear force does not allow tetra-neutrons relates to Fermi statistics: the second pair of neutrons is necessarily in a highly energetic state so that a bound state is not possible.

Exotic quarks and charged color bonds provide perhaps the most natural explanation for tetra-neutron in TGD framework. In the model discussed hitherto only electromagnetically neutral color bonds have been considered but one can consider also charged color bonds in analogy allowing instead of neutral  $\pi$  and  $\rho$  also their charged companions. This would make possible to construct from two protons and neutrons the analog of alpha particle by replacing two neutral color bonds with negatively charged bonds so that one would have two  $\bar{u}d$  p-n bonds and two  $\bar{u}u$  p-n bonds. Statistics difficulty would be circumvented and the state would decay to four neutrons via  $W$  boson exchange between quark of charged p-n bonds and protons. The model suggests the existence of also neutral variant of deuteron.

One can consider two options according to whether the exotic quarks have large  $\hbar$  but small  $c$  (Option II) or whether they are just p-adically scaled up quarks with  $k = 127$  (Option I). I have considered earlier a model analogous to option II but based on the hypothesis about existence of scaled down variant of QCD associated with Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$ . The so called leptohadron physics would also be associated with  $M_{127}$  and involve colored excitations of leptons [K84] which might also represent dark matter: in this case dark valence leptons with color would correspond to  $k_{eff} = 149$ , which happens to correspond to the thickness of the lipid layer of cell membrane.

The notion of many-sheeted space-time predicts the possibility of fractal scaled up/down versions of QCD which, by the loss of asymptotic freedom, exist only in certain length scale range and energy range. Thus the prediction does not lead to contradictions elementary particle physics limits for the number of colored elementary particles. The scaled up dark variants of QCD like theory allow to circumvent these problems even when asymptotic freedom is assumed.

In particular, pions and other mesons could exist for  $k = 127$  option as scaled down versions having much smaller masses. This led to the earlier model of tetra-neutron as an ordinary alpha particle bound with two exotic pions with negative charges and having very small masses. This state looks like tetra-neutron and decays to neutrons weakly. The statistics problem is thus circumvented and the model makes precise quantitative predictions.

### 12.5.2 The formation of neutron halo and TGD

One counter argument against TGD inspired nuclear model is the short range of the nuclear forces: the introduction of the p-adic length scale  $L(113) \simeq 1.6E^{-14}$  m is in conflict with this classical wisdom. There exists however direct evidence for the proposed length scale besides the evidence from the p-n low energy scattering. Some light nuclei such as  ${}^8\text{He}$ ,  ${}^{11}\text{Li}$  and  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$  possess neutron halo with radius of size  $\sim 2.5E^{-14}$  m [C192]. The width of the halo is rather large if the usual nuclear length scale is used as unit and the neutrons in the halo seem to behave as free particles. The short range of the nuclear forces makes it rather difficult to understand the formation of the neutron halo although the existing models can circumvent this difficulty. The proposed picture of the nucleus suggests a rather simple model for the halo.

For ordinary nuclei the densities of nucleons tend to be concentrated near the center of the nucleus. One can however consider the possibility of adding nucleons in vicinity of the boundary of the  $k = 111$  space-time sheet associated with the nucleus itself. The binding force would be color interaction between the color charges of color bonds and neutralizing color charge of colored gluons in the center (or in halo itself). Neutron halo would define a separate nucleus in the sense that states could be constructed by starting from the ground state. Halo would correspond to a quantum delocalized cluster of size of alpha particle.

The case  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$  provides support for the theory. Standard shell model suggests that six neutrons of  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$  fill completely  $1s_{1/2}$  and  $1p_{3/2}$  states while  $1p_{1/2}$  state holds one neutron so that  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$  ground state has  $J^\pi = \frac{1}{2}^-$  whereas experimentally ground state is known to have  $J^\pi = \frac{1}{2}^+$ . The system can be regarded as  ${}^{10}\text{Be} + \text{halo neutron}$ . The first guess is that the state could be simply of the following form

$$|0^+\rangle \times |2s_{1/2}\rangle . \quad (12.5.1)$$

Color force would stabilize this state. A more general state is a superposition of higher  $ns_{1/2}$  states in order to achieve more sharp localization near boundary. This increases the kinetic energy of the neutron and the small binding energy of the halo neutron about  $2.5 \text{ MeV}$  implies that the kinetic energy should be of order  $5 - 6 \text{ MeV}$ . For instance, in the model described in [C257] the halo neutron property and correct spin-parity for  ${}^{11}\text{Be}$  can be realized if the state is superposition of form

$$\begin{aligned} |{}^{11}\text{Be}\rangle &= a|0^+\rangle \times |2s_{1/2}\rangle + ba|2^+\rangle \times |21d_{5/2}\rangle , \\ a &\simeq .74 , \\ b &\simeq .63 . \end{aligned} \quad (12.5.0)$$

The correlation between the core and halo neutron is necessary in the model of Otsuka [C257] to produce bound  $1/2^+$  state. The halo neutron must also rotate.

The second example is provided by two-neutron halo nuclei, such as  ${}^{11}\text{Li}$  and  ${}^{12}\text{Be}$ , which do not bind single neutron but bind two neutrons. This looks mysterious since free neutrons do not allow bound states. A possible explanation is that the increase of the color Coulombic interaction energy of neutron color bonds with at least N-P dark gluons makes possible binding of neutron halo to the center nucleus. The situation would be analogous to the formation of planetary system. Order of magnitude estimate for color Coulombic interaction energy of halo

neutron is  $E \sim (N - P)\alpha_s/L(113) \simeq (N - P) \times .8 \text{ MeV}$ . For  $N - P = 3$  the binding energy would be about 2.3 MeV and smaller than the experimental estimate 2.5 MeV. For  $N - P = 4$  this gives 3.2 MeV and larger than 2.5 MeV so that there is some room for the reduction of binding energy by the contribution from kinetic energy.

### 12.5.3 The "sticky toffee" model of Chris Illert for alpha decays

Chris Illert [C197] has proposed what he calls "sticky toffee" model of alpha decay. The starting point of the work is a criticism of the wave-mechanical model for alpha decay of nuclei as occurring through tunneling. The proposal is that tunneling might allow a classical particle description after all. Quantum classical correspondence suggests the same in TGD framework.

The proposed description is based on the idea that the tunneling alpha particle has abnormally small charge inside the tunneling region. This reduces the electrostatic interaction of alpha particle with nucleus so that it can penetrate to otherwise classically non-allowed region separating it from the external world and can leak out of the parent nucleus. More quantitatively, the momentum given by  $p = \sqrt{2m(E - V)}$  of alpha particle remains real during tunneling. As the alpha particle escapes, it gradually increases its charge to its full value of 2 units possessed by the ordinary alpha particle.

What is interesting is that the model predicts the charge of the proto-alpha particle at the surface of the decaying nucleus from the knowledge of alpha particle energy, nuclear radius, and charge by using just energy conservation in Coulombic field. What is assumed that the charge of the particle is such that Coulombic energy remains equal to the alpha particle energy all the way from the nuclear surface through the Coulomb wall to the distance where alpha particle can have full charge. This is a slight idealization since it would mean that the alpha particle kinetic energy vanishes.

To my opinion, the dynamical charge of alpha particle is a manner to articulate what happens in the tunneling. Thus the model cannot replace quantum description but only become a part of it. In particular, the successful prediction of the decay rates exponentially sensitive to the alpha particle energy cannot be deduced from a purely classical theory.

The charges at the surface of the nucleus tend to be near 1/3 and 2/3. What is amazing is that these charges correspond to the charges of the quark and anti-quark composing pion. That quarks should reveal themselves in the classical model for alpha decay is a complete surprise.

From this finding Illert concludes that during the decay the alpha particle is connected to the parent nucleus by rubber band like strings having quark and anti-quark at their ends, that is color flux tubes. These strings are interpreted as virtual pions. These strings get stretched and eventually must split since the color force between the quark and anti-quark at the ends of the string grows very strong.

This model is very attractive but has a deep problem: color forces mediate very short ranged and rapidly occurring interactions and should not be important for alpha decay which is a very slow process involving electromagnetic interactions in an essential manner. This does not diminish the pioneering value of Illert's work, just the opposite: pioneers must often have the courage to go against rationality as defined by the existing dogmas.

My earlier suggestion was that these pions serving as "rubber strings" are not ordinary pions but fractal copies of ordinary pions being much lighter and having much larger size. TGD indeed predicts the possibility of fractal copies of quantum chromo-dynamics (QCD). Thus there would exist a fractal copy of ordinary hadron physics operating in much longer length scales and having its own, much lighter, particle spectrum. The proposal was that this QCD corresponds to Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$ .

The dark QCD based on scaled up copies of ordinary quarks leads to a more elegant model in which virtual are replaced by  $\pi$  and  $\rho$  type color bonds, the latter being colored. Also an explanation of tetra-neutron emerges as a by-product since two pionic bonds can have negative charges. The identification of the nucleus as a nuclear string predicts the decay mechanism in which alpha particle pinches off and indeed has quarks and/or anti-quark attached to the ends of two nucleons.

Summarizing, although the model discussed in [C197] does not predict tetra-neutron, it represents findings and ideas, which might be of crucial importance in the topological and geometric modeling of nuclear decays. The finding that alpha decay could be described in terms of pions, although wrong as such, opens the way to a realization that ordinary pions and thus also ordinary hadron and nuclear physics might have lighter fractal copies.

## 12.6 Tritium beta decay anomaly

The determination of neutrino mass from the beta decay of tritium leads to a tachyonic mass squared [C171, C134]. I have considered several alternative explanations for this long standing anomaly.

- (a)  ${}^3\text{He}$  nucleus resulting in the decay could be fake (tritium nucleus with one positively charged color bond making it to look like  ${}^3\text{He}$ ). The idea that slightly smaller mass of the fake  ${}^3\text{He}$  might explain the anomaly: it however turned out that the model cannot explain the variation of the anomaly from experiment to experiment.
- (b) Much later I realized that also the initial  ${}^3\text{H}$  nucleus could be fake ( ${}^3\text{He}$  nucleus with one negatively charged color bond). It turned out that fake tritium option can explain all aspects of the anomaly and also other anomalies related to radioactive and alpha decays of nuclei.
- (c) The alternative based on the assumption of dark neutrino or antineutrino belt surrounding Earth's orbit and explain satisfactorily several aspects of the anomaly but fails in its simplest form to explain the dependence of the anomaly on experiment. Since the fake tritium scenario is based only on the basic assumptions of the nuclear string model [L2], [L2] and brings in only new values of kinematical parameters it is definitely favored.

### 12.6.1 Tritium beta decay anomaly

A brief summary of experimental data before going to the detailed models is in order.

#### Is neutrino tachyonic?

Nuclear beta decay allows in principle to determine the value of the neutrino mass since the energy distribution function for electrons is sensitive to neutrino mass at the boundary of the kinematically allowed region corresponding to the situation in which final neutrino energy goes to zero [C209].

The most useful quantity for measuring the neutrino mass is the so called Kurie plot for the function

$$K(E) \equiv \left[ \frac{d\Gamma/dE}{pEF(Z, E)} \right]^{1/2} \sim (E_\nu k_\nu)^{1/2} = \left[ E_\nu \sqrt{E_\nu^2 - m(\nu)^2} \right]^{1/2},$$

$$E_\nu = E_0 - E, \quad E_0 = M_i - M_f - m(\nu). \quad (12.6.0)$$

Here  $E$  denotes electron energy and  $E_0$  is its upper bound from energy and momentum conservation (for a configuration in which final state nucleon is at rest). Mass shell condition lowers the upper bound to  $E \leq E_0 - m(\nu)$ . For  $m(\nu) = 0$  Kurie plot is straight line near its endpoint. For  $m(\nu) > 0$  the end point is shifted to  $E_0 - m(\nu)$  and  $K(E)$  behaves as  $m(\nu)^{1/2} k_\nu^{1/2}$  near the end point.

The problem is that the determination of  $m(\nu)$  from this parametrization in tritium beta decay experiments gives a negative mass squared varies and is  $m(\nu)^2 = -147 \pm 68 \pm 41 \text{ eV}^2$  according to [C209]! This behavior means that the derivative of  $K(E)$  is infinite at the end point  $E_0$  and

$K(E)$  increases much faster near end point than it should. One can quite safely argue that tachyonicity gives only an ad hoc parametrization for the change of the shape of the function  $K$  deriving from some unidentified physical effect: in particular, the value of the tachyonic mass must correspond to a parameter related to new physics and need not have anything to do with neutrino mass.

### More detailed experimental data

The results of Troitsk and Mainz experiments can be taken as constraints of the model. In Troitsk experiments [C171] gas phase tritium is used whereas in Mainz experiments [C134] liquid tritium film is used.

Troitsk experiments are described in [C171]. In 1944 Troitsk experiment, the enhancement of the spectrum intensity was found to begin roughly at  $V_b \simeq 7.6$  eV below  $E_0$ . The conclusion was that the rise of the spectrum intensity below 18,300 eV with respect to the standard model prediction takes place (this is illustrated in fig. 4 of [C171]). No bump was claimed in this paper. In the analysis of 1996 experiment Troitsk group however concluded that the trapping of electrons gives rise to the enrichment of the low energy spectrum intensity of electrons and that when takes this effect into account, a narrow bump results.

Figure 4 of [C171] demonstrates that spectrum intensity is below the theoretical value near the endpoint (right from the bump). In [C171] the reduction of the spectrum intensity was assumed to be due to non-vanishing neutrino mass in [C171]. The determination of  $m(\nu)$  from the data near the end point assuming that beta decay is in question [C171] gives  $m(\nu) \sim 5$  eV.

The data can be parameterized by a parameter  $V_b$  which in the model context can be interpreted as repulsive interaction energy of antineutrinos with condensed matter suggested to explain the bump. Accordingly, the parametrization of  $K(E)$  near the end point is

$$K(E) \sim (E - E_0)\theta(E - E_0) \rightarrow (E - E_0)\theta(E - E_0 + V_b) .$$

The end point is shifted to energy  $E_\nu = V_b$  and  $K(E)$  drops from the value  $V_b$  to zero at at this energy.

The values of  $V_b$  deduced from Troitsk and Mainz experiments are in the range 5 – 100 eV. The value of  $V_b$  observed in Troitsk experiments using gas phase tritium [C171] was of order 10 eV. In Mainz experiment [C134] tritium film was used and the excess of counts around energy  $V_b \simeq 100$  eV below  $E_0$  was observed.

There is also a time variation involved with the value of  $V_b$ . In 1944 experiment [C171] the bump was roughly  $V_b \simeq 7.6$  eV below  $E_0$ . In 1996 experiment [C171] the value of  $V_b$  was found to be  $V_b \simeq 12.3$  eV [C134]. Time variation was observed also in the Mainz experiment. In 'Neutrino 98' conference an oscillatory time variation for the position of the peak with a period of 1/2 years in the amplitude was reported by Troitsk group.

### 12.6.2 Could TGD based exotic nuclear physics explain the anomaly?

Nuclear string model explains tetra-neutron as alpha particle with two negatively charged color bonds. This inspires the question whether some fraction of decays could correspond to the decays of tritium to fake  ${}^3\text{He}$  (tritium with one positively charged color bond) or fake tritium ( ${}^3\text{He}$  with one negatively charged color bond) to  ${}^3\text{He}$ .

#### Could the decays of tritium decay to fake ${}^3\text{He}$ explain the anomaly?

Consider first the fake  ${}^3\text{He}$  option. Tritium (pnn) would decay with some rate to a fake  ${}^3\text{He}$ , call it  ${}^3\text{He}_f$ , which is actually tritium nucleus containing one positively charged color bond and possessing mass slightly different than that of  ${}^3\text{He}$  (ppn).

- (a) In this kind of situation the expression for the function  $K(E, k)$  differs from  $K(stand)$  since the upper bound  $E_0$  for the maximal electron energy is modified:

$$\begin{aligned} E_0 &\rightarrow E_1 = M(^3\text{H}) - M(^3\text{He}_f) - m_\mu = M(^3\text{H}) - M(^3\text{He}) + \Delta M - m_\mu , \\ \Delta M &= M(^3\text{He}) - M(^3\text{He}_f) . \end{aligned} \quad (12.6.0)$$

Depending on whether  $^3\text{He}_f$  is heavier/lighter than  $^3\text{He}$   $E_0$  decreases/increases. From  $V_b \in [5 - 100]$  eV and from the TGD based prediction order  $m(\bar{\nu}) \sim .27$  eV one can conclude that  $\Delta M$  should be in the range 10-200 eV.

- (b) In the lowest approximation  $K(E)$  can be written as

$$K(E) = K_0(E, E_1, k)\theta(E_1 - E) \simeq (E_1 - E)\theta(E_1 - E) . \quad (12.6.1)$$

Here  $\theta(x)$  denotes step function and  $K_0(E, E_0, k)$  corresponds to the massless antineutrino.

- (c) If a fraction  $p$  of the final state nuclei correspond to a fake  $^3\text{He}$  the function  $K(E)$  deduced from data is a linear combination of functions  $K(E, ^3\text{He})$  and  $K(E, ^3\text{He}_f)$  and given by

$$\begin{aligned} K(E) &= (1 - p)K(E, ^3\text{He}) + pK(E, ^3\text{He}_f) \\ &\simeq (1 - p)(E_0 - E)\theta(E_0 - E) + p(E_1 - E)\theta(E_1 - E) \end{aligned} \quad (12.6.1)$$

in the approximation  $m_\nu = 0$ .

For  $m(^3\text{He}_f) < m(^3\text{He})$  one has  $E_1 > E_0$  giving

$$K(E) = (E_0 - E)\theta(E_0 - E) + p(E_1 - E_0)\theta(E_1 - E)\theta(E - E_0) . \quad (12.6.2)$$

$K(E, E_0)$  is shifted upwards by a constant term  $p\Delta M$  in the region  $E_0 > E$ . At  $E = E_0$  the derivative of  $K(E)$  is infinite which corresponds to the divergence of the derivative of square root function in the simpler parametrization using tachyonic mass. The prediction of the model is the presence of a tail corresponding to the region  $E_0 < E < E_1$ .

- (d) The model does not as such explain the bump near the end point of the spectrum. The decay  $^3\text{H} \rightarrow ^3\text{He}_f$  can be interpreted in terms of an exotic weak decay  $d \rightarrow u + W^-$  of the exotic  $d$  quark at the end of color bond connecting nucleons inside  $^3\text{H}$ . The rate for these interactions cannot differ too much from that for ordinary weak interactions and  $W$  boson must transform to its ordinary variant before the decay  $W \rightarrow e + \bar{\nu}$ . Either the weak decay at quark level or the phase transition could take place with a considerable rate only for low enough virtual  $W$  boson energies, say for energies for which the Compton length of massless  $W$  boson correspond to the size scale of color flux tubes predicted to be much longer than nuclear size. Is so the anomaly would be absent for higher energies and a bump would result.
- (e) The value of  $K(E)$  at  $E = E_0$  is  $V_b \equiv p(E_1 - E_0)$ . The variation of the fraction  $p$  could explain the observed dependence of  $V_b$  on experiment as well as its time variation. It is however difficult to understand how  $p$  could vary.

### Could the decays of fake tritium to $^3\text{He}$ explain the anomaly?

Second option is that fraction  $p$  of the tritium nuclei are fake and correspond to  $^3\text{He}$  nuclei with one negatively charged color bond.

- (a) By repeating the previous calculation exactly the same expression for  $K(E)$  in the approximation  $m_\nu = 0$  but with the replacement

$$\Delta M = M(^3\text{He}) - M(^3\text{He}_f) \rightarrow M(^3\text{H}_f) - M(^3\text{H}) . \quad (12.6.3)$$



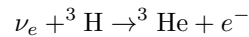
- (b) In this case it is possible to understand the variations in the shape of  $K(E)$  if the fraction of  ${}^3\text{H}_f$  varies in time and from experiment to experiment. A possible mechanism inducing this variation is a transition inducing the transformation  ${}^3\text{H}_f \rightarrow {}^3\text{H}$  by an exotic weak decay  $d + p \rightarrow u + n$ , where  $u$  and  $d$  correspond to the quarks at the ends of color flux tubes. This kind of transition could be induced by the absorption of X-rays, say artificial X-rays or X-rays from Sun. The inverse of this process in Sun could generate X rays which induce this process in resonant manner at the surface of Earth.
- (c) The well-known poorly understood X-ray bursts from Sun during solar flares in the wavelength range 1-8 Å [C11] corresponds to energies in the range 1.6-12.4 keV, 3 octaves in good approximation. This radiation could be partly due to transitions between ordinary and exotic states of nuclei rather than brehmstrahlung resulting in the acceleration of charged particles to relativistic energies. The energy range suggests the presence of three p-adic length scales: nuclear string model indeed predicts several p-adic length scales for color bonds corresponding to different mass scales for quarks at the ends of the bonds [L2], [L2]. This energy range is considerably above the energy range 5 – 100 eV and suggests the range  $[4 \times 10^{-4}, 6 \times 10^{-2}]$  for the values of  $p$ . The existence of these excitations would mean a new branch of low energy nuclear physics, which might be dubbed X-ray nuclear physics. The energy scale of for the excitation energies of exotic nuclei could corresponds to Coulomb interaction energy  $\alpha_{em}m$ , where  $m$  is mass scale of the exotic quark. This means energy scale of 10 keV for MeV mass scale.
- (d) The approximately 1/2 year period of the temporal variation would naturally correspond to the  $1/R^2$  dependence of the intensity of X-ray radiation from Sun. There is evidence that the period is few hours longer than 1/2 years which supports the view that the origin of periodicity is not purely geometric but relates to the dynamics of X-ray radiation from Sun. Note that for 2 hours one would have  $\Delta T/T \simeq 2^{-11}$ , which defines a fundamental constant in TGD Universe and is also near to the electron proton mass ratio.
- (e) All nuclei could appear as similar anomalous variants. Since both weak and strong decay rates are sensitive to the binding energy, it is possible to test this prediction by finding whether nuclear decay rates show anomalous time variation.
- (f) The model could explain also other anomalies of radioactive reaction rates including the findings of Shnoll [E12], [E12] and the unexplained fluctuations in the decay rates of  ${}^{32}\text{Si}$  and  ${}^{226}\text{Ra}$  reported quite recently [C145] and correlating with  $1/R^2$ ,  $R$  distance between Earth and Sun.  ${}^{226}\text{Ra}$  decays by alpha emission but the sensitive dependence of alpha decay rate on binding energy means that the temporal variation of the fraction of fake  ${}^{226}\text{Ra}$  isotopes could explain the variation of the decay rates. The intensity of the X-ray radiation from Sun is proportional to  $1/R^2$  so that the correlation of the fluctuation with distance would emerge naturally.
- (g) Also a dip in the decay rates of  ${}^{54}\text{Mn}$  coincident with a peak in proton and X-ray fluxes during solar flare [C200] has been observed: the proposal is that neutrino flux from Sun is also enhanced during the solar flare and induces the effect. A peak in X-ray flux is a more natural explanation in TGD framework.
- (h) The model predicts interaction between atomic physics and nuclear physics, which might be of relevance in biology. For instance, the transitions between exotic and ordinary variants of nuclei could yield X-rays inducing atomic transitions or ionization. The wave length range 1-8 Angstroms for anomalous X-rays corresponds to the range  $Z \in [11, 30]$  for ionization energies. The biologically important ions  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Mg}^{++}$ ,  $\text{P}^-$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{K}^+$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{++}$  have  $Z = (11, 15, 17, 19, 20)$ . I have proposed that  $\text{Na}^+$ ,  $\text{Cl}^-$ ,  $\text{K}^+$  (fermions) are actually bosonic exotic ions forming Bose-Einstein condensates at magnetic flux tubes [K64]. The exchange of  $W$  bosons between neutral Ne and A(rgon) atoms (bosons) could yield exotic bosonic variants of  $\text{Na}^+$  (perhaps even  $\text{Mg}^{++}$ , which is boson also as ordinary ion) and  $\text{Cl}^-$  ions. Similar exchange between A atoms could yield exotic bosonic variants of  $\text{Cl}^-$  and  $\text{K}^+$  (and even  $\text{Ca}^{++}$ , which is also boson as ordinary variant). This hypothesis is testable by measuring the nuclear weights of these ions. X-rays from Sun are not present during night time and this could relate to the night-day cycle of living organisms. Note that magnetic bodies are of size scale of Earth and even larger so that the exotic ions inside them could

be subject to intense X-ray radiation. X-rays could also be dark X-rays with large Planck constant and thus with much lower frequency than ordinary X-rays so that control could be possible.

### 12.6.3 The model based on dark neutrinos

A common origin of the tritium beta decay anomaly was independently suggested by several groups (see [C103]): a broad spike or bump like excess of counts centered 5 – 100 eV below the end point energy  $E_0$ . In [C103] it was suggested that a repulsive interaction of antineutrinos with condensed matter with interaction energy of order  $V_b \simeq 5 - 100$  eV could explain the bump.

It has been pointed out by Stevenson [C202] that the process in which neutrinos are absorbed from a background of electron neutrinos



leads to electrons in the anomalous endpoint region. This gives an essentially constant addition to the region  $E_0 - E_F < E < E_0$ . The density of cosmic neutrino background is however far too small to give the required large background density of order  $1/m(\nu)^3$ .

The earlier -wrong- hypothesis that nuclei are  $Z^0$  charged are consistent with both options described above as explanations of the anomaly. One can modify these models to apply also in the new framework. The problem of these models is that one is forced to make ad hoc assumptions about dynamics in long length scales. They might make sense in TGD Universe but would require experimental justification. These models in their simplest form fail also to explain the dependence of  $V_b$  on experiment and fail to provide insights about more general time variations of nuclear decay rates.

#### Neutrino belt or antineutrino belt?

The model corresponding to mechanism of [C103] is that the belt consists of dark antineutrinos and the repulsive interaction energy of antineutrino with the these neutrinos explains the anomaly. The model based on dark neutrinos assumes that Earth's orbit is surrounded by a belt of dark neutrinos and that the mechanism proposed in [C202] could be at work. The periodic variation of the dark neutrino density along the orbit of Earth around Sun could also explain the periodic variations of the bump.

- (a) The first mechanism corresponds to that suggested in [C103]. The antineutrino emitted in the beta decay can transform to a dark neutrino by mixing and experiences a repulsive  $Z^0$  force which effectively shifts the electron energy spectrum downwards. In this case the repulsive interaction energy  $V_b$  of dark anti-neutrinos with the dark antineutrinos of the solar belt would replace  $\Delta M$  in the previous formula:

$$E_0 = M({}^3\text{H}) - M({}^3\text{He}) - m(\nu) \rightarrow M({}^3\text{H}) - M({}^3\text{He}) - V_b - m(\nu_d) . \quad (12.6.3)$$

- (b) Second option corresponds to the mechanism proposed in [C202]. Dark neutrino transforms to ordinary one and induces by ordinary  $W$  exchange ordinary tritium beta decay. In this case the Fermi energy  $E_F$  of dark neutrino determines the width of the bump and one has  $V_b = E_F$ :

$$E_0 = M({}^3\text{H}) - M({}^3\text{He}) - m(\nu) \rightarrow M({}^3\text{H}) - M({}^3\text{He}) - E_F + m(\nu_d) . \quad (12.6.3)$$

The rate of the process would be given by the standard model and only the density of dark neutrinos and the ratio  $M^2(\nu, \nu(\text{dark}))/M^2(\nu)$  appear as free parameters.

Notice that these models are simpler than the original models which assumed that the interaction of neutrinos with condensed matter carrying  $Z^0$  charge is involved. The explanation for the dependence of  $V_b$  on experiment poses a difficulty for both models. For the antineutrino belt the repulsive interaction energy is proportional to the density of antineutrinos. For neutrino belt  $V_b$  corresponds to the Fermi energy proportional to the density of neutrinos. In both cases large variation of  $V_b$  requires a large variation of the density of antineutrinos (neutrinos) of the belt in the scale smaller than Earth size. This does not look too plausible.

### Can one understand time variation of $V_b$ ?

The periodic variation of the density of neutrinos or antineutrinos in the belt should induce the variation of  $V_b$ . The ordering of the two models trying to explain this variation reflects the evolution of the general ideas about quantum TGD.

#### 1. First model

The value of the period and the fact that maximum shift occurs when Earth is near to its position nearest to Sun suggests that the physics of solar system must be involved somehow. The simplest explanation is that gravitational acceleration tends to drive dark neutrinos (antineutrinos) as near as possible to Sun inside the belt. In thermal equilibrium with temperature  $T$  the Boltzmann factor

$$\exp\left(-\frac{V_{gr}}{T}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{GMm(\nu_d)}{rT}\right) \quad (12.6.4)$$

for the dark neutrino would determine the density profile of dark neutrinos along the belt as function of the distance  $r$  to the Sun.

The existence of the dark neutrino belt conforms with the model of for the formation of solar system from dark matter with a gigantic value of Planck constant discussed in [K71, K24]. The model indeed assumes that the dark matter is located at space-time sheet surrounding the orbit of Earth. The requirement that dark neutrino density is few neutrinos per atomic volume in the belt leads to a lower bound for the mass of the belt:

$$M(\text{belt}) \simeq m(\nu_d) \frac{\text{Vol}(\text{belt})}{a^3} > 10^{-11} M(\text{Sun}) \quad (a \simeq 10^{-10} \text{ meters}) . \quad (12.6.5)$$

Here it is assumed that the dark neutrino mass is same as neutrino mass, which of course is an un-necessarily strong assumption. If the belt is at rest, the time period for the variation of the tritium beta decay anomaly is exactly half year. The period seems to be few hours longer than one half year (as reported in Neutrino98 conference in Tokyo by Lobashev *et al*) [C171], which suggests that belt rotates slowly relative to Earth in the same direction as Earth.

#### 2. Second model

The model for radioactive decay rate anomalies requires that neutrinos and Earth move respect to each other and that the density of neutrinos in the laboratory volume varies along the orbit.

- (a) Assume first that ordinary quantum mechanics applies and neutrinos are ordinary. The simplest expectation from Equivalence Principle assuming that neutrinos and Earth move independently along geodesic lines is that the velocity is same for Earth and neutrinos. No effect results even if the density of neutrinos along the orbit varies.

- (b) Suppose that the neutrinos are dark in the sense of having gigantic gravitational Planck constant and are in a macroscopically quantum coherent phase delocalized along the entire orbit and described by a wave function (also neutrino Cooper pairs can be considered). If the neutrino ring is exactly circular as Bohr orbit picture suggests and contains Earth's orbit, the thickness of the ring must be at least  $d = a - b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are major and minor axis. Exact rotational symmetry implies that dark neutrinos are characterized by a phase factor characterizing the angular momentum eigen state in question (the unit of the quantized angular momentum is now very large). Thus neutrino density depends only on the transversal coordinates of the tube and vanishes at the boundary of the tube. Since the Earth's orbit is ellipse, the transversal variation of the neutrino density inside the tube induces periodic variations of the neutrino density in the detector and could explain the effects on radioactive decay rates.

Although the model might explain the time variation of  $V_b$  it does not provide any obvious explanation for beta decay rates in general and fails to explain the variation of the alpha decay rate of  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  nor the correlation of decay rates with solar flares. Hence it is clear that the model involving only the notion of nuclear string is favored.

#### 12.6.4 Some other apparent anomalies made possible by dark neutrinos

The appearance of dark neutrinos in the final states of beta decays allow to imagine also some other apparent anomalies.

##### Apparent anomaly in the inverse beta decay

For the antineutrino belt option one can consider also the possibility of an apparent anomaly in the inverse beta decay in which positron and neutrino are emitted but only electron observed. The apparent anomaly would result from the absorption of a dark antineutrino with repulsive  $Z^0$  interaction energy with condensed matter.

In this case the value of  $E_0$  increases

$$E_0 = M_i - M_f - m(\nu) \rightarrow \hat{E}_0 = M_i - M_f + m(\nu_d) + V_b , \quad (12.6.6)$$

which means that positron spectrum extends above the kinematic limit if  $V_b$  has the value predicted by the explanation of tritium beta decay anomaly.

A second anomalous situation results if the emitted neutrino transforms to a dark neutrino with negative binding energy. In this case the value of  $E_0$  would change as

$$E_0 \rightarrow \hat{E}_0 = M_i - M_f - m(\nu_d) + V_b . \quad (12.6.7)$$

##### Apparently neutrinoless beta decay and double beta decay

Neutrinoless double beta decay (NDB) is certainly one of the most significant nuclear physics processes from the point of view of unified theories (the popular article of New Scientist [E8] provides a good view of NDB and the recent rather exciting experimental situation). In the standard physics framework NDB can occur only if neutrinos are Majorana neutrinos so that neutrino number is conserved only modulo 2 meaning that neutrino and antineutrino are one and the same particle. Since no antineutrinos are emitted in the NDB, the total energy of the two electrons is larger than in the normal double beta decay, and serves as an experimental signature of the process.

There are several collaborations studying NDB. The team formed by Hans Klapdor-Kleingrothaus and colleagues from the the Max Planck Insitute for Nuclear Physics in Heidelberg have been studying this process since 1990 in Gran Sasso laboratory. The decays studied are decays of Germanium-76 isotope known to be one of the few isotopes undergoing ordinary double beta decay transforming it into Selenium. The energy of the emitted two electrons is absorbed by the surrounding Ge atoms. The total energy which is larger for NDB decay serves as a signature of the process.

Three years ago came the first paper of the Heidelberg group reporting the observation of 15 NDB decays [C141] . The analysis of the experiments however received a very critical response from colleagues. The Kurchatov Institute quitted the collaboration at 2001 and represented its own analysis with the conclusion that the data do not support NDB. Three years later Heidelberg group represented 14 new candidates for NDB and a new analysis [C191] . It is now admitted that the team is not obviously wrong but that there are still doubts whether the background radioactivity has been handled correctly.

In TGD Universe neutrinos are Dirac neutrinos and NDB is not possible. The possibility of dark neutrinos however allow to consider the possibility of apparently neutrinoless beta decay and double beta decay.

What would happen that the ordinary neutrino emitted in the beta decay of proton transforms into a dark neutrino by mixing. The dark neutrino would not be observed so that apparently neutrinoless beta decay would be in question. Dark neutrino has a negative interaction energy with condensed matter assuming that the explanation of tritium beta decay anomaly is correct so that electron would have an anomalously high energy. The process cannot occur if the negative energy states of the Fermi sea are filled as indeed suggested by energetic considerations.

The generalization of this process would be double beta decay involving strong interaction between decaying neutrons mediated by color bond between them and the transformation of second neutrino to dark neutrino with negative energy so that the electrons would have anomalously high energy. The same objection applies to this process as to the apparently neutrinoless beta decay.

## 12.7 Cold fusion and Trojan horse mechanism

The model for cold fusion has developed gradually as the understanding of quantum TGD and many-sheeted space-time has developed. Trojan horse mechanism has served as the connecting thread between various models. The last step of progress relates to the new vision about nuclear physics but it is still impossible to fix the model completely unless one poses the condition of minimality and the requirement that single mechanism is behind various anomalies.

### 12.7.1 Exotic quarks and charged color bonds as a common denominator of anomalous phenomena

There should exist a common denominator for anomalous behavior of water, cold fusion, the findings of Ditmire suggesting cold fusion, sono-fusion, exotic chemistries, strange properties of living matter including chiral selection, and also phenomena like low compressibility of condensed matter which standard physicist would not be worried about.

It seems that compression inducing the generation of charged color bonds between nucleons and leading to a formation of super-nuclei with atomic distances between building blocks might be the sought for common denominator. For super nuclei the repulsive weak interactions between exotic quark and anti-quark belonging to the two bonded nuclei would compensate the attractive color force so that a stable configuration of atomic size would result. Note that the weak coupling strength would be actually strong by the general criterion for transition to the large  $\hbar$  phase.

The charging of color bonds would occur via  $W$  boson exchange between exotic and valence quarks with exotic  $W$  boson transforming to ordinary  $W$  via mixing.

The alternative option is a phase transition of nuclei transforming  $k = 113$  em space-time sheets of valence quarks to em dark space-time sheets with a large value of  $\hbar$  suggested for heavier nuclei by the general criteria. This phase transition could be avoided if the criticality forces surplus protons to transfer the electromagnetic charge of valence quarks to color bonds so that the situation reduces to the first option. In this picture standard nuclear physics would remain almost untouched and nothing new expect exotic quarks and charged color bonds is introduced. The following examples suggest that this general picture indeed might unify a large class of phenomena.

- (a) The super-nuclei formed by the dark protons of water would be a basic example about this phenomenon. The occurrence of the process is plausible if also nucleons possess or can generate closed loops with exotic quark and anti-quark at the ends of the loop belonging to the same nucleon. The fact that these protons are dark with respect to electromagnetic interactions suggests that the charge of protons is transferred to the color bonds so that the outcome is a nuclear string formed from neutrons connected by positively charged color bonds. Darkness with respect to weak interactions suggests that valence quarks are doubly dark. This would mean that the p-adic length scale of color bonds would correspond to  $k_{eff} = 107 + 2 \times 22 = 151$  for  $\hbar_s = n^2 \hbar / v_0^2$ ,  $n = 1$ . This corresponds to the thickness of cell membrane so that the structure of water would contain information about the basic biological length scale.
- (b) In condensed matter the super-nuclei would form at some critical pressure when weakly charged color bonds between neighboring nuclei become possible and compensate the attractive color force. This would explain the low compressibility of condensed matter.
- (c) Bio-polymers in vivo might correspond to super-nuclei connected by charged color bonds whose weak charges would explain the large parity breaking involve with chiral selection. Hydrogen bond might be a basic example of a charged color bond. It could be that the value of integer  $n$  in  $\hbar_s = n\hbar/v_0$  is  $n = 3$  in living matter and  $n = 1$  in ordinary condensed matter.

Trojan horse mechanism might work also at the level of chemistry making possible to circumvent electronic Coulomb wall and might be an essential characteristic of the catalytic action. Note that Pd is also a powerful catalyst.  $n = 1$  might however distinguish it from bio-catalysts. In separate context I have dubbed this mechanism as 'Houdini effect'.

The reported occurrence of nuclear transmutations [C208, C258] such as  $^{23}\text{Na} + ^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow ^{39}\text{K}$  in living matter allowing growing cells to regenerate elements K, Mg, Ca, or Fe, could be understood as fusion of neighboring nuclei connected by charged color bond which becomes neutral by  $W$  emission so that collapse to single nucleus results in absence of the repulsive weak force. Perhaps it is someday possible to produce metabolic energy by bio-fusion or perhaps Nature has already discovered the trick!

- (d) In cold fusion the nuclei of target D and Pd would combine to form super-nuclei connected by charged color bonds. This would explain why the heavy loading of Pd nuclei with D (for a review of loading process see [C251] ) does not generate enormous pressures. Cold fusion would occur in some critical interval of loadings allowing ordinary and exotic nuclei to transform to each other. The transfer of the em charge of D to the color bond connecting D and Pd would make D effectively nn state. Together with the fact that the color bond would have length of order atomic radius would mean that the Coulomb wall of Pd and D is not felt by beam nuclei and Trojan horse mechanism would become possible. The prediction is that Coulomb wall disappears only only when deuterium or tritium target is used. If nuclei can transform to dark em phase cold fusion could occur for arbitrary target nuclei. That it is observed only for D and possibly H does not support this option.

If valence quarks are doubly dark, their magnetic bodies have size of order  $L(151) = 10$  nm, which is also the size scale of the nano-scaled Pd particles, color force would become long ranged. In sono-luminescence and son-fusion and also in nuclear transmutations similar formation of super-nuclei would occur and the collapse of super-nucleus to single nucleus could occur by the proposed mechanism.

- (e) In the experiments of Ditmire *et al* laser pulse induces very dense phase of Xenon atoms having  $Z = 54$  which is heated to energies in which electron energies extend to MeV region

and expands rapidly.  $Z = 54$  means that Xe satisfies the most stringent condition of criticality for the transition to electromagnetic large  $\hbar$  phase. This transition does not occur if protons feed the surplus em charge to the color bonds so that Xe nuclei also weakly charged. Assume that some fraction of Xe is in this kind of phase. The compression of Xe gas by laser pulse compresses Xe super-nuclei. If the connecting charged color bonds emit their em and weak charge by emission of W boson the super-nuclei collapse to single nucleus and nuclear fusion reactions become possible. The repulsive weak force becoming manifest in the compression generates brehmstrahlung heating the system and induces a violent explosion much like in sono-fusion.

In the sequel the experiments Ditmire *et al* and cold fusion are discussed in detail using this model.

### 12.7.2 The experiments of Ditmire *et al*

An important stimulation in the development of the model for cold fusion came from the observations of Ditmire *et al* [C166] published in Nature. The discovery was that the energy spectrum of electrons in ionic explosions induced by the laser heating of ionic clusters extends up to energies of order MeV (rather  $10^2$  eV(!)): this suggests strongly a mechanism making strong interactions possible.

In the experimental arrangement of Ditmire *et al* clusters of Xenon atoms are hit by ultrashort (150 fsec), high-intensity ( $2 \times 10^{16}$  W/cm<sup>2</sup>) laser pulses [C166]. This leads to superheating and production of high energy ions in the explosions of the superheated clusters. The highest ion energies are by 4 orders of magnitude larger than expected and of order MeV, the typical energy scale of nuclear strong interaction. The average ion energy is  $45 \pm 5$  keV for cluster size of 6.5 nm and decreases slowly with the size of the cluster. No hot ions are produced for small clusters containing less than  $\sim 100$  Xe atoms. It is not yet understood why the clusters explode so much more violently than molecules (producing 1 MeV ions as opposed to 100 eV ions) and small clusters. Another striking feature of the laser-cluster interaction is ionization to very high charge states, much higher than in the ionization, which can be produced by simple field ionization.

Consider first a more detailed model of the superheating as it is described in [C166].

*In an intensely irradiated cluster, optically and collisionally ionized electrons undergo rapid collisional heating for the short time ( $< ps$ ) before the cluster disassembles in the laser field. Our recent studies of the electron energy spectra produced by the high intensity irradiation of large Xe clusters with 150 fs laser pulse indicate that collisional heating within the cluster can produce electrons with energy up to 3 keV, an energy much higher than that that typical of solid target plasmas.*

*A sharp peak in the measured electron energy spectrum suggested that the cluster micro-plasma exhibited a resonance in the heating by laser pulse similar to the giant resonance seen in metallic clusters. A small amount of cluster expansion during the laser pulse lowers the electron density to bring the near-infrared laser light into resonance with the free-electron plasma frequency in the cluster. This resonance greatly increases the laser electric field density within the cluster, and the laser absorption rate is enhanced, rapidly heating the electrons on a very fast ( $< 10$  fs) time scale to a highly non-equilibrium superheated state with mean energies of many keV. Charge separation of hot electrons inevitably leads to a very fast expansion of the cluster ions. This process is fundamentally different from low-intensity photo-fragmentation of cluster and far more energetic than the Coulomb explosion of small molecules.*

Authors believe (rather naturally!) that the production of hot ions is made possible by the high ion-temperatures produced by the not yet properly understood heating mechanism and suggest that this mechanism might make even table-top fusion possible.

In TGD framework the proposed general vision suggests following picture.

- (a) Laser pulse induces a compression of clusters of Xe atoms already containing super-nuclei with charged color bonds so that repulsive weak interaction compensated by color force in

equilibrium situation becomes manifest and induces the expansion of the system much like the expansion of the bubble in sono-luminescence. The resulting brehmstrahlung heats the system.

- (b) The critical cluster size 6.5 nm could correspond to the p-adic length length scale  $L(k_{eff} = 151) = 10$  nm for doubly dark valence quarks with  $n = 1$ .
- (c) The nuclear fusions resulting when color bonds between nuclei become neutral and induce collapse to single nucleus. Anomalously high charge states could be a byproduct of violent and very rapid fusions of neighboring color bonded Xe nuclei tearing Xe nuclei and outer electrons apart. These fusions would generate quantum coherent dark gamma ray beams transforming to ordinary gamma rays by de-coherence transition reducing the wavelength of gamma rays by a factor of  $2^{-11}$  for  $\hbar_s = \hbar/v_0$ . It is also possible that dark gamma rays are absorbed by Pd super-nuclei. The wavelengths of dark gamma rays with energy of MeV would of order 2 nanometers in this case so that a coherent heating would happen in rather large volume.

### 12.7.3 Brief summary of cold fusion

In the following history and signatures of cold fusion are briefly summarized.

#### History of cold fusion

The first claim for cold fusion [C180] dates back to March 23, 1989, when Pons and Fleischmann announced that nuclear fusion, producing usable amounts of heat, could be induced to take place on a table-top by electrolyzing heavy water and using electrodes made of Pd and platinum. Various laboratories all-over the world tried to reproduce the experiments. The poor reproducibility and the absence of the typical side products of nuclear fusion (gamma rays and neutrons) led soon to the conclusion (represented in the dramatic session of American Physical Society May 1, 1989) that nuclear fusion cannot explain the heat production. Main stream scientists made final conclusions about the subject of 'cold fusion' and cold fusion people became a pariah class of the scientific community.

The work with cold fusion however continued and gradually situation has changed. It became clear that nuclear reaction products, mainly  ${}^4\text{He}$ , are present. Gradually also the reasons for the poor reproducibility of the experiments became better understood. A representative example about the change of the attitudes is the article of Schwinger [C241] in which cold fusion is taken seriously. The article also demonstrates that the counter arguments of hot fusion people are based on the implicit assumption that hot fusion theory describes cold fusion despite the fact that the physical situations are radically different.

The development on the experimental side has been based on techniques involving the use of catalysis, nanotechnology, electrolysis, glow discharge and ultrasonic cavitation. There are now public demonstrations of cold fusion reactors, whose output energy far exceeds input energy and commercial applications are under intensive development.

Rather remarkably, also the production of heavier elements has been detected [C236] and this makes the explanation of the effect even more difficult in standard physics context and definitely excludes the explanations claiming that some chemical process is the source of the excess heat. The possibility of nuclear transmutation also suggests the possibility to transform ordinary nuclear wastes into non-radioactive nuclei and the first method achieving this has already been reported [C53]. There are claims [C208, C258] that cold fusion indeed occurs in bio-systems.

There is also some evidence for high temperature super conductivity associated with deuterium loaded palladium [C236]. Good representations about the subject of cold fusion and references to the experimental work can be found at various cold fusion web-sites [C14, C6]. Also the articles of J. Rothwell [C236] and the excellent review article of E. Storms [C250] are recommended.

It has become clear that cold fusion differs from hot fusion in several respects: gamma rays are not produced and the flux of neutrons is much lower than predicted by standard nuclear physics (these features are very well-come from the point of view of the technological applications).



Together with the fact that Coulomb wall does not allow the occurrence of cold fusion at all in the standard physics context, this forces the conclusion that new physics must be involved.

It seems that TGD indeed could provide this new physics. The key elements of the model to be discussed are Trojan horse mechanism and coherent photon exchange action of D nuclei with Cooper pairs of the exotic super conductor formed by the D-loaded cathode material (say Palladium).

In the sequel the consideration is restricted to the case of Pd cathode: the model generalizes trivially to the case of a more general cathode material.

### Signatures of cold fusion

In the following the consideration is restricted to cold fusion in which two deuterium nuclei react strongly since this is the basic reaction type studied.

In hot fusion there are three reaction types:

- 1)  $D + D \rightarrow {}^4\text{He} + \gamma$  (23.8MeV)
- 2)  $D + D \rightarrow {}^3\text{He} + n$
- 3)  $D + D \rightarrow {}^3\text{H} + p$ .

The rate for the process 1) predicted by standard nuclear physics is more than  $10^{-3}$  times lower than for the processes 2) and 3) [C252] . The reason is that the emission of the gamma ray involves the relatively weak electromagnetic interaction whereas the latter two processes are strong.

The most obvious objection against cold fusion is that the Coulomb wall between the nuclei makes the mentioned processes extremely improbable at room temperature. Of course, this alone implies that one should not apply the rules of hot fusion to cold fusion. Cold fusion indeed differs from hot fusion in several other aspects.

- (a) No gamma rays are seen.
- (b) The flux of energetic neutrons is much lower than expected on basis of the heat production rate an by interpolating hot fusion physics to the recent case.

These signatures can also be (and have been!) used to claim that no real fusion process occurs. It has however become clear that the isotopes of Helium and also some tritium accumulate to the Pd target during the reaction and already now prototype reactors for which the output energy exceeds input energy have been built and commercial applications are under development. Therefore the situation has turned around. The rules of standard physics do not apply so that some new nuclear physics must be involved and it has become an exciting intellectual challenge to understand what is happening. A representative example of this attitude and an enjoyable analysis of the counter arguments against cold fusion is provided by the article 'Energy transfer in cold fusion and sono-luminescence' of Julian Schwinger [C241] . This article should be contrasted with the ultra-skeptical article 'ESP and Cold Fusion: parallels in pseudoscience' of V. J. [C247] [C247] .

Cold fusion has also other features, which serve as valuable constraints for the model building.

- (a) Cold fusion is not a bulk phenomenon. It seems that fusion occurs most effectively in nanoparticles of Pd and the development of the required nano-technology has made possible to produce fusion energy in controlled manner. Concerning applications this is a good news since there is no fear that the process could run out of control.
- (b) The ratio  $x$  of D atoms to Pd atoms in Pd particle must lie the critical range [.85, .90] for the production of  ${}^4\text{He}$  to occur [D48] . This explains the poor repeatability of the earlier experiments and also the fact that fusion occurred sporadically.
- (c) Also the transmutations of Pd nuclei are observed [C236] .

Below a list of questions that any theory of cold fusion should be able to answer.

- (a) Why cold fusion is not a bulk phenomenon?
- (b) Why cold fusion of the light nuclei seems to occur only above the critical value  $x \simeq .85$  of D concentration?
- (c) How fusing nuclei are able to effectively circumvent the Coulomb wall?
- (d) How the energy is transferred from nuclear degrees of freedom to much longer condensed matter degrees of freedom?
- (e) Why gamma rays are not produced, why the flux of high energy neutrons is so low and why the production of  ${}^4\text{He}$  dominates (also some tritium is produced)?
- (f) How nuclear transmutations are possible?

### 12.7.4 TGD inspired model of cold fusion

The model to be discussed is based on Trojan horse mechanism and explains elegantly all those aspects of cold fusion which are in conflict with standard nuclear physics. The reaction mechanism explains also the sensitivity of the occurrence of cold fusion to small external perturbations.

#### Model for D-loaded Pd nano-particle

It seems that cold fusion is a critical phenomenon. The average  $D/Pd$  ratio must be in the interval  $(.85, .90)$ . The current must be over-critical and must flow a time longer than a critical time. The effect occurs in a small fraction of samples. Deuterium at the surface of the cathode is found to be important and activity tends to concentrate in patches. The generation of fractures leads to the loss of the anomalous energy production. Even the shaking of the sample can have the same effect. The addition of even a small amount of  $H_2O$  to the electrolyte (protons to the cathode) stops the anomalous energy production.

All these findings support the catastrophe theoretic picture according to which the decomposition into patches corresponds to criticality allowing the presence of ordinary and exotic phase whose transformation to the ordinary phases makes possible cold fusion reactions. The added ordinary protons and fractures could serve as a seed for a phase transition leading to a region where only single phase is possible.

In TGD framework Pd nano-particles correspond to space-time sheets of size of order  $10^{-9} - 10^{-8}$  m and fusion is restricted inside these structures. Cold fusion can be regarded as a fusion of incoming ordinary D with target D attached to the surface of Pd rather than between two free D:s as suggested by the standard nuclear physics wisdom. Thus cold fusion could be regarded as 'burning' of  $D$  associated with a finite space-time sheets so that cold fusion is not a bulk phenomenon and is very sensitive to the in-homogenities of the Pd particle. Note that this in principle makes the control of cold fusion easier.

The critical loading fraction varies in the range  $.85 - .90$ . This value is so large that enormous pressures would be generated unless the deuterium nuclei lose their translational degrees of freedom by forming some kind of bound states with Pd nuclei. The guess is that the bound states correspond to the formation of super-nuclei with em and weakly charged color bonds connecting Pd and D nuclei.  $k = 113$  dark weak force, which is actually strong by the criticality condition, compensates the color force between the exotic quarks. This makes D nuclei effectively nn nuclei so that Coulomb wall does not produce difficulties.

The challenge is to understand the origin of the criticality condition for super-nucleus. The question is why the number of D nuclei per Pd nuclei varies in so narrow range for the phase transition leading to the formation of super-nuclei to occur. Catastrophe theoretic thinking suggests that a cusp catastrophe typical for phase transitions is in question. In the critical range there are two phases, exotic and ordinary phase, which can easily transform to each other. Criticality is essential for the cold fusion reactions to occur since initial state involves exotic D+Pd complex and final state involves ordinary nuclei.

The ratio  $x$  would correspond to the variable which varies in a direction transversal to cusp and whose variation therefore leads to a catastrophic jump inducing the phase transition or its

reverse.  $x$  would be a pressure type variable which plays similar role also in phase transitions like liquid-gas phase transition. The critical range for  $x$  would correspond to the critical range of pressure in which liquid and gas are in equilibrium.

Second variable varies along the cusp so that the transition is possible above certain critical value. This variable presumably relates to the energetics of the transition so that transition would liberate energy above critical value of the parameter. Temperature is a natural candidate for this variable. Catastrophe theoretic model implies that for a given value  $x$  in catastrophe region both ordinary phase and exotic phase are possible. In these regions cold fusion can occur. In regions where the system is outside the catastrophe region so that system is stably in either phase, cold fusion cannot occur. This explains why Pd contains only patches where cold fusion occurs. The control variable, be it local temperature or something else, could be perhaps identified by studying the local conditions guaranteeing the occurrence of cold fusion. It is indeed known that the increase of temperature favors the occurrence of cold fusion.

The behavior variable could distinguish between the two phases and could correspond to the surface density  $n$  of D nuclei bound to Pd nuclei and transformed to fake D. The potential function could be free energy minimized when the system is in constant temperature and the two phases would correspond to local minima of free energy.

### Anomalous reaction kinetics of cold fusion

One can deduce a more detailed model for cold fusion from observations, which are discussed systematically in [C252] and in the references discussed therein.

- (a) When  $D_2O$  is used as an electrolyte, the process occurs when  $PdD$  acts as a cathode but does not seem to occur when it is used as anode. This suggests that the basic reaction is between the ordinary deuterium  $D = pn$  of electrolyte with the the exotic  $D=nn +$  charged color bond attached to Pd in the cathode.
- (b) For ordinary nuclei fusions to tritium and  ${}^3He$  occur with approximately identical rates. The first reaction produces neutron and  ${}^3He$  via  $D+D \rightarrow n+{}^3He$ , whereas second reaction produces proton and tritium via  $D+D \rightarrow p+{}^3H$ . The standard nuclear physics prediction is that one neutron per each tritium nucleus should be produced. Tritium can be observed by its beta decay to  ${}^3He$  and the ratio of neutron flux is several orders of magnitude smaller than tritium flux as found for instance by Tadahiko Mizuno and his collaborators (Mizuno describes the experimental process leading to this discovery in his book [C169] ). Hence the reaction producing  ${}^3He$  cannot occur significantly in cold fusion which means a conflict with the basic predictions of the standard nuclear physics.

The explanation is following. If D is fake D ( $nn+$ charged color bond connecting it with Pd), one expects that the production of  ${}^3He$  is hindered since there is no proton directly available. Also in the case that the reaction  $n+$ color bond  $\rightarrow p$  occurs, one expects that Coulomb wall makes the process slow.

- (c) The production of  ${}^4He$ , which should not occur practically at all, is reported to dominate and the fraction of tritium is below .1 per cent. The explanation could be that also multiple attachments to target can occur such that D attaches to (D+Pd) by forming a charged color bond. Thus would have  $nnnn$  state with two charged color bonds attached to Pd. This state could split from Pd and transform via exchange of two light weak bosons between exotic and valence quarks to  ${}^4He$  (assuming that dark  $W(113)$  can mix with  $W(89)$ ). It is also possible that the super-nuclear string formed by Pd and D splits and emits  ${}^4He$  as in ordinary alpha decay. Gamma rays need not be generated since the recoil momentum could be transferred to the Pd target like in Mössbauer effect.
- (d) Also more complex reactions between  $D$  and  $Pd$  and between Pd nuclei can occur. These can lead to the reactions transforming the nuclear charge of  $Pd$  and thus to nuclear transmutations.
- (e) The mechanism also explains why the cold fusion producing  ${}^3He$  and neutrons does not occur using water instead of heavy water. There are reports about cold fusion also in this case [C250] . If one fourth of protons in water are arranged to nuclear strings consisting of

neutrons connected by positively charged color bonds as the TGD based model explaining the anomalies of water suggests [K26] , these strings could attach to fake D and induce cold fusion reactions.

- (f) The proposed reaction mechanism explains why neutrons are not produced in amounts consistent with the anomalous energy production. The addition of water to the electrolyte however induces neutron bursts. Suppose that one fourth of protons in water forms similar dark phase being transformed to neutrons connected by positively charged color bonds, as assumed in the model of water explaining various anomalies of water [K26] . What comes in mind is that neutrons are generated when a neutron string from H<sub>2</sub>O containing only charged color bonds attaches to D+Pd (nn + charged color bond +Pd). Neutrons of nn are connected by a neutral color bond. If charged color bonds between neutrons are energetically more favorable than neutral color bonds, *nn* could emit a free neutron in the process so that the outcome would be a neutron string containing only charged color bonds attached to Pd.

### How objections against cold fusion are circumvented?

It has already become clear that the model allows to circumvent the basic reaction kinetic arguments against cold fusion [C252] .

- (a) Coulomb wall makes nuclear fusions impossible.  
 (b) <sup>3</sup>He and <sup>3</sup>H should be produced in equal amounts. The fraction of <sup>4</sup>He should be smaller than 10<sup>-3</sup>.  
 (c) The claimed nuclear transmutation reactions (reported to occur also in living matter [C208] ) should not occur.

Consider next the objections related to energetics.

- (a) Gamma rays, which should be produced in most nuclear reactions such as <sup>4</sup>He production to guarantee momentum conservation are not observed. The explanation is that the recoil momentum goes to the macroscopic quantum phase defined by the Pd lattice as in Mössbauer effect, and eventually heats the electrolyte system. This provides the mechanism by which the liberated nuclear energy is transferred to the electrolyte difficult to imagine in standard nuclear physics framework.  
 (b) If a nuclear reaction should occur, the immediate release of energy can not be communicated to the lattice in the time available. In the recent case the time scale is however multiplied by the factor  $r = \hbar_s/\hbar$  giving scaling factor 2<sup>11</sup> so that the situation changes dramatically.

### 12.7.5 Do nuclear reaction rates depend on environment?

Claus Rolfs and his group have found experimental evidence for the dependence of the rates of nuclear reactions on the condensed matter environment [C133] . For instance, the rates for the reactions <sup>50</sup>V(p,n)<sup>50</sup>Cr and <sup>176</sup>Lu(p,n) are fastest in conductors. The model explaining the findings has been tested for elements covering a large portion of the periodic table.

#### Debye screening of nuclear charge by electrons as an explanation for the findings

The proposed theoretical explanation [C133] is that conduction electrons screen the nuclear charge or equivalently that incoming proton gets additional acceleration in the attractive Coulomb field of electrons so that the effective collision energy increases so that reaction rates below Coulomb wall increase since the thickness of the Coulomb barrier is reduced.

The resulting Debye radius

$$R_D = 69 \sqrt{\frac{T}{n_{eff} \rho_a}}, \quad (12.7.1)$$

where  $\rho_a$  is the density of atoms per cubic meter and  $T$  is measured in Kelvins.  $R_D$  is of order .01 Angstroms for  $T = 373$  K for  $n_{eff} = 1$ ,  $a = 10^{-10}$  m. The theoretical model [C190, C235] predicts that the cross section below Coulomb barrier for  $X(p, n)$  collisions is enhanced by the factor

$$f(E) = \frac{E}{E + U_e} \exp\left(\frac{\pi \eta U_e}{E}\right). \quad (12.7.2)$$

$E$  is center of mass energy and  $\eta$  so called Sommerfeld parameter and

$$U_e \equiv U_D = 2.09 \times 10^{-11} (Z(Z+1))^{1/2} \times \left(\frac{n_{eff} \rho_a}{T}\right)^{1/2} \text{ eV} \quad (12.7.3)$$

is the screening energy defined as the Coulomb interaction energy of electron cloud responsible for Debye screening and projectile nucleus. The idea is that at  $R_D$  nuclear charge is nearly completely screened so that the energy of projectile is  $E + U_e$  at this radius which means effectively higher collision energy.

The experimental findings from the study of 52 metals support the expression for the screening factor across the periodic table.

- (a) The linear dependence of  $U_e$  on  $Z$  and  $T^{-1/2}$  dependence on temperature conforms with the prediction. Also the predicted dependence on energy has been tested [C133] .
- (b) The value of the effective number  $n_{eff}$  of screening electrons deduced from the experimental data is consistent with  $n_{eff}(Hall)$  deduced from quantum Hall effect.

The model suggests that also the decay rates of nuclei, say beta and alpha decay rates, could be affected by electron screening. There is already preliminary evidence for the reduction of beta decay rate of  $^{22}\text{Na}$   $\beta$  decay rate in Pd [C132] , metal which is utilized also in cold fusion experiments. This might have quite far reaching technological implications. For instance, the artificial reduction of half-lives of the radioactive nuclei could allow an effective treatment of radio-active wastes. An interesting question is whether screening effect could explain cold fusion [C252] and sono-fusion [C178] .

### Electron screening and Trojan horse mechanism

These experimental findings allow to quantify the Trojan horse mechanism. The idea is that projectile nucleus enters the region of the target nucleus along a larger space-time sheet and in this manner avoids the Coulomb wall. The nuclear reaction itself occurs conventionally. In conductors the space-time sheet of conduction electrons is a natural candidate for the larger space-time sheet.

At conduction electron space-time sheet there is a constant charged density consisting of  $n_{eff}$  electrons in the atomic volume  $V = 1/n_a$ . This creates harmonic oscillator potential in which incoming proton accelerates towards origin. The interaction energy at radius  $r$  is given by

$$V(r) = \alpha n_{eff} \frac{r^2}{2a^3}, \quad (12.7.4)$$

where  $a$  is atomic radius.

The proton ends up to this space-time sheet by a thermal kick compensating the harmonic oscillator energy. This occurs below with a high probability below radius  $R$  for which the thermal energy  $E = T/2$  of electron corresponds to the energy in the harmonic oscillator potential. This gives the condition

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{Ta}{n_{eff}\alpha}} a . \quad (12.7.5)$$

This condition is exactly of the same form as the condition given by Debye model for electron screening but has a completely different physical interpretation.

Since the proton need not travel through the nuclear Coulomb potential, it effectively gains the energy

$$E_e = Z \frac{\alpha}{R} = \frac{Z\alpha^{3/2}}{a} \sqrt{\frac{n_{eff}}{Ta}} . \quad (12.7.6)$$

which would be otherwise lost in the repulsive nuclear Coulomb potential. Note that the contribution of the thermal energy to  $E_e$  is neglected. The dependence on the parameters involved is exactly the same as in the case of Debye model. For  $T = 373$  K in the  $^{176}\text{Lu}$  experiment and  $n_{eff}(\text{Lu}) = 2.2 \pm 1.2$ , and  $a = a_0 = .52 \times 10^{-10}$  m (Bohr radius of hydrogen as estimate for atomic radius), one has  $E_e = 28.0$  keV to be compared with  $U_e = 21 \pm 6$  keV of [C133] ( $a = 10^{-10}$ m corresponds to  $1.24 \times 10^4$  eV and 1 K to  $10^{-4}$  eV). A slightly larger atomic radius allows to achieve consistency. The value of  $\hbar$  does not play any role in this model since the considerations are purely classical.

An interesting question is what the model says about the decay rates of nuclei in conductors. For instance, if the proton from the decaying nucleus can enter directly to the space-time sheet of the conduction electrons, the Coulomb wall corresponds to the Coulomb interaction energy of proton with conduction electrons at atomic radius and is equal to  $\alpha n_{eff}/a$  so that the decay rate should be enhanced.

Trojan horse mechanism realized in this manner does not seem to explain the basic findings about cold fusion. Trojan horse mechanism applied to deuterium projectile and D-Pd target would predict standard nuclear physics. The reported strong suppression of  $^3\text{He}$  production with respect to  $^3\text{H}$  production however requires non-standard nuclear physics and the model discussed in the previous subsection provides this physics. Both mechanisms could of course be involved.

## Chapter 13

# Nuclear String Hypothesis

### 13.1 Introduction

Nuclear string hypothesis [K76] is one of the most dramatic almost-predictions of TGD [K67]. The hypothesis in its original form assumes that nucleons inside nucleus organize to closed nuclear strings with neighboring nuclei of the string connected by exotic meson bonds consisting of color magnetic flux tube with quark and anti-quark at its ends. The lengths of flux tubes correspond to the p-adic length scale of electron and therefore the mass scale of the exotic mesons is around 1 MeV in accordance with the general scale of nuclear binding energies. The long lengths of em flux tubes increase the distance between nucleons and reduce Coulomb repulsion. A fractally scaled up variant of ordinary QCD with respect to p-adic length scale would be in question and the usual wisdom about ordinary pions and other mesons as the origin of nuclear force would be simply wrong in TGD framework as the large mass scale of ordinary pion indeed suggests. The presence of exotic light mesons in nuclei has been proposed also by Illert [C197] based on evidence for charge fractionization effects in nuclear decays.

#### 13.1.1 $A > 4$ nuclei as nuclear strings consisting of $A \leq 4$ nuclei

In the sequel a more refined version of nuclear string hypothesis is developed.

- (a) The first refinement of the hypothesis is that  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei and  $A < 4$  nuclei and possibly also nucleons appear as basic building blocks of nuclear strings instead of nucleons which in turn can be regarded as strings of nucleons. Large number of stable lightest isotopes of form  $A = 4n$  supports the hypothesis that the number of  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei is maximal. One can hope that even also weak decay characteristics could be reduced to those for  $A < 4$  nuclei using this hypothesis.
- (b) One can understand the behavior of nuclear binding energies surprisingly well from the assumptions that total *strong* binding energy associated with  $A \leq 4$  building blocks is *additive* for nuclear strings and that the addition of neutrons tends to reduce Coulombic energy per string length by increasing the length of the nuclear string implying increase binding energy and stabilization of the nucleus. This picture does not explain the variation of binding energy per nucleon and its maximum appearing for  ${}^{56}\text{Fe}$ .
- (c) In TGD framework tetra-neutron [C137, C60] is interpreted as a variant of alpha particle obtained by replacing two meson-like stringy bonds connecting neighboring nucleons of the nuclear string with their negatively charged variants [K76]. For heavier nuclei tetra-neutron is needed as an additional building brick and the local maxima of binding energy  $E_B$  per nucleon as function of neutron number are consistent with the presence of tetra-neutrons. The additivity of magic numbers 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126 predicted by nuclear string hypothesis is also consistent with experimental facts and new magic numbers are predicted [C220, C115].

### 13.1.2 Bose-Einstein condensation of color bonds as a mechanism of nuclear binding

The attempt to understand the variation of the nuclear binding energy and its maximum for  $Fe$  leads to a quantitative model of nuclei lighter than  $Fe$  as color bound Bose-Einstein condensates of  ${}^4He$  nuclei or rather, of pion like colored states associated with color flux tubes connecting  ${}^4He$  nuclei. The crucial element of the model is that color contribution to the binding energy is proportional to  $n^2$  where  $n$  is the number of color bonds. Fermi statistics explains the reduction of  $E_B$  for the nuclei heavier than  $Fe$ . Detailed estimate favors harmonic oscillator model over free nucleon model with oscillator strength having interpretation in terms of string tension.

Fractal scaling argument allows to understand  ${}^4He$  and lighter nuclei as strings formed from nucleons with nucleons bound together by color bonds. Three fractally scaled variants of QCD corresponding  $A > 4$  nuclei,  $A = 4$  nuclei and  $A < 4$  nuclei are thus involved. The binding energies of also lighter nuclei are predicted surprisingly accurately by applying simple p-adic scaling to the parameters of model for the electromagnetic and color binding energies in heavier nuclei.

### 13.1.3 Giant dipole resonance as de-coherence of Bose-Einstein condensate of color bonds

Giant (dipole) resonances [C9, C163, C106], and so called pygmy resonances [C30, C139] interpreted in terms of de-coherence of the Bose-Einstein condensates associated with  $A \leq 4$  nuclei and with the nuclear string formed from  $A \leq 4$  nuclei provide a unique test for the model. The key observation is that the splitting of the Bose-Einstein condensate to pieces costs a precisely defined energy due to the  $n^2$  dependence of the total binding energy. For  ${}^4He$  de-coherence the model predicts singlet line at 12.74 MeV and triplet (25.48, 27.30, 29.12) MeV at  $\sim 27$  MeV spanning 4 MeV wide range which is of the same order as the width of the giant dipole resonance for nuclei with full shells.

The de-coherence at the level of nuclear string predicts 1 MeV wide bands 1.4 MeV above the basic lines. Bands decompose to lines with precisely predicted energies. Also these contribute to the width. The predictions are in a surprisingly good agreement with experimental values. The so called pygmy resonance appearing in neutron rich nuclei can be understood as a de-coherence for  $A = 3$  nuclei. A doublet (7.520, 8.4600) MeV at  $\sim 8$  MeV is predicted. At least the prediction for the position is correct.

### 13.1.4 Dark nuclear strings as analogs of DNA-, RNA- and amino-acid sequences and baryonic realization of genetic code

One biological speculation [K83] inspired by the dark matter hierarchy is that genetic code as well as DNA-, RNA- and amino-acid sequences should have representation in terms of dark nuclear strings. The model for dark baryons indeed leads to an identification of these analogs and the basic numbers of genetic code including also the numbers of aminoacids coded by a given number of codons are predicted correctly. Hence it seems that genetic code is universal rather than being an accidental outcome of the biological evolution.

## 13.2 Some variants of the nuclear string hypothesis

The basic assumptions of the nuclear string model could be made stronger in several testable ways. One can make several alternative hypothesis.



### 13.2.1 Could linking of nuclear strings give rise to heavier stable nuclei?

Nuclear strings  $(Z_1, N_1)$  and  $(Z_2, N_2)$  could link to form larger nuclei  $(Z_1 + Z_2, N_1 + N_2)$ . If one can neglect the interactions between linked nuclei, the properties of the resulting nuclei should be determined by those of composites. Linking should however be the confining interaction forbidding the decay of the stable composite. The objection against this option is that it is difficult to characterize the constraint that strings are not allowed to touch and there is no good reason forbidding the touching.

The basic prediction would be that if the nuclei  $(Z_1, N_1)$  and  $(Z_2, N_2)$  which are stable, very long-lived, or possess exceptionally large binding energy then also the nucleus  $(Z_1 + Z_2, N_1 + N_2)$  has this property. If the linked nuclear strings are essentially free then the expectation is that the half-life of a composite of unstable nuclei is that of the shorter lived nucleus. This kind of regularity would have been probably observed long time ago.

### 13.2.2 Nuclear strings as connected sums of shorter nuclear strings?

Nuclear strings can form connected sum of the shorter nuclear strings. Connected sum means that one deletes very short portions of nuclear string A and B and connects the resulting ends of string A and B together. In other words: A is inserted inside B or vice versa or A and B are cut to open strings and connected and closed again. This outcome would result when A and B touch each other at some point. If touching occurs at several points more complex fusion of nuclei to a larger nucleus to a composite occurs with piece of A followed by a piece of B followed... For this option there is a non-trivial interaction between strings and the properties of nuclei need not be simply additive but one might still hope that stable nuclei fuse to form stable nuclei. In particular, the prediction for the half-life based on binding by linking does not hold true anymore.

Classical picture would suggest that the two strings cannot rotate with respect to each other unless they correspond to rather simple symmetric configurations: this applies also to linked strings. If so then the relative angular momentum  $L$  of nuclear strings vanishes and total angular momentum  $J$  of the resulting nucleus satisfies  $|J_1 - J_2| \leq J \leq J_1 + J_2$ .

### 13.2.3 Is knotting of nuclear strings possible?

One can consider also the knotting of nuclear strings as a mechanism giving rise to exotic excitations of nuclear. Knots decompose to prime knots so that kind of prime nuclei identified in terms of prime knots might appear. Fractal thinking suggests an analogy with the poorly understood phenomenon of protein folding. It is known that proteins always end up to a unique highly folded configuration and one might think that also nuclear ground states correspond to unique configurations to which quantum system (also proteins would be such if dark matter is present) ends up via quantum tunnelling unlike classical system which would stick into some valley representing a state of higher energy. The spin glass degeneracy suggests an fractal landscape of ground state configurations characterized by knotting and possibly also linking.

## 13.3 Could nuclear strings be connected sums of alpha strings and lighter nuclear strings?

The attempt to kill the composite string model leads to a stronger formulation in which nuclear string consists of alpha particles plus a minimum number of lighter nuclei. To test the basic predictions of the model I have used the rather old tables of [C195] for binding energies of stable and long-lived isotopes and more modern tables [C33] for basic data about isotopes known recently.

### 13.3.1 Does the notion of elementary nucleus make sense?

The simplest formulation of the model assumes some minimal set of *stable* "elementary nuclei" from which more complex *stable* nuclei can be constructed.

- (a) If heavier nuclei are formed by *linking* then alpha particle  ${}^4\text{He} = (Z, N) = (2, 2)$  suggests itself as the lightest stable composite allowing interpretation as a closed string. For connected sum option even single nucleon n or p can appear as a composite. This option turns out to be the more plausible one.
- (b) In the model based on linking  ${}^6\text{Li} = (3, 3)$  and  ${}^7\text{Li} = (3, 4)$  would also act as "elementary nuclei" as well as  ${}^9\text{Be} = (4, 5)$  and  ${}^{10}\text{Be} = (4, 6)$ . For the model based on connected sum these nuclei might be regarded as composites  ${}^6\text{Li} = (3, 3) = (2, 2) + (1, 1)$ ,  ${}^7\text{Li} = (3, 4) = (2, 2) + (1, 2)$ ,  ${}^9\text{Be} = (4, 5) = 2 \times (2, 2) + (0, 1)$  and  ${}^{10}\text{Be} = (4, 6) = (2, 2) + 2 \times (1, 2)$ . The study of binding energies supports the connected sum option.
- (c)  ${}^{10}\text{B}$  has total nuclear spin  $J = 3$  and  ${}^{10}\text{B} = (5, 5) = (3, 3) + (2, 2) = {}^6\text{Li} + {}^4\text{He}$  makes sense if the composites can be in relative  $L = 2$  state ( ${}^6\text{Li}$  has  $J = 1$  and  ${}^4\text{He}$  has  $J = 0$ ).  ${}^{11}\text{B}$  has  $J = 3/2$  so that  ${}^{11}\text{B} = (5, 6) = (3, 4) + (2, 2) = {}^7\text{Li} + {}^4\text{He}$  makes sense because  ${}^7\text{Li}$  has  $J = 3/2$ . For the model based on disjoint linking also  ${}^{10}\text{B}$  would be also regarded as "elementary nucleus". This asymmetry disfavors the model based on linking.

### 13.3.2 Stable nuclei need not fuse to form stable nuclei

The question is whether the simplest model predicts stable nuclei which do not exist. In particular, are the linked  ${}^4\text{He}$  composites stable? The simplest case corresponds to  ${}^8\text{B} = (4, 4) = {}^4\text{He} + {}^4\text{He}$  which is not stable against alpha decay. Thus stable nuclei need not fuse to form stable nuclei. On the other hand, the very instability against alpha decay suggests that  ${}^4\text{B}$  can be indeed regarded as composite of two alpha particles. A good explanation for the instability against alpha decay is the exceptionally large binding energy  $E = 7.07$  MeV per nucleon of alpha particle. The fact that the binding energy per nucleon for  ${}^8\text{Be}$  is also exceptionally large and equal to  $7.06 \text{ MeV} < E_B({}^4\text{He})$  supports the interpretation as a composite of alpha particles.

For heavier nuclei binding energy per nucleon increases and has maximum 8.78 MeV for Fe. This encourages to consider the possibility that alpha particle acts as a fundamental composite of nuclear strings with minimum number of lighter isotopes guaranteeing correct neutron number. Indeed, the decomposition to a maximum number of alpha particles allows a qualitative understanding of binding energies assuming that additional contribution not larger than 1.8 MeV per nucleon is present.

The nuclei  ${}^{12}\text{C}$ ,  ${}^{16}\text{O}$ ,  ${}^{20}\text{Ne}$ ,  ${}^{24}\text{Mg}$ ,  ${}^{28}\text{Si}$ ,  ${}^{32}\text{S}$ ,  ${}^{36}\text{Ar}$ , and  ${}^{40}\text{Ca}$  are lightest stable isotopes of form  $(Z, Z) = n \times {}^4\text{He}$ ,  $n = 3, \dots, 10$ , for which  $E_B$  is larger than for  ${}^4\text{He}$ . For the first four nuclei  $E_B$  has a local maximum as function of  $N$ . For the remaining the maximum of  $E_B$  is obtained for  $(Z, Z+1)$ .  ${}^{44}\text{Ti} = (22, 22)$  does not exist as a long-lived isotope whereas  ${}^{45}\text{Ti}$  does. The addition of neutron could increase  $E_B$  by increasing the length of nuclear string and thus reducing the Coulomb interaction energy per nucleon. This mechanism would provide an explanation also for neutron halos [C192].

Also the fact that stable nuclei in general have  $N \geq Z$  supports the view that  $N = Z$  state corresponds to string consisting of alpha particles and that  $N > Z$  states are obtained by adding something between.  $N < Z$  states would necessarily contain at least one stable nucleus lighter than  ${}^4\text{He}$  with smaller binding energy.  ${}^3\text{He}$  is the only possible candidate as the only stable nucleus with  $N < Z$ . ( $E_B({}^2\text{H}) = 1.11$  MeV and  $E_B({}^3\text{He}) = 2.57$  MeV). Individual nucleons are also possible in principle but not favored. This together with increase of Coulomb interaction energy per nucleon due to the greater density of em charge per string length would explain their smaller binding energy and instability.

### 13.3.3 Formula for binding energy per nucleon as a test for the model

The study of  ${}^8\text{B}$  inspires the hypothesis that the total binding energy for the nucleus  $(Z_1 + Z_2, N_1 + N_2)$  is in the first approximation the sum of total binding energies of composites so

that one would have for the binding energy per nucleon the prediction

$$E_B = \frac{A_1}{A_1 + A_2} \times E_{B_1} + \frac{A_2}{A_1 + A_2} \times E_{B_2}$$

in the case of 2-nucleus composite. The generalization to N-nucleus composite would be

$$E_B = \sum_k \frac{A_k}{\sum_r A_r} \times E_{B_k} .$$

This prediction would apply also to the unstable composites. The increase of binding energy with the increase of nuclear weight indeed suggests a decomposition of nuclear string to a sequence alpha strings plus some minimum number of shorter strings.

The first objection is that for both *Li*, *B*, and *Be* which all having two stable isotopes, the lighter stable isotope has a slightly smaller binding energy contrary to the expectation based on additivity of the total binding energy. This can be however understood in terms of the reduction of Coulomb energy per string length resulting in the addition of neutron (protons have larger average distance along nuclear string along mediating the electric flux) . The reduction of Coulomb energy per unit length of nuclear string could also partially explain why one has  $E_B > E_B(^4He)$  for heavier nuclei.

The composition  ${}^6Li = (3, 3) = (2, 2) + (1, 1)$  predicts  $E_B \simeq 5.0$  MeV not too far from 5.3 MeV. The decomposition  ${}^7Li = (3, 4) = (2, 2) + (1, 2)$  predicts  $E_B = 5.2$  MeV to be compared with 5.6 MeV so that the agreement is satisfactory. The decomposition  ${}^8Be = (4, 4) = 2 \times {}^4He$  predicts  $E_B = 7.07$  MeV to be compared with the experimental value 7.06 MeV.  ${}^9Be$  and  ${}^{10}Be$  have  $E_B = 6.46$  MeV and  $E_B = 6.50$  MeV. The fact that binding energy slightly increases in addition of neutron can be understood since the addition of neutrons to  ${}^8Be$  reduces the Coulomb interaction energy per unit length. Also neutron spin pairing reduces  $E_B$ . The additive formula for  $E_B$  is satisfied with an accuracy better than 1 MeV also for  ${}^{10}B$  and  ${}^{11}B$ .

### 13.3.4 Decay characteristics and binding energies as signatures of the decomposition of nuclear string

One might hope of reducing the weak decay characteristics to those of shortest unstable nuclear strings appearing in the decomposition. Alternatively, one could deduce the decomposition from the weak decay characteristics and binding energy using the previous formulas. The picture of nucleus as a string of alpha particles plus minimum number of lighter nuclei  ${}^3He$  having  $E_B = 2.57$  MeV,  ${}^3H$  unstable against beta decay with half-life of 12.26 years and having  $E_B = 2.83$  MeV, and  ${}^2H$  having  $E_B = 1.1$  MeV gives hopes of modelling weak decays in terms of decays for these light composites.

- (a)  $\beta^-$  decay could be seen as a signature for the presence of  ${}^3H$  string and alpha decay as a signature for the presence of  ${}^4He$  string.
- (b)  $\beta^+$  decay might be interpreted as a signature for the presence of  ${}^3He$  string which decays to  ${}^3H$  (the mass of  ${}^3H$  is only .018 MeV higher than that of  ${}^3He$ ). For instance,  ${}^8B = (5, 3) = (3, 2) + (2, 1) = {}^5Li + {}^3He$  suffers  $\beta^+$  decay to  ${}^8Be = (4, 4)$  which in turn decays by alpha emission which suggests the re-arrangement to  $(3, 2) + (1, 2) \rightarrow (2, 2) + (2, 2)$  maximizing binding energy.
- (c) Also individual nucleons can appear in the decomposition and give rise to  $\beta^-$  and possible also  $\beta^+$  decays.

### 13.3.5 Are magic numbers additive?

The magic numbers 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82, 126 [C220] for protons and neutrons are usually regarded as a support for the harmonic oscillator model. There are also other possible explanations for magic nuclei and there are deviations from the naive predictions. One can also consider several

different criteria for what it is to be magic. Binding energy is the most natural criterion but need not always mean stability. For instance  ${}^8B = (4, 4) = {}^4He + {}^4He$  has high binding energy but is unstable against alpha decay.

Nuclear string model suggests that the fusion of magic nuclear strings by connected sum yields new kind of highly stable nuclei so that also  $(Z_1 + Z_2, N_1 + N_2)$  is a magic nucleus if  $(Z_i, N_i)$  is such. One has  $N = 28 = 20 + 8$ ,  $50 = 28 + 20 + 2$ , and  $N = 82 = 50 + 28 + 2 \times 2$ . Also other magic numbers are predicted. There is evidence for them [C115].

- (a)  ${}^{16}O = (8, 8)$  and  ${}^{40}Ca = (20, 20)$  corresponds to doubly magic nuclei and  ${}^{60}Ni = (28, 32) = (20, 20) + (8, 8) + {}^4n$  has a local maximum of binding energy as function of neutron number. This is not true for  ${}^{56}Ni$  so that the idea of magic nucleus in neutron sector is not supported by this case. The explanation would be in terms of the reduction of  $E_B$  due to the reduction of Coulomb energy per string length as neutrons are added.
- (b) Also  ${}^{80}Kr = (36, 44) = (36, 36) + {}^4n = (20, 20) + (8, 8) + (8, 8) + {}^4n$  corresponds to a local maximum of binding energy per nucleon as also does  ${}^{84}Kr = {}^{80}Kr + {}^4n$  containing two tetra-neutrons. Note however that  ${}^{88}Zr = (40, 48)$  is not a stable isotope although it can be regarded as a composite of doubly magic nucleus and of two tetra-neutrons.

### 13.3.6 Stable nuclei as composites of lighter nuclei and necessity of tetra-neutron?

The obvious test is to look whether stable nuclei can be constructed as composites of lighter ones. In particular, one can check whether tetra-neutron  ${}^4n$  interpreted as a variant of alpha particle obtained by replacing two meson-like stringy bonds connecting neighboring nucleons of the nuclear string with their negatively charged variants is necessary for the understanding of heavier nuclei.

- (a)  ${}^{48}Ca = (20, 28)$  with half-life  $> 2 \times 10^{16}$  years has neutron excess of 8 units and the only reasonable interpretation seems to be as a composite of the lightest stable  $Ca$  isotope  $Ca(20, 20)$ , which is doubly magic nucleus and two tetra-neutrons:  ${}^{48}Ca = (20, 28) = {}^{40}Ca + 2 \times {}^4n$ .
- (b) The next problematic nucleus is  ${}^{49}Ti$ .
- i)  ${}^{49}Ti = (22, 27)$  having neutron excess of 5 one cannot be expressed as a composite of lighter nuclei unless one assumes non-vanishing and large relative angular momentum for the composites. For  ${}^{50}Ti = (22, 28)$  no decomposition can be found. The presence of tetra-neutron would reduce the situation to  ${}^{49}Ti = (22, 27) = {}^{45}Ti + {}^4n$ . Note that  ${}^{45}Ti$  is the lightest  $Ti$  isotope with relatively long half-life of 3.10 hours so that the addition of tetra-neutron would stabilize the system since Coulomb energy per length of string would be reduced.
- ii)  ${}^{48}Ti$  could not involve tetra-neutron by this criterion. It indeed allows decomposition to standard nuclei is also possible as  ${}^{48}Ti = (22, 26) = {}^{41}K + {}^7Li$ .
- iii) The heaviest stable  $Ti$  isotope would have the decomposition  ${}^{50}Ti = {}^{46}Ti + {}^4n$ , where  ${}^{46}Ti$  is the lightest stable  $Ti$  isotope.
- (c) The heavier stable nuclei  ${}^{50+k}V = (23, 27 + k)$ ,  $k = 0, 1$ ,  ${}^{52+k}Cr = (24, 28 + k)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2$ ,  ${}^{55}Mn = (25, 30)$  and  ${}^{56+k}Fe = (26, 30 + k)$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2$  would have similar interpretation. The stable isotopes  ${}^{50}Cr = (24, 26)$  and  ${}^{54}Fe = (26, 28)$  would not contain tetra-neutron. Also for heavier nuclei both kinds of stable states appear and tetra-neutron would explain this.
- (d)  ${}^{112}Sn = (50, 62) = (50, 50) + 3 \times {}^4n$ ,  ${}^{116}Sn$ ,  ${}^{120}Sn$ , and  ${}^{124}Sn$  are local maxima of  $E_B$  as a function of neutron number and the interpretation in terms of tetra-neutrons looks rather natural. Note that  $Z = 50$  is a magic number.

Nuclear string model looks surprisingly promising and it would be interesting to compare systematically the predictions for  $E_B$  with its actual values and look whether the beta decays could be understood in terms of those of composites lighter than  ${}^4He$ .

### 13.3.7 What are the building blocks of nuclear strings?

One can also consider several options for the more detailed structure of nuclear strings. The original model assumed that proton and neutron are basic building blocks but this model is too simple.

#### Option Ia)

A more detailed work in attempt to understand binding energies led to the idea that there is fractal structure involved. At the highest level the building blocks of nuclear strings are  $A \leq 4$  nuclei. These nuclei in turn would be constructed as short nuclear strings of ordinary nucleons.

The basic objection against the model is the experimental absence of stable  $n - n$  bound state analogous to deuteron favored by lacking Coulomb repulsion and attractive electromagnetic spin-spin interaction in spin 1 state. Same applies to tri-neutron states and possibly also tetra-neutron state. There has been however speculation about the existence of di-neutron and poly-neutron states [C7, C27].

The standard explanation is that strong force couples to strong isospin and that the repulsive strong force in nn and pp states makes bound states of this kind impossible. This force, if really present, should correspond to shorter length scale than the isospin independent forces in the model under consideration. In space-time description these forces would correspond to forces mediated between nucleons along the space-time sheet of the nucleus whereas exotic color forces would be mediated along the color magnetic flux tubes having much longer length scale. Even for this option one cannot exclude exotic di-neutron obtained from deuteron by allowing color bond to carry negative em charge. Since em charges 0, 1, -1 are possible for color bonds, a nucleus with mass number  $A > 2$  extends to a multiplet containing  $3A$  exotic charge states.

#### Option Ib)

One might ask whether it is possible to get rid of isospin dependent strong forces and exotic charge states in the proposed framework. One can indeed consider also other explanations for the absence of genuine poly-neutrons.

- (a) The formation of negatively charged bonds with neutrons replaced by protons would minimize both nuclear mass and Coulomb energy although binding energy per nucleon would be reduced and the increase of neutron number in heavy nuclei would be only apparent.
- (b) The strongest hypothesis is that mass minimization forces protons and negatively charged color bonds to serve as the basic building bricks of all nuclei. If this were the case, deuteron would be a di-proton having negatively charged color bond. The total binding energy would be only  $2.222 - 1.293 = .9290$  MeV. Di-neutron would be impossible for this option since only one color bond can be present in this state.

The small mass difference  $m(^3He) - m(^3H) = .018$  MeV would have a natural interpretation as Coulomb interaction energy. Tri-neutron would be allowed. Alpha particle would consist of four protons and two negatively charged color bonds and the actual binding energy per nucleon would be by  $(m_n - m_p)/2$  smaller than believed. Tetra-neutron would also consist of four protons and the binding energy per nucleon would be smaller by  $m_n - m_p$  than what obtains in the standard model of nucleus. Beta decays would be basically beta decays of exotic quarks associated with color bonds.

Note that the mere assumption that the di-neutrons appearing inside nuclei have protons as building bricks means a rather large apparent binding energy this might explain why di-neutrons have not been detected. An interesting question is whether also higher n-deuteron states than  $^4He$  consisting of strings of deuteron nuclei and other  $A \leq 3$  nuclei could exist and play some role in the nuclear physics of  $Z \neq N$  nuclei.

If protons are the basic building bricks, the binding energy per nucleon is replaced in the calculations with its actual value

$$E_B \rightarrow E_B - \frac{N}{A} \Delta m, \quad \Delta m = m_n - m_p = 1.2930 \text{ MeV} . \quad (13.3.1)$$

This replacement does not affect at all the parameters of the of  $Z = 2n$  nuclei identified as  ${}^4He$  strings.

One can of course consider also the option that nuclei containing ordinary neutrons are possible but that are unstable against beta decay to nuclei containing only protons and negatively charged bonds. This would suggest that di-neutron exists but is not appreciably produced in nuclear reactions and has not been therefore detected.

### Options IIa) and IIb)

It is not clear whether the fermions at the ends of color bonds are exotic quarks or leptons. Lepto-pion (or electro-pion) hypothesis [K84] was inspired by the anomalous  $e^+e^-$  production in heavy ion collisions near Coulomb wall and states that electro-pions which are bound states of colored excitations of electrons with ground state mass 1.062 MeV are responsible for the effect. The model predicts that also other charged leptons have color excitations and give rise to exotic counterpart of QCD.

Also  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  should possess colored excitations. About fifteen years after this prediction was made, direct experimental evidence for these states finally emerges [C268, C269] . The mass of the new particle, which is either scalar or pseudoscalar, is 214.4 MeV whereas muon mass is 105.6 MeV. The mass is about 1.5 per cent higher than two times muon mass. The most natural TGD inspired interpretation is as a pion like bound state of colored excitations of muon completely analogous to lepto-pion (or rather, electro-pion) [K84] .

One cannot exclude the possibility that the fermion and anti-fermion at the ends of color flux tubes connecting nucleons are actually colored leptons although the working hypothesis is that they are exotic quark and anti-quark. One can of course also turn around the argument: could it be that lepto-pions are "leptonuclei", that is bound states of ordinary leptons bound by color flux tubes for a QCD in length scale considerably shorter than the p-adic length scale of lepton.

Scaling argument applied to ordinary pion mass suggests that the masses of exotic quarks at the ends of color bonds are considerably below MeV scale. One can however consider the possibility that colored electrons with mass of ordinary electron are in question in which case color bonds identifiable as colored variants of electro-pions could be assumed to contribute in the first guess the mass  $m(\pi) = 1.062 \text{ MeV}$  per each nucleon for  $A > 2$  nuclei. This implies the general replacement

$$\begin{aligned} E_B &\rightarrow E_B + m(\pi_L) - \frac{N}{A} \Delta m \text{ for } A > 2, \\ E_B &\rightarrow E_B + \frac{m(\pi_L)}{2} - \frac{N}{A} \Delta m \text{ for } A = 2. \end{aligned} \quad (13.3.1)$$

This option will be referred to as option IIb). One can also consider the option IIa) in which nucleons are ordinary but lepto-pion mass  $m(\pi_L) = 1.062 \text{ MeV}$  gives the mass associated with color bond.

These options are equivalent for  $N = Z = 2n$  nuclei with  $A > 4$  but for  $A \leq 4$  nuclei assumed to form nucleon string they options differ.

## 13.4 Light nuclei as color bound Bose-Einstein condensates of ${}^4He$ nuclei

The attempt to understand the variation of nuclear binding energy and its maximum for  $Fe$  leads to a model of nuclei lighter than  $Fe$  as color bound Bose-Einstein condensates of  ${}^4He$  nuclei or meson-like structures associated with them. Fractal scaling argument allows to understand  ${}^4He$  itself as analogous state formed from nucleons.

### 13.4.1 How to explain the maximum of $E_B$ for iron?

The simplest model predicts that the binding energy per nucleon equals to  $E_B({}^4He)$  for all  $Z = N = 2n$  nuclei. The actual binding energy grows slowly, has a maximum at  ${}^{52}Fe$ , and then begins to decrease but remains above  $E_B({}^4He)$ . The following values give representative examples for  $Z = N$  nuclei.

nucleus	${}^4He$	${}^8Be$	${}^{40}Ca$	${}^{52}Fe$
$E_B/MeV$	7.0720	7.0603	8.5504	8.6104

For nuclei heavier than  $Fe$  there are no long-lived  $Z = N = 2n$  isotopes and the natural reason would be alpha decay to  ${}^{52}Fe$ . If tetra-neutron is what TGD suggests it to be one can guess that tetra-neutron mass is very nearly equal to the mass of the alpha particle. This would allow to regard states  $N = Z + 4n$  as states analogous to unstable states  $N_1 = Z_1 = Z + 2n$  consisting of alpha particles. This gives estimate for  $E_B$  for unstable  $N = Z$  states. For  ${}^{256}Fm = (100, 156)$  one has  $E_B = 7.433$  MeV which is still above  $E_B({}^4He) = 7.0720$  MeV. The challenge is to understand the variation of the binding energy per nucleon and its maximum for  $Fe$ .

### 13.4.2 Scaled up QCD with Bose-Einstein condensate of ${}^4He$ nuclei explains the growth of $E_B$

The first thing to come in mind is that repulsive Coulomb contribution would cause the variation of the binding energy. Since alpha particles are building blocks for  $Z = N$  nuclei,  ${}^8Be$  provides a test for this idea. If the difference between binding energies per nucleon for  ${}^8Be$  and  ${}^4He$  were due to Coulomb repulsion alone, one would have  $E_c = E_B({}^4He) - E_B({}^8Be) = .0117$  MeV, which is of order  $\alpha_{em}/L(127)$ . This would conform with the idea that flux tubes mediating em interaction have length of order electron Compton length. Long flux tubes would provide the mechanism minimizing Coulomb energy. A more realistic interpretation consistent with this mechanism would be that Coulombic and color interaction energies compensate each other: this can of course occur to some degree but it seems safe to assume that Coulomb contribution is small.

The basic question is how one could understand the behavior of  $E_B$  if its variation corresponds to that for color binding energy per nucleon. The natural scale of energy is MeV and this conforms with the fact that the range of variation for color binding energy associated with  $L(127)$  QCD is about 1.5 MeV. By a naive scaling the value of  $M_{127}$  pion mass is by a factor  $2^{(127-107)/2} = 10^{-3}$  times smaller than that of ordinary pion and thus .14 MeV. The scaling of QCD  $\Lambda$  is a more reliable estimate for the binding energy scale and gives a slightly larger value but of the same order of magnitude. The total variation of  $E_B$  is large in the natural energy scale of  $M_{127}$  QCD and suggests strong non-linear effects.

In the absence of other contributions em and color contributions to  $E_B$  cancel for  ${}^8Be$ . If color and Coulomb contributions on total binding energy depend roughly linearly on the number of  ${}^4He$  nuclei, the cancellation to  $E_B$  should occur in a good approximation also for them. This does not happen which means that color contribution to  $E_B$  is in lowest approximation linear in  $n$  meaning  $n^2$ -dependence of the total color binding energy. This non-linear behavior suggests strongly the presence of Bose-Einstein condensate of  ${}^4He$  nuclei or structures associated with

them. The most natural candidates are the meson like colored strings connecting  ${}^4He$  nuclei together.

The additivity of  $n$  color magnetic (and/or electric) fluxes would imply that classical field energy is  $n^2$ -fold. This does not yet imply same for binding energy unless the value of  $\alpha_s$  is negative which it can be below confinement length scale. An alternative interpretation could be in terms of color magnetic interaction energy. The number of quarks and anti-quarks would be proportional to  $n$  as would be also the color magnetic flux so that  $n^2$ - proportionality would result also in this manner.

If the addition of single alpha particle corresponds to an addition of a constant color contribution  $E_s$  to  $E_B$  (the color binding energy per nucleon, not the total binding energy!) one has  $E_B({}^{52}Fe) = E_B({}^4He) + 13E_s$  giving  $E_s = .1834$  MeV, which conforms with the order of magnitude estimate given by  $M_{127}$  QCD.

The task is to find whether this picture could explain the behavior of  $E_B$ . The simplest formula for  $E_B(Z = N = 2n)$  would be given by

$$E_B(n) = -\frac{n(n-1)}{L(A)n}k_s + nE_s . \quad (13.4.1)$$

Here the first term corresponds to the Coulomb interaction energy of  $n$   ${}^4He$  nuclei proportional to  $n(n-1)$  and inversely proportional to the length  $L(A)$  of nuclear string. Second term is color binding energy per nucleon proportional to  $n$ .

The simplest assumption is that each  ${}^4He$  corresponds always to same length of nuclear string so that one has  $L \propto A$  and one can write

$$E_B(n) = E_B({}^4He) - \frac{n(n-1)}{n^2}E_c + nE_s . \quad (13.4.2)$$

The value of  $E_B({}^8Be) \simeq E_B({}^4He)$  ( $n = 2$ ) gives for the unit of Coulomb energy

$$E_c = 4E_s + 2[E_B({}^4He) - E_B({}^8Be)] \simeq 4E_s . \quad (13.4.3)$$

The general formula for the binding energy reads as

$$\begin{aligned} E_B(n) &= E_B({}^4He) - 2\frac{n(n-1)}{n^2}[E_B({}^4He) - E_B({}^8Be)] \\ &+ \left[-4\frac{n(n-1)}{n^2} + n\right]E_s . \end{aligned} \quad (13.4.3)$$

The condition that  $E_B({}^{52}Fe)$  ( $n = 13$ ) comes out correctly gives

$$E_s = \frac{13}{121}(E_B({}^{52}Fe) - E_B({}^4He)) + \frac{13 \times 24}{121}[E_B({}^4He) - E_B({}^8Be)] . \quad (13.4.4)$$

This gives  $E_s \simeq .1955$  MeV which conforms with  $M_{127}$  QCD estimate. For the  $E_c$  one obtains  $E_c = 1.6104$  MeV and for Coulomb energy of  ${}^4He$  nuclei in  ${}^8Be$  one obtains  $E = E_c/2 = .8052$  MeV. The order of magnitude is consistent with the mass difference of proton and neutron. The scale suggests that electromagnetic flux tubes are shorter than color flux tubes and correspond



to the secondary p-adic length scale  $L(2, 61) = L(127)/2^{5/2}$  associated with Mersenne prime  $M_{61}$ . The scaling factor for the energy scale would be  $2^{5/2} \simeq 5.657$ .

The calculations have been carried out without assuming which are actual composites of  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei (neutrons and protons plus neutral color bonds or protons and neutral and negatively charged color bonds) and assuming the masses of color bonds are negligible. As a matter fact, the mass of color bond does not affect the estimates if one uses only nuclei heavier than  ${}^4\text{He}$  to estimate the parameters. The estimates above however involve  ${}^4\text{He}$  so that small change on the parameters is induced.

### 13.4.3 Why $E_B$ decreases for heavier nuclei?

The prediction that  $E_B$  increases as  $(A/4)^2$  for  $Z = N$  nuclei is unrealistic since  $E_B$  decreases slowly for  $A \geq 52$  nuclei. Fermi statistics provides a convincing explanation assuming that fermions move in an effective harmonic oscillator potential due to the string tension whereas free nucleon model predicts too large size for the nucleus. The splitting of the Bose-Einstein condensate to pieces is second explanation that one can imagine but fails at the level of details.

#### Fermi statistics as a reason for the reduction of the binding energy

The failure of the model is at least partially due to the neglect of the Fermi statistics. For the lighter nuclei description as many boson state with few fermions is expected to work. As the length of nuclear string grows in fixed nuclear volume, the probability of self intersection increases and Fermi statistics forces the wave function for stringy configurations to wiggle which reduces binding energy.

- (a) For the estimation purposes consider  $A = 256$  nucleus  ${}^{256}\text{Mv}$  having  $Z = 101$  and  $E_B = 7.4241$  MeV. Assume that this unstable nucleus is nearly equivalent with a nucleus consisting of  $n = 64$   ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei ( $Z = N$ ). Assuming single color condensate this would give the color contribution

$$E_s^{tot} = (Z/2)^2 \times E_s = 64^2 \times E_s$$

with color contribution to  $E_B$  equal to  $(Z/2)E_s \simeq 12.51$  MeV.

- (b) Suppose that color binding energy is canceled by the energy of nucleon identified as kinetic energy in the case of free nucleon model and as harmonic oscillator energy in the case of harmonic oscillator model.
- (c) The number of states with a given principal quantum number  $n$  for both free nucleons in a spherical box and harmonic oscillator model is by spherical symmetry  $2n^2$  and the number of protons/neutrons for a full shell nuclei behaves as  $N_1 \simeq 2n_{max}^3/3$ . The estimate for the average energy per nucleon is given in the two cases as

$$\begin{aligned} \langle E \rangle_H &= 2^{-4/3} \times N^{1/3} E_0, \quad E_0 = \omega_0, \\ \langle E \rangle_F &= \frac{2}{5} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{5/3} N^{2/3} E_0, \quad E_0 = \frac{\pi^2}{2m_p L^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (13.4.3)$$

Harmonic oscillator energy  $\langle E \rangle_H$  increases as  $N^{1/3}$  and  $\langle E \rangle_F$  as  $N^{2/3}$ . Neither of these cannot win the contribution of the color binding energy increasing as  $N$ .

- (d) Equating this energy with the total color binding energy gives an estimate for  $E_0$  as

$$\begin{aligned} E_0 &= (2/3)^{1/3} \times Z^{-4/3} \times (Z/2)^2 \times E_s, \\ E_0 &= \frac{5}{4} \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{5/3} \times Z^{-5/3} \times (Z/2)^2 \times E_s, \\ E_s &= .1955 \text{ MeV}. \end{aligned} \quad (13.4.2)$$

The first case corresponds to harmonic oscillator model and second to free nucleon model.

- (e) For the harmonic oscillator model one obtains the estimate  $E_0 = \hbar\omega_0 \simeq 2.73 \text{ MeV}$ . The general estimate for the energy scale in the harmonic oscillator model given by  $\omega_0 \simeq 41 \cdot A^{-1/3} \text{ MeV}$  [C266] giving  $\omega_0 = 6.5 \text{ MeV}$  for  $A = 256$  (this estimate implies that harmonic oscillator energy per nucleon is approximately constant and would suggest that string tension tends to reduce as the length of string increases). Harmonic oscillator potential would have roughly twice too strong strength but the order of magnitude is correct. Color contribution to the binding energy might relate the reduction of the oscillator strength in TGD framework.

- (f) Free nucleon model gives the estimate  $E_0 = .0626 \text{ MeV}$ . For the size of a  $A = 256$  nucleus one obtains  $L \simeq 3.8L(113) \simeq 76 \text{ fm}$ . This is by one order of magnitude larger than the size predicted by the standard formula  $r = r_0A^{1/3}$ ,  $r_0 = 1.25 \text{ fm}$  and  $8 \text{ fm}$  for  $A = 256$ .

Harmonic oscillator picture is clearly favored and string tension explains the origin of the harmonic oscillator potential. Harmonic oscillator picture is expected to emerge at the limit of heavy nuclei for which nuclear string more or less fills the nuclear volume whereas for light nuclei the description in terms of bosonic  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei should make sense. For heavy nuclei Fermi statistics at nuclear level would begin to be visible and excite vibrational modes of the nuclear string mapped to the excited states of harmonic oscillator in the shell model description.

### Could upper limit for the size of ${}^4\text{He}$ Bose-Einstein condensate explain the maximum of binding energy per nucleon?

One can imagine also an alternative explanation for why  $E_B$  to decrease after  $A = 52$ . One might that  $A = 52$  represents the largest  ${}^4\text{He}$  Bose-Einstein condensate and that for heavier nuclei Bose-Einstein condensate de-coheres into two parts. Bose-Einstein condensate of  $n = 13$   ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei would be the best that one can achieve.

This could explain the reduction of the binding energy and also the emergence of tetra-neutrons as well as the instability of  $Z = N$  nuclei heavier than  ${}^{52}\text{Fe}$ . A number theoretical interpretation related to the p-adic length scale hypothesis suggests also itself: as the size of the tangled nuclear string becomes larger than the next p-adic length scale, Bose-Einstein condensate might lose its coherence and split into two.

If one assumes that  ${}^4\text{He}$  Bose-Einstein condensate has an upper size corresponding to  $n = 13$ , the prediction is that after  $A = 52$  second Bose-Einstein condensate begins to form.  $E_B$  is obtained as the average

$$E_B(Z, N) = \frac{52}{A} E_B({}^{52}\text{Fe}) + \frac{A - 52}{A} E_B({}^{A-52}\text{X}(Z, N)) .$$

The derivative

$$dE_B/dA = (52/A)[-E_B({}^{52}\text{Fe}) + E_B({}^{A-52}\text{X})] + \frac{A - 52}{A} dE_B({}^{A-52}\text{X}(Z, N))/dA$$

is first negative but its sign must change since the nuclei consisting of two copies of  ${}^{52}\text{Fe}$  condensates have same  $E_B$  as  ${}^{52}\text{Fe}$ . This is an un-physical result. This does not exclude the splitting of Bose-Einstein condensate but the dominant contribution to the reduction of  $E_B$  must be due to Fermi statistics.

## 13.5 What QCD binds nucleons to $A \leq 4$ nuclei?

The obvious question is whether scaled variant(s) of color force could bind nucleons to form  $A \leq 4$  nuclei which in turn bind to form heavier nuclei. Since the binding energy scale for  ${}^3\text{He}$  is much smaller than for  ${}^4\text{He}$  one might consider the possibility that the p-adic length scale for QCD associated with  ${}^4\text{He}$  is different from that for  $A < 4$  nuclei.

### 13.5.1 The QCD associated with nuclei lighter than ${}^4\text{He}$

It would be nice if one could understand the binding energies of also  $A \leq 4$  nuclei in terms of a scaled variant of QCD applied at the level of nucleons. Here one has several options to test.

#### Various options to consider

Assume that neutral color bonds have negligible fermion masses at their ends: this is expected if the exotic quarks appear at the ends of color bonds and by the naive scaling of pion mass. One can also consider the possibility that the p-adic temperature for the quarks satisfies  $T = 1/n \leq 1/2$  so that quarks would be massless in excellent approximation.  $T = 1/n < 1$  holds true for gauge bosons and one might argue that color bonds as bosonic particles indeed have  $T < 1$ .

Option Ia): Building bricks are ordinary nucleons.

Option IIa): Building blocks are protons and neutral and negatively charged color bonds. This means the replacement  $E_B \rightarrow E_B - \Delta m$  for  $A > 2$  nuclei and  $E_B \rightarrow E_B - \Delta m/2$  for  $A = 2$  with  $\Delta m = n_n - m_p = 1.2930$  MeV.

Options Ib and IIb are obtained by assuming that the masses of fermions at the ends of color bonds are non-negligible. Electro-pion mass  $m(\pi_L) = 1.062$  MeV is a good candidate for the mass of the color bond. Option Ia allow 3 per cent accuracy for the predicted binding energies. Option IIb works satisfactorily but the errors are below 22 per cent only.

#### Ordinary nucleons and massless color bonds

It turns out that for the option Ia), ordinary nucleons and massless color bonds, is the most plausible candidate for  $A < 4$  QCD is the secondary p-adic length scale  $L(2, 59)$  associated with prime  $p \simeq 2^k$ ,  $k = 59$  with  $k_{eff} = 2 \times 59 = 118$ . The proper scaling of the electromagnetic p-adic length scale corresponds to a scaling factor  $2^3$  meaning that one has  $k_{eff} = 122 \rightarrow k_{eff} - 6 = 116 = 4 \times 29$  corresponding to  $L(4, 29)$ .

##### 1. Direct p-adic scaling of the parameters

$E_s$  would be scaled up p-adically by a factor  $2^{(127-118)/2} = 2^{9/2}$ .  $E_c$  would be scaled up by a factor  $2^{(122-116)/2} = 2^3$ . There is also a scaling of  $E_c$  by a factor  $1/4$  due to the reduction of charge unit and scaling of both  $E_c$  and  $E_s$  by a factor  $1/4$  since the basic units are now nucleons. This gives

$$\hat{E}_s = 2^{5/2} E_s = 1.1056 \text{ MeV} , \quad \hat{E}_c = 2^{-1} E_c = .8056 \text{ MeV} . \tag{13.5.1}$$

The value of electromagnetic energy unit is quite reasonable.

The basic formula for the binding energy reads now

$$E_B = - \frac{(n(p)(n(p) - 1))}{A^2} \hat{E}_c + n \hat{E}_s , \tag{13.5.2}$$

where  $n(p)$  is the number of protons  $n = A$  holds true for  $A > 2$ . For deuteron one has  $n = 1$  since deuteron has only single color bond. This delicacy is a crucial prediction and the model fails to work without it.

This gives

$$E_B({}^2\text{H}) = \hat{E}_s , \quad E_B({}^3\text{H}) = 3\hat{E}_s , \quad E_B({}^3\text{He}) = -\frac{2}{9} \hat{E}_c + 3\hat{E}_s . \tag{13.5.2}$$

The predictions are given by the third row of the table below. The predicted values given are too large by about 15 per cent in the worst case.

The reduction of the value of  $\alpha_s$  in the p-adic scaling would improve the situation. The requirement that  $E_B(^3H)$  comes out correctly predicts a reduction factor .8520 for  $\alpha_s$ . The predictions are given in the fourth row of the table below. Errors are below 15 per cent.

nucleus	$^2H$	$^3H$	$^3He$
$E_B(exp)/MeV$	1.111	2.826	2.572
$E_B(pred_1)/MeV$	1.106	3.317	3.138
$E_B(pred_2)/MeV$	.942	2.826	2.647

The discrepancy is 15 per cent for  $^2H$ . By a small scaling of  $E_c$  the fit for  $^3He$  can be made perfect. Agreement is rather good but requires that conventional strong force transmitted along nuclear space-time sheet is present and makes  $nn$  and  $pp$  states unstable. Isospin dependent strong interaction energy would be only .17 MeV in isospin singlet state which suggests that a large cancelation between scalar and vector contributions occurs.  $pnn$  and  $ppn$  could be regarded as Dn and Dp states with no strong force between D and nucleon. The contribution of isospin dependent strong force to  $E_B$  is scaled down by a factor 2/3 in  $A = 3$  states from that for deuteron and is almost negligible. This option seems to allow an almost perfect fit of the binding energies. Note that one cannot exclude exotic nn-state obtained from deuteron by giving color bond negative em charge.

### Other options

Consider next other options.

#### 1. Option IIb

For option IIb) the basic building bricks are protons and  $m(\pi) = 1.062$  is assumed. The basic objection against this option is that for protons as constituents *real* binding energies satisfy  $E_B(^3He) < E_B(^3H)$  whereas Coulombic repulsion would suggest  $E_B(^3He) > E_B(^3H)$  unless magnetic spin-spin interaction effects affect the situation. One can however look how good a fit one can obtain in this manner.

As found, the predictions of direct scaling are too large for  $E_B(^3H)$  and  $E_B(^3He)$  (slight reduction of  $\alpha_s$  cures the situation). Since the actual binding energy increases by  $m(\pi_L) - (2/3)(m_n - m_p)$  for  $^3H$  and by  $m(\pi_L) - (1/3)(m_n - m_p)$  for  $^3He$ , it is clear that the assumption that lepton mass is of order 1 MeV improves the fit. The results are given by the table below.

nucleus	$^2H$	$^3H$	$^3He$
$E_B(exp)/MeV$	1.111	2.826	2.572
$E_B(pred)/MeV$	.875	3.117	2.507

Here  $E_B(pred)$  corresponds to the effective value of binding energy assuming that nuclei effectively consist of ordinary protons and neutrons. The discrepancies are below 22 percent.

What is troublesome that neither the scaling of  $\alpha_s$  nor modification of  $E_c$  improves the situation for  $^2H$  and  $^3H$ . Moreover, magnetic spin-spin interaction energy for deuteron is expected to reduce  $E_B(pred)$  further in triplet state. Thus option IIb) does not look promising.

#### 2. Option Ib)

For option Ib) with  $m(\pi) = 1.062$  MeV and ordinary nucleons the actual binding  $E_B(act)$  energy increases by  $m(\pi)$  for  $A = 3$  nuclei and by  $m(\pi)/2$  for deuteron. Direct scaling gives a reasonably good fit for the p-adic length scale  $L(9,13)$  with  $k_{eff} = 117$  meaning  $\sqrt{2}$  scaling of  $E_s$ . For deuteron the predicted  $E_B$  is too low by 30 per cent. One might argue that isospin

dependent strong force between nucleons becomes important in this p-adic length scale and reduces deuteron binding energy by 30 per cent. This option is not un-necessary complex as compared to the option Ia).

nucleus	${}^2H$	${}^3H$	${}^3He$
$E_B(act)/MeV$	1.642	3.880	3.634
$E_B(pred)/MeV$	1.3322	3.997	3.743

For option IIa) with  $m(\pi) = 0$  and protons as building blocks the fit gets worse for  $A = 3$  nuclei.

### 13.5.2 The QCD associated with ${}^4He$

${}^4He$  must somehow differ from  $A \leq 3$  nucleons. If one takes the argument based on isospin dependence strong force seriously, the reasonable looking conclusion would be that  ${}^4He$  is at the space-time sheet of nucleons a bound state of two deuterons which induce no isospin dependent strong nuclear force. One could regard the system also as a closed string of four nucleons such that neighboring p and n form strong iso-spin singlets. The previous treatment applies as such.

For  ${}^4He$  option Ia) with a direct scaling would predict  $E_B({}^4He) < 4 \times \hat{E}_s = 3.720$  MeV which is by a factor of order 2 too small. The natural explanation would be that for  ${}^4He$  both color and em field body correspond to the p-adic length scale  $L(4, 29)$  ( $k_{eff} = 116$ ) so that  $E_s$  would increase by a factor of 2 to 1.860 MeV. Somewhat surprisingly,  $A \leq 3$  nuclei would have "color field bodies" by a factor 2 larger than  ${}^4He$ .

- (a) For option Ia) this would predict  $E_B({}^4He) = 7.32867$  MeV to be compared with the real value 7.0720 MeV. A reduction of  $\alpha_s$  by 3.5 per cent would explain the discrepancy. That  $\alpha_s$  decreases in the transition sequence  $k_{eff} = 127 \rightarrow 118 \rightarrow 116$  which is consistent with the general vision about evolution of color coupling strength.
- (b) If one assumes option Ib) with  $m(\pi) = 1.062$  MeV the actual binding energy increases to 8.13 MeV. The strong binding energy of deuteron units would give an additional .15 MeV binding energy per nucleon so that one would have  $E_B({}^4He) = 7.47$  MeV so that 10 per cent accuracy is achieved. Obviously this option does not work so well as Ia).
- (c) If one assumes option IIb), the actual binding energy would increase by .415 MeV to 7.4827 MeV which would make fit somewhat poorer. A small reduction of  $E_c$  could allow to achieve a perfect fit.

### 13.5.3 What about tetra-neutron?

One can estimate the value of  $E_B({}^4n)$  from binding energies of nuclei  $(Z, N)$  and  $(Z, N + 4)$  ( $A = Z + N$ ) as

$$E_B({}^4n) = \frac{A + 4}{4} [E_B(A + 4) - \frac{A}{A + 4} E_B(A)] .$$

In the table below there are some estimate for  $E_B({}^4n)$ .

$(Z, N)$	$(26,26)({}^{52}Fe)$	$(50,70)({}^{120}Sn)$	$(82,124)({}^{206}Pb)$
$E_B({}^4n)/MeV$	6.280	7.3916	5.8031

The prediction of the above model would be  $E({}^4n) = 4\hat{E}_s = 3.760$  MeV for  $\hat{E}_s = .940$  MeV associated with  $A < 4$  nuclei and  $k_{eff} = 118 = 2 \times 59$  associated with  $A < 4$  nuclei. For  $k_{eff} = 116$  associated with  ${}^4He$   $E_s({}^4n) = E_s({}^4He) = 1.82$  MeV the prediction would be 7.28 MeV. 14 percent reduction of  $\alpha_s$  would give the estimated value for of  $E_s$  for  ${}^{52}Fe$ .

If tetra-neutron is ppnn bound state with two negatively charged color bonds, this estimate is not quite correct since the actual binding energy per nucleon is  $E_B(^4He) - (m_n - m_p)/2$ . This implies a small correction  $E_B(A + 4) \rightarrow E_B(A + 4) - 2(m_n - m_p)/(A + 4)$ . The correction is negligible.

One can make also a direct estimate of  $^4n$  binding energy assuming tetra-neutron to be ppnn bound state. If the masses of charged color bonds do not differ appreciably from those of neutral bonds (as the p-adic scaling of  $\pi + -\pi^0$  mass difference of about 4.9 MeV strongly suggests) then model Ia) with  $E_s = E_B(^3H)/3$  implies that the actual binding energy  $E_B(^4n) = 4E_s = E_B(^3H)/3$  (see the table below). The apparent binding energy is  $E_{B,app} = E_B(^4n) + (m_n - m_p)/2$ . Binding energy differs dramatically from what one can imagine in more conventional models of strong interactions in which even the existence of tetra-neutron is highly questionable.

$k_{eff}$	$2 \times 59$	$4 \times 29$
$E_B(act)(^4n)/MeV$	3.7680	
$E_{B,app}(4n)/MeV$	4.4135	8.1825

The higher binding energy per nucleon for tetra-neutron might directly relate to the neutron richness of heavy nuclei in accordance with the vision that Coulomb energy is what disfavors proton rich nuclei.

According to [C259], tetra-neutron might have been observed in the decay  $^8He \rightarrow ^4He + ^4n$  and the accepted value for the mass of  $^8He$  isotope gives the upper bound of  $E(^4n) < 3.1$  MeV, which is one half of the the estimate. One can of course consider the possibility that free tetra-neutron corresponds to  $L(2, 59)$  and nuclear tetra-neutron corresponds to the length scale  $L(4, 29)$  of  $^4He$ . Also light quarks appear as several p-adically scaled up variants in the TGD based model for low-lying hadrons and there is also evidence that neutrinos appear in several scales.

### 13.5.4 What could be the general mass formula?

In the proposed model nucleus consists of  $A \leq 4$  nuclei. Concerning the details of the model there are several questions to be answered. Do  $A \leq 3$  nuclei and  $A = 4$  nuclei  $^4He$  and tetra-neutron form separate nuclear strings carrying their own color magnetic fields as the different p-adic length scale for the corresponding "color magnetic bodies" would suggest? Or do they combine by a connected sum operation to single closed string? Is there single Bose-Einstein condensate or several ones.

Certainly the Bose-Einstein condensates associated with nucleons forming  $A < 4$  nuclei are separate from those for  $A = 4$  nuclei. The behavior of  $E_B$  in turn can be understood if  $^4He$  nuclei and tetra-neutrons form separate Bose-Einstein condensates. For  $Z > N$  nuclei poly-protons constructed as exotic charge states of stable  $A \leq 4$  nuclei could give rise to the proton excess.

Before continuing it is appropriate to list the apparent binding energies for poly-neutrons and poly-protons.

poly-neutron	$n$	$^2n$	$^3n$	$^4n$
$E_{B,app}/MeV$	0	$E_B(^2H) + \frac{\Delta}{2}$	$E_B(^3H) + \frac{2\Delta}{3}$	$E_B(^4He) + \frac{\Delta}{2}$
poly-proton	$p$	$^2p$	$^3p$	$^4p$
$E_{B,app}/MeV$	0	$E_B(^2H) - \frac{\Delta}{2}$	$E_B(^3He) - \frac{\Delta}{3}$	$E_B(^4He) - \frac{\Delta}{2}$

For heavier nuclei  $E_{B,app}(^4n)$  is smaller than  $E_B(^4He) + (m_p - m_n)/2$ .

The first guess for the general formula for the binding energy for nucleus  $(Z, N)$  is obtained by assuming that for maximum number of  $^4He$  nuclei and tetra-neutrons/tetra-protons identified as  $^4H$  nuclei with 2 negatively/positively charged color bonds are present.

1.  $N \geq Z$  nuclei

Even- $Z$  nuclei with  $N \geq Z$  can be expressed as ( $Z = 2n, N = 2(n+k) + m$ ),  $m = 0, 1, 2$  or  $3$ . For  $Z \leq 26$  (only single Bose-Einstein condensate) this gives for the apparent binding energy per nucleon (assuming that all neutrons are indeed neutrons) the formula

$$E_B(2n, 2(n+k) + m) = \frac{n}{A} E_B(^4He) + \frac{k}{A} E_{B,app}(^4n) + \frac{1}{A} E_{B,app}(^m n) + \frac{n^2 + k^2}{n+k} E_s - \frac{Z(Z-1)}{A^2} E_c . \quad (13.5.2)$$

The situation for the odd- $Z$  nuclei ( $Z, N$ ) = ( $2n+1, 2(n+k) + m$ ) can be reduced to that for even- $Z$  nuclei if one can assume that the  $(2n+1)^{th}$  proton combines with 2 neutrons to form  $^3He$  nucleus so that one has still  $2(k-1) + m$  neutrons combining to  $A \leq 4$  poly-neutrons in above described manner.

2.  $Z \geq N$  nuclei

For the nuclei having  $Z > N$  the formation of a maximal number of  $^4He$  nuclei leaves  $k$  excess protons. For long-lived nuclei  $k \leq 2$  is satisfied. One could think of decomposing the excess protons to exotic variants of  $A \leq 4$  nuclei by assuming that some charged bonds carry positive charge with an obvious generalization of the above formula.

The only differences with respect to a nucleus with neutron excess would be that the apparent binding energy is smaller than the actual one and positive charge would give rise to Coulomb interaction energy reducing the binding energy (but only very slightly). The change of the binding energy in the subtraction of single neutron from  $Z = N = 2n$  nucleus is predicted to be approximately  $\Delta E_B = -E_B(^4He)/A$ . In the case of  $^{32}S$  this predicts  $\Delta E_B = .2209$  MeV. The real value is .2110 MeV. The fact that the general order of magnitude for the change of the binding energy as  $Z$  or  $N$  changes by one unit supports the proposed picture.

## 13.5.5 Nuclear strings and cold fusion

To summarize, option Ia) assuming that strong isospin dependent force acts on the nuclear space-time sheet and binds pn pairs to singlets such that the strong binding energy is very nearly zero in singlet state by the cancelation of scalar and vector contributions, is the most promising one. It predicts the existence of exotic di-, tri-, and tetra-neutron like particles and even negatively charged exotics obtained from  $^2H, ^3H, ^3He$ , and  $^4He$  by adding negatively charged color bond. For instance,  $^3H$  extends to a multiplet with em charges 1, 0, -1, -2. Of course, heavy nuclei with proton neutron excess could actually be such nuclei.

The exotic states are stable under beta decay for  $m(\pi) < m_e$ . The simplest neutral exotic nucleus corresponds to exotic deuteron with single negatively charged color bond. Using this as target it would be possible to achieve cold fusion since Coulomb wall would be absent. The empirical evidence for cold fusion thus supports the prediction of exotic charged states.

## Signatures of cold fusion

In the following the consideration is restricted to cold fusion in which two deuterium nuclei react strongly since this is the basic reaction type studied.

In hot fusion there are three reaction types:

- 1)  $D + D \rightarrow ^4He + \gamma$  (23.8MeV)
- 2)  $D + D \rightarrow ^3He + n$
- 3)  $D + D \rightarrow ^3H + p$ .

The rate for the process 1) predicted by standard nuclear physics is more than  $10^{-3}$  times lower than for the processes 2) and 3) [C252]. The reason is that the emission of the gamma ray involves the relatively weak electromagnetic interaction whereas the latter two processes are strong.

The most obvious objection against cold fusion is that the Coulomb wall between the nuclei makes the mentioned processes extremely improbable at room temperature. Of course, this alone implies that one should not apply the rules of hot fusion to cold fusion. Cold fusion indeed differs from hot fusion in several other aspects.

- (a) No gamma rays are seen.
- (b) The flux of energetic neutrons is much lower than expected on basis of the heat production rate an by interpolating hot fusion physics to the recent case.

These signatures can also be (and have been!) used to claim that no real fusion process occurs. It has however become clear that the isotopes of Helium and also some tritium accumulate to the Pd target during the reaction and already now prototype reactors for which the output energy exceeds input energy have been built and commercial applications are under developmen. Therefore the situation has turned around. The rules of standard physics do not apply so that some new nuclear physics must be involved and it has become an exciting intellectual challenge to understand what is happening. A representative example of this attitude and an enjoyable analysis of the counter arguments against fold fusion is provided by the article 'Energy transfer in cold fusion and sono-luminescence' of Julian Schwinger [C241]. This article should be contrasted with the ultra-skeptical article 'ESP and Cold Fusion: parallels in pseudoscience' of V. J. [C247] [C247].

Cold fusion has also other features, which serve as valuable constraints for the model building.

- (a) Cold fusion is not a bulk phenomenon. It seems that fusion occurs most effectively in nano-particles of Pd and the development of the required nano-technology has made possible to produce fusion energy in controlled manner. Concerning applications this is a good news since there is no fear that the process could run out of control.
- (b) The ratio  $x$  of D atoms to Pd atoms in Pd particle must lie the critical range [.85, .90] for the production of  ${}^4\text{He}$  to occur [D48]. This explains the poor repeatability of the earlier experiments and also the fact that fusion occurred sporadically.
- (c) Also the transmutations of Pd nuclei are observed [C236].

Below a list of questions that any theory of cold fusion should be able to answer.

- (a) Why cold fusion is not a bulk phenomenon?
- (b) Why cold fusion of the light nuclei seems to occur only above the critical value  $x \simeq .85$  of D concentration?
- (c) How fusing nuclei are able to effectively circumvent the Coulomb wall?
- (d) How the energy is transferred from nuclear degrees of freedom to much longer condensed matter degrees of freedom?
- (e) Why gamma rays are not produced, why the flux of high energy neutrons is so low and why the production of  ${}^4\text{He}$  dominates (also some tritium is produced)?
- (f) How nuclear transmutations are possible?

### Could exotic deuterium make cold fusion possible?

One model of cold fusion has been already discussed in [K76] and the recent model is very similar to that. The basic idea is that only the neutrons of incoming and target nuclei can interact strongly, that is their space-time sheets can fuse. One might hope that neutral deuterium having single negatively charged color bond could allow to realize this mechanism.



- (a) Suppose that part of the deuterium in  $Pd$  catalyst corresponds to exotic deuterium with neutral nuclei so that cold fusion would occur between neutral exotic  $D$  nuclei in the target and charged incoming  $D$  nuclei and Coulomb wall in the nuclear scale would be absent.
- (b) The exotic variant of the ordinary  $D + D$  reaction yields final states in which  ${}^4He$ ,  ${}^3He$  and  ${}^3H$  are replaced with their exotic counterparts with charge lowered by one unit. In particular, exotic  ${}^3H$  is neutral and there is no Coulomb wall hindering its fusion with  $Pd$  nuclei so that nuclear transmutations can occur.

Why the neutron and gamma fluxes are low might be understood if for some reason only exotic  ${}^3H$  is produced, that is the production of charged final state nuclei is suppressed. The explanation relies on Coulomb wall at the nucleon level.

- (a) Initial state contains one charged and one neutral color bond and final state  $A = 3$  or  $A = 4$  color bonds. Additional neutral color bonds must be created in the reaction (one for the production  $A = 3$  final states and two for  $A = 4$  final state). The process involves the creation of neutral fermion pairs. The emission of one exotic gluon per bond decaying to a neutral pair is necessary to achieve this. This requires that nucleon space-time sheets fuse together. Exotic  $D$  certainly belongs to the final state nucleus since charged color bond is not expected to be split in the process.
- (b) The process necessarily involves a temporary fusion of nucleon space-time sheets. One can understand the selection rules if only neutron space-time sheets can fuse appreciably so that only  ${}^3H$  would be produced. Here Coulomb wall at nucleon level should enter into the game.
- (c) Protonic space-time sheets have the same positive sign of charge always so that there is a Coulomb wall between them. This explains why the reactions producing exotic  ${}^4He$  do not occur appreciably. If the quark/antiquark at the neutron end of the color bond of ordinary  $D$  has positive charge, there is Coulomb attraction between proton and corresponding negatively charged quark. Thus energy minimization implies that the neutron space-time sheet of ordinary  $D$  has positive net charge and Coulomb repulsion prevents it from fusing with the proton space-time sheet of target  $D$ . The desired selection rules would thus be due to Coulomb wall at the nucleon level.

#### About the phase transition transforming ordinary deuterium to exotic deuterium

The exotic deuterium at the surface of  $Pd$  target seems to form patches (for a detailed summary see [K76] ). This suggests that a condensed matter phase transition involving also nuclei is involved. A possible mechanism giving rise to this kind of phase would be a local phase transition in the  $Pd$  target involving both  $D$  and  $Pd$ . In [K76] it was suggested that deuterium nuclei transform in this phase transition to "ordinary" di-neutrons connected by a charged color bond to  $Pd$  nuclei. In the recent case di-neutron could be replaced by neutral  $D$ .

The phase transition transforming neutral color bond to a negatively charged one would certainly involve the emission of  $W^+$  boson, which must be exotic in the sense that its Compton length is of order atomic size so that it could be treated as a massless particle and the rate for the process would be of the same order of magnitude as for electro-magnetic processes. One can imagine two options.

- (a) Exotic  $W^+$  boson emission generates a positively charged color bond between  $Pd$  nucleus and exotic deuteron as in the previous model.
- (b) The exchange of exotic  $W^+$  bosons between ordinary  $D$  nuclei and  $Pd$  induces the transformation  $Z \rightarrow Z + 1$  inducing an alchemic phase transition  $Pd \rightarrow Ag$ . The most abundant  $Pd$  isotopes with  $A = 105$  and  $106$  would transform to a state of same mass but chemically equivalent with the two lightest long-lived  $Ag$  isotopes.  ${}^{106}Ag$  is unstable against  $\beta^+$  decay to  $Pd$  and  ${}^{105}Ag$  transforms to  $Pd$  via electron capture. For  ${}^{106}Ag$  ( ${}^{105}Ag$ ) the rest energy is 4 MeV (2.2 MeV) higher than for  ${}^{106}Pd$  ( ${}^{105}Pd$ ), which suggests that the resulting silver cannot be genuine.

This phase transition need not be favored energetically since the energy loaded into electrolyte could induce it. The energies should (and could in the recent scenario) correspond to energies typical for condensed matter physics. The densities of *Ag* and *Pd* are  $10.49 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$  and  $12.023 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$  so that the phase transition would expand the volume by a factor 1.0465. The porous character of *Pd* would allow this. The needed critical packing fraction for *Pd* would guarantee one *D* nucleus per one *Pd* nucleus with a sufficient accuracy.

### Exotic weak bosons seem to be necessary

The proposed phase transition cannot proceed via the exchange of the ordinary *W* bosons. Rather, *W* bosons having Compton length of order atomic size are needed. These *W* bosons could correspond to a scaled up variant of ordinary *W* bosons having smaller mass, perhaps even of the order of electron mass. They could be also dark in the sense that Planck constant for them would have the value  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$  implying scaling up of their Compton size by *n*. For  $n \sim 2^{48}$  the Compton length of ordinary *W* boson would be of the order of atomic size so that for interactions below this length scale weak bosons would be effectively massless. p-Adically scaled up copy of weak physics with a large value of Planck constant could be in question. For instance, *W* bosons could correspond to the nuclear p-adic length scale  $L(k = 113)$  and  $n = 2^{11}$ .

Few weeks after having written this chapter I learned that cold fusion is in news again: both *Nature* and *New Scientists* commented the latest results [C5]. It seems that the emission of highly energetic charged particles which cannot be due to chemical reactions and could emerge from cold fusion has been demonstrated beyond doubt by Frank Cordon's team [C8] using detectors known as CR-39 plastics of size scale of coin used already earlier in hot fusion research. The method is both cheap and simple. The idea is that travelling charged particles shatter the bonds of the plastic's polymers leaving pits or tracks in the plastic. Under the conditions claimed to make cold fusion possible (1 deuterium per 1 Pd nucleus making in TGD based model possible the phase transition of D to its neutral variant by the emission of exotic dark *W* boson with interaction range of order atomic radius) tracks and pits appear during short period of time to the detector.

### 13.5.6 Strong force as a scaled and dark electro-weak force?

The fiddling with the nuclear string model has led to following conclusions.

- (a) Strong isospin dependent nuclear force, which does not reduce to color force, is necessary in order to eliminate polynutron and polyproton states. This force contributes practically nothing to the energies of bound states. This can be understood as being due to the cancelation of isospin scalar and vector parts of this force for them. Only strong isospin singlets and their composites with isospin doublet (n,p) are allowed for  $A \leq 4$  nuclei serving as building bricks of the nuclear strings. Only *effective* polynutron states are allowed and they are strong isospin singlets or doublets containing charged color bonds.
- (b) The force could act in the length scalar of nuclear space-time sheets:  $k = 113$  nuclear p-adic length scale is a good candidate for this length scale. One must be however cautious: the contribution to the energy of nuclei is so small that length scale could be much longer and perhaps same as in case of exotic color bonds. Color bonds connecting nuclei correspond to much longer p-adic length scale and appear in three p-adically scaled up variants corresponding to  $A < 4$  nuclei,  $A = 4$  nuclei and  $A > 4$  nuclei.
- (c) The prediction of exotic deuterons with vanishing nuclear em charge leads to a simplification of the earlier model of cold fusion explaining its basic selection rules elegantly but requires a scaled variant of electro-weak force in the length scale of atom.

What is then this mysterious strong force? And how abundant these copies of color and electro-weak force actually are? Is there some unifying principle telling which of them are realized?

From foregoing plus TGD inspired model for quantum biology involving also dark and scaled variants of electro-weak and color forces it is becoming more and more obvious that the scaled

up variants of both QCD and electro-weak physics appear in various space-time sheets of TGD Universe. This raises the following questions.

- (a) Could the isospin dependent strong force between nucleons be nothing but a p-adically scaled up (with respect to length scale) version of the electro-weak interactions in the p-adic length scale defined by Mersenne prime  $M_{89}$  with new length scale assigned with gluons and characterized by Mersenne prime  $M_{107}$ ? Strong force would be electro-weak force but in the length scale of hadron! Or possibly in length scale of nucleus ( $k_{eff} = 107 + 6 = 113$ ) if a dark variant of strong force with  $\hbar = nh_0 = 2^3h_0$  is in question.
- (b) Why shouldn't there be a scaled up variant of electro-weak force also in the p-adic length scale of the nuclear color flux tubes?
- (c) Could it be that all Mersenne primes and also other preferred p-adic primes correspond to entire standard model physics including also gravitation? Could be be kind of natural selection which selects the p-adic survivors as proposed long time ago?

Positive answers to the last questions would clean the air and have quite a strong unifying power in the rather speculative and very-many-sheeted TGD Universe.

- (a) The prediction for new QCD type physics at  $M_{89}$  would get additional support. Perhaps also LHC provides it within the next half decade.
- (b) Electro-weak physics for Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$  assigned to electron and exotic quarks and color excited leptons would be predicted. This would predict the exotic quarks appearing in nuclear string model and conform with the 15 year old leptohadron hypothesis [K84].  $M_{127}$  dark weak physics would also make possible the phase transition transforming ordinary deuterium in  $Pd$  target to exotic deuterium with vanishing nuclear charge.

The most obvious objection against this unifying vision is that hadrons decay only according to the electro-weak physics corresponding to  $M_{89}$ . If they would decay according to  $M_{107}$  weak physics, the decay rates would be much much faster since the mass scale of electro-weak bosons would be reduced by a factor  $2^{-9}$  (this would give increase of decay rates by a factor  $2^{36}$  from the propagator of weak boson). This is however not a problem if strong force is a dark with say  $n = 8$  giving corresponding to nuclear length scale. This crazy conjecture might work if one accepts the dark Bohr rules!

## 13.6 Giant dipole resonance as a dynamical signature for the existence of Bose-Einstein condensates?

The basic characteristic of the Bose-Einstein condensate model is the non-linearity of the color contribution to the binding energy. The implication is that the de-coherence of the Bose-Einstein condensate of the nuclear string consisting of  ${}^4He$  nuclei costs energy. This de-coherence need not involve a splitting of nuclear strings although also this is possible. Similar de-coherence can occur for  ${}^4He$   $A < 4$  nuclei. It turns out that these three de-coherence mechanisms explain quite nicely the basic aspects of giant dipole resonance (GDR) and its variants both qualitatively and quantitatively and that precise predictions for the fine structure of GDR emerge.

### 13.6.1 De-coherence at the level of ${}^4He$ nuclear string

The de-coherence of a nucleus having  $n$   ${}^4He$  nuclei to a nucleus containing two Bose-Einstein condensates having  $n - k$  and  $k > 2$   ${}^4He$  nuclei requires energy given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta E &= (n^2 - (n - k)^2 - k^2)E_s = 2k(n - k)E_s, \quad k > 2, \\
 \Delta E &= (n^2 - (n - 2)^2 - 1)E_s = (4n - 5)E_s, \quad k = 2, \\
 E_s &\simeq .1955 \text{ MeV}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{13.6.-1}$$

Bose-Einstein condensate could also split into several pieces with some of them consisting of single  ${}^4\text{He}$  nucleus in which case there is no contribution to the color binding energy. A more general formula for the resonance energy reads as

$$\Delta E = (n^2 - \sum_i k^2(n_i))E_s, \quad \sum_i n_i = n,$$

$$k(n_i) = \begin{cases} n_i & \text{for } n_i > 2, \\ 1 & \text{for } n_i = 2, \\ 0 & \text{for } n_i = 1. \end{cases}$$
(13.6.-2)

The table below lists the resonance energies for four manners of  ${}^{16}\text{O}$  nucleus ( $n = 4$ ) to lose its coherence.

final state	3+1	2+2	2+1+1	1+1+1+1
$\Delta E/\text{MeV}$	1.3685	2.7370	2.9325	3.1280

Rather small energies are involved. More generally, the minimum and maximum resonance energy would vary as  $\Delta E_{min} = (2n - 1)E_s$  and  $\Delta E_{max} = n^2 E_s$  (total de-coherence). For  $n = n_{max} = 13$  one would have  $\Delta E_{min} = 2.3640$  MeV and  $\Delta E_{max} = 33.099$  MeV.

Clearly, the loss of coherence at this level is a low energy collective phenomenon but certainly testable. For nuclei with  $A > 60$  one can imagine also double resonance when both coherent Bose-Einstein condensates possibly present split into pieces. For  $A \geq 120$  also triple resonance is possible.

### 13.6.2 De-coherence inside ${}^4\text{He}$ nuclei

One can consider also the loss of coherence occurring at the level  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei. Predictions for resonances energies and for the dependence of GR cross sections on mass number follow.

#### Resonance energies

For  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei one has  $E_s = 1.820$  MeV. In this case de-coherence would mean the decomposition of Bose-Einstein condensate to  $n = 4 \rightarrow \sum n_i = n$  with  $\Delta E = n^2 - \sum_{n_i} k^1(n_i) = 16 - \sum_{n_i} k^2(n_i)$ . The table below gives the resonance energies for the four options  $n \rightarrow \sum_i n_i$  for the loss of coherence.

final state	3+1	2+2	2+1+1	1+1+1+1
$\Delta E/\text{MeV}$	12.74	25.48	27.30	29.12

These energies span the range at which the cross section for  ${}^{16}\text{O}(\gamma, xn)$  reaction has giant dipole resonances [C9]. Quite generally, GDR is a broad bump with substructure beginning around 10 MeV and ranging to 30 MeV. The average position of the bump as a function of atomic number can be parameterized by the following formula

$$E(A)/\text{MeV} = 31.2A^{-1/3} + 20.6A^{-1/6}$$
(13.6.-1)

given in [C163]. The energy varies from 36.6 MeV for  $A = 4$  (the fit is probably not good for very low values of  $A$ ) to 13.75 MeV for  $A = 206$ . The width of GDR ranges from 4-5 MeV for closed shell nuclei up to 8 MeV for nuclei between closed shells.

The observation raises the question whether the de-coherence of Bose-Einstein condensates associated with  ${}^4\text{He}$  and nuclear string could relate to GDR and its variants. If so, GR proper would be a collective phenomenon both at the level of single  ${}^4\text{He}$  nucleus (main contribution to the resonance energy) and entire nucleus (width of the resonance). The killer prediction is that even  ${}^4\text{He}$  should exhibit giant dipole resonance and its variants: GDR in  ${}^4\text{He}$  has been reported [C170].

### Some tests

This hypothesis seems to survive the basic qualitative and quantitative tests.

- (a) The basic prediction of the model peak at 12.74 MeV and at triplet of closely located peaks at (25.48, 27.30, 29.12) MeV spanning a range of about 4 MeV, which is slightly smaller than the width of GDR. According to [C106] there are two peaks identified as iso-scalar GMR at  $13.7 \pm 3$  MeV and iso-vector GMR at  $26 \pm 3$  MeV. The 6 MeV uncertainty related to the position of iso-vector peak suggests that it corresponds to the triplet (25.48, 27.30, 29.12) MeV whereas singlet would correspond to the iso-scalar peak. According to the interpretation represented in [C106] iso-scalar *resp.* iso-vector peak would correspond to oscillations of proton and neutron densities in same *resp.* opposite phase. This interpretation can make sense in TGD framework only inside single  ${}^4\text{He}$  nucleus and would apply to the transverse oscillations of  ${}^4\text{He}$  string rather than radial oscillations of entire nucleus.
- (b) The presence of triplet structure seems to explain most of the width of iso-vector GR. The combination of GDR internal to  ${}^4\text{He}$  with GDR for the entire nucleus (for which resonance energies vary from  $\Delta E_{min} = (2n - 1)E_s$  to  $\Delta E_{max} = n^2 E_s$  ( $n = A/4$ )) predicts that also latter contributes to the width of GDR and give it additional fine structure. The order of magnitude for  $\Delta E_{min}$  is in the range [1.3685, 2.3640] MeV which is consistent with the width of GDR and predicts a band of width 1 MeV located 1.4 MeV above the basic peak.
- (c) The de-coherence of  $A < 4$  nuclei could increase the width of the peaks for nuclei with partially filled shells: maximum and minimum values of resonance energy are  $9E_s({}^4\text{He})/2 = 8.19$  MeV and  $4E_s({}^4\text{He}) = 7.28$  MeV for  ${}^3\text{He}$  and  ${}^3\text{H}$  which conforms with the upper bound 8 MeV for the width.
- (d) It is also possible that  $n$   ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei simultaneously lose their coherence. If multiplet de-coherence occurs coherently it gives rise to harmonics of GDR. For de-coherent decoherence so that the emitted photons should correspond to those associated with single  ${}^4\text{He}$  GDR combined with nuclear GDR. If absorption occurs for  $n \leq 13$  nuclei simultaneously, one obtains a convoluted spectrum for resonant absorption energy

$$\Delta E = [16n - \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i_j} k^2(n_{i_j})] E_s . \quad (13.6.0)$$

The maximum value of  $\Delta E$  given by  $\Delta E_{max} = n \times 29.12$  MeV. For  $n = 13$  this would give  $\Delta E_{max} = 378.56$  MeV for the upper bound for the range of excitation energies for GDR. For heavy nuclei [C163] GDR occurs in the range 30-130 MeV of excitation energies so that the order of magnitude is correct. Lower bound in turn corresponds to a total loss of coherence for single  ${}^4\text{He}$  nucleus.

- (e) That the width of GDR increases with the excitation energy [C163] is consistent with the excitation of higher GDR resonances associated with the entire nuclear string.  $n \leq n_{max}$  for GDR at the level of the entire nucleus means saturation of the GDR peak with excitation energy which has been indeed observed [C9].

One can look whether the model might work even at the level of details. Figure 3 of [C9] compares total photoneutron reaction cross sections for  ${}^{16}\text{O}(\gamma, xn)$  in the range 16-26 MeV from some experiments so that the possible structure at 12.74 MeV is not visible in it. It is obvious that the resonance structure is more complex than predicted by the simplest model. It seems however possible to explain this.

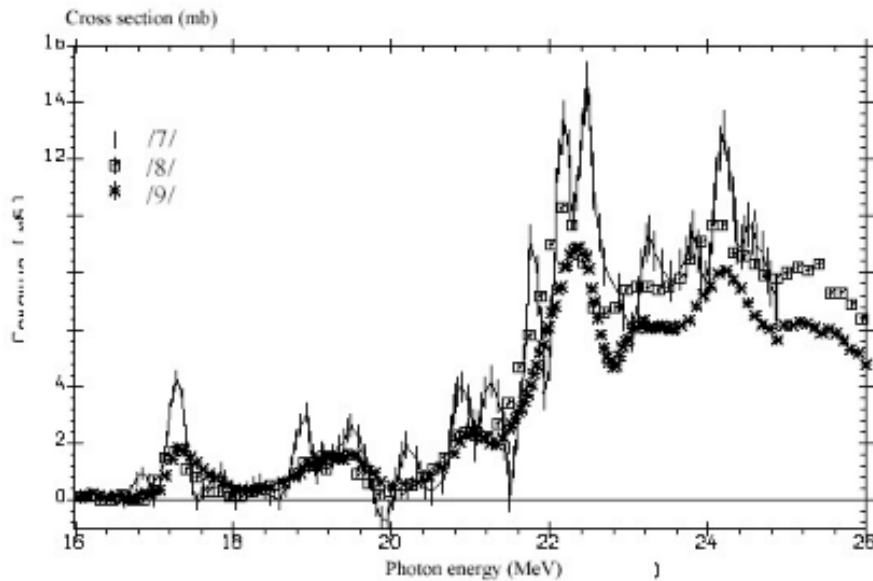


Figure 13.1: The comparison of photoneutron cross sections  $^{16}\text{O}(\gamma, xn)$  obtained in one BR-experiment (Moscow State University) and two QMA experiments carried out at Saclay (France) Livermore (USA). Figure is taken from [C9] where also references to experiments can be found.

- (a) The main part of the resonance is a high bump above 22 MeV spanning an interval of about 4 MeV just as the triplet at (25.48, 27.30, 29.12) MeV does. This suggests a shift of the predicted 3-peak structure in the range 25-30 MeV range downwards by about 3 MeV. This happens if the photo excitation inducing the de-coherence involves a dropping from a state with excitation energy of 3 MeV to the ground state. The peak structure has peaks roughly at the shifted energies but there is also an additional structure which might be understood in terms of the bands of width 1 MeV located 1.4 MeV above the basic line.
- (b) There are three smaller bumps below the main bump which also span a range of 4 MeV which suggests that also they correspond to a shifted variant of the basic three-peak structure. This can be understood if the photo excitation inducing de-coherence leads from an excited state with excitation energy 8.3 MeV to ground state shifting the resonance triplet (25.48, 27.30, 29.12) MeV to resonance triplet at (17.2, 19.00, 20.82) MeV.

On basis of these arguments it seems that the proposed mechanism might explain GR and its variants. The basic prediction would be the presence of singlet and triplet resonance peaks corresponding to the four manners to lose the coherence. Second signature is the precise prediction for the fine structure of resonance peaks.

### Predictions for cross sections

The estimation of collision cross sections in nuclear string model would require detailed numerical models. One approach to modelling would be to treat the colliding nuclear strings as random coils with finite thickness defined by the size of  $A \leq 4$  strings. The intersections of colliding strings would induce fusion reactions and self intersections fissions. Simple statistical models for the intersections based on geometric probability are possible and allow to estimate branching ratios to various channels.

In the case of GR the reduction to  $^4\text{He}$  level means strong testable predictions for the dependence of GR cross sections on the mass number. GR involves formation of eye-glass type configuration at level of single  $^4\text{He}$  and in the collision of nuclei with mass numbers  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  GR means

formation of these configurations for some  $A = 4$  unit associated with either nucleus. Hence the GR cross section should be in a reasonable approximation proportional to  $n_1 + n_2$  where  $n_i$  are the numbers of  $A = 4$  sub-units, which can be either  ${}^4\text{He}$ , tetra-neutron, or possible other variants of  ${}^4\text{He}$  having charged color bonds. For  $Z_i = 2m_i$ ,  $N = 2n_i$ ,  $A_i = 4(m_i + n_i)$  nuclei one has  $n_1 + n_2 = (A_1 + A_2)/4$ . Also a characteristic oscillatory behavior as a function of  $A$  is expected if the number of  $A = 4$  units is maximal. If GR reactions are induced by the touching of  ${}^4\text{He}$  units of nuclear string implying transfer of kinetic energy between units then the GR cross sections should depend only on the energy per  ${}^4\text{He}$  nucleus in cm system, which is also a strong prediction.

### 13.6.3 De-coherence inside $A = 3$ nuclei and pygmy resonances

For neutron rich nuclei the loss of coherence is expected to occur inside  ${}^4\text{He}$ , tetra-neutron,  ${}^3\text{He}$  and possibly also  ${}^3n$  which might be stable in the nuclear environment. The de-coherence of tetra-neutron gives in the first approximation the same resonance energy spectrum as that for  ${}^4\text{He}$  since  $E_B({}^4n) \sim E_B({}^4\text{He})$  roughly consistent with the previous estimates for  $E_B({}^4n)$  implies  $E_s({}^4n) \sim E_s({}^4\text{He})$ .

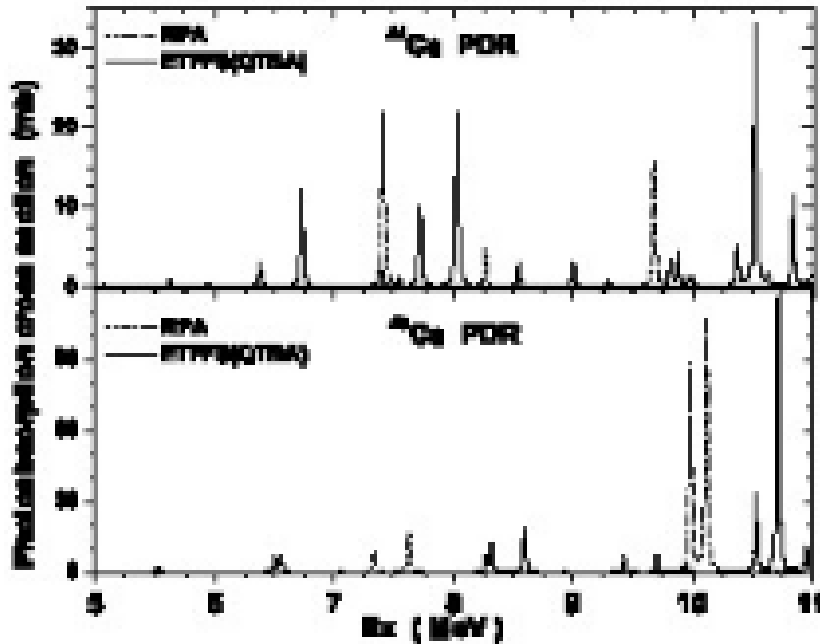


Figure 13.2: Pygmy resonances in  ${}^{44}\text{Ca}$  and  ${}^{48}\text{Ca}$  up to 11 MeV. Figure is taken from [C139] .

The de-coherence inside  $A = 3$  nuclei might explain the so called pygmy resonance appearing in neutron rich nuclei, which according to [C30] is wide bump around  $E \sim 8$  MeV. For  $A = 3$  nuclei only two de-coherence transitions are possible:  $3 \rightarrow 2 + 1$  and  $3 \rightarrow 1 + 1 + 1$  and  $E_s = E_B({}^3\text{H}) = .940$  MeV the corresponding energies are  $8E_s = 7.520$  MeV and  $9 * E_s = 8.4600$  MeV. Mean energy is indeed  $\sim 8$  MeV and the separation of peaks about 1 MeV. The de-coherence at level of  ${}^4\text{He}$  string might add to this 1 MeV wide bands about 1.4 MeV above the basic lines.

The figure of [C139] illustrating photo-absorption cross section in  ${}^{44}\text{Ca}$  and  ${}^{48}\text{Ca}$  shows three peaks at 6.8, 7.3, 7.8 and 8 MeV in  ${}^{44}\text{Ca}$ . The additional two peaks might be assigned with the excitation of initial or final states. This suggests also the presence of also  $A = 3$  nuclear

strings in  ${}^{44}\text{Ca}$  besides  ${}^H4$  and  ${}^4n$  strings. Perhaps neutron halo wave function contains  ${}^3n + n$  component besides  ${}^4n$ . For  ${}^{48}\text{Ca}$  these peaks are much weaker suggesting the dominance of  $2 \times {}^4n$  component.

### 13.6.4 De-coherence and the differential topology of nuclear reactions

Nuclear string model allows a topological description of nuclear decays in terms of closed string diagrams and it is interesting to look what characteristic predictions follow without going to detailed quantitative modelling of stringy collisions possibly using some variant of string models.

In the de-coherence eye-glass type singularities of the closed nuclear string appear and make possible nuclear decays.

- (a) At the level of  ${}^4\text{He}$  sub-strings the simplest singularities correspond to  $4 \rightarrow 3 + 1$  and  $4 \rightarrow 2 + 2$  eye-glass singularities. The first one corresponds to low energy GR and second to one of higher energy GRs. They can naturally lead to decays in which nucleon or deuteron is emitted in decay process. The singularities  $4 \rightarrow 2 + 1 + 1$  *resp.*  $4 \rightarrow 1 + 1 + 1 + 1$  correspond to eye-glasses with 3 *resp.* four lenses and mean the decay of  ${}^4\text{He}$  to deuteron and two nucleons *resp.* 4 nucleons. The prediction is that the emission of deuteron requires a considerably larger excitation energy than the emission of single nucleon. For GR at level of  $A = 3$  nuclei analogous considerations apply. Taking into account the possible tunnelling of the nuclear strings from the nuclear space-time sheet modifies this simple picture.
- (b) For GR in the scale of entire nuclei the corresponding singular configurations typically make possible the emission of alpha particle. Considerably smaller collision energies should be able to induce the emission of alpha particles than the emission of nucleons if only stringy excitations matter. The excitation energy needed for the emission of  $\alpha$  particle is predicted to increase with  $A$  since the number  $n$  of  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei increases with  $A$ . For instance, for  $Z = N = 2n$  nuclei  $n \rightarrow n - 1 + 1$  would require the excitation energy  $(2n - 1)E_c = (A/2 - 1)E_c$ ,  $E_c \simeq .2$  MeV. The tunnelling of the alpha particle from the nuclear space-time sheet can modify the situation.

The decay process allows a differential topological description. Quite generally, in the de-coherence process  $n \rightarrow (n - k) + k$  the color magnetic flux through the closed string must be reduced from  $n$  to  $n - k$  units through the first closed string and to  $k$  units through the second one. The reduction of the color magnetic fluxes means the reduction of the total color binding energy from  $n^2 E_c$  to  $((n - k)^2 + k^2) E_c$  and the kinetic energy of the colliding nucleons should provide this energy.

Faraday's law, which is essentially a differential topological statement, requires the presence of a time dependent color electric field making possible the reduction of the color magnetic fluxes. The holonomy group of the classical color gauge field  $G_{\alpha\beta}^A$  is always Abelian in TGD framework being proportional to  $H^A J_{\alpha\beta}$ , where  $H^A$  are color Hamiltonians and  $J_{\alpha\beta}$  is the induced Kähler form. Hence it should be possible to treat the situation in terms of the induced Kähler field alone. Obviously, the change of the Kähler (color) electric flux in the reaction corresponds to the change of (color) Kähler (color) magnetic flux. The change of color electric flux occurs naturally in a collision situation involving changing induced gauge fields.

## 13.7 Cold fusion, plasma electrolysis, biological transmutations, and burning salt water

The article of Kanarev and Mizuno [D59] reports findings supporting the occurrence of cold fusion in NaOH and KOH hydrolysis. The situation is different from standard cold fusion where heavy water  $D_2O$  is used instead of  $H_2O$ .

One can understand the cold fusion reactions reported by Mizuno as nuclear reactions in which part of what I call dark proton string having negatively charged color bonds (essentially a zoomed up variant of ordinary nucleus with large Planck constant) suffers a phase transition to



ordinary matter and experiences ordinary strong interactions with the nuclei at the cathode. In the simplest model the final state would contain only ordinary nuclear matter. The generation of plasma in plasma electrolysis can be seen as a process analogous to the positive feedback loop in ordinary nuclear reactions.

Rather encouragingly, the model allows to understand also deuterium cold fusion and leads to a solution of several other anomalies.

- (a) The so called lithium problem of cosmology (the observed abundance of lithium is by a factor 2.5 lower than predicted by standard cosmology [E9] ) can be resolved if lithium nuclei transform partially to dark lithium nuclei.
- (b) The so called  $H_{1.5}O$  anomaly of water [D27, D24, D28, D70] can be understood if 1/4 of protons of water forms dark lithium nuclei or heavier dark nuclei formed as sequences of these just as ordinary nuclei are constructed as sequences of  ${}^4He$  and lighter nuclei in nuclear string model. The results force to consider the possibility that nuclear isotopes unstable as ordinary matter can be stable dark matter.
- (c) The mysterious behavior burning salt water [D1] can be also understood in the same framework.
- (d) The model explains the nuclear transmutations observed in Kanarev's plasma electrolysis. Intriguingly, several biologically important ions belong to the reaction products in the case of NaOH electrolysis. This raises the question whether cold nuclear reactions occur in living matter and are responsible for generation of biologically most important ions.

### 13.7.1 The data

#### Findings of Kanarev

Kanarev has found that the volume of produced  $H_2$  and  $O_2$  gases is much larger than the volume resulting in the electrolysis of the water used in the process. If one knows the values of  $p$  and  $T$  one can estimate the volumes of  $H_2$  and  $O_2$  using the equation of state  $V = nT/p$  of ideal gas. This gives

$$V(H_2; p, T) = \frac{A(H_2)}{A(H_2O)} \times \frac{M(H_2O)}{m_p} = \frac{1}{9} \frac{M(H_2O)}{m_p} \times \frac{T}{p} .$$

Here  $M(H_2O)$  is the total mass of the water (.272 kg for KOH and .445 kg for NaOH).

In the situation considered one should be able to produce from one liter of water 1220 liters of hydrogen and 622 liters of oxygen giving

$$V(H_2)/V(H_2O) = 1.220 \times 10^3 , \quad V(O_2)/V(H_2O) = .622 \times 10^3 ,$$

$$r(gas) = V(H_2 + O_2)/V(H_2O) = 1.844 \times 10^3 , \quad V(H_2)/V(O_2) \simeq 1.96 .$$

$V(H_2)/V(O_2) \simeq 1.96$  is 4 per cent smaller than the prediction  $V(H_2)/V(O_2) = 2$  of the ideal gas approximation.

The volumes of  $O_2$  and  $H_2$  are not reported separately. The table gives the total volumes of gas produced and ratios to the volume of water used.

	$M(H_2O)/kg$	$V(gas)/m^3$	$\frac{V(gas)}{V(H_2O)}$	$\frac{[V(gas)/V(H_2O)]}{r(gas)}$
KOH	.272	8.75	$3.2 \times 10^4$	17.4
NaOH	.445	12.66	$2.8 \times 10^4$	15.2

Table 1. The weight of water used in the electrolysis and the total volume of gas produced for KOH and NaOH electrolysis.  $r(gas)$  denotes the naive prediction for the total volume of gas per water volume appearing in previous table. For KOH *resp.* NaOH the volume ratio  $[V(gas)/V(H_2O)]$  is by a factor  $r = 17.4$  *resp.*  $r = 15.2$  higher than the naive estimate.

### Findings of Mizuno

Mizuno in turn found that the Fe cathode contains Si, K, Cr, Fe, Cu for both KOH and NaOH electrolysis and in case of NaOH also Al, Si, Ca. The fraction of these nuclei is of order one per cent. The table below gives the fractions for both KOH and NaOH.

KOH				
Element(Z,N)	Al(13,27)	Si(14,28)	Cl(17,18)	K(19,20)
%		0.94		4.50
Element(Z,N)	Ca(20,20)	Cr(24,28))	Fe(26,29)	Cu(29,34)
%		1.90	93.0	0.45
NaOH				
Element(Z,N)	Al(13,27)	Si(14,28)	Cl(17,18)	K(19,20)
%	1.10	0.55	0.20	0.60
Element(Z,N)	Ca(20,20)	Cr(24,28))	Fe(26,29)	Cu(29,34)
%	0.40	1.60	94.0	0.65

Table 2. The per cent of various nuclei in cathode for KOH and NaOH electrolysis.

The results supports the view that nuclear reactions involving new nuclear physics are involved and that part of  $H_2$  and  $O_2$  could be produced by nuclear reactions at the cathode.

- (a) For *Si*, *K*, *Cr*, *Fe*, and *Cu* the mechanism could be common for both *NaOH* and *KOH* electrolysis and presumably involve fission of *Fe* nuclei. The percent of *K* in *KOH* is considerably larger than in *NaOH* case and this is presumably due to the absorption of  $K^+$  ions by the cathode.
- (b) For *Al*, *Si*, and *Ca* the reaction occurring only for *Na* should involve *Na* ions absorbed by the cathode and suffering cold fusion with some particles -call them just *X* - to be identified.
- (c) *Cu* is the only element heavier than *Fe* and is expected to be produced by fusion with *X*. Quite generally, the fractions are of order one per cent.
- (d) The authors suggests that the extra volume of  $H_2$  and  $O_2$  molecules is due to nuclear reactions in the cathode. A test for this hypothesis would be the ratio of  $H_2$  and  $O_2$  volumes. Large deviation from value 2 would support the hypothesis. The value near 2 would in turn support the hypothesis that the water produced by electrolysis is considerably denser than ordinary water.

### 13.7.2 $H_{1.5}O$ anomaly and nuclear string model

It would seem that some exotic nuclei, perhaps consisting of protons, should be involved with the cold fusion. Concerning the identification of these exotic particles there are several guidelines.  $H_{1.5}O$  anomaly, anomalous production of  $e^+e^-$  pairs in heavy ion collisions, and nuclear string model.

#### $H_{1.5}O$ anomaly and anomalous production of electron-positron pairs in heavy ion collisions

There exists an anomaly which could be explained in terms of long open nuclear strings. The explanation of  $H_{1.5}O$  anomaly [D27, D24, D28, D70] discussed in [K26] as a manifestation of dark protons was one of the first applications of TGD based ideas about dark matter. The proposed explanation is that the fraction of 1/4 of protons is in attosecond time scale dark and invisible in electron scattering and neutron diffraction. Note that attosecond time scale corresponds to the time during which light travels a length of order atomic size.

A natural identification of the dark protons would be in terms of protonic strings behaving like nuclei having anomalously large size, which would be due to the anomalously large value of Planck constant. A partial neutralization by negatively charge color bonds would make these states stable.

The TGD based explanation of anomalous production of electron-positron pairs in the collisions of heavy nuclei just above the Coulomb wall [K84] is in terms of lepto-pions consisting of pairs of color octet electron and positron allowed by TGD and having mass slightly below  $2m_e \simeq 1$  MeV. The strong electromagnetic fields created in collision create coherent state of leptopions decaying into electron positron pairs.

### Nuclear string model

The nuclear string model describes nuclei as string like structures with nucleons connected by color magnetic flux tubes whose length is of order electron Compton length about  $10^{-12}$  meters and even longer and thus much longer than the size scale of nuclei themselves which is below  $10^{-14}$  meters. Color magnetic flux tubes define the color magnetic body of nucleus and each flux tube has colored fermion and antifermion at its ends. The net color of pair is non-vanishing so that color confinement binds the nucleons to the nuclear string. Nuclei can be visualized as structures analogous to plants with nucleus taking the role of seed and color magnetic body of much larger size taking the role of plant with color flux tubes however returning back to another nucleon inside nucleus.

One can imagine two basic identifications of the fermions.

- (a) For the first option fermions are identified as quarks. The color flux tube can have three charge states  $q = +1, 0, -1$  according to whether it corresponds to  $u\bar{d}, u\bar{u} + d\bar{d}$ , or  $\bar{u}d$  type state for quarks. This predicts a rich spectrum of exotic nuclei in which neutrons consist actually of proton plus negatively charged flux tube. The small mass difference between neutron and proton and small mass of the quarks (of order MeV) could quite well mean that these exotic nuclei are identified as ordinary nuclei. The findings of [C197] [C197] support the identification as quarks.
- (b) Lepto-hadron hypothesis [K84] encourages to consider also the possibility that color bonds have color octet electrons at their ends. This would make it easier to understand why lepto-pions are produced in the collisions of heavy nuclei.
- (c) One can also consider the possibility that the color bonds are superpositions of quark-antiquark pairs and colored electron-positron pairs.

### Two options

One can consider two options for protonic strings. Either their correspond to open strings connected by color magnetic flux tubes or protons are dark so that giant nuclei are in question.

#### 1. Protonic strings as open strings?

Color flux tubes connecting nucleons are long and one can ask whether it might be possible also open nuclear strings with long color flux tubes connecting widely separate nucleons even at atomic distance. These kind of structures would be favored if the ends of nuclear string are charged.

Even without assumption of large values of Planck constant for the color magnetic body and quarks the net length of flux tubes could be of the order of atomic size. Large value  $\hbar$  would imply an additional scaling.

The simplest giant nuclei constructible in this manner would consist of protons connected by color magnetic flux tubes to form an open string. Stability suggest that the charge per length is not too high so that some minimum fraction of the color bonds would be negatively charged. One could speak of exotic counterparts of ordinary nuclei differing from them only in the sense that

size scale is much larger. A natural assumption is that the distance between charged protonic space-time sheets along string is constant.

In the sequel the notation  $X(z, n)$  will be used for the protonic string containing net charge  $z$  and  $n$  negatively charged bonds.  $a = z + n$  will denote the number of protons.  $z, n$  and  $a$  are analogous to nuclear charge  $Z$ , neutron number  $N$ , and mass number  $A$ . For open strings the charge is  $z \geq 1$  and for closed strings  $z \geq 0$  holds true.

This option has however problem. It is difficult to imagine how the nuclear reactions could take place. One can imagine ordinary stringy diagrams in which touching of strings means that proton of protonic string and ordinary nucleus interact strongly in ordinary sense of the word. It is however difficult to imagine how entire protonic string could be absorbed into the ordinary nucleus.

### 2. Are protons of the protonic string dark?

Second option is that protonic strings consist of dark protons so that nuclear space-time-sheet has scale up size, perhaps of order atomic size. This means that fermionic charge is distributed in much larger volume and possibly also the fermions associated with color magnetic flux tubes have scaled up sized. The value  $\hbar = 2^{11}\hbar_0$  would predict Compton length of order  $10^{-12}$  m for nucleon and upper size of order  $10^{-11}$  for nuclei.

Cold nuclear reactions require a transformation of dark protons to ordinary ones and this requires leakage to the sector of the imbedding space in which the ordinary nuclei reside (here the book metaphor for imbedding space is very useful). This process can take place for a neutral part of protonic string and involves a reduction of proton and fermion sizes to normal ones. The phase transition could occur first only for a neutral piece of the protonic string having charges at its ends and initiate the nuclear reaction. Part of protonic string could remain dark and remaining part could be "eaten" by the ordinary nucleus or dark protonic string could "eat" part of the ordinary nuclear string. If the leakage occurs for the entire dark proton string, the nuclear reaction itself is just ordinary nuclear reaction and is expected to give out ordinary nuclei. What is important that apart from the crucial phase transition steps in the beginning and perhaps also in the end of the reaction, the model reduces to ordinary nuclear physics and is in principle testable.

The basic question is how plasma phase resulting in electrolysis leads to the formation of dark protons. The proposal [K28] that the transition takes place with perturbative description of the plasma phase fails, might be more or less correct. Later a more detailed nuclear physics picture about the situation emerges.

### 3. What happens to electrons in the formation of protonic strings?

One should answer two questions.

- (a) What happens to the electrons of hydrogen atoms in the formation of dark protonic strings?
- (b) In plasma electrolysis the increase of the input voltage implies a mysterious reduction of the electron current with the simultaneous increase of the size of the plasma region near the cathode [C169]. This means reduction of conductance with voltage and thus non-linear behavior. Where does electronic charge go?

Obviously the negatively charged color bond created by adding one proton to a protonic string could take the charge of electron and transform electrons as charge carriers to color bonds of dark  $Li$  isotopes which charge  $Z = 3$  by gluing to existing protons sequence proton and negatively charged color bond. If the proton comes from  $H_2O$   $OH^-$  replaces electron as a charge carrier. This would reduce the conductivity since  $OH^-$  is much heavier than electron. This kind of process and its reversal would take place in the transformation of hydrogen atoms to dark proton strings and back in atto-second time scale.

The color bond could be either  $\bar{u}d$  pair or  $e_8\bar{\nu}_8$  pair or quantum superposition of these. The basic vertex would involve the exchange of color octet super-symplectic bosons and their neutrino counterparts. Lepton number conservation requires creation of color singlet states formed of color

octet neutrinos which are bosons and carrying lepton number -2. One color confined neutrino pair would be created for each electron pair consumed in the process and might escape the system: if this happens, the process is not reversible above the time scale defined by colored neutrino mass scale of order .1 eV which happens to be of order .1 attoseconds for ordinary neutrinos. Also ordinary nuclei could consist of nucleons connected by identical neutral color bonds (mostly).

The exchange of light counterparts of charged  $\rho$  mesons having mass of order MeV could lead to the transformation of neutral color bonds to charged ones. In deuterium cold fusion the exchange of charged  $\rho$  mesons between  $D$  and  $Pd$  nuclei could transform  $D$  nuclei to states behaving like di-neutrons so that cold fusion for  $D$  could take place. In the earlier proposal exchange of  $W^+$  boson of scaled variant of weak interactions was proposed as a mechanism.

The formation of charged color bonds binding new dark protons to existing protonic nuclear strings or giving rise to the formation of completely new protonic strings would also increase of the rates of cold nuclear reactions.

Note that this picture leaves open the question whether the fermions associated with color bonds are quarks or electrons.

### Nuclei and their dark variants must have same binding energy scale at nuclear quantum criticality

The basic question is what happens to the scale of binding energy of nuclei in the zooming up of nuclear space-time sheet. Quantum criticality requires that the binding energies scales must be same.

- (a) Consider first the binding energy of the nuclear strings. The highly non-trivial prediction of the nuclear string model is that the contributions of strong contact interactions at nuclear space-time sheet (having size  $L < 10^{-14}$  m) to the binding energy vanish in good approximation for ground states with vanishing strong isospin. This means that the binding energy comes from the binding energy assignable to color bonds connecting nucleons together.
- (b) Suppose that this holds true in a good approximation also for dark nuclei for which the distances of nucleons at zoomed up nuclear space-time sheet (having originally size below  $10^{-14}$  meters) are scaled up. As a matter of fact, since the scale of binding energy for contact interactions is expected to reduce, the situation is expected to improve. Suppose that color bonds with length of order  $10^{-12}$  m preserve their lengths. Under these assumptions the nuclear binding energy scale is not affected appreciably and one can have nuclear quantum criticality. Note that the length for the color bonds poses upper limit of order 100 for the scaling of Planck constant.

It is essential that the length of color bonds is not changed and only the size of the nuclear space-time sheet changes. If also the length and thickness of color bonds is scaled up then a naive scaling argument assuming that color binding energy related to the interaction of transforms as color Coulombic binding energy would predict that the energy scales like  $1/\hbar$ . The binding energies of dark nuclei would be much smaller and transformation of ordinary nuclei to dark nuclei would not take place spontaneously. Quantum criticality would not hold true and the argument explaining the transformation of ordinary  $Li$  to its dark counterpart and the model for the deuterium cold fusion would be lost.

### 13.7.3 A model for the observations of Mizuno

The basic objection against cold nuclear reactions is that Coulomb wall makes it impossible for the incoming nuclei to reach the range of strong interactions. In order that the particle gets to the cathode from electrolyte it should be positively charged. Positive charge however implies Coulomb wall which cannot be overcome with the low energies involved.

These two contradictory conditions can be satisfied if the electrolysis produces exotic phase of water satisfying the chemical formula  $H_{1.5}O$  with 1/4 of protons in the form of almost neutral protonic strings can possess only few neutral color bonds. The neutral portions of the protonic

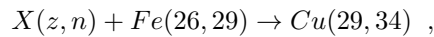
string, which have suffered phase transition to a phase with ordinary Planck constant could get very near to the target nucleus since the charges of proton can be neutralized in the size scale of proton by the charges  $\bar{u}$  and  $d$  quarks or  $e$  and  $\bar{\nu}$  associated with the two bonds connecting proton to the two neighboring protons. This could make possible cold nuclear reactions.

It turns out that the model fixes protonic strings to isotopes of dark Lithium (with neutrons replaced with proton plus negatively charged color bond). What is intriguing is that the biologically most important ions (besides  $Na^+$ )  $Cl^-$ ,  $K^+$ , and  $Ca^{++}$  appear at the cathode in Kanarev's plasma electrolysis actually result as outcomes of cold nuclear reactions between dark  $Li$  and  $Na^+$ .

### General assumptions of the model

The general assumptions of the model are following.

- (a) Ordinary nuclei are nuclear strings, which can contain besides neutrons also "pseudo-neutrons" consisting of pairs of protons and negatively charged color bonds. The model for  $D$  cold fusion requires that the  $Pd$  nuclei contain also "pseudo-neutrons".
- (b) Reaction products resulting in the fusion of exotic protonic string transforming partially to ordinary nuclear matter (if originally in dark phase) consist of the nuclei detected in the cathode plus possibly also nuclei which form gases or noble gases and leak out from the cathode.
- (c)  $Si$ ,  $K$ ,  $Cr$ , and  $Cu$  are produced by the same mechanism in both KOH and NaOH electrolysis.
- (d)  $Al$ ,  $Cl$ , and  $Ca$  is produced by a mechanism which must involve cold nuclear reaction between protonic string and Na ions condensed on the cathode.
- (e)  $Cu(Z, N) = Cu(29, 34)$  is the only product nucleus heavier than  $Fe(26, 29)$ . If no other nuclei are involved and Cu is produced by cold fusion



the anatomy of protonic string must be

$$X(z, n) = X(3, 5)$$

so that dark variant  $Li(3, 5)$  having charge 3 and mass number 8 would be in question.  $X(3, 5)$  would have 2 neutral color bonds and 5 negatively charged color bonds. To minimize Coulomb interaction the neutral color bonds must reside at the ends of the string. For quark option one would have charge  $1 + 2/3$  at the first end and  $1 + 1/3$  at the second end and charges of all protons between them would be neutralized. For color octet lepton color bond one would have charge 2 at the other end and zero at the other end.

For quark option the net protonic charge at the ends of the string causing repulsive interaction between the ends could make protonic string unstable against transition to dark phase in which the distance between ends is much longer even if the ends are closed within scaled up variant of the nuclear volume.

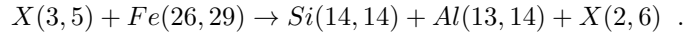
Arbitrarily long strings  $X(3, n)$  having neutral bonds only at their ends are possible and their fusions lead to neutron rich isotopes of  $Cu$  nucleus decaying to the stable isotope. Hence the prediction that only  $Cu$  is produced is very general.

The simplest dark protonic strings  $X(3, n)$  have quantum numbers of  $Li(3, n)$ . One of the hard problems of Big Bang cosmology is that the measured abundance of lithium is by a factor of about 2.5 lower than the predicted abundance [E9]. The spontaneous transformation of  $Li(3, n)$  isotopes to their dark variants could explain the discrepancy. Just by passing notice that  $Li$  has mood stabilizing effect [C20]: the spontaneous transformation of  $Li^+$  to its dark variant might relate to this effect.

**Production mechanisms for the light nuclei common to *Na* and *K***

These nuclei must be produced by a fission of *Fe* nuclei.

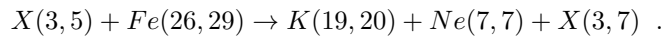
- (a) For *Si*(14, 14) production the mechanism would be cold fission of *Fe* nucleus to two parts in the collision with the protonic string:



$X(2, 6)$  represent dark or ordinary *He*(2, 6). As a noble gas *He* isotope would leave the cathode.

Note that arbitrarily long proton strings with two neutral bonds at their ends give neutron rich isotope of *Si* and exotic or ordinary isotope of *He* so that again the prediction is very general.

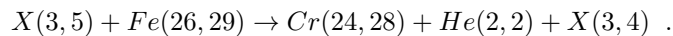
- (b) *K*(19, 20) is produced much more in KOH which most probably means that part of  $K^+$  is absorbed from the electrolyte. In this case the reaction could proceed as follows:



Note that the neutron number could be distributed in many manners between final states. For arbitrarily long proton string with two neutral bonds at ends higher neutron rich isotopes of *K* and *Ne* are produced. As noble gas *Ne* would leak out from the cathode.

Ordinary *Li*(3, 7) would decay by neutron emission to stable isotopes of *Li*. The temperature of the system determines whether *Li* boils out (1615 K under normal pressure). *Li* is not reported to appear in the cathode. In plasma electrolysis the temperature is in the interval  $.5 \times 10^4$ -  $10^4$  C and around  $10^3$  C in the ordinary electrolysis so that the high temperature might explain the absence of *Li*. Also the in-stability of *Li* isotopes against transition to dark *Li* in electrolyte would imply the absence of *Li*.

- (c) For *Cr*(24, 28) production the simplest reaction would be



Helium would leak out as noble gas. Proton string would shorten by one unit and keep its charge.  $X(3, 4)$  would represent the stable isotope *Li*(3, 4) or its dark counterpart and what has been said in 2) applies also now.

**How to understand the difference between KOH and NOH?**

One should understand why *Al*, *Cl*, and *Ca* are not detected in the case of *KOH* electrolysis.

*Al*, *Cl*, and *Ca* would be created in the fusion of protonic strings with *Na*(11, 12) nuclei absorbed by the cathode. With this assumption the rates are expected to be of same order of magnitude for all these processes as suggested by the one per cent order of magnitude for all fractions.

One can imagine two reaction mechanisms.

**I:** One could understand the production assuming only  $X(3, 5)$  protonic strings if the number of  $X(3, 5)$  strings absorbed by single *Na* nucleus can be  $k = 1, 2, 3$  and that nuclear fission can take place after each step with a rate which is slow as compared to the rate of absorptions involving also the phase transition to dark matter. This is however highly implausible since ordinary nuclear interactions are in question.

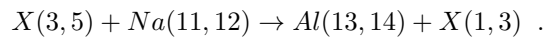
**II:** Second possibility is that the protonic strings appearing with the highest probability are obtained by fusing copies of the basic string  $X(3, 5)$  by using neutral color bond between the strings. The minimization of electrostatic energy requires that that neutral color bonds are equally spaced so that there are three completely neutralized protons between non-neutralized protons.

One would have thus at least the strings  $X(3, 5)$ ,  $X(6, 10)$ , and  $X(9, 15)$ , which correspond to dark  $Li(3, 5)$  and dark variants of the unstable isotopes  $C(6, 10)$  and  $F(9, 15)$ . In nuclear string model also ordinary nuclei are constructed from  $He(2, 2)$  strings and lighter strings in completely analogous manner, and one could perhaps see the dark nuclei constructed from  $Li(3, 5)$  as the next level of hierarchy realized only at the level of dark matter.

The charge per nucleon would be  $3/8$  and the length of the string would be a multiple of 8. Interestingly, the numbers 3, 5, and 8 are subsequent Fibonacci numbers appearing very frequently also in biology (micro-tubules, sunflower patterns). The model predicts also the occurrence of cold fusions  $X(z = 3k, n = 5k) + Fe(26, 29) \rightarrow (Z, N) = (26 + 3k, 29 + 5k)$ . For  $k = 2$  this would give  $Ge(32, 39)$  which is stable isotope of  $Ge$ . For  $k = 3$  one would have  $(Z, N) = (35, 44)$  which is stable isotope of  $Br$  [C195, C33].

Consider now detailed description of the reactions explaining the nuclei detected in the cathode.

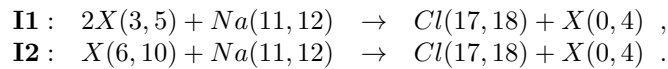
- (a)  $Al(13, 14)$  would be produced in the reaction



$H(1, 3)$  or its dark variant could be in question. Also the reaction  $X(3, 5) + Na(11, 12) \rightarrow Al(13, 17) + p$ , where  $Al(12, 17)$  is an unstable isotope of  $Al$  is possible.

The full absorption of protonic string would yield  $Si(14, 17)$  beta-decaying to  $P(15, 16)$ , which is stable. Either  $P$  leaks out from the cathode or full absorption does not take place appreciably.

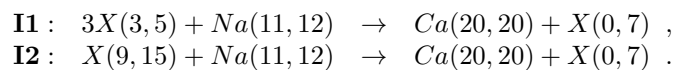
- (b)  $Cl(17, 18)$  would be produced by the sequence



$X(0, 4)$  represents ordinary or dark tetra-neutron [C259, C137, C60]. The instability of the transformation of tetra-neutron to dark matter could explain why its existence has remained controversial.

If the protonic string were absorbed completely, the resulting  $Cl(17, 22)$  - if equivalent to ordinary nucleus - would transform via beta-decays to  $A(18, 23)$  and then to  $K(19, 22)$ , which is stable and detected in the target.

- (c)  $Ca(20, 20)$  would be produced in the reaction



$X(0, 7)$  would be dark counterpart of "septa-neutron". The complete absorption of nuclear string would produce  $Ca(20, 27)$ , which (if ordinary nucleus) transforms via beta decays to  $Sc(21, 26)$  and then to  $Ti(22, 25)$ , which is stable.

### 13.7.4 Comparison with the model of deuterium cold fusion

It is interesting to compare the model with the model for cold fusion [C236, C5] reported using deuterium target and  $D_2O$  instead of water.

#### Earlier model

- (a) The model is based on the assumption that  $D$  nuclei in the target suffer a phase transition to a state in which  $D$  nuclei become neutral so that the color bond between neutron and proton becomes negatively charged: one has effectively di-neutrons.
- (b) The mechanism of charging of color bond must either involve weak interactions or exchange of lepto- $\rho$  mesons already discussed briefly. The proposal is that the exchange of  $W$  bosons of scaled up version of weak physics is involved with the range of interactions given by



atomic length scale. The exchange of  $W^+$  bosons was assumed to take place between  $Pd$  and  $D$  nuclei. This mechanism could lead to the formation of negatively charged color bonds in also ordinary nuclei.

- (c) The neutrality of exotic  $D$  nuclei allows to overcome Coulomb wall. One can understand the reported selection rules: in particular the absence of Helium isotopes (only isotopes of  $H$  are detected). The absence of gamma rays can be understood if the resulting gamma rays are dark and leak out before a transformation to ordinary gamma rays.

### Are $D$ nuclei in $Pd$ target dark or not?

The question whether the exotic  $D$  nuclei are dark was left pending. The recent model suggests that the answer is affirmative.

- (a) The basic difference between the two experiments would be that in Kanarev's experiments incoming nuclei are dark whereas in  $D$  fusion cathode contains the dark nuclei and cold nuclear reactions occur at the "dark side" and is preceded by ordinary-to-dark phase transition for incoming  $D$ .
- (b)  $D$  cold fusion occurs for a very restricted range of parameters characterizing target: the first parameter is doping ratio: essentially one  $D$  nucleus per one  $Pd$  nucleus is needed which would fit with the assumption that scaled up size is of the order of atom size. Temperature is second parameter. This and the fact that the situation is highly sensitive to perturbations conforms with the interpretation as a phase transition to dark matter occurring at quantum criticality.
- (c) The model for Kanarev's findings forces to consider the possibility that dark  $D$  nuclei combine to form longer strings and can also give rise to dark  $Li(3, 5)$  explaining the observed nuclear transmutations in the target.
- (d) In cold nuclear reactions incoming nuclei would transform to dark nuclei (the picture as a leakage between different pages of a book like structure defined by the generalized imbedding space is helpful). The reaction would take place for dark nuclei in zoomed up nuclear physics and the reaction products would be unstable against phase transition to ordinary nuclei.
- (e) Is it then necessary to assume that target  $D$  nuclei are transformed to neutral ones (di-neutrons effectively) in order to have cold nuclear reactions? Nuclear space-time sheets are scaled up. If nucleon space-time sheets are not scaled up,  $p$  and  $n$  are connected by color magnetic flux tubes of same length as in the case of ordinary nuclei but located at much larger nuclear space-time sheet. The classical analog for the quantal distribution of nucleon charges is even charge distribution in a sphere of radius  $R$  defined by the charge of the scaled up nucleus. The height of the Coulomb wall is  $E_c = e^2/R$ . If  $R = a$ ,  $a$  the atomic radius, one has  $E_c \sim .1$  keV. The wall is by a factor  $10^{-4}$  lower than in ordinary nuclear collision so that the incoming  $D$  nucleus might overcome the Coulomb wall.

If Coulomb wall can be overcome, all dark variants of  $D + D$  reaction are possible. Helium nuclei have not been however detected, which supports the view that  $D$  in target is transformed to its neutral variant. Gamma rays would be dark and could leak out without detection which would explain the absence of gamma rays.

### Nuclear quantum criticality is essential

A note about the energetics of cold nuclear reactions is in order. The nuclear quantum criticality deriving from the cancelation of the contact interaction energies between nucleons for isospin singlets and scaling up of *only* nuclear space-time sheet is an absolutely essential assumption. Otherwise dark  $D$  would have much smaller binding energy scale than the visible one, and ordinary  $D$  in the  $Pd$  target could not transform to dark "di-neutron" state. Also the transformation of incoming  $D$  to its dark variant  $D$  at cathode could not take place.

### 13.7.5 What happens to $OH$ bonds in plasma electrolysis?

For an innocent novice one strange aspect of hydrolysis is how the  $OH$  bonds having energies of order 8 eV can be split in temperatures corresponding to photon energies of order .5 eV. Kanarev has suggested his own theory for how this could happen [D58]. TGD suggests that  $OH$  bonds are transformed to their dark variants with scaled down bond energy and that there might be no essential difference between  $OH$  bond and hydrogen bond.

#### The reduction of energy of $OH$ bonds in plasma electrolysis

Kanarev has found that in plasma electrolysis the energy of  $OH$  bonds is reduced from roughly 8 eV to about .5 eV, which corresponds to the fundamental metabolic energy quantum identifiable as the zero point kinetic energy liberate as proton drops from  $k = 137$  space-time sheet to much larger space-time sheet. In pyrolysis [D14] similar reduction could occur since the pyrolysis occurs above temperature about 4000 C conforming with the energy scale of hydrogen bond.

The explanation discussed in [K82] is that there is some mechanism exciting the bonds to a state with much lower bond energy. Dark matter hierarchy [K28] suggests that the excitation corresponds to the transformation of  $OH$  bond to dark bond so that the energy scale of the state is reduced.

Also in the ordinary electrolysis of water [D4] the energy of  $OH$  bonds is reduced to about 3.3 eV meaning a reduction factor of order 2. The simplest interpretation would be as a transformation of  $OH$  bonds to dark  $OH$  bond with  $\hbar \rightarrow 2\hbar$  (the scaling could be also by some other integer or even rational). The energy needed to transform the bond to dark bond could come from remote metabolism via the dropping of dark protons from a dark variant of some sub-atomic space-time sheet with size not smaller than the size of the atomic space-time sheet to a larger space-time sheet.

$H_{1.5}O$  anomaly suggests that 1/4 of protons of water are dark in atto-second time scale [K26] and one can imagine that both protons of water molecule can become dark under conditions defined by plasma electrolysis. Also the atomic space-time sheets and electron associated with  $OH$  bonds could become dark.

Atomic binding energies transform as  $1/\hbar^2$ . If the energy of hydrogen bond transforms like Coulombic interaction energy as given by the perturbative calculation, it is scaled down as  $1/\hbar$  since the length of the bond scales up like  $\hbar$ . Effectively  $\alpha_{em} \propto 1/\hbar$  is replaced by its scaled down value. For  $\hbar \rightarrow 2^4\hbar_0$  the energy would scale from 8 eV to .5 eV and the standard metabolic energy quantum could induce the splitting of the dark  $OH$  bond. If  $2^4$  is the scale factor of  $\hbar$  for dark nuclear space-time sheets, their size would be of order  $10^{-3}$  meters. The model for cold fusion is consistent with this since what matters is different value of Planck constant for the dark nuclear space-time sheets.

There is an objection against the reduction of  $OH$  bond energy. The bonds could be split by a process in which dark nuclear reactions kick protons to  $k = 133$  dark space-time sheet. In this case the maximal zero point kinetic energy liberated in the dropping back would be 8 eV and could induce breaking of  $OH$  bond. For  $\hbar/\hbar_0 \geq 4$  the size of  $k = 133$  dark space-time sheet would be larger than the size of  $k = 137$  atomic space-time sheet.

#### Are hydrogen bonds dark $OH$ bonds?

The fact that the energy of hydrogen bonds [D9] is typically around .5 eV forces to ask what distinguishes hydrogen bond from dark  $OH$  bond. Could it be that the two bonds are one and the same thing so that dark  $OH$  bonds would form standard part of the standard chemistry and molecular biology? In hydrogen bond same hydrogen would be shared by the oxygen atoms of the neighboring atoms. For the first  $O$  the bond would be ordinary  $OH$  bond and for the second  $O$  its dark variant with scaled down Coulomb energy. Under conditions making possible pyrolysis and plasma electrolysis both bonds would become dark. The variation of the hydrogen bond energy could reflect the variation of the scaling factor of  $\hbar$ .

The concentration of the spectrum of bond energies on integer multiples of fundamental energy scale - or even better, on powers of 2 - would provide support for the identification. There is evidence for two kinds of hydrogen bonds with bond energies in ratio 1:2 [?, D62] : the TGD based model is discussed in [K26] .

### Mechanism transforming $OH$ bonds to their dark counterparts

The transformation of  $OH$  bonds to dark bonds would occur both in ordinary and plasma electrolysis and only the change of Planck constant would distinguish between the two situations.

- (a) Whatever the mechanism transforming  $OH$  bonds to their dark counterparts is, metabolic energy is needed to achieve this. Kanarev also claims over-unity energy production [D58] . Cold fusion researchers make the same claim about ordinary electrolysis. Cold nuclear reactions between  $Na^+$  ( $K^+$ ) and dark protons and dark  $Li$  could obviously serve as the primary energy source. This would provide the fundamental reason for why  $NaOH$  or  $KOH$  must be present. Cold nuclear reactions would thus occur also in the ordinary electrolysis of water and provide the energy inducing the transition of  $OH$  bonds to dark ones by (say)  $\hbar \rightarrow 2\hbar$  transition.
- (b) One can imagine several metabolic mechanisms for the visible-to-dark transformation of  $HO$  bonds. The energy spectrum of cold nuclear reactions forms a continuum whereas the energies needed to transform  $OH$  bonds to their dark variants presumably are in narrow bands. Therefore the energy liberated in cold nuclear reactions is not probably used as such. It is more plausible that standard metabolic energy quanta liberated in the dropping of protons (most naturally) to larger space-time sheets are utilized. The most important metabolic energy quanta for the dropping of proton come as  $E_k = 2^{k-137}kE_0$ :  $E_0 = .5$  eV is liberated in the dropping of proton from atomic space-time sheet ( $k = 137$ ) to much larger space-time sheet (the discrete spectrum of increments of the vacuum energy in the dropping approaches this energy [K59] ). The energy liberated in the dark nuclear reactions would "load metabolic batteries" by kicking the dark protons to the dark variants of  $k < 137$  space-time sheet (the size of dark atomic space-time sheet scales like  $\hbar$ ). Their dropping to larger space-time sheets would liberate photons with energies near to those transforming  $OH$  bonds to hydrogen bonds.
- (c) A signature for the standard metabolic energy quanta would be visible light at  $2eV$  and also discrete lines below it accumulating to  $2eV$ . Kanarev's indeed reports the presence of red light [D58] as a signature for the occurrence of process.

### 13.7.6 A model for plasma electrolysis

Kanarev's experiments involve also other strange aspects which lead to the view that cold nuclear reactions and dark matter physics are essential aspects of not only plasma electrolysis of Kanarev but also of ordinary electrolysis and responsible for the claimed over unity energy production. Biologically important ions are produced in reactions of dark  $Li$  and  $Na^+$  and there is very strong electric voltage over the cell membrane. This inspires the question whether cold nuclear reactions serve as a metabolic energy source in living cell and are also responsible for production of ions heavier than  $Na^+$ .

#### Brief description of plasma electrolysis

Electrolysis [D4] , pyrolysis [D14] , and plasma electrolysis [C169] , [D58] of water are methods of producing free hydrogen. In pyrolysis the temperature above 4000 C leads to hydrogen and oxygen production. Oxygen production occurs also at cathode and hydrogen yield is higher than given by Faraday law for ordinary electrolysis [D4] .

The article of Mizuno and collaborators [C169] about hydrogen production by plasma electrolysis contains a brief description of plasma electrolysis. A glow discharge occurs as the input voltage used in electrolysis is above a critical value and plasma is formed near cathode. In the

arrangement of [C169] plasma state is easily achieved above 140 V. If the values of temperature and current density are right, hydrogen generation in excess of Faraday's law as well as a production of oxygen at cathode (not possible in ideal electrolysis) are observed. Above 350 V the control of the process becomes difficult.

### What really happens in electrolysis and plasma electrolysis?

#### 1. Ordinary electrolysis

To understand what might happen in the plasma electrolysis consider first the ordinary electrolysis of water.

- (a) The arrangement involves typically the electrolyte consisting of water plus  $NaOH$  or  $KOH$  without which hydrolysis is impossible for thermodynamical reasons.
- (b) Electronic current flows from the anode to cathode along a wire. In electrolyte there is a current of positively charged ions from anode to cathode. At the cathode the reaction  $2H_2O + 2e^- \rightarrow 2H_2 + 2OH^-$  yields hydrogen molecules seen as bubbles in water. At the anode the reaction  $2H_2O \rightarrow O_2 + 4H^+ + 4e^-$  is followed by the reaction  $2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H_2$  and the flow of  $2e^-$  to the cathode along wire. The net outcome is hydrolysis:  $H_2O \rightarrow 2H_2 + 2O_2$ . Note that  $O_2$  is produced only at anode and  $H_2$  at both anode and cathode.

#### 2. What happens in plasma electrolysis?

In plasma electrolysis something different might happen.

- (a) Cold nuclear reactions should take place at cathode in presence of  $Na^+$  ions plus dark  $Li$  and should be in equilibrium under ordinary conditions and contribute mainly to the formation of dark  $OH$  bonds. The rate of cold nuclear reactions increases with input voltage  $V$  since the currents of  $Na^+$  and dark  $Li$  to the cathode increase. Obviously the increased rate of energy yield from dark nuclear reactions could be the real reason for the formation of plasma phase above critical voltage.
- (b) By previous considerations the reduction of electron current above critical voltage has interpretation as a transition in which electronic charge is transferred to negative charge of color bonds of dark proton strings. Existing protonic strings could grow longer and also new strings could be created from the ionized hydrogen resulting in the electrolysis of water. The increase of the size of the dark nuclei would mean increase of the cross sections for cold nuclear reactions. The liberated energy would ionize hydrogen atoms and give rise to a positive feedback loop somewhat like in ordinary nuclear reactions.
- (c) The increased energy yield in cold nuclear reactions suggests that  $OH$  bonds are transformed very effectively to dark  $OH$  bonds in the plasma region. This means that the thermal radiation can split the hydrogen bonds and induce the splitting of two water molecules to  $4H$  and  $2O$  and therefore production of  $2H_2 + O_2$  everywhere in this kind of region. The temperature used by Kanarev corresponds to energy between .5-1 eV [D58] which conforms with the fact that  $OH$  bond energy is reduced to about .5 eV. Note that the presence of anode and cathode is not absolutely necessary if cold nuclear reactions can take place in the entire electrolyte volume and generate plasma phase by positive feedback loop.
- (d) The prediction is that Faraday's law for hydrogen production does not hold true.  $O/H$  ratio has the value  $r = O/H = 0$  for the ordinary electrolysis at cathode.  $r = 1/2$  holds true if local dissociation of water molecules dominates. According to [C169]  $r$  increases from electrolysis value  $r = .066$  above  $V = 140$  V achieving the value  $r = .45$  for  $V = 350$  V where the system becomes unstable. Also cold nuclear reactions could contribute to hydrogen and oxygen production and affect the value of  $r$  as suggested by the large volume of gas produced in Kanarev's experiments [D59].

**Over-unity energy production?**

Over-unity energy production with output power 2- or even 3-fold as compared with input power has been reported from plasma electrolysis. The effectiveness is deduced from the heating of the system. Note that Mizuno reports in [C169] that 10 per cent effectiveness but this is for the storage of energy to hydrogen and does not take into account the energy going to the heating of water.

The formation of higher isotopes of *Li* by fusing dark protons to existing dark proton strings is a good candidate for the dominant energy production mechanism. An estimate for the energy liberate in single process  $Li(3, n) + m_p + e \rightarrow Li(3, n + 1) + 2\nu_8$  is obtained by using energy conservation. Here  $2\nu_8$  denotes color singlet bound state of two color octet excitations of neutrino.

Since  $e_8$  and  $\nu_8$  are analogous to *u* and *d* quarks one expects that their masses are very nearly the same. This gives as the first guess  $m_{\nu_8} = m_e$  and since leptopion (color bound state of color octet electrons, [K84] ) has mass  $m = 2m_e$  a good guess is  $m(2\nu_8) = 2m_{\nu_8} = 2m_e$ . The energy conservation would give

$$m(Li(3, n)) + m_p = m(Li(3, n + 1)) + m_e + T(2\nu_8) + E(\gamma) . \tag{13.7.1}$$

Here  $T(2\nu_8)$  is the kinetic energy of  $2\nu_8$  state and  $E_\gamma$  is the energy of photon possibly also emitted in the process.

The process is kinematically possible if the condition

$$\Delta m = m(Li(3, n)) + m_p - m(Li(3, n + 1)) \geq m_e . \tag{13.7.2}$$

is satisfied. All incoming particles are approximated to be at rest, which is a good approximation taking into account that chemical energy scales are much lower than nuclear ones. For the left hand side one obtains from the mass difference of  $Li(3, n = 4)$  and  $Li(3, 5)$  isotopes the estimate  $\Delta m = 1.2312$  MeV for the liberated binding energy which is considerably larger than  $m_e = .51$  MeV. Hence the process is kinematically possible and  $2\nu_8$  would move with a relativistic velocity  $v = .81c$  and presumably leave the system without interacting with it.

The process can involve also the emission of photons and the maximal amount of energy that photon can carry out corresponds to  $E = \Delta m = 1.2312$  MeV. Let us denote by  $\langle E \rangle < \Delta m$  the average photonic energy emitted in the process and express it as

$$\langle E \rangle = z\Delta m , \quad z < 1. \tag{13.7.3}$$

One obtains an estimate for the production rate of photon energy (only this heats the system) from the incoming electron current *I*. If a fraction  $x(V)$  of the current is transformed to negatively charged color bonds the rate for energy production becomes by a little manipulation

$$\frac{P/kW}{I/A} = x(V)z \times 3.5945 . \tag{13.7.4}$$

This formula allows to estimate the value of the parameter  $x(V)z$  from experimental data. Since simplest Feynman graph producing also photons is obtained by adding photon line to the basic graph, one expects that *z* is of order fine structure constant:

$$z \sim \alpha_{em} = 1/137 . \quad (13.7.5)$$

The ratios of the excess power for a pair of  $(V, I)$  values should satisfy the condition

$$\frac{P(V_1)I(V_2)}{P(V_2)I(V_1)} = \frac{x(V_1)}{x(V_2)} . \quad (13.7.6)$$

$x(V)$  should be deducible as a function of voltage using these formulas if the model is correct.

These formulae allow to compare the predictions of the model with the experimental results of Naudin for Mizuno-Omori Cold Fusion reactor [C37] . The following table gives the values of  $\epsilon = x(V)z$  and ratios  $x(V(n))/x(V(n_1))$  deduced from the data tabulated by Naudin [C225] for the various series of experiments using the formulae above.

- (a) Most values of  $x(V)z$  are in the range .03 – .12.  $z = 1/137$  would give  $x(V)z \leq 1/137$  so that order of magnitude is predicted correctly. One cannot over-emphasize this result.
- (b) Apart from some exceptions the values look rather reasonable and do not vary too much. If one neglects the exceptional values, ones has  $x_{max}(V)/x_{min}(V) < 4$ .  $n = 1, 5, 8, 9, 29$  correspond to exceptionally small values of  $x(V)$ . Perhaps cold fusion is not present for some reason. The output power is smaller than input power for  $n = 9$  and  $n = 29$ .

n	Voltage/V	Current/A	$x(V)z$	$x(V(n))/x(V(2))$
1	185	8.56	0.005	.145
2	147	2.45	0.036	1.00
3	215	2.10	0.046	1.30
4	220	9.32	0.044	1.22
5	145	1.06	0.001	.03
6	213	1.40	0.05	1.34
7	236	1.73	0.08	2.18
8	148	.83	0.01	.21
9	148	1.01	-0.00	-0.008
10	221	1.31	0.03	.87
11	279	3.03	0.05	1.46
12	200	8.58	0.03	0.89
13	199	7.03	0.07	1.91
14	215	9.78	0.04	1.07
15	207	8.34	0.03	0.74
16	247	2.19	0.06	1.69
17	260	2.20	0.02	0.55
18	257	2.08	0.03	0.71
19	195	2.95	0.06	1.59
20	198	2.62	0.07	1.98
21	182	2.40	0.05	1.26
22	212	2.27	0.06	1.74
23	259	2.13	0.12	3.22
24	260	4.83	0.04	1.05
25	209	3.53	0.04	1.16
26	230	4.99	0.10	2.79
27	231	5.46	0.09	2.53
28	233	5.16	0.10	2.85
29	155	4.60	-0.00	-0.04
30	220	4.44	0.11	2.95
31	256	5.25	0.05	1.36
32	211	3.68	0.03	.97
33	201	3.82	0.04	1.06

Table 3. The values of  $x(V)z$  and  $x(V(n))/x(V(1))$  deduced from the data of *Cold Fusion reaction-Experimental test results on June 25, 2003* by JL Naudin at <http://jlnlabs.online.fr/cfr/html/cfrdatas.htm>.

### Has living matter invented cold nuclear physics?

Intriguingly, the ions  $Na^+$ ,  $Cl^-$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Ca^{++}$  detected by Mizuno in the cathode in Kanarev's experiments [D59] correspond to the most important biological ions. There is also a considerable evidence for the occurrence of nuclear transmutations in living matter [C208, C258]. For instance, Kervran claims that it is not possible to understand where the  $Ca$  needed to form the shells of eggs comes from. A possible explanation is that dark nuclear reactions between  $Na^+$  and dark Lithium produced the needed  $Ca$ .

There is extremely strong electric field through cell membrane (resting voltage is about .06 V). The acceleration of electrons in this field could generate plasma phase and creation of dark  $Li$  nuclei via a positive feedback loop. This could mean that cold nuclear reactions serve also in living cell as a basic metabolic energy source (possibly in the dark sector) and that also biologically important ions result as products of cold nuclear reactions.

### 13.7.7 Comparison with the reports about biological transmutations

Kervran's book "Biological Transmutations" [C208] contains a surprisingly detailed summary about his work with biological transmutations and it is interesting to find whether the proposed model could explain the findings of Kervran. TGD suggests two general mechanisms.

- (a) The nuclear reactions involving dark  $Li$ ,  $C$ , and  $F$  predicted to be present in living matter.
- (b) Nuclear fusions made possible by a temporary transformation of ordinary nuclear space-time sheets to dark ones with much larger size so that Coulomb wall is reduced considerably. The nuclear reaction might proceed if it is energetically possible. Almost any reaction  $A + B \rightarrow C$  is possible via this mechanism unless the nuclei are not too heavy.

#### Fortuitous observations

In his childhood Kervran started to wonder why hens living in a limestone poor region containing thus very little calcium in ground and receiving no calcium in their nutrition could develop the calcium required by eggs and by their own bones. He noticed that hens had the habit of eating mica, which contains silicon. Later this led to the idea that  $Si$  could somehow transmute to  $Ca$  in living matter. In the proposed model this could correspond to fusion of  $Si(14, 14) + \mathbf{C}(6, 6) \rightarrow Ca(20, 20)$  which occurs spontaneously.

Second fortuitous observation were the mysterious  $CO$  poisonings by welders working in factory. After careful studies Kervran concluded that  $CO$  must be produced endogenously and proposed that the inhaled air which had been in contact with incandescent iron induces the transformation  $N_2 \rightarrow CO$  conserving both neutron and neutron number. This transformation might be understood in TGD context if the nuclear space-time sheets are part of time in dark with much larger size so that a direct contact becomes possible for nuclear space-time sheets and Coulomb wall is reduced so that the reaction can proceed with some probability if energetically possible. The thermal energy received from hot iron might help to overcome the Coulomb barrier. The mass difference  $m(2N) - m(O) - m(C) = 10.45$  MeV allows this reaction to occur spontaneously.

#### Examples of various anomalies

Kervran discusses several plant anomalies. The ashes of plants growing in  $Si$  rich soil contain more  $Ca$  than they should: this transmutation has been already discussed. The ashes of a plant growing on  $Cu$  fibres contain no copper but 17 per cent of iron oxides in addition to other elements which could not have come from the rain water. The reaction  $Cu(58) + \mathbf{Li}(3, 4) \rightarrow Fe(26, 32) + \mathbf{C}(6, 6)$  would liberate energy of 11.5 MeV.

There are several mineral anomalies.

- (a) Dolomite rock is formed inside limestone rocks which would suggest the transmutation of  $Ca(20, 20)$  into  $Mg(12, 12)$ . The nuclear reaction  $Ca(20, 20) + \mathbf{Li}(3, 4) \rightarrow Mg(12, 12) + Na(11, 12)$  would liberate energy of 3.46 MeV.  $Ca$  emerges from  $Si$  in soil and in what Kervran refers to a "sickness of stone". The candidate reaction has been already discussed.
- (b) Graphite is found in siliceous rocks. Kervran proposes the reaction  $Si \rightarrow C + O$ .  $m(Si) - m(C) - M(O) = -16.798$  MeV does not allow this reaction to proceed spontaneously but the reaction  $Si + \mathbf{Li} \rightarrow C + Na$  liberates the energy 2.8880 MeV.
- (c) Kervran mentions the reaction  $O + O \rightarrow S$  as a manner to produce sulphur from oxygen. This reaction is obviously energetically favored.

Kervran discusses the transmutations  $Na \rightarrow K$  and  $Na \rightarrow Ca$  occurring also in plasma electrolysis and explained by TGD based model. Further transmutations are  $Na \rightarrow Mg$  and  $Mg \rightarrow Ca$ .  $Na \rightarrow Mg$  could correspond to the reaction  $Na(11, 12) + \mathbf{Li}(3, 2) \rightarrow Mg(12, 12) + He(2, 2)$  favored by the high binding energy per nucleon for  ${}^4He$  (7.072 MeV).  $Mg \rightarrow Ca$  would correspond to the reaction  $Mg + O \rightarrow Ca$ , which obviously liberates energy.



### 13.7.8 Are the abundances of heavier elements determined by cold fusion in interstellar medium?

According to the standard model, elements not heavier than *Li* were created in Big Bang. Heavier elements were produced in stars by nuclear fusion and ended up to the interstellar space in super-nova explosions and were gradually enriched in this process. Lithium problem forces to take this theoretical framework with a grain of salt.

The work of Kervran [C208] suggests that cold nuclear reactions are occurring with considerable rates, not only in living matter but also in non-organic matter. Kervran indeed proposes that also the abundances of elements at Earth and planets are to high degree determined by nuclear transmutations and discusses some examples. For instance, new mechanisms for generation of *O* and *Si* would change dramatically the existing views about evolution of planets and prebiotic evolution of Earth.

#### Where did the Lithium go?

Ulla - one of the commentators in my blog - sent an interesting link concerning Lithium problem to an article by Elisabetta Caffau et al titled "An extremely primitive halo star" [E11].

What has been found is a star which is extremely poor on metallic elements: ("metallic" refers to elements heavier than *Li*). The mystery is that not only elements heavier than *Li* but also *Li* itself, whose average abundance is believed to be determined by cosmological rather than stellar nucleosynthesis, is very scarcely present in these stars.

This finding can be coupled with too other observations about anomalies in *Li* abundance.

- (a) The average abundance of *Li* in Cosmos is lower than predicted by standard cosmology by a factor between 2 and 3 [E3].
- (b) Also Sun has too low *Li* abundance [E2].

Authors think that some process could have created very high temperature destroying the *Li* in this kind of stars: maybe dark matter annihilation might have caused this. This looks rather artificial to me and would not explain too low *Li* abundance for other stars and for interstellar medium.

The transformation of *Li* to dark matter (ordinary Lithium in a phase with larger value of Planck constant) would mean its effective disappearance. This process would have occurred both in interstellar medium and in stars so that all three *Li* problems would be solved at once. Many question marks remain. What about the rate for the phase transition to dark matter? Also lighter elements should be able to transform to dark form. Why the cosmological abundances for them are however essentially those predicted by the standard model of primordial nucleosynthesis? Is the reason that *Li* their fusion to *Li* was much faster than transformation to dark matter during primordial nucleosynthesis whereas *Li* fused very slowly and had time to transform to dark *Li*?

*Li* problem would rather sharply distinguish between two very different views about dark matter: dark matter as some exotic elementary particles on one hand and dark matter as phases of ordinary matter implied by generalization of quantum theory on the other hand.

#### Are heavier nuclei produced in the interstellar space?

TGD based model is consistent with the findings of Kervran and encourages to a consider a simple model for the generation of heavier elements in interstellar medium. The assumptions are following.

- (a) Dark nuclei  $X(3k, n)$ , that is nuclear strings of form  $Li(3, n)$ ,  $C(6, n)$ ,  $F(9, n)$ ,  $Mg(12, n)$ ,  $P(15, n)$ ,  $A(18, n)$ , etc..., form as a fusion of *Li* strings.  $n = Z$  is the most plausible value of  $n$ . There is also  ${}^4He$  present but as a noble gas it need not play an important role in condensed matter phase (say interstellar dust). The presence of water necessitates that of  $Li(3, n)$  if one accepts the proposed model as such.

- (b) The resulting nuclei are in general stable against spontaneous fission by energy conservation. The binding energy of  $He(2, 2)$  is however exceptionally high so that alpha decay can occur in dark nuclear reactions between  $X(3k, n)$  allowed by the considerable reduction of the Coulomb wall. The induced fissions  $X(3k, n) \rightarrow X(3k - 2, n - 2) + He(2, 2)$  produces nuclei with atomic number  $Z \bmod 3 = 1$  such as  $Be(4, 5)$ ,  $N(7, 7)$ ,  $Ne(10, 10)$ ,  $Al(13, 14)$ ,  $S(16, 16)$ ,  $K(19, 20)$ ,... Similar nuclear reactions make possible a further alpha decay of  $Z \bmod 3 = 1$  nuclei to give nuclei with  $Z \bmod 2$  such as  $B(5, 6)$ ,  $O(8, 8)$ ,  $Na(11, 12)$ ,  $Si(14, 14)$ ,  $Cl(17, 18)$ ,  $Ca(20, 20)$ ,... so that most stable isotopes of light nuclei could result in these fissions.
- (c) The dark nuclear fusions of already existing nuclei can create also heavier  $Fe$ . Only the gradual decrease of the binding energy per nucleon for nuclei heavier than  $Fe$  poses restrictions on this process.

The table below allows the reader to build a more concrete view about how the heavier nuclei might be generated via the proposed mechanisms.

H(1,0)							He(2,2)
Li(3,4)	Be(4,5)	B(5,6)	C(6,6)	N(7,7)	O(8,8)	F(9,10)	Ne(10,10)
Na(11,12)	Mg(12,12)	Al(13,14)	Si(14,14)	P(15,16)	S(16,16)	Cl(17,18)	A(18,22)
K(19,20)	Ca(20,20)						

Table 4. The table gives the most abundant isotopes of stable nuclei.

### The abundances of nuclei in interstellar space should not depend on time

The basic prediction of TGD inspired model is that the abundances of the nuclei in the interstellar space should not depend on time if the rates are so high that equilibrium situation is reached rapidly. The  $\hbar$  increasing phase transformation of the nuclear space-time sheet determines the time scale in which equilibrium sets on. Standard model makes different prediction: the abundances of the heavier nuclei should gradually increase as the nuclei are repeatedly re-processed in stars and blown out to the interstellar space in super-nova explosion.

Amazingly, there is empirical support for this highly non-trivial prediction [E16]. Quite surprisingly, the 25 measured elemental abundances (elements up to  $Sn(50, 70)$  (tin) and  $Pb(82, 124)$  (lead)) of a 12 billion years old galaxy turned out to be very nearly the same as those for Sun. For instance, oxygen abundance was 1/3 from that from that estimated for Sun. Standard model would predict that the abundances should be .01-.1 from that for Sun as measured for stars in our galaxy. The conjecture was that there must be some unknown law guaranteeing that the distribution of stars of various masses is time independent. The alternative conclusion would be that heavier elements are created mostly in interstellar gas and dust.

### Could also "ordinary" nuclei consist of protons and negatively charged color bonds?

The model would strongly suggest that also ordinary stable nuclei consist of protons with proton and negatively charged color bond behaving effectively like neutron. Note however that I have also consider the possibility that neutron halo consists of protons connected by negatively charged color bonds to main nucleus. The smaller mass of proton would favor it as a fundamental building block of nucleus and negatively charged color bonds would be a natural manner to minimize Coulomb energy. The fact that neutron does not suffer a beta decay to proton in nuclear environment provided by stable nuclei would also find an explanation.

- (a) Ordinary shell model of nucleus would make sense in length scales in which proton plus negatively charged color bond looks like neutron.
- (b) The strictly nucleonic strong nuclear isospin is not vanishing for the ground state nuclei if all nucleons are protons. This assumption of the nuclear string model is crucial for quantum criticality since it implies that binding energies are not changed in the scaling of  $\hbar$  if the length of the color bonds is not changed. The quarks of charged color bond however give rise to a compensating strong isospin and color bond plus proton behaves in a good approximation like neutron.

- (c) Beta decays might pose a problem for this model. The electrons resulting in beta decays of this kind nuclei consisting of protons should come from the beta decay of the d-quark neutralizing negatively charged color bond. The nuclei generated in high energy nuclear reactions would presumably contain genuine neutrons and suffer beta decay in which d quark is nucleonic quark. The question is whether how much the rates for these two kinds of beta decays differ and whether existing facts about beta decays could kill the model.

### 13.7.9 Tests and improvements

#### Test for the hypothesis about new physics of water

The model involves hypothesis about new physics and chemistry related to water.

- (a) The identification of hydrogen bond as dark *OH* bond could be tested. One could check whether the qualitative properties of bonds are consistent with each. One could try to find evidence for quantization of bond energies as integer multiples of same energy (possible power of two multiples).
- (b)  $H_{1.5}O$  formula in atto-second scale should be tested further and one could look whether similar formula holds true for heavy water so that sequences of dark protons might be replaced with sequences of dark deuterons.
- (c) One could find whether plasma electrolysis takes place in heavy water.

#### Testing of the nuclear physics predictions

The model in its simplest form assumes that only dark *Li*, *C*, *F*, etc. are present in water. This predicts quite specific nuclear reactions in electrolyte and target and reaction product. For both target and electrolyte isotopes of nuclei with atomic number  $Z + 3k$  are predicted to result in cold fusion reactions if energetically possible. For a target heavier than *Fe* also fission reactions might take place.

The estimates for the liberated energies are obtained assuming that dark nuclei have same binding energies as ordinary ones. In some cases the liberated energy is estimated using the binding energy per nucleon for a lighter isotope. Ordinary nuclei with maximal binding energy correspond to nuclear strings having  ${}^4He$  or its variants containing negatively charged color bonds as a basic structural unit. One could argue that gluing  $nLi(3, 5)$  or its isotope does not give rise to a ground state so that the actual energy liberated in the process is reduced so that process might be even impossible energetically. This could explain the absence of *Ge* from *Fe* cathode and the absence of *Ti*, *Mn*, and *Ni* in *KOH* plasma electrolysis [D59].

**Cathode:** For cathode *Fe* and *W* have been used. For *Fe* the fusions  $Fe + Li \rightarrow Cu + 28.84 \text{ MeV}$  and  $Fe + C \rightarrow Ge + 21.64 \text{ MeV}$  are possible energetically. Mizuno does not report the presence of *Ge* in *Fe* target. The reduction of the binding energy of dark  $C(6, 10)$  by 21.64 MeV (1.35 MeV per nucleon) would make second reaction impossible but would still allow  $Li + C$  and  $Na + C$  fusion. Second possibility is that *Ge* containing negatively charged color bonds has smaller binding energy per nucleon than ordinary *Ge*.  $W + Li \rightarrow Ir$  would liberate 8.7 MeV if binding energy of dark *Li* is same as of ordinary *Li*.

**Electrolyte:** Consider electrolytes containing ions  $X^+$  with atomic number  $Z$ . If  $X$  is lighter than *Fe*, the isotopes of nuclei with atomic number  $Z + 3k$  might be produced in fusion reactions  $nLi + X$ .  $X = Li, K, Na$  has one electron at s-shell whereas *B*, *Al*, *Cr*, ... has one electron at p-shell.

Reaction	$Li + Li \rightarrow C$	$C + Li \rightarrow F$	$F + Li \rightarrow Mg$
<i>E/MeV</i>	27.1	24.0	31.5
	$Li + Na \rightarrow Si$	$C + Na \rightarrow Cl$	$F + Na \rightarrow Ca$
<i>E/MeV</i>	34.4	30.5	33.7
	$Li + K \rightarrow Ti$	$C + K \rightarrow Mn$	$F + K \rightarrow Ni$
<i>E/MeV</i>	32.2	33.6	32.7

Table 5. The estimates for the energies liberated in fusions of dark nuclei of water and the ion of electrolyte. Boldface refers to dark nuclei  $Li(3, 5)$ ,  $C(6, 10)$ , and  $F(9, 15)$ .

### Relationship to the model of Widom and Larsen and further tests

W. Guglinski kindly informed me about the theory of cold fusion by Widom and Larsen [C264]. This theory relies on standard nuclear physics. The theory is reported to explain cold fusion reaction products nicely in terms of the transformation of electrons and protons to very low energy neutrons which can overcome the Coulomb barrier. The problem of the theory is that very high energy electrons are required since one has  $Q = .78$  MeV for  $e + p \rightarrow n$  and  $Q = -3.0$  MeV for  $e + D \rightarrow n + n$ . It is difficult to understand how so energetic electrons could result in ordinary condensed matter.

Since proton plus color bond is from the point of view of nuclear physics neutron and the fusion reactions would obey ordinary nuclear physics rules, the predictions of TGD are not expected to deviate too much from those of the model of Widom and Larsen.

An important class of predictions relate to ordinary nuclear physics. Tetra-neutron could be alpha particle with two negatively charged color bonds and neutron halos could consist of protons connected to nucleus by negatively charged color bonds. This could reduce the binding energy considerably.

Cold nuclear fusion might also provide an in situ mechanism for the formation of ores. Nuclear ores in places where they should not exist but involving remnants of organic matter would be the prediction. Cold fusion has a potential for a technology allowing to generate some metals artificially.

### How to optimize the energy production?

The proposed model for the plasma electrolysis suggests following improvements to the experimental arrangement.

The production of energy in process is due to three reactions: 1)  $Li+p$  in plasma. 2)  $Li+Fe/W...$  in target, and 3)  $Li + Na/K...$  in plasma. The model suggests that 1) dominates so that basic process would occur in plasma rather than cathode.

- (a) Since  $W$  does not evaporate so easily, it is better material for cathode if the production of dark  $Li$  dominates energy production.
- (b) Cathode could be replaced with a planar electrode with fractal peaky structure generating the required strong electric fields. This could increase the effectiveness of the energy production by increasing the effective area used.
- (c) Since  $H_2O \rightarrow OH^- + p$  is required by the generation of dark  $Li$  sequences. The energy feed must be able to follow the rapidly growing energy needs of this reaction which seems to occur as bursts.
- (d) The prediction is that the output power is proportional to electron current rather than input power. This suggests minimization of input power by minimizing voltage. This requires maximization of electron conductivity. Unfortunately, the transformation of electrons to  $OH^-$  ions as charge carriers reduces conductivity.

### 13.7.10 Burning salt water by radio-waves and cold fusion by plasma electrolysis

John Kanzius has made a strange discovery [D1]: salt water in the test tube radiated by radio waves at harmonics of a frequency  $f=13.56$  MHz burns. Temperatures about 1500 C, which correspond to .17 eV energy have been reported. One can radiate also hand but nothing happens. The original discovery of Kanzius was the finding that radio waves could be used to

cure cancer by destroying the cancer cells. The proposal is that this effect might provide new energy source by liberating chemical energy in an exceptionally effective manner. The power is about 200 W so that the power used could explain the effect if it is absorbed in resonance like manner by salt water. In the following it is proposed that the cold nuclear reactions are the source of the energy.

### Do radio waves of large Planck constant transform to microwave photons or visible photons in the process?

The energies of photons involved are very small, multiples of  $5.6 \times 10^{-8}$  eV and their effect should be very small since it is difficult to imagine what resonant molecular transition could cause the effect. This leads to the question whether the radio wave beam could contain a considerable fraction of dark photons for which Planck constant is larger so that the energy of photons is much larger. The underlying mechanism would be phase transition of dark photons with large Planck constant to ordinary photons with shorter wavelength coupling resonantly to some molecular degrees of freedom and inducing the heating. Microwave oven of course comes in mind immediately. The fact that photosynthesis means burning of water and the fact that visible light is emitted in turn suggests that the radiowave photons are transformed to visible or nearly visible photons corresponding to the energy scale of photons involved with photosynthesis.

The original argument inspired by the analogy with microwave oven is discussed below. The generalization to the case of visible photons is rather straightforward and is discussed in [K26].

- (a) The fact that the effects occur at harmonics of the fundamental frequency suggests that rotational states of molecules are in question as in microwave heating. The formula for the rotational energies [D15] is

$$E(l) = E_0 \times l(l+1) \quad , \quad E_0 = \hbar_0^2 / 2\mu R^2 \quad , \quad \mu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2) \quad .$$

Here  $R$  is molecular radius which by definition is deduced from the rotational energy spectrum. The energy inducing the transition  $l \rightarrow l+1$  is  $\Delta E(l) = 2E_0 \times (l+1)$ .

- (b)  $NaCl$  molecules crystallize to solid so that the rotational heating of  $NaCl$  molecules cannot be in question.
- (c) The microwave frequency used in microwave ovens is 2.45 GHz giving for the Planck constant the estimate 180.67 equal to 180 with error of .4 per cent. The values of Planck constants for  $(\hat{M}^4/G_a) \times \hat{C}P_2 \hat{\times} G_b$  option (factor space of  $M^4$  and covering space of  $CP_2$  maximizing Planck constant for given  $G_a$  and  $G_b$ ) are given by  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = n_a n_b$ .  $n_a n_b = 4 \times 9 \times 5 = 180$  can result from the number theoretically simple values of quantum phases  $\exp(i2\pi/n_i)$  corresponding to polygons constructible using only ruler and compass. For instance, one could have  $n_a = 2 \times 3$  and  $n_b = 2 \times 3 \times 5$ .

### Connection with plasma electrolysis?

The burning of salt water involves also the production of  $O_2$  and  $H_2$  gases. Usually this happens in the electrolysis of water [D4]. The arrangement involves typically electrolyte consisting of water plus  $NaOH$  or  $KOH$  present also now but anode, cathode and electronic current absent. The proposed mechanism of electrolysis involving cold nuclear reactions however allows the splitting of water molecules to  $H_2$  and  $O_2$  even without these prerequisites.

The thermal radiation from the plasma created in the process has temperature about 1500 C which correspond to energy about .17 eV: this is not enough for splitting of bonds with energy .5 eV. The temperature in salt water could be however considerably higher.

The presence of visible light suggests that plasma phase is created as in plasma electrolysis. Dark nuclear reactions would provide the energy leading to ionization of hydrogen atoms and subsequent transformation of the electronic charge to that of charged color bonds in protonic strings. This in turn would increase the rate of cold nuclear reactions and the liberated energy would ionize more hydrogen atoms so that a positive feedback loop would result.

Cold nuclear reactions should provide the energy transforming hydrogen bonds to dark bonds with energy scaled down by a factor of about  $2^{-6}$  from say 8 eV to .125 eV if  $T = 1500C$  is accepted as temperature of water. If Planck constant is scaled up by the factor  $r = 180$  suggested by the interpretation in terms of microwave heating, the scaling of the Planck constant would reduce the energy of  $OH$  bonds to about .04 eV, which happens to be slightly below the energy assignable to the cell membrane resting potential. The scaling of the size of nuclear space-time sheets of  $D$  by factor  $r = 180$  is consistent with the length of color bonds of order  $10^{-12}$  m. The role of microwave heating would be to preserve this temperature so that the electrolysis of water can continue. Note that the energy from cold nuclear reactions could partially escape as dark photons.

There are some questions to be answered.

- (a) Are the radio wave photons dark or does water - which is a very special kind of liquid - induce the transformation of ordinary radio wave photons to dark photons by fusing 180 radio wave massless extremals (MEs) to single ME. Does this transformation occur for all frequencies? This kind of transformation might play a key role in transforming ordinary EEG photons to dark photons and partially explain the special role of water in living systems.
- (b) Why the radiation does not induce a spontaneous combustion of living matter which also contains  $Na^+$  and other ions. A possible reason is that  $\hbar$  corresponds to Planck constant of dark  $Li$  which is much higher in living water. Hence the energies of dark photons do not induce microwave heating.
- (c) The visible light generated in the process has yellow color. The mundane explanation is that the introduction  $Na$  or its compounds into flame yields bright yellow color due to so called sodium D-lines [D47] at 588.9950 and 589.5924 nm emitted in transition from 3p to 3s level. Visible light could result as dark photons from the dropping of dark protons from dark space-time sheets of size at least atomic size to larger dark space-time sheets or to ordinary space-time sheets of same size and de-cohere to ordinary light. Yellow light corresponds roughly to the rather narrow energy range .96-2.1 eV (.59 – .63  $\mu m$ ). The metabolic quanta correspond to jumps to space-time sheets of increasing size give rise to the fractal series  $E/eV = 2 \times (1 - 2^{-n})$  for transitions  $k = 135 \rightarrow 135 + n$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  [K59]. For  $n = 3, 4, 5$  the lines have energies 1.74, 1.87, 1.93 eV and are in the visible red ( $\lambda/\mu m = .71, .66, .64$ ). For  $n > 5$  the color is yellow. In Kanarev's experiments the color is red which would mean the dominance of  $n < 6$  lines: this color is regarded as a signature of the plasma electrolysis. In the burning of salt water the light is yellow [D1], which allows to consider the possibility that yellow light is partially due to  $n > 5$  lines. Yellow color could also result from the dropping  $k = 134 \rightarrow 135$  ( $n = 1$ ).

### 13.7.11 GSI anomaly

"Jester" wrote a nice blog posting titled *Hitchhikers-guide-to-ghosts-and-spooks in particle physics* summarizing quite a bundle of anomalies of particle physics and also one of nuclear physics-known as GSI anomaly. The abstract of the article *Observation of Non-Exponential Orbital Electron Capture Decays of Hydrogen-Like  $^{140}Pr$  and  $^{142}Pm$  Ions* [C97] describing the anomaly is here.

*We report on time-modulated two-body weak decays observed in the orbital electron capture of hydrogen-like  $^{140}Pr$  and  $^{142}Pm$  ions coasting in an ion storage ring. Using non-destructive single ion, time-resolved Schottky mass spectrometry we found that the expected exponential decay is modulated in time with a modulation period of about 7 seconds for both systems. Tentatively this observation is attributed to the coherent superposition of finite mass eigenstates of the electron neutrinos from the weak decay into a two-body final state.*

This brings in mind the nuclear decay rate anomalies which I discussed earlier in the blog posting *Tritium beta decay anomaly and variations in the rates of radioactive processes* and in [K76]. These variations in decay rates are in the scale of year and decay rate variation correlates with the distance from Sun. Also solar flares seem to induce decay rate variations.

The TGD based explanation [K76] relies on nuclear string model in which nuclei are connected by color flux tubes having exotic variant quark and antiquark at their ends (TGD predicts fractal hierarchy of QCD like physics). These flux tubes can be also charged: the possible charges  $\pm 1, 0$ . This means a rich spectrum of exotic states and a lot of new low energy nuclear physics. The energy scale corresponds to Coulomb interaction energy  $\alpha_{em}m$ , where  $m$  is mass scale of the exotic quark. This means energy scale of 10 keV for MeV mass scale. The well-known poorly understood X-ray bursts from Sun during solar flares in the wavelength range 1-8 Å correspond to energies in the range 1.6-12.4 keV -3 octaves in good approximation- might relate to this new nuclear physics and in turn might excite nuclei from the ground state to these excited states and the small mixture of exotic nuclei with slightly different nuclear decay rates could cause the effective variation of the decay rate. The mass scale  $m \sim 1$  MeV for exotic quarks would predict Coulombic energy of order  $\alpha_{em}m$  which is of order 10 keV.

The question is whether there could be a flux of X rays in time scale of 7 seconds causing the rate fluctuation by the same mechanism also in GSI experiment. For instance, could this flux relate to synchrotron radiation. I could not identify any candidate for this periodicity from the article. In any case, the prediction is what might be called X ray nuclear physics and artificial X ray irradiation of nuclei would be an easy manner to kill or prove the general hypothesis.

One can imagine also another possibility.

- (a) The first guess is that the transitions between ordinary and exotic states of the ion are induced by the emission of exotic W boson between nucleon and exotic quark so that the charge of the color bond is changed. In standard model the objection would be that classical W fields do not make sense in the length scale in question. The basic prediction deriving from induced field concept (classical ew gauge fields correspond to the projection of  $CP_2$  spinor curvature to the space-time surface) is however the existence of classical long range gauge fields- both ew and color. Classical W field can induce charge entanglement in all length scales and one of the control mechanisms of TGD inspired quantum biology relies on remote control of charge densities in this manner. Also the model of cold fusion could involve similar oscillating time like entanglement allowing the bombarding nucleus to penetrate to the nucleus when proton has transformed to neutron in good approximation and charge is delocalized to the color bond having much larger size.
- (b) In the approximation that one has two-state system, this interaction can be modelled by using as interaction Hamiltonian hermitian non-diagonal matrix  $V$ , which can be written as  $V\sigma_x$ , where  $\sigma_x$  is Pauli sigma matrix. If this process occurs coherently in time scales longer than  $\hbar/V$ , an oscillation with frequency  $\omega = V/\hbar$  results. Since weak interactions are in question 7 second modulation period might make sense.

The hypothesis can be tested quantitatively.

- (a) The weak interaction Coulomb potential energy is of form

$$\frac{V(r)}{\hbar} = \alpha_W \frac{\exp(-m_W r)}{r} , \tag{13.7.7}$$

where  $r$  is the distance between nucleon center of mass and the end of color flux tube and therefore of order proton Compton length  $r_p$  so that one can write

$$r = x \times r_p .$$

where  $x$  should be of order unity but below it.

- (b) The frequency  $\omega = 2\pi/\tau = V/\hbar$  must correspond to 14 seconds, twice the oscillation period of the varying reaction rate. By taking W boson Compton time  $t_W$  as time unit this condition can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\alpha_W \exp(-y)}{y} &= \frac{t_W}{\tau} , \\ y = x \frac{r_p}{r_W} &= x \frac{m_W}{m_p} \simeq 80 \times x , \\ \alpha_W &= \alpha_{em} / \sin^2 \theta_W . \end{aligned}$$

(c) This gives the condition

$$\frac{\exp(-y)}{y} = \frac{t_p}{\tau} \times \frac{\sin^2 \theta_W}{80 \times \alpha_{em}} . \quad (13.7.8)$$

This allows to solve  $y$  since the left hand side is known. Feeding in proton Compton length  $r_p = 1.321 \times 10^{-15}$  m and  $\sin^2 \theta_W = .23$  one obtains that the distance between flux tube end and proton cm is  $x = .6446$  times proton Compton length, which compares favorably with the guess  $x \simeq 1$  but smaller than 1. One must however notice that the oscillation period is exponentially sensitive to the value of  $x$ . For instance, if the charge entanglement were between nucleons,  $x > 1$  would hold true and the time scale would be enormous. Hence the simple model requires new physics and predicts correctly the period of the oscillation under very reasonable assumptions.

- (d) One could criticize this by saying that the masses of two states differ by amount which is of order 10 keV or so. This does not however affect the argument since the mass corresponds to the diagonal non-interaction part of the Hamiltonian contributing only rapidly oscillating phases whereas interaction potential induces oscillating mixing as is easy to see in interaction picture.
- (e) If one believes in the hierarchy of Planck constants and p-adically scaled variants of weak interaction physics, charge entanglement would be possible in much longer length scales and the time scale of it raises the question whether qubits could be realized using proton and neutron in quantum computation purposes. I have also proposed that charge entanglement could serve as a mechanism of bio-control allowing to induce charge density gradients from distance in turn acting as switches inducing biological functions.

So: it happened again! Again I have given a good reason for my learned critics to argue that TGD explains everything so that I am a crackpot and so on and so on. Well... after a first feeling of deep shame I dare to defend myself. In the case of standard model explanatory power has not been regarded as an argument against the theory but my case is of course different since I do not have any academic position since my fate is to live in the arctic scientific environment of Finland. And if my name were Feynman, this little argument would be an instant classic. But most theoreticians are just little opportunists building their career and this does not leave much room for intellectual honesty.

### 13.7.12 New evidence for anomalies of radio-active decay rates

Lubos Motl told about new evidence for periodic variations of nuclear decay rates reported by Sturrock et al in their article *Analysis of Gamma Radiation from a Radon Source: Indications of a Solar Influence* [C153]. The abstract of the article summarizes the results.

*This article presents an analysis of about 29,000 measurements of gamma radiation associated with the decay of radon in a sealed container at the Geological Survey of Israel (GSI) Laboratory in Jerusalem between 28 January 2007 and 10 May 2010. These measurements exhibit strong variations in time of year and time of day, which may be due in part to environmental influences. However, time-series analysis reveals a number of periodicities, including two at approximately  $11.2 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and  $12.5 \text{ year}^{-1}$ . We have previously found these oscillations in nuclear-decay data acquired at the Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) and at the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB), and we have suggested that these oscillations are attributable to some form of solar radiation that has its origin in the deep solar interior. A curious property of the GSI data is that the annual oscillation is much stronger in daytime data than in nighttime data, but the opposite is true for all other oscillations. This may be a systematic effect but, if it is not, this property should help narrow the theoretical options for the mechanism responsible for decay-rate variability.*



### Quantitative summary of findings

The following gives a brief quantitative summary of the findings. Radioactive decays of nuclei have been analyzed in three earlier studies and also in the recent study.

- (a) BNL data are about  $^{36}\text{Cl}$  and  $^{32}\text{Si}$  nuclei. Strong day-time variation in month time scale was observed. Twofrequency bands ranging from  $11.0$  to  $11.2 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and from  $12.6$  to  $12.9 \text{ year}^{-1}$  were observed.
- (b) PTB data are about  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  nuclei. Also now strong day-time variation was observed with frequency bands ranging from  $11.0$  to  $11.3 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and from  $12.3$  to  $12.5 \text{ year}^{-1}$ .
- (c) GIS data are about  $^{222}\text{Ra}$  nuclei. Instead of strong day-time variation a strong night-time variation was observed. Annual oscillation was centered on mid-day.  $2 \text{ year}^{-1}$  is the next strongest feature. Also a night time feature with a peak at 17 hours was observed. There are also features at  $12.5 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and  $11.2 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and  $11.9 \text{ year}^{-1}$ . All these three data sets lead to oscillations in frequency bands ranging from  $11.0$  to  $11.4 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and from  $12.1$  to  $12.9 \text{ year}^{-1}$ .
- (d) Bellotti et al studied  $^{137}\text{Cl}$  nuclei deep underground in Gran Sasso. No variations were detected.

### Could exotic nuclear states explain the findings?

The TGD based new physics involved with the effect could relate to the excitations of exotic nuclear states induced by em radiation arriving from Sun. This would change the portions of various excited nuclei with nearly the same ground state energy and affect the average radioactive decay rates.

- (a) The exotic nuclei emerge in the model of nucleus as a nuclear string with nucleons connected by color flux tubes having quark and antiquark at ends [L2]. The excitations could be also involved with cold fusion. For the normal nuclei color flux tubes would be neutral but one can consider also excitations for which quark pair carries a net charge  $\pm e$ . This would give rise to a large number of nuclei with same em charge and mass number but having actually abnormal proton and neutron numbers. If the energy differences for these excitations are in keV range they might represent a fine structure of nuclear levels not detected earlier.  
 Could these exchanges take place also between different nuclei? For instance, could it be that in the collision of deuterium nuclei the second nucleus can be neutralized by the exchange of scaled down W boson leading to neutralization of second deuterium nucleus so that Coulomb wall could disappear and make possible cold nuclear reaction. It seems that the range of this scaled variant of weak interaction is quite too short.  $M_{127}$  variant of weak interactions with W boson mass very near to electron mass could make possible this mechanism.
- (b) The exchange of weak bosons could be responsible for generating these excitations: in this case two neutral color bonds would become charged with opposite charges. If one takes seriously the indications for 38 MeV new particle [C148], one can even consider a scaled variant of weak interaction physics with weak interaction length scale given by a length scale near hadronic length scale [K94]. E(38) could be scaled down Z boson with mass of about 38 MeV.

Em radiation from Sun inducing transitions of ordinary nuclei to their exotic counterparts could be responsible for the variation of the radio-active decay rates. If course, exotic nuclei in the above sense are only one option and the following argument below applies quite generally.

### Kinetic model for the evolution for the number of excited nuclei

A simple model for the evolution of the number of excited nuclei is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dN}{dt} &= kJ - k_1N \text{ for } t \in [t_0, t_1] \text{ ,} \\ \frac{dN}{dt} &= -k_1N \text{ for } t \in [t_1, t_0 + T] \text{ .}\end{aligned}\tag{13.7.8}$$

$J$  denotes the flux of incoming radiation and  $N$  the number of excited nuclei.  $t_0$  corresponds to the time of sunrise and  $t_1$  to the time of sunset and  $T$  is 24 hours in the approximation that sun rises at the same time every morning. The time evolution of  $N(t)$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned}N(t) &= \frac{k}{k_1}J + (N(t_0) - \frac{k}{k_1}J)\exp[-k_1(t - t_0)] \text{ for } t \in [t_0, t_1] \text{ ,} \\ N(t) &= N(t_1)\exp[-k_1(t - t_1)] \text{ for } t \in [t_1, t_0 + T] \text{ .}\end{aligned}\tag{13.7.8}$$

### Explanation for the basic features of the data

The model can explain the qualitative features of the data rather naturally.

- (a) The period of 1 year obviously correlates with the distance from Sun. .5 year period correlates with the fact that the distance from Sun is minimal twice during a year. Day-time night-time difference can be explained with the fact that em radiation at night-time does not penetrate Earth. This explains also why Gran Sasso in deep underground observes nothing.
- (b) The large long time scale variation for the day-time data for BNL and PTB seems to be in apparent contrast with that for the night-time data at GIS. It is however possible to understand the difference.
  - i. If the rate parameter  $k_1$  is large, one can understand why variations are strong at day-time in BNL and BTB. For large value of  $k_1$   $N(t)$  increases rapidly to its asymptotic value  $N_{max} = kJ/k_1$  and stays in it during day so that day-time variations due to solar distance are large. At night-time  $N(t)$  rapidly decreases to zero so that night-time variation due to the variation of the solar distance is small.
  - ii. For GIS the strong variation is associated with the night-time data. This can be understood in terms of small value of  $k_1$  which can be indeed smaller for  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  than for the nuclei used in the other studies. During daytime  $N(t)$  slowly increases to its maximum at  $N(t_1)$  and decreases slowly during night-time. Since  $N(t_1)$  depends on the time of the year, the night-time variation is large.
  - iii. The variations in time scales of roughly the time scale of month should be due to the variations in the intensity of the incoming radiation. The explanation suggested in [C153] is that the dynamics of solar core has these periodicities manifested also as the periodicities of the emission of radiation at the frequencies involved. These photons would naturally correspond to the photons emitted in the transitions between excited states of nuclei in the solar core or possibly in solar corona having temperature of about 300 eV. One could in fact think that the mysterious heating of solar corona [E1] to a temperature of 3 million K could be due to the exotic excitations of the nuclei by radiation coming from Sun. At this temperature the maximum of black body distribution with respect to frequency corresponds to energy of .85 keV consistent with the proposal that the energy scale for excitations is keV.
  - iv. The difference of frequencies  $12.49 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and  $11.39 \text{ year}^{-1}$  is in good approximation  $1 \text{ year}^{-1}$ , which suggests modulation of the average frequencies with a period of year being due to the rotation of Earth around Sun. The average frequency is  $11.89 \text{ year}^{-1}$  that is 1/month. The explanation proposed in the article is in terms of rotation velocity of the inner core which would be smaller but same order of magnitude as that of outer core (frequency range from  $13.7$  to  $14.7 \text{ year}^{-1}$ ). It is however not plausible that the keV photons could propagate from the inner core of Sun unless they are dark in TGD sense. In TGD framework it would be natural to assign the frequency band to solar Corona.

### Can one assign the observed frequency band to the rotation of solar corona?

The rotation frequency band assignable to photosphere is too high by about  $\Delta f = 3 \text{ year}^{-1}$  as compared to that appearing in decay rate variation. Could one understand this discrepancy?

- (a) One must distinguish between the synodic rotation frequency  $f_S$  measured in the rest system of Sun and the rotation frequency observed in Earth rotating with frequency  $f = 1 \text{ year}^{-1}$  around Sun: these frequencies relate by  $f_E = f_S - f$  giving frequency range 12.7 to  $13.7 \text{ year}^{-1}$ . This is still too high by about  $\Delta f = 2 \text{ year}^{-1}$ .
- (b) Could corona rotate slower than photosphere? The measurements by Mehta [E17] give the value range 22 - 26.5 days meaning that the coronal synodic frequency  $f_C$  would be in the range  $14.0\text{-}16.6 \text{ year}^{-1}$ . The range of frequencies observed at Earth would be  $13\text{-}15.6 \text{ year}^{-1}$  and too high by about  $\Delta = 2 \text{ year}^{-1}$ .

If I have understood correctly, the coronal rotational velocity is determined by using solar spots as markers and therefore refers to the magnetic field rather than the gas in the corona. Could the rotation frequency of the gas in corona be about  $\Delta f = 2 \text{ year}^{-1}$  lower than that for the magnetic spots?

One can develop a theoretical argument in order to understand the rotational periods of photosphere and corona and why they could differ by about  $\Delta f = 2 \text{ year}^{-1}$ .

- (a) Suppose that one can distinguish between the rotation frequencies of magnetic fields (magnetic body in many-sheeted space-time) and gas. Suppose that photosphere (briefly 'P') and corona (briefly 'C') can be treated in the first approximation as rigid spherical shells having thus moment of inertia  $I = (2/3)mR^2$  around the rotational axis. The angular momentum per unit mass is  $dL/dm = (2/3)R^2\omega$ . Suppose that the value of  $dL/dm$  is same for the photosphere and Corona. If the rotation velocity magnetic fields determined from magnetic spots is same as the rotation velocity of gas in corona, this implies  $f_C/f_P = (R_S/R_C)^2$ , where  $R_S$  is solar radius identifiable as the radius of photosphere. The scaling of  $13 \text{ year}^{-1}$  down to  $11 \text{ year}^{-1}$  would require  $R_C/R_S \simeq 1.09$ . This radius should correspond to the hottest part of the corona at temperature about 1-2 million K.

The inner solar corona extends up to  $(4/3)R_S$ . This would give average radius of the inner coronal shell about  $1.15R_S$ . The constancy of  $dL/dm(R)$  would give a differential rotation with frequency varying as  $1/R^2$ . If the frequency band reflects the presence of differential rotation, one has  $R_{max}/R_{min} \simeq (f_{max}/f_{min})^{1/2} \simeq (15/13)^{1/2} \simeq 1.07$ .

- (b) One can understand why angular momentum density per mass is constant if one accepts a generalization of the Bohr quantization of planetary orbits originally proposed by Nottale and based on the notion of gravitational Planck constant  $\hbar_{gr}$  [K71, K59]. One has  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$  and is assigned with the flux sheets mediating gravitational interaction between Sun and the planet or some other astrophysical object near Sun. The dependence on solar mass and planetary mass is fixed by Equivalence Principle.  $v_0$  has dimensions of velocity and therefore naturally satisfies  $v_0 < c$ . For the three inner planets one has  $v_0/c \simeq 2^{-11}$ . Angular momentum quantization gives  $mR^2\omega = n\hbar_{gr}$  giving  $R^2\omega = nGM/v_0$  so that the angular momentum per mass is integer valued. For the inner planets  $n$  has values 3,4,5.
- (c) One could argue that for the photosphere and corona regarded as rigid bodies a similar quantization holds true but with the same value of  $n$  since the radii are so near to each other. Also  $v_0$  should be larger. Consider first photosphere. One can apply the angular momentum quantization condition to photosphere approximate as a spherical shell and rigid body.  $I\omega_P = nGMm/v_{0P}$  for  $n = 1$  gives  $(2/3)R^2\omega = GM/v_{0P}$ . For  $v_{0P} = c$  one would obtain  $\omega_P/\omega_E = (3/2)(R_E/R)^2(v_0/v_{0P})$ . For  $R_P = .0046491R_E$  (solar radius) this gives  $\omega_P/\omega_E \simeq 12.466$  for the  $v_0/c = 4.6 \times 10^{-4}$  used by Nottale [K71]: I have often used the approximate nominal value  $v_0/c = 2^{-11}$  but now it this approximation is too rough. Taking into account the frequency shift due to Earth's orbital motion one obtains  $\omega_P/\omega_E \simeq 11.466$  which is consistent with the lower bound of the observed frequency band and would correspond to  $R_{max}$ . The value  $v_{0P} = v_{0C} = c$  looks unrealistic if interpreted as a physical velocity of some kind the increase of  $R_C$  allows however to reduce the value of  $v_{0C}$  so that it seems possible to understand the situation quantitatively.

If one wants to generalize this argument to differential rotation, one must decompose the system spherical shells or more general elements rotating at different velocities and having different value of  $\hbar_{gr}$  assignable to the flux tubes connecting them to Sun and mediating gravitational interaction. This decomposition must be physical.

### 13.8 Dark nuclear strings as analogs of DNA-, RNA- and amino-acid sequences and baryonic realization of genetic code?

Water memory is one of the ugly words in the vocabulary of a main stream scientist. The work of pioneers is however now carrying fruit. The group led by Jean-Luc Montagnier, who received Nobel prize for discovering HIV virus, has found strong evidence for water memory and detailed information about the mechanism involved [K37, K83] , [I8] . The work leading to the discovery was motivated by the following mysterious finding. When the water solution containing human cells infected by bacteria was filtered in purpose of sterilizing it, it indeed satisfied the criteria for the absence of infected cells immediately after the procedure. When one however adds human cells to the filtrate, infected cells appear within few weeks. If this is really the case and if the filter does what it is believed to do, this raises the question whether there might be a representation of genetic code based on nano-structures able to leak through the filter with pores size below 200 nm.

The question is whether dark nuclear strings might provide a representation of the genetic code. In fact, I posed this question year before the results of the experiment came with motivation coming from attempts to understand water memory. The outcome was a totally unexpected finding: the states of dark nucleons formed from three quarks can be naturally grouped to multiplets in one-one correspondence with 64 DNAs, 64 RNAs, and 20 aminoacids and there is natural mapping of DNA and RNA type states to aminoacid type states such that the numbers of DNAs/RNAs mapped to given aminoacid are same as for the vertebrate genetic code.

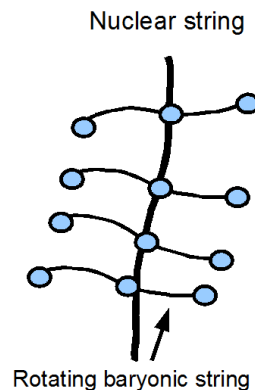


Figure 13.3: Illustration of a possible vision about dark nucleus as a nuclear string consisting of rotating baryonic strings.

The basic idea is simple. Since baryons consist of 3 quarks just as DNA codons consist of three nucleotides, one might ask whether codons could correspond to baryons obtained as open strings with quarks connected by two color flux tubes. This representation would be based on entanglement rather than letter sequences. The question is therefore whether the dark baryons constructed as string of 3 quarks using color flux tubes could realize 64 codons and whether 20 aminoacids could be identified as equivalence classes of some equivalence relation between 64 fundamental codons in a natural manner.

The following model indeed reproduces the genetic code directly from a model of dark neutral baryons as strings of 3 quarks connected by color flux tubes.

- (a) Dark nuclear baryons are considered as a fundamental realization of DNA codons and constructed as open strings of 3 dark quarks connected by two colored flux tubes, which can be also charged. The baryonic strings cannot combine to form a strictly linear structure since strict rotational invariance would not allow the quark strings to have angular momentum with respect to the quantization axis defined by the nuclear string. The independent rotation of quark strings and breaking of rotational symmetry from  $SO(3)$  to  $SO(2)$  induced by the direction of the nuclear string is essential for the model.
  - i. Baryonic strings could form a helical nuclear string (stability might require this) locally parallel to DNA, RNA, or aminoacid) helix with rotations acting either along the axis of the DNA or along the local axis of DNA along helix. The rotation of a flux tube portion around an axis parallel to the local axis along DNA helix requires that magnetic flux tube has a kink in this portion. An interesting question is whether this kink has correlate at the level of DNA too. Notice that color bonds appear in two scales corresponding to these two strings. The model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27] allows a modification in which dark nuclear string of this kind is parallel to DNA and each codon has a flux tube connection to the lipid of cell membrane or possibly to some other bio-molecule.
  - ii. The analogs of DNA -, RNA -, and of amino-acid sequences could also correspond to sequences of dark baryons in which baryons would be 3-quark strings in the plane transversal to the dark nuclear string and expected to rotate by stringy boundary conditions. Thus one would have nuclear string consisting of short baryonic strings not connected along their ends (see Fig. 13.8). In this case all baryons would be free to rotate.
- (b) The new element as compared to the standard quark model is that between both dark quarks and dark baryons can be charged carrying charge  $0, \pm 1$ . This is assumed also in nuclear string model and there is empirical support for the existence of exotic nuclei containing charged color bonds between nuclei.
- (c) The net charge of the dark baryons in question is assumed to vanish to minimize Coulomb repulsion:

$$\sum_q Q_{em}(q) = - \sum_{flux\ tubes} Q_{em}(flux\ tube) . \quad (13.8.1)$$

This kind of selection is natural taking into account the breaking of isospin symmetry. In the recent case the breaking cannot however be as large as for ordinary baryons (implying large mass difference between  $\Delta$  and nucleon states).

- (d) One can classify the states of the open 3-quark string by the total charges and spins associated with 3 quarks and to the two color bonds. Total em charges of quarks vary in the range  $Z_B \in \{2, 1, 0, -1\}$  and total color bond charges in the range  $Z_b \in \{2, 1, 0, -1, -2\}$ . Only neutral states are allowed. Total quark spin projection varies in the range  $J_B = 3/2, 1/2, -1/2, -3/2$  and the total flux tube spin projection in the range  $J_b = 2, 1, -1, -2$ . If one takes for a given total charge assumed to be vanishing one representative from each class  $(J_B, J_b)$ , one obtains  $4 \times 5 = 20$  states which is the number of amino-acids. Thus genetic code might be realized at the level of baryons by mapping the neutral states with a given spin projection to single representative state with the same spin projection. The problem is to find whether one can identify the analogs of DNA, RNA and aminoacids as baryon like states.

### 13.8.1 States in the quark degrees of freedom

One must construct many-particle states both in quark and flux tube degrees of freedom. These states can be constructed as representations of rotation group  $SU(2)$  and strong isospin group

SU(2) by using the standard tensor product rule  $j_1 \times j_2 = j_1 + j_2 \oplus j_1 + j_2 - 1 \oplus \dots \oplus |j_1 - j_2|$  for the representation of SU(2) and Fermi statistics and Bose-Einstein statistics are used to deduce correlations between total spin and total isospin (for instance,  $J = I$  rule holds true in quark degrees of freedom). Charge neutrality is assumed and the breaking of rotational symmetry in the direction of nuclear string is assumed.

Consider first the states of dark baryons in quark degrees of freedom.

- (a) The tensor product  $2 \otimes 2 \otimes 2$  is involved in both cases. Without any additional constraints this tensor product decomposes as  $(3 \oplus 1) \otimes 2 = 4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2$ : 8 states altogether. This is what one should have for DNA and RNA candidates. If one has only identical quarks  $uuu$  or  $ddd$ , Pauli exclusion rule allows only the 4-D spin 3/2 representation corresponding to completely symmetric representation -just as in standard quark model. These 4 states correspond to a candidate for amino-acids. Thus RNA and DNA should correspond to states of type  $uud$  and  $ddu$  and aminoacids to states of type  $uuu$  or  $ddd$ . What this means physically will be considered later.
- (b) Due to spin-statistics constraint only the representations with  $(J, I) = (3/2, 3/2)$  ( $\Delta$  resonance) and the second  $(J, I) = (1/2, 1/2)$  (proton and neutron) are realized as free baryons. Now of course a dark -possibly p-adically scaled up - variant of QCD is considered so that more general baryonic states are possible. By the way, the spin statistics problem which forced to introduce quark color strongly suggests that the construction of the codons as sequences of 3 nucleons - which one might also consider - is not a good idea.
- (c) Second nucleon like spin doublet - call it  $2_{odd}$  - has wrong parity in the sense that it would require  $L = 1$  ground state for two identical quarks ( $uu$  or  $dd$  pair). Dropping  $2_{odd}$  and using only  $4 \oplus 2$  for the rotation group would give degeneracies  $(1, 2, 2, 1)$  and 6 states only. All the representations in  $4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2_{odd}$  are needed to get 8 states with a given quark charge and one should transform the wrong parity doublet to positive parity doublet somehow. Since open string geometry breaks rotational symmetry to a subgroup SO(2) of rotations acting along the direction of the string and since the boundary conditions on baryonic strings force their ends to rotate with light velocity, the attractive possibility is to add a baryonic stringy excitation with angular momentum projection  $L_z = -1$  to the wrong parity doublet so that the parity comes out correctly.  $L_z = -1$  orbital angular momentum for the relative motion of  $uu$  or  $dd$  quark pair in the open 3-quark string would be in question. The degeneracies for spin projection value  $J_z = 3/2, \dots, -3/2$  are  $(1, 2, 3, 2)$ . Genetic code means spin projection mapping the states in  $4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2_{odd}$  to 4.

### 13.8.2 States in the flux tube degrees of freedom

Consider next the states in flux tube degrees of freedom.

- (a) The situation is analogous to a construction of mesons from quarks and antiquarks and one obtains the analogs of  $\pi$  meson (pion) with spin 0 and  $\rho$  meson with spin 1 since spin statistics forces  $J = I$  condition also now. States of a given charge for a flux tube correspond to the tensor product  $2 \otimes 2 = 3 \oplus 1$  for the rotation group.
- (b) Without any further constraints the tensor product  $3 \otimes 3 = 5 \oplus 3 \oplus 1$  for the flux tubes states gives 8+1 states. By dropping the scalar state this gives 8 states required by DNA and RNA analogs. The degeneracies of the states for DNA/RNA type realization with a given spin projection for  $5 \oplus 3$  are  $(1, 2, 2, 2, 1)$ .  $8 \times 8$  states result altogether for both  $uud$  and  $udd$  for which color bonds have different charges. Also for  $ddd$  state with quark charge -1 one obtains  $5 \oplus 3$  states giving 40 states altogether.
- (c) If the charges of the color bonds are identical as the are for  $uuu$  type states serving as candidates for the counterparts of aminoacids bosonic statistics allows only 5 states ( $J = 2$  state). Hence 20 counterparts of aminoacids are obtained for  $uuu$ . Genetic code means the projection of the states of  $5 \oplus 3$  to those of 5 with the same spin projection and same total charge.

### 13.8.3 Analogs of DNA, RNA, aminoacids, and of translation and transcription mechanisms

Consider next the identification of analogs of DNA, RNA and aminoacids and the baryonic realization of the genetic code, translation and transcription.

- (a) The analogs of DNA and RNA can be identified dark baryons with quark content  $uud$ ,  $ddu$  with color bonds having different charges. There are 3 color bond pairs corresponding to charge pairs  $(q_1, q_2) = (-1, 0), (-1, 1), (0, 1)$  (the order of charges does not matter). The condition that the total charge of dark baryon vanishes allows for  $uud$  only the bond pair  $(-1, 0)$  and for  $udd$  only the pair  $(-1, 1)$ . These thus only single neutral dark baryon of type  $uud$  resp.  $udd$ : these would be the analogous of DNA and RNA codons. Amino-acids would correspond to  $uuu$  states with identical color bonds with charges  $(-1, -1), (0, 0)$ , or  $(1, 1)$ .  $uuu$  with color bond charges  $(-1, -1)$  is the only neutral state. Hence only the analogs of DNA, RNA, and aminoacids are obtained, which is rather remarkable result.
- (b) The basic transcription and translation machinery could be realized as processes in which the analog of DNA can replicate, and can be transcribed to the analog of mRNA in turn translated to the analogs of amino-acids. In terms of flux tube connections the realization of genetic code, transcription, and translation, would mean that only dark baryons with same total quark spin and same total color bond spin can be connected by flux tubes. Charges are of course identical since they vanish.
- (c) Genetic code maps of  $(4 \oplus 2 \oplus 2) \otimes (5 \oplus 3)$  to the states of  $4 \times 5$ . The most natural map takes the states with a given spin to a state with the same spin so that the code is unique. This would give the degeneracies  $D(k)$  as products of numbers  $D_B \in \{1, 2, 3, 2\}$  and  $D_b \in \{1, 2, 2, 2, 1\}$ :  $D = D_B \times D_b$ . Only the observed degeneracies  $D = 1, 2, 3, 4, 6$  are predicted. The numbers  $N(k)$  of aminoacids coded by  $D$  codons would be

$$[N(1), N(2), N(3), N(4), N(6)] = [2, 7, 2, 6, 3] .$$

The correct numbers for vertebrate nuclear code are  $(N(1), N(2), N(3), N(4), N(6)) = (2, 9, 1, 5, 3)$ . Some kind of symmetry breaking must take place and should relate to the emergence of stopping codons. If one codon in second 3-plet becomes stopping codon, the 3-plet becomes doublet. If 2 codons in 4-plet become stopping codons it also becomes doublet and one obtains the correct result  $(2, 9, 1, 5, 3)$ !

- (d) Stopping codons would most naturally correspond to the codons, which involve the  $L_z = -1$  relative rotational excitation of  $uu$  or  $dd$  type quark pair. For the 3-plet the two candidates for the stopping codon state are  $|1/2, -1/2\rangle \otimes \{|2, k\rangle\}$ ,  $k = 2, -2$ . The total spins are  $J_z = 3/2$  and  $J_z = -7/2$ . The three candidates for the 4-plet from which two states are thrown out are  $|1/2, -3/2\rangle \otimes \{|2, k\rangle, |1, k\rangle\}$ ,  $k = 1, 0, -1$ . The total spins are now  $J_z = -1/2, -3/2, -5/2$ . One guess is that the states with smallest value of  $J_z$  are dropped which would mean that  $J_z = -7/2$  states in 3-plet and  $J_z = -5/2$  states 4-plet become stopping codons.
- (e) One can ask why just vertebrate code? Why not vertebrate mitochondrial code, which has unbroken  $A - G$  and  $T - C$  symmetries with respect to the third nucleotide. And is it possible to understand the rarely occurring variants of the genetic code in this framework? One explanation is that the baryonic realization is the fundamental one and biochemical realization has gradually evolved from non-faithful realization to a faithful one as kind of emulation of dark nuclear physics. Also the role of tRNA in the realization of the code is crucial and could explain the fact that the code can be context sensitive for some codons.

### 13.8.4 Understanding the symmetries of the code

Quantum entanglement between quarks and color flux tubes would be essential for the baryonic realization of the genetic code whereas chemical realization could be said to be classical. Quantal aspect means that one cannot decompose to codon to letters anymore. This raises questions concerning the symmetries of the code.

- (a) What is the counterpart for the conjugation  $ZYZ \rightarrow X_c Y_c Z_c$  for the codons?
- (b) The conjugation of the second nucleotide  $Y$  having chemical interpretation in terms of hydrophoby-hydrophily dichotomy in biology. In DNA as tqc model it corresponds to matter-antimatter conjugation for quarks associated with flux tubes connecting DNA nucleotides to the lipids of the cell membrane. What is the interpretation in now?
- (c) The A-G, T-C symmetries with respect to the third nucleotide  $Z$  allow an interpretation as weak isospin symmetry in DNA as tqc model. Can one identify counterpart of this symmetry when the decomposition into individual nucleotides does not make sense?

Natural candidates for the building blocks of the analogs of these symmetries are the change of the sign of the spin direction for quarks and for flux tubes.

- (a) For quarks the spin projections are always non-vanishing so that the map has no fixed points. For flux tube spin the states of spin  $S_z = 0$  are fixed points. The change of the sign of quark spin projection must therefore be present for both  $XYZ \rightarrow X_c Y_c Z_c$  and  $Y \rightarrow Y_c$  but also something else might be needed. Note that without the symmetry breaking  $(1, 3, 3, 1) \rightarrow (1, 2, 3, 2)$  the code table would be symmetric in the permutation of 2 first and 2 last columns of the code table induced by both full conjugation and conjugation of  $Y$ .
- (b) The analogs of the approximate  $A - G$  and  $T - C$  symmetries cannot involve the change of spin direction in neither quark nor flux tube sector. These symmetries act inside the A-G and T-C sub-2-columns of the 4-columns defining the rows of the code table. Hence this symmetry must permute the states of same spin inside 5 and 3 for flux tubes and 4 and 2 for quarks but leave  $2_{odd}$  invariant. This guarantees that for the two non-degenerate codons coding for only single amino-acid and one of the codons inside triplet the action is trivial. Hence the baryonic analog of the approximate  $A - G$  and  $T - C$  symmetry would be exact symmetry and be due to the basic definition of the genetic code as a mapping states of same flux tube spin and quark spin to single representative state. The existence of full 4-columns coding for the same aminoacid would be due to the fact that states with same quark spin inside  $(2, 3, 2)$  code for the same amino-acid.
- (c) A detailed comparison of the code table with the code table in spin representation should allow to fix their correspondence uniquely apart from permutations of n-plets and thus also the representation of the conjugations. What is clear that  $Y$  conjugation must involve the change of quark spin direction whereas  $Z$  conjugation which maps typically 2-plets to each other must involve the permutation of states with same  $J_z$  for the flux tubes. It is not quite clear what  $X$  conjugation correspond to.

### 13.8.5 Some comments about the physics behind the code

Consider next some particle physicist's objections against this picture.

- (a) The realization of the code requires the dark scaled variants of spin 3/2 baryons known as  $\Delta$  resonance and the analogs (and only the analogs) of spin 1 mesons known as  $\rho$  mesons. The lifetime of these states is very short in ordinary hadron physics. Now one has a scaled up variant of hadron physics: possibly in both dark and p-adic senses with latter allowing arbitrarily small overall mass scales. Hence the lifetimes of states can be scaled up.
- (b) Both the absolute and relative mass differences between  $\Delta$  and  $N$  resp.  $\rho$  and  $\pi$  are large in ordinary hadron physics and this makes the decays of  $\Delta$  and  $\rho$  possible kinematically. This is due to color magnetic spin-spin splitting proportional to the color coupling strength  $\alpha_s \sim .1$ , which is large. In the recent case  $\alpha_s$  could be considerably smaller - say of the same order of magnitude as fine structure constant  $1/137$  - so that the mass splittings could be so small as to make decays impossible.

The color magnetic spin interaction energy give rise to hyperfine splitting of quark in perturbative QCD is of form  $E_c \propto \hbar g B / m$ , where  $m$  is mass parameter which is of the order of baryon mass. Magnetic flux scales as  $\hbar$  by flux quantization and if flux tube



thickness scales as  $\hbar^2$ , one has  $B \propto 1/\hbar$ . Mass splittings would not depend on  $\hbar$ , which does not make sense. Mass splitting becomes small for large  $\hbar$  if the area of flux quantum scales as  $\hbar^{2+n}$ ,  $n > 0$  so that color magnetic hyper-fine splitting scales as  $1/\hbar^n$  from flux conservation. The magnetic energy for a flux tube of length  $L$  scaling as  $\hbar$  and thickness  $S \propto \hbar^{2+n}$  has order of magnitude  $g^2 B^2 L S$  and does not depend on  $\hbar$  for  $n = 1$ . Maybe this could provide first principle explanation for the desired scaling.

The size scale of DNA would suggest that single DNA triplet corresponds to 3 Angstrom length scale. Suppose this corresponds to the size of dark nucleon. If this size scales as  $\sqrt{\hbar}$  as p-adic mass calculations suggest, one obtains a rough estimate  $\hbar/\hbar_{0} = 2^{38}$ . The proton- $\Delta$  mass difference due to hyper-fine splitting would be scaled down to about  $2^{-38} \times 300 \text{ MeV} \sim 10^{-9} \text{ eV}$ , which is completely negligible in the metabolic energy scale .5 eV. If the size of dark nucleon scales as  $\hbar$  the mass difference is about 12 eV which corresponds to the energy scale for the ionization energy of hydrogen. Even this might be acceptable.

- (c) Dark hadrons could have lower mass scale than the ordinary ones if scaled up variants of quarks in p-adic sense are in question. Note that the model for cold fusion that inspired the idea about genetic code requires that dark nuclear strings have the same mass scale as ordinary baryons. In any case, the most general option inspired by the vision about hierarchy of conscious entities extended to a hierarchy of life forms is that several dark and p-adic scaled up variants of baryons realizing genetic code are possible.
- (d) The heaviest objection relates to the addition of  $L_z = -1$  excitation to  $S_z = |1/2, \pm 1/2\rangle_{\text{odd}}$  states which transforms the degeneracies of the quark spin states from  $(1, 3, 3, 1)$  to  $(1, 2, 3, 2)$ . The only reasonable answer is that the breaking of the full rotation symmetry reduces  $SO(3)$  to  $SO(2)$ . Also the fact that the states of massless particles are labeled by the representation of  $SO(2)$  might be of some relevance. The deeper level explanation in TGD framework might be as follows. The generalized imbedding space is constructed by gluing almost copies of the 8-D imbedding space with different Planck constants together along a 4-D subspace like pages of book along a common back. The construction involves symmetry breaking in both rotational and color degrees of freedom to Cartan sub-group and the interpretation is as a geometric representation for the selection of the quantization axis. Quantum TGD is indeed meant to be a geometrization of the entire quantum physics as a physics of the classical spinor fields in the "world of classical worlds" so that also the choice of measurement axis must have a geometric description.

The conclusion is that genetic code can be understood as a map of stringy baryonic states induced by the projection of all states with same spin projection to a representative state with the same spin projection. Genetic code would be realized at the level of dark nuclear physics and biochemical representation would be only one particular higher level representation of the code. A hierarchy of dark baryon realizations corresponding to p-adic and dark matter hierarchies can be considered. Translation and transcription machinery would be realized by flux tubes connecting only states with same quark spin and flux tube spin. Charge neutrality is essential for having only the analogs of DNA, RNA and aminoacids and would guarantee the em stability of the states.

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## Chapter 14

# Dark Nuclear Physics and Condensed Matter

### 14.1 Introduction

The unavoidable presence of classical long ranged weak (and also color) gauge fields in TGD Universe has been a continual source of worries for more than two decades. The basic question has been whether electro-weak charges of elementary particles are screened in electro-weak length scale or not. The TGD based view about dark matter assumes that weak charges are indeed screened for ordinary matter in electro-weak length scale but that dark electro-weak bosons correspond to much longer symmetry breaking length scale.

The large value of  $\hbar$  in dark matter phase implies that Compton lengths and  $\lambda$ -times are scaled up. In particular, the sizes of nucleons and nuclei become of order atom size so that dark nuclear physics would have direct relevance for condensed matter physics. It becomes impossible to make a reductionistic separation between nuclear physics and condensed matter physics and chemistry anymore.

In its original form this chapter was an attempt to concretize and develop ideas related to dark matter by using some experimental inputs with emphasis on the predicted interaction between the new nuclear physics and condensed matter. As the vision about dark matter became more coherent and the nuclear string model developed in its recent form, it became necessary to update the chapter and throw away the obsolete material. I have also divided the material to two chapters such that second chapter focuses to dark weak and color forces and their implications. I dare hope that the recent representation is more focused than the earlier one.

#### 14.1.1 Dark rules

I have done a considerable amount of trials and errors in order to identify the basic rules allowing to understand what it means to be dark matter is and what happens in the phase transition to dark matter. It is good to try to summarize the basic rules of p-adic and dark physics allowing to avoid obvious contradictions.

#### Could basic quantum TGD imply the hierarchy of Planck constants?

The implications of the hierarchy of Planck constants depend on whether one assumes it as an independent additional postulate or as a consequence of basic quantum TGD. The first option originally motivated by physical anomalies would allow both singular coverings and factor spaces. The latter option, which emerged five years after the basic idea, would allow only singular coverings. They would provide only a convenient tool to describe the fact that the correspondence between canonical momentum densities and time derivatives of the imbedding

space coordinates at the ends of space-time sheets is not one-to-one. As a matter fact, this observation forced the idea about quantum physics as classical physics in the "world of classical worlds" for two decades ago. The quantization of Planck constant as integer multiples of its standard value would be an effective phenomenon for this option holding true at the sheets of the covering. These options lead to different predictions and one can in principle test whether either of them is correct.

### The notion of field body

The notion of "field body" implied by topological field quantization is essential piece of classical TGD. It seems possible to assign to physical systems field identities- that is separate magnetic and electric field bodies identifiable as flux quanta. This is not possible in Maxwell's electrodynamics. The first naive guess was that one can speak of separate em,  $Z^0$ ,  $W$ , gluonic, and gravitonic field bodies, each characterized by its own p-adic prime. The tight constraints coming from the fact that the induced gauge fields are expressible in terms of  $CP_2$  coordinates and their derivatives implies however strong correlations between classical gauge fields. For instance, the vanishing of classical Kähler field for vacuum extremals implies that em and  $Z^0$  fields are proportional to each other. The non-vanishing of induced Kähler field in turn implies non-vanishing classical color fields. This gives rise at least to two basic types of field bodies predicting a lot of new physics even in macroscopic length scales. For instance, electric and magnetic flux tubes must have at their ends quarks and antiquarks serving as sources of classical color fields unless one believes that vacuum charge densities serve as sources of these fields. In the similar manner neutrinos and antineutrinos are needed to create classical  $Z^0$  fields associated with almost vacuum extremal flux tubes. These fields could be interpreted also as vacuum polarization effects and one could distinguish them from fields created by genuine sources. For instance, the unavoidable classical color fields associated with the flux tubes of electromagnetic field body which is not vacuum extremal would represent vacuum polarization in macroscopic scale.

What is interesting that the conceptual separation of interactions to various types would have a direct correlate at the level of space-time topology. From a different perspective inspired by the general vision that many-sheeted space-time provides symbolic representations of quantum physics, the very fact that we make this conceptual separation of fundamental interactions could reflect the topological separation at space-time level.

The p-adic mass calculations for quarks encourage to think that the p-adic length scale characterizing the mass of particle is associated with its electromagnetic body and in the case of neutrinos with its  $Z^0$  body.  $Z^0$  body can contribute also to the mass of charged particles but the contribution would be small. It is also possible that these field bodies are purely magnetic for color and weak interactions. Color flux tubes would have exotic fermion and anti-fermion at their ends and define colored variants of pions. This would apply not only in the case of nuclear strings but also to molecules and larger structures so that scaled variants of elementary particles and standard model would appear in all length scales as indeed implied by the fact that classical electro-weak and color fields are unavoidable in TGD framework.

One can also go further and distinguish between magnetic field body of free particle for which flux quanta start and return to the particle and "relative field" bodies associated with pairs of particles. Very complex structures emerge and should be essential for the understanding the space-time correlates of various interactions. In a well-defined sense they would define space-time correlate for the conceptual analysis of the interactions into separate parts. In order to minimize confusion it should be emphasized that the notion of field body used in this chapter relates to those space-time correlates of interactions, which are more or less *static* and related to the formation of *bound states*.

### What dark variant of elementary particle means

It is not at all clear what the notion of dark variant of elementary particle or of larger structures could mean.

1. *Are only field bodies dark?*

One variety of dark particle is obtained by making some of the field bodies dark by increasing the value of Planck constant. This hypothesis could be replaced with the stronger assumption that elementary particles are maximally quantum critical systems so that they are same irrespective of the value of the Planck constant. Elementary particles would be represented by partonic 2-surfaces, which belong to the universal orbifold singularities remaining invariant by all groups  $G_a \times G_b$  for a given choice of quantization axes. If  $G_a \times G_b$  is assumed to leave invariant the choice of the quantization axes, it must be of the form  $Z_{n_a} \times Z_{n_b} \subset SO(3) \times SU(3)$ . Partonic 2-surface would belong to  $M^2 \times CP_2/U(1) \times U(1)$ , where  $M^2$  is spanned by the quantization axis of angular momentum and the time axis defining the rest system.

A different manner to say this is that the  $CP_2$  type extremal representing particle would suffer multiple topological condensation on its field bodies so that there would be no separate "particle space-time sheet".

Darkness would be restricted to particle interactions. The value of the Planck constant would be assigned to a particular interaction between systems rather than system itself. This conforms with the original finding that gravitational Planck constant satisfies  $\hbar = GM_1 M_2 / v_0$ ,  $v_0 \simeq 2^{-11}$ . Since each interaction can give rise to a hierarchy dark phases, a rich variety of partially dark phases is predicted. The standard assumption that dark matter is visible only via gravitational interactions would mean that gravitational field body would not be dark for this particular dark matter.

Complex combinations of dark field bodies become possible and the dream is that one could understand various phases of matter in terms of these combinations. All phase transitions, including the familiar liquid-gas and solid-liquid phase transitions, could have a unified description in terms of dark phase transition for an appropriate field body. At mathematical level Jones inclusions would provide this description.

The book metaphor for the interactions at space-time level is very useful in this framework. Elementary particles correspond to ordinary value of Planck constant analogous to the ordinary sheets of a book and the field bodies mediating their interactions are the same space-time sheet or at dark sheets of the book.

### *2. Can also elementary particles be dark?*

Also dark elementary particles themselves rather than only the flux quanta could correspond to dark space-time sheet defining multiple coverings of  $H/G_a \times G_b$ . This would mean giving up the maximal quantum criticality hypothesis in the case of elementary particles. These sheets would be exact copies of each other. If single sheet of the covering contains topologically condensed space-time sheet, also other sheets contain its exact copy.

The question is whether these copies of space-time sheet defining classical identical systems can carry different fermionic quantum numbers or only identical fermionic quantum numbers so that the dark particle would be exotic many-fermion system allowing an apparent violation of statistics ( $N$  fermions in the same state).

Even if one allows varying number of fermions in the same state with respect to a basic copy of sheet, one ends up with the notion of  $N$ -atom in which nuclei would be ordinary but electrons would reside at the sheets of the covering. The question is whether symbolic representations essential for understanding of living matter could emerge already at molecular level via the formation of  $N$ -atoms.

### **What happens in charge fractionization?**

The hierarchy of Planck constants suggests strongly charge fractionization. What happens for binding energies is however not obvious. The first guess is that one just replaces  $\hbar$  with its scaled value in the standard formulas. One can however ask whether the resulting expression applies to single sheet of covering or to the sum of binding energies associated with the sheets of covering. In the case of factor space analogous problem is not encountered.

If the coverings follow from basic quantum TGD one can deduce unique rules for what happens. These rules can be assumed also in the more general case. Since the sheets of the singular

covering co-incide at the partonic 2-surfaces associated with ends of  $CD$  the time evolution and also "evolution" in space-like direction means instability of in the sense that partonic 2-surface decomposes to  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = n_a n_b$  sheets. This implies fractionization of all total quantum numbers such as energy and momentum. From this one can also deduce what happens to various binding energies. For instance, the total (!) cyclotron energy is indeed multiplied by factor and the total(!) binding energy of dark hydrogen atom is what the naive scaling of  $\hbar$  would give. The reason is that the mass of particle is fractionized:  $m \rightarrow m/n_a n_b$ . Therefore the original guesses would be correct. In particular, the expression of the total gravitational binding energy essential for the original Bohr model of planetary orbits is consistent with the new more precise rules.

### Criterion for the transition to dark phase

The naive criterion  $\alpha Q_1 Q_2 > 1$  (or its generalization) for the transition to dark matter phase relates always to the interaction between two systems and the interpretation is that when the field strength characterizing the interaction becomes too strong, the interaction is mediated by dark space-time sheets which define  $n = n(G_a) \times n(G_b)$ -fold covering of  $M^4 \times CP_2/G_a \times G_b$ . The sharing of flux between different space-time sheets reduces the field strength associated with single sheet below the critical value.

For the option in which singular coverings follow from basic quantum TGD this criterion or its appropriate generalization has very concrete interpretation. At the ends of  $CD$  the partonic 2-surface is unstable against decay to  $n_a$  sheets when some of the quantum numbers of the partonic 2-surface are too large. A similar decay to  $n_b$  sheets would happen also when one moves in space-like direction.

One can ask whether this instability could have something to do with N-vertices of generalized Feynman diagrams in which decay of a partonic 2-surfaces to N-1 surfaces takes place. For instance, could it be that 3-vertex- possibly the only fundamental vertex, correspond to this process and could higher vertices have an interpretation in terms of the hierarchy of Planck constants? This would mean analogy with Jones inclusions for which  $n \geq 3$  holds true. The assumption that exact fractionization of quantum numbers takes place is not consistent with the identification in terms of Feynman diagrams. Also the huge values of  $n_a n_b$  disfavor this identification unless one restricts it to  $n_a n_b = 2$ .

The considerations of [K29] suggest that in the vertices of generalized Feynman diagrams a re-distribution of the sheets of the coverings can take place in such a manner that the total number of sheets is conserved. The leakage of between different sectors of WCW would in turn mean analogs of self-energy vertices in which  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  are replaced with their factors or with integers containing them as factors.

### Mersenne hypothesis

The generalization of the imbedding space means a book like structure for which the pages are products of singular coverings or factor spaces of  $CD$  (causal diamond defined as intersection of future and past directed light-cones) and of  $CP_2$  [K28]. This predicts that Planck constants are rationals and that given value of Planck constant corresponds to an infinite number of different pages of the Big Book, which might be seen as a drawback. If only singular covering spaces are allowed the values of Planck constant are products of integers and given value of Planck constant corresponds to a finite number of pages given by the number of decompositions of the integer to two different integers.

TGD inspired quantum biology and number theoretical considerations suggest preferred values for  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ . For the most general option the values of  $\hbar$  are products and ratios of two integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$ . Ruler and compass integers defined by the products of distinct Fermat primes and power of two are number theoretically favored values for these integers because the phases  $\exp(i2\pi/n_i)$ ,  $i \in \{a, b\}$ , in this case are number theoretically very simple and should have emerged first in the number theoretical evolution via algebraic extensions of p-adics and of rationals. p-Adic length scale hypothesis favors powers of two as values of  $r$ .

One can however ask whether a more precise characterization of preferred Mersennes could exist and whether there could exist a stronger correlation between hierarchies of p-adic length scales and Planck constants. Mersenne primes  $M_k = 2^k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{89, 107, 127\}$ , and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1 + i)k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{113, 151, 157, 163, 167, 239, 241, \dots\}$  are expected to be physically highly interesting and up to  $k = 127$  indeed correspond to elementary particles. The number theoretical miracle is that all the four p-adic length scales with  $k \in \{151, 157, 163, 167\}$  are in the biologically highly interesting range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu\text{m}$ ). The question has been whether these define scaled up copies of electro-weak and QCD type physics with ordinary value of  $\hbar$ . The proposal that this is the case and that these physics are in a well-defined sense induced by the dark scaled up variants of corresponding lower level physics leads to a prediction for the preferred values of  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = k_i - k_j$ .

What induction means is that dark variant of exotic nuclear physics induces exotic physics with ordinary value of Planck constant in the new scale in a resonant manner: dark gauge bosons transform to their ordinary variants with the same Compton length. This transformation is natural since in length scales below the Compton length the gauge bosons behave as massless and free particles. As a consequence, lighter variants of weak bosons emerge and QCD confinement scale becomes longer.

This proposal will be referred to as Mersenne hypothesis. It leads to strong predictions about EEG [K25] since it predicts a spectrum of preferred Josephson frequencies for a given value of membrane potential and also assigns to a given value of  $\hbar$  a fixed size scale having interpretation as the size scale of the body part or magnetic body. Also a vision about evolution of life emerges. Mersenne hypothesis is especially interesting as far as new physics in condensed matter length scales is considered: this includes exotic scaled up variants of the ordinary nuclear physics and their dark variants. Even dark nucleons are possible and this gives justification for the model of dark nucleons predicting the counterparts of DNA, RNA, tRNA, and aminoacids as well as realization of vertebrate genetic code [K86].

These exotic nuclear physics with ordinary value of Planck constant could correspond to ground states that are almost vacuum extremals corresponding to homologically trivial geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$  near criticality to a phase transition changing Planck constant. Ordinary nuclear physics would correspond to homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere and far from vacuum extremal property. For vacuum extremals of this kind classical  $Z^0$  field proportional to electromagnetic field is present and this modifies dramatically the view about cell membrane as Josephson junction. The model for cell membrane as almost vacuum extremal indeed led to a quantitative breakthrough in TGD inspired model of EEG and is therefore something to be taken seriously. The safest option concerning empirical facts is that the copies of electro-weak and color physics with ordinary value of Planck constant are possible only for almost vacuum extremals - that is at criticality against phase transition changing Planck constant.

### 14.1.2 Some implications

As already noticed, the detailed implications of the hierarchy of Planck constants depend on whether one brings in the hierarchy of singular coverings and factor spaces of the imbedding space as an independent postulate or whether one assumes that singular coverings emerge as an effective description from basic quantum TGD

#### Dark variants of nuclear physics

One can imagine endless variety of dark variants of ordinary nuclei and every piece of data is well-come in attempts to avoid a complete inflation of speculative ideas. The book metaphor for the extended imbedding space is useful in the attempts to imagine various exotic phases of matter. For the minimal option atomic nuclei would be ordinary whereas field bodies could be dark and analogous to  $n$ -sheeted Riemann surfaces. One can imagine that the nuclei are at the "standard" page of the book and color bonds at different page with different p-adic length scale or having different Planck constant  $\hbar$ . This would give two hierarchies of nuclei with increasing size.

Color magnetic body of the structure would become a key element in understanding the nuclear binding energies, giant dipole resonances, and nuclear decays. Also other field bodies are in a key role and there seems to be a field body for every basic interaction (classical gauge fields are induced from spinor connection and only four independent field variables are involved so that this is indeed required).

Nothing prevents from generalizing the nuclear string picture so that color bonds could bind also atoms to molecules and molecules to larger structures analogous to nuclei. Even hydrogen bond might be interpreted in this manner. Molecular physics could be seen as a scaled up variant of nuclear physics in a well-defined sense. The exotic features would relate to the hierarchy of various field bodies, including color bonds, electric and weak bonds. These field bodies would play key role also in biology and replaced molecular randomness with coherence in much longer length scale.

In the attempt to make this vision quantitative the starting point is nuclear string model [L2], [L2] and the model of cold fusion based on it forcing also to conclude the scaled variants of electro-weak bosons are involved. The model of cold fusion requires the presence of a variant electro-weak interactions for which weak bosons are effectively massless below the atomic length scale.

$k = 113$  p-adically scaled up variant of ordinary weak physics which is dark and corresponds to  $\hbar = r\hbar_0$ ,  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = 14 = 127 - 113$  is an option consistent with Mersenne hypothesis and gives weak bosons in electron length scale. Another possibility is defined by  $k = 113$  and  $k_d = 24 = 113 - 89 = 151 - 127$  and corresponds to the p-adic length scale  $k = 137$  defining atomic length scale. This would give rise to weak bosons with masses in keV scale and these would be certainly relevant for the physics of condensed matter.

Anomalies of water could be understood if one assumes that color bonds can become dark with suitable values of  $r = 2^{k_d}$  and if super-nuclei formed by connecting different nuclei by the color bonds are possible. Tetrahedral and icosahedral water clusters could be seen as magic super-nuclei in this framework. Color bonds could connect either proton nuclei or water molecules.

The model for partially dark condensed matter deriving from exotic nuclear physics and exotic weak interactions could allow to understand the low compressibility of the condensed matter as being due to the repulsive weak force between exotic quarks, explains large parity breaking effects in living matter (chiral selection), and suggests a profound modification of the notion of chemical bond having most important implications for bio-chemistry and understanding of bio-chemical evolution.

### Could the notion of dark atom make sense?

One can also imagine several variants of dark atom. Book metaphor suggest one variant of dark atom.

- (a) Nuclei and electrons could be ordinary but classical electromagnetic interactions are mediated via dark space-time sheet "along different page of the book". The value of Planck constant would be scaled so that one would obtain a hierarchy of scaled variants of hydrogen atom. The findings of [D45] [D45] could find an explanation in terms of a reduced Planck constant if singular factor spaces are assumed to be possible. An alternative explanation is based on the notion of quantum-hydrogen atom obtained as q-deformation of the ordinary hydrogen atom.
- (b) A more exotic variant if atom is obtained by assuming ordinary nuclei but dark, not totally quantum critical, electrons. Dark space-time surface is analogous to n-sheeted Riemann surface and if one assumes that each sheet could carry electron, one ends up with the notion of  $N$ -atom. This variant of dark atom is more or less equivalent with that following from the option for which the singular coverings of imbedding space are effective manner to describe the many-valuedness of the time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates as functions of canonical momentum densities.



## 14.2 A generalization of the notion of imbedding space as a realization of the hierarchy of Planck constants

### 14.2.1 Hierarchy of Planck constants and the generalization of the notion of imbedding space

In the following the recent view about structure of imbedding space forced by the quantization of Planck constant is summarized. The question is whether it might be possible in some sense to replace  $H$  or its Cartesian factors by their necessarily singular multiple coverings and factor spaces. One can consider two options: either  $M^4$  or the causal diamond  $CD$ . The latter one is the more plausible option from the point of view of WCW geometry.

#### The evolution of physical ideas about hierarchy of Planck constants

The evolution of the physical ideas related to the hierarchy of Planck constants and dark matter as a hierarchy of phases of matter with non-standard value of Planck constants was much faster than the evolution of mathematical ideas and quite a number of applications have been developed during last five years.

- (a) The starting point was the proposal of Nottale [E20] that the orbits of inner planets correspond to Bohr orbits with Planck constant  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$  and outer planets with Planck constant  $\hbar_{gr} = 5GMm/v_0$ ,  $v_0/c \simeq 2^{-11}$ . The basic proposal [K71] was that ordinary matter condenses around dark matter which is a phase of matter characterized by a non-standard value of Planck constant whose value is gigantic for the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction. The interpretation of these space-time sheets could be as magnetic flux quanta or as massless extremals assignable to gravitons.
- (b) Ordinary particles possibly residing at these space-time sheet have enormous value of Compton length meaning that the density of matter at these space-time sheets must be very slowly varying. The string tension of string like objects implies effective negative pressure characterizing dark energy so that the interpretation in terms of dark energy might make sense [K72]. TGD predicted a one-parameter family of Robertson-Walker cosmologies with critical or over-critical mass density and the "pressure" associated with these cosmologies is negative.
- (c) The quantization of Planck constant does not make sense unless one modifies the view about standard space-time is. Particles with different Planck constant must belong to different worlds in the sense local interactions of particles with different values of  $\hbar$  are not possible. This inspires the idea about the book like structure of the imbedding space obtained by gluing almost copies of  $H$  together along common "back" and partially labeled by different values of Planck constant.
- (d) Darkness is a relative notion in this framework and due to the fact that particles at different pages of the book like structure cannot appear in the same vertex of the generalized Feynman diagram. The phase transitions in which partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  during its travel along  $X^3_l$  leaks to another page of book are however possible and change Planck constant. Particle (say photon -) exchanges of this kind allow particles at different pages to interact. The interactions are strongly constrained by charge fractionization and are essentially phase transitions involving many particles. Classical interactions are also possible. It might be that we are actually observing dark matter via classical fields all the time and perhaps have even photographed it [K83].
- (e) The realization that non-standard values of Planck constant give rise to charge and spin fractionization and anyonization led to the precise identification of the prerequisites of anyonic phase [K61]. If the partonic 2-surface, which can have even astrophysical size, surrounds the tip of  $CD$ , the matter at the surface is anyonic and particles are confined at this surface. Dark matter could be confined inside this kind of light-like 3-surfaces around which ordinary matter condenses. If the radii of the basic pieces of these nearly spherical anyonic surfaces - glued to a connected structure by flux tubes mediating gravitational

interaction - are given by Bohr rules, the findings of Nottale [E20] can be understood. Dark matter would resemble to a high degree matter in black holes replaced in TGD framework by light-like partonic 2-surfaces with a minimum size of order Schwarzschild radius  $r_S$  of order scaled up Planck length  $l_{Pl} = \sqrt{\hbar_{gr}G} = GM$ . Black hole entropy is inversely proportional to  $\hbar$  and predicted to be of order unity so that dramatic modification of the picture about black holes is implied.

- (f) Perhaps the most fascinating applications are in biology. The anomalous behavior ionic currents through cell membrane (low dissipation, quantal character, no change when the membrane is replaced with artificial one) has a natural explanation in terms of dark supra currents. This leads to a vision about how dark matter and phase transitions changing the value of Planck constant could relate to the basic functions of cell, functioning of DNA and aminoacids, and to the mysteries of bio-catalysis. This leads also a model for EEG interpreted as a communication and control tool of magnetic body containing dark matter and using biological body as motor instrument and sensory receptor. One especially amazing outcome is the emergence of genetic code of vertebrates from the model of dark nuclei as nuclear strings [L2, K83] , [L2] .

### The most general option for the generalized imbedding space

Simple physical arguments pose constraints on the choice of the most general form of the imbedding space.

- (a) The fundamental group of the space for which one constructs a non-singular covering space or factor space should be non-trivial. This is certainly not possible for  $M^4$ ,  $CD$ ,  $CP_2$ , or  $H$ . One can however construct singular covering spaces. The fixing of the quantization axes implies a selection of the sub-space  $H_4 = M^2 \times S^2 \subset M^4 \times CP_2$ , where  $S^2$  is geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$ .  $\hat{M}^4 = M^4 \setminus M^2$  and  $\hat{CP}_2 = CP_2 \setminus S^2$  have fundamental group  $Z$  since the codimension of the excluded sub-manifold is equal to two and homotopically the situation is like that for a punctured plane. The exclusion of these sub-manifolds defined by the choice of quantization axes could naturally give rise to the desired situation.
- (b)  $CP_2$  allows two geodesic spheres which left invariant by  $U(2)$  resp.  $SO(3)$ . The first one is homologically non-trivial. For homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere  $H_4 = M^2 \times S^2$  represents a straight cosmic string which is non-vacuum extremal of Kähler action (not necessarily preferred extremal). One can argue that the many-valuedness of  $\hbar$  is unacceptable for non-vacuum extremals so that only homologically trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2$  would be acceptable. One could go even further. If the extremals in  $M^2 \times CP_2$  can be preferred non-vacuum extremals, the singular coverings of  $M^4$  are not possible. Therefore only the singular coverings and factor spaces of  $CP_2$  over the homologically trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2$  would be possible. This however looks a non-physical outcome.
- i. The situation changes if the extremals of type  $M^2 \times Y^2$ ,  $Y^2$  a holomorphic surface of  $CP_3$ , fail to be hyperquaternionic. The tangent space  $M^2$  represents hypercomplex sub-space and the product of the modified gamma matrices associated with the tangent spaces of  $Y^2$  should belong to  $M^2$  algebra. This need not be the case in general.
  - ii. The situation changes also if one reinterprets the gluing procedure by introducing scaled up coordinates for  $M^4$  so that metric is continuous at  $M^2 \times CP_2$  but  $CD$ s with different size have different sizes differing by the ratio of Planck constants and would thus have only piece of lower or upper boundary in common.
- (c) For the more general option one would have four different options corresponding to the Cartesian products of singular coverings and factor spaces. These options can be denoted by  $C-C$ ,  $C-F$ ,  $F-C$ , and  $F-F$ , where  $C$  ( $F$ ) signifies for covering (factor space) and first (second) letter signifies for  $CD$  ( $CP_2$ ) and correspond to the spaces  $(\hat{CD} \hat{\times} G_a) \times (\hat{CP}_2 \hat{\times} G_b)$ ,  $(\hat{CD} \hat{\times} G_a) \times \hat{CP}_2/G_b$ ,  $\hat{CD}/G_a \times (\hat{CP}_2 \hat{\times} G_b)$ , and  $\hat{CD}/G_a \times \hat{CP}_2/G_b$ .
- (d) The groups  $G_i$  could correspond to cyclic groups  $Z_n$ . One can also consider an extension by replacing  $M^2$  and  $S^2$  with its orbit under more general group  $G$  (say tetrahedral, octahedral, or icosahedral group). One expects that the discrete subgroups of  $SU(2)$  emerge

naturally in this framework if one allows the action of these groups on the singular sub-manifolds  $M^2$  or  $S^2$ . This would replace the singular manifold with a set of its rotated copies in the case that the subgroups have genuinely 3-dimensional action (the subgroups which corresponds to exceptional groups in the ADE correspondence). For instance, in the case of  $M^2$  the quantization axes for angular momentum would be replaced by the set of quantization axes going through the vertices of tetrahedron, octahedron, or icosahedron. This would bring non-commutative homotopy groups into the picture in a natural manner.

### About the phase transitions changing Planck constant

There are several non-trivial questions related to the details of the gluing procedure and phase transition as motion of partonic 2-surface from one sector of the imbedding space to another one.

- (a) How the gluing of copies of imbedding space at  $M^2 \times CP_2$  takes place? It would seem that the covariant metric of  $CD$  factor proportional to  $\hbar^2$  must be discontinuous at the singular manifold since only in this manner the idea about different scaling factor of  $CD$  metric can make sense. On the other hand, one can always scale the  $M^4$  coordinates so that the metric is continuous but the sizes of  $CDs$  with different Planck constants differ by the ratio of the Planck constants.
- (b) One might worry whether the phase transition changing Planck constant means an instantaneous change of the size of partonic 2-surface in  $M^4$  degrees of freedom. This is not the case. Light-likeness in  $M^2 \times S^2$  makes sense only for surfaces  $X^1 \times D^2 \subset M^2 \times S^2$ , where  $X^1$  is light-like geodesic. The requirement that the partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  moving from one sector of  $H$  to another one is light-like at  $M^2 \times S^2$  irrespective of the value of Planck constant requires that  $X^2$  has single point of  $M^2$  as  $M^2$  projection. Hence no sudden change of the size  $X^2$  occurs.
- (c) A natural question is whether the phase transition changing the value of Planck constant can occur purely classically or whether it is analogous to quantum tunneling. Classical non-vacuum extremals of Chern-Simons action have two-dimensional  $CP_2$  projection to homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2_I$ . The deformation of the entire  $S^2_I$  to homologically trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2_{II}$  is not possible so that only combinations of partonic 2-surfaces with vanishing total homology charge (Kähler magnetic charge) can in principle move from sector to another one, and this process involves fusion of these 2-surfaces such that  $CP_2$  projection becomes single homologically trivial 2-surface. A piece of a non-trivial geodesic sphere  $S^2_I$  of  $CP_2$  can be deformed to that of  $S^2_{II}$  using 2-dimensional homotopy flattening the piece of  $S^2$  to curve. If this homotopy cannot be chosen to be light-like, the phase transitions changing Planck constant take place only via quantum tunnelling. Obviously the notions of light-like homotopies (cobordisms) are very relevant for the understanding of phase transitions changing Planck constant.

### How one could fix the spectrum of Planck constants?

The question how the observed Planck constant relates to the integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  defining the covering and factors spaces, is far from trivial and I have considered several options. The basic physical inputs are the condition that scaling of Planck constant must correspond to the scaling of the metric of  $CD$  (that is Compton lengths) on one hand and the scaling of the gauge coupling strength  $g^2/4\pi\hbar$  on the other hand.

- (a) One can assign to Planck constant to both  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  by assuming that it appears in the commutation relations of corresponding symmetry algebras. Algebraist would argue that Planck constants  $\hbar(CD)$  and  $\hbar(CP_2)$  must define a homomorphism respecting multiplication and division (when possible) by  $G_i$ . This requires  $r(X) = \hbar(X)\hbar_0 = n$  for covering and  $r(X) = 1/n$  for factor space or vice versa.

- (b) If one assumes that  $\hbar^2(X)$ ,  $X = M^4, CP_2$  corresponds to the scaling of the covariant metric tensor  $g_{ij}$  and performs an over-all scaling of  $H$ -metric allowed by the Weyl invariance of Kähler action by dividing metric with  $\hbar^2(CP_2)$ , one obtains the scaling of  $M^4$  covariant metric by  $r^2 \equiv \hbar^2/\hbar_0^2 = \hbar^2(M^4)/\hbar^2(CP_2)$  whereas  $CP_2$  metric is not scaled at all.
- (c) The condition that  $\hbar$  scales as  $n_a$  is guaranteed if one has  $\hbar(CD) = n_a\hbar_0$ . This does not fix the dependence of  $\hbar(CP_2)$  on  $n_b$  and one could have  $\hbar(CP_2) = n_b\hbar_0$  or  $\hbar(CP_2) = \hbar_0/n_b$ . The intuitive picture is that  $n_b$ - fold covering gives in good approximation rise to  $n_a n_b$  sheets and multiplies YM action action by  $n_a n_b$  which is equivalent with the  $\hbar = n_a n_b \hbar_0$  if one effectively compresses the covering to  $CD \times CP_2$ . One would have  $\hbar(CP_2) = \hbar_0/n_b$  and  $\hbar = n_a n_b \hbar_0$ . Note that the descriptions using ordinary Planck constant and coverings and scaled Planck constant but contracting the covering would be alternative descriptions.

This gives the following formulas  $r \equiv \hbar/\hbar_0 = r(M^4)/r(CP_2)$  in various cases.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 C - C & F - C & C - F & F - F & \\
 \hline
 r & n_a n_b & \frac{n_a}{n_b} & \frac{n_b}{n_a} & \frac{1}{n_a n_b}
 \end{array}$$

**Preferred values of Planck constants**

Number theoretic considerations favor the hypothesis that the integers corresponding to Fermat polygons constructible using only ruler and compass and given as products  $n_F = 2^k \prod_s F_s$ , where  $F_s = 2^{2^s} + 1$  are distinct Fermat primes, are favored. The reason would be that quantum phase  $q = \exp(i\pi/n)$  is in this case expressible using only iterated square root operation by starting from rationals. The known Fermat primes correspond to  $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$  so that the hypothesis is very strong and predicts that p-adic length scales have satellite length scales given as multiples of  $n_F$  of fundamental p-adic length scale.  $n_F = 2^{11}$  corresponds in TGD framework to a fundamental constant expressible as a combination of Kähler coupling strength,  $CP_2$  radius and Planck length appearing in the expression for the tension of cosmic strings, and the powers of  $2^{11}$  was proposed to define favored as values of  $n_a$  in living matter [K25].

The hypothesis that Mersenne primes  $M_k = 2^k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{89, 107, 127\}$ , and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1 + i)k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{113, 151, 157, 163, 167, 239, 241.. \}$  (the number theoretical miracle is that all the four p-adic length scales with  $k \in \{151, 157, 163, 167\}$  are in the biologically highly interesting range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu$ m) define scaled up copies of electro-weak and QCD type physics with ordinary value of  $\hbar$  and that these physics are induced by dark variants of corresponding lower level physics leads to a prediction for the preferred values of  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = k_i - k_j$ , and the resulting picture finds support from the ensuing models for biological evolution and for EEG [K25]. This hypothesis - to be referred to as Mersenne hypothesis - replaces the rather ad hoc proposal  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = 2^{11k}$  for the preferred values of Planck constant.

**How Planck constants are visible in Kähler action?**

$\hbar(M^4)$  and  $\hbar(CP_2)$  appear in the commutation and anticommutation relations of various super-conformal algebras. Only the ratio of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  Planck constants appears in Kähler action and is due to the fact that the  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  metrics of the imbedding space sector with given values of Planck constants are proportional to the corresponding Planck. This implies that Kähler function codes for radiative corrections to the classical action, which makes possible to consider the possibility that higher order radiative corrections to functional integral vanish as one might expect at quantum criticality. For a given p-adic length scale space-time sheets with all allowed values of Planck constants are possible. Hence the spectrum of quantum critical fluctuations could in the ideal case correspond to the spectrum of  $\hbar$  coding for the scaled up values of Compton lengths and other quantal lengths and times. If so, large  $\hbar$  phases could be crucial for understanding of quantum critical superconductors, in particular high  $T_c$  superconductors.

## 14.3 Updated view about the hierarchy of Planck constants

The original hypothesis was that the hierarchy of Planck constants is real. In this formulation the imbedding space was replaced with its covering space assumed to decompose to a Cartesian product of singular finite-sheeted coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$ .

Few years ago came the realization that it could be only effective but have same practical implications. The basic observation was that the effective hierarchy need not be postulated separately but follows as a prediction from the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action. In this formulation Planck constant at fundamental level has its standard value and its effective values come as its integer multiples so that one should write  $\hbar_{eff} = n\hbar$  rather than  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$  as I have done. For most practical purposes the states in question would behave as if Planck constant were an integer multiple of the ordinary one. In this formulation the singular covering of the imbedding space became only a convenient auxiliary tool. It is no more necessary to assume that the covering reduces to a Cartesian product of singular coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  but for some reason I kept this assumption.

The formulation based on multi-furcations of space-time surfaces to  $N$  branches. For some reason I assumed that they are simultaneously present. This is too restrictive an assumption. The  $N$  branches are very much analogous to single particle states and second quantization allowing all  $0 < n \leq N$ -particle states for given  $N$  rather than only  $N$ -particle states looks very natural. As a matter fact, this interpretation was the original one, and led to the very speculative and fuzzy notion of  $N$ -atom, which I later more or less gave up. Quantum multi-furcation could be the root concept implying the effective hierarchy of Planck constants, anyons and fractional charges, and related notions- even the notions of  $N$ -nuclei,  $N$ -atoms, and  $N$ -molecules.

### 14.3.1 Basic physical ideas

The basic phenomenological rules are simple and there is no need to modify them.

- (a) The phases with non-standard values of effective Planck constant are identified as dark matter. The motivation comes from the natural assumption that only the particles with the same value of effective Planck can appear in the same vertex. One can illustrate the situation in terms of the book metaphor. Imbedding spaces with different values of Planck constant form a book like structure and matter can be transferred between different pages only through the back of the book where the pages are glued together. One important implication is that light exotic charged particles lighter than weak bosons are possible if they have non-standard value of Planck constant. The standard argument excluding them is based on decay widths of weak bosons and has led to a neglect of large number of particle physics anomalies [K84].
- (b) Large effective or real value of Planck constant scales up Compton length - or at least de Broglie wave length - and its geometric correlate at space-time level identified as size scale of the space-time sheet assignable to the particle. This could correspond to the Kähler magnetic flux tube for the particle forming consisting of two flux tubes at parallel space-time sheets and short flux tubes at ends with length of order  $CP_2$  size.

This rule has far reaching implications in quantum biology and neuroscience since macroscopic quantum phases become possible as the basic criterion stating that macroscopic quantum phase becomes possible if the density of particles is so high that particles as Compton length sized objects overlap. Dark matter therefore forms macroscopic quantum phases. One implication is the explanation of mysterious looking quantal effects of ELF radiation in EEG frequency range on vertebrate brain:  $E = hf$  implies that the energies for the ordinary value of Planck constant are much below the thermal threshold but large value of Planck constant changes the situation. Also the phase transitions modifying the value of Planck constant and changing the lengths of flux tubes (by quantum classical correspondence) are crucial as also reconnections of the flux tubes.

The hierarchy of Planck constants suggests also a new interpretation for FQHE (fractional quantum Hall effect) [K61] in terms of anyonic phases with non-standard value of effective Planck constant realized in terms of the effective multi-sheeted covering of imbedding space: multi-sheeted space-time is to be distinguished from many-sheeted space-time.

- (c) In astrophysics and cosmology the implications are even more dramatic if one believes that also  $\hbar_{gr}$  corresponds to effective Planck constant interpreted as number of sheets of multi-furcation. It was Nottale [E20] who first introduced the notion of gravitational Planck constant as  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$ ,  $v_0 < 1$  has interpretation as velocity light parameter in units  $c = 1$ . This would be true for  $GMm/v_0 \geq 1$ . The interpretation of  $\hbar_{gr}$  in TGD framework is as an effective Planck constant associated with space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction between masses  $M$  and  $m$ . The huge value of  $\hbar_{gr}$  means that the integer  $\hbar_{gr}/\hbar_0$  interpreted as the number of sheets of covering is gigantic and that Universe possesses gravitational quantum coherence in super-astronomical scales for masses which are large. This would suggest that gravitational radiation is emitted as dark gravitons which decay to pulses of ordinary gravitons replacing continuous flow of gravitational radiation.

It must be however emphasized that the interpretation of  $\hbar_{gr}$  could be different, and it will be found that one can develop an argument demonstrating how  $\hbar_{gr}$  with a correct order of magnitude emerges from the effective space-time metric defined by the anticommutators appearing in the modified Dirac equation.

- (d) Why Nature would like to have large effective value of Planck constant? A possible answer relies on the observation that in perturbation theory the expansion takes in powers of gauge couplings strengths  $\alpha = g^2/4\pi\hbar$ . If the effective value of  $\hbar$  replaces its real value as one might expect to happen for multi-sheeted particles behaving like single particle,  $\alpha$  is scaled down and perturbative expansion converges for the new particles. One could say that Mother Nature loves theoreticians and comes in rescue in their attempts to calculate. In quantum gravitation the problem is especially acute since the dimensionless parameter  $GMm/\hbar$  has gigantic value. Replacing  $\hbar$  with  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$  the coupling strength becomes  $v_0 < 1$ .

### 14.3.2 Space-time correlates for the hierarchy of Planck constants

The hierarchy of Planck constants was introduced to TGD originally as an additional postulate and formulated as the existence of a hierarchy of imbedding spaces defined as Cartesian products of singular coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  with numbers of sheets given by integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  and  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$ .  $n = n_a n_b$ .

With the advent of zero energy ontology, it became clear that the notion of singular covering space of the imbedding space could be only a convenient auxiliary notion. Singular means that the sheets fuse together at the boundary of multi-sheeted region. The effective covering space emerges naturally from the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action meaning that all deformations of canonically imbedded  $M^4$  in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  have vanishing action up to fourth order in small perturbation. This is clear from the fact that the induced Kähler form is quadratic in the gradients of  $CP_2$  coordinates and Kähler action is essentially Maxwell action for the induced Kähler form. The vacuum degeneracy implies that the correspondence between canonical momentum currents  $\partial L_K/\partial(\partial_\alpha h^k)$  defining the modified gamma matrices [K96] and gradients  $\partial_\alpha h^k$  is not one-to-one. Same canonical momentum current corresponds to several values of gradients of imbedding space coordinates. At the partonic 2-surfaces at the light-like boundaries of  $CD$  carrying the elementary particle quantum numbers this implies that the two normal derivatives of  $h^k$  are many-valued functions of canonical momentum currents in normal directions.

Multi-furcation is in question and multi-furcations are indeed generic in highly non-linear systems and Kähler action is an extreme example about non-linear system. What multi-furcation means in quantum theory? The branches of multi-furcation are obviously analogous to single particle states. In quantum theory second quantization means that one constructs not only single particle states but also the many particle states formed from them. At space-time level single particle states would correspond to  $N$  branches  $b_i$  of multi-furcation carrying fermion number. Two-particle states would correspond to 2-fold covering consisting of 2 branches  $b_i$  and  $b_j$  of multi-

furcation.  $N$ -particle state would correspond to  $N$ -sheeted covering with all branches present and carrying elementary particle quantum numbers. The branches co-incide at the partonic 2-surface but since their normal space data are different they correspond to different tensor product factors of state space. Also now the factorization  $N = n_a n_b$  occurs but now  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  would relate to branching in the direction of space-like 3-surface and light-like 3-surface rather than  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  as in the original hypothesis.

In light of this the working hypothesis adopted during last years has been too limited: for some reason I ended up to propose that only  $N$ -sheeted covering corresponding to a situation in which all  $N$  branches are present is possible. Before that I quite correctly considered more general option based on intuition that one has many-particle states in the multi-sheeted space. The erratic form of the working hypothesis has not been used in applications.

Multi-furcations relate closely to the quantum criticality of Kähler action. Feigenbaum bifurcations represent a toy example of a system which via successive bifurcations approaches chaos. Now more general multi-furcations in which each branch of given multi-furcation can multi-furcate further, are possible unless one poses any additional conditions. This allows to identify additional aspect of the geometric arrow of time. Either the positive or negative energy part of the zero energy state is "prepared" meaning that single  $n$ -sub-furcations of  $N$ -furcation is selected. The most general state of this kind involves superposition of various  $n$ -sub-furcations.

### 14.3.3 Basic phenomenological rules of thumb in the new framework

It is important to check whether or not the refreshed view about dark matter is consistent with existent rules of thumb.

- (a) The interpretation of quantized multi-furcations as WCW anyons explains also why the effective hierarchy of Planck constants defines a hierarchy of phases which are dark relative to each other. This is trivially true since the phases with different number of branches in multi-furcation correspond to disjoint regions of WCW so that the particles with different effective value of Planck constant cannot appear in the same vertex.
- (b) The phase transitions changing the value of Planck constant are just the multi-furcations and can be induced by changing the values of the external parameters controlling the properties of preferred extremals. Situation is very much the same as in any non-linear system.
- (c) In the case of massless particles the scaling of wavelength in the effective scaling of  $\hbar$  can be understood if dark  $n$ -photons consist of  $n$  photons with energy  $E/n$  and wavelength  $n\lambda$ .
- (d) For massive particle it has been assumed that masses for particles and their dark counterparts are same and Compton wavelength is scaled up. In the new picture this need not be true. Rather, it would seem that wave length are same as for ordinary electron.

On the other hand, p-adic thermodynamics predicts that massive elementary particles are massless most of the time. ZEO predicts that even virtual wormhole throats are massless. Could this mean that the picture applying on massless particle should apply to them at least at relativistic limit at which mass is negligible. This might be the case for bosons but for fermions also fermion number should be fractionalized and this is not possible in the recent picture. If one assumes that the  $n$ -electron has same mass as electron, the mass for dark single electron state would be scaled down by  $1/n$ . This does not look sensible unless the p-adic length defined by prime is scaled down by this fact in good approximation.

This suggests that for fermions the basic scaling rule does not hold true for Compton length  $\lambda_c = \hbar/m$ . Could it however hold for de-Broglie lengths  $\lambda = \hbar/p$  defined in terms of 3-momentum? The basic overlap rule for the formation of macroscopic quantum states is indeed formulated for de Broglie wave length. One could argue that an  $1/N$ -fold reduction of density that takes place in the delocalization of the single particle states to the  $N$  branches of the cover, implies that the volume per particle increases by a factor  $N$  and single particle wave function is delocalized in a larger region of 3-space. If the particles reside at effectively one-dimensional 3-surfaces - say magnetic flux tubes - this would increase their de Broglie

wave length in the direction of the flux tube and also the length of the flux tube. This seems to be enough for various applications.

One important notion in TGD inspired quantum biology is dark cyclotron state.

- (a) The scaling  $\hbar \rightarrow k\hbar$  in the formula  $E_n = (n + 1/2)\hbar eB/m$  implies that cyclotron energies are scaled up for dark cyclotron states. What this means microscopically has not been obvious but the recent picture gives a rather clearcut answer. One would have  $k$ -particle state formed from cyclotron states in  $N$ -fold branched cover of space-time surface. Each branch would carry magnetic field  $B$  and ion or electron. This would give a total cyclotron energy equal to  $kE_n$ . These cyclotron states would be excited by  $k$ -photons with total energy  $E = khf$  and for large enough value of  $k$  the energies involved would be above thermal threshold. In the case of  $Ca^{++}$  one has  $f = 15$  Hz in the field  $B_{end} = .2$  Gauss. This means that the value of  $\hbar$  is at least the ratio of thermal energy at room temperature to  $E = hf$ . The thermal frequency is of order  $10^{12}$  Hz so that one would have  $k \simeq 10^{11}$ . The number branches would be therefore rather high.
- (b) It seems that this kinds of states which I have called cyclotron Bose-Einstein condensates could make sense also for fermions. The dark photons involved would be Bose-Einstein condensates of  $k$  photons and wall of them would be simultaneously absorbed. The biological meaning of this would be that a simultaneous excitation of large number of atoms or molecules can take place if they are localized at the branches of  $N$ -furcation. This would make possible coherent macroscopic changes. Note that also Cooper pairs of electrons could be  $n = 2$ -particle states associated with  $N$ -furcation.

There are experimental findings suggesting that photosynthesis involves delocalized excitations of electrons and it is interesting so see whether this could be understood in this framework.

- (a) The TGD based model relies on the assumption that cyclotron states are involved and that dark photons with the energy of visible photons but with much longer wavelength are involved. Single electron excitations (or single particle excitations of Cooper pairs) would generate negentropic entanglement automatically.
- (b) If cyclotron excitations are the primary ones, it would seem that they could be induced by dark  $n$ -photons exciting all  $n$  electrons simultaneously.  $n$ -photon should have energy of a visible photon. The number of cyclotron excited electrons should be rather large if the total excitation energy is to be above thermal threshold. In this case one could not speak about cyclotron excitation however. This would require that solar photons are transformed to  $n$ -photons in  $N$ -furcation in biosphere.
- (c) Second - more realistic looking - possibility is that the incoming photons have energy of visible photon and are therefore  $n = 1$  dark photons delocalized to the branches of the  $N$ -furcation. They would induce delocalized single electron excitation in WCW rather than 3-space.

#### 14.3.4 Charge fractionalization and anyons

It is easy to see how the effective value of Planck constant as an integer multiple of its standard value emerges for multi-sheeted states in second quantization. At the level of Kähler action one can assume that in the first approximation the value of Kähler action for each branch is same so that the total Kähler action is multiplied by  $n$ . This corresponds effectively to the scaling  $\alpha_K \rightarrow \alpha_K/n$  induced by the scaling  $\hbar_0 \rightarrow n\hbar_0$ .

Also effective charge fractionalization and anyons emerge naturally in this framework.

- (a) In the ordinary charge fractionalization the wave function decomposes into sharply localized pieces around different points of 3-space carrying fractional charges summing up to integer charge. Now the same happens at at the level of WCW ("world of classical worlds") rather than 3-space meaning that wave functions in  $E^3$  are replaced with wave functions in the space-time of 3-surfaces (4-surfaces by holography implied by General Coordinate



Invariance) replacing point-like particles. Single particle wave function in WCW is a sum of  $N$  sharply localized contributions: localization takes place around one particular branch of the multi-sheeted space time surface. Each branch carries a fractional charge  $q/N$  for teh analogs of plane waves.

Therefore all quantum numbers are additive and fractionalization is only effective and observable in a localization of wave function to single branch occurring with probability  $p = 1/N$  from which one can deduce that charge is  $q/N$ .

- (b) The is consistent with the proposed interpretation of dark photons/gravitons since they could carry large spin and this kind of situation could decay to bunches of ordinary photons/gravitons. It is also consistent with electromagnetic charge fractionalization and fractionalization of spin.
- (c) The original - and it seems wrong - argument suggested what might be interpreted as a genuine fractionalization for orbital angular momentum and also of color quantum numbers, which are analogous to orbital angular momentum in TGD framework. The observation was that a rotation through  $2\pi$  at space-time level moving the point along space-time surface leads to a new branch of multi-furcation and  $N + 1$ :th branch corresponds to the original one. This suggests that angular momentum fractionalization should take place for  $M^4$  angle coordinate  $\phi$  because for it  $2\pi$  rotation could lead to a different sheet of the effective covering.

The orbital angular momentum eigenstates would correspond to waves  $\exp(i\phi m/N)$ ,  $m = 0, 2, \dots, N - 1$  and the maximum orbital angular momentum would correspond the sum  $\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} m/N = (N - 1)/2$ . The sum of spin and orbital angular momentum be therefore fractional.

The different prediction is due to the fact that rotations are now interpreted as flows rotating the points of 3-surface along 3-surface rather than rotations of the entire partonic surface in imbedding space. In the latter interpretation the rotation by  $2\pi$  does nothing for the 3-surface. Hence fractionalization for the total charge of the single particle states does not take place unless one adopts the flow interpretation. This view about fractionalization however leads to problems with fractionalization of electromagnetic charge and spin for which there is evidence from fractional quantum Hall effect.

### 14.3.5 What about the relationship of gravitational Planck constant to ordinary Planck constant?

Gravitational Planck constant is given by the expression  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$ , where  $v_0 < 1$  has interpretation as velocity parameter in the units  $c = 1$ . Can one interpret also  $\hbar_{gr}$  as effective value of Planck constant so that its values would correspond to multifurcation with a gigantic number of sheets. This does not look reasonable.

Could one imagine any other interpretation for  $\hbar_{gr}$ ? Could the two Planck constants correspond to inertial and gravitational dichotomy for four-momenta making sense also for angular momentum identified as a four-vector? Could gravitational angular momentum and the momentum associated with the flux tubes mediating gravitational interaction be quantized in units of  $\hbar_{gr}$  naturally?

- (a) Gravitational four-momentum can be defined as a projection of the  $M^4$ -four-momentum to space-time surface. It's length can be naturally defined by the effective metric  $g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta}$  defined by the anticommutators of the modified gamma matrices. Gravitational four-momentum appears as a measurement interaction term in the modified Dirac action and can be restricted to the space-like boundaries of the space-time surface at the ends of  $CD$  and to the light-like orbits of the wormhole throats and which induced 4- metric is effectively 3-dimensional.
- (b) At the string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces the effective metric degenerates to 2-D one. At the ends of braid strands representing their intersection, the metric is effectively 4-D. Just for definiteness assume that the effective metric is proportional to the  $M^4$  metric or rather - to its  $M^2$  projection:  $g_{eff}^{kl} = K^2 m^{kl}$ .

One can express the length squared for momentum at the flux tubes mediating the gravitational interaction between massive objects with masses  $M$  and  $m$  as

$$g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} p_\alpha p_\beta = g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha h^k \partial_\beta h^l p_k p_l \equiv g_{eff}^{kl} p_k p_l = n^2 \frac{\hbar^2}{L^2} . \quad (14.3.1)$$

Here  $L$  would correspond to the length of the flux tube mediating gravitational interaction and  $p_k$  would be the momentum flowing in that flux tube.  $g_{eff}^{kl} = K^2 m^{kl}$  would give

$$p^2 = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2}{K^2 L^2} .$$

$\hbar_{gr}$  could be identified in this simplified situation as  $\hbar_{gr} = \hbar/K$ .

- (c) Nottale's proposal requires  $K = GMm/v_0$  for the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction between massive objects with masses  $M$  and  $m$ . This gives the estimate

$$p_{gr} = \frac{GMm}{v_0} \frac{1}{L} . \quad (14.3.2)$$

For  $v_0 = 1$  this is of the same order of magnitude as the exchanged momentum if gravitational potential gives estimate for its magnitude.  $v_0$  is of same order of magnitude as the rotation velocity of planet around Sun so that the reduction of  $v_0$  to  $v_0 \simeq 2^{-11}$  in the case of inner planets does not mean that the propagation velocity of gravitons is reduced.

- (d) Nottale's formula requires that the order of magnitude for the components of the energy momentum tensor at the ends of braid strands at partonic 2-surface should have value  $GMm/v_0$ . Einstein's equations  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  give a further constraint. For the vacuum solutions of Einstein's equations with a vanishing cosmological constant the value of  $\hbar_{gr}$  approaches infinity. At the flux tubes mediating gravitational interaction one expects  $T$  to be proportional to the factor  $GMm$  simply because they mediate the gravitational interaction.
- (e) One can consider similar equation for gravitational angular momentum:

$$g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha L_\beta = g_{eff}^{kl} L_k L_l = l(l+1)\hbar^2 . \quad (14.3.3)$$

This would give under the same simplifying assumptions

$$L^2 = l(l+1) \frac{\hbar^2}{K^2} . \quad (14.3.4)$$

This would justify the Bohr quantization rule for the angular momentum used in the Bohr quantization of planetary orbits.

Maybe the proposed connection might make sense in some more refined formulation. In particular the proportionality between  $m_{eff}^{kl} = Km^{kl}$  could make sense as a quantum average. Also the fact, that the constant  $v_0$  varies, could be understood from the dynamical character of  $m_{eff}^{kl}$ .

### 14.3.6 Summary

The hierarchy of Planck constants reduces to second quantization of multi-furcations in TGD framework and the hierarchy is only effective. Anyonic physics and effective charge fractionalization are consequences of second quantized multi-furcations. This framework also provides quantum version for the transition to chaos via quantum multi-furcations and living matter represents the basic application. The key element of dynamics of TGD is vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action making possible quantum criticality having the hierarchy of multi-furcations as basic aspect. The potential problems relate to the question whether the effective scaling of

Planck constant involves scaling of ordinary wavelength or not. For particles confined inside linear structures such as magnetic flux tubes this seems to be the case.

There is also an intriguing connection with the vision about physics as generalized number theory. The conjecture that the preferred extremals of Kähler action consist of quaternionic or co-quaternionic regions led to a construction of them using iteration and also led to the hierarchy of multi-furcations [K96]. Therefore it seems that the dynamics of preferred extremals might indeed reduce to associativity/co-associativity condition at space-time level, to commutativity/co-commutativity condition at the level of string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces, and to reality at the level of stringy curves (conformal invariance makes stringy curves causal determinants [K92] so that conformal dynamics represents conformal evolution) [K80].

## 14.4 General ideas about dark matter

In the sequel general ideas about the role of dark matter in condensed matter physics are described.

### 14.4.1 How the scaling of $\hbar$ affects physics and how to detect dark matter?

It is relatively easy to deduce the basic implications of the scaling of  $\hbar$ .

- (a) If the rate for the process is non-vanishing classically, it is not affected in the lowest order. For instance, scattering cross sections for say electron-electron scattering and  $e^+e^-$  annihilation are not affected in the lowest order since the increase of Compton length compensates for the reduction of  $\alpha_{em}$ . Photon-photon scattering cross section, which vanishes classically and is proportional to  $\alpha_{em}^4 \hbar^2/E^2$ , scales down as  $1/\hbar^2$ .
- (b) Higher order corrections coming as powers of the gauge coupling strength  $\alpha$  are reduced since  $\alpha = g^2/4\pi\hbar$  is reduced. Since one has  $\hbar_s/\hbar = \alpha Q_1 Q_2/v_0$ ,  $\alpha Q_1 Q_2$  is effectively replaced with a universal coupling strength  $v_0$ . In the case of QCD the paradoxical sounding implication is that  $\alpha_s$  would become very small.

### 14.4.2 General view about dark matter hierarchy and interactions between relatively dark matters

The identification of the precise criterion characterizing dark matter phase is far from obvious. TGD actually suggests an infinite number of phases which are dark relative to each other in some sense and can transform to each other only via a phase transition which might be called de-coherence or its reversal and which should be also characterized precisely.

A possible solution of the problem comes from the general construction recipe for S-matrix. Fundamental vertices correspond to partonic 2-surfaces representing intersections of incoming and outgoing light-like partonic 3-surfaces.

- (a) If the characterization of the interaction vertices involves all points of partonic 2-surfaces, they must correspond to definite value of Planck constants and more precisely, definite groups  $G_a$  and  $G_b$  characterizing dark matter hierarchy. Particles of different  $G_b$  phases could not appear in the same vertex since the partons in question would correspond to vacuum extremals. Hence the phase transition changing the particles to each other analogous could not be described by a vertex and would be analogous to a de-coherence.

The phase transition could occur at the incoming or outgoing particle lines. At space-time level the phase transition would mean essentially a leakage between different sectors of imbedding space and means that partonic 2-surface at leakage point has  $CP_2$  projection reducing to the orbifold point invariant under  $G$  or alternatively, its  $M_{\pm}^4$  projection corresponds to the tip of  $M_{\pm}^4$ . Relative darkness would certainly mean different groups  $G_a$  and

$G_b$ . Note that  $\hbar(M^4)$  resp.  $\hbar(CP_2)$  can be same for different groups  $G_a$  resp.  $G_b$  and that only the ratio of  $\hbar(M^4)/\hbar(M^4)$  appears in the Kähler action.

- (b) One can represent a criticism against the idea that relatively dark matters cannot appear at the same interaction vertex. The point is that the construction of S-matrix for transitions transforming partonic 2-surfaces in different number fields involves only the rational (algebraic) points in the intersection of the 2-surfaces in question. This idea applies also to the case in which particles correspond to different values of Planck constant. What is only needed that all the common points correspond to the orbifold point in  $M^4$  or  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom and are thus intermediate between two sectors of imbedding space. In this picture phase transitions would occur through vertices and S-matrix would characterize their probabilities. It seems that this option is the correct one.

If the matrix elements for real-real transitions involve all or at least a circle of the partonic 2-surface as stringy considerations suggest [K20], then one would have clear distinction between quantum phase transitions and ordinary quantum transitions. Note however that one could understand the weakness of the quantal interactions between relatively dark matters solely from the fact that the  $CP_2$  type extremals providing space-time correlates for particle propagators must in this case go through an intermediate state with at most point-like  $CP_2$  projection.

### What does one mean with dark variants of elementary particle?

It is not at all clear what one means with the dark variant of elementary particle. In this respect p-adic mass calculations provide a valuable hint. According to the p-adic mass calculations [K54],  $k = 113$  characterizes electromagnetic size of u and d quarks, of nucleons, and nuclei.  $k = 107$  characterizes the QCD size of hadrons. This is somewhat paradoxical situation since one would expect that quark space-time sheets would be smaller than hadronic space-time sheets.

The simplest resolution of the problem suggested by the basic characteristics of electro-weak symmetry breaking is that  $k = 113$  characterizes the size of the electro-magnetic field body of the quark and that the prime characterizing p-adic mass scale labels the em field body of the particle. One can assign mass also the  $Z^0$  body but this would be much smaller as the small scale of neutrino masses suggests. This size scale correspond to a length scale of order  $10 \mu\text{m}$ , which conforms with the expectation that classical  $Z^0$  force is important in biological length scales. The size of  $Z^0$  body of neutrino could relate directly to the chirality selection in living matter. An interesting question is whether the  $Z^0$  field bodies of also other elementary fermions are of this size.

If this picture is correct then dark variant of elementary particle would differ from ordinary only in the sense that its field body would be dark. This conforms with the general working hypothesis is that only field bodies can be dark.

### Are particles characterized by different p-adic primes relatively dark?

Each particle is characterized by a collection of p-adic primes corresponding to the partonic 2-surfaces associate with the particle like 3-surface. Number theoretical vision supports the notion of multi-p p-adicity and the idea that elementary particles correspond to infinite primes, integers, or perhaps even rationals [K32, K78]. To infinite primes, integers, and rationals it is possible to associate a finite rational  $q = m/n$  by a homomorphism. This would suggest generalization of p-adicity with q-adicity (q-adic topology does not correspond to number field) but this does not seem to be a promising idea.

The crucial observation is that one can decompose the infinite prime, call it  $P$ , to finite and infinite parts and distinguish between bosonic and fermionic finite primes of which infinite prime can be said to consist of [K90, K78, K55]. The interpretation is that bosonic and fermionic finite primes in the *infinite* part of  $P$  code for p-adic topologies of light-like partonic 3-surfaces associated with a given *real* space-time sheet whereas the primes in the *finite* part of  $P$  code for p-adic lightlike partonic 3-surfaces.

This raises two options.

- (a) Two space-time sheets characterized by rationals having common prime factors can be connected by a  $\#_B$  contact and can interact by the exchange of particles characterized by divisors of  $m$  or  $n$  since in this case partonic 2-surface with same p-adic or effective p-adic topology can be found. This is the only possible interaction between them.
- (b) The number theoretic vision about the construction of S-matrix however allows to construct S-matrix also in the case that partons belong to different number fields and one ends up with a very elegant description involving only finite number of points of partonic 2-surfaces belonging to their intersection consisting of rational (algebraic points of imbedding space), which by algebraic universality could apply also to diagonal transitions. Also now the interactions mediated between propagators connecting partons with different effective p-adic topologies might be very slow so that this would give rise to relative darkness.

### Hierarchy of infinite primes and dark matter hierarchy

In previous consideration only the simplest infinite primes at the lowest level of hierarchy were considered. Simple infinite primes allow a symmetry changing the sign of the finite part of infinite prime. A possible interpretation in terms of phase conjugation. One can consider also more complex infinite primes at this level and a possible interpretation in terms of bound states of several particles. One can also consider infinite integers and rationals: the interpretation would be as many particle states. Rationals might correspond to states containing particles and antiparticles. At the higher levels of the hierarchy infinite primes of previous take the role of finite primes at the previous level and physically these states correspond to higher level bound states of the particles of the previous level.

Thus TGD predicts an entire hierarchy of dark matters such that the many particle states at previous level become particles at the next level. This hierarchy would provide a concrete physical identification for the hierarchy of infinite primes identifiable in terms of a repeated second quantization of an arithmetic super-symmetric QFT [K78] including both free many-particle states and their bound states. The finite primes about which infinite prime is in a well defined sense a composite of would correspond to the particles in the state forming a unit of dark matter. Particles belonging to different levels of this hierarchy would obviously correspond to different levels of dark matter hierarchy but their interactions must reduce to the fundamental partonic vertices.

### 14.4.3 How dark matter and visible matter interact?

The hypothesis that the value of  $\hbar$  is dynamical, quantized and becomes large at the verge of a transition to a non-perturbative phase in the ordinary sense of the word has fascinating implications. In particular, dark matter, would correspond to a large value of  $\hbar$  and could be responsible for the properties of the living matter. In order to test the idea experimentally, a more concrete model for the interaction of ordinary matter and dark matter must be developed and here of course experimental input and the consistency with the earlier quantum model of living matter is of considerable help.

#### How dark photons transform to ordinary photons?

The transitions of dark atoms naturally correspond to coherent transitions of the entire dark electron BE condensate and thus generate  $N_{cr}$  dark photons and behave thus like laser beams. Dark photons do not interact directly with the visible matter. An open question is whether even ordinary laser beams could be identified as beams of dark photons: the multiple covering property at the level of imbedding space and the fact that MEs are possible in all sectors suggests that this is not the case. Note that the transition from dark to ordinary photons implies the scaling of wave length and thus also of coherence length by a factor  $n_b/n_a$ .

Dark  $\leftrightarrow$  visible transition should have also a space-time correlate. The so called topological light rays or MEs ("massless extremals") represent a crucial deviation of TGD from Maxwell's ED

and have all the properties characterizing macroscopic classical coherence. Therefore MEs are excellent candidates for the space-time correlate of BE condensate of dark photons.

MEs carry in general a superposition of harmonics of some basic frequency determined by the length of ME. A natural expectation is that the frequency of classical field corresponds to the generalized de Broglie frequency of dark photon and is thus  $\hbar/\hbar_s$  times lower than for ordinary photons. In completely analogous manner de Broglie wave length is scaled up by  $k = \hbar_s/\hbar$ . Classically the decay of dark photons to visible photons would mean that an oscillation with frequency  $f$  inside topological light ray transforms to an oscillation of frequency  $f/k$  such that the intensity of the oscillation is scaled up by a factor  $k$ . Furthermore, the ME in question could naturally decompose into  $1 < N_{cr} \leq 137$  ordinary photons in the case that dark atoms are in question. Of course also MEs could decay to lower level MEs and this has an interpretation in terms of hierarchy of dark matters to be discussed next.

### About the criterion for the transition increasing the value of Planck constant

An attractive assumption is that the transition to dark matter phase occurs when the interaction strength satisfies the criticality condition  $Q_1 Q_2 \alpha \simeq 1$ . A special case corresponds to self interaction with  $Q_1 = Q_2$ . This condition applies only to gauge interactions so that particles can be characterized by gauge charges. A more general characterization would be that transition occurs when perturbation theory ceases to converge. The criterion cannot be applied to phenomenological QFT description of strong force in terms of, say, pion exchange.

Some examples are in order to test this view.

- (a) Transition from perturbative phase in QCD to hadronic phase is the most obvious application. The identification of valence quarks and gluons as dark matter would predict for them QCD size ( $k = 107$  space-time sheet) of about electron Compton length. This does not change the QCD cross sections in the lowest order perturbation theory but makes them excellent predictions. It also provides completely new view about how color force determines the nuclear strong force indeed manifesting itself as long ranged harmonic oscillator potential, the long range of which becomes manifest in the case of neutron halos of size of  $2.5 \times 10^{-14}$  m [C192]. One can also understand tetra-neutron in this framework. This criterion applies also in QCD plasma and explains the formation of liquid like color glass condensate detected in RHIC [C214]. A possible interpretation for QCD size would be as a length of the cylindrical magnetic walls defining the magnetic body associated with  $u$  and  $d$  type valence quarks, nucleons, and nuclei.
- (b) QCD size of quark must be distinguished from the electromagnetic size of quark associated with  $k = 113$  space-time sheets of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and assignable to the height of the magnetic body and defining the length scale of join along boundaries contacts feeding quark charges to  $k = 113$  space-time sheets.
- (c) In the case of atomic nuclei the criterion would naturally apply to the electromagnetic interaction energy of two nucleon clusters inside nucleus or to self energy ( $Q^2 \alpha_{em} = 1$ ). Quite generally, the size of the electromagnetic  $k = 113$  space-time sheet would increase by a  $n_F = 2^k \prod_s F_s$ , where  $F_s$  are different Fermat primes (the known ones being 3, 5, 17, 257,  $2^{16} + 1$ ), in the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase. Especially interesting values of  $n_F$  seem to be of form  $n_F = 2^{k11}$  and possibly also  $n_F = 2^{k11} \prod_s F_s$ . Similar criterion would apply in the plasma phase. Note that many free energy anomalies involve the formation of cold plasma [K82].

The criterion would give in the case of single nucleus and plasma  $Z \geq 12$  if the charges are within single space-time sheet. This is consistent with cold fusion involving Palladium nuclei [C252]. Since  $u$  and  $d$  quarks have  $k = 113$ , they both and thus both neutrons and protons could make a transition to large  $\hbar$  phase. This is consistent with the selection rules of cold fusion since the production of  ${}^3\text{He}$  involves a phase transition  $\text{pnp}_d \rightarrow \text{pnp}$  and the contraction of  $p_d$  to  $p$  is made un-probable by the Coulomb wall whereas the transition  $\text{np}_d \rightarrow \text{np}$  producing tritium does not suffer from this restriction.

Strong and weak physics of nuclei would not be affected in the phase transition. Electromagnetic perturbative physics of nuclei would not be affected in the process in the lowest order in  $\hbar$  (classical approximation) but the height of the Coulomb wall would be reduced by a factor  $1/n_F$  by the increase in the electromagnetic size of the nucleus. Also Pd nuclei could make the transition and Pd nuclei could catalyze the transition in the case the deuterium nuclei.

#### 14.4.4 Could one demonstrate the existence of large Planck constant photons using ordinary camera or even bare eyes?

If ordinary light sources generate also dark photons with same energy but with scaled up wavelength, this might have effects detectable with camera and even with bare eyes. In the following I consider in a rather light-hearted and speculative spirit two possible effects of this kind appearing in both visual perception and in photos. For crackpotters I want to make clear that I love to play with ideas to see whether they work or not, and that I am ready to accept some convincing mundane explanation of these effects and I would be happy to hear about this kind of explanations. I was not able to find any such explanation from Wikipedia using words like camera, digital camera, lense, aberrations [D3] .

##### Why light from an intense light source seems to decompose into rays?

If one also assumes that ordinary radiation fields decompose in TGD Universe into topological light rays ("massless extremals", MEs) even stronger predictions follow. If Planck constant equals to  $\hbar = q \times \hbar_0$ ,  $q = n_a/n_b$ , MEs should possess  $Z_{n_a}$  as an exact discrete symmetry group acting as rotations along the direction of propagation for the induced gauge fields inside ME.

The structure of MEs should somewhat realize this symmetry and one possibility is that MEs has a wheel like structure decomposing into radial spokes with angular distance  $\Delta\phi = 2\pi/n_a$  related by the symmetries in question. This brings strongly in mind phenomenon which everyone can observe anytime: the light from a bright source decomposes into radial rays as if one were seeing the profile of the light rays emitted in a plane orthogonal to the line connecting eye and the light source. The effect is especially strong if eyes are stirred. It would seem that focusing makes the effect stronger.

Could this apparent decomposition to light rays reflect directly the structure of dark MEs and could one deduce the value of  $n_a$  by just counting the number of rays in camera picture, where the phenomenon turned to be also visible? Note that the size of these wheel like MEs would be macroscopic and diffractive effects do not seem to be involved. The simplest assumption is that most of photons giving rise to the wheel like appearance are transformed to ordinary photons before their detection.

The discussions about this led to a little experimentation with camera at the summer cottage of my friend Samppa Pentikäinen, quite a magician in technical affairs. When I mentioned the decomposition of light from an intense light source to rays at the level of visual percept and wondered whether the same occurs also in camera, Samppa decided to take photos with a digital camera directed to Sun. The effect occurred also in this case and might correspond to decomposition to MEs with various values of  $n_a$  but with same quantization axis so that the effect is not smoothed out.

What was interesting was the presence of some stronger almost vertical "rays" located symmetrically near the vertical axis of the camera. In old-fashioned cameras the shutter mechanism determining the exposure time is based on the opening of the first shutter followed by closing a second shutter after the exposure time so that every point of sensor receives input for equally long time. The area of the region determining input is bounded by a vertical line. If macroscopic MEs are involved, the contribution of vertical rays is either nothing or all unlike that of other rays and this might somehow explain why their contribution is enhanced. The shutter mechanism is un-necessary in digital cameras since the time for the reset of sensors is what matters. Something in the geometry of the camera or in the reset mechanism must select vertical direction in a preferred position. For instance, the outer "aperture" of the camera had the geometry of a flattened square.

### Anomalous diffraction of dark photons

Second prediction is the possibility of diffractive effects in length scales where they should not occur. A good example is the diffraction of light coming from a small aperture of radius  $d$ . The diffraction pattern is determined by the Bessel function

$$J_1(x) \text{ , } x = kdsin(\theta) \text{ , } k = 2\pi/\lambda.$$

There is a strong light spot in the center and light rings around whose radii increase in size as the distance of the screen from the aperture increases. Dark rings correspond to the zeros of  $J_1(x)$  at  $x = x_n$  and the following scaling law for the nodes holds true

$$sin(\theta_n) = x_n \frac{\lambda}{2\pi d} per.$$

For very small wavelengths the central spot is almost point-like and contains most light intensity. If photons of visible light correspond to large Planck constant  $\hbar = q \times \hbar_0$  transformed to ordinary photons in the detector (say camera film or eye), their wavelength is scaled by  $q$ , and one has

$$sin(\theta_n) \rightarrow q \times sin(\theta_n)$$

The size of the diffraction pattern for visible light is scaled up by  $q$ .

This effect might make it possible to detect dark photons with energies of visible photons and possibly present in the ordinary light.

- (a) What is needed is an intense light source and Sun is an excellent candidate in this respect. Dark photon beam is also needed and  $n$  dark photons with a given visible wavelength  $\lambda$  could result when dark photon with  $\hbar = n \times q \times \hbar_0$  decays to  $n$  dark photons with same wavelength but smaller Planck constant  $\hbar = q \times \hbar_0$ . If this beam enters the camera or eye one has a beam of  $n$  dark photons which forms a diffraction pattern producing camera picture in the de-coherence to ordinary photons.
- (b) In the case of an aperture with a geometry of a circular hole, the first dark ring for ordinary visible photons would be at  $sin(\theta) \simeq (\pi/36)\lambda/d$ . For a distance of  $r = 2$  cm between the sensor plane ("film") and effective circular hole this would mean radius of  $R \simeq r sin(\theta) \simeq 1.7$  micrometers for micron wave length. The actual size of spots is of order  $R \simeq 1$  mm so that the value of  $q$  would be around 1000:  $q = 2^{10}$  and  $q = 2^{11}$  belong to the favored values for  $q$ .
- (c) One can imagine also an alternative situation. If photons responsible for the spot arrive along single ME, the transversal thickness  $R$  of ME is smaller than the radius of hole, say of order of wavelength, ME itself effectively defines the hole with radius  $R$  and the value of  $sin(\theta_n)$  does not depend on the value of  $d$  for  $d > R$ . Even ordinary photons arriving along MEs of this kind could give rise to an anomalous diffraction pattern. Note that the transversal thickness of ME need not be fixed however. It however seems that MEs are now macroscopic.
- (d) A similar effect results as one looks at an intense light source: bright spots appear in the visual field as one closes the eyes. If there is some more mundane explanation (I do not doubt this!), it must apply in both cases and explain also why the spots have precisely defined color rather than being white.
- (e) The only mention about effects of diffractive aberration effects are colored rings around say disk like objects analogous to colors around shadow of say disk like object. The radii of these diffraction rings in this case scale like wavelengths and distance from the object.
- (f) Wikipedia contains an article from which one learns that the effect in question is known as lens flares [D11] . The article states that flares typically manifest as several starbursts, circles, and rings across the picture and result in internal reflection and scattering from material inhomogenities in lens (such as multiple surfaces). The shape of the flares also



depends on the shape of aperture. These features conform at least qualitatively with what one would expect from a diffraction if Planck constant is large enough for photons with energy of visible photon.

The article [D18] defines flares in more restrictive manner: lense flares result when *non-image* forming light enters the lens and subsequently hits the camera's film or digital sensor and produces typically polygonal shape with sides which depend on the shape of lense diaphragm. The identification as a flare applies also to the apparent decomposition to rays and this dependence indeed fits with the observations.

The experimentation of Samppa using digital camera demonstrated the appearance of colored spots in the pictures. If I have understood correctly, the sensors defining the pixels of the picture are in the focal plane and the diffraction for large Planck constant might explain the phenomenon. Since I did not have the idea about diffractive mechanism in mind, I did not check whether fainter colored rings might surround the bright spot.

- (a) In any case, the readily testable prediction is that zooming to bright light source by reducing the size of the aperture should increase the size and number of the colored spots. As a matter fact, experimentation demonstrated that focusing brought in large number of these spots but we did not check whether the size was increased.
- (b) Standard explanation predicts that the bright spots are present also with weaker illumination but with so weak intensity that they are not detected by eye. The positions of spots should also depend only on the illumination and camera. The explanation in terms of beams of large Planck constant photons predicts this if the flux of dark photons from any light source is constant.

#### 14.4.5 Dark matter and exotic color and electro-weak interactions

The presence of classical electro-weak and color gauge fields in all length scales is an unavoidable prediction of TGD and the interpretation in terms of p-adic and dark matter hierarchies is also more or less unavoidable. The new element in the interpretation is based on the observation that the quark and antiquarks at the ends of flux tubes serving as sources of classical color gauge fields could be seen as a vacuum polarization effect. In the same manner neutrino pairs at the ends of flux tubes serving as sources of classical  $Z^0$  fields could be seen as a vacuum polarization effect.

One of the many open questions is whether also p-adic hierarchy defines a hierarchy of confinement scales for color interactions and screening scales for weak interactions or whether only the hierarchy of Planck constants gives rise to this kind of hierarchy. It would look strange if all flux tubes of macroscopic size scale would always correspond to a large value of  $\hbar$  and therefore singular covering and fractionized quantum numbers. Also the proposed dark rules involving hierarchy of Mersenne rules would support the view that both hierarchies are present and there is an interaction between them in the sense that phase transitions between dark and thus scaled up counterpart of p-adic length scale and non-dark scaled up p-adic length scale can take place. The proposed stability criteria certainly allow this.

#### **Do p-adic and dark matter hierarchies provide a correct interpretation of long ranged classical electro-weak gauge fields?**

For two decades one of the basic interpretational challenges of TGD has been to understand how the un-avoidable presence of long range classical electro-weak gauge fields can be consistent with the small parity breaking effects in atomic and nuclear length scales. Also classical color gauge fields are predicted, and I have proposed that color qualia correspond to increments of color quantum numbers [K33]. The proposed model for screening cannot banish the unpleasant feeling that the screening cannot be complete enough to eliminate large parity breaking effects in atomic length scales so that one must keep mind open for alternatives.

p-Adic length scale hypothesis suggests the possibility that both electro-weak gauge bosons and gluons can appear as effectively massless particles in several length scales and there indeed exists

evidence that neutrinos appear in several scaled variants [C105] (for TGD based model see [K45]).

This inspires the working hypothesis that long range classical electro-weak gauge and gluon fields are correlated for light or massless p-adically scaled up and dark electro-weak gauge bosons and gluons. Thus both p-adic and dark hierarchies would be involved. For the p-adic hierarchy the masses would be scaled up whereas for the dark hierarchy masses would be same. The essentially new element in the interpretation would be that these fields assignable to flux quanta could be seen as vacuum polarization effects in even macroscopic length scales. This vision would definitely mean new physics effects but the interpretation would be consistent with quantum field theoretic intuition.

- (a) In this kind of scenario ordinary quarks and leptons could be essentially identical with their standard counterparts with electro-weak charges screened in electro-weak length scale so that the problems related to the smallness of atomic parity breaking would be trivially resolved. The weak form of electric-magnetic duality allows to identify the screening mechanism as analog of confinement mechanism for weak isospin
- (b) In condensed matter blobs of size larger than neutrino Compton length (about  $5 \mu\text{m}$  if  $k = 169$  determines the p-adic length scale of condensed matter neutrinos) the situation could be different. Also the presence of dark matter phases with sizes and neutrino Compton lengths corresponding to the length scales  $L(k)$ ,  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  in the range  $10 \text{ nm} - 2.5 \mu\text{m}$  are suggested by the number theoretic considerations (these values of  $k$  correspond to so called Gaussian Mersennes [K41]). Only a fraction of the condensed matter consisting of regions of size  $L(k)$  need to be in the dark phase.
- (c) Dark quarks and leptons would have masses essentially identical to their standard model counterparts. Only the electro-weak boson masses which are determined by a different mechanism than the dominating contribution to fermion masses [K45, K45] would be small or vanishing. Below the dark or p-adic length scale in question gauge bosons would behave like massless quanta.
- (d) The large parity breaking effects in living matter would be due to the presence of dark nuclei and leptons. Later the idea that super-fluidity corresponds to  $Z^0$  super-conductivity will be discussed it might be that also super-fluid phase corresponds to dark neutron phase.

The basic prediction of TGD based model of dark matter as a phase with a large value of Planck constant is the scaling up of various quantal length and time scales. Mersenne hypothesis allows a wide range of scales so that very rich structures are possible.

Dark photon many particle states behave like laser beams decaying to ordinary photons by decoherence meaning a transformation of dark photons to ordinary ones. Also dark electro-weak bosons and gluons would be massless or have small masses determined by the p-adic length scale in question. The decay products of dark electro-weak gauge bosons would be ordinary electro-weak bosons decaying rapidly via virtual electro-weak gauge boson states to ordinary leptons. Topological light rays ("massless extremals") for which all classical gauge fields are massless are natural space-time correlates for the dark boson laser beams. Obviously this means that the basic difference between the chemistries of living and non-living matter would be the absence of electro-weak symmetry breaking in living matter (which does not mean that elementary fermions would be massless).

### Criterion for the presence of exotic electro-weak bosons and gluons

Classical gauge fields directly are space-time correlates of quantum states. The gauge fields associated with massless extremals ("topological light rays") decompose to free part and a part having non-vanishing divergence giving rise to a light-like Abelian gauge current. Free part would correspond to Bose-Einstein condensates and current would define a coherent state of dark photons.

The dimension  $D$  of the  $CP_2$  projection of the space-time sheet serves as a criterion for the presence of long ranged classical electro-weak and gluon fields.  $D$  also classifies the (possibly asymptotic) solutions of field equations [K12].

- (a) For  $D = 2$  induced gauge fields are Abelian and induced Kähler form vanishes for vacuum extremals: in this case classical em and  $Z^0$  fields are proportional to each other. The non-vanishing Kähler field implies that induced gluon fields are non-vanishing in general. This raises the question whether long ranged color fields and by quantum classical correspondence also long ranged QCD accompany non-vacuum extremals in all length scales. This makes one wonder whether color confinement is possible at all and whether scaled down variants of QCD appear in all length scales.

The possibility to add constants to color Hamiltonians appearing in the expression of the classical color gauge fields allows to have vanishing color charges in the case of an arbitrary space-time sheet. The requirement that color quantum numbers of the generator vanish allows to add the constant only to the Hamiltonians of color hyper charge and isospin so that for  $D = 2$  extremals color charges can be made vanishing. This might allow to understand how color confinement is consistent with long ranged induced Kähler field.

- (b) For  $D \geq 3$  all classical long ranged electro-weak fields and non-Abelian color fields are present. This condition is satisfied when electric and magnetic fields are not orthogonal and the instanton density  $A \wedge J$  for induced Kähler form is non-vanishing. The rather strong conclusion is that in length scales in which exotic electro-weak bosons are not present, one has  $D = 2$  and gauge fields are Abelian and correspond trivially to fixed points of renormalization group realized as a hydrodynamic flow at space-time sheets [K5] .

Quantum classical correspondence suggests the existence of electro-weak gauge bosons with mass scale determined by the size of the space-time sheets carrying classical long range electro-weak fields. This would mean the existence of new kind of gauge bosons.

The obvious objection is that the existence of these gauge bosons would be reflected in the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons. The remedy of the problem is based on the notion of space-time democracy suggested strongly by the fact that the interactions between space-time sheets possessing different p-adic topologies proceed with very slow rates simply because the number of common rational (algebraic) points of partonic 2-surfaces appearing in the vertex is small.

For light exotic electro-weak bosons also the corresponding leptons and quarks would possess a large weak space-time sheet but lack the ordinary weak partonic 2-surface so that there would be no direct coupling to electro-weak gauge bosons. These space-time sheets are dark in weak sense but need not have a large value of  $\hbar$ . This picture implies the notion of partial darkness since any space-time sheets with different ordinary of Gaussian primes are dark with respect to each other.

#### Do Gaussian Mersennes define a hierarchy of dark electro-weak physics?

Gaussian Mersennes are defined as Gaussian primes of form  $g_n = (1 + i)^n - 1$ , where  $n$  must be prime. They have norm squared  $g\bar{g} = 2^n - 1$ . The list of the first Gaussian Mersennes corresponds to the following values of  $n$ .

2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 19, 29, 47, 73, 79, 113, 151, 157, 163, 167, 239, 241, 283, 353, 367, 379, 457, 997, 1367, 3041, 10141, 14699, 27529, 49207, 77291, 85237, 106693, 160423 and 203789.

The Gaussian primes  $k = 113, 151, 157, 163, 167$  correspond to length scales which are of most obvious interest but in TGD framework one cannot exclude the twin prime 239, 241 corresponds to length scales  $L(k) \simeq 160$  km and 320 km. Also larger primes could be of relevant for bio-systems and consciousness. Also the secondary and higher length scales associated with  $k < 113$  could be of importance and their are several length scales of this kind in the range of biologically interesting length scales. Physics and biology inspired considerations suggests that particular Gaussian primes correspond to a particular kind of exotic matter, possibly also to large  $\hbar$  phase.  $k = 113$  corresponds to the electromagnetic length scale of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and nuclear p-adic length scale. For dark matter these length scales are scaled up by a factor  $r \sim 2^{k_d}$ , with  $k_d$  fixed by Mersenne hypothesis.

On basis of biological considerations (large parity breaking in living matter) there is a temptation to assign to these length scales a scaled down copy of electro-weak physics and perhaps also of

color physics. The mechanism giving rise to these states would be a phase transition transforming the ordinary  $k = 89$  Mersenne of weak space-time sheets to a Gaussian Mersenne and thus increasing its size dramatically.

If given space-time sheet couples considerably only to space-time sheets characterized by same prime or Gaussian prime, the bosons of these physics do not couple directly to ordinary particles, and one avoids consistency problems due to the presence of new light particles (consider only the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons [K48] ) even in the case that the loss of asymptotic freedom is not assumed.

A question arises about the interpretation of structures of the predicted size. The strong interaction size of  $u$  and  $d$  quarks, hadrons, and nuclei is smaller than  $L(k = 113) \simeq 2 \times 10^{-4}$  m for even heaviest nuclei if one accepts the formula  $R \sim A^{1/3} \times 1.5 \times 10^{-15}$  m. A natural interpretation for this length scale would be as the size of the field body/magnetic body of system defined by its topologically quantized gauge fields/magnetic parts of gauge fields. The (possibly dark) p-adic length scale characterizes also the lengths of join along boundaries bonds feeding gauge fluxes from elementary particle to the space-time sheet in question. The delocalization due these join along boundaries bonds in p-adic length scale in question would determine the scale of the contribution to the mass squared of the system as predicted by p-adic thermodynamics.

#### 14.4.6 Anti-matter and dark matter

The usual view about matter anti-matter asymmetry is that during early cosmology matter-antimatter asymmetry characterized by the relative density difference of order  $r = 10^{-9}$  was somehow generated and that the observed matter corresponds to what remained in the annihilation of quarks and leptons to bosons. A possible mechanism inducing the CP asymmetry is based on the CP breaking phase of CKM matrix.

The TGD based view about energy [K85, K72] forces the conclusion that all conserved quantum numbers including the conserved inertial energy have vanishing densities in cosmological length scales. Therefore fermion numbers associated with matter and antimatter must compensate each other. Therefore the standard option seems to be excluded in TGD framework.

The way out could be based on the many-sheeted space-time and the possibility of cosmic strings. One particular TGD inspired model involves a small matter-antimatter asymmetry induced by the Kähler electric fields of cosmic strings [K22] . The topological condensation of fermions and antifermions at space-time sheets carrying Kähler electric field of say cosmic string gives rise to a binding energy which is of different sign for fermions and antifermions and therefore should induce the asymmetry. The outcome of the annihilation period would be matter outside cosmic strings and antimatter inside them.

One can also imagine that in a given Kähler electric field matter develops large binding energy and antimatter large positive interaction energy which induces instability leading to the splitting of partonic 2-surfaces to dark space-time sheets implying fractionization and reduction of the energy at given sheet of the covering. Dark antimatter would interact very weakly with ordinary matter so that the non-observability of antimatter would find an elegant explanation. One can imagine also the generation of local asymmetries inside Kähler electric flux tubes leading to flux tube states with matter and antimatter condensed at the opposite ends of the flux tubes.

### 14.5 Dark variants of nuclear physics

The book metaphor for the extended imbedding space can be utilized as a guideline as one tries to imagine various exotic phases of matter. For the minimal option atomic nuclei can be assumed to be ordinary (in the sense of nuclear string model [K22] !) and only field bodies can be dark. If only singular coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  are allowed the value of Planck constant is product of two integers. Ruler and compass hypothesis restricts these integers considerably and Mersenne hypothesis provides further constraints on the model. Nuclei can be visualized as residing at the "standard" pages of the book and dark color-/weak-/em- bonds are at different

pages with different p-adic length scale or having different Planck constant. This would give two hierarchies of nuclei with increasing size.

### 14.5.1 Constraints from the nuclear string model

In the case of exotic nuclei nuclear string model [L2] , [L2] is a safe starting point. In this model nucleons are connected by color flux tubes having exotic light fermion and antifermion at their ends. Whether fermion is quark or colored excitation of lepton remains open question at this stage. The mass of the exotic fermion is much smaller than 1 MeV (p-adic temperature  $T = 1/n < 1$ ). This model predicts large number of exotic states since color bonds, which can be regarded as colored pions, can have em charges (1,-1,0). In particular, neutral variant of deuterium is predicted and this leads to a model of cold fusion explaining its basic selection rules. The earlier model for cold fusion discussed in [K76] , which served as a constraint in the earlier speculations, is not so simple than the model of [L2] , [L2] .

What is important that the model requires that weak bosons for which Compton length is of order atomic size are involved. Weak bosons would behave as massless particles below the Compton and the rates for the exchanges of weak bosons would be high in the length scales considered. Weak bosons would correspond to scaled up variants of the ordinary weak bosons: scaling could be p-adic in which mass scale is reduced and weak interaction rates even above Compton length would be scaled up as  $1/M_W^4$ . The scaling could result also from the scaling of Planck constant in which case masses of weak bosons nor weak interaction rates in the lowest order would not be affected. If only dark scaling is involved, weak interactions would be still extremely weak above dark Compton length of weak bosons. Of course, both scalings can be imagined.

The scale of the color binding energy is  $E_s = .2$  MeV for ordinary  ${}^4He$  strings [K22] .  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  define Gaussian Mersennes  $G_{M,k} = (1+i)^k - 1$  and excellent candidates for biologically important p-adic length scales. There are also higher Gaussian Mersennes such as those corresponding to  $k = 239, 241$  and also these seem to be interesting biologically (see [K25] where a vision about evolution and generalized EEG based on Gaussian Mersennes is described). Let us assume that these scales and also those corresponding to  $k = 89, 107, 113, 127$  allow scaled variants of electroweak and color interactions with ordinary value of Planck constant. If  $M_{127}$  is scaled up to Gaussian Mersenne  $M_{G,167}$ , one obtains cell-nucleus sized ( $2.58 \mu\text{m}$ ) exotic nuclei and the unit of color binding energy is still .2 eV. For p-adic length scale of order  $100 \mu\text{m}$  (size of large neuron) the energy scale is still around thermal energy at room temperature.

In the case of dark color bonds it is not quite clear how the unit  $E_s$  of the color binding energy scales. If color Coulombic energy is in question, one expects  $1/\hbar^2$  scaling. Rather remarkably, this scaling predicts that the unit for the energy of  $A < 4$  color bond scales down to .5 eV which is the energy of hydrogen bond so that hydrogen bonds, and also other molecular bonds, might involve color bonds between proton and oxygen.

### 14.5.2 Constraints from the anomalous behavior of water

$H_{1.5}O$  behavior of water with respect to neutron and electron scattering is observed in attosecond time scale which corresponds to 3 Angstrom length scale, defining an excellent candidate for the size scale of exotic nuclei and Compton length of exotic weak interactions.

#### What happens to the invisible protons?

A possible explanation for the findings is that one fourth of protons forms neutral multi-proton states connected by possibly negatively charged color bonds of length differing sufficiently from the length of ordinary O-H bond. Although the protons are ordinary, neutron diffraction reflecting the crystal like order of water in atomic length scales would not see these poly-proton super-nuclei if they form separate closed strings.

- (a) For the ordinary nuclei the p-adic length scale associated with the color bonds between  ${}^4\text{He}$  corresponds to  $M_{127}$ , and one can imagine exotic nuclear strings obtained by connecting two ordinary nuclei with color bonds. If second exotic nucleus is neutral (the model of cold fusion assumes that  $D$  nucleus is neutral) this could work since the Coulomb wall is absent. If the exotic nuclei have opposite em charges, the situation improves further. New super-dense phases of condensed matter would be predicted.

If one fourth of hydrogen nuclei of water combine to form possibly neutral nuclear strings with average distance of nuclei of order  $L(127)$ , they are not visible in diffraction at atomic length scale because the natural length scale is shortened by a factor of order 32 but could be revealed in neutron diffraction at higher momentum exchanges. The transition between this kind of phase and ordinary nuclei would be rather dramatic event and the exchanges of exotic weak bosons with Compton lengths of order atomic size induce the formation of this kind of nuclei (this exchange is assumed in the model of cold fusion).

- (b) If dark color magnetic bonds are allowed, a natural distance between the building blocks of super-nuclei is given by the size scale of the color magnetic body. In nuclear string model the size scales of color magnetic bodies associated with nuclear strings consisting of  ${}^4\text{He}$  and  $A < 4$  nuclei color magnetic bodies correspond to  $k = 127$  and  $k = 118$  whereas em magnetic body corresponds to  $k = 116$  [L2], [L2]. For dark variants of magnetic bodies the sizes of these magnetic bodies are scaled. There are several options to consider: consider only  $k_d = 113 - 89 = 24$ ,  $k_d = 127 - 107 = 20$  and  $k_d = 107 - 89 = 18$ . Table 1 below summarizes the effective dark p-adic length scales involved.

- (c) Consider  $k_d = 24$  as an example. From Table 1 the scaled up p-adic length scales of the magnetic bodies would be  $L(127 + 24 = 151) = 10$  nm,  $L(118 + 24 = 142) = 4.4$  Angstrom, and  $L(116 + 24 = 140) = 2.2$  Angstrom. The first scale equals to the thickness of cell membrane which suggests a direct connection with biology. The latter two scales correspond to molecular length scales and it is not clear why the protons of dark nuclear strings of this kind would not be observed in electron and neutron scattering. This would leave only nuclear strings formed from  ${}^4\text{He}$  nuclei into consideration.

The crucial parameter is the the unit  $E_s$  of the color binding energy. Since this parameter should correspond to color Coulombic potential it could transform like the binding energy of hydrogen atom and therefore scale as  $1/\hbar^2$ . This would mean that  $E_s = 2.2$  MeV deduced from the deuteron binding energy would scale down to .12 eV for  $r = 2^{24}$ .

$k_d$	24	20	18
$k_{eff} = 127 + k_d$	151	142	140
$k_{eff} = 118 + k_d$	142	138	136
$k_{eff} = 116 + k_d$	140	136	134

Table 1. The integers  $k_{eff}$  characterize the effective p-adic length scales for some dark variants of color magnetic bodies for  ${}^4\text{He}$  and  $A < 4$  color magnetic bodies corresponding to  $k \in \{127, 118\}$  and for the dark variants of  $k = 116$  electromagnetic body for nuclear strings. Dark variants correspond to  $k_d \in \{24 = 113 - 89 = 151 - 127, 20 = 127 - 107, 18 = 107 - 89\}$  allowed by Mersenne hypothesis.

The transition between the dark and ordinary nuclei would be favored by the minimization of Coulomb energy and energy differences would be small because of darkness. The transitions in which ordinary proton becomes dark and fuses to super-nuclear string or vice versa could be the basic control mechanism of bio-catalysis. Metabolic energy quantum .5 eV should relate to this transition.

Magic nuclei could have fractally scaled up variants in molecular length scale and tetrahedral and icosahedral water clusters could correspond to  $A = 8$  and  $A = 20$  magic nuclei with color bonds connecting nucleons belonging to different dark nuclei.

### About the identification of the exotic weak physics?

The model of cold fusion requires exotic weak physics with the range of weak interaction of order atomic radius.

One can consider the possibility of  $k = 113$  dark weak physics with  $r = 2^{24}$  ( $89 \rightarrow 113$  in Mersenne hypothesis) implying that the dark weak scale corresponds to p-adic length scale  $k = 137$ . Weak Compton length for  $k = 113$  dark weak bosons would be about 3 Angstrom. Below  $L(137)$  weak bosons would behave as massless particles. Above  $L(137)$  weak bosons would have the mass scale  $2^{-12}m_W \sim 25$  MeV and weak rates would be scaled up by  $2^{48}$ . Bohr radius would represent a critical transition length scale and exotic weak force could have dramatic implications for the behavior of the condensed matter in high pressures when exotic weak force would become visible. In particular, chiral selection in living matter could be understood in terms of large parity breaking implied. These physics would manifest themselves only at criticality for the phase transitions changing Planck constant and would correspond to almost vacuum extremals defining a phase different from that assignable to standard model physics.

To sum up, it would seem that the variant of ordinary nuclear physics obtained by making color bonds and weak bonds dark is the most promising approach to the  $H_{1.5}O$  anomaly and cold fusion. Exotic weak bosons with Compton wave length of atomic size and the most natural assumption is that they are dark  $k = 113$  weak bosons with  $k_d = 24 = 113 - 89$ . One variant of exotic atoms is as atoms for which electromagnetic interaction between ordinary nuclei and ordinary electrons is mediated along dark topological field quanta.

### 14.5.3 Exotic chemistries and electromagnetic nuclear darkness

The extremely hostile and highly un-intellectual attitude of skeptics stimulates fear in anyone possessing amygdala, and I am not an exception. Therefore it was a very pleasant surprise to receive an email telling about an article published in April 16, 2005 issue of New Scientist [D23]. The article gives a popular summary about the work of the research group of Walter Knight with Na atom clusters [D47] and of the research group of Welford Castleman with Al atom clusters [D30].

The article tells that during last two decades a growing evidence for a new kind of chemistry have been emerging. Groups of atoms seem to be able to mimic the chemical behavior of single atom. For instance, clusters of 8, 20, 40, 58 or 92 sodium atoms mimic the behavior of noble gas atoms [D47]. By using oxygen to strip away electrons one by one from clusters of Al atoms it is possible to make the cluster to mimic entire series of atoms [D30]. For aluminium cluster-ions made of 13, 23 and 37 atoms plus an extra electron are chemically inert.

One can imagine two explanations for the findings.

- (a) The nuclei are dark in the sense that the sizes of nuclear space-time sheets are scaled up implying the smoothing out of the nuclear charge.
- (b) Only electrons are dark in the sense of having scaled up Compton lengths so that the size of multi-electron bound states is not smaller than electron Compton length and electrons "see" multi-nuclear charge distribution.

If darkness and Compton length is assigned with the em field body, it becomes a property of interaction, and it seems impossible to distinguish between options 1) and 2).

### What one means with dark nuclei and electrons?

Can the idea about dark nuclei and electrons be consistent with the minimalist picture in which only field bodies are dark? Doesn't the darkness of nucleus or electron mean that also multi-electron states with  $n$  electrons are possible?

The proper re-interpretation of the notion Compton length would allow a consistency with the minimalist scenario. If the p-adic prime labelling the particle actually labels its electromagnetic

body as p-adic mass calculations for quark masses encourage to believe, Compton length corresponds to the size scale of the electromagnetic field body and the models discussed below would be consistent with the minimal scenario. Electrons indeed "see" the external charge distribution by their electromagnetic field body and field body also carries this distribution since  $CP_2$  extremals do not carry it. One could also defend this interpretation by saying that electrons is operationally only what can be observed about it through various interactions and therefore Compton length (various Compton length like parameters) must be assigned with its field body (bodies).

Also maximal quantum criticality implies that darkness is restricted to field bodies but does not exclude the possibility that elementary particle like structures can possess non-minimal quantum criticality and thus possess multi-sheeted character.

### Option I: nuclei are electromagnetically dark

The general vision about nuclear dark matter suggests that the system consists of super-nuclei analogous to ordinary nuclei such that electrons are ordinary and do not screen the Coulomb potentials of atomic nuclei.

The simplest possibility is that the electromagnetic field bodies of nuclei or quarks become dark implying delocalization of nuclear charge. The valence electrons would form a kind of mini-conductor with electrons delocalized in the volume of the cluster. The electronic analog of the nuclear shell model predicts that full electron shells define stable configurations analogous to magic nuclei. The model explains the numbers of atoms in chemically inert Al and Ca clusters and generalizes the notion of valence to the level of cluster so that the cluster would behave like single super-atom.

The electromagnetic  $k = 113$  space-time sheets (em field bodies) of quarks could have scaled up size  $\sqrt{r}L(113) = L(113 + k_d) = 2^{k_d/2} \times 2 \times 10^{-14}$  m. One would have atomic size scale .8 Angstroms for  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = 24$ - an option already introduced. A suggestive interpretation is that the electric charge of nuclei or valence quarks assignable to their field bodies is delocalized quantum mechanically to atomic length scale. Electrons would in a good approximation experience quantum mechanically the nuclear charges as a constant background, jellium, whose effect is indeed modellable using harmonic oscillator potential.

One can test the proposed criterion for the phase transition to darkness. The unscreened electromagnetic interaction energy between a block of partially ionized nuclei with a net em charge  $Z$  with  $Z$  electrons would define the relevant parameter as  $r \equiv Z^2\alpha$ . For the total charge  $Z \geq 12$  the condition  $r \geq 1$  is satisfied. For a full shell with 8 electrons this condition is not satisfied.

### Option II: Electrons are electro-magnetically dark

Since the energy spectrum of harmonic oscillator potential is invariant under the scaling of  $\hbar$  accompanied by the opposite scaling of the oscillator frequency  $\omega$ , one must consider also the em bodies of electrons are in large  $\hbar$  phase (one can of course ask whether they could be observed in this phase!). The rule would be that the size of the bound states is larger than the scaled up electron Compton length.

The Compton wavelength of electrons would be scaled up by a factor  $r$  where  $r$  is product of different Fermat primes and power of 2 for ruler and compass hypothesis. For Mersenne hypothesis one would have  $r = 2^{k_d}$ . For  $k_d = 24$  the effective p-adic scale of electron would be to about  $L(151) = 10$  nm. The atomic cluster of this size would contain roughly  $10^6 \times (a_0/a)^3$  atoms where  $a$  is atomic volume and  $a_0 = 1$  Angstrom is the natural unit.

The shell model of nucleus is in TGD framework a phenomenological description justified by nuclear string model with string tension responsible for the oscillator potential. This leads to ask whether the electrons of jellium actually form analogs of nuclear strings with electrons connected by color bonds.



## 14.6 Has dark matter been observed?

In this section two examples about anomalies perhaps having interpretation in terms of quantized Planck constant are discussed. The first anomaly belongs to the realm of particle physics and hence does not quite fit the title of the chapter. Second anomaly relates to nuclear physics.

### 14.6.1 Optical rotation of a laser beam in a magnetic field

The group of G. Cantatore has reported an optical rotation of a laser beam in a magnetic field [D37]. The experimental arrangement involves a magnetic field of strength  $B = 5$  Tesla. Laser beam travels 22000 times forth and back in a direction orthogonal to the magnetic field travelling 1 m during each pass through the magnet. The wavelength of the laser light is 1064 nm (the energy is 1.1654 eV). A rotation of  $(3.9 \pm .5) \times 10^{-12}$  rad/pass is observed.

Faraday effect [D5] is optical rotation which occurs when photon beam propagates in a direction parallel to the magnetic field and requires parity breaking guaranteeing that the velocities of propagation for two circular polarizations are different. Now however the laser beam is orthogonal to the magnetic field so that Faraday effect cannot be in question.

The proposed interpretation for the rotation would be that the component of photon having polarization parallel to the magnetic field mixes with QCD axion, one of the many candidates for dark matter. The mass of the axion would be about 1 meV. Mixing would imply a reduction of the corresponding polarization component and thus in the generic case induce a rotation of the polarization direction. Note that the laser beam could partially transform to axions, travel through a non-transparent wall, and appear again as ordinary photons.

The disturbing finding is that the rate for the rotation is by a factor  $2.8 \times 10^4$  higher than predicted. This would have catastrophic astrophysical implications since stars would rapidly lose their energy via axion radiation.

What explanations one could imagine for the observations in TGD framework if one accepts the hierarchy of Planck constants?

- (a) The simplest model that I have been able to imagine does not assume axion like states. The optical rotation would be due to the leakage of the laser photons to dark pages of the Big Book at the ends of the magnet where the space-time sheet carrying the magnetic field becomes locally a vacuum extremal. This explanation would not mean direct seeing of dark matter but the observation of a transformation of ordinary matter to dark matter. Quite generally, this experimental approach might be much better strategy to the experimental proof of the existence of the dark matter than the usual approaches and is especially attractive in living matter.
- (b) TGD could also provide a justification for the axion based explanation of the optical rotation involving parity breaking. TGD predicts the existence of a hierarchy of QCD type physics based on the predicted hierarchy of scaled up variants of quarks and also those of color excited leptons. The fact that these states are not seen in the decay widths of intermediate gauge bosons can be understood if the particles in question are dark matter with non-standard value of Planck constant and hence residing at different page of the book like structure formed by the imbedding space. I have discussed in detail the general model in the case of leptohadrons consisting of colored excitation of ordinary lepton and explaining quite an impressive bundle of anomalies [K84]. Since leptopion has quantum numbers of axion and similar couplings, it is natural to propose that the claimed axion like particle -if it indeed exists- is a pion like state consisting either exotic light quarks or leptons.

The model would differ from the above model only in that the leakage to the dark sector would take place by a transformation of the laser photon to a pionlike state so that no parity breaking would take place. But the basic point is that vacuum extremals through which the leakage can occur, break the parity strongly by the presence of classical  $Z^0$  fields. The idea about leakage together with the non-constancy of pion-type field appearing in the coupling to the instanton density imply that that the space-time sheet representing the magnetic field is vacuum extremal -at least in some regions- and this assumption looks un-necessarily

strong. Also detailed assumptions about the dependence of the basic parameters appearing in PCAC hypothesis must be made.

What raised the hopes was the intriguing observation that the ratio of laser photon frequency to the cyclotron frequency of electron in the magnetic field considered equals to  $r = 2^{11}$ : this put bells ringing in the p-adically tuned mind and inspired the question whether one could have  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = 2^{11}$ . The assumption of cyclotron condensate of electron pairs at dark space-time sheet must be however justified and one must answer at least the question why it is needed. A possible answer would be that the leakage occurs via Bose-Einstein condensation to a coherent state of cyclotron photons. But this would mean return to the original model where laser photons leak! Obviously the model becomes too complicated for Occam and therefore I have dropped out the model.

The simplest model should start just from the finding that the linear polarization parallel to the magnetic field seems to leak with a certain rate as it traverses the magnet. The leakage of laser photons to a dark matter space-time sheet is what comes mind first in TGD context. A killer test for this explanation is to use polarization parallel to the magnetic field: in this case no optical rotation should take place.

- (a) The leakage should take place along the intersection of the pages of the Big Book which correspond to geodesically trivial geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$  so that induced Kähler field vanishes and vacuum extremals or nearly vacuum extremals are in question. Leakage could occur within magnet or the ends of the magnet could involve this kind of critical membrane like region and as the photon passes through them the leakage could occur.
- (b) Since parity breaking takes place, the instanton density for the electromagnetic field provides a natural description of the situation. The interaction term is obtained by replacing either  $E$  in  $E \cdot B$  with its quantized counterpart describing laser photons. This gives a linear coupling to photon oscillator operators completely analogous to a coupling to an external current and one can calculate the leakage rate using the standard rules.
- (c) The interaction term is total divergence and reduces to a 3-D Chern-Simons type term associated with the boundaries of the membrane like region or magnet in the general case and the leakage can be said to occur at the ends of the magnet for non-vacuum extremals.

One can ask whether one should use the instanton density of Kähler field rather than that of em field in the model. In this case Kähler gauge potential would couple the quantized em field via U(1) part of em charge. One would not have gauge invariance since for the induced Kähler field gauge degeneracy is replaced with spin glass degeneracy and gauge transformations of the vacuum extremals induced by symplectic transformations of  $CP_2$  deform the space-time surface. In this case  $E$  in  $E \cdot A$  would be replaced with the radiation field at the ends of the magnet. In order to have a non-vanishing leakage the instanton density within magnet must be non-vanishing meaning that  $CP_2$  projection of the magnet's space-time sheet must be 4-D at least somewhere. For the first option it can be 2-D.

The coefficient  $K$  of the instanton term defining the action should depend on the value of Planck constant.  $1/e^2$  proportionality of the ordinary Maxwell action means that the coefficient of the instanton term could be proportional to  $\hbar$ . The most general dependence  $K = k(e^2\hbar/4\pi)/e^2 \equiv f(\alpha_{em}r)/e^2$ ,  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ . Since non-perturbative effect is in question  $k((\alpha_{em}r) \propto 1/(\alpha_{em}r)$  is suggestive and guarantees that the leakage probability becomes small for large values of Planck constant.

This option will not be discussed further but it might have also relevance to the parity breaking in biology. In fact, I have proposed that the realization of genetic code based on nucleotide dependent optical rotation of polarization of photons proposed by Gariaev [I4] could be based on Faraday effect or its analogy [K83].

One can consider also a generalization of this model by assuming that photon transforms to dark pion-like state in the leakage. In this case the action does not however reduce to a total divergence and the condition that the entire magnet corresponds to vacuum extremal seems to be unrealistic.

### 14.6.2 Do nuclear reaction rates depend on environment?

Claus Rolfs and his group have found experimental evidence for the dependence of the rates of nuclear reactions on the condensed matter environment [C133]. For instance, the rates for the reactions  $^{50}\text{V}(p,n)^{50}\text{Cr}$  and  $^{176}\text{Lu}(p,n)$  are fastest in conductors. The model explaining the findings has been tested for elements covering a large portion of the periodic table.

#### Debye screening of nuclear charge by electrons as an explanation for the findings

The proposed theoretical explanation [C133] is that conduction electrons screen the nuclear charge or equivalently that incoming proton gets additional acceleration in the attractive Coulomb field of electrons so that the effective collision energy increases so that reaction rates below Coulomb wall increase since the thickness of the Coulomb barrier is reduced.

The resulting Debye radius

$$R_D = 69 \sqrt{\frac{T}{n_{eff} \rho_a}}, \quad (14.6.1)$$

where  $\rho_a$  is the density of atoms per cubic meter and  $T$  is measured in Kelvins.  $R_D$  is of order .01 Angstroms for  $T = 373 \text{ K}$  for  $n_{eff} = 1$ ,  $a = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ . The theoretical model [C190, C235] predicts that the cross section below Coulomb barrier for  $X(p, n)$  collisions is enhanced by the factor

$$f(E) = \frac{E}{E + U_e} \exp\left(\frac{\pi \eta U_e}{E}\right). \quad (14.6.2)$$

$E$  is center of mass energy and  $\eta$  so called Sommerfeld parameter and

$$U_e \equiv U_D = 2.09 \times 10^{-11} (Z(Z+1))^{1/2} \times \left(\frac{n_{eff} \rho_a}{T}\right)^{1/2} \text{ eV} \quad (14.6.3)$$

is the screening energy defined as the Coulomb interaction energy of electron cloud responsible for Debye screening and projectile nucleus. The idea is that at  $R_D$  nuclear charge is nearly completely screened so that the energy of projectile is  $E + U_e$  at this radius which means effectively higher collision energy.

The experimental findings from the study of 52 metals support the expression for the screening factor across the periodic table.

- (a) The linear dependence of  $U_e$  on  $Z$  and  $T^{-1/2}$  dependence on temperature conforms with the prediction. Also the predicted dependence on energy has been tested [C133].
- (b) The value of the effective number  $n_{eff}$  of screening electrons deduced from the experimental data is consistent with  $n_{eff}(Hall)$  deduced from quantum Hall effect.

The model suggests that also the decay rates of nuclei, say beta and alpha decay rates, could be affected by electron screening. There is already preliminary evidence for the reduction of beta decay rate of  $^{22}\text{Na}$   $\beta$  decay rate in Pd [C132], metal which is utilized also in cold fusion experiments. This might have quite far reaching technological implications. For instance, the artificial reduction of half-lives of the radioactive nuclei could allow an effective treatment of radio-active wastes. An interesting question is whether screening effect could explain cold fusion [C252] and sono-fusion [C178]: I have proposed a different model for cold fusion based on large  $\hbar$  in [K76].

### Could quantization of Planck constant explain why Debye model works?

The basic objection against the Debye model is that the thermodynamical treatment of electrons as classical particles below the atomic radius is in conflict with the basic assumptions of atomic physics. On the other hand, it is not trivial to invent models reproducing the predictions of the Debye model so that it makes sense to ask whether the quantization of Planck constant predicted by TGD could explain why Debye model works.

TGD predicts that Planck constant is quantized in integer multiples:  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$ , where  $\hbar_0$  is the minimal value of Planck constant identified tentatively as the ordinary Planck constant. The preferred values for the scaling factors  $n$  of  $\hbar$  correspond to  $n$ -polygons constructible using ruler and compass. The values of  $n$  in question are given by  $n_F = 2^k \prod_i F_{s_i}$ , where the Fermat primes  $F_s = 2^{2^s} + 1$  appearing in the product are distinct. The lowest Fermat primes are 3, 5, 17, 257,  $2^{16} + 1$ . In the model of living matter the especially favored values of  $\hbar$  come as powers  $2^{k_{11}}$  [K24, K25].

It is not quite obvious that ordinary nuclear physics and atomic physics should correspond to the minimum value  $\hbar_0$  of Planck constant. The predictions for the favored values of  $n$  are not affected if one has  $\hbar(\text{stand}) = 2^k \hbar_0$ ,  $k \geq 0$ . The non-perturbative character of strong force suggests that the Planck constant for nuclear physics is not actually the minimal one [K76]. As a matter fact, TGD based model for nucleus implies that its "color magnetic body" has size of order electron Compton length. Also valence quarks inside hadrons have been proposed to correspond to non-minimal value of Planck constant since color confinement is definitely a non-perturbative effect. Since the lowest order classical predictions for the scattering cross sections in perturbative phase do not depend on the value of the Planck constant one can consider the testing of this issue is not trivial in the case of nuclear physics where perturbative approach does not really work.

Suppose that one has  $n = n_0 = 2^{k_0} > 1$  for nuclei so that their quantum sizes are of order electron Compton length or perhaps even larger. One could even consider the possibility that both nuclei and atomic electrons correspond to  $n = n_0$ , and that conduction electrons can make a transition to a state with  $n_1 < n_0$ . This transition could actually explain how the electron conductivity is reduced to a finite value. In this state electrons would have Compton length scaled down by a factor  $n_0/n_1$ .

For instance, if one has  $n_0 = 2^{11k_0}$  as suggested by the model for quantum biology [K25] and by the TGD based explanation of the claimed detection of dark matter [D37], the Compton length  $L_e = 2.4 \times 10^{-12}$  m for electron would reduce in the transition  $k_0 \rightarrow k_0 - 1$  to  $L_e = 2^{-11} L_e \simeq 1.17$  fm, which is rather near to the proton Compton length since one has  $m_p/m_e \simeq .94 \times 2^{11}$ . It is not too difficult to believe that electrons in this state could behave like classical particles with respect to their interaction with nuclei and atoms so that Debye model would work.

The basic objection against this model is that anyonic atoms should allow more states than ordinary atoms since very space-time sheet can carry up to  $n$  electrons with identical quantum numbers in conventional sense. This should have been seen.

### Electron screening and Trojan horse mechanism

An alternative mechanism is based on Trojan horse mechanism suggested as a basic mechanism of cold fusion [K76]. The idea is that projectile nucleus enters the region of the target nucleus along a larger space-time sheet and in this manner avoids the Coulomb wall. The nuclear reaction itself occurs conventionally. In conductors the space-time sheet of conduction electrons is a natural candidate for the larger space-time sheet.

At conduction electron space-time sheet there is a constant charged density consisting of  $n_{eff}$  electrons in the atomic volume  $V = 1/n_a$ . This creates harmonic oscillator potential in which incoming proton accelerates towards origin. The interaction energy at radius  $r$  is given by

$$V(r) = \alpha n_{eff} \frac{r^2}{2a^3}, \quad (14.6.4)$$

where  $a$  is atomic radius.

The proton ends up to this space-time sheet by a thermal kick compensating the harmonic oscillator energy. This occurs below with a high probability below radius  $R$  for which the thermal energy  $E = T/2$  of electron corresponds to the energy in the harmonic oscillator potential. This gives the condition

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{Ta}{n_{eff}\alpha}} a . \quad (14.6.5)$$

This condition is exactly of the same form as the condition given by Debye model for electron screening but has a completely different physical interpretation.

Since the proton need not travel through the nuclear Coulomb potential, it effectively gains the energy

$$E_e = Z \frac{\alpha}{R} = \frac{Z\alpha^{3/2}}{a} \sqrt{\frac{n_{eff}}{Ta}} . \quad (14.6.6)$$

which would be otherwise lost in the repulsive nuclear Coulomb potential. Note that the contribution of the thermal energy to  $E_e$  is neglected. The dependence on the parameters involved is exactly the same as in the case of Debye model. For  $T = 373$  K in the  $^{176}\text{Lu}$  experiment and  $n_{eff}(\text{Lu}) = 2.2 \pm 1.2$ , and  $a = a_0 = .52 \times 10^{-10}$  m (Bohr radius of hydrogen as estimate for atomic radius), one has  $E_e = 28.0$  keV to be compared with  $U_e = 21 \pm 6$  keV of [C133] ( $a = 10^{-10}$  m corresponds to  $1.24 \times 10^4$  eV and 1 K to  $10^{-4}$  eV). A slightly larger atomic radius allows to achieve consistency. The value of  $\hbar$  does not play any role in this model since the considerations are purely classical.

An interesting question is what the model says about the decay rates of nuclei in conductors. For instance, if the proton from the decaying nucleus can enter directly to the space-time sheet of the conduction electrons, the Coulomb wall corresponds to the Coulomb interaction energy of proton with conduction electrons at atomic radius and is equal to  $\alpha n_{eff}/a$  so that the decay rate should be enhanced.

### 14.6.3 Refraction of gamma rays from silicon prism?

Orwin O'Dowd send a very interesting link to a popular article [D21] telling about refraction of gamma rays from silicon prisms. This should not be possible and since I love anomalies I got interested. Below I discuss the discovery from the point of standard physics and TGD point of view.

#### What happens in refraction?

Absorption, reflection, and refraction are basic phenomena of geometric optics [D7] describing the propagation of light in terms of light rays and neglecting interference and diffraction making it possible for light to "go around the corner". The properties of medium are described in terms of refraction index  $n$  which in general is a complex quantity. The real part of  $n$  gives the phase velocity of light in medium using vacuum velocity  $c$  as unit, which - contrary to a rather common misconception - can be also larger than  $c$  as a phase velocity which cannot be assigned to energy transfer. The imaginary part characterizes absorption.  $n$  depends in general on frequency of the incoming light and the resonant interactions of light with the atoms of medium make themselves manifest in the frequency dependence of  $n$  - in particular in absorption described by the imaginary part of  $n$ .

What happens in the boundary of two media - reflection or refraction - is characterized the the refraction index boundary conditions for radiation fields at the boundary, which are essentially Maxwell's equations at the discontinuity. Snell's law tells what happens to the direction of the beam and states essentially that only the momentum component of incoming photon normal to the boundary changes in these processes since only the translational symmetry in normal direction is changed.

### How refractive index is determined?

What determines the index of refraction [D10]? To build a microscopic theory for  $n$  one must model what happens for the incoming beam of light in medium. One must model the scattering of light from the atoms of the medium.

In the case of condensed matter X ray diffraction is excellent example about this kind of theory. In this case the lattice structure of the condensed matter system makes the situation simple. For infinitely large medium and for an infinitely wide incoming beam the scattering amplitude is just the Fourier transform of the density of atoms for the change of the wave vector (or equivalently momentum) of photon, which must be a vector in the reciprocal lattice of the crystal lattice. Therefore the beam is split into beams in precisely defined directions. The diffracted beam has a sharp maximum in forward direction and the amplitude in this direction is essentially the number of atoms.

In less regular situation such as for water or bio-matter for which regular lattice structure typically exists only locally the peaking to forward direction, is even more pronounced, and in the first approximation the beam travels in the direction that it has after entering to the system and only the phase velocity is changed and attenuation takes place. Diffraction patterns are however present also now and allow to deduce information about the structure of medium in short length scales. For instance, Delbrueck diffraction from biological matter allowed to deduce structural information about DNA and deduce its structure.

This description contains an important implicit assumption. The width and length of the incoming photon beam must be so large that the number of atoms inside it is large enough. If this condition is not satisfied, the large scale interference effects crucial for diffraction do not take place. For very narrow beams the situation approaches to a scattering from single atom and one expects that the beam is gradually widened but that it does not make sense to speak about refraction index and that the application of Snell's law does not make sense. Incoming photons see individual atoms rather than the lattice of atoms. For this reason the prevailing wisdom has been that it does not make sense to speak about bending of gamma rays from solid state. A gamma ray photon with energy of one MeV corresponds to a wavelength  $\lambda$  of about  $10^{-12}$  meters which is of same order as electron Compton length. One expects that the width and length of gamma ray beam is measured using  $\lambda$  as a natural unit. Even width of 100 wavelengths corresponds to 1 Angstrom which corresponds to the size scale of single atom.

### Surprise

The real surprise was that gamma rays bend in prisms made from silicon! The discovery was made by a group of scientists working in Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität in Munich [D21, D22, D35]. The group was led by Dietrich Habs. The gamma ray energies where in the range .18-2 MeV. The bending known as refraction was very small using every day standards. The value of the refractive index which gives the ratio  $c/v$  for light velocity  $c$  to the light velocity  $v$  in silicon is  $1 + 10^{-9}$  as one learns from another popular article [D22]. When compared to the predictions of the existing theory, the bending was however anomalously large. By the previous argument it should not be even possible to talk about bending.

Dietrich Habs suggests that so called Delbrueck scattering of gamma rays from virtual electron positron pairs created in the electric fields of atoms could explain the result. This scattering would be diffraction (scattering almost totally in forward direction as for light coming through a hole). This cannot however give rise to an effective scattering from a many-atom system unless the gamma ray beam is effectively or in real sense scaled up. The scattering would be still from

single atom or even part of single atom. One could of course imagine that atoms themselves have hidden structure analogous to lattice structure but why virtual electron pairs could give rise to it?

In the following I discuss two TGD inspired proposals for how the diffraction that should not occur could occur after all?

### Could gamma rays scatter from quarks?

There is another strange anomaly that I discussed for a couple of years ago christened as the incredibly shrinking proton [K49]. It was found that protons charge distribution deviates slightly from the expected one. The TGD inspired explanation was based on the observation that quarks in proton are rather light having masses of 5 and 20 MeV. These correspond to gamma ray energies. Therefore the Compton wave lengths of quarks are also rather long, much longer than the Compton length of proton itself! Parts would be larger than the whole! The explanation for this quantum mystical fact would be that the Compton length corresponds to length scale assignable to color magnetic body of quark. Could it be that the scattering gamma rays see the magnetic bodies of  $3 \times 14 = 42$  valence quarks of 14 nucleons of Si nucleus. The regular structure of atomic nucleus as composite of quark magnetic would induce the diffractive pattern. If so, we could do some day nuclear physics and perhaps even study the structure of proton by studying diffraction patterns of gamma rays on nuclei!

### Could part of gamma beam transform to large $\hbar$ gamma rays?

Also the hierarchy of Planck constants [K28] comes in mind. Scaling of  $\hbar$  for a fixed photon energy scales up the wavelength of gamma ray. Could some fraction of incoming gamma rays suffer a phase transition increasing their Planck constant? The scaling of Planck constant make gamma rays to behave like photons with scaled up wavelength. Also the width of the beam would be zoomed up. As a result the incoming gamma ray beam would see a group of atoms instead of single atom and for a large enough value of Planck constant one could speak of diffraction giving rise to refraction.

For years ago I considered half jokingly the possibility that hierarchy of Planck constants could imply quantum effects in much longer scales than usually [K28]. Diffraction would be a typical quantum effect involving interference. Perhaps even the spots seen sometimes in ordinary camera lense could be analogous to diffractive spots generated by diffraction of large  $\hbar$  visible photons through a hole (they should usually appear in the scale of visible wavelength about few microns (see this [K26]). Take this as a joke!

I also proposed that strong classical em fields provide the environment inducing increase of Planck constant at some space-time sheets. The proposal was that Mother Nature is theoretician friendly [K28]. As perturbation expansion in powers of  $1/\hbar$  fails, Mama Nature scales up  $\hbar$  to make the life of her theorizing children easier, one might say. Strong electric and magnetic fields of atomic nuclei believed by Habs to be behind the diffraction might provide the manner to generate large Planck constant phases and dark matter.

## 14.7 Water and new physics

In this section the previous ideas are applied in an attempt to understand the very special properties of water.

### 14.7.1 The 41 anomalies of water

The following list of 41 anomalies of water taken from [D27] should convince the reader about the very special nature of water. The detailed descriptions of the anomalies can be found in [D27]. As a matter fact, the number of anomalies had grown to 63 when I made my last visit to the homepage of Chaplin.

The many anomalies of water need not be all due to the presence of the dark matter. As suggested already fifteen years ago, p-adic length scale hierarchy forces to replace ordinary thermodynamics with a p-adic fractal hierarchy of thermodynamics and this means that one must speak about thermodynamics in a given length scale rather than mere thermodynamics of continuous matter.

Instead of listing just the anomalies I suggest also a possible interpretation based on the assumption that some fraction of protons (and perhaps also  $\text{OH}^-$  ions) is dark. This hypothesis is motivated by the scattering data suggesting that  $H_{1.5}O$  is the proper chemical formula for water in attosecond time scale and explained by assuming that about 1/4 of protons are dark in the experimental situation. It is natural to assume that the increase of temperature or pressure reduces the dark portion. Unless the establishment of equilibrium ratio for dark and ordinary phase is very fast process, water can be regarded as a two-phase system mathematically. A continuous spectrum of metastable forms of water and ice distinguished by the ratio of the densities of ordinary and dark phase is expected. Complex phase diagrams is also a natural outcome.

Dark portion is expected to induce long range correlations affecting melting/boiling/critical points, viscosity, and heats of vaporization and fusion. Anomalous behaviors under the changes of temperature and pressure and anomalies in compressibility and thermal expansivity are expected. Specific heats and transport properties are affected by the presence of dark degrees of freedom, and the coupling of electromagnetic radiation to dark degrees of freedom influences the di-electric properties of water.

In order to systemize the discussion I have classified the anomalous to different groups.

(a) Anomalies suggesting the presence of dark phase inducing long range correlations.

- i. Water has unusually high melting point.
- ii. Water has unusually high boiling point.
- iii. Water has unusually high critical point.
- iv. Water has unusually high surface tension and can bounce.
- v. Water has unusually high viscosity.
- vi. Water has unusually high heat of vaporization.

**Comment:** The presence of dark portion implies long range correlations and they could help to restore solid/liquid phase, raise the the critical point, increase surface tension, increase viscosity and require more energy to achieve vaporization. The ability to bounce would suggest that dark portion of water -at least near the surface- is in solid phase. Dark water is in rubber-like phase also in the interior below a length scale defined by the length of dark flux tubes.

(b) Anomalies related to the effect of temperature increase.

- i. Water shrinks on melting.
- ii. Water has a high density that increases on heating (up to  $3.984^\circ\text{C}$ ).
- iii. The number of nearest neighbors increases on melting.
- iv. The number of nearest neighbors increases with temperature.
- v. Water shows an unusually large viscosity increase but diffusion decrease as the temperature is lowered.
- vi. At low temperatures, the self-diffusion of water increases as the density and pressure increase.
- vii. Water has a low coefficient of expansion (thermal expansivity).
- viii. Water's thermal expansivity reduces increasingly (becoming negative) at low temperatures.

**Comment:** The increase of temperature induces shrinking of the flux tubes connecting water molecules in the phase transition reducing Planck constant and brings the molecules closer to each other. This could explain shrinking on melting, the increase of the density in some temperature range above which the normal thermal expansion would win the shrinking tendency, the increase of nearest neighbors on melting and with the increase of



temperature. Concerning the shrinking on melting one can however argue that the regular lattice like structure of ice is not that with minimum volume per molecule so that no new physics would be needed unless it is needed to explain why the volume per molecule is not minimum.

The unusually large viscosity increase with reduce temperature would be due to the increase of the large  $\hbar$  portion inducing long range correlations. If the diffusion takes place only in the normal phase the anomalous reduction of diffusion could be due to the reduction of the density of the normal phase. Similar explanation applies to the behavior of self-diffusion.

The low value of coefficient of thermal expansion could be understood in terms of the phase transitions reducing the flux tube lengths and bringing the molecules near to each other and thus reducing the normal thermal expansion. At low enough temperatures the expansivity would become negative since this effect would overcome the normal thermal expansion.

(c) Anomalies related to the effects of pressure.

- i. Pressure reduces its melting point (13.35 MPa about 133.5 times the standard atmospheric pressure) gives a melting point of  $-1^\circ\text{C}$
- ii. Pressure reduces the temperature of maximum density.
- iii.  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{T}_2\text{O}$  differ from  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in their physical properties much more than might be expected from their increased mass; e.g. they have increasing temperatures of maximum density ( $11.185^\circ\text{C}$  and  $13.4^\circ\text{C}$  respectively).
- iv. Water's viscosity decreases with pressure (at temperatures below  $33^\circ\text{C}$ ).

**Comment:** The reduction of melting point, temperature of maximum density, and viscosity with pressure could be due to the reduction of the dark portion as pressure increases. Pressure would induce the phase transition reducing the value of Planck constant for the flux tubes connecting water molecules. That the situation is different for  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{T}_2\text{O}$  could be understood if dark  $D$  and  $T$  are absent. The question is what happens in the transition to solid phase. The reduction of the density would conform with the idea that the portion of dark phase increases. The reduction of viscosity with pressure would follow from the reduction of dark phase causing long range correlations.

(d) Anomalies related to compressibility.

- i. Water has unusually low compressibility.
- ii. The compressibility drops as temperature increases down to a minimum at about  $46.5^\circ\text{C}$ . Below this temperature, water is easier to compress as the temperature is lowered.

**Comment:** The anomalously high compressibility below  $46.5^\circ\text{C}$  could be understood if only the standard phase responds to pressure appreciably. In this case the effective density is smaller than the net density and make it easier to compress the water as the temperature is lowered. The increase of temperature would increase the effective density as dark matter is transformed to ordinary one and reduce the compressibility. Above  $46.5^\circ\text{C}$  the effect of dark matter would be overcome by the increase of compressibility due to the increase of temperature.

- iii. The speed of sound increases with temperature (up to a maximum at  $73^\circ\text{C}$ ).

**Comment:** The speed of sound is given by the expression

$$c^2 = \frac{\partial p}{\partial \rho} .$$

Pressure  $p$  is essentially the density of thermal energy associate with the ordinary matter. When the fraction of ordinary matter increases the pressure effectively increases and this leads to the increase of  $c$ .

- iv. Under high pressure water molecules move further away from each other with increasing pressure.

**Comment:** The behavior under increasing high pressure is in conflict with the hypothesis that pressure tends to reduce the portion of dark phase. The question is why the increase of pressure at high enough pressures would induce phase transition increasing the value of Planck constant for the flux tubes connecting the molecules? If the dark

matter does not respond to pressure appreciably, the increase of the portion of dark matter might allow the minimization of energy. Does this mean that the work done by the high enough pressure to reduce the volume is larger than the energy needed to induce the tunneling to the dark phase?

(e) Anomalies related to the heat capacity.

- i. Water has over twice the specific heat capacity of ice or steam.
- ii. The specific heat capacity ( $C_P$  and  $C_V$ ) is unusually high.
- iii. Specific heat capacity  $C_P$  has a minimum.

**Comment:** The anomalously high heat capacity of water could be understood in terms of dark non-translational degrees of freedom even if the dark phase is rubber-like below the length scale of the dark flux tubes. The energy pumped to the system would go to these degrees of freedom. The small heat capacity of solid phase would suggest that the freezing means also freezing of these degrees of freedom meaning the reduction of the contribution to heat capacity.

(f) Anomalies related to phase transitions

- i. Supercooled water has two phases and a second critical point at about  $-91^\circ\text{C}$ .
- ii. Liquid water may be supercooled, in tiny droplets, down to about  $-70^\circ\text{C}$ . It may also be produced from glassy amorphous ice between  $-123^\circ\text{C}$  and  $-149^\circ\text{C}$  and may coexist with cubic ice up to  $-63^\circ\text{C}$ .
- iii. Solid water exists in a wider variety of stable (and metastable) crystal and amorphous structures than other materials.
- iv. The heat of fusion of water with temperature exhibits a maximum at  $-17^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Comment:** The presence of both dark and ordinary phase with varying ratio of densities could help to understand the richness of the structures below freezing point. For instance, one can imagine that either the ordinary or dark phase is super-cooled and the other freezes.

(g) Anomalies of solutions of water.

- i. Solutes have varying effects on properties such as density and viscosity.
- ii. None of its solutions even approach thermodynamic ideality; even  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$  in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is not ideal.
- iii. The solubilities of non-polar gases in water decrease with temperature to a minimum and then rise.

**Comment:** The different interactions of solutes with the dark phase could explain these findings. For instance, the probability that the presence of solute induces a phase transition reducing the portion of the dark phase could depend on solute. The decrease of the solubilities of non-polar gases in water with temperature could be due to the fact that the solubility is at low temperatures basically due to the presence of the dark phase. At higher temperatures higher thermal energies of the solute molecules would increase the solubility.

(h) Anomalies in transport properties.

- i. NMR spin-lattice relaxation time is very short at low temperatures.

**Comment:** The transfer of magnetic energy to the dark degrees of freedom could dominate the relaxation process. If synchrotron Bose-Einstein condensates are present in dark degrees of freedom this might make sense.

- ii. Hot water may freeze faster than cold water; the Mpemba effect [D12]. For instance, water sample in  $100^\circ\text{C}$  freezes faster than that in  $35^\circ\text{C}$ .

**Comment:** This effect seems to be in conflict with thermodynamics and remains poorly understood. The possibility of having continuum of metastable two-phase systems suggests a possible solution to the mystery. The freezing of the dark portion of water should occur slower than the freezing of the ordinary portion since the heat transfer rate is expected to be lower a larger value of Planck constant. The very naive just-for-definiteness estimate is that the transfer rate for energy to the cold system is inversely proportional to  $1/\hbar$ . If the formation of dark phase is a slow process as compared to the transfer of energy to the cold phase, the freezing of hot water would lead

to a metastable ice consisting mostly of ordinary water molecules and takes place faster than the freezing of cold water already containing the slowly freezing dark portion.

- iii. Proton and hydroxide ion mobilities are anomalously fast in an electric field.  
**Comment:** Mobility is of form  $a\tau$ , where  $a$  the acceleration  $a$  in the electric field times the characteristic time  $\tau$  for motion without collisions. If part of protons move along dark flux tubes this time is longer. The high mobility of  $OH_-$  ions would suggest that also these can be in dark phase.
- iv. The electrical conductivity of water rises to a maximum at about  $230^\circ\text{C}$  and then falls.  
**Comment:** Electrical conductivity is closely related to mobility so that the same argument applies.
- v. The thermal conductivity of water is high and rises to a maximum at about  $130^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Comment:** The anomalously high thermal conductivity could be due to the motion of heat carriers along dark flux tubes with low dissipation.
- vi. Warm water vibrates longer than cold water.  
**Comment:** This could be due to the faster transfer of vibrational energy to the dark vibrational of magnetic degrees of freedom. If the number of these degrees of freedom is higher than the number of ordinary degrees of freedom, one can understand also the anomalously high heat capacity. Vibration could continue in dark degrees of freedom in which case the effect would be apparent. If its only the ordinary water which vibrates in the original situation then equipartition of energy with dark degrees of freedom implies apparent dissipation.

(i) Anomalous electromagnetic properties of water.

- i. X-ray diffraction shows an unusually detailed structure.  
**Comment:** This would not be surprising if two phases with possibly varying ratio are present. For instance, the different X-ray diffraction patterns for water obtained by a rapid freezing from high and low temperatures could serve as a test for the proposed explanation of Mpemba effect.
- ii. The dielectric constant is high and behaves anomalously with temperature.  
**Comment:** This could relate to the interaction of photons with dark portion of water. Dielectric constant characterizes the coupling of radiation to oscillatory degrees of freedom and is sum of terms proportional to  $1/(\omega^2 - \omega_i^2)$ , where  $\omega_i$  is resonance frequency. If the resonance frequencies  $\omega_i$  scale as  $1/\hbar$ , dark portion gives a larger contribution at frequencies  $\omega < \omega_i$ . In particular the static dielectric constant increases.
- iii. The refractive index of water has a maximum value at just below  $0^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Comment:** It is not quite clear whether this maximum corresponds to room pressure or appears quite generally. Let us assume the first option. In any case the dependence of the freezing temperature on pressure is very weak. The maximal interaction with the dark portion of water at freezing point combined with the above argument would predict that refractive index increases down to the freezing point. The reduction of the density at freezing point would reduce the refractive index since dynamic susceptibility is proportional to the density of atom so that a maximum would be the outcome.

These examples might serve as a motivation for an attempt to build a more detailed model for the dark portion of water. The model to be discussed was one of the first attempts to understand the implications of the idea about hierarchy of Planck constants. Since five years have passed is badly in need of updating.

### 14.7.2 The model

Networks of directed hydrogen bonds  $H - O - H \cdots OH_2$  with positively charged  $H$  acting as a binding unit between negatively charged O (donor) and  $OH_2$  (acceptor) bonds explaining clustering of water molecules can be used to explain qualitatively many of the anomalies at least qualitatively [D27] .

The anomaly giving evidence for anomalous nuclear physics is that the physical properties  $D_2O$  and  $T_2O$  differ much more from  $H_2O$  than one might expect on basis of increased masses of water

molecules. This suggests that dark protons could be responsible for the anomalies. That heavy water in large concentrations acts as a poison is consistent with the view that the macroscopic quantum phase of dark protons is responsible for the special biological role of water.

### What proton darkness could mean?

In the experimental situation one fourth of protons of water are not seen in neither electron nor neutron scattering in atto-second time scale which translates 3 Angstrom wavelength scale suggesting that in both cases diffraction scattering is in question. This of course does not mean that the fraction of dark protons is always 1/4 and it is indeed natural to assume that it is reduced at higher temperatures. Both nuclear strong interactions and magnetic scattering contribute to the diffraction which is sensitive to the intra-atomic distances. The minimal conclusion is that the protons form a separate phase with inter-proton distance sufficiently different from that between water molecules and are not seen in neutron and electron diffraction in the atto-second time scale at which protons of water molecule are visible. The stronger conclusion is that they are dark with respect to nuclear strong interactions.

The previous considerations inspired by the model of nuclei as nuclear strings suggests possible explanations.

- (a) Hydrogen atoms form analogs of nuclear strings connected by color bonds.
- (b) Nuclear protons form super-nuclei connected by dark color bonds or belong to such super-nuclei (possibly consisting of  ${}^4He$  nuclei). If color bonds are negatively charged, closed nuclear strings of this kind are neutral and not visible in electron scattering: this assumption is however un-necessarily strong for invisibility in diffractive scattering in atto-second time scale. Only the field bodies of proton carrying weak and color fields could be dark and electromagnetic field body has ordinary value of Planck constant so that dark protons could give rise to ordinary hydrogen atoms.

### Could also the color flux tubes connecting quarks inside dark protons be dark?

The first option is that only the color flux tubes connecting protons are dark and of length of atomic size scale. The second possibility is that also the color flux tubes connecting quarks are dark and have length of order atomic size scale. Dark nucleons could be visualized as strings formed from three quarks of order atom size scale connected by color flux tubes. The generalization of the nuclear string model leads to a model of dark nucleon discussed in detail [L2, K37, K86] , [L2] . Dark nucleons would in turn form dark nuclei as string like objects.

The amazing finding is that the states of nucleon assumed to be neutral (for definiteness) are in one-one-correspondence with DNA, RNA, mRNA, tRNA and aminoacids and that a physically natural pairing of DNA codons and aminoacids exists and consistent with vertebrate genetic code. Same applies also to nucleons having the charge of proton. The nuclear strings formed from either dark neutrons or dark protons could in principle realize genetic code. This realization would be more fundamental than the usual chemical realization and would force to modify profoundly the ideas about prebiotic evolution. The prebiotic evolution could be evolution of water and the recent evolution could involve genetic engineering based on virtual world experimentation with the dark variant variant of the genetic apparatus. The minimum requirement would be the transcription of at dark DNA defined by nuclear strings to ordinary DNA. Dark nuclear strings could be able to diffuse without difficulties through cell membranes and the transcription of the dark genes to ordinary ones followed by gluing and pasting to genome could make possible the genetic engineering at the level of germ cells.

Another natural hypothesis is that the magnetic bodies assignable to the nuclear strings are responsible for water memory [K37] and that the mechanism of water memory relies on the mimicry of biologically active molecules by dark proton strings. The frequencies involved with water memory are low and nothing to do with molecular energy levels. This is consistent with the identification as cyclotron frequencies so that it would be enough to mimic only the cyclotron spectrum. The mechanism would be similar to that of entrainment of brain to external

frequencies and based on the variation of the thickness of magnetic flux tubes or sheets inducing the change of magnetic field and cyclotron frequency. One could perhaps say that magnetic bodies of dark genes as living creatures with some amount of intelligence and ability to planned actions. The evolution of cells up to the neurons of cortex could be accompanied by the evolution of the magnetic bodies of dark nuclear strings realized as the emergence of higher values of Planck constant.

Concerning the mechanism of the debated homeopathic effect itself the situation remains unclear. Homeopathic remedy is obtained by a repeated dilution and succussion of the solution containing the molecules causing the symptoms of the disease [K37]. If the cyclotron frequencies of the magnetic body alone are responsible for the biological effect, one can wonder why the homeopathic remedy does not have the same undesired effects as the original molecule. A more reasonable hypothesis is that the cyclotron frequency spectrums serves only as a signature of the molecule and the homeopathic remedy only activates the immune system of the organism by cheating it to believe that the undesired molecules are present. The immune system is known to be subject to very fast genetic evolution, and dark nuclear strings forming representations of biologically active molecules and dark genome could be actively involved with this evolution.

What inspires to take these speculations more than as a poor quality entertainment is that the recent findings of the group led by HIV Nobelist Montagnier related to water memory provide support for the hypothesis that a nonstandard realization of genetic code indeed exists [18]. These findings will be discussed later in this section.

### Model for super-nuclei formed from dark protons

Dark protons could form super nuclei with nucleons connected by dark color bonds with  $\hbar = r\hbar_0$  with  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = 151 - 127 = 24$ . The large distance between protons would eliminate isospin dependent strong force so that multi-proton states are indeed possible. The interpretation would be that nuclear p-adic length scale is zoomed up to  $L(113 + 24 = 137) \sim .78$  Angstroms. Dark color bonds could also connect different nuclei. The earlier hypothesis  $r = 2^{11k}$  encourages to consider also  $k_d = 22$ , which is also one of the favored dark scalings allowed by Mersenne hypothesis ( $22 = 18 + 4 = 107 - 89 + 167 - 163$ ) giving p-adic scale .39 Angstroms.

The predictions of the model for bond energy depend on the transformation properties of  $E_s$  under the scaling of  $\hbar$ .

- (a) For small perturbations harmonic oscillator approximation  $V \propto kR^2/2 \propto \alpha R^2/2$  makes sense and is invariant under the scalings  $\alpha_s \rightarrow \alpha_s/r$  and  $R \rightarrow \sqrt{r}R$  -at least if the scalings are not too large. Bonds with different values of Planck constant have nearly identical energies, which would be indeed consistent with the idea about criticality against the change of Planck constant.

One can arrive the same conclusion follows also in different manner. The parameter  $\omega$  corresponds to a quantity of form  $\omega = v/L$ , where  $L$  is a characteristic length scale and  $v$  a characteristic velocity. The scaling law of homeopathy [K37] would suggest the dependence  $v = c/\sqrt{r}$  and  $L \propto \sqrt{r}L$  giving predicting that energy is invariant.

The result also conforms with the idea that classical perturbative theory does not involve Planck constant. This behavior does not however allow to identify hydrogen as color bonds since the resulting bond energies would be in MeV range.

- (b) The interpretation of  $E_s$  as color Coulombic potential energy  $\alpha_s/R$  would suggest that  $E_s$  behaves under scaling like the binding energy of hydrogen atom ( $1/r^2$  scaling). This interpretation implies non-perturbative effects since in semiclassical approximation energy should not depend on  $r$ . Color force is non-perturbative so that one can defend this assumption.
- i. For  $k_d = 24$   $E_s$  would be about .12 eV and considerably lower than the nominal energy of the hydrogen bond.
  - ii. For  $k_d = 22$  one would obtain energy .48 eV. This energy is same as the universal metabolic energy quantum so that the basic metabolic processes might involve transitions dark-ordinary transition for protons. This would however suggest that the length

of color bond is same as that of hydrogen bond so that the protons in question would not be invisible in diffraction in atto-second time scale. The interpretation of color bonds between atoms as hydrogen bonds is much more attractive. Of course, for large values of Planck the invariance of oscillator spectrum implies very large force constant so that the color bond would become very rigid.

These two interpretations are not contradictory if one interprets the non-perturbative contribution to the color binding energy as an additional constant contribution to the harmonic oscillator Hamiltonian which does not contribute the spectrum of excitations energies but only to the ground state energy.

### The notion of flux tube state

An approach based more heavily on first principles than the above order of magnitude estimates is inspired by two steps of progress several years after these speculations.

#### 1. Weak form of electric-magnetic duality

The weak form of electric magnetic duality led to an identification of a concrete mechanism of electroweak screening based on the pairing of homological Kähler magnetic monopoles formed by fermion wormhole throats with oppositely magnetically charged wormhole throats carrying quantum numbers of neutrino pair and screening the weak isospin and leaving only electromagnetic charge.

- (a) The size scale of the Kähler magnetic flux tubes connecting the magnetic monopoles would be of order intermediate gauge boson Compton length. For dark variants of elementary fermions it would be scaled up by  $\sqrt{\hbar/\hbar_0}$ . The new weak physics involving long range weak fields would be associated with magnetic flux tube like structures. Same conclusion applies also to new QCD type physics since also color confinement would be accompanied Kähler magnetic confinement. This allows to pose very strong restrictions on the models. For instance, it is quite possible that the notion of neutrino atom does not make sense except if one can assume that the dark quarks feed their weak  $Z^0$  gauge fluxes through a spherically symmetric flux collection of radial flux tubes allowing Coulombic  $Z^0$  gauge potential as an approximate representation inside the radius defined by the length of the flux tubes.
- (b) It is important to notice that the screening leaves the vectorial coupling to classical  $Z^0$  field proportional to  $\sin^2(\theta_W)Q_{em}$ . This could have non-trivial physical implications perhaps allowing to kill the model.
  - i. For space-time surfaces near vacuum extremals the classical  $Z^0$  fields are strong due to the condition that the induced Kähler field is very weak. More explicitly, from the equations for classical induced gauge fields in terms of Kähler form and classical  $Z^0$  field [L1] , [L1]

$$\gamma = 3J - \frac{p}{2}Z^0, \quad Q_Z = I_L^3 - pQ_{em}, \quad p = \sin^2(\theta_W) \quad (14.7.1)$$

it follows that for the vacuum extremals the part of the classical electro-weak force proportional to the electromagnetic charge vanishes for  $p = 0$  so that only the left-handed couplings to the weak gauge bosons remain. The vanishing of induced Kähler form gives

$$Z^0 = -\frac{2}{p}\gamma. \quad (14.7.2)$$

The condition implies very large effective coupling to the classical electromagnetic field since electromagnetic charge is effectively replaced with

$$Q_{em,eff} = Q_{em} - \frac{2}{p}(I_L^3 - pQ_{em}). \quad (14.7.3)$$

- ii. The proposed model for cell membrane as a Josephson junction relies on almost vacuum extremals and dark nuclei in the sense that the weak space-time sheet associated with the nuclei of biological important ions (at least) are dark [K64]. It is assumed that quarks are dark in the length scale considered so that also their weak isospin remains unscreened. In the case of nuclei this means that there is contribution from the vectorial part of weak isospin given by  $(Z - N)/4$  proportional to the difference of proton number and neutron number. The dominating contribution comes from  $Q_{em}$  term for heavier nuclei. It is essential that weak space-time sheets of electrons are assumed to be ordinary.
- iii. One can ask whether the nuclei could be ordinary nuclei. If so, one must still assume that the electrons of the nuclei do not couple to the classical fields assignable to the cell membrane space-time sheet since without this assumption the coupling to  $Z^0$  field would be proportional to the total em charge of the ion rather than nuclear em charge. It is difficult to justify this assumption. In any case, for this option  $I_L^3$  contribution would be totally absent. This affects the effective couplings of biologically important ions to the membrane potential somewhat and modifies the nice quantitative predictions of the model of photoreceptors predicting correctly the frequencies of visible light with maximal response.

### 2. The notion of flux tube state

The TGD inspired explanation for the finding that the measurement of Lamb shift for muonic hydrogen atom gives proton radius which is 4 per cent smaller than that deducible from ordinary hydrogen atom led to the notion of flux tube state in which muon or electric is confined inside flux tube [K48]. In non-relativistic approximation based on Schrödinger equation, the model leads to wave functions expressible in terms of Airy and "Bairy" functions and WKB approximation allows to deduce an estimate for the energy eigenvalue spectrum. This model works as such also as a model for flux tubes states in which also classical electroweak and color fields are involved. Color holonomy is quite generally Abelian for classical color fields and for 2-D  $CP_2$  projection electroweak fields are also Abelian so that the model is expected to be mathematically reasonably simple even when induced spinors are assumed.

The concept of flux tube state is very general and allow to model at least some chemical bonds. In particular, valence bonds might allow description as flux tube states of valence electrons. Hydrogen bonds are responsible for the clustering of water molecules and an obvious question is whether these bonds could be modeled as dark flux tube states of valence electrons. The model is testable since one can predict the energy spectrum of excited states for given thickness of the flux tube and the value of electric flux through it. Also the flux tube states of say electrons assignable to the magnetic flux tubes assumed to connect DNA nucleotides and lipids of cell membrane in the model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27] could be relevant.

### Two kinds of bonds are predicted

Duppose that dark bonds are associated with the electro-magnetic field body. If classical  $Z^0$  field vanishes, em field is proportional to Kähler field as are also the components of the classical color field. The bonds involving classical color gauge fields could have quark and antiquark at the opposite ends of the flux tube as the source of the color gauge field. This is indeed assumed in the model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27].

If one wants vanishing or very weak color gauge fields, one must allow almost vacuum extremals. This implies that classical  $Z^0$  force is strong and the situation assumed to prevail for the cell membrane would hold also for hydrogen bonds. For almost vacuum extremals the ratio of electric and  $Z^0$  fluxes is so small- of order  $1/50$  for the small value of Weinberg angle  $p = .0295$  (rather than  $p \simeq .23$ ) if appearing as the parameter of the model. The molecule can serve as the source of classical  $Z^0$  and electromagnetic fields in two manners.

- (a) The almost vacuum flux tubes could have many neutrino state and its conjugate at the opposite ends of the flux tube acting as the source of the classical  $Z^0$  field. This kind of

flux tubes would traverse through the cell membrane.

- (b) The molecule would be accompanied by two kinds of flux tubes. Some of them would be almost vacuum extremals carrying an electric flux much smaller than elementary charge  $e$ . Some of them would be accompanied by very weak  $Z^0$  field and electromagnetic field plus color gauge fields generated by the above mechanism. These flux tubes would connect cell membrane and genome.

### Two kinds of hydrogen bonds

There is experimental evidence for two different hydrogen bonds. Li and Ross represent experimental evidence for two kinds of hydrogen bonds in ice in an article published in Nature 1993 [D62], and there is a popular article "Wacky Water" in New Scientist about this finding [?]. The ratio of the force constants  $K$  associated with the bonds is 1:2.

The proposed scaling law  $\omega \rightarrow \omega/r$  predicts  $\omega \propto 1/r$  so that  $k_d \rightarrow k_d + 1$  would explain the reduction of the force constant by factor 1/2. The presence of two kinds of bonds could be also seen as a reflection of quantum criticality against change of Planck constant.

Can one understand the finding in terms of dark color bonds?

- (a) The model is consistent with the identification of the two bonds in terms different values of Planck constant. The proposed scaling law for  $\omega$  predicts  $\omega \propto 1/r$  so that  $k_d \rightarrow k_d + 1$  would explain the reduction of the force constant by factor 1/2. above described general model for which bond energy contains perturbative harmonic oscillator contribution and non-perturbative Coulombic contribution.
- (b) The identification of hydrogen bond as dark color bond is however questionable. If bond energy contains a color binding energy scaling as  $1/r^2$  contributing only constant shift to the harmonic oscillator Hamiltonian, the behavior of the force constant is consistent with the model. If one assumes that the harmonic oscillator spectrum remains invariant under large scalings of  $\hbar$ , the force constant becomes extremely strong and the color bond would be by a factor  $r^2$  more rigid than hydrogen bond if one takes seriously the proposed estimates for the value of  $r$ . The alternative interpretation would be in terms of almost vacuum extremal property reducing the force constant to a very small value already from the beginning.

The possibility to divide the bonds to two kinds of bonds in an arbitrary manner brings in a large ground state degeneracy given by  $D = 16!/(8!)^2$  unless additional symmetries are assumed and give for the system spin glass like character and explain large number of different amorphous phases for ice [D27]. This degeneracy would also make possible information storage and provide water with memory.

### Hydrogen bonds as color bonds between nuclei?

The original hypothesis was that there are two kinds of hydrogen bonds: dark and "ordinary". The finding that the estimate for the energy of dark nuclear color bond with  $k_d = 22$  equals to the energy of typical hydrogen bond raises the question whether all hydrogen bonds are associated with color bonds between nuclei. Color bond would bind the proton to electronegative nucleus and this would lead to the formation of hydrogen bond at the level of valence electrons as hydrogen donates its electron to the electronegative atom. The electronic contribution would explain the variation of the bond energy.

If hydrogen bonds connect H-atom to O-atom to acceptor nucleus, if  $E_s$  for p-O bond is same as for p-n color bond, and if color bonds are dark with  $k_d = 22$ , the bond energy  $E_s = .5$  eV. Besides this one must assume that the oscillator energy is very small and comparable to the energy of hydrogen bond - this could be due to almost vacuum extremal property.

Dark -possibly (almost unavoidably) colored or weakly charged- bonds could serve as a prerequisite for the formation of electronic parts of hydrogen bonds and could be associated also with other molecular bonds so that dark nuclear physics might be essential part of molecular physics.



Dark color bonds could be also charged which brings in additional exotic effects. The long range order of hydrogen bonded liquids could be due to the ordinary hydrogen bonds. An interesting question is whether nuclear color bonds could be responsible for the long range order of all liquids. If so dark nuclear physics would be also crucial for the understanding of the condensed matter.

In the case of water the presence of dark color bonds between dark protons would bring in additional long range order in length scale of order 10 Angstrom characteristic for DNA transversal scale: also hydrogen bonds play a crucial role in DNA double strand. Two kinds of bond networks could allow to understand why water is so different from other molecular liquids containing also hydrogen atoms and the long range order of water molecule clusters would reflect basically the long range order of two kinds of dark nuclei.

Recall that the model for dark nucleons predicts that nucleon states can be grouped to states in one-one correspondence with DNA, RNA, tRNA, and aminoacids and that the degeneracies of the vertebrate genetic code are predicted correctly. This led to suggestion that genetic code is realized already at the level of dark nuclei consisting of sequences of neutrons [L2, K86] , [L2] . Neutrons were assumed in order to achieve stability and could be replaced with protons.

### **Tetrahedral and icosahedral clusters of water molecules and dark color bonds**

Water molecules form both tetrahedral and icosahedral clusters.  ${}^4He$  corresponds to tetrahedral symmetry so that tetrahedral cluster could be the condensed matter counterpart of  ${}^4He$ . In the nuclear string model nuclear strings consist of maximum number of  ${}^4He$  nuclei themselves closed strings in shorter length scale.

The p-adic length scales associated with  ${}^4He$  nuclei and nuclear string are  $k = 116$  and  $k = 127$  The color bond between  ${}^4He$  units has  $E_s = .2$  MeV and  $r = 2^{22}$  would give by scaling  $E_s = .05$  eV which is the already familiar energy associated with cell membrane potential at the threshold for the nerve pulse generation. The binding energy associated with a string formed by  $n$  tetrahedral clusters would be  $n^2 E_s$ . This observation raises the question whether the neural firing is accompanied by the re-organization of strings formed by the tetrahedral clusters and possibly responsible for a representation of information and water memory.

The icosahedral model [D27] for water clusters assumes that 20 tetrahedral clusters, each of them containing 14 molecules, combine to form icosahedral clusters containing 280 water molecules. Concerning the explanation of anomalies, the key observation is that icosahedral clusters have a smaller volume per water molecule than tetrahedral clusters but cannot form a lattice structure.

The number 20 for the dark magic dark nuclei forming the icosahedron is also a magic number and a possible interpretation for tetrahedral and icosahedral water clusters would be as magic super-nuclei and the prediction would be that binding energy behaves as  $n^2 E_s$  rather than being just the sum of the binding energies of hydrogen bonds ( $nE_s$ ).

It is interesting to compare this model with the model for hexagonal ice which assumes four hydrogen bonds per water molecule: for two of them the molecule acts as a donor and for two of them as an acceptor. Each water molecule in the vertices of a tetrahedron containing 14 hydrogen atoms has a hydrogen bond to a water molecule in the interior, each of which have 3 hydrogen bonds to molecules at the middle points of the edges of the tetrahedron. This makes 16 hydrogen bonds altogether. If all of them are of first type with bonding energy  $E_s = .5$  eV and if the bond network is connected one would obtain total bond energy equal to  $n^2 E_s = 258 \times .5$  eV rather than only  $nE_s = 16 \times .5$  eV. Bonds of second type would have no role in the model.

### **Tetrahedral and icosahedral clusters and dark electrons**

An interesting question is whether one could interpret tetrahedral and icosahedral symmetries in terms of symmetries of the singular coverings or factor spaces of  $CD$ . This does not seem to be the case.

- (a) One cannot understand discrete molecular symmetries for factor space-space option since the symmetry related points of  $CD$  would correspond to one and same space-time point.

- (b) For the option allowing only singular coverings of  $CD \times CP_2$  interpreted in terms of many-valuedness of the time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates as functions of canonical momentum densities this interpretation is not possible.
- (c) One can also consider the possibility that the singular coverings are over  $(CD/G_a) \times (CP_2/G_b)$  rather than  $CD \times CP_2$ . This would predict Planck constant to be of form  $r = n_a n_b$ , with  $n_a = 3$  for tetrahedral clusters and  $n_a = 5$  for icosahedral clusters.  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  would correspond to the orders of maximal cyclic subgroups of the corresponding symmetry groups. There would be a deviation from the simplest proposal for preferred Planck constants. This option would require space-time surfaces to have exact discrete symmetries and this does not look plausible.

Note that synaptic contacts contain clathrin molecules which are truncated icosahedrons and form lattice structures and are speculated to be involved with quantum computation like activities possibly performed by microtubules. Many viruses have the shape of icosahedron.

It should be noticed that single nucleotide in DNA double strands corresponds to a twist of  $2\pi/10$  per single DNA triplet so that 10 DNA strands corresponding to length  $L(151) = 10$  nm (cell membrane thickness) correspond to  $3 \times 2\pi$  twist. This could be perhaps interpreted as evidence for group  $C_{10}$  perhaps making possible quantum computation at the level of DNA.

### 14.7.3 Further comments on 41 anomalies

Some clarifying general comments -now in more standard conceptual framework- about the anomalies are in order. Quite generally, it seems that it is the presence of new degrees of freedom, the presence of icosahedral clusters, and possibly also macroscopic quantum coherence of dark matter, which are responsible for the peculiar properties of water.

The hydrogen bonds assigned to tetrahedral and icosahedral clusters should be same so that if the hydrogen bonds are assignable to dark protons this is the case for all clusters. Perhaps the number of dark protons and -perhaps equivalently- hydrogen bonds per volume is what distinguishes between these clusters and that the disappearance of dark protons leads to the disappearance of hydrogen bonds. Since it is quite possible that no new physics of proposed kind is involved, the following the explanation of anomalies uses only the notions of icosahedral and tetrahedral clusters and dark protons are mentioned only in passing.

#### 1. Anomalies relating to the presence of icosahedral clusters

Icosahedral water clusters have a better packing ratio than tetrahedral lattice and thus correspond to a larger density. They also minimize energy but cannot form a lattice [D27]

- (a) This explains the unusually high melting point, boiling point, critical point, surface tension, viscosity, heat of vaporization, shrinking on melting, high density increasing on heating, increase of the number of nearest neighbors in melting and with temperature. It is also possible to understand why X-ray diffraction shows an unusually detailed structure.

The presence of icosahedral clusters allows to understand why liquid water can be super-cooled, and why the distances of water molecules increase under high pressure. The spin glass degeneracy implied by dark and ordinary hydrogen bonds could explain why ice has many glassy amorphous phases. The two phases of super-cooled water could correspond to the binary degree of freedom brought in by two different hydrogen bonds. For the first phase both hydrogen atoms of a given water molecule would be either dark or ordinary. For the second phase the first hydrogen atom would be dark and second one ordinary.

Since icosahedral clusters have lower energy than a piece of ice of same size, they tend to super-cool and this slows down the transition to the solid phase. The reason why hot water cools faster would be that the number of icosahedral clusters is smaller: if cooling is carried with a sufficient efficiency icosahedral clusters do not form.

- (b) Pressure can be visualized as a particle bombardment of water clusters tending to reduce their volume. The collisions with particles can induce local transitions of icosahedral structures to tetrahedral structures with a larger specific volume and energy. This would explain the low compressibility of water and why pressure reduces melting point and the temperature of maximum density and viscosity.
- (c) The increase of temperature is expected to reduce the number of icosahedral clusters so that the effect of pressure on these clusters is not so large. This explains the increase of compressibility with temperature below 46.5°C. The fact that the collapse of icosahedral clusters opposes the usual thermal expansion is consistent with the low thermal expansivity as well as the change of sign of expansivity near melting point. Since the square of sound velocity is inversely proportional to compressibility and density, also the increase of speed of sound with temperature can be understood.

### 2. *The presence of dark degrees of freedom and spin glass degeneracy*

The presence of dark degrees of freedom and the degeneracy of dark nucleus ground states could explain the high specific heat capacity of water. The reduction of dark matter degrees of freedom for ice and steam would explain why water has over twice the specific heat capacity of ice or steam. The possibility to relax by dissipating energy to the dark matter degrees of freedom would explain the short spin-lattice relaxation time. The fact that cold water has more degrees of freedom explains why warm water vibrates longer than cold water.

Also the high thermal and electric conductivity of water could be understood. The so called Grotthuss [19] [D27] explaining OH<sub>-</sub> and H<sub>+</sub> mobilities (related closely to conductivities) is based on hopping of electron of OH<sub>-</sub> and H<sub>+</sub> in the network formed by hydrogen bonds and generalizes to the recent case. The reduction of conductivity with temperature would be due to the storage of the transferred energy/capture of charge carriers to the water molecule clusters.

### 3. *Macroscopic quantum coherence*

The high value of dielectric constant could derive from the fact that dark nuclei and super-nuclei are quantum coherent in a rather long length scale. For curl free electric fields potential difference must be same along space-time sheets of matter and dark matter. The synchronous quantum coherent collective motion of dark protons (and possible dark electrons) in an oscillating external electric field generates dark photon laser beams (it is not clear yet whether these dark laser beams are actually ordinary laser beams) de-cohering to ordinary photons and yield a large dynamical polarization. As the temperature is lowered the effect becomes stronger.

## 14.7.4 Genes and water memory

After long time I had opportunity to read a beautiful experimental article about experimental biology. Yolene Thomas, who worked with Benveniste, kindly sent the article to me. The freely loadable article is *Electromagnetic Signals Are Produced by Aqueous Nanostructures Derived from Bacterial DNA Sequences* by Luc Montagnier, Jamal Aissa, Stephane Ferris, Jean-Luc Montagnier, and Claude Lavall'e published in the journal *Interdiscip. Sci. Comput. Life Sci.* (2009) [I8] .

### Basic findings at cell level

I try to list the essential points of the article. Apologies for biologists: I am not a specialist.

- (a) Certain pathogenic micro-organisms are objects of the study. The bacteria *Mycoplasma Pirum* and *E. Choli* belong to the targets of the study. The motivating observation was that some procedures aimed at sterilizing biological fluids can yield under some conditions the infectious micro-organism which was present before the filtration and absent immediately after it. For instance, one filtrates a culture of human lymphocytes infected by *M. Pirum*, which has infected human lymphocytes to make it sterile. The filters used have 100

nm and 20 nm porosities. M. Pirum has size of 300 nm so that apparently sterile fluids results. However if this fluid is incubated with a mycoplasma negative culture of human lymphocytes, mycoplasma re-appears within 2 or 3 weeks! This sounds mysterious. Same happens as 20 nm filtration is applied to a minor infective fraction of HIV, whose viral particles have size in the range 100-120 nm.

- (b) These findings motivated a study of the filtrates and it was discovered that they have a capacity to produce low frequency electromagnetic waves with frequencies in good approximation coming as the first three harmonics of kHz frequency, which by the way plays also a central role in neural synchrony. What sounds mysterious is that the effect appeared after appropriate dilutions with water: positive dilution fraction varied between  $10^{-7}$  and  $10^{-12}$ . The uninfected eukaryotic cells used as controls did not show the emission. These signals appeared for both M. Pirum and E. Choli but for M. Pirum a filtration using 20 nm filter canceled the effect. Hence it seems that the nano-structures in question have size between 20 and 100 nm in this case.

A resonance phenomenon depending on excitation by the electromagnetic waves is suggested as an underlying mechanism. Stochastic resonance familiar to physicists suggests itself and also I have discussed it while developing ideas about quantum brain [K65]. The proposed explanation for the necessity of the dilution could be kind of self-inhibition. Maybe a gel like phase which does not emit radiation is present in sufficiently low dilution but is destroyed in high dilutions after which emission begins. Note that the gel phase would not be present in healthy tissue. Also a destructive interference of radiation emitted by several sources can be imagined.

- (c) Also a cross talk between dilutions was discovered. The experiment involved two tubes. Donor tube was at a low dilution of E. Choli and "silent" (and carrying gel like phase if the above conjecture is right). Receiver tube was in high dilution (dilution fraction  $10^{-9}$ ) and "loud". Both tubes were placed in mu-metal box for 24 hours at room temperature. Both tubes were silent after his. After a further dilution made for the receiver tube it became loud again. This could be understood in terms of the formation of gel like phase in which the radiation does not take place. The effect disappeared when one interposed a sheath of mu-metal between the tubes. Emission of similar signals was observed for many other bacterial specials, all pathogenic. The transfer occurred only between identical bacterial species which suggests that the signals and possibly also frequencies are characteristic for the species and possibly code for DNA sequences characterizing the species.
- (d) A further surprising finding was that the signal appeared in dilution which was always the same irrespective of what was the original dilution.

### Experimentation at gene level

The next step in experimentation was performed at gene level.

- (a) The killing of bacteria did not cancel the emission in appropriate dilutions unless the genetic material was destroyed. It turned out that the genetic material extracted from the bacteria filtered and diluted with water produced also an emission for sufficiently high dilutions.
- (b) The filtration step was essential for the emission also now. The filtration for 100 nm did not retain DNA which was indeed present in the filtrate. That effect occurred suggests that filtration destroyed a gel like structure inhibiting the effect. When 20 nm filtration was used the effect disappeared which suggests that the size of the structure was in the range 20-100 nm.
- (c) After the treatment by DNase enzyme inducing splitting of DNA to pieces the emission was absent. The treatment of DNA solution by restriction enzyme acting on many sites of DNA did not suppress the emission suggesting that the emission is linked with rather short sequences or with rare sequences.
- (d) The fact that pathogenic bacteria produce the emission but not "good" bacteria suggests that effect is caused by some specific gene. It was found that single gene - adhesin responsible for the adhesion of mycoplasma to human cells- was responsible for the effect. When

the cloned gene was attached to two plasmids and the E. Choli DNA was transformed with the either plasmid, the emission was produced.

### Some consequences

The findings could have rather interesting consequences.

- (a) The refinement of the analysis could make possible diagnostics of various diseases and suggests bacterial origin of diseases like Alzheimer disease, Parkinson disease, Multiple Sclerosis and Rheumatoid Arthritis since the emission signal could serve as a signature of the gene causing the disease. The signal can be detected also from RNA viruses such as HIV, influenza virus A, and Hepatitis C virus.
- (b) Emission could also play key role in the mechanism of adhesion to human cells making possible the infection perhaps acting as a kind of password.

The results are rather impressive. Some strongly conditioned skeptic might have already stopped reading after encountering the word "dilution" and associating it with a word which no skeptic scientist in his right mind should not say aloud: "homeopathy"! By reading carefully what I wrote above, it is easy to discover that the experimenters unashamedly manufactured a homeopathic remedy out of the filtrate! And the motivating finding was that although filtrate should not have contained the bacteria, they (according to authors), or at least the effects caused by them, appeared within weeks to it! This is of course impossible in the word of skeptic.

The next reaction of the skeptic is of course that this is fraud or the experimenters are miserable crackpots. Amusingly, one of the miserable crackpots is Nobelist Luc Montagnier, whose research group discovered AIDS virus.

### How TGD could explain the findings?

Let us leave the raging skeptics for a moment and sketch possible explanations in TGD framework.

- (a) Skeptic would argue that the filtration allowed a small portion of infected cells to leak through the filter. Many-sheeted space-time suggests a science fictive variant of this explanation. During filtration part of the infected cells is "dropped" to large space-time sheets and diffused back to the original space-time sheets during the next week. This would explain why the micro-organisms were regenerated within few weeks. Same mechanism could work for ordinary molecules and explain homeopathy. This can be tested: look whether the molecules return back to the the diluted solution in the case of a homeopathic remedy.
- (b) If no cells remain in the filtrate, something really miraculous looking events are required to make possible the regeneration of the effects serving as the presence of cells. This even in the case that DNA fragments remain in the filtrate.
  - i. The minimum option is that the presence of these structures contained only the relevant information about the infecting bacteria and this information coded in terms of frequencies was enough to induce the signatures of the infection as a kind of molecular conditioning. Experimentalists can probably immediately answer whether this can be the case.
  - ii. The most radical option is that the infecting bacteria were actually regenerated as experimenters claim! The information about their DNA was in some form present and was transcribed to DNA and/or RNA, which in turn transformed to proteins. Maybe the small fragment of DNA (adhesin) and this information should have been enough to regenerate the DNA of the bacterium and bacterium itself. A test for this hypothesis is whether the mere nanoparticles left from the DNA preparation to the filtrate can induce the regeneration of infecting molecules.

The notion of magnetic body carrying dark matter quantum controlling living matter forms the basic element of TGD inspired model of quantum biology and suggests a more concrete model. The discovery of nanotubes connecting cells with distance up to  $300 \mu$  [I7] provides experimental support for the notion .

- (a) If the matter at given layer of the onion-like structure formed by magnetic bodies has large  $\hbar$ , one can argue that the layer corresponds to a higher evolutionary level than ordinary matter with longer time scale of memory and planned action. Hence it would not be surprising if the magnetic bodies were able to replicate and use ordinary molecules as kind of sensory receptors and motor organs. Perhaps the replication of magnetic bodies preceded the replication at DNA level and genetic code is realized already at this more fundamental level somehow. Perhaps the replication of magnetic bodies induces the replication of DNA as I have suggested.
- (b) The magnetic body of DNA could make DNA a topological quantum computer [K27] . DNA itself would represent the hardware and magnetic bodies would carry the evolving quantum computer programs realized in terms of braidings of magnetic flux tubes. The natural communication and control tool would be cyclotron radiation besides Josephson radiation associated with cell membranes acting as Josephson junctions. Cyclotron frequencies are indeed the only natural frequencies that one can assign to molecules in kHz range. There would be an entire fractal hierarchy of analogs of EEG making possible the communication with and control by magnetic bodies.
- (c) The values of Planck constant would define a hierarchy of magnetic bodies which corresponds to evolutionary hierarchy and the emergence of a new level would mean jump in evolution. Gel like phases could serve as a correlate for the presence of the magnetic body. The phase transitions changing the value of Planck constant and scale up or down the size of the magnetic flux tubes. They are proposed to serve as a basic control mechanism making possible to understand the properties and the dynamics of the gel phases and how biomolecules can find each other in the thick molecular soup via a phase transition reducing the length of flux tubes connecting the biomolecules in question and thus forcing them to the vicinity of each other.

Consider now how this model could explain the findings.

- (a) Minimal option is that the the flux tubes correspond to "larger space-time sheets" and the infected cells managed to flow into the filtrate along magnetic flux tubes from the filter. This kind of transfer of DNA might be made possible by the recently discovered nanotubes already mentioned.
- (b) Maybe the radiation resulted as dark photons invisible for ordinary instruments transformed to ordinary photons as the gel phase assignable with the dark matter at magnetic flux tube network associated with the infected cells and corresponding DNA was destroyed in the filtration.

This is not the only possible guess. A phase conjugate cyclotron radiation with a large value of Planck constant could also allow for the nanostructures in dilute solute to gain metabolic energy by sending negative energy quanta to a system able to receive them. Indeed the presence of ambient radiation was necessary for the emission. Maybe that for sufficiently dilute solute this mechanism allows to the nanostructures to get metabolic energy from the ambient radiation whereas for the gel phase the metabolic needs are not so demanding. In the similar manner bacteria form colonies when metabolically deprived. This sucking of energy might be also part of the mechanism of disease.

- (c) What could be the magnetic field inducing the kHz radiation as a synchrotron radiation?
  - i. For instance, kHz frequency and its harmonics could correspond to the cyclotron frequencies of proton in magnetic field which field strength slightly above that for Earth's magnetic field (750 Hz frequency corresponds to field strength of  $B_E$ , where  $B_E = .5$  Gauss, the nominal strength of Earth's magnetic field). A possible problem is that the thickness of the flux tubes would be about cell size for Earth's magnetic field from flux quantization and even larger for dark matter with a large value of Planck constant.

Of course, the flux tubes could make themselves thinner temporarily and leak through the pores.

- ii. If the flux tube is assumed to have thickness of order 20-100 nm, the magnetic field for ordinary value of  $\hbar$  would be of order .1 Tesla from flux quantization and in the case of DNA the cyclotron frequencies would not depend much on the length of DNA fragment since the it carries a constant charge density. Magnetic field of order .2 Tesla would give cyclotron frequency of order kHz from the fact that the field strength of .2 Gauss gives frequency of about .1 Hz. This correspond to a magnetic field with flux tube thickness  $\sim 125$  nm, which happens to be the upper limit for the porosity. Dark magnetic flux tubes with large  $\hbar$  are however thicker and the leakage might involve a temporary phase transition to a phase with ordinary value of  $\hbar$  reducing the thickness of the flux tube. Perhaps some genes (adhesin) plus corresponding magnetic bodies representing DNA in terms of cyclotron frequencies depending slightly on precise weight of the DNA sequence and thus coding it correspond to the frequency of cyclotron radiation are the sought for nano-structures.
- (d) While developing a model for homeopathy based on dark matter I ended up with the idea that dark matter consisting of nuclear strings of neutrons and protons with a large value of  $\hbar$  and having thus a zoomed up size of nucleon could be involved. The really amazing finding was that nucleons as three quark systems allow to realize vertebrate code in terms of states formed from entangled quarks [L2] , [L2] described also in this chapter! One cannot decompose codons to letters as in the case of the ordinary genetic code but codons are analogous to symbols representing entire words in Chinese. The counterparts of DNA, RNA, and aminoacids emerge and genetic code has a concrete meaning as a map between quantum states.

Without any exaggeration this connection between dark hadronic physics and biology has been one of the greatest surprises of my professional life. It suggests that dark matter in macroscopic quantum phase realizes genetic code at the level of nuclear physics and biology only provides one particular (or probably very many as I have proposed) representations of it. If one takes this seriously one can imagine that genetic information is represented by these dark nuclear strings of nanoscopic size and that there exists a mechanism translating the dark nuclei to ordinary DNA and RNA sequences and thus to biological matter. This would explain the claimed regeneration of the infected cells.

- (e) Genetic code at dark matter level would have far reaching implications. For instance, living matter - or rather, the magnetic bodies controlling it - could purposefully perform genetic engineering. This forces me to spit out another really dirty word, "Lamarckism"! We have of course learned that mutations are random. The basic objection against Lamarckism is that there is no known mechanism which would transfer the mutations to germ cells. In the homeopathic Universe of TGD the mutations could be however performed first for the dark nucleon sequences. After this these sequences would diffuse to germ cells just like homeopathic remedies do, and after this are translated to DNA or RNA and attach to DNA.

### 14.7.5 Burning water and photosynthesis

For a physicist liberated from the blind belief in reductionism, biology transforms to a single gigantic anomaly about which recent day physics cannot say much. During years I have constructed several models for these anomalies helping to develop a more detailed view about how the new physics predicted by quantum TGD could allow to understand biology and consciousness.

The basic problem is of course the absence of systematic experimentation so that it is possible to imagine many new physics scenarios. For this reason the article series of Mae-Wan Ho [D55, D53, D51, D54] in ISIS was a very pleasant surprise, and already now has helped considerably in the attempts to develop the ideas further.

The first article "Water electric" [D55] told about the formation of exclusion zones around hydrophilic surfaces, typically gels in the experiments considered [D78] . The zones were in

potential of about 100 meV with respect to surroundings (same order of magnitude as membrane potential) and had thickness ranging to hundreds of micrometers (the size of a large cell): the standard physics would suggest only few molecular layers instead of millions. Sunlight induced the effect. This finding allows to develop TGD based vision about how proto cells emerged and also the model for chiral selection in living matter by combining the finding with the anomalies of water about which I had learned earlier.

The article "Can water burn?" [D51] tells about the discovery of John Kanzius -a retired broadcast engineer and inventor. Kanzius found that water literally burns if subjected to a radio frequency radiation at frequency of 13.56 MHz [D1]. The mystery is of course how so low frequency can induce burning. The article "The body does burn water" [D54] notices that plant cells burn water routinely in photosynthesis and that also animal cells burn water but the purpose is now to generate hydrogen peroxide which kills bacteria (some readers might recall from childhood how hydrogen peroxide was used to sterilize wounds!). Hence the understanding of how water burns is very relevant for the understanding of photosynthesis and even workings of the immune system.

### Living matter burns water routinely

Photosynthesis burns water by decomposing water to hydrogen and oxygen and liberating oxygen. Oxygen from  $CO_2$  in atmosphere combines with the oxygen of  $H_2O$  to form  $O_2$  molecules whereas  $H$  from  $H_2O$  combines with carbon to form hydrocarbons serving as energy sources for animals which in turn produce  $CO_2$ . This process is fundamental for aerobic life. There is also a simpler variant of photosynthesis in which oxygen is not produced and applied by an-aerobic life forms. The article "Living with Oxygen" by Mae-Wan Ho gives a nice overall view about the role of oxygen [D52]. As a matter of fact, also animals burn water but they do this to produce hydrogen peroxide  $H_2O_2$  which kills very effectively bacteria.

Burning of water has been studied as a potential solution for how to utilize the solar energy to produce hydrogen serving as a natural fuel [D53]. The reaction  $O_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2H_2O$  occurs spontaneously and liberates energy of about 1.23 eV. The reverse process  $2H_2 \rightarrow H_2O_2 + H_2$  in the presence of sunlight means burning of water, and could provide the manner to store solar energy. The basic reaction  $2H_2O + 4h\nu \leftrightarrow H_2O_2 + H_2$  stores the energy of four photons. What really happens in this process is far from being completely understood. Quite generally, the mechanisms making possible extreme efficiency of bio-catalysis remain poorly understood. Here new physics might be involved. I have discussed models for photosynthesis and  $ADP \leftrightarrow ATP$  process involved with the utilization of the biochemical energy already earlier [K42].

### How water could burn in TGD Universe?

The new results could help to develop a more detailed model about what happens in photosynthesis. The simplest TGD inspired sketch for what might happen in the burning of water goes as follows.

- (a) Assume that 1/4 of water molecules are partially dark (in sense of nonstandard value of Planck constant) or at least at larger space-time sheets in atto-second scale [D27, D24, D28, D70]. This would explain the  $H_{1.5}O$  formula explaining the results of neutron diffraction and electron scattering.
- (b) The question is what this exotic fraction of water precisely is. The models for water electret, exclusion zones and chiral selection lead to concrete ideas about this. Electrons assignable to the  $H$  atoms of (partially) dark  $H_2O$  reside at space-time sheet  $k_e = 151$  (this p-adic length scale corresponds to 10 nm, the thickness of cell membrane). At least the hydrogen atom for this fraction of water molecules is exotic and findings from neutron and electron scattering suggest that both proton and electron are at non-standard space-time sheets but not necessarily at the same space-time sheet. The model for the burning requires that electron and proton are at different space-time sheets in the initial situation.



- (c) Suppose all four electrons are kicked to the space-time sheet of protons of the exotic hydrogen atoms labeled by  $k_p$ . This requires the energy  $E_\gamma = (1 - 2^{-n})E_0(k_p)$  (the formula involves idealizations). At this space-time sheet protons and electrons are assumed to combine spontaneously to form two  $H_2$  atoms. Oxygen atoms in turn are assumed to combine spontaneously to form  $O_2$ .
- (d) For  $k_f = 148$  and  $n = 3$  minimum energy needed would be  $4E_\gamma = 4 \times .4 = 1.6$  eV. For  $k_p = 149$  (thickness of lipid layer) and  $n = 2$  one would have  $4E_\gamma = 4 \times .3462 = 1.385$  eV whereas  $H_2O_2 + H_2 \rightarrow 2H_2O$  liberates energy 1.23 eV. Therefore the model in which electrons are at cell membrane space-time sheet and protons at the space-time sheet assignable to single lipid layer of cell membrane suggests itself. This would also mean that the basic length scales of cell are already present in the structure of water. Notice that there is no need to assume that Planck constant differs from its standard value.

There is no need to add, that the model is an unashamed oversimplification of the reality. It might however catch the core mechanism of photosynthesis.

### Burning of salt water induced by RF radiation

Engineer John Kanzius has made a strange discovery [D1] : salt water in the test tube radiated by radiowaves at harmonics of a frequency  $f=13.56$  MHz burns. Temperatures about 1500 K, which correspond to .15 eV energy have been reported. One can irradiate also hand but nothing happens. The original discovery of Kanzius was the finding that radio waves could be used to cure cancer by destroying the cancer cells. The proposal is that this effect might provide new energy source by liberating chemical energy in an exceptionally effective manner. The power is about 200 W so that the power used could explain the effect if it is absorbed in resonance like manner by salt water.

Mae-Wan Ho's article "Can water Burn?" [D51] provides new information about burning salt water [D1] , in particular reports that the experiments have been replicated. The water is irradiated using polarized radio frequency light at frequency 13.56 MHz. The energy of radio frequency quantum is  $E_{rf} = .561 \times 10^{-7}$  eV and provides only a minor fraction  $E_{rf}/E = .436 \times 10^{-7}$  of the needed energy which is  $E = 1.23$  eV for single  $2H_2O \rightarrow H_2O_2 + H_2$  event. The structure of water has been found to change, in particular something happens to O-H bonds. The Raman spectrum of the water has changed in the energy range [0.37, 0.43] eV. Recall that the range of metabolic energy quanta  $E(k, n) = (1 - 2^{-n})E_0(k)$  varies for electron in the range [.35, .46] eV in the model for the formation of exclusion zone induced by light. Therefore the photons assigned to changes in Raman spectrum might be associated with the transfer of electrons between space-time sheets.

The energies of photons involved are very small, multiples of  $5.6 \times 10^{-8}$  eV and their effect should be very small since it is difficult to imagine what resonant molecular transition could cause the effect. This leads to the question whether the radio wave beam could contain a considerable fraction of dark photons for which Planck constant is larger so that the energy of photons is much larger. The underlying mechanism would be phase transition of dark photons with large Planck constant to ordinary photons with shorter wavelength coupling resonantly to some molecular degrees of freedom and inducing the heating. Microwave oven of course comes in mind immediately.

As I made this proposal, I did not realize the connection with photosynthesis and actual burning of water. The recent experimental findings suggest that dark radio frequency photons transform to photons inducing splitting of water as in photosynthesis so that that one should have  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = E_{rf}/4E$ . One could say that large number of radio wave photons combine to form a single bundle of photons forming a structure analogous to what mathematician calls covering space. In the burning event the dark photon would transform to ordinary photon with the same energy. This process would thus transform low energy photons to high energy protons with the ratio  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ .

Therefore the mechanism for the burning of water in the experiment of Kanzius could be a simple modification of the mechanism behind burning of water in photosynthesis.

- (a) Some fraction of dark radio frequency photons are dark or are transformed to dark photons in water and have energies around the energy needed to kick electrons to smaller space-time sheets .4 eV. After this they are transformed to ordinary photons and induce the above process. Their in-elastic scattering from molecules (that is Raman scattering) explains the observation of Raman scattered photons. For a fixed value of  $\hbar$  the process would occur in resonant manner since only few metabolic quanta are allowed.
- (b) How dark radio frequency photons could be present or could be produced in water? Cyclotron radiation assignable to say electrons in magnetic field comes in mind. If the cyclotron radiation is associated with electrons it requires a magnetic field of 4.8 Gauss the cyclotron frequency is 13.56 MHz. This is roughly ten times the nominal value  $B_E = .5$  Gauss of the Earth's magnetic field and 24 times the value of dark magnetic field  $B_d = .4B_E = .2$  Gauss needed to explain the effects of ELF em fields on vertebrate brain. Maybe dark matter at flux tubes of Earth's magnetic field with Planck constant equal to  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = \frac{1}{4} \frac{E}{E_{rf}}$  transforms radio frequency photons to dark photons or induces resonantly the generation of cyclotron photons, which in turn leak out from magnetic flux tubes and form ordinary photons inducing the burning of water.  $E_\gamma = .4$  eV would give  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = 1.063 \times 2^{21}$  and  $E_\gamma = .36$  eV would give  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = .920 \times 2^{21}$ .
- (c) Magnetic fields of magnitude .2 Gauss are in central role in TGD based model of living matter and there are excellent reasons to expect that this mechanism could be involved also with processes involved with living matter. There is indeed evidence for this. The experiments of Gariaev demonstrated that the irradiation of DNA with 2 eV laser photons (which correspond to one particular metabolic energy quantum) induced generation of radio wave photons having unexpected effects on living matter (enhanced metabolic activity) [I5], and that even a realization of genetic code in terms of the time variation of polarization direction could be involved. TGD based model [K14, K83] identifies radio-wave photons as dark photons with same energy as possessed by incoming visible photons so that a transformation of ordinary photons to dark photons would have been in question. The model assumed hierarchy of values of magnetic fields in accordance with the idea about onion like structure of the magnetic body.

There are several questions to be answered.

- (a) Is there some trivial explanation for why salt must be present or is new physics involved also here. What comes in mind are Cooper pairs dark  $Na^+$  ions (or their exotic counterparts which are bosons) carrying Josephson currents through the cell membrane in the model of the cell membrane as a Josephson junction which is almost vacuum extremal of Kähler action. In the experimental arrangement leading to the generation of exclusion zones the pH of water was important control factor, and it might be that the presence of salt has an analogous role to that of protons.
- (b) Does this effect occur also for solutions of other molecules and other solutes than water? This can be tested since the rotational spectra are readily calculable from data which can be found at net.
- (c) Are the radio wave photons dark or does water - which is very special kind of liquid - induce the transformation of ordinary radio wave photons to dark photons by fusing  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$  radio wave massless extremals (MEs) to single ME. Does this transformation occur for all frequencies? This kind of transformation might play a key role in transforming ordinary EEG photons to dark photons and partially explain the special role of water in living systems.
- (d) Why the radiation does not induce spontaneous combustion of living matter which contains salt. And why cancer cells seem to burn: is salt concentration higher inside them? As a matter fact, there are reports about [D17]. One might hope that there is a mechanism inhibiting this since otherwise military would be soon developing new horror weapons unless it is doing this already now. Is it that most of salt is ionized to  $Na^+$  and  $Cl^-$  ions so that spontaneous combustion can be avoided? And how this relates to the sensation of spontaneous burning [D16] - a very painful sensation that some part of body is burning?

- (e) Is the energy heating solely due to rotational excitations? It might be that also a "dropping" of ions to larger space-time sheets is induced by the process and liberates zero point kinetic energy. The dropping of proton from  $k=137$  ( $k=139$ ) atomic space-time sheet liberates about .5 eV (0.125 eV). The measured temperature corresponds to the energy .15 eV. This dropping is an essential element of remote metabolism and provides universal metabolic energy quanta. It is also involved with TGD based models of "free energy" phenomena. No perpetuum mobile is predicted since there must be a mechanism driving the dropped ions back to the original space-time sheets.

Recall that one of the empirical motivations for the hierarchy of Planck constants came from the observed quantum like effects of ELF em fields at EEG frequencies on vertebrate brain and also from the correlation of EEG with brain function and contents of consciousness difficult to understand since the energies of EEG photons are ridiculously small and should be masked by thermal noise.

## 14.8 Connection with mono-atomic elements, cold fusion, and sono-luminescence?

Anomalies are treasures for a theoretician and during years I have been using quite a bundle of reported anomalies challenging the standard physics as a test bed for the TGD vision about physics. The so called mono-atomic elements, cold fusion, and sonofusion represent examples of this kind of anomalies not taken seriously by most standard physicists. In the following the possibility that dark matter as large  $\hbar$  phase could allow to understand these anomalies.

Of course, I hear the angry voice of the skeptic reader blaming me for a complete lack of source criticism and the skeptic reader is right. I however want to tell him that I am not a soldier in troops of either skeptics or new-agers. My attitude is "let us for a moment assume that these findings are real..." and look for the consequences in this particular theoretical framework.

### 14.8.1 Mono-atomic elements as dark matter and high $T_c$ super-conductors?

The ideas related to many-sheeted space-time began to develop for a decade ago. The stimulation came from a contact by Barry Carter who told me about so called mono-atomic elements, typically transition metals (precious metals), including Gold. According to the reports these elements, which are also called ORMES ("orbitally rearranged monoatomic elements") or ORMUS, have following properties.

- ORMES were discovered and patented by David Hudson [H2] [H2] are peculiar elements belonging to platinum group (platinum, palladium, rhodium, iridium, ruthenium and osmium) and to transition elements (gold, silver, copper, cobalt and nickel).
- Instead of behaving as metals with valence bonds, ORMES have ceramic like behavior. Their density is claimed to be much lower than the density of the metallic form.
- They are chemically inert and poor conductors of heat and electricity. The chemical inertness of these elements have made their chemical identification very difficult.
- One signature is the infra red line with energy of order .05 eV. There is no text book explanation for this behavior. Hudson also reports that these elements became visible in emission spectroscopy in which elements are posed in strong electric field after time which was 6 times longer than usually.

The pioneering observations of David Hudson [H2] - if taken seriously - suggest an interpretation as an exotic super-conductor at room temperature having extremely low critical magnetic fields of order of magnetic field of Earth, which of course is in conflict with the standard wisdom about super-conductivity. After a decade and with an impulse coming from a different contact related to ORMES, I decided to take a fresh look on Hudson's description for how he discovered

ORMEs [H2] with dark matter in my mind. From experience I can tell that the model to be proposed is probably not the final one but it is certainly the simplest one.

There are of course endless variety of models one can imagine and one must somehow constrain the choices. The key constraints used are following.

- (a) Only valence electrons determining the chemical properties appear in dark state and the model must be consistent with the general model of the enhanced conductivity of DNA assumed to be caused by large  $\hbar$  valence electrons with  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = n$ ,  $n = 5, 6$  assignable with aromatic rings.  $r = 6$  for valence electrons would explain the report of Hudson about anomalous emission spectroscopy.
- (b) This model cannot explain all data. If ORMES are assumed to represent very simple form of living matter also the presence electrons having  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = 2^{k11}$ ,  $k = 1$ , can be considered and would be associated with high  $T_c$  super-conductors whose model predicts structures with thickness of cell membrane. This would explain the claims about very low critical magnetic fields destroying the claimed superconductivity.

Below I reproduce Hudson's own description here in a somewhat shortened form and emphasize that must not forget professional skepticism concerning the claimed findings.

### Basic findings of Hudson

Hudson was recovering gold and silver from old mining sources. Hudson had learned that something strange was going on with his samples. In molten lead the gold and silver recovered but when "I held the lead down, I had nothing". Hudson tells that mining community refers to this as "ghost-gold", a non-assayable, non-identifiable form of gold.

Then Hudson decided to study the strange samples using emission spectroscopy. The sample is put between carbon electrodes and arc between them ionizes elements in the sample so that they radiate at specific frequencies serving as their signatures. The analysis lasts 10-15 seconds since for longer times lower electrode is burned away. The sample was identified as Iron, Silicon, and Aluminum. Hudson spent years to eliminate Fe, Si, and Al. Also other methods such as Cummings Microscopy, Diffraction Microscopy, and Fluorescent Microscopy were applied and the final conclusion was that there was nothing left in the sample in spectroscopic sense.

After this Hudson returned to emission spectroscopy but lengthened the time of exposure to electric field by surrounding the lower Carbon electrode with Argon gas so that it could not burn. This allowed to reach exposure times up to 300 s. The sample was silent up to 90 s after which emission lines of Palladium (Pd) appeared; after 110 seconds Platinum (Pt); at 130 seconds Ruthenium (Ru); at about 140-150 seconds Rhodium; at 190 seconds Iridium; and at 220 seconds Osmium appeared. This is known as fractional vaporization.

Hudson reports the boiling temperatures for the metals in the sample having in mind the idea that the emission begins when the temperature of the sample reaches boiling temperature inspired by the observation that elements become visible in the order which is same as that for boiling temperatures.

The boiling temperatures for the elements appearing in the sample are given by the following table.

Element	<i>Ca</i>	<i>Fe</i>	<i>Si</i>	<i>Al</i>	<i>Pd</i>	<i>Rh</i>
$T_B/^\circ C$	1420	1535	2355	2327	>2200	2500
Element	<i>Ru</i>	<i>Pt</i>	<i>Ir</i>	<i>Os</i>	<i>Ag</i>	<i>Au</i>
$T_B/^\circ C$	4150	4300	> 4800	> 5300	1950	2600

Table 2. Boiling temperatures of elements appearing in the samples of Hudson.

Hudson experimented also with commercially available samples of precious metals and found that the lines appear within 15 seconds, then follows a silence until lines re-appear after 90 seconds. Note that the ratio of these time scales is 6. The presence of some exotic form of these metals suggests itself: Hudson talks about mono-atomic elements.

Hudson studied specifically what he calls mono-atomic gold and claims that it does not possess metallic properties. Hudson reports that the weight of mono-atomic gold, which appears as a white powder, is  $4/9$  of the weight of metallic gold. Mono-atomic gold is claimed to behave like super-conductor.

Hudson does not give a convincing justification for why his elements should be mono-atomic so that in following this attribute will be used just because it represents established convention. Hudson also claims that the nuclei of mono-atomic elements are in a high spin state. I do not understand the motivations for this statement.

### Claims of Hudson about ORMEs as super conductors

The claims of Hudson that ORMEs are super conductors [H2] are in conflict with the conventional wisdom about super conductors.

- (a) The first claim is that ORMEs are super conductors with gap energy about  $E_g = .05$  eV and identifies photons with this energy resulting from the formation of Cooper pairs. This energy happens to correspond one of the absorption lines in high  $T_c$  superconductors.
- (b) ORMEs are claimed to be super conductors of type II with critical fields  $H_{c1}$  and  $H_{c2}$  of order of Earth's magnetic field having the nominal value  $.5 \times 10^{-4}$  Tesla [H2]. The estimates for the critical parameters for the ordinary super conductors suggests for electronic super conductors critical fields, which are about .1 Tesla and thus by a factor  $\sim 2^{12}$  larger than the critical fields claimed by Hudson.
- (c) It is claimed that ORME particles can levitate even in Earth's magnetic field. The latter claim looks at first completely nonsensical. The point is that the force giving rise to the levitation is roughly the gradient of the would-be magnetic energy in the volume of levitating super conductor. The gradient of average magnetic field of Earth is of order  $B/R$ ,  $R$  the radius of Earth and thus extremely small so that genuine levitation cannot be in question.

### Minimal model

Consider now a possible TGD inspired model for these findings assuming for definiteness that the basic Hudson's claims are literally true.

#### 1. In what sense mono-atomic elements could be dark matter?

The simplest option suggested by the applicability of emission spectroscopy and chemical inertness is that mono-atomic elements correspond to ordinary atoms for which valence electrons are dark electrons with large value of  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ . Suppose that the emission spectroscopy measures the energies of dark photons from the transitions of dark electrons transforming to ordinary photons before the detection by de-coherence increasing the frequency by  $r$ . The size of dark electrons and temporal duration of basic processes would be zoomed up by  $r$ .

Since the time scale after which emission begins is scaled up by a factor 6, there is a temptation to conclude that  $r = 6$  holds true. Note that  $n = 6$  corresponds to Fermat polygon and is thus preferred number theoretically in TGD based model for preferred values of  $\hbar$  [K28]. The simplest possibility is that the group  $G_b$  is trivial group and  $G_a = A_6$  or  $D_6$  so that ring like structures containing six dark atoms are suggestive.

This brings in mind the model explaining the anomalous conductivity of DNA by large  $\hbar$  valence electrons of aromatic rings of DNA. The zooming up of spatial sizes might make possible exotic effects and perhaps even a formation of atomic Bose-Einstein condensates of Cooper pairs. Note however that in case of DNA  $r = 6$  not gives only rise to conductivity but not super-conductivity

and that  $r = 6$  cannot explain the claimed very low critical magnetic field destroying the superconductivity.

### 2. Loss of weight

The claimed loss of weight by a factor  $p \simeq 4/9$  is a very significant hint if taken seriously. The proposed model implies that the density of the partially dark phase is different from that of the ordinary phase but is not quantitative enough to predict the value of  $p$ . The most plausible reason for the loss of weight would be the reduction of density induced by the replacement of ordinary chemistry with  $r = 6$  chemistry for which the Compton length of valence electrons would increase by this factor.

### 3. Is super-conductivity possible?

The overlap criterion is favorable for super-conductivity since electron Compton lengths would be scaled up by factor  $n_a = 6, n_b = 1$ . For  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = n_a = 6$  Fermi energy would be scaled up by  $n_a^2 = 36$  and if the same occurs for the gap energy,  $T_c$  would increase by a factor 36 from that predicted by the standard BCS theory. Scaled up conventional super-conductor having  $T_c \sim 10$  K would be in question (conventional super-conductors have critical temperatures below 20 K). 20 K upper bound for the critical temperature of these superconductors would allow 660 K critical temperature for their dark variants!

For large enough values of  $r$  the formation of Cooper pairs could be favored by the thermal instability of valence electrons. The binding energies would behave as  $E = r^2 Z_{eff}^2 E_0/n^2$ , where  $Z_{eff}$  is the screened nuclear charge seen by valence electrons,  $n$  the principal quantum number for the valence electron, and  $E_0$  the ground state energy of hydrogen atom. This gives binding energy smaller than thermal energy at room temperature for  $r > (Z_{eff}/n)\sqrt{2E_0/3T_{room}} \simeq 17.4 \times (Z_{eff}/n)$ . For  $n = 5$  and  $Z_{eff} < 1.7$  this would give thermal instability for  $r = 6$ .

Interestingly, the reported .05 eV infrared line corresponds to the energy assignable to cell membrane voltage at criticality against nerve pulse generation, which suggests a possible connection with high  $T_c$  superconductors for which also this line appears and is identified in terms of Josephson energy. .05 eV line appears also in high  $T_c$  superconductors. This interpretation does not exclude the interpretation as gap energy. The gap energy of the corresponding BCS super-conductor would be scaled down by  $1/r^2$  and would correspond to 14 K temperature for  $r = 6$ .

Also high  $T_c$  super-conductivity could involve the transformation of nuclei at the stripes containing the holes to dark matter and the formation of Cooper pairs could be due to the thermal instability of valence electrons of Cu atoms (having  $n = 4$ ). The rough extrapolation for the critical temperature for cuprate superconductor would be  $T_c(Cu) = (n_{Cu}/n_{Rh})^2 T_c(Rh) = (25/36)T_c(Rh)$ . For  $T_c(Rh) = 300$  K this would give  $T_c(Cu) = 192$  K: according to Wikipedia cuprate perovskite has the highest known critical temperature which is 138 K. Note that quantum criticality suggests the possibility of several values of  $(n_a, n_b)$  so that several kinds of super-conductivities might be present.

## ORMEs as partially dark matter, high $T_c$ super conductors, and high $T_c$ super-fluids

The appearance of .05 eV photon line suggest that same phenomena could be associated with ORMES and high  $T_c$  super-conductors. The strongest conclusion would be that ORMES are  $T_c$  super-conductors and that the only difference is that *Cu* having single valence electron is replaced by a heavier atom with single valence electron. In the following I shall discuss this option rather independently from the minimal model.

### 1. ORME super-conductivity as quantum critical high $T_c$ superconductivity

ORMES are claimed to be high  $T_c$  superconductors and the identification as quantum critical superconductors seems to make sense.

- (a) According to the model of high  $T_c$  superconductors as quantum critical systems, the properties of Cooper pairs should be more or less universal so that the observed absorption lines discussed in the section about high  $T_c$  superconductors should characterize also ORMEs. Indeed, the reported 50 meV photon line corresponds to a poorly understood absorption line in the case of high  $T_c$  cuprate superconductors having in TGD framework an interpretation as a transition in which exotic Cooper pair is excited to a higher energy state. Also Copper is a transition metal and is one of the most important trace elements in living systems [D2]. Thus the Cooper pairs could be identical in both cases. ORMEs are claimed to be superconductors of type II and quantum critical superconductors are predicted to be of type II under rather general conditions.
- (b) The claimed extremely low value of  $H_c$  is also consistent with the high  $T_c$  superconductivity. The supra currents in the interior of flux tubes of radius of order  $L_w = .4 \mu\text{m}$  are BCS type supra currents with large  $\hbar$  so that  $T_c$  is by a factor  $2^{14}$  ( $127 - 113 = 14$  is inspired by the Mersenne hypothesis for the preferred p-adic length scales) higher than expected and  $H_c$  is reduced by a factor  $2^{-10}$ . This indeed predicts the claimed order of magnitude for the critical magnetic field.
- (c) The problem is that  $r = 2^{14}$  is considerably higher than  $r = 6$  suggested by the minimum model explaining the emission spectroscopic results of Hudson. Of course, several values of  $\hbar$  are possible so that internal consistency would be achieved if ORMEs are regarded as a very simple form of living matter with relatively small value of  $r$  and giving up the claim about the low value of critical magnetic field.
- (d) The electronic configurations of Cu and Gold are chemically similar. Gold has electronic configuration  $[Xe, 4f^{14}5d^{10}]6s$  with one valence electron in  $s$  state whereas Copper corresponds to  $3d^{10}4s$  ground state configuration with one valence electron. This encourages to think that the doping by holes needed to achieve superconductivity induces the dropping of these electrons to  $k = 151$  space-time sheets and gives rise to exotic Cooper pairs. Also this model assumes the phase transition of some fraction of Cu nuclei to large  $\hbar$  phase and that exotic Cooper pairs appear at the boundary of ordinary and large  $\hbar$  phase. More generally, elements having one electron in  $s$  state plus full electronic shells are good candidates for doped high  $T_c$  superconductors. Both Cu and Au atoms are bosons. More generally, if the atom in question is boson, the formation of atomic Bose-Einstein condensates at Cooper pair space-time sheets is favored. Thus elements with odd value of  $A$  and  $Z$  possessing full shells plus single  $s$  wave valence electron are of special interest. The six stable elements satisfying these conditions are  ${}^5\text{Li}$ ,  ${}^{39}\text{K}$ ,  ${}^{63}\text{Cu}$ ,  ${}^{85}\text{Rb}$ ,  ${}^{133}\text{Cs}$ , and  ${}^{197}\text{Au}$ .

## 2. "Levitation" and loss of weight

The model of high  $T_c$  superconductivity predicts that some fraction of Cu atoms drops to the flux tube with radius  $L_w = .4 \mu\text{m}$  and behaves as a dark matter. This is expected to occur also in the case of other transition metals such as Gold. The atomic nuclei at this space-time sheet have high charges and make phase transition to large  $\hbar$  phase and form Bose-Einstein condensate and superfluid behavior results. Electrons in turn form large  $\hbar$  variant of BCS type superconductor. These flux tubes are predicted to be negatively charged because of the Bose-Einstein condensate of exotic Cooper pairs at the boundaries of the flux tubes having thickness  $L(151)$ . The average charge density equals to the doping fraction times the density of Copper atoms.

The first explanation would be in terms of super-fluid behavior completely analogous to the ability of ordinary superfluids to defy gravity. Second explanation is based on the electric field of Earth which causes an upwards directed force on negatively charged BE condensate of exotic Cooper pairs and this force could explain both the apparent levitation and partial loss of weight. The criterion for levitation is  $F_e = 2eE/x \geq F_{gr} = Am_p g$ , where  $g \simeq 10 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  is gravitational acceleration at the surface of Earth,  $A$  is the atomic weight and  $m_p$  proton mass,  $E$  the strength of electric field, and  $x$  is the number of atoms at the space-time sheet of a given Cooper pair. The condition gives  $E \geq 5 \times 10 - 10Ax \text{ V/m}$  to be compared with the strength  $E = 10^2 - 10^4 \text{ V/m}$  of the Earths' electric field.

An objection against the explanation for the effective loss of weight is that it depends on the strength of electric field which varies in a wide range whereas Hudson claims that the reduction

factor is constant and equal to 4/9. A more mundane explanation would be in terms of a lower density of dark Gold. This explanation is quite plausible since there is no atomic lattice structure since nuclei and electrons form their own large  $\hbar$  phases.

#### 4. *The effects on biological systems*

Some monoatomic elements such as White Gold are claimed to have beneficial effects on living systems [H2] . 5 per cent of brain tissue of pig by dry matter weight is claimed to be Rhodium and Iridium. Cancer cells are claimed to be transformed to healthy ones in presence of ORMEs. The model for high  $T_c$  super conductivity predicts that the flux tubes along which interior and boundary supra currents flow has same structure as neuronal axons. Even the basic length scales are very precisely the same. On basis of above considerations ORMEs are reasonable candidates for high  $T_c$  superconductors and perhaps even super fluids.

The common mechanism for high  $T_c$ , ORME- and bio- super-conductivities could explain the biological effects of ORMEs.

- (a) In unhealthy state superconductivity might fail at the level of cell membrane, at the level of DNA or in some longer length scales and would mean that cancer cells are not anymore able to communicate. A possible reason for a lost super conductivity or anomalously weak super conductivity is that the fraction of ORME atoms is for some reason too small in unhealthy tissue.
- (b) The presence of ORMEs could enhance the electronic bio- superconductivity which for some reason is not fully intact. For instance, if the lipid layers of cell membrane are, not only wormhole-, but also electronic super conductors and cancer involves the loss of electronic super-conductivity then the effect of ORMEs would be to increase the number density of Cooper pairs and make the cell membrane super conductor again. Similar mechanism might work at DNA level if DNA:s are super conductors in "active" state.

#### 5. *Is ORME super-conductivity associated with the magnetic flux tubes of dark magnetic field $B_d = 0.2$ Gauss?*

The general model for the ionic super-conductivity in living matter, which has developed gradually during the last few years and will be discussed in detail later, was originally based on the assumption that super-conducting particles reside at the super-conducting magnetic flux tubes of Earth's magnetic field with the nominal value  $B_E = .5$  Gauss. It became later clear that the explanation of ELF em fields on vertebrate brain requires  $B_d = .2$  Gauss rather than  $B_E = .5$  Gauss [K25] . The interpretation was as dark magnetic field  $B_d = .2$  Gauss. The model of EEG led also to the hypothesis that Mersenne primes and their Gaussian counterparts define preferred p-adic length scales and their dark counterparts. This hypothesis replaced the earlier  $r = 2^{11k}$  hypothesis.

For  $r = 2^{127-113=14}$  the predicted radius  $L_w = .4 \mu\text{m}$  is consistent with the radius of neuronal axons. If one assumes that the radii of flux tubes are given by this length scale irrespective of the value of  $r$ , one must replace the quantization condition for the magnetic flux with a more general condition in which the magnetic flux is compensated by the contribution of the supra current flowing around the flux tube:  $\oint (p - eA) \cdot dl = n\hbar$  and assume  $n = 0$ . The supra currents would be present inside living organism but in the faraway region where flux quanta from organism fuse together, the quantization conditions  $e \int B \cdot dS = n\hbar$  would be satisfied.

The most natural interpretation would be that these flux tubes topologically condense at the flux tubes of  $B_E$ . Both bosonic ions and the Cooper pairs of electrons or of fermionic ions can act as charge carriers so that actually an entire zoo of super-conductors is predicted. There is even some support for the view that even molecules and macromolecules can drop to the magnetic flux tubes [K42] .

#### **Nuclear physics anomalies and ORMEs**

At the homepage of Joe Champion [H6] , [H6] information about claimed nuclear physics anomalies can be found.



1) The first anomaly is the claimed low temperature cold fusion mentioned at the homepage of Joe [H6] , [H6] [H6] , [H6] . For instance, Champion claims that Mercury ( $Z=80$ ), decays by emission of proton and neutrons to Gold with  $Z=79$  in the electrochemical arrangement described in [H6] , [H6] .

2) Champion mentions also the anomalous production of Cadmium isotopes electrochemically in presence of Palladium reported by Tadahiko Mizuno.

The simplest explanation of the anomalies would be based on genuine nuclear reactions. The interaction of dark nuclei with ordinary nuclei at the boundary between the two phases would make possible genuine nuclear transmutations since the Coulomb wall hindering usually cold fusion and nuclear transmutations would be absent (Trojan horse mechanism). Both cold fusion and reported nuclear transmutations in living matter could rely on this mechanism as suggested in [K76, L2, K24] , [L2] .

### Possible implications

The existence of exotic atoms could have far reaching consequences for the understanding of bio-systems. If Hudson's claims about super-conductor like behavior are correct, the formation of exotic atoms in bio-systems could provide the needed mechanism of electronic super-conductivity. One could even argue that the formation of exotic atoms is the magic step transforming chemical evolution to biological evolution.

Equally exciting are the technological prospects. If the concept works it could be possible to manufacture exotic atoms and build room temperature super conductors and perhaps even artificial life some day. It is very probable that the process of dropping electron to the larger space-time sheet requires energy and external energy feed is necessary for the creation of artificial life. Otherwise the Earth and other planets probably have developed silicon based life for long time ago. Ca, K and Na ions have central position in the electrochemistry of cell membranes. They could actually correspond to exotic ions obtained by dropping some valence electrons from  $k = 137$  atomic space-time sheet to larger space-time sheets. For instance, the  $k = 149$  space-time sheet of lipid layers could be in question.

The status of ORMES is far from certain and their explanation in terms of exotic atomic concept need not be correct. The fact is however that TGD predicts exotic atoms: if they are not observed TGD approach faces the challenge of finding a good explanation for their non-observability.

### 14.8.2 Connection with cold fusion?

The basic prediction of TGD is a hierarchy of fractally scaled variants of non-asymptotically free QCD like theories and that color dynamics is fundamental even for our sensory qualia (visual colors identified as increments of color quantum numbers in quantum jump). The model for ORMES suggest that exotic protons obey QCD like theory in the size scale of atom. If this identification is correct, QCD like dynamics might be studied some day experimentally in atomic or even macroscopic length scales of order cell size and there would be no need for ultra expensive accelerators! The fact that Palladium is one of the "mono-atomic" elements used also in cold fusion experiments as a target material [C250, C236] obviously puts bells ringing.

#### What makes possible cold fusion?

I have proposed that cold fusion might be based on Trojan horse mechanism in which incoming and target nuclei feed their em gauge fluxes to different space-time sheets so that electromagnetic Coulomb wall disappears [K76] . If part of Palladium nuclei are "partially dark", this is achieved. Another mechanism could be the de-localization of protons to a larger volume than nuclear volume induced by the increase of  $\hbar_{eff}$  meaning that reaction environment would differ dramatically from that appearing in the usual nuclear reactions and the standard objections against cold fusion would not apply anymore [K76] : this delocalization could correspond to the darkness of electromagnetic field bodies of protons.

A third proposal is perhaps the most elegant and relies on the nuclear string model [L2] , [L2] predicting a large number of exotic nuclei obtained by allowing the color bonds connecting nucleons to have all possible em charges 1, 0, 1. Many ordinary heavy nuclei would be exotic in the sense that some protons would correspond to protons plus negatively charged color bonds. The exchange of an exotic weak boson between  $D$  and  $Pd$  nuclei transforming  $D$  nuclei to exotic neutral  $D$  nuclei would occur. The range of the exotic weak interaction correspond to atomic length scale meaning that it behaves as massless particle below this length scale. For instance,  $W$  boson could be  $r = 2^{24}$  dark variant of  $k = 113$  weak boson for which the dark variant of p-adic scale would correspond to the atomic scale  $k = 137$  but also other options are possible.

### How standard objections against cold fusion can be circumvented?

The following arguments against cold fusion are from an excellent review article by Storms [C252]

- (a) Coulomb wall requires an application of higher energy. Now electromagnetic Coulomb wall disappears in both models.
- (b) If a nuclear reaction should occur, the immediate release of energy can not be communicated to the lattice in the time available. In the recent case the time scale is however multiplied by the factor  $r = n_a$  and the situation obviously changes. For  $n_a = 2^{24}$  the time scale corresponding to MeV energy becomes that corresponding to keV energy which is atomic time scale.
- (c) When such an energy is released under normal conditions, energetic particles are emitted along with various kinds of radiation, only a few of which are seen by various CANR (Chemically Assisted Nuclear Reactions) studies. In addition, gamma emission must accompany helium, and production of neutrons and tritium, in equal amounts, must result from any fusion reaction. None of these conditions is observed during the claimed CANR effect, no matter how carefully or how often they have been sought. The large value of  $\hbar(M^4)$  implying large Compton lengths for protons making possible geometric coupling of gamma rays to condensed matter would imply that gamma rays do not leave the system. If only protons form the quantum coherent state then fusion reactions do not involve the protons of the cathode at all and production of  ${}^3\text{He}$  and thus of neutrons in the fusion of  $D$  and exotic  $D$ .
- (d) The claimed nuclear transmutation reactions (reported to occur also in living matter [C207] ) are very difficult to understand in standard nuclear physics framework.
  - i. The model of [K76] allows them since protons of different nuclei can re-arrange in many different manners when the dark matter state decays back to normal.
  - ii. Nuclear string model [L2] , [L2] allows transmutations too. For instance, neutral exotic tritium produced in the reactions can fuse with  $Pd$  and other nuclei.
- (e) Many attempts to calculate fusion rates based on conventional models fail to support the claimed rates within PdD (Palladium-Deuterium). The atoms are simply too far apart. This objections also fails for obvious reasons.

### Mechanisms of cold fusion

One can deduce a more detailed model for cold fusion from observations, which are discussed systematically in [C252] and in the references discussed therein.

- (a) A critical phenomenon is in question. The average  $D/Pd$  ratio must be in the interval (.85, .90). The current must be over-critical and must flow a time longer than a critical time. The effect occurs in a small fraction of samples.  $D$  at the surface of the cathode is found to be important and activity tends to concentrate in patches. The generation of fractures leads to the loss of the anomalous energy production. Even the shaking of the sample can have the same effect. The addition of even a small amount of  $H_2O$  to the electrolyte (protons to the cathode) stops the anomalous energy production.

- i. These findings are consistent the view that patches correspond to a macroscopic quantum phase involving delocalized nuclear protons. The added ordinary protons and fractures could serve as a seed for a phase transition leading to the ordinary phase [K76]
  - ii. An alternative interpretation is in terms of the formation of neutral exotic  $D$  and exotic  $Pd$  via exchange of exotic, possibly dark,  $W$  bosons massless below atomic length scale [L2] , [L2] .
- (b) When  $D_2O$  is used as an electrolyte, the process occurs when  $PdD$  acts as a cathode but does not seem to occur when it is used as anode. This suggests that the basic reaction is between the ordinary deuterium  $D = pn$  of electrolyte with the exotic nucleus of the cathode. Denote by  $\hat{p}$  the exotic proton and by  $\hat{D} = n\hat{p}$  exotic deuterium at the cathode.

For ordinary nuclei fusions to tritium and  ${}^3He$  occur with approximately identical rates. The first reaction produces neutron and  ${}^3He$  via  $D+D \rightarrow n+{}^3He$ , whereas second reaction produces proton and tritium by  $3H$  via  $D+D \rightarrow p+{}^3H$ . The prediction is that one neutron per each tritium nucleus should be produced. Tritium can be observed by its beta decay to  ${}^3He$  and the ratio of neutron flux is several orders of magnitude smaller than tritium flux as found for instance by Tadahiko Mizuno and his collaborators (Mizuno describes the experimental process leading to this discovery in his book [C169] ). Hence the reaction producing  ${}^3He$  cannot occur significantly in cold fusion which means a conflict with the basic predictions of the standard nuclear physics.

- i. The explanation discussed in [K76] is that the proton in the target deuterium  $\hat{D}$  is in the exotic state with large Compton length and the production of  ${}^3He$  occurs very slowly since  $\hat{p}$  and  $p$  correspond to different space-time sheets. Since neutrons and the proton of the  $D$  from the electrolyte are in the ordinary state, Coulomb barrier is absent and tritium production can occur. The mechanism also explains why the cold fusion producing  ${}^3He$  and neutrons does not occur using water instead of heavy water.
  - ii. Nuclear string model [L2] , [L2] model predicts that only neutral exotic tritium is produced considerably when incoming deuterium interacts with neutral exotic deuterium in the target.
- (c) The production of  ${}^4He$  has been reported although the characteristic gamma rays have not been detected.
- i.  ${}^4He$  can be produced in reactions such as  $D + \hat{D} \rightarrow {}^4He$  in the model of [K76] .
  - ii. Nuclear string model [K76] does not allow direct production of  ${}^4He$  in D-D collisions.
- (d) Also more complex reactions between  $D$  and  $Pd$  for which protons are in exotic state can occur. These can lead to the reactions transforming the nuclear charge of  $Pd$  and thus to nuclear transmutations.

Both model explain nuclear transmutations. In nuclear string model [K76] the resulting exotic tritium can fuse with  $Pd$  and other nuclei and produce nuclear transmutations.

The reported occurrence of nuclear transmutation such as  ${}^{23}Na + {}^{16}O \rightarrow {}^{39}K$  in living matter [C207] allowing growing cells to regenerate elements K, Mg, Ca, or Fe, could be understood in nuclear string model if also neutral exotic charge states are possible for nuclei in living matter. The experimental signature for the exotic ions would be cyclotron energy spectrum containing besides the standard lines also lines with ions with anomalous mass number. This could be seen as a splitting of lines. For instance, exotic variants of ions such  $Na^+$ ,  $K^+$ ,  $Cl^-$ ,  $Ca^{++}$  with anomalous mass numbers should exist. It would be easy to mis-interpret the situation unless the actual strength of the magnetic field is not checked.

- (e) Gamma rays, which should be produced in most nuclear reactions such as  ${}^4He$  production to guarantee momentum conservation are not observed.
- i. The explanation of the model of [K76] is that the recoil momentum goes to the macroscopic quantum phase and eventually heats the electrolyte system. This provides obviously the mechanism by which the liberated nuclear energy is transferred to the electrolyte difficult to imagine in standard nuclear physics framework.
  - ii. In nuclear string model [L2] , [L2]  ${}^4He$  is not produced at all.

- (f) Both models explain why neutrons are not produced in amounts consistent with the anomalous energy production. The addition of water to the electrolyte is however reported to induce neutron bursts.
- i. In the model of [K76] a possible mechanism is the production of neutrons in the phase transition  $\hat{p} \rightarrow p$ .  $\hat{D} \rightarrow p + n$  could occur as the proton contracts back to the ordinary size in such a manner that it misses the neutron. This however requires energy of 2.23 MeV if the rest masses of  $\hat{D}$  and  $D$  are same. Also  $\hat{D} + \hat{D} \rightarrow n + {}^3\text{He}$  could be induced by the phase transition to ordinary matter when  $\hat{p}$  transformed to  $p$  does not combine with its previous neutron partner to form  $D$  but recombines with  $\hat{D}$  to form  ${}^3\hat{\text{He}} \rightarrow {}^3\text{He}$  so that a free neutron is left.
  - ii. Nuclear string model [L2] , [L2] would suggest that the collisions of protons of water with exotic  $D$  produce neutron and ordinary  $D$ . This requires the transformation of negatively charged color bond between p and n of target  $D$  to a neutral color bond between incoming p and neutron of target.

### 14.8.3 Does Rossi's reactor give rise to cold fusion?

Lubos has been raging several times about the cold fusion gadget of Andrea Rossi and I decided to write the following response as he returned to the topic again. The claim of Rossi and physicist Fogardi [C182] is that the cold fusion reaction of H and Ni producing Cu takes place in the presence of some "additives" (Palladium catalyst as in may cold fusion experiments gathering at its surface Ni?).

#### Objections claiming that the evaporation of water does not actually take place

Lubos of course "knows" before hand that the gadget cannot work: Coulomb barrier. Since Lubos is true believer in naive text book wisdom, he simply refuses to consider the possibility that the physics that we learned during student days might not be quite right. Personally I do not believe or disbelieve cold fusion: I just take it seriously as any person calling himself scientist should do. I have been developing for more than 15 years ideas about possible explanation of cold fusion in TGD framework. The most convincing idea is that large value of Planck constant associated with nuclei could be involved scaling up the range of weak interactions from  $10^{-17}$  meters to atomic size scale and also scaling up the size of nucleus to atomic size scale so that nucleus and even quarks would like constant charge densities instead of point like charge. Therefore Coulomb potential would be smoothed and the wall would become much lower (see this and this) [K76, L2].

One must say in honor of Lubos that at this time he had detailed arguments about what goes wrong with the reactor of Rossi: this is in complete contrast with the usual arguments of skeptics which as a rule purposefully avoid saying anything about the actual content and concentrate on ridiculing the target. The reason is of course that standard skeptic is just a soldier who has got the list of targets to be destroyed and as a good soldier does his best to achieve the goal. Thinking is not what a good soldier is expected to do since the professors in the consultive board take care of this and give orders to those doing the dirty job.

As a theoretician I have learned the standard arguments used to debunk TGD: logic is circular, text is mere world salad, everything is just cheap numerology, too many self references, colleagues have not recognized my work, the work has not been published in respected journals, and so on. The additional killer arguments state that I have used certain words which are taboos and already for this reason am a complete crackpot. Examples of bad words are "water memory", "homeopathy", "cold fusion", "crop circles", "quantum biology", "quantum consciousness". There is of course no mention about the fact that I have always emphasized that I am skeptic, not a believer or disbeliever, and only make the question "What if..." and try to answer it in TGD framework. Intellectual honesty does not belong to the virtues of skeptics who are for modern science what jesuits were for the catholic church. Indeed, as Loyola said: the purpose sanctifies the deeds.

Lubos has real arguments but they suffer from the strong negative emotional background coloring so that one cannot trust the rationality of the reasoning. The core of the arguments of Lubos is following.

- (a) The water inside reactor is heated to a temperature of 100.1 C. This is slightly above 100 C defining the nominal value of the boiling point temperature at normal pressure. The problem is that if the pressure is somewhat higher, the boiling point increases and the it could happen that the no evaporation of the water takes place. If this is the case, the whole energy fed into the reactor could go to the heating of the water. The input power is indeed somewhat higher than the power needed to heat the water to this temperature without boiling so that this possibility must be taken seriously and the question is whether the water is indeed evaporated.

Comments:

- i. This looks really dangerous. Rossi uses water only as a passive agent gathering the energy assumed to be produced in the fusion of hydrogen and nickel to copper. This would allow to assume that the water fed in is at lower temperature and also the water at outlet is below boiling boiling. Just by measuring the temperature at the outlet one can check whether the outgoing water has temperature higher than it would be if all input energy goes to its heating.
  - ii. This is only one particular demonstration and it might be that there are other demonstrations in which the situation is this. As a matter fact, from an excellent video interview of Nobelist Brian Josephson one learns that there are also demonstrations in which water is only heated so that the argument of Lubos does not bite here. The gadget of Rossi is already used to heat university building. The reason why the evaporation is probably that this provides an effective manner to collect the produced energy. Also by reading the Nyteknik report [C182] one learns that the energy production is directly measured rather than being based on the assumption that evaporation occurs.
- (b) Is the water evaporated or not? This is the question posed by Lubos. The demonstration shows explicitly that there is a flow of vapor from the outlet. As Rossi explains there is some condensation. Lubos claims that the the flow of about 2 liters of vapor per second resulting from the evaporation 2 ml of water per second should produce much more dramatic visual effect. More vapor and with a faster flow velocity. Lubos claims that water just drops from the tube and part of it spontaneously evaporates. This is what Lubos wants to see and I have no doubt that he is seeing it. Strong belief can move mountains! Or at least can make possible the impression that they are moving!

Comments:

- i. I do not see what Lubos sees but I am not able to tell how many liters of vapor per second comes out. Therefore the visual demonstration as such is not enough.
- ii. I wonder why Rossi has not added flow meter measuring the amount of vapor going through the tube. Second possibility is to allow the vapor condensate back to water in the tube by using heat exchanger. This would allow to calculate the energy gained without making the assumption that all that comes out is vapor. It might be that in some experiments this is done.

To sum up, Lubos in his eagerness to debunk forgets that he is concentrating on single demonstration and forgetting other demonstrations altogether and also the published report [C182] to which his argument do not apply. I remain however skeptic (I mean real skeptic, the skepticism of Lubos and -sad to say- of quite too many skeptics- has nothing to do with a real skeptic attitude). Rossi should give information about the details of his invention and quantitative tests really measuring the heat produced should be carried out and published. Presumably the financial aspects related to the invention explain the secrecy in a situation in which patenting is difficult.

### Objections from nuclear physics

The reading of Rossi's paper and Wikipedia article led me to consider in more detail also various nuclear physics based objections against Rossi's reactor [C46]. Coulomb barrier, the

lack of gamma rays, the lack of explanation for the origin of the extra energy, the lack of the expected radioactivity after fusing a proton with  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  (production of neutrino and positron in beta decay of  $^{59}\text{Cu}$ ), the unexplained occurrence of 11 per cent iron in the spent fuel, the 10 per cent copper in the spent fuel strangely having the same isotopic ratios as natural copper, and the lack of any unstable copper isotopes in the spent fuel as if the reactor only produced stable isotopes.

1. *Could natural isotope ratios be determined by cold fusion?*

The presence of Cu in natural isotope ratios and the absence of unstable copper isotopes of course raise the question whether the copper is just added there. Also the presence of iron is strange. Could one have an alternative explanation for these strange co-incidences?

- (a) Whether unstable isotopes of Cu are present or not, depends on how fast  $^A\text{Cu}$ ,  $A < 63$  decays by neutron emission: this decay is expected to be fast since it proceeds by strong interactions. I do not know enough about the detailed decay rates to be able to say anything about this.
- (b) Why the isotope ratios would be the same as for naturally occurring copper isotopes? The simplest explanation would be that the fusion cascades of two stable Ni isotopes determine the ratio of naturally occurring Cu isotopes so that cold fusion would be responsible for their production. As a matter fact, TGD based model combined with what is claimed about bio-fusion led to the proposal that stable isotopes are produced in interstellar space by cold fusion and that this process might even dominate over the production in stellar interiors. This would solve among other things also the well-known Lithium problem. The implications of the ability to produce technologically important elements artificially at low temperatures are obvious.

2. *Could standard nuclear physics view about cold fusion allow to overcome the objections?*

Consider now whether one could answer the objections in standard nuclear physics framework as a model for cold fusion processes.

- (a) By inspecting stable nuclides one learns that there are two fusion cascades. In the first cascade the isotopes of copper would be produced in a cascade starting from with  $^{58}\text{Ni} + n \rightarrow ^{59}\text{Cu}$  and stopping at  $^{63}\text{Cu}$ . All isotopes  $^A\text{Cu}$ ,  $A \in \{55, 62\}$  are unstable with lifetime shorter than one day. The second fusion cascade begins from  $^{63}\text{Ni}$  and stops at  $^{65}\text{Cu}$ .
- (b) The first cascade involves five cold fusions and 4 weak decays of Cu. Second cascade involves two cold fusions and one weak decay of Cu. The time taken by the cascade would be same if there is single slow step involved having same duration. The only candidates for the slow step would be the fusion of the stable Ni isotope with the neutron or the fusion producing the stable Cu isotope. If the fusion time is long and same irrespective of the neutron number of the stable isotope, one could understand the result. Of course, this kind of co-incidence does not look plausible.
- (c)  $^{A-5}\text{Fe}$  could be produced via alpha decay  $^A\text{Cu} \rightarrow ^{A-4}\text{Co} + \alpha$  followed by  $^{A-4}\text{Co} \rightarrow ^{A-5}\text{Fe} + p$ .

3. *Could TGD view about cold fusion allow to overcome the objections?*

The claimed absence of positrons from beta decays and the absence of gamma rays are strong objections against the assumption that standard nuclear physics is enough. TGD framework it is possible to ask whether the postulated fusion cascades really occur and whether instead of it weak interactions in dark phase of nuclear matter with range of order atomic length scale are responsible for the process because weak bosons would be effectively massless below atomic length scale. For TGD inspired model of cold fusion see this and this) [K76, L2].

- (a) The nuclear string model assumes that nucleons for nuclear strings with nucleons connected with color bonds having quark and antiquark at their ends. Color bonds could be also

charged and this predicts new kind of internal structure for nuclei. Suppose that the space-time sheets mediating weak interactions between the color bonds and nucleons correspond to so large value of Planck constant that weak interaction length scale is scaled up to atomic length scale. The generalization of this hypothesis combined with the p-adic length scale hypothesis is actually standard piece of TGD inspired quantum biology (see this) [K24].

- (b) The energy scale of the excitations of color bond excitations of the exotic nuclei would be measured in keVs. One could even consider the possibility that the energy liberated in cold fusion would correspond to this energy scale. In particular, the photons emitted would be in keV range corresponding to wavelength of order atomic length scale rather than in MeV range. This would resolve gamma ray objection.
- (c) Could the fusion process  $^{58}\text{Ni} + n$  actually lead to a generation of Ni nucleus  $^{59}\text{Ni}$  with one additional positively charged color bond? Could the fusion cascade only generate exotic Ni nuclei with charged color bonds, which would transform to stable Cu by internal dark W boson exchange transferring the positive charge of color bond to neutron and thus transforming it to neutron? This would not produce any positrons. This cascade might dominate over the one suggested by standard nuclear physics since the rates for beta decays could be much slower than the rate for directed generation of Ni isotopes with positively charged color bonds.
- (d) In this case also the direct alpha decay of Ni with charged color bond to Fe with charged color bond decaying to ordinary Fe by positron emission can be imagined besides the proposed mechanism producing Fe.
- (e) If one assumes that this process is responsible for producing the natural isotope ratios, one could overcome the basic objections against Rossi's reactor.

The presence of em radiation in keV range would be a testable basic signature of the new nuclear physics as also effects of X-ray irradiation on measured nuclear decay and reaction rates due to the fact that color bonds are excited. As a matter fact, it is known that X-ray bursts from Sun in keV range has effects on the measured nuclear decay rates and I have proposed that the proposed exotic nuclear physics in keV range is responsible for the effect. Quite generally, the excitations of color bonds would couple nuclear physics with atomic physics and I have proposed that the anomalies of water could involve classical  $Z^0$  force in atomic length scales. Also the low compressibility of condensed matter phase could involve classical  $Z^0$  force. The possible connections with sono-luminescence and claimed sonofusion are also obvious (see this) [K26].

#### 14.8.4 Sono-luminescence, classical $Z^0$ force, and hydrodynamic hierarchy of p-adic length scales

Sono-luminescence [D31] , [D31] is a peculiar phenomenon, which might provide an application for the hydrodynamical hierarchy. The radiation pressure of a resonant sound field in a liquid can trap a small gas bubble at a velocity node. At a sufficiently high sound intensity the pulsations of the bubble are large enough to prevent its contents from dissolving in the surrounding liquid. For an air bubble in water, a still further increase in intensity causes the phenomenon of sono-luminescence above certain threshold for the sound intensity. What happens is that the minimum and maximum radii of the bubble decrease at the threshold and picosecond flash of broad band light extending well into ultraviolet is emitted. Rather remarkably, the emitted frequencies are emitted simultaneously during very short time shorter than 50 picoseconds, which suggests that the mechanism involves formation of coherent states of photons. The transition is very sensitive to external parameters such as temperature and sound field amplitude.

A plausible explanation for the sono-luminescence is in terms of the heating caused by shock waves launched from the boundary of the adiabatically contracting bubble [D31] , [D31] . The temperature jump across a strong shock is proportional to the square of Mach number and increases with decreasing bubble radius. After the reflection from the minimum radius  $R_s(\text{min})$  the outgoing shock moves into the gas previously heated by the incoming shock and the increase of the temperature after focusing is approximately given by  $T/T_0 = M^4$ , where M is Mach number at focusing and  $T_0 \sim 300 \text{ K}$  is the temperature of the ambient liquid. The observed

spectrum of sono-luminescence is explained as a brehmstrahlung radiation emitted by plasma at minimum temperature  $T \sim 10^5 K$ . There is a fascinating possibility that sono-luminescence relates directly to the classical  $Z^0$  force.

Even standard model reproduces nicely the time development of the bubble and sono-luminescence spectrum and explains sensitivity to the external parameters [D31] , [D31] . The problem is to understand how the length scales are generated and explain the jump-wise transition to sono-luminescence and the decrease of the bubble radius at sono-luminescence: ordinary hydrodynamics predicts continuous increase of the bubble radius. The length scales are the ambient radius  $R_0$  (radius of the bubble, when gas is in pressure of 1 atm) and the minimum radius  $R_s(min)$  of the shock wave determining the temperature reached in shock wave heating. Zero radius is certainly not reached since shock front is susceptible to instabilities.

### p-Adic length scale hypothesis and the length scales sono-luminescence

Since p-adic length scale hypothesis introduces a hierarchy of hydrodynamics with each hydrodynamics characterized by a p-adic cutoff length scale there are good hopes of achieving a better understanding of these length scales in TGD. The change in bubble size in turn could be understood as a change in the 'primary' condensation level of the bubble.

- (a) The bubble of air is characterized by its primary condensation level  $k$ . The minimum size of the bubble at level  $k$  must be larger than the p-adic length scale  $L(k)$ . This suggests that the transition to photo-luminescence corresponds to the change in the primary condensation level of the air bubble. In the absence of photo-luminescence the level can be assumed to be  $k = 163$  with  $L(163) \sim .76 \mu m$  in accordance with the fact that the minimum bubble radius is above  $L(163)$ . After the transition the primary condensation level of the air bubble one would have  $k = 157$  with  $L(157) \sim .07 \mu m$ . In the transition the minimum radius of the bubble decreases below  $L(163)$  but should not decrease below  $L(157)$ : this hypothesis is consistent with the experimental data [D31] , [D31] .
- (b) The particles of hydrodynamics at level  $k$  have minimum size  $L(k_{prev})$ . For  $k = 163$  one has  $k_{prev} = 157$  and for  $k = 157$   $k_{prev} = 151$  with  $L(151) \sim 11.8 nm$ . It is natural to assume that the minimum size of the particle at level  $k$  gives also the minimum radius for the spherical shock wave since hydrodynamic approximation fails below this length scale. This means that the minimum radius of the shock wave decreases from  $R_s(min, 163) = L(157)$  to  $R_s(min, 157) = L(151)$  in the transition to sono-luminescence. The resulting minimum radius is 11 nm and much smaller than the radius .1  $\mu m$  needed to explain the observed radiation if it is emitted by plasma.

A quantitative estimate goes along lines described in [D31] , [D31] .

- (a) The radius of the spherical shock is given by

$$R_s = At^\alpha , \quad (14.8.1)$$

where  $t$  is the time to the moment of focusing and  $\alpha$  depends on the equation of state (for water one has  $\alpha \sim .7$ ).

- (b) The collapse rate of the adiabatically compressing bubble obeys

$$\frac{dR}{dt} = c_0 \left( \frac{2}{3\gamma} \frac{\rho_0}{\rho} \left( \frac{R_m}{R_0} \right)^3 \right)^{1/2} , \quad (14.8.2)$$

where  $c_0$  is the sound velocity in gas,  $\gamma$  is the heat capacity ratio and  $\rho_0/\rho$  is the ratio of densities of the ambient gas and the liquid.



- (c) Assuming that the shock is moving with velocity  $c_0$  of sound in gas, when the radius of the bubble is equal to the ambient radius  $R_0$  one obtains from previous equations for the Mach number  $M$  and for the radius of the shock wave

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \frac{\frac{dR_s}{dt}}{c_0} = (t_0/t)^{\alpha-1} , \\ R_s &= R_0(t/t_0)^\alpha , \\ t_0 &= \frac{\alpha R_0}{c_0} . \end{aligned} \tag{14.8.1}$$

where  $t_0$  is the time that elapses between the moment, when the bubble radius is  $R_0$  and the instant, when the shock would focus to zero radius in the ideal case. For  $R_0 = L(167)$  (order of magnitude is this) and for  $R_s(\min) = L(151)$  one obtains  $R_0/R_s(\min) = 256$  and  $M \simeq 10.8$  at the minimum shock radius.

- (d) The increase of the temperature immediately after the focusing is approximately given by

$$\frac{T}{T_0} \simeq M^4 = \left(\frac{R_0}{R_s}\right)^{\frac{4(1-\alpha)}{\alpha}} \simeq 1.3 \cdot 10^4 . \tag{14.8.1}$$

For  $T_0 = 300 \text{ K}$  this gives  $T \simeq 4 \cdot 10^6 \text{ K}$ : the temperature is far below the temperature needed for fusion.

In principle the further increase of the temperature can lead to further transitions. The next transition would correspond to the transition  $k = 157 \rightarrow k = 151$  with the minimum size of particle changing as  $L(k_{prev}) \rightarrow L(149)$ . The next transition corresponds to the transition to  $k = 149$  and  $L(k_{prev}) \rightarrow L(141)$ . The values of the temperatures reached depend on the ratio of the ambient size  $R_0$  of the bubble and the minimum radius of the shock wave. The fact that  $R_0$  is expected to be of the order of  $L(k_{next})$  suggests that the temperatures achieved are not sufficiently high for nuclear fusion to take place.

### Could sonoluminescence involve the formation of a phase near vacuum extremals?

In TGD inspired model of cell membrane [K64] a key role is played by almost vacuum extremals for which the induced Kähler field is very small. Vacuum exrremals are accompanied by a strong classical  $Z^0$  field proportional to classical electromagnetic field and given by  $Z^0 = -2\gamma/p$ ,  $p = \sin^2(\theta_W)$ . One could also imagine that em field is vanishing in which case  $Z^0$  field is proportional to Kähler field and also strong because of  $Z^0 = 6J/p$ ,  $p = \sin^2(\theta_W)$  proportionality. In this case also classical color fields are present. It is however not clear whether these fields can be realized as preferred extremals of Kähler action.

The classical  $Z^0$  field should have a source and the vacuum polarization in the sense that flux tubes are generated with many fermion state and its conjugate at its opposite ends would generate it. The Compton scale of weak bosons must correspond to  $L(157)$  so that either dark variants of ordinary weak bosons or their light variants would be in question. Both would be effectively massless below  $L(157)$ . The simplest situation corresponds to many-neutrino state for vacuum extremals but also many quark states are possible when em field for the flux tube vanishes.

The length scales involved correspond to Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1+i)^k - 1$  and together with  $k = 151$  and  $k = 167$  define biologically important length scales [K64] . The p-adically scaled up variants and dark variants of of QCD and weak physics haven been conjectured to play key role in biology between length scales 10 nm (cell membrane thickness) and 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$  (the size scale of nucleus). This motivates the question whether a nearly vacuum extremal phase (as far as induced gauge fields are considered) accompanies the transition changing the p-adic length scale associated with the bubble from  $k = 163$  to  $k = 157$ . The acceleration in the strong  $Z^0$

field associated with the flux tubes could generate the visible light as brehmstrahlung radiation, perhaps also  $Z^0$  and  $W$  brehmstrahlung could be generated and would decay to photons and charged particles and generate a plasma in this manner. If the weak scale is given by  $k_W = 157$ , the mass scale of weak bosons is  $2^{-31} \simeq 10^{-9}/2$  times smaller than that of ordinary weak bosons (about 50 eV which corresponds to a temperature of  $5 \times 10^5$  K). A further transition to  $k = 151$  would correspond to gauge boson mass scale 400 eV and temperature or order  $4 \times 10^6$  K.

## 14.9 Dark atomic physics

Dark matter might be relevant also for atomic physics and in the sequel some speculations along these lines are represented. Previous considerations assumed that only field bodies can be dark and this is assumed also now. The notion of dark atom depends strongly on the precise meaning of the generalized imbedding space and I have considered several options.

- (a) The first option was based on the singular coverings  $CD \times CP_2 \rightarrow CD/G_a \times CP_2/G_b$ . This approach has a concrete connection to the quantization and the selection of quantization axes correlates closely with the identification of groups  $G_a$  and  $G_b$ . The questionable assumption is that elementary particle like partonic 2-surfaces remain invariant under the cyclic groups  $G_a \times G_b$ .
- (b) The next proposal was that both factor spaces and coverings of  $H$  are possible. For this option the notion of covering is somewhat unsatisfactory because it lacks concreteness. Singular factor of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  spaces make possible all rational values of Planck constant and one loses the vision about evolution as drift to the sectors of imbedding space characterized by increasing value of Planck constant.
- (c) The last proposal is based on the realization that basic quantum TGD could well explain the hierarchy of Planck constants in terms of singular covering spaces emerging naturally when the time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates are many-valued functions of the canonical momentum densities. In this framework singular factor spaces are not possible and the formula  $r \equiv \hbar/\hbar_0 = n_a n_b$  emerges naturally as well as charge fractionization. One also ends up to a unique recipe for how to obtain binding energies in this kind of situation and the results are consistent with the earlier formulas deduced on purely formal arguments. Groups  $G_a$  and  $G_b$  do not directly correspond to subgroups of isometry groups but the fractionization of quantum numbers implied by the scaling of Planck constant implies that wave functions for the selected quantization axes behave as if the maximal cyclic subgroups of  $G_a$  and  $G_b$  had a geometric meaning.

For covering space option fermion number is fractionized. The group algebra of  $G_a \times G_b$  defines  $n_a n_b$  single particle wave functions in the covering. The simplest option is that total fermion number is integer valued so that the many-sheeted structure is analogous to a full Fermi sphere containing  $n_a n_b$  fermions with fractional fermion number  $1/n_a n_b$ . A more general option allows states with fractional total fermion number varying from  $1/n_a n_b$  to 1. One could generalize the condition about integer fermion number so that it holds for the entire quantum state involving several covering regions and the condition would correspond to the  $G_a \times G_b$  singletness of the physical states.

### 14.9.1 Dark atoms and dark cyclotron states

The development of the notion of dark atom involves many side tracks which make me blush. The first naive guess was that dark atom would be obtained by simply replacing Planck constant with its scaled counterpart in the basic formulas and interpreting the results geometrically. After some obligatory twists and turns it became clear that this assumption is indeed the most plausible one. The main source of confusion has been the lack of precise view about what the hierarchy of Planck constants means at the level of imbedding space at space-time.

The rules are very simple when one takes the singular coverings assigned to the many-valuedness of the time-derivatives of imbedding space coordinates as functions of canonical momentum densities as a starting point.

- (a) The mass and charge of electron are fractionized as is also the reduced mass in Schrödinger equation. This implies the replacements  $e \rightarrow e/r$ ,  $m \rightarrow m/r$ , and  $\hbar \rightarrow r\hbar_0$ ,  $r = n_a n_b$ , in the general formula for the binding energy assigned with single sheet of the covering. If maximal number  $n_a n_b$  are present corresponding to a full "Fermi sphere", the total binding energy is  $r$  times the binding energy associated with single sheet.
- (b) In the case of hydrogen atom the proportionality  $E \propto m/\hbar^2$  implies that the binding energy for single sheet of the covering scales as  $E \rightarrow E/(n_a n_b)^3$  and maximal binding energy scales as  $E \rightarrow E/(n_a n_b)^2$ . This conforms with the naive guess. For high values of the nuclear charge  $Z$  it can happen that the binding energy is larger than the rest mass and fractionization might take place when binding energy is above critical fraction of the rest mass.
- (c) In the case of cyclotron energies one must decide what happens to the magnetic flux. Magnetic flux quantization states that the flux is proportional to  $\hbar$  for each sheet separately. Hence one has  $\Phi \rightarrow r\Phi$  for each sheet and the total flux scales as  $r^2$ . Since the dimensions of the flux quantum are scaled up by  $r$  the natural scaling of the size of flux quantum is by  $r^2$ . Therefore the quantization of the magnetic flux requires the scaling  $B \rightarrow B/r$ . The cyclotron energy for single sheet satisfies  $E \propto \hbar q B/m$  and since both mass  $m$  and charge  $q$  become fractional, the energy  $E$  for single sheet remains invariant whereas total cyclotron energy is scaled up by  $r$  in accordance with the original guess and the assumption used in applications.
- (d) Dark cyclotron states are expected to be stable up to temperatures which are  $r$  times higher than for ordinary cyclotron states. The states of dark hydrogen atoms and its generalizations are expected to be stable at temperatures scaled down by  $1/r^2$  in the first approximation.
- (e) Similar arguments allow to deduce the values of binding energies in the general case once the formula of the binding energy given by standard quantum theory is known.

The most general option allows fractional atoms with proton and electron numbers varying from  $1/r$  to 1. One can imagine also the possibility of fractional molecules. The analogs of chemical bonds between fractional hydrogen atoms with  $N - k$  and  $k$  fractional electrons and protons can be considered and would give rise to a full shell of fractional electrons possessing an exceptional stability. These states would have proton and electron numbers equal to one.

Catalytic sites are one possible candidate for fractal electrons and catalyst activity might be perhaps understood as a strong tendency of fractal electron and its conjugate to fuse to form an ordinary electron.

### 14.9.2 Could q-Laguerre equation relate to the claimed fractionation of the principal quantum number for hydrogen atom?

The so called hydrino atom concept of Randell Mills [D45] represents one of the notions related to free energy research not taken seriously by the community of university physicists. What is claimed that hydrogen atom can exist as scaled down variants for which binding energies are much higher than usually due to the large Coulombic energy. The claim is that the quantum number  $n$  having integer values  $n = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$  and characterizing partially the energy levels of the hydrogen atom can have also inverse integer values  $n = 1/2, 1/3, \dots$ . The claim of Mills is that the laboratory BlackLight Inc. led by him can produce a plasma state in which transitions to these exotic bound states can occur and liberate as a by-product usable energy.

The National Aeronautic and Space Administration has dispatched mechanical engineering professor Anthony Marchese from Rowan University to BlackLight's labs in Cranbury, NJ, to investigate whether energy plasmas-hot, charged gases- produced by Mills might be harnessed for a new generation of rockets. Marchese reported back to his sponsor, the NASA Institute

for Advanced Concepts, that indeed the plasma was so far unexplainably energetic. An article about the findings of Mills and collaborators have been accepted for publication in Journal of Applied Physics so that there are reasons to take seriously the experimental findings of Mills and collaborators even if one does not take seriously the theoretical explanations.

The fractionized principal quantum number  $n$  claimed by Mills [D45] is reported to have at least the values  $n = 1/k$ ,  $k = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10$ . First explanation would be in terms of Plack constant having also values smaller than  $\hbar_0$  possible if singular factor spaces of causal diamond  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  are allowed.  $q$ -Deformations of ordinary quantum mechanics are suggested strongly by the hierarchy of Jones inclusion associated with the hyper-finite factor of type  $II_1$  about which WCW spinors are a basic example. This motivates the attempt to understand the claimed fractionization in terms of  $q$ -analog of hydrogen atom. The safest interpretation for them would be as states which can exist in ordinary imbedding space (and also in other branches)

The Laguerre polynomials appearing in the solution of Schrödinger equation for hydrogen atom possess quantum variant, so called  $q$ -Laguerre polynomials [A55], and one might hope that they would allow to realize this semiclassical picture at the level of solutions of appropriately modified Schrödinger equation and perhaps also resolve the difficulty associated with  $n = 1/2$ . Unfortunately, the polynomials discussed in [A55] correspond to  $0 < q \leq 1$  rather than complex values of  $q = \exp(i\pi/m)$  on circle and the extrapolation of the formulas for energy eigenvalues gives complex energies.

#### **$q$ -Laguerre equation for $q = \exp(i\pi/m)$**

The most obvious modification of the Laguerre equation for  $S$ -wave sates (which are the most interesting by semiclassical argument) in the complex case is based on the replacement

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_x &\rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(\partial_x^q + \partial_x^{\bar{q}}) \\ \partial_x^q f &= \frac{f(qx) - f(x)}{(q-1)x} , \\ q &= \exp(i\pi/m) \end{aligned} \tag{14.9.-1}$$

to guarantee hermiticity. When applied to the Laguerre equation

$$x \frac{d^2 L_n}{dx^2} + (1-x) \frac{dL_n}{dx} = nL_n , \tag{14.9.0}$$

and expanding  $L_n$  into Taylor series

$$L_n(x) = \sum_{n \geq 0} l_n x^n , \tag{14.9.1}$$

one obtains difference equation

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1} l_{n+1} + b_n l_n &= 0 , \\ a_{n+1} &= \frac{1}{4R_1^2} [R_{2n+1} - R_{2n} + 2R_{n+1}R_1 + 3R_1] + \frac{1}{2R_1} [R_{n+1} + R_1] \\ b_n &= \frac{R_n}{2R_1} - n^q + \frac{1}{2} , \\ R_n &= 2\cos[(n-1)\pi/m] - 2\cos[n\pi/m] . \end{aligned} \tag{14.9.-1}$$

Here  $n^{(q)}$  is the fractionized principal quantum number determining the energy of the  $q$ -hydrogen atom. One cannot pose the difference equation on  $l_0$  since this together with the absence of negative powers of  $x$  would imply the vanishing of the entire solution. This is natural since for first order difference equations lowest term in the series should be chosen freely.

### Polynomial solutions of $q$ -Laquerre equation

The condition that the solution reduces to a polynomial reads as

$$b_n = 0 \quad (14.9.0)$$

and gives

$$n^{(q)} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{R_n}{2R_1} , \quad (14.9.1)$$

For  $n = 1$  one has  $n^{(q)} = 1$  so that the ground state energy is not affected. At the limit  $N \rightarrow \infty$  one obtains  $n^{(q)} \rightarrow n$  so that spectrum reduces to that for hydrogen atom. The periodicity  $R_{n+2Nk} = R_n$  reflects the corresponding periodicity of the difference equation which suggests that only the values  $n \leq 2m - 1$  belong to the spectrum. Spectrum is actually symmetric with respect to the middle point  $[N/2]$  which suggests that only  $n < [m/2]$  corresponds to the physical spectrum. An analogous phenomenon occurs for representations of quantum groups [K11] . When  $m$  increases the spectrum approaches integer valued spectrum and one has  $n > 1$  so that no fractionization in the desired sense occurs for polynomial solutions.

### Non-polynomial solutions of $q$ -Laquerre equation

One might hope that non-polynomial solutions associated with some fractional values of  $n^{(q)}$  near to those claimed by Mills might be possible. Since the coefficients  $a_n$  and  $b_n$  are periodic, one can express the solution ansatz as

$$\begin{aligned} L_n(x) &= P_a^{(2m)}(x) \sum_k a^k x^{2mk} = P_a^{(2m)}(x) \frac{1}{1 - ax^{2m}} , \\ P_a^{(2m)}(x) &= \sum_{k=0}^{2m-1} l_k x^k , \\ a &= \frac{l_{2m}}{l_0} , \end{aligned} \quad (14.9.0)$$

This solution behaves as  $1/x$  asymptotically but has pole at  $x_\infty = (1/a)^{1/2m}$  for  $a > 0$ .

The expression for  $l_{2m}/l_0 = a$  is

$$a = \prod_{k=1}^{2m} \frac{b_{2m-k}}{a_{2m-k+1}} . \quad (14.9.1)$$

This can be written more explicitly as

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= (2R_1)^{2m} \prod_{k=1}^{2m} X_k , \\
 X_k &= \frac{R_{2m-k} + (-2n^q) + 1)R_1}{R_{4m-2k+1} - R_{4m-2k} + 4R_{2m-k+1}R_1 + 2R_1^2 + 3R_1} , \\
 R_n &= 2\cos[(n-1)\pi/m] - 2\cos[n\pi/m] .
 \end{aligned} \tag{14.9-1}$$

This formula is a specialization of a more general formula for  $n = 2m$  and resulting ratios  $l_n/l_0$  can be used to construct  $P_a^{2m}$  with normalization  $P_a^{2m}(0) = 1$ .

### Results of numerical calculations

Numerical calculations demonstrate following.

- (a) For odd values of  $m$  one has  $a < 0$  so that a a continuous spectrum of energies seems to result without any further conditions.
- (b) For even values of  $m$   $a$  has a positive sign so that a pole results.

For even value of  $m$  it could happen that the polynomial  $P_a^{2m}(x)$  has a compensating zero at  $x_\infty$  so that the solution would become square integrable. The condition for reads explicitly

$$P_a^{2m} \left( \left( \frac{1}{a} \right)^{\frac{1}{2m}} \right) = 0 . \tag{14.9.0}$$

If  $P_a^{2m}(x)$  has zeros there are hopes of finding energy eigen values satisfying the required conditions. Laguerre polynomials and also q-Laguerre polynomials must posses maximal number of real zeros by their orthogonality implied by the hermiticity of the difference equation defining them. This suggests that also  $P_a^{2m}(x)$  possesses them if  $a$  does not deviate too much from zero. Numerical calculations demonstrate that this is the case for  $n^q < 1$ .

For ordinary Laguerre polynomials the naive estimate for the position of the most distant zero in the units used is larger than  $n$  but not too much so. The naive expectation is that  $L_{2m}$  has largest zero somewhat above  $x = 2m$  and that same holds true a small deformation of  $L_{2m}$  considered now since the value of the parameter  $a$  is indeed very small for  $n^q < 1$ . The ratio  $x_\infty/2m$  is below .2 for  $m \leq 10$  so that this argument gives good hopes about zeros of desired kind.

One can check directly whether  $x_\infty$  is near to zero for the experimentally suggested candidates for  $n^q$ . The table below summarizes the results of numerical calculations.

- (a) The table gives the exact eigenvalues  $1/n_q$  with a 4-decimal accuracy and corresponding approximations  $1/n_q^k = k$  for  $k = 3, \dots, 10$ . For a given value of  $m$  only single eigenvalue  $n^q < 1$  exists. If the observed anomalous spectral lines correspond to single electron transitions, the values of  $m$  for them must be different. The value of  $m$  for which  $n^q \simeq 1/k$  approximation is optimal is given with boldface. The value of  $k$  increases as  $m$  increases. The lowest value of  $m$  allowing the desired kind of zero of  $P^{2m}$  is  $m = 18$  and for  $k \in \{3, 10\}$  the allowed values are in range 18, ..., 38.
- (b)  $n^q = 1/2$  does not appear as an approximate eigenvalue so that for even values of  $m$  quantum calculation produces same disappointing result as the classical argument. Below it will be however found that  $n^q = 1/2$  is a universal eigenvalue for odd values of  $m$ .

m	$1/n_{\approx}^{(q)}$	$1/n^{(q)}$	m	$1/n_{\approx}^{(q)}$	$1/n^{(q)}$
<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	2.7568	30	8	7.5762
<b>20</b>	<b>4</b>	3.6748	<b>32</b>	<b>8</b>	8.3086
22	5	4.5103	<b>34</b>	<b>9</b>	9.0342
<b>24</b>	<b>5</b>	5.3062	<b>36</b>	<b>10</b>	9.7529
<b>26</b>	<b>6</b>	6.0781	38	10	10.4668
<b>28</b>	<b>7</b>	6.8330			

Table3. The table gives the approximations  $1/n_{\approx}^{(q)} = 1/k$  and corresponding exact values  $1/n^{(q)}$  in the range  $k = 3, \dots, 10$  for which  $P_a^{2m}(x_{\infty})$  is nearest to zero. The corresponding values of  $m = 2k$  vary in the range,  $k = 18, \dots, 38$ . For odd values of  $m$  the value of the parameter  $a$  is negative so that there is no pole. Boldface marks for the best approximation by  $1/n_{\approx}^{(q)} = k$ .

**How to obtain  $n^{(q)} = 1/2$  state?**

For odd values of  $m$  the quantization recipe fails and physical intuition tells that there must be some manner to carry out quantization also now. The following observations give a hunch about be the desired condition.

- (a) For the representations of quantum groups only the first  $m$  spins are realized [K11] . This suggests that there should exist a symmetry relating the coefficients  $l_n$  and  $l_{n+m}$  and implying  $n^{(q)} = 1/2$  for odd values of  $m$ . This symmetry would remove also the double degeneracy associated with the almost integer eigenvalues of  $n^{(q)}$ . Also other fractional states are expected on basis of physical intuition.
- (b) For  $n^{(q)} = 1/2$  the recursion formula for the coefficients  $l_n$  involves only the coefficients  $R_m$ .
- (c) The coefficients  $R_k$  have symmetries  $R_k = R_{k+2m}$  and  $R_{k+m} = -R_m$ .

There is indeed this kind of symmetry. From the formula

$$\frac{l_n}{l_0} = (2R_1)^n \prod_{k=1}^n X_k ,$$

$$X_k = \frac{R_{n-k} + (-2n^{(q)} + 1)R_1}{[R_{2n-2k+1} - R_{n-2k} + 4R_{n-k+1}R_1 + 2R_1^2 + 3R_1]} \tag{14.9.0}$$

one finds that for  $n^{(q)} = 1/2$  the formula giving  $l_{n+m}$  in terms of  $l_n$  changes sign when  $n$  increases by one unit

$$A_{n+1} = (-1)^m A_n ,$$

$$A_n = \prod_{k=1}^m \frac{b_{n+m-k}}{a_{n+m-k+1}} = \prod_{k=1}^m (2R_1)^m \prod_{k=1}^m X_{k+n} . \tag{14.9-1}$$

The change of sign is essentially due to the symmetries  $a_{n+m} = -a_n$  and  $b_{n+m} = b_n$ . This means that the action of translations on  $A_n$  in the space of indices  $n$  are represented by group  $Z_2$ .

This symmetry implies  $a = l_{2m}/l_0 = -(l_m)(l_0)^2$  so that for  $n^{(q)} = 1/2$  the polynomial in question has a special form

$$\begin{aligned} P_a^{2m} &= P_a^m(1 - Ax^m) , \\ A &= A_0 . \end{aligned} \quad (14.9.-1)$$

The relationship  $a = -A^2$  implies that the solution reduces to a form containing the product of  $m^{\text{th}}$  (rather than  $(2m)^{\text{th}}$ ) order polynomial with a geometric series in  $x^m$  (rather than  $x^{2m}$ ):

$$L_{1/2}(x) = \frac{P_a^m(x)}{1 + Ax^m} . \quad (14.9.0)$$

Hence the  $n$  first terms indeed determine the solution completely. For even values of  $m$  one obtains similar result for  $n^{(q)} = 1/2$  but now  $A$  is negative so that the solution is excluded. This result also motivates the hypothesis that for the counterparts of ordinary solutions of Laguerre equation sum (even  $m$ ) or difference (odd  $m$ ) of solutions corresponding to  $n$  and  $2m - n$  must be formed to remove the non-physical degeneracy.

This argument does not exclude the possibility that there are also other fractional values of  $n$  allowing this kind of symmetry. The condition for symmetry would read as

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k=1}^m (R_k + \epsilon R_1) &= \prod_{k=1}^m (R_k - \epsilon R_1) , \\ \epsilon &= (2n^{(q)} - 1) . \end{aligned} \quad (14.9.0)$$

The condition states that the odd part of the polynomial in question vanishes. Both  $\epsilon$  and  $-\epsilon$  solutions so that  $n^{(q)}$  and  $1 - n^{(q)}$  are solutions. If one requires that the condition holds true for all values of  $m$  then the comparison of constant terms in these polynomials allows to conclude that  $\epsilon = 0$  is the only universal solution. Since  $\epsilon$  is free parameter, it is clear that the  $m$ :th order polynomial in question has at most  $m$  solutions which could correspond to other fractionized eigenvalues expected to be present on basis of physical intuition.

This picture generalizes also to the case of even  $n$  so that also now solutions of the form of Eq. 14.9.0 are possible. In this case the condition is

$$\prod_{k=1}^m (R_k + \epsilon R_1) = - \prod_{k=1}^m (R_k - \epsilon R_1) . \quad (14.9.1)$$

Obviously  $\epsilon = 0$  and thus  $n = 1/2$  fails to be a solution to the eigenvalue equation in this case. Also now one has the spectral symmetry  $n_{\pm} = 1/2 \pm \epsilon$ .

The symmetry  $R_n = (-1)^m R_{n+m-1} = (-1)^m R_{n-m-1} = (-1)^m R_{m-n+1}$  can be applied to show that the polynomials associated with  $\epsilon$  and  $-\epsilon$  contain both the terms  $R_n - \epsilon$  and  $R_n + \epsilon$  as factors except for odd  $m$  for  $n = (m+1)/2$ . Hence the values of  $n$  can be written for even values of  $m$  as

$$n^{(q)}(n) = \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{R_n}{2R_1} , \quad n = 1, \dots, \frac{m}{2} , \quad (14.9.2)$$

and for odd values of  $m$  as



$$\begin{aligned} n_{\pm}^{(q)}(n) &= \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{R_n}{2R_1}, \quad n = 1, \dots, \frac{m+1}{2} - 1, \\ n^{(q)} &= 1/2. \end{aligned} \quad (14.9.2)$$

Plus sign obviously corresponds to the solutions which reduce to polynomials and to  $n^{(q)} \simeq n$  for large  $m$ . The explicit expression for  $n^{(q)}$  reads as

$$n_{\pm}^{(q)}(n) = \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{(\sin^2(\pi(n-1)/2m) - \sin^2(\pi n/2m))}{2\sin^2(\pi/2m)}. \quad (14.9.3)$$

At the limit of large  $m$  one has

$$n_{+}^{(q)}(n) \simeq n, \quad n_{-}^{(q)}(n) \simeq 1 - n. \quad (14.9.4)$$

so that the fractionization  $n \simeq 1/k$  claimed by Mills is not obtained at this limit. The minimum for  $|n^{(q)}|$  satisfies  $|n^{(q)}| < 1$  and its smallest value  $|n^{(q)}| = .7071$  corresponds to  $m = 4$ . Thus these zeros cannot correspond to  $n^{(q)} \simeq 1/k$  yielded by the numerical computation for even values of  $m$  based on the requirement that the zero of  $P^{2m}$  cancels the pole of the geometric series.

### Some comments

Some closing comments are in order.

- (a) An open question is whether there are also zeros  $|n^{(q)}| > 1$  satisfying  $P_a^{2m}((1/a)^{1/2m}) = 0$  for even values of  $m$ .
- (b) The treatment above is not completely general since only s-waves are discussed. The generalization is however a rather trivial replacement  $(1-x)d/dx \rightarrow (l+1-x)d/dx$  in the Laguerre equation to get associated Laguerre equation. This modifies only the formula for  $a_{n+1}$  in the recursion for  $l_n$  so that expression for  $n^{(q)}$ , which depends on  $b_n$ 's only, is not affected. Also the product of numerators in the formula for the parameter  $a = l_{2m}/l_0$  remains invariant so that the general spectrum has the spectral symmetry  $n^{(q)} \rightarrow 1 - n^{(q)}$ . The only change to the spectrum occurs for even values of  $m$  and is due to the dependence of  $x_{\infty} = (1/a)^{1/2m}$  on  $l$  and can be understood in the semiclassical picture. It might happen that the value of  $l$  is modified to its  $q$  counterpart corresponding to  $q$ -Legendre functions.
- (c) The model could partially explain the findings of Mills and  $n^{(q)} \simeq 1/k$  for  $k > 2$  also fixes the value of corresponding  $m$  to a very high degree so that one would have direct experimental contact with generalized imbedding space, spectrum of Planck constants, and dark matter. The fact that the fractionization is only approximately correct suggests that the states in question could be possible for all sectors of imbedding space appear as intermediate states into sectors in which the spectrum of hydrogen atom is scaled by  $n_b/n_a = k = 2, 3, \dots$ .
- (d) The obvious question is whether  $q$ -counterparts of angular momentum eigenstates ( $idf_m/d\phi = mf_m$ ) are needed and whether they make sense. The basic idea of construction is that the phase transition changing  $\hbar$  does not involve any other modifications except fractionization of angular momentum eigenvalues and momentum eigenvalues having purely geometric origin. One can however ask whether it is possible to identify  $q$ -plane waves as ordinary plane waves. Using the definition  $L_z = 1/2(\partial_u^q + \partial_{\bar{u}}^q)$ ,  $u = \exp(i\phi)$ , one obtains  $f_n = \exp(in\phi)$  and eigenvalues as  $n^{(q)} = R_n/R_1 \rightarrow n$  for  $m \rightarrow \infty$ . Similar construction applies in the case of momentum components.

### 14.9.3 Shy positrons

The latest weird looking effect in atomic physics is the observation that positrium atoms consisting of positron and electron scatter particles almost as if they were lonely electrons [C221, C159]. The effect has been christened cloaking effect for positron.

The following arguments represent the first attempts to understand the cloaking of positron in terms of these notions.

- (a) Let us start with the erratic argument since it comes first in mind. If positron and electron correspond to different space-time sheets and if the scattered particles are at the space-time sheet of electron then they do not see positron's Coulombic field at all. The objection is obvious. If positron interacts with the electron with its full electromagnetic charge to form a bound state, the corresponding electric flux at electron's space-time sheet is expected to combine with the electric flux of electron so that positronium would look like neutral particle after all. Does the electric flux of positron return back to the space-time sheet of positronium at some distance larger than the radius of atom? Why should it do this? No obvious answer.
- (b) Assume that positron dark but still interacts classically with electron via Coulomb potential. In TGD Universe darkness means that positron has large  $\hbar$  and Compton size much larger than positronic wormhole throat (actually wormhole contact but this is a minor complication) would have more or less constant wave function in the volume of this larger space-time sheet characterized by zoomed up Compton length of electron. The scattering particle would see pointlike electron plus background charge diffused in a much larger volume. If the value of  $\hbar$  is large enough, the effect of this constant charge density to the scattering is small and only electron would be seen.
- (c) As a matter fact, I have proposed this kind of mechanism to explain how the Coulomb wall, which is the basic argument against cold fusion could be overcome by the incoming deuteron nucleus [L2], [L2]. Some fraction of deuteron nuclei in the palladium target would be dark and have large size just as positron in the above example. It is also possible that only the protons of these nuclei are dark. I have also proposed that dark protons explain the effective chemical formula  $H_{1.5}O$  of water in scattering by neutrons and electrons in attosecond time scale [L2], [L2]. The connection with cloaked positrons is highly suggestive.
- (d) Also one of TGD inspired proposals for the absence of antimatter is that antiparticles reside at different space-time sheets as dark matter and are apparently absent [K72]. Also the modified Dirac equation with measurement interaction term suggests that fermions and antifermions reside at different space-time sheets, in particular that bosons correspond to wormhole contacts [K29]. Cloaking positrons (shy as also their discoverer Dirac!) might provide an experimental supports for these ideas.

The recent view about the detailed structure of elementary particles forces to consider the above proposal in more detail.

- (a) According to this view all particles are weak string like objects having wormhole contacts at its ends and magnetically charged wormhole throats (four altogether) at the ends of the string like objects with length given by the weak length scale connected by a magnetic flux tube at both space-time sheets. Topological condensation means that these structures in turn are glued to larger space-time sheets and this generates one or more wormhole contacts for which also particle interpretation is highly suggestive and could serve as space-time correlate for interactions described in terms of particle exchanges. As far electrodynamics is considered, the second ends of weak strings containing neutrino pairs are effectively non-existing. In the case of fermions also only the second wormhole throat carrying the fermion number is effectively present so that for practical purposes weak string is only responsible for the massivation of the fermions. In the case of photons both wormhole throats carry fermion number.
- (b) An interesting question is whether the formation of bound states of two charged particles at the same space-time sheet could involve magnetic flux tubes connecting magnetically charged wormhole throats associated with the two particles. If so, Kähler magnetic

monopoles would be part of even atomic and molecular physics. I have proposed already earlier that gravitational interaction in astrophysical scales involves magnetic flux tubes. These flux tubes would have an interpretation as analogs of say photons responsible for bound state energy. In principle it is indeed possible that the energies of the two wormhole throats are of opposite sign for topological sum contact so that the net energy of the wormhole contact pair responsible for the interaction could be negative.

- (c) Also the interaction of positron and electron would be based on topological condensation at the same space-time sheet and the formation of wormhole contacts mediating the interaction. Also now bound states could be glued together by magnetically charged wormhole contacts. In the case of dark positron, the details of the interaction are rather intricate since dark positron would correspond to a multi-sheeted structure analogous to Riemann surface with different sheets identified in terms of the roots of the equation relating generalized velocities defined by the time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates to corresponding canonical momentum densities.



# Chapter 15

## Dark Forces and Living Matter

### 15.1 Introduction

The unavoidable presence of classical long ranged weak (and also color) gauge fields in TGD Universe has been a continual source of worries for more than two decades. The basic question has been whether electro-weak charges of elementary particles are screened in electro-weak length scale or not. The TGD based view about dark matter assumes that weak charges are indeed screened for ordinary matter in electro-weak length scale but that dark electro-weak bosons correspond to much longer symmetry breaking length scale.

The large value of  $\hbar$  in dark matter phase implies that Compton lengths and -times are scaled up. In particular, the sizes of nucleons and nuclei become of order atom size so that dark nuclear physics would have direct relevance for condensed matter physics. It becomes impossible to make a reductionistic separation between nuclear physics and condensed matter physics and chemistry anymore. This view forces a profound re-consideration of the earlier ideas in nuclear and condensed physics context. It however seems that most of the earlier ideas related to the classical  $Z^0$  force and inspired by anomaly considerations survive in a modified form.

In its original form this chapter was an attempt to concretize and develop ideas related to dark matter by using some experimental inputs with emphasis on the predicted interaction between the new nuclear physics and condensed matter. As the vision about dark matter became more coherent and the nuclear string model developed in its recent form, it became necessary to update the chapter and throw away the obsolete material. I dare hope that the recent representation is more focused than the earlier one.

#### 15.1.1 Evidence for long range weak forces and new nuclear physics

There is a lot of experimental evidence for long range electro-weak forces, dark matter, and exotic nuclear physics giving valuable guidelines in the attempts to build a coherent theoretical scenario.

##### Cold fusion

Cold fusion [C252] is a phenomenon involving new nuclear physics and the known selection rules give strong constraints when one tries to understand the character of dark nuclear matter. The simplest model for cold fusion found hitherto is based on the nuclear string model [L2] , [L2] and will be taken as the basis of the considerations of this chapter. Also comparisons with the earlier variant of model of cold fusion [K76] will be made in the section about cold fusion.

### Large parity breaking effects

Large parity breaking effects in living matter indicate the presence of long ranged weak forces, and the reported nuclear transmutations in living matter [C208, C258] suggest that new nuclear physics plays a role also now. For instance, the Gaussian Mersennes  $(1+i)^k - 1$  for  $k = 113, 151, 157163, 167$  could correspond to weak length scales and four biologically important length scales in the range 10 nm-25  $\mu$ m, which seem to relate directly to the coiling hierarchy of DNA double strands. Quantum criticality of living matter against phase transitions between different values of Planck constant suggests that zeros of Riemann Zeta can appear as conformal weights of particles in living matter.

### Anomalies of the physics of water

The physics of water involves a large number of anomalies and life depends in an essential manner on them. As many as 41 anomalies are discussed in the excellent web page "Water Structure and Behavior" of M. Chaplin [D27]. The fact that the physics of heavy water differs much more from that of ordinary water as one might expect on basis of different masses of water molecules suggests that dark nuclear physics is involved.

- (a) The finding that one hydrogen atom per two water molecules remain effectively invisible in neutron and electron interactions in attosecond time scale [D27, D24] suggests that water is partially dark. These findings have been questioned in [D28] and thought to be erroneous in [D70]. If the findings are real, dark matter phase made of super-nuclei consisting of protons connected by dark color bonds could explain them as perhaps also the clustering of water molecules predicting magic numbers of water molecules in clusters. If so, dark nuclear physics could be an essential part of condensed matter physics and biochemistry. For instance, the condensate of dark protons might be essential for understanding the properties of bio-molecules and even the physical origin of van der Waals radius of atom in van der Waals equation of state.
- (b) The observation that the binding energy of dark color bond for  $n = 2^{11} = 1/v_0$  of the scaling of  $\hbar$  corresponds to the bond energy .5 eV of hydrogen bond raises the fascinating possibility that hydrogen bonds is accompanied by a color bond between proton and oxygen nucleus. Also more general chemical bonds might be accompanied by color bonds so that dark color physics might be an essential part of molecular physics. Color bonds might be also responsible for the formation of liquid phase and thus solid state. Dark weak bonds between nuclei could be involved and might be responsible for the repulsive core of van der Waals force and be part of molecular physics too. There is evidence for two kinds of hydrogen bonds [?, D62]: a possible identification is in terms of p-adic scaling of hydrogen bonds by a factor 2. This kind of doubling is predicted by nuclear string model [L2], [L2].
- (c) Tetrahedral water clusters consisting of 14 water molecules would contain 8 dark protons which corresponds to a magic number for a dark nucleus consisting of protons. Icosahedral water clusters in turn consist of 20 tetrahedral clusters. This raises the question whether fractally scaled up super-nuclei could be in question. If one accepts the vision about dark matter hierarchy based in Jones inclusions to be discussed briefly later, tetrahedral and icosahedral structures of water could correspond directly to the unique genuinely 3-dimensional  $G_a = E_6$  and  $E_8$  coverings of  $CP_2$  with  $n_a = 3$  and  $n_a = 5$  assignable to dark electrons. Icosahedral structures are also very abundant in living matter, mention only viruses.

### Other anomalies

There are also other anomalies which might relate to the hierarchy of Planck constants and also to dark weak forces.

#### 1. Exotic chemistries

Exotic chemistries [D23] in which clusters of atoms of given given type mimic the chemistry of another element. These systems behave as if nuclei would form a jellium (constant charge density) defining a harmonic oscillator potential for electrons. Magic numbers correspond to full electron shells analogous to noble gas elements. It is difficult to understand why the constant charge density approximation works so well. If nuclear protons are in large  $\hbar(M^4)$  phase with  $n_F = 3 \times 2^{11}$ , the electromagnetic sizes of nuclei would be about 2.4 Angstroms and the approximation would be natural.

As a matter, fact nuclear string model predicts that the nuclei can have as many as  $3A$  exotic charge states obtained by giving neutral color bond charge  $\pm 1$ : this would give rise to quite different kind of alchemy [L2] , [L2] revealing itself in cold fusion.

### 2. Free energy anomalies

The anomalies reported by free energy researchers such as over unity energy production in devices involving repeated formation and dissociation of  $H_2$  molecules based on the original discovery of Nobelist Irwing Langmuir [D60] (see for instance [H5] ) suggest that part of  $H$  atoms might end up to dark matter phase liberating additional energy. The "mono-atomic" elements of Hudson suggest also dark nuclear physics [H2] . There is even evidence for macroscopic transitions to dark phase [H1, H4, H3] .

### 3. Tritium beta decay anomaly and findings of Shnoll

Tritium beta decay anomaly [C171, C134, C103, C202] suggests exotic nuclear physics related to weak interactions. The evidence for the variation of the rates of nuclear and chemical processes correlating with astrophysical periods [E12] , [E12] could be understood in terms of weak fields created by dark matter and affect by astrophysical phenomena.

## 15.1.2 Dark rules

I have done a considerable amount of trials and errors in order to identify the basic rules allowing to understand what it means to be dark matter is and what happens in the phase transition to dark matter. It is good to try to summarize the basic rules of p-adic and dark physics allowing to avoid obvious contradictions.

### The notion of field body

The notion of "field body" implied by topological field quantization is essential. There would be em,  $Z^0$ ,  $W$ , gluonic, and gravitonic field bodies, each characterized by its one prime. The motivation for considering the possibility of separate field bodies seriously is that the notion of induced gauge field means that all induced gauge fields are expressible in terms of four  $CP_2$  coordinates so that only single component of a gauge potential allows a representation as and independent field quantity. Perhaps also separate magnetic and electric field bodies for each interaction and identifiable as flux quanta must be considered. This kind of separation requires that the fermionic content of the flux quantum (say fermion and anti-fermion at the ends of color flux tube) is such that it conforms with the quantum numbers of the corresponding boson.

What is interesting that the conceptual separation of interactions to various types would have a direct correlate at the level of space-time topology. From a different perspective inspired by the general vision that many-sheeted space-time provides symbolic representations of quantum physics, the very fact that we make this conceptual separation of fundamental interactions could reflect the topological separation at space-time level.

The p-adic mass calculations for quarks encourage to think that the p-adic length scale characterizing the mass of particle is associated with its electromagnetic body and in the case of neutrinos with its  $Z^0$  body.  $Z^0$  body can contribute also to the mass of charged particles but the contribution would be small. It is also possible that these field bodies are purely magnetic for color and weak interactions. Color flux tubes would have exotic fermion and anti-fermion at their ends and define colored variants of pions. This would apply not only in the case of nuclear

strings but also to molecules and larger structures so that scaled variants of elementary particles and standard model would appear in all length scales as indeed implied by the fact that classical electro-weak and color fields are unavoidable in TGD framework.

One can also go further and distinguish between magnetic field body of free particle for which flux quanta start and return to the particle and "relative field" bodies associated with pairs of particles. Very complex structures emerge and should be essential for the understanding the space-time correlates of various interactions. In a well-defined sense they would define space-time correlate for the conceptual analysis of the interactions into separate parts. In order to minimize confusion it should be emphasized that the notion of field body used in this chapter relates to those space-time correlates of interactions, which are more or less *static* and related to the formation of *bound states*.

### What dark variant of elementary particle means

It is not at all clear what the notion of dark variant of elementary particle or of larger structures could mean.

#### 1. Are only field bodies dark?

One variety of dark particle is obtained by making some of the field bodies dark by increasing the value of Planck constant. This hypothesis could be replaced with the stronger assumption that elementary particles are maximally quantum critical systems so that they are same irrespective of the value of the Planck constant. Elementary particles would be represented by partonic 2-surfaces, which belong to the universal orbifold singularities remaining invariant by all groups  $G_a \times G_b$  for a given choice of quantization axes. If  $G_a \times G_b$  is assumed to leave invariant the choice of the quantization axes, it must be of the form  $Z_{n_a} \times Z_{n_b} \subset SO(3) \times SU(3)$ . Partonic 2-surface would belong to  $M^2 \times CP_2/U(1) \times U(1)$ , where  $M^2$  is spanned by the quantization axis of angular momentum and the time axis defining the rest system.

A different manner to say this is that the  $CP_2$  type extremal representing particle would suffer multiple topological condensation on its field bodies so that there would be no separate "particle space-time sheet".

Darkness would be restricted to particle interactions. The value of the Planck constant would be assigned to a particular interaction between systems rather than system itself. This conforms with the original finding that gravitational Planck constant satisfies  $\hbar = GM_1M_2/v_0$ ,  $v_0 \simeq 2^{-11}$ . Since each interaction can give rise to a hierarchy dark phases, a rich variety of partially dark phases is predicted. The standard assumption that dark matter is visible only via gravitational interactions would mean that gravitational field body would not be dark for this particular dark matter.

Complex combinations of dark field bodies become possible and the dream is that one could understand various phases of matter in terms of these combinations. All phase transitions, including the familiar liquid-gas and solid-liquid phase transitions, could have a unified description in terms of dark phase transition for an appropriate field body. At mathematical level Jones inclusions would provide this description.

The book metaphor for the interactions at space-time level is very useful in this framework. Elementary particles correspond to ordinary value of Planck constant analogous to the ordinary sheets of a book and the field bodies mediating their interactions are the same space-time sheet or at dark sheets of the book.

#### 2. Can also elementary particles be dark?

Also dark elementary particles themselves rather than only the flux quanta could correspond to dark space-time sheet defining multiple coverings of  $H/G_a \times G_b$ . This would mean giving up the maximal quantum criticality hypothesis in the case of elementary particles. These sheets would be exact copies of each other. If single sheet of the covering contains topologically condensed space-time sheet, also other sheets contain its exact copy.



The question is whether these copies of space-time sheet defining classical identical systems can carry different fermionic quantum numbers or only identical fermionic quantum numbers so that the dark particle would be exotic many-fermion system allowing an apparent violation of statistics ( $N$  fermions in the same state).

Even if one allows varying number of fermions in the same state with respect to a basic copy of sheet, one ends up with the notion of  $N$ -atom in which nuclei would be ordinary but electrons would reside at the sheets of the covering. The question is whether symbolic representations essential for understanding of living matter could emerge already at molecular level via the formation of  $N$ -atoms.

### Criterion for the transition to dark phase

The criterion  $\alpha Q_1 Q_2 > 1$  for the transition to dark matter phase relates always to the interaction between two systems and the interpretation is that when the field strength characterizing the interaction becomes too strong, the interaction is mediated by dark space-time sheets which define  $n = n(G_a) \times n(G_b)$ -fold covering of  $M^4 \times CP_2/G_a \times G_b$ . The sharing of flux between different space-time sheets reduces the field strength associated with single sheet below the critical value.

### Mersenne hypothesis

The generalization of the imbedding space means a book like structure for which the pages are products of singular coverings or factor spaces of  $CD$  (causal diamond defined as intersection of future and past directed light-cones) and of  $CP_2$  [K28]. This predicts that Planck constants are rationals and that given value of Planck constant corresponds to an infinite number of different pages of the Big Book, which might be seen as a drawback. If only singular covering spaces are allowed the values of Planck constant are products of integers and given value of Planck constant corresponds to a finite number of pages given by the number of decompositions of the integer to two different integers.

TGD inspired quantum biology and number theoretical considerations suggest preferred values for  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ . For the most general option the values of  $\hbar$  are products and ratios of two integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$ . Ruler and compass integers defined by the products of distinct Fermat primes and power of two are number theoretically favored values for these integers because the phases  $\exp(i2\pi/n_i)$ ,  $i \in \{a, b\}$ , in this case are number theoretically very simple and should have emerged first in the number theoretical evolution via algebraic extensions of p-adics and of rationals. p-Adic length scale hypothesis favors powers of two as values of  $r$ .

One can however ask whether a more precise characterization of preferred Mersennes could exist and whether there could exist a stronger correlation between hierarchies of p-adic length scales and Planck constants. Mersenne primes  $M_k = 2^k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{89, 107, 127\}$ , and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1+i)k - 1$ ,  $k \in \{113, 151, 157, 163, 167, 239, 241.. \}$  are expected to be physically highly interesting and up to  $k = 127$  indeed correspond to elementary particles. The number theoretical miracle is that all the four p-adic length scales with  $k \in \{151, 157, 163, 167\}$  are in the biologically highly interesting range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu\text{m}$ ). The question has been whether these define scaled up copies of electro-weak and QCD type physics with ordinary value of  $\hbar$ . The proposal that this is the case and that these physics are in a well-defined sense induced by the dark scaled up variants of corresponding lower level physics leads to a prediction for the preferred values of  $r = 2^{k_d}$ ,  $k_d = k_i - k_j$ .

What induction means is that dark variant of exotic nuclear physics induces exotic physics with ordinary value of Planck constant in the new scale in a resonant manner: dark gauge bosons transform to their ordinary variants with the same Compton length. This transformation is natural since in length scales below the Compton length the gauge bosons behave as massless and free particles. As a consequence, lighter variants of weak bosons emerge and QCD confinement scale becomes longer.

This proposal will be referred to as Mersenne hypothesis. It leads to strong predictions about EEG [K25] since it predicts a spectrum of preferred Josephson frequencies for a given value of

membrane potential and also assigns to a given value of  $\hbar$  a fixed size scale having interpretation as the size scale of the body part or magnetic body. Also a vision about evolution of life emerges. Mersenne hypothesis is especially interesting as far as new physics in condensed matter length scales is considered: this includes exotic scaled up variants of the ordinary nuclear physics and their dark variants. Even dark nucleons are possible and this gives justification for the model of dark nucleons predicting the counterparts of DNA, RNA, tRNA, and aminoacids as well as realization of vertebrate genetic code [K86].

These exotic nuclear physics with ordinary value of Planck constant could correspond to ground states that are almost vacuum extremals corresponding to homologically trivial geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$  near criticality to a phase transition changing Planck constant. Ordinary nuclear physics would correspond to homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere and far from vacuum extremal property. For vacuum extremals of this kind classical  $Z^0$  field proportional to electromagnetic field is present and this modifies dramatically the view about cell membrane as Josephson junction. The model for cell membrane as almost vacuum extremal indeed led to a quantitative breakthrough in TGD inspired model of EEG and is therefore something to be taken seriously. The safest option concerning empirical facts is that the copies of electro-weak and color physics with ordinary value of Planck constant are possible only for almost vacuum extremals - that is at criticality against phase transition changing Planck constant.

### 15.1.3 Weak form of electric magnetic duality, screening of weak charges, and color confinement?

TGD predicts the presence of long range classical weak fields and color fields and one should understand classically why quarks and leptons do not couple to these fields above weak boson length scale. Why the quarks inside ordinary nuclei do not generate long range weak fields and do not couple to them? Obviously the weak charges of quarks must be screened so that only electromagnetic charge remains. The extreme non-linearity of field equations in principle allows non-vanishing vacuum charge densities making possible this kind of screening. I have not been able to develop any detailed model for this.

A rather attractive looking explanation came with the discovery of electric-magnetic duality leading to a considerable progress in the understanding of basic quantum TGD. The basic implication of the duality is that Kähler electric charges of wormhole throats representing particles are proportional to Kähler magnetic charges so that the  $CP_2$  projections of the wormhole throats are homologically non-trivial. The Kähler magnetic charges do not create long range monopole fields if they are neutralized by wormhole throats carrying opposite monopole charges and weak isospin neutralizing the axial isospin of the particle's wormhole throat. One could speak of confinement of weak isospin. The weak field bodies of elementary fermions would be replaced with string like objects with a length of order W boson Compton length. Electro-magnetic flux would be feeded to electromagnetic field body where it would be feeded to larger space-time sheets. Similar mechanism could apply in the case of color quantum numbers.

One of the basic questions closely related to the weak screening have been whether it is possible to have a weak analog of the ordinary atom - say neutrino atom. Formally one can of course construct this kind of model and I have indeed done this. The recent view about the screening of weak forces does not however allow neutrino atoms since the weak gauge fluxes flow along flux tubes and are screened by opposite charges at their end rather than being spherically symmetric Coulomb fields. Elementary particles themselves can be regarded as string like objects neutralized above weak boson Compton length. The size of the magnetic flux tubes however scales as  $\sqrt{\hbar}$  so that large values of  $\hbar$  it is in principle possible to zoom up the elementary particles and see what their interior looks like. This applies to both weak and color forces and might some day make possible study of elementary particles without gigantic accelerators.

### 15.1.4 Dark weak forces and almost vacuum extremals

TGD suggests strongly the presence of long range weak force and the large parity breaking in living matter realized as chiral selection provides support for it. One would however like some

more concrete quantitative evidence for the conjecture that the classical weak forces are indeed there. This kind of evidence comes from the model of cell membrane based on the hypothesis that cell membrane correspond to almost vacuum extremal.

- (a) Induced Kähler form vanishes for vacuum extremals. The condition for vanishing implies that classical  $Z^0$  and electromagnetic fields are proportional to each other so that induced spinor field couples to both these fields. The assumption is that the quarks of nuclei and possibly also neutrinos correspond to a large value of Planck constant and therefore couple to the classical  $Z^0$  field. Atomic electrons would not have these couplings. This modifies dramatically the model for the cell membrane as a Josephson junction and raises the scale of Josephson energies from IR range just above thermal threshold to visible and ultraviolet. The amazing finding is that the Josephson energies for biologically important ions correspond to the energies assigned to the peak frequencies in the biological activity spectrum of photoreceptors in retina suggesting. This suggests that almost vacuum extremals and thus also classical  $Z^0$  fields are in a central role in the understanding of the functioning of the cell membrane and of sensory qualia. This would also explain the large parity breaking effects in living matter.
- (b) A further conjecture is that EEG and its predicted fractally scaled variants which same energies in visible and UV range but different scales of Josephson frequencies correspond to Josephson photons with various values of Planck constant. The decay of dark ELF photons with energies of visible photons would give rise to bunches of ordinary ELF photons. Biophotons in turn could correspond to ordinary visible photons resulting in the phase transition of these photons to photons with ordinary value of Planck constant. This leads to a very detailed view about the role of dark electromagnetic radiation in biomatter and also to a model for how sensory qualia are realized [K33, K64, K25] .

What darkness means in the case of nuclei is that the "weak" field bodies of quarks are dark so that the size scale assignable to them is of order cell size. This does not affect their electromagnetic field bodies so that it is possible to speak about ions in the ordinary sense of the word. If the size scale of a given part of field body corresponds to the Compton length proportional to the p-adic length scale scaled up by  $\sqrt{\hbar}$  then cell membrane thickness as a Compton scale for the field body of weak bosons means rather large value of  $\hbar \sim 2^{151-89} = 2^{62}\hbar_0$ . This would scale down  $10^{14}$  Hz frequency of visible photons to about  $10^{-4}$  Hz

## 15.2 Weak form electric-magnetic duality and color and weak forces

The notion of electric-magnetic duality [B5] was proposed first by Olive and Montonen and is central in  $\mathcal{N} = 4$  supersymmetric gauge theories. It states that magnetic monopoles and ordinary particles are two different phases of theory and that the description in terms of monopoles can be applied at the limit when the running gauge coupling constant becomes very large and perturbation theory fails to converge. The notion of electric-magnetic self-duality is more natural since for  $CP_2$  geometry Kähler form is self-dual and Kähler magnetic monopoles are also Kähler electric monopoles and Kähler coupling strength is by quantum criticality renormalization group invariant rather than running coupling constant. The notion of electric-magnetic (self-)duality emerged already two decades ago in the attempts to formulate the Kähler geometric of world of classical worlds. Quite recently a considerable step of progress took place in the understanding of this notion [K18] . What seems to be essential is that one adopts a weaker form of the self-duality applying at partonic 2-surfaces. What this means will be discussed in the sequel.

Every new idea must be of course taken with a grain of salt but the good sign is that this concept leads to precise predictions. The point is that elementary particles do not generate monopole fields in macroscopic length scales: at least when one considers visible matter. The first question is whether elementary particles could have vanishing magnetic charges: this turns out to be impossible. The next question is how the screening of the magnetic charges could take

place and leads to an identification of the physical particles as string like objects identified as pairs magnetic charged wormhole throats connected by magnetic flux tubes.

- (a) The first implication is a new view about electro-weak massivation reducing it to weak confinement in TGD framework. The second end of the string contains particle having electroweak isospin neutralizing that of elementary fermion and the size scale of the string is electro-weak scale would be in question. Hence the screening of electro-weak force takes place via weak confinement realized in terms of magnetic confinement.
- (b) This picture generalizes to the case of color confinement. Also quarks correspond to pairs of magnetic monopoles but the charges need not vanish now. Rather, valence quarks would be connected by flux tubes of length of order hadron size such that magnetic charges sum up to zero. For instance, for baryonic valence quarks these charges could be  $(2, -1, -1)$  and could be proportional to color hyper charge.
- (c) The highly non-trivial prediction making more precise the earlier stringy vision is that elementary particles are string like objects in electro-weak scale: this should become manifest at LHC energies.
- (d) The weak form electric-magnetic duality together with Beltrami flow property of Kähler leads to the reduction of Kähler action to Chern-Simons action so that TGD reduces to almost topological QFT and that Kähler function is explicitly calculable. This has enormous impact concerning practical calculability of the theory.
- (e) One ends up also to a general solution ansatz for field equations from the condition that the theory reduces to almost topological QFT. The solution ansatz is inspired by the idea that all isometry currents are proportional to Kähler current which is integrable in the sense that the flow parameter associated with its flow lines defines a global coordinate. The proposed solution ansatz would describe a hydrodynamical flow with the property that isometry charges are conserved along the flow lines (Beltrami flow). A general ansatz satisfying the integrability conditions is found. The solution ansatz applies also to the extremals of Chern-Simons action and to the conserved currents associated with the modified Dirac equation defined as contractions of the modified gamma matrices between the solutions of the modified Dirac equation. The strongest form of the solution ansatz states that various classical and quantum currents flow along flow lines of the Beltrami flow defined by Kähler current (Kähler magnetic field associated with Chern-Simons action). Intuitively this picture is attractive. A more general ansatz would allow several Beltrami flows meaning multi-hydrodynamics. The integrability conditions boil down to two scalar functions: the first one satisfies massless d'Alembert equation in the induced metric and the the gradients of the scalar functions are orthogonal. The interpretation in terms of momentum and polarization directions is natural.
- (f) The general solution ansatz works for induced Kähler Dirac equation and Chern-Simons Dirac equation and reduces them to ordinary differential equations along flow lines. The induced spinor fields are simply constant along flow lines of induced spinor field for Dirac equation in suitable gauge. Also the generalized eigen modes of the modified Chern-Simons Dirac operator can be deduced explicitly if the throats and the ends of space-time surface at the boundaries of  $CD$  are extremals of Chern-Simons action. Chern-Simons Dirac equation reduces to ordinary differential equations along flow lines and one can deduce the general form of the spectrum and the explicit representation of the Dirac determinant in terms of geometric quantities characterizing the 3-surface (eigenvalues are inversely proportional to the lengths of strands of the flow lines in the effective metric defined by the modified gamma matrices).

### 15.2.1 Could a weak form of electric-magnetic duality hold true?

Holography means that the initial data at the partonic 2-surfaces should fix the configuration space metric. A weak form of this condition allows only the partonic 2-surfaces defined by the wormhole throats at which the signature of the induced metric changes. A stronger condition allows all partonic 2-surfaces in the slicing of space-time sheet to partonic 2-surfaces and

string world sheets. Number theoretical vision suggests that hyper-quaternionicity *resp.* co-hyperquaternionicity constraint could be enough to fix the initial values of time derivatives of the imbedding space coordinates in the space-time regions with Minkowskian *resp.* Euclidian signature of the induced metric. This is a condition on modified gamma matrices and hyper-quaternionicity states that they span a hyper-quaternionic sub-space.

### Definition of the weak form of electric-magnetic duality

One can also consider alternative conditions possibly equivalent with this condition. The argument goes as follows.

- (a) The expression of the matrix elements of the metric and Kähler form of *WCW* in terms of the Kähler fluxes weighted by Hamiltonians of  $\delta M_{\pm}^4$  at the partonic 2-surface  $X^2$  looks very attractive. These expressions however carry no information about the 4-D tangent space of the partonic 2-surfaces so that the theory would reduce to a genuinely 2-dimensional theory, which cannot hold true. One would like to code to the *WCW* metric also information about the electric part of the induced Kähler form assignable to the complement of the tangent space of  $X^2 \subset X^4$ .
- (b) Electric-magnetic duality of the theory looks a highly attractive symmetry. The trivial manner to get electric magnetic duality at the level of the full theory would be via the identification of the flux Hamiltonians as sums of the magnetic and electric fluxes. The presence of the induced metric is however troublesome since the presence of the induced metric means that the simple transformation properties of flux Hamiltonians under symplectic transformations -in particular color rotations- are lost.
- (c) A less trivial formulation of electric-magnetic duality would be as an initial condition which eliminates the induced metric from the electric flux. In the Euclidian version of 4-D YM theory this duality allows to solve field equations exactly in terms of instantons. This approach involves also quaternions. These arguments suggest that the duality in some form might work. The full electric magnetic duality is certainly too strong and implies that space-time surface at the partonic 2-surface corresponds to piece of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal and can hold only in the deep interior of the region with Euclidian signature. In the region surrounding wormhole throat at both sides the condition must be replaced with a weaker condition.
- (d) To formulate a weaker form of the condition let us introduce coordinates  $(x^0, x^3, x^1, x^2)$  such  $(x^1, x^2)$  define coordinates for the partonic 2-surface and  $(x^0, x^3)$  define coordinates labeling partonic 2-surfaces in the slicing of the space-time surface by partonic 2-surfaces and string world sheets making sense in the regions of space-time sheet with Minkowskian signature. The assumption about the slicing allows to preserve general coordinate invariance. The weakest condition is that the generalized Kähler electric fluxes are apart from constant proportional to Kähler magnetic fluxes. This requires the condition

$$J^{03}\sqrt{g_4} = KJ_{12} . \quad (15.2.1)$$

A more general form of this duality is suggested by the considerations of [K38] reducing the hierarchy of Planck constants to basic quantum TGD and also reducing Kähler function for preferred extremals to Chern-Simons terms [B2] at the boundaries of *CD* and at light-like wormhole throats. This form is following

$$J^{n\beta}\sqrt{g_4} = K\epsilon \times \epsilon^{n\beta\gamma\delta} J_{\gamma\delta}\sqrt{g_4} . \quad (15.2.2)$$

Here the index  $n$  refers to a normal coordinate for the space-like 3-surface at either boundary of *CD* or for light-like wormhole throat.  $\epsilon$  is a sign factor which is opposite for the two ends of *CD*. It could be also opposite of opposite at the opposite sides of the wormhole throat. Note that the dependence on induced metric disappears at the right hand side and this condition eliminates the potentials singularity due to the reduction of the rank of the induced metric at wormhole throat.

- (e) Information about the tangent space of the space-time surface can be coded to the configuration space metric with loosing the nice transformation properties of the magnetic flux Hamiltonians if Kähler electric fluxes or sum of magnetic flux and electric flux satisfying this condition are used and  $K$  is symplectic invariant. Using the sum

$$J_e + J_m = (1 + K)J , \quad (15.2.3)$$

where  $J$  can denotes the Kähler magnetic flux, makes it possible to have a non-trivial configuration space metric even for  $K = 0$ , which could correspond to the ends of a cosmic string like solution carrying only Kähler magnetic fields. This condition suggests that it can depend only on Kähler magnetic flux and other symplectic invariants. Whether local symplectic coordinate invariants are possible at all is far from obvious, If the slicing itself is symplectic invariant then  $K$  could be a non-constant function of  $X^2$  depending on string world sheet coordinates. The light-like radial coordinate of the light-cone boundary indeed defines a symplectically invariant slicing and this slicing could be shifted along the time axis defined by the tips of  $CD$ .

### Electric-magnetic duality physically

What could the weak duality condition mean physically? For instance, what constraints are obtained if one assumes that the quantization of electro-weak charges reduces to this condition at classical level?

- (a) The first thing to notice is that the flux of  $J$  over the partonic 2-surface is analogous to magnetic flux

$$Q_m = \frac{e}{\hbar} \oint B dS = n .$$

$n$  is non-vanishing only if the surface is homologically non-trivial and gives the homology charge of the partonic 2-surface.

- (b) The expressions of classical electromagnetic and  $Z^0$  fields in terms of Kähler form [L1] , [L1] read as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \frac{eF_{em}}{\hbar} = 3J - \sin^2(\theta_W)R_{03} , \\ Z^0 &= \frac{g_Z F_Z}{\hbar} = 2R_{03} . \end{aligned} \quad (15.2.3)$$

Here  $R_{03}$  is one of the components of the curvature tensor in vielbein representation and  $F_{em}$  and  $F_Z$  correspond to the standard field tensors. From this expression one can deduce

$$J = \frac{e}{3\hbar} F_{em} + \sin^2(\theta_W) \frac{g_Z}{6\hbar} F_Z . \quad (15.2.4)$$

- (c) The weak duality condition when integrated over  $X^2$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^2}{3\hbar} Q_{em} + \frac{g_Z^2 p}{6} Q_{Z,V} &= K \oint J = Kn , \\ Q_{Z,V} &= \frac{I_V^3}{2} - Q_{em} , \quad p = \sin^2(\theta_W) . \end{aligned} \quad (15.2.4)$$

Here the vectorial part of the  $Z^0$  charge rather than as full  $Z^0$  charge  $Q_Z = I_L^3 + \sin^2(\theta_W)Q_{em}$  appears. The reason is that only the vectorial isospin is same for left and right handed components of fermion which are in general mixed for the massive states.

The coefficients are dimensionless and expressible in terms of the gauge coupling strengths and using  $\hbar = r\hbar_0$  one can write

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{em} Q_{em} + p \frac{\alpha_Z}{2} Q_{Z,V} &= \frac{3}{4\pi} \times rnK , \\ \alpha_{em} &= \frac{e^2}{4\pi\hbar_0} , \quad \alpha_Z = \frac{g_Z^2}{4\pi\hbar_0} = \frac{\alpha_{em}}{p(1-p)} . \end{aligned} \quad (15.2.4)$$

- (d) There is a great temptation to assume that the values of  $Q_{em}$  and  $Q_Z$  correspond to their quantized values and therefore depend on the quantum state assigned to the partonic 2-surface. The linear coupling of the modified Dirac operator to conserved charges implies correlation between the geometry of space-time sheet and quantum numbers assigned to the partonic 2-surface. The assumption of standard quantized values for  $Q_{em}$  and  $Q_Z$  would be also seen as the identification of the fine structure constants  $\alpha_{em}$  and  $\alpha_Z$ . This however requires weak isospin invariance.

### The value of $K$ from classical quantization of Kähler electric charge

The value of  $K$  can be deduced by requiring classical quantization of Kähler electric charge.

- (a) The condition that the flux of  $F^{03} = (\hbar/g_K)J^{03}$  defining the counterpart of Kähler electric field equals to the Kähler charge  $g_K$  would give the condition  $K = g_K^2/\hbar$ , where  $g_K$  is Kähler coupling constant which should be invariant under coupling constant evolution by quantum criticality. Within experimental uncertainties one has  $\alpha_K = g_K^2/4\pi\hbar_0 = \alpha_{em} \simeq 1/137$ , where  $\alpha_{em}$  is finite structure constant in electron length scale and  $\hbar_0$  is the standard value of Planck constant.
- (b) The quantization of Planck constants makes the condition highly non-trivial. The most general quantization of  $r$  is as rationals but there are good arguments favoring the quantization as integers corresponding to the allowance of only singular coverings of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$ . The point is that in this case a given value of Planck constant corresponds to a finite number of pages of the "Big Book". The quantization of the Planck constant implies a further quantization of  $K$  and would suggest that  $K$  scales as  $1/r$  unless the spectrum of values of  $Q_{em}$  and  $Q_Z$  allowed by the quantization condition scales as  $r$ . This is quite possible and the interpretation would be that each of the  $r$  sheets of the covering carries (possibly same) elementary charge. Kind of discrete variant of a full Fermi sphere would be in question. The interpretation in terms of anyonic phases [K61] supports this interpretation.
- (c) The identification of  $J$  as a counterpart of  $eB/\hbar$  means that Kähler action and thus also Kähler function is proportional to  $1/\alpha_K$  and therefore to  $\hbar$ . This implies that for large values of  $\hbar$  Kähler coupling strength  $g_K^2/4\pi$  becomes very small and large fluctuations are suppressed in the functional integral. The basic motivation for introducing the hierarchy of Planck constants was indeed that the scaling  $\alpha \rightarrow \alpha/r$  allows to achieve the convergence of perturbation theory: Nature itself would solve the problems of the theoretician. This of course does not mean that the physical states would remain as such and the replacement of single particles with anyonic states in order to satisfy the condition for  $K$  would realize this concretely.
- (d) The condition  $K = g_K^2/\hbar$  implies that the Kähler magnetic charge is always accompanied by Kähler electric charge. A more general condition would read as

$$K = n \times \frac{g_K^2}{\hbar}, n \in Z . \quad (15.2.5)$$

This would apply in the case of cosmic strings and would allow vanishing Kähler charge possible when the partonic 2-surface has opposite fermion and antifermion numbers (for both leptons and quarks) so that Kähler electric charge should vanish. For instance, for neutrinos the vanishing of electric charge strongly suggests  $n = 0$  besides the condition that abelian  $Z^0$  flux contributing to em charge vanishes.

It took a year to realize that this value of  $K$  is natural at the Minkowskian side of the wormhole throat. At the Euclidian side much more natural condition is

$$K = \frac{1}{\hbar c} . \quad (15.2.6)$$

In fact, the self-duality of  $CP_2$  Kähler form favours this boundary condition at the Euclidian side of the wormhole throat. Also the fact that one cannot distinguish between electric and magnetic charges in Euclidian region since all charges are magnetic can be used to argue in favor of this form. The same constraint arises from the condition that the action for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremal has the value required by the argument leading to a prediction for gravitational constant in terms of the square of  $CP_2$  radius and  $\alpha_K$  the effective replacement  $g_K^2 \rightarrow 1$  would spoil the argument.

The boundary condition  $J_E = J_B$  for the electric and magnetic parts of Kähler form at the Euclidian side of the wormhole throat inspires the question whether all Euclidian regions could be self-dual so that the density of Kähler action would be just the instanton density. Self-duality follows if the deformation of the metric induced by the deformation of the canonically imbedded  $CP_2$  is such that in  $CP_2$  coordinates for the Euclidian region the tensor  $(g^{\alpha\beta}g^{\mu\nu} - g^{\alpha\nu}g^{\mu\beta})/\sqrt{g}$  remains invariant. This is certainly the case for  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals since by the light-likeness of  $M^4$  projection the metric remains invariant. Also conformal scalings of the induced metric would satisfy this condition. Conformal scaling is not consistent with the degeneracy of the 4-metric at the wormhole throat. Full self-duality is indeed an un-necessarily strong condition.

### Reduction of the quantization of Kähler electric charge to that of electromagnetic charge

The best manner to learn more is to challenge the form of the weak electric-magnetic duality based on the induced Kähler form.

- (a) Physically it would seem more sensible to pose the duality on electromagnetic charge rather than Kähler charge. This would replace induced Kähler form with electromagnetic field, which is a linear combination of induced Kähler field and classical  $Z^0$  field

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= 3J - \sin^2\theta_W R_{03} , \\ Z^0 &= 2R_{03} . \end{aligned} \quad (15.2.6)$$

Here  $Z_0 = 2R_{03}$  is the appropriate component of  $CP_2$  curvature form [L1]. For a vanishing Weinberg angle the condition reduces to that for Kähler form.

- (b) For the Euclidian space-time regions having interpretation as lines of generalized Feynman diagrams Weinberg angle should be non-vanishing. In Minkowskian regions Weinberg angle could however vanish. If so, the condition guaranteeing that electromagnetic charge of the partonic 2-surfaces equals to the above condition stating that the em charge assignable to the fermion content of the partonic 2-surfaces reduces to the classical Kähler electric flux at the Minkowskian side of the wormhole throat. One can argue that Weinberg angle must increase smoothly from a vanishing value at both sides of wormhole throat to its value in the deep interior of the Euclidian region.
- (c) The vanishing of the Weinberg angle in Minkowskian regions conforms with the physical intuition. Above elementary particle length scales one sees only the classical electric field reducing to the induced Kähler form and classical  $Z^0$  fields and color gauge fields are effectively absent. Only in phases with a large value of Planck constant classical  $Z^0$  field and other classical weak fields and color gauge field could make themselves visible. Cell membrane could be one such system [K64]. This conforms with the general picture about color confinement and weak massivation.



The GRT limit of TGD suggests a further reason for why Weinberg angle should vanish in Minkowskian regions.

- (a) The value of the Kähler coupling strength must be very near to the value of the fine structure constant in electron length scale and these constants can be assumed to be equal.
- (b) GRT limit of TGD with space-time surfaces replaced with abstract 4-geometries would naturally correspond to Einstein-Maxwell theory with cosmological constant which is non-vanishing only in Euclidian regions of space-time so that both Reissner-Nordström metric and  $CP_2$  are allowed as simplest possible solutions of field equations [K85]. The extremely small value of the observed cosmological constant needed in GRT type cosmology could be equal to the large cosmological constant associated with  $CP_2$  metric multiplied with the 3-volume fraction of Euclidian regions.
- (c) Also at GRT limit quantum theory would reduce to almost topological QFT since Einstein-Maxwell action reduces to 3-D term by field equations implying the vanishing of the Maxwell current and of the curvature scalar in Minkowskian regions and curvature scalar + cosmological constant term in Euclidian regions. The weak form of electric-magnetic duality would guarantee also now the preferred extremal property and prevent the reduction to a mere topological QFT.
- (d) GRT limit would make sense only for a vanishing Weinberg angle in Minkowskian regions. A non-vanishing Weinberg angle would make sense in the deep interior of the Euclidian regions where the approximation as a small deformation of  $CP_2$  makes sense.

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality has surprisingly strong implications for the basic view about quantum TGD as following considerations show.

### 15.2.2 Magnetic confinement, the short range of weak forces, and color confinement

The weak form of electric-magnetic duality has surprisingly strong implications if one combines it with some very general empirical facts such as the non-existence of magnetic monopole fields in macroscopic length scales.

#### How can one avoid macroscopic magnetic monopole fields?

Monopole fields are experimentally absent in length scales above order weak boson length scale and one should have a mechanism neutralizing the monopole charge. How electroweak interactions become short ranged in TGD framework is still a poorly understood problem. What suggests itself is the neutralization of the weak isospin above the intermediate gauge boson Compton length by neutral Higgs bosons. Could the two neutralization mechanisms be combined to single one?

- (a) In the case of fermions and their super partners the opposite magnetic monopole would be a wormhole throat. If the magnetically charged wormhole contact is electromagnetically neutral but has vectorial weak isospin neutralizing the weak vectorial isospin of the fermion only the electromagnetic charge of the fermion is visible on longer length scales. The distance of this wormhole throat from the fermionic one should be of the order weak boson Compton length. An interpretation as a bound state of fermion and a wormhole throat state with the quantum numbers of a neutral Higgs boson would therefore make sense. The neutralizing throat would have quantum numbers of  $X_{-1/2} = \nu_L \bar{\nu}_R$  or  $X_{1/2} = \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R$ .  $\nu_L \bar{\nu}_R$  would not be neutral Higgs boson (which should correspond to a wormhole contact) but a super-partner of left-handed neutrino obtained by adding a right handed neutrino. This mechanism would apply separately to the fermionic and anti-fermionic throats of the gauge bosons and corresponding space-time sheets and leave only electromagnetic interaction as a long ranged interaction.

- (b) One can of course wonder what is the situation for the bosonic wormhole throats feeding gauge fluxes between space-time sheets. It would seem that these wormhole throats must always appear as pairs such that for the second member of the pair monopole charges and  $I_V^3$  cancel each other at both space-time sheets involved so that one obtains at both space-time sheets magnetic dipoles of size of weak boson Compton length. The proposed magnetic character of fundamental particles should become visible at TeV energies so that LHC might have surprises in store!

### Magnetic confinement and color confinement

Magnetic confinement generalizes also to the case of color interactions. One can consider also the situation in which the magnetic charges of quarks (more generally, of color excited leptons and quarks) do not vanish and they form color and magnetic singles in the hadronic length scale. This would mean that magnetic charges of the state  $q_{\pm 1/2} - X_{\mp 1/2}$  representing the physical quark would not vanish and magnetic confinement would accompany also color confinement. This would explain why free quarks are not observed. To how degree then quark confinement corresponds to magnetic confinement is an interesting question.

For quark and antiquark of meson the magnetic charges of quark and antiquark would be opposite and meson would correspond to a Kähler magnetic flux so that a stringy view about meson emerges. For valence quarks of baryon the vanishing of the net magnetic charge takes place provided that the magnetic net charges are  $(\pm 2, \mp 1, \mp 1)$ . This brings in mind the spectrum of color hyper charges coming as  $(\pm 2, \mp 1, \mp 1)/3$  and one can indeed ask whether color hypercharge correlates with the Kähler magnetic charge. The geometric picture would be three strings connected to single vertex. Amusingly, the idea that color hypercharge could be proportional to color hyper charge popped up during the first year of TGD when I had not yet discovered  $CP_2$  and believed on  $M^4 \times S^2$ .

p-Adic length scale hypothesis and hierarchy of Planck constants defining a hierarchy of dark variants of particles suggest the existence of scaled up copies of QCD type physics and weak physics. For p-adically scaled up variants the mass scales would be scaled by a power of  $\sqrt{2}$  in the most general case. The dark variants of the particle would have the same mass as the original one. In particular, Mersenne primes  $M_k = 2^k - 1$  and Gaussian Mersennes  $M_{G,k} = (1+i)^k - 1$  has been proposed to define zoomed copies of these physics. At the level of magnetic confinement this would mean hierarchy of length scales for the magnetic confinement.

One particular proposal is that the Mersenne prime  $M_{89}$  should define a scaled up variant of the ordinary hadron physics with mass scaled up roughly by a factor  $2^{(107-89)/2} = 512$ . The size scale of color confinement for this physics would be same as the weal length scale. It would look more natural that the weak confinement for the quarks of  $M_{89}$  physics takes place in some shorter scale and  $M_{61}$  is the first Mersenne prime to be considered. The mass scale of  $M_{61}$  weak bosons would be by a factor  $2^{(89-61)/2} = 2^{14}$  higher and about  $1.6 \times 10^4$  TeV.  $M_{89}$  quarks would have virtually no weak interactions but would possess color interactions with weak confinement length scale reflecting themselves as new kind of jets at collisions above TeV energies.

In the biologically especially important length scale range 10 nm -2500 nm there are as many as four Gaussian Mersennes corresponding to  $M_{G,k}$ ,  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$ . This would suggest that the existence of scaled up scales of magnetic-, weak- and color confinement. An especially interesting possibly testable prediction is the existence of magnetic monopole pairs with the size scale in this range. There are recent claims about experimental evidence for magnetic monopole pairs [D36] .

### Magnetic confinement and stringy picture in TGD sense

The connection between magnetic confinement and weak confinement is rather natural if one recalls that electric-magnetic duality in super-symmetric quantum field theories means that the descriptions in terms of particles and monopoles are in some sense dual descriptions. Fermions would be replaced by string like objects defined by the magnetic flux tubes and bosons as pairs of

wormhole contacts would correspond to pairs of the flux tubes. Therefore the sharp distinction between gravitons and physical particles would disappear.

The reason why gravitons are necessarily stringy objects formed by a pair of wormhole contacts is that one cannot construct spin two objects using only single fermion states at wormhole throats. Of course, also super partners of these states with higher spin obtained by adding fermions and anti-fermions at the wormhole throat but these do not give rise to graviton like states [K30]. The upper and lower wormhole throat pairs would be quantum superpositions of fermion anti-fermion pairs with sum over all fermions. The reason is that otherwise one cannot realize graviton emission in terms of joining of the ends of light-like 3-surfaces together. Also now magnetic monopole charges are necessary but now there is no need to assign the entities  $X_{\pm}$  with gravitons.

Graviton string is characterized by some p-adic length scale and one can argue that below this length scale the charges of the fermions become visible. Mersenne hypothesis suggests that some Mersenne prime is in question. One proposal is that gravitonic size scale is given by electronic Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$ . It is however difficult to test whether graviton has a structure visible below this length scale.

What happens to the generalized Feynman diagrams is an interesting question. It is not at all clear how closely they relate to ordinary Feynman diagrams. All depends on what one is ready to assume about what happens in the vertices. One could of course hope that zero energy ontology could allow some very simple description allowing perhaps to get rid of the problematic aspects of Feynman diagrams.

- (a) Consider first the recent view about generalized Feynman diagrams which relies zero energy ontology. A highly attractive assumption is that the particles appearing at wormhole throats are on mass shell particles. For incoming and outgoing elementary bosons and their super partners they would be positive it resp. negative energy states with parallel on mass shell momenta. For virtual bosons they the wormhole throats would have opposite sign of energy and the sum of on mass shell states would give virtual net momenta. This would make possible twistor description of virtual particles allowing only massless particles (in 4-D sense usually and in 8-D sense in TGD framework). The notion of virtual fermion makes sense only if one assumes in the interaction region a topological condensation creating another wormhole throat having no fermionic quantum numbers.
- (b) The addition of the particles  $X^{\pm}$  replaces generalized Feynman diagrams with the analogs of stringy diagrams with lines replaced by pairs of lines corresponding to fermion and  $X_{\pm 1/2}$ . The members of these pairs would correspond to 3-D light-like surfaces glued together at the vertices of generalized Feynman diagrams. The analog of 3-vertex would not be splitting of the string to form shorter strings but the replication of the entire string to form two strings with same length or fusion of two strings to single string along all their points rather than along ends to form a longer string. It is not clear whether the duality symmetry of stringy diagrams can hold true for the TGD variants of stringy diagrams.
- (c) How should one describe the bound state formed by the fermion and  $X^{\pm}$ ? Should one describe the state as superposition of non-parallel on mass shell states so that the composite state would be automatically massive? The description as superposition of on mass shell states does not conform with the idea that bound state formation requires binding energy. In TGD framework the notion of negentropic entanglement has been suggested to make possible the analogs of bound states consisting of on mass shell states so that the binding energy is zero [K47]. If this kind of states are in question the description of virtual states in terms of on mass shell states is not lost. Of course, one cannot exclude the possibility that there is infinite number of this kind of states serving as analogs for the excitations of string like object.
- (d) What happens to the states formed by fermions and  $X_{\pm 1/2}$  in the internal lines of the Feynman diagram? Twistor philosophy suggests that only the higher on mass shell excitations are possible. If this picture is correct, the situation would not change in an essential manner from the earlier one.

The highly non-trivial prediction of the magnetic confinement is that elementary particles should have stringy character in electro-weak length scales and could behaving to become manifest at LHC energies. This adds one further item to the list of non-trivial predictions of TGD about physics at LHC energies [K48] .

### 15.3 Dark matter hierarchy, genetic machinery, and the un-reasonable selectivity of bio-catalysis

One of the most fascinating outcomes of ideas related to the dark matter hierarchy is the notion of inherently dark fractional atom (molecule) generalizing the notion of Bose-Einstein condensate to the fermionic case. These notions might provide an elegant manner to understand the mysteries of DNA replication, transcription, and translation, and more generally, the incredible selectivity of bio-catalysis.

As often, the original idea was not quite correct. I spoke about  $N$ -atoms rather than fractional atoms. In particular, the mass of  $N$ -molecule was  $N$  times larger than that of the ordinary molecule apart from corrections from binding energy. The more precise view about dark matter hierarchy led to the realization that fractionization of all quantum numbers occurs. In the most general case one can have fractional particles with particle number  $n = k/r, k = 1, \dots, r, r = \frac{\hbar}{\hbar_0}$ . This leaves the model essentially as such at formal level. The model is however much more realistic than the original one since fractional atoms have mass which is never larger than that of ordinary atom and also conforms with the recent view about the origin of the hierarchy of Planck constants.

#### 15.3.1 Dark atoms and dark cyclotron states

The development of the notion of dark atom involves many side tracks which make me blush. The first naive guess was that dark atom would be obtained by simply replacing Planck constant with its scaled counterpart in the basic formulas and interpreting the results geometrically. After some obligatory twists and turns it became clear that this assumption is indeed the most plausible one. The main source of confusion has been the lack of precise view about what the hierarchy of Planck constants means at the level of imbedding space at space-time.

The rules are very simple when one takes the singular coverings assigned to the many-valuedness of the time-derivatives of imbedding space coordinates as functions of canonical momentum densities as a starting point.

- (a) The mass and charge of electron are fractionized as is also the reduced mass in Schrödinger equation. This implies the replacements  $e \rightarrow e/r, m \rightarrow m/r, \text{ and } \hbar \rightarrow r\hbar_0, r = n_a n_b$ , in the general formula for the binding energy assigned with single sheet of the covering. If maximal number  $n_a n_b$  are present corresponding to a full "Fermi sphere", the total binding energy is  $r$  times the binding energy associated with single sheet.
- (b) In the case of hydrogen atom the proportionality  $E \propto m/\hbar^2$  implies that the binding energy for single sheet of the covering scales as  $E \rightarrow E/(n_a n_b)^3$  and maximal binding energy scales as  $E \rightarrow E/(n_a n_b)^2$ . This conforms with the naive guess. For high values of the nuclear charge  $Z$  it can happen that the binding energy is larger than the rest mass and fractionization might take place when binding energy is above critical fraction of the rest mass.
- (c) In the case of cyclotron energies one must decide what happens to the magnetic flux. Magnetic flux quantization states that the flux is proportional to  $\hbar$  for each sheet separately. Hence one has  $\Phi \rightarrow r\Phi$  for each sheet and the total flux scales as  $r^2$ . Since the dimensions of the flux quantum are scaled up by  $r$  the natural scaling of the size of flux quantum is by  $r^2$ . Therefore the quantization of the magnetic flux requires the scaling  $B \rightarrow B/r$ . The cyclotron energy for single sheet satisfies  $E \propto \hbar q B/m$  and since both mass  $m$  and charge  $q$  become fractional, the energy  $E$  for single sheet remains invariant whereas total cyclotron

energy is scaled up by  $r$  in accordance with the original guess and the assumption used in applications.

- (d) Dark cyclotron states are expected to be stable up to temperatures which are  $r$  times higher than for ordinary cyclotron states. The states of dark hydrogen atoms and its generalizations are expected to be stable at temperatures scaled down by  $1/r^2$  in the first approximation.
- (e) Similar arguments allow to deduce the values of binding energies in the general case once the formula of the binding energy given by standard quantum theory is known.

The most general option allows fractional atoms with proton and electron numbers varying from  $1/r$  to 1. One can imagine also the possibility of fractional molecules. The analogs of chemical bonds between fractional hydrogen atoms with  $N - k$  and  $k$  fractional electrons and protons can be considered and would give rise to a full shell of fractional electrons possessing an exceptional stability. These states would have proton and electron numbers equal to one.

Catalytic sites are one possible candidate for fractal electrons and catalyst activity might be perhaps understood as a strong tendency of fractal electron and its conjugate to fuse to form an ordinary electron.

### Connection with quantum groups?

The phase  $q = \exp(i2\pi/r)$  brings unavoidably in mind the phases defining quantum groups and playing also a key role in the model of topological quantum computation [K88]. Quantum groups indeed emerge from the spinor structure in the "world of classical worlds" realized as the space of 3-surfaces in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  and being closely related to von Neumann algebras known as hyper-finite factors of type II<sub>1</sub> [K90].

Only singular coverings are allowed if the hierarchy of Planck constants and corresponding hierarchy of singular coverings follows from the basic TGD. If the integer  $n$  characterizing the quantum phase allows identification with  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ , living matter could be perhaps understood in terms of quantum deformations of the ordinary matter, which would be characterized by the quantum phases  $q = \exp(i2\pi/r)$ . Hence quantum groups, which have for long time suspected to have significance in elementary particle physics, might relate to the mystery of living matter and predict an entire hierarchy of new forms of matter.

### How to distinguish between fractional particles and ordinary particles?

The unavoidable question is whether bio-molecules in vivo could involve actually fractional atoms molecules as their building blocks. This raises a series of related questions.

- (a) Could it be that we can observe only the fusion of of dark fractional fold molecules to ordinary molecules or its reversal? Is the behavior of matter matter in vivo dictated by the dark matter commentn and of matter in vitro by ordinary matter? Could just the act of observing the matter in vivo in the sense of existing science make it ordinary dead matter?
- (b) If fractional atoms and molecules correspond to the maximum number of fractional quanta their masses are same as for ordinary atoms and molecules and only the different binding energy photon spectrum distinguishes between them. Situation changes all fractional states are possible and one obtains scaled down spectrum as a unique signature.
- (c) The fusion of fractional molecules to ordinary molecules in principle allows to conclude that fractional molecule was present. Could this process mean just the replacement of DNA in vivo with DNA in vitro?

### 15.3.2 Spontaneous decay and completion of dark fractional atoms as a basic mechanisms of bio-chemistry?

The replication of DNA has remained for me a deep mystery and I dare to doubt that the reductionistic belief that this miraculous process is well-understood involves self deceptive elements.

Of course the problem is much more general: DNA replication is only a single very representative example of the miracles of un-reasonable selectivity of the bio-catalysis. I take this fact as a justification for some free imagination inspired by the notion of dark fractional molecule.

### Dark fermionic molecules can replicate via decay and spontaneous completion

Unit particle number for fractional atom or molecule means that the analog of closed electronic shell are in question so that the state is especially stable. Note that the analogy with full Fermi electronic sphere makes also sense. These atoms or molecules could decay to fractional atoms or molecules, with fractional particle numbers  $k/r$  and  $(r - k)/r$ .

Suppose that a fractional molecule with unit particle number decays into  $k/r$ -molecule and  $(r - k)/r$ -molecule. If  $r$  is even it is possible to have  $k = r - k = r/2$  and the situation is especially symmetric. If fermionic  $k/r < 1$  fractional atoms or molecules are present, one can imagine that they tend to be completed to full molecules spontaneously. Thus spontaneous decay and completion would favor the spontaneous replication (or rather fractionization) and dark molecules could be ideal replicators (fractionizers) The idea that the mechanisms of spontaneous decay and completion of dark fractional particles somehow lurk behind DNA replication and various high precision bio-catalytic processes is rather attractive.

### Reduction of lock and key mechanism to spontaneous completion

DNA replication and molecular recognition by the lock and key mechanism are the two mysterious processes of molecular biology. As a matter fact, DNA replication reduces to spontaneous opening of DNA double strand and to the lock and key mechanism so that it could be enough to understand the opening of double strand in terms of spontaneous decay and lock and key mechanism in terms of spontaneous completion of fractional particle (-atom or -molecule).

Consider bio-molecules which fit like a lock and key. Suppose that they are accompanied by dark fractional atoms or molecules, to be called dark fractional particles in sequel, such that one has  $k_1 + k_2 = r$  so that in the formation of bound state dark molecules combine to form  $r$ -molecule analogous to a full fermionic shell or full Fermi sea. This is expected to enhance the stability of this particular molecular complex and prefer it amongst generic combinations.

For instance, this mechanism would make it possible for nucleotide and its conjugate, DNA and mRNA molecule, and tRNA molecule and corresponding aminoacid to recognize each other. Spontaneous completion would allow to realize also the associations characterizing the genetic code as a map from RNAs to subset of RNAs and associations of this subset of RNAs with amino-acids (assuming that genetic code has evolved from RNA  $\rightarrow$  RNA code as suggested in this chapter).

As such this mechanism allows a rather limited number of different lock and key combinations unless  $r$  is very large. There is however a simple generalization allowing to increase the representative power so that lock and key mechanism becomes analogous to a password used in computers. The molecule playing the role of lock *resp.* molecule would be characterized by a set of  $n$  fractional particles with  $k_1 \in \{k_{1,1}, \dots, k_{1,n}\}$  *resp.*  $k_2 \in \{k_{2,1} = r - k_{1,1}, \dots, k_{2,n} = r - k_{1,n}\}$ . The molecules with conjugate names would fit optimally together. Fractional molecules or fractional electrons or atoms appearing as their building blocks would be like letters of a text characterizing the name of the molecule.

The mechanism generalizes also to the case of  $n > 2$  reacting molecules. The molecular complex would be defined by a partition of  $n$  copies of integer  $r$  to a sum of  $m$  integers  $k_{k,i}$ :  $\sum_i k_{k,i} = r$ .

This mechanism could provide a universal explanation for the miraculous selectivity of catalysts and this selectivity would have practically nothing to do with ordinary chemistry but would correspond to a new level of physics at which symbolic processes and representations based on dark fractional particles emerge.

### Connection with the number theoretic model of genetic code?

The emergence of partitions of integers in the labelling of molecules by fractional particles suggests a connection with the number theoretical model of genetic code [K23], where DNA triplets are characterized by integers  $n \in \{0, \dots, 63\}$  and aminoacids by integers 0, 1 and 18 primes  $p < 64$ . For instance, one can imagine that the integer  $n$  means that DNA triplet is labelled by  $n/r$ -particle.  $r = 64$  would be the obvious candidate for  $r$  and conjugate DNA triplet would naturally have  $n_c = 64 - n$ .

The model relies on number-theoretic thermodynamics for the partitions of  $n$  to a sum of integers and genetic code is fixed by the minimization of number theoretic entropy which can be also negative and has thus interpretation as information. Perhaps these partitions could correspond to states resulting in some kind of decays of  $n$ -fermion to  $n_k/r$ -fermions with  $\sum_{k=1}^r n_k = n$ . The  $n_k/r$ -fermions should however not correspond to separate particles but something different. A possible interpretation is that partition corresponds to a state in which  $n_1/r$  particle is topologically condensed at  $n_2/r \geq n_1/r$  particle topologically condensed....at  $n_k/r \geq n_{k-1}/r$ -particle. This would also automatically define a preferred ordering of the integers  $n_i$  in the partition.

An entire ensemble of labels would be present and depending on the situation codon could be labelled not only by  $n/r$ -particle but by any partition  $n = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$  corresponding to the state resulting in the decay of  $n/r$ -particle to  $k$  fractional particles.

### Reduction of DNA replication to a spontaneous decay of $r$ -particle

DNA replication could be induced by a spontaneous decay of  $r$ -particle inducing the instability of the double strand leading to a spontaneous completion of the component strands.

Strand and conjugate strand would be characterized by  $k_1/r$ -particle and  $(r - k_1)/r$ -particle, which combine to form  $r$ -particle as the double strand is formed. The opening of the double strand is induced by the decay of  $r$ -particle to  $k_1/r$ - and  $(r - k_1)/r$ -particles accompanying strand and its conjugate and after this both strands would complete themselves to double strands by the completion to  $r$ -particle.

It would be basically the stability of fractional particle which would make DNA double strand stable. Usually the formation of hydrogen bonds between strands and more generally, between the atoms of stable bio-molecule, is believed to explain the stability. Since the notion of hydrogen bond is somewhat phenomenological, one cannot exclude the possibility that these two mechanisms might be closely related to each other. I have already earlier considered the possibility that hydrogen bond might involve dark protons [K26]: this hypothesis was inspired by the finding that there seems to exist two kinds of hydrogen bonds [?, D62].

The reader has probably already noticed that the participating fractional molecules in the model of lock and key mechanism are like sexual partners, and if already molecules are conscious entities as TGD inspired theory of consciousness strongly suggests, one might perhaps see the formation of entangled bound states with positive number theoretic entanglement entropy accompanied by molecular experience of one-ness as molecular sex. Even more, the replication of DNA brings in also divorce and process of finding of new companions!

### 15.3.3 The new view about hydrogen bond and water

Concretization of the above scenario leads to a new view about hydrogen bond and the role of water in bio-catalysis.

#### What the fractional particles labelling bio-molecules could be?

What the dark fractional particles defining the letters for the names of various bio-molecules could be? Dark fractional hydrogen atoms are the lightest candidates for the names of bio-molecules. The fusion could give rise to the hydrogen atom appearing in hydrogen bond. One could say the fractional hydrogen atoms belong to the molecules between which the hydrogen

bond is formed. In absence of bond the fractional atoms would define active catalyst sites. This mechanism would also conform with the belief that hydrogen bonds guarantee the stability of bio-molecules.

This idea is not a mere speculation. The first experimental support for the notion of dark matter [K26] came from the experimental finding that water looks in atto-second time scale from the point of view of neutron diffraction and electron scattering chemically like  $H_{1.5}O$ : as if one fourth of protons are dark [D27, D24, D28, D70]. Dark protons would be identifiable as fractional protons. Of course, also dark hydrogen atoms can be considered.

One can imagine also a second option. The model for [I2] [K37] leads to a rather concrete view about how magnetic body controls biological body and receives sensory input from it. The model relies on the idea that dark water molecule clusters and perhaps also dark exotically ionized super-nuclei formed as linear closed strings of dark protons [K26] perform this mimicry. Dark proton super-nuclei are ideal for mimicking the cyclotron frequencies of ordinary atoms condensed to dark magnetic flux quanta. Of course, also partially ionized hydrogen fractional ions could perform the cyclotron mimicry of molecules with the same accuracy.

One can consider the possibility fractional molecules/atoms correspond to exotic atoms formed by electrons bound to exotically ionized dark super-nuclei: the sizes of these nuclei are however above atomic size scale so that dark electrons would move in a harmonic oscillator potential rather than Coulombic potential and form states analogous to atomic nuclei. The prediction would be the existence of magic electron numbers [K26]. Amazingly, there is strong experimental evidence for the existence of this kind of many-electron states. Even more, these states are able to mimic the chemistry of ordinary atoms [D23, D47, D30]. The formation of hydrogen bonds between catalyst and substrate could be the correlate for the fusion of fractional hydrogen atoms.

If the fusion process gives rise 1/1-hydrogen, its spontaneous decay to ordinary hydrogen would liberate the difference of binding energies as metabolic energy helping to overcome the energy barrier for the reaction. The liberated energy would be rather large and correspond 3.4 eV UV photon even for  $r = 2$  which suggests that it does not relate with standard metabolism. For larger values of  $r$  the liberated energy rapidly approaches to the ground state energy of hydrogen. Note that the binding energy of ordinary hydrogen atom in state  $n = r$  has in the lowest order approximation same energy as the ground state of dark hydrogen atom for  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = r$  so that one can consider the possibility of a resonant coupling of these states.

Fractional protons and electrons have effective charge  $\pm ke/r$  so that the binding regions of catalysts and reacting molecules could carry effective fractional surface charge.

This might relate in an interesting manner to the problem of how poly-electrolytes can be stable (I am grateful for Dale Trenary for pointing me the problem and for interesting discussions). For instance, DNA carries a charge of -2 units per nucleotide due to the phosphate backbone. The models trying to explain the stability involve effective binding of counter ions to the poly-electrolyte so that the resulting system has a lower charge density. The simulations of DNA condensation by Stevens [I13] however predict that counter ion charge should satisfy  $z > 2$  in the case of DNA. The problem is of course that protons with  $z = 1$  are the natural counter ions. The positive surface charge defined by the fractional protons attached to the nucleotides of DNA strand could explain the stability.

### **The hydrogen atoms in hydrogen bonds as fractional hydrogen atoms and $H_{1.5}O$ formula for water**

The simplest assumption is that the hydrogens associated with hydrogen bonds are actually associated with 1/1 type dark hydrogen atoms. This hypothesis has interesting implications and could explain the formula  $H_{1.5}O$  for water in atto-second time scales suggested by neutron diffraction and electron scattering [D27, D24, D28, D70].

The formation of hydrogen bond would correspond to a fusion of name and conjugate name between  $H_{k/r}-O-H$  atom and its conjugate  $H_{(r-k)/r}-O-H$  atom. The resulting pairs would obey the chemical formula  $H_3-O_2$ . Hence the formation of hydrogen bonds would predict the  $H_{1.5}O$  formula suggested by neutron diffraction and electron scattering in atto-second time scale. This



holds true only if one has complete pairing by hydrogen bonds. A more plausible explanation is that just the presence of fractional hydrogens implies the effect. Furthermore, the fraction of dark protons can depend on temperature.

### The roles of water and ordered water in catalysis

The new view about hydrogen bond allows to understand the role of water in biology at qualitative level. For instance, one can

- (a) tentatively identify "ordered water" as a phase in which all  $H_{k/r}$  atoms and their conjugates have combined to  $H_{1/1}$  atoms,
- (b) understand why (or perhaps it is better to say "predict that") water containing  $H_{k/r}$  atoms acts as a catalytic poison so that the binding sites of catalysts and reactants must be isolated from water unless the water is ordered,
- (c) justify the belief that gel phase involving ordered water is necessary for biological information processing,
- (d) understand why hydration causes hydrolysis,
- (e) understand the instability of DNA against decay to RNA outside nucleus.

A more more detailed sketch looks like following.

- (a) Suppose that at least part of water molecules appear in form  $H_{k/r}$ -OH and  $H_{(r-k)/r}$ -O-H. These molecules and the the molecule  $H_{1/1}$ -OH<sub>2</sub> formed in their fusion has much smaller binding energy than ordinary water molecule and is expected to be unstable against transition to H<sub>3</sub>O. This would suggest that the feed of metabolic energy is needed to generate the dark hydrogen atoms.

Fractional dark water molecules can join pairwise to form  $H-O-(H_{1/1})-O-H \equiv H_3O_2$  with  $H_{1/1}$ -atoms replacing hydrogen in hydrogen bond. Also  $H_{k_1/r}$ -O- $H_{k_2/r}$  molecules are possible and could form closed strings obeying the chemical formula  $O_n(H_{1/1})_n$ . Also open strings with H-O:s at ends are possible. This phase of water might allow identification as "ordered water" believed to be associated with gel phase and be crucial for quantal information processing inside cell. Liquid crystal phase of water could correspond to a bundle of open vertical segments  $H-O_n(H_{1/1})_{n-2}-H$  forming a 2-dimensional liquid (vertical freezing).

- (b) Exotic water molecules could spoil the action of both catalyst and reactant molecules by attaching to the "letters" in the name of catalyst or reactant so that the letters are not visible and catalyst and reactant cannot recognize each other anymore. Hence binding sites of catalyst and reactant must be isolated from water containing fractional water molecules. This is what Sidorova and Rau [I12] suggest on basis of comparison of specific and non-specific catalysts: non-specific catalysts contain water in an isolated binding volume whereas for specific catalysts this volume is empty. An alternative mechanism hindering water molecules to attach to "letters" is that water is "ordered water" with no fractional water molecules present.
- (c) DNA is known to be stable against decay to RNA via hydration inside the cell but not outside. Hydration could correspond to the joining of fractional water to sites of DNA transforming it to RNA. Inside nucleus this cannot occur if water is in ordered water phase permanently.

### How the first self-replicators emerged?

The identification of the first self replicator can be seen as perhaps the most fascinating and challenging problem faced by the pre-biotic model builders. Self replicator is by definition an entity which catalyzes its own replication. The analogy with the self-referential statement appearing in Gödel's theorem obvious.

In TGD framework self replication would reduce to a spontaneous decay of  $H_{1/1}$ -atom to  $H_{k/r}$ - and  $H_{(r-k)/r}$ -atoms and their subsequent completion to  $H_{1/1}$ -atoms

The picture about emergence of self-replicators would be roughly following.

- (a) The first self-replicating entities would have been plasmoids [I10] generating  $H_{1/1}$  atoms whose presence would have made possible the emergence of the first molecular self replicators. The generation of  $H_{1/1}$  atoms requires metabolic energy feed. In the first approximation the decay of  $H_{1,1}$  to fractional hydrogen atoms does not liberate nor require energy.
- (b)  $H_{k/r}$  atoms would have replaced some ordinary  $H$ -atoms in some negatively charged molecules  $M_i$  (perhaps MXTP,  $X = A, U, C, G$ ) leading to a spontaneous emergence of linear negatively charged polymers consisting of  $M_i$ . One can imagine a coding in which each  $X$  corresponds to fixed value of  $k$  or collection of the (2 hydrogen bonds or 3 hydrogen bonds depending on  $X$ ). This would make the attachment of  $X$  and its conjugate to form a hydrogen bond a highly favored process.
- (c)  $H_{k/r}$  atoms would have taken also the role of active binding sites. In ordered water conjugate molecules  $M_{c,i}$  having  $H_{(r-k)/r}$  atoms as labels would have had high probability to attach to the polymers made of  $M_i$ .
- (d) RNA molecules are good candidates for self-replicators in the presence of ordered water. The phase transition from ordinary to ordered water (which would have developed later to sol-gel phase transition) would have been an essential element of replication.

### The role of water in chirality selection

In the latest New Scientist (when I am writing this) there was a news telling that chiral selection occurs in water but not in heavy water [C54]. The L form of aminoacid glutamate is more stable than R in ordinary but not so in heavy water so that water environment must be responsible for the chirality selection of bio-molecules. The proposed explanation for the finding, whose importance cannot be over-estimated, was following.

- (a) Water molecules have two forms: orto- and para, depending on whether the nuclear spins of protons are parallel or opposite. Deuterium nuclei are spinless so that heavy water has only single form. In thermal equilibrium the fraction of orto water is 3/4 and para water 1/4.
- (b) Ortho-water is magnetic and if L form of aminoacid is slightly more magnetic than R, chirality selection can be understood as result of the magnetic interaction with water.

One can of course wonder how extremely short ranged weak interactions could produce strong enough effect on the magnetic moment. The situation is not made easier by the fact that magnetic interaction energies are inherently very weak and deep below the thermal threshold.

It is interesting to find whether these findings could be explained by and allow a more detailed formulation of the TGD based model for water based on the notion of fractional hydrogen atom, the new view about hydrogen bond, and the notion of dark protonic strings forming atomic sized super-nuclei carrying exotic weak charges.

- (a) Dark matter brings in long ranged exotic weak interactions which can produce large parity breaking effects in atomic and even longer length scales. The long ranged parity breaking weak interactions of the dark protonic super nuclei assignable to aminoacids and water could explain the chiral selection.
- (b) The magnetic interaction energy is scaled up by  $r$ , so that magnetic interactions could indeed play a key role. Ordinary classical magnetic fields are in TGD framework always accompanied by  $Z^0$  magnetic fields. If aminoacids possess exotic em charge implying also exotic weak charge, one can understand the chiral breaking as being induced by the  $Z^0$  magnetic interaction of aminoacids with the dark magnetic fields generated by water molecules or their clusters possessing a net magnetic moment. In heavy water these fields would be absent so that the experimental findings could be understood.
- (c) The experimental evidence that water behaves as  $H_{1.5}O$  in attosecond time scales means that 1/4:th of protons of water are effectively dark. The notion of fractional hydrogen atom leads to a model of hydrogen bond predicting correctly  $H_{1.5}O$  formula and the dropping of

1/4:th of protons at larger possibly dark space-time sheets. The model also predicts that the mass of  $H-O-H_r-O-H \equiv 2H_{1.5}O$  hydrogen bonded pairs is very near to the mass of 2 water molecules since there are  $r \simeq m_p/m_e$  electrons involved. The paired molecules have three protons and non-vanishing net nuclear spin and thus generate a magnetic field and make hydrogen bonded water a magnetic system. The natural identification would be as dark magnetic field accompanied by  $Z^0$  magnetic field responsible for the chiral selection.

In the case of  $D-O-D_r-O-D$  mass would be by about one proton mass  $m_p$  lower than mass of two  $D_2O$  molecules so that this D-bonded heavy water would look like  $D_{1.25}O$  as far as masses are considered and  $D_{1.5}O$  as far as neutron diffraction and electron scattering are considered. In this case no magnetic field is generated since the nuclear spin of  $D$  vanishes and no chiral breaking results. This picture explains the experimental findings. The model is not equivalent with the proposal of the experimentalists.

- (d) The model predicts that the protons liberated in the formation of hydrogen bonds drop to larger space-time sheets but does not specify their fate. A strong constraint comes from the requirement that the dropped particles have exotic weak charges acting as sources of the geometrically unavoidable classical  $Z^0$  magnetic field at dark space-time sheets causing the large parity breaking. This constraint is satisfied if the protons form super-nuclei (scaled up variants of nuclei) consisting of protonic strings connected by color bonds involving exotic quark and antiquark at its ends and some of these bonds are charged (of type  $u\bar{d}$  or  $\bar{d}u$ : this could also generate the em charge needed to make the protonic string stable.

## 15.4 TGD based model for cell membrane as sensory receptor

The emergence of zero energy ontology, the explanation of dark matter in terms of a hierarchy of Planck constants requiring a generalization of the notion of imbedding space, the view about life as something in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds, and the notion of number theoretic entanglement negentropy lead to the breakthrough in TGD inspired quantum biology and also to the recent view of qualia and sensory representations including hearing allowing a precise quantitative model at the level of cell membrane.

Also in the recent view long range weak forces however play a key role. They are made possible by the exotic ground state represented as almost vacuum extremal of Kähler action for which classical em and  $Z^0$  fields are proportional to each other whereas for standard ground state classical  $Z^0$  fields are very weak. Neutrinos are present but it seems that they do not define cognitive representations in the time scales characterizing neural activity. Electrons and quarks for which the time scales of causal diamonds correspond to fundamental biorhythms - one of the key observations during last years- take this role.

### 15.4.1 Could cell correspond to almost vacuum extremal?

The question whether cell could correspond almost vacuum extremal of Kähler action was the question which led to the realization that the frequencies of peak sensitivity for photoreceptors correspond to the Josephson frequencies of biologically important ions if one accepts that the value of the Weinberg angle equals to  $\sin^2(\theta_W) = .0295$  instead of the value .23 in the normal phase, in which the classical electromagnetic field is proportional to the induced Kähler form of  $CP_2$  in a good approximation. Another implication made possible by the large value of Planck constant is the identification of Josephson photons as the counterparts of biophotons one one hand and those of EEG photons on the other hand. These observation in turn led to a detailed model of sensory qualia and of sensory receptor. Therefore the core of this argument deserves to be represented also here although it has been discussed in [K64] .

### Cell membrane as almost vacuum extremal

Although the fundamental role of vacuum extremals for quantum criticality and life has been obvious from the beginning, it took a long time to realize how one could model living cell as this kind of system.

- (a) Classical electric fields are in a fundamental role in biochemistry and living biosystems are typically electrets containing regions of spontaneous electric polarization. Fröhlich [I6] proposed that oriented electric dipoles form macroscopic quantum systems with polarization density serving as a macroscopic order parameter. Several theories of consciousness share this hypothesis. Experimentally this hypothesis has not been verified.
- (b) TGD suggests much more profound role for the unique di-electric properties of the biosystems. The presence of strong electric dipole fields is a necessary prerequisite for cognition and life and could even force the emergence of life. Strong electric fields imply also the presence of the charged wormhole BE condensates: the surface density of the charged wormholes on the boundary is essentially equal to the normal component of the electric field so that wormholes are in some sense 'square root' of the dipole condensate of Fröhlich! Wormholes make also possible pure vacuum polarization type dipole fields: in this case the magnitudes of the em field at the two space-time sheets involved are same whereas the directions of the fields are opposite. The splitting of wormhole contacts creates fermion pairs which might be interpreted as cognitive fermion pairs. Also microtubules carry strong longitudinal electric fields. This formulation emerged much before the identification of ordinary gauge bosons and their superpartners as wormhole contacts.

Cell membrane is the basic example about electret and one of the basic mysteries of cell biology is the resting potential of the living cell. Living cell membranes carry huge electric fields: something like  $10^7$  Volts per meter. For neuron resting potential corresponds to about .07 eV energy gained when unit charge travels through the membrane potential. In TGD framework it is not at all clear whether the presence of strong electromagnetic field necessitates the presence of strong Kähler field. The extremely strong electric field associated with the cell membrane is not easily understood in Maxwell's theory and almost vacuum extremal property could change the situation completely in TGD framework.

- (a) The configuration could be a small deformation of vacuum extremal so that the system would be highly critical as one indeed expects on basis of the general vision about living matter as a quantum critical system. For vacuum extremals classical em and  $Z^0$  fields would be proportional to each other. The second half of Maxwell's equations is not in general satisfied in TGD Universe and one cannot exclude the presence of vacuum charge densities in which case elementary particles as the sources of the field would not be necessarily. If one assumes that this is the case approximately, the presence of  $Z^0$  charges creating the classical  $Z^0$  fields is implied. Neutrinos are the most candidates for the carrier of  $Z^0$  charge. Also nuclei could feed their weak gauge fluxes to almost non-vacuum extremals but not atomic electrons since this would lead to dramatic deviations from atomic physics. This would mean that weak bosons would be light in this phase and also Weinberg angle could have a non-standard value.
- (b) There are also space-time surfaces for  $CP_2$  projection belongs to homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere. In this case classical  $Z^0$  field can vanish [L1], [L1] and the vision has been that it is sensible to speak about two basic configurations.
  - i. Almost vacuum extremals (homologically trivial geodesic sphere).
  - ii. Small deformations of non-vacuum extremals for which the gauge field has pure gauge  $Z^0$  component (homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere).

The latter space-time surfaces are excellent candidates for configurations identifiable as TGD counterparts of standard electroweak physics. Note however that the charged part of electroweak fields is present for them.

- (c) To see whether the latter configurations are really possible one must understand how the gauge fields are affected in the color rotation.

- i. The action of color rotations in the holonomy algebra of  $CP_2$  is non-trivial and corresponds to the action in  $U(2)$  sub-group of  $SU(3)$  mapped to  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)$ . Since the induced color gauge field is proportional to Kähler form, the holonomy is necessary Abelian so that also the representation of color rotations as a sub-group of electro-weak group must correspond to a local  $U(1)$  sub-group local with respect to  $CP_2$  point.
  - ii. Kähler form remains certainly invariant under color group and the right handed part of  $Z^0$  field reducing to  $U(1)_R$  sub-algebra should experience a mere Abelian gauge transformation. Also the left handed part of weak fields should experience a local  $U(1)_L$  gauge rotation acting on the neutral left handed part of  $Z^0$  in the same manner as it acts on the right handed part. This is true if the  $U(1)_L$  sub-group does not depend on point of  $CP_2$  and corresponds to  $Z^0$  charge. If only  $Z^0$  part of the induced gauge field is non-vanishing as it can be for vacuum extremals then color rotations cannot change the situation. If  $Z^0$  part vanishes and non-vacuum extremal is in question, then color rotation rotation of  $W$  components mixing them but acts as a pure  $U(1)$  gauge transformation on the left handed component.
  - iii. It might not be without importance that for any partonic 2-surface induced electro-weak gauge fields have always  $U(1)$  holonomy, which could allow to define what neutral part of induced electroweak gauge field means locally. This does not however hold true for the 4-D tangent space distribution. In any case, the cautious conclusion is that there are two phases corresponding to nearly vacuum extremals and small deformations of extremals corresponding to homologically non-trivial geodesic spheres for which the neutral part of the classical electro-weak gauge field reduces to photon field.
- (d) The unavoidable presence of long range  $Z^0$  fields would explain large parity breaking in living matter, and the fact that neutrino Compton length is of the order of cell size would suggest the possibility that within neutrino Compton electro-weak gauge fields or even longer scales could behave like massless fields. The explanation would be in terms of the different ground state characterized also by a different value of Weinberg angle. For instance, of the p-adic temperature of weak bosons corresponds to  $T_p = 1/2$ , the mass scale would be multiplied by a factor  $\sqrt{M_{89}}$  and Compton lengths of weak bosons would be around  $10^{-4}$  meters corresponding to the size scale of a large neuron. If the value of Planck constant is also large then the Compton length increases to astrophysical scale.
- (e) From the equations for classical induced gauge fields in terms of Kähler form and classical  $Z^0$  field [L1] , [L1]

$$\gamma = 3J - \frac{p}{2}Z^0 \quad , \quad Q_Z = I_L^3 - pQ_{em} \quad , \quad p = \sin^2(\theta_W) \quad (15.4.1)$$

it follows that for the vacuum extremals the part of the classical electro-weak force proportional to the electromagnetic charge vanishes for  $p = 0$  so that only the left-handed couplings to the weak gauge bosons remain. The absence of electroweak symmetry breaking and vanishing or at least smallness of  $p$  would make sense below the Compton length of dark weak bosons. If this picture makes sense it has also implications for astrophysics and cosmology since small deformations of vacuum extremals are assumed to define the interesting extremals. Dark matter hierarchy might explain the presence of unavoidable long ranged  $Z^0$  fields as being due to dark matter with arbitrarily large values of Planck constant so that various elementary particle Compton lengths are very long.

- (f) The simplest option is that the dark matter -say quarks with Compton lengths of order cell size and Planck constant of order  $10^7 \hbar_0$  - are responsible for dark weak fields making almost vacuum extremal property possible. The condition that Josephson photons correspond to EEG frequencies implies  $\hbar \sim 10^{13} \hbar_0$  and would mean the scaling of intermediate gauge boson Compton length to that corresponding to the size scale of a larger neuron. The quarks involved with with DNA as topological quantum computer model could be in question and membrane potential might be assignable to the magnetic flux tubes. The ordinary ionic currents through cell membrane -having no coupling to classical  $Z^0$  fields and not acting as its source- would be accompanied by compensating currents of dark fermions taking care that the almost vacuum extremal property is preserved. The outcome would be large parity

breaking effects in cell scale from the left handed couplings of dark quarks and leptons to the classical  $Z^0$  field. The flow of  $\text{Na}^+$  ions during nerve pulse could take along same dark flux tube as the flow of dark quarks and leptons. This near vacuum extremal property might be fundamental property of living matter at dark space-time sheets at least.

1. *Could nuclei and neutrinos couple to light variants of weak gauge fields in the critical phase?*

One of the hard-to-kill ideas of quantum TGD inspired model of quantum biology is that neutrinos might have something do with hearing and cognition. This proposal looks however unrealistic in the recent vision. I would be more than happy to get rid of bio-neutrinos but the following intriguing finding does not allow me to have this luxury.

- (a) Assume that the endogenous magnetic field  $B_{end} = .2$  Gauss is associated with a nearly vacuum extremal and therefore accompanied by  $B_Z = 2B_{end}/p$ . Assume for definiteness  $m_\nu = .3$  eV and  $p = \sin^2(\theta_W) = .23$ . The neutrino cyclotron frequency is given by the following expression

$$f_\nu = \frac{m_e}{m_\nu} \frac{1}{2\sin^2(\theta_W)} f_e .$$

From  $f_e \simeq .57 \times \text{MHz}$  and  $p = \sin^2(\theta_W) = .23$  one obtains  $E_\nu = 1.7 \times 10^{-2}$  eV, which is roughly one third to the Josephson frequency of electron assignable to cell membrane. Could Josephson frequency of cell membrane excite neutrino cyclotron transitions?

- (b) The model for photoreceptors to be discussed below forces to conclude that the value of Weinberg angle in the phase near vacuum extremal must be  $p = .0295$  if one wants to reproduces the peak energies of photoreceptors as Josephson frequencies of basic biological ions. This would predict  $E_\nu = .41$  eV, which is rather near to the metabolic energy quantum. The non-relativistic formula however fails in this case and one must use the relativistic formula giving

$$E = \sqrt{g_Z Q_Z B_Z 2\pi} \simeq .48 \text{ eV}$$

giving the metabolic energy quantum. Does this mean that  $Z^0$  cyclotron frequency for neutrino is related to the transfer of metabolic energy using  $Z^0$  MEs in the phase near vacuum extremals.

- (c) Josephson frequency is proportional to  $1/\hbar$ , whereas neutrino cyclotron frequency does not depend on  $\hbar$  at non-relativistic energies. For larger values of  $\hbar$  the neutrino becomes relativistic so that the mass in the formula for cyclotron frequency must be replaced with energy. This gives

$$E = \sqrt{nr^{1/2}} \sqrt{g_Z Q_Z B_Z 2\pi} \simeq r^{1/2} \times .48 \text{ eV} , \quad r = \sqrt{\hbar/\hbar_0} .$$

Here  $n$  refers to the cyclotron harmonic.

These observations raise the question whether the three frequencies with maximum response assignable to the three different types of receptors of visible light in retina could correspond to the three cyclotron frequencies assignable to the three neutrinos with different mass scales? The first objection is that the dependence on mass disappears completely at the relativistic limit. The second objection is that the required value of Planck constant is rather small and far from being enough to have electroweak boson Compton length of order cell size. One can of course ask whether the electroweak gauge bosons are actually massless inside almost vacuum extremals. If fermions -including neutrino- receive their masses from p-adic thermodynamics then massless electroweak gauge bosons would be consistent with massive fermions. Vacuum extremals are indeed analogous to the unstable extrema of Higgs potential at which the Higgs vacuum expectation vanishes so that this interpretation might make sense.

2. *Ionic Josephson frequencies defined by the resting potential for nearly vacuum extremals*

If cell membrane corresponds to an almost vacuum extremal, the membrane potential potential is replaced with an effective resting potential containing also the  $Z^0$  contribution proportional to the ordinary resting potential. The surprising outcome is that one could understand the preferred frequencies for photo-receptors [J3] as Josephson frequencies for biologically important ions. Furthermore, most Josephson energies are in visible and UV range and the interpretation in terms of biophotons is suggestive. If the value of Planck constant is large enough Josephson frequencies are in EEG frequency range so that biophotons and EEG photons could be both related to Josephson photons with large  $\hbar$ .

- (a) One must assume that the interior of the cell corresponds to many fermion state -either a state filled with neutrinos up to Fermi energy or Bose-Einstein condensate of neutrino Cooper pairs creating a harmonic oscillator potential. The generalization of nuclear harmonic oscillator model so that it applies to multi-neutrino state looks natural.
- (b) For exact vacuum extremals elementary fermions couple only via left-handed isospin to the classical  $Z^0$  field whereas the coupling to classical em field vanishes. Both  $K_+, Na_+$ , and  $Cl_-$   $A - Z = Z + 1$  so that by p-n pairing inside nucleus they have the weak isospin of neutron (opposite to that of neutrino) whereas  $Ca_{++}$  nucleus has a vanishing weak isospin. This might relate to the very special role of  $Ca_{++}$  ions in biology. For instance,  $Ca_{++}$  defines an action potential lasting a time of order .1 seconds whereas  $Na_+$  defines a pulse lasting for about 1 millisecond [J1] . These time scales might relate to the time scales of  $CDs$  associated with quarks and electron.
- (c) The basic question is whether only nuclei couple to the classical  $Z^0$  field or whether also electrons do so. If not, then nuclei have a large effective vector coupling to em field coming from  $Z^0$  coupling proportional to the nuclear charge increasing the value of effective membrane potential by a factor of order 100. If both electrons and nuclei couple to the classical  $Z^0$  field, one ends up with difficulties with atomic physics. If only quarks couple to the  $Z^0$  field and one has  $Z^0 = -2\gamma/p$  for vacuum extremals, and one uses average vectorial coupling  $\langle I_L^3 \rangle = \pm 1/4$  with + for proton and - for neutron, the resulting vector coupling is following

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{Z - N}{4} - pZ\right)Z^0 + q_{em}\gamma &= Q_{eff}\gamma , \\ Q_{eff} &= -\frac{Z - N}{2p} + 2Z + q_{em} . \end{aligned} \tag{15.4.1}$$

Here  $\gamma$  denotes em gauge potential. For  $K^+, Cl^-, Na^+, Ca^{++}$  one has  $Z = (19, 17, 11, 20)$ ,  $Z - N = (-1, -1, -1, 0)$ , and  $q_{em} = (1, -1, 1, 2)$ . Table 1 below gives the values of Josephson energies for some values of resting potential for  $p = .23$ . Rather remarkably, they are in IR or visible range.

$E(Ion)/eV$	$V = -40 \text{ mV}$	$V = -60 \text{ mV}$	$V = -70 \text{ mV}$
$Na^+$	1.01	1.51	1.76
$Cl^-$	1.40	2.11	2.46
$K^+$	1.64	2.47	2.88
$Ca^{++}$	1.68	2.52	2.94

Table 2. Values of the Josephson energy of cell membrane for some values of the membrane voltage for  $p = .23$ . The value  $V = -40 \text{ mV}$  corresponds to the resting state for photoreceptors and  $V = -70 \text{ mV}$  to the resting state of a typical neuron.

**Are photoreceptors nearly vacuum extremals?**

In Hodgkin-Huxley model ionic currents are Ohmian currents. If one accepts the idea that the cell membrane acts as a Josephson junction, there are also non-dissipative oscillatory Josephson currents of ions present, which run also during flow equilibrium for the ionic parts of the

currents. A more radical possibility is that the dominating parts of the ionic currents are oscillatory Josephson currents so that no metabolic energy would be needed to take care that density gradients for ions are preserved. Also in this case both nearly vacuum extremals and extremals with nearly vanishing  $Z^0$  field can be considered. Since sensory receptors must be highly critical the natural question is whether they could correspond to nearly vacuum extremals. The quantitative success of the following model for photoreceptors supports this idea.

Photoreceptors can be classified to three kinds of cones responsible for color vision and rods responsible for black-white vision. The peak sensitivities of cones correspond to wavelengths (405, 535, 565) nm and energies (3.06, 2.32, 2.19) eV. The maximum absorption occurs in the wave length range 420-440 nm, 534-545 nm, 564-580 nm for cones responsible for color vision and 498 nm for rods responsible black-white vision [J2, J3]. The corresponding photon energies are (2.95, 2.32, 2.20) eV for color vision and to 2.49 eV for black-white vision. For frequency distribution the maxima are shifted from these since the maximum condition becomes  $dI/d\lambda + 2I/\lambda = 0$ , which means a shift to a larger value of  $\lambda$ , which is largest for smallest  $\lambda$ . Hence the energies for maximum absorbance are actually lower and the downwards shift is largest for the highest energy.

From Table 2 above it is clear that the energies of Josephson photons are in visible range for reasonable values of membrane voltages, which raises the question whether Josephson currents of nuclei in the classical em and  $Z^0$  fields of the cell membrane could relate to vision.

Consider first the construction of the model.

- (a)  $Na^+$  and  $Ca^{++}$  currents are known to present during the activation of the photoreceptors.  $Na^+$  current defines the so called dark current [J3] reducing the membrane resting potential below its normal value and might relate to the sensation of darkness as eyes are closed. Hodgkin-Huxley model predicts that also  $K^+$  current is present. Therefore the Josephson energies of these three ion currents are the most plausible correlates for the three colors.
- (b) One ends up with the model in the following manner. For  $Ca^{++}$  the Josephson frequency does not depend on  $p$  and requiring that this energy corresponds to the energy 2.32 eV of maximal sensitivity for cones sensitive to green light fixes the value of the membrane potential during hyperpolarization to  $V = .055$  V, which is quite reasonable value. The value of the Weinberg angle parameter can be fixed from the condition that other peak energies are reproduced optimally. The result of  $p = .0295$ .

The predictions of the model come as follows summarized also by the Table 3 below.

- (a) The resting potential for photoreceptors is  $V = -40$  mV [J4]. In this case all Josephson energies are below the range of visible frequencies for  $p = .23$ . Also for maximal hyperpolarization  $Na^+$  Josephson energy is below the visible range for this value of Weinberg angle.
- (b) For  $V = -40$  mV and  $p = .0295$  required by the model the energies of  $Cl^-$  and  $K^+$  Josephson photons correspond to red light. 2 eV for  $Cl^-$  corresponds to a basic metabolic quantum. For  $Na^+$  and  $Ca^{++}$  the wave length is below the visible range.  $Na^+$  Josephson energy is below visible range. This conforms with the interpretation of  $Na^+$  current as a counterpart for the sensation of darkness.
- (c) For  $V = -55$  mV - the threshold for the nerve pulse generation- and for  $p = .0295$  the Josephson energies of  $Na^+$ ,  $Ca^{++}$ , and  $K^+$  correspond to the peak energies for cones sensitive to red, green, and blue respectively. Also  $Cl^-$  is in the blue region.  $Ca^{++}$  Josephson energy can be identified as the peak energy for rods. The increase of the hyperpolarization to  $V = -59$  mV reproduces the energy of the maximal wave length response exactly. A possible interpretation is that around the criticality for the generation of the action potential ( $V \simeq -55$  mV) the qualia would be generated most intensely since the Josephson currents would be strongest and induce Josephson radiation inducing the quale in other neurons of the visual pathway at the verge for the generation of action potential. This supports the earlier idea that visual pathways defines a neural window. Josephson radiation could be interpreted as giving rise to biophotons (energy scale is correct) and to EEG photons (for large enough values of  $\hbar$  the frequency scales is that of EEG).



- (d) In a very bright illumination the hyperpolarization is  $V = -65$  mV [J4], which the normal value of resting potential. For this voltage Josephson energies are predicted to be in UV region except in case of  $Ca^{++}$ . This would suggest that only the quale 'white' is generated at the level of sensory receptor: very intense light is indeed experienced as white.

The model reproduces basic facts about vision assuming that one accepts the small value of Weinberg angle, which is indeed a natural assumption since vacuum extremals are analogous to the unstable extrema of Higgs potential and should correspond to small Weinberg angle. It deserves to be noticed that neutrino Josephson energy is 2 eV for  $V = -50$  mV, which correspond to color red. 2 eV energy defines an important metabolic quantum.

Ion	$Na^+$	$Cl^-$	$K^+$	$Ca^{++}$
$E_J(.04 \text{ mV}, p = .23)/eV$	1.01	1.40	1.51	1.76
$E_J(.065 \text{ V}, p = .23)/eV$	1.64	2.29	2.69	2.73
$E_J(40 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	1.60	2.00	2.23	1.68
$E_J(50 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	2.00	2.49	2.79	2.10
$E_J(55 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	2.20	2.74	3.07	2.31
$E_J(65 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	2.60	3.25	3.64	2.73
$E_J(70 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	2.80	3.50	3.92	2.94
$E_J(75 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	3.00	3.75	4.20	3.15
$E_J(80 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	3.20	4.00	4.48	3.36
$E_J(90 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	3.60	4.50	5.04	3.78
$E_J(95 \text{ mV}, p = .0295)/eV$	3.80	4.75	5.32	3.99
Color	R	G	B	W
$E_{max}$	2.19	2.32	3.06	2.49
energy-interval/eV	1.77-2.48	1.97-2.76	2.48-3.10	

Table 3. The table gives the prediction of the model of photoreceptor for the Josephson energies for typical values of the membrane potential. For comparison purposes the energies  $E_{max}$  corresponding to peak sensitivities of rods and cones, and absorption ranges for rods are also given. R,G,B,W refers to red, green, blue, white. The values of Weinberg angle parameter  $p = \sin^2(\theta_W)$  are assumed to be .23 and .0295. The latter value is forced by the fit of Josephson energies to the known peak energies.

It interesting to try to interpret the resting potentials of various cells in this framework in terms of the Josephson frequencies of various ions.

- (a) The maximum value of the action potential is +40 mV so that Josephson frequencies are same as for the resting state of photoreceptor. Note that the time scale for nerve pulse is so slow as compared to the frequency of visible photons that one can consider that the neuronal membrane is in a state analogous to that of a photoreceptor.
- (b) For neurons the value of the resting potential is -70 mV.  $Na^+$  and  $Ca^{++}$  Josephson energies 2.80 eV and 2.94 eV are in the visible range in this case and correspond to blue light. This does not mean that  $Ca^{++}$  Josephson currents are present and generate sensation of blue at neuronal level: the quale possibly generated should depend on sensory pathway. During the hyperpolarization period with -75 mV the situation is not considerably different.
- (c) The value of the resting potential is -95 mV for skeletal muscle cells. In this case  $Ca^{++}$  Josephson frequency corresponds to 4 eV metabolic energy quantum as the table below shows.
- (d) For smooth muscle cells the value of resting potential is -50 mV. In this case  $Na^+$  Josephson frequency corresponds to 2 eV metabolic energy quantum.
- (e) For astroglia the value of the resting potential is -80/-90 mV for astroglia. For -80 mV the resting potential for  $Cl^-$  corresponds to 4 eV metabolic energy quantum. This suggests that glial cells could also provide metabolic energy as Josephson radiation to neurons.

- (f) For all other neurons except photo-receptors and red blood cells Josephson photons are in visible and UV range and the natural interpretation would be as biophotons. The biophotons detected outside body could represent sensory leakage. An interesting question is whether the IR Josephson frequencies could make possible some kind of IR vision.

### 15.4.2 General model for qualia and sensory receptor

The identification of quantum number increments in quantum jump for a subsystem representing subself and the capacitor model of sensory receptor are already more than decade old ideas.

The concrete realization of this vision is based on several ideas that I have developed during last five years.

- (a) The vision about dark matter as a hierarchy of phases partially labeled by the value of Planck constant led to the model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27]. In this model magnetic flux tubes connecting DNA nucleotides with the lipids of the cell membrane define strands of the braids defining topological quantum computations. The braid strand corresponds to so called wormhole flux tube and has quark and antiquark at its ends.  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and their antiquarks code for four DNA nucleotides in this model.
- (b) Zero energy ontology assigns to elementary particles so called causal diamonds ( $CD$ s). For  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and electron these time scales are (6.5, .78, 100) ms respectively, and correspond to fundamental biorhythms. Electron time scale corresponds to 10 Hz fundamental biorhythm defining also the fundamental frequency of speech organs, .78 ms to kHz cortical synchrony [J7], and 160 Hz to cerebellar synchrony [J8]. Elementary particles therefore seem to be directly associated with neural activity, language, and presumably also hearing. One outcome was the modification of the earlier model of memetic code involving the notion of cognitive neutrino pair by replacing the sequence of cognitive neutrino pairs with that of quark sub- $CD$ s within electron  $CD$ . Nerve pulses could induce the magnetization direction of quark coding for bit but there are also other possibilities. The detailed implications for the model of nerve pulse [K64] remain to be disentangled.
- (c) The understanding of the Negentropy Maximization Principle [K47] and the role of negentropic entanglement in living matter together with the vision about life as something in the intersection of real and p-adic worlds was a dramatic step forward. In particular, space-like and time-like negentropic entanglement become basic aspects of conscious intelligence and are expected to be especially important for understanding the difference between speech and music.
- (d) The most important implication concerning the model of sensory receptors however relate to the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action. It has been clear from the beginning that the nearly vacuum extremals of Kähler action could play key role in living systems. The reason is their criticality making them ideal systems for sensory perception. These extremals carry classical em and  $Z^0$  fields related to each other by a constant factor and this could explain the large parity breaking effects characterizing living matter. The assumption that cell membranes are nearly vacuum extremals and that nuclei can feed their  $Z^0$  charges to this kind of space-time sheets (not true for atomic electrons) in living matter leads to a modification of the model for the cell membrane as Josephson junction [K64]. Also a model of photoreceptors explaining the frequencies of peak sensitivity as ionic Josephson frequencies and allowing the dual identifications Josephson radiation as biophotons (energies) [I3] and EEG radiation (frequencies) emerge since the values of Planck constant can be very large. The value of the Weinberg angle in this phase is fixed to  $\sin^2(\theta_W) = .0295$ , whereas in standard phase the value is given by  $\sin^2(\theta_W) = .23$ . The significance of this quantitative success for TGD and TGD inspired quantum biology cannot be over-estimated.

### 15.4.3 Some implications of the model of cell membrane as sensory receptor

The ensuing general model of how cell membrane acts as a sensory receptor has unexpected implications for the entire TGD inspired view about biology.

- (a) DNA as topological quantum computer model plus certain simplifying assumption leads to the conclusion that the spectrum of net quantum numbers of quark antiquark pair define the primary qualia assignable to a nucleotide-lipid pair connected by a magnetic flux tube. The most general prediction is that the net quantum numbers of two quark pairs characterize the qualia. In the latter case the qualia would be assigned to a pair of receptor cells.
- (b) Composite qualia result when one allows the nucleotide-lipid pairs of the membrane to be characterized by a distribution of quark-antiquark pairs. Cell membrane -or at least the axonal parts of neurons- would define a sensory representation in which a pair of this kind defines a pixel characterized by primary qualia. Cells would be sensory homunculi and DNA defines a sensory hologram of body of or of part of it. Among other things this would give a precise content to the notion of grandma cell.
- (c) Josephson frequencies of biologically important ions are in one-one correspondence with the qualia and Josephson radiation could re-generate the qualia or map them to different qualia in a one-one and synesthetic manner in the neurons of the sensory pathway. For large values of Planck constant Josephson frequencies are in EEG range so that a direct connection with EEG emerges and Josephson radiation indeed corresponds to both biophotons and EEG. This would realize the notion of sensory pathway which originally seemed to me a highly non-realistic notion and led to the vision that sensory qualia can be realized only at the level of sensory organs in TGD framework.
- (d) At the level of brain motor action and sensory perception look like reversals of each other. In zero energy ontology motor action can be indeed seen as a time reversed sensory perception so that the model of sensory representations implies also a model for motor action. Magnetic body serves as a sensory canvas where cyclotron transitions induced by Josephson frequencies induce conscious sensory map entangling the points of the magnetic body with brain and body.

### 15.4.4 A general model of qualia and sensory receptor

The identification of sensory qualia in terms of quantum number increments and geometric qualia representing geometric and kinematic information in terms of moduli of  $CD$ , the assignment of sensory qualia with the membrane of sensory receptor, and capacitor model of qualia are basic ideas behind the model. The communication of sensory data to magnetic body using Josephson photons is also a key aspect of the model.

#### A general model of qualia

It is good to start by summarizing the general vision about sensory qualia and geometric qualia in TGD Universe.

- (a) The basic assumption is that sensory qualia correspond to increments of various quantum numbers in quantum jump. Standard model quantum numbers- color quantum numbers, electromagnetic charge and weak isospin, and spin are the most obvious candidates. Also cyclotron transitions changing the integer characterizing cyclotron state could correspond to some kind of quale- perhaps 'a feeling of existence'. This could make sense for the qualia of the magnetic body.
- (b) Geometric qualia could correspond to the increments of zero modes characterizing the induced  $CP_2$  Kähler form of the partonic 2-surface and of the moduli characterizing the causal diamonds serving as geometric correlates of selves. This moduli space involves the position of  $CD$  and the relative position of tips as well as position in  $CP_2$  and relative

position of two  $CP_2$  points assigned to the future and past boundaries of  $CD$ . There are good motivations for proposing that the relative positions are quantized. This gives as a special case the quantization of the scale of  $CD$  in powers of two. Position and orientation sense could represent this kind of qualia. Also kinematical qualia like sensation of acceleration could correspond to geometric qualia in generalized 4-D sense. For instance, the sensation about motion could be coded by Lorentz boosts of sub- $CD$  representing mental image about the object.

- (c) One can in principle distinguish between qualia assignable to the biological body (sensory receptors in particular) and magnetic body. The basic question is whether sensory qualia can be assigned only with the sensory receptors or with sensory pathways or with both. Geometric qualia might be assignable to the magnetic body and could provide third person perspective as a geometric and kinematical map of the body and its state of motion represented using the moduli space assignable to causal diamonds ( $CD$ ). This map could be provided also by the body in which case the magnetic body would only share various mental images. The simplest starting assumption consistent with neuro-science is that sensory qualia are assigned with the cell membrane of sensory receptor and perhaps also with the neurons receiving data from it carried by Josephson radiation coding for the qualia and possibly partially regenerating them if the receiving neuron has same value of membrane potential as the sensory receptor when active. Note that during nerve pulse also this values of membrane potential is achieved for some time.

### Could some sensory qualia correspond to the sensory qualia of the magnetic body?

Concerning the understanding of a detailed model for how sensory qualia are generated, the basic guideline comes from the notion of magnetic body and the idea that sensory data are communicated to the magnetic body as Josephson radiation associated with the cell membrane. This leaves two options: either the primary a sensory qualia are generated at the level of sensory receptor and the resulting mental images negentropically entangle with the "feeling of existence" type mental images at the magnetic body or they can be also generated at the level of the magnetic body by Josephson radiation -possibly as cyclotron transitions. The following arguments are to-be-or-not-to-be questions about whether the primary qualia must reside at the level of sensory receptors.

- (a) Cyclotron transitions for various cyclotron condensates of bosonic ions or Cooper pairs of fermionic ions or elementary particles are assigned with the motor actions of the magnetic body and Josephson frequencies with the communication of the sensory data. Therefore it would not be natural to assign qualia with cyclotron transitions. On the other hand, in zero energy ontology motor action can be regarded formally as a time reversed sensory perception, which suggests that cyclotron transitions correlated with the "feeling of existence" at magnetic body entangled with the sensory mental images. They could also code for the pitch of sound as will be found but this quale is strictly speaking also a geometric quale in the 4-D framework.
- (b) If Josephson radiation induces cyclotron transitions, the energy of Josephson radiation must correspond to that of cyclotron transition. This means very strong additional constraint not easy to satisfy except during nerve pulse when frequencies varying from about  $10^{14}$  Hz down to kHz range are emitted the system remains Josephson contact. Cyclotron frequencies are also rather low in general, which requires that the value of  $\hbar$  must be large in order to have cyclotron energy above the thermal threshold. This would however conform with the very beautiful dual interpretation of Josephson photons in terms of biophotons and EEG. One expects that only high level qualia can correspond to a very large values of  $\hbar$  needed.

For the sake of completeness it should be noticed that one might do without large values of  $\hbar$  if the carrier wave with frequency defined by the metabolic energy quantum assignable to the kicking and that the small modulation frequency corresponds to the cyclotron frequency. This would require that Josephson frequency corresponds to the frequency defined by the metabolic quantum. This is not consistent with the fact that very primitive organisms possess sensory systems.

- (c) If all primary qualia are assigned to the magnetic body, Josephson radiation must include also gluons and light counter parts of weak bosons are involved besides photons. This is quite a strong additional assumption and it will be found that the identification of sensory qualia in terms of quantum numbers of quark pair restrictes them to the cell membrane. The coding of qualia by Josephson frequencies is however possible and makes it possible to regenerate them in nervous system. The successful model explaining the peak frequencies of photoreceptors in terms of ionic cyclotron frequencies supports this view and provides a realization for an old idea about spectroscopy of consciousness which I had already been ready to give up.

### Capacitor model of sensory qualia

In capacitor model of sensory receptor the increments of quantum numbers are amplified as particles with given quantum numbers flow between the plates of capacitor like system and the second plate defines the subself responsible for the mental image. The generation of complementary qualia assignable to the two plates and bringing in mind complementary colors is predicted. The capacitor is at the verge of di-electric breakdown. The interior and exterior of the receptor cell are the most plausible candidates for the capacitor plates with lipid layers defining the analog of di-electric able to changes its properties. Josephson currents generating Josephson radiation could communicate the sensory percept to the magnetic body but would not generate genuine sensory qualia there (the pitch of sound would be interpreted as a geometric quale). The coding is possible if the basic qualia correspond in one-one manner to ionic Josephson currents. There are sensory receptors which themselves do not fire (this is the case for hair cells for hearing and tactile receptor cells) and in this case the neuron next to the receptor in the sensory pathway would take the role of the quantum critical system.

The notion of sensory capacitor can be generalized. In zero energy ontology the plates could be effectively replaced with positive and negative energy parts of zero energy state or with cyclotron Bose-Einstein condensates corresponding to two different energies. Plates could also correspond to a pair of space-time sheets labeled by different p-adic primes and the generation of quale would correspond in this case to a flow of particles between the space-time sheets or magnetic flux tubes connected by contacts defining Josephson junctions.

The TGD inspired model for photoreceptors [K64] relies crucially on the assumption that sensory neurons at least and probably all cell membranes correspond to nearly vacuum extremals with the value of Weinberg angle equal to  $\sin^2(\theta_W) = .0295$  and weak bosons having Compton length of order cell size and ordinary value of Planck constant. This also explains the large parity breaking effects in living matter. The almost vacuum extremal property conforms with the vision about cell membrane as a quantum critical system ideal for acting as a sensory receptor.

#### 15.4.5 Detailed model for the qualia

The proposed vision about qualia requires a lot of new physics provided by TGD. What leads to a highly unique proposal is the intriguing coincidence of fundamental elementary particle time scales with basic time scales of biology and neuro science and the model of DNA as topological quantum computer [K27].

- (a) Zero energy ontology brings in the size scale of  $CD$  assignable to the field body of the elementary particle. Zero energy states with negentropic time-like entanglement between positive and negative energy parts of the state might provide a key piece of the puzzle. The negentropic entanglement between positive energy parts of the states associated with the sub- $CD$  assignable to the cell membrane and sub- $CD$  at the magnetic body is expected to be an important factor.
- (b) For the standard value of  $\hbar$  the basic prediction would be 1 ms second time scale of  $d$  quark, 6.5 ms time scale of  $u$  quark, and .1 second time scale of electron as basic characterizes of sensory experience if one accept the most recent estimates  $m(u) = 2$  MeV and  $m(d) = 5$  MeV for the quark masses [C135]. These time scales correspond to 10 Hz, 160 Hz, and

1280 Hz frequencies, which all characterize neural activity (for the identification of 160 Hz frequency as cerebellar resonance frequency see [J8] ). Hence quarks could be the most interesting particles as far as qualia are considered and the first working hypothesis would be that the fundamental quantum number increments correspond to those for quark-anti-quark pair. The identification in terms of quantum numbers of single quark is inconsistent with the model of color qualia.

- (c) The model of DNA as topological quantum computer led to the proposal that DNA nucleotides are connected to the lipids of the cell membrane by magnetic flux tubes having quark and antiquark at its ends such that the  $u$  and  $d$  quarks and their antiquarks code for the four nucleotides. The outer lipid layer was also assumed to be connected by flux tubes to the nucleotide in some other cell or in cell itself.
- (d) The model for DNA as topological quantum computer did not completely specify whether the flux tubes are ordinary flux tubes or wormhole flux tubes with possibly opposite signs of energy assigned with the members of the flux tube pair. Although it is not necessary, one could assume that the quantum numbers of the two parallel flux tubes cancel each other so that wormhole flux tube would be characterized by quantum numbers of quark pairs at its ends. It is not even necessary to assume that the net quantum numbers of the flux tubes vanish. Color confinement however suggests that the color quantum at the opposite ends of the flux tube are of opposite sign.
  - i. The absence of a flux tube between lipid layers was interpreted as an isolation from external world during the topological quantum computation. The emergence of the flux tube connection means halting of topological quantum computation. The flux tube connection with the external world corresponds to sensory perception at the level of DNA nucleotide in consistency with the idea that DNA plays the role of the brain of cell [K70] . The total color quantum numbers at the ends of the flux tubes were assumed to sum up to zero. This means that the fusion of the flux tubes ending to the interior and exterior cell membrane to single one creates a flux tube state not localized inside cell and that the interior of cell carries net quantum numbers. The attractive interpretation is that this process represents the generation of quale of single nucleotide.
  - ii. The formation of the flux tube connection between lipid layers would involve the transformation of both quark-antiquark pairs to an intermediate state. There would be no kinematic constraints on the process nor to the mass scales of quarks. A possible mechanism for the separation of the two quark-antiquark pairs associated with the lipids from the system is double reconnection of flux tubes which leads to a situation in which the quark-antiquark pairs associated with the lipid layers are connected by short flux loops and separated to a disjoint state and there is a long wormhole flux tube connecting the nucleotides possibly belonging to different cells.
  - iii. The state of two quark pairs need not have vanishing quantum numbers and one possibility is that the quantum numbers of this state code for qualia. If the total numbers of flux tubes are vanishing also the net quantum numbers of the resulting long flux tube connecting two different cells provide equivalent coding. A stronger condition is that this state has vanishing net quantum numbers and in this case the ends of the long flux tube would carry opposite quantum numbers. The end of flux tube at DNA nucleotide would characterize the quale.
- (e) Two identification of primary qualia are therefore possible.
  - i. If the flux tubes have vanishing net quantum numbers, the primary sensory quale can be assigned to single receptor cell and the flow of the quantum numbers corresponds to the extension of the system with vanishing net quantum numbers in two-cell system.
  - ii. If the net quantum numbers of the flux tube need not vanish, the resulting two cell system carries non-vanishing quantum numbers as the pair of quark-antiquark pairs removes net quantum numbers out of the system.
- (f) If the net quantum numbers for the flux tubes vanish always, the specialization of the sensory receptor membrane to produce a specific quale would correspond to an assignment

of specific quantum numbers at the DNA ends of the wormhole flux tubes attached to the lipid layers of the cell membrane. The simplest possibility that one can imagine is that the outer lipid layer is connected to the conjugate DNA nucleotide inside same cell nucleus. This option would however assign vanishing net quantum number increments to the cell as whole and is therefore unacceptable.

- (g) The formation of a temporary flux tube connection with another cell is necessary during the generation of quale and the question is what kind of cell is in question. The connection of the receptor to cells along the sensory pathway are expected to be present along the entire sensory pathway from DNA nucleotide to a nucleotide in the conjugate strand of second neuron to DNA nucleotide of the third neuron.... If Josephson photons are able to regenerate the quale in second neuron this would make it possible to replicate the quale along entire sensory pathway. The problem is that Josephson radiation has polarization orthogonal to axons and must propagate along the axon whereas the flux tube connection must be orthogonal to axon. Hence the temporary flux tube connection is most naturally between receptor cells and would mean horizontal integration of receptor cells to a larger structure. A holistic process in directions parallel and orthogonal to the sensory pathway would be in question. Of course, the flux tube could be also curved and connect the receptor to the next neuron along the sensory pathway.
- (h) The specialization of the neuron to sensory receptor would require in the framework of positive energy ontology that -as far as qualia assignable to the electro-weak quantum numbers are considered - all DNA nucleotides are identical by the corresponds of nucleotides with quarks and antiquarks. This cannot be the case. In zero energy ontology and for wormhole flux tubes it is however enough to assume that the net electroweak quantum numbers for the quark antiquark pairs assignable to the DNA wormhole contact are same for all nucleotides. This condition is easy to satisfy. It must be however emphasized that there is no reason to require that all nucleotides involved generate same quale and at the level of neurons sensory maps assigning different qualia to different nucleotides and lipids allowing DNA to sensorily perceive the external world are possible.

The model should be consistent with the assignment of the fundamental bio-rhythms with the *CDs* of electron and quarks.

- (a) Quark color should be free in long enough scales and cellular length scales are required at least. The QCD in question should therefore have long enough confinement length scales. The first possibility is provided by almost vacuum extremals with a long confinement scale also at the flux tubes. Large  $\hbar$  for the cell membrane space-time sheet seems to be unavoidable and suggests that color is free in much longer length scale than cell length scale.
- (b) Since the length of the flux tubes connecting DNA and cell membrane is roughly 1 micrometer and by a factor of order  $10^7$  longer than the  $d$  quark Compton length, it seems that the value of Planck constant must be of this order for the flux tubes. This however scales up the time scale of  $d$  quark *CD* by a factor of  $10^{14}$  to about  $10^4$  years! The millisecond and 160 ms time scales are much more attractive. This forces to ask what happens to the quark-anti-quark pairs at the ends of the tubes.
- (c) The only possibility seems to be that the reconnection process involves a phase transition in which the closed flux tube structure containing the two quark pairs assignable to the wormhole contacts at lipid layers is formed and leaks to the page of the Big Book with pages partially labeled by the values of Planck constant. This page would correspond to the standard value of Planck constant so that the corresponding  $d$  quark *CDs* would have a duration of millisecond. The reconnection leading to the ordinary situation would take place after millisecond time scale. The standard physics interpretation would be as a quantum fluctuation having this duration. This sequence of quark sub-*CDs* could define what might be called memetic codon representation of the nerve pulse sequence.
- (d) One can also consider the possibility is that near vacuum extremals give rise to a copy of hadron physics for which the quarks associated with the flux tubes are light. The Gaussian Mersennes corresponding to  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  define excellent p-adic time scales for quarks and light variants of weak gauge bosons. Quark mass 5 MeV would with  $k = 120$

would be replaced with  $k = 163$  (167) one would have mass 1.77 eV (.44 eV). Small scaling of both masses gives 2 eV and .5 eV which correspond to basic metabolic quanta in TGD framework. For quark mass of 2 MeV with  $k = 123$   $k = 163$  (167) one would give masses .8 eV (.05 eV). The latter scale correspond to Josephson energy assignable with the membrane potential in the ordinary phase.

In this case a phase transition transforming almost vacuum extremal to ordinary one takes place. What this would mean that the vacuum extremal property would hold true below much shorter p-adic length scale. In zero energy ontology the scaling up of quark masses is in principle possible. This option looks however too artificial.

### 15.4.6 Overall view about qualia

This picture leads to the following overall view about qualia. There are two options depending on whether single quark-antiquark pair or two of them labels the qualia. In the following only the simpler option with single quark-antiquark pair is discussed.

- (a) All possible pairings of spin and electroweak isospin (or em charge) define 16 basic combinations if one assumes color singletness. If arbitrary color is allowed, there is a nine-fold increase of quantum numbers decomposable to color singlet and octet qualia and further into  $3 \times 15$  qualia with vanishing increments of color quantum numbers and  $6 \times 16$  qualia with non-vanishing increments of color quantum numbers. The qualia with vanishing increments for electroweak quantum numbers could correspond to visual colors. If electroweak quantum numbers of the quark-anti-quark pair vanish, one has  $3 \times 7$  *resp.*  $6 \times 8$  combinations of colorless *resp.* colored qualia.
- (b) There is a huge number of various combinations of these fundamental qualia if one assumes that each nucleotide defines its own quale and fundamental qualia would be analogous to constant functions and more general qualia to general functions having values in the space with  $9 \times 16 - 1$  points. Only a very small fraction of all possible qualia could be realized in living matter unless the neurons in brain provide representations of body parts or of external world in terms of qualia assignable to lipid-nucleotide pairs. The passive DNA strand would be ideal in this respect.
- (c) The basic classification of qualia is as color qualia, electro-weak quale, and spin quale and products of these qualia. Also combinations of color qualia and and electroweak and spin quale are possible and could define exotic sensory qualia perhaps not yet realized in the evolution. Synesthesia is usually explained in terms of sensory leakage between sensory pathways and this explanation makes sense also in TGD framework if there exists a feedback from the brain to the sensory organ. Synesthesia cannot however correspond to the product qualia: for "quantum synesthesia" cross association works in both directions and this distinguishes it from the ordinary synesthesia.
- (d) The idea about brain and genome as holograms encourages to ask whether neurons or equivalently DNA could correspond to sensory maps with individual lipids representing qualia combinations assignable to the points of the perceptive field. In this framework quantum synesthesia would correspond to the binding of qualia of single nucleotide (or lipid) of neuron cell membrane as a sensory representation of the external world. DNA is indeed a holographic representation of the body (gene expression of course restricts the representation to a part of organism). Perhaps it is this kind of representation also at the level of sensory experience so that all neurons could be little sensory copies of body parts as holographic quantum homunculi. In particular, in the associative areas of the cortex neurons would be quantum synesthetes experiencing the world in terms of composite qualia.
- (e) The number of flux tube connections generated by sensory input would code for the intensity of the quale. Josephson radiation would do the same at the level of communications to the magnetic body. Also the temporal pattern of the sequence of quale mental images matters. In the case of hearing this would code for the rhythmic aspects and pitch of the sound.



### 15.4.7 About detailed identification of the qualia

One can make also guesses about detailed correspondence between qualia and quantum number increments.

- (a) Visual colors would correspond to the increments of only color quantum numbers. Each biologically important ion would correspond to its own color increment in one-one correspondence with the three pairs of color-charged gluons and these would correspond to blue-yellow, red-green, and black white [K64]. Black-white vision would mean a restriction to the  $SU(2)$  subgroup of color group. The model for the cell membrane as a nearly vacuum extremal assigns the peak frequencies corresponding to fundamental colors with biologically important ions. Josephson radiation could induce artificially the same color qualia in other neurons and this might provide a manner to communicate the qualia to the brain where they could be re-experienced at neuronal level. Some organisms are able to perceive also the polarization of light. This requires receptors sensitive to polarization. The spin of quark pair would naturally code for polarization quale.
- (b) Also tastes and odours define qualia with "colors". Certainly the increments of electroweak numbers are involved but since these qualia do not have any directional flavor, spin is probably not involved. This would give  $c \approx 3 \times 4$  basic combinations are possible and can certainly explain the 5 or 6 basic tastes (counted as the number of different receptors). Whether there is a finite number of odours or not has been a subject of a continual debate and it might be that odours already correspond to a distribution of primary qualia for the receptor cell. That odours are coded by nerve pulse patterns for a group of neurons [J10] would conform with this picture.
- (c) Hearing seems to represent a rather colorless quale so that electroweak isospin suggests again itself. If we had a need to hear transversely polarized sound also spin would be involved. Cilia are involved also with hair cells acting as sensory receptors in the auditory system and vestibular system. In the case of hearing the receptor itself does not fire but induces a firing of the higher level neuron. The temporal pattern of qualia mental images could define the pitch of the sound whereas the intensity would correspond to the number of flux tube connections generated.

The modulation of Josephson frequencies -rather than Josephson frequencies as such- would code for the pitch and the total intensity of the Josephson radiation for the intensity of the sound and in fact any quale. Pitch represents non-local information and the qualia subselves should be negentropically entangled in time direction. If not, the experience corresponds to a sequence of sound pulses with no well-defined pitch and responsible for the rhythmic aspects of music. Right brain sings-left brain talks metaphor would suggest that right and left brain have different kind of specializations already at the level of sensory receptors.

- (d) Somato-sensory system gives rise to tactile qualia like pain, touch, temperature, proprioception (body position). There are several kinds of receptors: nociceptors, mechanoreceptors, thermoreceptors, etc... Many of these qualia have also emotional coloring and it might be that the character of entanglement involved (negentropic/entropic defines the emotional color of the quale. If this is the case, one might consider a pure quale of touch as something analogous to hearing quale. One can argue that directionality is basic aspect of some of these qualia -say sense of touch- so that spin could be involved besides electroweak quantum numbers. The distribution of these qualia for the receptor neuron might distinguish between different tactile qualia.



## Chapter 16

# Super-Conductivity in Many-Sheeted Space-Time

### 16.1 Introduction

In this chapter various TGD based ideas related to high  $T_c$  super-conductivity are discussed studied.

- (a) Supra currents and Josephson currents provide excellent tools of bio-control allowing large space-time sheets to control the smaller space-time sheets. The predicted hierarchy of dark matter phases characterized by a large value of  $\hbar$  and thus possessing scaled up Compton and de Broglie wavelengths allows to have quantum control of short scales by long scales utilizing de-coherence phase transition. Quantum criticality is the basic property of TGD Universe and quantum critical super-conductivity is therefore especially natural in TGD framework. The competing phases could be ordinary and large  $\hbar$  phases and supra currents would flow along the boundary between the two phases.
- (b) It is possible to make a tentative identification of the quantum correlates of the sensory qualia quantum number increments associated with the quantum phase transitions of various macroscopic quantum systems [K33] and various kind of Bose-Einstein condensates and super-conductors are the most relevant ones in this respect.
- (c) The state basis for the fermionic Fock space spanned by  $N$  creation operators can be regarded as a Boolean algebra consisting of statements about  $N$  basic statements. Hence fermionic degrees of freedom could correspond to the Boolean mind whereas bosonic degrees of freedom would correspond to sensory experiencing and emotions. The integer valued magnetic quantum numbers (a purely TGD based effect) associated with the defect regions of super conductors of type I provide a very robust information storage mechanism and in defect regions fermionic Fock basis is natural. Hence not only fermionic super-conductors but also their defects are biologically interesting [K36, K63] .

#### 16.1.1 General ideas about super-conductivity in many-sheeted space-time

The notion of many-sheeted space-time alone provides a strong motivation for developing TGD based view about superconductivity and I have developed various ideas about high  $T_c$  super-conductivity [D26] in parallel with ideas about living matter as a macroscopic quantum system. A further motivation and a hope for more quantitative modeling comes from the discovery of various non-orthodox super-conductors including high  $T_c$  superconductors [A59] , [D26, D8] , heavy fermion super-conductors and ferromagnetic superconductors [D49, D48, D34] . The standard BCS theory does not work for these super-conductors and the mechanism for the formation of Cooper pairs is not understood. There is experimental evidence that quantum

criticality [D72] is a key feature of many non-orthodox super-conductors. TGD provides a conceptual framework and bundle of ideas making it possible to develop models for non-orthodox superconductors.

### Quantum criticality, hierarchy of dark matters, and dynamical $\hbar$

Quantum criticality is the basic characteristic of TGD Universe and quantum critical superconductors provide an excellent test bed to develop the ideas related to quantum criticality into a more concrete form. The hypothesis that Planck constants in  $CD$  (causal diamond defined as the intersection of the future and past directed light-cones of  $M^4$ ) and  $CP_2$  degrees of freedom are dynamical possessing quantized spectrum given as rational multiples of minimum value of Planck constant [K28, K26] adds further content to the notion of quantum criticality.

The value of  $\hbar$  is in the general case given by  $\hbar = x_a x_b \hbar_0$  (as it became clear after few guesses).  $a$  refers to  $CD$  and  $b$  to  $CP_2$ .  $x_i = n_i$  holds true for singular coverings and  $x_i = 1/n_i$  for singular factor spaces.  $n$  is the order of maximal cyclic subgroup  $Z_n \subset G$ , where  $G$  defines singular covering or factor space. In principle all rational values of  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$  are possible.

Phases with different values  $x_i$  behave like dark matter with respect to each other in the sense that they do not have direct interactions except at criticality corresponding to a leakage between different sectors of imbedding space glued together along  $CD$  or  $CP_2$  factors. The scalings of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  covariant metrics are from anyonic arguments given by  $r^2$  and 1 so that the value of effective  $\hbar$  appearing in Schrödinger equation is given by  $r = x_a x_b$  and in principle can have all positive rational values. In large  $\hbar(CD)$  phases various quantum time and length scales are scaled up which means macroscopic and macro-temporal quantum coherence.

Number theoretic considerations favor the hypothesis that the integers corresponding to Fermat polygons constructible using only ruler and compass and given as products  $n_F = 2^k \prod_s F_s$ , where  $F_s = 2^{2^s} + 1$  are distinct Fermat primes, are favored. The reason would be that quantum phase  $q = \exp(i\pi/n)$  is in this case expressible using only iterated square root operation by starting from rationals. The known Fermat primes correspond to  $s = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$  so that the hypothesis is very strong and predicts that p-adic length scales have satellite length scales given as multiples of  $n_F$  of fundamental p-adic length scale.  $n_F = 2^{11}$  corresponds in TGD framework to a fundamental constant expressible as a combination of Kähler coupling strength,  $CP_2$  radius and Planck length appearing in the expression for the tension of cosmic strings, and seems to be especially favored in living matter [K25]. There is however no reason to assume that this would be the value of Planck constant in say high  $T_c$  super-conductivity.

The only coupling constant strength of theory is Kähler coupling constant  $g_K^2$  which appears in the definition of the Kähler function  $K$  characterizing the geometry of the configuration space of 3-surfaces (the "world of classical worlds"). The exponent of  $K$  defines vacuum functional analogous to the exponent of Hamiltonian in thermodynamics. The allowed value(s) of  $g_K^2$ , which is (are) analogous to critical temperature(s), is (are) determined by quantum criticality requirement. Contrary to the original hypothesis inspired by the requirement that gravitational coupling is renormalization group invariant,  $\alpha_K$  does not seem to depend on p-adic prime whereas gravitational constant is proportional to  $L_p^2$ . The situation is saved by the assumption that gravitons correspond to the largest non-super-astrophysical Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$  so that gravitational coupling is effectively RG invariant in p-adic coupling constant evolution [K5].

$\hbar(CD)$  and  $\hbar(CP_2)$  appear in the commutation and anticommutation relations of various super-conformal algebras. Only  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = x_a x_b$  of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  Planck constants appears in Kähler action and is due to the fact that the  $CD$  and  $CP_2$  metrics of the imbedding space sector with given values of Planck constants are proportional to the corresponding Planck constants [K28]. This implies that Kähler function codes for radiative corrections to the classical action, which makes possible to consider the possibility that higher order radiative corrections to functional integral vanish as one might expect at quantum criticality. For a given p-adic length scale space-time sheets with all allowed values of Planck constants are possible. Hence the spectrum of quantum critical fluctuations could in the ideal case correspond to the spectrum of Planck constants coding for the scaled up values of Compton lengths and other quantal lengths and

times. If so, large  $\hbar$  phases could be crucial for understanding of quantum critical superconductors, in particular high  $T_c$  superconductors. For a fixed value of  $x_a x_b$  one obtains zoomed up versions of particles with size scaled up by  $x_a x_b$ .

A further great idea is that the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase occurs when perturbation theory based on the expansion in terms of gauge coupling constant ceases to converge: Mother Nature would take care of the problems of theoretician. The transition to large  $\hbar$  phase obviously reduces gauge coupling strength  $\alpha$  so that higher orders in perturbation theory are reduced whereas the lowest order "classical" predictions remain unchanged. A possible quantitative formulation of the criterion is that maximal 2-particle gauge interaction strength parameterized as  $Q_1 Q_2 \alpha$  satisfies the condition  $Q_1 Q_2 \alpha \simeq 1$ .

TGD actually predicts an infinite hierarchy of phases behaving like dark or partially dark matter with respect to the ordinary matter [K32] and the value of  $\hbar$  is only one characterizer of these phases. These phases, especially so large  $\hbar$  phase, seem to be essential for the understanding of even ordinary hadronic, nuclear and condensed matter physics [K32, K76, K26]. This strengthens the motivations for finding whether dark matter might be involved with quantum critical super-conductivity.

Cusp catastrophe serves as a metaphor for criticality. In the recent case temperature and doping are control variables and the tip of cusp is at maximum value of  $T_c$ . Critical region correspond to the cusp catastrophe. Quantum criticality suggests the generalization of the cusp to a fractal cusp. Inside the critical lines of cusp there are further cusps which corresponds to higher levels in the hierarchy of dark matters labeled by increasing values of  $\hbar$  and they correspond to a hierarchy of subtle quantum coherent dark matter phases in increasing length scales. The proposed model for high  $T_c$  super-conductivity involves only single value of Planck constant but it might be that the full description involves very many values of them.

### Many-sheeted space-time concept and ideas about macroscopic quantum phases

Many-sheeted space-time leads to obvious ideas concerning the realization of macroscopic quantum phases.

- (a) The dropping of particles to larger space-time sheets is a highly attractive mechanism of super-conductivity. If space-time sheets are thermally isolated, the larger space-time sheets could be at extremely low temperature and super-conducting.
- (b) The possibility of large  $\hbar$  phases allows to give up the assumption that space-time sheets characterized by different p-adic length scales are thermally isolated. The scaled up versions of a given space-time sheet corresponding to a hierarchy of values of  $\hbar$  are possible such that the scale of kinetic energy and magnetic interaction energy remain same for all these space-time sheets. For the scaled up variants of space-time sheet the critical temperature for superconductivity could be higher than room temperature.
- (c) The idea that wormhole contacts can form macroscopic quantum phases and that the interaction of ordinary charge carriers with the wormhole contacts feeding their gauge fluxes to larger space-time sheets could be responsible for the formation of Cooper pairs, have been around for a decade [K91]. The rather recent realization that wormhole contacts can be actually regarded as space-time correlates for Higgs particles suggests also a new view about the photon massivation in super-conductivity.
- (d) Quantum classical correspondence has turned out be a very powerful idea generator. For instance, one can ask what are the space-time correlates for various notions of condensed matter such as phonons, BCS Cooper pairs, holes, etc...

#### 16.1.2 TGD inspired model for high $T_c$ superconductivity

The TGD inspired model for high  $T_c$  super-conductivity relies on the notions of quantum criticality, dynamical quantized Planck constant requiring a generalization of the 8-D imbedding space to a book like structure, and many-sheeted space-time. In particular, the notion of magnetic flux tube as a carrier of supra current of central concept.

With a sufficient amount of twisting and weaving these basic ideas one ends up to concrete models for high  $T_c$  superconductors as quantum critical superconductors consistent with the qualitative facts that I am personally aware. The following minimal model looks the most realistic option found hitherto.

- (a) The general idea is that magnetic flux tubes are carriers of supra currents. In anti-ferromagnetic phases these flux tube structures form small closed loops so that the system behaves as an insulator. Some mechanism leading to a formation of long flux tubes must exist. Doping creates holes located around stripes, which become positively charged and attract electrons to the flux tubes.
- (b) The higher critical temperature  $T_{c1}$  corresponds to a formation local configurations of parallel spins assigned to the holes of stripes giving rise to a local dipole fields with size scale of the order of the length of the stripe. Conducting electrons form Cooper pairs at the magnetic flux tube structures associated with these dipole fields. The elongated structure of the dipoles favors angular momentum  $L = 2$  for the pairs. The presence of magnetic field favors Cooper pairs with spin  $S = 1$ .
- (c) Stripes can be seen as 1-D metals with delocalized electrons. The interaction responsible for the energy gap corresponds to the transversal oscillations of the magnetic flux tubes inducing oscillations of the nuclei of the stripe. These transverse phonons have spin and their exchange is a good candidate for the interaction giving rise to a mass gap. This could explain the BCS type aspects of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity.
- (d) Above  $T_c$  supra currents are possible only in the length scale of the flux tubes of the dipoles which is of the order of stripe length. The reconnections between neighboring flux tube structures induced by the transverse fluctuations give rise to longer flux tubes structures making possible finite conductivity. These occur with certain temperature dependent probability  $p(T, L)$  depending on temperature and distance  $L$  between the stripes. By criticality  $p(T, L)$  depends on the dimensionless variable  $x = TL/\hbar$  only:  $p = p(x)$ . At critical temperature  $T_c$  transverse fluctuations have large amplitude and makes  $p(x_c)$  so large that very long flux tubes are created and supra currents can run. The phenomenon is completely analogous to percolation [D13] .
- (e) The critical temperature  $T_c = x_c\hbar/L$  is predicted to be proportional to  $\hbar$  and inversely proportional to  $L$  (, which is indeed to be the case). If flux tubes correspond to a large value of  $\hbar$ , one can understand the high value of  $T_c$ . Both Cooper pairs and magnetic flux tube structures represent dark matter in TGD sense.
- (f) The model allows to interpret the characteristic spectral lines in terms of the excitation energy of the transversal fluctuations and gap energy of the Cooper pair. The observed 50 meV threshold for the onset of photon absorption suggests that below  $T_c$  also  $S = 0$  Cooper pairs are possible and have gap energy about 9 meV whereas  $S = 1$  Cooper pairs would have gap energy about 27 meV. The flux tube model indeed predicts that  $S = 0$  Cooper pairs become stable below  $T_c$  since they cannot anymore transform to  $S = 1$  pairs. Their presence could explain the BCS type aspects of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity. The estimate for  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = r$  from critical temperature  $T_{c1}$  is about  $r = 3$  contrary to the original expectations inspired by the model of of living system as a super-conductor suggesting much higher value. An unexpected prediction is that coherence length is actually  $r$  times longer than the coherence length predicted by conventional theory so that type I super-conductor could be in question with stripes serving as duals for the defects of type I super-conductor in nearly critical magnetic field replaced now by ferromagnetic phase.
- (g) TGD predicts preferred values for  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$  and the applications to bio-systems favor powers of  $r = 2^{11}$ .  $r = 2^{11}$  predicts that electron Compton length is of order atomic size scale. Bio-superconductivity could involve electrons with  $r = 2^{22}$  having size characterized by the thickness of the lipid layer of cell membrane.

At qualitative level the model explains various strange features of high  $T_c$  superconductors. One can understand the high value of  $T_c$  and ambivalent character of high  $T_c$  super conductors, the existence of pseudogap and scalings laws for observables above  $T_c$ , the role of stripes and doping and the existence of a critical doping, etc...

The model explains the observed ferromagnetic super-conductivity at quantum criticality [D49]. Since long flux tubes already exist, the overcritical transverse of fluctuations of the magnetic flux tubes inducing reconnections are now not responsible for the propagation of the super currents now. The should however provide the binding mechanism of  $S = 1, L = 2$  Cooper pairs via the coupling of the fluctuations to effectively one-dimensional phonons in the direction of flux tubes. Also a modulated ferromagnetic phase consisting of stripes of opposite magnetization direction allows superconductivity [D49] and could be understood in terms of  $S = 0$  Cooper pairs with electrons of the pair located at the neighboring stripes.

## 16.2 General TGD based view about super-conductivity

Today super-conductivity includes besides the traditional low temperature super-conductors many other non-orthodox ones [D71]. These unorthodox super-conductors carry various attributes such as cuprate, organic, dichalcogenide, heavy fermion, bismute oxide, ruthenate, antiferromagnetic and ferromagnetic. Mario Rabinowitz has proposed a simple phenomenological theory of superfluidity and super-conductivity which helps non-specialist to get a rough quantitative overall view about super-conductivity [D71].

### 16.2.1 Basic phenomenology of super-conductivity

The following provides the first attempt by a non-professional to form an overall view about super-conductivity.

#### Basic phenomenology of super-conductivity

The transition to super-conductivity occurs at critical temperature  $T_c$  and involves a complete loss of electrical resistance. Super-conductors expel magnetic fields (Meissner effect) and when the external magnetic field exceeds a critical value  $H_c$  super-conductivity is lost either completely or partially. In the transition to super-conductivity specific heat has singularity. For long time magnetism and super-conductivity were regarded as mutually exclusive phenomena but the discovery of ferromagnetic super-conductors [D49, D34] has demonstrated that reality is much more subtle.

The BCS theory developed by Bardeen, Cooper, and Schrieffer in 1957 provides a satisfactory model for low  $T_c$  super-conductivity in terms of Cooper pairs. The interactions of electrons with the crystal lattice induce electron-electron interaction binding electrons to Cooper pairs at sufficiently low temperatures. The electrons of Cooper pair are at the top of Fermi sphere (otherwise they cannot interact to form bound states) and have opposite center of mass momenta and spins. The binding creates energy gap  $E_g$  determining the critical temperature  $T_c$ . The singularity of the specific heat in the transition to super-conductivity can be understood as being due to the loss of thermally excitable degrees of freedom at critical temperature so that heat capacity is reduced exponentially. BCS theory has been successful in explaining the properties of low temperature super conductors but the high temperature super-conductors discovered in 1986 and other non-orthodox superconductors discovered later remain a challenge for theorists.

The reasons why magnetic fields tend to destroy super-conductivity is easy to understand. Lorentz force induces opposite forces to the electrons of Cooper pair since the momenta are opposite. Magnetic field tends also to turn the spins in the same direction. The super-conductivity is destroyed in fields for which the interaction energy of magnetic moment of electron with field is of the same order of magnitude as gap energy  $E_g \sim T_c$ :  $e\hbar H_c/2m \sim T_c$ .

If spins are parallel, the situation changes since only Lorentz force tends to destroy the Cooper pair. In high  $T_c$  super-conductors this is indeed the case: electrons are in spin triplet state ( $S = 1$ ) and the net orbital angular momentum of Cooper pair is  $L = 2$ . The fact that orbital state is not  $L = 0$  state makes high  $T_c$  super-conductors much more fragile to the destructive effect of impurities than conventional super-conductors (due to the magnetic exchange force

between electrons responsible for magnetism). Also the Cooper pairs of  $^3\text{He}$  superfluid are in spin triplet state but have  $S = 0$ .

The observation that spin triplet Cooper pairs might be possible in ferro-magnets stimulates the question whether ferromagnetism and super-conductivity might tolerate each other after all, and the answer is affirmative [D34]. The article [D49] provides an enjoyable summary of experimental discoveries.

### Basic parameters of super-conductors from universality?

Super conductors are characterized by certain basic parameters such as critical temperature  $T_c$  and critical magnetic field  $H_c$ , densities  $n_c$  and  $n$  of Cooper pairs and conduction electrons, gap energy  $E_g$ , correlation length  $\xi$  and magnetic penetration length  $\lambda$ . The super-conductors are highly complex systems and calculation of these parameters from BCS theory is either difficult or impossible.

It has been suggested [D71] that these parameters might be more or less universal so that they would not depend on the specific properties of the interaction responsible for the formation of Cooper pairs. The motivation comes from the fact that the properties of ordinary Bose-Einstein condensates do not depend on the details of interactions. This raises the hope that these parameters might be expressible in terms of some basic parameters such as  $T_c$  and the density of conduction electrons allowing to deduce Fermi energy  $E_F$  and Fermi momentum  $k_F$  if Fermi surface is sphere. In [D71] formulas for the basic parameters are indeed suggested based on this of argumentation assuming that Cooper pairs form a Bose-Einstein condensate.

- (a) The most important parameters are critical temperature  $T_c$  and critical magnetic field  $H_c$  in principle expressible in terms of gap energy. In [D71] the expression for  $T_c$  is deduced from the condition that the de Broglie wavelength  $\lambda$  must satisfy in supra phase the condition

$$\lambda \geq 2d = 2\left(\frac{n_c}{g}\right)^{-1/D} \quad (16.2.1)$$

guaranteeing the quantum overlap of Cooper pairs. Here  $n_c$  is the density of Bose-Einstein condensate of Cooper pairs and  $g$  is the number of spin states and  $D$  the dimension of the condensate. This condition follows also from the requirement that the number of particles per energy level is larger than one (Bose-Einstein condensation).

Identifying this expression with the de Broglie wavelength  $\lambda = \hbar/\sqrt{2mE}$  at thermal energy  $E = (D/2)T_c$ , where  $D$  is the number of degrees of freedom, one obtains

$$T_c \leq \frac{\hbar^2}{4Dm} \left(\frac{n_c}{g}\right)^{2/D} . \quad (16.2.2)$$

$m$  denotes the effective mass of super current carrier and for electron it can be even 100 times the bare mass of electron. The reason is that the electron moves is somewhat like a person trying to move in a dense crowd of people, and is accompanied by a cloud of charge carriers increasing its effective inertia. In this equation one can consider the possibility that Planck constant is not the ordinary one. This obviously increases the critical temperature unless  $n_c$  is scaled down in same proportion in the phase transition to large  $\hbar$  phase.

- (b) The density of  $n_c$  Cooper pairs can be estimated as the number of fermions in Fermi shell at  $E_F$  having width  $\Delta k$  deducible from  $kT_c$ . For  $D = 3$ -dimensional spherical Fermi surface one has

$$\begin{aligned} n_c &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{4\pi k_F^2 \Delta k}{\frac{4}{3}\pi k_F^3} n , \\ kT_c &= E_F - E(k_F - \Delta k) \simeq \frac{\hbar^2 k_F \Delta k}{m} . \end{aligned} \quad (16.2.2)$$



Analogous expressions can be deduced in  $D = 2$ - and  $D = 1$ -dimensional cases and one has

$$n_c(D) = \frac{D}{2} \frac{T_c}{E_F} n(D) . \quad (16.2.3)$$

The dimensionless coefficient is expressible solely in terms of  $n$  and effective mass  $m$ . In [D71] it is demonstrated that the inequality 16.2.2 replaced with equality when combined with 16.2.3 gives a satisfactory fit for 16 super-conductors used as a sample.

Note that the Planck constant appearing in  $E_F$  and  $T_c$  in Eq. 16.2.3 must correspond to ordinary Planck constant  $\hbar_0$ . This implies that equations 16.2.2 and 16.2.3 are consistent within orders of magnitudes. For  $D = 2$ , which corresponds to high  $T_c$  superconductivity, the substitution of  $n_c$  from Eq. 16.2.3 to Eq. 16.2.2 gives a consistency condition from which  $n_c$  disappears completely. The condition reads as

$$n\lambda_F^2 = \pi = 4g .$$

Obviously the equation is not completely consistent.

- (c) The magnetic penetration length  $\lambda$  is expressible in terms of density  $n_c$  of Cooper pairs as

$$\lambda^{-2} = \frac{4\pi e^2 n_c}{m_e} . \quad (16.2.4)$$

The ratio  $\kappa \equiv \frac{\lambda}{\xi}$  determines the type of the super conductor. For  $\kappa < \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  one has type I super conductor with defects having negative surface energy. For  $\kappa \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$  one has type II super conductor and defects have positive surface energy. Super-conductors of type I this results in complex stripe like flux patterns maximizing their area near criticality. The super-conductors of type II have  $\kappa > 1/\sqrt{2}$  and the surface energy is positive so that the flux penetrates as flux quanta minimizing their area at lower critical value  $H_{c1}$  of magnetic field and completely at higher critical value  $H_{c2}$  of magnetic field. The flux quanta contain a core of size  $\xi$  carrying quantized magnetic flux.

- (d) Quantum coherence length  $\xi$  can be roughly interpreted as the size of the Cooper pair or as the size of the region where it is sensible to speak about the phase of wave function of Cooper pair. For larger separations the phases of wave functions are un-correlated. The values of  $\xi$  vary in the range  $10^3 - 10^4$  Angstrom for low  $T_c$  super-conductors and in the range  $5 - 20$  Angstrom for high  $T_c$  super-conductors (assuming that they correspond to ordinary  $\hbar$ !) the ratio of these coherence lengths varies in the range  $[50 - 2000]$ , with upper bound corresponding to  $n_F = 2^{11}$  for  $\hbar$ . This would give range  $1 - 2$  microns for the coherence lengths of high  $T_c$  super-conductors with lowest values of coherence lengths corresponding to the highest values of coherence lengths for low temperatures super conductors.

Uncertainty Principle  $\delta E \delta t = \hbar/2$  using  $\delta E = E_g \equiv 2\Delta$ ,  $\delta t = \xi/v_F$ , gives an order of magnitude estimate for  $\xi$  differing only by a numerical factor from the result of a rigorous calculation given by

$$\xi = \frac{4\hbar v_F}{E_g} . \quad (16.2.5)$$

$E_g$  is apart from a numerical constant equal to  $T_c$ :  $E_g = nT_c$ . Using the expression for  $v_F$  and  $T_c$  in terms of the density of electrons, one can express also  $\xi$  in terms of density of electrons.

For instance, BCS theory predicts  $n = 3.52$  for metallic super-conductors and  $n = 8$  holds true for cuprates [D71]. For cuprates one obtains  $\xi = 2n^{-1/3}$  [D71]. This expression can be criticized since cuprates are Mott insulators and it is not at all clear whether a description as Fermi gas makes sense. The fact that high  $T_c$  super-conductivity involves breakdown of anti-ferromagnetic order might justify the use of Fermi gas description for conducting holes resulting in the doping.

For large  $\hbar$  the value of  $\xi$  would scale up dramatically if deduced theoretically from experimental data using this kind of expression. If the estimates for  $\xi$  are deduced from  $v_F$  and  $T_c$  purely calculational as seems to be the case, the actual coherence lengths would be scaled up by a factor  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = n_F$  if high  $T_c$  super-conductors correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase. As also found that this would also allow to understand the high critical temperature.

### 16.2.2 Universality of the parameters in TGD framework

Universality idea conforms with quantum criticality of TGD Universe. The possibility to express everything in terms of density of critical temperature coding for the dynamics of Cooper pair formation and the density charge carriers would make it also easy to understand how p-adic scalings and transitions to large  $\hbar$  phase affect the basic parameters. The possible problem is that the replacement of inequality of Eq. 16.2.2 with equality need not be sensible for large  $\hbar$  phases. It will be found that in many-sheeted space-time  $T_c$  does not directly correspond to the gap energy and the universality of the critical temperature follows from the p-adic length scale hypothesis.

#### The effect of p-adic scaling on the parameters of super-conductors

p-Adic fractality expresses as  $n \propto 1/L^3(k)$  would allow to deduce the behavior of the various parameters as function of the p-adic length scale and naive scaling laws would result. For instance,  $E_g$  and  $T_c$  would scale as  $1/L^2(k)$  if one assumes that the density  $n$  of particles at larger space-time sheets scales p-adically as  $1/L^3(k)$ . The basic implication would be that the density of Cooper pairs and thus also  $T_c$  would be reduced very rapidly as a function of the p-adic length scale. Without thermal isolation between these space-time sheets and high temperature space-time sheets there would not be much hopes about high  $T_c$  super-conductivity.

In the scaling of Planck constant basic length scales scale up and the overlap criterion for super-conductivity becomes easy to satisfy unless the density of electrons is reduced too dramatically. As found, also the critical temperature scales up so that there are excellent hopes of obtain high  $T_c$  super-conductor in this manner. The claimed short correlation lengths are not a problem since they are calculational quantities.

It is of interest to study the behavior of the various parameters in the transition to the possibly existing large  $\hbar$  variant of super-conducting electrons. Also small scalings of  $\hbar$  are possible and the considerations to follow generalize trivially to this case. Under what conditions the behavior of the various parameters in the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase is dictated by simple scaling laws?

#### 1. Scaling of $T_c$ and $E_g$

$T_c$  and  $E_g$  remain invariant if  $E_g$  corresponds to a purely classical interaction energy remaining invariant under the scaling of  $\hbar$ . This is not the case for BCS super-conductors for which the gap energy  $E_g$  has the following expression.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_g &= \hbar\omega_c \exp(-1/X) , \\
 X &= n(E_F)U_0 = \frac{3}{2}N(E_F)\frac{U_0}{E_F} , \\
 n(E_F) &= \frac{3}{2}\frac{N(E_F)}{E_F} . \\
 \omega_c &= \omega_D = (6\pi^2)^{1/3}c_s n_n^{1/3} .
 \end{aligned} \tag{16.2.3}$$

Here  $\omega_c$  is the width of energy region near  $E_F$  for which "phonon" exchange interaction is effective.  $n_n$  denotes the density of nuclei and  $c_s$  denotes sound velocity.

$N(E_F)$  is the total number of electrons at the super-conducting space-time sheet.  $U_0$  would be the parameter characterizing the interaction strength of electrons of Cooper pair and should

not depend on  $\hbar$ . For a structure of size  $L \sim 1 \mu\text{ m}$  one would have  $X \sim n_a 10^{12} \frac{U_0}{E_F}$ ,  $n_a$  being the number of exotic electrons per atom, so that rather weak interaction energy  $U_0$  can give rise to  $E_g \sim \omega_c$ .

The expression of  $\omega_c$  reduces to Debye frequency  $\omega_D$  in BCS theory of ordinary super conductivity. If  $c_s$  is proportional to thermal velocity  $\sqrt{T_c/m}$  at criticality and if  $n_n$  remains invariant in the scaling of  $\hbar$ , Debye energy scales up as  $\hbar$ . This can imply that  $E_g > E_F$  condition making scaling non-sensible unless one has  $E_g \ll E_F$  holding true for low  $T_c$  super-conductors. This kind of situation would *not* require large  $\hbar$  phase for electrons. What would be needed that nuclei and phonon space-time sheets correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase.

What one can hope is that  $E_g$  scales as  $\hbar$  so that high  $T_c$  superconductor would result and the scaled up  $T_c$  would be above room temperature for  $T_c > .15\text{ K}$ . If electron is in ordinary phase  $X$  is automatically invariant in the scaling of  $\hbar$ . If not, the invariance reduces to the invariance of  $U_0$  and  $E_F$  under the scaling of  $\hbar$ . If  $n$  scales like  $1/\hbar^D$ ,  $E_F$  and thus  $X$  remain invariant.  $U_0$  as a simplified parametrization for the interaction potential expressible as a tree level Feynman diagram is expected to be in a good approximation independent of  $\hbar$ .

It will be found that in high  $T_c$  super-conductors, which seem to be quantum critical, a high  $T_c$  variant of phonon mediated superconductivity and exotic superconductivity could be competing. This would suggest that the phonon mediated superconductivity corresponds to a large  $\hbar$  phase for nuclei scaling  $\omega_D$  and  $T_c$  by a factor  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ .

Since the total number  $N(E_F)$  of electrons at larger space-time sheet behaves as  $N(E_F) \propto E_F^{D/2}$ , where  $D$  is the effective dimension of the system, the quantity  $1/X \propto E_F/n(E_F)$  appearing in the expressions of the gap energy behaves as  $1/X \propto E_F^{-D/2+1}$ . This means that at the limit of vanishing electron density  $D = 3$  gap energy goes exponentially to zero, for  $D = 2$  it is constant, and for  $D = 1$  it goes zero at the limit of small electron number so that the formula for gap energy reduces to  $E_g \simeq \omega_c$ . These observations suggests that the super-conductivity in question should be 2- or 1-dimensional phenomenon as in case of magnetic walls and flux tubes.

### 2. Scaling of $\xi$ and $\lambda$

If  $n_c$  for high  $T_c$  super-conductor scales as  $1/\hbar^D$  one would have  $\lambda \propto \hbar^{D/2}$ . High  $T_c$  property however suggests that the scaling is weaker.  $\xi$  would scale as  $\hbar$  for given  $v_F$  and  $T_c$ . For  $D = 2$  case the this would suggest that high  $T_c$  super-conductors are of type I rather than type II as they would be for ordinary  $\hbar$ . This conforms with the quantum criticality which would be counterpart of critical behavior of super-conductors of type I in nearly critical magnetic field.

### 3. Scaling of $H_c$ and $B$

The critical magnetization is given by

$$H_c(T) = \frac{\Phi_0}{\sqrt{8\pi}\xi(T)\lambda(T)} , \quad (16.2.4)$$

where  $\Phi_0$  is the flux quantum of magnetic field proportional to  $\hbar$ . For  $D = 2$  and  $n_c \propto \hbar^{-2}$   $H_c(T)$  would not depend on the value of  $\hbar$ . For the more physical dependence  $n_c \propto \hbar^{-2+\epsilon}$  one would have  $H_c(T) \propto \hbar^{-\epsilon}$ . Hence the strength of the critical magnetization would be reduced by a factor  $2^{-11\epsilon}$  in the transition to the large  $\hbar$  phase with  $n_F = 2^{-11}$ .

Magnetic flux quantization condition is replaced by

$$\int 2eBdS = nh2\pi . \quad (16.2.5)$$

$B$  denotes the magnetic field inside super-conductor different from its value outside the super-conductor. By the quantization of flux for the non-super-conducting core of radius  $\xi$  in the case of super-conductors of type II  $eB = \hbar/\xi^2$  holds true so that  $B$  would become very strong since the thickness of flux tube would remain unchanged in the scaling.

### 16.2.3 Quantum criticality and super-conductivity

The notion of quantum criticality has been already discussed in introduction. An interesting prediction of the quantum criticality of entire Universe also gives naturally rise to a hierarchy of macroscopic quantum phases since the quantum fluctuations at criticality at a given level can give rise to higher level macroscopic quantum phases at the next level. A metaphor for this is a fractal cusp catastrophe for which the lines corresponding to the boundaries of cusp region reveal new cusp catastrophes corresponding to quantum critical systems characterized by an increasing length scale of quantum fluctuations.

Dark matter hierarchy could correspond to this kind of hierarchy of phases and long ranged quantum slow fluctuations would correspond to space-time sheets with increasing values of  $\hbar$  and size. Evolution as the emergence of modules from which higher structures serving as modules at the next level would correspond to this hierarchy. Mandelbrot fractal with inversion analogous to a transformation permuting the interior and exterior of sphere with zooming revealing new worlds in Mandelbrot fractal replaced with its inverse would be a good metaphor for what quantum criticality would mean in TGD framework.

#### How the quantum criticality of superconductors relates to TGD quantum criticality

There is empirical support that super-conductivity in high  $T_c$  super-conductors and ferromagnetic systems [D49, D48] is made possible by quantum criticality [D72]. In the experimental situation quantum criticality means that at sufficiently low temperatures quantum rather than thermal fluctuations are able to induce phase transitions. Quantum criticality manifests itself as fractality and simple scaling laws for various physical observables like resistance in a finite temperature range and also above the critical temperature. This distinguishes sharply between quantum critical super conductivity from BCS type super-conductivity. Quantum critical super-conductivity also exists in a finite temperature range and involves the competition between two phases.

The absolute quantum criticality of the TGD Universe maps to the quantum criticality of subsystems, which is broken by finite temperature effects bringing dissipation and freezing of quantum fluctuations above length and time scales determined by the temperature so that scaling laws hold true only in a finite temperature range.

Reader has probably already asked what quantum criticality precisely means. What are the phases which compete? An interesting hypothesis is that quantum criticality actually corresponds to criticality with respect to the phase transition changing the value of Planck constant so that the competing phases would correspond to different values of  $\hbar$ . In the case of high  $T_c$  super-conductors (anti-ferromagnets) the fluctuations can be assigned to the magnetic flux tubes of the dipole field patterns generated by rows of holes with same spin direction assignable to the stripes. Below  $T_c$  fluctuations induce reconnections of the flux tubes and a formation of very long flux tubes and make possible for the supra currents to flow in long length scales below  $T_c$ . Percolation type phenomenon is in question. The fluctuations of the flux tubes below  $T_{c1} > T_c$  induce transversal phonons generating the energy gap for  $S = 1$  Cooper pairs.  $S = 0$  Cooper pairs are predicted to stabilize below  $T_c$ .

#### Scaling up of de Broglie wave lengths and criterion for quantum overlap

Compton lengths and de Broglie wavelengths are scaled up by an integer  $n$ , whose preferred values correspond to  $n_F = 2^k \prod_s F_s$ , where  $F_s = 2^{2^s} + 1$  are distinct Fermat primes. In particular,  $n_F = 2^{k11}$  seem to be favored in living matter. The scaling up means that the overlap condition  $\lambda \geq 2d$  for the formation of Bose-Einstein condensate can be satisfied and the formation of Cooper pairs becomes possible. Thus a hierarchy of large  $\hbar$  super-conductivities would be associated with to the dark variants of ordinary particles having essentially same masses as the ordinary particles.

Unless one assumes fractionization, the invariance of  $E_F \propto \hbar_{eff}^2 n^{2/3}$  in  $\hbar$  increasing transition would require that the density of Cooper pairs in large  $\hbar$  phase is scaled down by an appropriate

factor. This means that supra current intensities, which are certainly measurable quantities, are also scaled down. Of course, it could happen that  $E_F$  is scaled up and this would conform with the scaling of the gap energy.

### Quantum critical super-conductors in TGD framework

For quantum critical super-conductivity in heavy fermions systems, a small variation of pressure near quantum criticality can destroy ferromagnetic (anti-ferromagnetic) order so that Curie (Neel) temperature goes to zero. The prevailing spin fluctuation theory [D29] assumes that these transitions are induced by long ranged and slow spin fluctuations at critical pressure  $P_c$ . These fluctuations make and break Cooper pairs so that the idea of super-conductivity restricted around critical point is indeed conceivable.

Heavy fermion systems, such as cerium-indium alloy  $\text{CeIn}_3$  are very sensitive to pressures and a tiny variation of density can drastically modify the low temperature properties of the systems. Also other systems of this kind, such as  $\text{CeCu}_2\text{Ge}_2$ ,  $\text{CeIn}_3$ ,  $\text{CePd}_2\text{Si}_2$  are known [D49, D34]. In these cases super-conductivity appears around anti-ferromagnetic quantum critical point.

The last experimental breakthrough in quantum critical super-conductivity was made in Grenoble [D48]. URhGe alloy becomes super-conducting at  $T_c = .280$  K, loses its super-conductivity at  $H_c = 2$  Tesla, and becomes again super-conducting at  $H_c = 12$  Tesla and loses its super-conductivity again at  $H = 13$  Tesla. The interpretation is in terms of a phase transition changing the magnetic order inducing the long range spin fluctuations.

TGD based models of atomic nucleus [K76] and condensed matter [K26] assume that weak gauge bosons with Compton length of order atomic radius play an essential role in the nuclear and condensed matter physics. The assumption that condensed matter nuclei possess anomalous weak charges explains the repulsive core of potential in van der Waals equation and the very low compressibility of condensed matter phase as well as various anomalous properties of water phase, provide a mechanism of cold fusion and sono-fusion, etc. [K26, K24]. The pressure sensitivity of these systems would directly reflect the physics of exotic quarks and electro-weak gauge bosons. A possible mechanism behind the phase transition to super-conductivity could be the scaling up of the sizes of the space-time sheets of nuclei.

Also the electrons of Cooper pair (and only these) could make a transition to large  $\hbar$  phase. This transition would induce quantum overlap having geometric overlap as a space-time correlate. The formation of join along boundaries bonds between neighboring atoms would be part of the mechanism. For instance, the criticality condition  $4n^2\alpha = 1$  for BE condensate of  $n$  Cooper pairs would give  $n = 6$  for the size of a higher level quantum unit possibly formed from Cooper pairs. If one does not assume invariance of energies obtained by fractionization of principal quantum number, this transition has dramatic effects on the spectrum of atomic binding energies scaling as  $1/\hbar^2$  and practically universal spectrum of atomic energies would result [K24] not depending much on nuclear charge. It seems that this prediction is non-physical.

Quantum critical super-conductors resemble superconductors of type I with  $\lambda \ll \xi$  for which defects near thermodynamical criticality are complex structures looking locally like stripes of thickness  $\lambda$ . These structures are however dynamical in super-conducting phase. Quite generally, long range quantum fluctuations due to the presence of two competing phases would manifest as complex dynamical structures consisting of stripes and their boundaries. These patterns are dynamical rather than static as in the case of ordinary spin glass phase so that quantum spin glass or 4-D spin glass is a more appropriate term. The breaking of classical non-determinism for vacuum extremals indeed makes possible space-time correlates for quantum non-determinism and this makes TGD Universe a 4-dimensional quantum spin glass.

### Could quantum criticality make possible new kinds of high $T_c$ super-conductors?

The transition to large  $\hbar = r\hbar_0$  phase increases various length scales by  $r$  and makes possible long range correlations even at high temperatures. Hence the question is whether large  $\hbar$  phase could correspond to ordinary high  $T_c$  super-conductivity. If this were the case in the case of

ordinary high  $T_c$  super-conductors, the actual value of coherence length  $\xi$  would vary in the range 5 – 20 Angstrom scaled up by a factor  $r$ . For effectively  $D$ -dimensional super-conductor The density of Cooper pairs would be scaled down by an immensely small factor  $1/r^D$  from its value deduced from Fermi energy.

Large  $\hbar$  phase for some nuclei might be involved and make possible large space-time sheets of size at least of order of  $\xi$  at which conduction electrons forming Cooper pairs would topologically condense like quarks around hadronic space-time sheets (in [K26] a model of water as a partially dark matter with one fourth of hydrogen ions in large  $\hbar$  phase is developed).

Consider for a moment the science fictive possibility that super conducting electrons for some quantum critical super-conductors to be discovered or already discovered correspond to large  $\hbar$  phase with  $\hbar = r\hbar_0$  keeping in mind that this affects only quantum corrections in perturbative approach but not the lowest order classical predictions of quantum theory. For  $r \simeq n2^{k11}$  with  $(n, k) = (1, 1)$  the size of magnetic body would be  $L(149) = 5$  nm, the thickness of the lipid layer of cell membrane. For  $(n, k) = (1, 2)$  the size would be  $L(171) = 10 \mu\text{m}$ , cell size. If the density of Cooper pairs is of same order of magnitude as in case of ordinary super conductors, the critical temperature is scaled up by  $2^{k11}$ . Already for  $k = 1$  the critical temperature of 1 K would be scaled up to  $4n^2 \times 10^6$  K if  $n_c$  is not changed. This assumption is not consistent with the assumption that Fermi energy remains non-relativistic. For  $n = 1$   $T_c = 400$  K would be achieved for  $n_c \rightarrow 10^{-6}n_c$ , which looks rather reasonable since Fermi energy transforms as  $E_F \rightarrow 8 \times 10^3 E_F$  and remains non-relativistic.  $H_c$  would scale down as  $1/\hbar$  and for  $H_c = .1$  Tesla the scaled down critical field would be  $H_c = .5 \times 10^{-4}$  Tesla, which corresponds to the nominal value of the Earth's magnetic field.

Quantum critical super-conductors become especially interesting if one accepts the identification of living matter as ordinary matter quantum controlled by macroscopically quantum coherent dark matter. One of the basic hypothesis of TGD inspired theory of living matter is that the magnetic flux tubes of the Earth's magnetic field carry a super-conducting phase and the spin triplet Cooper pairs of electrons in large  $\hbar$  phase might realize this dream. That the value of Earth's magnetic field is near to its critical value could have also biological implications.

#### 16.2.4 Space-time description of the mechanisms of super-conductivity

The application of ideas about dark matter to nuclear physics and condensed matter suggests that dark color and weak forces should be an essential element of the chemistry and condensed matter physics. The continual discovery of new super-conductors, in particular of quantum critical superconductors, suggests that super-conductivity is not well understood. Hence super-conductivity provides an obvious test for these ideas. In particular, the idea that wormhole contacts regarded as parton pairs living at two space-time sheets simultaneously, provides an attractive universal mechanism for the formation of Cooper pairs and is not so far-fetched as it might sound first.

#### Leading questions

It is good to begin with a series of leading questions. The first group of questions is inspired by experimental facts about super-conductors combined with TGD context.

- (a) The work of Rabinowitch [D71] suggests that that the basic parameters of super-conductors might be rather universal and depend on  $T_c$  and conduction electron density only and be to a high degree independent of the mechanism of super-conductivity. This is in a sharp contrast to the complexity of even BCS model with its somewhat misty description of the phonon exchange mechanism.

Questions: Could there exist a simple universal description of various kinds of super-conductivities?

- (b) The new super-conductors possess relatively complex chemistry and lattice structure.

Questions: Could it be that complex chemistry and lattice structure makes possible something very simple describable in terms of quantum criticality. Could it be that the transversal oscillations magnetic flux tubes allow to understand the formation of Cooper pairs at

$T_{c1}$  and their reconnections generating very long flux tubes the emergence of supra currents at  $T_c$ ?

- (c) The effective masses of electrons in ferromagnetic super-conductors are in the range of 10-100 electron masses [D49] and this forces to question the idea that ordinary Cooper pairs are current carriers.

Questions: Can one consider the possibility that the p-adic length scale of say electron can vary so that the actual mass of electron could be large in condensed matter systems? For quarks and neutrinos this seems to be the case [K53, K54]. Could it be that the Gaussian Mersennes  $(1+i)^k - 1$ ,  $k = 151, 157, 163, 167$  spanning the p-adic lengthscale range 10 nm-2.5  $\mu$ m very relevant from the point of view of biology correspond to p-adic length especially relevant for super-conductivity?

Second group of questions is inspired by quantum classical correspondence.

- (a) Quantum classical correspondence in its strongest form requires that bound state formation involves the generation of join along boundaries bonds between bound particles. The weaker form of the principle requires that the particles are topologically condensed at same space-time sheet. In the case of Cooper pairs in ordinary superconductors the length of join along boundaries bonds between electrons should be of order  $10^3 - 10^4$  Angstroms. This looks rather strange and it seems that the latter option is more sensible.

Questions: Could quantum classical correspondence help to identify the mechanism giving rise to Cooper pairs?

- (b) Quantum classical correspondence forces to ask for the space-time correlates for the existing quantum description of phonons.

Questions: Can one assign space-time sheets with phonons or should one identify them as oscillations of say space-time sheets at which atoms are condensed? Or should the microscopic description of phonons in atomic length scales rely on the oscillations of wormhole contacts connecting atomic space-time sheets to these larger space-time sheets? The identification of phonons as wormhole contacts would be completely analogous to the similar identification of gauge bosons except that phonons would appear at higher levels of the hierarchy of space-time sheets and would be emergent in this sense. As a matter fact, even gauge bosons as pairs of fermion and antifermion are emergent structures in TGD framework and this plays fundamental role in the construction of QFT limit of TGD in which bosonic part of action is generated radiatively so that all coupling constants follow as predictions [K60, K30]. Could Bose-Einstein condensates of wormhole contacts be relevant for the description of super-conductors or more general macroscopic quantum phases?

The third group of questions is inspired by the new physics predicted or by TGD.

- (a) TGD predicts a hierarchy of macroscopic quantum phases with large Planck constant.  
Questions: Could large values of Planck constant make possible exotic electronic super-conductivities? Could even nuclei possess large  $\hbar$  (super-fluidity)?

- (b) TGD predicts that classical color force and its quantal counterpart are present in all length scales.

Questions: Could color force, say color magnetic force which play some role in the formation of Cooper pair. The simplest model of pair is as a space-time sheet with size of order  $\xi$  so that the electrons could be "outside" the background space-time. Could the Coulomb interaction energy of electrons with positively charged wormhole throats carrying parton numbers and feeding em gauge flux to the large space-time sheet be responsible for the gap energy? Could wormhole throats carry also quark quantum numbers. In the case of single electron condensed to single space-time sheet the em flux could be indeed fed by a pair of  $u\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{d}d$  type wormhole contacts to a larger space-time sheet. Could the wormhole contacts have a net color? Could the electron space-time sheets of the Cooper pair be connected by long color flux tubes to give color singlets so that dark color force would be ultimately responsible for the stability of Cooper pair?

- (c) Suppose that one takes seriously the ideas about the possibility of dark weak interactions with the Compton scale of weak bosons scaled up to say atomic length scale so that weak bosons are effectively massless below this length scale [K26] .

Questions: Could the dark weak length scale which is of order atomic size replace lattice constant in the expression of sound velocity? What is the space-time correlate for sound velocity?

### Photon massivation, coherent states of Cooper pairs, and wormhole contacts

The existence of wormhole contacts is one of the most stunning predictions of TGD. First I realized that wormhole contacts can be regarded as parton-antiparton pairs with parton and antiparton assignable to the light-like causal horizons accompanying wormhole contacts. Then came the idea that Higgs particle could be identified as a wormhole contact. It was soon followed by the identification all bosonic states as wormhole contacts [K45] . Finally I understood that this applies also to their super-symmetric partners, which can be also fermion [K30] . Fermions and their super-partners would in turn correspond to wormhole throats resulting in the topological condensation of small deformations of  $CP_2$  type vacuum extremals with Euclidian signature of metric to the background space-time sheet. This framework opens the doors for more concrete models of also super-conductivity involving the effective massivation of photons as one important aspect in the case of ordinary super-conductors.

There are two types of wormhole contacts. Those of first type correspond to elementary bosons. Wormhole contacts of second kind are generated in the topological condensation of space-time sheets carrying matter and form a hierarchy. Classical radiation fields realized in TGD framework as oscillations of space-time sheets would generate wormhole contacts as the oscillating space-time sheet develops contacts with parallel space-time sheets (recall that the distance between space-time sheets is of order  $CP_2$  size). This realizes the correspondence between fields and quanta geometrically. Phonons could also correspond to wormhole contacts of this kind since they mediate acoustic oscillations between space-time sheets and the description of the phonon mediated interaction between electrons in terms of wormhole contacts might be useful also in the case of super-conductivity. Bose-Einstein condensates of wormhole contacts might be highly relevant for the formation of macroscopic quantum phases. The formation of a coherent state of wormhole contacts would be the counterpart for the vacuum expectation value of Higgs.

The notions of coherent states of Cooper pairs and of charged Higgs challenge the conservation of electromagnetic charge. The following argument however suggests that coherent states of wormhole contacts form only a part of the description of ordinary super-conductivity. The basic observation is that wormhole contacts with vanishing fermion number define space-time correlates for Higgs type particle with fermion and antifermion numbers at light-like throats of the contact.

The ideas that a genuine Higgs type photon massivation is involved with super-conductivity and that coherent states of Cooper pairs really make sense are somewhat questionable since the conservation of charge and fermion number is lost for coherent states. A further questionable feature is that a quantum superposition of many-particle states with widely different masses would be in question. These interpretational problems can be resolved elegantly in zero energy ontology [K20] in which the total conserved quantum numbers of quantum state are vanishing. In this picture the energy, fermion number, and total charge of any positive energy state are compensated by opposite quantum numbers of the negative energy state in geometric future. This makes possible to speak about superpositions of Cooper pairs and charged Higgs bosons separately in positive energy sector.

If this picture is taken seriously, super-conductivity can be seen as providing a direct support for both the hierarchy of scaled variants of standard model physics and for the zero energy ontology.

### Space-time correlate for quantum critical superconductivity

The explicit model for high  $T_c$  super-conductivity relies on quantum criticality involving long ranged quantum fluctuations inducing reconnection of flux tubes of local (color) magnetic fields



associated with parallel spins associated with stripes to form long flux tubes serving as wires along which Cooper pairs flow. Essentially [D13] [D13] type phenomenon would be in question. The role of the doping by holes is to make room for Cooper pairs to propagate by the reconnection mechanism: otherwise Fermi statistics would prevent the propagation. Too much doping reduces the number of current carriers, too little doping leaves too little room so that there exists some optimal doping. In the case of high  $T_c$  super-conductors quantum criticality corresponds to a quite wide temperature range, which provides support for the quantum criticality of TGD Universe. The probability  $p(T)$  for the formation of reconnections is what matters and exceeds the critical value at  $T_c$ .

### 16.2.5 Super-conductivity at magnetic flux tubes

Super-conductivity at the magnetic flux tubes of magnetic flux quanta is one the basic hypothesis of the TGD based model of living matter. There is also evidence for magnetically mediated super-conductivity in extremely pure samples [D42]. The magnetic coupling was only observed at lattice densities close to the critical density at which long-range magnetic order is suppressed. Quantum criticality that long flux tubes serve as pathways along which Cooper pairs can propagate. In anti-ferromagnetic phase these pathways are short-circuited to closed flux tubes of local magnetic fields.

Almost the same model as in the case of high  $T_c$  and quantum critical super-conductivity applies to the magnetic flux tubes. Now the flux quantum contains BE condensate of exotic Cooper pairs interacting with wormhole contacts feeding the gauge flux of Cooper pairs from the magnetic flux quantum to a larger space-time sheet. The interaction of spin 1 Cooper pairs with the magnetic field of flux quantum orients their spins in the same direction. Large value of  $\hbar$  guarantees thermal stability even in the case that different space-time sheets are not thermally isolated.

The understanding of gap energy is not obvious. The transversal oscillations of magnetic flux tubes generated by spin flips of electrons define the most plausible candidate for the counterpart of phonons. In this framework phonon like states identified as wormhole contacts would be created by the oscillations of flux tubes and would be a secondary phenomenon.

Large values of  $\hbar$  allow to consider not only the Cooper pairs of electrons but also of protons and fermionic ions. Since the critical temperature for the formation of Cooper pairs is inversely proportional to the mass of the charge carrier, the replacement of electron with proton or ion would require a scaling of  $\hbar$ . If  $T_{c1}$  is proportional to  $\hbar^2$ , this requires scaling by  $(m_p/m_e)^{1/2}$ . For  $T_{c1} \propto \hbar$  scaling by  $m_p/m_e \simeq 2^{11}$  is required. This inspired idea that powers of  $2^{11}$  could define favored values of  $\hbar/\hbar_0$ . This hypothesis is however rather adhoc and turned out to be too restrictive.

Besides Cooper pairs also Bose-Einstein condensates of bosonic ions are possible in large  $\hbar$  phase and would give rise to super-conductivity. TGD inspired nuclear physics predicts the existence of exotic bosonic counterparts of fermionic nuclei with given  $(A, Z)$  [L2], [L2].

#### Superconductors at the flux quanta of the Earth's magnetic field

Magnetic flux tubes and magnetic walls are the most natural candidates for super-conducting structures with spin triplet Cooper pairs. Indeed, experimental evidence relating to the interaction of ELF em radiation with living matter suggests that bio-super-conductors are effectively 1- or 2-dimensional.  $D \leq 2$ -dimensionality is guaranteed by the presence of the flux tubes or flux walls of, say, the magnetic field of Earth in which charge carries form bound states and the system is equivalent with a harmonic oscillator in transversal degrees of freedom.

The effect of Earth's magnetic field is completely negligible at the atomic space-time sheets and cannot make super conductor 1-dimensional. At cellular sized space-time sheets magnetic field makes possible transversal the confinement of the electron Cooper pairs in harmonic oscillator states but does not explain energy gap which should be at the top of 1-D Fermi surface. The critical temperature extremely low for ordinary value of  $\hbar$  and either thermal isolation between space-time sheets or large value of  $\hbar$  can save the situation.

An essential element of the picture is that topological quantization of the magnetic flux tubes occurs. In fact, the flux tubes of Earth's magnetic field have thickness of order cell size from the quantization of magnetic flux. The observations about the effects of ELF em fields on bio-matter [J11] suggest that similar mechanism is at work also for ions and in fact give very strong support for bio-super conductivity based on the proposed mechanism.

### Energy gaps for superconducting magnetic flux tubes and walls

Besides the formation of Cooper pairs also the Bose-Einstein condensation of charge carriers to the ground state is needed in order to have a supra current. The stability of Bose-Einstein condensate requires an energy gap  $E_{g,BE}$  which must be larger than the temperature at the magnetic flux tube.

Several energies must be considered in order to understand  $E_{g,BE}$ .

- (a) The Coulombic binding energy of Cooper pairs with the wormhole contacts feeding the em flux from magnetic flux tube to a larger space-time sheet defines an energy gap which is expected to be of order  $E_{g,BE} = \alpha/L(k)$  giving  $E_g \sim 10^{-3}$  eV for  $L(167) = 2.5 \mu\text{m}$  giving a rough estimate for the thickness of the magnetic flux tube of the Earth's magnetic field  $B = .5 \times 10^{-4}$  Tesla.
- (b) In longitudinal degrees of freedom of the flux tube Cooper pairs can be described as particles in a one-dimensional box and the gap is characterized by the length  $L$  of the magnetic flux tube and the value of  $\hbar$ . In longitudinal degrees of freedom the difference between  $n = 2$  and  $n = 1$  states is given by  $E_0(k_2) = 3\hbar^2/4m_eL^2(k_2)$ . Translational energy gap  $E_g = 3E_0(k_2) = 3\hbar^2/4m_eL^2(k_2)$  is smaller than the effective energy gap  $E_0(k_1) - E_0(k_2) = \hbar^2/4m_eL^2(k_1) - \hbar^2/4m_eL^2(k_2)$  for  $k_1 > k_2 + 2$  and identical with it for  $k_1 = k_2 + 2$ . For  $L(k_2 = 151)$  the zero point kinetic energy is given by  $E_0(151) = 20.8$  meV so that  $E_{g,BE}$  corresponds roughly to a temperature of 180 K. For magnetic walls the corresponding temperature would be scaled by a factor of two to 360 K and is above room temperature.
- (c) Second troublesome energy gap relates to the interaction energy with the magnetic field. The magnetic interaction energy  $E_m$  of Cooper pair with the magnetic field consists of cyclotron term  $E_c = n\hbar eB/m_e$  and spin-interaction term which is present only for spin triplet case and is given by  $E_s = \pm\hbar eB/m_e$  depending on the orientation of the net spin with magnetic field. In the magnetic field  $B_{end} = 2B_E/5 = .2$  Gauss ( $B_E = .5$  Gauss is the nominal value of the Earth's magnetic field) explaining the effects of ELF em fields on vertebrate brain, this energy scale is  $\sim 10^{-9}$  eV for  $\hbar_0$  and  $\sim 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$  eV for  $\hbar = 2^{14} \times \hbar_0$ .

The smallness of translational and magnetic energy gaps in the case of Cooper pairs at Earth's magnetic field could be seen as a serious obstacle.

- (a) Thermal isolation between different space-time sheets provides one possible resolution of the problem. The stability of the Bose-Einstein condensation is guaranteed by the thermal isolation of space-time if the temperature at the magnetic flux tube is below  $E_m$ . This can be achieved in all length scales if the temperature scales as the zero point kinetic energy in transversal degrees of freedom since it scales in the same manner as magnetic interaction energy.
- (b) The transition to large  $\hbar$  phase could provide a more elegant way out of the difficulty. The criterion for a sequence of transitions to a large  $\hbar$  phase could be easily satisfied if there is a large number of charge Cooper pairs at the magnetic flux tube. Kinetic energy gap remains invariant if the length of the flux tube scales as  $\hbar$ . If the magnetic flux is quantized as a multiple of  $\hbar$  and flux tube thickness scales as  $\hbar^2$ ,  $B$  must scale as  $1/\hbar$  so that also magnetic energy remains invariant under the scaling. This would allow to have stability without assuming low temperature at magnetic flux tubes.

## 16.3 TGD based model for high $T_c$ super conductors

High  $T_c$  superconductors are quantum critical and involve in an essential magnetic structures, they provide an attractive application of the general vision for the model of super-conductivity based on magnetic flux tubes.

### 16.3.1 Some properties of high $T_c$ super conductors

Quite generally, high  $T_c$  super-conductors are cuprates with CuO layers carrying the supra current. The highest known critical temperature for high  $T_c$  superconductors is 164 K and is achieved under huge pressure of  $3.1 \times 10^5$  atm for LaBaCuO. High  $T_c$  super-conductors are known to be super conductors of type II.

This is however a theoretical deduction following from the assumption that the value of Planck constant is ordinary. For  $\hbar = 2^{14}\hbar_0$  (say)  $\xi$  would be scaled up accordingly and type I super-conductor would be in question. These super-conductors are characterized by very complex patterns of penetrating magnetic field near criticality since the surface area of the magnetic defects is maximized. For high  $T_c$  super-conductors the ferromagnetic phase could be regarded as an analogous to defect and would indeed have very complex structure. Since quantum criticality would be in question the stripe structure would fluctuate with time too in accordance with 4-D spin glass character.

The mechanism of high  $T_c$  super conductivity is still poorly understood [D69, D76] .

- (a) It is agreed that electronic Cooper pairs are charge carriers. It is widely accepted that electrons are in relative d-wave state rather than in s-wave (see [D33] and the references mentioned in [D69] ). Cooper pairs are believed to be in spin triplet state and electrons combine to form  $L = 2$  angular momentum state. The usual phonon exchange mechanism does not generate the attractive interaction between the members of the Cooper pair having spin. There is also a considerable evidence for BCS type Cooper pairs and two kinds of Cooper pairs could be present.
- (b) High  $T_c$  super conductors have spin glass like character [D67] . High  $T_c$  superconductors have anomalous properties also above  $T_c$  suggesting quantum criticality implying fractal scaling of various observable quantities such as resistivity. At high temperatures cuprates are anti-ferromagnets and Mott insulators meaning freezing of the electrons. Superconductivity and conductivity are believed to occur along dynamical stripes which are antiferromagnetic defects.
- (c) These findings encourage to consider the interpretation in terms of quantum criticality in which some new form of super conductivity which is not based on quasiparticles is involved. This super-conductivity would be assignable with the quantum fluctuations destroying antiferromagnetic order and replacing it with magnetically disordered phase possibly allowing phonon induced super-conductivity.
- (d) The doping of the super-conductor with electron holes is essential for high  $T_c$  superconductivity, and there is a critical doping fraction  $p = .14$  at which  $T_c$  is highest. The interpretation is that holes make possible for the Cooper pairs to propagate. There is considerable evidence that holes gather on one-dimensional stripes with thickness of order few atom sizes and lengths in the range 1-10 nm [D76] , which are fluctuating in time scale of  $10^{-12}$  seconds. These stripes are also present in non-superconducting state but in this case they do not fluctuate appreciably. The most plausible TGD based interpretation is in terms of fluctuations of magnetic flux tubes allowing for the formation of long connected flux tubes making super-conductivity possible. The fact that the fluctuations would be oscillations analogous to acoustic wave and might explain the BCS type aspects of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity.
- (e)  $T_c$  is inversely proportional to the distance  $L$  between the stripes. A possible interpretation would be that full super-conductivity requires delocalization of electrons also with respect to stripes so that  $T_c$  would be proportional to the hopping probability of electron between neighboring stripes expected to be proportional to  $1/L$  [D76] .

### From free fermion gas to Fermi liquids to quantum critical systems

The article of Jan Zaanen [D75] gives an excellent non-technical discussion of various features of high  $T_c$  super-conductors distinguishing them from BCS super-conductors. After having constructed a color flux tube model of Cooper pairs I found it especially amusing to learn that the analogy of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity as a quantum critical phenomenon involving formation of dynamical stripes to QCD in the vicinity of the transition to the confined phase leading to the generation of string like hadronic objects was emphasized also by Zaanen.

BCS super-conductor behaves in a good approximation like quantum gas of non-interacting electrons. This approximation works well for long ranged interactions and the reason is Fermi statistics plus the fact that Fermi energy is much larger than Coulomb interaction energy at atomic length scales.

For strongly interacting fermions the description as Fermi liquid (a notion introduced by Landau) has been dominating phenomenological approach.  $^3\text{He}$  provides a basic example of Fermi liquid and already here a paradox is encountered since low temperature collective physics is that of Fermi gas without interactions with effective masses of atoms about 6 times heavier than those of real atoms whereas short distance physics is that of a classical fluid at high temperatures meaning a highly correlated collective behavior.

It should be noticed that many-sheeted space-time provides a possible explanation of the paradox. Space-time sheets containing join along boundaries blocks of  $^3\text{He}$  atoms behave like gas whereas the  $^3\text{He}$  atoms inside these blocks form a liquid. An interesting question is whether the  $^3\text{He}$  atoms combine to form larger units with same spin as  $^3\text{He}$  atom or whether the increase of effective mass by a factor of order six means that  $\hbar$  as a unit of spin is increased by this factor forcing the basic units to consist of Bose-Einstein condensate of 3 Cooper pairs.

High  $T_c$  super conductors are neither Fermi gases nor Fermi liquids. Cuprate superconductors correspond at high temperatures to doped Mott insulators for which Coulomb interactions dominate meaning that electrons are localized and frozen. Electron spin can however move and the system can be regarded as an anti-ferromagnet. CuO planes are separated by highly oxidic layers and become super-conducting when doped. The charge transfer between the two kinds of layers is what controls the degree of doping. Doping induces somehow a delocalization of charge carriers accompanied by a local melting of anti-ferromagnet.

Collective behavior emerges for high enough doping. Highest  $T_c$  results with 15 per cent doping by holes. Current flows along electron stripes. Stripes themselves are dynamical and this is essential for both conductivity and superconductivity. For completely static stripes super-conductivity disappears and quasi-insulating electron crystal results.

Dynamical stripes appear in mesoscopic time and length scales corresponding to 1-10 nm length scale and picosecond time scale. The stripes are in a well-defined sense dual to the magnetized stripe like structures in type I super-conductor near criticality, which suggests analog of type I super-conductivity. The stripes are anti-ferromagnetic defects at which neighboring spins fail to be antiparallel. It has been found that stripes are a very general phenomenon appearing in insulators, metals, and super-conducting compounds [D74] .

### Quantum criticality is present also above $T_c$

Also the physics of Mott insulators above  $T_c$  reflects quantum criticality. Typically scaling laws hold true for observables. In particular, resistivity increases linearly rather than transforming from  $T^2$  behavior to constant as would be implied by quasi-particles as current carriers. The appearance of so called pseudo-gap [D25] at  $T_{c1} > T_c$  conforms with this interpretation. In particular, the pseudo-gap is non-vanishing already at  $T_{c1}$  and stays constant rather than starting from zero as for quasi-particles.

### Results from optical measurements and neutron scattering

Optical measurements and neutron scattering have provided especially valuable microscopic information about high  $T_c$  superconductors allowing to fix the details of TGD based quantitative

model.

Optical measurements of copper oxides in non-super-conducting state have demonstrated that optical conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$  is surprisingly featureless as a function of photon frequency. Below the critical temperature there is however a sharp absorption onset at energy of about 50 meV [D40]. The origin of this special feature has been a longstanding puzzle. It has been proposed that this absorption onset corresponds to a direct generation of an electron-hole pair. Momentum conservation implies that the threshold for this process is  $E_g + E$ , where  $E$  is the energy of the 'gluon' which binds electrons of Cooper pair together. In the case of ordinary super-conductivity  $E$  would be phonon energy.

Soon after measurements, it was proposed that in absence of lattice excitations photon must generate two electron-hole pairs such that electrons possess opposite momenta [D40]. Hence the energy of the photon would be  $2E_g$ . Calculations however predicted soft rather than sharp onset of absorption since pairs of electron-hole pairs have continuous energy spectrum. There is something wrong with this picture.

Second peculiar characteristic [D41, D39, D38] of high  $T_c$  super conductors is resonant neutron scattering at excitation energy  $E_w = 41$  meV of super conductor. This scattering occurs only below the critical temperature, in spin-flip channel and for a favored momentum exchange  $(\pi/a, \pi/a)$ , where  $a$  denotes the size of the lattice cube [D41, D39, D38]. The transferred energy is concentrated in a remarkably narrow range around  $E_w$  rather than forming a continuum.

In [D56] it is suggested that e-e resonance with spin one gives rise to this excitation. This resonance is assumed to play the same role as phonon in the ordinary super conductivity and e-e resonance is treated like phonon. It is found that one can understand the dependence of the second derivative of the photon conductivity  $\sigma(\omega)$  on frequency and that consistency with neutron scattering data is achieved. The second derivative of  $\sigma(\omega)$  peaks near 68 meV and assuming  $E = E_g + E_w$  they found nearly perfect match using  $E_g = 27$  meV. This would suggest that the energy of the excitations generating the binding between the members of the Cooper pair is indeed 41 meV, that two electron-hole pairs and excitation of the super conductor are generated in photon absorption above threshold, and that the gap energy of the Cooper pair is 27 meV. Of course, the theory of Carbotte *et al* does not force the 'gluon' to be triplet excitation of electron pair. Also other possibilities can be considered. What comes in mind are spin flip waves of the spin lattice associated with stripe behaving as spin 1 waves.

In TGD framework more exotic options become possible. The transversal fluctuations of stripes- or rather of the magnetic flux tubes associated with the stripes- could define spin 1 excitations analogous to the excitations of a string like objects. Gauge bosons are identified as wormhole contacts in quantum TGD and massive gauge boson like state containing electron-positron pair or quark-antiquark pair could be considered.

### 16.3.2 TGD inspired vision about high $T_c$ superconductivity

The following general view about high  $T_c$  super-conductivity as quantum critical phenomenon suggests itself. It must be emphasized that this option is one of the many that one can imagine and distinguished only by the fact that it is the minimal option.

#### The interpretation of critical temperatures

The two critical temperatures  $T_c$  and  $T_{c_1} > T_c$  are interpreted as critical temperatures. The recent observation that there exists a spectroscopic signature of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity, which prevails up to  $T_{c_1}$  [D20], supports the interpretation that Cooper pairs exist already below  $T_{c_1}$  but that for some reason they cannot form a coherent super-conducting state.

One can imagine several alternative TGD based models but for the minimal option is the following one.

- (a)  $T_{c_1}$  would be the temperature for the formation of two-phase system consisting of ordinary electrons and of Cooper pairs with a large value of Planck constant explaining the high critical temperature.

- (b) Magnetic flux tubes are assumed to be carriers of supra currents. These flux tubes are very short in in anti-ferromagnetic phase. The holes form stripes making them positively charged so that they attract electrons. If the spins of holes tend to form parallel sequences along stripes, they generate dipole magnetic fields in scales of order stripe length at least. The corresponding magnetic flux tubes are assumed to be carriers of electrons and Cooper pairs. The flux tube structures would be closed so that the supra currents associated with these flux tubes would be trapped in closed loops above  $T_c$ .
- (c) Below  $T_{c1}$  transversal fluctuations of the flux tubes structures occur and can induce reconstructions giving rise to longer flux tubes. Reconnection can occur in two manners. Recall that upwards going outer flux tubes of the dipole field turn downwards and eventually fuse with the dipole core. If the two dipoles have opposite directions the outer flux tube of the first (second) dipole can reconnect with the inward going part of the flux tube of second (first) dipole. If the dipoles have same direction, the outer flux tubes of the dipoles reconnect with each other. Same applies to the inwards going parts of the flux tubes and the dipoles fuse to a single deformed dipole if all flux tubes reconnect. This alternative looks more plausible. The reconnection process is in general only partial since dipole field consists of several flux tubes.
- (d) The reconnections for the flux tubes of neighboring almost dipole fields occur with some probability  $p(T)$  and make possible finite conductivity. At  $T_c$  the system the fluctuations of the flux tubes become large and also  $p(T, L)$ , where  $L$  is the distance between stripes, becomes large and the reconnection leads to a formation of long flux tubes of length of order coherence length at least and macroscopic supra currents can flow. One also expects that the reconnection occurs for practically all flux tubes of the dipole field. Essentially a percolation type phenomenon [D13] would be in question. Scaling invariance suggests  $p_c(T, L) = p_c(TL/\hbar)$ , where  $L$  is the distance between stripes, and would predict the observed  $T_c \propto \hbar/L$  behavior. Large value of  $\hbar$  would explain the high value of  $T_c$ .

This model relates in an interesting manner to the vision of Zaanen [D77] expressed in terms of the highway metaphor visualizing stripes as quantum highways along which Cooper pairs can move. In antiferromagnetic phase the traffic is completely jammed. The doping inducing electron holes allows to circumvent traffic jam due to the Fermi statistics generates stripes along which the traffic flows in the sense of ordinary conductivity. In TGD framework highways are replaced with flux tubes and the topology of the network of highways fluctuates due to the possibility of reconnections. At quantum criticality the reconnections create long flux tubes making possible the flow of supra currents.

### The interpretation of fluctuating stripes in terms of 1-D phonons

In TGD framework the phase transition to high  $T_c$  super-conductivity would have as a correlate fluctuating stripes to which supra currents are assigned. Note that the fluctuations occur also for  $T > T_c$  but their amplitude is smaller. Stripes would be parallel to the dark magnetic flux tubes along which dark electron current flows above  $T_c$ . The fluctuations of magnetic flux tubes whose amplitude increases as  $T_c$  is approached induce transverse oscillations of the atoms of stripes representing 1-D transverse phonons.

The transverse fluctuations of stripes have naturally spin one character in accordance with the experimental facts. They allow identification as the excitations having 41 meV energy and would propagate in the preferred diagonal direction  $(\pi/a, \pi/a)$ . Dark Cooper pairs would have a gap energy of 27 meV. Neutron scattering resonance could be understood as a generation of these 1-D phonons and photon absorption a creation of this kind of phonon and breaking of dark Cooper pair. The transverse oscillations could give rise to the gap energy of the Cooper pair below  $T_{c1}$  and for the formation of long flux tubes below  $T_c$  but one can consider also other mechanisms based on the new physics predicted by TGD.

Various lattice effects such as superconductivity-induced phonon shifts and broadenings, isotope effects in  $T_c$ , the penetration depth, infrared and photoemission spectra have been observed in the cuprates [D8]. The simplest interpretation is that ordinary phonons are replaced by 1-D

phonons defined by the transversal excitations of stripes but do not give rise to the binding of the electrons of the Cooper pair but to to reconnection of flux tubes.

### Explanation for the spectral signatures of high $T_c$ superconductor

The model should explain various spectral signatures of high  $T_c$  super-conductors. It seems that this is possible at qualitative level at least.

- (a) Below the critical temperature there is a sharp absorption onset at energy of about  $E_a = 50$  meV.
- (b) Second characteristic [D41, D39, D38] of high  $T_c$  super conductors is resonant neutron scattering at excitation energy  $E_w = 41$  meV of super conductor also visible only below the critical temperature.
- (c) The second derivative of  $\sigma(\omega)$  peaks near 68 meV and assuming  $E = E_g + E_w$  they found nearly perfect match using  $E_g = 27$  meV for the energy gap.

$E_g = 27$  meV has a natural interpretation as energy gap of spin 1 Cooper pair.  $E_w = 41$  meV can be assigned to the transversal oscillations of magnetic flux tubes inducing 1-D transversal photons which possibly give rise to the energy gap.  $E_a = 50$  meV can be understood if also  $S = 0$  Cooper pair for which electrons of the pair reside dominantly at the "outer" dipole flux tube and inner dipole core. The presence of this pair might explain the BCS type aspects of high  $T_c$  super-conductivity. This identification would predict the gap energy of  $S = 0$  Cooper pair to be  $E_g(S = 0) = 9$  meV. Since the critical absorption onset is observed only below  $T_c$  these Cooper pairs would become thermally stable at  $T_c$  and the formation of long flux tubes should somehow stabilize them. For very long flux tubes the distance of a point of "outer" flux tube from the nearby point "inner" flux tube becomes very long along dipole flux tube. Hence the transformation of  $S = 0$  pairs to  $S = 1$  pairs is not possible anymore and  $S = 0$  pairs are stabilized.

### Model for Cooper pairs

The TGD inspired model for Cooper pairs of high  $T_c$  super-conductor involves several new physics aspects: large  $\hbar$  phases, the notion of magnetic flux tubes. One can also consider the possibility that color force predicted by TGD to be present in all length scales is present.

- (a) One can consider two options for the topological quantization of the dipole field. It could decompose to a flux tube pattern with a discrete rotational symmetry  $Z_n$  around dipole axis or to flux sheets identified as walls of finite thickness invariant under rotations around dipole axis. Besides this there is also inner the flux tube corresponding to the dipole core. For the flux sheet option one can speak about eigenstates of  $L_z$ . For flux tube option the representations of  $Z_n$  define the counterparts of the angular momentum eigenstates with a cutoff in  $L_z$  analogous to a momentum cutoff in lattice. The discretized counterparts of spherical harmonics make sense. The counterparts of the relative angular momentum eigenstates for Cooper pair must be defined in terms of tensor products of these rather than using spherical harmonics assignable with the relative coordinate  $r_1 - r_2$ . The reconnection mechanism makes sense only for the flux tube option so that it is the only possibility in the recent context.
- (b) Exotic Cooper pair is modeled as a pair of large  $\hbar$  electrons with zoomed up size at space-time representing the dipole field pattern associated with a sequence of holes with same spin. If the members of the pair are at diametrically opposite flux tubes or at the "inner" flux tube (dipole core) magnetic fluxes flow in same direction for electrons and spin 1 Cooper pair is favored. If they reside at the "inner" flux tube and outer flux tube, spin zero state is favored. This raises the question whether also  $S = 0$  variant of the Cooper pair could be present.

- (c) Large  $\hbar$  is needed to explain high critical temperature. By the general argument the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase occurs in order to reduce the value of the gauge coupling strength - now fine structure constant- and thus guarantee the convergence of the perturbation theory. The generation or positive net charge along stripes indeed means strong electromagnetic interactions at stripe.

Color force in condensed matter length scales is a new physics aspect which cannot be excluded in the case that transverse oscillations of flux tubes do not bind the electrons to form a Cooper pair. Classically color forces accompany any non-vacuum extremal of Kähler action since a non-vanishing induced Kähler field is accompanied by a classical color gauge field with Abelian holonomy. Induced Kähler field is always non-vanishing when the dimension of the  $CP_2$  projection of the space-time surface is higher than 2. One can imagine too alternative scenarios.

- (a) Electromagnetic flux tubes for which induced Kähler field is non-vanishing carry also classical color fields. Cooper pairs could be color singlet bound states of color octet excitations of electrons (more generally leptons) predicted by TGD and explaining quite impressive number of anomalies [K84] . These states are necessarily dark since the decay widths of gauge bosons do not allow new light fermions coupling to them. The size of these states is of order electron size scale  $L(127)$  for the standard value of Planck constant. For the non-standard value of Planck constant it would be scaled up correspondingly. For  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0 = 2^{14}$  the size would be around 3.3 Angströms and for  $r = 2^{24}$  of order 10 nm. Color binding could be responsible for the formation of the energy gap in this case and would distinguish between ordinary two-electron states and Cooper pair. The state with minimum color magnetic energy corresponds to spin triplet state for two color octet fermions whereas for colored fermion and antifermion it corresponds to spin singlet (pion like state in hadron physics).
- (b) A more complex variant of this picture served as the original model for Cooper pairs. Electrons at given space-time sheet feed their gauge flux to large space-time sheet via wormhole contacts. If the wormhole throats carry quantum numbers of quark and antiquark one can say that in the simplest situation the electron space-time sheet is color singlet state formed by quark and antiquark associated with the upper throats of the wormhole contacts carrying quantum numbers of  $u$  quark and  $\bar{d}$  quark. It can also happen that the electronic space-time sheets are not color singlet but color octet in which case the situation is analogous to that above. Color force would bind the two electronic space-time sheets to form a Cooper pair. The neighboring electrons in stripe possess parallel spins and could form a pair transforming to a large  $\hbar$  Cooper pair bound by color force. The Coulombic binding energy of the charged particles with the quarks and antiquarks assignable to the two wormhole throats feeding the em gauge flux to  $Y^4$  and color interaction would be responsible for the energy gap.

### Estimate for the gap energy

If transverse oscillations are responsible for the binding of the Cooper pairs, one expects similar expression for the gap energy as in the case of BCS type super conductors. The 3-D formula for the gap energy reads as

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_g &= \hbar\omega_D \exp(-1/X) , \\
 \omega_D &= (6\pi^2)^{1/3} c_s n^{1/3} \\
 X &= n(E_F)U_0 = \frac{3}{2}N(E_F)\frac{U_0}{E_F} , \\
 n(E_F) &= \frac{3}{2}\frac{N(E_F)}{E_F} .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{16.3.-3}$$

$X$  depends on the details of the binding mechanism for Cooper pairs and  $U_0$  parameterizes these details.



Since only stripes contribute to high  $T_c$  super-conductivity it is natural to replace 3-dimensional formula for Debye frequency in 1-dimensional case with

$$\begin{aligned} E_g &= \hbar\omega \exp(-1/X) , \\ \omega &= kc_s n . \end{aligned} \quad (16.3.-3)$$

where  $n$  is the 1-dimensional density of Cooper pairs and  $k$  a numerical constant.  $X$  would now correspond to the binding dynamics at the surface of 1-D counterpart of Fermi sphere associated with the stripe.

There is objection against this formula. The large number of holes for stripes suggests that the counterpart of Fermi sphere need not make sense, and one can wonder whether it could be more advantageous to talk about the counterpart of Fermi sphere for holes and treat Cooper pair as a pair of vacancies for this "Fermi sphere". High  $T_c$  super conductivity would be 1-D conventional super-conductivity for bound states of vacancies. This would require the replacement of  $n$  with the linear density of holes along stripes, which is essentially that of nuclei.

From the known data one can make a rough estimate for the parameter  $X$ . If  $E_w = \hbar f = 41$  meV is assigned with transverse oscillations the standard value of Planck constant would give  $f = f_0 = 9.8 \times 10^{12}$  Hz. In the general case one has  $f = f_0/r$ . If one takes the  $10^{-12}$  second length scale of the transversal fluctuations at a face value one obtains  $r = 10$  as a first guess.  $E_g = 27$  meV gives the estimate

$$\exp(-1/X) = \frac{E_g}{E_w} \quad (16.3.-2)$$

giving  $X = 2.39$ .

The interpretation in terms of transversal oscillations suggests the dispersion relation

$$f = \frac{c_s}{L} .$$

$L$  is the length of the approximately straight portion of the flux tube. The length of the "outer" flux tube of the dipole field is expected to be longer than that of stripe. For  $L = x$  nm and  $f_D \sim 10^{12}$  Hz one would obtain  $c_s = 10^3 x$  m/s.

#### Estimate for the critical temperatures and for $\hbar$

One can obtain a rough estimate for the critical temperature  $T_{c1}$  by following simple argument.

- (a) The formula for the critical temperature proposed in the previous section generalize in 1-dimensional case to the following formula

$$T_{c1} \leq \frac{\hbar^2}{8m_e} \left(\frac{n_c}{g}\right)^2 . \quad (16.3.-1)$$

$g$  is the number of spin degrees of freedom for Cooper pair and  $n_c$  the 1-D density of Cooper pairs. The effective one-dimensionality allows only single  $L = 2$  state localized along the stripe. The  $g = 3$  holds true for  $S = 1$ .

- (b) By parameterizing  $n_c$  as  $n_c = (1 - p_h)/a$ ,  $a = x$  Angstrom, and substituting the values of various parameters, one obtains

$$T_{c1} \simeq \frac{r^2(1 - p_h)^2}{9x^2} \times 6.3 \text{ meV} . \quad (16.3.0)$$

- (c) An estimate for  $p_h$  follows from the doping fraction  $p_d$  and the fraction  $p_s$  of parallel atomic rows giving rise to stripes one can deduce the fraction of holes for a given stripe as

$$p_h = \frac{p_d}{p_s} . \quad (16.3.1)$$

One must of course have  $p_d \leq p_s$ . For instance, for  $p_s = 1/5$  and  $p_d = 15$  per cent one obtains  $p_h = 75$  per cent so that a length of four atomic units along row contains one Cooper pair on the average. For  $T_{c1} = 23$  meV (230 K) this would give the rough estimate  $r = 23.3$ :  $r = 24$  satisfies the Fermat polygon constraint. Contrary to the first guess inspired by the model of bio-superconductivity the value of  $\hbar$  would not be very much higher than its standard value. Notice however that the proportionality  $T_c \propto r^2$  makes it difficult to explain  $T_{c1}$  using the standard value of  $\hbar$ .

- (d) One  $p_h \propto 1/L$  whereas scale invariance for reconnection probability ( $p = p(x = TL/\hbar)$ ) predicts  $T_c = x_c \hbar/L = x_c p_s \hbar/a$ . This implies

$$\frac{T_c}{T_{c1}} = 32\pi^2 \frac{m_e a}{\hbar_0} x^2 g^2 \frac{p_s}{(1 - (p_d/p_s)^2)^2} \frac{x_c}{r} . \quad (16.3.2)$$

This prediction allows to test the proposed admittedly somewhat ad hoc formula. For  $p_d \ll p_s$   $T_c/T_{c1}$  does behaves as  $1/L$ . One can deduce the value of  $x_c$  from the empirical data.

- (e) Note that if the reconnection probability  $p$  is a universal function of  $x$  as quantum criticality suggests and thus also  $x_c$  is universal, a rather modest increase of  $\hbar$  could allow to raise  $T_c$  to room temperature range.

The value of  $\hbar$  is predicted to be inversely proportional to the density of the Cooper pairs at the flux tube. The large value of  $\hbar$  needed in the modeling of living system as magnetic flux tube super-conductor could be interpreted in terms of phase transitions which scale up both the length of flux tubes and the distance between the Cooper pairs so that the ratio  $rn_c$  remains unchanged.

### Coherence lengths

The coherence length for high  $T_c$  super conductors is reported to be 5-20 Angstroms. The naive interpretation would be as the size of Cooper pair. There is however a loophole involved. The estimate for coherence length in terms of gap energy is given by  $\xi = \frac{4\hbar v_F}{E_g}$ . If the coherence length is estimated from the gap energy, as it seems to be the case, then the scaling up of the Planck constant would increase coherence length by a factor  $r = \hbar/\hbar_0$ .  $r = 24$  would give coherence lengths in the range 12 – 48 nm.

The interpretation of the coherence length would be in terms of the length of the connected flux tube structure associated with the row of holes with the same spin direction which can be considerably longer than the row itself. As a matter fact  $r$  would characterize the ratio of size scales of the "magnetic body" of the row and of row itself. The coherence lengths could relate to the p-adic length scales  $L(k)$  in the range  $k = 151, 152, \dots, 155$  varying in the range (10, 40] nm.  $k = 151$  correspond to thickness cell membrane.

### Why copper and what about other elements?

The properties of copper are somehow crucial for high  $T_c$  superconductivity since cuprates are the only known high  $T_c$  superconductors. Copper corresponds to  $3d^{10}4s$  ground state configuration with one valence electron. This encourages the question whether the doping by holes needed to achieve superconductivity induces the phase transition transforming the electrons to dark Cooper pairs.

More generally, elements having one electron in  $s$  state plus full electronic shells are good candidates for doped high  $T_c$  superconductors. If the atom in question is also a boson the formation of atomic Bose-Einstein condensates at Cooper pair space-time sheets is favored. Superfluid would be in question. Thus elements with odd value of  $A$  and  $Z$  possessing full shells plus single  $s$  wave valence electron are of special interest. The six stable elements satisfying these conditions are  ${}^5\text{Li}$ ,  ${}^{39}\text{K}$ ,  ${}^{63}\text{Cu}$ ,  ${}^{85}\text{Rb}$ ,  ${}^{133}\text{Cs}$ , and  ${}^{197}\text{Au}$ .

### A new phase of matter in the temperature range between pseudo gap temperature and $T_c$ ?

Kram sent a link to a Science Daily popular article titled "High-Temperature Superconductor Spills Secret: A New Phase of Matter?" (see also this). For more details see the article in Science [D44].

Zhi-Xun Shen of the Stanford Institute for Materials and Energy Science (SIMES), a joint institute of the Department of Energy's SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory and Stanford University, led the team of researchers, which discovered that in the temperature region between the pseudo gap temperature and genuine temperature for the transition to super-conducting phase there exists a new phase of matter. The new phase would not be super-conducting but would be characterized by an order of its own which remains to be understood. This phase would be present also in the super-conducting phase.

The announcement does not come as a complete surprise for me. A new phase of matter is what TGD inspired model of high  $T_c$  superconductivity indeed predicts. This phase would consist of Cooper pairs of electrons with a large value of Planck constant but associated with magnetic flux tubes with short length so that no macroscopic supra currents would be possible.

The transition to super-conducting phase involves long range fluctuations at quantum criticality and the analog of a phenomenon known as percolation [D13]. For instance, the phenomenon occurs for the filtering of fluids through porous materials. At critical threshold the entire filter suddenly wets as fluid gets through the filter. Now this phenomenon would occur for magnetic flux tubes carrying the Cooper pairs. At criticality the short magnetic flux tubes fuse by reconnection to form long ones so that supra currents in macroscopic scales become possible.

It is not clear whether this prediction is consistent with the finding of Shen and others. The simultaneous presence of short and long flux tubes in macroscopically super-conducting phase is certainly consistent with TGD prediction. The situation depends on what one means with super-conductivity. Is super-conductivity super-conductivity in macroscopic scales only or should one call also short scale super-conductivity not giving rise to macroscopic super currents as super-conductivity. In other words: do the findings of Shen's team prove that the electrons above gap temperature do not form Cooper pairs or only that there are no macroscopic supra currents?

Whether the model works as such or not is not a life and death question for the TGD based model. One can quite well imagine that the first phase transition increasing  $\hbar$  does not yet produce electron Compton lengths long enough to guarantee that the overlap criterion for the formation of Cooper pairs is satisfied. The second phase transition increasing  $\hbar$  would do this and also scale up the lengths of magnetic flux tubes making possible the flow of supra currents as such even without reconnections. Also reconnections making possible the formation of very long flux tubes could be involved and would be made possible by the increase in the length of flux tubes.



## Chapter 17

# Quantum Hall effect and Hierarchy of Planck Constants

### 17.1 Introduction

Quantum Hall effect [D64, D61, D65] occurs in 2-dimensional systems, typically a slab carrying a longitudinal voltage  $V$  causing longitudinal current  $j$ . A magnetic field orthogonal to the slab generates a transversal current component  $j_T$  by Lorentz force.  $j_T$  is proportional to the voltage  $V$  along the slab and the dimensionless coefficient is known as transversal conductivity. Classically the coefficient is proportional  $ne/B$ , where  $n$  is 2-dimensional electron density and should have a continuous spectrum. The finding that came as surprise was that the change of the coefficient as a function of parameters like magnetic field strength and temperature occurred as discrete steps of same size. In integer quantum Hall effect the coefficient is quantized to  $2\nu\alpha$ ,  $\alpha = e^2/4\pi$ , such that  $\nu$  is integer.

Later came the finding that also smaller steps corresponding to the filling fraction  $\nu = 1/3$  of the basic step were present and could be understood if the charge of electron would have been replaced with  $\nu = 1/3$  of its ordinary value. Later also QH effect with wide large range of rational filling fractions of form  $\nu = k/m$  was observed.

The observed fractions are not arbitrary but obey quite precise selection rules. This led to the notion of composite fermion as a bound state of electron and magnetic vortices carrying electron at their boundaries and FQHE reduces to QHE for these effective particles in an effective magnetic field smaller than the original field and reduced by the binding of the magnetic vortices with the electron. Besides quasiparticles also corresponding holes contribute to FQHE.

A general problem of the composite model is the nature of the bound states. How both the number of vortices per electron and the number of electrons per vortex can be larger than one?

The composite model fails to explain only the observations for  $\nu = 5/2$  and  $\nu = 7/2$  (these values of  $\nu$  belong to the spectrum but the these phases do not behave as predicted). The conjecture is that in these cases electron carrying magnetic vortices form Cooper pair like bound states. Non-Abelian braid statistics assigned with these phases would be essential for topological quantum computation but it has not been established convincingly yet [D46].

Also the well-established charge fractionization should be understood. Whether fractional braid statistics is realized is still an open question. In these issues TGD might provide some new insights.

The phenomenology of FQHE is described in an extremely lucid manner in the Nobel lecture of Horst L. Stormer [D73]. As a matter fact, I regret that I did not read it for years ago!

### 17.1.1 Abelian and non-Abelian anyons

The model explaining FQHE is based on pseudo particles known as anyons identifiable as magnetic vortices [A42], [D64]. According to the general argument of [D50] anyons have a fractional charge  $\nu e$ . The braid statistics of anyon is believed to be fractional so that in the general case anyons are neither bosons nor fermions. Non-fractional statistics is absolutely essential for the vacuum degeneracy used to represent logical qubits.

In the case of Abelian anyons the gauge potential corresponds to the vector potential of the divergence free velocity field or equivalently of incompressible anyon current. For Abelian anyons the field theory defined by Chern-Simons action is free field theory and in well-defined sense trivial although it defines knot invariants. For non-Abelian anyons situation would be different. They would carry non-Abelian gauge charges possibly related to a symmetry breaking to a discrete subgroup  $H$  of gauge group [A42] each of them defining an incompressible hydrodynamical flow. According to [B30] the anyons associated with the filling fraction  $\nu = 5/2$  are a good candidate for non-Abelian anyons and in this case the charge of electron is reduced to  $Q = e/4$  rather than being  $Q = \nu e$  [D63]. This finding favors non-Abelian models [D65].

Non-Abelian anyons [D64, D66] are always created in pairs since they carry a conserved topological charge. In the model of [B30] this charge should have values in 4-element group  $Z_4$  so that it is conserved only modulo 4 so that charges  $+2$  and  $-2$  are equivalent as are also charges  $3$  and  $-1$ . The state of  $n$  anyon pairs created from vacuum can be shown to possess  $2^{n-1}$ -dimensional vacuum degeneracy [D68]. When two anyons fuse the  $2^{n-1}$ -dimensional state space decomposes to  $2^{n-2}$ -dimensional tensor factors corresponding to anyon Cooper pairs with topological charges  $2$  and  $0$ . The topological "spin" is ideal for representing logical qubits. Since free topological charges are not possible the notion of physical qubit does not make sense (note the analogy with quarks). The measurement of topological qubit reduces to a measurement of whether anyon Cooper pair has vanishing topological charge or not.

### 17.1.2 TGD based view about FQHE

In this chapter I try to formulate more precisely the recent TGD based view about fractional quantum Hall effect (FQHE). This view is much more realistic than the original rough scenario, which neglected the existing rather detailed understanding. The spectrum of  $\nu$ , and the mechanism producing it is the same as in composite fermion approach. The new elements relate to the not so well-understood aspects of FQHE, namely charge fractionization, the emergence of braid statistics, and non-abelianity of braid statistics.

- (a) The starting point is composite fermion model so that the basic predictions are same. Now magnetic vortices correspond to (Kähler) magnetic flux tubes carrying unit of magnetic flux. The magnetic field inside flux tube would be created by delocalized electron at the boundary of the vortex. One can raise two questions.

Could the boundary of the macroscopic system carrying anyonic phase have identification as a macroscopic analog of partonic 2-surface serving as a boundary between Minkowskian and Euclidian regions of space-time sheet? If so, the space-time sheet assignable to the macroscopic system in question would have Euclidian signature, and would be analogous to blackhole or to a line of generalized Feynman diagram.

Could the boundary of the vortex be identifiable a light-like boundary separating Minkowskian magnetic flux tube from the Euclidian interior of the macroscopic system and be also analogous to wormhole throat? If so, both macroscopic objects and magnetic vortices would be rather exotic geometric objects not possible in general relativity framework.

- (b) Taking composite model as a starting point one obtains standard predictions for the filling fractions. One should also understand charge fractionalization and fractional braiding statistics. Here the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action suggests the explanation. Vacuum degeneracy implies that the correspondence between the normal component of the canonical momentum current and normal derivatives of imbedding space coordinates is 1- to- $n$ . These kind of branchings result in multi-furcations induced by variations of the system parameters and the scaling of external magnetic field represents one such variation.

- (c) At the orbits of wormhole throats, which can have even macroscopic  $M^4$  projections, one has  $1 \rightarrow n_a$  correspondence and at the space-like ends of the space-time surface at light-like boundaries of causal diamond one has  $1 \rightarrow n_b$  correspondence. This implies that at partonic 2-surfaces defined as the intersections of these two kinds of 3-surfaces one has  $1 \rightarrow n_a \times n_b$  correspondence. This correspondence can be described by using a local singular  $n$ -fold covering of the imbedding space. Unlike in the original approach, the covering space is only a convenient auxiliary tool rather than fundamental notion.
- (d) The fractionalization of charge can be understood as follows. A delocalization of electron charge to the  $n$  sheets of the multi-furcation takes place and single sheet is analogous to a sheet of Riemann surface of function  $z^{1/n}$  and carries fractional charge  $q = e/n$ ,  $n = n_a n_b$ . Fractionalization applies also to other quantum numbers. One can have also many-electron states of these states with several delocalized electrons: in this case one obtains more general charge fractionalization:  $q = \nu e$ .
- (e) Also the fractional braid statistics can be understood. For ordinary statistics rotations of  $M^4$  rotate entire partonic 2-surfaces. For braid statistics rotations of  $M^4$  (and particle exchange) induce a flow braid ends along partonic 2-surface. If the singular local covering is analogous to the Riemann surface of  $z^{1/n}$ , the braid rotation by  $\Delta\Phi = 2\pi$ , where  $\Phi$  corresponds to  $M^4$  angle, leads to a second branch of multi-furcation and one can give up the usual quantization condition for angular momentum. For the natural angle coordinate  $\phi$  of the  $n$ -branched covering  $\Delta\phi = 2/\pi$  corresponds to  $\Delta\Phi = n \times 2\pi$ . If one identifies the sheets of multi-furcation and therefore uses  $\Phi$  as angle coordinate, single valued angular momentum eigenstates become in general  $n$ -valued, angular momentum in braid statistics becomes fractional and one obtains fractional braid statistics for angular momentum.
- (f) How to understand the exceptional values  $\nu = 5/2, 7/2$  of the filling fraction? The non-abelian braid group representations [D66] can be interpreted as higher-dimensional projective representations of permutation group: for ordinary statistics only Abelian representations are possible. It seems that the minimum number of braids is  $n > 2$  from the condition of non-abelianity of braid group representations. The condition that ordinary statistics is fermionic, gives  $n > 3$ . The minimum value is  $n = 4$  consistent with the fractional charge  $e/4$ .

The model introduces  $Z_4$  valued topological quantum number characterizing flux tubes. This also makes possible non-Abelian braid statistics. The interpretation of this quantum number as a  $Z_4$  valued momentum characterizing the four delocalized states of the flux tube at the sheets of the 4-furcation suggests itself strongly. Topology would correspond to that of 4-fold covering space of imbedding space serving as a convenient auxiliary tool. The more standard explanation is that  $Z_4 = Z_2 \times Z_2$  such that  $Z_2$ 's correspond to the presence or absence of neutral Majorana fermion in the two Cooper pair like states formed by flux tubes.

What remains to be understood is the emergence of non-abelian gauge group realizing non-Abelian fractional statistics in gauge theory framework. TGD predicts the possibility of dynamical gauge groups [K96] and maybe this kind of gauge group indeed emerges. Dynamical gauge groups emerge also for stacks of  $N$  branes and the  $n$  sheets of multifurcation are analogous to the  $N$  sheets in the stack for many-electron states.

The genuinely new element to the existing theory of FQHE are multi-furcations of partonic 2-surfaces and their second quantization. This notion leads to an explanation of the fractional charges, fractional braid statistics, and existence of  $Z_n$  valued topological quantum number in terms of many-sheeted space-time and multi-furcations of preferred extremals of Kähler action. One ends up also to a concrete geometric realization for the bound states of electron and flux quanta and geometric understanding of how  $n$  flux quanta "split" out from the magnetic field experienced by the electron. The rather radical "almost prediction" is that partonic 2-surfaces and their light-like orbits serving as boundaries between Euclidian and Minkowskian regions of space-time sheet would be realized even in macroscopic scales. Anyonic system would be in well-defined sense an elementary particle like object.

The first two sections of the chapter give brief summaries about FQHE and existing theories of FQHE. The third section represents a view about the effective hierarchy of Planck constants

assignable to multi-furcations associated with Kähler action and the recent simplifications of this picture. The last section summarizes the TGD inspired model of FQHE, a model for flux tubes, a microscopic description for the 2-D surface representing the boundary of the anyonic system and with electrons attached to this surface. Here the TGD based view about elementary particles is in active role.

## 17.2 Fractional Quantum Hall effect

### 17.2.1 Basic facts about FQHE

Recall first the basic facts. Quantum Hall effect (QHE) [D64, D6, D61] is an essentially 2-dimensional phenomenon and occurs at the end of current carrying region for the current flowing transversally along the end of the wire in external magnetic field along the wire. For quantum Hall effect transversal Hall conductance characterizing the 2-dimensional current flow is dimensionless and quantized and given by

$$\sigma_{xy} = 2\nu\alpha_{em} \ ,$$

$\nu$  is so called filling factor telling the number of filled Landau levels in the magnetic field. In the case of integer quantum Hall effect (IQHE)  $\nu$  is integer valued. For fractional quantum Hall effect (FQHE)  $\nu$  is rational number.

The formula for the quantized Hall conductance is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= \nu \times \frac{e^2}{h} \ , \\ \nu &= \frac{n}{m} \ . \end{aligned} \tag{17.2.0}$$

Series of fractions in  $\nu = 1/3, 2/5, 3/7, 4/9, 5/11, 6/13, 7/15\dots, 2/3, 3/5, 4/7, 5/9, 6/11, 7/13\dots, 5/3, 8/5, 11/7, 14/9\dots, 4/3, 7/5, 10/7, 13/9\dots, 1/5, 2/9, 3/13\dots, 2/7, 3/11\dots, 1/7\dots$  with odd denominator have been observed [D6]. Only fractions smaller than 1 are listed because the integer part of  $\nu$  should not matter since it represents full Landau levels. Also  $\nu = 1/2, \nu = 5/2, 7/2$  states with even denominator have been observed.  $\nu = 1/2$  can be understood easily in the existing theory. One might think that  $\nu = 5/2 = 2 + 1/2$  and  $\nu = 7/2 = 3 + 1/2$  would reduce to  $\nu = 1/2$ . This not however the case experimentally and these values of  $\nu$  represent an unsolved problem of anyon physics.

The following gives a brief summary about the evolution of the understanding of FQHE.

- (a) Laughlin introduced his many-electron wave function predicting fractional quantum Hall effect for filling fractions  $\nu = 1/m$  [D61]. The model of Laughlin [D61] cannot explain all observed filling fractions.
- (b) The best existing model proposed originally by Jain [D57] is based on the notion of composite fermion. These would result as bound states of electron and even number of magnetic flux quanta [D57]. Electrons remain integer charged but due to the effective magnetic field electrons appear to have fractional charges. Composite fermion picture predicts all the observed fractions and also their relative intensities and the order in which they appear as the quality of sample improves.
- (c) The description of the magnetic flux tubes led to the notion of anyon introduced by Wilczek [D64]. Anyon has been compared to a vortex like excitation of a dense 2-D electron plasma formed by the current carriers.  $\nu$  is inversely proportional to the magnetic flux and the fractional filling factor can be also understood in terms of fractional magnetic flux.



- (d) The starting point of the quantum field theoretical models is the effective 2-dimensionality of the system implying that the projective representations for the permutation group of  $n$  objects are representations of braid group allowing fractional statistics. This is due to the non-trivial first homotopy group of 2-dimensional manifold containing punctures. Quantum field theoretical models allow to assign to the anyon like states also magnetic charge, fractional spin, and fractional electric charge.

Topological quantum computation [K88, K27] , [B30] , [C239] is one of the most fascinating applications of FQHE. It relies on the notion of braids with strands representing the orbits of anyons. The unitary time evolution operator coding for topological computation is a representation of the element of the element of braid group represented by the time evolution of the braid. It is essential that the group involved is non-Abelian so that the system remembers the order of elementary braiding operations (exchange of neighboring strands). There is experimental evidence that  $\nu = 5/2$  anyons possessing fractional charge  $Q = e/4$  are non-Abelian [D65, D63] .

Before continuing, it is good to represent both classical view about QHE effect and simple quantum explanation for IQHE effect.

- (a) Consider first the classical explanation. Electrons are assumed to drift in the orthogonal electric and magnetic fields with drift velocity  $v = E \times B/B^2$  having magnitude  $v = E/B$ . It is easy to see that this solves Newton's equation of motion identically. Here the 2-D current transversal Hall current can be written as  $j = e\rho v$ , where  $\rho$  is 2-D electron density obtained by averaging in the direction of the electric field. This can be expressed as  $j = e(N/S)(E/B)$ , where one concludes that the Hall conductivity is given by

$$\sigma_{xy} = \frac{\rho}{B} = e^2 \frac{N}{\Phi} , \quad \Phi = eBS = e \int BdS .$$

Using elementary flux quantum as a unit of magnetic flux, this says that Hall conductivity equals to the ratio of electrons per elementary flux quantum. To proceed further one must use quantization of electron's states in the magnetic field to conclude that  $N$  equals to integer multiple of  $h\Phi$ .

- (b) Consider next a quantum explanation. Choose the coordinates of the current carrying slab so that  $x$  varies in the direction of Hall current and  $y$  in the direction of the main current. For IQHE the value of Hall conductivity is given by  $\sigma = j_y/E_x = n_e v/vB = n_e e/B = Ne^2/heBS = Ne^2/mh$ , where  $m$  characterizes the value of magnetized flux and  $N$  is the total number of electrons in the current. In the Landau gauge  $A_y = xB$  one can assume that energy eigenstates are momentum eigenstates in the direction of current and harmonic oscillator Gaussians in  $x$ -direction in which Hall current runs. This gives

$$\Psi \propto \exp(iky) H_n(x + kl^2) \exp\left(-\frac{(x+kl^2)^2}{2l^2}\right) , \quad l^2 = \frac{\hbar}{eB} . \quad (17.2.1)$$

Only the states for which the oscillator Gaussian differs considerably from zero inside slab are important so that the momentum eigenvalues are in good approximation in the range  $0 \leq k \leq k_{max} = L_x/l^2$ . Using  $N = (L_y/2\pi) \int_0^{k_{max}} dk$  one obtains that the total number of momentum eigenstates associated with the given value of  $n$  is  $N = eBdL_xL_y/h = n$ . If  $\nu$  Landau states are filled, the value of  $\sigma$  is  $\sigma = \nu e^2/h$ , where  $\nu$  is the integer valued filling fraction.

The understanding of the thermal stability is not trivial. The original FQHE was observed in 80 mK temperature corresponding roughly to a thermal energy of  $T \sim 10^{-5}$  eV. For graphene the effect is observed at room temperature. Cyclotron energy for electron is (from  $f_e = 6 \times 10^5$  Hz at  $B = .2$  Gauss) of order thermal energy at room temperature in a magnetic field varying in the range 1-10 Tesla. This raises the question why the original FQHE requires such a low temperature.

### 17.2.2 The model of FQHE based on composite fermions

The model of FQHE based on composite fermions produces FQHE as integer QHE for effective particles - composite fermions. This phenomenological picture is described with enjoyable clarity in the Nobel lecture of Nobel lecture of Horst L. Stormer [D73].

The empirical inspiration for the model is the observation that in strong enough magnetic fields electrons behave in an unexpected manner. For instance, they seem to respond only to effective magnetic field much weaker than the actual field. The difference in field strengths corresponds to an integer number of magnetic flux quanta multiplied by 2-D electron number density. It would seem that these flux quanta somehow separate from the external magnetic field and somehow combine with the electrons to form bound states, which become the basic dynamical units interacting with the external magnetic field. They of course have different mass.

From the experimental data one can conclude that the flux quanta behave like fermions. Most naturally they would carry a rotating electron current concentrated near their boundaries and serving as a source of a magnetic field concentrated around flux quantum flux quantum or better to say, generating a magnetic field incoming magnetic field outside the flux quantum. By the conservation of magnetic flux the external magnetic field is reduced correspondingly. The number of flux quanta per electron is integer valued. Since flux quanta behave like fermions, the number of the flux quanta per electron is even for fractional quantum Hall effect. For odd values of flux quanta one obtains composite bosons and something totally different.

The basic formula for the filling fraction is easy to deduce by using the assumption that FQHE is IQHE in effective magnetic field  $B_{eff}$  [D57] with even number  $2p$  flux quanta subtracted.  $B_{eff}$  is given by

$$B_{eff} = B - 2pB_1, \quad B_1 = \rho\Phi_0, \quad \Phi_0 = h/e. \quad (17.2.2)$$

Here  $B$  is the external magnetic field,  $2p$  the even number of flux quanta per electron, and  $\Phi_0$  the elementary flux quantum - twice the flux quantum in super-conductors because the charge carriers are now electrons rather than Cooper pairs.

The integer QHE for  $B_{eff}$  gives  $\nu_{eff} = \rho\phi_0/B_{eff} = B_1/B_{eff} = n$  saying that  $n$  Landau levels are filled. This translates FQHE for  $B$  with  $\nu$  given by completely analogous formula  $\nu = B_1/B$ . From  $\nu_{eff} = 1/[(B/B_1) - 2p] = n = 1/(1/\nu) - 2p$  one obtains

$$\nu = \frac{\nu_{eff}}{1 + 2p\nu_{eff}} = \frac{n}{1 + 2pn}. \quad (17.2.3)$$

The formula is amazingly simple and consistent with all experimental findings hitherto. Note that at the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$  the formula gives filling fractions  $1/2p$ .

My understanding is that charge fractionalization is motivated by a paradox created by the flux quantum picture. Classically the number of electrons per flux quantum is higher than one since the generation of flux quantum requires at least one electron per flux quantum. How it is then possible that the number of flux quanta per electron given by  $\nu$  is higher than one?

What this fractionalization actually means geometrically is not easy to visualize and might require new physics. The solution of the paradox might also require a de-localization of some kind. The number of electrons in the center and at the boundary of flux quantum is fractional. This could be understood in terms of delocalization of electron wave functions at several flux quanta. In TGD framework electron is string like object defined by Kähler magnetic flux tube with wormhole contacts at its ends and could have rather long length: could it be that also electron charge is delocalized and shared between the two wormhole ends?

## 17.3 About theories of quantum Hall effect

The most elegant models of quantum Hall effect are in terms of anyons regarded as singularities due to the symmetry breaking of gauge group  $G$  down to a finite sub-group  $H$ , which can be also non-Abelian. Concerning the description of the dynamics of topological degrees of freedom topological quantum field theories based on Chern-Simons action are the most promising approach.

### 17.3.1 Quantum Hall effect as a spontaneous symmetry breaking down to a discrete subgroup of the gauge group

The system exhibiting quantum Hall effect is effectively 2-dimensional. Fractional statistics suggests that topological defects, anyons, allowing a description in terms of the representations of the homotopy group of  $((R^2)^n - D)/S_n$ . The gauge theory description would be in terms of spontaneous symmetry breaking of the gauge group  $G$  to a finite subgroup  $H$  by a Higgs mechanism [A42], [D64]. This would make all gauge degrees of freedom massive and leave only topological degrees of freedom. What is unexpected that also non-Abelian topological degrees of freedom are in principle possible. Quantum Hall effect is Abelian or non-Abelian depending on whether the group  $H$  has this property.

In the symmetry breaking  $G \rightarrow H$  the non-Abelian gauge fluxes defined as non-integrable phase factors  $Pexp(i \oint A_\mu dx^\mu)$  around large circles (surrounding singularities (so that field approaches a pure gauge configuration) are elements of the first homotopy group of  $G/H$ , which is  $H$  in the case that  $H$  is discrete group and  $G$  is simple. An idealized manner to model the situation [D64] is to assume that the connection is pure gauge and defined by an  $H$ -valued function which is many-valued such that the values for different branches are related by a gauge transformation in  $H$ . In the general case a gauge transformation of a non-trivial gauge field by a multi-valued element of the gauge group would give rise to a similar situation.

One can characterize a given topological singularity magnetically by an element in conjugacy class  $C$  of  $H$  representing the transformation of  $H$  induced by a  $2\pi$  rotation around singularity. The elements of  $C$  define states in given magnetic representation. Electrically the particles are characterized by an irreducible representations of the subgroup of  $H_C \subset H$  which commutes with an arbitrarily chosen element of the conjugacy class  $C$ .

The action of  $h(B)$  resulting on particle A when it makes a closed turn around B reduces in magnetic degrees of freedom to translation in conjugacy class combined with the action of element of  $H_C$  in electric degrees of freedom. Closed paths correspond to elements of the braid group  $B_n(X^2)$  identifiable as the mapping class group of the punctured 2-surface  $X^2$  and this means that symmetry breaking  $G \rightarrow H$  defines a representation of the braid group. The construction of these representations is discussed in [D64] and leads naturally via the group algebra of  $H$  to the so called quantum double  $D(H)$  of  $H$ , which is a quasi-triangular Hopf algebra allowing non-trivial representations of braid group.

Anyons could be singularities of gauge fields, perhaps even non-Abelian gauge fields, and the latter ones could be modelled by these representations. In particular, braid operations could be represented using anyons.

### 17.3.2 Witten-Chern-Simons action and topological quantum field theories

The Wess-Zumino-Witten action used to model 2-dimensional critical systems consists of a 2-dimensional conformally invariant term for the chiral field having values in group  $G$  combined with 2+1-dimensional term defined as the integral of Chern-Simons 3-form over a 3-space containing 2-D space as its boundary. This term is purely topological and identifiable as winding number for the map from 3-dimensional space to  $G$ . The coefficient of this term is integer  $k$  in suitable normalization.  $k$  gives the value of central extension of the Kac-Moody algebra defined by the theory.

One can couple the chiral field  $g(x)$  to gauge potential defined for some subgroup of  $G_1$  of  $G$ . If the  $G_1$  coincides with  $G$ , the chiral field can be gauged away by a suitable gauge transformation and the theory becomes purely topological Witten-Chern-Simons theory. Pure gauge field configuration represented either as flat gauge fields with non-trivial holonomy over homotopically non-trivial paths or as multi-valued gauge group elements however remain and the remaining degrees of freedom correspond to the topological degrees of freedom.

Witten-Chern-Simons theories are labelled by a positive integer  $k$  giving the value of central extension of the Kac-Moody algebra defined by the theory. The connection with Wess-Zumino-Witten theory come from the fact that the highest weight states associated with the representations of the Kac-Moody algebra of WZW theory are in one-one correspondence with the representations  $R_i$  possible for Wilson loops in the topological quantum field theory.

In the Abelian case case 2+1-dimensional Chern-Simons action density is essentially the inner product  $A \wedge dA$  of the vector potential and magnetic field known as helicity density and the theory in question is a free field theory. In the non-Abelian case the action is defined by the 3-form

$$\frac{k}{4\pi} \text{Tr} \left( A \wedge (dA + \frac{2}{3} A \wedge A) \right)$$

and contains also interaction term so that the field theory defined by the exponential of the interaction term is non-trivial.

In topological quantum field theory the usual n-point correlation functions defined by the functional integral are replaced by the functional averages for  $Diff^3$  invariant quantities defined in terms of non-integrable phase factors defined by ordered exponentials over closed loops. One can consider arbitrary number of loops which can be knotted, linked, and braided. These quantities define both knot and 3-manifold invariants (the functional integral for zero link in particular). The perturbative calculation of the quantum averages leads directly to the Gaussian linking numbers and infinite number of perturbative link and not invariants.

The experience gained from topological quantum field theories defined by Chern-Simons action has led to a very elegant and surprisingly simple category theoretical approach to the topological quantum field theory [A51, A60] allowing to assign invariants to knots, links, braids, and tangles and also to 3-manifolds for which braids as morphisms are replaced with cobordisms. The so called modular Hopf algebras, in particular quantum groups  $Sl(2)_q$  with  $q$  a root of unity, are in key role in this approach. Also the connection between links and 3-manifolds can be understood since closed, oriented, 3-manifolds can be constructed from each other by surgery based on links [K11] .

Witten's article [A65] "Quantum Field Theory and the Jones Polynomial" is full of ingenious constructions, and for a physicist it is the easiest and certainly highly enjoyable manner to learn about knots and 3-manifolds. For these reasons a little bit more detailed sum up is perhaps in order.

- (a) Witten discusses first the quantization of Chern-Simons action at the weak coupling limit  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . First it is shown how the functional integration around flat connections defines a topological invariant for 3-manifolds in the case of a trivial Wilson loop. Next a canonical quantization is performed in the case  $X^3 = \Sigma^2 \times R^1$ : in the Coulomb gauge  $A_3 = 0$  the action reduces to a sum of  $n = \dim(G)$  Abelian Chern-Simons actions with a non-linear constraint expressing the vanishing of the gauge field. The configuration space consists thus of flat non-Abelian connections, which are characterized by their holonomy groups and allows Kähler manifold structure.
- (b) Perhaps the most elegant quantal element of the approach is the decomposition of the 3-manifold to two pieces glued together along 2-manifold implying the decomposition of the functional integral to a product of functional integrals over the pieces. This together with the basic properties of Hilbert of complex numbers (to which the partition functions defined by the functional integrals over the two pieces belong) allows almost a miracle like deduction of the basic results about the behavior of 3-manifold and link invariants under a

connected sum, and leads to the crucial skein relations allowing to calculate the invariants by decomposing the link step by step to a union of unknotted, unlinked Wilson loops, which can be calculated exactly for  $SU(N)$ . The decomposition by skein relations gives rise to a partition function like representation of invariants and allows to understand the connection between knot theory and statistical physics [A40]. A direct relationship with conformal field theories and Wess-Zumino-Witten model emerges via Wilson loops associated with the highest weight representations for Kac Moody algebras.

- (c) A similar decomposition procedure applies also to the calculation of 3-manifold invariants using link surgery to transform 3-manifolds to each other, with 3-manifold invariants being defined as Wilson loops associated with the homology generators of these (solid) tori using representations  $R_i$  appearing as highest weight representations of the loop algebra of torus. Surgery operations are represented as mapping class group operations acting in the Hilbert space defined by the invariants for representations  $R_i$  for the original 3-manifold. The outcome is explicit formulas for the invariants of trivial knots and 3-manifold invariant of  $S^3$  for  $G = SU(N)$ , in terms of which more complex invariants are expressible.
- (d) For  $SU(N)$  the invariants are expressible as functions of the phase  $q = \exp(i2\pi/(k + N))$  associated with quantum groups [K11]. Note that for  $SU(2)$  and  $k = 3$ , the invariants are expressible in terms of Golden Ratio. The central charge  $k = 3$  is in a special position since it gives rise to  $k + 1 = 4$ -vertex representing naturally 2-gate physically. Witten-Chern-Simons theories define universal unitary modular functors characterizing quantum computations [B29].

### 17.3.3 Chern-Simons action for anyons

In the case of quantum Hall effect the Chern-Simons action has been deduced from a model of electrons as a 2-dimensional incompressible fluid [D61]. Incompressibility requires that the electron current has a vanishing divergence, which makes it analogous to a magnetic field. The expressibility of the current as a curl of a vector potential  $b$ , and a detailed study of the interaction Lagrangian leads to the identification of an Abelian Chern-Simons for  $b$  as a low energy effective action. This action is Abelian, whereas the anyonic realization of quantum computation would suggest a non-Abelian Chern-Simons action.

Non-Abelian Chern-Simons action could result in the symmetry breaking of a non-Abelian gauge group  $G$ , most naturally electro-weak gauge group, to a non-Abelian discrete subgroup  $H$  [A42] so that states would be labelled by representations of  $H$  and anyons would be characterized magnetically  $H$ -valued non-Abelian magnetic fluxes each of them defining its own incompressible hydro-dynamical flow.

### 17.3.4 Topological quantum computation using braids and anyons

By the general mathematical results braids are able to code all quantum logic operations [B26]. In particular, braids allow to realize any quantum circuit consisting of single particle gates acting on qubits and two particle gates acting on pairs of qubits. The coding of braid requires a classical computation which can be done in polynomial time. The coding requires that each dancer is able to remember its dancing history by coding it into its own state.

The general ideas are following.

- (a) The ground states of anyonic system characterize the logical qubits, One assumes non-Abelian anyons with  $Z_4$ -valued topological charge so that a system of  $n$  anyon pairs created from vacuum allows  $2^{n-1}$ -fold anyon degeneracy [D68]. The system is decomposed into blocks containing one anyonic Cooper pair with  $Q_T \in \{2, 0\}$  and two anyons with such topological charges that the net topological charge vanishes. One can say that the states  $(0, 1 - 1)$  and  $(0, -1, +1)$  represent logical qubit 0 whereas the states  $(2, -1, -1)$  and  $(2, +1, +1)$  represent logical qubit 1. This would suggest  $2^2$ -fold degeneracy but actually the degeneracy is 2-fold.

Free physical qubits are not possible and at least four particles are indeed necessarily in order to represent logical qubit. The reason is that the conservation of  $Z^4$  charge would not allow mixing of qubits 1 and 0, in particular the Hadamard 1-gate generating square root of qubit would break the conservation of topological charge. The square root of qubit can be generated only if 2 units of topological charge is transferred between anyon and anyon Cooper pair. Thus qubits can be represented as entangled states of anyon Cooper pair and anyon and the fourth anyon is needed to achieve vanishing total topological charge in the batch.

- (b) In the initial state of the system the anyonic Cooper pairs have  $Q_T = 0$  and the two anyons have opposite topological charges inside each block. The initial state codes no information unlike in ordinary computation but the information is represented by the braid. Of course, also more general configurations are possible. Anyons are assumed to evolve like free particles except during swap operations and their time evolution is described by single particle Hamiltonians.

Free particle approximation fails when the anyons are too near to each other as during braid operations. The space of logical qubits is realized as  $k$ -code defined by the  $2^{n-1}$  ground states, which are stable against local single particle perturbations for  $k = 3$  Witten-Chern-Simons action. In the more general case the stability against  $n$ -particle perturbations with  $n < [k/2]$  is achieved but the gates would become  $[k/2]$ -particle gates (for  $k = 5$  this would give 6-particle vertices).

- (c) Anyonic system provides a unitary modular functor as the S-matrix associated with the anyon system whose time evolution is fixed by the pre-existing braid structure. What this means that the S-matrices associated with the braids can be multiplied and thus a unitary representation for the group formed by braids results. The vacuum degeneracy of anyon system makes this representation non-trivial. By the NP complexity of braids it is possible to code any quantum logic operation by a particular braid [B20]. There exists a powerful approximation theorem allowing to achieve this coding classically in polynomial time [B26]. From the properties of the R-matrices inducing gate operations it is indeed clear that two gates can be realized. The Hadamard 1-gate could be realized as 2-gate in the system formed by anyon Cooper pair and anyon.
- (d) In [B30] the time evolution is regarded as a discrete sequence of modifications of single anyon Hamiltonians induced by swaps [B21]. If the modifications define a closed loop in the space of Hamiltonians the resulting unitary operators define a representation of braid group in a dense discrete sub-group of  $U(2^n)$ . The swap operation is 2-local operation acting like a 2-gate and induces quantum logical operation modifying also single particle Hamiltonians. What is important that this modification maps the space of the ground states to a new one and only if the modifications correspond to a closed loop the final state is in the same code space as the initial state. What time evolution does is to affect the topological charges of anyon Cooper pairs representing qubits inside the 4-anyon batches defined by the braids.

In quantum field theory the analog but not equivalent of this description would be following. Quite generally, a given particle in the final state has suffered a unitary transformation, which is an ordered product consisting of two kinds of unitary operators. Unitary single particle operators  $U_n = \text{Pexp}(i \int_{t_n}^{t_{n+1}} H_0 dt)$  are analogs of operators describing single qubit gate and play the role of anyon propagators during no-swap periods. Two-particle unitary operators  $U_{\text{swap}} = \text{Pexp}(i \int H_{\text{swap}} dt)$  are analogous to four-particle interactions and describe the effect of braid operations inducing entanglement of states having opposite values of topological charge but conserving the net topological charge of the anyon pair. This entanglement is completely analogous to spin entanglement. In particular, the braid operation mixes different states of the anyon. The unitary time development operator generating entangled state of anyons and defined by the braid structure represents the operation performed by the quantum circuit and the quantum measurement in the final state selects a particular final state.

- (e) Formally the computation halts with a measurement of the topological charge of the left-most anyon Cooper pair when the outcome is just single bit. If decay occurs with sufficiently high probability it is concluded that the value of the computed bit is 0, otherwise 1.

## 17.4 Updated view about the hierarchy of Planck constants

The original hypothesis was that the hierarchy of Planck constants is real. In this formulation the imbedding space was replaced with its covering space assumed to decompose to a Cartesian product of singular finite-sheeted coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$ .

Few years ago came the realization that it could be only effective but have same practical implications. The basic observation was that the effective hierarchy need not be postulated separately but follows as a prediction from the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action. In this formulation Planck constant at fundamental level has its standard value and its effective values come as its integer multiples so that one should write  $\hbar_{eff} = n\hbar$  rather than  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$  as I have done. For most practical purposes the states in question would behave as if Planck constant were an integer multiple of the ordinary one. In this formulation the singular covering of the imbedding space became only a convenient auxiliary tool. It is no more necessary to assume that the covering reduces to a Cartesian product of singular coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  but for some reason I kept this assumption.

The formulation based on multi-furcations of space-time surfaces to  $N$  branches. For some reason I assumed that they are simultaneously present. This is too restrictive an assumption. The  $N$  branches are very much analogous to single particle states and second quantization allowing all  $0 < n \leq N$ -particle states for given  $N$  rather than only  $N$ -particle states looks very natural. As a matter fact, this interpretation was the original one, and led to the very speculative and fuzzy notion of  $N$ -atom, which I later more or less gave up. Quantum multi-furcation could be the root concept implying the effective hierarchy of Planck constants, anyons and fractional charges, and related notions- even the notions of  $N$ -nuclei,  $N$ -atoms, and  $N$ -molecules.

### 17.4.1 Basic physical ideas

The basic phenomenological rules are simple and there is no need to modify them.

- (a) The phases with non-standard values of effective Planck constant are identified as dark matter. The motivation comes from the natural assumption that only the particles with the same value of effective Planck can appear in the same vertex. One can illustrate the situation in terms of the book metaphor. Imbedding spaces with different values of Planck constant form a book like structure and matter can be transferred between different pages only through the back of the book where the pages are glued together. One important implication is that light exotic charged particles lighter than weak bosons are possible if they have non-standard value of Planck constant. The standard argument excluding them is based on decay widths of weak bosons and has led to a neglect of large number of particle physics anomalies [K84].
- (b) Large effective or real value of Planck constant scales up Compton length - or at least de Broglie wave length - and its geometric correlate at space-time level identified as size scale of the space-time sheet assignable to the particle. This could correspond to the Kähler magnetic flux tube for the particle forming consisting of two flux tubes at parallel space-time sheets and short flux tubes at ends with length of order  $CP_2$  size.

This rule has far reaching implications in quantum biology and neuroscience since macroscopic quantum phases become possible as the basic criterion stating that macroscopic quantum phase becomes possible if the density of particles is so high that particles as Compton length sized objects overlap. Dark matter therefore forms macroscopic quantum phases. One implication is the explanation of mysterious looking quantal effects of ELF radiation in EEG frequency range on vertebrate brain:  $E = hf$  implies that the energies for the ordinary value of Planck constant are much below the thermal threshold but large value of Planck constant changes the situation. Also the phase transitions modifying the value of Planck constant and changing the lengths of flux tubes (by quantum classical correspondence) are crucial as also reconnections of the flux tubes.

The hierarchy of Planck constants suggests also a new interpretation for FQHE (fractional quantum Hall effect) [K61] in terms of anyonic phases with non-standard value of effective Planck constant realized in terms of the effective multi-sheeted covering of imbedding space: multi-sheeted space-time is to be distinguished from many-sheeted space-time.

- (c) In astrophysics and cosmology the implications are even more dramatic if one believes that also  $\hbar_{gr}$  corresponds to effective Planck constant interpreted as number of sheets of multi-furcation. It was Nottale [E20] who first introduced the notion of gravitational Planck constant as  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$ ,  $v_0 < 1$  has interpretation as velocity light parameter in units  $c = 1$ . This would be true for  $GMm/v_0 \geq 1$ . The interpretation of  $\hbar_{gr}$  in TGD framework is as an effective Planck constant associated with space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction between masses  $M$  and  $m$ . The huge value of  $\hbar_{gr}$  means that the integer  $\hbar_{gr}/\hbar_0$  interpreted as the number of sheets of covering is gigantic and that Universe possesses gravitational quantum coherence in super-astronomical scales for masses which are large. This would suggest that gravitational radiation is emitted as dark gravitons which decay to pulses of ordinary gravitons replacing continuous flow of gravitational radiation.

It must be however emphasized that the interpretation of  $\hbar_{gr}$  could be different, and it will be found that one can develop an argument demonstrating how  $\hbar_{gr}$  with a correct order of magnitude emerges from the effective space-time metric defined by the anticommutators appearing in the modified Dirac equation.

- (d) Why Nature would like to have large effective value of Planck constant? A possible answer relies on the observation that in perturbation theory the expansion takes in powers of gauge couplings strengths  $\alpha = g^2/4\pi\hbar$ . If the effective value of  $\hbar$  replaces its real value as one might expect to happen for multi-sheeted particles behaving like single particle,  $\alpha$  is scaled down and perturbative expansion converges for the new particles. One could say that Mother Nature loves theoreticians and comes in rescue in their attempts to calculate. In quantum gravitation the problem is especially acute since the dimensionless parameter  $GMm/\hbar$  has gigantic value. Replacing  $\hbar$  with  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$  the coupling strength becomes  $v_0 < 1$ .

### 17.4.2 Space-time correlates for the hierarchy of Planck constants

The hierarchy of Planck constants was introduced to TGD originally as an additional postulate and formulated as the existence of a hierarchy of imbedding spaces defined as Cartesian products of singular coverings of  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  with numbers of sheets given by integers  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  and  $\hbar = n\hbar_0$ .  $n = n_a n_b$ .

With the advent of zero energy ontology, it became clear that the notion of singular covering space of the imbedding space could be only a convenient auxiliary notion. Singular means that the sheets fuse together at the boundary of multi-sheeted region. The effective covering space emerges naturally from the vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action meaning that all deformations of canonically imbedded  $M^4$  in  $M^4 \times CP_2$  have vanishing action up to fourth order in small perturbation. This is clear from the fact that the induced Kähler form is quadratic in the gradients of  $CP_2$  coordinates and Kähler action is essentially Maxwell action for the induced Kähler form. The vacuum degeneracy implies that the correspondence between canonical momentum currents  $\partial L_K/\partial(\partial_\alpha h^k)$  defining the modified gamma matrices [K96] and gradients  $\partial_\alpha h^k$  is not one-to-one. Same canonical momentum current corresponds to several values of gradients of imbedding space coordinates. At the partonic 2-surfaces at the light-like boundaries of  $CD$  carrying the elementary particle quantum numbers this implies that the two normal derivatives of  $h^k$  are many-valued functions of canonical momentum currents in normal directions.

Multi-furcation is in question and multi-furcations are indeed generic in highly non-linear systems and Kähler action is an extreme example about non-linear system. What multi-furcation means in quantum theory? The branches of multi-furcation are obviously analogous to single particle states. In quantum theory second quantization means that one constructs not only single particle states but also the many particle states formed from them. At space-time level single particle states would correspond to  $N$  branches  $b_i$  of multi-furcation carrying fermion number. Two-particle states would correspond to 2-fold covering consisting of 2 branches  $b_i$  and  $b_j$  of multi-



furcation.  $N$ -particle state would correspond to  $N$ -sheeted covering with all branches present and carrying elementary particle quantum numbers. The branches co-incide at the partonic 2-surface but since their normal space data are different they correspond to different tensor product factors of state space. Also now the factorization  $N = n_a n_b$  occurs but now  $n_a$  and  $n_b$  would relate to branching in the direction of space-like 3-surface and light-like 3-surface rather than  $M^4$  and  $CP_2$  as in the original hypothesis.

In light of this the working hypothesis adopted during last years has been too limited: for some reason I ended up to propose that only  $N$ -sheeted covering corresponding to a situation in which all  $N$  branches are present is possible. Before that I quite correctly considered more general option based on intuition that one has many-particle states in the multi-sheeted space. The erratic form of the working hypothesis has not been used in applications.

Multi-furcations relate closely to the quantum criticality of Kähler action. Feigenbaum bifurcations represent a toy example of a system which via successive bifurcations approaches chaos. Now more general multi-furcations in which each branch of given multi-furcation can multi-furcate further, are possible unless one poses any additional conditions. This allows to identify additional aspect of the geometric arrow of time. Either the positive or negative energy part of the zero energy state is "prepared" meaning that single  $n$ -sub-furcations of  $N$ -furcation is selected. The most general state of this kind involves superposition of various  $n$ -sub-furcations.

### 17.4.3 Basic phenomenological rules of thumb in the new framework

It is important to check whether or not the refreshed view about dark matter is consistent with existent rules of thumb.

- (a) The interpretation of quantized multi-furcations as WCW anyons explains also why the effective hierarchy of Planck constants defines a hierarchy of phases which are dark relative to each other. This is trivially true since the phases with different number of branches in multi-furcation correspond to disjoint regions of WCW so that the particles with different effective value of Planck constant cannot appear in the same vertex.
- (b) The phase transitions changing the value of Planck constant are just the multi-furcations and can be induced by changing the values of the external parameters controlling the properties of preferred extremals. Situation is very much the same as in any non-linear system.
- (c) In the case of massless particles the scaling of wavelength in the effective scaling of  $\hbar$  can be understood if dark  $n$ -photons consist of  $n$  photons with energy  $E/n$  and wavelength  $n\lambda$ .
- (d) For massive particle it has been assumed that masses for particles and their dark counterparts are same and Compton wavelength is scaled up. In the new picture this need not be true. Rather, it would seem that wave length are same as for ordinary electron.

On the other hand, p-adic thermodynamics predicts that massive elementary particles are massless most of the time. ZEO predicts that even virtual wormhole throats are massless. Could this mean that the picture applying on massless particle should apply to them at least at relativistic limit at which mass is negligible. This might be the case for bosons but for fermions also fermion number should be fractionalized and this is not possible in the recent picture. If one assumes that the  $n$ -electron has same mass as electron, the mass for dark single electron state would be scaled down by  $1/n$ . This does not look sensible unless the p-adic length defined by prime is scaled down by this fact in good approximation.

This suggests that for fermions the basic scaling rule does not hold true for Compton length  $\lambda_c = \hbar/m$ . Could it however hold for de-Broglie lengths  $\lambda = \hbar/p$  defined in terms of 3-momentum? The basic overlap rule for the formation of macroscopic quantum states is indeed formulated for de Broglie wave length. One could argue that an  $1/N$ -fold reduction of density that takes place in the delocalization of the single particle states to the  $N$  branches of the cover, implies that the volume per particle increases by a factor  $N$  and single particle wave function is delocalized in a larger region of 3-space. If the particles reside at effectively one-dimensional 3-surfaces - say magnetic flux tubes - this would increase their de Broglie

wave length in the direction of the flux tube and also the length of the flux tube. This seems to be enough for various applications.

One important notion in TGD inspired quantum biology is dark cyclotron state.

- (a) The scaling  $\hbar \rightarrow k\hbar$  in the formula  $E_n = (n + 1/2)\hbar eB/m$  implies that cyclotron energies are scaled up for dark cyclotron states. What this means microscopically has not been obvious but the recent picture gives a rather clearcut answer. One would have  $k$ -particle state formed from cyclotron states in  $N$ -fold branched cover of space-time surface. Each branch would carry magnetic field  $B$  and ion or electron. This would give a total cyclotron energy equal to  $kE_n$ . These cyclotron states would be excited by  $k$ -photons with total energy  $E = khf$  and for large enough value of  $k$  the energies involved would be above thermal threshold. In the case of  $Ca^{++}$  one has  $f = 15$  Hz in the field  $B_{end} = .2$  Gauss. This means that the value of  $\hbar$  is at least the ratio of thermal energy at room temperature to  $E = hf$ . The thermal frequency is of order  $10^{12}$  Hz so that one would have  $k \simeq 10^{11}$ . The number branches would be therefore rather high.
- (b) It seems that this kinds of states which I have called cyclotron Bose-Einstein condensates could make sense also for fermions. The dark photons involved would be Bose-Einstein condensates of  $k$  photons and wall of them would be simultaneously absorbed. The biological meaning of this would be that a simultaneous excitation of large number of atoms or molecules can take place if they are localized at the branches of  $N$ -furcation. This would make possible coherent macroscopic changes. Note that also Cooper pairs of electrons could be  $n = 2$ -particle states associated with  $N$ -furcation.

There are experimental findings suggesting that photosynthesis involves delocalized excitations of electrons and it is interesting so see whether this could be understood in this framework.

- (a) The TGD based model relies on the assumption that cyclotron states are involved and that dark photons with the energy of visible photons but with much longer wavelength are involved. Single electron excitations (or single particle excitations of Cooper pairs) would generate negentropic entanglement automatically.
- (b) If cyclotron excitations are the primary ones, it would seem that they could be induced by dark  $n$ -photons exciting all  $n$  electrons simultaneously.  $n$ -photon should have energy of a visible photon. The number of cyclotron excited electrons should be rather large if the total excitation energy is to be above thermal threshold. In this case one could not speak about cyclotron excitation however. This would require that solar photons are transformed to  $n$ -photons in  $N$ -furcation in biosphere.
- (c) Second - more realistic looking - possibility is that the incoming photons have energy of visible photon and are therefore  $n = 1$  dark photons delocalized to the branches of the  $N$ -furcation. They would induce delocalized single electron excitation in WCW rather than 3-space.

#### 17.4.4 Charge fractionalization and anyons

It is easy to see how the effective value of Planck constant as an integer multiple of its standard value emerges for multi-sheeted states in second quantization. At the level of Kähler action one can assume that in the first approximation the value of Kähler action for each branch is same so that the total Kähler action is multiplied by  $n$ . This corresponds effectively to the scaling  $\alpha_K \rightarrow \alpha_K/n$  induced by the scaling  $\hbar_0 \rightarrow n\hbar_0$ .

Also effective charge fractionalization and anyons emerge naturally in this framework.

- (a) In the ordinary charge fractionalization the wave function decomposes into sharply localized pieces around different points of 3-space carrying fractional charges summing up to integer charge. Now the same happens at at the level of WCW ("world of classical worlds") rather than 3-space meaning that wave functions in  $E^3$  are replaced with wave functions in the space-time of 3-surfaces (4-surfaces by holography implied by General Coordinate

Invariance) replacing point-like particles. Single particle wave function in WCW is a sum of  $N$  sharply localized contributions: localization takes place around one particular branch of the multi-sheeted space time surface. Each branch carries a fractional charge  $q/N$  for teh analogs of plane waves.

Therefore all quantum numbers are additive and fractionalization is only effective and observable in a localization of wave function to single branch occurring with probability  $p = 1/N$  from which one can deduce that charge is  $q/N$ .

- (b) The is consistent with the proposed interpretation of dark photons/gravitons since they could carry large spin and this kind of situation could decay to bunches of ordinary photons/gravitons. It is also consistent with electromagnetic charge fractionalization and fractionalization of spin.
- (c) The original - and it seems wrong - argument suggested what might be interpreted as a genuine fractionalization for orbital angular momentum and also of color quantum numbers, which are analogous to orbital angular momentum in TGD framework. The observation was that a rotation through  $2\pi$  at space-time level moving the point along space-time surface leads to a new branch of multi-furcation and  $N + 1$ :th branch corresponds to the original one. This suggests that angular momentum fractionalization should take place for  $M^4$  angle coordinate  $\phi$  because for it  $2\pi$  rotation could lead to a different sheet of the effective covering.

The orbital angular momentum eigenstates would correspond to waves  $\exp(i\phi m/N)$ ,  $m = 0, 2, \dots, N - 1$  and the maximum orbital angular momentum would correspond the sum  $\sum_{m=0}^{N-1} m/N = (N - 1)/2$ . The sum of spin and orbital angular momentum be therefore fractional.

The different prediction is due to the fact that rotations are now interpreted as flows rotating the points of 3-surface along 3-surface rather than rotations of the entire partonic surface in imbedding space. In the latter interpretation the rotation by  $2\pi$  does nothing for the 3-surface. Hence fractionalization for the total charge of the single particle states does not take place unless one adopts the flow interpretation. This view about fractionalization however leads to problems with fractionalization of electromagnetic charge and spin for which there is evidence from fractional quantum Hall effect.

#### 17.4.5 What about the relationship of gravitational Planck constant to ordinary Planck constant?

Gravitational Planck constant is given by the expression  $\hbar_{gr} = GMm/v_0$ , where  $v_0 < 1$  has interpretation as velocity parameter in the units  $c = 1$ . Can one interpret also  $\hbar_{gr}$  as effective value of Planck constant so that its values would correspond to multifurcation with a gigantic number of sheets. This does not look reasonable.

Could one imagine any other interpretation for  $\hbar_{gr}$ ? Could the two Planck constants correspond to inertial and gravitational dichotomy for four-momenta making sense also for angular momentum identified as a four-vector? Could gravitational angular momentum and the momentum associated with the flux tubes mediating gravitational interaction be quantized in units of  $\hbar_{gr}$  naturally?

- (a) Gravitational four-momentum can be defined as a projection of the  $M^4$ -four-momentum to space-time surface. It's length can be naturally defined by the effective metric  $g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta}$  defined by the anticommutators of the modified gamma matrices. Gravitational four-momentum appears as a measurement interaction term in the modified Dirac action and can be restricted to the space-like boundaries of the space-time surface at the ends of  $CD$  and to the light-like orbits of the wormhole throats and which induced 4- metric is effectively 3-dimensional.
- (b) At the string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces the effective metric degenerates to 2-D one. At the ends of braid strands representing their intersection, the metric is effectively 4-D. Just for definiteness assume that the effective metric is proportional to the  $M^4$  metric or rather - to its  $M^2$  projection:  $g_{eff}^{kl} = K^2 m^{kl}$ .

One can express the length squared for momentum at the flux tubes mediating the gravitational interaction between massive objects with masses  $M$  and  $m$  as

$$g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} p_\alpha p_\beta = g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} \partial_\alpha h^k \partial_\beta h^l p_k p_l \equiv g_{eff}^{kl} p_k p_l = n^2 \frac{\hbar^2}{L^2} . \quad (17.4.1)$$

Here  $L$  would correspond to the length of the flux tube mediating gravitational interaction and  $p_k$  would be the momentum flowing in that flux tube.  $g_{eff}^{kl} = K^2 m^{kl}$  would give

$$p^2 = \frac{n^2 \hbar^2}{K^2 L^2} .$$

$\hbar_{gr}$  could be identified in this simplified situation as  $\hbar_{gr} = \hbar/K$ .

- (c) Nottale's proposal requires  $K = GMm/v_0$  for the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction between massive objects with masses  $M$  and  $m$ . This gives the estimate

$$p_{gr} = \frac{GMm}{v_0} \frac{1}{L} . \quad (17.4.2)$$

For  $v_0 = 1$  this is of the same order of magnitude as the exchanged momentum if gravitational potential gives estimate for its magnitude.  $v_0$  is of same order of magnitude as the rotation velocity of planet around Sun so that the reduction of  $v_0$  to  $v_0 \simeq 2^{-11}$  in the case of inner planets does not mean that the propagation velocity of gravitons is reduced.

- (d) Nottale's formula requires that the order of magnitude for the components of the energy momentum tensor at the ends of braid strands at partonic 2-surface should have value  $GMm/v_0$ . Einstein's equations  $T = \kappa G + \Lambda g$  give a further constraint. For the vacuum solutions of Einstein's equations with a vanishing cosmological constant the value of  $\hbar_{gr}$  approaches infinity. At the flux tubes mediating gravitational interaction one expects  $T$  to be proportional to the factor  $GMm$  simply because they mediate the gravitational interaction.
- (e) One can consider similar equation for gravitational angular momentum:

$$g_{eff}^{\alpha\beta} L_\alpha L_\beta = g_{eff}^{kl} L_k L_l = l(l+1)\hbar^2 . \quad (17.4.3)$$

This would give under the same simplifying assumptions

$$L^2 = l(l+1) \frac{\hbar^2}{K^2} . \quad (17.4.4)$$

This would justify the Bohr quantization rule for the angular momentum used in the Bohr quantization of planetary orbits.

Maybe the proposed connection might make sense in some more refined formulation. In particular the proportionality between  $m_{eff}^{kl} = Km^{kl}$  could make sense as a quantum average. Also the fact, that the constant  $v_0$  varies, could be understood from the dynamical character of  $m_{eff}^{kl}$ .

### 17.4.6 Summary

The hierarchy of Planck constants reduces to second quantization of multi-furcations in TGD framework and the hierarchy is only effective. Anyonic physics and effective charge fractionalization are consequences of second quantized multi-furcations. This framework also provides quantum version for the transition to chaos via quantum multi-furcations and living matter represents the basic application. The key element of dynamics of TGD is vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action making possible quantum criticality having the hierarchy of multi-furcations as basic aspect. The potential problems relate to the question whether the effective scaling of

Planck constant involves scaling of ordinary wavelength or not. For particles confined inside linear structures such as magnetic flux tubes this seems to be the case.

There is also an intriguing connection with the vision about physics as generalized number theory. The conjecture that the preferred extremals of Kähler action consist of quaternionic or co-quaternionic regions led to a construction of them using iteration and also led to the hierarchy of multi-furcations [K96]. Therefore it seems that the dynamics of preferred extremals might indeed reduce to associativity/co-associativity condition at space-time level, to commutativity/co-commutativity condition at the level of string world sheets and partonic 2-surfaces, and to reality at the level of stringy curves (conformal invariance makes stringy curves causal determinants [K92] so that conformal dynamics represents conformal evolution) [K80].

## 17.5 Quantum Hall effect, charge fractionalization, and hierarchy of Planck constants

The proportionality  $\sigma_{xy} \propto \alpha_{em} \propto 1/\hbar$  suggests an explanation of FQHE [D64, D6, D61] in terms of the hierarchy of Planck constants. The idea was that perhaps filling factors and magnetic fluxes are actually integer valued but the value of Planck constant defining the unit of magnetic flux is changed from its standard value - to its rational multiple in the most general case. This naive guess turned out to be incorrect.

A careful study of what was known about FQHE much before 2005 (see for instance [D73]) - in particular understanding of the notion of composite fermion - would have demonstrated that FQHE is basically IQHE for composite fermions so that fractionalization cannot be due to the integer values of Planck constant or of effective Planck constant. In fact, accepting that composite fermion description one has only to explain what really happens in charge fractionalization and how braid statistics emerges. One should of course also have a concrete description for the bound states of electron and flux tubes.

In the picture using multi-sheeted covering of imbedding space as an auxiliary tool, the phase transition corresponds to the leakage of 3-surface from a given 8-D page to another one in the Big Book having local singular coverings of  $CD \times CP_2$  as pages. This auxiliary tool is not absolutely necessary since multi-furcations of preferred extremals of Kähler action is the fundamental notion and one can see FQHE as a function of external magnetic field as a hierarchy of multi-furcations of preferred extremals. In the following this view is adopted since this minimizes the number un-necessary assumptions.

One particular assumption of this kind in the previous approach was that the singular coverings are products of those for  $CD$  and  $CP_2$ . The coverings has product structure in the sense that the number of sheets is product of two integers but this does not require that these integers could be assigned with singular coverings of  $CD$  and  $CP_2$ .

The proposed general principle governing the transition to large  $\hbar$  phase states that Nature loves lazy theoreticians: if perturbation theory fails to converge, a phase transition increasing the effective value of Planck constant occurs and guarantees the convergence. The killer test for the hypothesis is to find whether higher order perturbative QED corrections in powers of  $\alpha_{em}$  are reduced from those predicted by QED in QHE phase.

At the level of preferred extremals of Kähler action these phase transitions corresponds to multi-furcations and their presence is unavoidable due to the enormous vacuum degeneracy of Kähler action which makes also ordinary path integral quantization impossible and also implies 4-D spin glass degeneracy as a basic aspect of the dynamics.

In this section the most recent view about the relationship between dark matter hierarchy, effective hierarchy of Planck constants, and FQHE is discussed. Besides explanations for charge fractionalization and fractional exchange statistics also a models for the magnetic flux quanta and the macroscopic 2-surface carrying the anyonic phase are proposed. All these models rely on the notion of many-sheeted space-time and the notion of multi-furcations for a preferred extremal of Kähler action implying also the effective hierarchy of Planck constants.

### 17.5.1 General description of the anyonic phase

It is appropriate to start with a general description of the anyonic phase in TGD framework. This involves two highly non-trivial new physics elements.

- (a) The first element corresponds to the description of electrons as pairs of Kähler magnetic flux tubes connecting two wormhole contacts such that one obtains closed flux tube carrying monopole flux. This description applies to all elementary particles. The "upper" wormhole throat of the second end of this flux tube structure by definition contains electron's quantum numbers and they are assignable to the end of braid strand. This strand continues along the light-like end of the wormhole throat as well as along space-like braid strand assignable to the end of space-time at either end of causal diamond ( $CD$ ).

One can imagine a delocalization of electron's quantum numbers in the sense that the state superposition of flux tubes with electron's quantum numbers at either end. This might allow to understand the paradoxical aspects of FQHE in composite fermion description (number of flux quanta per electron large than one and number of electrons per flux quanta larger than one).

- (b) Second element corresponds to the assumption that wormhole contacts, which have induced metric with Euclidian signature can have  $M^4$  projection which has macroscopic size. All macroscopic objects could correspond to macroscopic wormhole contacts and be analogous to black-holes.
- (c) Also the nanoscopic magnetic flux quanta with Minkowskian signature of metric and appearing in the composite fermion model of FQHE would have as their boundaries wormhole contacts, now with cylindrical  $M^4$  projection.
- (d) The natural interpretation is that the generation of flux tubes changes the topology of the macroscopic boundary. It would describe the leakage of a Minkowskian region with magnetic field to Euclidian region occurring also in super-conductivity. Depending on the character of super-conductivity the penetration can take as flux tubes or as complex flux sheets. Flux quanta are long Minkowskian flux tubes connecting opposite sides of the boundary. Single flux tube boundary is a mesoscopic wormhole throat with tubular geometry - like a cave eaten by an worm in apple - and changes its topology by adding a handle.
- (e) This leads to the vision that macroscopic objects are obtained simply by somehow gluing elementary particles to the two throats of macroscopic wormhole contact along their second end. One can also imagine that Minkowskian flux tube like regions get branched and that there are Minkowskian islands connected by the flux tube Minkowskian flux quanta.
- (f) The flux tubes define space-like braids with effectively 1-D strands whereas the braids associated with electrons at the light-like orbit of the partonic 2-surface representing macroscopic boundary define time-like braids with literally 1-D braid strands. The space-like braids defined by magnetic flux tubes are in key role in TGD inspired quantum biology [K27].

#### Geometric description of the condensation of electrons to the anyonic 2-surface

There is a strong temptation to interpret the macroscopic 2-surface at which the anyonic phase resides as a partonic 2-surface or rather pair of parallel partonic 2-surfaces within distance of  $CP_2$  size associated with macroscopic wormhole contact connecting two space-time sheets. The first space-time sheet would carry the external magnetic field with flux quanta subtracted and the other one the flux quanta.

The rather radical conceptual implication would be that the interior of this boundary surface - more precisely the space-time sheet corresponding to the interior of the entire macroscopic system - has Euclidian signature of metric, and is in several aspects analogous to black-hole interior and indeed proposed to replace black-hole in TGD Universe. In many-sheeted space-time this does not lead to any obvious problems and would say only that entire macroscopic system in this length scale behaves as a line of a generalized Feynman diagram.

Electrons can in some sense condense at this pair of space-time sheets. The simplest view would be that electronic flux tube pair attaches to this surface along its second wormhole contact. Another wormhole contact remains at the Minkowskian side. The two wormhole throats at the second end of electron attach to the macroscopic wormhole throats and the flux turns back through the macroscopic wormhole contact. This allows to have ordinary many-electron state - or rather, boundary state.

If one tries to add electrons as braid strands to the light-like orbit of the upper macroscopic partonic 2-surface, one obtains quite different state. This state has nothing to do with ordinary many-electron state but is more like super-conformal excitation of a primary state containing only single fermionic braid strand and its propagator as particle would be of form  $1/p^N$ ,  $N$  large. In conformal theory conformal descendant of a primary field would be the analogy.

I have proposed that this kind of macroscopic and even astrophysical structures emerge naturally in TGD framework. so tht anyons could be important even in astrophysics.

### Possible solution of the paradox

It has been already noticed that FQHE leads to what looks like a paradox - at least for an outsider to condensed matter physics like me. The number of flux tubes per electron is larger than 1 on one hand and the number of electrons per flux tube is larger than 1 on one hand.

The bi-locality of the electrons might solve the paradox. If the charge of free electron is delocalized to its both ends, electron can be said to reside at the both ends of its monopole flux tube.

Consider what the following two statements could mean. *Electron current generates the magnetic field inside flux quantum. Electron resides at the center of the flux quantum.*

- (a) Suppose first that electron is associated with either wormhole end of its monopole flux tube, call it  $E$ . If the electronic charge is always at the Minkowskian end of  $E$ , then two statements could be special cases of a more general statements  $E$  would connect second electron wormhole in the Minkowskian interior of the mesoscopic magnetic flux quantum - call it  $M$  - to electron wormhole fused to the boundary of  $M$ . The location of interior wormhole would be center of flux quantum or a point near to its boundary in the two cases respectively. It seems that the paradox remains unsolved in this picture.
- (b) Suppose that electron corresponds to a superposition of states for which charge is associated with either upper end of the flux tube perhaps having length of order Compton length. If the electronic charge is delocalized and shared between ends of  $E$ , one cannot anymore say that the electron is either at the center or at the boundary. Paradox would disappear since quantum logic would not allow its formulation.

### What happens to electron in external magnetic fields in FQHE?

What happens in external magnetic field when  $2p$  flux quanta are formed? The first challenge is to construct a concrete model for what happens to electron as a geometric object in this process.

- (a) Assume that electron's "upper" space-time sheet by definition containing its quantum numbers suffers a  $2p$ -furcation. Each sheet of multi-furcation corresponds to flux quantum  $\Phi_0$ . Electron near the center of flux quantum is delocalized at the sheets of the multi-furcation to "plane wave" like state. The corresponding conserved momentum defined modulo  $2p$  defines a topological quantum number making in turn possible non-Abelian braid group representations. Intuitively it is clear that if one identifies electron's charge as that associated with single branch of the covering, charge fractionalization takes place.
- (b) Conservation of the magnetic flux requires that the lower sheet carries a reduced magnetic field  $B_{eff} = B - \rho 2p \Phi_0$ . Since electron experiences only this field one obtains IQHE in  $B_{eff}$  so that the basic formula for  $\nu$  follows.

- (c) The flux of the magnetic flux quanta at the upper sheet must return back along the lower sheet and this leads to the replacement of  $B$  with  $B_{eff}$ . Also the fluxes assignable to electrons must return back to the lower sheet and this would take place at the boundaries of flux sheets representing second wormhole throat end of electron.

### 17.5.2 Basic aspects of FQHE

The following gives a brief summary about how one might understand basic aspects of FQHE in TGD framework

#### The identification of composite fermions

The basic aspects of FQHE can be understood in terms of composite fermions identified as bound states of electron and  $2p$  magnetic flux tubes with magnetic field generated by electrons flowing around its boundary. The electrons are at the center of flux tube to minimize Coulombic repulsion. This picture is however somewhat problematic since it seem to be in conflict with  $\nu < 1$  stating that the number of electrons per flux tube is smaller than 1. It has been already proposed that the TGD inspired identification of electron as a bi-local object consisting of two wormhole contacts attaching along its neutral wormhole contact to the cylindrical flux tube representing the magnetic flux quantum resolves the problem. Note that this requires that electron's geometric size is given by flux tube radius and can be large.

The formation of anyons - that is flux tubes would mean a topological transition changing the spherical (say) topology of the space-time sheet representing the macroscopic system- to sphere with handles with handle addition representing as drilling of wormhole connecting the opposite sides of the surface. In this process electrons delocalized at the spherical surfaces would be delocalized so that they would be delocalized also at the flux tube boundaries representing part of the macroscopic wormhole contact.

#### Charge fractionalization

Since the system is extremely non-linear, the increase of the external magnetic field is expected to lead to a series of multi-furcations meaning that the upper space-time sheet associated with electrons and attached to the upper anyonic 2-surface suffers a multi-furcation. The natural reason for the multi-furcation is that it allows to keep the local magnetic field strength at the flux quantum below critical value. Without multi-furcation this field strength would be proportional to  $2p$ . Once the first multi-furcation has taken place leading to the generation of the flux tubes, the subsequent multi-furcations only add the number of branches of the multi-furcation of the flux tube. Electron delocalizes to this  $n$ -branched structure and single branch carries fractional charge  $e/n$ . Also other quantum numbers are fractional.

One should demonstrate convincingly that the fractional charges identified in this sense correspond to measured fractional charges.

#### Fractional exchange statistics

Also the fractional braid statistics can be understood. For ordinary statistics rotations of  $M^4$  rotate entire partonic 2-surfaces. For braid statistics rotations of  $M^4$  (and particle exchange) induce a flow braid ends along partonic 2-surface. If the singular local covering is analogous to the Riemann surface of  $z^{1/n}$ , the rotation of  $2\pi$  leads to a second branch of multi-furcation. For the natural angle coordinate of the  $n$ -branched covering its variation of  $2/\pi$  corresponds to a variation  $n2\pi$  of  $M^4$  angle coordinate, and a rotation by  $2\pi$  in  $M^4$  to a rotation of  $2\pi/n$  in at space-time level and phase factor  $exp(i2\pi)$  is mapped to  $exp(i2\pi/n)$ : one has fractional exchange statistics for angular momentum.

Quantum groups relate closely to the fractional statistics and the quantum phase  $q = exp(i2\pi/n)$  characterizes the statistics. Quantum groups realize particles exchange as braiding and one can



formulate statistics in terms of braid group representations. What is remarkable that also genuinely non-Abelian higher-dimensional braid group representations are possible and these representations are conjectured to be associated with the anomalously behaving filling fractions  $\nu = 5/2, 7/2$  allowed also by the standard rules when the entire external magnetic field is transformed to flux quanta. Also the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$  gives  $\nu = 1/2p$ , given  $\nu = 1/2$  for  $p = 1$ .

### How non-Abelian gauge group is generated?

The emergence of Abelian braid statistics is explained in terms of the velocity field of electrons defining effectively Abelian gauge potential giving rise to Chern-Simons term defining a topological QFT. This requires that the electron flow is incompressible.

In the case of non-Abelian braid statistics a non-Abelian gauge group is needed to define Chern-Simons action. The challenge is to understand the physical origin of this gauge symmetry and to my best knowledge this problem is not well-understood.

In TGD framework Kähler action reduces to Abelian Chern-Simons terms for preferred extremals so that non-Abelian Chern-Simons term and corresponding gauge group should be generated dynamically. The study of the preferred extremals of Kähler action and solutions of modified Dirac action indeed leads to a mechanism generating not only electro-weak gauge symmetries dynamically but also a larger gauge group [K96]. What might happen is follows. The core part of the dynamical gauge group would be  $U(n)$  acting in the space of modes of the modified Dirac operator. Its action commutes with electroweak and other quantum numbers. By taking the  $n^2$  generators of  $U(n)$  and the 4 generators of electroweak  $U(2)$ , and forming their tensor products, one would obtain  $4n^2$  generators having interpretation as generators of  $U(2n)$ . The non-Abelian Chern-Simons term would be associated with  $U(n)$ .

The stack of  $N$  branes very near to each other gives rise to a dynamical gauge group  $U(N)$  in M-theory context. This encourages to think that the  $n$ -furcation giving rise to  $n$  space-time branches gives rise to a dynamical gauge group  $U(2)$  for  $n = 4$ :  $SU(2)$  is the minimal requirement for non-trivial braid statistics.



## Chapter 18

# A Possible Explanation of Shnoll Effect

### 18.1 Introduction

Usually one is not interested in detailed patterns of the fluctuations of physical variables, and assumes that possible deviations from the predicted spectrum are due to the random character of the phenomena studied. Shnoll and his collaborators have however studied during last four decades the patterns associated with random fluctuations and have discovered a strange effect described in detail in [E12] , [E12, E19, E18, E13, E21, E14] . The examples of [E12] , [E12] give the reader a clear picture about what is involved.

- (a) Some examples studied by Shnoll and collaborators are fluctuations of chemical and nuclear decay rates, of particle velocity in external electric field, of discharge time delay in a neon lamp RC oscillator, of relaxation time of water protons using the spin echo technique, of amplitude of concentration fluctuations in the Belousov-Zhabotinsky reaction. Shnoll effect appears also in financial time series [E22] which gives additional support for its universality. Often the measurement reduces to a measurement of a number of events in a given time interval  $\tau$ . More generally, it is plausible that in all measurement situations one divides the value range of the studied observable to intervals of fixed length and counts the number of events in each interval to get a histogram representing the distribution  $N(n)$ , where  $n$  is the number of events in a given interval and  $N(n)$  is the number of intervals with  $n$  events. These histograms allow to estimate the probability distribution  $P(n)$ , which can be compared with theoretical predictions for the spectrum of fluctuations of  $n$ . Typical theoretical expectations for the fluctuation spectrum are characterized by Gaussian and Poisson distributions.
- (b) Contrary to the expectations, the histograms describing the distribution of  $N(n)$  has a distribution having several maxima and minima (see the figures in the article of Shnoll and collaborators). Typically -say for Poisson distribution - one expects single peak. As the duration of the measurement period increases, this structure becomes gets more pronounced: standard intuition would suggest just the opposite to take place. The peaks also tend to be located periodically. According to [E12] , [E12] the smoothed out distribution is consistent with the expected distribution in the case that it can be predicted reliably.
- (c) There are also other strange features involved with the effect. The anomalous distribution for the number  $n$  of events per fixed time interval (or more general value interval of measured observable) seems to be universal as the experiments carried out with biological, chemical, and nuclear physics systems demonstrate. The distribution seems also to be same at laboratories located far away from each other. The comparison of consecutive histograms shows that the histogram shape is likely to be similar to the shape of its nearest temporal neighbors. The shapes of histograms tend to recur with periods of 24 hours, 27 days, or 365 days. The regular time variation of consecutive histograms, the similarity of histograms

for simultaneous independent processes of different nature and occurring in different geographical positions, and the above mentioned periods, suggest a common reason for the phenomenon possibility related to gravitational interactions in Sun-Earth and Earth-Moon system.

In the case that the observable is number  $n$  of events per given time interval, theoretical considerations predict a distribution characterized by some parameters. For instance, for Poisson distribution the probabilities  $P(n)$  are given by the expression

$$P(n|\lambda) = \exp(-\lambda) \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} . \quad (18.1.1)$$

The mean value of  $n$  is  $\lambda > 0$  and also variance equals to  $\lambda$ . The replacement of distribution with a many-peaked one means that the probabilities  $P(n|\lambda)$  are modified so that several maxima and minima result. This can occur of course by the randomness of the events but for large enough samples the effect should disappear.

The universality and position independence of the patterns suggest that the modification changes slowly as a function of geographic position and time. The interpretation of the periodicities as periods assignable to gravitational interactions in Sun-Earth system is highly suggestive. It is however very difficult to imagine any concrete physical models for the effect since distributions look the same even for processes of different nature. It would seem that the very notion of probability somehow differs from the ordinary probability based on real numbers and that this deformation of the notion of probability concept somehow relates to gravitation.

In the following the possibility that direct p-adic variants of real distribution functions such as Poisson distribution could allow to understand the findings is discussed. It turns out that this is not the case but that the replacement of integers with quantum integers [A31]  $n_q$  identified as the product of quantum integers associated with their prime factors with quantum phase  $q = \exp(i\pi/m)$ , where  $m \geq 2$  is not of form  $m = p$ ,  $p$  prime, leads to a well-defined correspondence between p-adic probabilities  $P(n)$  and real probabilities conserving the sum of probabilities.

There is however a difficulty, which was not fully realized in the original version of this article. Quantum primes  $l_q$  are non-negative only for  $l < m$  and this could lead to non-negative probabilities (consider for instance the counterparts of  $n!$  in Poisson distribution). The solution of the problem is provided by what I call quantum arithmetics [K93, K95] providing a more rigorous formulation of quantum integers. The recipe is following. To define quantum integer  $n_q$  decompose first  $n$  to its prime factors  $l$ . For  $l < m$  one has  $l_q > 0$  but not necessarily for  $l > m$ . Express  $l > m$  as a q-adic expansion in powers of  $m$  with coefficients smaller than  $m$  and thus expressible as products of quantum primes  $l_q$  for  $l < m$  so that the resulting quantum q-adic integers for  $q = m$  is non-negative. For  $m = p$  one obtains what one might call quantum p-adics. For quantum p-adics one can

Usually quantum groups are assigned with exotic phenomena in Planck length scale. In TGD they are assignable to a finite measurement resolution [K90]. TGD inspired quantum measurement theory describes finite measurement resolution in terms of inclusions of hyper-finite factors of type II<sub>1</sub> (HFFs) and quantum groups related closely to the inclusions and appear also in the models of topological quantum computation [B25] based on topological quantum field theories [A60].

The universal modification of probability distributions  $P(n|\lambda_i)$  characterized by rational numbers predicts patterns analogous to the ones observed by Shnoll. The parameters  $P$  and  $m$  characterize the deformation of the probability distribution and the periodic slow variation of the p-adic prime  $P$  and explain the periodically occurring peaks of the histograms for  $N(n)$  as function of  $n$ . Also the dependence of the distribution of  $N(n)$  on the direction of the momentum of alpha particle [E13, E21] can be understood in terms of the effect of the measurement apparatus on many-sheeted space-time topology and geometry.

The p-adic primes  $P$  in question are small. This makes sense in TGD framework only if one accepts that a very large value of Planck constant is involved. TGD indeed predicts a hierarchy

of Planck constants and identifies dark matter as phases with a large value of Planck constant. The Planck constant associated with the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction is predicted to be gigantic meaning macroscopic quantum coherence in astrophysical scales. This modification allows also to formulate a general correspondence principle between real and p-adic physics as a rule stating that all primes  $p$  except the p-adic prime  $P$  itself appearing in various formulas are replaced with their quantum counterparts and  $P$  is mapped to its inverse in the modified distribution.

For the reader not familiar with TGD the article series in Prespacetime journal [L4, L5, L9, L10, L7, L3, L8, L14] and the two articles about TGD inspired theory of consciousness and of quantum biology in Journal of Consciousness Research and Exploration [L13, L11, L12] are recommended. Also the online books at my homepage provide the needed background.

## 18.2 p-Adic topology and the notion of canonical identification

p-Adic physics has become gradually a central part of quantum TGD [K79] and the notion of p-adic probability has already demonstrated its explanatory power in the understanding of elementary particles masses using p-adic thermodynamics [K45]. This encourages the attempt to understand Shnoll effect in terms of an appropriate modification of probability concept based on p-adic numbers.

p-Adic topology [A36] is characterized by p-adic norm given by  $|x|_p = p^{-k}$  for  $x = p^k(x_0 + \sum_{k>0} x_k p^k)$ ,  $x_0 > 0$ . This notion of nearness differs radically from its real counterpart. For instance, numbers differing by a large power of  $p$  are p-adically near to each other. Therefore p-adic continuity means short range chaos and long range correlations in real sense. One might hope that p-adic notion of nearness allow the existence of p-adic variants of standard probability distributions characterized by rational valued parameters and transcendental numbers existing also p-adically such that these distributions can be mapped to their real counterparts by canonical identification mapping sum of probabilities to the sum of the images of the probabilities.

### 18.2.1 Canonical identification

In the case of p-adic thermodynamics [K45] the map of real integers to p-adic integers and vice versa relies on canonical identification and its various generalizations and canonical identification is also now a natural starting point.

- (a) The basic formula for the canonical identification for given prime  $p$  characterizing p-adic number field  $Q_p$  is obtained by using for a real number  $x$  pinary expansion  $x = \sum x_n p^{-n}$ ,  $x_n \in \{0, p-1\}$  analogous to decimal expansion. The map is very simple and given by

$$\sum_n x_n p^{-n} \rightarrow I(x) = \sum_n x_n p^n . \quad (18.2.1)$$

The map from reals to p-adics is two-valued in the case of real numbers since pinary expansion itself is non-unique ( $p = (p-1) \sum_{k \geq 0} p^{-k}$  as the analog of  $1 = .99999..$  for decimal expansion). The inverse of the canonical identification has exactly the same form. Canonical identification maps p-adic numbers to reals in a continuous manner and also the inverse map is continuous apart from the 2-valuedness eliminated if one introduces pinary cutoff which is indeed natural when finite measurement resolution is assumed.

- (b) The first modification of canonical identification replaces pinary expansion of real number in powers of  $p$  with expansion in powers of  $p^k$ :  $x = \sum x_n p^{-nk}$ ,  $x_n \in \{0, p^k - 1\}$  and reads as

$$\sum_n x_n p^{-nk} \rightarrow I_k(x) = \sum_n x_n p^{nk} . \quad (18.2.2)$$

- (c) A further variant applies to rational numbers. By using the unique representation  $q = r/s$  of given rational number as ratio of co-prime integers one has

$$I_k(q = \frac{r}{s}) = \frac{I_k(r)}{I_k(s)} . \quad (18.2.3)$$

### 18.2.2 Estimate for the p-adic norm of factorial

In the p-adic variant of Poisson distribution canonical images of the factorial  $n!$  appear and the basic properties of  $I(n!)$  as function of  $n$  will be needed in the sequel.

- (a) Given integer  $n$  can be written as  $n = p^{k(n)}m(n)$  such that  $m(n)$  has unit norm p-adically.  $n!$  in turn can be written as

$$n! = \prod_{r=1}^n p^{k(r)}m(r) = p^{K(n)} \times \prod_r m(r) , \quad K(n) = \sum_r k(r) . \quad (18.2.4)$$

- (b) The p-adic norm of  $n!$  is given by

$$N_p(n!) = p^{-K(n)} . \quad (18.2.5)$$

$\prod_r m(r)$  has unit norm p-adically and its p-adic canonical image satisfies the upper bound

$$I_k(\prod_r m(r)) \leq p^k . \quad (18.2.6)$$

- (c)  $N_p(n!)$  is reduced by the power  $p^{k(r)}$  in the step  $n = r - 1 \rightarrow r$ . Therefore  $I(n!) \equiv I_{k=1}(n!)$  is a decreasing function with discontinuous drops of the value which are especially large when  $n$  is proportional to a large power of  $p$ . The peaks corresponding to given value  $k$  of  $k(r)$  occur periodically and one has fractal pattern with periodicities define by powers of  $p$ . Similar consideration applies to  $I_k(n!)$ : now the periodicities correspond to powers of  $p^k$  rather than  $p$ . In both cases one has local chaos and long range correlations due to the fact that in p-adic topology nearby points differing by a large power  $p^n$  are far away in real sense. The natural question is whether the periodicity of peaks in histograms of [E12], [E12] could represent a special case of of these periodicities.

In the sequel an estimate for the maximal power of  $p$  dividing  $n!$  defining the norm  $N_p(n!)$  is needed. The following estimate gives  $N_p(n!) \simeq p^{-n}$  for  $n \gg p$ .

- (a) What is needed is an estimate for the number  $N(n, k)$  of for the number of integers  $k(r)$  with given value of  $k \geq 1$ . If this estimate is available for large values of  $n$ , one obtains for the exponent defined associated with the p-adic norm of  $n!$  the formula

$$K(n) \equiv \sum(k_r) = \sum N(k)k . \quad (18.2.7)$$

- (b) By studying the 2-adic numbers one finds that the formula

$$K(n = 2^m) = \sum N(k)k , \quad N(k) = \frac{2^m}{2^k} = 2^{m-k} \quad (18.2.8)$$

holds true.

(c) The generalization of the this formula to for  $p > 2$  reads as

$$K(n = p^m) = \sum N(k)k , N(k) = (p - 1) \frac{p^m}{p^{k+1}} = p^{m-k} . \tag{18.2.9}$$

This would give at the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$K(n = p^m) = \frac{p^{m+1}}{p - 1} \simeq p^m = n . \tag{18.2.10}$$

There one has  $K(n) = n$  in this special case.

(d) For a general value of  $n$  the approximate formula would be

$$K(n) \leq \sum N(k)k , N(k) \simeq (p - 1) \frac{n}{p^k} . \tag{18.2.11}$$

Also now one would have  $K(n) \simeq n$  so that the p-adic norm of  $n!$  would be approximately  $p^{-n}$  . The justification for this formula comes by noticing that the number of integers smaller than  $n$  with p-adic norm  $p^k$  is roughly  $(p - 1)n/p^k$  since the numbers  $kp^k + X$  with  $N_p(X) \leq p^{-k-1}$  and  $k$  running from  $1, \dots, p - 1$  satisfy the required conditions.

### 18.3 Arguments leading to the identification of the deformed Poisson distribution

The following argument represents a trial and error procedure to a unique identification of deformed Poisson distribution  $P(n|\lambda)$  with a rational value of  $\lambda$  and more generally, to a modification of any distribution  $P(n, \lambda_i)$  characterized by rational parameters  $\lambda_i$ .

#### 18.3.1 The naive modification of Poisson distribution based on canonical identification fails

To gain some intuition it is instructive to study the possible variants of Poisson distribution based on canonical identification. The discussion generalizes to more general distributions for probabilities of integer valued observables provided the parameters of the distribution exist p-adically. The idea is to start from a p-adic variant of probability theory [A52] , assume that the p-adic valued probability distributions are mappable to their real counterparts using canonical identification, and to look whether this procedure yields something consistent with the findings of Shnoll.

To begin with, assume that the notion of p-adic valued probability makes sense. This requires that the probabilities exist as p-adic numbers. This is true if probabilities are rational numbers which can be regarded as being common to reals and p-adic numbers. Also the sum of probabilities must make sense p-adically so that it can be normalized to to unity. In absence of cutoff to the values of  $N$  this condition is highly non-trivial.

The condition that the canonical identification commutes with the summation of probabilities is especially strong and would state

$$\sum (P(n))_R = (\sum P_n)_R . \tag{18.3.1}$$

Here  $x_R$  denotes the image of  $x$  under canonical identification. For ordinary p-adic numbers this condition requires that the probabilities are just powers of  $p$ . If one allows algebraic extensions of p-adic numbers defined by quantum phases defined by roots of unity mapped to real numbers

as such, the probabilities can be of form  $Xp^n$  where  $X$  is function of these phases. This condition excludes automatically the naivest attempts to define canonical image of p-adic variant of Poisson distribution. This is due to the presence of  $1/n!$  and possible rational appearing in  $\lambda$ .

Optimist could give up the normalization condition and consider instead of probabilities rational numbers. There are problems also now.

- (a) The first problem is that normalization factor is defined only up to a multiplication with a rational and each choice of the normalization factor gives different real counterpart of the p-adic distribution irrespective of the manner how the real probabilities are defined.
- (b) The normalization factor  $\exp(-\lambda)$  is p-adic number only if  $\lambda$  is proportional to a positive power of  $p$ . This condition also implies that the powers  $\lambda^k/k!$  approach to zero with respect to p-adic norm since the p-adic norm of  $\lambda^k$  is always small than that of  $k!$ . The naive guess for the canonical identification map of p-adic probabilities to their real counterparts is given by the formula

$$\lambda^n \rightarrow I(\lambda^n)/I(n!)$$

One can consider also other other variants but for the purposes of argument one can restrict the consideration to this one. The problem is that  $I(\lambda^n)$  does not increase but decreases like  $p^{-n}$  so that  $\lambda_R < 1$  would hold true. The decrease of the factor  $1/n!$  guarantees the convergence of probabilities for Poisson distribution. The canonical image  $I(1/n!) = 1/I(n!)$  however increases. The same result is obtained irrespective of the detailed definition of canonical identification. Therefore the first guess for the canonical image of the proposed p-adic variant of Poisson distribution has very little to do with ordinary Poisson distribution. The attempts to cure the situation by modifying the map from p-adics to reals fail. This suggests that one must modify the p-adic variant of the Poisson distribution itself.

### 18.3.2 Quantum integers as a solution of the problems

The problems associated with the naive generalization of the Poisson distribution relate to the behavior of canonical identification when applied to integers other than powers of  $p$ . This suggests that one should replace the integers systematically with some of kind of deformations of integers guaranteeing also that canonical identification maps sum of probabilities the sum of their images. The notion of quantum integer [A31] is what comes first in mind.

TGD based motivation for the notion of quantum integer comes from the fact that the so called hyper-finite factors of type  $II_1$  (HFFs) play a key role in quantum TGD and allow to formulate the notion of finite measurement resolution in terms of inclusions of HFFs [K90] to which the quantum groups assignable to roots of unity are closely related. The findings of Shnoll would therefore relate to the delicacies of quantum measurement theory with finite measurement resolution.

The quantum groups based on quantum phases

$$q = U_m = \exp(i\phi_m) \quad , \quad \phi_m = \frac{\pi}{m} \quad . \quad m \geq 3 \quad (18.3.2)$$

appear in TGD framework and the long standing intuitive expectation has been that there might exist a deep connection between p-adic length scale hypothesis and quantum phases defined by roots of unity defining algebraic extensions of p-adic numbers.

#### The standard definition of quantum integer does not help

The first thing to do is to see whether the standard notions of quantum integer and quantum factorial [A31] could allow to get rid of the problems.



(a) Quantum integers for  $q = U_m$  are given by

$$n_{U_m} = \frac{U_m^n - \bar{U}_m^n}{U_m - \bar{U}_m} = \frac{\sin(n\phi_m)}{\sin(\phi_m)} . \quad (18.3.3)$$

For  $n \ll m$  one has

$$n_{U_m} \simeq n . \quad (18.3.4)$$

This property makes quantum integers a good candidate if one wants to generalize the notion of Poisson distribution and more generally, any probability distribution  $P(n|\lambda_i)$  parametrized by rationals. The rule would be very simple: replace all integers by their quantum counterparts:  $n \rightarrow n_q$ .

This proposal has however some problematic features.

- (a)  $n_q$  is negative for  $n \bmod 2m > m$  so that in the case of Poisson distribution one would have negative probabilities in real context. In the p-adic context there is no well-defined notion of negative number so that one might avoid this difficulty if one can map p-adic probabilities to positive real probabilities. Quantum integers have unit norm p-adically so that p-adic Poisson distribution makes sense for  $N_p(\lambda) < 1$ .
- (b)  $n_{U_m}$  vanishes for  $n = m$  always. Therefore  $n_q!$  defined as a product of quantum integers smaller than  $n$  vanishes for all  $n > m$ . One way out is to restrict the values of  $n$  to satisfy  $n < m$ . This number theoretic cutoff would mean in the p-adic case that the sum of p-adic probabilities is finite without the condition  $N_p(\lambda) < 1$ .
- (c) Quantum integers defined in the standard manner are periodic with period  $m$  so that quantum factorial obtained by dropping the vanishing terms would behave like a product of factorial associated with  $m - 1$  times quantum factorial of  $k \leq m - 1$ . Ordinary factorial  $n!$  increases much faster. It seems that the standard definition of quantum integer is not correct.

### Quantum integers must allow factorization to quantum primes

Physics as a generalized number theory vision [K79] suggests a manner to circumvent above described problems.

- (a) Quantum integers defined in the standard manner do not respect the decomposition of integers to a product of factors- that is one does not have

$$(mn)_q = m_q n_q . \quad (18.3.5)$$

The preferred nature of the quantum phases associated with primes in TGD context however suggests that one should guarantee this property by hand by simply defining the quantum integer as a product of quantum integers associated with its prime factors:

$$n_q \equiv \prod (p_i)_q^{n_i} \text{ for } n = \prod p_i^{n_i} . \quad (18.3.6)$$

This would guarantee that the notion of primeness and related notions crucial for p-adic physics would make sense also for quantum integers. Note that this deformation would not be made for the exponents of integers for which sum is the natural operation.

- (b) If  $q = U_m$  is such that  $m$  is not prime, the quantum phases associated with primes are always non-vanishing and quantum integers and therefore also quantum factorials  $n_q!$  defined using the proposed definition of quantum integers are non-vanishing for all values of  $n$ . In p-adic context this would mean that the probabilities associated with Poisson distribution are finite and for  $N_p(\lambda_p) < 1$  sum up to a finite value.

The number theoretic definition of quantum integers does not automatically solve the problem of negative quantum integers obtained when integer contains prime factors  $p > m$  and vanishing problem when integer is divisible by  $p$ .

- (a) If the number  $N_-$  of prime factors of  $n$  satisfying  $p \bmod 2m > m$  is odd, the product of minus signs coming from them is odd and the over all quantum integer is negative. Since the p-adic probabilities are well defined in p-adic context, one could consider the mapping of these probabilities to real probabilities by the basic form of canonical identification. If also  $\lambda$  is expressed in terms of quantum primes only the real image of overall minus sign must be determined. p-Adically  $-1$  corresponds to a positive p-adic integer  $(p-1)(1+p+p^2+\dots)$  for which one has  $I(-1) = p$  from the basic definition of canonical identification. Hence the p-adic and real quantum variants of Poisson distribution would be unique.

This prescription would predict peaks of Poisson distribution for  $n = n_+n_-$ , such that  $(n_+)_q$  is positive and has only prime factors  $p_+ \bmod 2m < m$  and  $(n_-)_q$  is having therefore odd number of negative prime factors  $(p_-)_q$  satisfying  $p_- \bmod 2m > m$ . These peaks would occur periodically with period  $n_-$ . Large number of this kind of periods would be present. It might be possible to identify the periodicities of the peaks of the histograms of Shnoll in this manner.

- (b) Second manner to solve the sign problem has been already mentioned and relies on the notion of quantum arithmetics [K93, K95]. The construction recipe for quantum integers is following. To define quantum integer  $n_q$  decompose first  $n$  into its prime factors  $l$ . This guarantees the quantum integers respect prime factorization for ordinary integers. For  $l < m$  one has  $l_q > 0$  but not necessarily for  $l > m$ . Express  $l > m$  as a q-adic expansion  $l = \sum l_k m^k$ , with  $l_k < m$  and thus expressible as products of quantum primes  $l_q$  for  $l < m$  so that the resulting quantum q-adic integers for  $q = \exp(i\pi/m)$  are non-negative.

For  $m = p$  one obtains what one might call quantum p-adics and in this case  $p_q = 0$  holds true so that one must assume cutoff  $n < p$  or exclude integers  $n$  divisible by  $p$ . Note that q-adicity is consistent with p-adicity for prime factors of  $m$ .

One can consider also a more general recipe for quantum p-adic integers (and also quantum m-adic integers) [K95]. One allows all expansions  $l = \sum l_n p^n$  of primes  $l > p$  in powers of  $p$  with coefficients  $l_n$  also now having only prime factors  $l < p$  but giving up the constraint  $l_n < p$  so that given p-adic integer corresponds to several quantum p-adic integers. This gives quantum q-adic integers for  $q = m$  which in well-defined sense forms a covering of q-adic integers and one can assign to it what might be called quantum Galois group.

### The most general choice of $\lambda$

Consider next the most general choice of  $\lambda$  consistent with the constraint that canonical identification conserves probabilities. Denote by  $P$  the p-adic prime characterizing the deformed Poisson distribution and by  $p$  a generic prime.

- (a) If one assumes the following product representation

$$\lambda_q = P^n Q_{U_m} \text{ ,} \quad (18.3.7)$$

where  $P$  is the p-adic prime and  $Q_{U_m}$  is quantum rational in the proposed sense, p-adic probabilities  $P(n)$  are finite for positive values of  $n$  and  $m$  satisfying the proposed constraints. The expression for the real counterpart  $\lambda_R$  of  $\lambda_q$  is given by

$$\lambda_R = \frac{QU_m}{P^{-n}} . \tag{18.3.8}$$

With a proper choice of  $QU_m$  arbitrary large values are possible for  $\lambda_R$  and standard form of canonical identification for a well-defined p-adic probability distribution produces a real variant of quantum Poisson distribution which is in a well-defined sense a small deformation of the Poisson distribution.

- (b) The value of the parameter  $\lambda$  assignable to the ordinary Poisson distribution giving rise to q-Poisson does not correspond to  $\lambda_R$  as such. For given  $\lambda_q$  the value of  $\lambda$  can be determined from the condition that the average values of  $n$  are same for the two distributions:

$$\lambda = \langle n \rangle_P = \langle n \rangle_{qP} . \tag{18.3.9}$$

- (c) For  $m = P$  the vanishing of  $P_{UP}$  would require a cutoff  $n < P$  in Poisson distribution. One could however argue that all values of  $m$  must be allowed. The manner to circumvent the difficulty is to treat prime  $p = P$  as an exception and *define* in the most general case

$$P_q \equiv P . \tag{18.3.10}$$

A stronger condition would be that  $P$  appears as a factor of  $m$  and it might well be that there could exist a number theoretical justification for this. Canonical identification would introduce to  $P(n)$  a factor  $P^{K(n)}$  defined by the largest power  $P^{K(n)}$  dividing  $n!$ . By the rough estimate  $n!$  of Eq. 18.2.11 one has  $K(n) \sim n$ . This would introduce additional peaks to the distribution coming with periodicities defined by  $p^m$  besides those coming with periodicities defined by integers  $n_-$ , which involve odd number of integers  $p \bmod m > m/2$ . This requires

$$\lambda_q = P^n QU_m , n > 1 \tag{18.3.11}$$

in order that the sum of p-adic probabilities is well-defined. The sum of real probabilities converges due to the properties of quantum factorial defined in the manner respecting the decomposition of integer to a product of primes.

- (d) This definition of quantum Poisson satisfies also the strongest possible constraint on the map of p-adic probabilities to real ones. One can indeed include the p-adic normalization factor to the distribution and rational canonical identification commutes with the normalization factor in the sense that one has  $\sum(P(n))_R = (\sum P_n)_R$ . This is due to the fact that the canonical image of the sum of probabilities is by definition a sum of images of probabilities since only numbers expressible in terms of roots of unity and not allowing expression as ordinary p-adic number multiplied by powers of  $p$  and p-adic  $-1$  appear in the sum.
- (e) Fig. 18.1 represents a comparison of q-Poisson distribution characterized by ( $p = 7, m = 300, \lambda_0 = 100, k = 1$ ) giving  $\lambda_q = p^k \times \lambda_0 = 700$  and  $\lambda_R = 14.229$  with the corresponding ordinary Poisson distribution characterized by  $\lambda = 25.256$  which is almost twice the value of  $\lambda_R$ . The presence of peaks with periodicity  $p = 7$  due to the identification  $p_q = p$  for the prime defining p-adicity and mapped to  $1/p$  in canonical identification is clearly visible in the distribution.

These considerations are for Poisson distribution but they generalize in an obvious manner to any distribution  $P(n|\lambda_i)$  for which parameters  $\lambda_i$  are rational numbers.

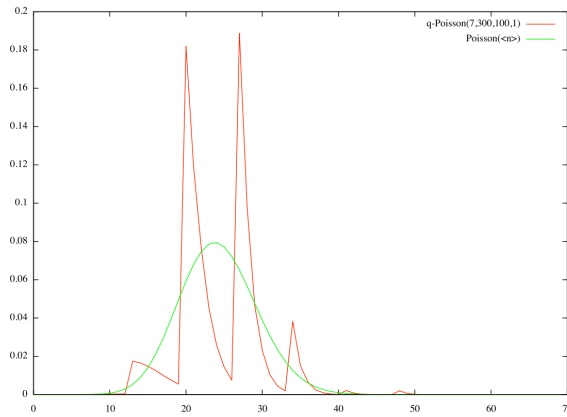


Figure 18.1: A comparison of q-Poisson distribution with Poisson distribution with the same mean value of  $n$  assuming  $p_q = p$  and that  $p$  is mapped to  $1/p$  and  $-1$  in numerator is mapped to  $p$  in canonical identification. The values of quantum parameters are  $(p = 7, m = 300, k = 1, \lambda_0 = 100)$  giving  $\lambda_q = p^k \times \lambda_0 = 700$  and  $\lambda_R = 14.229$ . The mean value of Poisson distribution turns out to be  $\lambda = \langle n \rangle_q = 25.256$ .

### Quantum integers and correspondence between real and p-adic physics

The understanding of the relationship between real and p-adic physics has been plagued by the fact that canonical identification and its variants do not make sense when applied to say energy levels characterized by integers. In this case the correspondence via common rationals is assumed or  $I_k$  for large enough  $k$  is used.

The replacement of ordinary integers with their q-counterparts using the proposed rules provides much more general correspondence principle relating p-adic and real quantum physics to each other in the case that the formulas of real physics involve only rationals. For instance, in p-adic mass calculations [K45] the integers characterizing conformal weights would be replaced by their quantum counterparts defined in the proposed manner mapping products to products. This does not affect p-adic mass calculations if the exceptional prime corresponds to p-adic prime and  $m$  which is equal to  $p$  or contains  $p$  as a factor. One can also define p-adic harmonic oscillator and p-adic hydrogen atom and for  $n > m$  is large exotic effects become possible. For large values of p-adic prime  $P$  and for  $m \gg P$  these effects are not detectable.

For the p-adic variants of the wave functions the natural space-time coordinates would be discretized to integers to guarantee that the wave functions exist p-adically for  $p = P$ . For hydrogen atom (/harmonic oscillator) one would obtain the formal analog of q-Poisson (/q-Gaussian) in the radial coordinate discretized to integer. In angle degrees of freedom the form of discretized wave functions would be same as in real context obtained by replacing  $\exp(i\phi)$  and  $\cos(\theta)$  and  $\sin(\theta)$  with their discretized versions in an algebraic extension of p-adic numbers containing appropriate roots of unity for  $p = P$ . If the integer  $m$  defines the algebraic extension it should be divisible by the integers defining the angular momentum projections  $M$  up to some cutoff.

This correspondence might apply even at space-time level and imbedding space-level when preferred coordinates are introduced for imbedding space. This would allow to map the rational imbedding space points of a real space-time surface to their p-adic counterparts by canonical identification. For  $(p, m) \rightarrow (\infty, \infty)$  this map would effectively reduce to the identification along common rationals but with respect to p-adic norm it would have totally different behavior.

## 18.4 Explanation for the findings of Shnoll

One should be able to understand both the many-peaked character of the distributions as well as their spatial and temporal variation involving correlations with the gravitational physics of Sun-Earth and Earth-Moon systems.

### 18.4.1 The basic characteristics of the distributions

The properties of the deformed distributions might allow to explain the findings of Shnoll at least qualitatively. The testing of numerical predictions would require detailed numerical data. It is assumed that the p-adic probabilities can be formally negative with  $-1 = (P - 1)/(1 - P) = (P - 1) \sum P^k$  mapped to real number by canonical identification to give a positive number. There are also other options to overcome negativity problem not considered here. The integer  $m$  characterizing quantum phase  $m$  is not prime but can be assumed to be proportional to  $P$  to avoid vanishing quantum integers. This corresponds to m-adicity consistent with P-adicity.

- (a) The presence of maxima and minima due to canonical identification mapping p-adic distribution function to its p-adic counterpart is consistent with the basic property of the fluctuation distributions as expressed by the histograms for the number  $N(n)$ , where  $n$  is the fluctuating number  $n$  of events per fixed time unit or discretization interval for the values of some observable.
- (b) The basic predictions are following. Modified distributions are characterized by a relatively small prime defining the p-adicity - call it  $P$ - and integer  $m$  which is not prime but could be divisible by  $P$ . The peaks in histogram for  $N(n)$  should appear with periods in  $n$  giving rise to short range chaos and long range order in variable  $n$ . Periods of first kind come as powers of  $P$ . A small change of  $P$  corresponds to a small change of periodicities. The periods for second kind correspond to integers  $n_-$  which contain an odd number of primes  $l$  in the ranges  $((2r + 1)m, (2r + 2)m)$ ,  $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  (quantum phase and thus  $l_q$  is same for  $l$  and  $l + 2rm$ ). The spectrum of integers  $n_{\pm}$  changes as  $m$  changes but if the change is small, the new spectrum contains integers in old spectrum. For instance, if  $n_-$  corresponds to single prime which is in the middle region of interval  $(m, 2m)$  a change  $|\Delta m| < m/2$  does not remove  $n_-$  from spectrum.
- (c) For instance, in one of the experiments (Fig.1 of [E12] , [E12] ) the histogram for  $N(n)$  has peaks, which seem to occur periodically with a separation  $\Delta n$  of about 100 units. If these periods correspond to  $P$ , its value must be smaller than 100. The nearest primes are  $P = 89, 97, 101, 113$ . In Fig. 2 of same reference one has also periodicity and  $P$  must be near 10. Hence there are good hopes that the proposed model might be able to explain the findings.
- (d) According to the earlier proposal the selection of p-adic prime is outcome of a process analogous to quantum measurement. This interpretation would suggest that there is a sequence of quantum measurements in which various p-adic primes are selected with some probability each and that the probability distribution for the primes depends on external astrophysical parameters varying periodically. One can also consider the possibility that  $P$  and  $m$  behave as classical variables.

### 18.4.2 The temporal and spatial dependence of the distributions

One should also understand the variation of the shape of the distribution with time and its spatial variation.

- (a) The situation is sensitive to the values of  $P$  and  $m$ . The changes should be such that the parameters of the smoothed out real probability distribution are not affected much. For instance, in the case of q-Poisson distribution the values of  $P$  and  $m$  should change in such a manner that  $\langle n \rangle = \lambda$  is not unaffected much. The change of  $P$  would affect the positions of the peaks but small changes of  $P$  would not mean too dramatic changes. Periodic

time dependence of these parameters would explain the findings of Shnoll. Gravitational interactions in Sun-Earth-Moon system and therefore the periodic variations of Sun-Earth and Earth-Moon distances is the first guess for the cause of the periodic variations.

- (b) The correlation of the fluctuation periods with astrophysical periods assignable to Earth-Sun system (diurnal period and period of Earth's orbit) suggests that the gravitational interaction of the measurement apparatus with Sun is involved. Also the period 27.28 days which corresponds to sidereal period of Moon measured in the system defined by distant star. In [E12], [E12] this period is somewhat confusingly referred to as synodic period of Sun with respect to Earth (recall that synodic period corresponds to a period for the appearance of third object (say Moon) in the same position relative to two other objects (say Earth and Moon)). Therefore also Moon-Earth gravitational force seems to be involved. Moon-Earth and Earth-Sun gravitational accelerations indeed have roughly the same order of magnitude. That gravitational accelerations would determine the effect conforms with Equivalence Principle. The most natural dimensionless parameter characterizing the situation is  $|\Delta \mathbf{a}_{\text{gr}}|/a_{\text{gr}}$  expressible in terms of  $\Delta R/R$  and  $\Delta r/r$ , where  $R$  *resp*  $r$  denotes the distance between Earth and Sun *resp*. Earth and Moon, and the ratio  $R/r$  and cosine for the angle  $\theta$  between the direction vectors for the positions of Moon and Sun from Earth. The observed palindrome effect [E14] is consistent with the assumed dependence of the effect on the distances of Earth from Sun and Moon. Also the smallness of the effect as one approaches North Pole conforms with the fact that the variations of distances from Sun and Moon become small at this limit.
- (c) In 24 hour time scale it is enough to take into account only the Earth-Sun gravitational interaction. One could perform experiments at different positions at Earth's surface to see whether the variation of distributions correlates with the variation of the gravitational potential. The maximal amplitude of  $\Delta R/R$  is  $2R_E/R \simeq .04$  so that for  $\Delta p/p = k\Delta R/R$  one would have  $\Delta p/p = .04k$ . Already for  $p \sim 100$  the variation range would be rather small. For  $\Delta m/m$  one expects that analogous estimate holds true.
- (d) One observes in alpha decay rates periodicities which correspond to both sidereal and solar day [E13]. The periodicity with respect to solar day can be understood in terms of the periodic variation of Sun-Earth distance. The periodicity with respect to sidereal day would be due to the diurnal variation of the Earth-Moon distance. Similar doubling of periodicities are predicted in other relevant time scales.

In the case of alpha decay the effect reveals intricacies not explained by the simplest model [E13, E21]. In this case one studies random fluctuations for the numbers of alpha particles emitted in a fixed direction. Collimators are used to select the alpha particles in a given direction and this is important for what follows. Two especially interesting situations correspond to a detector which is located to North, East, or West from the sample. What is observed that the effect is different for East and West directions and there is a phase shift of 12 hours between East and West. In Northern direction the effect vanishes. Also other experiments reveal East-West asymmetry called local time effect by the authors [E19, E18].

- (a) What the findings mean is that  $P$  and  $m$  characterizing the distribution for the counts of alpha particles in a given angle depend on time and are sensitive to the direction angle of the alpha particle. This might be however only apparent since collimators are used to select alpha particles in given direction. The authors speak about anisotropy of space-time and Finsler geometry [A7] could be considered as a possible model. In this approach the geometry of space-time would be something totally independent of measurement apparatus.

In TGD framework the space-time is topologically non-trivial in macroscopic scales and the presence of collimators making possible to select alpha particles in a given direction affect the geometry of many-sheeted space-time sheets describing the measurement apparatus and therefore the details of the interaction with the gravitational fields of Earth, Sun, and Moon. As a consequence, the values of  $P$  and  $m$  should reflect the geometry of the measurement apparatus and depend only apparently on the direction of  $v_\alpha$ . If this interpretation is correct, a selection of events from a sample without collimators should yield distributions without any dependence on the direction of  $v_\alpha$ .

- (b) At quantitative level the distribution for counts in a given direction can depend on angles defined by the vectors formed from relevant quantities. These include at least the tangential velocity  $v = \omega \times r$  of the laboratory, the direction of the velocity  $v_\alpha$  of alpha particle with respect to sample actually reflecting the geometry of collimators, the net gravitational acceleration  $a_{net}$ , and the direction of Earth's gravitational acceleration  $g$ .
- (c) The first task is to construct from these vectors a scalar or a pseudo-scalar (if one is ready to allow large parity breaking effects), which vanishes for North-East direction, has opposite signs for East and West direction and has at least approximately a behavior consistent with the phase shift of 12 hours between East and West. The constraints are satisfied by the scalar

$$X = E \cdot a_{net} \quad , \quad E = \frac{(v \times g) \times v_\alpha}{|(v \times g) \times v_\alpha|} \quad . \quad (18.4.1)$$

Unit vector  $E$  changes sign in East-West permutation and also with a period of 12 hours meaning the change of the roles of East and West with this period in the approximation that the net acceleration vector is same at the opposite sides of Earth. The approximation makes sense if the change of sign induces much large variation than the change of the Earth-Sun and Earth-Moon distances. Unless  $P$  and  $m$  are even functions of  $X$ , the predicted effect can be consistent with the experimental findings in the approximation that  $a_{net}$  is constant in 24 hour time scale.

## 18.5 Hierarchy of Planck constants allows small-p p-adicity

In particle physics applications of p-adic physics [K45] the values of p-adic primes are very large and favor p-adic primes near powers of two. For instance, electron is characterized by a p-adic prime  $M_{127} = 2^{127} - 1$ . Small p-adic primes correspond to very short time and length scales, which are not plausible in the recent situation. Biological systems however suggest the possibility of small values of  $p$ . This is consistent with p-adic length scale hypothesis if one accepts the hypothesis that dark matter corresponds to a hierarchy of Planck constants coming as integer multiples of the ordinary Planck constant  $\hbar_0$ :  $\hbar/\hbar_0 = r$ ,  $r$  integer.

### 18.5.1 Estimate for the value of Planck constant

In the recent formulation of quantum TGD the hierarchy of Planck constants there is an argument reducing the hierarchy of Planck constants to the basic quantum TGD and one can say that scaled up values of Planck constant are effective values of Planck constant. The scaling of the p-adic prime scales up the secondary time scale assignable with the particle characterized by prime  $p$  as  $T_k = 2^k T_{CP_2} \rightarrow r T_k$ . Here  $T_{CP_2}$  denotes  $CP_2$  time expressible as  $T_{CP_2} = 2^{-127} T(2, 127) \simeq 5.877 \times 10^{-40}$  seconds. There  $T(2, 127) \simeq .1$  seconds is secondary p-adic time scale assignable to Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$  characterizing electron.  $T_{CP_2}$  is  $1.0902 \times 10^4$  times Planck time  $T_{Pl} = 5.391 \times 10^{-44}$  s.

To obtain small-p p-adicity one must have very large value of  $r$ . The proposed quantum model for dark matter in astrophysical scales indeed predicts gigantic values of gravitational Planck constant of order  $GMm$  for a system of two masses. This would suggest that gravitational interaction allows large values of Planck constant and small-p p-adicity in macroscopic time scales.

In the experiments described in [E12], [E12] one studies the number of events per fixed time interval  $\tau$ . This time interval is macroscopic in the measurements studied. One has  $\tau = 36$  seconds ( $\tau = 6$  seconds) in the experiment whose histogram is represented by Fig. 1 (Fig. 2) of [E12], [E12]. One could argue that the secondary p-adic time scale  $T_P(2) = r P T_{CP_2}$  for scaled up Planck constant  $\hbar = r \hbar_0$  should of the same order of magnitude as  $\tau$ . This gives the condition

$$r \sim \frac{\tau}{PT_{CP_2}} < \frac{\tau}{T_{CP_2}} .$$

For  $\tau = 36$  seconds one has  $\frac{\tau}{T_{CP_2}} \simeq 360 \times M_{127}$ . For  $r = 2^{127}$  this would give  $P \sim 360$ . The value of  $P$  estimated from the distribution of Fig.1 of [E12] , [E12] is about  $P \sim 100$  which is about 3.5 times smaller than the upper bound. This suggests that one p-adic time scale must be shorter than  $\tau$  but of same order of magnitude. For the second experiment (Fig. 2 of [E12] , [E12] ) one would obtain  $P \leq 50$  which is 5 times larger than the estimate for  $P \sim 10$  from periodicity.

$r = 2^{127}$  might make sense since  $M_{127}$  defines the secondary p-adic length scale of electron which is .1 seconds, a fundamental bio-rhythm, and corresponds to photon wavelength which is of order of circumference of Earth. This would also suggest that the modification of distributions could correspond to same value of  $P$  and  $m$  for laboratories at different sides of globe. Whether this is the case is easy to test in principle.

The notion of causal diamond (intersection of future and past directed lightcones central for the notion of zero energy ontology. The proper time distance between its tips is given by  $2^k T_{CP_2}$  and assign to each elementary particle a macroscopic time scale identifiable as secondary p-adic time scale characterizing the particle.  $T(127) = 2^{127} T_{CP_2}$  characterizes the causal diamond of electron, which in turn corresponds to the length scale assigned with  $P = 2$  and  $r = 2^{126}$ . Could  $r = 2^{126}$  be in preferred role that the findings of Shnoll would reflect new physics associated with electron, possibly with its gravitational interactions?

### 18.5.2 Is dark matter at the space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction involved?

The periodic variation of the distributions in time scales assignable to gravitation encourages to ask whether the gigantic value of Planck constant could correspond to gravitational Planck constant introduced originally by Nottale [E20] and assumed in TGD Universe to characterize space-time sheets mediating gravitational interaction and carrying dark matter -at least gravitons- with gigantic value of Planck constant implying quantum coherence in astrophysical scales [K71, K59] .

The formula proposed by Nottale [E20] for the gravitational Planck constant is dictated by Equivalence Principle and reads as

$$r_{gr} = \frac{\hbar_{gr}}{\hbar_0} = \frac{GMm}{v_0} . \quad (18.5.1)$$

Here  $v_0$  is a parameter with dimensions of velocity and one has  $v_0/c \simeq 2^{-11}$  for the inner planets in the model of Nottale and 5 times smaller for outer planets. As a matter fact, the order of magnitude of the rotation velocity of planet around Sun is related to  $v_0$  by numerical constant of order unity by Bohr rules, which in TGD Universe are an exact part of quantum theory.

If the large value of  $\hbar_{gr}$  is associated with the gravitational interaction of smaller system with Earth with mass  $M_E = 5.9737 \times 10^{24}$  kg, the mass of the system in question should be estimated from the condition

$$r = M^{127} = \frac{GM_E m}{v_0 \hbar_0} . \quad (18.5.2)$$

This gives  $m \simeq 135 \times \frac{v_0}{c}$  kg. For  $v_0 = 2^{-11}$  this would give mass about  $m = .05$  g which might represent mass for some part of measurement apparatus. The mass of Sun is  $M_{Sun} \simeq .333 \times 10^6 M_E$  and similar estimate gives a mass  $m = .15 \times 10^{-9}$  kg to be compared with Planck



mass  $m_{Pl} = 4.3 \times 10^{-9}$  kg. For  $c/v_0 = 70$  the estimate would give Planck mass. Note however that it is difficult to relate this value of  $v_0$  to any velocity in Earth-Sun system. For the density of water Planck mass corresponds to a size scale  $10^{-4}$  m assignable to a large cell.

Maybe dark matter systems representing the quanta of gravitational flux equal to Planck mass analogous to quanta of electric flux are involved and are important also for biological systems. The interaction of Planck mass with Earth's gravitational field would correspond to  $r = 3 \times 2^{107}$ :  $M_{107}$  defines the p-adic length scale assignable to hadrons.

## 18.6 Conclusions

The proposed model has the potential of explaining the findings of Shnoll but detailed numerical work is required to find whether the model works also at the level of details.

- (a) The universality of the modified distributions would reduce to the replacement of various rational numbers characterizing the probability distribution with their quantum variants defined in a manner respecting the decomposition of integers to primes. p-Adic counterparts of probability distributions are essential for understanding how to avoid the difficulties resulting from negative values of quantum integers. The model makes very detailed predictions about the periodically occurring positions of the peaks of the probability distribution as function of  $P$  and  $m$  based on number theoretical considerations and in principle allows to determine these parameters for a given distribution.
- (b) If the value of  $P$  is outcome of state function process, it is not determined by deterministic dynamics but should have a distribution. If this distribution is peaked around one particular value, one can understand the findings of Shnoll.
- (c) The slow variation of the p-adic prime  $P$  and integer  $m$  characterizing quantum integers would explain the slow variation of the distributions with position and time. The periodic variations occurring with both solar and sidereal periods can be understood if the values of  $P$  and  $m$  are characterized by the sum of gravitational accelerations assignable to Earth-Sun and Earth-Moon systems.
- (d) Various effects such as the dependence of the probability distributions on the direction of alpha particles selected using collimators and 12 hour phase shift between the directions associated with East and West direction can be understood as direct evidence for the effects of measurement apparatus on the many-sheeted space-time affecting the values of  $P$  and  $m$ .
- (e) The small value of p-adic prime  $P$  involved can be understood in TGD framework in terms of hierarchy of Planck constants [K29]. The value of Planck constant could correspond to Mersenne prime  $M_{127}$  characterizing electron but this is not required by any deep principle. Gravitational Planck constant can indeed have gigantic values and for the interaction of a system with mass of order Planck mass with Sun the gravitational Planck constant is of the required order of magnitude.

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# Chapter 1

## Appendix

### A-1 Basic properties of $CP_2$ and elementary facts about p-adic numbers

#### A-1.1 $CP_2$ as a manifold

$CP_2$ , the complex projective space of two complex dimensions, is obtained by identifying the points of complex 3-space  $C^3$  under the projective equivalence

$$(z^1, z^2, z^3) \equiv \lambda(z^1, z^2, z^3) . \quad (\text{A-1.1})$$

Here  $\lambda$  is any non-zero complex number. Note that  $CP_2$  can be also regarded as the coset space  $SU(3)/U(2)$ . The pair  $z^i/z^j$  for fixed  $j$  and  $z^i \neq 0$  defines a complex coordinate chart for  $CP_2$ . As  $j$  runs from 1 to 3 one obtains an atlas of three coordinate charts covering  $CP_2$ , the charts being holomorphically related to each other (e.g.  $CP_2$  is a complex manifold). The points  $z^3 \neq 0$  form a subset of  $CP_2$  homeomorphic to  $R^4$  and the points with  $z^3 = 0$  a set homeomorphic to  $S^2$ . Therefore  $CP_2$  is obtained by "adding the 2-sphere at infinity to  $R^4$ ".

Besides the standard complex coordinates  $\xi^i = z^i/z^3$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  the coordinates of Eguchi and Freund [A62] will be used and their relation to the complex coordinates is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^1 &= z + it , \\ \xi^2 &= x + iy . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.1})$$

These are related to the "spherical coordinates" via the equations

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^1 &= r \exp(i \frac{(\Psi + \Phi)}{2}) \cos(\frac{\Theta}{2}) , \\ \xi^2 &= r \exp(i \frac{(\Psi - \Phi)}{2}) \sin(\frac{\Theta}{2}) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.1})$$

The ranges of the variables  $r, \Theta, \Phi, \Psi$  are  $[0, \infty], [0, \pi], [0, 4\pi], [0, 2\pi]$  respectively.

Considered as a real four-manifold  $CP_2$  is compact and simply connected, with Euler number Euler number 3, Pontryagin number 3 and second  $b = 1$ .

### A-1.2 Metric and Kähler structure of $CP_2$

In order to obtain a natural metric for  $CP_2$ , observe that  $CP_2$  can be thought of as a set of the orbits of the isometries  $z^i \rightarrow \exp(i\alpha)z^i$  on the sphere  $S^5$ :  $\sum z^i \bar{z}^i = R^2$ . The metric of  $CP_2$  is obtained by projecting the metric of  $S^5$  orthogonally to the orbits of the isometries. Therefore the distance between the points of  $CP_2$  is that between the representative orbits on  $S^5$ .

The line element has the following form in the complex coordinates

$$ds^2 = g_{a\bar{b}} d\xi^a d\bar{\xi}^b, \quad (\text{A-1.2})$$

where the Hermitian, in fact Kähler metric  $g_{a\bar{b}}$  is defined by

$$g_{a\bar{b}} = R^2 \partial_a \partial_{\bar{b}} K, \quad (\text{A-1.3})$$

where the function  $K$ , Kähler function, is defined as

$$\begin{aligned} K &= \log(F), \\ F &= 1 + r^2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.3})$$

The Kähler function for  $S^2$  has the same form. It gives the  $S^2$  metric  $dzd\bar{z}/(1+r^2)^2$  related to its standard form in spherical coordinates by the coordinate transformation  $(r, \phi) = (\tan(\theta/2), \phi)$ .

The representation of the  $CP_2$  metric is deducible from  $S^5$  metric is obtained by putting the angle coordinate of a geodesic sphere constant in it and is given

$$\frac{ds^2}{R^2} = \frac{(dr^2 + r^2 \sigma_3^2)}{F^2} + \frac{r^2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}{F}, \quad (\text{A-1.4})$$

where the quantities  $\sigma_i$  are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} r^2 \sigma_1 &= \text{Im}(\xi^1 d\xi^2 - \xi^2 d\xi^1), \\ r^2 \sigma_2 &= -\text{Re}(\xi^1 d\xi^2 - \xi^2 d\xi^1), \\ r^2 \sigma_3 &= -\text{Im}(\xi^1 d\bar{\xi}^1 + \xi^2 d\bar{\xi}^2). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.3})$$

$R$  denotes the radius of the geodesic circle of  $CP_2$ . The vierbein forms, which satisfy the defining relation

$$s_{kl} = R^2 \sum_A e_k^A e_l^A, \quad (\text{A-1.4})$$

are given by

$$\begin{aligned} e^0 &= \frac{dr}{F}, & e^1 &= \frac{r\sigma_1}{\sqrt{F}}, \\ e^2 &= \frac{r\sigma_2}{\sqrt{F}}, & e^3 &= \frac{r\sigma_3}{F}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.5})$$

The explicit representations of vierbein vectors are given by

$$\begin{aligned} e^0 &= \frac{dr}{F} , & e^1 &= \frac{r(\sin\Theta\cos\Psi d\Phi + \sin\Psi d\Theta)}{2\sqrt{F}} , \\ e^2 &= \frac{r(\sin\Theta\sin\Psi d\Phi - \cos\Psi d\Theta)}{2\sqrt{F}} , & e^3 &= \frac{r(d\Psi + \cos\Theta d\Phi)}{2F} . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.5})$$

The explicit representation of the line element is given by the expression

$$ds^2/R^2 = \frac{dr^2}{F^2} + \frac{r^2}{4F^2}(d\Psi + \cos\Theta d\Phi)^2 + \frac{r^2}{4F}(d\Theta^2 + \sin^2\Theta d\Phi^2) . \quad (\text{A-1.5})$$

The vierbein connection satisfying the defining relation

$$de^A = -V_B^A \wedge e^B , \quad (\text{A-1.6})$$

is given by

$$\begin{aligned} V_{01} &= -\frac{e^1}{r_2} , & V_{23} &= \frac{e^1}{r_2} , \\ V_{02} &= -\frac{e^2}{r} , & V_{31} &= \frac{e^2}{r} , \\ V_{03} &= (r - \frac{1}{r})e^3 , & V_{12} &= (2r + \frac{1}{r})e^3 . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.7})$$

The representation of the covariantly constant curvature tensor is given by

$$\begin{aligned} R_{01} &= e^0 \wedge e^1 - e^2 \wedge e^3 , & R_{23} &= e^0 \wedge e^1 - e^2 \wedge e^3 , \\ R_{02} &= e^0 \wedge e^2 - e^3 \wedge e^1 , & R_{31} &= -e^0 \wedge e^2 + e^3 \wedge e^1 , \\ R_{03} &= 4e^0 \wedge e^3 + 2e^1 \wedge e^2 , & R_{12} &= 2e^0 \wedge e^3 + 4e^1 \wedge e^2 . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.8})$$

Metric defines a real, covariantly constant, and therefore closed 2-form  $J$

$$J = -ig_{a\bar{b}}d\xi^a d\bar{\xi}^b , \quad (\text{A-1.9})$$

the so called Kähler form. Kähler form  $J$  defines in  $CP_2$  a symplectic structure because it satisfies the condition

$$J^k_r J^{rl} = -s^{kl} . \quad (\text{A-1.10})$$

The form  $J$  is integer valued and by its covariant constancy satisfies free Maxwell equations. Hence it can be regarded as a curvature form of a  $U(1)$  gauge potential  $B$  carrying a magnetic charge of unit  $1/2g$  ( $g$  denotes the gauge coupling). Locally one has therefore

$$J = dB , \quad (\text{A-1.11})$$

where  $B$  is the so called Kähler potential, which is not defined globally since  $J$  describes homological magnetic monopole.

It should be noticed that the magnetic flux of  $J$  through a 2-surface in  $CP_2$  is proportional to its homology equivalence class, which is integer valued. The explicit representations of  $J$  and  $B$  are given by

$$\begin{aligned} B &= 2re^3 , \\ J &= 2(e^0 \wedge e^3 + e^1 \wedge e^2) = \frac{r}{F^2} dr \wedge (d\Psi + \cos\Theta d\Phi) + \frac{r^2}{2F} \sin\Theta d\Theta d\Phi . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.10})$$

The vierbein curvature form and Kähler form are covariantly constant and have in the complex coordinates only components of type (1,1).

Useful coordinates for  $CP_2$  are the so called canonical coordinates in which Kähler potential and Kähler form have very simple expressions

$$\begin{aligned} B &= \sum_{k=1,2} P_k dQ_k , \\ J &= \sum_{k=1,2} dP_k \wedge dQ_k . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.10})$$

The relationship of the canonical coordinates to the "spherical" coordinates is given by the equations

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 &= -\frac{1}{1+r^2} , \\ P_2 &= \frac{r^2 \cos\Theta}{2(1+r^2)} , \\ Q_1 &= \Psi , \\ Q_2 &= \Phi . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-1.8})$$

### A-1.3 Spinors in $CP_2$

$CP_2$  doesn't allow spinor structure in the conventional sense [A58] . However, the coupling of the spinors to a half odd multiple of the Kähler potential leads to a respectable spinor structure. Because the delicacies associated with the spinor structure of  $CP_2$  play a fundamental role in TGD, the arguments of Hawking are repeated here.

To see how the space can fail to have an ordinary spinor structure consider the parallel transport of the vierbein in a simply connected space  $M$ . The parallel propagation around a closed curve with a base point  $x$  leads to a rotated vierbein at  $x$ :  $e^A = R_B^A e^B$  and one can associate to each closed path an element of  $SO(4)$ .

Consider now a one-parameter family of closed curves  $\gamma(v) : v \in (0, 1)$  with the same base point  $x$  and  $\gamma(0)$  and  $\gamma(1)$  trivial paths. Clearly these paths define a sphere  $S^2$  in  $M$  and the element  $R_B^A(v)$  defines a closed path in  $SO(4)$ . When the sphere  $S^2$  is contractible to a point e.g., homologically trivial, the path in  $SO(4)$  is also contractible to a point and therefore represents a trivial element of the homotopy group  $\Pi_1(SO(4)) = Z_2$ .

For a homologically nontrivial 2-surface  $S^2$  the associated path in  $SO(4)$  can be homotopically nontrivial and therefore corresponds to a nonclosed path in the covering group  $\text{Spin}(4)$  (leading from the matrix 1 to -1 in the matrix representation). Assume this is the case.

Assume now that the space allows spinor structure. Then one can parallel propagate also spinors and by the above construction associate a closed path of  $\text{Spin}(4)$  to the surface  $S^2$ . Now, however this path corresponds to a lift of the corresponding  $SO(4)$  path and cannot be closed. Thus one ends up with a contradiction.

From the preceding argument it is clear that one could compensate the non-allowed  $-1$ -factor associated with the parallel transport of the spinor around the sphere  $S^2$  by coupling it to a gauge potential in such a way that in the parallel transport the gauge potential introduces a compensating  $-1$ -factor. For a  $U(1)$  gauge potential this factor is given by the exponential  $\exp(i2\Phi)$ , where  $\Phi$  is the magnetic flux through the surface. This factor has the value  $-1$  provided the  $U(1)$  potential carries half odd multiple of Dirac charge  $1/2g$ . In case of  $CP_2$  the required gauge potential is half odd multiple of the Kähler potential  $B$  defined previously. In the case of  $M^4 \times CP_2$  one can in addition couple the spinor components with different chiralities independently to an odd multiple of  $B/2$ .

### A-1.4 Geodesic sub-manifolds of $CP_2$

Geodesic sub-manifolds are defined as sub-manifolds having common geodesic lines with the imbedding space. As a consequence the second fundamental form of the geodesic manifold vanishes, which means that the tangent vectors  $h_\alpha^k$  (understood as vectors of  $H$ ) are covariantly constant quantities with respect to the covariant derivative taking into account that the tangent vectors are vectors both with respect to  $H$  and  $X^4$ .

In [A50] a general characterization of the geodesic sub-manifolds for an arbitrary symmetric space  $G/H$  is given. Geodesic sub-manifolds are in 1-1-correspondence with the so called Lie triple systems of the Lie-algebra  $g$  of the group  $G$ . The Lie triple system  $t$  is defined as a subspace of  $g$  characterized by the closedness property with respect to double commutation

$$[X, [Y, Z]] \in t \text{ for } X, Y, Z \in t . \tag{A-1.9}$$

$SU(3)$  allows, besides geodesic lines, two nonequivalent (not isometry related) geodesic spheres. This is understood by observing that  $SU(3)$  allows two nonequivalent  $SU(2)$  algebras corresponding to subgroups  $SO(3)$  (orthogonal  $3 \times 3$  matrices) and the usual isospin group  $SU(2)$ . By taking any subset of two generators from these algebras, one obtains a Lie triple system and by exponentiating this system, one obtains a 2-dimensional geodesic sub-manifold of  $CP_2$ .

Standard representatives for the geodesic spheres of  $CP_2$  are given by the equations

$$S_I^2 : \xi^1 = \bar{\xi}^2 \text{ or equivalently } (\Theta = \pi/2, \Psi = 0) ,$$

$$S_{II}^2 : \xi^1 = \xi^2 \text{ or equivalently } (\Theta = \pi/2, \Phi = 0) .$$

The non-equivalence of these sub-manifolds is clear from the fact that isometries act as holomorphic transformations in  $CP_2$ . The vanishing of the second fundamental form is also easy to verify. The first geodesic manifold is homologically trivial: in fact, the induced Kähler form vanishes identically for  $S_I^2$ .  $S_{II}^2$  is homologically nontrivial and the flux of the Kähler form gives its homology equivalence class.

## A-2 $CP_2$ geometry and standard model symmetries

### A-2.1 Identification of the electro-weak couplings

The delicacies of the spinor structure of  $CP_2$  make it a unique candidate for space  $S$ . First, the coupling of the spinors to the  $U(1)$  gauge potential defined by the Kähler structure provides the

missing  $U(1)$  factor in the gauge group. Secondly, it is possible to couple different  $H$ -chiralities independently to a half odd multiple of the Kähler potential. Thus the hopes of obtaining a correct spectrum for the electromagnetic charge are considerable. In the following it will be demonstrated that the couplings of the induced spinor connection are indeed those of the GWS model [B23] and in particular that the right handed neutrinos decouple completely from the electro-weak interactions.

To begin with, recall that the space  $H$  allows to define three different chiralities for spinors. Spinors with fixed  $H$ -chirality  $e = \pm 1$ ,  $CP_2$ -chirality  $l, r$  and  $M^4$ -chirality  $L, R$  are defined by the condition

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma\Psi &= e\Psi, \\ e &= \pm 1,\end{aligned}\tag{A-2.0}$$

where  $\Gamma$  denotes the matrix  $\Gamma_9 = \gamma_5 \times \gamma_5$ ,  $1 \times \gamma_5$  and  $\gamma_5 \times 1$  respectively. Clearly, for a fixed  $H$ -chirality  $CP_2$ - and  $M^4$ -chiralities are correlated.

The spinors with  $H$ -chirality  $e = \pm 1$  can be identified as quark and lepton like spinors respectively. The separate conservation of baryon and lepton numbers can be understood as a consequence of generalized chiral invariance if this identification is accepted. For the spinors with a definite  $H$ -chirality one can identify the vielbein group of  $CP_2$  as the electro-weak group:  $SO(4) = SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$ .

The covariant derivatives are defined by the spinorial connection

$$A = V + \frac{B}{2}(n_+ 1_+ + n_- 1_-).\tag{A-2.1}$$

Here  $V$  and  $B$  denote the projections of the vielbein and Kähler gauge potentials respectively and  $1_{+(-)}$  projects to the spinor  $H$ -chirality  $+(-)$ . The integers  $n_{\pm}$  are odd from the requirement of a respectable spinor structure.

The explicit representation of the vielbein connection  $V$  and of  $B$  are given by the equations

$$\begin{aligned}V_{01} &= -\frac{e^1}{r}, & V_{23} &= \frac{e^1}{r}, \\ V_{02} &= -\frac{e^2}{r}, & V_{31} &= \frac{e^2}{r}, \\ V_{03} &= (r - \frac{1}{r})e^3, & V_{12} &= (2r + \frac{1}{r})e^3,\end{aligned}\tag{A-2.2}$$

and

$$B = 2re^3,\tag{A-2.3}$$

respectively. The explicit representation of the vielbein is not needed here.

Let us first show that the charged part of the spinor connection couples purely left handedly. Identifying  $\Sigma_3^0$  and  $\Sigma_2^1$  as the diagonal (neutral) Lie-algebra generators of  $SO(4)$ , one finds that the charged part of the spinor connection is given by

$$A_{ch} = 2V_{23}I_L^1 + 2V_{13}I_L^2,\tag{A-2.4}$$

where one have defined



$$\begin{aligned} I_L^1 &= \frac{(\Sigma_{01} - \Sigma_{23})}{2} , \\ I_L^2 &= \frac{(\Sigma_{02} - \Sigma_{13})}{2} . \end{aligned} \tag{A-2.4}$$

$A_{ch}$  is clearly left handed so that one can perform the identification

$$W^\pm = \frac{2(e^1 \pm ie^2)}{r} , \tag{A-2.5}$$

where  $W^\pm$  denotes the charged intermediate vector boson.

Consider next the identification of the neutral gauge bosons  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  as appropriate linear combinations of the two functionally independent quantities

$$\begin{aligned} X &= re^3 , \\ Y &= \frac{e^3}{r} , \end{aligned} \tag{A-2.5}$$

appearing in the neutral part of the spinor connection. We show first that the mere requirement that photon couples vectorially implies the basic coupling structure of the GWS model leaving only the value of Weinberg angle undetermined.

To begin with let us define

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\gamma} &= aX + bY , \\ \bar{Z}^0 &= cX + dY , \end{aligned} \tag{A-2.5}$$

where the normalization condition

$$ad - bc = 1 ,$$

is satisfied. The physical fields  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  are related to  $\bar{\gamma}$  and  $\bar{Z}^0$  by simple normalization factors.

Expressing the neutral part of the spinor connection in term of these fields one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} A_{nc} &= [(c + d)2\Sigma_{03} + (2d - c)2\Sigma_{12} + d(n_+1_+ + n_-1_-)]\bar{\gamma} \\ &+ [(a - b)2\Sigma_{03} + (a - 2b)2\Sigma_{12} - b(n_+1_+ + n_-1_-)]\bar{Z}^0 . \end{aligned} \tag{A-2.4}$$

Identifying  $\Sigma_{12}$  and  $\Sigma_{03} = 1 \times \gamma_5 \Sigma_{12}$  as vectorial and axial Lie-algebra generators, respectively, the requirement that  $\gamma$  couples vectorially leads to the condition

$$c = -d . \tag{A-2.5}$$

Using this result plus previous equations, one obtains for the neutral part of the connection the expression

$$A_{nc} = \gamma Q_{em} + Z^0(I_L^3 - \sin^2\theta_W Q_{em}) . \quad (\text{A-2.6})$$

Here the electromagnetic charge  $Q_{em}$  and the weak isospin are defined by

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{em} &= \Sigma^{12} + \frac{(n_+1_+ + n_-1_-)}{6} , \\ I_L^3 &= \frac{(\Sigma^{12} - \Sigma^{03})}{2} . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-2.6})$$

The fields  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  are defined via the relations

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= 6d\bar{\gamma} = \frac{6}{(a+b)}(aX + bY) , \\ Z^0 &= 4(a+b)\bar{Z}^0 = 4(X - Y) . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-2.6})$$

The value of the Weinberg angle is given by

$$\sin^2\theta_W = \frac{3b}{2(a+b)} , \quad (\text{A-2.7})$$

and is not fixed completely. Observe that right handed neutrinos decouple completely from the electro-weak interactions.

The determination of the value of Weinberg angle is a dynamical problem. The angle is completely fixed once the YM action is fixed by requiring that action contains no cross term of type  $\gamma Z^0$ . Pure symmetry non-broken electro-weak YM action leads to a definite value for the Weinberg angle. One can however add a symmetry breaking term proportional to Kähler action and this changes the value of the Weinberg angle.

To evaluate the value of the Weinberg angle one can express the neutral part  $F_{nc}$  of the induced gauge field as

$$F_{nc} = 2R_{03}\Sigma^{03} + 2R_{12}\Sigma^{12} + J(n_+1_+ + n_-1_-) , \quad (\text{A-2.8})$$

where one has

$$\begin{aligned} R_{03} &= 2(2e^0 \wedge e^3 + e^1 \wedge e^2) , \\ R_{12} &= 2(e^0 \wedge e^3 + 2e^1 \wedge e^2) , \\ J &= 2(e^0 \wedge e^3 + e^1 \wedge e^2) , \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-2.7})$$

in terms of the fields  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  (photon and  $Z$ - boson)

$$F_{nc} = \gamma Q_{em} + Z^0(I_L^3 - \sin^2\theta_W Q_{em}) . \quad (\text{A-2.8})$$

Evaluating the expressions above one obtains for  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  the expressions

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma &= 3J - \sin^2\theta_W R_{03} \ , \\ Z^0 &= 2R_{03} \ .\end{aligned}\tag{A-2.8}$$

For the Kähler field one obtains

$$J = \frac{1}{3}(\gamma + \sin^2\theta_W Z^0) \ .\tag{A-2.9}$$

Expressing the neutral part of the symmetry broken YM action

$$\begin{aligned}L_{ew} &= L_{sym} + f J^{\alpha\beta} J_{\alpha\beta} \ , \\ L_{sym} &= \frac{1}{4g^2} Tr(F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}) \ ,\end{aligned}\tag{A-2.9}$$

where the trace is taken in spinor representation, in terms of  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  one obtains for the coefficient  $X$  of the  $\gamma Z^0$  cross term (this coefficient must vanish) the expression

$$\begin{aligned}X &= -\frac{K}{2g^2} + \frac{fp}{18} \ , \\ K &= Tr [Q_{em}(I_L^3 - \sin^2\theta_W Q_{em})] \ ,\end{aligned}\tag{A-2.9}$$

In the general case the value of the coefficient  $K$  is given by

$$K = \sum_i \left[ -\frac{(18 + 2n_i^2)\sin^2\theta_W}{9} \right] \ ,\tag{A-2.10}$$

where the sum is over the spinor chiralities, which appear as elementary fermions and  $n_i$  is the integer describing the coupling of the spinor field to the Kähler potential. The cross term vanishes provided the value of the Weinberg angle is given by

$$\sin^2\theta_W = \frac{9 \sum_i 1}{(fg^2 + 2 \sum_i (18 + n_i^2))} \ .\tag{A-2.11}$$

In the scenario where both leptons and quarks are elementary fermions the value of the Weinberg angle is given by

$$\sin^2\theta_W = \frac{9}{(\frac{fg^2}{2} + 28)} \ .\tag{A-2.12}$$

The bare value of the Weinberg angle is  $9/28$  in this scenario, which is quite close to the typical value  $9/24$  of GUTs [B41] .

## A-2.2 Discrete symmetries

The treatment of discrete symmetries C, P, and T is based on the following requirements:

- a) Symmetries must be realized as purely geometric transformations.
- b) Transformation properties of the field variables should be essentially the same as in the conventional quantum field theories [B9] .

The action of the reflection  $P$  on spinors of is given by

$$\Psi \rightarrow P\Psi = \gamma^0 \otimes \gamma^0 \Psi . \quad (\text{A-2.13})$$

in the representation of the gamma matrices for which  $\gamma^0$  is diagonal. It should be noticed that  $W$  and  $Z^0$  bosons break parity symmetry as they should since their charge matrices do not commute with the matrix of  $P$ .

The guess that a complex conjugation in  $CP_2$  is associated with T transformation of the physicist turns out to be correct. One can verify by a direct calculation that pure Dirac action is invariant under T realized according to

$$\begin{aligned} m^k &\rightarrow T(M^k) , \\ \xi^k &\rightarrow \bar{\xi}^k , \\ \Psi &\rightarrow \gamma^1 \gamma^3 \otimes 1 \Psi . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-2.12})$$

The operation bearing closest resemblance to the ordinary charge conjugation corresponds geometrically to complex conjugation in  $CP_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \xi^k &\rightarrow \bar{\xi}^k , \\ \Psi &\rightarrow \Psi^\dagger \gamma^2 \gamma^0 \otimes 1 . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-2.12})$$

As one might have expected symmetries CP and T are exact symmetries of the pure Dirac action.

## A-3 Basic facts about induced gauge fields

Since the classical gauge fields are closely related in TGD framework, it is not possible to have space-time sheets carrying only single kind of gauge field. For instance, em fields are accompanied by  $Z^0$  fields for extremals of Kähler action. Weak forces is however absent unless the space-time sheets contains topologically condensed exotic weakly charged particles responding to this force. Same applies to classical color forces. The fact that these long range fields are present forces to assume that there exists a hierarchy of scaled up variants of standard model physics identifiable in terms of dark matter.

Classical em fields are always accompanied by  $Z^0$  field and some components of color gauge field. For extremals having homologically non-trivial sphere as a  $CP_2$  projection em and  $Z^0$  fields are the only non-vanishing electroweak gauge fields. For homologically trivial sphere only  $W$  fields are non-vanishing. Color rotations does not affect the situation.

For vacuum extremals all electro-weak gauge fields are in general non-vanishing although the net gauge field has  $U(1)$  holonomy by 2-dimensionality of the  $CP_2$  projection. Color gauge field has  $U(1)$  holonomy for all space-time surfaces and quantum classical correspondence suggest a weak form of color confinement meaning that physical states correspond to color neutral members of color multiplets.

### A-3.1 Induced gauge fields for space-times for which $CP_2$ projection is a geodesic sphere

If one requires that space-time surface is an extremal of Kähler action and has a 2-dimensional  $CP_2$  projection, only vacuum extremals and space-time surfaces for which  $CP_2$  projection is a geodesic sphere, are allowed. Homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere correspond to vanishing  $W$  fields and homologically non-trivial sphere to non-vanishing  $W$  fields but vanishing  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$ . This can be verified by explicit examples.

$r = \infty$  surface gives rise to a homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere for which  $e_0$  and  $e_3$  vanish imply the vanishing of  $W$  field. For space-time sheets for which  $CP_2$  projection is  $r = \infty$  homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere of  $CP_2$  one has

$$\gamma = \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{\sin^2(\theta_W)}{2}\right)Z^0 \simeq \frac{5Z^0}{8} .$$

The induced  $W$  fields vanish in this case and they vanish also for all geodesic sphere obtained by  $SU(3)$  rotation.

$Im(\xi^1) = Im(\xi^2) = 0$  corresponds to homologically trivial geodesic sphere. A more general representative is obtained by using for the phase angles of standard complex  $CP_2$  coordinates constant values. In this case  $e^1$  and  $e^3$  vanish so that the induced em,  $Z^0$ , and Kähler fields vanish but induced  $W$  fields are non-vanishing. This holds also for surfaces obtained by color rotation. Hence one can say that for non-vacuum extremals with 2-D  $CP_2$  projection color rotations and weak symmetries commute.

### A-3.2 Space-time surfaces with vanishing em, $Z^0$ , or Kähler fields

In the following the induced gauge fields are studied for general space-time surface without assuming the extremal property. In fact, extremal property reduces the study to the study of vacuum extremals and surfaces having geodesic sphere as a  $CP_2$  projection and in this sense the following arguments are somewhat obsolete in their generality.

#### Space-times with vanishing em, $Z^0$ , or Kähler fields

The following considerations apply to a more general situation in which the homologically trivial geodesic sphere and extremal property are not assumed. It must be emphasized that this case is possible in TGD framework only for a vanishing Kähler field.

Using spherical coordinates  $(r, \Theta, \Psi, \Phi)$  for  $CP_2$ , the expression of Kähler form reads as

$$\begin{aligned} J &= \frac{r}{F^2} dr \wedge (d\Psi + \cos(\Theta)d\Phi) + \frac{r^2}{2F} \sin(\Theta)d\Theta \wedge d\Phi , \\ F &= 1 + r^2 . \end{aligned} \tag{A-3.0}$$

The general expression of electromagnetic field reads as

$$\begin{aligned} F_{em} &= (3 + 2p) \frac{r}{F^2} dr \wedge (d\Psi + \cos(\Theta)d\Phi) + (3 + p) \frac{r^2}{2F} \sin(\Theta)d\Theta \wedge d\Phi , \\ p &= \sin^2(\Theta_W) , \end{aligned} \tag{A-3.0}$$

where  $\Theta_W$  denotes Weinberg angle.

a) The vanishing of the electromagnetic fields is guaranteed, when the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= k\Phi , \\ (3+2p)\frac{1}{r^2 F}(d(r^2)/d\Theta)(k+\cos(\Theta)) + (3+p)\sin(\Theta) &= 0 , \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-3.0})$$

hold true. The conditions imply that  $CP_2$  projection of the electromagnetically neutral space-time is 2-dimensional. Solving the differential equation one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} r &= \sqrt{\frac{X}{1-X}} , \\ X &= D \left[ \left| \frac{k+u}{C} \right| \right]^\epsilon , \\ u &\equiv \cos(\Theta) , \quad C = k + \cos(\Theta_0) , \quad D = \frac{r_0^2}{1+r_0^2} , \quad \epsilon = \frac{3+p}{3+2p} , \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-3.1})$$

where  $C$  and  $D$  are integration constants.  $0 \leq X \leq 1$  is required by the reality of  $r$ .  $r = 0$  would correspond to  $X = 0$  giving  $u = -k$  achieved only for  $|k| \leq 1$  and  $r = \infty$  to  $X = 1$  giving  $|u+k| = [(1+r_0^2)/r_0^2]^{(3+2p)/(3+p)}$  achieved only for

$$\text{sign}(u+k) \times \left[ \frac{1+r_0^2}{r_0^2} \right]^{\frac{3+2p}{3+p}} \leq k+1 ,$$

where  $\text{sign}(x)$  denotes the sign of  $x$ .

The expressions for Kähler form and  $Z^0$  field are given by

$$\begin{aligned} J &= -\frac{p}{3+2p} X du \wedge d\Phi , \\ Z^0 &= -\frac{6}{p} J . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-3.1})$$

The components of the electromagnetic field generated by varying vacuum parameters are proportional to the components of the Kähler field: in particular, the magnetic field is parallel to the Kähler magnetic field. The generation of a long range  $Z^0$  vacuum field is a purely TGD based feature not encountered in the standard gauge theories.

b) The vanishing of  $Z^0$  fields is achieved by the replacement of the parameter  $\epsilon$  with  $\epsilon = 1/2$  as becomes clear by considering the condition stating that  $Z^0$  field vanishes identically. Also the relationship  $F_{em} = 3J = -\frac{3}{4} \frac{r^2}{F} du \wedge d\Phi$  is useful.

c) The vanishing Kähler field corresponds to  $\epsilon = 1, p = 0$  in the formula for em neutral space-times. In this case classical em and  $Z^0$  fields are proportional to each other:

$$\begin{aligned} Z^0 &= 2e^0 \wedge e^3 = \frac{r}{F^2} (k+u) \frac{\partial r}{\partial u} du \wedge d\Phi = (k+u) du \wedge d\Phi , \\ r &= \sqrt{\frac{X}{1-X}} , \quad X = D|k+u| , \\ \gamma &= -\frac{p}{2} Z^0 . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A-3.2})$$

For a vanishing value of Weinberg angle ( $p = 0$ ) em field vanishes and only  $Z^0$  field remains as a long range gauge field. Vacuum extremals for which long range  $Z^0$  field vanishes but em field is non-vanishing are not possible.

### The effective form of $CP_2$ metric for surfaces with 2-dimensional $CP_2$ projection

The effective form of the  $CP_2$  metric for a space-time having vanishing  $em, Z^0$ , or Kähler field is of practical value in the case of vacuum extremals and is given by

$$\begin{aligned} ds_{eff}^2 &= (s_{rr}(\frac{dr}{d\Theta})^2 + s_{\Theta\Theta})d\Theta^2 + (s_{\Phi\Phi} + 2ks_{\Phi\Psi})d\Phi^2 = \frac{R^2}{4}[s_{\Theta\Theta}^{eff}d\Theta^2 + s_{\Phi\Phi}^{eff}d\Phi^2] , \\ s_{\Theta\Theta}^{eff} &= X \times \left[ \frac{\epsilon^2(1-u^2)}{(k+u)^2} \times \frac{1}{1-X} + 1 - X \right] , \\ s_{\Phi\Phi}^{eff} &= X \times [(1-X)(k+u)^2 + 1 - u^2] , \end{aligned} \quad (A-3.-3)$$

and is useful in the construction of vacuum imbedding of, say Schwartzchild metric.

### Topological quantum numbers

Space-times for which either  $em, Z^0$ , or Kähler field vanishes decompose into regions characterized by six vacuum parameters: two of these quantum numbers ( $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$ ) are frequency type parameters, two ( $k_1$  and  $k_2$ ) are wave vector like quantum numbers, two of the quantum numbers ( $n_1$  and  $n_2$ ) are integers. The parameters  $\omega_i$  and  $n_i$  will be referred as electric and magnetic quantum numbers. The existence of these quantum numbers is not a feature of these solutions alone but represents a much more general phenomenon differentiating in a clear cut manner between TGD and Maxwell's electrodynamics.

The simplest manner to avoid surface Kähler charges and discontinuities or infinities in the derivatives of  $CP_2$  coordinates on the common boundary of two neighboring regions with different vacuum quantum numbers is topological field quantization, 3-space decomposes into disjoint topological field quanta, 3-surfaces having outer boundaries with possibly macroscopic size.

Under rather general conditions the coordinates  $\Psi$  and  $\Phi$  can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi &= \omega_2 m^0 + k_2 m^3 + n_2 \phi + \text{Fourier expansion} , \\ \Phi &= \omega_1 m^0 + k_1 m^3 + n_1 \phi + \text{Fourier expansion} . \end{aligned} \quad (A-3.-3)$$

$m^0, m^3$  and  $\phi$  denote the coordinate variables of the cylindrical  $M^4$  coordinates) so that one has  $k = \omega_2/\omega_1 = n_2/n_1 = k_2/k_1$ . The regions of the space-time surface with given values of the vacuum parameters  $\omega_i, k_i$  and  $n_i$  and  $m$  and  $C$  are bounded by the surfaces at which space-time surface becomes ill-defined, say by  $r > 0$  or  $r < \infty$  surfaces.

The space-time surface decomposes into regions characterized by different values of the vacuum parameters  $r_0$  and  $\Theta_0$ . At  $r = \infty$  surfaces  $n_2, \omega_2$  and  $m$  can change since all values of  $\Psi$  correspond to the same point of  $CP_2$ : at  $r = 0$  surfaces also  $n_1$  and  $\omega_1$  can change since all values of  $\Phi$  correspond to same point of  $CP_2$ , too. If  $r = 0$  or  $r = \infty$  is not in the allowed range space-time surface develops a boundary.

This implies what might be called topological quantization since in general it is not possible to find a smooth global imbedding for, say a constant magnetic field. Although global imbedding exists it decomposes into regions with different values of the vacuum parameters and the coordinate  $u$  in general possesses discontinuous derivative at  $r = 0$  and  $r = \infty$  surfaces. A possible manner to avoid edges of space-time is to allow field quantization so that 3-space (and field) decomposes into disjoint quanta, which can be regarded as structurally stable units a 3-space (and of the gauge field). This doesn't exclude partial join along boundaries for neighboring field quanta provided some additional conditions guaranteeing the absence of edges are satisfied.

For instance, the vanishing of the electromagnetic fields implies that the condition

$$\Omega \equiv \frac{\omega_2}{n_2} - \frac{\omega_1}{n_1} = 0 \quad , \quad (\text{A-3.-2})$$

is satisfied. In particular, the ratio  $\omega_2/\omega_1$  is rational number for the electromagnetically neutral regions of space-time surface. The change of the parameter  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  ( $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$ ) in general generates magnetic field and therefore these integers will be referred to as magnetic (electric) quantum numbers.

## A-4 p-Adic numbers and TGD

### A-4.1 p-Adic number fields

p-Adic numbers ( $p$  is prime: 2,3,5,...) can be regarded as a completion of the rational numbers using a norm, which is different from the ordinary norm of real numbers [A37]. p-Adic numbers are representable as power expansion of the prime number  $p$  of form:

$$x = \sum_{k \geq k_0} x(k)p^k, \quad x(k) = 0, \dots, p-1 \quad . \quad (\text{A-4.1})$$

The norm of a p-adic number is given by

$$|x| = p^{-k_0(x)} \quad . \quad (\text{A-4.2})$$

Here  $k_0(x)$  is the lowest power in the expansion of the p-adic number. The norm differs drastically from the norm of the ordinary real numbers since it depends on the lowest binary digit of the p-adic number only. Arbitrarily high powers in the expansion are possible since the norm of the p-adic number is finite also for numbers, which are infinite with respect to the ordinary norm. A convenient representation for p-adic numbers is in the form

$$x = p^{k_0} \varepsilon(x) \quad , \quad (\text{A-4.3})$$

where  $\varepsilon(x) = k + \dots$  with  $0 < k < p$ , is p-adic number with unit norm and analogous to the phase factor  $\exp(i\phi)$  of a complex number.

The distance function  $d(x, y) = |x - y|_p$  defined by the p-adic norm possesses a very general property called ultra-metricity:

$$d(x, z) \leq \max\{d(x, y), d(y, z)\} \quad . \quad (\text{A-4.4})$$

The properties of the distance function make it possible to decompose  $R_p$  into a union of disjoint sets using the criterion that  $x$  and  $y$  belong to same class if the distance between  $x$  and  $y$  satisfies the condition

$$d(x, y) \leq D \quad . \quad (\text{A-4.5})$$



This division of the metric space into classes has following properties:

- a) Distances between the members of two different classes  $X$  and  $Y$  do not depend on the choice of points  $x$  and  $y$  inside classes. One can therefore speak about distance function between classes.
- b) Distances of points  $x$  and  $y$  inside single class are smaller than distances between different classes.
- c) Classes form a hierarchical tree.

Notice that the concept of the ultra-metricity emerged in physics from the models for spin glasses and is believed to have also applications in biology [B35] . The emergence of p-adic topology as the topology of the effective space-time would make ultra-metricity property basic feature of physics.

### A-4.2 Canonical correspondence between p-adic and real numbers

The basic challenge encountered by p-adic physicist is how to map the predictions of the p-adic physics to real numbers. p-Adic probabilities provide a basic example in this respect. Identification via common rationals and canonical identification and its variants have turned out to play a key role in this respect.

#### Basic form of canonical identification

There exists a natural continuous map  $I : R_p \rightarrow R_+$  from p-adic numbers to non-negative real numbers given by the "pinary" expansion of the real number for  $x \in R$  and  $y \in R_p$  this correspondence reads

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= \sum_{k > N} y_k p^k \rightarrow x = \sum_{k < N} y_k p^{-k} , \\
 y_k &\in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\} .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{A-4.5}$$

This map is continuous as one easily finds out. There is however a little difficulty associated with the definition of the inverse map since the pinary expansion like also decimal expansion is not unique ( $1 = 0.999\dots$ ) for the real numbers  $x$ , which allow pinary expansion with finite number of pinary digits

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \sum_{k=N_0}^N x_k p^{-k} , \\
 x &= \sum_{k=N_0}^{N-1} x_k p^{-k} + (x_N - 1)p^{-N} + (p-1)p^{-N-1} \sum_{k=0, \dots} p^{-k} .
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{A-4.4}$$

The p-adic images associated with these expansions are different

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_1 &= \sum_{k=N_0}^N x_k p^k , \\
 y_2 &= \sum_{k=N_0}^{N-1} x_k p^k + (x_N - 1)p^N + (p-1)p^{N+1} \sum_{k=0, \dots} p^k \\
 &= y_1 + (x_N - 1)p^N - p^{N+1} ,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{A-4.3}$$

so that the inverse map is either two-valued for p-adic numbers having expansion with finite pinary digits or single valued and discontinuous and non-surjective if one makes pinary expansion unique by choosing the one with finite pinary digits. The finite pinary digit expansion is a natural choice since in the numerical work one always must use a pinary cutoff on the real axis.

**The topology induced by canonical identification**

The topology induced by the canonical identification in the set of positive real numbers differs from the ordinary topology. The difference is easily understood by interpreting the p-adic norm as a norm in the set of the real numbers. The norm is constant in each interval  $[p^k, p^{k+1})$  (see Fig. A-4.2) and is equal to the usual real norm at the points  $x = p^k$ : the usual linear norm is replaced with a piecewise constant norm. This means that p-adic topology is coarser than the usual real topology and the higher the value of  $p$  is, the coarser the resulting topology is above a given length scale. This hierarchical ordering of the p-adic topologies will be a central feature as far as the proposed applications of the p-adic numbers are considered.

Ordinary continuity implies p-adic continuity since the norm induced from the p-adic topology is rougher than the ordinary norm. p-Adic continuity implies ordinary continuity from right as is clear already from the properties of the p-adic norm (the graph of the norm is indeed continuous from right). This feature is one clear signature of the p-adic topology.

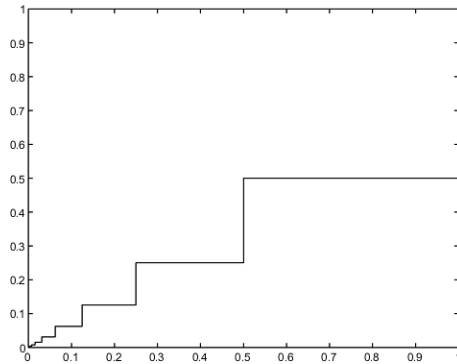


Figure 1: The real norm induced by canonical identification from 2-adic norm.

The linear structure of the p-adic numbers induces a corresponding structure in the set of the non-negative real numbers and p-adic linearity in general differs from the ordinary concept of linearity. For example, p-adic sum is equal to real sum only provided the summands have no common pinary digits. Furthermore, the condition  $x +_p y < \max\{x, y\}$  holds in general for the p-adic sum of the real numbers. p-Adic multiplication is equivalent with the ordinary multiplication only provided that either of the members of the product is power of  $p$ . Moreover one has  $x \times_p y < x \times y$  in general. The p-Adic negative  $-1_p$  associated with p-adic unit 1 is given by  $(-1)_p = \sum_k (p - 1)p^k$  and defines p-adic negative for each real number  $x$ . An interesting possibility is that p-adic linearity might replace the ordinary linearity in some strongly nonlinear systems so these systems would look simple in the p-adic topology.

These results suggest that canonical identification is involved with some deeper mathematical structure. The following inequalities hold true:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x + y)_R &\leq x_R + y_R \ , \\
 |x|_p |y|_R \leq (xy)_R &\leq x_R y_R \ ,
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{A-4.3}$$

where  $|x|_p$  denotes p-adic norm. These inequalities can be generalized to the case of  $(R_p)^n$  (a linear vector space over the p-adic numbers).

$$\begin{aligned} (x+y)_R &\leq x_R + y_R , \\ |\lambda|_p |y|_R &\leq (\lambda y)_R \leq \lambda_R y_R , \end{aligned} \tag{A-4.3}$$

where the norm of the vector  $x \in T_p^n$  is defined in some manner. The case of Euclidian space suggests the definition

$$(x_R)^2 = \left( \sum_n x_n^2 \right)_R . \tag{A-4.4}$$

These inequalities resemble those satisfied by the vector norm. The only difference is the failure of linearity in the sense that the norm of a scaled vector is not obtained by scaling the norm of the original vector. Ordinary situation prevails only if the scaling corresponds to a power of  $p$ .

These observations suggests that the concept of a normed space or Banach space might have a generalization and physically the generalization might apply to the description of some non-linear systems. The nonlinearity would be concentrated in the nonlinear behavior of the norm under scaling.

#### Modified form of the canonical identification

The original form of the canonical identification is continuous but does not respect symmetries even approximately. This led to a search of variants which would do better in this respect. The modification of the canonical identification applying to rationals only and given by

$$I_Q(q = p^k \times \frac{r}{s}) = p^k \times \frac{I(r)}{I(s)} \tag{A-4.5}$$

is uniquely defined for rationals, maps rationals to rationals, has also a symmetry under exchange of target and domain. This map reduces to a direct identification of rationals for  $0 \leq r < p$  and  $0 \leq s < p$ . It has turned out that it is this map which most naturally appears in the applications. The map is obviously continuous locally since p-adically small modifications of  $r$  and  $s$  mean small modifications of the real counterparts.

Canonical identification is in a key role in the successful predictions of the elementary particle masses. The predictions for the light elementary particle masses are within extreme accuracy same for  $I$  and  $I_Q$  but  $I_Q$  is theoretically preferred since the real probabilities obtained from p-adic ones by  $I_Q$  sum up to one in p-adic thermodynamics.

#### Generalization of number concept and notion of imbedding space

TGD forces an extension of number concept: roughly a fusion of reals and various p-adic number fields along common rationals is in question. This induces a similar fusion of real and p-adic imbedding spaces. Since finite p-adic numbers correspond always to non-negative reals  $n$ -dimensional space  $R^n$  must be covered by  $2^n$  copies of the p-adic variant  $R_p^n$  of  $R^n$  each of which projects to a copy of  $R_+^n$  (four quadrants in the case of plane). The common points of p-adic and real imbedding spaces are rational points and most p-adic points are at real infinity.

For a given p-adic space-time sheet most points are literally infinite as real points and the projection to the real imbedding space consists of a discrete set of rational points: the interpretation in terms of the unavoidable discreteness of the physical representations of cognition is natural.

Purely local p-adic physics implies real p-adic fractality and thus long range correlations for the real space-time surfaces having enough common points with this projection.

p-Adic fractality means that  $M^4$  projections for the rational points of space-time surface  $X^4$  are related by a direct identification whereas  $CP_2$  coordinates of  $X^4$  at these points are related by  $I, I_Q$  or some of its variants implying long range correlates for  $CP_2$  coordinates. Since only a discrete set of points are related in this manner, both real and p-adic field equations can be satisfied and there are no problems with symmetries. p-Adic effective topology is expected to be a good approximation only within some length scale range which means infrared and UV cutoffs. Also multi-p-fractality is possible.

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