

Weak Form of Electric-magnetic Duality and Its Implications

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Abstract

The notion of electric-magnetic duality emerged already two decades ago in the attempts to formulate the Kähler geometry of the "world of classical worlds". Quite recently a considerable step of progress took place in the understanding of this notion. This concept leads to the identification of the physical particles as string like objects defined by magnetic charged wormhole throats connected by magnetic flux tubes. 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. This picture generalizes to magnetic color confinement. Electric-magnetic duality leads also to a detailed understanding of how TGD reduces to almost topological quantum field theory. The condition that the theory reduces to almost topological QFT and the hydrodynamical character of field equations leads to a detailed ansatz for the general solution of field equations and also for the solutions of the modified Dirac equation relying on the notion of Beltrami flow for which the flow parameter associated with the flow lines defined by a conserved current extends to a global coordinate. This makes the theory in well-defined sense completely integrable. Also Dirac determinant conjectured to represent Kähler function can be calculated explicitly in terms of the geometric data characterizing 3-surfaces.

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1 Introduction

The notion of electric-magnetic duality [22] 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 [8]. 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 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.

2.1 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 δM_{\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 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

$$J^{03} \sqrt{g_4} = K J_{12} . \quad (2.1)$$

A more general form of this duality is suggested by the considerations of [7] reducing the hierarchy of Planck constants to basic quantum TGD and also reducing Kähler function for preferred extremals to Chern-Simons terms [21] at the boundaries of CD and at light-like wormhole throats. This form is following

$$J^{n\beta} \sqrt{g_4} = K \epsilon \times \epsilon^{n\beta\gamma\delta} J_{\gamma\delta} \sqrt{g_4} . \quad (2.2)$$

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. ϵ 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

$$J_e + J_m = (1 + K)J , \quad (2.3)$$

where J 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 .

2.2 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 [20] read as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma &= \frac{eF_{em}}{\hbar} = 3J - \sin^2(\theta_W)R_{03} , \\ Z^0 &= \frac{g_Z F_Z}{\hbar} = 2R_{03} . \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

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

$$J = \frac{e}{3\hbar} F_{em} + \sin^2(\theta_W) \frac{g_Z}{6\hbar} F_Z . \quad (2.5)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^2}{3\hbar} Q_{em} + \frac{g_Z^2 p}{6} Q_{Z,V} &= K \oint J = Kn , \\ Q_{Z,V} &= \frac{I_V^3}{2} - Q_{em} , \quad p = \sin^2(\theta_W) . \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{em} Q_{em} + p \frac{\alpha_Z}{2} Q_{Z,V} &= \frac{3}{4\pi} \times rnK , \\ \alpha_{em} &= \frac{e^2}{4\pi\hbar_0} , \quad \alpha_Z = \frac{g_Z^2}{4\pi\hbar_0} = \frac{\alpha_{em}}{p(1-p)} . \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

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 α_{em} and α_Z . This however requires weak isospin invariance.

2.3 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 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 α_{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 [18] 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.

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

3 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.

3.1 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 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!

3.2 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 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 1.6×10^4 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 [25].

3.3 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 [13]. 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 [19]. 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 [17].

3.4 Should $J + J_1$ appear in Kähler action?

The presence of the S^2 Kähler form J_1 in the weak form of electric-magnetic duality was originally suggested by an erratic argument about the reduction to almost topological QFT to be described in the next subsection. In any case this argument raises the question whether one could replace J with $J + J_1$ in the Kähler action. This would not affect the basic non-vacuum extremals but would modify the vacuum degeneracy of the Kähler action. Canonically imbedded M^4 would become a monopole configuration with an infinite magnetic energy and Kähler action due to the monopole singularity at the line connecting tips of the CD . Action and energy can be made small by drilling a small hole around origin. This is however not consistent with the weak form of electro-weak duality. Amusingly, the modified Dirac equation reduces to ordinary massless Dirac equation in M^4 .

This extremal can be transformed to a vacuum extremal by assuming that the solution is also a CP_2 magnetic monopole with opposite contribution to the magnetic charge so that $J + J_1 = 0$ holds true. This is achieved if one can regard space-time surface as a map $M^4 \rightarrow CP_2$ reducing to a map $(\Theta, \Phi) = (\theta, \pm\phi)$ with the sign chosen by properly projecting the homologically non-trivial $r_M = \text{constant}$ spheres of CD to the homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere of CP_2 . Symplectic transformations of $S^2 \times CP_2$ produce new vacuum extremals of this kind. Using Darboux coordinates in which one has $J = \sum_{k=1,2} P_k dQ^k$ and assuming that (P_1, Q_1) corresponds to the CP_2 image of S^2 , one can take Q_2 to be arbitrary function of P^2 , which in turn is an arbitrary function of M^4 coordinates to obtain even more general vacuum extremals with 3-D CP_2 projection. Therefore the spectrum of vacuum extremals, which is very relevant for the TGD based description of gravitation in long length scales because it allows to satisfy Einstein's equations as an additional condition, looks much richer than for the original option, and it is natural to ask whether this option might make sense.

An objection is that J_1 is a radial monopole field and this breaks Lorentz invariance to $SO(3)$. Lorentz invariance is broken to $SO(3)$ for a given CD also by the presence of the preferred time direction defined by the time-like line connecting the tips of the CD becoming carrying the monopole charge but is compensated since Lorentz boosts of CD s are possible. Could one consider similar compensation also now? Certainly the extremely small breaking of Lorentz invariance and the vanishing of the monopole charge for the vacuum extremals is all that is needed at the space-time level. No new gauge fields would be introduced since only the Kähler field part of photon and Z^0 boson would receive an additional contribution.

The ultimate fate of the modification depends on whether it is consistent with the general relativistic description of gravitation. Since a breaking of spherical symmetry is involved, it is not at all clear whether one can find vacuum extremals which represent small deformations of the Reissner-Nordström metric and Robertson-Walker metric. The argument below shows that this option does not allow the imbedding of small deformations of physically plausible space-time metrics as vacuum extremals.

The basic vacuum extremal whose deformations should give vacuum extremals allowing interpretation as solutions of Einstein's equations is given by a map $M^4 \rightarrow CP_2$ projecting the r_M constant spheres S^2 of M^2 to the homologically non-trivial geodesic sphere of CP_2 . The winding number of this map is -1 in order to achieve vanishing of the induced Kähler form $J + J_1$. For instance, the following two canonical forms of the map are possible

$$\begin{aligned} (\Theta, \Psi) &= (\theta_M, -\phi_M) , \\ (\Theta, \Psi) &= (\pi - \theta_M, \phi_M) . \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Here (Θ, Ψ) refers to the geodesic sphere of CP_2 and (θ_M, ϕ_M) to the sphere of M^4 . The resulting space-time surface is not flat and Einstein tensor is non-vanishing. More complex metrics can be constructed from this metric by a deformation making the CP_2 projection 3-dimensional.

Using the expression of the CP_2 line element in Eguchi-Hanson coordinates [A8]

$$\frac{ds^2}{R^2} = \frac{dr^2}{F^2} + \frac{r^2}{F} (d\Psi + \cos\Theta d\Phi)^2 + \frac{r^2}{4F} (d\Theta^2 + \text{frac}{r^2}{4F} \sin^2\Theta d\Phi^2) \tag{3.2}$$

and using the relationship $r = \tan(\Theta)$, one obtains following expression for the CP_2 metric

$$\frac{ds^2}{R^2} = d\theta_M^2 + \sin^2(\theta_M) \left[(d\phi_M + \cos(\theta) d\Phi)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (d\theta^2 + \sin^2(\theta) d\Phi^2) \right] . \tag{3.3}$$

The resulting metric is obtained from the metric of S^2 by replacing $d\phi^2$ which 3-D line element. The factor $\sin^2(\theta_M)$ implies that the induced metric becomes singular at North and South poles of S^2 . In particular, the gravitational potential is proportional to $\sin^2(\theta_M)$ so that gravitational force in the radial direction vanishes at equators. It is very difficult to imagine any manner to produce a small deformation of Reissner-Nordström metric or Robertson-Walker metric. Hence it seems that the vacuum extremals produce by $J + J_1$ option are not physical.

4 Could Quantum TGD reduce to almost topological QFT?

There seems to be a profound connection with the earlier unrealistic proposal that TGD reduces to almost topological quantum theory in the sense that the counterpart of Chern-Simons action assigned with the wormhole throats somehow dictates the dynamics. This proposal can be formulated also for the modified Dirac action action. I gave up this proposal but the following argument shows that Kähler action with weak form of electric-magnetic duality effectively reduces to Chern-Simons action plus Coulomb term.

1. Kähler action density can be written as a 4-dimensional integral of the Coulomb term $j_K^\alpha A_\alpha$ plus and integral of the boundary term $J^{n\beta} A_\beta \sqrt{g_4}$ over the wormhole throats and of the quantity $J^{0\beta} A_\beta \sqrt{g_4}$ over the ends of the 3-surface.
2. If the self-duality conditions generalize to $J^{n\beta} = 4\pi\alpha_K \epsilon^{n\beta\gamma\delta} J_{\gamma\delta}$ at throats and to $J^{0\beta} = 4\pi\alpha_K \epsilon^{0\beta\gamma\delta} J_{\gamma\delta}$ at the ends, the Kähler function reduces to the counterpart of Chern-Simons action evaluated at the ends and throats. It would have same value for each branch and the replacement $\hbar_0 \rightarrow r\hbar_0$ would effectively describe this. Boundary conditions would however give $1/r$ factor so that \hbar would disappear from the Kähler function! The original attempt to realize quantum TGD as an almost topological QFT was in terms of Chern-Simons action but was given up. It is somewhat surprising that Kähler action gives Chern-Simons action in the vacuum sector defined as sector for which Kähler current is light-like or vanishes.

Holography encourages to ask whether also the Coulomb interaction terms could vanish. This kind of dimensional reduction would mean an enormous simplification since TGD would reduce to an almost topological QFT. The attribute "almost" would come from the fact that one has non-vanishing classical Noether charges defined by Kähler action and non-trivial quantum dynamics in M^4 degrees of freedom. One could also assign to space-time surfaces conserved four-momenta which is not possible in topological QFTs. For this reason the conditions guaranteeing the vanishing of Coulomb interaction term deserve a detailed analysis.

1. For the known extremals j_K^α either vanishes or is light-like ("massless extremals" for which weak self-duality condition does not make sense [14]) so that the Coulombic term vanishes identically in the gauge used. The addition of a gradient to A induces terms located at the ends and wormhole throats of the space-time surface but this term must be cancelled by the other boundary terms by gauge invariance of Kähler action. This implies that the M^4 part of WCW metric vanishes in this case. Therefore massless extremals as such are not physically realistic: wormhole throats representing particles are needed.
2. The original naive conclusion was that since Chern-Simons action depends on CP_2 coordinates only, its variation with respect to Minkowski coordinates must vanish so that the WCW metric would be trivial in M^4 degrees of freedom. This conclusion is in conflict with quantum classical correspondence and was indeed too hasty. The point is that the allowed variations of Kähler function must respect the weak electro-magnetic duality which relates Kähler electric field depending on the induced 4-metric at 3-surface to the Kähler magnetic field. Therefore the dependence on M^4 coordinates creeps via a Lagrange multiplier term

$$\int \Lambda_\alpha (J^{n\alpha} - K \epsilon^{n\alpha\beta\gamma} J_{\beta\gamma}) \sqrt{g_4} d^3x . \quad (4.1)$$

The (1,1) part of second variation contributing to M^4 metric comes from this term.

3. The Coulombic interaction term is not invariant under gauge transformations. The good news is that this might allow to find a gauge in which the Coulomb term vanishes. The vanishing condition fixing the gauge transformation ϕ is

$$j_K^\alpha \partial_\alpha \phi = -j^\alpha A_\alpha . \quad (4.2)$$

This differential equation can be reduced to an ordinary differential equation along the flow lines j_K by using $dx^\alpha/dt = j_K^\alpha$. Global solution is obtained only if one can combine the flow parameter t with three other coordinates- say those at the either end of CD to form space-time coordinates. The condition is that the parameter defining the coordinate differential is proportional to the covariant form of Kähler current: $dt = \phi j_K$. This condition in turn implies $d^2t = d(\phi j_K) = d\phi \wedge j_K + \phi dj_K = 0$ implying $j_K \wedge dj_K = 0$ or more concretely,

$$\epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} j_\beta^K \partial_\gamma j_\delta^K = 0 . \quad (4.3)$$

j_K is a four-dimensional counterpart of Beltrami field [23] and could be called generalized Beltrami field.

The integrability conditions follow also from the construction of the extremals of Kähler action [14]. The conjecture was that for the extremals the 4-dimensional Lorentz force vanishes (no dissipation): this requires $j_K \wedge J = 0$. One manner to guarantee this is the topologization of the Kähler current meaning that it is proportional to the instanton current: $j_K = \phi j_I$, where $j_I = *(J \wedge A)$ is the instanton current, which is not conserved for 4-D CP_2 projection. The conservation of j_K implies the condition $j_I^\alpha \partial_\alpha \phi = \partial_\alpha j_I^\alpha \phi$ and from this ϕ can be integrated if the integrability condition $j_I \wedge dj_I = 0$ holds true implying the same condition for j_K . By introducing at least 3 or CP_2 coordinates as space-time coordinates, one finds that the contravariant form of j_I is purely topological so that the integrability condition fixes the dependence on M^4 coordinates and this selection is coded into the scalar function ϕ . These functions define families of conserved currents $j_K^\alpha \phi$ and $j_I^\alpha \phi$ and could be also interpreted as conserved currents associated with the critical deformations of the space-time surface.

4. There are gauge transformations respecting the vanishing of the Coulomb term. The vanishing condition for the Coulomb term is gauge invariant only under the gauge transformations $A \rightarrow A + \nabla\phi$ for which the scalar function the integral $\int j_K^\alpha \partial_\alpha \phi$ reduces to a total divergence a giving an integral over various 3-surfaces at the ends of CD and at throats vanishes. This is satisfied if the allowed gauge transformations define conserved currents

$$D_\alpha(j^\alpha \phi) = 0 . \quad (4.4)$$

As a consequence Coulomb term reduces to a difference of the conserved charges $Q_\phi^e = \int j^0 \phi \sqrt{g_4} d^3x$ at the ends of the CD vanishing identically. The change of the imons type term is trivial if the total weighted Kähler magnetic flux $Q_\phi^m = \sum \int J \phi dA$ over wormhole throats is conserved. The existence of an infinite number of conserved weighted magnetic fluxes is in accordance with the electric-magnetic duality. How these fluxes relate to the flux Hamiltonians central for WCW geometry is not quite clear.

5. The gauge transformations respecting the reduction to almost topological QFT should have some special physical meaning. The measurement interaction term in the modified Dirac interaction corresponds to a critical deformation of the space-time sheet and is realized as an addition of a gauge part to the Kähler gauge potential of CP_2 . It would be natural to identify this gauge transformation giving rise to a conserved charge so that the conserved charges would provide a representation for the charges associated with the infinitesimal critical deformations not affecting Kähler action. The gauge transformed Kähler potential couples to the modified Dirac equation and its effect could be visible in the value of Kähler function and therefore also in the properties of the preferred extremal. The effect on WCW metric would however vanish since K would transform only by an addition of a real part of a holomorphic function. Kähler function is identified as a Dirac determinant for Chern-Simons Dirac action and the spectrum of this operator should not be invariant under these gauge transformations if this picture is correct. This is achieved if the gauge transformation is carried only in the Dirac action corresponding to the Chern-Simons term: this assumption is motivated by the breaking of time reversal invariance induced by quantum measurements. The modification of Kähler action can be guessed to correspond just to the Chern-Simons contribution from the instanton term.

6. A reasonable looking guess for the explicit realization of the quantum classical correspondence between quantum numbers and space-time geometry is that the deformation of the preferred extremal due to the addition of the measurement interaction term is induced by a $U(1)$ gauge transformation induced by a transformation of $\delta CD \times CP_2$ generating the gauge transformation represented by ϕ . This interpretation makes sense if the fluxes defined by Q_ϕ^m and corresponding Hamiltonians affect only zero modes rather than quantum fluctuating degrees of freedom.

To sum up, one could understand the basic properties of WCW metric in this framework. Effective 2-dimensionality would result from the existence of an infinite number of conserved charges in two different time directions (genuine conservation laws plus gauge fixing). The infinite-dimensional symmetric space for given values of zero modes corresponds to the Cartesian product of the WCWs associated with the partonic 2-surfaces at both ends of CD and the generalized Chern-Simons term decomposes into a sum of terms from the ends giving single particle Kähler functions and to the terms from light-like wormhole throats giving interaction term between positive and negative energy parts of the state. Hence Kähler function could be calculated without any knowledge about the interior of the space-time sheets and TGD would reduce to almost topological QFT as speculated earlier. Needless to say this would have immense boost to the program of constructing WCW Kähler geometry.

5 How to define Dirac determinant?

The basic challenge is to define Dirac determinant hoped to give rise to the exponent of Kähler action associated with the preferred extremal. The reduction to almost topological QFT gives this kind of expression in terms of Chern-Simons action and one might hope of obtaining even more concrete expression from the Chern-Simons Dirac determinant. The calculation of the previous section allowed to calculate the most general spectrum of the modified Dirac operator. If the number of the eigenvalues is infinite as the naive expectation is then Dirac determinant diverges if calculated as the product of the eigenvalues and one must calculate it by using some kind of regularization procedure. Zeta function regularization is the natural manner to do this.

The following arguments however lead to a concrete vision how the regularization could be avoided and a connection with infinite primes. In fact, the manifestly finite option and the option involving zeta function regularization give Kähler functions differing only by a scaling factor and only the manifestly finite option satisfies number theoretical constraints coming from p-adicization. An explicit expression for the Dirac determinant in terms of geometric data of the orbit of the partonic 2-surface emerges.

Arithmetic quantum field theory defined by infinite primes emerges naturally. The lines of the generalized Feynman graphs are characterized by infinite primes and the selection rules correlating the geometries of the lines of the generalized Feynman graphs corresponds to the conservation of the sum of number theoretic momenta $\log(p_i)$ assignable to sub-braids corresponding to different primes p_i assignable to the orbit of parton. This conforms with the vision that infinite primes indeed characterize the geometry of light-like 3-surfaces and therefore also of space-time sheets. The eigenvalues of the modified Dirac operator are proportional $1/\sqrt{p_i}$ where p_i are the primes appearing in the definition of the p-adic prime and the interpretation as analogs of Higgs vacuum expectation values makes sense and is consistent with p-adic length scale hypothesis and p-adic mass calculations. It must be emphasized that all this is essentially due to single basic hypothesis, namely the reduction of quantum TGD to almost topological QFT guaranteed by the Beltrami ansatz for field equations and by the weak form of electric-magnetic duality.

5.1 Dirac determinant when the number of eigenvalues is infinite

At first sight the general spectrum looks the only reasonable possibility but if the eigenvalues correlate with the geometry of the partonic surface as quantum classical correspondence suggests, this conclusion might be wrong. The original hope was the number of eigenvalues would be finite so that also determinant would be finite automatically. There were some justifications for this hope in the definition of Dirac determinant based on the dimensional reduction of D_K as $D_K = D_{K,3} + D_1$ and the identification of the generalized eigenvalues as those assigned to $D_{K,3}$ as analogs of energy eigenvalues assignable to the light-like 3-surface. It will be found that number theoretic input could allow to achieve a manifest finiteness in the case of D_{C-S} and that this option is the only possible one if number theoretic universality is required.

If there are no constraints on the eigenvalue spectrum of D_{C-S} for a given partonic orbit, the naive definition of the determinant gives an infinite result and one must define Dirac determinant using ζ function regularization implying that Kähler function reduces to the derivative of the zeta function $\zeta_D(s)$ -call it Dirac Zeta- associated with the eigenvalue spectrum.

Consider now the situation when the number of eigenvalues is infinite.

1. In this kind of situation zeta function regularization is the standard manner to define the Dirac determinant. What one does is to assign zeta function to the spectrum- let us call it Dirac zeta function and denote by $\zeta_D(s)$ - as

$$\zeta_D(s) = \sum_k \lambda_k^{-s} . \quad (5.1)$$

If the eigenvalue λ_k has degeneracy g_k it appears g_k times in the sum. In the case of harmonic oscillator one obtains Riemann zeta for which sum representation converges only for $Re(s) \geq 1$. Riemann zeta can be however analytically continued to the entire complex plane and the idea is that this can be done also in the more general case.

2. By the basic conjecture Kähler function corresponds to the logarithm of the Dirac determinant and equals to the sum of the logarithms of the eigenvalues

$$K = \log\left(\prod \lambda_k\right) = -\frac{d\zeta_D}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} . \quad (5.2)$$

The expression on the left hand side diverges if taken as such but the expression on the right had side based on the analytical continuation of the zeta function is completely well-defined and finite quantity. Note that the replacement of eigenvalues λ_k by their powers λ_k^n -or equivalently the increase of the degeneracy by a factor n - brings in only a factor n to K : $K \rightarrow nK$.

3. Dirac determinant involves in the minimal situation only the integer multiples of pseudo-mass scale $\lambda = 2\pi/L_{min}$. One can consider also rational and even algebraic multiples $qL_{min} < L_{max}$, $q \geq 1$, of L_{min} so that one would have several integer spectra simultaneously corresponding to different braids. Here L_{min} and L_{max} are the extrema of the braid strand length determined in terms of the effective metric as $L = \int (\hat{g}^{rr})^{-1/2} dr$. The question what multiples are involved will be needed later.
4. Each rational or algebraic multiple of L_{min} gives to the zeta function a contribution which is of same form so that one has

$$\zeta_D = \sum_q \zeta(\log(qx)s) , \quad x = \frac{L_{min}}{R} , \quad 1 \leq q < \frac{L_{max}}{L_{min}} . \quad (5.3)$$

Kähler function can be expressed as

$$K = \sum_n \log(\lambda_n) = -\frac{d\zeta_D(s)}{ds} = -\sum_q \log(qx) \frac{d\zeta(s)}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} , \quad x = \frac{L_{min}}{R} . \quad (5.4)$$

What is remarkable that the number theoretical details of ζ_D determine only the overall scaling factor of Kähler function and thus the value of Kähler coupling strength, which would be purely number theoretically determined if the hypothesis about the role of infinite primes is correct. Also the value of R is irrelevant since it does not affect the Kähler metric.

5. The dependence of Kähler function on WCW degrees of freedom would be coded completely by the dependence of the length scales qL_{min} on the complex coordinates of WCW: note that this dependence is different for each scale. This is reminiscent of the coding of the shape of the drum (or more generally - manifold) by the spectrum of its eigen frequencies. Now Kähler geometry would code for the dependence of the spectrum on the shape of the drum defined by the partonic 2-surface and the 4-D tangent space distribution associated with it.

What happens at the limit of vacuum extremals serves as a test for the identification of Kähler function as Dirac determinant. The weak form of electric magnetic duality implies that all components of the induced Kähler field vanish simultaneously if Kähler magnetic field cancels. In the modified Chern-Simons Dirac equation one obtains $L = \int (\hat{g}^{rr})^{-1/2} dr$. The modified gamma matrix $\hat{\Gamma}^r$ approaches a finite limit when Kähler magnetic field vanishes

$$\hat{\Gamma}^r = \epsilon^{r\beta\gamma} (2J_{\beta k} A_\gamma + J_{\beta\gamma} A_k) \Gamma^k \rightarrow 2\epsilon^{r\beta\gamma} J_{\beta k} \Gamma^k . \quad (5.5)$$

The relevant component of the effective metric is \hat{g}^{rr} and is given by

$$\hat{g}^{rr} = (\hat{\Gamma}^r)^2 = 4\epsilon^{r\beta\gamma} \epsilon^{r\mu\nu} J_{\beta k} J_\mu{}^k A_\gamma A_\nu . \quad (5.6)$$

The limit is non-vanishing in general and therefore the eigenvalues remain finite also at this limit as also the parameter $L_{min} = \int (\hat{g}^{rr})^{-1/2} dr$ defining the minimum of the length of the braid strand defined by Kähler magnetic flux line in the effective metric unless \hat{g}^{rr} goes to zero everywhere inside the partonic surface. Chern-Simons action and Kähler action vanish for vacuum extremals so that in this case one could require that Dirac determinant approaches to unity in a properly chosen gauge. Dirac determinant should approach to unit for vacuum extremals indeed approaches to unity since there are no finite eigenvalues at the limit $\hat{g}^{rr} = 0$.

5.2 Hyper-octonionic primes

Before detailed discussion of the hyper-octonionic option it is good to consider the basic properties of hyper-octonionic primes.

1. Hyper-octonionic primes are of form

$$\Pi_p = (n_0, n_3, n_1, n_2, \dots, n_7) , \quad \Pi_p^2 = n_0^2 - \sum_i n_i^2 = p \text{ or } p^2 . \quad (5.7)$$

2. Hyper-octonionic primes have a standard representation as hyper-complex primes. The Minkowski norm squared factorizes into a product as

$$n_0^2 - n_3^2 = (n_0 + n_3)(n_0 - n_3) . \quad (5.8)$$

If one has $n_3 \neq 0$, the prime property implies $n_0 - n_3 = 1$ so that one obtains $n_0 = n_3 + 1$ and $2n_3 + 1 = p$ giving

$$(n_0, n_3) = ((p+1)/2, (p-1)/2) . \quad (5.9)$$

Note that one has $(p+1)/2$ odd for $p \bmod 4 = 1$ and $(p+1)/2$ even for $p \bmod 4 = 3$. The difference $n_0 - n_3 = 1$ characterizes prime property.

If n_3 vanishes the prime property implies equivalence with ordinary prime and one has $n_0^2 = p^2$. These hyper-octonionic primes represent particles at rest.

3. The action of a discrete subgroup $G(p)$ of the octonionic automorphism group G_2 generates form hyper-complex primes with $n_3 \neq 0$ further hyper-octonionic primes $\Pi(p, k)$ corresponding to the same value of n_0 and p and for these the integer valued projection to M^2 satisfies $n_0^2 - n_3^2 = n > p$. It is also possible to have a state representing the system at rest with $(n_0, n_3) = ((p+1)/2, 0)$ so that the pseudo-mass varies in the range $[\sqrt{p}, (p+1)/2]$. The subgroup $G(n_0, n_3) \subset SU(3)$ leaving invariant the projection (n_0, n_3) generates the hyper-octonionic primes corresponding to the same value of mass for hyper-octonionic primes with same Minkowskian length p and pseudo-mass $\lambda = n \geq \sqrt{p}$.
4. One obtains two kinds of primes corresponding to the lengths of pseudo-momenta equal to p or \sqrt{p} . The first kind of particles are always at rest whereas the second kind of particles can be brought at rest only if one interprets the pseudo-momentum as M^2 projection. This brings in mind the secondary p-adic length scales assigned to causal diamonds (CDs) and the primary p-adic lengths scales assigned to particles.

If the M^2 projections of hyper-octonionic primes with length \sqrt{p} characterize the allowed basic momenta, ζ_D is sum of zeta functions associated with various projections which must be in the limits dictated by the geometry of the orbit of the partonic surface giving upper and lower bounds L_{max} and L_{min} on the length L . L_{min} is scaled up to $\sqrt{n_0^2 - n_3^2} L_{min}$ for a given projection (n_0, n_3) . In general a given M^2 projection (n_0, n_3) corresponds to several hyper-octonionic primes since $SU(3)$ rotations give a new hyper-octonionic prime with the same M^2 projection. This leads to an inconsistency unless one has a good explanation for why some basic momentum can appear several times. One might argue that the spinor mode is degenerate due to the possibility to perform discrete color rotations of the state. For hyper complex representatives there is no such problem and it seems favored. In any case, one can look how the degeneracy factors for given projection can be calculated.

1. To calculate the degeneracy factor $D(n)$ associated with given pseudo-mass value $\lambda = n$ one must find all hyper-octonionic primes Π , which can have projection in M^2 with length n and sum up the degeneracy factors $D(n, p)$ associated with them:

$$\begin{aligned}
 D(n) &= \sum_p D(n, p) , \\
 D(n, p) &= \sum_{n_0^2 - n_3^2 = p} D(p, n_0, n_3) , \\
 n_0^2 - n_3^2 &= n , \quad \Pi_p^2(n_0, n_3) = n_0^2 - n_3^2 - \sum_i n_i^2 = n - \sum_i n_i^2 = p . \quad (5.10)
 \end{aligned}$$

2. The condition $n_0^2 - n_3^2 = n$ allows only Pythagorean triangles and one must find the discrete subgroup $G(n_0, n_3) \subset SU(3)$ producing hyper-octonions with integer valued components with length p and components (n_0, n_3) . The points at the orbit satisfy the condition

$$\sum n_i^2 = p - n . \quad (5.11)$$

The degeneracy factor $D(p, n_0, n_3)$ associated with given mass value n is the number of elements of in the coset space $G(n_0, n_3, p)/H(n_0, n_3, p)$, where $H(n_0, n_3, p)$ is the isotropy group of given hyper-octonionic prime obtained in this manner. For $n_0^2 - n_3^2 = p^2$ $D(n_0, n_3, p)$ obviously equals to unity.

5.3 Three basic options for the pseudo-momentum spectrum

The calculation of the scaling factor of the Kähler function requires the knowledge of the degeneracies of the mass squared eigen values. There are three options to consider.

5.3.1 First option: all pseudo-momenta are allowed

If the degeneracy for pseudo-momenta in M^2 is same for all mass values- and formally characterizable by a number N telling how many 2-D pseudo-momenta reside on mass shell $n_0^2 - n_3^2 = m^2$. In this case zeta function would be proportional to a sum of Riemann Zetas with scaled arguments corresponding to scalings of the basic mass m to m/q .

$$\zeta_D(s) = N \sum_q \zeta(\log(qx)s) , \quad x = \frac{L_{min}}{R} . \quad (5.12)$$

This option provides no idea about the possible values of $1 \leq q \leq L_{max}/L_{min}$. The number N is given by the integral of relativistic density of states $\int dk/2\sqrt{k^2 + m^2}$ over the hyperbola and is logarithmically divergent so that the normalization factor N of the Kähler function would be infinite.

5.3.2 Second option: All integer valued pseudomomenta are allowed

Second option is inspired by number theoretic vision and assumes integer valued components for the momenta using $m_{max} = 2\pi/L_{min}$ as mass unit. p-Adicization motivates also the assumption that momentum components using m_{max} as mass scale are integers. This would restrict the choice of the number theoretical braids.

Integer valuedness together with masses coming as integer multiples of m_{max} implies $(\lambda_0, \lambda_3) = (n_0, n_3)$ with on mass shell condition $n_0^2 - n_3^2 = n^2$. Note that the condition is invariant under scaling. These integers correspond to Pythagorean triangles plus the degenerate situation with $n_3 = 0$. There exists a finite number of pairs (n_0, n_3) satisfying this condition as one finds by expressing n_0 as $n_0 = n_3 + k$ giving $2n_3k + k^2 = p^2$ giving $n_3 < n^2/2, n_0 < n^2/2 + 1$. This would be enough to have a finite degeneracy $D(n) \geq 1$ for a given value of mass squared and ζ_D would be well defined. ζ_D would be a modification of Riemann zeta given by

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_D &= \sum_q \zeta_1(\log(qx)s) , \quad x = \frac{L_{min}}{R} , \\ \zeta_1(s) &= \sum g_n n^{-s} , \quad g_n \geq 1 . \end{aligned} \quad (5.13)$$

For generalized Feynman diagrams this option allows conservation of pseudo-momentum and for loops no divergences are possible since the integral over two-dimensional virtual momenta is replaced with a sum over discrete mass shells containing only a finite number of points. This option looks thus attractive but requires a regularization. On the other hand, the appearance of a zeta function having a strong resemblance with Riemann zeta could explain the finding that Riemann zeta is closely related to the description of critical systems. This point will be discussed later.

5.3.3 Third option: Infinite primes code for the allowed mass scales

According to the proposal of [15, A7] the hyper-complex parts of hyper-octonionic primes appearing in their infinite counterparts correspond to the M^2 projections of real four-momenta. This hypothesis suggests a very detailed map between infinite primes and standard model quantum numbers and predicts a universal mass spectrum [15]. Since pseudo-momenta are automatically restricted to the plane M^2 , one cannot avoid the question whether they could actually correspond to the hyper-octonionic primes defining the infinite prime. These interpretations need not of course exclude each other. This option allows several variants and at this stage it is not possible to exclude any of these options.

1. One must choose between two alternatives for which pseudo-momentum corresponds to hyper-complex prime serving as a canonical representative of a hyper-octonionic prime or a projection of hyper-octonionic prime to M^2 .
2. One must decide whether one allows a) only the momenta corresponding to hyper-complex primes, b) also their powers (p-adic fractality), or c) all their integer multiples ("Riemann option").

One must also decide what hyper-octonionic primes are allowed.

1. The first guess is that all hyper-complex/hyper-octonionic primes defining length scale $\sqrt{p}L_{min} \leq L_{max}$ or $pL_{min} \leq L_{max}$ are allowed. p-Adic fractality suggests that also the higher p-adic length scales $p^{n/2}L_{min} < L_{max}$ and $p^n L_{min} < L_{max}$, $n \geq 1$, are possible.

It can however happen that no primes are allowed by this criterion. This would mean vanishing Kähler function which is of course also possible since Kähler action can vanish (for instance, for massless extremals). It seems therefore safer to allow also the scale corresponding to the trivial prime $(n_0, n_3) = (1, 0)$ (1 is formally prime because it is not divisible by any prime different from 1) so that at least L_{min} is possible. This option also allows only rather small primes unless the partonic 2-surface contains vacuum regions in which case L_{max} is infinite: in this case all primes would be allowed and the exponent of Kähler function would vanish.

2. The hypothesis that only the hyper-complex or hyper-octonionic primes appearing in the infinite hyper-octonionic prime are possible looks more reasonable since large values of p would be possible and could be identified in terms of the p-adic length scale hypothesis. All hyper-octonionic primes appearing in infinite prime would be possible and the geometry of the orbit of the partonic 2-surface would define an infinite prime. This would also give a concrete physical interpretation for the earlier hypothesis that hyper-octonionic primes appearing in the infinite prime characterize partonic 2-surfaces geometrically. One can also identify the fermionic and purely bosonic primes appearing in the infinite prime as braid strands carrying fermion number and purely bosonic quantum numbers. This option will be assumed in the following.

5.4 Expression for the Dirac determinant for various options

The expressions for the Dirac determinant for various options can be deduced in a straightforward manner. Numerically Riemann option and manifestly finite option do not differ much but their number theoretic properties are totally different.

5.4.1 Riemann option

All integer multiples of these basic pseudo-momenta would be allowed for Riemann option so that ζ_D would be sum of Riemann zetas with arguments scaled by the basic pseudo-masses coming as inverses of the basic length scales for braid strands. For the option involving only hyper-complex primes the formula for ζ_D reads as

$$\zeta_D = \zeta(\log(x_{min}s)) + \sum_{i,n} \zeta(\log(x_{i,n}s)) + \sum_{i,n} \zeta(\log(y_{i,n}s)) ,$$

$$x_{i,n} = p_i^{n/2} x_{min} \leq x_{max} , \quad p_i \geq 3 , \quad y_{i,n} = p_i^n x_{min} \leq x_{max} \cdot p_i \geq 2 ,$$
(5.14)

L_{max} resp. L_{min} is the maximal resp. minimal length $L = \int (\hat{g}^{rr})^{-1/2} dr$ for the braid strand defined by the flux line of the Kähler magnetic field in the effective metric. The contributions correspond to the effective hyper-complex prime $p_1 = (1, 0)$ and hyper-complex primes with Minkowski lengths \sqrt{p} ($p \geq 3$) and p , $p \geq 2$. If also higher p-adic length scales $L_n = p^{n/2}L_{min} < L_{max}$ and $L_n = p^n L_{min} < L_{max}$, $n > 1$, are allowed there is no further restriction on the summation. For the restricted option only L_n , $n = 0, 2$ is allowed.

The expressions for the Kähler function and its exponent reads as

$$K = k(\log(x_{min}) + \sum_i \log(x_i) + \sum_i \log(y_i)) ,$$

$$\exp(K) = \left(\frac{1}{x_{min}}\right)^k \times \prod_i \left(\frac{1}{x_i}\right)^k \times \prod_i \left(\frac{1}{y_i}\right)^k ,$$

$$x_i \leq x_{max} , \quad y_i \leq x_{max} , \quad k = -\frac{d\zeta(s)}{ds} \Big|_{s=0} = \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) \simeq .9184 .$$
(5.15)

From the point of view of p-adicization program the appearance of strongly transcendental numbers in the normalization factor of ζ_D is not a well-come property.

If the scaling of the WCW Kähler metric by $1/k$ is a legitimate procedure it would allow to get rid of the transcendental scaling factor k and this scaling would cancel also the transcendental from the exponent of Kähler function. The scaling is not however consistent with the view that Kähler coupling strength determines the normalization of the WCW metric.

This formula generalizes in a rather obvious manner to the cases when one allows M^2 projections of hyper-octonionic primes.

5.4.2 Manifestly finite options

The options for which one does not allow summation over all integer multiples of the basic momenta characterized by the canonical representatives of hyper-complex primes or their projections to M^2 are manifestly finite. They differ from the Riemann option only in that the normalization factor $k \simeq .9184$ defined by the derivative Riemann Zeta at origin is replaced with $k = 1$. This would mean manifest finiteness of ζ_D . Kähler function and its exponent are given by

$$\begin{aligned} K &= k(\log(x_{min}) + \sum_i \log(x_i) + \sum_i \log(y_i)) , \quad x_i \leq x_{max} , \quad y_i \leq x_{max} , \\ \exp(K) &= \frac{1}{x_{min}} \times \prod_i \frac{1}{x_i} \times \prod_i \frac{1}{y_i} . \end{aligned} \tag{5.16}$$

Numerically the Kähler functions do not differ much since their ratio is .9184. Number theoretically these functions are however completely different. The resulting dependence involves only square roots of primes and is an algebraic function of the lengths p_i and rational function of x_{min} . p-Adicization program would require rational values of the lengths x_{min} in the intersection of the real and p-adic worlds if one allows algebraic extension containing the square roots of the primes involved. Note that in p-adic context this algebraic extension involves two additional square roots for $p > 2$ if one does not want square root of p . Whether one should allow for R_p also extension based on \sqrt{p} is not quite clear. This would give 8-D extension.

For the more general option allowing all projections of hyper-complex primes to M^2 the general form of Kähler function is same. Instead of pseudo-masses coming as primes and their square roots one has pseudomasses coming as square roots of some integers $n \leq p$ or $n \leq p^2$ for each p . In this case the conservation laws are not so strong.

Note that in the case of vacuum extremals $x_{min} = \infty$ holds true so that there are no primes satisfying the condition and Kähler function vanishes as it indeed should.

5.4.3 More concrete picture about the option based on infinite primes

The identification of pseudo-momenta in terms of infinite primes suggests a rather concrete connection between number theory and physics.

1. One could assign the finite hyper-octonionic primes Π_i making the infinite prime to the sub-braids identified as Kähler magnetic flux lines with the same length L in the effective metric. The primes assigned to the finite part of the infinite prime correspond to single fermion and some number of bosons. The primes assigned to the infinite part correspond to purely bosonic states assignable to the purely bosonic braid strands. Purely bosonic state would correspond to the action of a WCW Hamiltonian to the state.

This correspondence can be expanded to include all quantum numbers by using the pair of infinite primes corresponding to the "vacuum primes" $X \pm 1$, where X is the product of all finite primes [15]. The only difference with respect to the earlier proposal is that physical momenta would be replaced by pseudo-momenta.

2. Different primes p_i appearing in the infinite prime would correspond to their own sub-braids. For each sub-braid there is a N -fold degeneracy of the generalized eigen modes corresponding

to the number N of braid strands so that many particle states are possible as required by the braid picture.

3. The correspondence of infinite primes with the hierarchy of Planck constants could allow to understand the fermion-many boson states and many boson states assigned with a given finite prime in terms of many-particle states assigned to n_a and n_b -sheeted singular covering spaces of CD and CP_2 assignable to the two infinite primes. This interpretation requires that only single p-adic prime p_i is realized as quantum state meaning that quantum measurement always selects a particular p-adic prime p_i (and corresponding sub-braid) characterizing the p-adicity of the quantum state. This selection of number field behind p-adic physics responsible for cognition looks very plausible.
4. The correspondence between pairs of infinite primes and quantum states [15] allows to interpret color quantum numbers in terms of the states associated with the representations of a finite subgroup of $SU(3)$ transforming hyper-octonionic primes to each other and preserving the M^2 pseudo-momentum. Same applies to $SO(3)$. The most natural interpretation is in terms of wave functions in the space of discrete $SU(3)$ and $SO(3)$ transforms of the partonic 2-surface. The dependence of the pseudo-masses on these quantum numbers is natural so that the projection hypothesis finds support from this interpretation.
5. The infinite prime characterizing the orbit of the partonic 2-surface would thus code which multiples of the basic mass $2\pi/L_{min}$ are possible. Either the M^2 projections of hyper-octonionic primes or their hyper-complex canonical representatives would fix the basic M^2 pseudo-momenta for the corresponding number theoretic braid associated. In the reverse direction the knowledge of the light-like 3-surface, the CD and CP_2 coverings, and the number of the allowed discrete $SU(3)$ and $SU(2)$ rotations of the partonic 2-surface would dictate the infinite prime assignable to the orbit of the partonic 2-surface.

One would also like to understand whether there is some kind of conservation laws associated with the pseudo-momenta at vertices. The arithmetic QFT assignable to infinite primes would indeed predict this kind of conservation laws.

1. For the manifestly finite option the ordinary conservation of pseudo-momentum conservation at vertices is not possible since the addition of pseudo-momenta does not respect the condition $n_0 - n_3 = 1$. In fact, this difference in the sum of hyper-complex prime momenta tells how many momenta are present. If one applies the conservation law to the sum of the pseudo-momenta corresponding to different primes and corresponding braids, one can have reactions in which the number of primes involved is conserved. This would give the selection rule $\sum_1^N p_i = \sum_1^N p_f$. These reactions have interpretation in terms of the geometry of the 3-surface representing the line of the generalized Feynman diagram.
2. Infinite primes define an arithmetic quantum field theory in which the total momentum defined as $\sum n_i \log(p_i)$ is a conserved quantity. As matter fact, each prime p_i would define a separately conserved momentum so that there would be an infinite number of conservation laws. If the sum $\sum_i \log(p_i)$ is conserved in the vertex, the primes p_i associated with the incoming particle are shared with the outgoing particles so that also the total momentum is conserved. This looks the most plausible option and would give very powerful number theoretical selection rules at vertices since the collection of primes associated with incoming line would be union of the collections associated with the outgoing lines and also total pseudo-momentum would be conserved.
3. For the both Riemann zeta option and manifestly finite options the arithmetic QFT associated with infinite primes would be realized at the level of pseudo-momenta meaning very strong selection rules at vertices coding for how the geometries of the partonic lines entering the vertex correlate. WCW integration would reduce for the lines of Feynman diagram to a sum over light-like 3-surfaces characterized by (x_{min}, x_{max}) with a suitable weighting factor and the exponent of Kähler function would give an exponential damping as a function of x_{min} .

5.4.4 Which option to choose?

One should be able to make two choices. One must select between hyper-complex representations and the projections of hyper-octonionic primes and between the manifestly finite options and the one producing Riemann zeta?

Hyper-complex option seems to be slightly favored over the projection option.

1. The appearance of the scales $\sqrt{p_i}x_{min}$ and possibly also their p^n multiples brings in mind p-adic length scales coming as \sqrt{p}^n multiples of CP_2 length scale. The scales $p_i x_{min}$ associated with hyper-complex primes reducing to ordinary primes in turn bring in mind the size scales assignable to CDs . The hierarchy of Planck constants implies also $\hbar/\hbar_0 = \sqrt{n_a n_b}$ multiples of these length scales but mass scales would not depend on n_a and n_b [?]. For large values of p the pseudo-momenta are almost light-like for hyper-complex option whereas the projection option allows also states at rest.
2. Hyper-complex option predicts that only the p-adic pseudo-mass scales appear in the partition function and is thus favored by the p-adic length scale hypothesis. Projection option predicts also the possibility of the mass scales (not all of them) coming as $1/\sqrt{n}$. These mass scales are however not predicted by the hierarchy of Planck constants.
3. The same pseudo-mass scale can appear several times for the projection option. This degeneracy corresponds to the orbit of the hyper-complex prime under the subgroup of $SU(3)$ respecting integer property. Similar statement holds true in the case of $SO(3)$: these groups are assigned to the two infinite primes characterizing parton. The natural assignment of this degeneracy is to the discrete color rotational and rotational degrees associated with the partonic 2-surface itself rather than spinor modes at fixed partonic 2-surface. That the pseudo-mass would depend on color and angular momentum quantum numbers would make sense.

Consider next the arguments in favor of the manifestly finite option.

1. The manifestly finite option is admittedly more elegant than the one based on Riemann zeta and also guarantees that no additional loop summations over pseudo-momenta are present. The strongest support for the manifestly finite option comes from number theoretical universality.
2. One could however argue that the restriction of the pseudo-momenta to a finite number is not consistent with the modified Dirac-Chern-Simons equation. Quantum classical correspondence however implies correlation between the geometry of the partonic orbits and the pseudo-momenta and the summation over all prime valued pseudo-momenta is present but with a weighting factor coming from Kähler function implying exponential suppression.

The Riemann zeta option could be also defended.

1. The numerical difference of the normalization factors of the Kähler function is however only about 8 per cent and quantum field theorists might interpret the replacement the length scales x_i and y_i with x_i^d and y_i^d , $d \simeq .9184$, in terms of an anomalous dimension of these length scales. Could one say that radiative corrections mean the scaling of the original preferred coordinates so that one could still have consistency with number theoretic universality?
2. Riemann zeta with a non-vanishing argument could have also other applications in quantum TGD. Riemann zeta has interpretation as a partition function and the zeros of partition functions have interpretation in terms of phase transitions. The quantum criticality of TGD indeed corresponds to a phase transition point. There is also experimental evidence that the distribution of zeros of zeta corresponds to the distribution of energies of quantum critical systems in the sense that the energies correspond to the imaginary parts of the zeros of zeta [24].

The first explanation would be in terms of the analogs of the harmonic oscillator coherent states with integer multiple of the basic momentum taking the role of occupation number of harmonic oscillator and the zeros $s = 1/2 + iy$ of ζ defining the values of the complex coherence parameters. TGD inspired strategy for the proof of Riemann hypothesis indeed leads to the identification of the zeros as coherence parameters rather than energies as in the case of Hilbert-Polya hypothesis

[16] and the vanishing of the zeta at zero has interpretation as orthogonality of the state with respect to the state defined by a vanishing coherence parameter interpreted as a tachyon. One should demonstrate that the energies of quantum states can correspond to the imaginary parts of the coherence parameters.

Second interpretation could be in terms of quantum critical zero energy states for which the "complex square root of density matrix" defines time-like entanglement coefficients of M -matrix. The complex square roots of the probabilities defined by the coefficient of harmonic oscillator states (perhaps identifiable in terms of the multiples of pseudo-momentum) in the coherent state defined by the zero of ζ would define the M -matrix in this situation. Energy would correspond also now to the imaginary part of the coherence parameter. The norm of the state would be completely well-defined.

5.4.5 Representation of configuration Kähler metric in terms of eigenvalues of D_{C-S}

A surprisingly concrete connection of the configuration space metric in terms of generalized eigenvalue spectrum of D_{C-S} results. From the general expression of Kähler metric in terms of Kähler function

$$G_{k\bar{l}} = \partial_k \partial_{\bar{l}} K = \frac{\partial_k \partial_{\bar{l}} \exp(K)}{\exp(K)} - \frac{\partial_k \exp(K)}{\exp(K)} \frac{\partial_{\bar{l}} \exp(K)}{\exp(K)}, \quad (5.17)$$

and from the expression of $\exp(K) = \prod_i \lambda_i$ as the product of finite number of eigenvalues of D_{C-S} , the expression

$$G_{k\bar{l}} = \sum_i \frac{\partial_k \partial_{\bar{l}} \lambda_i}{\lambda_i} - \frac{\partial_k \lambda_i}{\lambda_i} \frac{\partial_{\bar{l}} \lambda_i}{\lambda_i} \quad (5.18)$$

for the configuration space metric follows. Here complex coordinates refer to the complex coordinates of configuration space. Hence the knowledge of the eigenvalue spectrum of $D_{C-S}(X^3)$ as function of some complex coordinates of configuration space allows to deduce the metric to arbitrary accuracy. If the above arguments are correct the calculation reduces to the calculation of the derivatives of $\log(\sqrt{p}L_{min}/R)$, where L_{min} is the length of the Kähler magnetic flux line between partonic 2-surfaces with respect to the effective metric defined by the anti-commutators of the modified gamma matrices. Note that these length scales have different dependence on WCW coordinates so that one cannot reduce everything to L_{min} . Therefore one would have explicit representation of the basic building brick of WCW Kähler metric in terms of the geometric data associated with the orbit of the partonic 2-surface.

5.4.6 The formula for the Kähler action of CP_2 type vacuum extremals is consistent with the Dirac determinant formula

The first killer test for the formula of Kähler function in terms of the Dirac determinant based on infinite prime hypothesis is provided by the action of CP_2 type vacuum extremals. One of the first attempts to make quantitative predictions in TGD framework was the prediction for the gravitational constant. The argument went as follows.

1. For dimensional reasons gravitational constant must be proportional to p-adic length scale squared, where p characterizes the space-time sheet of the graviton. It must be also proportional to the square of the vacuum function for the graviton representing a line of generalized Feynman diagram and thus to the exponent $\exp(-2K)$ of Kähler action for topologically condensed CP_2 type vacuum extremals with very long projection. If topological condensation does not reduce much of the volume of CP_2 type vacuum extremal, the action is just Kähler action for CP_2 itself. This gives

$$\hbar_0 G = L_p^2 \exp(2L_K(CP_2)) = pR^2 \exp(2L_K(CP_2)). \quad (5.19)$$

- Using as input the constraint $\alpha_K \simeq \alpha_{em} \sim 1/137$ for Kähler coupling strengths coming from the comparison of the TGD prediction for the rotation velocity of distant galaxies around galactic nucleus and the p-adic mass calculation for the electron mass, one obtained the result

$$\exp(2L_K(CP_2)) = \frac{1}{p \times \prod_{p_i \leq 23} p_i} . \quad (5.20)$$

The product contains the product of all primes smaller than 24 ($p_i \in \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23\}$). The expression for the Kähler function would be just of the form predicted by the Dirac determinant formula with L_{min} replaced with CP_2 length scale. As a matter fact, this was the first indication that particles are characterized by several p-adic primes but that only one of them is "active". As explained, the number theoretical state function reduction explains this.

- The same formula for the gravitational constant would result for any prime p but the value of Kähler coupling strength would depend on prime p logarithmically for this option. I indeed proposed that this formula fixes the discrete evolution of the Kähler coupling strength as function of p-adic prime from the condition that gravitational constant is renormalization group invariant quantity but gave up this hypothesis later. It is wisest to keep an agnostic attitude to this issue.
- I also made numerous brave attempts to deduce an explicit formula for Kähler coupling strength. The general form of the formula is

$$\frac{1}{\alpha_K} = k \log(K^2), \quad K^2 = p \times 2 \times 3 \times 5 \dots \times 23 . \quad (5.21)$$

The problem is the exact value of k cannot be known precisely and the guesses for its value depend on what one means with number theoretical universality. Should Kähler action be a rational number? Or is it Kähler function which is rational number (it is for the Dirac determinant option in this particular case). Is Kähler coupling strength $g_K^2/4\pi$ or g_K^2 a rational number? Some of the guesses were $k = \pi/4$ and $k = 137/107$. The facts that the value of Kähler action for the line of a generalized diagram is not exactly CP_2 action and the value of α_K is not known precisely makes these kind of attempts hopeless in absence of additional ideas.

Also other elementary particles -in particular exchanged bosons- should involve the exponent of Kähler action for CP_2 type vacuum extremal. Since the values of gauge couplings are gigantic as compared to the expression of the gravitational constant the value of Kähler action must be rather small form them. CP_2 type vacuum extremals must be short in the sense that L_{min} in the effective metric is very short. Note however that the p-adic prime characterizing the particle according to p-adic mass calculations would be large also now. One can of course ask whether this p-adic prime characterizes the gravitational space-time sheets associated with the particle and not the particle itself. The assignment of p-adic mass calculations with thermodynamics at gravitational space-time sheets of the particle would be indeed natural. The value of α_K would depend on p in logarithmic manner for this option. The topological condensation of could also eat a lot of CP_2 volume for them.

5.4.7 Eigenvalues of D_{C-S} as vacuum expectations of Higgs field?

Infinite prime hypothesis implies the analog of p-adic length scale hypothesis but since pseudo-momenta are in question, this need not correspond to the p-adic length scale hypothesis for the actual masses justified by p-adic thermodynamics. Note also that L_{min} does not correspond to CP_2 length scale. This is actually not a problem since the effective metric is not M^4 metric and one can quite well consider the possibility that L_{min} corresponds to CP_2 length scale in the the induced metric. The reason is that light-like 3- surface is in question the distance along the Kähler magnetic flux line reduces essentially to a distance along the partonic 2-surface having size scale of order CP_2 length for the partonic 2-surfaces identified as wormhole throats. Therefore infinite prime can code for genuine p-adic length scales associated with the light-like 3-surface and quantum states would correspond by number theoretical state function reduction hypothesis to single ordinary prime.

Support for this identification comes also from the expression of gravitational constant deduced from p-adic length scale hypothesis. The result is that gravitational constant is assumed to be proportional to have the expression $G = L_p^2 \exp(-2S_K(CP_2))$, where p characterizes graviton or the space-time sheet mediating gravitational interaction and exponent gives Kähler action for CP_2 type vacuum extremal representing graviton. The argument allows to identify the p-adic prime $p = M_{127}$ associated with electron (largest Mersenne prime which does not correspond to super-astronomical length scale) as the p-adic prime characterizing also graviton. The exponent of Kähler action is proportional to $1/p$ which conforms with the general expression for Kähler function. I have considered several identifications of the numerical factor and one of them has been as product of primes $2 \leq p \leq 23$ assuming that somehow the primes $\{2, \dots, 23, p\}$ characterize graviton. This guess is indeed consistent with the prediction of the infinite-prime hypothesis.

The first guess inspired by the p-adic mass calculations is that the squares λ_i^2 of the eigenvalues of D_{C-S} could correspond to the conformal weights of ground states. Another natural physical interpretation of λ is as an analog of the Higgs vacuum expectation. The instability of the Higgs=0 phase would correspond to the fact that $\lambda = 0$ mode is not localized to any region in which electromagnetic field or induced Kähler field is non-vanishing. By the previous argument one would have order of magnitude estimate $h_0 = \sqrt{2\pi}/L_{min}$.

1. The vacuum expectation value of Higgs is only proportional to the scale of λ . Indeed, Higgs and gauge bosons as elementary particles correspond to wormhole contacts carrying fermion and anti-fermion at the two wormhole throats and must be distinguished from the space-time correlate of its vacuum expectation as something proportional to λ . For free fermions the vacuum expectation value of Higgs does not seem to be even possible since free 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). If fermion suffers topological condensation as indeed assumed to do in interaction region, a wormhole contact is generated and makes possible the generation of Higgs vacuum expectation value.
2. Physical considerations suggest that the vacuum expectation of Higgs field corresponds to a particular eigenvalue λ_i of modified Chern-Simons Dirac operator so that the eigenvalues λ_i would define TGD counterparts for the minima of Higgs potential. For the minimal option one has only a finite number of pseudo-mass eigenvalues inversely proportional \sqrt{p} so that the identification as a Higgs vacuum expectation is consistent with the p-adic length scale hypothesis. 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 λ_i . With this interpretation λ_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. λ_i^2 is very natural candidate for the ground state conformal weights identified but would have wrong sign. Therefore it seems that λ_i^2 can define only a deviation of the ground state conformal weight from negative value and is positive.
4. In accordance with this λ_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 $h_c = -n/2 + \lambda_i^2$ where the negative contribution comes from Super Virasoro representation. The negative integer part of the net conformal weight can be canceled using Super Virasoro generators but Δh_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 λ_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.

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