Global and Local Gauge Symmetries: Part II (Gravitation)

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Part I

Abstract

"Local gauge symmetry currents" are forces that maintain the local invariance of universal constants, charges, and other conserved parameters (such as causality and the "Interval") despite the hostile environment of a variable gravitational (or inertial) metric, relative rather than absolute motion, entropy, partial charges, etc. These compensatory forces are due to the activity of the field vectors of the four forces, which not only act (in the long term) to return these asymmetric material systems to their original symmetric state (light), but also act (in the short term) to protect and maintain the invariant values of their symmetry debts (charges), while awaiting a final repayment via antimatter annihilation, proton decay, the "quantum radiance" of black holes, or a universal "Big Crunch". Gravity pays the entropy-"interest" on the symmetry debt of matter by creating matter's time dimension via the annihilation of space, providing a historical domain within which charge conservation can have significance, and the repayment of symmetry debts can be indefinitely deferred. Gravitation eventually also pays the energy-"principle" on matter's symmetry debt, converting bound energy to free energy in stars and via Hawking's "quantum radiance" of black holes, completely vanishing mass and its associated gravitational field.

Part I: Preface

As Einstein taught us, gravity is a metric force and phenomenon - that is, gravity is a force affecting the dimensions and their relations to each other. From this we have learned that "clocks run slow" and "meter sticks shrink" in a gravitational field, and that the one-way flow of gravity is toward the slowest (local) clock and shortest (local) meter stick - this apparently being the direction of "cheapest" energy.

The "global" or absolute metric, however, is not a gravitational metric, but an electromagnetic metric, established, regulated, maintained, and "gauged" or scaled by the universal electromagnetic constant "c" (one second of temporal duration is metrically equivalent to 300,000 kilometers of linear distance). The

"velocity" of light ("c") is in fact both a gauge of the "non-local" symmetric energy state of light and metric symmetry (the intrinsic motion of light vanishes time and distance), and the gauge of the entropy drive of light and space (the intrinsic motion of light both creates space and causes the expansion and cooling of space). The metric of spacetime regulates space as an energy-conserving domain for light (free electromagnetic energy), and is apparently part and parcel of light - light (photons) being the energy form, the metric being the conservation structure created by and embedded within the energy form. The intrinsic motion of light creates, expands, and cools the spatial domain, and so serves not only to create the spatial domain, but provides the primordial entropy drive of free electromagnetic energy and space as well. Finally, the symmetric structure of space is maintained by inertial forces associated with energy conservation laws ("Noether's Theorem"), while the asymmetric time dimension, always present as a potential threat, is suppressed at velocity c (light's "clock" is stopped).

In fact, time can be seen as the implicit driver of the intrinsic motion of the photon (time is implicitly present as "frequency"); the photon may be conceived as "fleeing" the asymmetric threat of time, and just managing to keep ahead of and suppress time by always moving at velocity c. Velocity c is the gauge of light's "non-local" symmetric energy state, in which both time and distance (in the direction of motion) are reduced to nothing. The photon consequently, having no distance to travel, and forever to get there, has an effectively "infinite" velocity. The "non-local" spatial distributional symmetry of the photon derives from this "infinite" velocity, and from its lack of two dimensions, which means in either a 3 or 4 dimensional space or spacetime, the photon's coordinates or "location" cannot be specified. Light is the most symmetric form of energy, having neither mass, charge, location, time, nor an associated gravitational field. Einstein expressed light's symmetric energy state mathematically by putting light's "Interval" equal to zero.

This is the electromagnetic metric which gravity will modify or "warp" by adding explicit time to it - the same time that is already implicitly present as the driver of light's intrinsic motion. Given the presence of free electromagnetic energy, we can say that energy conservation, symmetry conservation, and entropy are the root cause of light's intrinsic motion, creating also space and the spatial metric. Light is not only the most symmetric energy form, but also the only one which is self-sufficient (or "primary"), in that it produces its own entropy drive (intrinsic motion), its own conservation domain and metric structure (space and the metric). Virtual particles are also associated with light ("quantum fluctuations") and light's metric structure. Hence, while light is symmetric and primary, it is not especially simple. All other forms of energy are secondary, derived from light's energy and conservation metric.

When free electromagnetic energy (light) is converted to bound electromagnetic energy (mass-matter) during the "Big Bang", there is a conservation requirement for the explicit form of the time dimension, both to service the energy accounts of matter in relative (rather than absolute) motion, and also to serve as bound energy's entropy drive. (See: "The Time Train".) Recall this is the same time dimension that is implicitly present in space and light as the driver of the photon's intrinsic motion (seen most directly in the "frequency" component of the electromagnetic wave). Einstein (and Minkowski) taught us that space is really spacetime, and when light is converted to matter, the implicit temporal component of space becomes explicit, producing spacetime. This conversion from implicit time to explicit time is accomplished by the gravitational annihilation of space and the extraction of a metrically equivalent temporal residue. (See: "The Conversion of Space to Time".)

The universal gravitational constant ("big G") is the global gauge constant of a local, temporal metric. The magnitude of "big G" determines how much space must be converted to time (per given mass) to provide the historical entropy drive of bound energy. The magnitude of "G" is determined by the energy difference between the implicit vs explicit form of time. The energy of "G" is negative because it takes energy to convert the symmetric "all-way" spatial entropy drive of free energy to the asymmetric "one-way" historical entropy drive of bound energy - it takes energy to create an asymmetric entropy drive from a symmetric one.

Because time is created directly from space (by gravity), these two entropy drives are automatically equilibrated - they are metric equivalents of one another. The expansion of history and the "velocity of time" is metrically equivalent to the expansion of space and the "velocity of light": "time flies". Historical spacetime is a single, entropic unit, aging and expanding, decaying and cooling, created and held together by gravitation. Finally, spacetime is a completely natural and integrated compound metric because time and space are both implicitly present in the basic electromagnetic energy form which creates spacetime: frequency (time) multiplied by wavelength (space) = velocity "c". (See: "A Spacetime Map of the Universe".)

The universal gravitational constant "Big G" is a global gauge imposed upon another global gauge, the universal electromagnetic constant "c", together producing the compound metric of spacetime. Because velocity c and the electromagnetic metric are responsible for regulating or gauging all the essential conservation parameters of the Cosmos, including energy conservation, symmetry conservation, entropy, and causality, tampering with or modifying the electromagnetic metric is no trivial matter. Gravitation is accordingly heavily constrained in how it may modify the symmetric spatial metric.

First of all, gravitation must produce time directly from space, and time must be inherent in the basic conservation structure and energetic makeup of space - as we have seen (no foreign elements are introduced to the metric). Secondly, gravity can not change the value of the gauge constant c, since that would affect all aspects of energy conservation, including causality, entropy, and charge conservation. Thirdly, gravity must itself be an energy-conserving operation locally - as we see in the spherically symmetric self-annihilating spatial flow of a gravitational field (for example, the Earth's gravitational field does not impart any net spatial motion to the Earth). Finally, the gravitational field energy must come from somewhere and return to somewhere - must be a conserved form of energy in the cyclic global economy of the Cosmos. This we find in the gravitational deceleration of the spatial expansion of the Cosmos, which in fact funds the historical expansion of the Cosmos (via the actual gravitational conversion of space to time). Eventually, because the gravitational "location" charge is conserved, the conversion of bound energy to free energy in stars and via proton decay and Hawking's "quantum radiance" of black holes returns matter to light and the gravitational metric and field energy to the electromagnetic metric and field energy, conserving light's original "non-local" symmetric energy state - in full and final obedience to "Noether's Theorem" of symmetry conservation.

The "local gauge symmetry current" associated with gravitation is the flow of spacetime which we identify as the activity of a gravitational field - not only the flow of space but also the flow of time. We can think of "little g" as characterizing local, variable gravitational metrics, demonstrated by the several planets of our solar system, each with different "surface gravity" and hence with different surface clock rates and overall spacetime metrics. Nevertheless, on all these different planets, causality, energy conservation, symmetry conservation, and entropy are all strictly observed, velocity c and Einstein's "Interval" remain invariant, despite differences in their local gravitational metrics, thanks to the covariance of space and time ("Lorentz Invariance" of General Relativity), and the "local gauge symmetry current" which we recognize as the spacetime flow of a gravitational field. A gravitational field is the spatial consequence of the intrinsic motion of time. (Nothing about gravity is hidden except its twofold conservation purpose: to provide the metric and entropic conservation requirements of bound energy (historic spacetime), and to return the asymmetric system of matter to its symmetric origins - light.) (See: "Entropy, Gravitation, and Thermodynamics".)

The Double Conservation Role of Gravitation

The principle conservation roles of gravity are two: 1) the creation of bound energy's time dimension (energy/entropy conservation role); 2) the conservation of light's "non-local" symmetric energy state (symmetry conservation role). In creating time, gravity also creates matter's primordial entropy drive, and

the basis for matter's causal linkage. The time dimension also provides a domain in which charge conservation can have application and historical significance. Gravitation affects all four conservation corners of the "Tetrahedron Model". The symmetry conservation role of gravitation can be seen as temporally deferred charge conservation involving the "location" charge of gravity. Time is the active component of gravity's "location" charge, identifying the 4-D coordinate position of bound energy with respect to the total amount and concentration of mass/matter present. Unlike the other conserved charges of matter, time is a charge with intrinsic dimensional motion - an entropic charge, creating and expanding the historic domain, the conservation dimension containing matter's causal information network, web, or "matrix". (See: "The Double Conservation Role of Gravitation".)

Entropy debts are equivalent to energy debts and must be paid immediately, so gravity immediately converts the intrinsic motion of light to the intrinsic motion of time, conserving the entropy drive of free electromagnetic energy as the entropy drive of bound electromagnetic energy. Symmetry debts in the form of charges, however, can be discharged or paid at any future time (due to charge conservation); the universe of matter and time runs on the credit card or promissory note of charge conservation. Gravity pays the entropy-interest on matter's symmetry debt by creating the time dimension in which charge conservation can have meaning. The energy which funds the historical expansion is debited from the spatial expansion, which decelerates accordingly. The first indication of gravity's deferred symmetry conservation role is seen in the Sun and stars, where bound energy (mass-matter) is gravitationally converted to free energy (light). This process goes to completion in Hawking's "quantum radiance" of black holes, fulfilling "Noether's Theorem" of symmetry conservation. (See: "A Description of Gravitation".)

We see a progression of local gravitational metrics of greater and greater intensity passing from planets to stars to white dwarfs to neutron stars to black holes, where "little g" (the gauge of the local gravitational metric) approaches and finally equals "c", restoring in an equivalent but backhanded fashion the essential elements of the original electromagnetic metric. At the black hole's "event horizon", where "g" = "c", matter itself moves at "velocity c", time stands still, and meter sticks shrink to nothing, just as in the original electromagnetic metric, but which involved only photons. Inside the black hole, proton decay is commonplace as gravity squeezes baryons and quarks into elementary leptonic units of charge, which undergo leptonic decays via leptoquark antineutrinos. Outside the black hole, via Hawking's "quantum radiance", the gravitational field energy of the black hole is directly converted to light, and eventually transforms the entire mass energy of the black hole to free electromagnetic radiation. This is actually accomplished by the direct gravitational creation of matter-antimatter particle pairs from the spacetime metric, apparently a reprise of the original creation of matter during the "Big Bang". The gravitational conversion of mass to light also reduces the total gravitational energy of the Universe (since light produces no gravitational field), resulting in the recently observed "acceleration" of the cosmic spatial expansion.

Evidently it is a general rule that symmetry conservation is not fully consummated until the local "metric" or symmetry gauge assumes the form or magnitude of the global metric or symmetry gauge from which it is derived.

The Origin of Gravitation as a Conservation Force

The charges of matter are the symmetry debts of light.

Gravity is a conservation force which arises in response to losses or deficits in two intertwined "gauge" (regulatory) functions of light's "non-local" symmetric energy state - losses consequent upon the conversion of light to matter, or free to bound energy forms, as in the "Big Bang", or simply in the capture of a photon by the electron shell of an atom. According to "Noether's Theorem", reductions in light's symmetric energy state must be compensated by some conservation force, usually seen in the form of a conserved charge or inertial force. Light's symmetry losses when converted to bound energy forms are manifold, but those specifically addressed by gravitation include: 1) the spatial entropy drive of light (light's intrinsic motion,

regulating the creation, expansion, and cooling of spacetime); 2) the "non-local" energy state of light (regulating the symmetric distribution of free energy in spacetime). Both functions are consequences of light's intrinsic motion, as gauged by the electromagnetic constant "c" (light's intrinsic motion serves as the primordial spatial entropy drive, and creates space and the spatial metric, the conservation domain of free energy).

The universal gravitational constant "G" is the entropy conversion gauge, regulating how much space must be annihilated and converted to time (per given mass) to provide matter with its requisite historical entropy drive, locally expressed as "velocity T", but globally gauged by "velocity c". Time is produced by the gravitational annihilation of space and the extraction of a metrically equivalent temporal residue. The intrinsic motion of time is the primordial entropy drive of bound energy, creating the historic conservation domain of information and matter's "causal matrix" (historic spacetime). (Time is also ultimately gauged by c, since "velocity T" is defined as the duration (measured by a clock) required for light to travel a given distance (measured by a meter stick). "G" is therefore related to "c" through their common factor time, and as entropy is related to energy.) Time is a local and flexible dimensional gauge, produced by the gravitational annihilation of space. Both G and c are globally invariant gauge constants. "c" gauges the spatial metric of free energy (including the entropic expansion of space). "G" gauges the historic spacetime metric, the spatial metric as it is modified by time and the conservation requirements of bound energy.

The magnitude of G measures the small energetic difference between the symmetric spatial entropy drive (S) of free energy (the intrinsic motion of light as gauged by "velocity c"), and the asymmetric historical entropy drive (T) of bound energy (the intrinsic motion of matter's time dimension, also gauged by "c"):

$$S - T = -G$$

Equivalently, -G is the energetic difference between *implicit* and *explicit* time. It takes energy to create asymmetric one-way temporal entropy from "all-way" symmetric spatial entropy. This entropy-energy cost of creating time is the origin of the "negative energy" characteristic of gravity and the negative sign of "-G". (See: "Gravity Diagram No. 2" and "The Conversion of Space to Time").

The intrinsic motion of light produces space and the expansion and cooling of space; hence the intrinsic motion of light is the primordial entropy drive of free energy. (See: "Spatial vs Temporal Entropy".) It is the function of entropy (in its primordial mode) to create a dimensional conservation domain in which its energy source, whether free or bound (light or matter), can exist and be transformed, used, and conserved: this is the relationship between the 1st and 2nd laws of thermodynamics. Because both the spatial entropy drive and spatially symmetric ("non-local") energy state of light are gauged by c (both are consequences of light's intrinsic motion), "Noether's Theorem" will automatically require the conservation of light's entropy drive in any transformation in which light's non-local symmetry must be conserved - as in the conversion of free to bound energy, and/or the creation of matter. Conserving either role of light's intrinsic motion - as the source of light's entropy drive, or the creator of light's non-local symmetric energy state - conserves the other role by default. (See: "The Double Conservation Role of Gravitation".)

One of gravity's several conservation roles concerns the spatial entropy drive of free energy (the intrinsic motion of light), which gravity conserves by transforming light's intrinsic motion to the historical entropy drive of bound energy (the intrinsic motion of time). Time is created by gravity via the annihilation of space and the extraction of a metrically equivalent temporal residue, resulting in the deceleration of the spatial expansion of the Cosmos. Because the spatial expansion is driven by the intrinsic motion of light, it is light's spatial entropy drive (S), which ultimately funds matter's historical entropy drive (T). We can represent this transformation by a "concept equation":

$$-Gm(S) = (T)m$$

This "concept equation" represents an entropic conservation loop between space (created by light), and time (created by gravity). The loop continues through the gravitational conversion of mass to light in stars (which essentially reverses this equation), reducing the stars' mass and associated gravitational energy and resulting in the "acceleration" of the spatial expansion of the Cosmos (as recently observed). The equation also suggests that time, as Einstein noted, is a local characteristic of gravitating mass: (T)m is different for Earth, Mars, Jupiter, the Sun, etc., not only in quantity and intensity, but also in its metric effect (on clock rate, for example). The only global constant in the equation is G.

(See: "Currents of Entropy and Symmetry".)

Non-Local Light and "c" vs Local Matter and "G"

"Velocity c" is the gauge of both the primordial, spatial entropy drive of light, and the spatially symmetric "non-local" energy state of light (free electromagnetic energy). "Non-locality" is due to the fact, discovered by Einstein, that light has no time dimension and no spatial dimension in the direction of its motion. In Einstein's mathematical formulation of this symmetry, the "Interval" of light = zero. Within its own reference frame, the energy of any individual photon (quantum of light) is distributed uniformly, everywhere, simultaneously. This symmetry in the spatial distribution of light's energy is a consequence of light's "non-locality", and according to Noether's Theorem, "non-locality" is a symmetry of light which must be conserved.

Einstein's "Interval" is an invariant quantity of spacetime (in any reference frame) whose function is to rescue causality from the shifting dimensional perspectives of Einstein's Special and General Relativity - the relative and variable motions of matter and the metric "warping" of gravity. Massless 2-D light is non-local, atemporal, and acausal; massive 4-D matter is local, temporal, and causal.

Light is a 2-dimensional transverse wave whose intrinsic motion sweeps out a third spatial dimension. Lacking both a time dimension and one spatial dimension (in its direction of propagation), light's position in 3-dimensional space or 4-dimensional spacetime cannot be specified. Since both time and distance are meaningless to light, light has in effect an infinite amount of time to go nowhere. Hence in its own reference frame (moving freely in spacetime (vacuum) at velocity c), light must be considered to be everywhere simultaneously. From this results the "non-local" character of light, light's zero "Interval", light's effectively "infinite" velocity, and the globally symmetric distribution of light's energy.

The charges of matter are the symmetry debts of light, and light's "non-local" distributional and metric symmetry is conserved through the "location" charge of gravitation, of which time is the active principle. The time "charge" and the gravitational field it induces identify energetically the specifiable (and hence asymmetric) location of immobile, undistributed, mass-energy in 4-D spacetime, including the quantity and density of the distributional symmetry violation - the local concentration of matter. Einstein's "Interval" of mass is always greater than zero, due to the presence of time and a third spatial dimension. The time charge breaks the metric symmetry condition of light's "zero Interval", establishing the gravitational metric symmetry debt of bound energy (the warpage of space due to the intrinsic motion of time). Because time is an "entropic" charge (a charge - unlike any other - with intrinsic dimensional motion), the spatial "location" symmetry debt is combined with an asymmetric (one-way) temporal entropy drive. Both debts are dimensional or metric in character. The one-way character of time is necessary not only for reasons of causality and energy conservation, but also to break the otherwise symmetric metric of space, specifying the actual 4-D location of bound energy amidst the isomorphic and entropic spatial expansion.

Gravity (eventually) restores (conserves) the non-local spatial symmetry of light by the conversion of bound

to free energy in stars, quasars, supernovas, and other astrophysical processes, culminating in the complete gravitational conversion of matter to light via Hawking's "quantum radiance" of black holes, in full satisfaction of the symmetry conservation requirements of Noether's Theorem. The conversion of bound to free energy pays the entropy debt simultaneously with the symmetry debt, since light is both atemporal and non-local. The gravitational field "evaporates" along with the mass of the black hole, signifying the final and full payment of gravity's symmetry and entropy debt.

If the purpose of a metric is energy conservation - as it clearly must be - why is the gravitational metric necessary to address this issue? The gravitational metric is necessary to provide negative energy to balance the positive energy of bound electromagnetic energy (mass/matter). It is the exact balance between the positive rest mass energy of matter and the negative energy of matter's gravitational field which allows the creation of matter from zero net energy during the "Big Bang". This is the third and perhaps the most fundamental conservation role of gravity, addressing the upper vertex of the "Tetrahedron Model" diagram.

We have seen the conservation role of gravity with respect to the four conservation parameters of the "Tetrahedron Model": entropy (converting light's intrinsic motion to time's intrinsic motion), symmetry (the conversion of bound to free energy), causality (the creation of time and historic spacetime, and including "Lorentz Invariance"), and finally energy itself (providing negative energy to balance matter's positive energy). All these roles are intimately connected and related to the regulatory or "gauge" functions of "velocity c". Negative gravitational energy is provided by an imploding rather than exploding spatial metric, which in turn is caused by the intrinsic motion of time, matter's entropy drive (time and gravity induce each other endlessly). Time provides matter's causal linkage and creates matter's historic conservation domain of information, while simultaneously providing matter with a "location" charge representing light's non-local distributional symmetry debt. "Location" charge (whose active principle is time) identifies the 4-dimensional location of immobile, undistributed mass-energy, and eventually converts matter back to its original and symmetric form, light (in stars, black holes, and other astrophysical/gravitational processes). The active "push" or "drive" of this chain of conservation effects is provided by entropy - the implicit or explicit presence of time causing the expansion of space or history.

For a more complete discussion of gravitation the reader is referred to: "A Description of Gravitation"; and "Entropy, Gravitation, and Thermodynamics".

Part II

Global and Local Gauge Symmetries: Gravitation

Massless light is non-local, atemporal, and acausal; massive matter is local, temporal, and causal.

"c" is a global constant gauging a global metric; "G" is a global constant gauging a local metric.

Einstein discovered that gravitational fields slow clocks and shrink meter sticks, as does relative motion of any kind, breaking the global metric symmetry of spacetime. These local effects are caused by relative motions - either our motion through spacetime, or spacetime's motion through us (gravitation). These relative motions of matter require (or cause) compensatory adjustments in the local spacetime metric ("local gauge symmetry currents"), which are necessary to protect and conserve the invariant values of various conserved material charges, including "velocity c", the "Interval", and causality. Hence we find the "Lorentz Invariance" of Special Relatively, in which "moving clocks run slow" and meter sticks shrink in the direction of motion, and similar effects due to gravitation in General Relativity. Time and space can vary, as

Einstein realized, *but only* if both vary together in such a way as to maintain the value of the electromagnetic energy gauge "c", and the ability of the metric as as a whole to conserve energy.

Thus in spite of the fact that the metrics of gravitational spacetime vary continuously with distance from the center of the field's source, or from one planet or star to another, "velocity c" remains constant wherever it is measured. The same is true for relative motions of any kind: clocks may slow and meter sticks may shrink, but causality and the measured value of velocity c remains invariant - independent of the relative motion (whether linear or accelerated) of source or observer.

Since we are making the assumption that the field vectors of the forces are in effect "local gauge symmetry currents", converting global symmetries into local symmetries (and vice versa), we must allow the field vectors to inform us regarding the activity and conservation role of the force in question. In the case of gravitation, the field vector or "graviton" is time or spacetime, the activity is the conversion of space into time, and the conservation role is extremely broad, encompassing the conservation of energy, entropy, symmetry, and causality. In the context of the "global vs local gauge symmetry" paradigm, the conservation role of gravitation is most generally characterized as the conversion of the symmetric global, spatial metric, whose only energy form is light, to an asymmetric, local spacetime metric which accommodates the conservation requirements of both light and matter (free and bound electromagnetic energy).

The purpose of a dimensional metric is energy conservation, and gravitation acts to convert the energy-conserving symmetric global metric of space and light to the energy-conserving asymmetric local metric of spacetime, light, and matter. This is essentially the conversion of a global Newtonian metric consisting of an invariant space and time, to an Einsteinian local metric consisting of an invariant electromagnetic constant "c", with co-varying space and time (Minkowski spacetime). The key local interaction is the Lorentz transformation or "Lorentz Invariance", in which space and time co-vary in such a way ("moving clocks run slow and meter sticks shrink in the direction of motion") that regardless of relative motions or variable gravitational fields, velocity c remains an invariant universal constant, conserving causality, the "Interval", and the value of the various charges and symmetry debts of matter. This is part of the basic energy conservation role of gravity, which must include the creation of bound energy's historical entropy drive. The gravitational force will, in addition, eventually fulfill and complete its symmetry conservation role via the conversion of bound to free energy in stars and through Hawking's "quantum radiance" of black holes.

In the gravitational force, co-varying time and space are the analogs of light's co-varying electric and magnetic fields, the local gauge symmetry "current" or force. Time is implicitly resident in the spacetime metric, just as magnetism is implicitly resident in light's electromagnetic field.

Gravitons

The graviton is the presumed field vector of gravitation, the local symmetry current exchanged between all massive particles (via its effect upon the spacetime metric). The graviton is actually a form of time or spacetime. A graviton is a quantum unit of time or temporal entropy. All massive objects have a "location" charge, whose active principle is time, and as the time charge exits space (at right angles to all three spatial dimensions, marching off into history), time pulls the spatial dimensions along behind it, causing them to annihilate each other at the point-like entrance to the one-way time line, leaving a temporal residue which is the metric equivalent of the collapsed space. This new temporal residue likewise moves off down the time line into history, pulling more space behind it, repeating the endless, self-feeding entropic cycle. A gravitational field is the spatial consequence of the intrinsic motion of time. (See: "A Description of Gravity"; and see: "The Conversion of Space to Time".)

Summary

The invariant, global magnitude of gravity's time or "location" charge ("G") - like all other charges - must be maintained, because of the intimate connection between time and energy conservation (entropy, causality, the Interval, relative motion, etc.). Hence both c and G must be universal and invariant metric constants. Nevertheless, time can vary locally if space co-varies, a combination which maintains the constant value of c, the "Interval", and causality. Time can vary locally only within the framework of a global metric structure which as a whole remains capable of conserving energy. Charge invariance - including the "Lorentz Invariance" of Special and General Relativity - is the key to understanding the local forces and the local action of the field vectors (local "gauge symmetry currents"). The local, relative motions of matter require local compensatory forces to maintain and protect the invariant, global parameters of charge, including the "Interval", causality, and the electromagnetic constant, "c".

We see a hierarchy of global-local gauge symmetries, with the global "multiverse" at the top, existing purely in terms of creative potential, with all the various possible universes as the local gauge expressions of the next lower (derivative) level. Our universe is one such local choice among these (infinite?) possibilities, whose physical laws and constants (by chance alone) favor the evolution of our life form (the "Anthropic Principle"). (Within our own universe, however, the evolution of life is not due to simple chance, but to the operation of a 4x3 General Systems or fractal algorithm. See: "Nature's Fractal Pathway".) At the multiverse level, the energy type, dimensional parameters, and physical constants of our universe are but the local gauge parameters of a specific (electromagnetic) choice or realization, perhaps among an infinitude of possible universes. I would guess that the only restriction upon the physical parameters of any universe is that: 1) it requires no net energy (or charge) to create; 2) it must be capable of conserving such energy as it does contain; 3) it must be able to break its initial symmetry condition; 4) it must be able to return to its symmetric origins.

Within our electromagnetic, 4-D universe, the electromagnetic constant c is the dominant global energy gauge, regulating spacetime and its perfectly symmetric metric, with massless, non-local light as the perfectly symmetric energy form. Next below light, c, and the symmetric (inertial) spacetime metric, is matter and gravity, both derived from light and light's spatial metric. "G" is a global gauge but defines a local metric, which is characterized and "warped" by asymmetric time. The gravitational charge recognizes all particles only in terms of their mass, the broadest category among material particles, matter or antimatter. Next below the gravitational "location" charge (in terms of generality) is the electric charge, recognizing the equivalency of all electrically charged particles. The weak "identity" charge follows, recognizing four subcategories of number or "identity" charge (lepton and baryon "number" charges); finally at the bottom, we find the narrowest category, the strong force charge recognizing only the global category of color charge (all quarks are equivalent with respect to color charge, regardless of other charges they may bear).

This same hierarchy is like a set of nested Russian dolls with respect to the physical volumes of space within their domains. At the top, we have the multiverse of infinite potentiality and n-dimensional conservation domains; next, our 4-D unbounded universe of light, followed by our gravitationally bounded universe, and the gravitational boundaries of galaxies, stellar systems, stars, and planets; below planets is the electrical domain of crystals and organic molecular systems and forms, and atomic electron shells; below the atomic level is the realm of the two nuclear forces, the weak force at the level of elementary particles (creation, destruction, decay, and transformation), followed by a final (?) layer of the sub-elementary quarks, permanently confined by the color charges of the strong force. Biological (living) systems, depending upon how one defines them, fit somewhere below stellar systems (space-faring species) and above crystals (bacteria, virus).

At every level, from the "Big Crunch" to the Sun, stars, and Hawking's "quantum radiance" of black holes, to the matter-antimatter annihilations of particle-antiparticle pairs, or particle and proton decay, the system of interwoven and nested global and local symmetries drives toward a single goal: the return of bound to

free energy, the transformation of matter to light, as required by the symmetry conservation mandate of "Noether's Theorem".

A diagrammatic representation of the global-local gauge symmetry structure of natural law and the physical forces can be seen in: "The Tetrahedron Model". A comparison of the "Tetrahedron Model" vs the "Standard Model" of physics is also available.

Postscript A Hierarchy of Gravitational Conservation Roles and Domains

1) Gravitational Realms: Single Systems (planets and stars)

A) Entropy-only Conservation Domains: (the gravitational creation of time via the gravitational conversion of space to time) (atoms -> planets):

Atoms - time ("half-life") - radioactivity, particle, and proton decay (gravity provides the time dimension within which all forms of charge conservation can have an historical significance - another example of the connection between gravity and symmetry conservation)

Spherical shapes created by symmetric gravitational forces (large composite objects); large asteroids, satellites, moons, planetismals

Planetary life zone - biological information domain (atmosphere, liquid water, magnetic field, all necessary?); (time is necessary for biological evolution)

Planets (various sizes, approximately Earth to (?) Jupiter-sized planets)

Brown dwarfs ("failed" stars: \sim 13 - 80 Jupiter masses; limited fusion of deuterium and lithium)

B) Entropy-plus-Symmetry Conservation Domains: (the gravitational creation of space and light via the conversion of bound to free energy - simultaneously with the gravitational conversion of space to time: nuclear fusion reactions (the nucleosynthetic pathway) repaying the entropy and symmetry debts of matter) (stars)

Sun and Stars - various types and sizes (above 80 Jupiter masses up to ~ 100 (?) solar masses); stellar "generations" (first generation stars may be (much?) more massive) Nucleosynthetic pathway (creation of heavy elements)

Novas and supernovas (creation and dispersal of heavy elements)

White Dwarfs - electron shell collapse; electron "gas" (condensed matter series begins) Neutron stars - pulsars and magnetars

Black Holes: small (primordial); large (stellar); giant (galactic)

"Quantum Radiance" - Hawking (total conversion of mass to light and final gravitational repayment of matter's entropy and symmetry debts)

Proton Decay - probably common at central "singularity" of black holes (black holes therefore probably consist only of gravitationally bound light)

2) Gravitational Realms: Complex Orbital Systems (Stellar Systems and Galaxies)

C) mixed entropy, symmetry, and neutral domains (stable orbits are gravitationally neutral domains) (orbital pairs -> Universe)

Orbital motions (moons, satellites, asteroids, comets, etc.)

Stellar Systems (planetary systems with a central star or stars)

Binary stars, and simple multiple orbital systems

Globular Clusters

Galaxies and galactic structures (disc, central bulge, halo, globular clusters, giant molecular clouds, stellar nurseries, spiral arms, central giant black hole, etc.)

Galaxy types: spirals, barred spirals, ellipticals, irregulars, dwarf, etc. (small - large; primitive - evolved)

Quasars (and "active" galaxies)

Galaxy clusters, giant central galaxies, satellite galaxies, interactive galaxy pairs, colliding galaxies, etc.

Giant galactic "walls" and "voids"; galactic superclusters; "foam-like" mega-structure of Cosmos

3) Cosmic Scale: Creation, Destruction, Fate of Universe

D) Creation of Light, spacetime, and Matter (from multiverse?); Creation of Energy/Entropy Conservation Domains of Space and Historic Spacetime

Deceleration of cosmic expansion (due to gravitational annihilation of space)

Acceleration (rebound) of cosmic expansion (due to gravitational annihilation of mass and vanishing of associated gravitational fields)

Creation of Universe: "Big Bang" (via compensating negative gravitational energy: net energy = 0)

Destruction of Universe: "Big Crunch" (net entropy = 0) (return to multiverse?)

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