

# The Hilbert Book Test Model

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## Abstract

The Hilbert book test model is a purely mathematical test model that starts from a solid foundation from which the whole model can be derived by using trustworthy mathematical methods. What is known about physical reality is used as a guidance, but the model is not claimed to be a proper reflection of physical reality. The mathematical toolkit still contains holes. These holes will be encountered during the development of the model and suggestions are made how those gaps can be filled. Some new insights are obtained and some new mathematical methods are introduced. The selected foundation is interpreted as part of a recipe for modular construction and that recipe is applied throughout the development of the model. This development is an ongoing project. The main law of physics appears to be a commandment: "Thou shalt construct in a modular way". The paper reveals the possible origin of several physical concepts. This paper shows that it is possible to discover a mathematical structure that is suitable as an extensible foundation. However, without adding extra mechanisms that ensure dynamic coherence, the structure does not provide the full functionality of reality. These extra mechanisms apply stochastic processes, which generate the elementary modules that populate the model.

All discrete items in universe are configured from dynamic geometric locations. These items are stored in a repository that covers the past history, the current static status quo and the future. The elementary modules float over the static framework of the repository. Dedicated mechanisms ensure the coherent behavior of these elementary modules. Fields exist that describe these elementary modules. These fields are supported by an encapsulating repository.

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If you think, then think twice.  
In any case, think frankly.

## 1 Foreword of the author

The “Hilbert Book Model” is the name of my personal research project. My interest in the structure and phenomena of physical reality started in the third year of my physics study when I was first confronted with how quantum mechanics was configured. I was quite astonished by the fact that its methodology differed fundamentally from the way that classical mechanics was done. So I asked my very wise lecturer on what origin this difference is based. His answer was that this difference was caused by the superposition principle. I was not very happy with this answer, because the superposition principle was indeed part of the methodology of quantum mechanics, but in those days I did not comprehend how that could present the main cause of the difference between the two methodologies. I decided to dive into literature and after some search I encountered the booklet of Peter Mittelstaedt, “Philosophische Probleme der Modernen Physik” (1963). This booklet contained a chapter about quantum logic and that appeared to me a more appropriate answer. Garret Birkhoff and John von Neumann published in 1936 a paper that published their discovery of what they called “quantum logic”. Quantum logic is since then in mathematical terminology known as an orthomodular lattice. The relational structure of this lattice is quite similar to the relational structure of classical logic. That is why the duo gave their discovery the name “quantum logic”. This was an unlucky choice, because no good reason exist to consider the orthomodular lattice as a system of logical propositions. In the same paper, the duo indicated that the set of closed subspaces of a separable Hilbert space has exactly the relational structure of an orthomodular lattice. That appears to be the reason why quantum physicists prefer Hilbert spaces as a realm in which they do their modeling of quantum physical systems.

Another habit of quantum physicists also intrigued me. My lecturer thought me that all observable quantum physical quantities are eigenvalues of Hermitian operators. When I looked around I saw a world that had a structure that was configured from a three dimensional spatial domain and a one dimensional time domain. In the quantum physics of that time, no operator represents the time domain and no operator was used to deliver the spatial domain in a compact fashion. After some research I discovered a four dimensional number system that could provide an appropriate normal operator with an eigenspace that represented the full four dimensional representation of my living environment. At that moment I had not yet heard from quaternions, but an assistant professor quickly told me about the discovery of Rowan Hamilton that happened more than a century earlier.

My university, the TUE, targeted applied physics and there was not much time nor support for diving deep into the fundamentals of quantum physics. After my study I started a career in high-tech industry where I joined the development of image intensifier devices. There followed my confrontation with optics and with the actual behavior of elementary particles. See: [http://www.e-physics.eu/#\\_What\\_image\\_intensifiers](http://www.e-physics.eu/#_What_image_intensifiers) reveal.

Only after my retirement I got sufficient time to dive deep into the foundations of physical reality. In 2009 after the recovery of a severe disease, I started my personal research project that in 2011 got its current name “The Hilbert Book Model”. The author takes the freedom to upgrade the related papers in a steady rate.

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## 2 Motivation

I started a study in physics because I was interested in what destined my environment to be so complicated and yet controlled that environment such that it appeared to be so well coordinated. The belief in a creator that settles everything seemed to me a far too simple solution. My environment must have a built-in principle that in one way or another installed the necessary coherence. That principle must therefore be incorporated in the foundation of the structure of reality. If you think about it, then this foundation must be relatively simple. This means that this foundation can easily be comprehended by skilled scientists. The question now is how exactly this foundation will be structured. The simplest mathematical structures are sets and relational structures. Relational structures define what kind of relations between elements of a set are allowed. For example, the classical logic that we use in order to characterize a proper way of reasoning is in fact a relational structure. This logic describes what kind of statements are allowed and what relationships between these statements are tolerated.

Some scientists start a research project that has as target to develop a theory of everything. This is an implausible enterprise because the target is far too complicated in order to be comprehended by a human being. In fact what these scientists pursue is the discovery of a foundation, whose extension automatically leads to a theory that in principle can cover all aspects of physical reality. Any foundation of reality must be very simple and must be easily comprehensible by skilled scientists. It is quite probable that current mathematics already covers structures that are suitable as a foundation. The difficulty is not comprehending a suitable foundation. The difficulty is located in finding a structure, whose extension is restricted such that it automatically leads to a base model, which has a similar structure and similar behavior as the lower levels of perceivable physical reality has. The most challenging requirement is that the foundation and its extensions must ensure the dynamic coherence of the developed model.

This paper shows that it is possible to discover a mathematical structure that is suitable as an extensible foundation. However, without adding extra mechanisms that ensure dynamic coherence, the structure does not provide the full functionality of reality. These extra mechanisms apply stochastic processes, which generate the elementary modules that populate the model.

The author has long thought that the foundation of physical reality is not observable. However, recently the author came to the conclusion that the signature of the foundation can be observed all over universe. This signature is shown by the fact that all discrete objects in universe are either modules or they represent modular systems. However, translating this signature into a mathematical structure requires deep insight in both modular construction and in mathematical structures.

In this paper we follow the historic path that the discovery of the foundation followed. It is also possible to start with the observable signature of this foundation that indicates that modular construction plays an important role. That inroad is taken in the paper "[Thou Shalt Construct in a Modular Way](#)".

## 3 Generating the base model

### 3.1 Task

The base model must include a simple foundation from which a dynamic geometric universe can be derived by extending the selected foundation in a coherent and straightforward way. The toughest task is to find a foundation that puts sufficient restrictions to its own extension such that it becomes comprehensible why the resulting model shows the degree of coherence that we know from observing reality. The nice part of this task is that obviously an important part of that foundation was discovered long ago. However, that part alone is not enough in order to ensure sufficient coherence. The foundation must be helped by mechanisms that ensure extra coherence. These mechanisms are

not part of conventional physical theories. In this paper we will try to get more information about these mechanisms.

### 3.2 Foundation

Early in the twentieth century two scientists discovered a relational structure that differed slightly from the relational structure of classical logic. According to the duo this structure relates directly to the way in which quantum mechanics is performed. Garret Birkhoff was a specialist in lattice theory. Lattices are relational structures. John von Neumann was a broadly oriented scientist with special interest in quantum physics. The duo called their discovery “quantum logic” because its relational structure resembled closely the relational structure of classical logic. This is a curious name, because in the 1936 report in which the duo published their discovery they showed that a more complicated structure contained this relational structure as an essential part.

### 3.3 The orthomodular space

This more complicated structure is a Hilbert space. The Hilbert space is named after David Hilbert who more than ten years earlier along with others discovered this special vector space. The set of the closed subspaces of the Hilbert space has a relational structure that exactly mirrors the relational structure of the discovered “quantum logic”. Nothing indicates that these closed subspaces match simple logical statements. This destined the name giving of the discovered relational structure at least as a curious decision. The fact that the relational structure of classical logic is quite similar to the relational structure of the set of closed subspaces of the Hilbert space is no reason to expect that the elements of this lattice also represent logical propositions. The mathematicians gave the corresponding relational structure a different name. In mathematics, this structure is called “orthomodular lattice”. Lattices and Hilbert spaces are treated in detail in the appendix of this paper.

The foundation that was selected by the duo Birkhoff and von Neumann does not contain numbers. The orthomodular lattice only knows relations and elements that are connected by these relations.

### 3.4 The repository for dynamic geometric data

Quantum physicists use the Hilbert space as a storage medium for dynamic geometric data. That happens in the form of eigenvalues of operators, which map some of the Hilbert vectors onto themselves. Such vectors are then called eigenvectors. The operator associates the eigenvectors with corresponding eigenvalues. Different eigenvalues correspond to mutually perpendicular eigenvectors. The Hilbert space defines for each pair of its vectors a scalar product. For mutually perpendicular Hilbert vectors, the scalar product equals zero. The value of the scalar product must be a member of a division ring. A division ring is a number system, in which each non-zero number has a unique inverse. There are only three suitable division rings. These are the real numbers, the complex numbers and the quaternions. The Hilbert space can only cope with numbers that are elements of these division rings.

### 3.5 Atomic elements

The orthomodular lattice is an atomic lattice. This means that multiple elements exist that are not themselves a result of a relation. In the Hilbert space, these atoms are represented by subspaces that cannot be split into other subspaces and therefore they are spanned by a single Hilbert vector. Atoms are mutually independent, thus the atoms of the orthomodular lattice correspond with an orthonormal base of the Hilbert space. A special operator connects every atomic Hilbert vector with a quaternion that acts as its eigenvalue. In this way, each orthomodular atom corresponds with a matching quaternion. Quaternions consist of a real scalar and a three dimensional vector. The scalar can represent a progression value and the three dimensional vector can represent a spatial location. This shows that the selected foundation indirectly emerges into notions of progression and geometric location. However, this interpretation couples every atom to a single progression instant and a single spatial location. This is a static and not a dynamic geometrical location.

### 3.6 Reference operators and parameter spaces

It is possible to select all rational values of a quaternionic number system and use these numbers as enumerators for an orthonormal base of the separable Hilbert space. A special category of operators that we will call **reference operators** can use the enumerator as eigenvalue and the corresponding base vector as eigenvector. This possibility can be exploited further, because it is possible to apply multiple versions of a selected number system in order to create multiple parameter spaces and the center of these parameter spaces may float with respect to each other. The geometric centers of these parameter spaces are characterized by a dynamic geometric location. That geometric center is specified relative to a selected parameter space that is eigenspace of a corresponding reference operator. For that reason we call the selected parameter space the **background parameter space**. The versions of the number system differ with respect to the way that they are ordered. Ordering is possible by using a Cartesian coordinate system. Subsequently a polar coordinate system can be used.

### 3.7 Defined operators

We can specify a new category of defined normal operators. The eigenspace of a selected reference operator can be used as parameter space of a continuous function. Subsequently this function can be used to define a new normal operator that uses the function value instead of the parameter value and reuses the corresponding eigenvector. These procedures link Hilbert space operator technology with function technology.

### 3.8 Elementary modules

We notice that all discrete items in universe are either **modules** or they are **modular systems**. This is throughout the universe visible as a signature of the foundation of physical reality. **Elementary modules** have in common with the floating parameter spaces that they both can be characterized by a dynamic geometric center. This suggests that the elementary modules can be related to a private floating parameter space. The different orderings of the parameter spaces will then correspond with different types of the elementary modules. We define a category of special operators whose eigenvectors represent elementary modules. These are modules that are not constituted from other modules and can thus be represented by a somehow undividable subspace. This cannot be a one-dimensional subspace, because a one-dimensional subspace corresponds with a static geometric location. From reality we now that modules are characterized by a dynamic location. Thus the representation of the elementary module must be chosen such that it covers multiple progression instants and a corresponding number of locations. Each of these eigenvalues must correspond with its own eigenvector and these eigenvectors span a multidimensional subspace of the Hilbert space. After ordering of the progression values the elementary module appears to hop along a hopping path and the landing locations form a location swarm. The hopping path, the location swarm and the subspace now represent the elementary module. The hop landing locations are defined with respect to the parameter space that is private to the elementary module. Under special conditions, the location swarm can have a well-defined geometric center. We select that center to coincide with the geometric center of the **private parameter space**. At every progression instant each elementary module is represented by a single Hilbert vector and a single hop landing location. The Hilbert vector is eigenvector of the private reference operator AND it is eigenvector of the special operator that represents the elementary module.

### 3.9 Vane

Via the background parameter space and the corresponding **background reference operator**, the considered progression instant defines a **vane** that divides the Hilbert space in three parts, a historic part, the vane and a future part. The vane is a special subspace of the Hilbert space. The elementary modules may float with respect to background parameter space. They float with their own reference platform that is characterized by their private reference operator. The location swarm is defined with

respect to that private reference platform, which owns a private parameter space that features a private ordering.

### 3.10 Mechanisms

Without further measures, nothing prevents the elementary modules to use a completely arbitrary hopping path and a chaotic location swarm. In this way, the orthomodular lattice and its extension the Hilbert space cannot ensure the relatively coherent behavior that we know from the reality that surrounds us. Something must exist that ensures the coherence of the hopping path and the corresponding location swarm. We therefore **postulate a mechanism** that establishes this coherence by ensuring that the swarm gets a coherent shape and a location density distribution that can be characterized by a continuous function. We go one step further by postulating that this distribution owns a Fourier transform. These requirements are far from straightforward. Let us see what these requirements pursue. Possessing a Fourier transform corresponds to the condition that the swarm owns a displacement generator. This means that **in first approximation the swarm itself moves as one unit**. The Fourier transform of the location density distribution is the characteristic function of the elementary module. The location density distribution corresponds to the squared modulus of the wave function of the elementary module. This indicates that we are on the right track. However, in this model the wave function is replaced by the characteristic function of the stochastic process that defines the landing locations. This goes a lot deeper than the concept of the wave function. Owning a Fourier transform means for the continuous location density distribution that this function can be considered as a wave package. However, moving wave packages tend to disperse. This package does not disperse because it is continuously regenerated from the corresponding location swarm and that swarm corresponds to the hopping path of a point-like object. It means that the location swarm is a distribution of potential detection locations that is capable of representing interference patterns. This gives rise to a rather mysterious **wave-particle duality**. The waves are simulated as interference patterns of potential detection locations. Something that detects elementary modules will never observe waves. At the utmost it will observe detection patterns that simulate interference patterns.

If an elementary module is detected, then the detection location will be at the last landing location of the current hopping path. After detection of the elementary module the hopping path stops and the corresponding swarm collapses. It means that the mechanism, which controls the generation of the hopping locations transfers to a different operation mode.

### 3.11 Signatures

The structure of the foundation shows its signature throughout the universe. It is shown in the fact that all discrete objects that can be observed in universe are either modules or they are modular systems.

Also the mechanisms have signatures that can be observed. For example the way that the visual trajectory of the vertebrates is optimized for low dose rate perception of images offers indications about the nature of the processes that generate the perceived objects. This is treated in the section on low dose rate imaging.

Another indication is the self-coherence of the swarm in the interaction between the describing field and the hops that try to change the uniform motion of the geometric center of the swarm into an accelerated motion. This is treated more extensively in the section that **explains self-coherence with inertia**. That section suggests that the **mass of elementary modules is proportional to the number of the hop landing locations** that constitute the location swarm. At particle annihilation a pair of elementary particles is converted into a pair of photons. Photons are constituted of strings of shape and amplitude keeping fronts. Each front carries a bit of energy. This reveals the **mass energy equivalence** that made Einstein famous.

### 3.12 The Hilbert space

The most important aspect of the foregoing is that the existence of the Hilbert space automatically follows from the existence of the underlying orthomodular lattice. So if this orthomodular lattice structure is indeed the foundation of physical reality, then physical reality also contains the structure of the Hilbert space with everything that goes with it and that's a lot. The mechanisms that ensure coherence are not part of the Hilbert space. They form an addition to the model and that addition does not emerge from the selected foundation.

### 3.13 Continuums

The Hilbert space that arises from the orthomodular lattice is a separable Hilbert space. This structure can only store countable sets of dynamic geometric data. That could, in principle, count to infinity, but that is not enough in order to achieve the fineness of the continuums which also occur in reality. However, it is possible to link the mapping operators to continuous functions and thus achieve a Hilbert space which features operators that own continuum eigenspaces. The first step of this procedure concerns the definition of reference operators. Operators map the Hilbert space on itself and in this action Hilbert vectors may be mapped on the one dimensional subspace that the Hilbert vector spans. The scalar vector product of the object vector and the target vector reveals the corresponding eigenvalue. Reference operators associate via the eigenvalues the members of an orthonormal base of the Hilbert space to the rational elements of a quaternionic number system. The eigenspaces of these reference operators can be used as parameter spaces. The reference operators can be converted into new operators by replacing the rational parameter values by the target values of continuous functions. In this second step, the eigenvectors are kept. Now, the step to continuums is small. The countable parameter spaces that consist of discrete rational values must be compacted into continuums. The rational values are embedded among irrational values. By applying this step the non-separable companion Hilbert space emerges from a corresponding separable Hilbert space. This procedure merges both Hilbert spaces unequivocally together. In the non-separable Hilbert space the dimension of subspaces in general loses its sense. The orthonormal base is no longer countable. However, the complete separable companion Hilbert space is embedded inside the non-separable Hilbert space and most of the countable eigenspaces are embedded inside the continuum eigenspaces. This holds for all reference operators and for all defined operators. It does not hold for the special operators that represent elementary modules. These special operators have no equivalent in the non-separable Hilbert space.

### 3.14 Dynamics

The vane that was introduced earlier offers an even more realistic picture. The vane splits the real part of the continuum eigenspace of the background reference operator that resides in the non-separable Hilbert space such that a part represents the past and the other part represents the future. On the separation resides a representation of the current static status quo. A progression value that is the same for the entire border region characterizes the split. A steady increase of the selected progression value creates a dynamic model. In the separable Hilbert space, progression steps and in the companion non-separable Hilbert space progression flows. In the separable Hilbert space the model steps from one static status quo to the next model wide static status quo. The author uses this fact in order to compare the model with a book where each static status quo represent a page of the book. That is why this test model is named "**Hilbert Book Test Model**".

The static status quo is represented by a subspace of the Hilbert space. Inside that subspace every elementary module is represented by a single Hilbert vector and that vector spans a one dimensional subspace. Inside the vane the modules form an **atomic modular configuration lattice**, where each atom represents an elementary module.

### 3.15 Green's function and location density distribution

The arrival at the landing point starts a spherical shape keeping front that diminishes its amplitude as  $1/r$  with distance  $r$  from the landing location. The spherical shape keeping fronts are solutions of the inhomogeneous second order partial differential equations that describe the behavior of the field that surrounds the landing location. The integral over a sampling period of these solutions form the defining function of the operator that reflects the effect of the single hop landing. The eigenspace of the defined operator describes the field response on the hop landing in the realm of the non-separable Hilbert space. The location swarm only owns a location density distribution after sampling all hop landing locations. This distribution must be convoluted with the effect of a single hop landing.

The resulting field is the eigenspace of a defined operator that resides in the non-separable Hilbert space. The field offers a blurred description of the hop landings. The effects of the hop landings are integrated over the regeneration period. During that period the field that describes the effects of the hop landings is affected by the emitted fronts.

The hop landings and their description by the field are intimately related. One does not exist without the other. It is due to the embedding of the separable Hilbert space into its non-separable companion. The eigenspace of the special operator that has the landing locations of the hops as its eigenvalues has no equivalent defined operator. The defining function does not yet exist. Only after the sampling of the location density distribution a defining function can be formulated. That defining function is the convolution of the location density distribution and the Green's function.

### 3.16 Interpretations

For the dynamic model, two interpretations are possible. The first interpretation sees the Hilbert space as a repository that already contains all stored values. Thus, past, present and future are already fixed. The other interpretation is based on observers who travel with the split. They see the past indeed as a fully and exactly defined part, but the future is unknown and is inaccessible for these observers. The present static status quo exists, but the information on objects that are farther away must still reach the observer. This information flows to the observers through the fields that describe the swarms. Here we mean with fields the location density distributions that are blurred by the Green's functions of the fields. These density distributions float on a background parameter space. This second interpretation resembles the view that most physical theories apply.

Also the mentioned hop landing describing fields allow two different interpretations. On the one hand, they offer a blurred description of the swarms, but on the other hand, their shape is determined by the presence of the landing locations of the hopping paths. These landing points are embedded between rational numbers that form the parameter space of the functions that describe the fields. Together the descriptors of the parameter spaces and descriptors of the swarms form a contiguous field that can be considered as living space of the elementary modules.

The different interpretations do not influence the underlying model.

### 3.17 Symmetries and basic fields

The ordering of the parameter spaces determines the symmetry flavors of these parameter spaces and since each elementary module owns a private parameter space will the difference between the background parameter space and the private parameter space relate to the symmetry related charge of the elementary module. This symmetry related charge is located at the geometric center of the elementary module. The symmetry related charges form the sources of a separate symmetry related field. Besides the field that describes the influence of the location swarms, the symmetry related field is the second basic field that exist in the model.

### 3.18 Orthomodular base model

Not all subspaces of the Hilbert space represent modules. In fact only a small part of the subspaces represent modules. The subspace of the Hilbert space that represents the static status quo is a **Hilbert space vane** for which many of the operators are anti-Hermitian. This subspace acts as a kind of scanning vane that travels through an encapsulating Hilbert space in which the anti-Hermitian operators become normal operators. Inside the Hilbert space vane a small subset of the subspaces represent static status quos of modules or modular systems. The relational structure of that subset is a restricted orthomodular lattice.

The restricted orthomodular lattice is equivalent to a still picture of a set of modular systems. The separable Hilbert space is the film that holds the movie of a set of modular systems as a set of still pictures. Its non-separable companion contains the corresponding blurred movie. The movement blur as well as the spatial blur hide the discreteness of the separate pictures.

## 4 The test model

At this stage we are at a point where we cannot easily further extend the model without using the guidance of what we know by observing reality. We will first recollect and deepen what we have achieved. After that we will further extend the model by using results of what experimental observation of reality has revealed. In the resulting part of the paper we will use symbols for new and existing concepts and when appropriate, we will use these symbols in equations. We will refer to scientific documents that support the approach that is taken in this paper.

The Hilbert Book Test Model  $\mathcal{M}$  is based on a foundation that has the relational structure of an orthomodular lattice [1] [2]. Nearly a century ago, in 1936, the discovery of this lattice was published by the duo Garret Birkhoff and John von Neumann in a paper in which they also explained its relation to the notion of a **separable Hilbert space** [3] [4]. The orthonormal lattice does not contain the notion of number systems. Thus, this foundation cannot represent the concepts that define dynamic geometric data, such as time and location. These notions emerge by extending this foundation in the direction of the separable Hilbert space. By selecting this extension of the foundation, the freedom of selection of derived concepts is significantly restricted. The separable Hilbert space provides operators that have countable eigenspaces that are filled with eigenvalues that must be members of division rings [5]. Only three suitable division rings exist. These are the real numbers, the complex numbers and the quaternions. The separable Hilbert space can only cope with the rational versions of these number systems. These restrictions appear very favorable for the pursued model building process. It strongly limits the range of choices. Still the resulting possibilities appear to be flexible enough in order to generate a powerful base model.

The restrictions limit the freedom of model generation, but if the orthomodular lattice indeed represents the foundation of reality, then at the same time these restrictions limit the way that reality can develop. It means that reality must also show the structure and the behavior that the Hilbert space shows.

$\mathcal{M}$  does not interpret the orthomodular lattice as a logical system and it does not interpret the elements of the lattice as separate spatial locations, which feature a progression stamp. Instead  $\mathcal{M}$  interprets atomic elements of the lattice as elementary modules that are represented by hopping paths and corresponding location swarms. These objects are elementary modules of a modular system. These elementary modules are represented by subspaces of a separable Hilbert space, but these subspaces contain a huge number of dimensions. However, at each progression instant, these subspaces reduce to a subspace that is spanned by a single Hilbert vector. As a consequence  $\mathcal{M}$  interprets the orthomodular lattice as part of a recipe for modular construction. Modular construction represents a very beneficial strategy that strongly reduces relational

complexity of the target system. For very complex systems the modular construction strategy is orders of magnitude more efficient than a monolithic approach. Modular construction uses its resources in an optimally economic fashion.  $\mathcal{M}$  applies modular construction as a general strategy. Modular construction requires the encapsulation of modules, such that internal relations are hidden inside the capsule of the module. In some way,  $\mathcal{M}$  must implement that encapsulation.

Reality offers huge resources in available time and in numbers of building components. In this way even stochastic design as is applied by nature can reach high levels of complexity. In advance the model will apply a stochastic design and generation strategy. This will change when the model has achieved a level in which intelligent species appear. From that instant on the efficiency of the modular construction strategy will increase significantly. Intelligent design and construction will use far less design and generation time and other required resources. This will clearly affect the evolution of the model. Due to limited speed of information spread, these effects will appear at isolated locations.

$\mathcal{M}$  applies the fact that the set of closed subspaces of a separable Hilbert space has the relational structure of an orthomodular lattice. Not all closed subspaces of a separable Hilbert space represent modules or modular systems, thus the notion of a module must be further restricted.

$\mathcal{M}$  applies the fact that separable Hilbert spaces can only cope with number systems that are division rings. We use the most elaborate category of these division rings. That category is formed by the quaternionic number systems [6]. Quaternionic number systems exist in multiple versions, that differ in the way that they are ordered. This ordering may influence the arithmetic properties of the number system. For example right handed multiplying quaternions and left handed multiplying quaternions exist. Further, as will be shown in this paper, it appears that ordering influences the behavior of quaternionic functions under integration. This fact has astonishing consequences.

Another important fact is that every infinite dimensional separable Hilbert system owns a companion Gelfand triple, which is a *non-separable Hilbert space* [7]. Where the separable Hilbert space can only handle discrete data is the Gelfand triple capable of handling continuums.  $\mathcal{M}$  uses both kinds of Hilbert spaces as structured storage media, in a model in which discrete quaternionic data and quaternionic manifolds can be archived. By applying Hilbert spaces  $\mathcal{M}$  accepts that the model uses a storage medium in which all of its activities are precisely archived. This repository covers history, the present status quo AND the future! A vane that represents the current static status quo scans over this repository. Observation only occurs inside this vane.

$\mathcal{M}$  uses a separable Hilbert space  $\mathcal{S}$  in order to archive countable sets of discrete quaternionic data and  $\mathcal{M}$  uses the companion Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$  in order to archive continuous quaternionic manifolds.  $\mathcal{H}$  also contains an image of the content of  $\mathcal{S}$ .  $\mathcal{M}$  Uses this fact in order to describe the embedding of the separable Hilbert space into its Gelfand companion.  $\mathcal{M}$  considers the embedding as an ongoing process. In taking this view  $\mathcal{M}$  selects between two possible views. The view taken classifies the model as a dynamic model. The alternative view accepts that besides the historic data the Hilbert spaces already contains the future data. In this alternative view a boundary splits the Hilbert space into three parts:

- The past history part of the model
- The current static status quo, which is represented by the boundary
- The future part of the model

This second view treats these three parts as sections of a model that is created as one whole system.



$\mathcal{M}$  introduces *the reverse bra-ket method* and uses this method in order to relate operators and their eigenspaces to pairs of functions and their parameter spaces [8]. In this way, subspaces act as Hilbert space domains in relation to which manifolds are defined.

In the first view, the base version  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{M}$  consists of the foundation, a quaternionic separable Hilbert space, its companion Gelfand triple and a set of mechanisms  $\{\mathfrak{M}_n^x\}$  that control the dynamic split of this base version  $\mathcal{M}$  in a historic part, a part that represents the present static status quo and a part that represents the future.

The first view shifts the equivalent of the mystery of the origin of the dynamics of physical reality to the mysteries of a set of mechanisms that control the coherence of the dynamics of the model.

$\mathcal{M}$  applies an extended version of the generalized Stokes theorem in order to describe the split of the Hilbert space into the mentioned three parts [9] [10]. The split implements the vane that travels through the base model. The vane represents a static status quo of the model. The generalized Stokes theorem enforces the encapsulation of artifacts that disrupt the continuity of the manifolds. This introduces an extra splitting of the base model in which elementary artifacts and domain cavities are set apart from the domains of the continuous parts of the manifolds.

Via the reverse bra-ket method smoothing operators are introduced that convolute the defining function of a primary operator with a blurring function. With an appropriate selection of the blurring function, the eigenspace of the smoothing operator will represent the “observable” version of the primary manifold. Here “observable” means the way that discrete objects sense the influence of the local disruptions of the continuity of the primary manifold that are caused by other discrete objects.

In this way  $\mathcal{M}$  introduces notions such as the wave function, the uncertainty principle and the equivalent of the gravitation potential.

The fact that  $\mathcal{M}$  steps with model wide steps in the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  and flows in the companion Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$  is the reason to use the name *Hilbert Book Model* for  $\mathcal{M}$ . In order to warn that  $\mathcal{M}$  is not meant to be a physical model, but instead  $\mathcal{M}$  is a pure mathematical test model that is used to investigate the mathematical tools and methods that can be use in order to describe a physical model, the name of  $\mathcal{M}$  is extended to *Hilbert Book Test Model*. A separate static status quo of the Hilbert Book Model will be called a *Hilbert book page* or *sheet*.

## 5 The orthomodular lattice

In this paper lattices are the most primitive structures that exist in the pursued model. Lattices are sets of related objects and the lattice describes which kind of relations belong to the lattice and how the objects are mutually related. In short, a lattice is a relational structure. The foundation of the Hilbert Book Test Model is an orthomodular lattice. This is a short name for a weak modular orthocomplemented lattice. Lattices are treated in detail in the appendix.

The orthocomplemented lattice was discovered and in 1936 published by Garret Birkhoff and John von Neumann. Due to the strong similarity to the lattice that describes classical logic the duo gave it in their introductory paper the name “quantum logic”. This was the reason that since its introduction many scientists since this introduction have investigated the value of this structure as a logic system. For comprehensible reasons this was not very successful. In the same introductory paper the duo proved that the set of closed subspaces of a separable Hilbert space has exactly the relational structure of the orthomodular lattice. The closed subspaces have little in common with logical propositions. That is why this paper prefers a different interpretation of the orthomodular lattice. This paper sees the orthomodular lattice as part of a recipe for modular construction. In fact the particular relational structure stimulates modular construction of the systems that occur in the pursued model.

The effect of the orthomodular lattice can be expressed in the most basic and therefore most important law:

**“Thou shalt construct in a modular way”.**

This law is intentionally expressed in the form of a commandment. It is not possible to express this law in the form of a formula, such as  $K = m a$  or  $E = m c^2$ . The impact of the commandment is far more influential, than the impact of these famous formulas.

The orthomodular lattice does not yet cover number systems. Thus this structure cannot implement notions such as space and time. These concepts emerge with the extension of this foundation to the separable Hilbert space. The separable Hilbert space can only cope with numbers that are elements of a division ring. Together with its stimulation of modular construction this restriction of the tolerable number systems has a healthy influence on the simplicity and the configuration efficiency of the model that will be designed.

The orthomodular lattice automatically extends into a separable Hilbert space and its companion non-separable Hilbert space. However, without extra's the orthomodular lattice does not extend into an interesting dynamic and coherently operating model. Each atomic element of the orthomodular lattice that acts as an elementary module must be helped with a mechanism that generates a coherent swarm of locations that corresponds to a hopping path. Conglomerates of elementary modules are also governed by helper mechanisms. Some of them install color confinement.

## 6 Modular construction of dynamical systems

### 6.1 Modular construction

Modular construction is a very beneficial construction design method.

- It can reduce relational complexity with orders of magnitude.
  - It standardizes module access.
  - It standardizes information transfer between modules.
  - It encapsulates relations that are only used inside the module, such that they are not disturbing information exchange outside the module.
- It uses its resources in a very economical way.
  - It promotes reuse.
  - It uses standard module types.
- It makes system configuration very simple.

Most importantly, dynamic modular system construction enables **stochastic modular system generation**. This is what drives model evolution in the first phase of the generation of modules and modular systems. In a later phase, when intelligent species have been generated, intelligent design and intelligent construction and configuration can take over at isolated regions.

### 6.2 Binding

Modules are bonded together in higher level modules.

- In loose binding each constituent module keeps its own encapsulation.
- In strong binding the modules join their encapsulations.
- Hybrid binding is a combination of loose and strong binding.

**Elementary modules** are not constructed from lower order modules.

### 6.3 Relation to a separable Hilbert space

The Hilbert space distinguishes elementary modules in a restricted set of categories. Distinction based on ordering of content is used to distinguish between elementary module types. Configuration of modular subsystems is used as another criterion for grouping into categories.

- Each closed subspace of the considered separable Hilbert space is a potential module or a potential modular system.
- The orthomodular lattice restricts the relational structure of the set of potential modules.
- Not every closed subspace of this Hilbert space is an actual module or an actual modular system.
- Actual modules are encapsulated and contain discrete content.

Hilbert spaces can house several parameter spaces that are represented by eigenspaces of normal operators and are spanned by a version of the quaternionic number system. Elementary modules feature their own private parameter space. Types of elementary modules correspond to types of parameter spaces. These private parameter spaces are categorized as **symmetry centers**. Symmetry centers correspond to eigenspaces of anti-Hermitian reference operators.

### 6.4 Dynamic control

The modular systems are controlled by mechanisms that regulate information transfer such that no blockings, such as dead locks or race conditions obstruct the dynamic behavior of the modular

system. This means that the model applies a stochastic real time operating system (sRTOS) for controlling the activity of its lowest level modules.

## 6.5 Implementation

The describing data of both the discrete modules and the fields are stored in the combined Hilbert spaces. The modules are embedded in one or more basic fields. Basic fields are generated by the influences of mechanisms that are not part of the Hilbert spaces  $\mathfrak{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$ . Other fields are derived from data that are already stored in the combined Hilbert spaces. Often fields are functional parts of other more basic fields. The Hilbert spaces own some model-wide basic fields. Part of this set represent parameter spaces. **Symmetry centers** are directly coupled to a set of basic fields that are private to corresponding modules.

Encapsulation is implemented by a closed skin that acts as a boundary, which corresponds to a form that can be described using a parameter space that has one dimension less than the space that it encapsulates. The skin has no fixed form or size. Its main characteristic is that it is defined in a region where the considered field is continuous. This enables the application of the **generalized Stokes theorem**. This theorem defines integral balance equations. These integral balance equations correspond to differential continuity equations.

Two different views of the model are possible. The first view is a panning view in which the splitting boundary is panning over existing data without changing these data. In this view the only dynamic object in the model is the panning boundary. The second view is a creation based view. In this view mechanisms create new data at the rim between history and future. This new data is then stored in the Hilbert spaces  $\mathfrak{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}$ . We will take this second view as our preferred view. The model itself is not touched by the selection of the view.

Also the fields allow different views. One view interprets the field as a descriptor of local density distributions of discrete objects. The other view interprets the discrete objects as artifacts that affect the field and potentially may disturb the continuity of the field.

**The model is not touched** by these views. However, each of the views corresponds to a **different interpretation** of the model. If a view conforms better with the current physical models, then we take that views as a main descriptor of the model. In some cases the alternative view may provide extra insight.

In the selected view, dynamics is implemented by a boundary that splits the Hilbert spaces into three parts:

- A fixed and precisely defined history that is archived in the eigenspaces of operators that reside in the involved Hilbert spaces.
- A present status quo whose description exist of the data that are delivered by controlling stochastic mechanisms and are archived in the eigenspaces of operators that reside in the separable Hilbert space.
  - This part represents the splitting boundary.
  - The mechanisms that provide new data have a stochastic nature and in that way they prevent blockings, such as dead locks and race conditions.
  - This stochastic nature also provides the stochastic nature of the RTOS that schedules the activity of the lower level modules.
- A future that is inaccessible to the objects that are archived in the previous parts.
  - No information leaks from the future part to the boundary or to the historic part.

- However, when the boundary proceeds, information and objects may enter and pass through the boundary from the future part of the model to the historic part of the model. This restriction is in correspondence with the panning view.
- Creation and annihilation processes take place in the direct surround of the part that represents the static status quo. These processes take a standard number of progression steps. This assumption means that the panning boundary travels with constant or very slowly varying number of participating progression steps.
- Fields are considered as being affected by the discrete objects, which determine their shape.
  - The alternative view is that the field is just describing the discrete objects.

The creation based view involves stochastic mechanisms that provide new data. In the panning view the future part already contains these data but these data cannot be accessed until it is reached by the moving boundary. The model is not affected by these interpretations. However, the description of the model is certainly affected by the selected interpretation.

The combination of both views resolves Einstein's dilemma that it is unbelievable that the creator throws dices in order to generate his elementary modules. In the first view the creation is a stochastic process that occurs in in huge number of subsequent steps . In the second view the creation of the model took a single step, but still the modules are created in a stochastic way. In this view the combined Hilbert spaces are repositories that contain all data of the past, all data of the present static status quo and all data of the future.

In the dynamic model, information transfer occurs via ripples in the fields that pass the panning boundary. Information carrying messengers transport information in the form of quantized packages of energy. These messengers are solutions of homogeneous second order differential equations. Thus information transfer is restricted by the properties and capabilities of the involved fields. The capabilities are described by the integral and differential field equations.

Observation by information receivers is blurred by the blurring, which is caused by the structure of objects that emit and absorb the information messengers.

## 7 Quaternion geometry and arithmetic

Quaternions and quaternionic functions offer the advantage of a very compact notation of items that belong together [11].

Quaternions can be considered as the combination of a real scalar and a 3D vector that has real coefficients. The vector forms the imaginary part of the quaternion. Quaternionic number systems are division rings. It means that all non-zero members have a unique inverse. Other division rings are real numbers and complex numbers. The separable Hilbert space only uses the rational subsets of these number systems.

Bi-quaternions exist whose parts exist of a complex scalar and a 3D vector that has complex coefficients. Octonions and bi-quaternions do not form division rings. This paper does not use them. However, one exception is tolerated: in considering the Dirac equation, bi-quaternionic functions and bi-quaternionic differential operators are used. The Dirac equation is treated in the appendix.

### 7.1 Notation

We indicate the real part of quaternion  $a$  by the suffix  $a_0$ .

We indicate the imaginary part of quaternion  $a$  by bold face  $\mathbf{a}$ .

$$a = a_0 + \mathbf{a} \quad (1)$$

We indicate the quaternionic conjugate by a superscript in the form of a star.

$$a^* = a_0 - \mathbf{a} \quad (2)$$

We introduce the **complex base number**  $\mathbb{i}$  via

$$\mathbb{i} \cdot \mathbb{i} = -1 \quad (3)$$

In bi-quaternionic equations,  $\mathbb{i}$  commutes with all quaternions.

$$\mathbb{i} \cdot a = a \cdot \mathbb{i} \quad (4)$$

However, the product is no longer a quaternion. Instead, it is a bi-quaternion. Bi-quaternions are indicated by a beret.

$$\hat{c} = a + \mathbb{i} \cdot b \quad (5)$$

Here  $a$  and  $b$  are both regular quaternions. Complex conjugation is acting as:

$$\mathbf{i}^\bullet = -\mathbf{i} \quad (6)$$

Complex conjugation is indicated with a superscript in the form of a filled circle.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{c}}^\bullet = a - \mathbf{i} \cdot b \quad (7)$$

Here we see bi-quaternions as hyper-complex numbers with quaternionic coefficients. These numbers do not form a division ring. These numbers are not equivalent to octonions. This paper does not apply Clifford algebra, Jordan algebra or other than the pure division ring algebra's, because the author considers them to conceal more than they elucidate.

## 7.2 Quaternionic sum

$$\mathbf{c} = c_0 + \mathbf{c} = a + b \quad (1)$$

$$c_0 = a_0 + b_0 \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} \quad (3)$$

## 7.3 Quaternionic product

$$\mathbf{f} = f_0 + \mathbf{f} = d \cdot e \quad (1)$$

$$f_0 = d_0 \cdot e_0 - \langle \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{e} \rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{f} = d_0 \cdot \mathbf{e} + e_0 \cdot \mathbf{d} \pm \mathbf{d} \times \mathbf{e} \quad (3)$$

Thus the product contains five parts. The  $\pm$  sign indicates the influence of right or left handedness of the version of the quaternionic number system.

$\langle \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{e} \rangle$  is the inner product of  $\mathbf{d}$  and  $\mathbf{e}$ .

$\mathbf{d} \times \mathbf{e}$  is the outer product of  $\mathbf{d}$  and  $\mathbf{e}$ .

We usually omit the multiplication sign  $\cdot$ .

### 7.3.1 Handedness

We introduce by superscript  $\text{\textcircled{0}}$  a switch in handedness of the quaternion. This does not touch the real part.

$$f^{\delta} = d^{\delta} \cdot e^{\delta} = d_0 \cdot e_0 - \langle \mathbf{d}^{\delta}, \mathbf{e}^{\delta} \rangle + d_0 \cdot \mathbf{e}^{\delta} + e_0 \cdot \mathbf{d}^{\delta} \mp \mathbf{d}^{\delta} \times \mathbf{e}^{\delta} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{d}^{\delta} \times \mathbf{e}^{\delta} = -\mathbf{d} \times \mathbf{e} \quad (2)$$

$d \cdot e^{\delta}$  and  $d^{\delta} \cdot e$  **are undefined!**

Thus a right handed quaternion cannot be multiplied with a left handed quaternion. Quaternionic conjugation switches the handedness. In addition:

$$(a \cdot b)^* = b^* \cdot a^* \quad (3)$$

A continuous quaternionic function does not switch its handedness. Embedding a conflicting quaternion in the target space of a function produces a local artifact that produces a local discontinuity. This also holds for other aspects of the quaternion symmetries.

#### 7.4 Norm

$$|a| = \sqrt{a_0 a_0 + \langle \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{a} \rangle} = \sqrt{a \cdot a^*} \quad (1)$$

#### 7.5 Norm of quaternionic functions

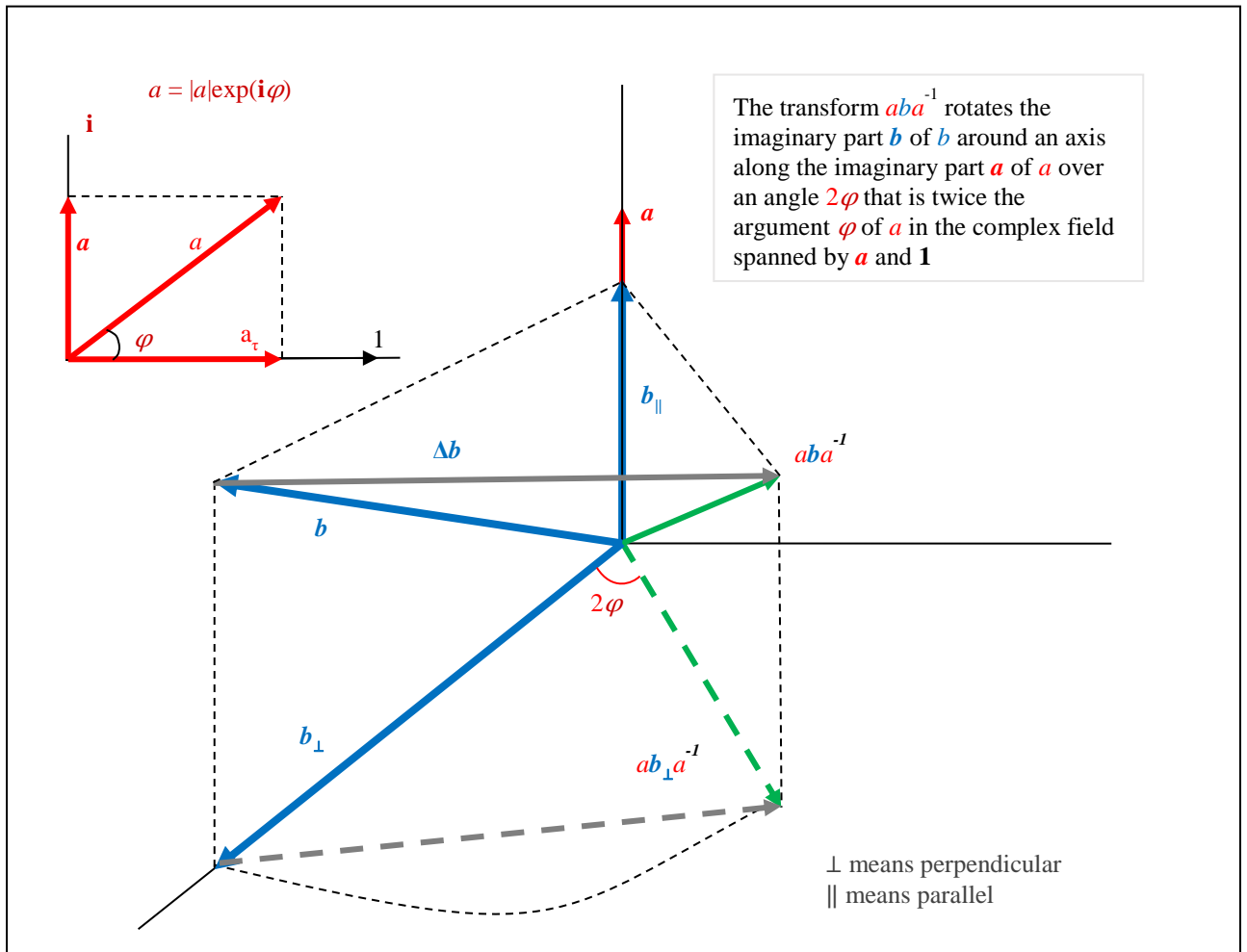
Square-integrable functions are normalizable. The norm is defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi\|^2 &= \int_V |\psi|^2 dV \quad (1) \\ &= \int_V \{|\psi_0|^2 + |\boldsymbol{\psi}|^2\} dV \\ &= \|\psi_0\|^2 + \|\boldsymbol{\psi}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

#### 7.6 Quaternionic rotation

In multiplication quaternions do not commute. Thus, in general  $a b/a \neq b$ . In this multiplication the imaginary part of  $b$  that is perpendicular to the imaginary part of  $a$  is rotated over an angle  $\varphi$  that is twice the complex phase of  $a$ .





This means that if  $\varphi = \pi/4$ , then the rotation  $c = a b/a$  shifts  $b_{\perp}$  to another dimension. This fact puts quaternions that feature the same size of the real part as the size of the imaginary part in a special category. They can switch states of tri-state systems. In addition, they can switch the color charge of quarks.

## 8 Quaternionic Hilbert spaces

Separable Hilbert spaces are linear vector spaces in which an inner product is defined. This inner product relates each pair of Hilbert vectors. The value of that inner product must be a member of a division ring [5]. Suitable division rings are real numbers, complex numbers and quaternions. Model  $\mathcal{M}$  uses quaternionic Hilbert spaces.

Paul Dirac introduced the bra-ket notation that eases the formulation of Hilbert space habits [8].

$$\langle x|y\rangle = \langle y|x\rangle^* \quad (1)$$

$$\langle x + y|z\rangle = \langle x|z\rangle + \langle y|z\rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\langle \alpha x|y\rangle = \alpha \langle x|y\rangle \quad (3)$$

$$\langle x|\alpha y\rangle = \langle x|y\rangle \alpha^* \quad (4)$$

$\langle x|$  is a bra vector.  $|y\rangle$  is a ket vector.  $\alpha$  and  $\langle x|y\rangle$  are quaternions.

This paper considers Hilbert spaces as no more and no less than **structured storage media** for dynamic geometrical data that have an Euclidean signature. Quaternions are ideally suited for the storage of such data. Quaternionic Hilbert spaces are more extensively described in the appendix. Of course, the quaternions may also have other meanings than the representation of geometric data. But representing geometric data will cover the majority of the application of the quaternionic data in model  $\mathcal{M}$ .

The operators of separable Hilbert spaces have countable eigenspaces. Each infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space owns a Gelfand triple. The Gelfand triple embeds this separable Hilbert space and offers as an extra service operators that feature continuums as eigenspaces. In the corresponding subspaces and child subspaces the **definition of dimension loses its sense**.

### 8.1 Representing operators and their eigenspaces by continuous functions

Operators map Hilbert vectors onto other Hilbert vectors. For all Hilbert vectors  $|y\rangle$  holds

$$\langle Tx|y\rangle = \langle z|y\rangle \Rightarrow \langle Tx| = \langle z| \quad (1)$$

Via the inner product, the operator  $T$  may be linked to an adjoint operator  $T^\dagger$ .

$$\langle Tx|y\rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \langle x|T^\dagger y\rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\langle Tx|y\rangle = \langle y|Tx\rangle^* = \langle T^\dagger y|x\rangle^* \quad (3)$$

A linear quaternionic operator  $T$ , which owns an adjoint operator  $T^\dagger$  is normal when

$$T^\dagger T = T T^\dagger \quad (4)$$

If  $T$  is a normal operator, then  $T_0 = (T + T^\dagger)/2$  is a self adjoint operator and  $\mathbf{T} = (T - T^\dagger)/2$  is an imaginary normal operator. Self adjoint operators are also Hermitian operators. Imaginary normal operators are also anti-Hermitian operators.

By using what we will call **reverse bra-ket notation**, special types of operators that reside in the Hilbert space and correspond to continuous functions, can easily be defined by starting from an orthonormal base of vectors. In this base the vectors are normalized and are mutually orthogonal. The vectors span a subspace of the Hilbert space. We will attach eigenvalues to these base vectors

via the reverse bra-ket notation. In this way the base vectors become eigenvectors of the target operator. This works both in separable Hilbert spaces as well as in non-separable Hilbert spaces.

The reverse bracket method is discovered by the author. It appears to be a very powerful tool that couples a category of operators to corresponding defining functions and couples operators in the separable Hilbert space to corresponding operators in the non-separable Hilbert space.

We start with a very simple defining function  $\mathcal{R}(q) = q$  and the corresponding operator  $\mathcal{R}$ .

Let  $\{q_i\}$  be the set of **rational** quaternions in a selected quaternionic number system and let  $\{|q_i\rangle\}$  be the set of corresponding base vectors. They are the eigenvectors of a normal operator  $\mathcal{R}$ . Here we enumerate the base vectors with index  $i$ .

$$\mathcal{R} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q_i\rangle q_i \langle q_i| = |q_i\rangle \mathfrak{R}(q_i) \langle q_i| \quad (5)$$

$\mathcal{R}$  is the **configuration parameter space operator**.  $\mathfrak{R}(q)$  is a quaternionic function, whose target equals its parameter space. The definition (5) also covers the situation where the dimension of the (sub) space is infinite.

This **reverse bra-ket notation** must not be interpreted as a simple outer product between a ket vector  $|q_i\rangle$ , a quaternion  $q_i$  and a bra vector  $\langle q_i|$ . Actually, it involves a complete set of eigenvalues  $\{q_i\}$  and a complete orthonormal set of Hilbert vectors  $\{|q_i\rangle\}$ . It implies a summation over these constituents, such that for all bra's  $\langle x|$  and all ket's  $|y\rangle$ :

$$\langle x|\mathcal{R}y\rangle = \sum_i \langle x|q_i\rangle q_i \langle q_i|y\rangle \quad (6)$$

Thus formula (6) represents the full definition for the shorthand (5).  $\mathfrak{R}$  is a special operator. It can be considered as a property of the combination of the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  and one of the existing versions of the quaternionic number system.

$\mathcal{R}_0 = (\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{R}^\dagger)/2$  is a self-adjoint operator. Its eigenvalues can be used to arrange the order of the eigenvectors by enumerating them with the real eigenvalues. The ordered eigenvalues can be interpreted as **progression values**.

$\mathcal{R} = (\mathcal{R} - \mathcal{R}^\dagger)/2$  is an imaginary operator. Its eigenvalues can also be used to order the eigenvectors. The eigenvalues can be interpreted as **spatial locations** and can be ordered in several ways. For example eight independent ways exist to order the 3D spatial domain by using Cartesian coordinates. We will use special indices in order to attach operators to versions of number systems.

Let  $f(q)$  be a mostly continuous quaternionic function. Now the reverse bra-ket notation defines operator  $f$  as:

$$f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q_i\rangle f(q_i) \langle q_i| \quad (7)$$

$f$  defines a new operator that is based on function  $f(q)$ . Here we suppose that the target values of  $f$  belong to the same version of the quaternionic number system as its parameter space does.

Operator  $f$  has a countable set of discrete quaternionic eigenvalues.

For this operator the reverse bra-ket notation (7) is a shorthand for

$$\langle x|f y\rangle = \sum_i \langle x|q_i\rangle f(q_i) \langle q_i|y\rangle \quad (8)$$

Alternative formulations for the reverse bra-ket definition are:

$$f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q_i\rangle f(q_i) \langle q_i| = |q_i\rangle \langle f(q_i) q_i| = |q_i\rangle \langle f q_i| = |f^*(q_i) q_i\rangle \langle q_i| = |f^\dagger q_i\rangle q_i \langle q_i| \quad (9)$$

Here we used the same symbol for the operator  $f$  and the function  $f(q_i)$ . For this operator the eigenvalues of the Hermitian part  $f_0 = (f + f^\dagger)/2$  are not interpreted as progression values. Often (not always!), these values can be interpreted as dynamic location density descriptors.

The left side of (8) only equals the right side when domain over which the summation is taken is restricted to the region of the parameter space  $\mathcal{R}$  where  $f(q)$  is sufficiently continuous.

## 8.2 Symmetry centers

We can define a category of anti-Hermitian operators  $\{\mathfrak{S}_n^x\}$  that have no Hermitian part and that are distinguished by the way that their eigenspace is ordered by applying a **polar coordinate system**. We call them symmetry centers  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . A polar ordering always start with a selected Cartesian ordering. The geometric center of the eigenspace of the symmetry center floats on a background parameter space of the normal reference operator  $\mathcal{R}$ , whose eigenspace defines a full quaternionic parameter space. The eigenspace of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  acts as a three dimensional spatial parameter space. The super script  $x$  refers to the symmetry flavor of  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . The subscript  $n$  enumerates the symmetry centers. Sometimes we omit the subscript.

$$\mathfrak{S}^x = |\mathfrak{s}_i^x\rangle \mathfrak{s}_i^x \langle \mathfrak{s}_i^x| \quad (1)$$

$$\mathfrak{S}^{x\dagger} = -\mathfrak{S}^x \quad (2)$$

It must be noticed that the eigenvalues of the symmetry center operator have no real part! However, when mapped to another parameter space, the center location of the symmetry center eigenvalues can be a function of progression.

## 8.3 Continuum eigenspaces

In a non-separable Hilbert space, such as the Gelfand triple, the continuous function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  can be used to define an operator, which features a continuum eigenspace. We start with defining a continuum parameter space.

$$\mathfrak{R} = |q\rangle q \langle q| = |q\rangle \mathfrak{R}(q) \langle q| \quad (1)$$

The next definition relates the separable Hilbert space and its companion Gelfand triple.

$$\mathcal{F} = |q\rangle \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q| \quad (2)$$

Via the continuous quaternionic function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$ , the operator  $\mathcal{F}$  defines a curved continuum  $\mathcal{F}$ . This operator and the continuum reside in the Gelfand triple, which is a non-separable Hilbert space.

The function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  uses the eigenspace of the reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}$  as a flat parameter space that is spanned by a quaternionic number system  $\{q\}$ . The continuum  $\mathcal{F}$  represents the target space of function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$ .

Here we no longer enumerate the base vectors with index  $i$ . We just use the name of the parameter. If no conflict arises, then we will use the same symbol for the defining function, the defined operator and the continuum that is represented by the eigenspace.

For the shorthand of the reverse bra-ket notation of operator  $\mathcal{F}$  the integral over  $q$  replaces the summation over  $q_i$ .

$$\langle x|\mathcal{F} y\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{i=\infty} \langle x|q_i\rangle \mathcal{F}(q_i) \langle q_i|y\rangle \approx \int_q \langle x|q\rangle \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q|y\rangle dq \quad (3)$$

The integral only equals the sum sufficiently close when the function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  is sufficiently continuous in the domain over which the integration takes place. Otherwise the left side only equals the right side when domain is restricted to the region of the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$  where  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  is sufficiently continuous. The section that treats the generalized Stokes theorem explains the consequences of existing discontinuities. The parameter space operator  $\mathfrak{R}$  does not encounter these discontinuities. The section that treats the generalized Stokes theorem also reveals the consequences of ordering of the used number systems.

An important fact is that  $\mathfrak{R}$  can be split into a retarded (historic) part  $\mathfrak{R}_-$  and an advanced (future) part  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ . The region between these two parts forms a boundary (rim) in which the parameter space(s) change the sign of their real parts. Domains that feature further differences in their parameter spaces must also be encapsulated and form floating islands. Within these islands integration makes less sense. Inside those regions summation more reliable. Elementary islands form modules that will be called symmetry centers. Symmetry centers have a fixed type of parameter space ordering. These symmetry centers will be later treated in more detail. An extended version of the Stokes theorem can properly describe the situation.

Smoothed versions of operators can use defining functions that are integrable over most regions where the original operator cannot be represented by the original defining function. The defining function of the smoothed operator equals the convolution of the original defining function and a suitable blurring function.

Often the blur is picked such that it represents the fundamental observation blur that is sensed by discrete objects.

Remember that quaternionic number systems exist in several versions, thus also the operators  $f$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  exist in these versions. The same holds for the parameter space operators. When relevant, we will use superscripts in order to differentiate between these versions.

Thus, operator  $f^x = |q_i^x\rangle f^x(q_i^x) \langle q_i^x|$  is a specific version of operator  $f$ . Function  $f^x(q_i^x)$  uses parameter space  $\mathcal{R}^x$ .

Similarly,  $\mathcal{F}^x = |q^x\rangle \mathcal{F}^x(q^x) \langle q^x|$  is a specific version of operator  $\mathcal{F}$ . Function  $\mathcal{F}^x(q^x)$  and continuum  $\mathcal{F}^x$  use parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^x$ . If the operator  $\mathcal{F}^x$  that resides in the Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$  uses the same

defining function as the operator  $\mathcal{F}^x$  that resides in the separable Hilbert space, then both operators belong to the same quaternionic ordering version.

In general the dimension of a subspace loses its significance in the non-separable Hilbert space.

The continuums that appear as eigenspaces in the non-separable Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  can be considered as quaternionic functions that also have a representation in the corresponding infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ . Both representations use a flat parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^x$  or  $\mathcal{R}^x$  that is spanned by quaternions.  $\mathcal{R}^x$  is spanned by rational quaternions.

The **parameter space operators** will be treated **as reference operators**. The rational quaternionic eigenvalues  $\{q_i^x\}$  that occur as eigenvalues of the reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^x$  in the separable Hilbert space map onto the rational quaternionic eigenvalues  $\{q_i^x\}$  that occur as subset of the quaternionic eigenvalues  $\{q^x\}$  of the reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^x$  in the Gelfand triple. In this way the reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^x$  in the infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  relates directly to the reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^x$ , which resides in the Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$ . This renders the reverse bra-ket method to an ideal tool in the coupling of the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  to its non-separable companion  $\mathcal{H}$ .

All operators that reside in the Gelfand triple and are defined via a mostly continuous quaternionic function have a representation in the separable Hilbert space.

*In the sketched way the reverse bra-ket method and the extended generalized Stokes theorem complement each other in the description of the base model.*

## 8.4 Types of operators

*The companion non-separable Hilbert space of an infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space is defined via defined operators that apply continuous functions. It is safe to state that in the model all continuous fields are represented by eigenspaces of defined operators, which reside in this non-separable Hilbert space.*

Only a special category of operators can directly be handled by the reverse bra-ket method. In that case the defining function must be available within the realm of the Hilbert space. All operators that are defined in the separable Hilbert space and that can be represented by a sufficiently continuous function, possess a smoothing companion in the non-separable Hilbert space. The integration process that is used by the reverse bra-ket method can handle point-like discontinuities and closed cavities in the parameter space of the defining function, where the defining function does not exist. These artifacts are handled by separating them from the **validity domain**.

Other types of operators are:

- Stochastic operators
  - These operators get their eigenvalues via mechanisms that reside outside of the realm of the Hilbert space and use stochastic processes in order to generate the eigenvalues.
- Density operators
  - If a stochastic operator generates a **coherent swarm** of eigenvalues that can be characterized by a continuous location density distribution, then the reverse bra-ket method can be used to define the corresponding density operator.
- Function operators
  - Function operators act on functions and in that way they produce new functions that can be used as defining functions of the corresponding operator.
- Partial differential operators

- These are special kinds of function operators.
- The existence of partial differentials of quaternionic functions create the existence of partial differential operators that work in combination with the operators that define the function of the related operator.
- Smoothing operators
  - The existence of the convolution of a mostly continuous quaternionic function with a continuous blurring function can be used to define a smoothed version of the mostly continuous quaternionic function that is everywhere continuous or that at least has a far greater validity domain.
  - Smoothing operators do not extend the validity domain over space cavities.
  - Density operators are extreme cases of smoothing operators.
  - Smoothing operators are the reason of existence of the wave function and of the uncertainty principle.
  - **Potentials** are represented by smoothing operators.

Products of operators behave in a particular way under conjugation.

$$h = fg \Leftrightarrow \langle x | fg | y \rangle \approx \int_q \langle x | q \rangle f(q) g(q) \langle q | y \rangle dq \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} h^\dagger &= (fg)^\dagger = (|q\rangle f(q) g(q) \langle q|)^\dagger \\ &= (|q\rangle f^*(q) g^*(q) \mp 2\mathbf{f}(q) \times \mathbf{g}(q) \langle q|)^\dagger = f^\dagger g^\dagger \mp 2\mathbf{f} \times \mathbf{g} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

In quaternionic differential calculus the differential operators work as multipliers.

If  $\mathcal{D}$  is a partial differential operator and  $\mathcal{G} = \mathcal{D}\mathcal{F}$  for a category of functions  $\{\mathcal{F}\}$ , where  $\mathcal{G}$  is sufficiently continuous, then for all bra's  $\langle x |$  and all ket's  $|y \rangle$  hold:

$$\langle x | \mathcal{G} | y \rangle = \langle x | \mathcal{D}\mathcal{F} | y \rangle \approx \int_q \langle x | q \rangle \mathcal{D}\mathcal{F}(q) \langle q | y \rangle dq = \int_q \langle x | q \rangle \mathcal{G}(q) \langle q | y \rangle dq \quad (3)$$

Differential operators work on the category of operators that can be represented by defining functions, which can be differentiated. Especially the Hermitian kind of these operators appear to be of interest for application in physical theories.

Some Hermitian partial differential operators do not mix scalar and vector parts of functions. These are:

$$\begin{aligned} &\nabla_0 \\ &\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \\ &\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \end{aligned}$$

These operators can be combined in additions as well as in products. Two particular operators are:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \nabla^* &= \nabla^* \nabla = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \\ \mathcal{D} &= -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The last one is the quaternionic version of d'Alembert's operator. The first one can be split into  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^*$ . The second one cannot be split into quaternionic first order partial differential operators. However, a biquaternionic split is possible. The biquaternionic differential operators will be treated in the appendix.

The field  $\mathfrak{F}$  is considered to be regular in spatial regions where the defining function  $\mathfrak{F}(q)$  obeys

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \mathfrak{F} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Similar considerations hold for regions where:

$$\nabla \nabla^* \mathfrak{F} = (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \mathfrak{F} = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\Delta \mathfrak{F} = (-\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \mathfrak{F} = 0 \quad (4)$$

The quaternionic differential operators will be treated in dedicated chapters.

Smoothing operators are defined by a convolution.

The defining function  $\mathfrak{U}(q)$  of operator  $\mathfrak{U}$  is defined by the convolution of blurring function  $\mathfrak{X}(q)$  with function  $\mathfrak{A}(q)$ :

$$\mathfrak{U}(q) = \mathfrak{X}(q) \circ \mathfrak{A}(q) \quad (5)$$

In that way we can write for the corresponding operators:

$$\mathfrak{U} = \mathfrak{X} \circ \mathfrak{A} \quad (6)$$

It will be clear that equation (5) and thus equation (6) involves an integration operation.

## 8.5 Tensor products

**The tensor product of two quaternionic Hilbert spaces is a real Hilbert space** [5]. For that reason the quaternion based model cannot apply tensor products. As a consequence Fock spaces are not applied in this paper.

Instead the paper **represents the whole model by a single infinite dimensional separable quaternionic Hilbert space and its companion Gelfand triple**. Elementary modules and their composites will be represented by subspaces of the separable Hilbert space. Their local living spaces coexist as eigenspaces of dedicated operators. These have been introduced as symmetry centers.

## 8.6 Change of base

In quaternionic Hilbert space a change of base can be achieved by:



$$\langle x | \tilde{\mathcal{F}} | y \rangle = \int_{\tilde{q}} \langle x | \tilde{q} \rangle \left\{ \int_q \langle \tilde{q} | q \rangle \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q | \tilde{q} \rangle dq \right\} \langle \tilde{q} | y \rangle d\tilde{q} \quad (1)$$

$$= \int_{\tilde{q}} \langle x | \tilde{q} \rangle \tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\tilde{q}) \langle \tilde{q} | y \rangle d\tilde{q}$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\tilde{q}) = \int_q \langle \tilde{q} | q \rangle \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q | \tilde{q} \rangle dq \quad (2)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\tilde{q}) = \int_q \langle \tilde{q} | q \rangle q \langle q | \tilde{q} \rangle dq \quad (3)$$

$$\langle x | \tilde{\mathcal{R}} | y \rangle = \int_{\tilde{q}} \langle x | \tilde{q} \rangle \tilde{\mathcal{R}}(\tilde{q}) \langle \tilde{q} | y \rangle d\tilde{q} \quad (4)$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{R}} = |\tilde{q}\rangle \tilde{q} \langle \tilde{q}| \quad (5)$$

However, as we see in the formulas this method merely achieves a rotation of parameter spaces and functions. In the complex number based Hilbert space it would achieve no change at all.

## 8.7 Fourier transform

A Fourier transform uses a different approach. It is not a direct transform between parameter spaces, but instead it is a transform between sets of mutually orthogonal functions, which are formed by inner products, which are related to different parameter spaces. In quaternionic space, the (quaternionic) Fourier transform exists in three versions. The first two versions have a reverse Fourier transform.

The **left oriented Fourier transform** is defined by:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L(\tilde{q}_L) = \int_q \langle \tilde{q}_L | q \rangle \mathcal{F}(q) dq \quad (1)$$

Like the functions  $\langle q | q' \rangle$  and  $\langle \tilde{q}_L | \tilde{q}'_L \rangle$ , the functions  $\langle \tilde{q}_L | q \rangle$  and  $\langle q | \tilde{q}_L \rangle$  form sets of mutually orthogonal functions, as will be clear from:

$$\langle q | q' \rangle = \delta(q - q') \quad (2)$$

$$\langle \tilde{q}_L | \tilde{q}'_L \rangle = \delta(\tilde{q}_L - \tilde{q}'_L) \quad (3)$$

$$\int_{\tilde{q}_L} \langle q' | \tilde{q}_L \rangle \langle \tilde{q}_L | q \rangle d\tilde{q}_L = \delta(q - q') \quad (4)$$

$$\int_q \langle \tilde{q}'_L | q \rangle \langle q | \tilde{q}_L \rangle dq = \delta(\tilde{q}_L - \tilde{q}'_L) \quad (5)$$

The reverse transform is:

$$\mathcal{F}(q) = \int_{\tilde{q}_L} \langle q | \tilde{q}_L \rangle \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L(\tilde{q}_L) d\tilde{q}_L = \int_{\tilde{q}_L} \int_{q'} \langle q | \tilde{q}_L \rangle \langle \tilde{q}_L | q' \rangle \mathcal{F}(q') d\tilde{q}_L dq' \quad (6)$$

$$= \int_{q'} \left\{ \int_{\tilde{q}_L} \langle q | \tilde{q}_L \rangle \langle \tilde{q}_L | q' \rangle d\tilde{q}_L \right\} \mathcal{F}(q') dq' = \int_{q'} \delta(q - q') \mathcal{F}(q') dq'$$

The reverse bra-ket form of the operator  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L$  equals:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L = |\tilde{q}_L\rangle \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L(\tilde{q}_L) \langle \tilde{q}_L| \quad (7)$$

Operator  $\tilde{\mathfrak{R}}_L$  provides the parameter space for the left oriented Fourier transform  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L(\tilde{q}_L)$  of function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  in equations (1) and (6).

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{R}}_L = |\tilde{q}_L\rangle \tilde{q}_L \langle \tilde{q}_L| \quad (8)$$

Similarly the **right oriented Fourier transform** can be defined.

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R(\tilde{q}) = \int_q \mathcal{F}(q') \langle q' | \tilde{q} \rangle dq' \quad (9)$$

The reverse transform is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}(q) &= \int_{\tilde{q}_R} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R(\tilde{q}_R) \langle q | \tilde{q}_R \rangle d\tilde{q}_R = \int_{\tilde{q}_R} \int_{q'} \mathcal{F}(q') \langle q' | \tilde{q}_R \rangle \langle \tilde{q}_R | q \rangle dq' d\tilde{q}_R \\ &= \int_{q'} \mathcal{F}(q') \left\{ \int_{\tilde{q}_R} \langle q' | \tilde{q}_R \rangle \langle \tilde{q}_R | q \rangle d\tilde{q}_R \right\} dq' = \int_{q'} \mathcal{F}(q') \delta(q - q') dq' \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Also here the functions  $\langle q | q' \rangle$ ,  $\langle \tilde{q}_R | \tilde{q}'_R \rangle$ ,  $\langle \tilde{q}_R | q \rangle$  and  $\langle q | \tilde{q}_R \rangle$  form sets of mutually orthogonal functions.

The reverse bra-ket form of the operator  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R$  equals:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R = |\tilde{q}_R\rangle \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R(\tilde{q}_R) \langle \tilde{q}_R| \quad (11)$$

Operator  $\tilde{\mathfrak{R}}_R$  provides the parameter space for the right oriented Fourier transform  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R(\tilde{q}_R)$  of function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  in equations (9) and (10).

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{R}}_R = |\tilde{q}_R\rangle \tilde{q}_R \langle \tilde{q}_R| \quad (12)$$

The **third version of the Fourier transform** is:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}(\tilde{q}_L, \tilde{q}_R) = \frac{\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_L(\tilde{q}_L) + \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_R(\tilde{q}_R)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_q \{ \langle \tilde{q}_L | q \rangle \mathcal{F}(q) + \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q | \tilde{q}_R \rangle \} dq \quad (13)$$

In contrast to the right and left version, the third version has no reverse.

## 9 Domains and parameter spaces

The quaternionic **domain**  $\Omega$  is supposed to be defined as part of the **domain**  $\mathfrak{R}$  of a **reference operator**  $\mathfrak{R}$  that resides in the non-separable quaternionic Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . The reverse bra-ket method relates the eigenspace  $\{q\}$  of reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}$  to a flat quaternionic **function**  $\mathfrak{R}(q)$ . The target of function  $\mathfrak{R}(q)$  is its own **parameter space**  $\{q\}$ . Here we explicitly use the same symbol  $\mathfrak{R}$  for all directly related objects. In  $\mathfrak{R}$ ,  $\mathfrak{R}(q)$  is always and everywhere continuous.

$$\mathfrak{R} = |q\rangle\mathfrak{R}(q)\langle q| = |q\rangle q\langle q| \quad (1)$$

The domain  $\mathfrak{R}$  is spanned by the eigenvectors  $\{|q\rangle\}$  of operator  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

The reverse bra-ket method also relates the eigenspace  $\mathfrak{R}$  to an equivalent eigenspace  $\mathcal{R}$  of a reference operator  $\mathcal{R}$ , which resides in the infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{S}$ . Both eigenspaces are related to the same version of the quaternionic number system. However, the second eigenspace  $\mathcal{R}$  only uses rational quaternions  $q_i$ .

$$\mathcal{R} = |q_i\rangle\mathfrak{R}(q_i)\langle q_i| = |q_i\rangle q_i\langle q_i| \quad (2)$$

Quaternionic number systems can be ordered in several ways. Operator  $\mathcal{R}$  corresponds with one of these orderings.  $\mathcal{R}$  is supposed to be **Cartesian-ordered**.  $\mathcal{R}$  is a normal operator and its eigenspace is countable. Cartesian ordering means that the set of eigenvectors of  $\mathcal{R}$  can be enumerated by the separate eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{R}$ . The eigenspace is the Cartesian product of four partially ordered sets in which the set, which represents the real part takes a special role. The eigenspace of the Hermitian part  $\mathcal{R}_0 = \frac{1}{2}(\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{R}^\dagger)$  of normal operator  $\mathcal{R}$  can be used to enumerate a division of  $\mathfrak{S}$  into a countable number of disjunctive subspaces, which are spanned by eigenvectors of  $\mathcal{R}$ . Cartesian ordering means partial ordering of the eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{R}_0$  and additional ordering of the eigenvalues of the anti-Hermitian operator  $\mathfrak{R} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathfrak{R} - \mathfrak{R}^\dagger)$  by selecting a **Cartesian coordinate system**. Eight mutually independent Cartesian coordinate systems exist.  $\mathcal{R}_0 = (\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{R}^\dagger)/2$  is a self-adjoint operator. The ordered eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{R}_0$  can be interpreted as **progression values**. The eigenvalues of  $\mathcal{R}$  can be interpreted as **spatial values**. This differs from the physical notions of time and space. Physical spacetime has a Minkowski signature. Here we are talking about a mathematical test model.

In this way, parameter spaces as well as domains correspond to closed subspaces of the Hilbert spaces. The domain subspaces are subspaces of the domains of the corresponding reference operators. The parameter spaces are ordered by a selected coordinate system. The  $\Omega$  domain is represented by a part of the eigenspace of reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}$ . The flat quaternionic function  $\mathfrak{R}(q)$  defines the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ .  $\mathfrak{R}$  has an Euclidean signature. It installs an ordering by selecting a Cartesian coordinate system for the eigenspace of its anti-Hermitian part  $\mathfrak{R} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathfrak{R} - \mathfrak{R}^\dagger)$ . Several mutually independent selections are possible. The chosen selection attaches a corresponding symmetry flavor to this parameter space. In the mathematical test model, this symmetry flavor will become the reference symmetry flavor. Thus, the symmetry flavor of parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  may be distinguished by its superscript  $\textcircled{0}$ .

The manifold  $\omega$  is also defined as the continuum eigenspace of a dedicated normal operator  $\omega$  which is related to domain  $\Omega$  and to parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  via function  $\mathfrak{F}$ . Within this parameter space  $\mathfrak{F}$  may have discontinuities, but these must be excluded from the domain over which integration takes place. This exclusion will be treated below.

Symmetry centers are described by anti-Hermitian operators and their geometric center can float on another parameter space as a function of progression. At every progression step only one location of the symmetry center is used. In combination this produces a ***well ordered operator*** where a single progression value corresponds with a single spatial location. The spatial location is determined by a stochastic mechanism. This mechanism produces ***coherent location swarms***. The swarm can be described by a continuous location density distribution. Further, all swarm elements can be enumerated by a progression value and thus form ***a hopping path***.

## 10 Stokes theorem without discontinuities

The conventional generalized Stokes theorem is in fact a combination of multiple versions. One is the using the divergence part of the exterior derivative  $d\omega$ . It is also known as the generalized divergence theorem. Another version uses the curl part of the exterior derivative. In fact all these versions concern separate terms that exist in the first order partial differential. Thus the generalized Stokes theorem divides the integration along the “lines” in which change takes place. The conventional version of the Stokes theorem does not apply all terms of the first order partial differential. For quaternionic manifolds all terms can be combined in one formula. This results in the extended version of the generalized Stokes theorem and that is the version that will be used here. Usually the domains cover a static status quo. The static status quo is characterized by three changes, a divergence, a gradient and a curl. The other two changes concern what disappears into history and what comes in from the future. These part concerns the change of the scalar and vector density distributions.

Without discontinuities in the manifold  $\omega$  the **conventional generalized Stokes theorem** is represented by a simple formula [9].

$$\int_{\Omega} d\omega = \int_{\partial\Omega} \omega \left( = \oint_{\partial\Omega} \omega \right) \quad (1)$$

The theorem can be applied when everywhere in  $\Omega$  the derivative  $d\omega$  exists and when everywhere in  $\partial\Omega$  the manifold  $\omega$  is continuous and integrable. The domain  $\Omega$  is encapsulated by a boundary  $\partial\Omega$ .

$$\Omega \subset \partial\Omega \quad (2)$$

In this paper, the manifolds  $\omega$  and  $d\omega$  represent quaternionic fields  $\mathfrak{F}$  and  $d\mathfrak{F}$ , while inside  $\partial\Omega$  the manifold  $\omega$  represents the quaternionic boundary of the quaternionic field  $\mathfrak{F}$ . These fields and manifolds correspond to defining functions  $\mathfrak{F}(q)$  and  $d\mathfrak{F}(q)$ .

$d\omega$  is the exterior derivative of  $\omega$ .

This view is focusing onto the spatial part  $\mathfrak{R}$  of the quaternionic parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ . It uses only the spatial parts  $\langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle$ ,  $\nabla f_0$  and  $\nabla \times \mathbf{f}$  of the first order differential equation.

$$\nabla f = \nabla_0 f_0 - \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} + \nabla f_0 + \nabla \times \mathbf{f} \quad (3)$$

In the conventional Stokes theorem the gradient  $\nabla f_0$  is neglected. In quaternionic space all five terms contribute to the balance and continuity equations. If both the historic and the future parts are taken into the view then a **new extended Stokes theorem** emerges.

In particular formula (1) does not pay any attention to the what exists outside of the splitting boundary. If the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$  is an eigenspace of a normal reference operator in a quaternionic Hilbert space then the ignored region concerns the other part of the Hilbert space. A

proper balance equation must consider all participating parts. **We will extend the Stokes theorem in that direction.**

### 10.1 Interpreting the exterior derivative

Via quaternionic defining functions, the reverse bra-ket method couples the separable Hilbert space to its non-separable companion.

The defining function  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  links the integral over the full quaternionic  $q$  numbers to the summation over the rational  $q_i$  numbers.

$$\langle x|\mathcal{F}|y\rangle = \sum_i \langle x|q_i\rangle \mathcal{F}(q_i) \langle q_i|y\rangle \approx \int_q \langle x|q\rangle \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q|y\rangle dq \quad (1)$$

This corresponds to:

$$\oint_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{F} = \int_{\partial\Omega} \mathcal{F} \Leftrightarrow \sum_i \langle x|q_i\rangle \mathcal{F}(q_i) \langle q_i|y\rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\int_{\Omega} d\mathcal{F} \Leftrightarrow \int_q \langle x|q\rangle \mathcal{F}(q) \langle q|y\rangle dq \quad (3)$$

This divides the region over which the equation works into two parts. One in which summation equals integration and a region or a set of regions where integration does not work properly due to the existence of discontinuities of  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  in those sub-regions. Exchanging  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  against a smoothed version can completely or partly cure this problem.

Another possibility is the split of the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$  of  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  into the parts  $\mathfrak{R}_-$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ . This splits the real part of the parameter space in two parts. The split occurs at a selected progression value. If the two splits are combined, then the split between summation and integration can be interpreted as a leakage of the second split in which discrete objects pass through the sieve that splits  $\mathfrak{R}_-$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ . A similar interpretation can be given to larger regions in which  $\mathcal{F}(q)$  is not defined.

Thus, the **quaternionic extension of the Stokes theorem** may involve multiple splits:

- The split between  $\mathfrak{R}_-$  and the static status quo.
- The slit between the static status quo and  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ .
- The split around point-like artifacts.
- The split around other regions where the defining function is not integrable.

Properly smoothed fields pass straight through the boundaries.

The conventional generalized Stokes theorem exists in the form of a divergence based version and in the form of a curl based version [10]. However, for quaternionic manifolds the definition of the exterior derivative requests extra attention. In this section we assume that the quaternionic manifold

$\omega$  is represented by the target of a quaternionic function  $\mathfrak{F}(q)$ . Function  $\mathfrak{F}(q)$  has a flat parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

$\mathfrak{R}$  is a flat quaternionic manifold, which is represented by the target of function  $\mathfrak{R}(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q$ .

We presume that the exterior derivative  $d\mathfrak{F}$  of  $\mathfrak{F}$  can be interpreted by the following equations:

$$d\mathfrak{F} = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 e^{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathfrak{F}}{\partial x_{\mu}} dx_{\mu} = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 e^{\mu} dx_{\mu} \sum_{\nu=0}^3 e^{\nu} \frac{\partial \mathfrak{F}_{\nu}}{\partial x_{\mu}} = e^{\mu\nu} D_{\mu} \mathfrak{F}_{\nu} \quad (4)$$

$$D_{\mu} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} dx_{\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\mu}} \quad (5)$$

Thus  $d\mathfrak{F}$  is represented by a tensor. This is not a very attractive presentation. It is more convenient to treat the change along the directions in which change takes place according to the first order partial differential equations.

The exterior derivative differs from the partial differentials that appear in partial differential equations.

$$\mathfrak{G} = \sum_{\zeta=0}^3 e^{\zeta} \mathfrak{G}_{\zeta} = e^{\zeta} \mathfrak{G}_{\zeta} \quad (3)$$

$$= \nabla \mathfrak{F} = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 e^{\mu} \frac{\partial \mathfrak{F}}{\partial x_{\mu}} = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 e^{\mu} \sum_{\nu=0}^3 e^{\nu} \frac{\partial \mathfrak{F}_{\nu}}{\partial x_{\mu}} = e^{\mu} e^{\nu} \partial_{\mu} \mathfrak{F}_{\nu} = e^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu} \mathfrak{F}_{\nu}$$

In the right parts of the above formulas, the summation rules for subscripts and superscripts are applied.

We use the fact that quaternions can be considered as a combination of a real scalar and an imaginary vector. Further, we apply the fact that first order quaternionic partial differential operators act as multipliers.

$$\mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{F}_0 + \mathfrak{F} \quad (4)$$

$$\mathfrak{G} = \nabla \mathfrak{F} = \mathfrak{G}_0 + \mathfrak{G} = (\nabla_0 + \nabla)(\mathfrak{F}_0 + \mathfrak{F}) \quad (5)$$

$$\mathfrak{G}_0 = \nabla_0 \mathfrak{F}_0 - \langle \nabla, \mathfrak{F} \rangle \quad (6)$$

$$\mathfrak{G} = \nabla_0 \mathfrak{F} + \nabla \mathfrak{F}_0 \pm \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (7)$$

For some fields, some parts of  $\mathfrak{G}$  may get special symbols. This is applied in Maxwell-like equations.

$$\mathfrak{E} = -\nabla_0 \mathfrak{F} - \nabla \mathfrak{F}_0 \quad (8)$$

$$\mathfrak{B} = \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (9)$$

Similar definitions are applied in Maxwell equations. However, despite these similarities, the derived fields  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  are not equivalent to the Maxwell fields  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ . The Maxwell equations are treated in the appendix.

In general, there is no guarantee that  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  are perpendicular. Thus in general:

$$\langle \mathfrak{E}, \mathfrak{B} \rangle \neq 0 \quad (10)$$

However, a third vector  $\mathfrak{P}$  is perpendicular to both  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ .

$$\mathfrak{P} = \mathfrak{E} \times \mathfrak{B} \quad (11)$$

Equation (6) is not part of the Maxwell set of partial differential equations. However, in physical theories the terms  $\nabla_0 \mathfrak{F}_0$  and  $\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{F} \rangle$  are used in gauge equations.

We may conclude that change covers five terms that do not represent four independent directions as is suggested by the conventional Maxwell differential equations.

Please note that

$$\nabla^* \mathfrak{F}^* = (\nabla_0 - \nabla)(\mathfrak{F}_0 - \mathfrak{F}) = \mathfrak{G}_0 - \nabla_0 \mathfrak{F} - \nabla \mathfrak{F}_0 \pm \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (12)$$

$$(\nabla \mathfrak{F})^* = \mathfrak{G}^* = \nabla^* \mathfrak{F}^* \mp 2 \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (13)$$

The  $\pm$  sign indicates the fact that quaternionic parameter spaces and quaternionic functions exist in versions that differ in the handedness of their external vector product.

In the integrals below some terms of  $\nabla \mathfrak{F}$  are combined.



$$\nabla \mathfrak{F} = -\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{F} \rangle \pm \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (14)$$

$$\nabla \mathfrak{F} = \nabla \mathfrak{F}_0 - \langle \nabla, \mathfrak{F} \rangle \pm \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (15)$$

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{F} = \nabla_0 \mathfrak{F}_0 + \nabla_0 \mathfrak{F} \quad (16)$$

It must be noticed that

$$d\mathfrak{F} \neq \sum_{\mu=0}^3 e^\mu \mathfrak{G}_\mu dx_\mu \quad (17)$$

This is the reason that the conventional generalized Stokes integral uses the wedge product  $dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \wedge d\tau$ . These wedge products are merely a warning that a tensor is active. In the quaternionic version of the Stokes theorem, it is not a clear exposure of the mechanism.

The Maxwell-like partial quaternionic differential equations differ from the Maxwell equations that are used in current physical theories. Thus, great care must be applied in comparing the two sets of partial differential equations. Especially equations (6) and (10) signal alarming differences.

## 10.2 A special domain split

In the special splitting case that is investigated here, the extended generalized Stokes theorem constructs a rim  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$  between the past history of the field  $[\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}, t)]_{t < \tau}$  and the future  $[\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}, t)]_{t > \tau}$  of that field. It means that the boundary  $\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}, \tau)$  of field  $[\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}, t)]_{t < \tau}$  represents a universe wide static status quo of that field.

More specifically, the form of the generalized Stokes theorem for the sketched situation runs as:

$$\int_{t=0}^{\tau} \iiint_V d\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{t=0}^{\tau} \left( \iiint_V \nabla \mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \right) \wedge d\tau = \left[ \iiint_V \mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \right]_{t=0}^{t=\tau} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} + \tau \quad (2)$$

Here  $[\mathfrak{F}(\mathbf{x}, t)]_{t=\tau}$  represents the static status quo of a quaternionic field at instance  $\tau$ .  $V$  represents the spatial part of the quaternionic domain of  $\mathfrak{F}$ , but it may represent only a restricted part of that parameter space. This last situation corresponds to the usual form of the divergence theorem.

As mentioned above great care must be taken by interpreting the wedge product in

$$d\mathfrak{F}(x) = \nabla\mathfrak{F}(x) dx \wedge dy \wedge dz \wedge d\tau. \quad (3)$$

Due to the danger of misinterpretation, we will avoid the wedge products that appear in the middle part of equation (1). In the right part of the equation only the divergence, the curl and a gradient play a role. The split that has been selected, sets a category of operators apart that are all Cartesian-ordered in the same way as operator  $\mathcal{R}$  is. It enables a space-progression model in which progression steps in the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  and flows in its non-separable companion  $\mathcal{H}$ . Via the reverse bra-ket method the Cartesian-ordering of  $\mathcal{R}$  can be transferred to  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

### 10.2.1 Interpretation of the selected encapsulation

The boundary  $\partial\Omega$  is selected between the real part and the imaginary part of domain  $\mathfrak{R}$ . But it also excludes part of the real part. That part is the range of the real part from  $\tau$  to infinity.  $\tau$  is interpreted as the current progression value.

The boundary  $\partial\Omega$  has one dimension less than the domain  $\Omega$ . The failing dimension is taken by the form of the partition. In the special case the boundary is formed by most of the three dimensional spatial part of the parameter space. The theorem does not specify the form of the partition, but requires that the **partition form** does not traverse discontinuities or regions in which the defining function is not defined. Thus, if the partition wipes through the parameter space and encounters discontinuities or regions in which the defining function is not defined, then the partition must encapsulate these objects while it passes them. These encapsulating partitions become part of the boundary. In this way these objects stay outside of the boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . Symmetry centers and space cavities become objects that float as encapsulated modules over the domain  $\Omega$ . If they enter the partition, then they can be considered to be created. If they keep floating with the partition, then these objects are alive. If they have completely passed the partition, then they can be considered to have been annihilated. A long lifetime will correspond to a tube-like history and a corresponding tube-like future.

The future  $\mathfrak{R} - \Omega$  is kept on the outside of the boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . As a consequence, the mechanisms that generate new data, operate on the rim  $\partial\Omega$  between past  $\Omega$  and future  $\mathfrak{R} - \Omega$ . Two interpretations are possible. Either, the mechanisms generate data that was not yet present in the Hilbert spaces, or the mechanisms represent the data that are encountered during the passage of the partition. The observers cannot decide which of the two interpretations is correct. It is merely a question of what you want to believe. For  $\mathfrak{M}$  this interpretation does not matter. This paper describes the model in accordance to the first interpretation. This avoids confusion about why and how the creator of the model generated the data that are archived in  $\mathfrak{M}$ 's Hilbert spaces. In  $\mathfrak{M}$  the relevant observers live inside the wiping boundary. In the selected interpretation the creator of the model is throwing dices! In this action the creator is represented by a set of dedicated mechanisms. These mechanisms apply stochastic processes.

The described split of quaternionic space results in a space-progression model that is to a significant extent similar to the way that physical theories describe their space time models. However, the physical theories apply a spacetime model that has a Minkowski signature. The quaternionic model, which is represented here, is strictly Euclidean.

The paper does not claim that this quaternionic space-progression model reflects the structure and the habits of physical reality. The quaternionic space-progression model is merely promoted as a mathematical test model.

What according to the selected interpretation happens in the mathematical test model can be seen as an ongoing process that embeds the subsequent static status quo's of the separable Hilbert space into the Gelfand triple.

Controlling mechanisms act as a function of progression  $\tau$  in a stochastic and step-wise fashion in the realm of the separable Hilbert space. The results of their actions are stored in eigenspaces of corresponding stochastic operators that reside in the separable Hilbert space. These stochastic operators differ from the kind of operators that are handled by the reverse bra-ket method. However, if the stochastic operators produce coherent swarms that feature a continuous density distribution, then that distribution corresponds with an operator that is defined by this distribution via the reverse bra-ket method.

The controlling mechanisms have no notion of the fields. They only work with discrete objects that appear in swarms.

At the same progression instant, this part of the separable Hilbert space is embedded into its companion Gelfand triple. The controlling mechanisms will provide all generated data with a **progression stamp**  $\tau$ . This progression stamp reflects the state of a model wide clock tick. The whole model, including its "physical" fields will proceed with these progression steps. However, in the Gelfand triple this progression can be considered to flow.

We have selected one of two possible interpretations. The model does not change by selecting an interpretation. The interpretation that is selected, has significant consequences for the description of the model. At the defined rim, any forecasting will be considered as mathematical cheating. Thus, at the rim, the uncertainty principle does not work for the progression part of the parameter spaces. Differential equations that offer advanced as well as retarded solutions must reinterpret the advanced solutions and turn them into retarded solutions, which in that case represent another kind of object. If the original object represents a particle, then the reversed particle is the anti-particle. Thus the tubes that represent elementary modules will appear to reflect on the boundary in one interpretation and will just pass the boundary in the other interpretation. In the panning view the tube just passes undisturbed through the boundary.

As a consequence of the construct, the history, which is stored-free from any uncertainty-in the already processed part of the eigenspaces of the physical operators, is no longer touched. Future is unknown or at least it is inaccessible for observation.

### 10.2.2 Integrals over regular spatial domains

If in a spatial domain, function  $\mathfrak{F}$  obeys the homogeneous equation

$$\nabla \nabla \mathfrak{F} = 0 \tag{1}$$

then the function  $\mathfrak{F}$  and the corresponding field  $\mathfrak{F}$  is considered to be regular in that domain. For functions  $\mathfrak{F}$  that are this kind of regular in spatial domain  $V$  hold:

$$\iiint_V \nabla \mathfrak{F} = \iint_S \mathbf{n} \mathfrak{F} \tag{2}$$

$$\iiint_V \nabla \mathfrak{F}_0 = \iint_S \mathbf{n} \mathfrak{F}_0 \quad (3)$$

$$\iiint_V \langle \nabla, \mathfrak{F} \rangle = \iint_S \langle \mathbf{n}, \mathfrak{F} \rangle \quad (4)$$

$$\iiint_V \nabla \times \mathfrak{F} = \iint_S \mathbf{n} \times \mathfrak{F} \quad (5)$$

### 10.2.3 Integrating irregular functions

We can use the gradient of the inverse of the spatial distance  $|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|$ .

$$\nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} = -\frac{\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|^3} \quad (1)$$

The divergence of this gradient is a Dirac delta function.

$$\delta(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \langle \nabla, \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \rangle = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \frac{1}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \quad (2)$$

This means that:

$$\phi(\mathbf{c}) = \iiint_V \phi(\mathbf{q}) \delta(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \iiint_V \phi(\mathbf{q}) \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \frac{1}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \quad (3)$$

As alternative, we can also use the Green's function  $G(\mathbf{q})$  of the partial differential equation.

$$\phi(\mathbf{c}) = \iiint_V \phi(\mathbf{q}) G(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}) \quad (4)$$

For the Laplacian  $\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle$  this obviously means:

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \mathfrak{F} = \phi(\mathbf{q}) \quad (5)$$

$$G(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}) = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \quad (6)$$

However, when added to the Green's function, every solution  $f$  of the homogeneous equation

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f = 0 \quad (7)$$

is also a solution of the Laplace equation.

$$\phi(\mathbf{c}) = \iiint_V \frac{\phi(\mathbf{q})}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \quad (8)$$

Function  $\phi(\mathbf{c})$  can be interpreted as the potential that is raised by charge distribution  $\phi(\mathbf{q})$ .

In pure spherical conditions the Laplacian reduces to:

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \mathfrak{F}(r) = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \mathfrak{F}(r)}{\partial r} \right) \quad (9)$$

For the following **test function**  $\mathfrak{I}(r)$  this means [12]:

$$\mathfrak{I}(r) = \frac{Q}{4\pi} \frac{ERF\left(r/\sigma\sqrt{2}\right)}{r} \quad (10)$$

$$\rho(r) = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \mathfrak{I}(r) = \frac{Q}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^3} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (11)$$

Thus, for a **Gaussian location distribution**  $\rho(r)$  of point-like artifacts the corresponding contribution to field  $\mathfrak{I}(r)$  equals an error function divided by its argument. At first sight this may look in contradiction with equations (4) – (8), but here the distribution of artifacts extends over the boundary of domain  $V$ .

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \frac{ERF(r)}{r} \right) = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( -ERF(r) + r \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp(-r^2) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{r^2} \left( -\frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp(-r^2) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp(-r^2) - 2r \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp(-r^2) \right) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi}} \exp(-r^2)$$

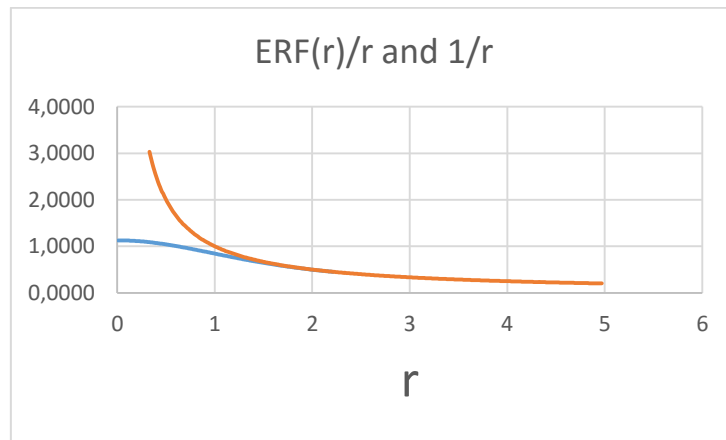


Figure 1. Close to the geometric center the singularities are converted in a smooth function. Further from the center the form of the Green's function ( $1/r$ ) is retained.

The test function does not represent the action of a mechanism that ensures the dynamic coherence of a real object. It is a pure mathematical example.

## 11 The detailed generalized Stokes theorem

We separate all point-like discontinuities from the domain  $\Omega$  by encapsulating them in an extra boundary. Symmetry centers represent spherically ordered parameter spaces in regions  $H_n^x$  that float on a background parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ . The boundaries  $\partial H_n^x$  separate the regions  $H_n^x$  from the domain  $\Omega$ . The regions  $H_n^x$  are platforms for local discontinuities in basic fields [2]. These fields are continuous in domain  $\Omega - H$ .

$$H = \bigcup_n H_n^x \quad (1)$$

The symmetry centers  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  are encapsulated in regions  $H_n^x$  and the encapsulating boundary  $\partial H_n^x$  is not part of the disconnected boundary which encapsulates all continuous parts of the quaternionic manifold  $\omega$  that exist in the quaternionic model.

$$\int_{\Omega-H} d\omega = \int_{\partial\Omega \cup \partial H} \omega = \int_{\partial\Omega} \omega - \sum_n \int_{\partial H_n^x} \omega \quad (2)$$

If we take the unit normal to point outward on all of the boundary, this reverses the direction of the normal on  $\partial H_n^x$ , which negates the integral. **Thus, in this formula, the contributions of boundaries  $\{\partial H_n^x\}$  are subtracted from the contributions of boundary  $\partial\Omega$ .** This means that  $\partial\Omega$  also surrounds the regions  $\{H_n^x\}$ . **This fact renders the integration sensitive to the ordering of the participating domains.**

Domain  $\Omega$  corresponds to part of the reference parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ . As mentioned before the symmetry centers  $\{\mathfrak{S}_n^x\}$  represent encapsulated regions  $\{H_n^x\}$  that float on parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ .

The geometric center of symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  is represented by a floating location on parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ .

The relation between the **subspace**  $S_\Omega$  that corresponds to the domain  $\Omega$  and the **subspace**  $S_{\mathfrak{R}}$  that corresponds to the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  is given by:

$$\underbrace{\Omega}_{S_\Omega} \subset \underbrace{\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}}_{S_{\mathfrak{R}}} \quad (3)$$

Similarly:

$$\underbrace{H_n^x}_{S_{H_n^x}} \subset \underbrace{\mathfrak{S}_n^x}_{S_{\mathfrak{S}_n^x}} \quad (4)$$

## 12 Symmetry flavors

### 12.1 Ordering

Quaternionic number systems exist in many versions that differ in the way that these number systems are ordered. For example it is possible to order the real parts of the quaternions up or down. A Cartesian coordinate system can be used to order the imaginary parts of the quaternions. If the orientation of the coordinate axes is kept fixed, then this Cartesian ordering can be done in eight mutually independent ways. It is also possible to apply spherical symmetric ordering by using a polar coordinate system. This can be done by starting with the azimuth and order it up or down and then order the polar angle and order it up or down. It is also possible to start with the polar angle. A spherical coordinate system starts from a selected Cartesian coordinate system.

The reverse bra-ket method enables the attachment of these different symmetry flavors of the quaternionic number system to dedicated operators that reside in an infinite dimensional separable quaternionic Hilbert space. Separable Hilbert spaces can only handle countable eigenspaces. Thus the reverse bracket method can only use the rational subsets of the quaternionic number systems.

Each infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space owns a companion Gelfand triple, which is a non-separable Hilbert space and which also supports operators that feature continuums as their eigenspaces. The reverse bra-ket method relates operators in the separable Hilbert space to operators in the companion Gelfand triple.

These representations of quaternionic number systems can act as parameter spaces of quaternionic functions that can also be represented by operators and their eigenspaces. The reverse bra-ket method establishes this link.

Together, this means that the two companion quaternionic Hilbert spaces can represent ordered discrete sets and ordered fields via the eigenspaces of some of their operators and that these sets and fields can also be represented by pairs of quaternionic functions and their parameter spaces.

The selection of a preferred Cartesian coordinate system sins against the cosmological principle. Thus, ***with respect to the definition of symmetry flavors, it is in conflict with the cosmological principle.***

### 12.2 Defining symmetry flavors

Quaternions can be mapped to Cartesian coordinates along the orthonormal base vectors  $1, i, j$  and  $k$ ; with  $ij = k$

Due to the four dimensions of quaternions, quaternionic number systems exist in 16 well-ordered versions  $\{q^x\}$  that differ only in their discrete Cartesian symmetry set. The quaternionic number systems  $\{q^x\}$  correspond to 16 versions  $\{q_i^x\}$  of rational quaternions.

Half of these versions are right handed and the other half are left handed. Thus the handedness is influenced by the symmetry flavor.

The superscript  $x$  can be  $\textcircled{0}, \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}, \textcircled{4}, \textcircled{5}, \textcircled{6}, \textcircled{7}, \textcircled{8}, \textcircled{9}, \textcircled{10}, \textcircled{11}, \textcircled{12}, \textcircled{13}, \textcircled{14},$  or  $\textcircled{15}$ .

This superscript represents the ***symmetry flavor*** of the superscripted subject. For the reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  we will neglect the superscript  $\textcircled{0}$ .

The reference operator  $\mathcal{R} = |q_i\rangle q_i \langle q_i|$  in separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  maps into the reference operator  $\mathfrak{R} = |q\rangle q \langle q|$  in Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$ .



The symmetry flavor of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}^x$ , which is maintained by operator  $\mathfrak{S}^x = |\mathfrak{s}_i^x\rangle\mathfrak{s}_i^x\langle\mathfrak{s}_i^x|$  is determined by its Cartesian ordering and then compared with the reference symmetry flavor, which is the symmetry flavor of the reference operator  $\mathcal{R}$ .



Now the symmetry related charge follows in three steps.

1. Count the difference of the spatial part of the symmetry flavor of symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}^x$  with the spatial part of the symmetry flavor of reference operator  $\mathcal{R}$ .
2. If the handedness changes from **R** to **L**, then switch the sign of the count.
3. Switch the sign of the result for anti-particles.

We use the names of the corresponding particles that appear in the standard model in order to distinguish the different symmetry flavor combinations. Elementary fermions relate to solutions of a corresponding second order partial differential equation that describes the embedding of these particles.

In a suggestive way, we use the names of the elementary fermions that appear in the standard model in order to distinguish the possible combinations of symmetry flavors.

Fermion symmetry flavor					
Ordering x y z $\tau$	Super script	Handedness Right/Left	Color charge	Electric charge * 3	Symmetry center type. Names are taken from the standard model
↑↑↑↑	①	<b>R</b>	N	+0	neutrino
↓↑↑↑	②	<b>L</b>	R	-1	down quark
↑↓↑↑	③	<b>L</b>	G	-1	down quark
↓↓↑↑	④	<b>L</b>	B	-1	down quark
↑↑↓↑	⑤	<b>R</b>	B	+2	up quark
↓↑↓↑	⑥	<b>R</b>	G	+2	up quark
↑↓↓↑	⑦	<b>R</b>	R	+2	up quark
↓↓↓↑	⑧	<b>L</b>	N	-3	electron
↑↑↑↓	⑨	<b>R</b>	N	+3	positron
↓↑↑↓	⑩	<b>L</b>	R	-2	anti-up quark
↑↓↑↓	⑪	<b>L</b>	G	-2	anti-up quark
↓↓↑↓	⑫	<b>L</b>	B	-2	anti-up quark
↑↑↓↓	⑬	<b>R</b>	B	+1	anti-down quark
↓↑↓↓	⑭	<b>R</b>	R	+1	anti-down quark
↑↓↓↓	⑮	<b>R</b>	G	+1	anti-down quark
↓↓↓↓	⑯	<b>L</b>	N	-0	anti-neutrino

Elementary fermions switch their handedness when the sign of the real part is switched. Spherical ordering can be done by first starting with the azimuth and next proceeding by the polar angle. Both can be done up or down. Fermions and bosons appear to differ in this choice. Quarks are fermions that are anisotropic and therefore they feature a color charge. That color charge becomes noticeable via the Pauli principle when quarks bind into hadrons. Whether bosons also feature color charge cannot be observed because their binding is not restricted by the Pauli principle. A phenomenon that is known as color confinement hides the appearance of unbounded quarks.

Also continuous functions and continuums feature a symmetry flavor. Continuous quaternionic functions  $\psi^x(q^x)$  and corresponding continuums do not switch to other symmetry flavors  $\mathcal{Y}$ .

The reference symmetry flavor  $\psi^y(q^y)$  of a continuous function  $\psi^x(q^y)$  is the symmetry flavor of the parameter space  $\{q^y\}$ .

If the continuous quaternionic function describes the density distribution of a set  $\{a_i^x\}$  of discrete objects  $a_i^x$ , then this set must be attributed with the same symmetry flavor  $x$ . The real part describes the location density distribution and the imaginary part describes the displacement density distribution.

This section shows that ordering of an embedded (parameter) space can represent specific properties of that space that distinguishes this embedded space from differently ordered embedded (parameter) spaces. This also hold for embedding fields. The consequences comes to the front in situations where differences in ordering play an essential role. We will encounter that situation where different parameter spaces are used in the integration procedure as occurs in the extended Stokes theorem. This is treated in chapter 15. First we take a look at modules and especially the elementary modules will be investigated. Elementary modules appear to possess their own private parameter space.

### 12.3 Color shift

Pairs of quaternions can shift other quaternions, sets of quaternions and complete quaternionic functions to a different symmetry flavor. The operation

$$c = a b/a; \text{ where } a_0 = |a| \tag{1}$$

rotates the imaginary part of  $b$  over  $\pi/2$  radians. The rotation axis is perpendicular to the imaginary parts of  $a$  and  $b$ . The direction of the rotation depends on the handedness of the involved numbers.

Especially quaternions for which the size of the real part equals the size of the imaginary part can perform this trick. In this way such quaternions can implement the behavior of **gluons** and **quarks**.

This capability also supports the manipulation of **tri-states**. These are states that exist in three mutually independent versions. In fact the color charge of quarks is an example of a tri-state.

Isotropic particles are not affected by rotating and color shifting quaternions. However, the color confinement phenomenon indicates that the generation of anisotropic elementary particles may get disturbed by color shifts. The controlling mechanisms appear to react by conspiring with mechanisms that control the generation of other anisotropic elementary particles and cooperate in the common generation of isotropic conglomerates. These conglomerates are hadrons and the cooperation represents a binding of the concerned elementary particles. Hadrons have neutral color charge.

## 13 Modules

Modules are represented by closed subspaces of the separable Hilbert space, but not every closed subspace represents a module or modular system. In fact only a small minority of the closed subspaces will act as actual modules. So, what renders a closed subspace into a module and what combines modules into subsystems or systems? The answers to these questions can only be found by investigating the contents of the closed subspaces.

A special category of modules are **elementary modules**. Elementary modules are not constituted of other modules. They are the atoms of the orthomodular lattice, which describes the relations between modules and modular systems. This indicates that at every progression instant the elementary module is represented by a single Hilbert vector.

A single Hilbert vector spans the smallest possible type of subspace. Thus it is the proper candidate for representing an elementary module, which forms an atom of the orthomodular lattice. This subspace cannot be split into smaller subspaces. As eigenvector of a corresponding normal operator  $\sigma$  the vector can only accept a single quaternionic eigenvalue. If the real value of that eigenvalue represents progression, then the Hilbert vector can only represent a single instant of the 'life' of the elementary module. The imaginary part of the eigenvalue then represents the spatial location of the elementary module at that instant. It is a precise (not blurred!) location. Each elementary particle owns a normal operator  $\sigma$  whose eigenvalues describe the 'life' of the elementary module. The operator  $\sigma$  is a private descriptor of the elementary module.

At other instances another Hilbert vector represents the elementary module.

The eigenvectors of a normal operator are all mutually orthogonal. Within a set of mutually orthogonal Hilbert vectors exists no notion of closest member. Only the corresponding eigenvalues may provide a notion of neighborhood. The normal operator that represents the elementary module has no means for controlling the nearness of the subsequent eigenvalues. The normal operator only acts as a descriptor. It does not act as a controller of the nearness of the eigenvalues!

The elementary module hops along a series of eigenvectors of which the real values can be ordered with respect to increasing **progression**. Each of these values represent a location in an harmonica of sheets, that each represent a progression instant. Each elementary module takes only one spatial location in such a sheet. The sheets form subspaces of the separable Hilbert space that represent a static status quo. In that subspace the eigenvalues of the considered operators all feature the same real part. In this view the model steps with model-wide steps through the full separable Hilbert space.

The quaternionic values that represent a single elementary module, all belong to Hilbert vectors that together span a subspace of the Hilbert space that corresponds to a **symmetry center**. We will indicate the operator that describes the symmetry center with symbol  $\mathfrak{S}$ .

A symmetry center is described by an anti-Hermitian operator. This anti-Hermitian operator  $\mathfrak{S}$  has only imaginary and thus spatial eigenvalues. The eigenvalues of the operator that describes the symmetry center are ordered by a Cartesian coordinate system. This means that in contrast to the operator  $\sigma$ , which describes the 'life' of the elementary module, this symmetry center operator  $\mathfrak{S}$  controls the spatial nearness of its eigenvalues.

For the operator  $\sigma$  that describes via its eigenvalues the 'life' of the elementary module, each subsequent real progression value is accompanied by an imaginary part and together these parts form the eigenvalue that belongs to the Hilbert vector, which at this progression instant represents the elementary module. This single value has not much to say about the owner of this eigenvalue. Only a series of subsequent eigenvalues can do that job. A large series of these numbers can tell the types of elementary modules apart. These subsequent quaternionic numbers form a **dynamic location swarm**. At the same time these numbers form a **hopping path**. The spatial parts of these numbers are taken from the eigenspace of the anti-Hermitian operator  $\mathfrak{S}$  that due to its role determines part of the properties of the elementary module. This operator defines a symmetry center. Thus, all elementary modules reside on a their own individual symmetry center. The symmetry center covers a closed subspace and the module covers a subspace of that subspace. The private symmetry center floats over a background space and its center location is a function of

progression. In each sheet that belongs to a progression value the symmetry center can be considered as an ordered region that acts as a “life space” for the elementary module.

The location of the geometric center of the floating symmetry center is not part of the eigenspace of the anti-Hermitian operator  $\mathfrak{S}$ , which describes the symmetry center. This floating location is a property of the elementary module and is formulated in terms of a value of another parameter space. This parameter space is eigenspace of another reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}$ . This second reference operator is a normal operator and provides full quaternionic eigenvalues that can represent progression values as well as spatial locations.

Thus, symmetry centers represent regional platforms that possess an ordered pure spatial parameter space. We consider such operators as “physically relevant” when their eigenspaces are Cartesian-ordered. Thus, closed subspaces of the Hilbert space can represent modules when they correspond to eigenspaces of which the spatial part is ordered by a Cartesian coordinate system. This is a narrower specification than the earlier specification that modules are represented by closed subspaces of a separable Hilbert space.

### 13.1 Module content

In free translation, the spectral theorem for normal operators that reside in a separable Hilbert space states: “If a normal operator maps a closed subspace onto itself, then the subspace is spanned by an orthonormal base consisting of eigenvectors of the operator.” The corresponding eigenvalues characterize this closed subspace.

Thus, it is possible to select a quaternionic normal operator  $\sigma$  for which a subset of the eigenvectors span the closed subspace and the corresponding eigenvalues describe the dynamic geometric data of this module. By ordering the real values of these eigenvalues, the geometric data become functions of what we already have called **progression**. The selected operator describes the module content.

This operator only acts as a descriptor. The operator does not generate eigenvalues. It has eigenvalues that are generated by a mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}$ , which is not part of the Hilbert space.

A companion **reference operator**  $\mathfrak{T}$  provides a Cartesian coordinate base for this subspace. Its eigenspace corresponds to a subspace that encapsulates the eigenspace of the first operator. This second operator corresponds to the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}$ . On the other hand it also covers the progression window of the first operator. The symmetry center corresponds to an anti-Hermitian operator. The second operator  $\mathfrak{T}$  is a normal operator. It can be considered as the **capsule** or as the encapsulating operator of the elementary module. Its eigenspace can be viewed as a **tube** in which the elementary module travels.

The operator  $\mathfrak{S}$  that describes the symmetry center is only a descriptor. This also holds for the operators  $\sigma$  and  $\mathfrak{T}$  that describe the content of the corresponding elementary module. The real actor is the controlling mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}$ , which is responsible for establishing the characteristics that are typical for the elementary module. These characteristics are the statistical characteristics and the symmetry of the swarm and the dynamic characteristics of the corresponding hopping path. The mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}$  takes care of the fact that the swarm is a **coherent swarm** and stays that way.

#### 13.1.1 Progression window

Stochastic processes that are controlled by dedicated mechanisms provide the elementary modules with dynamic geometric data. Here we only consider elementary modules for which the content is **well-ordered**. This means that in the eigenspace of the selected operator every progression value is **only used once**.

For the most primitive modules the closed subspace may be reduced until it covers a **generation cycle** in which the statistically averaged characteristics of the module mature to fixed values. The resulting closed subspace acts as a **sliding progression window**. The sliding window covers a (large) series of sheets. It is described by operator  $\mathfrak{L}$ .

The sliding window separates a deterministic history from a partly uncertain future. Inside the sliding window **a dedicated mechanism**  $\mathfrak{M}_n$  **fills the eigenspace** of stochastic operator  $\sigma_n = |a_j\rangle a_j \langle a_j|$ . The mechanism is a function of progression. If it is a cyclic function of progression, then the module is recurrently regenerated by its private mechanism.

The phrase “recurrently regenerated” is related to the interpretation of the model where mechanisms generate new eigenvalues in contrast to the alternative interpretation where the boundary is passing over data that already exist as eigenvalues in the Hilbert space. The model itself is not influenced by these interpretations. For describing the model, the paper follows the first interpretation. However, it is also good to keep the second interpretation in mind. It throws a slightly different light upon the model.

### 13.2 Symmetry center as platform

All elementary modules are supposed to reside in an individual symmetry center. However, at every progression instant the elementary module occupies only one location of the symmetry center. During the regeneration cycle of the module, the occupied locations form a coherent location swarm and at the same time the locations form a hopping path. In the model the hopping path is represented by a hopping string that stays within its private tube. The hopping string passes through the boundary that splits the model in past part and a future part. The view of the hopping path is restricted to the spatial part of the corresponding eigenspace and uses a sliding window. The view of the hopping string uses the full quaternionic eigenspace. The view of the swarm integrates over the regeneration cycle. The swarm represents the projection of the hopping path onto the symmetry center. The landing locations of the hopping path form the elements of the location swarm and are selected from the eigenspace of tube operator  $\mathfrak{L}$ .

Symmetry centers float on a supporting medium. That supporting medium corresponds to a Cartesian-ordered normal reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ , whose eigenvectors span the whole infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space.

### 13.3 Map into a continuum

By imaging the discrete eigenvalues into a reference space, the discrete eigenvalues form a **swarm**  $\{a_j^x\}$ , which is a subset of the rational quaternions  $\{s_i^x\}$  that form the symmetry center on which the module resides. At the same time the discrete eigenvalues form a **hopping path**. With other words the swarm forms a spatial map of the dynamic hopping of the point-like object. The swarm and the hopping path conform to a stochastic operator  $\sigma^x$  that is well ordered with respect to its progression values, but is not ordered in spatial sense like reference operators  $\mathcal{R}$  or  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ .

$$\sigma^x = |a_j^x\rangle a_j^x \langle a_j^x|$$

This temporal ordering is installed via the quaternionic version of the screened Poisson equation. That equation involves a symmetry center wide clock that can synchronize the location generation process with the model wide progression steps that are oppressed by reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ . This will be explained later.

Our plan is to construct a map of the elements  $\{a_j^x\}$  of the swarm onto the deformable continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

The continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$  deforms because this continuum is the result of a smoothing operation that is installed by a mathematical convolution with blurring functions. That convolution involves integration and this integration appears to be sensitive to the ordering of the involved integration domains. The tiniest blurring function is the Green’s function of the field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . This corresponds to a single point-like disruption, which is due to the fact that the ordering of the parameter space of the

disruption differs from the ordering of the surrounding integration domains. A coherent swarm of point-like disruptions will correspond to a much broader blurring function. The test function that was treated earlier is an example of a broader blurring function. Thus, the deformation of  $\mathfrak{C}$  is due to the participation of non-conformant integration domains. For that reason we will mark the parameter spaces that act as integration domains with a superscript  $x$  that identifies the type of ordering of the parameter space. The parameter spaces are not deformed. Only the smoothed fields get deformed by the disruptive embedding of artifacts. These artifacts represent local exceptions in an otherwise rather evenly distributed set of rational quaternions that is described by the smoothed field.

The deformed field  $\mathfrak{C}$  represents a conglomerate of descriptors of the location density of location swarms. Where the location density becomes negligible the field  $\mathfrak{C}$  describes the background parameter space. The convolution process must convert the symmetry flavors of the location swarms to the symmetry flavor of the background parameter space.

In the previous paragraph the field is viewed as being deformed by the discrete objects that disturb its continuity. It is also possible to view the field as a descriptor that describes the location density distribution of the discrete objects. These views correspond to different interpretations of the same model. The interpretations do not influence the model. However, the selected interpretation does affect the description of the model. This duality indicates that there is nothing mysterious about the fact that the field and the discrete objects appear to interact. However, the situation will look mysterious if information transfer will use the deformed field as its carrier. That is what happens in reality.

We perform the construction of the map in a sequence of *virtual* steps. The first virtual step maps the location  $a_j^x$  in the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  onto a virtual location  $b_j^x$  in the reference parameter space  $\mathcal{R}^x$ . The following step maps the location  $b_j^x$  onto a virtual location  $c_j^x$  in the continuum parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^x$ . There it represents a rational number with corresponding symmetry flavor  $x$ . The last step maps  $c_j^x$  to an actual location  $d_j^x$  in the deformable continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ . Since the symmetry flavor  $x$  of  $d_j^x$  conflicts with the reference symmetry flavor  $\textcircled{0}$  of  $\mathfrak{C}$ , the embedding process causes a reaction of the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

The generalized Stokes theorem shows that the discrepant regions must be separately handled and for that reason it is necessary to encapsulate the discrepant locations. The corresponding contributions must account the difference in symmetry flavor.

None of the eigenspaces of the parameter space operators are influenced by the mapping process. Only this last step causes space curvature in the deformable target field. During this map the swarm  $\{a_j^x\}$  gets spatially reordered into the swarm  $\{e_j^{\textcircled{0}}\}$ . The embedding of each of the elements last only a short instant and is immediately released. What results is the impact on the smoothed field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . Thus, field  $\mathfrak{C}$  is not only smoothed in spatial sense. It is also averaged over the progression window.

### 13.4 Coherent elementary modules

Coherent elementary modules are characterized by a coherent location swarm. The coherent elementary modules are directly related to an individual symmetry center. The elements of the coherent location swarm that characterizes the coherent elementary module are taken from this symmetry center. These elements are ordered with respect to progression, but spatially they are selected in a stochastic fashion. This selection is described by operator  $\sigma^x$ . In the map onto the reference continuum, coherent elementary modules feature a hopping path. Inside the symmetry center the hopping path is closed. Further, for coherent elementary modules, the map of the location swarm into the reference continuum corresponds to a density operator  $\rho$  that is defined by a **continuous function**. That continuous function is a **normalized location density distribution** and it has a **Fourier transform**. As a consequence the swarm owns a **displacement generator** and as a further consequence in first approximation the swarm will **move as one unit**.

The operator that conforms to the continuous location density distribution has a different ordering with respect to its spatial values. That new operator  $\rho$  has  $\mathcal{R}$  and thus  $\mathfrak{R}$  as its parameter space. It

tends to describe the swarm as a whole unit. It no longer describes the hopping path. The operator  $\rho$  is no more than a special descriptor. It does not affect the distribution of the density of the locations that is described by this operator and its defining function.

*The coherence is ensured by the private mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n$  that selects the eigenvalues such that a coherent swarm is generated.*

This paper gives no full explanation for this special habit of the mechanism. However, this habit is essential for the coherence of the whole model. Some guesses about the way that mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n$  works are possible. Due to his experience with low dose intensified imaging, the author assumes that the mechanisms apply something that looks like a combination of a Poisson process and a binomial process. Together they form an **inhomogeneous spatial Poisson point process**. The test function shows that such a combination results in a coherent swarm. A combination of a Poisson process and a binomial process that is implemented by a spatial spread function can establish a location density distribution, which approaches the Gaussian distribution, which underlies the described test function. This might provide a partial indication of how the mechanism works. A Poisson process that is combined with an attenuating binomial process can again be considered as a Poisson process that has a lower local efficiency than the homogeneous spatial Poisson point process. Thus, in this interpretation, the spread function defines the spatial spread of the efficiency of the local Poisson processes. See the section on low dose rate imaging.

Coherent elementary modules are also characterized by the symmetry flavor of their symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . When mapped into a reference continuum that is eigenspace of reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circ} = |q^{\circ}\rangle q^{\circ}\langle q^{\circ}|$  the module is characterized by a **symmetry related charge**, which is *located at the center of symmetry*. The symmetry related charge is a property of the local **symmetry center**  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ .

The size and the sign of the symmetry related charge depends on the difference of the symmetry flavor of the local symmetry center with respect to the symmetry flavor of the surrounding reference continuum  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circ}$ . The coherent swarm  $\{a_j^x\}$  inherits the symmetry flavor of the local symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . However, the controlling mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$  picks the elements of this set in a spatially stochastic way instead of in a spatially ordered fashion. Thus the stochastic operator  $\sigma_n^x$  that reflects the stochastic selection by  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$ , corresponds with another operator, this time a density operator  $\rho^x$  that reflects the spatial ordering and characterizes the coherent stochastic mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$  with respect to its achievement to establish spatial coherence.

Symmetry related charges are the reason of existence of a symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{X}$ . This field will be treated later.

### 13.5 The function of coherence

Embedding of point-like objects into the affected embedding continuum spreads the reach of the separate embedding locations and offers the possibility to bind modules. The spread of the embedded point-like object is defined by the Green's function of the non-homogeneous second order partial differential equation. However, spurious embedding locations have not enough strength and not enough reach to implement an efficient binding effect. In contrast, coherent location swarms offer enough locality, enough spread and enough embedding strength in order to bind two coherent swarms that are sufficiently close.

For example, a Gaussian distribution of the location swarm would turn the very peaky Green's functions into a rather broad spherical painting brush that can be described by the potential:

$$\varphi(r) = \frac{ERF(r)}{r} \tag{1}$$

This is a smooth function without a trace of a singularity. Thus the coherent swarm bends the embedding field in a smooth fashion!. We will give this particular function a name and call it **test function**. At the center location, the amplitude of the test function equals about 1,128379. The test function has a standard spread. The standard deviation is about 0,598758. A graph of function  $\varphi(r)$  was shown in figure 1.

The actual location density distribution may differ from the Gaussian distribution. The amplitude of the resulting function will depend on the form of the density distribution will depend on the number of participating point-like obstructions. For large numbers of participating point-like obstructions, the coherence of the swarm ensures that the smoothed embedding field stays integrable, while each of the elements of the swarm would separately cause a singularity. The actual smoothness of the affected field will depend on the number of participating obstructions. This plays a greater role in the outskirts of the distribution. In that region the signal to noise ratio is much lower than in the center. This results in a larger local relative variance. We assumed that all obstructions have similar impact on the affected field. However, the process that governs the generation of the obstructions has a stochastic nature. The characteristics of this process depends on the properties of the controlling mechanism. The number of elements in the coherent swarms that corresponds to actual elementary modules depends on the type of the module. For most types of elementary modules this number is huge. If the generator of the obstructions is a Poisson process in combination with a binomial process that is implemented by a spatial spread function, then the local signal to noise ratio can be calculated at any location where the number of participating obstructions is still large enough. This is due to the fact that a Poisson process in combination with a binomial process is again a Poisson process with an attenuated efficiency. An object that will approach these outskirts will sense the local relative variance of the field and may act accordingly. As a consequence its behavior in response to the local field value may appear to show some turbulence. Closer to the center of the swarm the signal to noise is much larger and the behavior of the respondent will become more consistent.

If for some reason the generation process is halted, then the controlling mechanism changes to another control mode and because of that the discrete nature of the swarm will becomes noticeable. In this case the last location in the location swarm indicates the exact location where the generation process was disrupted. After this instant the location density distribution has lost its validity and collapses. In physics the group of physicists that support the Copenhagen interpretation named this phenomenon "the collapse of the wave function".

Imaging of the location swarm onto the reference continuum is only used to define coherence and it is used to indicate the influence of the symmetry related charges. The embedding onto the affected continuum  $\mathcal{C}$  is used to exploit the corresponding potential binding effect of the swarm. The stochastic process that implements the stochastic location distribution under control of mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$  is the de facto actuator in establishing the coherent swarm. The embedding field  $\mathcal{C}$  is not affected by symmetry differences. In contrast the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$  is caused by these differences. Thus  $\mathcal{C}$  and  $\mathfrak{A}$  differ fundamentally! For the elementary module the symmetry center couples the two fields.

### 13.6 The effect of the blur

The coherent swarm represents an effective blur of every observation of the spatial location of the corresponding object. **All information about the swarm will be transmitted via the fields** that are influenced by the presence of the swarm. **The model does not support other information carriers.**

In this aspect the model differs from theories that postulate the existence of force carriers. This model does not support force carriers. Nor does it support the corresponding force fields. However, the basic fields can cause acceleration of the discrete objects that reside on symmetry centers. The notion of force carriers imposes a dilemma: What supports the force carrier?

It means that every object that must be informed about the properties of the observed object will perceive this observed object with a blur that is defined by the actual location density distribution. This is not the smooth density distribution  $\rho$ . It is the convolution of the density distribution with the Green's function of the field.

Due to the blur, no observer will directly perceive the difference between an object that is constructed as a swarm of discrete elements and an object that has a more compact structure such



as a sphere. This fact is increased if the observer itself has a similar structure. The swarm contains a huge number of elements. Only in this way the signal to noise ratio of the transferred information is large enough in order to tolerate reliable reactions of the observer on the signal that it receives via the surrounding fields.

Thus, every interaction is afflicted with a certain signal to noise ratio.

### 13.7 Modules and subspaces

Only a small fraction of the rational quaternions will represent a dynamic location of an elementary module. Thus, a comparable number of Hilbert vectors will represent the state of an elementary module. Each of these Hilbert vectors spans a closed subspace. With other words, ***the orthomodular lattice that describes the relations between all modules will only sparsely cover the set of closed subspace of the Hilbert space.***

At the next progression instant a new category of Hilbert vectors will represent the elementary modules. In this way the model steps with model wide progression steps. The current state of the model wipes through the model and divides the model in three parts: a historic part, a current part and a future part. The separable Hilbert space exactly registers all of these states. Thus, the Hilbert space is not confronted with any uncertainty. However, everything that travels with the separating blade will be cut off from any information that is stored in the future part. For those participants uncertainty exists about what the future will bring. The fact that the controlling mechanisms install coherence will reduce the size of the uncertainty.

The elementary modules will follow hopping paths and controlling mechanisms take care that these hopping paths stay within a tube. A map of the hopping path onto the cross section of the tube results in a spatial location swarm. This swarm and the hopping path characterize the properties and therefore the type of the elementary module.

This paper follows the view that is obtained by objects that travel with the separating blade. However, it is also possible to take a view in which all eigenvalues that are stored in the Hilbert space are known by the investigator. In that case the uncertainty of the blade traveler is changed into the uncertainty of the process that filled the eigen values at the instance that the whole Hilbert space was established.

### 13.8 Self-coherence

It is difficult to belief in a creator that installs separate mechanisms, which ensure the dynamic coherence of the generated modules. It is easier to accept that the relation between the generated location swarms and the field that describes these swarms is based on a mathematically explainable kind of self-coherence. In case of self-coherence, the interaction between the field and the swarm restricts the possible location density distribution. This restriction may be influenced by the number of elements that are contained in the swarm. This fact may explain the existence of generations of elementary modules.

In the relation between the swarm and the field, the Green's function of the field plays an important role. It plays the role of a potential that implements an attracting force. Another factor is the kind of stochastic process that generates the individual locations. This process belongs to the category of the inhomogeneous spatial Poisson point processes. Each hop tries to displace the geometric center of the swarm. This displacement represents an acceleration. Let the Green's function represent a scalar potential. When the platform on which the elementary module resides moves with respect to the background parameter space with a uniform speed, then the scalar potential will in that coordinate system turn into a vector potential. Differential calculus learns that the dynamic change of the vector

field goes together with a new field that counteracts the acceleration. This effect is similar to the phenomenon that is known as inertia. It looks as if the center of geometry of the swarm is attracting the accelerating hopping elementary module. This is an effective kind of self-coherence.

In order to elucidate this obscure description, we will explain this by applying formulas.

The Green's function  $G(\mathbf{q})$  represents a scalar potential.

$$G(\mathbf{q}) = m_1/|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}| \quad (1)$$

If the platform travels with uniform speed  $\mathbf{v}$ , then this corresponds with a vector potential  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q})$ :

$$\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) = G(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{v} \quad (2)$$

Acceleration goes together with a new field  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{q})$ :

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{q}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \dot{\mathbf{A}}(\mathbf{q}) = G(\mathbf{q})\dot{\mathbf{v}} \quad (3)$$

This goes together with an attracting force  $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q})$

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{q}) = m_2 \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{m_1 m_2 \dot{\mathbf{v}}}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \quad (4)$$

This attractive force acts between the landing location of the hopping object and the geometric center of the swarm.  $\dot{\mathbf{v}}$  is the acceleration of the geometric center of the swarm that is due to the addition of the individual hop. The swarm covers a huge number of landing locations.

The test function is a convolution of a Gaussian location density distribution and a natural three dimensional isotropic Green's function. The corresponding stochastic process belongs to the category of inhomogeneous spatial Poisson point processes. It is a modified Thomas process.

The hops are in principle superluminal. However the swarm can only move with speeds that are tolerated by the field that describes this swarm. That maximum speed is the speed at which solutions of the second order partial differential equation can move.

Formula (4) shows that the factors  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  depend on the number of involved hop landing points. In relation with inertia it shows that **mass is proportional to the number of involved hop landing locations.**

## 14 The dynamic orthomodular base model

We have achieved a level in which the major chain of mathematical structures does no longer offer an inescapable self-evident extension. The model uses separable and non-separable Hilbert spaces in order to store numeric data that can describe a series of discrete objects that are embedded in a continuum. The real parts of the parameters can be used to order the parameters and the target values of functions. If properly ordered these descriptions can represent a sequence of static status quos. However, without controlling mechanisms this model features no dynamics and contains no means to establish the **coherence** between the subsequent members of the sequence. This reflects our earlier decision to pick the interpretation that new data are generated by these controlling mechanisms. According to the other interpretation a virtual boundary travels over existing data and represents a static status quo that is defined by a single and increasing progression value. In both cases the boundary divides the model into a historic part and a future part. In both views the reason of the existence of the coherence of swarms is not (yet) explained. In this paper that explanation is not achieved. We just make use of the coherence that the mechanisms appear to establish. Thus, **according to the view that is selected by this paper, the origin of the dynamics of the model is located in the mechanisms that generate the coherent swarms.**

### 14.1 The model

In the selected view, the model describes the evolution of the embedding of a quaternionic infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space into its companion Gelfand triple. This is achieved by applying an extended version of the generalized Stokes theorem to an eigenspace of a normal operator in a non-separable quaternionic Hilbert space that embeds a separable Hilbert space. On the rim between the history and the future operate controlling mechanisms that fill eigenspaces of operators, which reside in the separable Hilbert space with new data, that subsequently will be embedded into a deformable eigenspace of an operator that resides in the Gelfand triple. The history is no longer touched and stays stored in eigenspaces of operators that reside in the separable Hilbert space. That storage is no longer afflicted by noise. All dynamic data are precisely known and stored as quaternionic values. In contrast, the future is not yet known and will be generated by the stochastic processes, which are owned/controlled by dedicated mechanisms that act as functions of progression. **This description uses one of the possible interpretations of the base model.**

We will call this stage of the model development “**The dynamic orthomodular base model**”. Any further development of the model would involve the further investigation of the mechanisms that ensure the coherence between the subsequent members of the sequence of static status quos. With one exception, this paper will not perform that investigation. Instead, we use a detailed definition of what we mean by a coherent swarm of point-like obstructions of the embedding field  $\mathcal{C}$ . The exception is formed by the reaction of the controlling mechanisms on the disturbance of their task by color shifting quaternions.

The orthomodular base model describes the relational structure of modular systems. Via the management mechanisms it can add characteristics to the modules. These characteristics are based on eigenvalues of normal operators that reside in the separable Hilbert space and have eigenvectors in the closed subspace that represents the module.

The elementary modules are based on a huge number of rational quaternionic numbers. This number is about  $2^N$ . It corresponds to a N dimensional binary valued space. N equals about 40. The module does not use this huge amount of degrees of freedom. Instead it is characterized by a few statistical and symmetry characteristics.

The Hilbert spaces only supports storage and description. Further, the Hilbert spaces restrict the type of the data that can be stored. The management mechanisms represent the actual drivers of the model. However, the Hilbert spaces pose restrictions on what the mechanisms can do.

The numeric data that occur in the orthonormal base model must be taken from division rings. The most elaborate choice for these data are quaternions.

Quaternions and Hilbert spaces can represent a wider usage than just the storage of dynamic geometric data. Quaternions can implement rotations. In this way they can shift properties between dimensions. This is shown the appendix; Tri-state spaces. (still to-do)

The peculiarities of these quaternions influence the features and the behavior of the discrete objects and the fields that occur in the orthonormal model. Many of these peculiarities are hardly known by scientists. As far as they apply to this paper these subjects are treated in the related sections and in the appendix.

Concepts such as symmetry centers and coherent location swarms are not part of the orthonormal base model, but these features make use of the structure and the properties of the orthonormal base model. The same holds for the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{X}$  and the embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ . However, the reference operators that can be applied as parameter spaces can be considered as standard properties of quaternionic Hilbert spaces. They can be considered to belong to the household of the orthomodular base model.

## 14.2 The rim

The past part of the model is fixed and is stored in exact values in the Hilbert spaces. The future part is inaccessible by the past part and does not yet influence the current static status quo. In the selected view of the model, all dynamics occurs in the direct vicinity of the splitting boundary. For that reason, the rim is the most interesting part of the model. It is a region in the direct vicinity of the splitting boundary and includes this boundary. The boundary itself concerns a static status quo of the model. The rim is constituted of a harmonica of such static status quos. Each of the sheets of this harmonica is represented by a Hilbert space in which the progression value is fixed. In fact these Hilbert spaces are subspaces of the encapsulating separable Hilbert space. The harmonica covers the regeneration cycle of the elementary modules. Within the harmonica each elementary module is represented by a tube and a hopping string that stays inside this encapsulating tube. Inside each of the sheets of the harmonica, each of the elementary modules has a different location. That location is determined by a corresponding management mechanism that works in a stochastic fashion, such that the subsequent locations form a coherent swarm. This means that the location swarm can be described by a continuous location density distribution, which on its turn possesses a Fourier transform. These conditions ensure that the swarm possesses a private displacement generator and it also means that at first approximation, the swarm can be considered as to move as one unit. As a consequence the module can be treated as an individual object that has its own kinematics. Despite the fact that at each harmonica sheet the elementary module has only one (exact!) position, the module can be characterized by its short term dynamic behavior. That behavior is obviously related to the ordering inside the symmetry center on which the elementary module resides.

In comparison to string theory, which uses elastic strings, this model uses stochastic tubes that house hopping paths that proceed in the direction from past to future. In projection onto a static status quo boundary the hopping path forms a coherent swarm.

The fact that for every individual module, each sheet of the harmonica contains only one location, corresponds to the fact that at every progression instance one location on each symmetry center

represents only one location of the corresponding elementary module. The eigenspace of the operator that describes these locations is **well ordered** with respect to progression and is stochastic in the spatial domain.

It is interesting to try to estimate the number of sheets in the harmonica. This number is related to the inverse of Planck's constant. With other words, it is a huge number. We already estimated it as  $2^N$ , where N is in the neighborhood of 40. Reality appears to be wastefully with its progression ticks!

Apart from the obstructions, the rim also contains continuums. These continuums spread over the spatial parts of the domains. In these regions differentiation and integration makes sense. In these conditions the more conventional form of the Stokes theorem and the divergence theorem become applicable.

Symmetry centers are defined by anti-Hermitian operators. This means that they fit inside the sheets of the harmonica. In that sheet each symmetry center carries only one location of the represented elementary module. That location does not coincide with the location of the geometric center of the symmetry center.

## 15 Symmetry centers as floating parameter spaces

If we tolerate discontinuities inside quaternionic manifolds, then these artifacts must be encapsulated by boundaries  $\partial H_n^x$  and in that way they are separated from the main domain  $\Omega$ .

In this case the model may apply different parameter spaces, which have their own private way of ordering. A separable quaternionic Hilbert space can cope with series of coexisting parameter spaces and these parameter spaces are served by dedicated operators. The reverse bra-ket method relates the parameter space to a corresponding reference operator. Symmetry centers are examples of such parameter spaces. Symmetry centers use a version of the quaternionic number system in order to represent the ordering of the parameter space. This results in a parameter space that features a Cartesian coordinate system. In addition the parameter space is ordered by a polar coordinate system. The symmetry center uses only the rational quaternions. In this way the parameter space stays countable.

### 15.1 Symmetry flavor and the origin of the symmetry related charge

The symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  is characterized by a private symmetry flavor. That symmetry flavor relates to the Cartesian ordering of this parameter space. When the orientation of the coordinate axes is fixed, then eight independent Cartesian orderings are possible. We use the Cartesian ordering of  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  as the reference for the orientation of the axes.  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  has the same Cartesian ordering as  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  has.

$$\int_{\Omega-H} d\omega = \int_{\partial\Omega} \omega - \sum_n \int_{\partial H_n^x} \omega \quad (1)$$

**In this formula the boundaries  $\partial\Omega$  and  $\partial H_n^x$  are subtracted from each other.** This subtraction is controlled by the difference in ordering of the domains  $\Omega$  and  $H_n^x$ .

Due to the smoothness of the embedding field, we have some freedom with the spatial placement of the encapsulating boundaries. We exploit that freedom by selecting a cubic, rather than a spherical encapsulation of the point-like discontinuities. The cube is aligned along the coordinate axes. This enables us to correctly determine the influence of the differences in ordering along the coordinate axes.

The consequence of the differences of the symmetry flavor on the subtraction can best be comprehended when the encapsulation  $\partial H_n^x$  is performed by a **cubic space form** that is aligned along the Cartesian axes. Now the six sides of the cube contribute different to the effects of the encapsulation when the ordering differs from the Cartesian ordering of the reference parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ . Each discrepant axis ordering corresponds to one third of the surface of the cube. This effect is represented by the **symmetry related charge** and the **color charge** of the symmetry center. It is easily related to the algorithm which is introduced for the computation of the symmetry related charge. Also the relation to the color charge will be clear. **Thus, this effect couples the ordering of the local parameter spaces to the symmetry related charge of the encapsulated elementary module.** The differences with the ordering of the surrounding space determines the value of the symmetry related charge of the object that resides inside the encapsulation!

The symmetry related charge and the color charge of symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  are supposed to be located at the geometric center of the symmetry center. A Green's function together with these charges can represent the local defining function  $\varphi^x(q)$  of the contribution  $\varphi^x$  to the **symmetry related field**  $\mathfrak{X}^x$  within and beyond the realm of the floating region  $H_n^x$ .

Nothing else than the discrepancy of the ordering of symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  with respect to the ordering of the parameter spaces  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  and  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{1}}$  causes the existence of the symmetry related charge, which is related to the symmetry center. Anything that resides on this symmetry center will *inherit* that symmetry related charge.

## 15.2 Spin

The extra spherical coordinate system is defined relative to the axes of the Cartesian coordinate system. This extra ordering introduces extra symmetry characteristics that become important when spherical integration is applied. These influence are related to the spin characteristics of the elementary module.

## 15.3 Single symmetry center

$H_n^x$  is a spatial domain. The regions  $H_n^x$  that are combined in  $H$  are excluded from domain  $\Omega$ . The Stokes theorem does not hold for the separate regions  $H_n^x$ . Instead, the difference between the integrals defines a potential. In case of isotropic symmetry flavor of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  holds:

$$Q_n^x = |\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x| \left\{ \int_{H_n^x} d\omega - \int_{\partial H_n^x} \omega \right\} \quad (1)$$

$\mathbf{c}_n^x$  is the geometric center of symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ .  $Q_n^x$  is the symmetry related charge. This corresponds to the symmetry related potential  $\varphi_n^x(\mathbf{q})$  that exists at the outskirts of the encapsulation.

$$\varphi_n^x(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{Q_n^x}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x|} = \int_{H_n^x} d\omega - \int_{\partial H_n^x} \omega \quad (2)$$

The potential  $\varphi_n^x(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x)$  contributes to the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}^x$ .

## 15.4 Bounded center

A locally a spatially connected union  $H_{\cup}$  of encapsulations  $H_n^x$  is defined by:

$$H_{\cup} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{N^x} H_n^x \quad (1)$$

$H_{\cup}$  encapsulates multiple symmetry centers. In case that  $H_{\cup}$  exists, we consider the objects that reside within that encapsulation  $\partial H_{\cup}$  as bounded by the symmetry related charges.

$$\phi^x(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N^x} \frac{Q_n^x}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x|} \quad (2)$$

At large enough distance from this bounded center, all charges can be considered to be merged in a single charge with symmetry related potential function  $\phi(q)$ :

$$\phi(q) = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N Q_n^x}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}|} \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \mathbf{c}_n \quad (4)$$

### 15.5 Discrepant regions

The symmetry centers correspond to point-like discontinuities. However, also large connected regions of  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{D}}$  may exist that disrupt the continuity of the manifold. For example a region that is surrounded by a boundary where the deformation is so strong that information contained in  $\omega$  cannot pass the boundary of this region. These regions must also be separated from domain  $\Omega$ . In this way these regions will correspond to **cavities** in the domain  $\Omega$ . **The information contained in the manifold cannot pass the surface of the cavity.** The cavities act as information holes. Within the cavity the manifold can be considered to be non-existent. Within that region it has no defining function.

Current mathematical integration technology appears to lack proper solutions for this situation.

Discrepant regions cannot be hidden by applying a smoothing operator to the underlying field.

The discrepant regions are the “black holes” of the model.



## 16 Fields

### 16.1 Fields in contrast to sets of discrete objects

Coherent sets of discrete quaternions have much in common with continuums that describe the density of these location swarms. The set of rational quaternions is densely embedded in the continuum of the corresponding quaternions. A continuous function can relate the coherent set that corresponds to the target of the rational quaternionic function and the corresponding smooth continuum. If you want to estimate the impact of point-like disruptions of the continuity, it makes more sense to investigate the set of rational target values of the relating function, than to try investigate the disrupted continuum. Putting the point-like disruptions in capsules will partly solve integration and differentiation problems. In this way smoothed versions of the fields can be derived that circumvent the problems that integration has with the existence of point-like disruptions.

### 16.2 Differentiable and integrable basic fields

By applying the reverse bra-ket method, a category of operators can represent quaternionic functions. They do this in combination with reference operators. This is applicable both in the separable Hilbert space and in the Gelfand triple.

In this paper, fields are continuums that are target spaces of quaternionic functions that define eigenspaces of operators, which reside in the Gelfand triple.

Quaternionic functions and their differentials can be split in real scalar functions and imaginary vector functions. Here we will only consider the not too violent disruptions of the continuity of the fields. We also restrict the validity range of the equations. With these restrictions the **quaternionic nabla** can be applied and the discontinuities restrict to point-like artifacts. The quaternionic nabla has the advantage that it works as a multiplying operator. It obeys quaternionic multiplication rules.

Quaternionic functions can represent fields and continuums, but they can also represent density distributions of discrete dynamic locations. A point-like disruption then corresponds to a single exception in a large assembly of nearly equal values. The vector field that goes together with the scalar field may then represent the displacements of the discrete objects. Quaternionic differentiation of such fields is treated in the next chapter.

Double differentiation of a basic field leads to a non-homogeneous second order partial differential equation that relates the basic field to the corresponding density distributions of discrete dynamic locations of the artifacts that cause the local discontinuities of the basic field. For quaternionic functions two different second order partial differential equations exist. They offer different views of the dynamic behavior of the same basic field and the two second order partial differential equations can offer views on different behavior of the investigated field.

The symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{X}$  and the embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$  are basic fields. This paper only investigates mainly these two basic fields. A third basic field describes the presence of rotator quaternions. In this paper, all other fields are derived from these basic fields.

The symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{X}$  is based on the existence of symmetry centers. These symmetry centers float over a reference parameter space that acts as a background in the whole model.

The embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$  is based on the existence of a dynamic deformable function  $\mathfrak{C}$  that describes the embedding of discrete artifacts, which reside on symmetry centers and are mapped onto  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The artifacts are selected by mechanisms  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$  that are dedicated to the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . The results of the activity of these mechanisms can be described by a corresponding stochastic

operators  $\sigma_n^x$ . All stochastic operators of type  $\sigma$  have countable eigenspaces and can be considered to reside in the separable Hilbert space.

### 16.3 Subspace maps

The orthomodular base model consist of two related Hilbert spaces.

- An infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  that acts as a descriptor of the properties of all discrete objects.
- A non-separable Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  that acts as a descriptor of the properties of all continuums.

The orthomodular base model does not apply Fock spaces because the tensor product of quaternionic Hilbert spaces is no longer a quaternionic Hilbert space. Instead it is a real Hilbert space.

In the selected view, an ongoing process which is governed by dedicated mechanisms embeds a part of the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  into its non-separable companion Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . This ongoing process corresponds to a partition that moves through the reference parameter spaces  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{1}}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{1}}$  and splits them into three parts: history, present static status quo and future. We already introduced the harmonica that splits the vicinity of the boundary in a series of sheets. The middle sheet is the actual boundary. Thus. in the neighborhood of the boundary we treat progression as a discrete parameter. Further away, progression may be considered to flow. The sheets cover a sliding progression window that covers the current regeneration cycles of the swarms. The mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}$  that governs the embedding of an elementary module is active in the splitting boundary, but its control is influenced by historic and future sheets that belong to the harmonica, which covers the regeneration cycle that produces the coherent location swarm, which is characteristic for the elementary module. The behavior of the mechanism is stochastic and only determined by statistical and symmetry related characteristics. Nothing, not even the creator of the model, has deterministic insight in the decisions of the mechanism.

This view corresponds to the interpretation of the model in which mechanisms generate new spatial data as a function of the progression value. An alternative interpretation suspects that the future data are already present in the Hilbert space and are encountered by the moving boundary. In that case the mechanisms must have been active as generators at the instance of the formation of the whole Hilbert space. Also in that case the activity of the mechanisms is stochastic and is not governed and deterministically determined by the creator of the model. The model itself is not affected by these different interpretations.

The two Hilbert spaces are coupled by the Cartesian-ordered reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{1}}$  and the corresponding reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{1}}$ . Both are defined by the quaternionic function  $\mathfrak{R}(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q$ .

On the rim between history and future will controlling mechanisms  $\{\mathfrak{M}_n^x\}$  fill the module related subspaces of separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  with data and the new contents of these subspaces are subsequently embedded into the non-separable Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . The history stays untouched. The fill of subspaces with data is described by dedicated stochastic operators. The mechanisms  $\{\mathfrak{M}_n^x\}$  use stochastic processes in order to generate these data. The author suspects that the stochastic operators represent inhomogeneous spatial Poisson point processes. In more detail these processes are probably modified Thomas processes.

A closed subspace in  $\mathfrak{H}$  maps into a subspace of  $\mathcal{H}$ . Only the countable subspaces of  $\mathcal{H}$  have a sensible dimension. By applying the reverse bra-ket method, defining functions can map countable eigenspaces of operators that reside in the separable Hilbert space into continuum eigenspaces in the Gelfand triple. Mapping does not influence the flat reference fields that are in use as parameter spaces. However, the embedding process affects the deformable field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . This field describes the generated location swarms that result from the corresponding hopping paths. Indirectly, the embedding process affects the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$ . In fact both fields

interact by affecting the location of the geometric center of the symmetry centers that correspond to elementary modules.

#### 16.4 Parameter spaces

The reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$  that resides in the Gelfand triple delivers a simple field that can act as a flat parameter space. This field is not affected by the embedding map. Via its defining function  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}(q^{\circledast}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} q^{\circledast}$ , it is a direct map of parameter space  $\mathcal{R}^{\circledast}$ .

Symmetry centers are spanned by the eigenvectors  $\{|\mathfrak{s}_i^x\rangle\}$  of a compact symmetry center reference operator  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . The superscript  $x$  distinguishes between properties such as symmetry flavors and spin. Symmetry centers are special forms of parameter spaces that reside in the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ . They also have a representation in the Gelfand triple. In the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  they have a fixed finite dimension, which is supposed to be the same for all symmetry centers. Or the dimension is the same for all elementary modules that belong to the same type. Reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$  acts as the playground of maps of symmetry centers that define local symmetry related charges. Symmetry centers float over this background space. The reason for fixing the finite size of the dimension of the symmetry centers will be discussed later.

#### 16.5 Embedding field

The elements of the eigenspace of the stochastic operator  $\sigma_n^x$ , which is used by a controlling mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$  will be embedded in the eigenspace of operator  $\mathfrak{C}$ . A more smoothed version  $\mathfrak{U}$  of this operator exists that mimics the view that observers get from the field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . For example  $\mathfrak{C}$  is smoothed by its Green's function and  $\mathfrak{U}$  is smoothed by a blur that approaches the blur of the test function. Observers are the receivers of information that is transported by messengers or by other vibrations or deformations of the embedding field. The messengers are objects that use the embedding field as their transport medium. Smoothing blurs the perception of the observer. The smoothing implemented by  $\mathfrak{U}$  represents the minimal observation blur for elementary modules.

With this interpretation the embedding process can be seen as the pursuit by the embedding field to follow the density distribution of a set of rational and thus discrete quaternionic target values as close as is tolerated by a selected blurring function. This process involves a convolution and this convolution involves an integration. The target values are the targets of the defining function for a selected set of parameter values.  $\mathfrak{C}$  uses a narrower blurring function than  $\mathfrak{U}$  does.  $\mathfrak{C}$  *is interpreted as a field, while  $\mathfrak{U}$  is interpreted as a potential*. The difference between  $\mathfrak{C}$  and  $\mathfrak{U}$  is that  $\mathfrak{U}$  blurs all spurious point-like artifacts such that they become "unobservable". Only in huge numbers these spurious point-like artifacts will become noticeable as *large range effects*.

Operator  $\mathfrak{C}$  can be described by a quaternionic function  $\mathfrak{C}(q^{\circledast})$  that has a parameter space  $\mathcal{R}^{\circledast}$ , which is generated by the eigenspace of reference operator  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$ . When applicable, we use the same symbol for the parameter space, the defining function and the operator. With the installed restrictions, the dynamics of the embedding process can be described by quaternionic differential calculus.

If the discontinuities that are generated by local discontinuities are not too violent, then the non-homogeneous second order partial differential equation will elucidate the embedding process. This will be treated in detail in the next chapter.

In  $\mathcal{H}$  the operator  $\mathfrak{C} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q^{\circledast}\rangle\mathfrak{C}(q^{\circledast})\langle q^{\circledast}|$  is defined by function  $\mathfrak{C}(q^{\circledast})$  and represents an embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ . This continuum gets affected by the embedding process and thus deforms dynamically.

We will show that two different non-homogeneous second order partial differential equations exist that offer different views on the embedding process. The equation that is based upon the double quaternionic nabla  $\nabla\nabla^*$  cannot show wave behavior. However, the equation that is based on d'Alembert's operator  $\mathfrak{D}$  acts as a wave equation, which offers waves as part of its set of solutions.

$$\nabla\nabla^* = \nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \quad (1)$$

$$\mathfrak{D} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \quad (2)$$

***The embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$  is always and (nearly) everywhere present.*** The space cavities form an exception to this rule.  $\mathfrak{C}$  is deformed and vibrated by discrete artifacts that are embedded in this field. In the considered domain,  $\mathfrak{C}$  may contain point-like artifacts and connected regions where  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$  is not defined.

In  $\mathcal{H}$ , the representations of symmetry centers float over the natural parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$  of the embedding continuum. The symmetry related charges of the symmetry centers generate local contributions  $\varphi$  to the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{U}$ . The location of the center of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  within parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$  is affected by the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{U}$ . The symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{U} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q^{\circledast}\rangle\mathfrak{U}(q^{\circledast})\langle q^{\circledast}|$  uses the same natural parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$  as the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  does. This indicates that the fields  $\mathfrak{U}$  and  $\mathfrak{C}$  influence each other in an indirect way via the symmetry centers.

The mechanism  $\mathfrak{M}_n^x$  that controls stochastic operator  $\sigma_n^x$  picks members of a symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  and stores them in the eigenvalues of that operator. These eigenvalues are mapped to parameter space  $\mathcal{R}^{\circledast}$  and in that way they become eigenvalues of a new operator  $\mathfrak{B}_n^x$ . This map involves relocation and re-ordering. This fact couples the location of the symmetry related charge of this symmetry center with the locations that get embedded in the eigenspace of operator  $\mathfrak{C}$ . However, the parameter location of the symmetry related charge does not coincide with the parameter location of the eigenvalue of operator  $\mathfrak{B}_n^x$ , that will be embedded in the eigenspace of operator  $\mathfrak{C}$ . This embedding involves a map that is described by function  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$ . The eigenvalues of operator  $\mathfrak{B}_n^x$  will form a mapped swarm whose center will coincide with the mapped parameter location of the symmetry related charge. That location also coincides with the location of the mapped geometric center of the symmetry center. The images of eigenvalues of  $\mathfrak{B}_n^x$  onto  $\mathfrak{C}$  correspond to point-like artifacts. However, the images of these eigenvalues on the smoothed version  $\mathfrak{U}$  of  $\mathfrak{C}$  correspond with proper locations in  $\mathfrak{U}$ .

$\mathfrak{C}$  and  $\mathfrak{U}$  lay like thin and thick (3D) snow blankets over the set of discrete rational quaternions.  $\mathfrak{U}$  represents a thicker and thus smoother snow blanket than  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

## 16.6 Symmetry related fields

Due to their four dimensions, quaternionic number systems exist in sixteen versions that only differ in their symmetry flavor. The elements of coherent sets of quaternions belong to the same symmetry flavor. This is the symmetry flavor of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  that supports the original location swarm. Differences between symmetry flavors of a symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  and the symmetry flavor of the eigenspace of the surrounding reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^{\circledast}$  cause the presence of a symmetry related charge at the center location of that symmetry center. The countable reference parameter space

$\mathcal{R}^{\circledast}$  in the separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  maps onto the continuum parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$ , which resides in the Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$ .

Symmetry related charges are point-like objects. These charges **generate a field**  $\mathfrak{A}$  that fundamentally differs from the embedding continuum. This symmetry related field also plays a role in the binding of modules, but that role differs significantly from the role of the embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The defining function  $\mathfrak{A}(q)$  of field  $\mathfrak{A}$  and the defining function  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$  of field  $\mathfrak{C}$  use the same parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$ .

Symmetry related charges are located at the geometric centers of local symmetry centers. The size and the sign of the symmetry related charge depends on the difference of the symmetry flavor of the symmetry center with respect to the symmetry flavor of the embedding continuum. Symmetry centers that belong to different symmetry related charges appear to react on the symmetry differences. Equally signed charges repel and differently signed charges attract. The attached coherent location sets that are attached to the symmetry centers will be affected by these effects.

The symmetry related charges do not directly affect the embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ . Their effects are confined to the map of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  to the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\circledast}$ . However, with their action the symmetry related charges **relocate** the centers of the corresponding coherent swarms. The elements of the swarms deform the embedding continuum.

The symmetry related charges are rather isolated point charges. As a consequence the range of the field that is generated by a single charge is rather limited. The corresponding Green's function diminishes as  $1/r$  with distance  $r$  from the charge  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

Fields of point charges superpose. A wide spread uniform distribution of symmetry related point charges can generate a corresponding wide spread symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$ . This works well if a majority of the charges have the same sign. Still, relevant values of the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$  depend on the nearby existence of symmetry related charges.

Coherent swarms are recurrently regenerated on their symmetry centers. The symmetry centers are not recurrently generated, but instead their geometric center can get relocated. Together with these symmetry centers, the corresponding symmetry related charges and the residing swarms get relocated.

The relative short range of relevant field values makes the symmetry related field a bad candidate for the medium on which long range messengers can travel. For that purpose the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  is a much better candidate.

## 16.7 Gluon related field

Quaternions exist that can rotate another quaternion or even an entire swarm of quaternions over  $\pi/2$  radians. The size of the real part of these special quaternionic rotators equals the size of their imaginary part. These quaternions act in pairs. These special quaternions can switch an anisotropy to another dimension. In other words, they may switch the symmetry related charge of an anisotropic elementary module to a different value (color). Isotropic objects stay unaffected.

The presence of these quaternions during the generation of the swarm of an anisotropic elementary module can interfere with this building process. Thus, the presence of the color shifting quaternions affects the persistence of the anisotropic elementary module. Isotropic objects are not affected.

The mechanisms that ensure the coherence of the swarms of anisotropic elementary modules respond by colluding with other mechanisms that also manage anisotropic elementary modules by

jointly generating isotropic composite objects. The composite will be characterized by a single location swarm, but that swarm will reflect the landing locations of multiple hopping paths. The constituting hopping paths are anisotropic, but the result of the merge will be that the swarm is effectively isotropic. In physics the phenomenon of color neutralization is called "**color confinement**". This phenomenon has a binding effect. The process binds quarks into hadrons. The color shifting quaternions play the role of the gluons. That is why we will use the name "gluon" for the pairs of color shifting quaternions. The gluons give rise to **a third basic field**. They are governed by a special mechanism that controls their presence and their activity. We will use symbol  $\mathfrak{J}$  for the gluon related field.

### 16.8 Free space

In the separable Hilbert space, the eigenvectors of the Cartesian-ordered reference operator  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  that do not belong to a module subspace together span free space. The elementary modules reside on symmetry centers whose center locations float on the eigenspace of  $\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$ .

At every progression instant only one element of the swarm  $\{a_j^x\}$  is used. Thus "free space" surrounds all elements of the swarm. It forms most of the continuum  $\mathbb{C}$ , which is deformed by the embedding of the currently selected swarm element.

## 17 Field dynamics

With respect to quaternionic differential calculus the basic fields behave in a similar way. This especially holds in the absence of continuity disrupting discrete artifacts. We will use a more general symbol for the investigated field in order to analyze behavior of the fields under differentiation and integration. In the appendix we will describe the difference between quaternionic differential calculus and Maxwell based differential calculus. In order to support that comparison we will define the derived subfields  $\mathfrak{C}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ . Thus both  $\mathfrak{C}$  and  $\mathfrak{A}$  have such subfields!

In this chapter the differential equations are all quaternionic differential equations. They are no Maxwell equations. The Maxwell-like equations use progression rather than coordinate time. Progression conforms to proper time.

### 17.1 Differentiation

In the model that we selected, the dynamics of the fields can be described by quaternionic differential calculus. Apart from the eigenspaces of reference operators and the symmetry centers we encountered three basic fields that are defined by quaternionic functions and corresponding operators. One is the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$ , another is the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  and the third field is caused by the activity of the gluons.

$\mathfrak{A}$  determines the dynamics of the symmetry centers.  $\mathfrak{C}$  gets deformed and vibrated by the recurrent embedding of point-like elementary particles that each reside on an individual symmetry center. Field  $\mathfrak{B}$  gets deformed by the presence and the activity of gluons.

Apart from the way that they are affected by point-like artifacts that disrupt the continuity of the field, the fields obey, under not too violent conditions and over not too large ranges, the same differential calculus.

Two quite similar, but still significantly different kinds of dynamic geometric differential calculus exist. One kind is the genuine quaternionic differential calculus. The other kind is known as Maxwell based differential calculus. These two kinds will appear to represent different views onto the basic fields. In order to perform the comparison we must extend the set of Maxwell equations. In principle this means that the Maxwell based set of differential equations is incomplete. However, in practice and in order to achieve certain goals the set of Maxwell equations is extended with equivalents of the gauge equations. In this chapter only the quaternionic differential calculus will be treated. The Maxwell based differential equations and the comparison of the two kinds are treated in the appendix.

### 17.2 Quaternionic differential calculus.

First we will investigate the validity range of our pack of pure quaternionic differential equations.

Under rather general conditions the change of a quaternionic function  $f(q)$  can be described by:

$$df(q) \approx \sum_{\mu=0\dots3} \left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_{\mu}} + \sum_{\nu=0\dots3} \frac{\partial}{\partial \nu} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_{\mu}} dq^{\nu} \right\} dq^{\mu} = c_{\mu}(q) dq^{\mu} + c_{\mu\nu}(q) dq^{\mu} dq^{\nu} \quad (1)$$

Here the coefficients  $c_{\mu}(q)$  and  $c_{\mu\nu}(q)$  are full quaternionic functions.  $dq^{\mu}$  are real numbers.  $e^{\nu}$  are quaternionic base vectors.

This covers first and second order differential terms. We ignore the higher order differentials. Thus, these conditions cannot be considered to be general conditions! Under more moderate and sufficiently short range conditions the differential function is supposed to behave more linearly.

$$df(q) \approx \sum_{\mu=0\dots3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_\mu} dq^\mu = c_\mu(q) dq^\mu \quad (2)$$

Under even stricter conditions the partial differential functions become real functions  $c_0^\mu(q)$  that are attached to quaternionic base vectors:

$$df(q) = c_0^\tau dq_\tau + c_0^x \mathbf{i} dq_x + c_0^y \mathbf{j} dq_y + c_0^z \mathbf{k} dq_z = c_0^\mu(q) e_\mu dq_\mu \quad (3)$$

$$= \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \left( \sum_{\varsigma=0}^3 \frac{\partial f^\varsigma}{\partial q_\mu} e_\varsigma \right) e_\mu dq^\mu = \sum_{\mu=0\dots3} \Phi_\mu e_\mu dq^\mu$$

$$\Phi_\mu = c_0^\mu = \sum_{\varsigma=0}^3 \frac{\partial f^\varsigma}{\partial q_\mu} e_\varsigma = \frac{\partial f^\varsigma}{\partial q_\mu} e_\varsigma = \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_\mu} \quad (4)$$

Thus, in a rather flat continuum we can use the quaternionic nabla  $\nabla$ . This is the situation that we want to explore with our set of pure quaternionic equations. **The resulting conditions are very restrictive!** These conditions are far from general conditions. However, these restrictions still tolerate point-like disturbances of the continuity of the original function  $f$ .

$$\nabla = \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau}, \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right\} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + \mathbf{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \mathbf{j} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \mathbf{k} \frac{\partial}{\partial z} = \nabla_0 + \nabla \quad (5)$$

$$\nabla f = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_\mu} e_\mu \quad (6)$$

This form of the partial differential equation highlights the fact that in first order and second order partial differential equations **the nabla operator can be applied as a multiplier**. This means that we can apply the quaternionic multiplication rule.

$$\Phi_0 = \nabla_0 \psi_0 - \langle \nabla, \psi \rangle \quad (7)$$

$$\Phi = \nabla_0 \psi + \nabla \psi_0 \pm \nabla \times \psi \quad (8)$$



The  $\pm$  sign indicates that the nabla operator is also afflicted by symmetry properties of the applied quaternionic number system. The above equations represent only low order partial differential equations. In this form the equations can still describe point-like disruptions of the continuity of the field. We can take the conjugate:

$$\Phi^* = (\nabla\psi)^* = \nabla^*\psi^* \mp 2 \nabla \times \psi \quad (9)$$

$$\nabla^*(\nabla^*\psi^*)^* = \nabla^*\Phi = \nabla^*\nabla\psi \quad (10)$$

### 17.2.1 The first kind of second order quaternionic partial differential equation

This kind of double partial differentiation will then result in the following quaternionic **non-homogeneous second order partial differentiation equation**:

$$\xi = \xi_0 + \xi = \nabla^*\nabla\psi = (\nabla_0 - \nabla)(\nabla_0 + \nabla)(\psi_0 + \psi) \quad (1)$$

$$= \{\nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle\}\psi = \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial\tau^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2\psi}{\partial z^2}$$

We can split the above equation in a real (scalar) part and an imaginary (vector) part.

Investigation of the details shows that the  $\nabla^*\nabla$  operator has a rather simple consequence that is shown in formula (1)

$$\zeta_0 = \nabla_0\phi_0 + \langle\nabla, \phi\rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \nabla_0\nabla_0\phi_0 - \nabla_0\langle\nabla, \phi\rangle + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle\phi_0 + \nabla_0\langle\nabla, \phi\rangle \pm \langle\nabla, \nabla \times \phi\rangle \\ &= (\nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle)\phi_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\zeta = -\nabla\phi_0 + \nabla_0\phi \mp \nabla \times \phi \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\nabla\nabla_0\phi_0 + \nabla\langle\nabla, \phi\rangle + \nabla_0\nabla\phi_0 + \nabla_0\nabla_0\phi \pm \nabla_0\nabla \times \phi \\ &\quad \mp \nabla \times \nabla\phi_0 \mp \nabla \times \nabla_0\phi - \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi \\ &= -\nabla\nabla_0\phi_0 + \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle\phi + \nabla_0\nabla\phi_0 + \nabla_0\nabla_0\phi \pm \nabla_0\nabla \times \phi \\ &\quad \mp \nabla \times \nabla\phi_0 \mp \nabla \times \nabla_0\phi - \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi \\ &= (\nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle)\phi \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\xi$  is a quaternionic function that for a part  $\rho$  describes the density distribution of a set of point-like artifacts that disrupt the continuity of function  $\psi(q)$ .

$$\rho = \rho_0 + \boldsymbol{\rho} = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \psi = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} \quad (4)$$

$$\xi - \rho = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \psi \quad (5)$$

In case of a single static point-like artifact, the solution  $\psi$  will describe the corresponding Green's function. Its actual form depends on the boundary conditions.

Function  $\psi(q)$  describes the mostly continuous field  $\psi$ .

The second order partial differential equation that is based on the double quaternionic nabla can be split into two continuity equations, which are quaternionic first order partial differential equations:

$$\Phi = \nabla \psi \quad (6)$$

$$\rho = \nabla^* \Phi \quad (7)$$

If  $\psi$  and  $\Phi$  are normalizable functions and  $\|\psi\| = 1$ , then with real  $m$  and  $\|\zeta\| = 1$  follows:

$$\nabla \psi = m \zeta \quad (9)$$

### 17.2.2 The other second order partial differential equation

We will encounter another quaternionic second order partial differential equation, but that one cannot be split into two first order quaternionic partial differential equations. It is based on d'Alembert's operator  $\mathfrak{D} = (-\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle)$ .

$$\zeta = \zeta_0 + \boldsymbol{\zeta} = \mathfrak{D}\varphi = \mathfrak{D}(\varphi_0 + \boldsymbol{\varphi}) = \{-\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle\} \varphi \quad (1)$$

Dirac has shown that it can be split into two biquaternionic partial differential equations. This fact is treated in the appendix.

In contrast to the first kind of second order quaternionic partial differential equation, the second kind accepts waves as solutions of the homogeneous version of the equation. The waves are **eigenfunctions** of differential operator  $\mathfrak{D}$ . All superpositions of such eigenfunctions are again solutions of the homogeneous equation and can be added to the solutions of the inhomogeneous

equation. These superpositions form so called *wave packages*. When they move, wave packages tend to disperse.

$$\nabla_0 \nabla_0 f = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f = -\omega^2 f \quad (2)$$

$$f(t, x) = a \exp(i\omega(ct - |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|)); c = \pm 1 \quad (3)$$

This leads to a category of solutions that are known as solutions of the Helmholtz equation.

### 17.3 Fourier equivalents

In this quaternionic differential calculus, differentiation is implemented as multiplication.

This is revealed by the Fourier equivalents of the equations (4) through (10) in the previous paragraph:

$$\tilde{\Phi} = \tilde{\Phi}_0 + \tilde{\Phi} = p \tilde{\psi} = (p_0 + \mathbf{p})(\tilde{\psi}_0 + \tilde{\psi}) \quad (1)$$

The nabla  $\nabla$  is replaced by operator  $p$ .  $\tilde{\Phi}$  is the Fourier transform of  $\Phi$ .

$$\tilde{\Phi}_0 = p_0 \tilde{\psi}_0 - \langle \mathbf{p}, \tilde{\psi} \rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\tilde{\Phi} = p_0 \tilde{\psi} + \mathbf{p} \tilde{\psi}_0 \pm \mathbf{p} \times \tilde{\psi} \quad (3)$$

The equivalent of the quaternionic second order partial differential equation is:

$$\tilde{\xi} = \tilde{\xi}_0 + \tilde{\xi} = p^* p \tilde{\psi} = \{p_0 p_0 + \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p} \rangle\} \tilde{\psi} \quad (4)$$

$$\tilde{\rho} = \tilde{\rho}_0 + \tilde{\rho} = \langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p} \rangle \tilde{\psi} \quad (5)$$

The continuity equations result in:

$$\tilde{\Phi} = p \tilde{\psi} \quad (6)$$

$$\tilde{\rho} = p^* \tilde{\Phi} \quad (7)$$

## 17.4 Poisson equations

The **screened Poisson equation** is a special condition of the non-homogeneous second order partial differential equation in which some terms are zero or have a special value.

$$\nabla^* \nabla \psi = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \psi + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \psi = \xi \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \psi = -\lambda^2 \psi \quad (2)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \psi - \lambda^2 \psi = \xi \quad (3)$$

The 3D solution of this equation is determined by the screened Green's function  $G(r)$ .

Green functions represent solutions for point sources. In spherical symmetric boundary conditions the Green's function becomes:

$$G(r) = \frac{\exp(-\lambda r)}{r} \quad (4)$$

$$\psi = \iiint G(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}') \rho(\mathbf{r}') d^3 \mathbf{r}' \quad (5)$$

$G(r)$  has the shape of the Yukawa potential [12]

In case of  $\lambda = 0$  it resembles the Coulomb or gravitation potential of a point source.

If  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then a solution of equation (3) is:

$$\psi = a(\mathbf{x}) \exp(\pm i \omega \tau); \lambda = \pm i \omega \quad (6)$$

These solutions concern a screened Poisson equation that is based on the first version of the second order partial differential equation. The equation that is based on d'Alembert's operator delivers:

$$\Delta \varphi = \Delta(\varphi_0 + \varphi) = \{-\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle\} \varphi = \zeta \quad (7)$$

$$\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial \tau^2} = \lambda^2 \varphi$$

$$((\nabla, \nabla) - \lambda^2)\varphi = \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z^2} - \lambda\varphi = \zeta \quad (8)$$

$$\varphi = a(\mathbf{x}) \exp(\pm \lambda \tau) \quad (9)$$

The Green's function is the same, but solution (9) differs significantly from solution (6). The difference only concerns the temporal behavior of the field.

### 17.5 Special solutions of the homogeneous partial differential equations

Here we focus on special solutions of the quaternionic homogeneous second order partial differential equations. These solutions are of special interest because for odd numbers of participating dimensions these equations have solutions in the form of **shape keeping fronts**.

The homogeneous equations run as:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} \pm \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \tau^2} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) \pm \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \tau^2} = 0 \quad (1)$$

Here we treat the two kinds of homogeneous equations together.

First we focus on the solutions that vary in one dimension. Thus:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial z^2} \pm \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \tau^2} = 0 \quad (2)$$

We try a solution in the form  $\varphi = f(\alpha z + \beta \tau)$ :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial z} = \alpha f'; \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = \alpha \frac{\partial f'}{\partial z} = \alpha^2 f'' \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \tau} = \beta f'; \quad \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \tau^2} = \beta \frac{\partial f'}{\partial \tau} = \beta^2 f'' \quad (4)$$

$$\alpha^2 f'' \pm \beta^2 f'' = 0 \quad (5)$$

This is solved when  $\alpha^2 = \mp \beta^2$ .

For the first kind of the second order partial differential equation this means:  $\beta = \pm \alpha \mathbf{i}$ , where  $\mathbf{i}$  is a normalized imaginary quaternion. With  $g(z) = f(\beta z)$  follows:

$$\varphi = g(z \mathbf{i} \pm \tau) \quad (6)$$

The function  $g$  represents a shape keeping front. It is not a wave.

The imaginary  $\mathbf{i}$  represents the base vector in the  $x, y$  plane. Its orientation  $\theta$  may be a function of  $z$ .

That orientation determines the polarization of the one-dimensional shape keeping front. The **messengers** that are mentioned earlier are constituted of strings of these one-dimensional shape keeping fronts. Thus messengers travel with a fixed speed. They feature a fixed shape and a fixed amplitude.

For the second kind of the second order partial differential equation this means:  $\beta = \pm\alpha$ . With  $g(z) = f(\beta z)$  follows:

$$\varphi = g(z \pm \tau) \tag{7}$$

Next we focus on the three dimensional spherical symmetric condition. In that case the equations can be separated by writing  $\psi = r \varphi(r, \tau)$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial r} \pm \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial \tau^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial r^2} \pm \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \tau^2} = 0 \tag{8}$$

With other words  $\psi$  fulfills the conditions of the one-dimensional case. Thus solutions in the form  $\varphi = f(\alpha r + \beta \tau)/r$  will fit.

For the first kind of the second order partial differential equation this means:  $\beta = \pm\alpha \mathbf{i}$ , where  $\mathbf{i}$  is a normalized imaginary quaternion. With  $g(x) = f(\beta x)$  follows:

$$\varphi = g(r \mathbf{i} \pm \tau)/r \tag{9}$$

$\mathbf{i}$  represents a base vector in radial direction.

For the second kind of the second order partial differential equation this means:  $\beta = \pm\alpha$ . With  $g(x) = f(\beta x)$  follows:

$$\varphi = g(x \pm \tau)/r \tag{10}$$

These solutions feature a fixed speed and a fixed shape. However, their amplitude diminishes as  $1/r$  with distance  $r$  from the sources. When integrated over a long enough period of progression the result takes the form of the fields Green's function.

The shape keeping fronts are not waves and do not form wave packages. Instead the shape keeping fronts occur in strings and do not disperse.

### 17.6 Special formulas

We list a series of interesting formulas that hold generally for the nabla operator  $\nabla$ .

$$\nabla \langle \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{x} \rangle = \mathbf{k} \quad (1)$$

$\mathbf{k}$  is constant.

$$\langle \nabla, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 3 \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla |\mathbf{x}| = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|\mathbf{x}|} \quad (4)$$

$$\nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} = -\frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3} \quad (5)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^3} \rangle = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} = \langle \nabla, \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \rangle = 4\pi \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \quad (6)$$

Similar formulas apply to the quaternionic nabla and parameter values.

$$\nabla x = 1 - 3; \nabla^* x = 1 + 3; \nabla x^* = 1 + 3 \quad (7)$$

$$\nabla (x^* x) = x \quad (8)$$

$$\nabla |x| = \nabla \sqrt{(x^* x)} = \frac{x}{|x|} \quad (9)$$

$$\nabla \frac{1}{|x - x'|} = -\frac{x - x'}{|x - x'|^3} \quad (10)$$

$$\nabla^* \frac{x - x'}{|x - x'|^3} = \nabla \nabla^* \frac{1}{|x - x'|} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \right) \frac{1}{|x - x'|} \neq 4\pi \delta(x - x') \quad (11)$$

Instead:

$$(\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \frac{1}{|x|} = \frac{3\tau^2}{|x|^5} - \frac{1}{|x|^3} + \frac{3\tau^2}{|x|^5} = \frac{6\tau^2 - |x|^2}{|x|^5} = \frac{5\tau^2 - |x|^2}{|x|^5} \quad (12)$$

$$(\nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \frac{1}{|x|} = -\frac{1}{|x|^3} \quad (13)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \frac{1}{|x|} = 4\pi \delta(x) \quad (14)$$

Thus, with spherical boundary conditions,  $\frac{1}{4\pi |x-x'|}$  is suitable as the Green's function for the Poisson equation, but  $\frac{1}{4\pi |x-x'|}$  does not represent a Green's function for the quaternionic operator  $(\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle)$  !

For a homogeneous second order partial differential equation a Green's function is not required. Thus, the deficit of a green's function does not forbid the existence of a quaternionic homogeneous second order partial differential equation. Still equation (6) forms the base of the Poisson equation.

### 17.7 Differential field equations

By introducing new symbols  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  we will keep the quaternionic differential equations closer to the Maxwell differential equations. Still essential differences exist between these two sets of differential equations. This will be elucidated in detail in the appendix.

Like the quaternions themselves the quaternionic nabla can be split in a scalar part and a vector part. The quaternionic nabla acts as a multiplying operator and this means that the first order partial differential equation splits in five terms. Part of these terms are scalars. The other terms are vectors.

**The following formulas are not Maxwell equations.** At the utmost the formulas are Maxwell-like.

$$\begin{aligned} \phi &= \nabla \varphi = (\nabla_0 + \nabla) (\varphi_0 + \boldsymbol{\varphi}) = \nabla_0 \varphi_0 - \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle + \nabla_0 \boldsymbol{\varphi} + \nabla \varphi_0 \pm \nabla \times \boldsymbol{\varphi} \\ &= \nabla_0 \varphi_0 - \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle - \mathfrak{E} \pm \mathfrak{B} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\mathfrak{E} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla_0 \boldsymbol{\varphi} - \nabla \varphi_0 \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{E} = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \boldsymbol{\varphi} - \nabla_0 \nabla \varphi_0 \quad (3)$$



$$\langle \nabla, \mathcal{E} \rangle = -\nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi_0 \quad (4)$$

$$\mathfrak{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \nabla \times \varphi \quad (5)$$

These definitions imply:

$$\langle \mathcal{E}, \mathfrak{B} \rangle = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{B} = -\nabla \times \mathcal{E} \quad (7)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{B} \rangle = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathfrak{B} = \nabla \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi \quad (9)$$

The Maxwell equations ignore the real part of  $\phi$ .

$$\phi_0 = \nabla_0 \phi_0 = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \varphi_0 - \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle \quad (10)$$

$$\nabla \phi_0 = \nabla_0 \nabla \varphi_0 - \nabla \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle = \nabla_0 \nabla \varphi_0 - \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi \quad (11)$$

$$\zeta = \zeta_0 + \zeta = (\nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi \quad (12)$$

$$\zeta_0 = (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi_0 = \nabla_0 \phi_0 - \langle \nabla, \mathcal{E} \rangle \quad (13)$$

$$\zeta = (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi = -\nabla \phi_0 - \nabla_0 \mathcal{E} - \nabla \times \mathfrak{B} \quad (14)$$

More in detail the equations mean:

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_0 &= \nabla_0 \phi_0 + \langle \nabla, \phi \rangle \\ &= \{ \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \varphi_0 - \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle \} + \{ \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi_0 + \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle \pm \langle \nabla, \nabla \times \varphi \rangle \} \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

$$= (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \phi_0$$

$$\zeta = -\nabla \phi_0 + \nabla_0 \phi \mp \nabla \times \phi \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \{-\nabla \nabla_0 \phi_0 + \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \phi\} + \{\nabla_0 \nabla \phi_0 + \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi \pm \nabla_0 \nabla \times \phi\} \\ &\quad \{\mp \nabla \times \nabla \phi_0 \mp \nabla \times \nabla_0 \phi - \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi\} \\ &= (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \phi + \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi - \nabla \times \nabla \times \phi \end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_0 = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \phi_0 = \zeta_0 - \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi_0 \quad (17)$$

$$\rho = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \phi = \zeta - \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi \quad (18)$$

### 17.8 Quaternionic differential operators

When applied to quaternionic functions, quaternionic differential operators result in another quaternionic function that uses the same parameter space.

The operators  $\nabla_0, \nabla, \nabla = \nabla_0 + \nabla, \nabla^* = \nabla_0 - \nabla, \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle, \nabla \nabla^* = \nabla^* \nabla = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle$  and

$\mathfrak{D} = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle$  are all quaternionic differential operators.

$\nabla$  is the quaternionic nabla operator.

$\nabla^*$  is its quaternionic conjugate.

The Dirac nabla operators  $\mathcal{D} = \mathbb{i} \nabla_0 + \nabla$  and  $\mathcal{D}^* = \mathbb{i} \nabla_0 - \nabla$  convert quaternionic functions into biquaternionic functions. The equation

$$\mathcal{D} \mathcal{D}^* f = \mathfrak{D} f = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f = g \quad (19)$$

represents a wave equation and is a pure quaternionic equation! The Dirac operator and the Dirac equation are treated in detail in the appendix.

### 17.9 Poynting vector

The definitions of  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  invite the definition of the Poynting vector  $\mathfrak{S}$ :

$$\mathfrak{S} = \mathfrak{E} \times \mathfrak{B} \quad (1)$$

$$u = \frac{1}{2} (\langle \mathfrak{E}, \mathfrak{E} \rangle + \langle \mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{B} \rangle) \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial \tau} = \langle \nabla, \mathfrak{S} \rangle + \langle \mathfrak{J}, \mathfrak{E} \rangle \quad (3)$$

Where  $\rho$  represents the presence of charges will  $\mathfrak{J}$  represent the flow of charges.



## 18 Double differentiation

### 18.1 Right and left sided nabla

The quaternionic nabla can be split into a right sided version and a left sided version. Without further indication we consider the right version as the current version. The version is determined by the imaginary part and is linked with the handedness of the product rule.

$$\nabla_r f = e^\mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_\mu} = e^\mu e^\nu \frac{\partial f_\nu}{\partial x_\mu} = e^\mu e^\nu \nabla_\mu f_\nu = \nabla f$$

$$\nabla_l f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_\mu} e^\mu = e^\nu e^\mu \frac{\partial f_\nu}{\partial x_\mu} = e^\nu e^\mu \nabla_\mu f_\nu = (e^\mu e^\nu)^* \nabla_\mu f_\nu = (\nabla_r f)^* = (\nabla f)^* = \nabla f - 2\nabla \times f$$

$$\nabla_r(\nabla_l f) = e^\rho e^\nu e^\mu \nabla_\rho \nabla_\mu f_\nu$$

### 18.2 Double partial differentiation

The partial differential equations hide that they are part of a differential equation.

$$\nabla' \nabla f = \xi = \sum_{\nu=0}^3 e'_\nu \frac{\partial}{\partial q'_\nu} \left( \sum_{\mu=0}^3 e_\mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial q_\mu} \right) = \left( e'_\nu e_\mu \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_\mu \partial q'_\nu} \right) f \quad (1)$$

### 18.3 Single difference

Single difference is defined by

$$df(q) = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \sum_{\zeta=0}^3 \frac{\partial f^\zeta}{\partial q_\mu} e_\mu e_\zeta dq^\mu = \sum_{\nu=0}^3 \phi_\nu e_\nu dq^\nu \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{\partial f^\zeta}{\partial q_\mu} e_\mu e_\zeta = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f^0}{\partial q_0} & \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial q_0} \mathbf{i} & \frac{\partial f^2}{\partial q_0} \mathbf{j} & \frac{\partial f^3}{\partial q_0} \mathbf{k} \\ \frac{\partial f^0}{\partial q_1} \mathbf{i} & \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial q_1} & \frac{\partial f^2}{\partial q_1} \mathbf{k} & -\frac{\partial f^3}{\partial q_1} \mathbf{j} \\ \frac{\partial f^0}{\partial q_2} \mathbf{j} & -\frac{\partial f^1}{\partial q_2} \mathbf{k} & \frac{\partial f^2}{\partial q_2} & \frac{\partial f^3}{\partial q_2} \mathbf{i} \\ \frac{\partial f^0}{\partial q_3} \mathbf{k} & \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial q_3} \mathbf{j} & -\frac{\partial f^2}{\partial q_3} \mathbf{i} & \frac{\partial f^3}{\partial q_3} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f^0}{\partial q_0} & -\mathcal{E}_x \mathbf{i} & -\mathcal{E}_y \mathbf{j} & -\mathcal{E}_z \mathbf{k} \\ \mathcal{E}_x \mathbf{i} & \frac{\partial f^1}{\partial q_1} & -\mathcal{B}_{z1} \mathbf{k} & -\mathcal{B}_{y2} \mathbf{j} \\ \mathcal{E}_y \mathbf{j} & -\mathcal{B}_{z2} \mathbf{k} & \frac{\partial f^2}{\partial q_2} & -\mathcal{B}_{x1} \mathbf{i} \\ \mathcal{E}_z \mathbf{k} & -\mathcal{B}_{y1} \mathbf{j} & -\mathcal{B}_{x2} \mathbf{i} & \frac{\partial f^3}{\partial q_3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Here

$$\mathcal{B}_x = \mathcal{B}_{x1} - \mathcal{B}_{x2}; \mathcal{B}_y = \mathcal{B}_{y1} - \mathcal{B}_{y2}; \mathcal{B}_z = \mathcal{B}_{z1} - \mathcal{B}_{z2} \quad (4)$$

$$\dot{f} = \frac{df}{d\lambda} = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \phi_{\mu} e_{\mu} \frac{dq^{\mu}}{d\lambda} = \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \phi_{\mu} e_{\mu} \dot{q}^{\mu} \quad (5)$$

The scalar  $\lambda$  is can be a linear function of  $\tau$  or a scalar function of  $q$ .

$$\dot{q} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{dq}{d\lambda} = e_{\mu} \frac{dq^{\mu}}{d\lambda} = e_{\mu} \dot{q}^{\mu} \quad (6)$$

Double difference is defined by:

$$d^2 f(q) = \sum_{\nu=0}^3 e'_{\nu} \left( \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \frac{\partial^2 f^{\zeta}}{\partial q_{\mu} \partial q'_{\nu}} e_{\mu} dq^{\mu} \right) e_{\zeta} dq'^{\nu} \quad (7)$$

$$\ddot{f} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{d^2 f(q)}{d\lambda^2} = e_{\rho} \ddot{f}^{\rho} = \sum_{\nu=0}^3 e'_{\nu} \left( \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \frac{\partial^2 f^{\zeta}}{\partial q_{\mu} \partial q'_{\nu}} e_{\mu} \frac{dq^{\mu}}{d\lambda} \right) e_{\zeta} \frac{dq'^{\nu}}{d\lambda} \quad (8)$$

$$= \sum_{\nu=0}^3 e'_{\nu} \left( \sum_{\mu=0}^3 \frac{\partial^2 f^{\zeta}}{\partial q_{\mu} \partial q'_{\nu}} e_{\mu} \dot{q}^{\mu} \right) e_{\zeta} \dot{q}'^{\nu} = \left( \dot{q}^{\mu} \dot{q}'^{\nu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_{\mu} \partial q'_{\nu}} e'_{\nu} e_{\mu} \right) f = \zeta_{\nu\mu} f$$

$$\zeta_{\nu\mu} = e'_{\nu} e_{\mu} \dot{q}'^{\nu} \dot{q}^{\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_{\mu} \partial q'_{\nu}} = e'_{\nu} e_{\mu} \Upsilon_{\nu\mu} \quad (9)$$

$$(10)$$

$$Y_{\nu\mu} = \dot{q}'^{\nu} \dot{q}^{\mu} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial q_{\mu} \partial q'_{\nu}}$$

If we apply  $\phi = \nabla f$  as the first differential operation and  $\xi = \nabla^* \phi$  as the second differential operation, then  $e = \{1, +\mathbf{i}, +\mathbf{j}, +\mathbf{k}\}$  and  $e' = \{1 - \mathbf{i}, -\mathbf{j}, -\mathbf{k}\}$  and

$$Y_{\nu\mu} = \begin{bmatrix} +Y_{00} & +Y_{01}\mathbf{i} & +Y_{02}\mathbf{j} & +Y_{03}\mathbf{k} \\ -Y_{10}\mathbf{i} & \otimes Y_{11} & +Y_{12}\mathbf{k} & +Y_{13}\mathbf{j} \\ -Y_{20}\mathbf{j} & -Y_{21}\mathbf{k} & \otimes Y_{22} & -Y_{23}\mathbf{i} \\ -Y_{30}\mathbf{k} & -Y_{31}\mathbf{j} & +Y_{32}\mathbf{i} & \otimes Y_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

Here the switch  $\otimes$  distinguishes between quaternionic differential calculus and Maxwell based differential calculus. See the appendix.

#### 18.4 Deformed space

If the investigated field represents deformed space  $\mathfrak{C}$ , then the field  $\mathfrak{R}$ , which represents the parameter space of function  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$  represents the virgin state of that deformed space.

Further, the equation  $\frac{d^2 \mathfrak{C}(q)}{d\lambda^2} = 0$  represents a local condition in which  $\mathfrak{C}$  is not affected by external influences. Here  $\lambda$  can be any linear combination of progression  $\tau$  or it can represent the equivalent of local quaternionic distance:

$$\lambda = a q_0 + b$$

or

$$\lambda = |q|$$

## 19 Actions of the fields

For all fields the homogeneous second order partial differential equations are the same. Thus, the differences between fields are located in the inhomogeneous part. The influences of disturbances of the continuity of the field are gathered in this inhomogeneous part. Without these disturbances most of the fields would be flat and their defining function would be equal to its parameter space.

In this view, many of the fields are more or less blurred representations of discrete distributions, where the elements of the distribution are target values of a function that has rational quaternions as its parameter space. In some cases the discrete distribution represents a dynamic location density distribution. In fact two views are possible, either the field influences the discrete objects that correspond to location swarms or the swarms define the fields via their location density distribution. Smoothed fields are afflicted with extra blur.

Apart from the symmetry related fields  $\mathfrak{U}^x$  that are raised by the charges of the symmetry centers and the field  $\mathfrak{J}$ , that describes the gluons, at least one other field basic exists. That field is the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The origins of these fields differ fundamentally. The embedding field smoothly follows a distribution of discrete quaternionic values, which are eigenvalues of a series of operators. Some of these values do not fit properly in the set of values that surrounds them. In the special condition that these disparities appear in coherent swarms, we have indicated the swarm as the representative of an elementary particle. The disparities are due to difference in the symmetries of the underlying domains. These symmetries determine how the values cooperate in convolutions. If the disparities were not present, then the embedding field would be equal to the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$  and that continuum would follow parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

The embedding field is not directly affected by the symmetry related charges of the symmetry centers. It is indirectly affected, because the symmetry related fields affect the location of the symmetry centers that house the objects that can deform the embedding field. In principle each disruption of the continuity of the field, thus each element of the swarm that represents an elementary particle affects the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The smoothed version  $\mathfrak{U}$  of the embedding field is far less vigilant. Also the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{U}$ , which is coupled to the geometric center of the symmetry center reacts much less vigilant. The gluon field is related to locations where pairs of color shifting quaternions disturb the generation process of the anisotropic coherent swarms and causes the generation of hadrons, which are conglomerates of quarks.

The embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  is affected by the embedding of artifacts that are picked by a dedicated controlling mechanism that uses a symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  as a resource. After selection of the location of the artifact, the controlling mechanism embeds this artifact into the embedding continuum  $\mathfrak{C}$ . This continuum is represented by the continuum eigenspace of operator  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

Another interpretation is that this field describes the location swarms that are generated by the controlling mechanisms.

Each of these mechanisms operates in a cyclic and stochastic fashion. The embedding events occur in the direct neighborhood of the geometric center of the corresponding symmetry center. The result is a recurrently regenerated coherent location swarm that also represent a stochastic hopping path. The swarm is centered around the geometric center of the symmetry center. Hopping means that the controlling mechanism generates at the utmost one embedding location per progression step. This means that the hopping object can be considered as a point-like artifact. At the embedding instant the artifact actually resides at the location that is represented by an element of the location swarm. Thus, the swarm represents the spatial map of a set of potential detection locations. The swarm is generated within the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  and is encapsulated by  $\partial H_n^x$ . The actions of the mechanisms deform the field  $\mathfrak{C}$  inside the floating regions  $H_n^x$ . The deformation of  $\mathfrak{C}$  reaches beyond the region  $H_n^x$ .

In this way, the mechanism creates an elementary module, which is able to deform the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  and inherits the symmetry related charge from the symmetry center. The deformation represents the local contribution to the embedding field by the elementary module that owns the swarm.

On the other hand the geometric center of the symmetry center houses the electric charge that influences field  $\mathfrak{A}$ . This view can be reversed. It is possible to consider the path that the geometric center of the symmetry center takes under the influence of both fields. This view requires an estimate of the results of the actions of these fields. This will be achieved via the *path integral*. First we will investigate the influence of the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . In a later phase we will add the results of the much less vigilant actions of the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

As indicated beforehand a third basic field is the result of the activity of gluons. That activity disturbs the generation of anisotropic elementary modules. The controlling mechanisms react by assembling several partially generated anisotropic elementary modules into an isotropic composite. In this composite multiple symmetry centers are involved. Also these symmetry centers join. Outside of the joined encapsulation the composite appears isotropic. The composite still may carry electric charge. But it no longer carries color charge. Inside the capsule multiple hopping paths walk and form a common location swarm.

### 19.1 Path of the symmetry center

The symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  that conforms to encapsulated region  $H_n^x$ , keeps its private symmetry flavor. At the passage through the boundary the symmetry flavor of the background parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^\circledast$  flips from history to future. As a consequence the symmetry related charge of the symmetry center will flip.

The eigenspace of operator  $\sigma_n^x$  is represented by a tube that contains a series of sheets that each represent a static status quo. As long as the tube crosses the boundary the corresponding elementary module exists.

The passage of the symmetry center through the rim may be interpreted as the annihilation of the historic symmetry center and the creation of a new symmetry center with a reverse symmetry flavor that will extend its live in the future.

The passage of the symmetry centers through the rim goes together with annihilation and creation phenomena for the objects that reside on these platforms. Thus, this passage is related to the conversion or the annihilation or the creation of elementary modules. However, most of these occurrences do not lead to the complete conversion of the concerned object into another behavior mode. These exceptional occurrences are known as pair production and pair annihilation. Thus, in most cases the behavior mode of the module persists.

In the quaternionic space-progression model the existence of symmetry centers is independent of progression. With other words the number of symmetry centers is a model constant. The passage through the rim does not influence this number. Only the characteristics of the combination of the symmetry center and the background parameter space are affected by the passage.

### 19.2 Multi-mix path algorithm

In this primary investigation we ignore the actions of the symmetry related potential. They are far less vigilant than the direct results of the embedding of individual locations. The name “multi-mix algorithm” stands for similar algorithm that is known as “path integral”. “path integral” is in fact a misnomer. The algorithm concerns a sequence of multiplications. Due to the fact that during the regeneration of the considered object the displacement of the object is rather stable, the part of the



multiplication factors reduce to unity. The other factors are close to unity. The result is that the sequence reduces to a sequence of additions of a large number of small contributions. These contributions are the actions of the individual hops of an elementary module.

Elementary modules reside on an individual symmetry center. A dedicated mechanism controls its recurrent generation and embeds the object into the embedding field. The path of the symmetry center is the averaged path of the embedded object. The embedded object is hopping along the elements of the generated location swarm. The landing locations of the hops are generated by the controlling mechanism in a stochastic fashion, but such that at first approximation the swarm as a whole can be considered to be moving as one unit. This is possible when the swarm is characterized by a continuous location density distribution, which owns a displacement generator. That is the case when the location density distribution owns a Fourier transform. This fact enables the description of the path of the swarm by a “multi-mix algorithm”. The hopping of the embedded object can be described by a sequence of factors that after multiplication represent the whole path. Each factor represents three sub-factors.

The procedure that underlies the multi-mix algorithm depends on the fact that the multiplication of factors that are all very close to unity can be replaced by a summation.

1. The first sub-factor represents the jump from configuration space to momentum space. This sub-factor is given by the inner product of the Hilbert vector that represents the current location and the Hilbert vector that represents the momentum of the swarm. This second Hilbert vector is assumed to be constant during the current regeneration of the location swarm.
2. The second sub-factor represents the effect of the hop in momentum space.
3. The third sub-factor represents the jump back from momentum space to configuration space.

In the sequence of factors the third sub-factor of the current term compensates the effect of the first sub-factor of next term. Their product equals unity.

What results is a sequence of factors that are very close to unity and that represent the effects of the hops in momentum space. Due to the fact that the momentum is considered to be constant, the logarithms of the terms can be taken and added in an overall sum. In this way, the multiplication is equal to the sum of the logarithms of the factors.

This summation approaches what is known as the “path integral”. In our interpretation it is not an integral, but instead it is a finite summation. In more detail the procedure can be described as follows.

We suppose that momentum  $\mathbf{p}_n$  is constant during the particle generation cycle in which the controlling mechanism produces the swarm  $\{a_i\}$ . Every hop gives a contribution to the path. These contributions can be divided into three steps per contributing hop:

1. Change to Fourier space. This involves as sub-factor the inner product  $\langle a_i | p_n \rangle$ .
2. Evolve during an infinitesimal progression step into the future.
  - a. Multiply with the corresponding displacement generator  $\mathbf{p}_n$ .
  - b. The generated step in configuration space is  $(\mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i)$ .
  - c. The action contribution factor in Fourier space is  $\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle$ .
3. Change back to configuration space. This involves as sub-factor the inner product  $\langle p_n | a_{i+1} \rangle$

The combined term contributes a factor  $\langle a_i | p_n \rangle \exp(\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle) \langle p_n | a_{i+1} \rangle$ .

Two subsequent steps give:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle a_i | p_n \rangle \exp(\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle) \langle p_n | a_{i+1} \rangle \langle a_{i+1} | p_n \rangle \exp(\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle) \langle p_n | a_{i+2} \rangle \quad (1) \\ = \langle a_i | p_n \rangle \exp(\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+2} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle) \langle p_n | a_{i+2} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The red terms in the middle turn into unity. The other terms also join.

Over a full particle generation cycle with N steps this results in:

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} \langle a_i | p_n \rangle \exp(\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle) \langle p_n | a_{i+1} \rangle \quad (2) \\ = \langle a_1 | p_n \rangle \exp(\langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_N - \mathbf{a}_1 \rangle) \langle p_n | a_N \rangle = \langle a_1 | p_n \rangle \exp\left(\sum_{i=2}^N \langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle\right) \langle p_n | a_N \rangle \\ = \langle a_1 | p_n \rangle \exp(L) \langle p_n | a_N \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$L d\tau = \sum_{i=2}^{N-1} \langle \mathbf{p}_n, \mathbf{a}_{i+1} - \mathbf{a}_i \rangle = \langle \mathbf{p}_n, d\mathbf{q} \rangle \quad (3)$$

$$L = \langle \mathbf{p}_n, \dot{\mathbf{q}} \rangle \quad (4)$$

$L$  is known as the *Lagrangian*.

Equation (4) holds for the special condition in which  $\mathbf{p}_n$  is constant. If  $\mathbf{p}_n$  is not constant, then the Hamiltonian  $H$  varies with location. In the next equations we ignore subscript  $n$ .

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial q_i} = -\dot{p}_i \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i} = \dot{q}_i \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = \dot{p} \quad (7)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = p_i \quad (8)$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \tau} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \tau} \quad (9)$$

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} \quad (10)$$

$$H + L = \sum_{i=1}^3 \dot{q}_i p_i \quad (11)$$

Here we used proper time  $\tau$  rather than coordinate time  $t$ .

The effect of the hopping path is that the geometric center of the symmetry center is moved over a small resulting distance  $\mathbf{a}_N - \mathbf{a}_1$ . Together with “charge” ( $N \cdot Q_n$ ) this move determines the next version of momentum  $\mathbf{p}_n$ .

The result is that both the symmetry related fields  $\mathfrak{X}^x$  and the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  influence the location of the geometric center of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ .

In this investigation we ignored the influence of the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{X}$ . This field influences momentum  $\mathbf{p}_n$  and the corresponding eigenvector  $|p_n\rangle$ . This means that the product of the red colored middle terms is no longer equal to unity. Instead the product differs slightly from unity and the effect can be included in the path integral. In this way a small slowly varying extra contribution is added to each subsequent term in the summation. This extra contribution is a smooth function of progression and thus, it is a smooth function of the index of the term.

The result of the “multi-mix algorithm” is expectable. The “step” of the swarm equals the sum of the steps of the hops. The “multi-mix algorithm” is introduced in order to show the similarity with the “path integral”. The “path integral” is taken over all possible paths. Usually the “path integral” algorithm is introduced by starting from the Lagrangian. Here we started the “multi-mix algorithm” from the hopping path and the “multi-mix algorithm” results in the Lagrangian.

### 19.3 Gluon action

The presence of gluons causes the disruption of the generation of anisotropic swarms of artifacts and the governing mechanisms will join their activity by generating isotropic swarms of artifacts that will represent conglomerates of the intended elementary modules. As a consequence separate anisotropic elementary modules will hardly ever reach the condition that they are represented by a private swarm. Instead the isotropic swarms will appear as persistent results. Thus, gluons combine multiple hopping paths into a single coherent swarm. This means that the “multi-mix algorithm” must be applied to each of the hopping paths and the result must be attached to a common location center. The number of hops in a hopping path can be used as a location weighting factor.

### 19.4 Grouped isotropic artifacts

Next we consider grouped artifacts that cause discontinuities in the realm of a symmetry center. The concerned field is the embedding field. Since we do no longer focus on symmetry related charges, we will omit the superscript  $x$ .

We consider the case that the locations of the artifacts form a coherent swarm  $\{\mathbf{c}_n\}$  that can be characterized by a continuous location density distribution  $\rho(\mathbf{q})$ .

$$\chi(\mathbf{q}) = \sum_{n=0}^N \iiint_V \rho(\mathbf{q}) Q_n \delta(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n) = -\frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{n=0}^N \iiint_V \rho(\mathbf{q}) Q_n \langle \nabla, \nabla \frac{1}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}|} \rangle \quad (1)$$

If we use the spherical symmetric **Gaussian location distribution** of artifacts  $\rho(r)$  that was introduced earlier as **test function**,

$$\rho(r) = \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \mathfrak{I}(r) = -\frac{Q}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^3} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (2)$$

then a potential in the form of

$$\mathfrak{I}(r) = -\frac{Q}{4\pi} \frac{ERF\left(r/\sigma\sqrt{2}\right)}{r} \quad (3)$$

results.

At somewhat larger distances the potential behaves like a single charge potential.

$$\chi(r) \approx \frac{-Q}{4\pi r} \quad (4)$$

This gives an idea of what happens when a mechanism that acts within the realm of a symmetry center produces a coherent swarm of artifacts that will be embedded into a field that gets deformed by these artifacts.

Despite the fact that it is constituted from a myriad of singular contributions, the potential in equation (3) is a continuous function and its gradient at the center point equals zero! Thus the corresponding deformation has a “wide-spread” binding effect.

### 19.5 Acceleration of the symmetry center

Due to their actions, the fields  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{C}$  may accelerate the location of the symmetry center on which an elementary module resides. This occurs via the interaction of these fields with the contributions that the symmetry center and the recurrently embedded elementary module add to the influences of these fields.

The symmetry center and with it the residing elementary module float over the background parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ . This means that these items also float over the fields  $\mathfrak{A}$  and  $\mathfrak{C}$ .

### 19.5.1 The symmetry related field

The symmetry related charge  $Q_n^x$  of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  contributes the local scalar potential  $\varphi_{n_0}$  to the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$ .

$$\varphi_{n_0}(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{Q_n^x}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x|} \quad (1)$$

On the other hand

$$\mathbf{E}_n(\mathbf{q}) = \nabla \varphi_{n_0} = \frac{Q_n^x(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x)}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x|^3} \quad (2)$$

Another symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_m^x$  contributes potential  $\varphi_{m_0}$  to the symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$ . The force  $\mathbf{F}_{nm}$  between the two symmetry centers equals:

$$\mathbf{F}_{nm} = \mathbf{E}_n Q_m^x = \frac{Q_n^x Q_m^x (\mathbf{c}_n^x - \mathbf{c}_m^x)}{|\mathbf{c}_n^x - \mathbf{c}_m^x|^3} = -\mathbf{F}_{mn} = -\mathbf{E}_m Q_n^x \quad (3)$$

This need not correspond to an actual acceleration. On the other hand, if relative to the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ , the movement of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$  is uniform with speed  $\mathbf{v}_n$ , then the scalar potential  $\varphi_{n_0}$  corresponds to a vector potential  $\boldsymbol{\varphi}_n = \varphi_{n_0} \mathbf{v}_n$ . If relative to the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ , the symmetry center actually accelerates, then this goes together with an extra field  $\mathbf{E}_n = \dot{\boldsymbol{\varphi}}_n = \dot{\varphi}_{n_0} \mathbf{v}_n$  that represents the corresponding change of field  $\mathfrak{A}$ . Thus. If the two forces  $\mathbf{F}_{nm}$  and  $\mathbf{F}_{mn}$  do not hold each other in equilibrium, then the field  $\mathfrak{A}$  will change dynamically with this extra contribution.

### 19.5.2 The embedding field

The location swarms that are generated by dedicated controlling mechanisms produce a local potential that also can accelerate the symmetry center on which the location swarm resides relative to the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}$ . We analyze the situation by assuming that the swarm is represented by a Gaussian location distribution. Thus, we use the corresponding artifact as a test particle. The corresponding local potential that contributes to field  $\mathfrak{C}$  equals

$$\chi_n(r) = -\frac{Q_n}{4\pi} \frac{\text{ERF}\left(r/\sigma\sqrt{2}\right)}{r} \quad (1)$$

Here  $Q_n$  represents the strength of the local potential. At somewhat larger distances the potential behaves as a single "charge" potential.

$$\chi_n(\mathbf{q}) \approx \frac{-Q_n}{4\pi|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x|} \quad (2)$$

This virtual “charge” is located at the center of the symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_n^x$ . The scalar potential  $\chi_n(\mathbf{q})$  adds to the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The result is that  $\mathfrak{C}$  gets deformed.

The local scalar potential  $\chi_n(\mathbf{q})$  corresponds to a derived field  $\mathcal{E}_n(\mathbf{q})$ .

$$\mathcal{E}_n(\mathbf{q}) = \nabla\chi_n = -\frac{Q_n(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x)}{|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{c}_n^x|^3} \quad (3)$$

Another symmetry center  $\mathfrak{S}_m^x$  contributes potential  $\chi_m(\mathbf{q})$  to the embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$ . The force  $\mathbf{F}_{nm}$  between the two symmetry centers equals:

$$\mathbf{F}_{nm} = \mathcal{E}_n Q_m = -\frac{Q_n Q_m (\mathbf{c}_n^x - \mathbf{c}_m^x)}{|\mathbf{c}_n^x - \mathbf{c}_m^x|^3} = -\mathbf{F}_{mn} = -\mathcal{E}_m Q_n \quad (4)$$

This need not correspond to an actual acceleration.

If the platform  $\mathfrak{S}_m^x$  on which the swarm resides moves with uniform speed  $\mathbf{v}$ , then the local potential corresponds to a local vector potential.

$$\mathcal{X}_n = \chi_n \mathbf{v} \quad (5)$$

If this platform accelerates, then this goes together with an extra contribution to field  $\mathcal{E}_n$  that counteracts the acceleration.

$$\mathcal{E}_n = \dot{\mathcal{X}}_n = \chi_n \dot{\mathbf{v}} \quad (6)$$

This effect is known as *inertia*.

## 19.6 The smoothed embedding field

The embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  is described by a mostly continuous function  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$ . The convolution of  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$  with a blurring function transforms this function in an everywhere continuous function  $\mathfrak{U}(q)$ . Space cavities exist where both  $\mathfrak{C}(q)$  and  $\mathfrak{U}(q)$  are not defined. The blurring function integrates over the regeneration cycle of elementary modules in the progression part of the domain. If in the spatial domain the test function  $\mathfrak{Z}(q)$  is used as the blurring function for isolated discontinuities and a Gaussian distribution is used for coherent swarms of discontinuities, then the function  $\mathfrak{U}(q)$  defines the smoothed embedding field  $\mathfrak{U}$ . This field takes the role of a model-wide potential. In physics this is the role of the gravitation potential. In this

model we consider  $\mathcal{U}$  to represent the equivalent of *universe*, however it represents a blurred universe.

The local contribution to the embedding field  $\mathcal{C}$  by the elementary particle has a smoothed version which is the equivalent of its individual potential. It contributes to field  $\mathcal{U}$ .

### 19.7 Spurious artifacts

Due to their minor effect, spurious artifacts will be hidden for observers due to the blanket that is spread over the corresponding field by the smoothed version of this field that the observers will see. Only recurrent regeneration of the artifact can generate a reasonable detection probability.

## 20 Information transfer

In the model, information transfer between discrete objects is implemented by the fields with which they interact. Interaction means that the location of the object or the state of the object is affected by the field and/or that the field is deformed by the presence of the object. The state of the object is its assembly of discernable properties. These properties may depend on the mechanism that governs the behavior and the existence of the object.

Solutions of the second order partial differential equation of the field play an important role in these interactions. Especially the messengers play a major role in the transfer of information. In this model photons are implemented by strings of messengers.

### 20.1 Messengers

Messengers are configured by solutions of the quaternionic second order partial differential equation. For odd numbers of participating dimensions some of the solutions of the homogeneous second order partial differential equation are combinations of shape keeping fronts. In three dimensions the spherical shape keeping fronts diminish their amplitude as  $1/r$  with distance  $r$  of the trigger point. One-dimensional wave fronts **keep their amplitude**. As a consequence these shape keeping fronts can travel huge distances through the field that supports them. Each shape keeping front can carry a bit of information and/or energy. In order to reach these distances the carrying field must exist long enough and it must reach far enough.

The symmetry related field  $\mathfrak{A}$  does not fulfil the requirements for long distance travel. It depends on the nearby existence of symmetry related charges and its amplitude also diminishes as  $1/r$  with distance from the charge.

The embedding field  $\mathfrak{C}$  is a better candidate for long distance transfer of energy and information.  $\mathfrak{C}$  exists always and everywhere. One-dimensional shape keeping fronts vibrate the  $\mathfrak{C}$  field, but do not deform this field. They just follow existing deformations.

Creating a string of one-dimensional shape keeping fronts requires a recurrent shape keeping front generation process. Such processes do not underlay the generation of symmetry related charges that support the  $\mathfrak{A}$  field. However, such processes exist during the recurrent embedding of artifacts that occurs in the  $\mathfrak{C}$  field.

Recurrent regeneration of spherical shape keeping fronts is capable to deform the corresponding field. It has similar effects as a stationary deformation by a point-like artifact has.

### 20.2 Frenet Serret path

The fixed speed of the messengers represents an interesting case. The change of a field has five components that cover four dimensions. However the path  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\tau)$  of an object in the spatial part of that field can be characterized by three mutually independent figures.

The first figure is called the **unit tangent vector**  $\mathbf{e}_1(\tau)$ . The vector is directed along the tangent that departs at a selected location  $\tau$  on that path.

$$\mathbf{e}_1(\tau) = \boldsymbol{\gamma}'(\tau) / \|\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(\tau)\| \quad (1)$$

The second figure is called the **normal vector**  $\mathbf{e}_2(\tau)$ .

$$\mathbf{f}(\tau) = \boldsymbol{\gamma}''(\tau) - \langle \boldsymbol{\gamma}''(\tau), \mathbf{e}_1(\tau) \rangle \mathbf{e}_1(\tau) \quad (2)$$

$$\mathbf{e}_2(\tau) = \frac{\mathbf{f}(\tau)}{\|\mathbf{f}(\tau)\|} \quad (3)$$



The size  $\|\mathbf{f}(\tau)\|$  of vector  $\mathbf{f}(\tau)$  is not equal to unity and the direction of  $\mathbf{f}(\tau)$  is perpendicular to the unit tangent vector. The inverse of the size is an indication of the local curvature of the field that acts as the transport medium for the messenger. It is called the local **curvature**  $\kappa$  of the path  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\tau)$ .

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{\langle \mathbf{f}(\tau), \mathbf{e}_2(\tau) \rangle}$$

The third figure is called the **bi-normal vector**  $\mathbf{e}_3(\tau)$ .

$$\mathbf{g}(\tau) = \boldsymbol{\gamma}'''(\tau) - \langle \boldsymbol{\gamma}'''(\tau), \mathbf{e}_1(\tau) \rangle \mathbf{e}_1(\tau) - \langle \boldsymbol{\gamma}'''(\tau), \mathbf{e}_2(\tau) \rangle \mathbf{e}_2(\tau)$$

$$\mathbf{e}_3(\tau) = \frac{\mathbf{g}(\tau)}{\|\mathbf{g}(\tau)\|} = \mathbf{e}_1(\tau) \times \mathbf{e}_2(\tau)$$

The size  $\|\mathbf{g}(\tau)\|$  of vector  $\mathbf{g}(\tau)$  is not equal to unity and the direction of  $\mathbf{g}(\tau)$  is perpendicular to both the unit tangent vector and the normal vector. The size is an indication of the local **curl** of the field that acts as the transport medium for the messenger. It is called the torque  $\boldsymbol{\tau}$  of the path  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\tau)$ .

Since the speed  $\|\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(\tau)\|$  is constant the right-side term in equation (2) is zero. We take the speed equal to unity. This reduces the path to a natural path, which is described by three orthonormal frame vectors.  $\mathbf{T}$ ,  $\mathbf{N}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$ .

$$\mathbf{T}(\tau) = \boldsymbol{\gamma}'(\tau)$$

$$\mathbf{T}'(\tau) = \kappa \mathbf{N}(\tau)$$

$$\mathbf{N}'(\tau) = -\kappa \mathbf{T}(\tau) + \boldsymbol{\tau} \mathbf{B}(\tau)$$

$$\mathbf{B}'(\tau) = -\boldsymbol{\tau} \mathbf{N}(\tau)$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{T} \times \mathbf{N}$$

Due to the curvature and the curl of the carrying field the path becomes a **geodesic**. Within the geodesic and along the path the messenger travels with constant speed. It means that along the geodesic the progression steps are equal to the spatial steps and the carrying field deforms in order to support the sidesteps due to the non-zero curvature  $\kappa$  and the non-zero torque  $\boldsymbol{\tau}$  of the path of the messenger.

### 20.3 Photons

The fixed speed of shape keeping fronts translates in the same fixed speed for the messengers. A string of one-dimensional shape keeping fronts can carry a quantized amount of energy. Photons appear to be the physical realizations of the messengers. The relation  $E = h \nu$  and the fixed speed of photons indicate that at least at relative short range the string of shape keeping fronts takes a fixed amount of progression steps for its creation, for its passage and for its absorption.

However, observations of long range effects over cosmological distances reveal that these relations do not hold over huge distances. Red-shift of patterns of "old" photons that are emitted by atoms and arrive from distant galaxies indicate that the spatial part of field  $\mathcal{C}$  is extending as a function of progression.

With the interpretation of photons as strings of shape keeping fronts this means that the duration of emission and the duration of absorption are also functions of progression. As a consequence, some of the emitted wave fronts are "missed" at later absorption. The detected photon corresponds to a lower energy and a lower frequency than the emitted photon has. According to relation  $E = h \nu$  that holds locally, the detected photon appears to be red-shifted. The energy of the "missed" shape

keeping fronts is converted into other kinds of energy or the missed shape keeping fronts keep proceeding as lower energy photons. Spurious shape keeping fronts may stay undetected.

#### 20.4 Consequences for our model

Thus, the quaternionic second order partial differential equation may be valid in the vicinity of the images of symmetry centers inside  $\mathfrak{C}$ , but does not properly describe the long range behavior of  $\mathfrak{C}$ . Due to its restricted range and the non-recurrent generation of its charges, the  $\mathfrak{X}$  field does not show the equivalents of photons and red-shift phenomena.

The long range phenomena of photons indicate that the parameter space  $\mathfrak{R}^{\textcircled{0}}$  of  $\mathfrak{C}$  may actually own an origin. For higher progression values and for most of the spatial reach of field  $\mathfrak{C}$ , that origin is located at huge distances. Information coming from low progression values arrives with photons that have travelled huge distances. They report about a situation in which symmetry centers were located on average at much smaller inter-distances.

Instead of photons the  $\mathfrak{X}$  field may support waves, such as radio waves and microwaves. These waves are solutions of the wave equation, which is part of Maxwell based differential calculus.

On the other hand the wave equation also has shape keeping fronts as its solutions.

## 21 At the start of progression

At progression value  $\tau = 0$ , the mechanisms that generate the artifacts, which cause discontinuities in the embedding manifold  $\mathcal{C}$  have not yet done any work. It means that this manifold was flat and its defining function equaled its parameter space at instance  $\tau = 0$ .

At  $\tau = 0$  nothing arrives from the past.

The model offers the possibility that the domain  $\Omega$  expands as a function of  $\tau$ . In that case it is possible that domain  $\Omega$  covers a growing amount of symmetry centers.

## 22 Low dose rate imaging

### 22.1 Preface

The author started his career in high-tech industry in the development of image intensifier devices. His job was to help optimizing the imaging quality of these image intensifier devices. This concerned both image intensifiers for night vision applications and x-ray image intensifiers that were aimed at medical applications. Both types of devices target low dose rate application conditions. These devices achieve image intensification in quite different ways. Both types can be considered to operate in a linear way. The qualification of the image intensifier is based on the fact that human image perception is optimized for low dose rate conditions.

At low dose rates the author never perceived waves in the intensified images. At the utmost he saw hail storms of impinging discrete particles and the corresponding detection patterns can simulate interference patterns. The conclusion is, that the waves that might be present in the observed image are probability waves. Individual photons are perceived as detected quanta. They are never perceived as waves.

### 22.2 Human perception

With respect to visual perception the human visual trajectory closely resembles the visual trajectory of all vertebrates. This was discovered by Hubel and Weisel. They got a Noble price for their work.

The sensitivity of the human eye covers a huge range. The visual trajectory implements several special measures that help extending that range. At high dose rates the pupil of the eye acts as a diaphragm that partly closes the lens and in this way it increases the sharpness of the picture on the retina. At such dose rates the cones perform the detection job. The cones are sensitive to colors and offer a quick response. In unaided conditions, the rods take over at low dose rates and they do not differentiate between colors. In contrast to the cones the rods apply a significant integration time. This integration diminishes the effects of quantum noise that becomes noticeable at low dose rates. The sequence of optimizations do not stop at the retina. In the trajectory from the retina to the fourth cortex of the brain several dedicated decision centers decode the received image by applying masks that trigger on special aspects of the image. For example a dedicated mask can decide whether the local part of the image is an edge, in which direction this edge is oriented and in which direction the edge moves. Other masks can discern circular spots. Via such masks the image is encoded before the information reaches the fourth cortex. Somewhere in the trajectory the information of the right eye crosses the information that is contained in the left eye. The difference is used to construct three dimensional vision. Quantum noise can easily disturb the delicate encoding process. That is why the decision centers do not pass their information when its signal to noise ratio is below a given level. That level is influenced by the physical and mental condition of the observer. At low dose rates, this signal to noise ratio barrier prevents a psychotic view. The higher levels of the brain thus do not receive a copy of the image that was detected at the retina. Instead that part of the brain receives a set of quite trustworthy encoded image data that will be deciphered in an associative way. It is expected that other parts of the brain for a part act in a similar noise blocking way.

The evolution of the vertebrates must have installed this delicate visual data processing subsystem in a period in which these vertebrates lived in rather dim circumstances, where visual perception of low dose rate images was of vital importance.

This indicates that the signal to noise ratio in the image that arrives at the eyes pupil has significant influence on the perceptibility of the low dose image. At high dose rates the signal to noise ratio hardly plays a role. In those conditions the role of the spatial blur is far more important.

It is fairly easy to measure the signal to noise ratio in the visual channel by applying a DC meter and an RMS meter. However, at very low dose rates, the damping of both meters might pose problems. What quickly becomes apparent is the relation of the signal to noise ratio and the number of the quanta that participate in the signal. The measured relation is typical for stochastic quantum generation processes that are classified as Poisson processes.

It is also easy to comprehend that when the signal is spread over a spatial region, the number of quanta that participate per surface unit is diminishing. Thus spatial blur has two influences. It lowers the local signal and at the other hand it increase the integration surface. Lowering the signal decreases the number of quanta. Enlarging the integration surface will increase the number of involved quanta. Thus, these two effects partly compensate each other. An optimum perceptibility condition exists that maximizes the signal to noise ratio in the visual trajectory.

The blur is caused by the Point Spread Function. This function represents a spatially varying binomial process that attenuates the efficiency of the original Poisson process. This creates a new Poisson process that features a spatially varying efficiency. Several components in the imaging chain may contribute to the Point Spread Function such that the effective Point Spread Function equals the convolution of the Point Spread Functions of the components. Mathematically it can be shown that for linear image processors the Optical Transfer Functions form an easier applicable characteristic than the Point Spread Functions, because the Fourier transform that converts the Point Spread Function into the Optical Transfer Function converts the convolutions into simple multiplications.

The Optical Transfer Function is influenced by several factors. Examples are the color distribution, the angular distribution and the phase homogeneity of the impinging radiation. Also veiling glare may hamper the imaging quality.

The fact that the signal to noise ratio appears to be a deciding factor in the perception process has led to a second way of characterizing the relevant influences. The Detective Quantum Efficiency (DQE) characterizes the efficiency of the usage of the available quanta. It compares the actual situation with the hypothetical situation in which all generated quanta would be used in the information channel. Again the measured signal noise ratio is compared to the ideal situation in which the stochastic generator is a Poisson process and no binomial processes will attenuate that primary Poisson process. This means that blurring and temporal integration must play no role in the determination of the DQE and the measured device will be compared to quantum detectors that will capture all available quanta. It also means that intensification processes will not add extra relative variance to the signal. The application of micro channel plates will certainly add extra relative variation. This effect will be accounted as a deterioration of the detection efficiency and not as a change of the stochastic process from a Poisson process to an exponential process. Mathematically this is an odd procedure, but it is a valid approach when the measurements are used to objectively evaluate perceptibility.

### 22.3 Mechanisms

The fact that the objective qualification of perceptibility can be performed by the Optical Transfer Function in combination with the Detective Quantum Efficiency indicates that the generation of the quanta is governed by a Poisson process that is coupled to a binomial process, where the binomial process is implemented by a spatial Point Spread Function.

The mechanisms that ensure dynamical coherence appear to apply stochastic processes whose signal to noise ratio is proportional to the square root of the number of generated quanta.

Quite probably the quantum generation process belongs to the category of Poisson point processes and in particular to the subcategory that are known as log Gaussian Cox point processes.

## 23 Discussion

This paper shifts the mystery that in current physical theories exist about the wave function to the mysteries that exist about the characteristic function of the stochastic processes that give the hopping path and the corresponding location swarm their location density distribution. The existence of that characteristic function means that this location density distribution must possess a Fourier transform and that as a consequence the swarm can be considered to behave as one unit. Some guesses are made about the nature of the stochastic processes. Nothing is said about how the corresponding mechanisms cooperate. This paper suggests that the mechanisms implement self-coherence and that this self-coherence relates to inertia.

This paper only considers the divergence based version of the generalized Stokes theorem. The consequences for the curl based version are not investigated in detail. From fluid dynamics it is known that artifacts that are embedded in a fluid may suffer from the vorticity of the embedding field [2].

This paper does not investigate the consequences of polar ordering. It probably relates to the spin properties of elementary modules. In that case the polar ordering of symmetry centers regulates the distinction between fermions and bosons. The half integer spin particles may use ordering of the azimuth, where the integer spin particles use the ordering of the polar angle. However, this does not explain the difference in behavior between these categories. The paper also does not investigate the origin of the Pauli principle, which is closely related to the notion of spin.

The concept of exterior derivative is carefully crafted by skillful mathematicians, such that it becomes independent of the selection of parameter spaces. However, in a situation like the situation that is investigated by the Hilbert Book Test Model in which several parameter spaces float on top of a background parameter space, the selection of the ordering of the parameter spaces does matter. The symmetry flavors of the coupled parameter spaces determine the values of the integrals that account for the contributions of the artifacts. It is represented by the symmetry related charges of these artifacts. These symmetry related charges are supposed to be located at the geometric centers of the symmetry centers.

As happens so often, physical reality reveals facts (such as the symmetry related charges) that cannot easily be discovered by skilled mathematicians. The standard model contains a short list of electric charges that correspond to the symmetry related charges. The standard model does not give an explanation for the existence of this short list. In the Hilbert Book Test Model it becomes clear that the electric charge and the color charge are a properties of connected parameter spaces and not a property of the objects that use these parameter spaces. Instead, these objects inherit the charge properties from the platform on which they reside.

Both the symmetry related fields and the embedding continuum affect the geometric location of the symmetry center. They do that in different ways.

***If electric charges are properties of the connection between spaces, then the fields to which these charges contribute implement the forces between these connections. No extra objects are needed to implement these forces!***

***It is sensible to expect that depending on the type of their “charges” all basic fields are capable of attracting or repelling the spaces on which these “charges” reside. This behavior is described by the differential and integral equations that are obeyed by the considered field.***

The model does not dive deep into the binding process. In that respect regular physical theories go much further.

The Hilbert Book Test Model is no more and no less than a mathematical test case. The paper does not pretend that physical reality behaves like this model. But the methods used and the results obtained in this paper might learn more about how models of physical reality can be structured and how these can behave.

## 24 Lessons

Some interesting lessons can be derived from the model. At the first place the model introduces a commandment:

**“Thou shalt construct in a modular way”.**

This commandment enforces the constructors to ***construct in a very economical way*** that applies as little resource as is possible. A problem occurs when the resources are limited.

In the beginning, the evolution is controlled by pure stochastic processes. In that evolution process increasingly complicated modular systems will be generated. This process depends on the availability of nearby resources. As soon as in a local environment the evolution reaches a level that intelligent species (read types) are formed, these species can take active part in the evolution process. In that environment the stochastic modular design method turns into an intelligent design method.

After investigation of the lifeforms that he discovered at the islands in the oceans and at the beaches of southern continents, Darwin concluded that only the fittest species can reach a longer existence in the evolution process. A similar rule exist for the modules and modular systems. However this rule must be extended, because the survival struggle does not so much concern the individuals. Instead, it concerns the survival of module types and that survival is supported when the type promotes the survival of the community of the type to which the individual belongs. This often must include the care of the survival of the types that are used by the considered type as a resource. If a community grows so large that its resources become endangered, then the complete community is endangered. Thus a second commandment follows the primal commandment:

**“Each individual must take care of the resources of the community of which that individual is a member”.**

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## Appendix

## 1 Lattices

A lattice is a set of elements  $a, b, c, \dots$  that is closed for the connections  $\cap$  and  $\cup$ . These connections obey:

- The set is **partially ordered**.
  - This means that with each pair of elements  $a, b$  belongs an element  $c$ , such that  $a \subset c$  and  $b \subset c$ .
- The set is a  $\cap$  **half lattice**.
  - This means that with each pair of elements  $a, b$  an element  $c$  exists, such that  $c = a \cap b$ .
- The set is a  $\cup$  half lattice.
  - This means that with each pair of elements  $a, b$  an element  $c$  exists, such that  $c = a \cup b$ .
- The set is a lattice.
  - This means that the set is both a  $\cap$  half lattice and a  $\cup$  half lattice.

The following relations hold in a lattice:

$$a \cap b = b \cap a \quad (1)$$

$$(a \cap b) \cap c = a \cap (b \cap c) \quad (2)$$

$$a \cap (a \cup b) = a \quad (3)$$

$$a \cup b = b \cup a \quad (4)$$

$$(a \cup b) \cup c = a \cup (b \cup c) \quad (5)$$

$$a \cup (a \cap b) = a \quad (6)$$

The lattice has a **partial order inclusion**  $\subset$ :

$$a \subset b \Leftrightarrow a \cap b = a \quad (7)$$

A **complementary lattice** contains two elements  $n$  and  $e$  with each element  $a$  a complementary element  $a'$  such that:

$$a \cap a' = n \quad (8)$$

$$a \cup n = n \quad (9)$$

$$a \cap e = a \quad (10)$$

$$a \cup a' = e \quad (11)$$

$$a \cup e = e \quad (12)$$

$$a \cup n = a \quad (13)$$

An **orthocomplemented lattice** contains two elements  $n$  and  $e$  and with each element  $a$  an element  $a''$  such that:

$$a \cup a'' = e \quad (14)$$

$$a \cap a'' = n$$

$$(a'')'' = a \quad (15)$$

$$a \subset b \Leftrightarrow b'' \subset a'' \quad (16)$$

$e$  is the **unity element**;  $n$  is the **null element** of the lattice

A **distributive lattice** supports the distributive laws:

$$a \cap (b \cup c) = (a \cap b) \cup (a \cap c) \quad (17)$$

$$a \cup (b \cap c) = (a \cup b) \cap (a \cup c) \quad (18)$$

A **modular lattice** supports:

$$(a \cap b) \cup (a \cap c) = a \cap (b \cup (a \cap c)) \quad (19)$$

A **weak modular lattice** supports instead:

There exists an element  $d$  such that

$$a \subset c \Leftrightarrow (a \cup b) \cap c = a \cup (b \cap c) \cup (d \cap c) \quad (20)$$

where  $d$  obeys:

$$(a \cup b) \cap d = d \quad (21)$$

$$a \cap d = n \quad (22)$$

$$b \cap d = n \quad (23)$$

$$(a \subset g) \text{ and } (b \subset g) \Leftrightarrow d \subset g \quad (24)$$

In an **atomic lattice** holds

$$\exists p \in L \forall x \in L \{x \subset p \Rightarrow x = n\} \quad (25)$$

$$\forall a \in L \forall x \in L \{(a < x < a \cap p) \Rightarrow (x = a \text{ or } x = a \cap p)\} \quad (26)$$

$p$  is an atom

## 2 The quaternionic separable Hilbert space

We will specify the characteristics of a generalized quaternionic infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ . The adjective “quaternionic” indicates that the inner products of vectors and the eigenvalues of operators are taken from the number system of the quaternions. Separable Hilbert spaces can be using real numbers, complex numbers or quaternions. These three number systems are division rings. In fact the quaternionic number system comprises all division rings.

### 2.1 Notations and naming conventions

$\{f_x\}_x$  means ordered set of  $f_x$ . It is a way to define discrete functions.

*The use of bras and kets differs slightly from the way Dirac uses them.*

$|f\rangle$  is a ket vector.

$\langle f|$  is a bra vector.

$A$  is an operator.

$A^\dagger$  is the adjoint operator of operator  $A$ .

$|$  on its own, is a nil operator.

We will use capitals for operators and lower case Greek characters for quaternions and eigenvalues. We use Latin characters for ket vectors, bra vectors and eigenvectors. Imaginary and anti-Hermitian objects will be indicated in **bold** text. Real numbers get subscript  $_0$ .

Due to the non-commutative product of quaternions, special care must be paid to the ordering of factors inside products. In this paper a particular ordering is selected. It is one out of a larger set of possibilities.

### 2.2 Quaternionic Hilbert space

The Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  is a **linear space**. That means for the elements  $|f\rangle$ ,  $|g\rangle$  and  $|h\rangle$  of  $\mathfrak{H}$  and quaternionic numbers  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  a linear space is defined.  $|f\rangle$ ,  $|g\rangle$  and  $|h\rangle$  are ket vectors.

#### 2.2.1 Ket vectors

For **ket** vectors hold

$$|f\rangle + |g\rangle = |g\rangle + |f\rangle = |g + f\rangle \quad (1)$$

$$(|f\rangle + |g\rangle) + |h\rangle = |f\rangle + (|g\rangle + |h\rangle) \quad (2)$$

$$|\alpha f\rangle = |f\rangle \alpha ; |f\rangle = |\alpha f\rangle \alpha^{-1} \quad (3)$$

$$|(\alpha + \beta) f\rangle = |f\rangle \alpha + |f\rangle \beta \quad (4)$$

$$(|f\rangle + |g\rangle) \alpha = |f\rangle \alpha + |g\rangle \alpha \quad (5)$$

$$|f\rangle 0 = |0\rangle \quad (6)$$

$$|f\rangle 1 = |f\rangle \quad (7)$$

### 2.2.2 Bra vectors

The **bra** vectors form the dual Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}^\dagger$  of  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

$$\langle f| + \langle g| = \langle g| + \langle f| = \langle f + g| \quad (1)$$

$$(\langle f| + \langle g|) + \langle h| = \langle f| + (\langle g| + \langle h|) \quad (2)$$

$$\langle \alpha f| = \alpha^* \langle f|; \langle f| = (\alpha^*)^{-1} \langle \alpha f| \quad (3)$$

$$\langle f(\alpha + \beta)| = \alpha^* \langle f| + \beta^* \langle f| \quad (4)$$

Notice the quaternionic conjugation that affects the coefficients of bra vectors.

$$(\langle f| + \langle g|) \alpha = \langle f| \alpha + \langle g| \alpha \quad (5)$$

$$0 \langle f| = \langle 0| \quad (6)$$

$$1 \langle f| = \langle f| \quad (7)$$

### 2.2.3 Scalar product

The scalar product couples Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}^\dagger$  to its dual  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

$$\langle f|g\rangle = \langle g|f\rangle^* \quad (1)$$

$$\langle f + g|h \rangle = \langle f|h \rangle + \langle g|h \rangle \quad (2)$$

$$\langle \alpha f|g \rangle = \alpha^* \langle f|g \rangle = \alpha^* \langle g|f \rangle^* = \langle g|\alpha f \rangle^* \quad (5)$$

$$\langle f|\alpha g \rangle = \langle f|g \rangle \alpha = \langle g|f \rangle^* \alpha = \langle \alpha g|f \rangle^* \quad (6)$$

$\langle f|$  is a bra vector.  $|g\rangle$  is a ket vector.  $\alpha$  is a quaternion.  $\langle f|g\rangle$  is quaternion valued.

If the Hilbert space represents both dual spaces, then the scalar product is also called an **inner product**.

#### 2.2.4 Separable

In mathematics a topological space is called separable if it contains a countable dense subset; that is, there exists a sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  of elements of the space such that every nonempty open subset of the space contains at least one element of the sequence.

Every continuous function on the separable space  $\mathfrak{H}$  is determined by its values on this countable dense subset.

#### 2.2.5 Base vectors

The Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  is **separable**. That means that a countable row of elements  $\{f_n\}$  exists that **spans** the whole space.

If  $\langle f_n|f_m \rangle = \delta(m, n) = [1 \text{ when } n = m; 0 \text{ otherwise}]$  then  $\{f_n\}$  forms an **orthonormal base** of the Hilbert space.

A ket base  $\{|k\rangle\}$  of  $\mathfrak{H}$  is a minimal set of ket vectors  $|k\rangle$  that together span the Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

Any ket vector  $|f\rangle$  in  $\mathfrak{H}$  can be written as a linear combination of elements of  $\{|k\rangle\}$ .

$$|f\rangle = \sum_k (|k\rangle \langle k|f\rangle) \quad (1)$$

A bra base  $\{\langle b|\}$  of  $\mathfrak{H}^\dagger$  is a minimal set of bra vectors  $\langle b|$  that together span the Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}^\dagger$ .

Any bra vector  $\langle f|$  in  $\mathfrak{H}^\dagger$  can be written as a linear combination of elements of  $\{\langle b|\}$ .

$$\langle f| = \sum_k (\langle k|f\rangle \langle b|) \quad (2)$$

Usually base vectors are taken such that their norm equals 1. Such a base is called an orthonormal base.



## 2.2.6 Operators

Operators act on a subset of the elements of the Hilbert space.

### 2.2.6.1 Linear operators

An operator  $Q$  is linear when for all vectors  $|f\rangle$  and  $|g\rangle$  for which  $Q$  is defined and for all quaternionic numbers  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |Q \alpha f\rangle + |Q \beta g\rangle &= |Q f\rangle \alpha + |Q g\rangle \beta = \\ Q(|\alpha f\rangle + |\beta g\rangle) &= Q(|f\rangle \alpha + |g\rangle \beta) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Operator  $B$  is **colinear** when for all vectors  $|f\rangle$  for which  $B$  is defined and for all quaternionic numbers  $\alpha$  there exists a quaternionic number  $\gamma$  such that:

$$|\alpha B f\rangle = |B f\rangle \gamma \alpha \gamma^{-1} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |B \gamma \alpha \gamma^{-1} f\rangle \quad (2)$$

If  $|f\rangle$  is an eigenvector of operator  $A$  with quaternionic eigenvalue  $a$ ,

$$A|f\rangle = |f\rangle a$$

then  $|b f\rangle$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with quaternionic eigenvalue  $b^{-1} a b$ .

$$A|b f\rangle = |A b f\rangle = |A f\rangle b = |f\rangle a b = |b f\rangle b^{-1} a b$$

$A^\dagger$  is the **adjoint** of the **normal** operator  $A$ .

$$\langle f | A g \rangle = \langle f A^\dagger | g \rangle = \langle g | A^\dagger f \rangle^* \quad (4)$$

$$A^{\dagger\dagger} = A \quad (5)$$

$$(A + B)^\dagger = B^\dagger + A^\dagger \quad (6)$$

$$(A \cdot B)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger \quad (7)$$

If  $A = A^\dagger$ , then  $A$  is a **self adjoint** operator.

$|$  is a nil operator.

### 2.2.6.2 Operator construction

The construct  $|f\rangle\langle g|$  acts as a linear operator.  $|g\rangle\langle f|$  is its adjoint operator.

The **reverse bra-ket method** uses an orthonormal base  $\{|q_i\rangle\}$  that belongs to quaternionic eigenvalues  $\{q_i\}$  and a quaternionic function  $F(q)$  and in this way a linear operator  $F$  can be defined such that for all vectors  $|g\rangle$  and  $|h\rangle$  holds:

$$\langle g|F|h\rangle = \sum_i \{\langle g|q_i\rangle F(q_i) \langle q_i|h\rangle\} \quad (7)$$

$$F \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_i \{|q_i\rangle f(q_i) \langle q_i|\} \quad (8)$$

If no confusion arises, then the same symbol is used for the function  $F(q)$ , the operator  $F$  and the set of eigenvalues  $F$ . For the orthonormal base  $\{|q_i\rangle\}$  holds:

$$\langle q_j|q_k\rangle = \delta_{jk} \quad (9)$$

We will use

$$F \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q_i\rangle F(q_i) \langle q_i| \quad (10)$$

as a shorthand for equations (7) and (8).

$$F^\dagger \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} |q_i\rangle F(q_i)^* \langle q_i| \quad (11)$$

$$|q_i\rangle F(q_i) \langle q_i| = |q_i F(q_i)\rangle \langle q_i| = |q_i\rangle \langle F(q_i)^* q_i| \quad (12)$$

The eigenspace of reference operator  $\mathcal{R}$  defined by

$$\mathcal{R} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_i \{|q_i\rangle q_i \langle q_i|\} \quad (13)$$

represents the countable **parameter space** of discrete function  $F(q_i)$ .

$F$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  are constructed operators.

If collection  $\{q_i\}$  covers all rational members of a quaternionic number system then this definition specifies a reference operator for which the eigenspace represents the parameter space of all discrete functions that can be defined with this number system.

Quaternionic number systems exist in several versions that only differ in the way that the elements are ordered. We will identify these different versions with special superscripts. When relevant, this will also be done with the number systems, with the operators, with the eigenvectors and with the eigenvalues.

$$\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{0}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_i \{ |q_i^{\textcircled{0}}\rangle q_i^{\textcircled{0}} \langle q_i^{\textcircled{0}}| \} \quad (14)$$

$\mathcal{R}^{\textcircled{x}}$  is a member of a set of reference operators  $\{\mathcal{R}^x\}$ . The superscript  $x$  specifies the symmetry flavor of the number system  $\{q^x\}$ .

The superscript  $x$  can be  $\textcircled{0}, \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}, \textcircled{3}, \textcircled{4}, \textcircled{5}, \textcircled{6}, \textcircled{7}, \textcircled{8}, \textcircled{9}, \textcircled{10}, \textcircled{11}, \textcircled{12}, \textcircled{13}, \textcircled{14},$  or  $\textcircled{15}$ .

Often, we will use the same character for identifying eigenvectors, eigenvalues and the corresponding operator.

Definition 8 specifies a normal operator. The set of eigenvectors of a normal operator form an orthonormal base of the Hilbert space.

A self adjoint operator has real numbers as eigenvalues. If  $T$  is a normal operator, then  $T_0 = (T + T^\dagger)/2$  is a self adjoint operator and  $T = (T - T^\dagger)/2$  is an imaginary normal operator. Self adjoint operators are also Hermitian operators. Imaginary normal operators are also anti-Hermitian operators.

### 2.2.6.3 Normal operators

The most common definition of continuous operators is:

A **continuous** operator is an operator that creates images such that the inverse images of open sets are open.

Similarly, a **continuous** operator creates images such that the inverse images of closed sets are closed.

If  $|a\rangle$  is an eigenvector of normal operator  $A$  with eigenvalue  $a$  then

$$\langle a|A|a\rangle = \langle a|a|a\rangle = \langle a|a\rangle a \quad (1)$$

indicates that the eigenvalues are taken from the same number system as the inner products.

A normal operator is a continuous linear operator.

A normal operator in  $\mathfrak{H}$  creates an image of  $\mathfrak{H}$  onto  $\mathfrak{H}$ . It transfers closed subspaces of  $\mathfrak{H}$  into closed subspaces of  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

The normal operators  $N$  have the following property.

$$N: \mathfrak{H} \Rightarrow \mathfrak{H} \quad (2)$$

Thus the normal operator  $N$  maps separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  onto itself.

$N$  commutes with its **(Hermitian) adjoint**  $N^\dagger$ :

$$NN^\dagger = N^\dagger N \quad (2)$$

Normal operators are important because the spectral theorem holds for them.

Examples of normal operators are

- **unitary** operators:  $U^\dagger = U^{-1}$ , unitary operators are bounded;
- **Hermitian** operators (i.e., self-adjoint operators):  $N^\dagger = N$ ;
- **Anti-Hermitian** or anti-self-adjoint operators:  $N^\dagger = -N$ ;
- **Anti-unitary** operators:  $U^\dagger = -U^{-1}$ , anti-unitary operators are bounded;
- **positive operators**:  $N = MM^\dagger$
- **orthogonal projection** operators:  $P^\dagger = P = P^2$ .

For normal operators hold:

$$AB = A_0B_0 - \langle \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \rangle + A_0\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{A}B_0 \pm \mathbf{A} \times \mathbf{B} \quad (3)$$

$$N_0 = \frac{1}{2}(N+N^\dagger) \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{1}{2}(N-N^\dagger) \quad (5)$$

$$NN^\dagger = N_0N_0 + \langle \mathbf{N}, \mathbf{N} \rangle = N_0^2 - \mathbf{N}^2 \quad (6)$$

#### 2.2.6.4 Spectral theorem

For every compact self-adjoint operator  $T$  on a real, complex or quaternionic Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ , there exists an orthonormal basis of  $\mathfrak{H}$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $T$ . More specifically, the orthogonal complement of the kernel (null space) of  $T$  admits, either a finite orthonormal basis of eigenvectors

of  $T$ , or a countable infinite orthonormal basis of eigenvectors of  $T$ , with corresponding eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_n\} \subset \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$ . Due to the fact that  $\mathfrak{H}$  is separable the set of eigenvectors of  $T$  can be extended with a base of the kernel in order to form a complete orthonormal base of  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

If  $T$  is compact on an infinite dimensional Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ , then  $T$  is not invertible, hence  $\sigma(T)$ , the spectrum of  $T$ , always contains 0. The spectral theorem shows that  $\sigma(T)$  consists of the eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_n\}$  of  $T$ , and of 0 (if 0 is not already an eigenvalue). The set  $\sigma(T)$  is a compact subset of the real line, and the eigenvalues are dense in  $\sigma(T)$ .

A normal operator has a set of eigenvectors that spans the whole Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

In quaternionic Hilbert space a normal operator has quaternions as eigenvalues.

The set of eigenvalues of a normal operator is NOT compact. This is due to the fact that  $\mathfrak{H}$  is separable. Therefore the set of eigenvectors is countable. As a consequence the set of eigenvalues is countable. Further, in general the eigenspace of normal operators has no finite diameter.

A continuous bounded linear operator on  $\mathfrak{H}$  has a compact eigenspace. The set of eigenvalues has a closure and it has a finite diameter.

#### 2.2.6.5 Eigenspace

The set of eigenvalues  $\{q\}$  of the operator  $Q$  form the eigenspace of  $Q$ .

#### 2.2.6.6 Eigenvectors and eigenvalues

For the eigenvector  $|q\rangle$  of normal operator  $Q$  holds

$$|Qq\rangle = |qQ\rangle = |q\rangle q \quad (1)$$

$$\langle q|Q^\dagger| = \langle q|q\rangle = q^* \langle q| \quad (2)$$

$$\forall_{|f\rangle \in \mathfrak{H}} \left[ \{\langle f|Qq\rangle\}_q = \{\langle f|q\rangle q\}_q = \{\langle q|Q^\dagger|f\rangle^*\}_q = \{(q^* \langle q|f\rangle)^*\}_q \right] \quad (3)$$

The eigenvalues of  $2^n$ -on normal operator are  $2^n$ -ons. For Hilbert spaces the eigenvalues are restricted to elements of a division ring.

$$Q = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} I_j Q_i \quad (4)$$

The  $Q_j$  are self-adjoint operators.

### 2.2.6.7 Unitary operators

For unitary operators holds:

$$U^\dagger = U^{-1} \quad (1)$$

Thus

$$UU^\dagger = U^\dagger U = I \quad (2)$$

Suppose  $U = I + C$  where  $U$  is unitary and  $C$  is compact. The equations (2) and  $C = U - I$  show that  $C$  is normal. The spectrum of  $C$  contains 0, and possibly, a finite set or a sequence tending to 0. Since  $U = I + C$ , the spectrum of  $U$  is obtained by shifting the spectrum of  $C$  by 1.

The unitary transform can be expressed as:

$$U = \exp(\tilde{I} \Phi / \hbar) \quad (3)$$

$$\hbar = h / (2 \pi) \quad (4)$$

$\Phi$  is Hermitian. The constant  $h$  refers to the granularity of the eigenspace.

Unitary operators have eigenvalues that are located in the unity sphere of the  $2^n$ -ons field.

The eigenvalues have the form:

$$u = \exp(\mathbf{i} \varphi / \hbar) \quad (5)$$

$\varphi$  is real.  $\mathbf{i}$  is a unit length imaginary number in  $2^n$ -on space. It represents a direction.

$u$  spans a sphere in  $2^n$ -on space. For constant  $\mathbf{i}$ ,  $u$  spans a circle in a complex subspace.

#### 2.2.6.7.1 Polar decomposition

Normal operators  $N$  can be split into a real operator  $A$  and a unitary operator  $U$ .  $U$  and  $A$  have the same set of eigenvectors as  $N$ .

$$N = \|N\| U = A U = U A = A \exp\left(\tilde{I} \frac{\Phi}{\hbar}\right) = \exp\left(\Phi_r + \tilde{I} \frac{\Phi}{\hbar}\right) \quad (1)$$

$\Phi_r$  is a positive normal operator.

### 2.2.6.8 Ladder operator

#### 2.2.6.8.1 General formulation

Suppose that two operators  $X$  and  $N$  have the commutation relation:

$$[N, X] = c X \quad (1)$$

for some scalar  $c$ . If  $|n\rangle$  is an eigenstate of  $N$  with eigenvalue equation,

$$|N n\rangle = |n\rangle n \quad (2)$$

then the operator  $X$  acts on  $|n\rangle$  in such a way as to shift the eigenvalue by  $c$ :

$$\begin{aligned} |N X n\rangle &= |(X N + [N, X])n\rangle = |(X N + c X)n\rangle \\ &= |X N n\rangle + |X n\rangle c = |X n\rangle n + |X n\rangle c = |X n\rangle(n + c) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

In other words, if  $|n\rangle$  is an eigenstate of  $N$  with eigenvalue  $n$  then  $|X n\rangle$  is an eigenstate of  $N$  with eigenvalue  $n + c$ .

The operator  $X$  is a *raising operator* for  $N$  if  $c$  is real and positive, and a *lowering operator* for  $N$  if  $c$  is real and negative.

If  $N$  is a Hermitian operator then  $c$  must be real and the Hermitian adjoint of  $X$  obeys the commutation relation:

$$[N, X^\dagger] = -c X^\dagger \quad (4)$$

In particular, if  $X$  is a lowering operator for  $N$  then  $X^\dagger$  is a raising operator for  $N$  and vice-versa.

### 2.2.7 Unit sphere of $\mathfrak{H}$

The ket vectors in  $\mathfrak{H}$  that have their norm equal to one form together the **unit sphere**  $\Theta$  of  $\mathfrak{H}$ .

The orthonormal base vectors are all member of the unit sphere.

### 2.2.8 Bra-ket in four dimensional space

The Bra-ket formulation can also be used in transformations of the four dimensional curved spaces.

The bra  $\langle f|$  is then a covariant vector and the ket  $|g\rangle$  is a contra-variant vector. The inner product acts as a metric.

$$s = \langle f|g\rangle \quad (1)$$

The effect of a linear transformation  $L$  is then given by

$$s_L = \langle f|Lg\rangle \quad (2)$$

The effect of a the transpose transformation  $L^\dagger$  is then given by



$$\langle f|L^\dagger|g\rangle = \langle f|Lg\rangle \quad (3)$$

For a unitary transformation  $U$  holds:

$$\langle Nf|Ng\rangle = \langle f|N^\dagger Ng\rangle = \langle f|NN^\dagger g\rangle = \langle NN^\dagger f|g\rangle = \langle N^\dagger Nf|g\rangle \quad (4)$$

$$\langle Uf|Ug\rangle = \langle f|g\rangle \quad (5)$$

$$\langle \nabla f|\nabla g\rangle = \langle f|\nabla^\dagger \nabla g\rangle = \langle f|\nabla \nabla^\dagger g\rangle = \langle \nabla \nabla^\dagger f|g\rangle = \langle \nabla^\dagger \nabla f|g\rangle \quad (6)$$

Notice that

$$\nabla \nabla^\dagger = \nabla^\dagger \nabla = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle = \nabla_0^2 - \nabla^2 \quad (7)$$

### 2.2.9 Closure

The closure of  $\mathfrak{S}$  means that converging rows of vectors converge to a vector of  $\mathfrak{S}$ .

In general converging rows of eigenvalues of  $Q$  do not converge to an eigenvalue of  $Q$ .

Thus, the set of eigenvalues of  $Q$  is open.

At best the density of the coverage of the set of eigenvalues is comparable with the set of  $2^n$ -ons that have rational numbers as coordinate values.

With other words, compared to the set of real numbers the eigenvalue spectrum of  $Q$  has holes.

The set of eigenvalues of operator  $Q$  includes 0. This means that  $Q$  does not have an inverse.

The rigged Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  can offer a solution, but then the direct relation with quantum logic is lost.

### 2.2.10 Canonical conjugate operator P

The existence of a canonical conjugate represents a stronger requirement on the continuity of the eigenvalues of canonical eigenvalues.

$Q$  has eigenvectors  $\{|q\rangle\}_q$  and eigenvalues  $q_s$ .

$P$  has eigenvectors  $\{|p\rangle\}_p$  and eigenvalues  $p_s$ .

For each eigenvector  $|q\rangle$  of  $Q$  we define an eigenvector  $|p\rangle$  and eigenvalues  $p_s$  of  $P$  such that:

$$\langle q|p\rangle = \langle p|q\rangle^* = \exp(i p_s q_s / \hbar) \quad (1)$$

$\hbar = h/(2\pi)$  is a scaling factor.  $\langle q|p\rangle$  is a quaternion.  $\mathbf{i}$  is a unit length imaginary quaternion.  $q_s$  and  $p_s$  are quaternionic (eigen)values corresponding to  $|q\rangle$  and  $|p\rangle$ .

### 2.2.11 Displacement generators

Variance of the scalar product gives:

$$\mathbf{i} \hbar \delta \langle q|p\rangle = -p_s \langle q|p\rangle \delta q \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{i} \hbar \delta \langle p|q\rangle = -q_s \langle p|q\rangle \delta p \quad (2)$$

In the rigged Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  the variance can be replaced by differentiation.

Partial differentiation of the function  $\langle q|p\rangle$  gives:

$$\mathbf{i} \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial q_s} \langle q|p\rangle = -p_s \langle q|p\rangle \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{i} \hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial p_s} \langle p|q\rangle = -q_s \langle p|q\rangle \quad (4)$$

### 3 Gelfand triple

The separable Hilbert space only supports countable orthonormal bases and countable eigenspaces. The rigged Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  that **belongs to** an infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  is a Gelfand triple. It supports non-countable orthonormal bases and continuum eigenspaces.

A rigged Hilbert space is a pair  $(\mathfrak{H}, \Phi)$  with  $\mathfrak{H}$  a Hilbert space,  $\Phi$  a dense subspace, such that  $\Phi$  is given a [topological vector space](#) structure for which the [inclusion map](#)  $i$  is continuous.

Identifying  $\mathfrak{H}$  with its dual space  $\mathfrak{H}^\dagger$ , the adjoint to  $i$  is the map

$$i^*: \mathfrak{H} = \mathfrak{H}^\dagger \rightarrow \Phi^\dagger \tag{1}$$

The duality pairing between  $\Phi$  and  $\Phi^\dagger$  has to be compatible with the inner product on  $\mathfrak{H}$ , in the sense that:

$$\langle u, v \rangle_{\Phi \times \Phi^\dagger} = (u, v)_{\mathfrak{H}} \tag{2}$$

whenever  $u \in \Phi \subset \mathfrak{H}$  and  $v \in \mathfrak{H} = \mathfrak{H}^\dagger \subset \Phi^\dagger$ .

The specific triple  $(\Phi \subset \mathfrak{H} \subset \Phi^\dagger)$  is often named after the mathematician [Israel Gelfand](#).

Note that even though  $\Phi$  is isomorphic to  $\Phi^\dagger$  if  $\Phi$  is a Hilbert space in its own right, this isomorphism is *not* the same as the composition of the inclusion  $i$  with its adjoint  $i^\dagger$

$$i^\dagger i: \Phi \subset \mathfrak{H} = \mathfrak{H}^\dagger \rightarrow \Phi^\dagger \tag{3}$$

#### 3.1 Understanding the Gelfand triple

The Gelfand triple of a real separable Hilbert space can be understood via the enumeration model of the real separable Hilbert space. This enumeration is obtained by taking the set of eigenvectors of a normal operator that has rational numbers as its eigenvalues. Let the smallest enumeration value of the rational enumerators approach zero. Even when zero is reached, then still the set of enumerators is countable. Now add all limits of converging rows of rational enumerators to the enumeration set. After this operation the enumeration set has become a continuum and has the same cardinality as the set of the real numbers. This operation converts the Hilbert space  $\mathfrak{H}$  into its Gelfand triple  $\mathcal{H}$  and it converts the normal operator in a new operator that has the real numbers as its eigenspace. It means that the orthonormal base of the Gelfand triple that is formed by the eigenvectors of the new normal operator has the cardinality of the real numbers. It also means that linear operators in this Gelfand triple have eigenspaces that are continuums and have the cardinality of the real numbers<sup>1</sup>. The same reasoning holds for complex number based Hilbert spaces and quaternionic Hilbert spaces and their respective Gelfand triples.

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<sup>1</sup> This story also applies to the complex and the quaternionic Hilbert spaces and their Gelfand triples.

A similar insight can be obtained via the **reverse bra-ket method**. The (mostly) continuous function  $F(q)$  can relate a continuum parameter space  $\{q\}$  to a closed set  $\{|q\rangle\}$  of Hilbert vectors that form an orthonormal base of the rigged Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ . In this way a normal operator  $F$  is defined via:

$$\langle x|F|y\rangle = \int_q \langle x|q\rangle F(q) \langle q|y\rangle dq \quad (1)$$

The relation between the infinite dimensional separable Hilbert space and its non-separable companion follows from:

$$\langle x|F|y\rangle = \sum_{i=0}^{i=\infty} \langle x|q_i\rangle F(q_i) \langle q_i|y\rangle \approx \int_q \langle x|q\rangle F(q) \langle q|y\rangle dq \quad (2)$$

This can be interpreted by the view that the separable Hilbert space is embedded within its non-separable companion.

Formula (2) also reveals how summation of sets  $\{q_i\}$  is related to integration of corresponding continuums  $\{q\}$ .

## 4 Quaternionic and Maxwell field equations

In this section, we will compare two sets of differential equations. Both sets use pure space as part of the parameter space.

- Quaternionic differential equations
  - These equations use progression as one of its parameters.
- Maxwell based differential equations
  - These equations use quaternionic distance as one of its parameters.

In this chapter we will use a switch  $\odot = \pm 1$  that selects between two different sets of differential calculus. One set concerns low order quaternionic differential calculus. The other set concerns Maxwell based differential calculus. The switch will be used to highlight the great similarity and the significant differences between these sets.

By introducing new symbols  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  we will turn the quaternionic differential equations into Maxwell-like quaternionic differential equations. We introduced a simple switch  $\odot = \pm 1$  that apart from the difference between the parameter spaces, will turn one set of equations into the other set.

Maxwell based differential calculus splits quaternionic functions into a scalar function and a vector function. Instead of the quaternionic nabla  $\nabla = \nabla_0 + \nabla$  the Maxwell based equations use the scalar operator  $\nabla_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$  and the vector nabla  $\nabla$  as separate operators. Maxwell equations use a switch  $\alpha$  that controls the structure of a gauge equation.

$$\kappa = \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi_0 + \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle \tag{1}$$

For Maxwell based differential calculus is  $\alpha = +1$  and  $\nabla_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ . The switch value is  $\odot = -1$ .

For quaternionic differential calculus is  $\alpha = -1$  and  $\nabla_0 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ . The switch value is  $\odot = +1$ .

In the book EMFT the scalar field  $\kappa$  is taken as a gauge with

- $\alpha = 1$ ; Lorentz gauge
- $\alpha = 0$ ; Coulomb gauge
- $\alpha = -1$ ; Kirchhoff gauge.

We will use the definition of a scalar field  $\kappa$ :

$$\kappa \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \alpha \nabla_t \varphi_0 + \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle \Leftrightarrow \phi_0 = \nabla_t \varphi_0 - \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle \tag{2}$$

In Maxwell based differential calculus the scalar field  $\kappa$  is ignored or it is taken equal to zero. As will be shown, zeroing  $\kappa$  is not necessary for the derivation of the Maxwell based wave equation [13].

Maxwell equations split the considered functions in scalar functions and vector functions. The Maxwell differential operators are also split and as a consequence they cannot be treated as multiplying operators. We keep them together with curly brackets.

$$\phi = \{\phi_0, \boldsymbol{\phi}\} = \{\nabla_0, \nabla\}\{\varphi_0, \boldsymbol{\varphi}\} \quad (3)$$

$$\phi_0 = \nabla_0 \varphi_0 - \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle \quad (4)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\phi} = \nabla_0 \boldsymbol{\varphi} + \nabla \varphi_0 \pm \nabla \times \boldsymbol{\varphi} \quad (5)$$

Equations (4) and (5) are not genuine Maxwell equations. We introduce them here as extra Maxwell equations. Choice  $\langle * \rangle = -1$  conforms to the Lorenz gauge. We define extra symbols  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$  for parts of the first order partial differential equation.

$$\mathfrak{E} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla_0 \boldsymbol{\varphi} - \nabla \varphi_0 \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{E} = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \boldsymbol{\varphi} - \nabla_0 \nabla \varphi_0 \quad (7)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{E} \rangle = -\nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi_0 \quad (8)$$

$$\mathfrak{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \nabla \times \boldsymbol{\varphi} \quad (9)$$

These definitions imply:

$$\langle \mathfrak{E}, \mathfrak{B} \rangle = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{B} = -\nabla \times \mathfrak{E} \quad (11)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{B} \rangle = 0 \quad (12)$$

$$\nabla \times \mathfrak{B} = \nabla \langle \nabla, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \boldsymbol{\varphi} \quad (13)$$

Also the following two equations are not genuine Maxwell equations, but they relate to the gauge equation.

$$\nabla_0 \phi_0 = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle \quad (14)$$

$$\nabla \phi_0 = \nabla_0 \nabla \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \nabla \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle = \nabla_0 \nabla \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi - \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi \quad (15)$$

$$\zeta = (\nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi = \zeta_0 + \zeta \Leftrightarrow \{\zeta_0, \zeta\} = \{\nabla_0, -\nabla\} \{\phi_0, \phi\} \quad (16)$$

$$\zeta_0 = (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \phi_0 = \nabla_0 \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \mathcal{E} \rangle \quad (17)$$

$$\zeta = (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi = -\nabla \phi_0 - \nabla_0 \mathcal{E} - \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \mathcal{B} \quad (18)$$

More in detail the equations mean:

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_0 &= \nabla_0 \phi_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \phi \rangle \quad (19) \\ &= \{\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle\} + \{\textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \phi_0 + \textcircled{*} \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle \pm \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \times \varphi \rangle\} \\ &= (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \phi_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta_0 &= \nabla_0 \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \mathcal{E} \rangle \quad (20) \\ &= \{\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi_0 - \textcircled{*} \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle\} + \{\textcircled{*} \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \phi_0\} \\ &= (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \phi_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta &= -\nabla \phi_0 + \nabla_0 \phi \mp \nabla \times \phi \quad (21) \\ &= \{-\nabla \nabla_0 \phi_0 + \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi\} + \{\nabla_0 \nabla \phi_0 + \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi \pm \nabla_0 \nabla \times \varphi\} \\ &\quad \{\mp \nabla \times \nabla \phi_0 \mp \nabla \times \nabla_0 \phi - \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi\} \\ &= (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi + \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi - \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \zeta &= -\nabla \phi_0 - \nabla_0 \mathcal{E} - \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \mathcal{B} \quad (22) \\ &= \{-\nabla \nabla_0 \phi_0 + \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi\} + \{\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \phi + \nabla_0 \nabla \phi_0\} - \textcircled{*} \nabla \times \nabla \times \varphi \\ &= (\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi \end{aligned}$$

Equation (21) reveals why Maxwell based differential equations use the gauge  $\varkappa$  rather than accept equation (4) as a genuine Maxwell equation.

$$\rho_0 = \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi_0 = \zeta_0 - \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \varphi_0 \quad (23)$$

$$\rho = \textcircled{*} \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi = \zeta - \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \varphi \quad (24)$$

Thus a simple change of a parameter and the control switch  $\textcircled{*}$  turn quaternionic differential equations into equivalent Maxwell differential equations and vice versa. This makes clear that both sets represent two different views from the same subject, which is a field that can be stored in the eigenspace of an operator that resides in the Gelfand triple.

Still the comparison shows an anomaly in equation (21) that represents a significant difference between the two sets of differential equations that goes beyond the difference between the parameter spaces. A possible clue will be given in the section on the Dirac equation. This clue comes down to the conclusion that the Maxwell based equations do not lead via the coupling of two first order quaternionic partial differential equations to a regular second order partial quaternionic differential equation, but instead the wave equation represents a coupling between two solutions of different first order biquaternionic differential equations that use different parameter spaces. In the Dirac equation these solutions represent either particle behavior or antiparticle behavior.



## 5 Genuine Maxwell wave equations

The scalar part of the genuine Maxwell based differential equals zero. This is expressed by the Lorenz gauge.

The genuine Maxwell differential equations deliver different inhomogeneous wave equations:

$$\mathfrak{E} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla_0 \varphi - \nabla \varphi_0 \tag{1}$$

$$\mathfrak{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \nabla \times \varphi \tag{2}$$

The following definitions follow from the definitions of  $\mathfrak{E}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}$ .

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{E} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 \varphi - \nabla_0 \nabla \varphi_0 \tag{3}$$

$$\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{E} \rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi_0 \tag{4}$$

$$\nabla_0 \mathfrak{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\nabla \times \mathfrak{E} \tag{5}$$

$$\langle \nabla, \mathfrak{B} \rangle \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{0} \tag{6}$$

$$\nabla \times \mathfrak{B} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \nabla \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \varphi \tag{7}$$

The Lorenz gauge means:

$$\nabla_0 \varphi_0 + \langle \nabla, \varphi \rangle = 0 \tag{8}$$

The genuine Maxwell based wave equations are:

$$(\nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi_0 = \rho_0 = \langle \nabla, \mathfrak{E} \rangle \tag{9}$$

$$(\nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \varphi = j = \nabla \times \mathfrak{B} - \nabla_0 \mathfrak{E} \tag{10}$$

## 6 Dirac equation

### 6.1 The Dirac equation in original format

In its original form the Dirac equation is a complex equation that uses spinors, matrices and partial derivatives [14].

Instead of the usual  $\left\{ \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}, \mathbf{i} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \mathbf{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}, \mathbf{k} \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \right\}$  we want to use operators  $\nabla = \{\nabla_0, \mathbf{\nabla}\}$

The subscript  $_0$  indicates the scalar part. Bold face indicates the vector part.

The operator  $\nabla$  relates to the applied parameter space. This means that the parameter space is also configured of combinations  $x = \{x_0, \mathbf{x}\}$  of a scalar  $x_0$  and a vector  $\mathbf{x}$ . Also the functions  $f = \{f_0, \mathbf{f}\}$  can be split in scalar functions  $f_0$  and vector functions  $\mathbf{f}$ .

The local parameter  $t = x_0$  represents the scalar part of the applied parameter space.

Dirac was searching for a split of the Klein-Gordon equation into two first order differential equations.

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} - \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial z^2} = -m^2 f \quad (1)$$

$$(\nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \langle \mathbf{\nabla}, \mathbf{\nabla} \rangle) f = \mathfrak{D} f = -m^2 f \quad (2)$$

Here  $\mathfrak{D} = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \langle \mathbf{\nabla}, \mathbf{\nabla} \rangle$  is the d'Alembert operator.

Dirac used a combination of matrices and spinors in order to reach this result. He applied the Pauli matrices in order to simulate the behavior of vector functions under differentiation.

The unity matrix  $I$  and the Pauli matrices  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$  are given by [15]:

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -\mathbf{i} \\ \mathbf{i} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

For one of the potential orderings of the quaternionic number system, the Pauli matrices together with the unity matrix  $I$  relate to the quaternionic base vectors  $1, \mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}$  and  $\mathbf{k}$

$$1 \mapsto I, \quad \mathbf{i} \mapsto \mathbf{i} \sigma_1, \quad \mathbf{j} \mapsto \mathbf{i} \sigma_2, \quad \mathbf{k} \mapsto \mathbf{i} \sigma_3 \quad (4)$$

$$\sigma_1 \sigma_2 - \sigma_2 \sigma_1 = 2 \mathbf{i} \sigma_3; \quad \sigma_2 \sigma_3 - \sigma_3 \sigma_2 = 2 \mathbf{i} \sigma_1; \quad \sigma_3 \sigma_1 - \sigma_1 \sigma_3 = 2 \mathbf{i} \sigma_2 \quad (5)$$

$$\sigma_1\sigma_1 = \sigma_2\sigma_2 = \sigma_3\sigma_3 = I \quad (6)$$

The different ordering possibilities of the quaternionic number system correspond to different symmetry flavors. Half of these possibilities offer a right handed external vector product. The other half offer a left handed external vector product.

We will regularly use:

$$\langle \mathbb{i} \sigma, \nabla \rangle = \nabla ; \mathbb{i} = \sqrt{-1} \quad (7)$$

With

$$p_\mu = -\mathbb{i} \nabla_\mu \quad (8)$$

follow

$$p_\mu \sigma_\mu = -\mathbb{i} e_\mu \nabla_\mu \quad (9)$$

$$\langle \sigma, p \rangle \leftrightarrow \mathbb{i} \nabla \quad (10)$$

## 6.2 Dirac's approach

The original Dirac equation uses 4x4 matrices  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . [6]:

$\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are matrices that implement the quaternion arithmetic behavior including the possible symmetry flavors of quaternionic number systems and continuums.

$$\alpha_\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sigma_\mu \\ \sigma_\mu & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

$$\beta\beta = I \quad (3)$$

The interpretation of the Pauli matrices as representation of a special kind of angular momentum has led to the half integer eigenvalue of the corresponding spin operator.

Dirac's selection leads to

$$(p_0 - \langle \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{p} \rangle - \beta mc)\{\varphi\} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$\{\varphi\}$  is a four component spinor.

Which splits into

$$(p_0 - \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{p} \rangle - mc)\varphi_A = 0 \quad (5)$$

and

$$(p_0 - \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \mathbf{p} \rangle + mc)\varphi_B = 0 \quad (6)$$

$\varphi_A$  and  $\varphi_B$  are spinor components. Thus the original Dirac equation splits into:

$$(\nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla} - \mathbb{i} mc)\varphi_A = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$(\nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla} + \mathbb{i} mc)\varphi_B = 0 \quad (8)$$

This split does not lead easily to a second order partial differential equation that looks like the Klein Gordon equation.

### 6.3 Relativistic formulation

Instead of Dirac's original formulation, usually the relativistic formulation is used [16].

That formulation applies gamma matrices, instead of the alpha and beta matrices. This different choice influences the form of the equations that result for the two spinor components.

$$\gamma_\mu = \beta \alpha_\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \sigma_\mu \\ -\sigma_\mu & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \mu = 1,2,3 \quad (1)$$

$$(2)$$

$$\gamma_0 = \beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_5 = i_0\gamma_0\gamma_1\gamma_2\gamma_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

The matrix  $\gamma_5$  anti-commutes with all other gamma matrices.

Several different sets of gamma matrices are possible. The choice above leads to a “Dirac equation” of the form

$$(\mathbb{i} \gamma^\mu \nabla_\mu - mc)\varphi = 0 \quad (7)$$

More extended:

$$\left( \gamma_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \langle \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle - \frac{m}{\mathbb{i} \hbar} \right) \{\psi\} = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle \\ -\langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{m}{\mathbb{i} \hbar} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_A \\ \varphi_B \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\left( \mathbb{i} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \boldsymbol{\nabla} \\ -\boldsymbol{\nabla} & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{m}{\hbar} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_A \\ \varphi_B \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (10)$$

$$\mathbb{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi_A + \boldsymbol{\nabla} \varphi_B - \frac{m}{\mathbb{i} \hbar} \varphi_A = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$-\mathbb{i} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \varphi_B - \boldsymbol{\nabla} \varphi_A - \frac{m}{\mathbb{i} \hbar} \varphi_B = 0 \quad (12)$$

Also this split does not easily lead to a second order partial differential equation that looks like the Klein Gordon equation.

#### 6.4 A better choice

Another interpretation of the Dirac approach replaces  $\gamma_0$  with  $\gamma_5$  [17]:

$$\left( \gamma_5 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \gamma_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} - \gamma_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - \gamma_3 \frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{m}{\mathbb{i} \hbar} \right) \{\psi\} = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$(2)$$

$$\left(\gamma_5 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \langle \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle - \frac{m}{i\hbar}\right) \{\psi\} = 0$$

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle \\ -\langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{m}{i\hbar} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) \begin{bmatrix} \psi_A \\ \psi_B \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (3)$$

This invites splitting of the four component spinor equation into two equations for the two components  $\psi_A$  and  $\psi_B$  of the spinor:

$$i\hbar \nabla_0 \psi_A + i\hbar \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle \psi_A = \frac{m}{\hbar} \psi_B \quad (4)$$

$$i\hbar \nabla_0 \psi_B - i\hbar \langle \boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle \psi_B = \frac{m}{\hbar} \psi_A \quad (5)$$

$$(i\hbar \nabla_0 + \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_A = \frac{m}{\hbar} \psi_B \quad (6)$$

$$(i\hbar \nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_B = \frac{m}{\hbar} \psi_A \quad (7)$$

This looks far more promising. We can insert the right part of the first equation into the left part of the second equation.

$$(i\hbar \nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla})(i\hbar \nabla_0 + \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_A = (-\nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_A = (\langle \boldsymbol{\nabla}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle - \nabla_0 \nabla_0) \psi_A \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{m}{\hbar} (i\hbar \nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_B = \frac{m^2}{\hbar^2} \psi_A$$

$$(\langle \boldsymbol{\nabla}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle - \nabla_0 \nabla_0) \psi_A = \frac{m^2}{\hbar^2} \psi_A \quad (9)$$

$$(i\hbar \nabla_0 + \boldsymbol{\nabla})(i\hbar \nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_B = (-\nabla_0 \nabla_0 - \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_B = (\langle \boldsymbol{\nabla}, \boldsymbol{\nabla} \rangle - \nabla_0 \nabla_0) \psi_B \quad (10)$$

$$= \frac{m}{\hbar} (i\hbar \nabla_0 + \boldsymbol{\nabla}) \psi_A = \frac{m^2}{\hbar^2} \psi_B$$

$$(\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle - \nabla_0 \nabla_0) \psi_B = \frac{m^2}{\hbar^2} \psi_B \quad (11)$$

This is what Dirac wanted to achieve. The two first order differential equations couple into a second order differential equation that is equivalent to a Klein Gordon equation. The homogeneous version of this second order partial differential equation is a wave equation and offers solutions that are waves.

The nabla operator acts differently onto the two component spinors  $\psi_A$  and  $\psi_B$ .

### 6.5 The quaternionic nabla and the Dirac nabla

The modified Pauli matrices together with a 2x2 identity matrix implement the equivalent of a quaternionic number system with a selected symmetry flavor.

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbb{i} \sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{i} \\ \mathbb{i} & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbb{i} \sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbb{i} \sigma_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{i} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The modified Pauli matrices together with the  $I_0$  matrix implements another structure, which is not a version of a quaternionic number system.

$$I_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{i} & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbb{i} \end{bmatrix}; \mathbb{i} \sigma_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbb{i} \\ \mathbb{i} & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbb{i} \sigma_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbb{i} \sigma_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{i} & 0 \\ 0 & -\mathbb{i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Both the quaternionic nabla and the Dirac nabla implement a way to let these differential operators act as multipliers.

The quaternionic nabla is defined as

$$\nabla = \nabla_0 + \nabla = e^\mu \nabla_\mu = \nabla_0 + \mathbb{i} \langle \sigma, \nabla \rangle \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla^* = \nabla_0 - \nabla \quad (4)$$

For scalar functions and for vector functions hold:

$$\nabla^* \nabla = \nabla \nabla^* = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \quad (5)$$

The Dirac nabla is defined as

$$\mathcal{D} = \mathbb{i} \nabla_0 + \nabla = \mathbb{i} \nabla_0 + \mathbb{i} \langle \sigma, \nabla \rangle \quad (6)$$

$$\mathcal{D}^* = \mathbb{i} \nabla_0 - \nabla \quad (7)$$

$$\mathcal{D}^* \mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D} \mathcal{D}^* = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \quad (8)$$

### 6.5.1 Prove

We use

$$\nabla_0 \nabla f_0 = \nabla \nabla_0 f_0 \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla_0 \nabla f = \nabla \nabla_0 f = -\nabla_0 \langle \nabla, f \rangle + \nabla_0 \nabla \times f \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla \nabla f_0 = -\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f_0 + \nabla \times \nabla f_0 = -\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f_0 \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla(\nabla f) = -\nabla \langle \nabla, f \rangle + \nabla \times \nabla \times f = -\langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f = (\nabla \nabla) f \quad (4)$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times f = \nabla \langle \nabla, f \rangle - \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f \quad (5)$$

$$\langle \nabla, \nabla \times f \rangle = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla \times \nabla f_0 = \mathbf{0} \quad (7)$$

This results in

$$(\alpha \nabla_0 + \nabla) f_0 = \alpha \nabla_0 f_0 + \nabla f_0 \quad (8)$$

$$(\alpha \nabla_0 - \nabla)(\alpha \nabla_0 + \nabla) f_0 \quad (9)$$

$$= \alpha^2 \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \alpha \nabla_0 \nabla f_0 - \alpha \nabla \nabla_0 f_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f_0 - \nabla \times \nabla f_0$$

$$= \alpha^2 \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle f_0$$



$$(\alpha \nabla_0 + \nabla) \mathbf{f} = \alpha \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} - \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \nabla \times \mathbf{f} \quad (10)$$

$$(\alpha \nabla_0 - \alpha \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} - \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \nabla \times \mathbf{f})(\alpha \nabla_0 + \nabla) \mathbf{f}$$

$$(\alpha \nabla_0 - \nabla)(\alpha \nabla_0 + \nabla) f_0 \quad (11)$$

$$= \alpha^2 \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} - \alpha \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \alpha \nabla_0 \nabla \times \mathbf{f} + \alpha \nabla_0 \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle$$

$$- \alpha \nabla_0 \nabla \times \mathbf{f} + \nabla \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \langle \nabla, \nabla \times \mathbf{f} \rangle - \nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{f}$$

$$= \alpha^2 \nabla_0 \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle \mathbf{f}$$

### 6.5.2 Discussion

For  $\alpha = 1$  the equations

$$(\nabla^* \nabla f_0 = \nabla \nabla^* f_0 = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) f_0 \quad (1)$$

$$(\nabla^* \nabla \mathbf{f} = \nabla \nabla^* \mathbf{f} = \nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \mathbf{f} \quad (2)$$

work for both parts of a quaternionic function  $f = f_0 + \mathbf{f}$ .

For  $\alpha = \mathbf{i}$  the equations

$$(\mathcal{D}^* \mathcal{D} f_0 = \mathcal{D} \mathcal{D}^* f_0 = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) f_0 \quad (3)$$

$$(\mathcal{D}^* \mathcal{D} \mathbf{f} = \mathcal{D} \mathcal{D}^* \mathbf{f} = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \mathbf{f} \quad (4)$$

work separately for scalar function  $f_0$  and vector function  $\mathbf{f}$ . The right sides of the equations work for quaternionic functions. Thus

$$(g = \mathcal{D} f = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle) \mathbf{f} \quad (5)$$

is a valid equation for quaternionic functions  $f$  and  $g$ .

Thus the d'Alembert operator  $\mathfrak{D} = -\nabla_0 \nabla_0 + \langle \nabla, \nabla \rangle$  is a valid quaternionic operator.

The nabla operators reflects the structure of the parameter space of the functions on which they work. Thus the quaternionic nabla operator reflects a quaternionic number system. The Dirac nabla operator reflects the structure of the parameters of the two component spinors that figure in the modified Dirac equation.

Between the two spinor components  $\psi_A$  and  $\psi_B$ , the scalar part of the parameter space appears to change sign with respect to the vector part.

Applied to a quaternionic function, the quaternionic nabla results again in a **quaternionic** function.

$$\phi = \phi_0 + \boldsymbol{\phi} = (\nabla_0 + \nabla)(f_0 + \mathbf{f}) = \nabla_0 f_0 - \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \nabla f_0 + \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} + \nabla \times \mathbf{f} \quad (6)$$

Applied to a quaternionic function, the Dirac nabla results in a **biquaternionic** function.

$$(\mathfrak{i} \nabla_0 + \nabla)(f_0 + \mathbf{f}) = \nabla_0 \mathfrak{i} f_0 - \langle \nabla, \mathbf{f} \rangle + \nabla f_0 + \mathfrak{i} \nabla_0 \mathbf{f} + \nabla \times \mathbf{f} \quad (7)$$

Neither the Dirac nabla  $\mathcal{D}$  nor its conjugate  $\mathcal{D}^*$  delivers quaternionic functions from quaternionic functions. They are not proper quaternionic operators.

**Thus, the d'Alembert operator cannot be split into two operators that map quaternionic functions onto quaternionic functions.**

In contrast the operators  $\nabla^* \nabla$ ,  $\nabla$  and  $\nabla^*$  are all three proper quaternionic operators.

## 6.6 Quaternionic format of Dirac equation

The initial goal of Dirac was to split the Klein Gordon equation into two first order differential equations. He tried to achieve this via the combination of matrices and spinors. This leads to a result that does not lead to an actual second order differential equation, but instead it leads to two different first order differential equations for two different spinors that can be coupled into a second order partial differential equation that looks like a Klein Gordon equation. The homogeneous version of the Klein Gordon equation is a wave equation. However, that equation misses an essential right part of the Klein-Gordon equation.

Quaternionic differential calculus supports first order differential equations that in a natural way lead to a second order partial differential equation that differs significantly from a wave equation.

The closest quaternionic equivalents of the first order Dirac equations for the electron and the positron are:

$$\nabla\psi = (\nabla_0 + \nabla)(\psi_0 + \boldsymbol{\psi}) = m\varphi \quad (1)$$

$$\nabla^*\varphi = (\nabla_0 - \nabla)(\varphi_0 + \boldsymbol{\varphi}) = m\psi \quad (2)$$

$$\nabla^*\nabla\psi = (\nabla_0 - \nabla)(\nabla_0 + \nabla)(\psi_0 + \boldsymbol{\psi}) = m^2\psi \quad (3)$$

$$\nabla^*\nabla\psi = \nabla^*\nabla\psi = (\nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle) \psi = m^2\psi \quad (4)$$

$$\nabla\nabla^*\varphi = \nabla^*\nabla\varphi = (\nabla_0\nabla_0 + \langle\nabla, \nabla\rangle) \varphi = m^2\varphi \quad (5)$$

A similar equation exists for spherical coordinates.

These second order equations are not wave equations. Their set of solutions does not include waves.

## 6.7 Interpretation of the Dirac equation

The original Dirac equation can be split into two equations. One of them describes the behavior of the electron. The other equation describes the behavior of the positron.

The positron is the anti-particle of the electron. These particles feature the same rest mass, but other characteristics such as their electric charge differ in sign. The positron can be interpreted as an electron that moves back in time. Sometimes the electron is interpreted as a hole in a sea of positrons. These interpretations indicate that the functions that describe these particles feature different parameter spaces that differ in the sign of the scalar part.

### 6.7.1 Particle fields

The fields that characterize different types of particles can be related to parameter spaces that belong to different versions of the quaternionic number system. These fields are coupled to an embedding field on which the particles and their private parameter spaces float.

The reverse bra-ket method shows how fields can on the one hand be coupled to eigenspaces and eigenvectors of operators which reside in quaternionic non-separable Hilbert spaces and on the other hand can be coupled to pairs of parameter spaces and quaternionic functions. Quaternionic functions can be split into scalar functions and vector functions. In a quaternionic Hilbert space several different natural parameter spaces can coexist. Natural parameter spaces are formed by versions of the quaternionic number system. These versions differ in the way that these number systems are ordered.

The original Dirac equations might represent this coupling between the particle field and the embedding field.

## 6.8 Alternatives

### 6.8.1 Minkowski parameter space

In quaternionic differential calculus the local quaternionic distance can represent a scalar that is independent of the direction of progression. It corresponds to the notion of coordinate time  $t$ . This means that a small coordinate time step  $\Delta t$  equals the sum of a small proper time step  $\Delta \tau$  and a small pure space step  $\Delta \mathbf{x}$ . In quaternionic format the step  $\Delta \tau$  is a real number. The space step  $\Delta \mathbf{x}$  is an imaginary quaternionic number. The original Dirac equation does not pay attention to the difference between coordinate time and proper time, but the quaternionic presentation of these equations show that a progression independent scalar can be useful as the scalar part of the parameter space. This holds especially for solutions of the homogeneous wave equation.

In this way coordinate time is a function of proper time  $\tau$  and distance in pure space  $|\Delta \mathbf{x}|$ .

$$|\Delta t|^2 = |\Delta \tau|^2 + |\Delta \mathbf{x}|^2$$

Together  $t$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  deliver a spacetime model that has a Minkowski signature.

$$|\Delta \tau|^2 = |\Delta t|^2 - |\Delta \mathbf{x}|^2$$

### 6.8.2 Other natural parameter spaces

The Dirac equation in quaternionic format treats a coupling of parameter spaces that are each other's quaternionic conjugate. The  $\beta$  matrix implements isotropic conjugation. An adapted conjugation matrix can apply anisotropic conjugation. This concerns conjugations in which only one or two dimensions get a reverse ordering. In that case the equations handle the dynamic behavior of anisotropic particles such as quarks. Quarks correspond to solutions that have anisotropic parameter spaces. Also for these quarks exist advanced particle solutions and retarded antiparticle solutions.

## 7 Lorentz transformation

Differences between positions in subsequent members of the sequence of static status quos of the Hilbert Book Model can be interpreted as displacements. The displacement is a coordinate transformation. For the properties of this transformation it does not matter where the displacement starts or in which direction it is taken.

In order to simplify the description we will use the name *Hilbert Book page* or *sheet* for a static status quo of the Hilbert Book model.

The same holds for displacements that concern sequence members that are located further apart. The corresponding displacements form a group. The displacement is a function of both the position and the sequence number. The displacement  $z, \tau \rightarrow z', \tau'$  can be interpreted as a coordinate transformation and can be described by a matrix. Here  $\tau$  is progression.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & \delta \\ \beta & \alpha \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau \\ z \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The matrix elements are interrelated. When the displacement concerns a uniform movement, the interrelations of the matrix elements become a function of the speed  $v$ . Here  $v$  is the speed measured as displacement per progression interval. The group properties together with the isomorphism of space fix the interrelations.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = 1/\sqrt{1 + kv^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & kv \\ -v & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau \\ z \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

If  $k$  is positive, then there may be transformations with  $kv^2 \gg 1$  which transform progression into a spatial coordinate and vice versa. This is considered to be unphysical. The Hilbert book model also supports that vision.

The condition  $k = 0$  corresponds to a Galilean transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -v & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau \\ z \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

The condition  $k < 0$  corresponds to a Lorentz transformation. We can set  $kc^2 = -1$ , where  $c$  is an invariant speed that corresponds to the maximum of  $v$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau' \\ z' \end{bmatrix} = 1/\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -v/c^2 \\ -v & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tau \\ z \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

The Lorentz transformation corresponds with the situation in which a maximum speed occurs.

Since in each progression step photons step with a non-zero space step and both step sizes are fixed, the speed of the photon at quantum scale is fixed. No other particle goes faster, so in the model a maximum speed occurs. With other words when sequence members at different sequence number are compared, then the corresponding displacements can be described by Lorentz transformations.

Lorentz transformations introduce the phenomena that go together with relativity, such as **length contraction**, **time dilatation** and **relativity of simultaneity** that occur when two **inertial reference frames** are considered.

$$\Delta\tau_c = (\Delta\tau_p - \Delta z_p v/c^2)/\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2} \quad (5)$$

$$(\Delta\tau_c)^2(1 - v^2/c^2) = (\Delta\tau_p - \Delta z_p v/c^2)^2$$

The term  $\Delta z_p v/c^2$  introduces time dilatation. If  $\Delta\tau_p = 0$  then depending on  $v$  and  $\Delta z_p$  the time difference  $\Delta\tau_c$  is non-zero.

These phenomena occur in the Hilbert Book Model when different members of the sequence of static status quos are compared. Usually the inertial frames are spread over a range of Hilbert book pages.

Since the members of the sequence of Hilbert Book pages represent static status quos, the relativity of simultaneity restricts the selection of the inertial frames. Only one of the inertial frames can be situated completely in a single member of the sequence. In that case the other must be taken from a range of sequence elements.

Progression is a Lorentz invariant scalar. As a consequence the quaternionic first order partial differential equations are Lorentz invariant.

## 8 Tensor differential calculus

We restrict to 3+1 D parameter spaces.

Parameter spaces can differ in the way they are ordered and in the way the scalar part relates to the spatial part.

Fields are functions that have values, which are independent of the selected parameter space. Fields exist in scalar fields, vector fields and combined scalar and vector fields.

Combined fields exist as continuum eigenspaces of normal operators that reside in quaternionic non-separable Hilbert spaces. These combined fields can be represented by quaternionic functions of quaternionic parameter spaces. However, the same field can also be interpreted as the eigenspaces of the Hermitian and anti-Hermitian parts of the normal operator. The quaternionic parameter space can be represented by a normal quaternionic reference operator that features a flat continuum eigenspace. This reference operator can be split in a Hermitian and an anti-Hermitian part.

The eigenspace of a normal quaternionic number system corresponds to a quaternionic number system. Due to the four dimensions of quaternions, the quaternionic number systems exist in 16 versions that differ in their Cartesian ordering. If spherical ordering is pursued, then for each Cartesian start orderings two extra orderings are possible. All these choices correspond to different parameter spaces.

Further it is possible to select a scalar part of the parameter space that is a scalar function of the quaternionic scalar part and the quaternionic vector part. For example it is possible to use quaternionic distance as the scalar part of the new parameter space.

Tensor differential calculus relates components of differentials with corresponding parameter spaces.

Components of differentials are terms of the corresponding differential equation. These terms can be split in scalar functions and in vector functions. Tensor differential calculus treats scalar functions different from vector functions.

Quaternionic fields are special because the differential operators of their defining functions can be treated as multipliers.

### 8.1 The metric tensor

The metric tensor determines the local “distance”.

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} g_{00} & g_{01} & g_{02} & g_{03} \\ g_{10} & g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} \\ g_{20} & g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} \\ g_{30} & g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The consequences of coordinate transformations  $dx^\nu \Rightarrow dX^\nu$  define the elements  $g_{\mu\nu}$  as

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{dX^\mu}{dx^\nu} \quad (2)$$

### 8.2 Geodesic equation

The geodesic equation describes the situation of a non-accelerated object. In terms of proper time this means:

(1)

$$\frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial \tau^2} = -\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau}$$

In terms of coordinate time this means:

$$\frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial t^2} = -\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \frac{dx^\alpha}{dt} \frac{dx^\beta}{dt} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^0 \frac{dx^\alpha}{dt} \frac{dx^\beta}{dt} \frac{dx^\mu}{dt} \quad (2)$$

### 8.2.1 Derivation:

We start with the double differential. Let us investigate a function  $X$  that has a parameter space existing of scalar  $\tau$  and a three dimensional vector  $\mathbf{x} = \{x^1, x^2, x^3\}$ . The function  $X$  represents three dimensional curved space. The geodesic conditions are:

$$\frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial \tau^2} = 0; \lambda = 1,2,3 \quad (1)$$

First we derive the first order differential.

$$dX^\lambda = \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} dx^\beta \quad (2)$$

We can use the summation convention for subscripts and superscripts. This avoids the requirement for summation symbols.

$$\frac{dX^\lambda}{d\tau} = \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau} \quad (3)$$

$$d^2 X^\lambda = \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} d^2 x^\beta + dx^\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} dx^\alpha \right) \quad (4)$$

Now we obtained the double differential equation.

$$\frac{d^2 X^\lambda}{d\tau^2} = \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} \frac{d^2 x^\beta}{d\tau^2} + \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau} = 0 \quad (5)$$

The geodesic requirement results in:

$$\frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} \frac{d^2 x^\beta}{d\tau^2} = - \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau} \quad (6)$$

If we use summation signs:

$$\sum_{\beta=1}^3 \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} d^2 x^\beta = - \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \left( dx^\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} dx^\alpha \right) \right) \quad (7)$$

Next we multiply both sides with  $\frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta}$  and sum again:

$$\sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial X^\mu} \left( \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} d^2 x^\beta \right) \right) = - \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial X^\mu} \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \left( dx^\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} dx^\alpha \right) \right) \right) \quad (8)$$

We apply the fact:



$$\sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial X^\mu} \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} \right) = \delta_\beta^\mu \quad (9)$$

This results into:

$$d^2 x^\mu = \sum_{\lambda=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial X^\mu} \sum_{\beta=1}^3 \left( dx^\beta \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left( \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta \partial x^\alpha} dx^\alpha \right) \right) \right) = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu dx^\alpha dx^\beta \quad (10)$$

Without summation signs:

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu dx^\alpha dx^\beta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left( \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial X^\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\alpha \partial x^\beta} \right) dx^\alpha dx^\beta \quad (11)$$

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} = -\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\tau} \quad (12)$$

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} = - \left( \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial X^\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\alpha \partial x^\beta} \right) \frac{dx^\beta}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\alpha}{d\tau} \quad (13)$$

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{dt^2} = - \left( \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial X^\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\alpha \partial x^\beta} \right) \frac{dx^\beta}{dt} \frac{dx^\alpha}{dt} + \left( \frac{\partial x^0}{\partial X^\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\alpha \partial x^\beta} \right) \frac{dx^\beta}{dt} \frac{dx^\alpha}{dt} \frac{dx^\mu}{dt} \quad (14)$$

### 8.3 Toolbox

Coordinate transformations:

$$S_{\nu'\rho'}^{\mu'} = \frac{\partial x^{\mu'}}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial x^\nu}{\partial x^{\nu'}} \frac{\partial x^\rho}{\partial x^{\rho'}} S_{\nu\rho}^\mu \quad (1)$$

The Christoffel symbol plays an important role:

$$2 g_{\alpha\delta} \Gamma_{\beta\alpha}^\delta = \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial x^\gamma} + \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\gamma}}{\partial x^\beta} + \frac{\partial g_{\beta\gamma}}{\partial x^\alpha} \quad (2)$$

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial X^\lambda} \frac{\partial^2 X^\lambda}{\partial x^\alpha \partial x^\beta} \quad (3)$$

$$\Gamma_{\beta\alpha}^\delta = \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\delta \quad (4)$$

Covariant derivative  $\nabla_\mu \alpha$  and partial derivative  $\partial_\mu \alpha$  of scalars

$$\partial_{\mu'} \alpha = \frac{\partial x^{\mu'}}{\partial x^\mu} \partial_\mu \alpha \quad (5)$$

Covariant derivative  $\nabla_\mu V^\nu$  and partial derivative  $\partial_\mu V^\nu$  of vectors

$$\nabla_\mu V^\nu = \partial_\mu V^\nu + \Gamma_{\mu\lambda}^\nu V^\lambda \quad (6)$$

$$\nabla_\mu \varphi_\nu = \partial_\mu \varphi_\nu - \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\lambda \varphi_\lambda \quad (7)$$

$$\nabla_\mu g_{\alpha\beta} = 0 \quad (8)$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} g^{\alpha\beta} = 0 \tag{9}$$

$$g^{\nu\mu} g_{\nu\mu} = \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} \tag{10}$$

$$g = \det(g_{\nu\mu}) \tag{11}$$

$$g' = \left( \det \left( \frac{\partial x^{\mu'}}{\partial x^{\mu}} \right) \right)^{-2} g \tag{12}$$

$$\det \left( \frac{\partial x^{\mu'}}{\partial x^{\mu}} \right) \text{ is Jacobian} \tag{13}$$

$$d^4x \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} dx^0 dx^1 dx^2 dx^3 \tag{14}$$

$$d^4x' = \det \left( \frac{\partial x^{\mu'}}{\partial x^{\mu}} \right) d^4x \tag{15}$$

