

# A Mathematical Electron

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A particle ( $m$ ) is represented by a Ricci-flat Schwarzschild-based *analytic eneral* ("energy +  $i \times$  electric charge") geometry  $X$  with fundamental form:  $ds^2 = g_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta = (1 - 2m/r) dt^2 - (1 - 2m/r)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2)$ , where  $x^\gamma = (t, r, \theta, \varphi)$ ,  $m = \mathbf{m} + ie$  is *enerel*,  $\mathbf{m}$  is rest energy (or mass), and  $e$  is electric charge. A unitary vector  $u_\alpha$  and a scalar  $\phi$  are defined in  $X$  by means of the postulated constitutive equation:  $\phi u_{\alpha\beta} u^\beta + \phi_\alpha = 0$ . The normalization condition is postulated as:

$$m = \kappa \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \int_{-a}^a \phi \rho g^{1/2} u^0 dr d\theta d\varphi$$

where  $\rho = (R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta})^{1/2}$  is an *enerel* density function,  $\kappa = m^2 / \hbar c$  is a normalization constant and also a fine-structure constant,  $g = \det g_{\alpha\beta} = -r^4 \sin^2 \theta$ , and  $R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$  is the Riemann curvature tensor formed with complex  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ . These equations yield the charge  $e = 0.0855115\dots$  of a purely mathematical *eltron* ( $m$ ) = ( $ie$ ) of radius  $a$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

A specific *analytic eneral* (energy +  $i \times$  electric charge) geometry  $X$  is proposed to represent a mathematical electron;  $X$  has a fundamental form  $ds^2 = g_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta$  and is defined in this paper by means of postulated partial differential equations and other conditions. The geometry  $X$  is based on a Schwarzschild geometry, i.e.,  $X$  is a Ricci-flat geometry with  $R_{\alpha\beta} = 0$ , where  $R_{\alpha\beta} = R^\mu_{\alpha\beta\mu}$ ,  $R_{\alpha\beta}$  denotes the Ricci curvature tensor, and  $R^\alpha_{\beta\gamma\delta}$  denotes the Riemann curvature tensor formed with the metric tensor  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  of  $X$ ;  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \dots = 0, \dots, n-1$ .

The postulates of an analytic *enerel* geometry  $X' = (g_{\alpha\beta}, u_\alpha, \phi; \rho)$  set forth in this paper are based on those of an analytic *enerel* (Gleyzal, 1976)

geometry  $Z=(z_{\alpha\beta}, u_\alpha, \phi; \rho)$  of  $n$  independent coordinate variables  $z^\gamma = x^\gamma + iy^\gamma$  and eneral parameters  $m_K = \mathbf{m}_K + ie_K$ ;  $K=0, \dots, N-1$ ;  $\gamma=0, \dots, n-1$ ;  $n=1, 2, 3, \dots$ ;  $N=0, 1, 2, \dots$ . In this paper,  $n=4, K=0, N=1$ .

Absolute units of measurement are used, where  $\gamma=c=\hbar=1$ ,  $\gamma$  is the gravitational constant,  $c$  is the velocity of light,  $\hbar=h/2\pi$ , and  $h$  is Planck's constant. We note  $m^2\gamma/\hbar c$  is dimensionless if  $m$  has the dimension of mass.

By postulate, a geometry  $X'$  possesses in addition to the metric tensor  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  a velocity or "streamline" vector  $u^\alpha = dz^\alpha/ds$ , a scalar energy potential function  $\phi$ , and a scalar energy density function  $\rho$ . The tensor  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ , vector  $u_\alpha$ , and scalars  $\phi$  and  $\rho$  may be either real valued or complex valued in a geometry  $X'$ , but the coordinates  $x^\gamma$  are assumed to be real valued in  $X'$ .

In terms of a spherically symmetric geometry  $X$ , a purely mathematical derivation  $e=0.0855115\dots$  of the electric charge of an *eltron* (*ie*) is proposed. This number can be compared with the experimentally determined charge  $e_+ = 0.08542$  of an electron.

## 2. DERIVATION OF AN ELTRON (*ie*)

We begin with the well-known Schwarzschild metric:  $ds^2 = g_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta$ , where

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - 2\frac{m}{r}\right) dt^2 - \left(1 - 2\frac{m}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2) \quad (2.1)$$

and  $x^\gamma = (t, r, \theta, \varphi)$ . This metric is associated with a particle ( $m$ ) of energy (or mass)  $m$ , where  $m$  is an arbitrary integration constant and may be real or complex.

A *unitary velocity vector* field  $u^\alpha = dx^\alpha/ds$ , where  $u_\alpha = g_{\alpha\beta} u^\beta$ ,  $u_\alpha u^\alpha = 1$ , and  $u^k = 0$  is assumed to exist in the geometry  $X$ . There results

$$u^0 = \left(1 - 2\frac{m}{r}\right)^{-1/2}, \quad u_0 = \left(1 - 2\frac{m}{r}\right)^{1/2}, \quad u_k = 0 \quad (2.2)$$

in the geometry  $X$ ;  $k=1, 2, 3$ .

A *scalar energy potential function*  $\phi$  is postulated to exist in any analytic eneral geometry  $X'$ . In the geometry  $X$ :

$$\phi = \left(1 - 2\frac{m}{r}\right)^{1/2} \quad (2.3)$$

Given the metric tensor  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  of  $X'$  subject to the constitutive equation  $R_{\alpha\beta}=0$ , the constitutive equation which defines  $u_\alpha$  and  $\phi$  in a general geometry  $X'$  is postulated to be

$$\phi u_{\alpha\beta} u^\beta + \phi_\alpha = 0 \tag{2.4}$$

It is readily verified that  $\phi$  and  $u_\alpha$  as expressed by equations (2.2) and (2.3) for the particular geometry  $X$  constitute a solution of equation (2.4) for general eneral geometries  $X'$ ; for

$$\begin{aligned} u_{\alpha\beta} u^\beta &= (u_{\alpha\beta} - u_{\beta\alpha}) u^\beta = (u_{\alpha 0} - u_{0\alpha}) u^0 = (u_{\alpha, 0} - u_{0, \alpha}) u^0 \\ &= -u_{0, \alpha} u^0 = -u_{0, \alpha} / u_0 = -\phi_{, \alpha} / \phi \end{aligned}$$

where  $f_{,\alpha}$  signifies  $\partial f / \partial x^\alpha$ , and  $\lambda_\alpha$  signifies the covariant derivative of a scalar, vector, or tensor  $\lambda$  with respect to the coordinate  $x^\alpha$ . Therefore,  $\ln \phi = \ln u_0$ ; consequently  $\phi = u_0 = [1 - 2(m/r)]^{1/2}$  is a solution of equation (2.4) in the particular geometry  $X$ . In summary: equations (2.1), (2.2), and (2.3) express an exact solution  $X$  of the constitutive equations of an analytic eneral geometry  $X'$ .

In conventional theory it is usually assumed that the energy density  $\rho$  vanishes if  $R_{\alpha\beta} = 0$  except on a singularity. Let us depart from this view as follows. Given the metric tensor  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  of  $X'$ , we write

$$\rho = (R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta})^{1/2} \tag{2.5}$$

Thus  $\rho$  is categorically expressed in terms of  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  and the first and second derivatives of  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  with respect to the coordinate variables  $x^\gamma$ . This form of definition of energy density (non-complex-valued) has been considered by Eddington (1937, p. 141) in his analysis of the problem of choosing the field equations of gravitational relativity theory. In the case where  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  is the Schwarzschild tensor,

$$\rho = (48)^{1/2} m / r^3 \tag{2.6}$$

By postulate, the total mass  $M$  due to density  $\rho$  and potential energy  $\phi$  in a sphere of radius  $a$  of the geometry  $X$  is given by the invariant integral:

$$M = \kappa \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \int_{-a}^a \rho \phi u^0 g^{1/2} dr d\theta d\varphi \tag{2.7}$$

where  $\kappa$  is a universal constant, and  $g = \det g_{\alpha\beta}$ . It is of interest that in corresponding integrals of conventional theory there is introduced, *ad hoc*,

a factor  $(-g)^{1/2} = ig^{1/2}$  in order to “eliminate”  $i$ . By calculation in  $X: u^0\phi = 1$ , and  $g = -r^4 \sin^2 \theta$ . Therefore

$$M = \kappa \int_0^\pi \int_0^\pi \int_{-a}^a i(48)^{1/2} \frac{m}{r} \sin \theta \, dr \, d\theta \, d\varphi \tag{2.8}$$

expresses the mass  $M$  in a sphere of radius  $a$  due to a particle of mass  $m$  which generates the field  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ .

Let the symbol  $m$ , where  $m = \mathbf{m} + i\mathbf{e}$ ,  $\mathbf{m}$  is mass or energy, and  $\mathbf{e}$  is electrical charge, now denote *enerel* in a new unified field theory; cf. Moffat (1958) and Gleyzal (1976). The physical meaning of the various quantities may then change and require re-identification; for convenience of exposition the same words or symbols may be used but with a different meaning.

Evaluation of the integral (2.8) yields

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \kappa i^2 (48)^{1/2} \cdot 2\pi^2 m \\ &= -\kappa (48)^{1/2} \cdot 2\pi^2 m \end{aligned} \tag{2.9}$$

Let us assume  $M = m$ . In this case the quantity  $m$  cancels out, and there results the normalization condition:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 &= -\kappa (48)^{1/2} \cdot 2\pi^2 \\ &= -\kappa 136.75723\dots \end{aligned} \tag{2.10}$$

Therefore

$$\kappa = -1/136.75723\dots \tag{2.11}$$

This number, except for sign, is close in value to the fine-structure constant  $1/137.037$  of quantum mechanical theory. Either this agreement of the two numbers is pure chance and the proposed theory of *enerel* mathematical physics is simply another unified field theory, or, the foregoing derivation of the fine-structure constant as a normalization condition is potentially a significant new turning point in mathematical physics.

Accordingly, let us write

$$m^2 = \kappa$$

Then  $m = i \cdot (.0855115\dots)$  is the “energy” of an *eltron* ( $m$ ) =  $(ie)$ .

This result suggests that the particle described by equations (2.1), (2.2), (2.3), and (2.6) represents an *eltron*, a massless, pure electric charge.

*Note.* A general theory of analytic eneral geometry  $Z=(Z^n; z_{\alpha\beta}, u_\alpha, \phi; \rho; \psi^\alpha, \gamma_\gamma^{\alpha\beta}; m_K)$  will be offered for publication. This theory includes an “enerel generalization” of the Dirac–Bargmann theory (Brill and Wheeler, 1957) of wave mechanics.

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