

Looped Light on Dark Energy*

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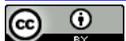
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Abstract

We give a mathematical golden mean distribution based probabilistic confirmation of a recent spectacular experiment with light. The experiment in question is a three-slit variant of the well known two-slit set up of quantum mechanics. The outcome of the sophisticated experiment revealed the looped path of light on the quantum scale and consequently the Peano-Hilbert geometry of spacetime, ergo its fractal-Cantorian nature. The mathematics used here on the other hand is the remarkably simple and insightful golden mean probability distribution known from a famous paradox known in social sciences as the voter paradox.

Keywords

Dark Energy, the Voter Paradox, Golden Mean Distribution, Looped Light, the Triple-Slit Experiment, Cantorian-Fractal Spacetime

1. Introduction

In [1], Nobel Laureate Gerardus 'tHooft wrote:

“... The physics of elementary particles has nothing to do with the physics of low temperature, but the mathematics is very, very similar... What a nice feature of theoretical physics! Totally different worlds can be compared with each other, just because they happen to obey similar mathematical equations.”

In the present letter we take 'tHooft's words much further than we could have thought possible by comparing the voter paradox of political sciences [2] with the outcome of the triple-slit experiment [3] [4] [5] simply because both theories not only obey identical mathematics but also stand in an almost one to one analogical correspondence to each other [2]. Needless to say, this correspondence is far from being accidental and is basically deeply rooted in number theory and

*This paper is dedicated to Nobel Laureate Gerardus 'tHooft, one of a handful of the architects of modern physics who think that quantum mechanics is on a very deep level basically deterministic which was, and still is the Author's firm belief even when the mathematical tools to show this may be remarkably different.

the golden ratio with its now well documented relation to physics and life [5]-[13].

2. Background Information of a Paradox from Mathematical Socio-Political Science

The voter paradox with its golden mean distribution [7] [8] is a highly non-trivial and interesting subject in the mathematical theory of probability and has well known profound implications in social and political sciences [1] [11]. In particular and similar to Hardy's quantum entanglement [9] [10], the golden mean appears as the solution which can be stated in an unexpected but rather simple theorem [1] [6] [7] [11]. It is the aim of the present letter to show how this said theorem can be applied to the triple-slit experiment in a way quite similar to earlier solutions of the two-slit experiment [14] [15].

We start with the probabilistic mathematics of the voter paradox [1] [11]. This could be stated as follows [1]:

Let X , Y and Z be random variables and the corresponding probabilities are denoted by $P(X)$, $P(Y)$ and $P(Z)$.

Theorem:

For independent X , Y and Z all the three probabilities $P(X)$, $P(Y)$ and $P(Z)$ can be as large as the $(\sqrt{5}-1)/2$, *i.e.* the golden mean and its value is the largest possible.

For details the reader is referred to the relevant literature [1] [11].

3. Analogy and Correspondence

In this part we give a short account of the analogical correspondence between the voter paradox and the looped light experiment [3] [5] which we alluded to earlier on. Now in the triple-slit experiment we have three "holes" where the random "photons" pass through and the obvious crucial point is that we may identify the probability of photons going through them with the three probabilities [1] [11]

$$P(X) = P(Y) = P(Z) = \phi \quad (1)$$

where ϕ is the golden mean given in the preceding theorem. Consequently for the experimental physical set up to obey the simultaneity forbidden by classical mechanics but admitted by the way-particle duality of quantum mechanics we see that the probability corresponding to the looped light of the three-slit experiment must be [10]-[15]

$$\begin{aligned} P &= P(X) = P(Y) = P(Z) \\ &= \phi \phi \phi \\ &= \phi^3 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Note that Equation (2) corresponds to the counterfactual part of Hardy's quantum entanglement $P(\text{Hardy}) = (P_1)(P_2) = (\phi^3)(\phi^2) = \phi^5$, *i.e.* $P_1 = \phi^3$ and reflects also the very structure of empty spacetime [9] [10] [12] [13] [14] [15] where ϕ^3 is nothing but the inverse of the Hausdorff dimension of the fractal

Cantorian core of spacetime, namely $D = 1/\phi^3 = 4 + \phi^3$ according to the von Neumann-Connes dimensional function [9] [14] [15].

4. Discussion

From the preceding simple chain of thought it is obvious that we may interpret the results of Equation (2) as a confirmation of the fractal-Cantorian nature of spacetime [14] [15] and therefore also a confirmation of the Peano-Hilbert dynamics resembling the looped light result of the recent remarkable experiment of Refs. [3] [4] [5]. It is interesting to see the utter simplicity of our interpretation. For instance one slit only would correspond to $P = \phi$ which is a quantum particle in the E-infinity interpretation, *i.e.* the zero set [4] [5] [16]. If we open two slits we obtain $P = \phi^2$ which is the quantum wave, *i.e.* the empty set [16]. Finally $P = \phi^3$ is what will give us the cobordism of the wave which is empty spacetime [16]. This is a key point in understanding quantum mechanics in a way which we feel could appeal to the view point of many deep thinkers such as 'tHooft [1]. It is really a deceptively harmless point but on a deep level mean nothing less than replacing the mysterious wave collapse, *i.e.* state vector reduction by an obvious move from a zero set to an empty set [16].

Interestingly we could take a special case of the voter paradox namely the Steinhaus-Trybula paradox [11] where ϕ is replaced by $1/2$ and find using the preceding mathematics the following dimensions for an idealized spacetime namely [9] [10] [12] [13] [16]

$$\begin{aligned} 1/P_1 &= 1/(1/2) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

which is the two Brane of a string world sheet [9] [10] [12] [13] while

$$\begin{aligned} 1/P_2 &= 1/(1/2)^2 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

is our classical spacetime and finally

$$\begin{aligned} 1/P_3 &= 1/(1/2)^3 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

which is super space of super symmetry [16] [17]. It really is as simple as that once our set theoretical considerations are taken seriously [14] [15] [16] [17].

5. Conclusion

The golden mean probability resolution of the voter paradox is applied in the present work to the triple-slit experiment of looped light. In a nutshell our analysis lends a firm probabilistic underpinning of a highly non-classical quantum phenomenon without direct reference to quantum mechanics. In general we hope that we showed with utter simplicity that measurement naturally converts an empty set to a zero set which means a quantum wave to a quantum particle. In other words, it is all nothing more than the topological density of spacetime. That is exactly why we think the looped light is an experimental proof for the

fractal nature of quantum spacetime and that dark energy and dark matter are real consequences of the topology and geometry of quantum spacetime.

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