

Electronic Spin Orbit Coupling

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Abstract: In this note we will see how representations of the two-dimensional Unitary Group $U(2)$ used long ago by the Author for the Many Electron Problem, gives rise to an equilateral triangle in a torus that also defines a Theta Function with Equiharmonic frequencies and whose vertices are up and down spins leading to spin-orbit coupling.

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I. Introduction

In this note we see how representations of the 2 dimensional Unitary Group $U(2)$, used long ago by [3] de Wet for the ‘Many Electron Problem’, leads to a lattice that is an equilateral triangle in a torus Fig. 1 that has been shown [4] to define a Theta Function nome q with equiharmonic frequencies $\tau = \sin 120^\circ = \sin \omega$ or $\sin 60^\circ$. Furthermore ω is also the angle of the tritangent to a cubic surface defining the Exceptional Lie algebra E_6 [5] that has been used by de Wet [4] to map the Standard Model. Specifically there are equilateral triangles that rotate the quarks uud , ddu into one another as shown by Fig. 1 of [4]. In this way the nome q is a quark coupling constant. It has the value $q=0.06583$ that is close to the constant 0.118 found by Davies et. al. [2]. If we now concentrate on the complimentary angle $\tan 60^\circ$ where $\tau = \sqrt{3}$ then we find a possible nuclear coupling constant of 0.0043 that is the same order of magnitude as suggested by Rees [8], v. 4. We can now study electronic spin-orbit coupling in the same light.

II. Spin-Orbit Coupling

In this section we will rely heavily on the excellent book of Mumford [7] who considered the 2d-Complex Group in some detail in Ch. 1. Specifically he considered representations of $U(2)$ and showed on pg. 42 that if $\gamma = U(2)$ then $i\tau \geq \sqrt{3}/2 = \sin \omega$ which is the equilateral torus of Fig.1 with boundaries AB, BC defined by $\cos 60^\circ = 1/2$ and $\sin \omega = 120^\circ$ of a fundamental domain. Therefore if we label the 3 apices by A=up, B=down and C= up and cyclic, then a rotation of 60° will lead to udu then dud that imply spin-orbit coupling, because one spin must be in a different orbit by the Exclusion Principle. Then on pg.74 Mumford finds the Theta Function

$$\Theta(0, \tau) = q + q^4 + q^9 + \dots \quad (1)$$

Where the nome $\frac{1}{q} = \exp(\pi\tau) = \exp(\frac{iK}{K'})$. and the dependence on z is carried by the lattice of Fig. 1[6]. The series converges very rapidly if $q=0.06583$.

Equation (1) is also the representation of an integer as the sum of squares ([1] p. 42) and on pages 62 and 63 Mumford shows that Fig.1 is a complex torus.

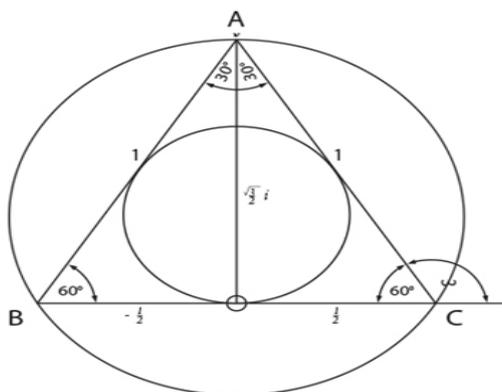


Fig 1

Spin Coupling Lattice

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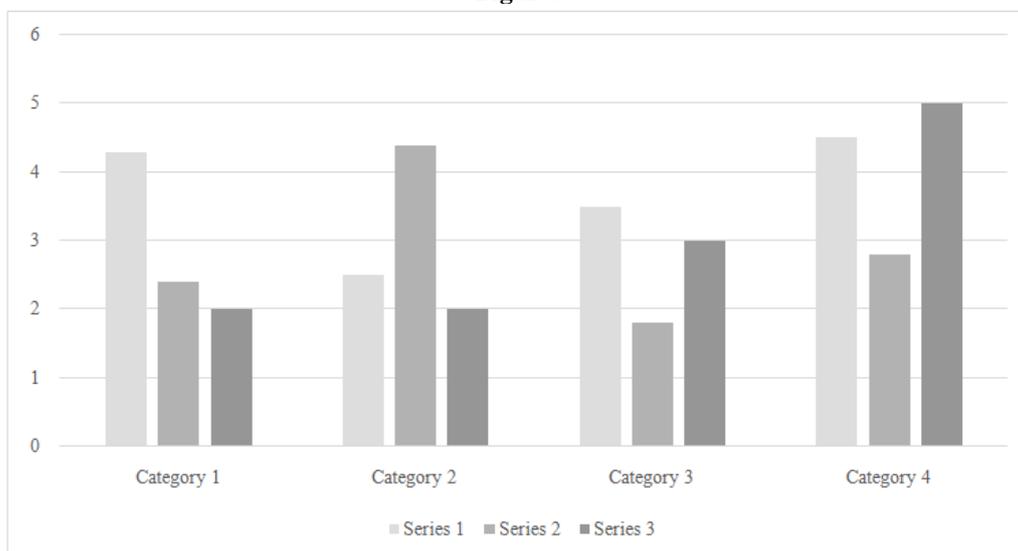


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