

# PAPER C: EFFECTIVE COULOMB COUPLING

## 6D Electromagnetic Theory and 4D Reduction

**Series:** The 6D Atomic Physics Program on  $M^4 \times T^2$  ( $\tau = i/\phi$ )

**Paper:** C of 5 (Technical Paper)

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### Abstract

We analyze the 6D electromagnetic theory on  $M^4 \times T^2$  and perform dimensional reduction to derive the effective 4D Coulomb potential. We examine the 6D Green's function, Kaluza-Klein mode expansion, and the structure of electron-photon coupling. This paper provides the field-theoretic foundation for the mode-dependent coupling derived in Paper D.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This paper establishes the electromagnetic field theory framework underlying Papers A-D. We analyze:

- The 6D Maxwell equations on  $M^4 \times T^2$
- Kaluza-Klein decomposition of the gauge field
- The 6D Green's function and Coulomb potential
- Dimensional reduction to 4D effective theory

## 2. 6D ELECTROMAGNETISM

### 2.1 The 6D Maxwell Lagrangian

**\*\*Definition 2.1:\*\***

$$\mathcal{L}_{Maxwell}^{(6D)} = -\frac{1}{4g_6^2} F_{MN} F^{MN}$$

where:

- $F_{MN} = \partial_M A_N - \partial_N A_M$
- $M, N = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$
- $g_6$  is the 6D gauge coupling with  $[g_6] = \text{length}$

## 2.2 The 6D Gauge Field

**Decomposition 2.2:**

$$A_M = (A_\mu, A_a)$$

where:

- $A_\mu$  ( $\mu = 0, 1, 2, 3$ ): 4D gauge field components
- $A_a$  ( $a = 4, 5$ ):  $T^2$  components (scalars from 4D viewpoint)

## 2.3 Field Strength Components

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu \quad (4D \text{ field strength})$$

$$F_{\mu a} = \partial_\mu A_a - \partial_a A_\mu \quad (\text{KK mixing})$$

$$F_{ab} = \partial_a A_b - \partial_b A_a \quad (\text{internal flux})$$

# 3. KALUZA-KLEIN DECOMPOSITION

## 3.1 Mode Expansion

**Definition 3.1:** The gauge field expands as:

$$A_M(x, \theta) = \sum_{n_2, n_3 \in \mathbb{Z}} A_M^{(n)}(x) \cdot \chi_{n_2, n_3}(\theta)$$

where  $\chi_n(\theta) = e^{i(n_2\theta_4 + n_3\theta_5)} / (2\pi)$ .

### 3.2 Zero Mode

**Definition 3.2:** The zero mode  $(n_2, n_3) = (0, 0)$  gives the **4D photon**:

$$A_\mu^{(0,0)}(x) = \frac{1}{V_{T^2}} \int_{T^2} A_\mu(x, \theta) d^2\theta$$

### 3.3 Massive KK Modes

**Theorem 3.3:** For  $(n_2, n_3) \neq (0, 0)$ , the mode  $A_\mu^{(n)}$  has mass:

$$m_{KK}^2(n) = \frac{n_2^2}{R_2^2} + \frac{n_3^2}{R_3^2}$$

### 3.4 The 4D Gauge Coupling

**Theorem 3.4:** The 4D gauge coupling is:

$$g_4 = \frac{g_6}{\sqrt{V_{T^2}}} = \frac{g_6}{2\pi\sqrt{R_2 R_3}}$$

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## 4. THE 6D GREEN'S FUNCTION

### 4.1 Definition

**Definition 4.1:** The 6D Green's function satisfies:

$$\nabla_{6D}^2 G_{6D}(x, \theta; x', \theta') = -\delta^{(4)}(x - x')\delta^{(2)}(\theta - \theta')$$

### 4.2 Mode Expansion

**Theorem 4.2:**

$$G_{6D}(x, \theta; x', \theta') = \sum_{n_2, n_3} G_n^{(4D)}(x - x') \cdot \chi_n(\theta) \bar{\chi}_n(\theta')$$

where  $G_n^{(4D)}$  satisfies:

$$(\nabla_{4D}^2 - m_{KK}^2(n))G_n^{(4D)}(x) = -\delta^{(4)}(x)$$

### 4.3 Solutions

(a) **Zero mode**  $(0, 0)$ :

$$G_0^{(4D)}(r) = \frac{1}{4\pi^2 r^2} \quad (\text{massless, 4D Coulomb})$$

(b) **Massive modes**:

$$G_n^{(4D)}(r) \propto \frac{e^{-m_{KK}|x|}}{|x|} \quad (\text{Yukawa, short-range})$$

## 4.4 Long-Range Dominance

**Theorem 4.4:** At atomic scales  $r \sim a_0 \ll R_3$ :

$$G_{6D} \approx G_0^{(4D)} \cdot \frac{1}{V_{T^2}}$$

Only the zero mode contributes to long-range physics.

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# 5. THE 4D COULOMB POTENTIAL

## 5.1 Derivation

**Theorem 5.1:** The effective 4D Coulomb potential is:

$$V_{Coulomb}^{(4D)}(r) = -\frac{e_4^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r}$$

where  $e_4 = e_6 / \sqrt{V_{T^2}}$  is the 4D charge.

## 5.2 Mode Independence (Naive)

**Observation 5.2:** The naive KK reduction gives a mode-independent Coulomb potential!

This appears to contradict the observed mode-dependence of IE.

## 5.3 Resolution

The mode-dependence enters through the **current structure**, not the potential. See Paper D for the complete derivation via  $T^2$  circulation.

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## 6. ELECTRON-PHOTON COUPLING

### 6.1 The 6D Coupling

**Definition 6.1:** The 6D QED interaction is:

$$\mathcal{L}_{int}^{(6D)} = e_6 \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^M \Psi A_M$$

### 6.2 Decomposition

$$\mathcal{L}_{int}^{(6D)} = e_6 \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \Psi A_\mu + e_6 \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^a \Psi A_a$$

The first term is the 4D electromagnetic coupling.

The second term couples to  $T^2$  gauge components.

### 6.3 4D Effective Coupling

**Theorem 6.3:** For zero-mode photon and electron in mode  $(n^e)$ :

The overlap integral:

$$\int_{T^2} |\chi_{n^e}|^2 \chi_{0,0} d^2\theta = 1$$

gives 4D coupling:

$$\mathcal{L}_{int}^{(4D)} = e_4 \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \psi A_\mu^{(0,0)}$$

**Note:** This is mode-independent! The mode-dependence arises from the  $T^2$  current structure (Paper D).

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## 7. THE $T^2$ CURRENT

### 7.1 Definition

**Definition 7.1:** The  $T^2$  electromagnetic current is:

$$J^a = e_6 \bar{\Psi} \Gamma^a \Psi$$

### 7.2 Mode Structure

**Theorem 7.2:** For an electron in mode  $(n_2, n_3)$ :

$$\langle J^a \rangle = e_6 |\psi|^2 \cdot \frac{n_a}{R_a}$$

The T<sup>2</sup> current is proportional to the mode numbers!

### 7.3 Current Magnitude

$$|J_{T^2}|^2 = e_6^2 |\psi|^4 \left( \frac{n_2^2}{R_2^2} + \frac{n_3^2}{R_3^2} \right) = \frac{e_6^2 |\psi|^4}{R_3^2} \tilde{\lambda}(n_2, n_3)$$

This is where  $\tilde{\lambda}$  enters the physics!

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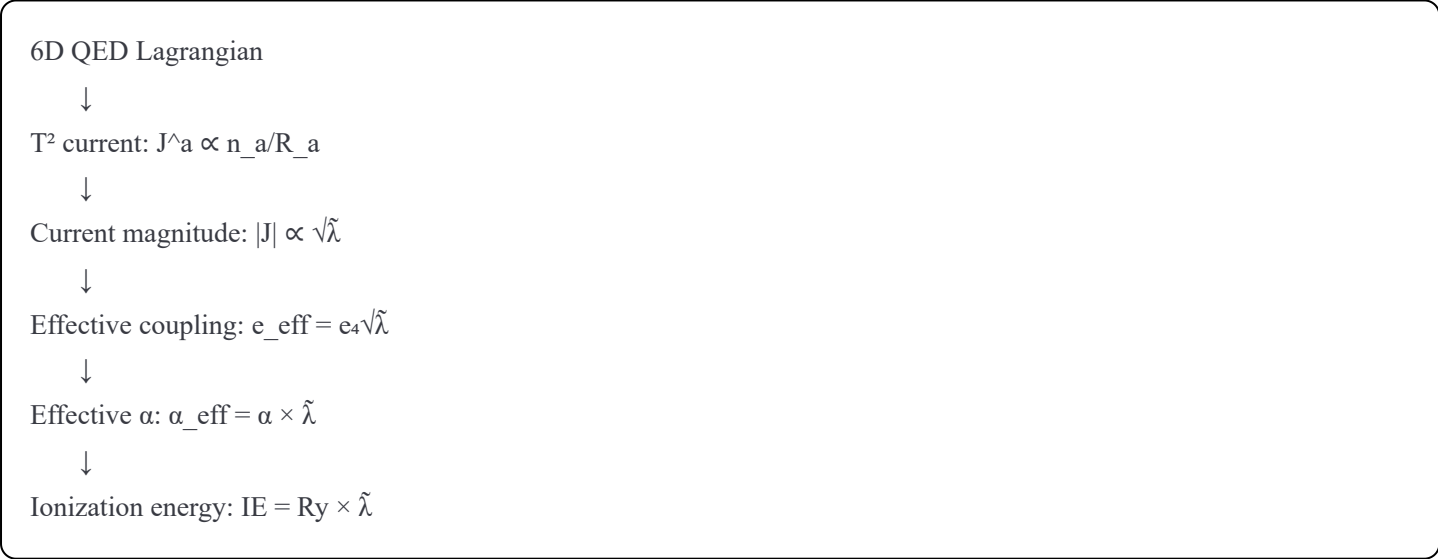
## 8. CONNECTION TO PAPER D

### 8.1 The Key Insight

Paper D shows that the T<sup>2</sup> current determines the effective electromagnetic coupling:

$$e_{eff}(n_2, n_3) = e_4 \cdot \sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}(n_2, n_3)}$$

### 8.2 The Chain of Logic



### 8.3 Physical Picture

An electron "circulating" on T<sup>2</sup> generates a current. This current couples to the electromagnetic field. Faster circulation (higher mode) means stronger coupling.

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## 9. SUMMARY

### Key Results:

1. **6D Maxwell theory** reduces to 4D plus massive KK modes
2. **Zero-mode photon** mediates long-range Coulomb interaction
3. **Naive reduction** gives mode-independent coupling
4. **T<sup>2</sup> current structure** introduces mode-dependence through  $|J| \propto \sqrt{\tilde{\lambda}}$
5. **Final result:**  $\alpha_{eff} = \alpha \cdot \tilde{\lambda}$ , hence  $IE = Ry \times \tilde{\lambda}$

This paper provides the field-theoretic foundation. Paper D completes the derivation by analyzing the circulation mechanism.

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