

# p-ADIC AND ADELIC METHODS IN STRING THEORY AND QUANTUM COSMOLOGY

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## • Introduction

p-adic string

Volovich (1987)

Arefeva, B.D., Vladimirov, Khrennikov, ...

Freund, Witten, Frampton, ...

$$\Delta x \gtrsim l_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} \sim 10^{-33} \text{ cm}$$

## Some recent papers

Vladimirov: math-phys/0004017

Ghoshal, Sen: hep-th/0003278

Minahan: hep-th/0105312

hep-th/0102071

Moeller, Zwiebach: hep-th/0207107

Djordjevic, B.D., Netic, Volovich:

"P-ADIC AND ADELIC MINISUPERSPACE

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# p-ADIC NUMBERS AND ADELES

$\mathbb{Q}$  = field of rational numbers  
 $x \in \mathbb{Q}$

REAL

$$x = \pm \sum_{n=n_0}^{-\infty} a_n 10^n$$

$$a_n = 0, 1, \dots, 9$$

ordinary absolute value

$$|x|_{\infty}$$

$$d_{\infty}(x, y) = |x - y|_{\infty}$$

$$|x|_{\infty} = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

p-ADIC

$$x = \sum_{m=m_0}^{+\infty} b_m p^m$$

$$b_m = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$$

p-adic abs. value  
 (p-adic norm)

$$|x|_p$$

$$d_p(x, y) = |x - y|_p$$

$$x = \frac{m}{n} = p^{\nu} \frac{a}{b}$$

$$|x|_p = p^{-\nu}, \quad |0|_p = 0$$

$|x|_{\infty} \vee |x|_p = 1$

$$x \in \mathbb{Q}^* = \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$$

$$|x+y|_p \leq \max\{|x|_p, |y|_p\} \leq |x|_p + |y|_p$$

↑  
 strong triangle inequality  
 nonarchimedean (ultrametric) norm!

$$|\cdot| : F \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$$

$$1. |x| \geq 0, \quad |x| = 0 \iff x = 0$$

$$2. |xy| = |x| |y|$$

$$3. |x+y| \leq |x| + |y|$$

$$|x+y|_\infty \leq |x|_\infty + |y|_\infty \quad \text{archimedean norm}$$

$$|x+y|_p \leq \max\{|x|_p, |y|_p\} \leq |x|_p + |y|_p$$

↑  
nonarchimedean (ultrametric) norm

### Examples

$$x = \frac{15}{2} = \frac{3 \cdot 5}{2}$$

$$|\frac{15}{2}|_2 = 2, \quad |\frac{15}{2}|_3 = \frac{1}{3}, \quad |\frac{15}{2}|_5 = \frac{1}{5},$$

$$|\frac{15}{2}|_p = 1 \quad p \geq 7.$$

$$|m|_p \leq 1, \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -1 &= (p-1) + (p-1)p + (p-1)p^2 + \dots \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} (p-1)p^n \end{aligned}$$

## All valuations on $\mathbb{Q}$

$$(\mathbb{Q}, 1 \cdot 1_\infty)$$

$$(\mathbb{Q}, 1 \cdot 1_2)$$

$$(\mathbb{Q}, 1 \cdot 1_3)$$

$\vdots$

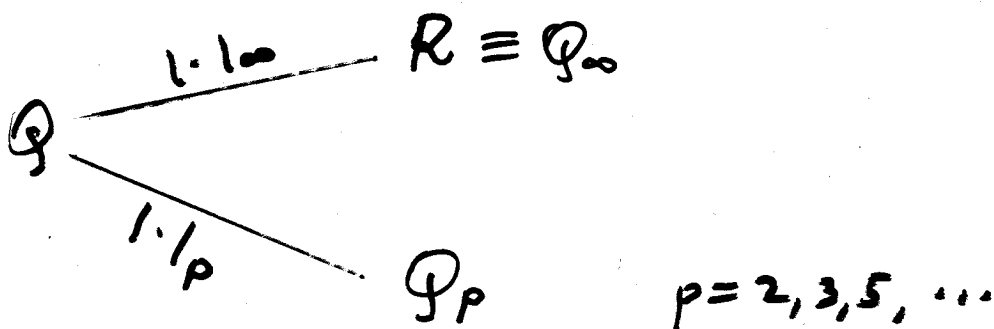
$$(\mathbb{Q}, 1 \cdot 1_\infty)$$

$$(\mathbb{Q}, 1 \cdot 1_p)$$

$$p = 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, \dots$$

Ostrowski theorem: Each non-trivial valuation on  $\mathbb{Q}$  is equivalent either to  $1 \cdot 1_\infty$  or  $1 \cdot 1_p$ .

## Completions of $\mathbb{Q}$



$$x \in R: x = \pm (x_n 10^n + \dots + x_0 + x_{-1} 10^{-1} + \dots)$$

$$x \in \mathbb{Q}_p: x = x_{-k} p^{-k} + \dots + x_0 + x_1 p^1 + x_2 p^2 + \dots$$

expansion into opposite directions

$$|x|_p = p^k$$

REAL NUMBER

$$x = \pm \sum_{n=k}^{-\infty} a_n 10^n$$

$$= \pm (a_k 10^k + \dots + a_0 + a_{-1} 10^{-1} + \dots)$$

P-ADIC NUMBER

$$x = \sum_{n=k}^{+\infty} b_n p^n$$

$$= b_{-k} p^{-k} + \dots + b_0 + b_1 p + b_2 p^2 + \dots$$

$$b_i = 0, 1, \dots, p-1$$

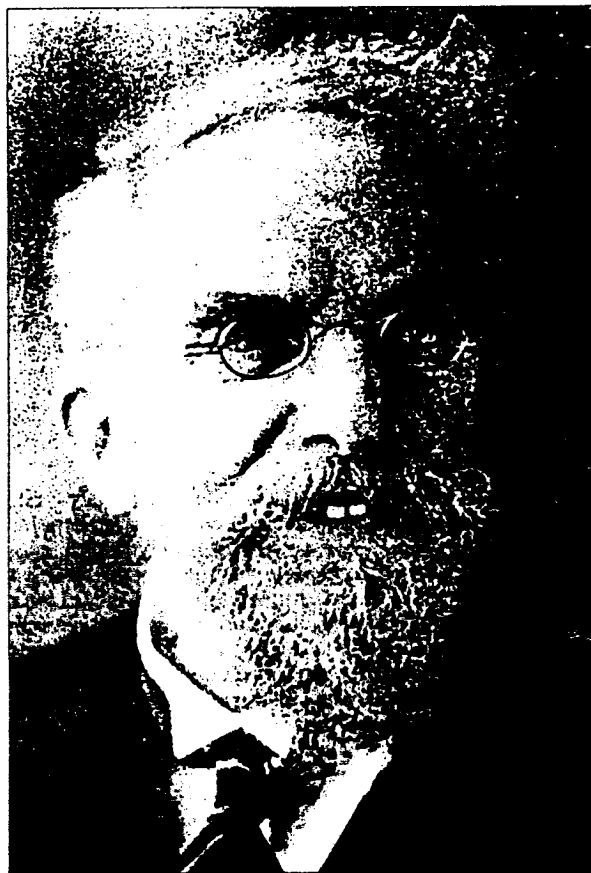
$\mathbb{Q}_p$  = field of p-adic numbers

$\mathbb{Z}_p$  = ring of p-adic integers

$$\mathbb{Z}_p = \{x \in \mathbb{Q}_p : x = x_0 + x_1 p + \dots\}$$

$\mathbb{Z}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{Z}_p$  !

Le mathématicien  
allemand **Kurt Hensel**  
(1861-1941)  
inventa les nombres  
p-adiques,  
au début du  $xx^e$  siècle.  
Il était un élève du  
célèbre théoricien  
des nombres  
Leopold Kronecker.  
Hensel enseigna à Berlin,  
puis à l'université  
de Marburg.  
(Cliché Jean-Loup  
Charmet)

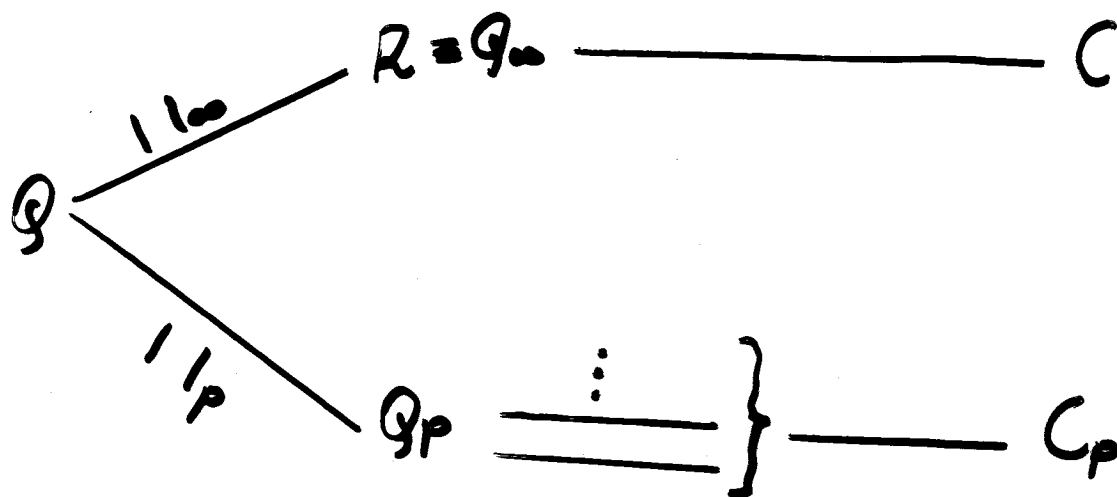
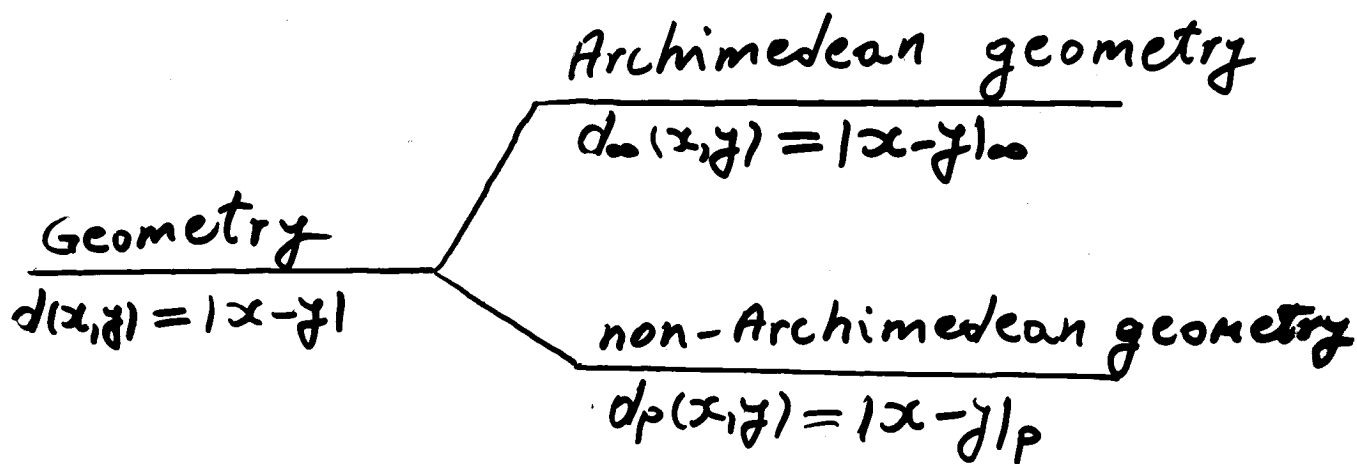


$$|x+y|_\infty \leq |x|_\infty + |y|_\infty$$

↑  
Archimedean norm

$$|x+y|_p \leq \max\{|x|_p, |y|_p\}$$

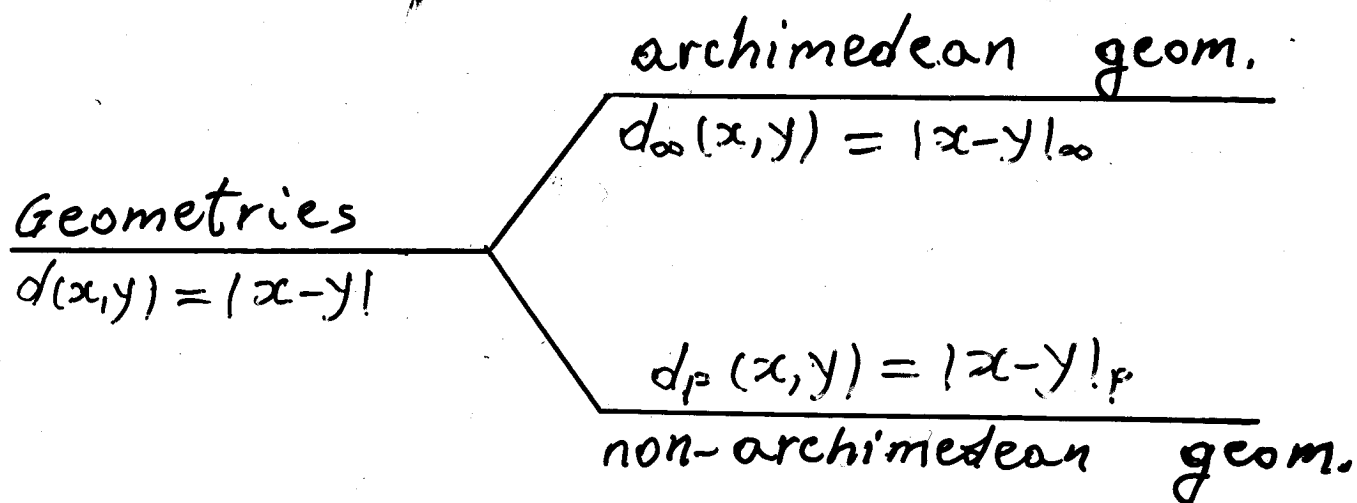
↑  
non-Archimedean (ultrametric) norm



$\mathbb{Q}_p$  = field of  $p$ -adic numbers

$p = 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, \dots$





$$d_\infty(x, y) \leq d_\infty(x, z) + d_\infty(z, y)$$

$$d_p(x, y) \leq \max \{ d_p(x, z), d_p(z, y) \}$$

$p$ -adic spaces

closed ball  $B_a(r)$

$$B_a(r) = \{ x \in \mathbb{Q}_p : |x - a|_p \leq r \}$$

open ball  $B_a(r^-)$

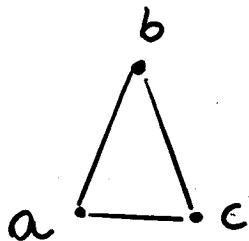
$$B_a(r^-) = \{ x \in \mathbb{Q}_p : |x - a|_p < r \}$$

sphere  $S_a(r)$

$$S_a(r) = \{ x \in \mathbb{Q}_p : |x - a|_p = r \}$$

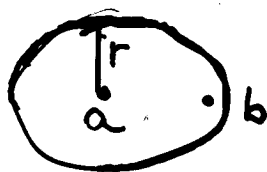
# Some exotic properties of p-adic spaces

1) isosceles triangles



$$d_p(a, b) = d_p(b, c) \geq d_p(a, c)$$

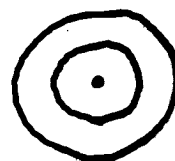
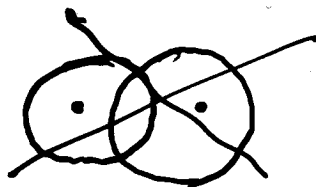
2)



$$B_a(r) = B_b(r)$$

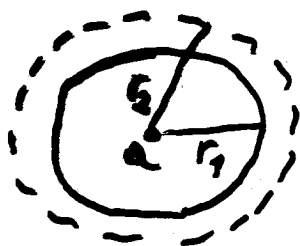
Each point of a ball may be its center!

3)



No partial intersection!

4)



$$|x - a|_p \leq p^v < p^{v+1}$$

closed = open

clopen sets

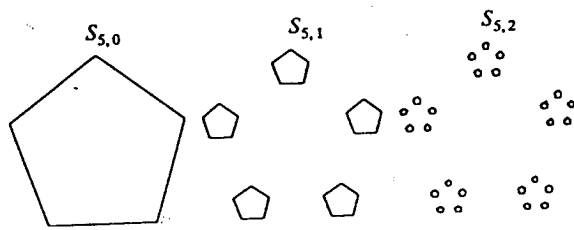


FIG. 4.

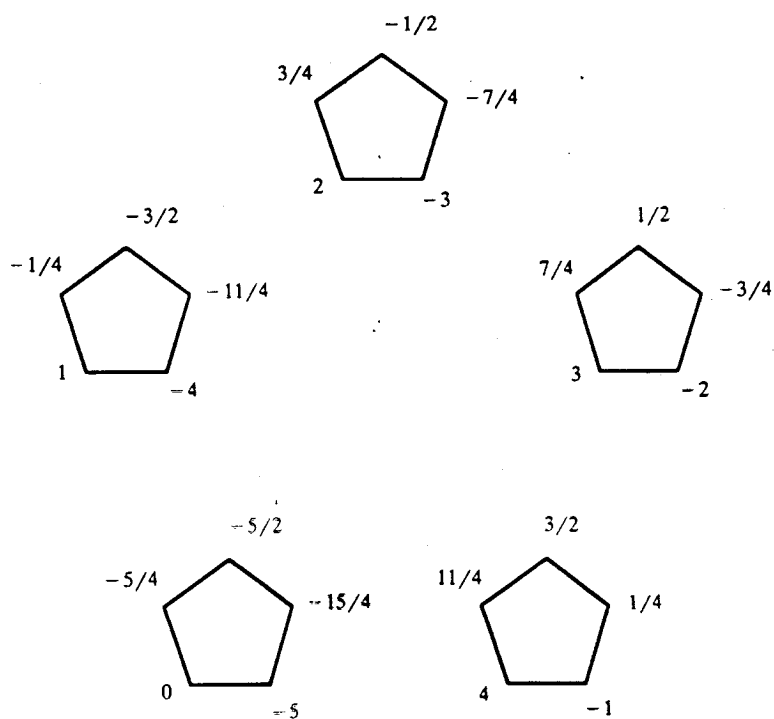


FIG. 7.

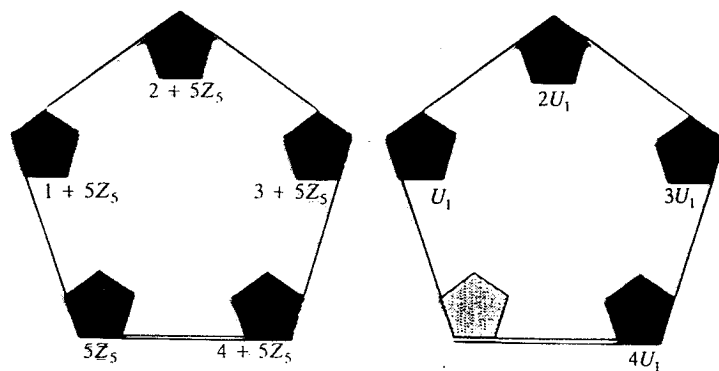


FIG. 9.

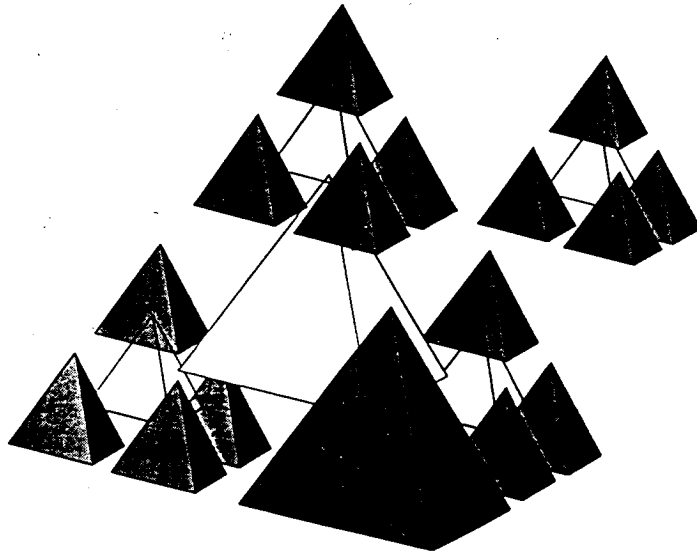


Figure 7: Space model of  $Z_5$

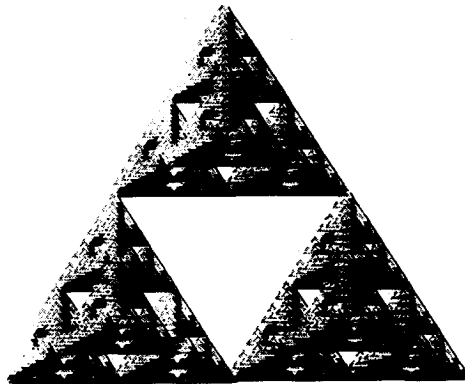
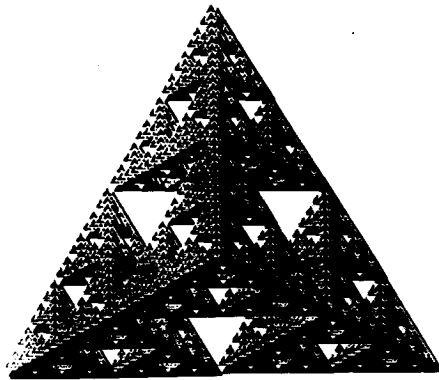


Figure 8: Top view of the space model of  $Z_5$

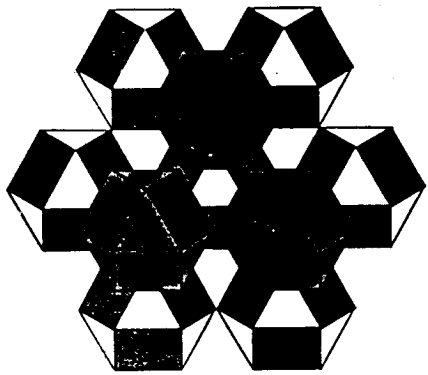


Figure 13: Model of  $Z_{13}$

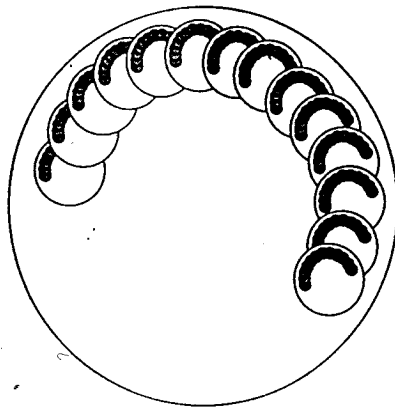
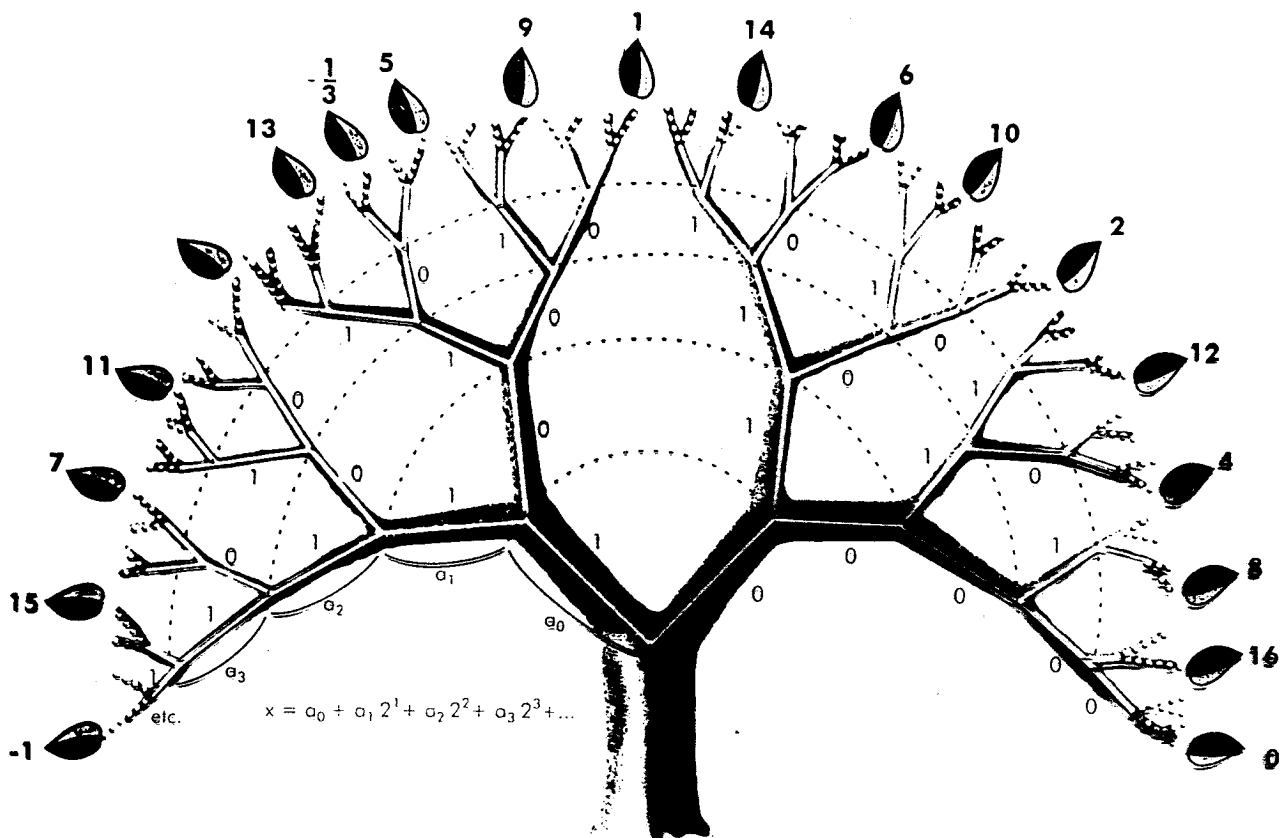


Figure 14: Antoine's model of  $Z_p$  ( $p > 30$ )



# ADELES

$$a = (a_\infty, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_p, \dots)$$

$$a_\infty \in \mathbb{R}, a_p \in \mathbb{Q}_p, p \in S$$

$$a_p \in \mathbb{Z}_p, p \notin S$$

$S =$  finite set  
of  $p$

$$A = \bigcup_S A(S)$$

$$A(S) = \mathbb{R} \times \prod_{p \in S} \mathbb{Q}_p \times \prod_{p \notin S} \mathbb{Z}_p$$

$A =$  topological ring of adèles

$$\mathbb{Z}_p = \{x \in \mathbb{Q}_p : |x|_p \leq 1\}$$

$$r \in \mathbb{Q}$$

$a_r = (r, r, \dots, r, \dots)$  principal adèle

ideles

$$A^\times = \bigcup_S A^\times(S), \quad A^\times(S) = \mathbb{R}^\times \times \prod_{p \in S} \mathbb{Q}_p^\times \times \prod_{p \notin S} \mathbb{Z}_p^\times$$

$$\mathbb{Z}_p^\times = \{x \in \mathbb{Q}_p : |x|_p = 1\}$$

$A^\times =$  multiplicative  
group of ideles

$$\mathbb{Q}_p^\times = \mathbb{Q}_p \setminus \{0\}$$

adelic analysis

1.  $A \longrightarrow A$

2.  $A \longrightarrow \mathbb{C}$

## motivations

- All experimental data belong  $\mathbb{Q}$
- $\mathbb{Q}$  is dense in  $\mathbb{R}$ , but also in  $\mathbb{Q}_p$
- There is plausible analysis on  $\mathbb{Q}_p$  as well as on  $\mathbb{R}$
- General mathematical methods and fundamental physical laws should be invariant under  $\mathbb{R} \leftrightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p$
- Is there any aspect of the Universe that cannot be described without use of  $p$ -adic numbers?
- There is

$$\Delta x \geq l_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} \sim 10^{-33} \text{ cm}$$

- Also Hasse - Minkowski (local-global) principle
- Adelic method is a natural approach to investigate  $p$ -adic (non-archimedean) effects in physics
- String/M-theory and quantum cosmology allow  $p$ -adic and adelic generalization

classical analysis

$$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}'$$

$$\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

classical  
theory

p-adic analysis

$$\mathbb{Q}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p$$

$$\mathbb{Q}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

quantum  
theory



- $\pi_p(x) = |x|_p^a$  multiplicative character
- $\chi_p(x) = \exp(2\pi i \{x\}_p)$  additive character

$$\pi_\infty(x) \prod_p \pi_p(x) = 1$$

$$x \in \mathbb{Q}_\infty^* = \mathbb{Q} \setminus \{0\}$$

$$\chi_\infty(x) \prod_p \chi_p(x) = 1$$

$$x \in \mathbb{Q}$$



# p-Adic and adelic generalization of string amplitudes

## Veneziano amplitude

$$a = -2(s) = -1 - \frac{1}{2}s$$

$$s + t + u = -8$$

$$a + b + c = 1$$

$$A(k_1, \dots, k_n) \equiv A_0(a, b)$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)} + \frac{\Gamma(b)\Gamma(c)}{\Gamma(b+c)} + \frac{\Gamma(c)\Gamma(a)}{\Gamma(c+a)} \quad \text{Volovich}$$

$$= \frac{\zeta(1-a)}{\zeta(a)} \frac{\zeta(1-b)}{\zeta(b)} \frac{\zeta(1-c)}{\zeta(c)} \quad \text{Aref'eva, Volovich B.D.}$$

$$= \int_R |x|_p^{a-1} |1-x|_p^{b-1} dx \quad \text{Freund, ...}$$

$$= g^2 \int \mathcal{D}X \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi i}{h} \frac{T}{2} \int d\sigma d\tau \partial^\alpha X^\mu \partial_\alpha X_\mu\right)$$

$$\times \prod_{j=1}^4 \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{h} k_\mu^{(j)} X^\mu(\sigma_j, \tau_j)\right) d\sigma_j^2 \quad \text{B.D.}$$

$$A_p(a, b) = \int_{\mathbb{Q}_p} |x|_p^{a-1} |1-x|_p^{b-1} dx \quad \begin{array}{l} A_p \in \mathbb{C} \\ x \in \mathbb{Q}_p \\ a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

$$A_p(a, b) = \frac{1-p^{a-1}}{1-p^{-a}} \frac{1-p^{b-1}}{1-p^{-b}} \frac{1-p^{c-1}}{1-p^{-c}}$$

$$\prod_p A_p(a, b) = \frac{\zeta(a)}{\zeta(1-a)} \frac{\zeta(b)}{\zeta(1-b)} \frac{\zeta(c)}{\zeta(1-c)}$$

$$\boxed{A_\infty(a, b) \prod_p A_p(a, b) = 1} \quad \text{Freund-Witten prod. formula}$$

regularization

only for 4-point amplitudes

# NEW APPROACH TO p-ADIC AND ADELIC STRING AMPLITUDES

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general assumptions

- (i) strings and space-time are adelic
- (ii) adelic quantum theory with Feynman's path integral
- (iii) ordinary theory is an effective limit of the adelic one

adelic string has real and p-adic properties

$$A_p(k_1, \dots, k_n) = g_p^2 \int \mathcal{D}X(\sigma, \tau) \chi_p \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\sigma^\alpha \partial_\alpha X_\mu \partial_\alpha X^\mu \right) * \\ * \prod_{i=1}^n \int d\sigma_i^\alpha \chi_p \left( -\frac{1}{\hbar} k_\mu^{(i)} X^\mu(\sigma_i, \tau_i) \right)$$

(adelic): world sheet  $(\sigma, \tau)$   
p-adic Minkowski space  $(X^\mu)$   
momenta  $(k_\mu)$

$A_p(k_1, \dots, k_n)$  is complex-valued

# ① p-ADIC AND ADELIC QM

## p-adic QM

Vladimirov, Volovich

$$(L_2(\mathbb{Q}_p), W_p(z_p), U(t_p))$$

- $L_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$  Hilbert space on  $\mathbb{Q}_p$
- $W_p(z_p)$  Weyl quantization on  $L_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$
- $U(t_p)$  unitary repr. of evolution oper. on  $L_2(\mathbb{Q}_p)$

$$U_p(t)\psi(x) = \int_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \mathcal{K}_p(x, t; y, 0) \psi(y) dy$$

$$\mathcal{K}_p(x'', t''; x', t') = \int_{\mathbb{Q}_p} \chi_p\left(-\int_{t'}^{t''} L(q, \dot{q}, t) dt\right) \prod_t dq(t)$$

quadratic Lagrangians

Djordjevic, B.D.

$$\mathcal{K}_p(x'', t''; x', t') = \lambda_p\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 \bar{S}}{\partial x'' \partial x'}\right) \left| \frac{\partial^2 \bar{S}}{\partial x'' \partial x'} \right|_p^{\frac{1}{2}} \chi_p(-\bar{S}(x'', t''; x', t'))$$

number field invariant ( $\mathbb{R} \leftrightarrow \mathbb{Q}_p$ )

## adelic QM

B.D.

$$(L_2(\mathbb{A}), W(z), U(t))$$

$$U(t)\psi(x) = \int_{\mathbb{A}} \mathcal{K}(x, t; y, 0) \psi(y) dy$$

$$\mathcal{K}(x'', t''; x', t') = \mathcal{K}_0(x'', t''; x', t') \prod_p \mathcal{K}_p(x_p'', t_p''; x_p', t_p')$$

$$U(t)\psi(x) = \chi(Et)\psi(x) \text{ spectral problem}$$

# p-ADIC AND ADELIC QUANTUM COSMOLOGY

Quantum cosmology is designed to describe the very early evolution of the Universe.

minisuperspace models allow application of quantum mechanics

p-adic and adelic minisuperspace quantum cosmology is an application of p-adic and adelic quantum mechanics to cosmological models

- de Sitter model in  $D=4$  and  $D=3$  dimens.
- model with homogeneous scalar field
- anisotropic Bianchi model with three scale factors
- some two-dimensional minisuperspace models

$$ds^2 = \sigma^2 \left( -N^2(t) \frac{dt^2}{a^2(t)} + a^2(t) d\Omega_3^2 \right)$$

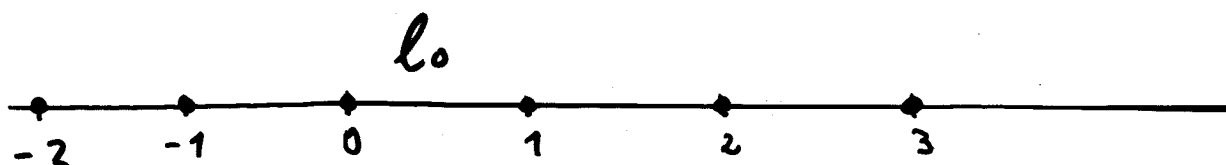
# adelic wave function of the Universe

Lj. Nešić, B.D.

$$\psi(x) = \psi_\infty(x_\infty) \prod_{p \in S} \psi_p(x_p) \prod_{p \notin S} \Omega(|x_p|_p)$$

Interpretation

$$x = x_\infty = \dots = x_p \in \mathbb{Q}$$



discreteness of space and time at the Planck scale which is a result of p-adic effects and adelic approach

$$\Omega(|x_p|_p) = \begin{cases} 1, & |x_p|_p \leq 1 \\ 0, & |x_p|_p > 1 \end{cases}$$

## CONCLUSION

- Strings, as well as the universe as a whole, can be regarded as adelic objects.
- Adelic approach is not alternative but more complete with respect to standard one.
- $p$ -Adic and adelic quantum mechanics are formulated, as the first step to adelic string/M-theory.
- $p$ -Adic and adelic generalization of the Feynman path integral method is very successful and promising.
- At the Planck scale  $p$ -adic quantum effects lead to some space-time discreteness which depend on adelic quantum state.

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