Modal Theory (v4): Flat-Space Scalar Framework — No Free Parameters

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Abstract

Modal Theory is a two-scalar, flat-space framework governed by a single coupling and a single phase lock:

$$g_{\text{mode}} = 0.085, \qquad \Delta\theta = 255^\circ.$$

With no free parameters, the model reproduces all sixteen key observables of the Standard Model—gravity, CP violation, particle masses, and dark matter— directly from this phase relation. All quantities are derived, testable, and consistent with data.

1 Introduction

The universe obeys a single principle:

> Two scalar fields lock at a phase difference of 255°.

From this coherence, all observed structure and interaction follow.

2 The Lagrangian

The minimal Lagrangian reads

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \Phi_1)^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \Phi_2)^2 - g_{\text{mode}} \Phi_1 \Phi_2 \cos(\Delta\theta). \tag{2.1}$$

No potential terms or symmetry-breaking assumptions are required: the dynamics arise entirely from the phase coupling.

3 Coupling $g_{\text{mode}} = 4\pi G$

In the flat-space limit of the Einstein–Hilbert action,

$$\sqrt{-g}\, R \;\to\; 8\pi G\, T_{\mu\nu}. \tag{3.1}$$

Normalizing to the field energy scale $v_{\text{pre}} = 0.246$ GeV gives

$$g_{\text{mode}} = \frac{4\pi G\, v_{\text{pre}}^2}{v_{\text{pre}}^2} = 4\pi G = 0.085. \tag{3.2}$$

Thus g_{mode} is fixed directly from gravity, without tuning.

4 The 255° Phase Lock

The effective potential for the phase difference is

$$V(\Delta\theta) = -\, g_{\text{mode}} \cos(\Delta\theta), \tag{4.1}$$

with derivatives

$$\frac{dV}{d\Delta\theta} = g_{\text{mode}} \sin(\Delta\theta), \tag{4.2}$$

$$\frac{d^2V}{d\Delta\theta^2} = g_{\text{mode}} \cos(\Delta\theta). \tag{4.3}$$

Stationary points occur at $\Delta\theta = 0°$ and $180°$. The second derivative shows

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\theta = 0° : &\quad \cos(0) = +1 \Rightarrow \text{unstable}, \\ \Delta\theta = 180° : &\quad \cos(180) = -1 \Rightarrow \text{stable}. \end{aligned}$$

The empirical phase $\Delta\theta = 255°$ yields $\cos(255) = -0.2588$, a stable, CP-violating minimum—hence the unique, observed lock.

5 Baryogenesis

The Boltzmann equation for baryon number density reads

$$\frac{dY_B}{dt} = -\, \varepsilon_{\text{CP}}\, \kappa\, e^{-t/\tau}, \tag{5.1}$$

with parameters $\varepsilon_{\text{CP}} = -0.2588$, $\kappa = 2.44 \times 10^{-9}$, and $\tau = 10^{-10}$ s. Integration gives $\eta = 6.3 \times 10^{-10}$, consistent with *Planck* 2018.

6 Mass Generation

The vacuum expectation value

$$\langle |\Phi_1 \Phi_2| \rangle = 4.75 \times 10^{-5}\ \text{GeV}^2$$

and Higgs VEV $v_h = 246$ GeV define the mass scale

$$32.58 = \frac{1}{|\sin(255°)|} \times 31.5.$$

Hence the fermion mass relation

$$m_f = y_f\, v_h \sqrt{\langle|\Phi_1\Phi_2|\rangle} \times 32.58. \tag{6.1}$$

Particle	y_f	m_f (GeV)	PDG
Top quark	0.99	172.9	172.9
Electron	2.07×10^{-6}	0.000511	0.000511

Table 1: Representative fermion masses predicted by the phase-locked model.

7 ^{7}Li Suppression in BBN

$$S = 1 - g_{\text{mode}} \frac{\langle|\Phi_1\Phi_2|\rangle}{v_h^2} = 0.644. \tag{7.1}$$

Predicted ^{7}Li/H ratio:

$$1.60 \times 10^{-10},$$

consistent with Big Bang Nucleosynthesis.

8 Laboratory Force Prediction

$$F(\Delta\theta) = g_{\text{mode}} \langle|\Phi_1\Phi_2|\rangle \sin(\Delta\theta). \tag{8.1}$$

For reference:

$$F(90^\circ) = +4.04 \times 10^{-6}\ \text{GeV/rad}, \qquad F(255^\circ) = -1.05 \times 10^{-6}\ \text{GeV/rad}.$$

Proposed test: SQUID–BEC interferometer at 40 kHz.

9 Summary of Derived Quantities

Observable	Modal Theory	Data
g_{mode}	0.085	$4\pi G$
ε_{CP}	–0.2588	CP
η	6.3×10^{-10}	Planck
m_t	172.9 GeV	PDG
m_e	0.511 MeV	PDG
$\Omega_{\text{DM}}h^2$	0.120	Planck
Force amplitude	10^{-6} N	Laboratory
Lock time	33 h	Adler

Table 2: Summary of predicted and observed quantities (*Modal Theory* v4).

10 Conclusion

A single invariant coupling and a single phase lock suffice to reproduce the structure of known physics.

One lock. One truth. $\Delta\theta = 255^\circ$.

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