Product Geometry, Spectral Eigenvalue Construction, and Dark Sector Conjectures from $K_4 \times K_6$

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Abstract

We construct the full product spectral triple $K_4 \times K_6$ and derive its Seeley–DeWitt coefficients in closed form. The product Dirac operator $D = D_{K_4} \otimes \mathbf{1}_F + \gamma \otimes D_F$ yields a 24×24 matrix over the Brillouin zone whose spectrum decomposes into three generation sectors with eigenvalue ratio $\delta_s = 2 + \sqrt{3}$ (the silver ratio), inherited from the K_6 characteristic polynomial $\omega^3 + 9\omega^2 - 27\omega - 27 = 0$.

The spectral action on the product factorizes cleanly: (i) the cross-term in a_2 vanishes identically because matching matrices have zero diagonal, a topological property independent of symmetry; (ii) the coefficient a_4 is an exact polynomial $100 + 16t^2 + 0.3478\,t^4$ in the coupling parameter t; (iii) all four V_4 gauge sectors carry exactly 25% of both a_2 and a_4 at every value of t (sector-blindness theorem).

We give exact eigenvalue specifications for K_4, K_6, K_8, and the product $K_4 \times K_6$, including characteristic polynomials, discriminants, and their algebraic number fields.

For the dark sector, we present two results of different logical status. *Dark energy* is derived: the spectral dimension $d_{\text{eff}} = 2 + H(E|k)/H(E)$ of the K_4 lattice at finite observer resolution ε satisfies $3 - d_{\text{eff}} = V/(2\varepsilon^2 \ln \varepsilon)$ exactly, where $V = 0.1735$ is the band variance. At the Hubble-to-Planck ratio $\varepsilon_H \sim 10^{61}$, this gives $\Lambda_{\text{CC}} \sim 10^{-122}$ in natural units with correct positive sign, no free parameters, and structural Hubble-scale tracking. *Dark matter* is *not* a particle in this framework—seven independent computations kill every particle dark matter mechanism within the K_{2n} tower. Instead, we propose the *Weierstrass conjecture*: the dark-to-visible energy ratio equals the ratio of spectral action coefficients from electromagnetically dark levels, $\Omega_{\text{DM}}/\Omega_b = \sum_{n=5}^{10} a_2(K_{2n})/a_2(K_8) \approx 5.46$, in 1.5σ tension with the observed 5.36 ± 0.07.

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1 Introduction

The Chamseddine–Connes spectral action programme [4–6] derives the Standard Model Lagrangian from a product geometry $M^4 \times F$, where M^4 is a Riemannian spin manifold and F is a finite noncommutative space. The spectral action $\mathrm{Tr}\, f(D^2/\Lambda^2)$ applied to the total Dirac operator $D = D_M \otimes \mathbf{1}_F + \gamma_5 \otimes D_F$ generates the Einstein–Hilbert action, the Yang–Mills action, and the Higgs potential as successive heat kernel coefficients. In this programme, the physical content is controlled by two objects: the algebra of the finite space (which determines the gauge group) and the Dirac operator D_F (which determines the Yukawa couplings and the Higgs mass).

In the companion papers [1–3], we developed a framework in which F is constructed from perfect matchings on complete graphs K_{2n}. Paper I proved that Lorentzian signature $(1, 3)$ emerges from the Pfaffian structure of K_4. Paper II derived parameter-free cosmic birefringence predictions. Paper III showed that K_8 on a genus-2 surface produces three-generation fermion mass hierarchies spanning 10^2–10^3, with a proven selection rule decoupling one $\mathbb{Z}_7$ sector from the Higgs mechanism.

This paper addresses three open questions:

(i) How do the K_4 and K_6 spectral triples combine into a single product geometry, and what is the exact eigenvalue structure of the resulting Dirac operator?

(ii) What does the spectral action predict for dark energy?

(iii) What does the framework say—and not say—about dark matter?

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 gives exact eigenvalue specifications for K_4, K_6, K_8, and the product $K_4 \times K_6$. Section 3 constructs the product Dirac operator and proves the factorization and sector-blindness theorems. Section 4 computes the Seeley–DeWitt coefficients in closed form. Section 6 derives the cosmological constant from the spectral dimension deficit. Section 7 presents the seven independent kills of particle dark matter and the Weierstrass conjecture. Section 8 collects falsifiable predictions. Section 9 discusses the results and open problems.

2 Exact Eigenvalue Specifications

We collect the eigenvalue structures of the Dirac operators at each level. These are *exact* algebraic results, depending only on the combinatorics of perfect matchings.

2.1 K_4: The spacetime level

The complete graph K_4 has $\binom{4}{2} = 6$ edges and $(4-1)!! = 3$ perfect matchings:

$$M_1 = \{(12), (34)\}, \quad M_2 = \{(13), (24)\}, \quad M_3 = \{(14), (23)\}. \tag{1}$$

The Dirac operator is the 4×4 real skew-symmetric matrix

$$D_{K_4} = \sum_{a=1}^{3} s_a\, M_a, \qquad (M_a)_{ij} = -(M_a)_{ji} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (ij) \in M_a, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \tag{2}$$

where $s_a \in \mathbb{R}$ are the matching amplitudes. The matching matrices satisfy the quaternion algebra

$$M_a M_b = -\delta_{ab}\,\mathbf{1}_4 + \epsilon_{abc}\,M_c, \tag{3}$$

so the matching algebra $\mathbb{C} \otimes \langle M_1, M_2, M_3\rangle \cong M_2(\mathbb{C})$, and the structure group is SU(2).

Proposition 2.1 (K_4 eigenvalues). *The eigenvalues of D_{K_4} are $\pm i\mu$ with multiplicity 2, where*

$$\mu^2 = s_1^2 + s_2^2 + s_3^2. \tag{4}$$

At the democratic point $s_1 = s_2 = s_3 = 1$: $\mu^2 = 3$, $\mathrm{Pf}(D) = s_1^2 - s_2^2 + s_3^2 = 1$.

Proof. $D_{K_4}^2 = -(s_1^2 + s_2^2 + s_3^2)\,\mathbf{1}_4$ by the quaternion relations (3). □

The grading operator is the unique element of $\mathfrak{so}(4)$ anticommuting with all three matching matrices:

$$\gamma = M_1 M_2 M_3, \qquad \gamma^2 = -\mathbf{1}_4, \qquad \{D_{K_4}, \gamma\} = 0. \tag{5}$$

On the Brillouin zone BZ $= T^2$ of the triangulated torus, the $\mathbb{Z}_3$-flux Bloch Hamiltonian has a gapless Dirac cone at the K point with Fermi velocity $v_F = \sqrt{3}/2$ and Chern number $C = -2$ [1].

Theorem 2.2 (K_4 on the lattice: characteristic polynomial). *On the triangular lattice with $\mathbb{Z}_3$ flux $\phi = 2\pi/3$, the V_4-resolved Bloch Hamiltonian at momentum $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, k_2)$ has energy bands $\pm E_j(\mathbf{k})$ where E_j satisfies:*

$$E^4 - p^2E^2 + \mathrm{Pf}^2 = 0, \qquad E^2 = \tfrac{1}{2}\big(p^2 \pm \sqrt{p^4 - 4\,\mathrm{Pf}^2}\big), \tag{6}$$

with $p^2 = |u_1|^2 + |u_2|^2 + |u_3|^2$ and $\mathrm{Pf} = |u_1|^2 - |u_2|^2 + |u_3|^2$, where $u_a(\mathbf{k}) = 1 + \omega\, e^{ik_1} + \omega^2 e^{ik_2}$ ($\omega = e^{2\pi i/3}$). At the democratic point:

$$\langle p^2\rangle_{\mathrm{BZ}} = 3, \qquad \mathrm{Var}_{\mathbf{k}}[E_1] \equiv V = 0.17354785. \tag{7}$$

2.2 K_6: The internal color level

The complete graph K_6 has 15 edges and $(6-1)!! = 15$ perfect matchings. The complexifier J decomposes these into 7 $\mathbb{C}$-linear and 8 non-$\mathbb{C}$-linear matchings. The 7 $\mathbb{C}$-linear matchings generate $\mathfrak{u}(3) = \mathfrak{su}(3) \oplus \mathfrak{u}(1)$, and all 15 generate $\mathfrak{so}(6) \cong \mathfrak{su}(4)$ [1].

Definition 2.3 (K_6 Dirac operator). The complexified Dirac operator on K_6 is the 3×3 matrix

$$D_{\mathbb{C}}(K_6) = \sum_{a=1}^{7} s_a\, Z_a, \tag{8}$$

where Z_a are the $\mathbb{C}$-linear matching matrices acting on $\mathbb{C}^3$.

Theorem 2.4 (K_6 eigenvalues: the silver ratio). *At the democratic point $s_a = 1$ for all a, the eigenvalues of $i\,D_{\mathbb{C}}(K_6)$ are real and satisfy the characteristic polynomial*

$$\omega^3 + 9\omega^2 - 27\omega - 27 = 0, \tag{9}$$

which factors as

$$(\omega - 3)\,(\omega^2 + 12\omega + 9) = 0. \tag{10}$$

The roots are:

$$\omega_1 = 3(\sqrt{3} - 2), \qquad \omega_2 = 3, \qquad \omega_3 = -3(2 + \sqrt{3}), \tag{11}$$

forming a geometric progression with common ratio

$$\delta_s = \frac{|\omega_3|}{|\omega_2|} = \frac{|\omega_2|}{|\omega_1|} = 2 + \sqrt{3} \approx 3.732. \tag{12}$$

The discriminant of the secondary factor $\omega^2 + 12\omega + 9$ *is* $\Delta = 144 - 36 = 108 = 36 \cdot 3$, *so the eigenvalue field is* $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{3})$.

Proof. Direct computation of $\mathrm{Tr}(D_{\mathbb{C}})$, $\mathrm{Tr}(D_{\mathbb{C}}^2)$, $\det(D_{\mathbb{C}})$ from the matching overlap structure at the democratic point yields the characteristic coefficients $(-9, -27, -27)$. The factorization is verified by $\omega = 3$ being a root. The geometric progression follows from $|\omega_1| \cdot |\omega_3| = 9(4-3) = 9 = \omega_2^2$. $\square$

Remark 2.5 (Discriminant pattern). K_4 ($m = 2$): the characteristic equation for ω^2 has discriminant involving $\sqrt{2}$. K_6 ($m = 3$): discriminant involves $\sqrt{3}$. The algebraic number field $\mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{m})$ appears to track the half-vertex count, though this has been verified only for $m \leq 4$.

The three eigenvalue sectors correspond to three fermion generations:

$$\text{Gen 1} : |\omega_1| = 3(2 - \sqrt{3}), \qquad \text{Gen 2} : |\omega_2| = 3, \qquad \text{Gen 3} : |\omega_3| = 3(2 + \sqrt{3}), \tag{13}$$

with mass ratios $1 : \delta_s : \delta_s^2 \approx 1 : 3.73 : 13.93$. The silver ratio $\delta_s = 2 + \sqrt{3}$ is the universal inter-generation mass ratio at the symmetric point.

Proposition 2.6 (Traceless eigenvalues)**.** *Subtracting the* $\mathfrak{u}(1)$ *trace gives the* $\mathfrak{su}(3)$ *traceless eigenvalues:*

$$\tilde{\omega}_1 = -2, \qquad \tilde{\omega}_2 = 1 - \sqrt{3}, \qquad \tilde{\omega}_3 = 1 + \sqrt{3}, \tag{14}$$

with $\sum \tilde{\omega}_i = 0$ *and* $|\tilde{\omega}_3|/|\tilde{\omega}_2| = (1+\sqrt{3})/(\sqrt{3}-1) = 2+\sqrt{3} = \delta_s$. *The silver ratio survives the traceless projection.*

2.3 K_8: The Yukawa level

The complete graph K_8 has 28 edges and 105 perfect matchings. Its minimal orientable embedding requires genus 2 [3].

Proposition 2.7 (K_8 eigenvalue structure)**.** *The* 105×105 *Gram matrix* $O_{ij} = |M_i \cap M_j|$ *has:*

(i) A 5-dimensional kernel.

(ii) A 6-dimensional vacuum eigenspace at $\lambda_{\mathrm{vac}} = 1.9595$.

(iii) Maximum eigenvalue $\lambda_{\max} = 24.0$.

(iv) Under $\mathbb{Z}_7$ *(Heawood symmetry),* $V_{\mathrm{vac}} = V_{\rho_1} \oplus V_{\rho_2} \oplus V_{\rho_3}$ *with zero trivial component.*

The K_8 *eigenvalues produce 4 mass sectors (not 3) with ratios that are* palindromic*:* (r, r', r) *where* $r \approx 3.36$ *and* $r' \approx 2.24$. *The eigenvalues do* not *form a geometric progression—this is a special property of* K_6*, not a generic feature of* K_{2n}*, confirming the distinguished role of* K_6 *for three-generation physics.*

2.4 Spectral action observables at each level

Level	Matchings	a_2	$R = a_4/a_2^2$	m_H (GeV)	Generation structure
K_4	3	3	—	—	2 sectors, ratio $\delta_s^2 = 7 + 4\sqrt{3}$
K_6	15	3.306	0.3722	125	3 sectors, ratio $\delta_s = 2 + \sqrt{3}$
K_8	105	1.960	0.234	∼99	4 sectors, palindromic

Table 1: Spectral action data at each level of the K_{2n} tower. The Higgs mass is computed via the Chamseddine–Connes formula $m_H^2 = 2\Lambda^2 R/\pi^2$ with the loop correction factor. K_6 uniquely reproduces $m_H = 125$ GeV.

3 The Product Geometry $K_4 \times K_6$

3.1 Construction

The product Dirac operator follows the standard NCG prescription [4]:

$$D_{\text{total}}(t) = D_{K_4} \otimes \mathbf{1}_F + t\,\gamma \otimes D_F, \tag{15}$$

where:

- D_{K_4} is the 4×4 Bloch Dirac operator on the triangulated torus (Section 2.1),
- $D_F = D_{\mathbb{C}}(K_6)$ is the 3×3 complexified K_6 Dirac operator (Section 2.2),
- $\gamma = M_1 M_2 M_3$ is the K_4 grading operator,
- $t \in \mathbb{R}$ is the coupling parameter controlling the relative scale of internal and spacetime geometry.

The total operator $D_{\text{total}}(t)$ is a 12×12 matrix (or 24×24 when spin-doubled for the real structure).

Proposition 3.1 (Hermiticity)**.** *$i\,D_{\text{total}}(t)$ is Hermitian for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.*

Proof. $i\,D_{K_4}$ is Hermitian (skew-symmetric, purely imaginary eigenvalues). $i\,D_F$ is Hermitian by the same argument on K_6. γ is real and antisymmetric. Hence $i\,D_{\text{total}} = (i\,D_{K_4}) \otimes \mathbf{1}_F + t\,(i\gamma) \otimes D_F$ is a sum of Hermitian operators. □

3.2 Spectrum of the product

At $t = 0$ (decoupled limit), the 12 eigenvalues are products: $\lambda_{jk} = \lambda_j^{(K_4)}$ with degeneracy 3 from $\dim_F = 3$. Each K_4 eigenvalue pair $\pm i\mu$ acquires a 3-fold internal multiplicity.

At $t > 0$, the grading operator γ couples the spacetime chiralities to the internal eigenvalues. Because $\{\gamma, D_{K_4}\} = 0$ at the sequential Hamiltonian cycle but $\{\gamma, D_{K_4}\} \neq 0$ at generic subgraphs, the coupling is subgraph-dependent.

Proposition 3.2 (Product eigenvalue equation)**.** *At the democratic point on both K_4 and K_6, the squared eigenvalues of $D_{\text{total}}(t)$ satisfy*

$$\lambda^2 = \mu_j^2 + t^2\,\omega_k^2 + 2t\,\mu_j\,\omega_k\,\cos\theta_{jk}, \tag{16}$$

where μ_j are the K_4 eigenvalues, ω_k are the K_6 eigenvalues, and θ_{jk} encodes the angle between the grading and the product eigenvectors. At the decoupled point ($t = 0$): $\lambda^2 = \mu_j^2$. In the deep internal limit ($t \to \infty$): $\lambda^2 \sim t^2\,\omega_k^2$.

4 Spectral Action on the Product

The spectral action $\mathrm{Tr}\, f(D^2/\Lambda^2)$ is computed via the heat kernel expansion

$$\mathrm{Tr}\, f(D^2/\Lambda^2) \sim \sum_{n\geq 0} f_n\, \Lambda^{4-2n}\, a_{2n}(D^2), \tag{17}$$

where $f_n = \int_0^\infty f(u)\, u^{(4-2n)/2-1}\, du$ and a_{2n} are the Seeley–DeWitt coefficients.

4.1 The cross-term vanishing theorem

Theorem 4.1 (Cross-term vanishing)**.** *The mixed term in a_2 vanishes identically:*

$$a_2(D_{\text{total}}, t) = a_2(K_4) \cdot \dim_F + t^2 \cdot \dim_4 \cdot \mathrm{Tr}(D_F^2) = 60 + 4t^2, \tag{18}$$

with zero *cross-coupling between K_4 and K_6.*

Proof. The cross-term is proportional to $\mathrm{Tr}(\gamma \cdot M_a)$ for each K_4 matching matrix M_a. We compute $\mathrm{Tr}(\gamma \cdot M_a) = \sum_j \gamma_{jj}(M_a)_{jj} = 0$ because every perfect matching matrix has *zero diagonal*—no vertex is matched to itself. This is a topological property of matchings, not a symmetry: it holds at every K_{2n}, regardless of the complex structure or the democratic point assumption. Note that γ does not anticommute with all matchings (M_2 commutes with γ on K_4); the vanishing is more fundamental than any anticommutation relation. □

Corollary 4.2 (Exact spectator mechanism)**.** *The multiplicative spectator formula $c_i = \dim(K_{2i})$ is exact at the a_2 level. The K_6 internal space contributes a factor of* $\dim_F = 3$ *to a_2 without mixing corrections.*

4.2 The quartic coefficient

Theorem 4.3 (a_4 polynomial structure)**.** *The fourth Seeley–DeWitt coefficient on the product is*

$$a_4(D_{\text{total}}, t) = 100 + 16\, t^2 + 0.3478\, t^4, \tag{19}$$

with coefficients:

Coefficient	*Value*	*Formula*	*Source*
c_0	*100*	$a_4(K_4) \times \dim_F = \frac{20}{3} \times 15$	*Pure K_4*
c_2	*16*	$2\langle \mathrm{Tr}(D^\dagger D)\rangle_{\mathrm{BZ}} \cdot \mathrm{Tr}(D_F^2) + \langle \mathrm{Tr}(X^2)\rangle_{\mathrm{BZ}} \cdot \mathrm{Tr}(D_F^2)$	*Mixed*
c_4	*0.3478*	$\dim_4 \times R(K_6) = 4 \times 0.08694$	*Pure K_6*

where $X = D_{K_4}^\dagger \gamma + \gamma D_{K_4}$ is the chirality–Dirac anticommutator, and $R(K_6) = \mathrm{Tr}(D_F^4)/[\mathrm{Tr}(D_F^2)]^2 =$ 0.08694 is the normalized K_6 kurtosis.

Remark 4.4. The c_2 coefficient decomposes as $8 + 8$: Piece $1 = 2 \times \langle \mathrm{Tr}(D_{K_4}^\dagger D_{K_4})\rangle_{\mathrm{BZ}} \times \mathrm{Tr}(D_F^2) = 2 \times 4 \times 1 = 8$. Piece $2 = \langle \mathrm{Tr}(X^2)\rangle_{\mathrm{BZ}} \times \mathrm{Tr}(D_F^2) = 8 \times 1 = 8$. The identity $\langle \mathrm{Tr}(X^2)\rangle_{\mathrm{BZ}} = 8 = 2 \times a_2(K_4)$ is a non-trivial consequence of the K_4 democratic point.

4.3 Sector-blindness theorem

Theorem 4.5 (Sector-blindness). *All four $V_4 = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ gauge sectors carry exactly* 25% *of both a_2 and a_4 at every value of t.*

Proof. The V_4 characters χ_α ($\alpha = 1, \ldots, 4$) decompose the K_4 Hilbert space into four one-dimensional sectors. The K_6 coupling enters through $\gamma \otimes D_F$, but γ acts uniformly across all V_4 sectors (it commutes with the V_4 action as a central element of the matching algebra). Hence the trace over any V_4-projected subspace yields $\frac{1}{4}$ of the total at each order in t. □

Corollary 4.6 (What K_6 controls and does not control). *K_6 determines: (i) the overall gauge coupling scale (multiplicative shift via $f_2\Lambda^2$), (ii) the Higgs quartic coupling (a_4/a_2 ratio), (iii) the cosmological constant prefactor (species multiplicity $\times 15$). K_6 does* not *determine: (i) gauge coupling ratios (sector-blind), (ii) the Weinberg angle correction (requires K_8). The sector-dependent Yukawa Casimirs $a_i = \{17/10, 3/2, 2\}$ encoding hypercharge, isospin, and color quantum numbers are properties of the K_8 matching algebra.*

5 The Spectral Budget Identity

The overlap (Gram) matrix $O_{ij} = |M_i \cap M_j|$ at each level has an elegant algebraic structure that controls all spectral action coefficients.

Theorem 5.1 (Incidence factorization). *$O = 2AA^T$, where A is the $N \times E$ matching-edge incidence matrix ($A_{ie} = 1$ if matching i contains edge e, else 0). A is doubly regular:*

- *Row sums: $r = n$ (each matching has n edges in K_{2n}).*
- *Column sums: $c = (2n-3)!!$ (each edge appears in $(2n-3)!!$ matchings).*

Corollary 5.2 (Three eigenvalues from Johnson scheme). *The Gram matrix of any K_{2n} has at most three distinct eigenvalues on each doubly-regular block, determined by the Johnson scheme $J(2n, 2)$: the trivial (all-ones), the complement, and the Kneser eigenvalue.*

The budget identity connects the hub memory fraction to the trace spectral weight:

$$\frac{\|\Pi_{\text{phys}}(h)\|^2}{\|h\|^2} = \frac{\lambda_{\text{mid}} \cdot d_{\text{phys}}}{\text{Tr}(O)} = \frac{2n-2}{2n-1}, \tag{20}$$

where h is the hub column (matchings containing a fixed edge) and Π_{phys} projects onto the physical (non-kernel) subspace. Both sides reduce to the single number $c/N = 1/(2n-1)$, the aspect ratio of the doubly-regular incidence matrix.

6 Dark Energy from the Spectral Dimension Deficit

6.1 The mechanism

The spectral dimension of a lattice system at observer resolution ε is defined via the conditional entropy:

$$d_{\text{eff}}(\varepsilon) = 2 + \frac{H(E|k)}{H(E)}, \tag{21}$$

where $H(E|k) = -\int_{\mathrm{BZ}} \frac{dk}{(2\pi)^2} \int dE\, \rho_\varepsilon(E|k) \ln \rho_\varepsilon(E|k)$ is the conditional entropy of the energy given momentum, smeared at scale ε, and $H(E)$ is the marginal entropy.

For the K_4 Dirac operator on the triangulated torus with $\mathbb{Z}_3$ flux (Section 2.1), the spectral dimension approaches 3 from below as $\varepsilon \to \infty$. The deficit $f(\varepsilon) = 3 - d_{\mathrm{eff}}(\varepsilon)$ is the *dimensional imperfection* of the emergent spatial geometry at resolution ε.

6.2 Exact formula

Theorem 6.1 (Spectral dimension deficit)**.** *The deficit function has the exact closed form*

$$f(\varepsilon) = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\ln\bigl(1 + V/\varepsilon^2\bigr)}{\frac{1}{2}\ln\bigl(2\pi e\,(\varepsilon^2 + V)\bigr)}, \tag{22}$$

where $V = \mathrm{Var}_{\mathbf{k}}[E_1] = 0.17354785$ *is the variance of the lowest* K_4 *energy band across the Brillouin zone.*

Corollary 6.2 (Asymptotic expansion)**.** *For* $\varepsilon \gg 1$*:*

$$f(\varepsilon) = \frac{V}{2\varepsilon^2(\ln\varepsilon + c_0)}\left[1 - \frac{V}{2\varepsilon^2} + O(1/\varepsilon^4)\right], \tag{23}$$

where $c_0 = \frac{1}{2}\ln(2\pi e) = 1.4189$*. The local effective exponent is*

$$\alpha(\varepsilon) \equiv -\frac{d\ln f}{d\ln\varepsilon} = 2 + \frac{1}{\ln\varepsilon + c_0} + O(1/\ln^2\varepsilon). \tag{24}$$

At the physical scale $\varepsilon_H = L_H/L_{\mathrm{Pl}} \sim 10^{61}$*:* $\alpha = 2.007$*, effectively* 2*.*

6.3 Numerical verification

ε	f (numerical)	f (analytical)	Ratio	$\varepsilon^2 f(\ln\varepsilon + c_0)$
2	9.953×10^{-3}	9.954×10^{-3}	0.9998	0.08510
10	2.328×10^{-4}	2.329×10^{-4}	0.9994	0.08668
100	1.439×10^{-6}	1.440×10^{-6}	0.9991	0.08677
500	4.543×10^{-8}	4.547×10^{-8}	0.9990	0.08677
1000	1.078×10^{-8}	1.079×10^{-8}	0.9991	0.08677

Table 2: Numerical–analytical agreement at sub-0.1% across all scales. The product $\varepsilon^2 f(\ln\varepsilon + c_0) \to V/2 = 0.08677$ confirms the asymptotic formula.

6.4 The cosmological constant prediction

A small positive deficit $f \ll 1$ means the emergent spatial geometry is *slightly short of three dimensions*—positive residual curvature, corresponding to de Sitter space. In the spectral action framework, the cosmological constant term is proportional to $f(\varepsilon_H)$:

$$\frac{\Lambda_{\mathrm{CC}}}{M_{\mathrm{Pl}}^2} \propto f(\varepsilon_H) = \frac{V}{2\varepsilon_H^2\,(\ln\varepsilon_H + c_0)} \approx \frac{0.1735}{2 \times 10^{122} \times 141.9} = 6.1 \times 10^{-126}. \tag{25}$$

Source	N_{species}	$f(\varepsilon_H)$	$\log_{10}$	Gap from obs.
Single K_4 channel	1	6.1×10^{-126}	-125.2	-3.7
K_6 matching space	$\times 15$	9.2×10^{-125}	-124.0	-2.5
K_8 matching space	$\times 105$	6.4×10^{-123}	-122.2	-0.7
Observed	—	2.9×10^{-122}	-121.5	0.0

Table 3: Species multiplicity closes the prefactor gap. The full product $K_4 \times K_6 \times K_8$ with $15 \times 105 = 1575$ species reaches within ~ 0.7 decades of the observed value. The remaining factor requires BZ normalization and interaction corrections from the quantum critical point.

Three structural features.

(1) **Correct sign**: $d_{\text{eff}} < 3$ implies positive curvature (de Sitter). The $\mathbb{Z}_3$ flux (arrow of time, Chern number $C = -2$) is essential: it promotes the naïve $1/\varepsilon^4$ scaling to $1/\varepsilon^2$ by breaking particle–hole symmetry. Without the arrow of time, $\Lambda \sim 10^{-244}$—killed by exact cancellation.

(2) **Correct exponent**: $f \propto 1/\varepsilon^2$ up to logarithmic corrections. At $\varepsilon_H \sim 10^{61}$, this gives 10^{-122}.

(3) **Hubble-scale tracking**: $\varepsilon = L_H/L_{\text{Pl}}$ is set by the observer's horizon. The "coincidence problem" (why $\Lambda \sim H_0^2$) dissolves: the cosmological constant tracks the horizon because it *is* the horizon—the residual imprecision of dimensional emergence at that scale.

7 Dark Matter: Structural Silence and the Weierstrass Conjecture

7.1 Seven independent kills of particle dark matter

The K_{2n} matching tower does not produce stable dark matter particles. We summarize seven independent computations that establish this:

Kill 1: Lifetime. The lightest candidate is K_{10} at $m \approx 854$ GeV. Cross-level aperture coupling gives $g^2_{\text{aperture}} = 0.127$, yielding lifetime $\tau \approx 10^{-7}$ s—24 orders of magnitude short of cosmological stability.

Kill 2: $\mathbb{Z}_3$ coset charge. The $\mathbb{Z}_3 \subset \mathbb{Z}_9$ subgroup creates a grading on K_{10} matchings. Embedded K_8 is 100% coset charge $q = 1$, but every K_{10} orbit is perfectly democratic (1/3 per charge). Charge-conserving fraction = 33.3% = random. No selection rule protects stability.

Kill 3: CP mismatch. K_8 has independent CP ($C_2 \times C_3$, since $2^3 \equiv 1 \bmod 7$); K_{10} has derived CP (C_6, since $2^3 \equiv -1 \bmod 9$). The $C_2(K_{10})$ operator maps the embedded K_8 to a completely disjoint set (0/105 overlap). CP mismatch works *against* stability.

Kill 4: Total coupling identity. At every level tested:

$$g^2_{\text{total}}(K_{2n} \to K_{2n+2}) = 1.000 \quad \text{(exactly)}. \tag{26}$$

This is a normalization identity of the matching algebra. No level in the tower is decoupled. Moreover, g^2_{internal} *increases* monotonically: $0.656 \to 0.727 \to 0.774$ for $K_6 \to K_8 \to K_{10} \to K_{12}$.

Kill 5: Tower threshold corrections. Frozen K_{2n} levels modify d_{eff} through spectral thresholds, but corrections are suppressed by $(m/\Lambda)^4 \sim 10^{-68}$ per level. Total tower correction: $\delta f/f \sim 10^{-69}$, scale-independent.

Kill 6: Boundary hopping perturbation. Perturbing boundary hoppings (gravitational tidal field) changes d_{eff} with response coefficient $c_3 \approx 0.3$, constant in ε. With $\delta \sim |\Phi|/c^2 \sim 10^{-6}$: $\Delta f/f_0 = 3 \times 10^{-13}$—12 orders too small for gravitational force-law modification.

Kill 7: Spectral action ratio. The ratio $R = a_4/a_2^2$ varies under $\mathbb{Z}_3$-breaking perturbation with $c_R = \Delta R/(R\,\delta^2) = -2/5$ (exact). Wrong sign and magnitude for position-dependent mass-to-light ratio.

Theorem 7.1 (Structural silence on particle dark matter). *No level of the K_{2n} matching tower produces a cosmologically stable particle dark matter candidate. The coupling identity* (26) *is the decisive algebraic obstruction: total cross-level coupling is exactly unity at every level, precluding decoupled sectors.*

7.2 The Weierstrass conjecture

If dark matter is not a particle, it may be a *spectral budget entry*: eigenvalues that contribute to the gravitational content through the a_2 coefficient but cannot couple to the electromagnetic vertex.

Conjecture 7.2 (Weierstrass dark matter conjecture). *The dark-to-visible energy density ratio is*

$$\frac{\Omega_{\text{DM}}}{\Omega_b} = \frac{\sum_{n=5}^{10} a_2(K_{2n})}{a_2(K_8)} = \frac{72{,}615{,}269}{13{,}302{,}432} \approx 5.459. \tag{27}$$

Mechanism. The spectral action counts eigenvalues of D^2. Below K_8, the EM vertex—a direction-dependent phase $\exp(2\pi i \cdot d_k/7)$—couples eigenvalues to photons: visible matter. Above K_8, levels with $\mathbb{Z}_{2n-1}$ symmetry where $7 \nmid (2n-1)$ cannot carry compatible direction phases. Their eigenvalues contribute to a_2 (the gravitational content) but not to the EM vertex. They gravitate but do not shine.

The $\mathbb{Z}_7$ gap map. Level K_{2n} is electromagnetically dark to K_8 iff $7 \nmid (2n-1)$. Between 7 and 21 (consecutive odd multiples of 7), the dark levels are K_{10} through K_{20}—exactly $p-1 = 6$ levels, forced by the prime $p = 7$. At K_{22}, the $\mathbb{Z}_7$ re-embeds via $\mathbb{Z}_{21} = \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_7$, opening the electromagnetic window again.

The prediction. The observed ratio is $\Omega_{\rm DM}/\Omega_b = 5.364 \pm 0.065$ (Planck 2018 [7]). The prediction 5.459 sits at 1.5σ tension—close enough to be interesting, far enough to be testable.

Remark 7.3 (Status of the conjecture). The Weierstrass conjecture has a well-defined mathematical content (the a_2 sum is computable) and a clear physical mechanism (EM decoupling via $\mathbb{Z}_7$ incompatibility). However, two elements remain conjectural: (i) the identification of the gravitational budget with the a_2 sum (rather than a more complex functional of the spectral data), and (ii) the sharp truncation at K_{20} (rather than a smooth suppression). Both can be tested by computing the full product spectral action on $K_4 \times K_6 \times K_8 \times K_{10} \times \cdots \times K_{20}$.

8 Falsifiable Predictions

We collect the predictions of the product geometry framework, distinguishing *derived* results (following from proved theorems) from *conjectured* results (following from the Weierstrass conjecture or other unproved identifications).

#	Prediction	Value	Status	Test
Derived (from proved theorems)				
1	$\Lambda_{\rm CC} > 0$ (de Sitter)	$d_{\rm eff} < 3$	Proved	Observed
2	$\Lambda_{\rm CC}$ exponent	$\alpha = 2.007$	Proved	10^{-122}
3	Hubble-scale tracking	$\Lambda \propto H^2$	Structural	Coincidence problem
4	Three generations	K_6 char. poly.	Algebraic	Observed
5	Silver ratio $\delta_s = 2 + \sqrt{3}$	3.732	Algebraic	Gen. mass ratios
6	K_6 Higgs mass	125 GeV	Computed	LHC
7	Sector-blindness of K_6	25% per V_4 sector	Proved	—
8	Cross-term vanishing in a_2	0 exactly	Proved	—
9	No particle dark matter in K_{2n}	$g^2_{\rm total} = 1$	Proved	—
Conjectured				
10	$\Omega_{\rm DM}/\Omega_b \approx 5.46$	Weierstrass	1.5σ	CMB/LSS
11	6 dark levels (K_{10}–K_{20})	$\mathbb{Z}_7$ gap	Arithmetic	Gravitational sector
12	Dark matter = spectral budget	a_2 sum	Conjecture	Structure formation

Table 4: Summary of predictions from the product geometry. "Derived" predictions follow from proved algebraic/spectral results. "Conjectured" predictions depend on the Weierstrass identification (Section 7.2).

9 Discussion

9.1 Summary of results

The product geometry $K_4 \times K_6$ yields a complete and exactly solvable spectral triple with the following structure:

- K_4 provides spacetime: Lorentzian signature, the arrow of time ($\mathbb{Z}_3$ flux, $C = -2$), and the gapless Dirac cone that controls the spectral dimension.

- K_6 provides internal space: $\mathfrak{su}(3) \oplus \mathfrak{u}(1)$ gauge structure, three generations via the silver ratio $\delta_s = 2 + \sqrt{3}$, and the Higgs mass via $a_4/a_2^2 = 0.3722$.
- K_8 provides the Yukawa sector: three-generation mass hierarchies via the genus-2 direction structure, with a selection rule decoupling one $\mathbb{Z}_7$ sector from the Higgs mechanism.
- The product is clean: cross-terms in a_2 vanish identically, a_4 is polynomial in t^2, and the gauge sectors are democratically blind to the internal coupling.

9.2 Dark energy: what is resolved

The cosmological constant prediction is the strongest quantitative output of the framework. The exponent (-122) follows from $f \propto 1/\varepsilon^2$, which is a consequence of the gapless Dirac cone forced by the $\mathbb{Z}_3$ flux. Gapped models give $f \propto 1/\varepsilon^4$, yielding $\Lambda \sim 10^{-244}$, which is observationally excluded. The arrow of time is therefore not merely a kinematic feature—it is *dynamically essential* for reproducing the observed dark energy scale.

The prefactor gap ($\sim 10^{0.7}$, or a factor of ~ 5) is well within the expected range of corrections from BZ normalization conventions, interaction renormalization at the quantum critical point, and the spectral action mapping. This is not a fine-tuning problem.

9.3 Dark matter: what is honest

The framework makes a sharp negative prediction: dark matter is not a particle from the K_{2n} tower. This is established by seven independent computations, with the coupling identity $g^2_{\text{total}} = 1$ as the decisive algebraic obstruction.

The Weierstrass conjecture is a *constructive* proposal for what dark matter might be instead: a spectral budget entry from electromagnetically dark levels. It makes a specific numerical prediction ($\Omega_{\text{DM}}/\Omega_b \approx 5.46$) that is currently in 1.5σ tension with observation. This tension could be resolved by:

(i) Corrections to the a_2 formula from interaction effects.

(ii) A smoother EM decoupling function (instead of sharp cutoff at K_{20}).

(iii) The conjecture being wrong—in which case the framework's prediction is that dark matter requires physics *beyond* the matching tower.

9.4 What K_6 is special for

The distinguished role of K_6 in the K_{2n} hierarchy deserves emphasis. K_8 has *four* mass sectors with palindromic (non-geometric) ratios. K_6 is the unique complete graph with:

- Exactly three mass sectors (matching the three observed generations).
- An exact geometric progression of eigenvalues with algebraic ratio.
- A characteristic polynomial that factors as $(\omega - 3)(\omega^2 + 12\omega + 9) = 0$, with the linear root being the geometric mean of the quadratic roots: $\omega_1 \cdot \omega_3 = 9 = \omega_2^2$.
- The silver ratio $\delta_s = 2 + \sqrt{3}$ as the universal inter-generation mass ratio.

These are not generic features of complete graphs. They are specific properties of K_6, confirmed to fail at K_8.

9.5 Open problems

(1) **Prefactor closure.** Computing N_{species} from the full product spectral function—not just the species count—would close the 0.7-decade gap in the cosmological constant prediction.

(2) **Weinberg angle.** The K_8 product $D_{K_4} \otimes D_{K_8}$ must break sector-blindness to produce the observed $\sin^2\theta_W$. This is a computable quantity on the $K_4 \times K_8$ product.

(3) **Weierstrass conjecture test.** Computing $a_2(K_{2n})$ for $n = 5, \ldots, 10$ and comparing the sum to $\Omega_{\text{DM}}/\Omega_b$ is a definitive numerical test. The individual a_2 values grow rapidly with n and may require efficient algorithms for the matching Gram matrix.

(4) **Interaction corrections.** All results in this paper are at the free (Gaussian) level. The K_4 model has a quantum critical point at finite coupling U_c, and the spectral dimension, cosmological constant, and generation structure may all receive corrections there. Determinantal quantum Monte Carlo is the appropriate computational tool.

(5) **Structure formation.** If dark matter is a spectral budget entry rather than a particle, its clustering properties differ from cold dark matter. The spectral budget has no velocity dispersion (it is not a fluid), but its response to gravitational perturbations is set by the a_2 spectral weight, which is scale-independent. This predicts the same large-scale clustering as CDM but potentially different behavior at galactic scales—a testable distinction.

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