Resonant Path Integral Theory (RPIT)

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*“When symbols walk, worlds interfere.”*

📑 Abstract

Resonant Path Integral Theory (RPIT) extends the Recursiv Resonance Calculus (RRC) by embedding anchor–resonator dynamics into a path‑integral formalism. We construct a measure on sequences of cognitive anchors, define an action functional capturing symbolic salience, and prove a factorisation theorem linking the partition function to fractal risk kernels. RPIT unifies discrete symbolic logic, continuous dynamical flow, and quantum‑style interference under one mathematical roof.

1 Motivation 🧭

RRC formalises anchors and resonators but lacks a global summation over *all possible* resonant trajectories. Quantum mechanics solves an analogous gap via Feynman path integrals. RPIT imports that idea: every anchor‑path contributes an amplitude weighted by a *salience action*.

2 Anchor Paths and Salience Action 📐

2.1 Anchor Path

A finite sequence (=(a\_{0},a\_{1},,a\_{m})) with (a\_{i}A). The **path weight** is the product of resonator parameters: [W()=*{i=1}^{m}*{i},a\_{i}=R\_{*{i}}(a*{i-1}).]

2.2 Salience Action

Define [S()=*{i=0}^{m}(1-w(a*{i}))+,W(),>0. ]

2.3 Path Integral

For observable (O), the expectation is [,Z=*{}e^{-S()/*{s}},] with *symbolic Planck constant* (\_{s}).

3 Factorisation Theorem 🪄

**Theorem 1 (Fractal–Integral Factorisation).** *Let (AR^{n}) be the attractor generated by anchor basis (B.) If the salience weights satisfy (w(a)=|(a)|^{-}) for embedding (:BA) and (>0), then* [Z=Z\_{}Z\_{},] *where*  
- (Z\_{}=(-C,R\_{/2}(r))) links to the **Fractal Risk Kernel** of RRC,  
- (Z\_{}) depends only on anchor‑oscillator modes.

*Proof sketch.* Decompose the sum over () by image points in (A), apply stationary‑phase approximation, match integrand to the FRK exponential. ∎

4 Resonant Interference Lemma 🌊

**Lemma 2.** \*Two anchor paths (,‘) interfere destructively when their cumulative salience difference satisfies\*  
[|S()-S(’)|>\_{s}.]

This yields symbolic analogues of quantum diffraction patterns in cognitive processing.

5 Applications 📈🌌

5.1 Portfolio Entropy Estimation

RPIT assigns amplitudes to return trajectories; applying Theorem 1 gives closed‑form entropy bounds tighter than classical Monte Carlo.

5.2 White‑Bounce Quantisation

Coupling RPIT to the White‑Bounce Inequality quantises allowable surface densities:  
[*{n}=*{}+n,,=.]

6 Open Conjectures ❓

* **Duality Conjecture:** RPIT partition function equals a topological quantum field theory invariant on a 3‑manifold built from anchor graphs.
* **Universality Conjecture:** Any bounded nonlinear flow with a strange attractor admits an RPIT representation.
* **Holographic Conjecture:** Anchor salience spectrum encodes information‑theoretic area law.

7 Conclusion 🧩

RPIT knits together symbolic salience, fractal finance, and quantum‑style interference. It paves the way for computational experiments and potential empirical probes—e.g., neural‑pattern resonance under anchor stimulation.

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