The Tetraquark and Proton Are the 248th Plus 2nd Different Particle and Antiparticle in Our E8 x U(1) Broken Symmetry Universe

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Abstract: A very careful count of the different particles and antiparticles in our universe confirms and extends a similar conclusion made on 8-22-2014; namely, the exotic 4-quark tetraquark particle is the sole marker for E8 symmetry in our universe and also marks the existence of the extremely long-lived proton particle.

The author has undertaken a more careful count of the number of different particles and antiparticles in our universe that differ in:

- 1. no-quark composition (lepton) -6+6 anti =12. All stable (6 neutrinos cycle through 3 masses).
- 2. no-quark composition (gauge boson) 8 . no anti. All stable. Our E8 x U(1) broken symmetry has 3 new gauge bosons (undetectable), for 8 in all, (My finding).
- 3. A 3-quark composition (baryon) -51 + 51 anti = 102. All but one (the proton) is unstable.
- 4. A 2-quark composition, 1 + 1 anti (meson) 51 + 51 anti = 102. All unstable.
- 5. QCD strong force particles and gluons -14 + 14 anti = 28

Totals: 12 leptons

8 gauge bosons 204 hadrons 28 QCD particles

This gives a grand total of 248 + 4. The 4 extra hadrons signify 2 extra particles: the tetraquark and the extremely long-lived proton.

The count of 51 each for the baryons and mesons requires further explanation. The count would be 50 for both but nature has provided 2 extra hadrons:

- 1. The tetraquark as a 248th +1 particle marker for E8 symmetry.
- 2. The long-lived (probably infinite) proton (3-quark particle) for the containment of living matter building blocks.

Calculation of the number of baryons:

The basic quark list and charges is:

- -1/3 d+2/3 U
- -1/3 s + 2/3 C
- -1/3 b + 2/3 T

Initially, we have antiparticles of all these non-composite particles which we include in forming the composite particle set.

The 3-quark charge groupings of the composite particle set are:

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+2/3
       +2/3
             -1/3
                    net charge 1
- 2/3
       -2/3 + 1/3
                             -1
+2/3
       -1/3
             -1/3
                             0
                             0
- 2/3
       +1/3 +1/3
       +2/3 +2/3
                             2
+2/3
-2/3
      - 2/3 - 2/3
                            - 2
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Note that negative net charges are acceptable for the composite particle set (they only need to be integer).

Acceptable 3-quark groupings are:

Partial total 9 x 2=18, or 27 overall.

For the UCT groups: 3x2 = 6 each x = 2 net charge each $= 12 \times 2$ polarity each = 24 overall. Grand total 27+24=51 for the all the baryons.

For the mesons:

For 6 different quarks taken 2 at a time:

$$6 \times 5 = 30$$

Using reference Wikipedia List of Mesons:

2 quarks at a time same = 5

Meson mixed state = $8 \times 2 = 16$

Grand total = 51 for the mesons