

u,d - quarks and Mandelbrot set features

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Recent quark masses results from lattice QCD calculations (N. Carrasco et al., arXiv:1403.4504v3 [hep-lat] (preprint 2014) have been motivating us in looking for a maybe connection between the u,d-quark mass ratio and special combinatorial features of the Mandelbrot set.

Pursuing our old idea of a maybe robust link between external angles belonging to roots c_k (of the periodic region) of M-set's real c-axis slice and the *relative electric charge* of quantum particles, and a further maybe link between the external angle accessory of special c values from the c axis' chaotic region and *relative mass*, we came across the following empirical relations:

$$\frac{m_u}{m_d} \approx \frac{(2 - \xi_0 - \xi_1)(\xi_0 + \xi_1)}{2}, \quad \xi_0 = 5/12 \text{ and } \xi_1 = 1/3, \quad \text{Eq.(1)}$$

where the *u,d - quark mass ratio* is expressed by the (upper) external angles ξ_0 of the Misiurewicz point $m_1 = (5/12, 7/12)$ (in G. Pastor et al.'s, preprint 2004 formulation, m_1 separating the period- 2^0 and period- 2^1 chaotic bands B_0 and B_1) and $\xi_1 = 1/3$ of the first bifurcation of M's main period doubling cascade most likely linked to quarks via duality arguments and is 0.46875 versus N. Carrasco et al.'s m_u/m_d value of 0.470(56).

$$\frac{M_P}{2m_i} \approx \frac{(2 - \xi_{0i} - \xi_{1i})^{\text{sign}(1/2 - \xi_i)}}{\pi^2 2^{\text{sign}(1/2 - \xi_i)/2 - 1/2}} \exp(\gamma^{1/2} e^{\pi/2 + 1/2} \pi^{e/2 + 1/2}) \quad , \quad \text{index } i = d, u \quad , \quad \text{Eq.(2)}$$

the latter Planck mass – quark pair mass ratio approximation, γ being the Euler-Mascheroni constant and ξ_i standing for both upper or both lower external angles, is somewhat similar to the M_P /electron pair mass ratio (see file [sciencephilosophy.pdf](#) of our [culetto.at](#) website).

For the set $(\xi_{0d}, \xi_{1d}) = (5/12, 1/3)$ the mass ratio result from Eq.(2) is $1.21413... \times 10^{21}$ compared with $1.21362... \times 10^{21}$ gotten using the CODATA 2010 /NIST Planck mass energy equivalent and the LQCD down quark mass value. And for the set $(\xi_{0u}, \xi_{1u}) = (7/12, 2/3)$ the mass ratio's value is $2.59016... \times 10^{21}$ versus $2.58666... \times 10^{21}$ in case of the LQCD up quark mass result. The approximations' accuracy probably still is much less than for our $M_P/2m_e$'s one, but there likely also is going to be room for improvement within the lattice QCD calculations too.

A treatment of the 2nd and 3rd particle family's quark masses along some route resembling that in case of the corresponding charged leptons (see our [sciencephilosophy2.pdf](#) too) didn't work in the pursued, comparably simple procedure. More precise results, from ab initio - calculations as well as from precision measurements, may be helpful in checking whether Mandelbrot set features could play any role in the quark mass spectral context.