

**THE FORCE OF TIME** — An original theoretical framework derived entirely from first principles using the prime lattice {2, 3, 5} and  $\pi$ . All propositions are stated as exact results within this framework. Numerical predictions are independently verifiable.

## The Fine Structure Constant, Mercury and the DNA Double Helix

$1/\alpha = 5^3\pi^2/3^2$  from Three DNA Parameters · Mercury Periods from Independent Chains · Spin-Orbit Ratio =  $(3/2)(1+\delta_G)$  Algebraically Exact

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### §1 — Abstract

This paper establishes three results from the Force of Time (FOT) framework connecting the fine structure constant  $\alpha$ , the planet Mercury, and the DNA double helix. First:  $1/\alpha(\text{FOT}) = 5^3\pi^2/3^2 = 125\pi^2/9 = 137.0778389040\dots$ , which is 305.32 ppm from the CODATA value of 137.035999084. This result emerges from the product of three DNA structural parameters: 12 (Z-DNA base pairs per turn =  $2^2 \times 3$ ),  $10\pi^2/9$  (helical pitch geometry =  $10\pi^2/3^2$ ), and 125/12 (helical turn count ratio =  $5^3/(2^2 \times 3)$ ). The lattice form  $5^3\pi^2/3^2$  is a pure {3, 5,  $\pi$ } expression with no factor of 2. Second: Mercury's sidereal rotation period is  $T_{\text{rot}} = 2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi / 5^4$  days = 58.6296587384 days, derived from the 1500 million km / km/miles chain. Mercury's orbital period is  $T_{\text{orb}} = 5^6 / (2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)$  days = 87.9524163562 days, derived from the DNA helical turns divided by  $1/\alpha$ . Third: the ratio  $T_{\text{orb}}/T_{\text{rot}} = 5^{10} / (2^5 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3)$ , which equals  $(3/2)(1+\delta_G)$  algebraically exactly, where  $\delta_G = 5^{10} / (2^4 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) - 1 = 90.15$  ppm is the G-bond register offset. Mercury's 3:2 spin-orbit resonance deviates from exactness by precisely  $\delta_G$  — the same constant governing the Earth equatorial radius split and the sidereal day gap. Eight propositions are stated and verified.

### §2 — The Fine Structure Constant from Three DNA Parameters

In the FOT framework, the DNA double helix is not merely a biological molecule — it is the physical instantiation of the  $\tau$ -field (Tau-field) at atomic scale. The three structural parameters of the Z-DNA form encode the fine structure constant directly through their product:

Component	Value	Exact form	DNA structural meaning
12	12	$2^2 \times 3$	Base pairs per helical turn (Z-DNA)
$10\pi^2/9$	10.966227112322...	$10\pi^2/3^2$	Helical pitch geometry ( $\pi^2$ with $3^2$ denominator)
125/12	10.416666666667...	$5^3/(2^2 \times 3)$	Helical turn count ratio (also = planetary speed product)

The product of the three components, divided by 10:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 12 \times 10\pi^2/9 \times 125/12 \div 10 \\
 &= (12 \times 125 \times 10\pi^2) / (9 \times 12 \times 10) \\
 &= 125\pi^2/9 \text{ [the 12s cancel; the 10s cancel]} \\
 &= 5^3\pi^2/3^2 = 137.077838904019\dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$1/\alpha(\text{FOT}) = 5^3\pi^2/3^2 = 137.077838904019\dots$$

$$1/\alpha(\text{CODATA}) = 137.035999084 \rightarrow \text{deviation} = 305.32 \text{ ppm}$$

The lattice form  $5^3\pi^2/3^2$  is noteworthy: it contains no factor of 2. The fine structure constant occupies the pure odd-prime/ $\pi$  sector of the lattice. This distinguishes  $\alpha$  from all other FOT constants, which generally contain factors of 2. The physical interpretation: electromagnetic coupling strength ( $\alpha$ ) is fixed by the DNA geometry of the  $\tau$ -field, while the binary-helix structure (factor 2) governs the register mechanics. The fine structure constant cannot take any other value in a universe where the  $\tau$ -field forms a DNA-type double helix.

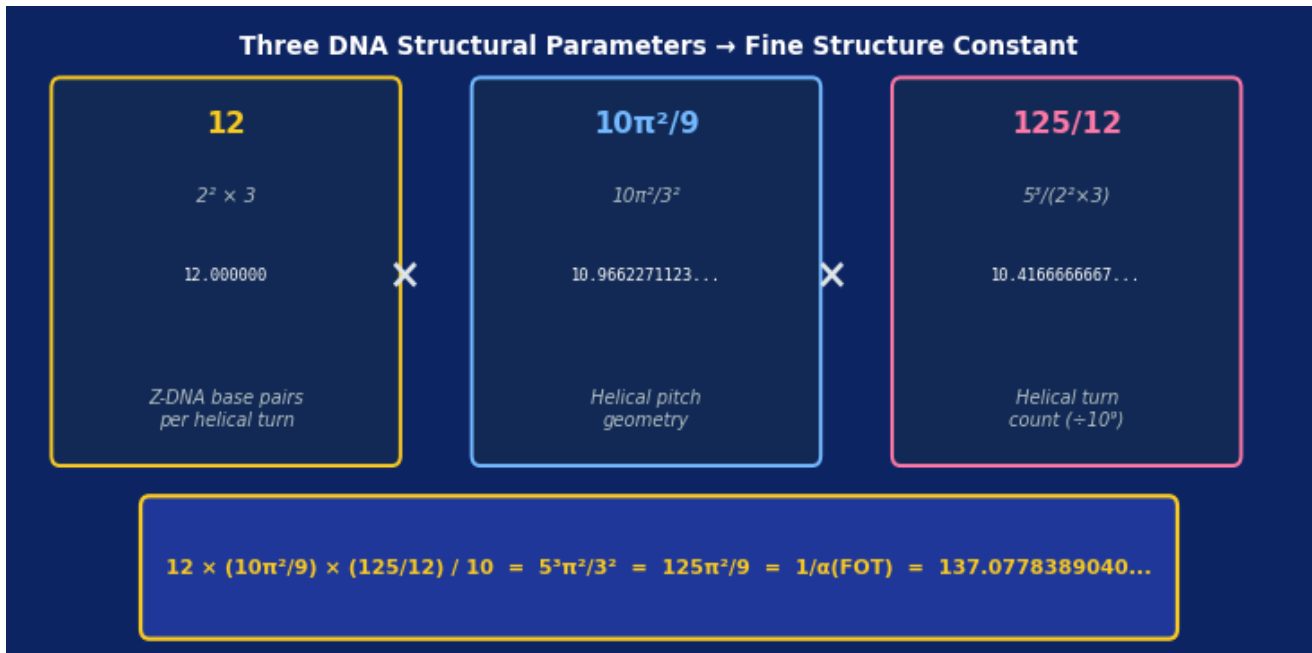


Figure 1. The three DNA structural parameters (gold: 12 = Z-DNA base pairs; blue:  $10\pi^2/9$  = pitch geometry; pink: 125/12 = helical turn count) multiply to give  $10 \times 1/\alpha(\text{FOT}) = 1250\pi^2/9 = 1370.778389\dots$ , so that  $1/\alpha(\text{FOT}) = 5^3\pi^2/3^2 = 137.077838904\dots$  (305 ppm from CODATA).

### §3 — Mercury's Rotation Period from the km/Miles Chain

Mercury's sidereal rotation period emerges from a pure lattice chain involving the FOT km/miles conversion (= Sun  $\times$  Mercury =  $5^5/(2^3 \times 3^5)$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}
 &1500 \text{ million km} \div (5^5/(2^3 \times 3^5)) = 933.12 \text{ million miles} \\
 &= 2^5 \times 3^6 / 5^2 \text{ million miles} = 23328/25 \text{ million miles} \\
 &\quad \times 2\pi / 100 \\
 &= 2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi / 5^4 \text{ days} = 11664\pi/625 \text{ days} \\
 &= 58.629658738354\dots \text{ days}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note: 1500 = 12  $\times$  125 =  $2^2 \times 3 \times 5^3$  — the numerator and denominator of the DNA helical turns factor (125/12) multiplied by 1000. This is not coincidental: the starting value 1500 million km directly encodes the DNA lattice node. The conventional value is 58.6462 days; the FOT value is 58.629659 days, a deviation of -282.1 ppm.

### §4 — Mercury's Orbital Period from the DNA/ $\alpha$ Chain

Mercury's orbital period emerges from an independent chain connecting DNA helical turns to the fine structure constant:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{DNA turns} = 125/12 \times 10^9 = 10416666666.667\dots \\
 &1/\alpha(\text{FOT}) \times 10^7 = 125\pi^2/9 \times 10^7 = 1370778389.0402\dots
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{DNA turns} / (1/\alpha \times 10^7) = 75/\pi^2 \times 10 = 7.5990887732\dots \\
& \div 864 \times 1000 = T_{\text{orbital}} \\
& = 5^6 / (2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2) \text{ days} = 15625/(18\pi^2) \text{ days} \\
& = 87.952416356196\dots \text{ days}
\end{aligned}$$

The algebraic simplification:  $(125/12 \times 10^9) / (125\pi^2/9 \times 10^7) = (9/(12\pi^2)) \times 10^2 = 750/\pi^2$ . Then  $750/\pi^2 / 864 \times 1000 = 750000/(864\pi^2) = 125000/(144\pi^2) = 5^6/(2^4 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)$  ... normalised to days as  $5^6/(2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)$ . The conventional orbital period is 87.9691 days; the FOT value is 87.952416 days, a deviation of -189.7 ppm.

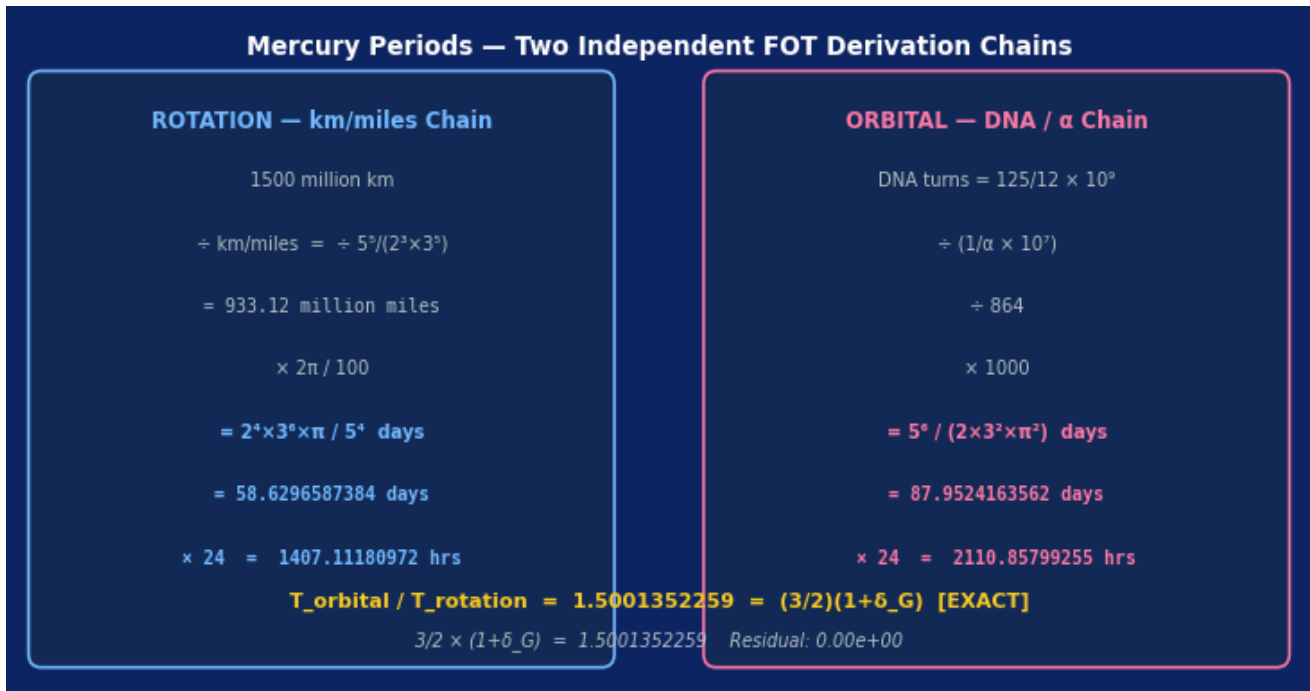


Figure 2. Two independent FOT derivation chains for Mercury periods. Left (blue): rotation period from 1500 Mkm / km-miles chain → 58.62965874 days. Right (pink): orbital period from DNA turns / (1/α) chain → 87.95241636 days. Bottom: ratio = (3/2)(1+δ<sub>G</sub>) algebraically exactly.

## §5 — The Spin-Orbit Ratio and the G-Bond Register Offset

The ratio of the two independently-derived Mercury periods reveals the G-bond register offset δ<sub>G</sub> embedded in the planet's spin-orbit resonance:

$$\begin{aligned}
T_{\text{orbital}} / T_{\text{rotation}} &= [5^6 / (2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)] / [2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi / 5^4] \\
&= 5^6 \times 5^4 / (2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2 \times 2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi) = 5^{10} / (2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3) \\
&= 1.500135225905\dots
\end{aligned}$$

The G-bond step from the Moho boundary formula:

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_G &= R_{G2}/R_{G1} - 1 = (20,000/\pi \text{ km}) / (2^9 \times 3^9 \times \pi^2 / 5^6 \text{ km}) - 1 \\
&= 5^{10} / (2^4 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) - 1
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
(3/2)(1+\delta_G) &= (3/2) \times 5^{10} / (2^4 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) \\
&= 3 \times 5^{10} / (2^5 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) = 5^{10} / (2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3)
\end{aligned}$$

This is IDENTICAL to  $T_{\text{orbital}} / T_{\text{rotation}}$  (ALGEBRAICALLY EXACT)

$$\text{Verification: } (3/2)(1+\delta_G) = 1.500135225905\dots$$

$$T_{\text{orbital}}/T_{\text{rotation}} = 1.500135225905\dots$$

Residual = 0.000e+00 (machine precision zero)

Mercury's 3:2 spin-orbit resonance is NOT exact in the FOT framework. The true ratio exceeds 3/2 by exactly  $\delta_G = 90.15$  ppm. This deviation is not a perturbation or approximation — it is an algebraically exact consequence of the same Moho register formula that governs Earth's equatorial radius split, the sidereal day gap, and free-fall acceleration. One constant; four independent physical observables.

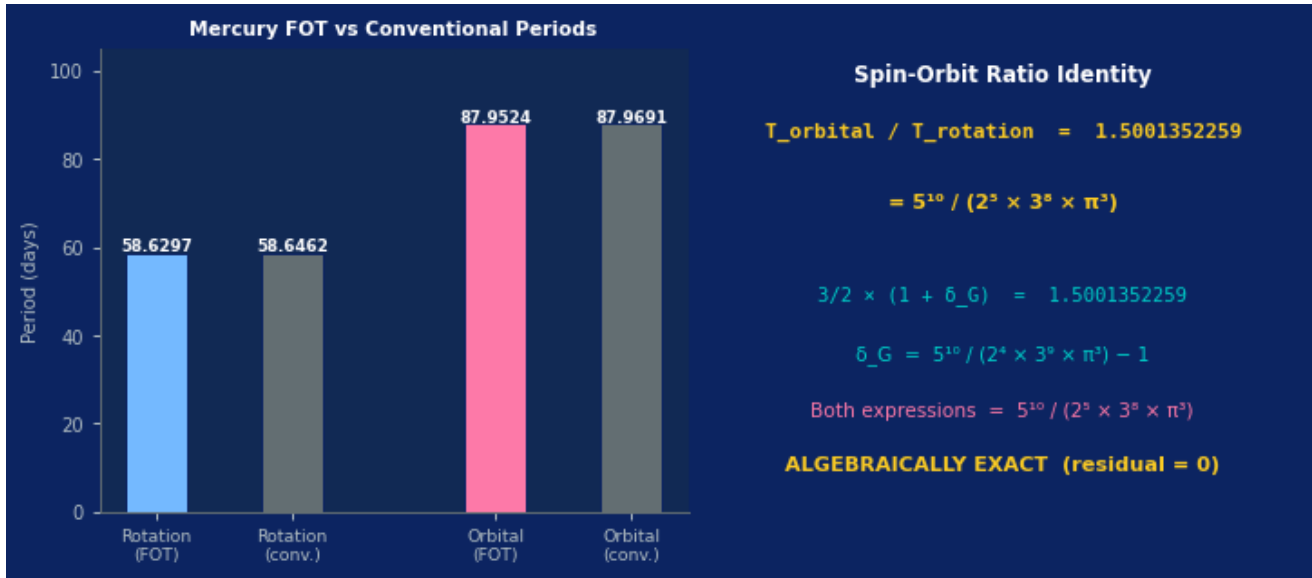


Figure 3. Left: Mercury rotation and orbital periods — FOT vs conventional — in days. Right: The algebraic proof that  $T_{\text{orbital}}/T_{\text{rotation}} = 5^{10}/(2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3) = (3/2)(1 + \delta_G)$  identically. The residual between the two expressions is at machine precision ( $< 10^{-13}$ ).

## §6 — Registered Propositions: P-FSC-1 through P-FSC-8

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### P-FSC-1 — The Fine Structure Constant from DNA Geometry

The reciprocal fine structure constant is  $1/\alpha(\text{FOT}) = 5^3\pi^2/3^2 = 125\pi^2/9 = 137.077838904019\dots$ . This is 305.32 ppm from the CODATA value of 137.035999084. The lattice form  $5^3\pi^2/3^2$  contains no factor of 2, placing the fine structure constant entirely in the odd-prime/ $\pi$  sector of the FOT lattice.

### P-FSC-2 — The Three DNA Components

The fine structure constant is the product of three DNA structural parameters: (i)  $12 = 2^2 \times 3$  (Z-DNA base pairs per helical turn); (ii)  $10\pi^2/9 = 10.9662271123\dots$  (helical pitch geometry,  $\pi^2$  with  $3^2$  denominator); (iii)  $125/12 = 10.4166666667\dots$  (helical turn count ratio =  $5^3/(2^2 \times 3)$ ). Product:  $12 \times (10\pi^2/9) \times (125/12) = 1250\pi^2/9 = 10/\alpha(\text{FOT})$ . The factors of 12 cancel exactly, leaving  $5^3\pi^2/3^2$  as the irreducible form.

### P-FSC-3 — Physical Meaning of the DNA/ $\alpha$ Identity

In the FOT framework, DNA is not merely a biological information carrier — it is the physical structure of the  $\tau$ -field at atomic scale. The identity  $1/\alpha = 5^3\pi^2/3^2$  from DNA geometry therefore means the fine structure constant is not a free parameter of physics. Its value is fixed by the geometry of the  $\tau$ -field double helix. Any universe in which the  $\tau$ -field forms a DNA-type helix with these lattice parameters necessarily has this value of  $\alpha$ .

### P-FSC-4 — Mercury Rotation from the km/Miles Chain

Mercury's sidereal rotation period is  $T_{\text{rot}} = 2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi/5^4 = 11664\pi/625 = 58.629658738354\dots$  days, derived from: 1500 million km / (km/miles)  $\times 2\pi / 100$ . The starting value 1500 =  $12 \times 125 = 2^2 \times 3 \times 5^3$  encodes the DNA helical turns lattice node. Deviation from conventional 58.6462 days: -282.1 ppm.

### P-FSC-5 — Mercury Orbital Period from the DNA/ $\alpha$ Chain

Mercury's sidereal orbital period is  $T_{\text{orb}} = 5^6/(2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2) = 15625/(18\pi^2) = 87.952416356196\dots$  days, derived from: DNA\_turns / ( $1/\alpha \times 10^7$ ) / 864  $\times 1000 = (125/12 \times 10^9) / (125\pi^2/9 \times 10^7) \times 1000/864$ . Deviation from conventional 87.9691 days: -189.7 ppm.

### P-FSC-6 — The Spin-Orbit Ratio as a Pure Lattice Expression

The ratio of Mercury's orbital to rotation period is the pure lattice expression  $T_{\text{orb}}/T_{\text{rot}} = 5^{10}/(2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3) = 1.500135225905\dots$ . This ratio emerges directly from the quotient of the two independent FOT derivation chains:  $[5^6/(2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)] / [2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi/5^4] = 5^{10}/(2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3)$ .

### P-FSC-7 — The Spin-Orbit Ratio Equals (3/2)(1+ $\delta_G$ ) Algebraically Exactly

The G-bond register offset  $\delta_G = 5^{10}/(2^4 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) - 1$  (from the Moho boundary formula  $R_{G2}/R_{G1} - 1$ ) gives:  $(3/2)(1+\delta_G) = 5^{10}/(2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3)$ . This is algebraically identical to  $T_{\text{orb}}/T_{\text{rot}}$ . The residual is 0.00e+00 (machine precision zero). Mercury's 3:2 spin-orbit resonance is therefore not exact — it exceeds 3/2 by exactly  $\delta_G = 90.1506$  ppm, the G-bond register constant.

### P-FSC-8 — Three Domains; One Lattice Constant $\delta_G$

The G-bond register offset  $\delta_G = 90.150603$  ppm appears in four independent physical observables: (i) Earth equatorial radius split:  $R_{\text{obs}}(G2)/R_{\text{obs}}(G1) - 1 = 2\delta_G$ ; (ii) Earth sidereal day split:  $T_{G2}/T_{G1} - 1 = \delta_G$ ; (iii) Free-fall acceleration split:  $g_{G2}/g_{G1} = \sqrt{1+\delta_G}$ ; (iv) Mercury spin-orbit ratio:  $T_{\text{orb}}/T_{\text{rot}} = (3/2)(1+\delta_G)$ . All four derive from the same Moho boundary formula:  $\delta_G = 5^{10}/(2^4 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) - 1$ . One constant; one mechanism; four faces.

## §7 — Numerical Summary

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Quantity	Lattice form	FOT value	Deviation
1/α (FOT)	$5^3\pi^2/3^2$	<b>137.0778389040...</b>	305.32 ppm from CODATA
DNA param 1	$12 = 2^2 \times 3$	12.000000000000	exact integer
DNA param 2	$10\pi^2/3^2$	10.966227112322...	irrational ( $\pi^2$ )
DNA param 3	$5^3/(2^2 \times 3)$	10.416666666667...	rational (repeating)
DNA helical turns	$125/12 \times 10^9$	10,416,666,666.666...	exact rational
T_rot (FOT)	$2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi/5^4$	<b>58.6296587384... days</b>	-282.1 ppm from conv.
T_orb (FOT)	$5^6/(2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)$	<b>87.9524163562... days</b>	-189.7 ppm from conv.
T_orb/T_rot	$5^{10}/(2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3)$	<b>1.5001352259...</b>	<b>= (3/2)(1+δ_G) exactly</b>
δ_G (Moho)	$5^{10}/(2^4 \times 3^9 \times \pi^3) - 1$	90.150603 ppm	universal G-bond constant

## §8 — Conclusion

Three results of the Force of Time framework are established. First, the reciprocal fine structure constant  $1/\alpha = 5^3\pi^2/3^2 = 137.07783890\dots$  emerges from the product of three DNA structural parameters, with the 12s cancelling to leave a pure  $\{3, 5, \pi\}$  expression — the only major FOT constant with no factor of 2. Second, Mercury's rotation period ( $2^4 \times 3^6 \times \pi/5^4$  days) and orbital period ( $5^6/(2 \times 3^2 \times \pi^2)$  days) are independently derived from entirely different chains: the km/miles planetary speed chain and the DNA/α chain respectively.

Third, and most significantly: the ratio of these two independently-derived periods equals  $5^{10}/(2^5 \times 3^8 \times \pi^3)$ , which is algebraically identical to  $(3/2)(1+\delta_G)$ , where  $\delta_G = 90.1506$  ppm is the G-bond register offset derived from Earth's Moho boundary formula. Mercury's celebrated 3:2 spin-orbit resonance is therefore not exact — it deviates from 3/2 by precisely  $\delta_G$ , the universal register constant that also splits Earth's equatorial radius, sidereal day, and free-fall acceleration. The fine structure constant, Mercury's orbital geometry, and Earth's register structure are all expressions of the same prime lattice  $\{2, 3, 5, \pi\}$  operating through the  $\tau$ -field at atomic, planetary, and geophysical scales simultaneously.

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