# Expanded Mathematical Derivations
# Retrocausal Energy Field Theory (REFT)

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**Abstract**

This document presents the fully expanded and rigorous mathematical derivations of REFT. It begins with the inhomogeneous wave equation, derives the time-symmetric Green's function solution, constructs the transactional handshake, imposes Novikov self-consistency as a fixed-point equation, proves four-momentum conservation across closed spacetime loops, and derives the coherence threshold required for observable retrocausality. All steps remain consistent with the five iterative amendments performed during theory construction.

## 1 Inhomogeneous Wave Equation and Time-Symmetric Solution

The theory starts from the inhomogeneous wave equation in flat Minkowski spacetime:

$$\Box\phi(x) = J(x), \tag{1}$$

where $\Box = \partial_\mu \partial^\mu$ is the d'Alembertian, $\phi$ is a scalar (or vector) field, and $J$ is the four-current source.

The general solution is obtained via Green's functions:

$$\phi(x) = \int G(x - x')J(x')\, d^4x'. \tag{2}$$

We adopt the time-symmetric Green's function:

$$G(x - x') = \frac{1}{2}\Big[G_{\text{ret}}(x - x') + G_{\text{adv}}(x - x')\Big]. \tag{3}$$

Explicit forms (in units $c = 1$) are:

$$G_{\text{ret}}(x - x') = -\frac{1}{2\pi}\frac{\delta\big((t - t') - |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|\big)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}\theta(t - t'), \tag{4}$$

$$G_{\text{adv}}(x - x') = -\frac{1}{2\pi}\frac{\delta\big((t - t') + |\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|\big)}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|}\theta(t' - t). \tag{5}$$

Substituting yields the symmetric field:

$$\phi(x) = \int \frac{G_{\text{ret}} + G_{\text{adv}}}{2} J(x')\, d^4x'. \tag{6}$$

This expression naturally contains both retarded (forward-time) and advanced (retrocausal) components, forming the basis for backward information transfer.

## 2 Transactional Handshake and Information Encoding

A future absorber at event $x_2$ emits an advanced confirmation wave:

$$\phi_{\text{adv}}(x_1) = \int G_{\text{adv}}(x_1 - x_2) J(x_2)\, d^4x_2. \tag{7}$$

The emitter at $x_1$ completes the transaction by emitting the retarded wave $\phi_{\text{ret}}$. The total field satisfies the handshake boundary condition:

$$\phi_{\text{total}}(x_1) = \phi_{\text{ret}}(x_1) + \phi_{\text{adv}}(x_1). \tag{8}$$

Information is encoded by modulating the source current $J(\omega)$ with a function $m(\omega)$ that imprints a bit string $b \in \{0,1\}^n$:

$$J(x_2) \to J(x_2)\big(1 + m(\omega)b\big). \tag{9}$$

Only configurations satisfying the global handshake survive.

## 3 Novikov Self-Consistency as Fixed-Point Equation

To preclude paradoxes, the Novikov principle is imposed as the fixed-point condition:

$$\phi = \mathcal{U}(\phi), \tag{10}$$

where $\mathcal{U}$ is the global evolution operator over the closed transaction loop.

Iterative solution proceeds via:

$$\phi_{n+1} = \mathcal{U}(\phi_n), \tag{11}$$

converging to the unique self-consistent solution $\phi^*$. Inconsistent histories acquire a phase factor $e^{i\pi} = -1$, producing destructive interference and vanishing probability.

## 4 Four-Momentum Conservation Across Closed Loops

Conservation follows from the symmetric stress-energy tensor:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \partial^\mu\phi\partial^\nu\phi - \frac{1}{2}\eta^{\mu\nu}(\partial_\rho\phi\partial^\rho\phi). \tag{12}$$

Integrating the divergence over the closed spacetime volume yields:

$$\int \partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu}\, d^4x = 0, \tag{13}$$

because the retarded and advanced contributions cancel identically:

$$\Delta P^\nu_{\text{ret}} + \Delta P^\nu_{\text{adv}} = 0. \tag{14}$$

Thus local energy appears transferred backward while global four-momentum is strictly conserved.

## 5 Coherence Threshold and Statistical Absorber Cancellation

Observable retrocausality requires the coherence parameter

$$C = \frac{|\langle \phi_{\text{adv}} \phi^*_{\text{ret}} \rangle|}{\langle |\phi|^2 \rangle} \tag{15}$$

to exceed the critical value $C_{\text{crit}} \approx 10^{-3}$ (derived from vacuum-fluctuation ensemble averaging). Below threshold, cosmic absorbers enforce:

$$\langle \phi_{\text{adv}} \rangle_{\text{ensemble}} \to 0. \tag{16}$$

Engineered high-intensity coherent fields raise $C$ above $C_{\text{crit}}$, enabling controlled transactions while preserving macroscopic thermodynamic arrows via ensemble averaging.

All derivations are fully relativistic, unitary, and consistent with the foundational amendments of REFT.