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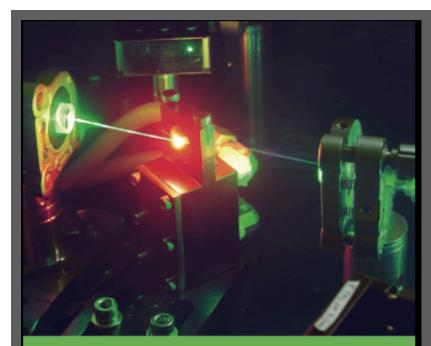






### **Textbook for non-experts**

Concept of measurement Probability Photon polarization Quantum cryptography Path interference Quantum States Gravity sensors Waves Born rule Bell inequalities Entanglement Teleportation Quantum computing



## QUANTUM PHYSICS

WHAT EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW®

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### POLL QUESTION 1

What is your highest level exposure to quantum theory?

A: None B: High school C: College D: Self-taught

This short course can be useful for:

- Those completely new to quantum theory
- Those who learned the Schrodinger equation but not quantum information
- Those curious about effective ways to teach quantum information to non-experts



#### SHORT COURSE (4 HR) OUTLINE



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## PART 2: Encoding and transmitting quantum information

Communication systems Distributing Entangled states (e.g., in Space) Ways of encoding qubits Ways of encoding qubits in photons (Flying qubits) Quantum state teleportation Space-based quantum networks

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### The Physics Behind the Quantum Internet

PART 1

QUANTUM INFORMATION SCIENCE

## One Hundred Fifteenth Congress of the United States of America

#### AT THE SECOND SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday, the third day of January, two thousand and eighteen

An Act

To provide for a coordinated Federal program to accelerate quantum research and development for the economic and national security of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

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(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "National Quantum Initiative Act".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

Sec. 3. Purposes.

TITLE I—NATIONAL QUANTUM INITIATIVE







### **Quantum Science & Technology Pillars**



### Quantum Computing

- Optimization
- Designer molecules (drugs, solar cells..)
- Materials design
- Pattern recognition (Traffic patterns)
- Machine learning
- Artificial intelligence
- Decryption

### Quantum Sensing

- Magnetic fields
- Gravitational fields
- Biomedical imaging
- Materials engineering
- GPS-free navigation
- Distributed sensing

### Quantum Communication

- Secure data encryption
- Remote Q computing
- Distributed Q computing
- Distributed sensing
- Multiparty entangled protocols

#### Quantum

Communication enables and links together diverse quantum technologies Center for Quantum Networks NSF-ERC

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## What is 'Classical' Information?\*



- Two types of "Information":
  - *Semantic Information* is the meaningful knowledge that a message is to impart at the destination.
  - *Technical Information* is the set of *symbols* that are sent.

Information Theory answers questions like:

How much information can be carried by a given number of symbols?

|   | 8  | bits = 1 byte |
|---|----|---------------|
|   | 0  | 00000000      |
|   | 1  | 0000001       |
| Encoding decimal numbers using binary numbers (bits)<br><sup>T</sup> Claude Shannon, "A Mathematical Theory of<br>Communication" Bell Telephone Labs 1948 | 2  | 0000010       |
|   | 3  | 0000011       |
|   | 4  | 00000100      |
|   | 5  | 00000101      |
|   | 6  | 00000110      |
|   | 7  | 00000111      |
|   | 8  | 00001000      |
|   | 9  | 00001001      |
|   | 10 | 00001010      |
|   |    |               |



### What is a Bit?



A single memory element in a conventional computer can store 1 bit:

Ordinary bit:



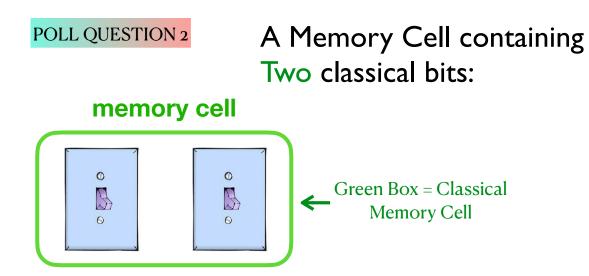


1 or 0

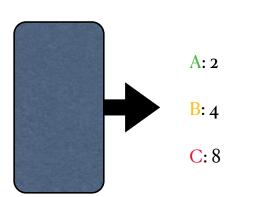
The value of the bit is represented in a physical object.

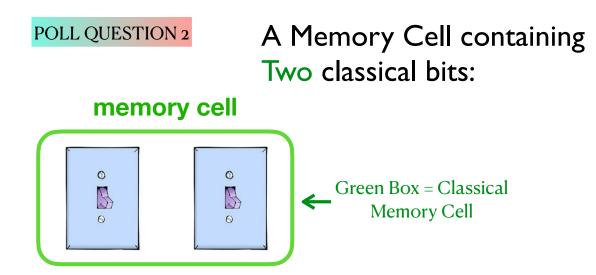
We call the <u>condition</u> of the switch its **STATE** 

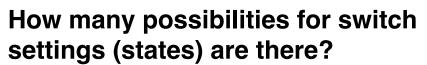
The position of a light switch is an example of a Classical State

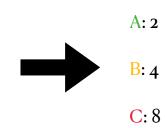


How many possibilities for switch settings (states) are there?

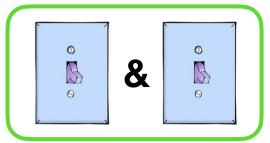




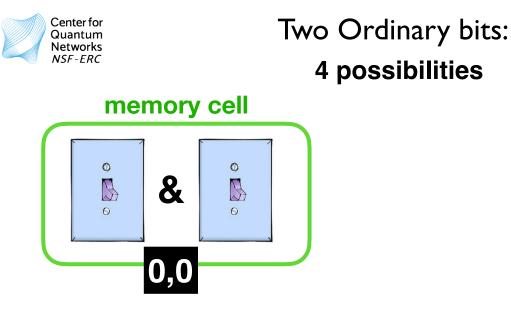




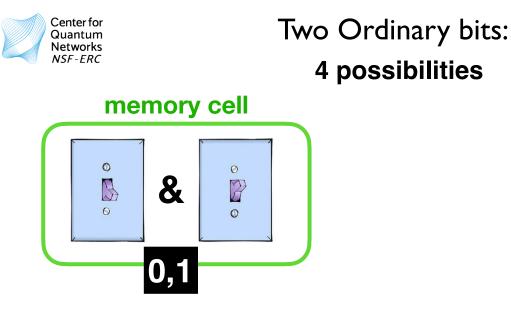
These possibilities are called "Combined States"



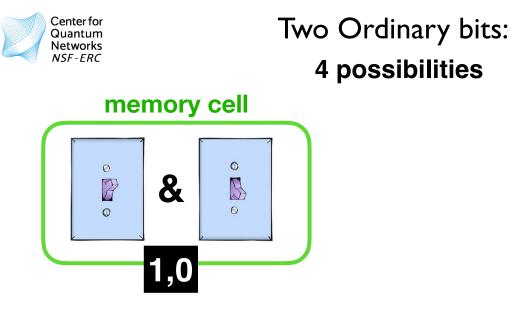
**&** means "and" (combined with)



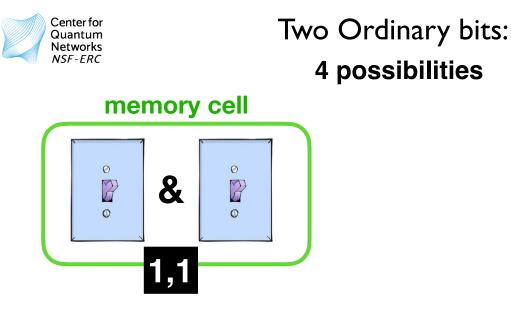




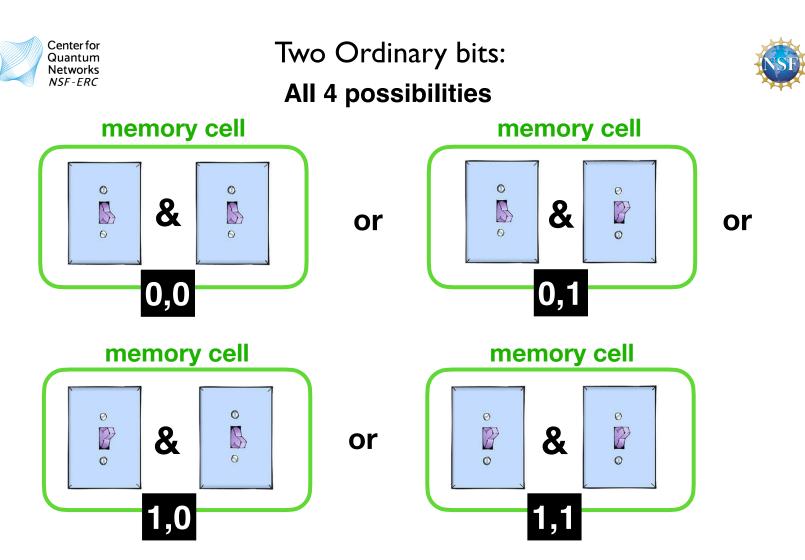




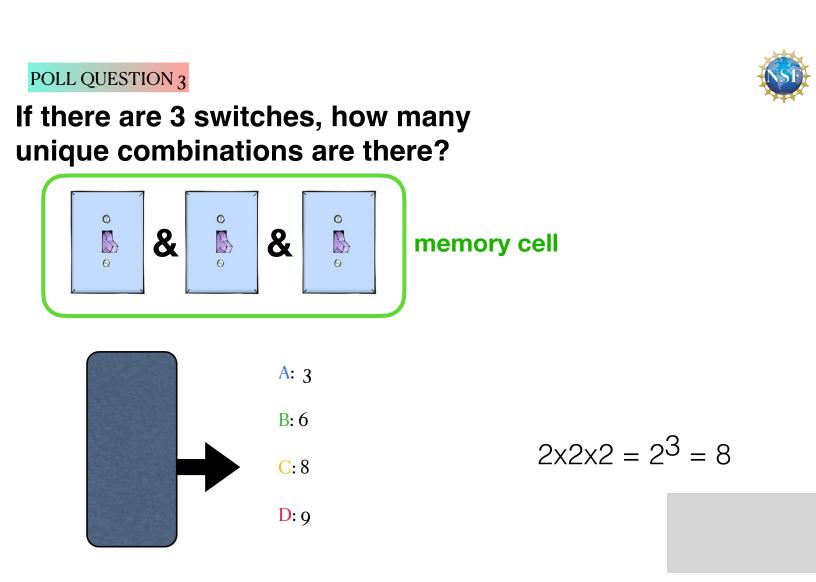








Can represent and store only a <u>single combination</u> of values in a single memory cell at a given time.

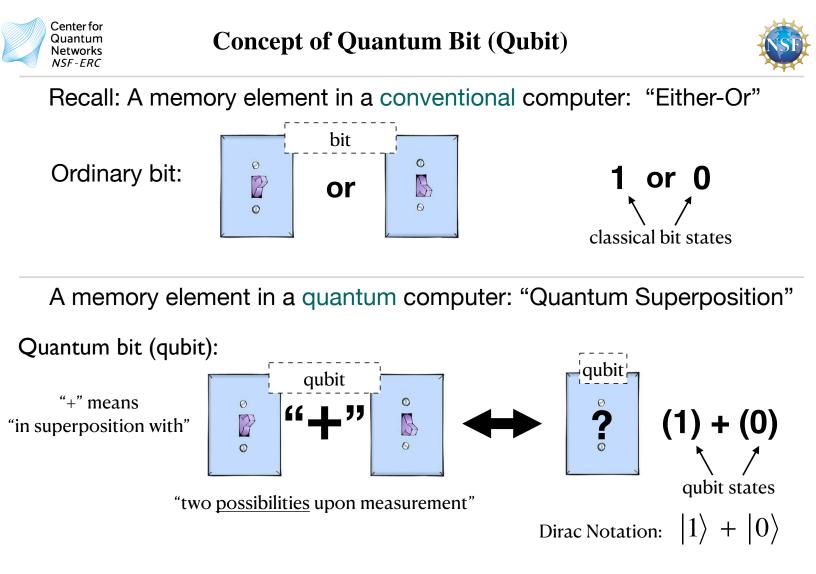


### There are 8 unique "combined classical states"



# If there are *N* switches, how many unique combinations are there?

| Number of switches | Number of distinct combinations possible |
|--------------------|--|
| 1                  | 2  |
| 2                  | 2X2 = 4                                  |
| 3                  | 2x2x2 = 8                                |
| 4                  | 2x2x2x2 = 16                             |
| 5                  | 2x2x2x2x2 = 32                           |
| 6                  | 2x2x2x2x2x2 = 64                         |
| 7                  | 2x2x2x2x2x2x2 = 128                      |
| 8                  | 2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2= 256                   |
| 9                  | 2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2x2= 512             |
| 10                 | 2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2X2= 1024        |



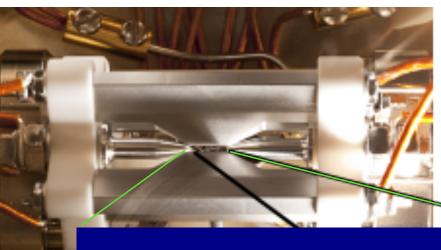
#### Measuring the qubit gives either 1 or 0 (true randomness)



### Quantum Information Science is enabled by State Superposition and Entanglement



#### Superposition of States of a single switch (qubit): Qubit A Qubit A 0 Ø Ø "+" means " \_ " ? 27 3 "in superposition with" 0 0 Combined State of two qubits: Purple Box= Qubit A Qubit B Two qubits in a Ø Ø "&" & means "and" 2 2 combined quantum state 0 0 **Entangled Combined State of two qubits (example):** Qubit A Qubit A Qubit B Qubit B 0 0 Ø Ø " 2" " 9" 2 27 B B " \_ " 0 0 0 0

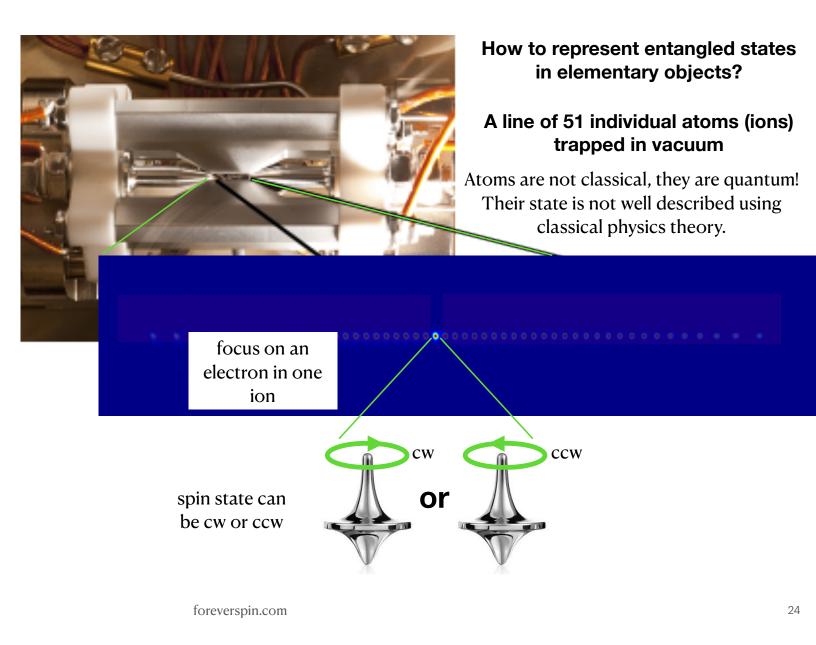


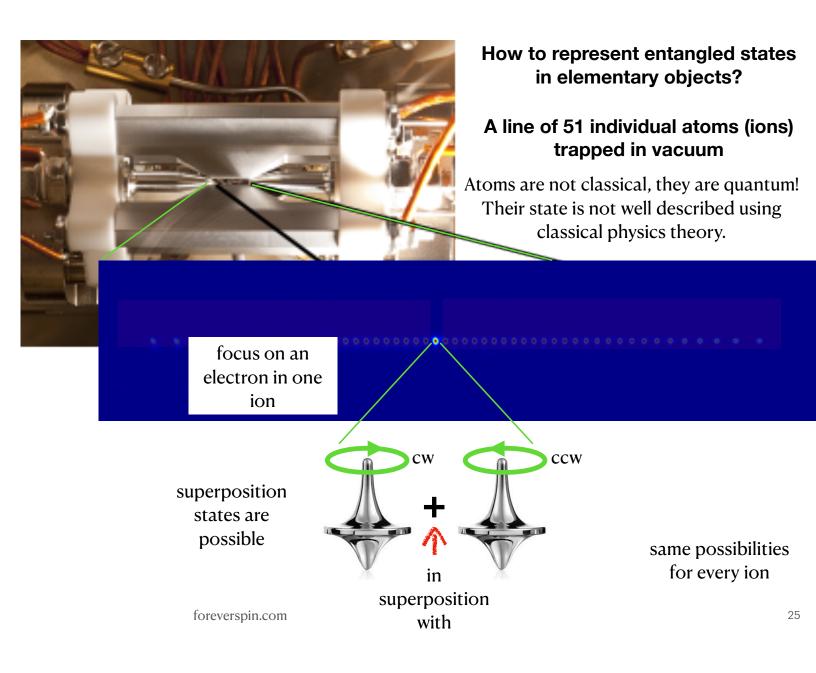
## How to represent entangled states in elementary objects?

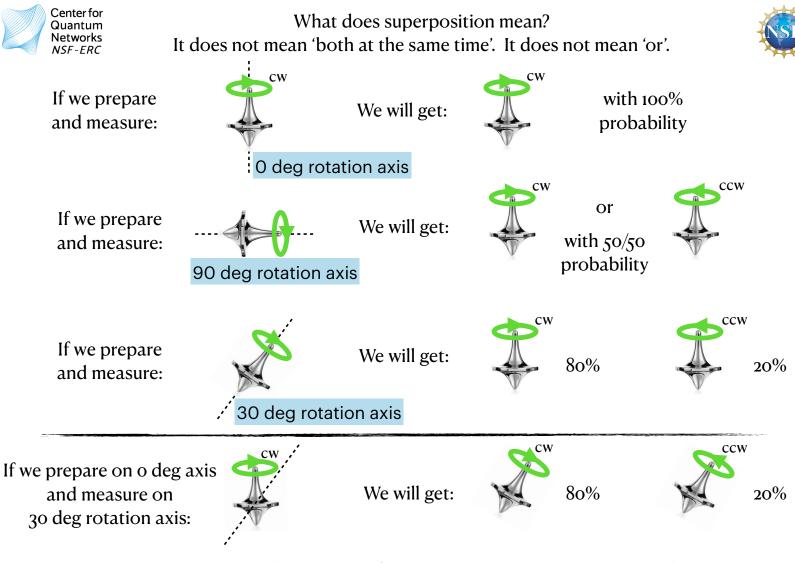
## A line of 51 individual atoms (ions) trapped in vacuum

Atoms are not classical, they are quantum! Their state is not well described using classical physics theory.

each ion has electron spinning cw or ccw



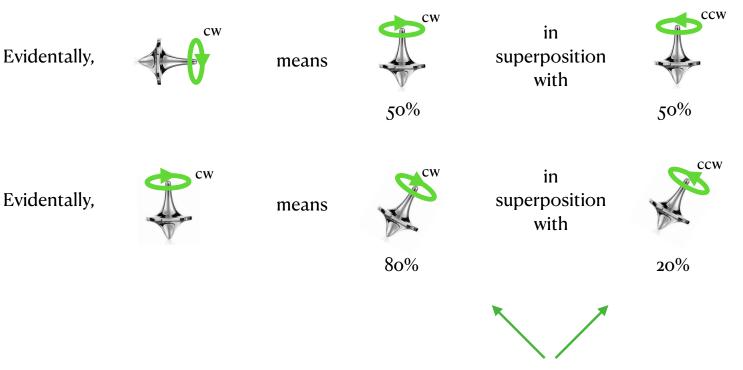




Superposition means that a range of "Measurement Outcomes" are possible, depending on how you measure it. (No classical system behaves like this.)



What does superposition mean? It does not mean 'both at the same time'. It does not mean 'or'.

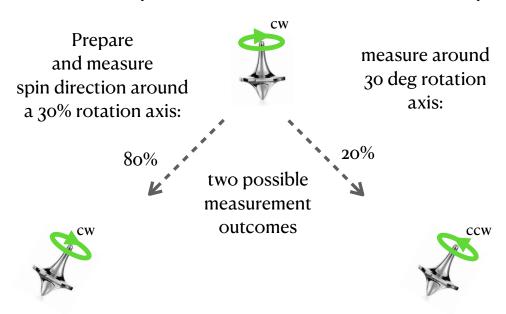


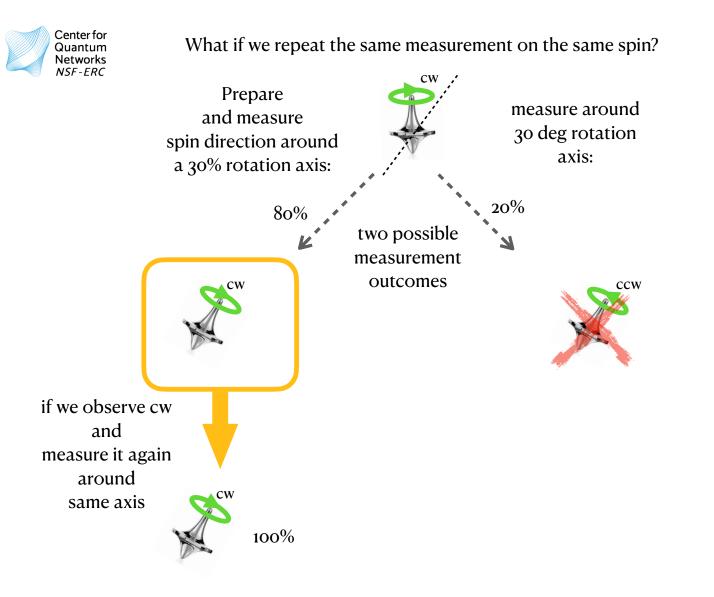
The observed results are called "Measurement Outcomes"



#### What if we repeat the same measurement on the same spin?

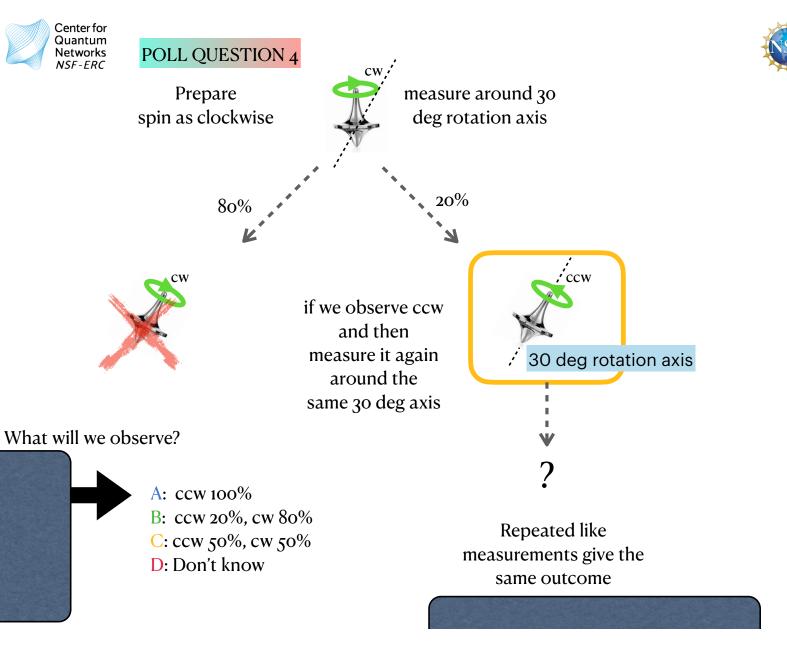


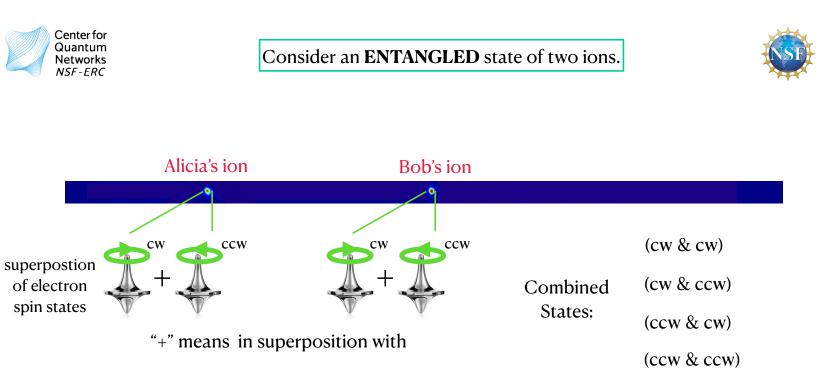






Conclude: The state has been changed by the first measurement!

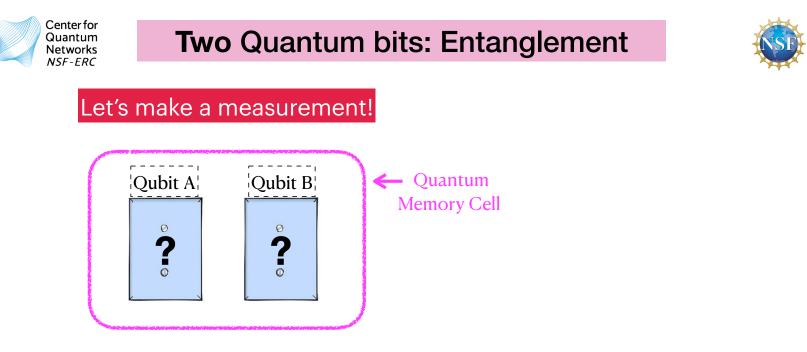




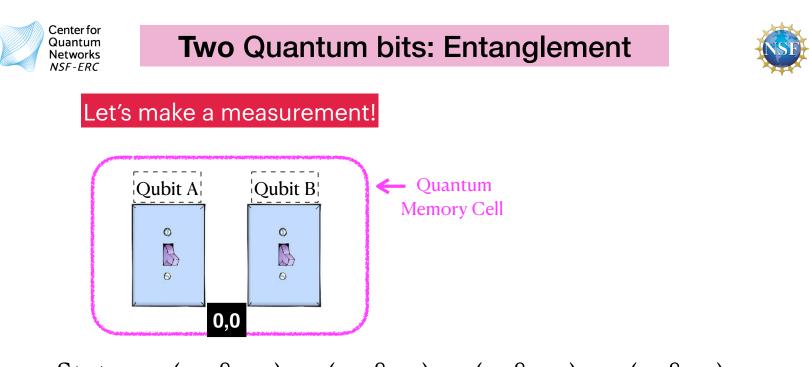
Example of a combined superposition state:  $(cw_A \& cw_B) + (ccw_A \& ccw_B)$ 

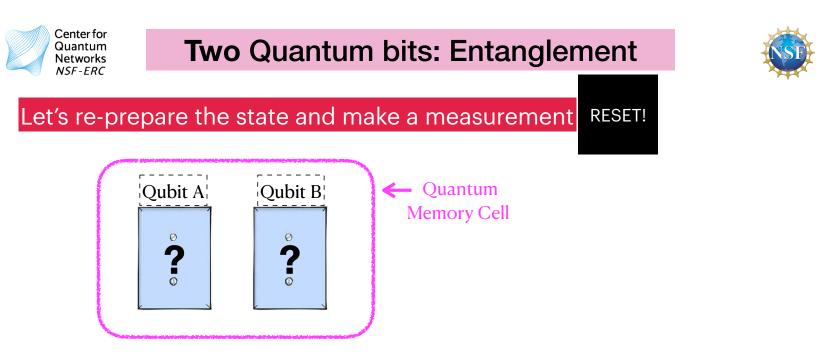
A more general entangled state:  $(cw_A \& cw_B) + (cw_A \& ccw_B) + (ccw_A \& ccw_B) +$ 

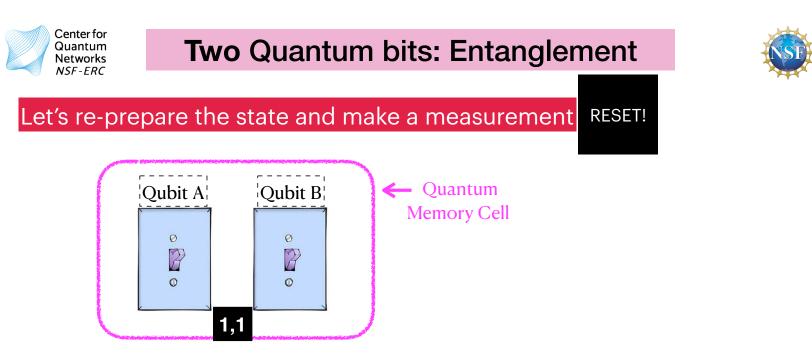
If we measure the spinning direction (cw or cw) of each ion, we can obtain any one of the four possible combinations.

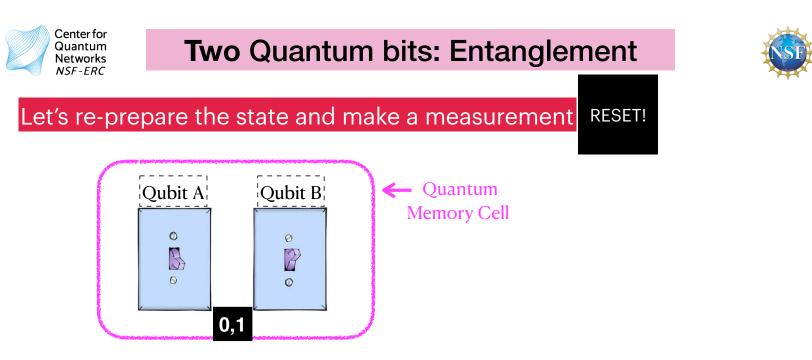


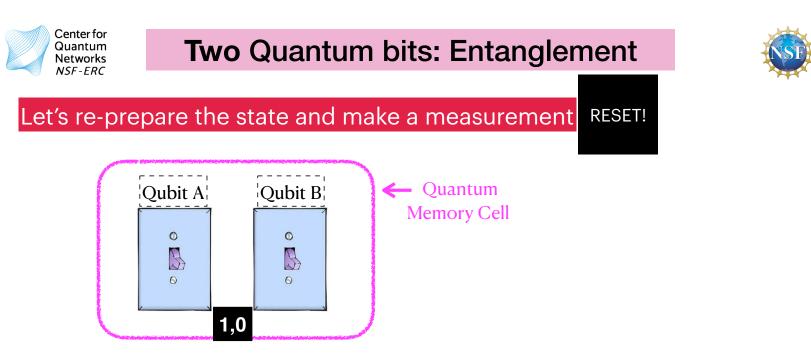
- State =  $x (O_A \& O_B) + y(O_A \& 1_B) + z(1_A \& O_B) + w(1_A \& 1_B)$ 
  - x, y, z, w are numbers (between 0 and 1) that correspond to probabilities



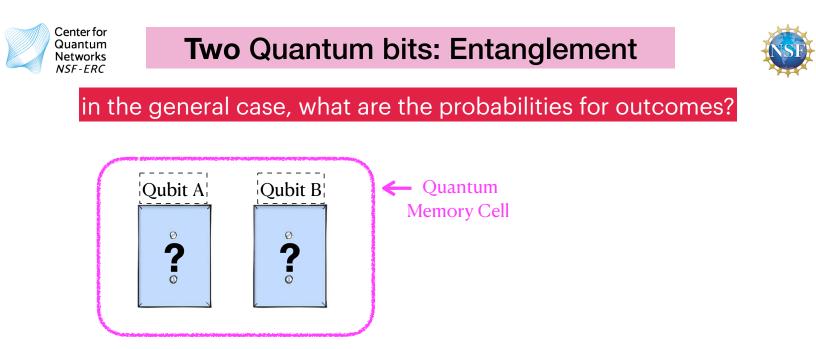








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## Born's Rule

The probability to observe  $(o_A \& o_B)$  equals  $X^2$ 

The probability to observe  $(o_A \& \iota_B)$  equals  $Y^2$ 

The probability to observe  $(1_A \& o_B)$  equals  $Z^2$ 

The probability to observe  $(1_A \& 1_B)$  equals  $W^2$ 



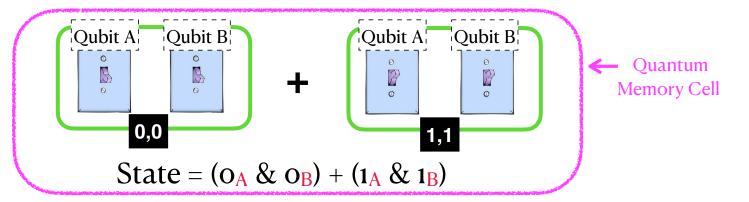
Max Born



# Example: Entangled state of two qubits



### NON-POLL QUESTION



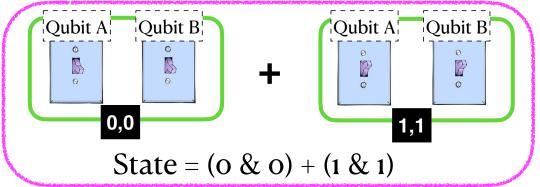
Say you measure the qubit A and obtain 1. What will a measurement of qubit B then yield?

> A: o B: 1 C: o or 1 with equal probabilities D: I don't know



## POLL QUESTION 5

Say you measure the qubit A and obtain 1. Then you know that if qubit B is measured it must yield 1. What statement is true?



- A: The observed outcome of A caused B to be in the 1 state.
- B: The observed outcome of A allows you to infer that B is in the 1 state
- C: The observed outcome for B is independent of that for A
- D: I don't know

**Correlation does not not imply Causation!** 

If measurement of A were a causal operation, we could send information instantaneously (impossible).

END PART 1



5 minute break



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### PART 2

Encoding and Transmitting Quantum Information



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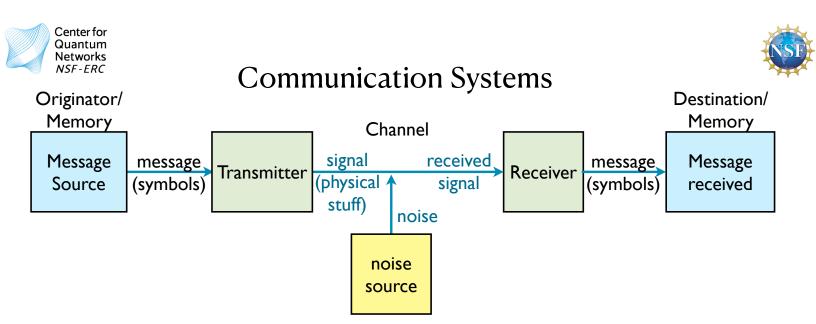
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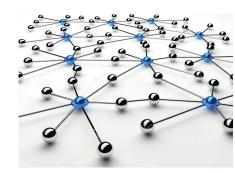


Information Theory answers these types of questions:

Q1. How much information can be carried by a certain number of symbols?

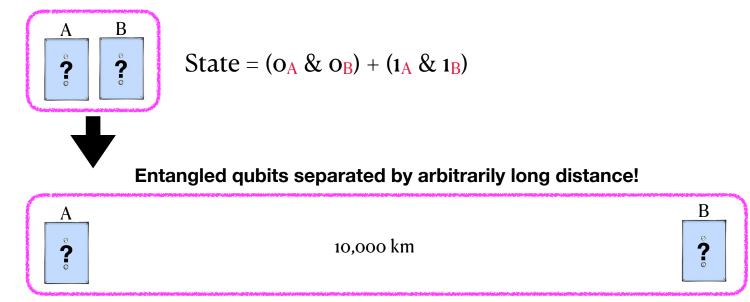
Q2. What new capabilities are made possible using quantum-state encoding?

What is a <u>Quantum</u> Communication Network? a network of channels and nodes that transmits or shares quantum information



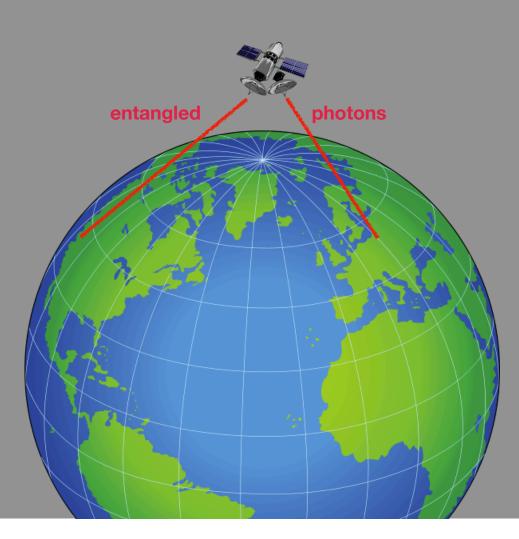
What is quantum information? information encoded in quantum states of physical objects

How can we transform entanglement between nearby qubits to entanglement between far-separated qubits?

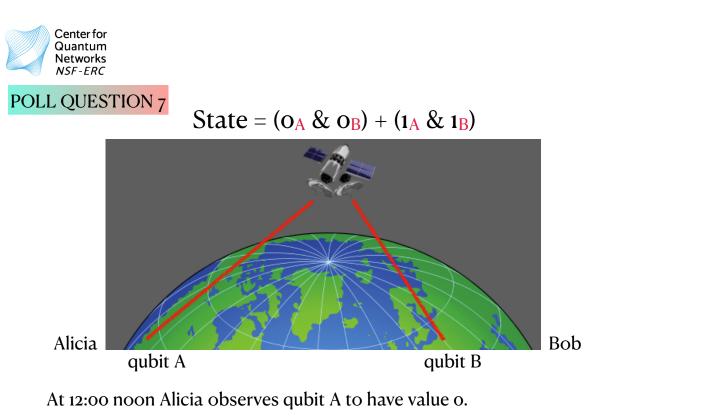


Distributing Entangled States

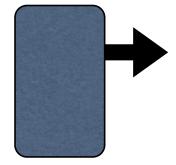
## Space-Based Quantum Communication







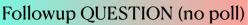
At what time does Alicia know the state of qubit B, without observing it?

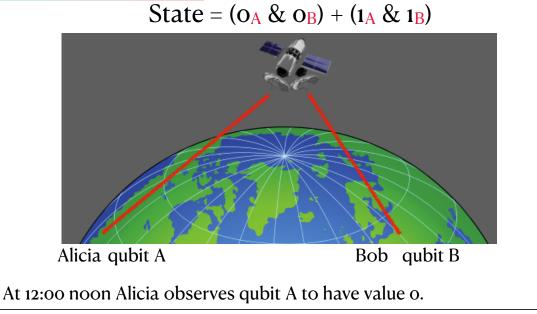


- A: Immediately
- B: Never
- C: At 12:00 plus the time it takes light to travel from A to B D: I don't know

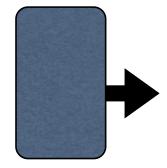








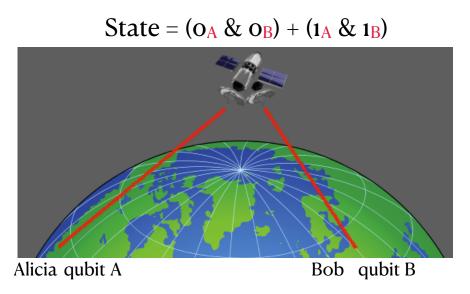
At what time does **Bob** know the state of qubit B, **without** observing it?



- A: Immediately
- B: At 12:00 plus the time it takes light to travel from A to B
- C: Never, unless Alice tells him what she observed
- D: I don't know







At 12:00 noon Alicia observes qubit A to have value o.

Alicia knows the state of qubit B immediately, but Bob does not.

Alicia can phone Bob and tell him, but there is a time lag limited by the speed of any information signal (speed of light)

Whatever Alicia observes or does to qubit A in **no way** affects qubit B.

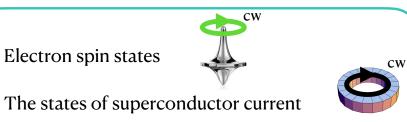
No faster-than-light communication



## Qubits can be <u>encoded</u> in various ways



Electron spin states



Stationary qubits

Most useful for storing quantum information

Photon polarization states

Photon times of arrival (time-bin states)

Photon frequency

Photon beam path

Flying qubits

Most useful for transmitting quantum information

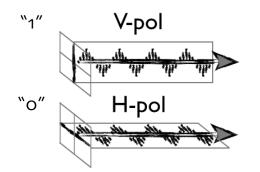


# Ways to encode information into single photons

- 1. polarization
- 2. location in space or time



Polarization can be oriented in various directions perpendicular to the direction of light's travel:



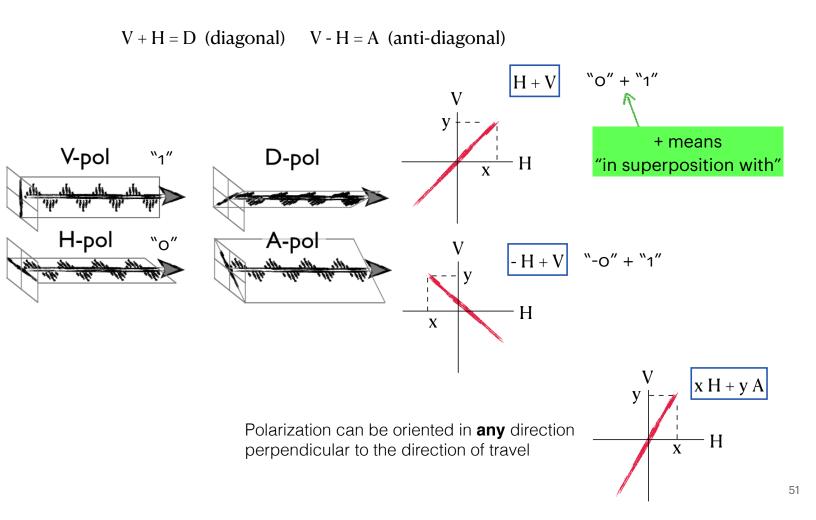
"o" and "1" are Logical Values Single photon encodes a "qubit" Qubit Measurement oscillating electric field polarizing beam splitter (calcite crystal) detectors

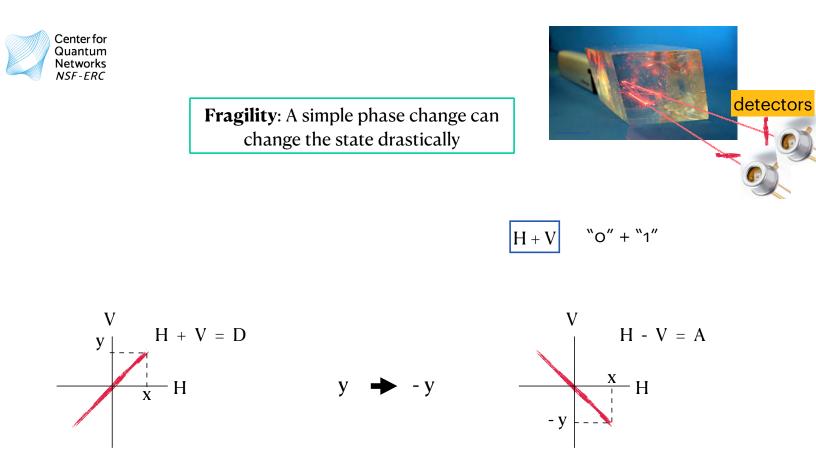






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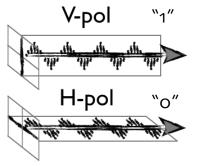
Phase changes (called "Decoherence") will lead to errors.



## Entangled Polarization state of two photons



One photon:



Two photons A, B: Example State =  $(O_A \& O_B) + (I_A \& I_B)$ =  $(H_A \& H_B) + (V_A \& V_b)$ 

Sometimes we denote polarization states using arrows:

$$(H) = (\clubsuit)$$
$$(V) = (\bigstar)$$
$$(D) = (\clubsuit)$$
$$(A) = (\clubsuit)$$

Example Two-Photon State =  $(\Rightarrow_A \& \Rightarrow_B) + (\uparrow_A \& \uparrow_B)$ 



## Entangled Polarization State of two photons



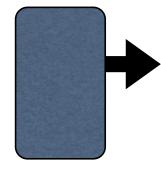
### POLL QUESTION 8

Two photons are in the entangled state:

# State = $(H_A \& V_B) + (V_A \& H_B)$

The A photon goes to Alice and the B photon to Bob

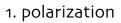
Bob measures his photon and obtains H. What will Alice observe if she measures her photon using a polarizer that separates H and V?



A: HB: VC: H or V with equal probabilitiesD: I don't know

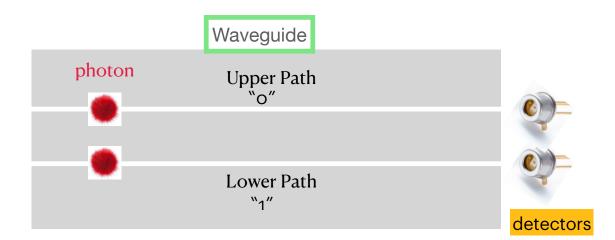


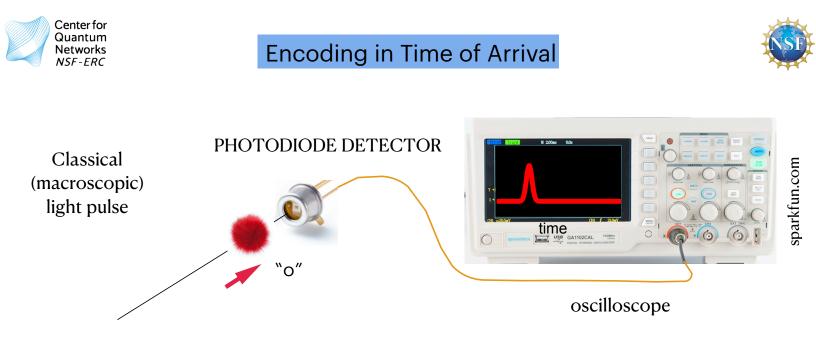
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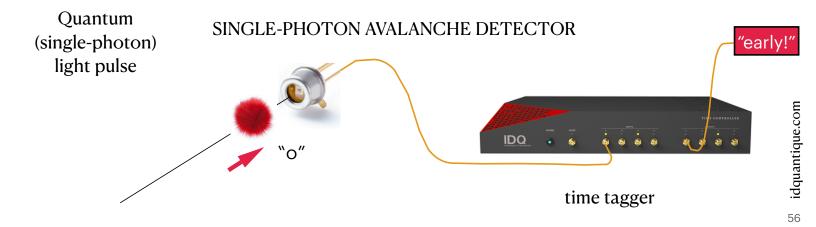


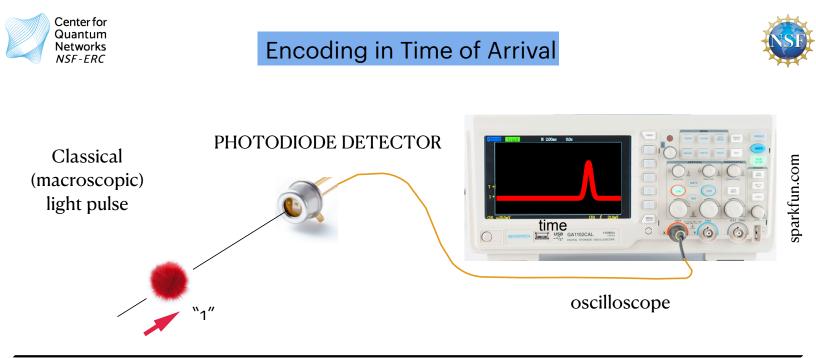
2. location in space or time

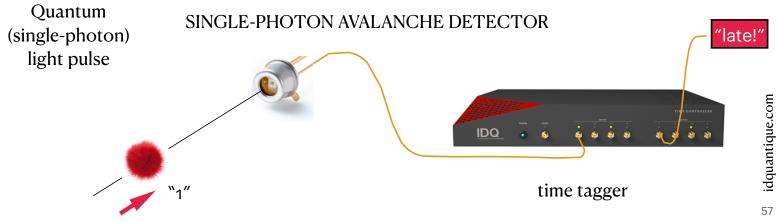
## **Encoding in Location**

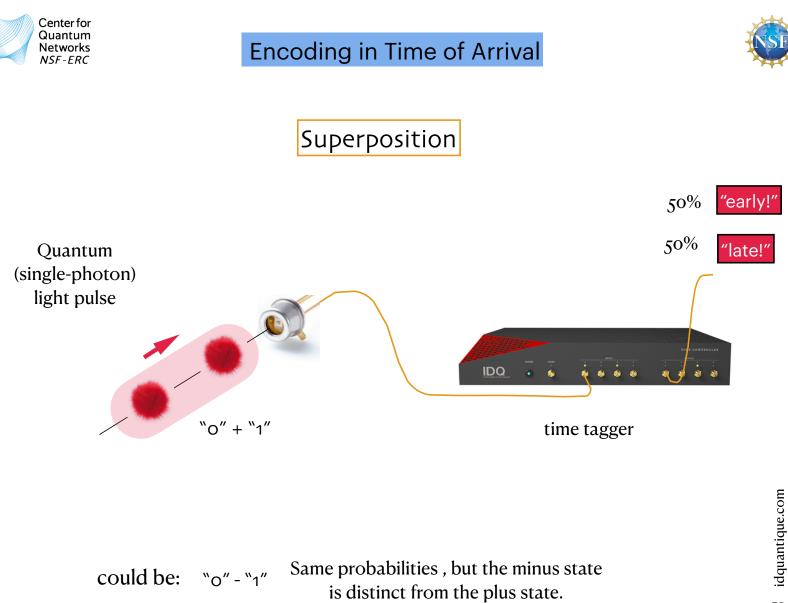


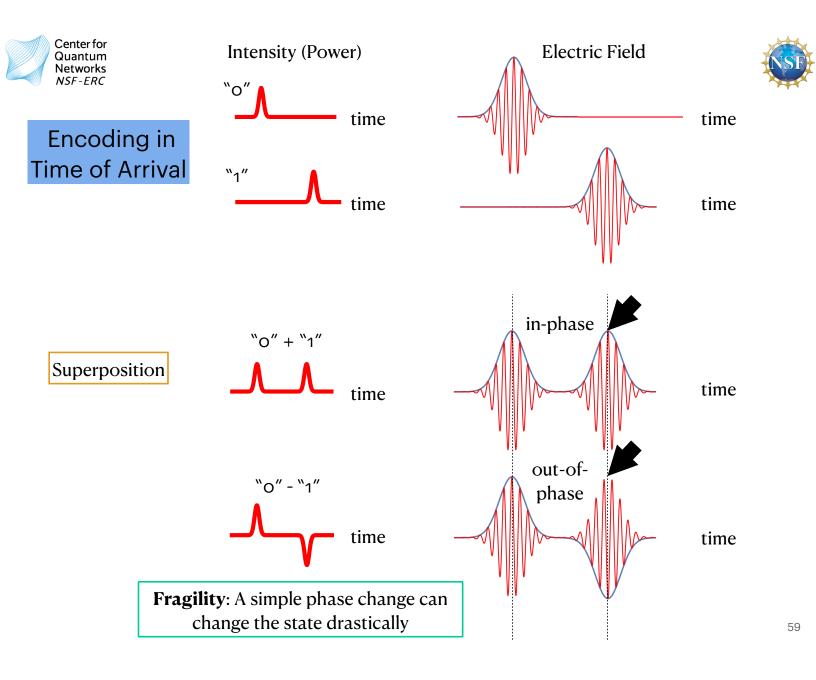
















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Entangled State of Two photons:

Example State = (0 & 0) + (1 & 1)

( \_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_) + (\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_)

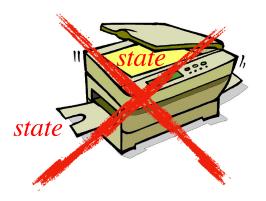
State = (Early & Early) + (Late & Late)

## How to transmit a quantum state from one place to a place far away?



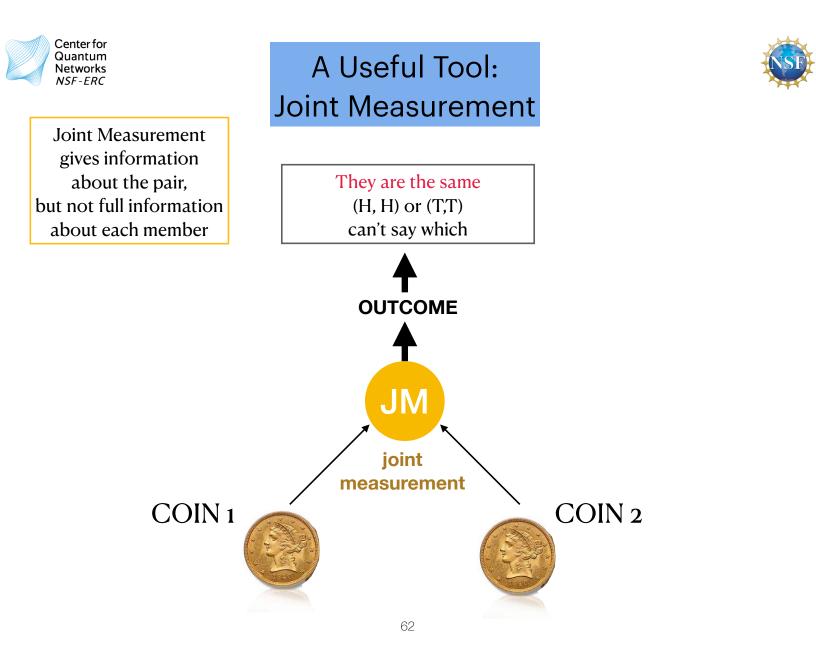
## No Copying of Qubit States Allowed:

You can't make a copy of a state without destroying the state of the original object.



A quantum communication network must transmit the state of the physical systems, although it may do so by state teleportation.

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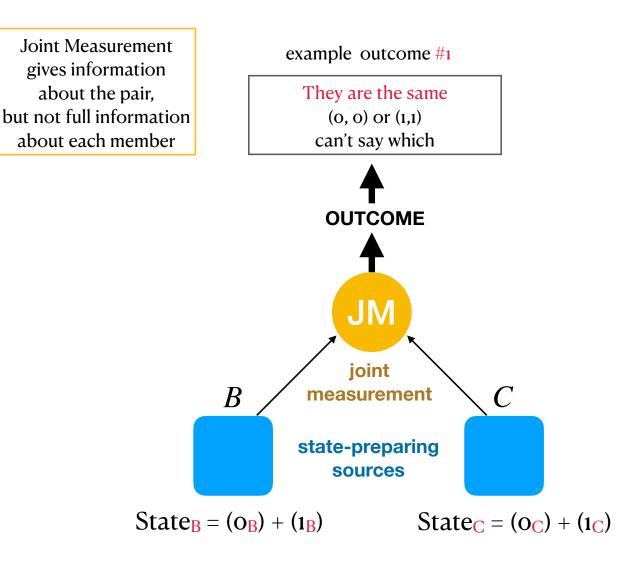




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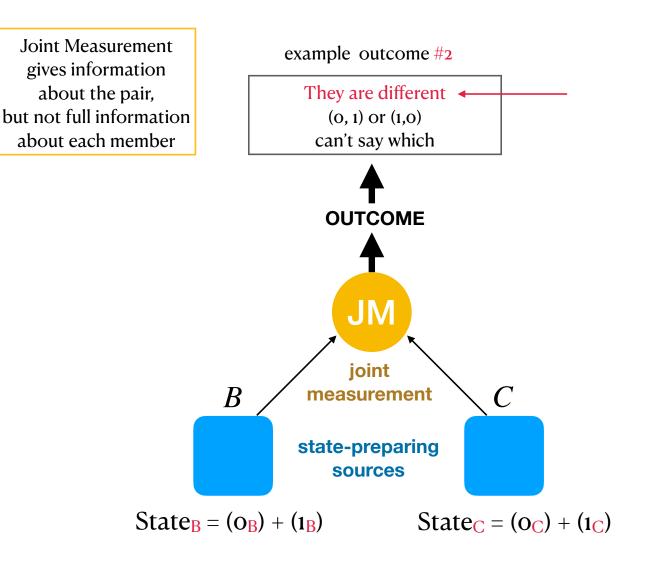




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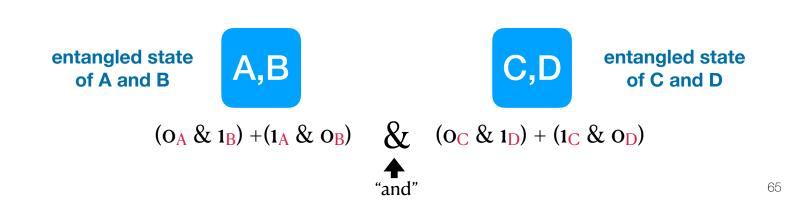


# Entanglement Swapping

start with two separate entangled states

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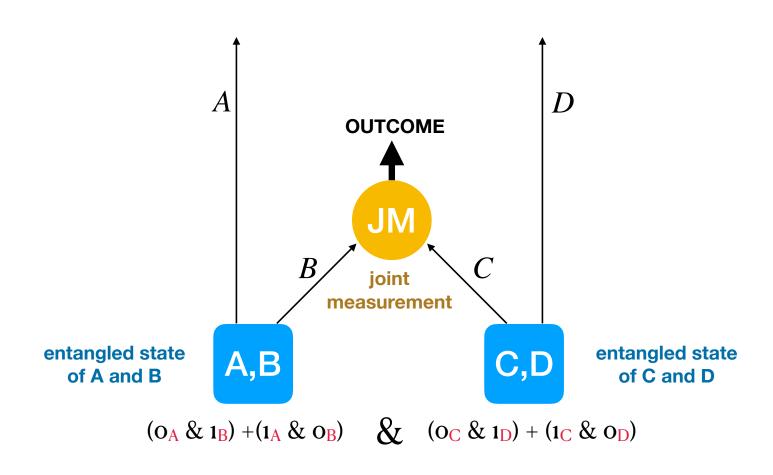


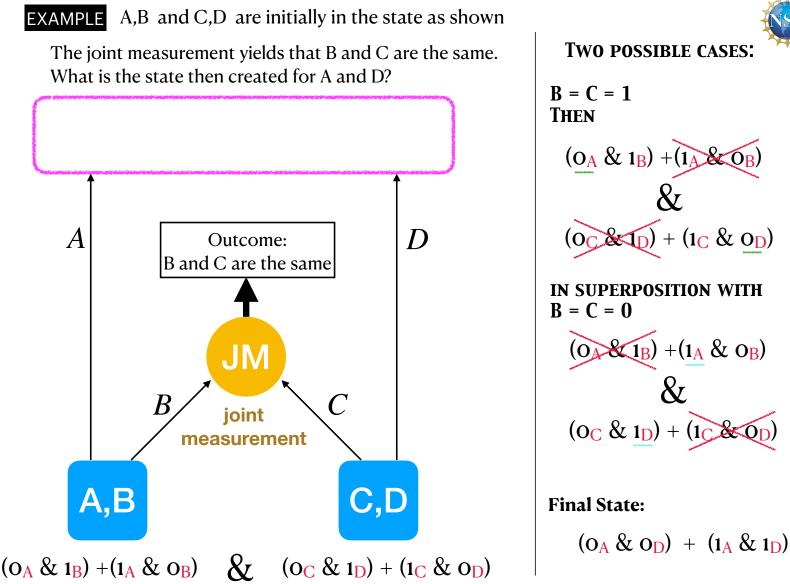


#### **Entanglement Swapping**



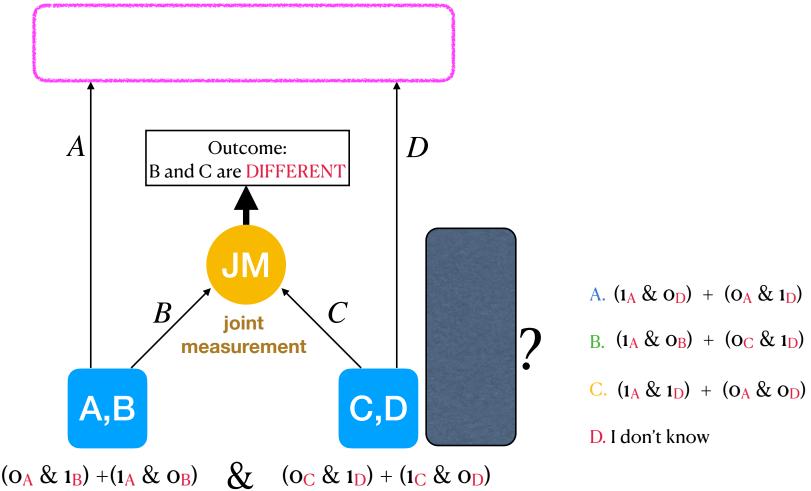
Send B and C into a Joint Measurement. Outcome determines entangled state of A and D

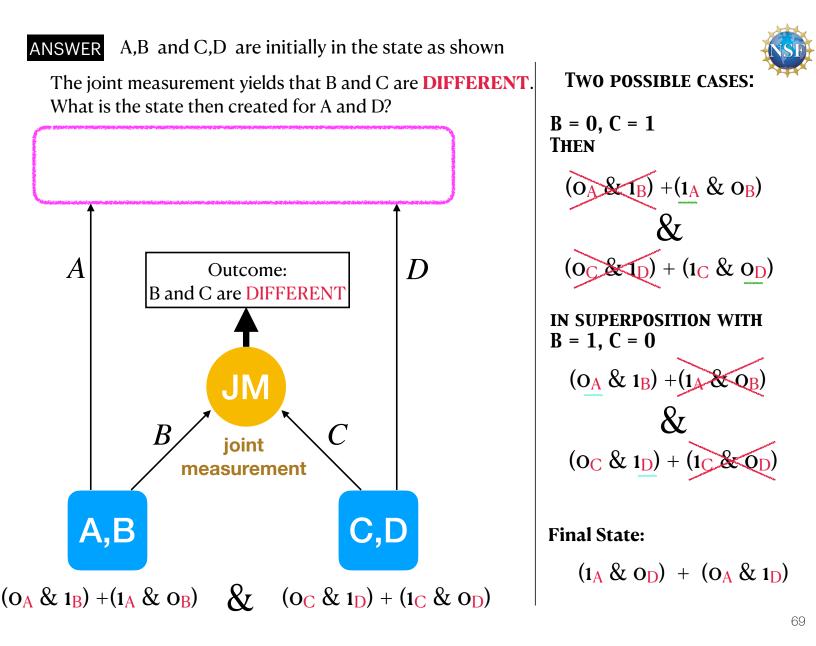




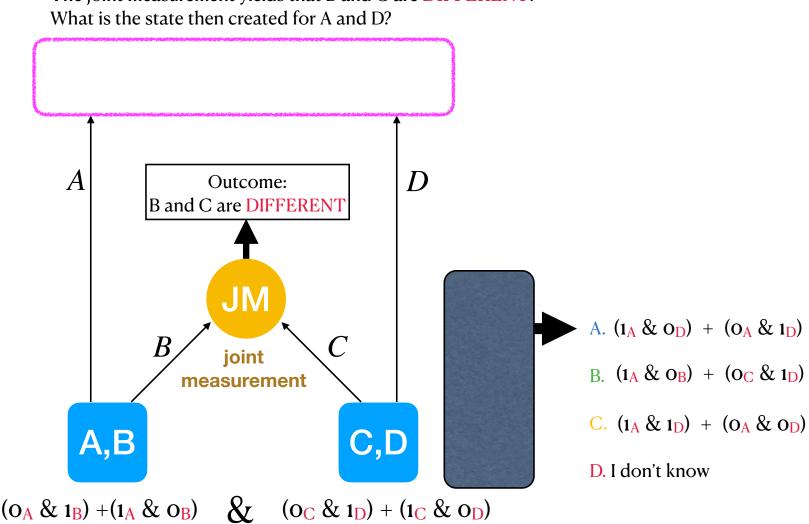
POLL QUESTION 9 A,B and C,D are initially in the state as shown

The joint measurement yields that B and C are **DIFFERENT**. What is the state then created for A and D?





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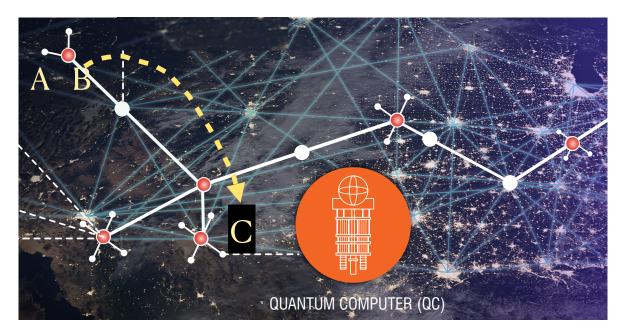


Quantum State Teleportation



Say you have an entangled pair of qubits A and B.

You want to transfer the state of B over to C so you have entanglement between A and C, leaving B unentangled.



Can be done by Quantum State Teleportation

If the distance is greater than ~ 100 km, you will need Quantum Repeaters, which have not yet been built

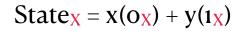


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Prof Xavier wants to send the quantum state of particle X to Bob without sending particle X

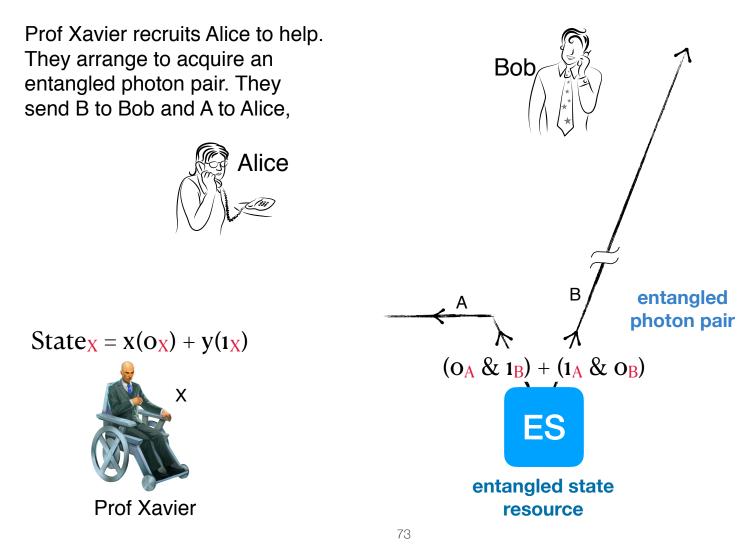






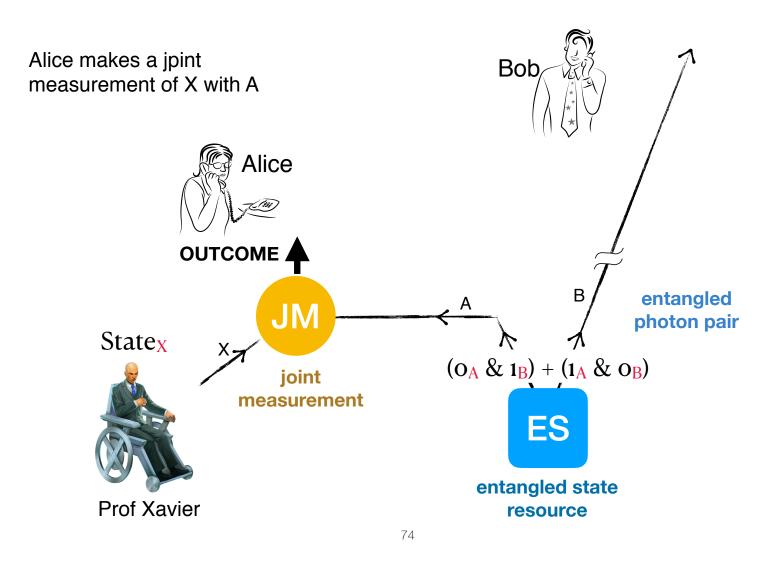
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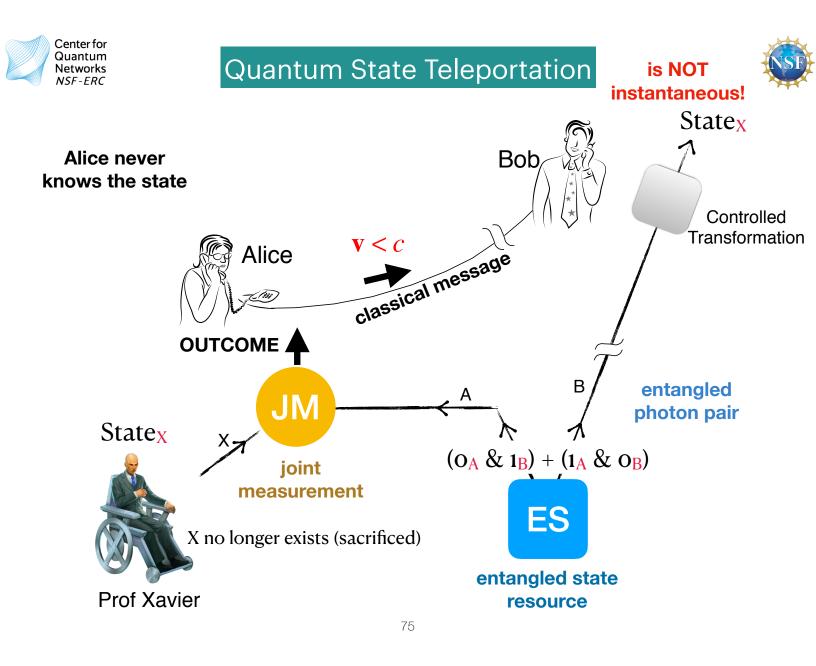


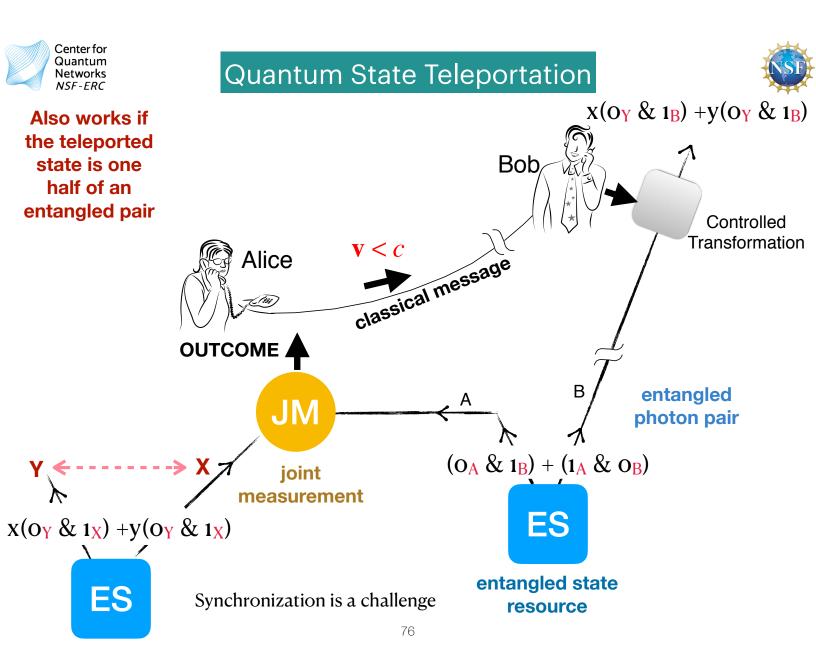


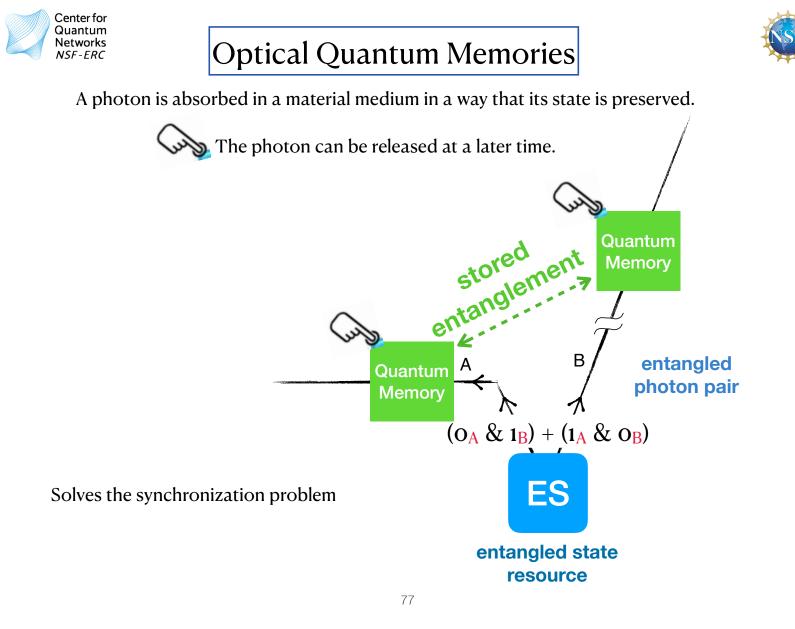


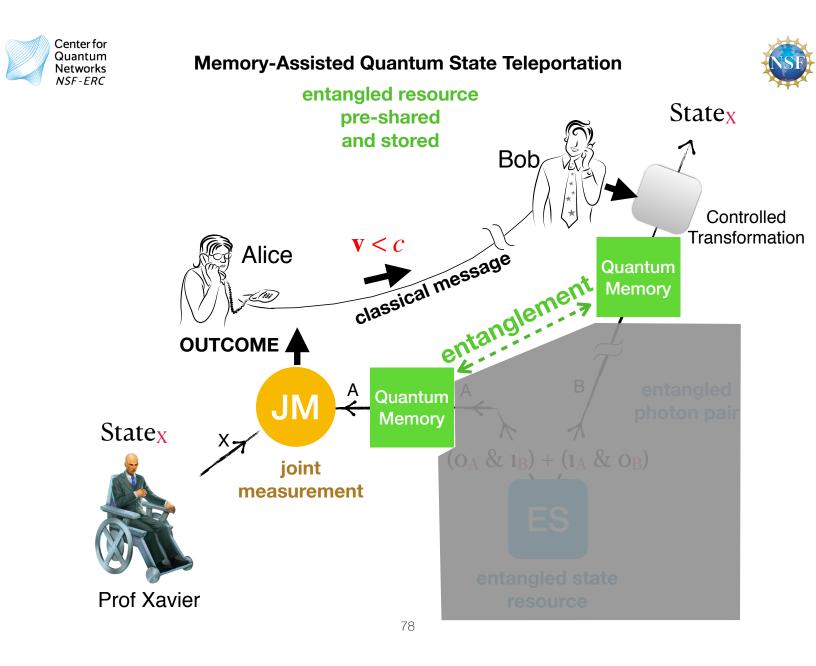
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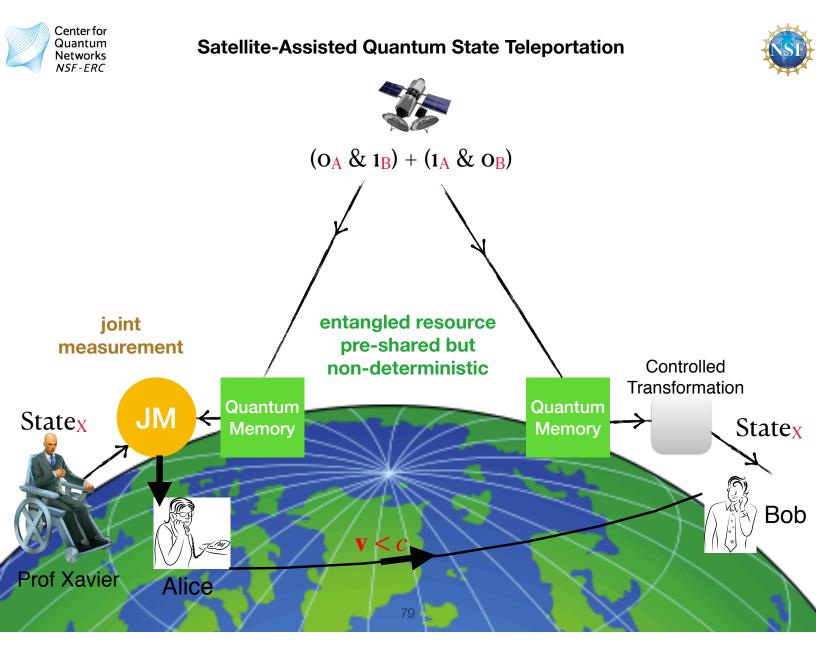
















Why Quantum Entanglement Distribution in Space?

Short-term path to long-distance Quantum Internet -

-Remote/blind quantum computing

- Distributed quantum computing
- Secure Communications

Very long baseline interferometery

**Entangled clock network** 

Quantum enhanced sensor network: e.g. planetary science, Earth science

Quantum enhanced fundamental physics, Quantum gravity / new physics

END PART 2



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PART 3

**BELL STATE MEASUREMENTS** 



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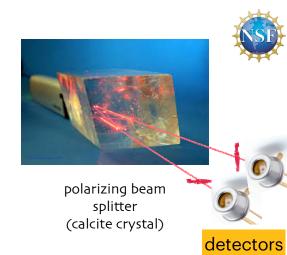


REVIEW: Photon Polarization

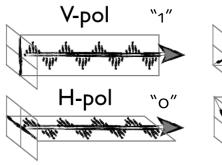
Superposition

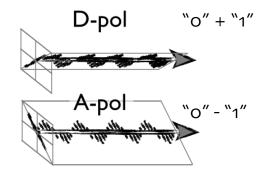
V + H = D (diagonal)

V - H = A (anti-diagonal)

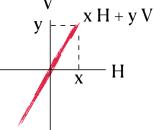


Polarization can be oriented in **any** direction perpendicular to the direction of travel

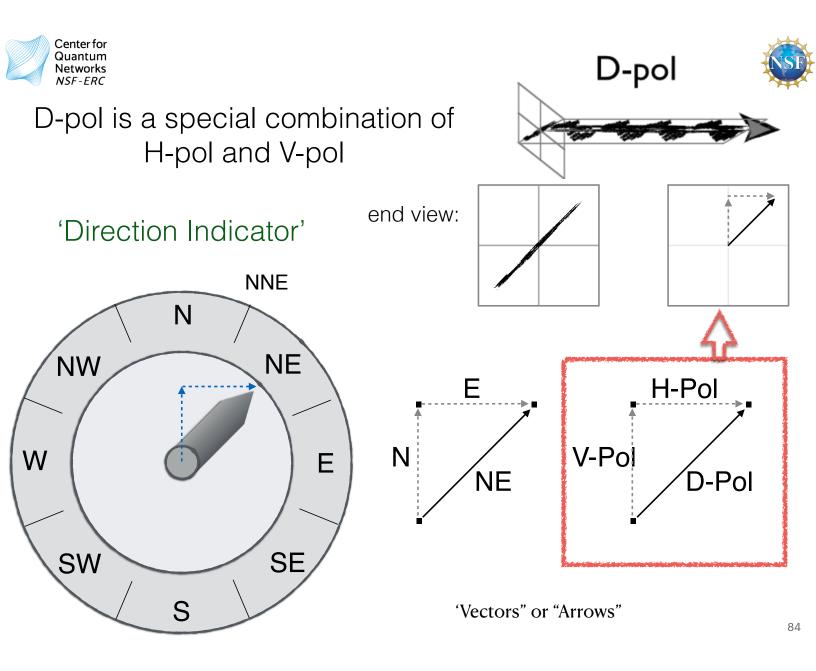


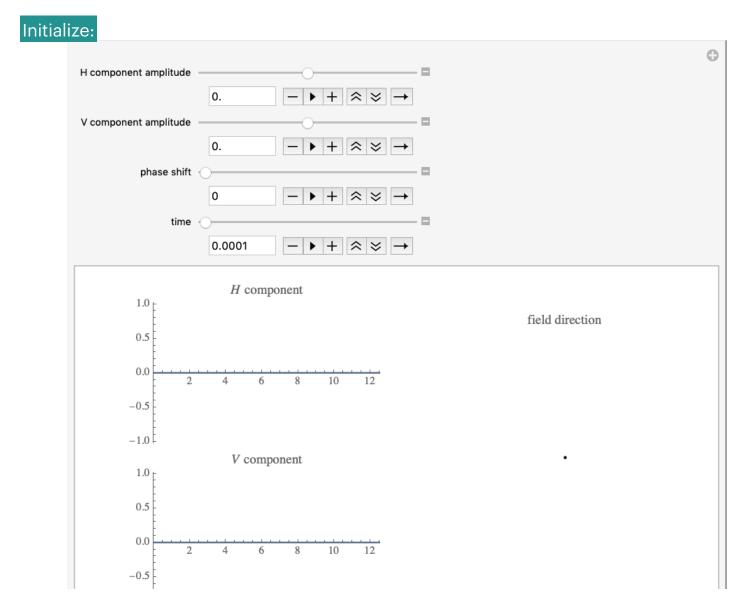


Most general possibility: V

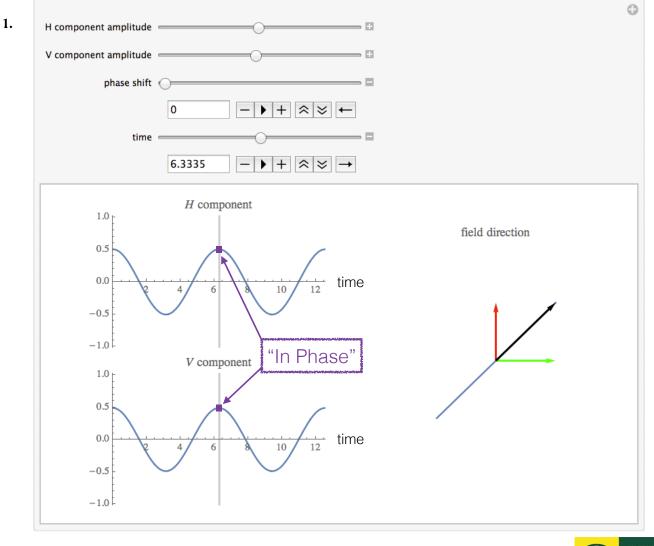


"o" and "1" are Logical Values



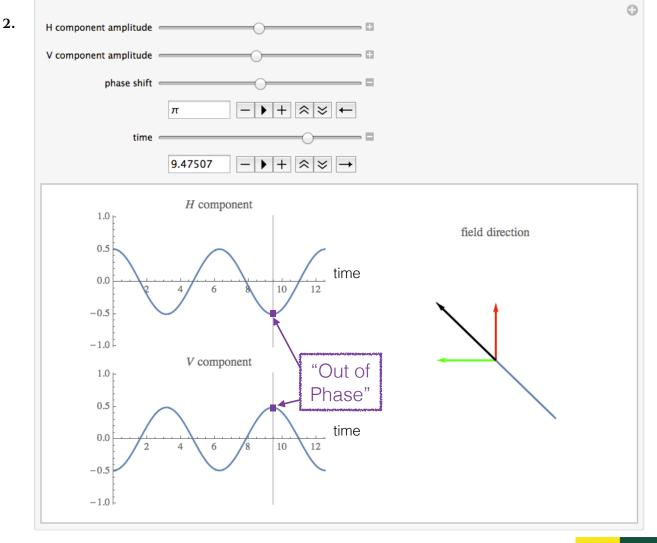


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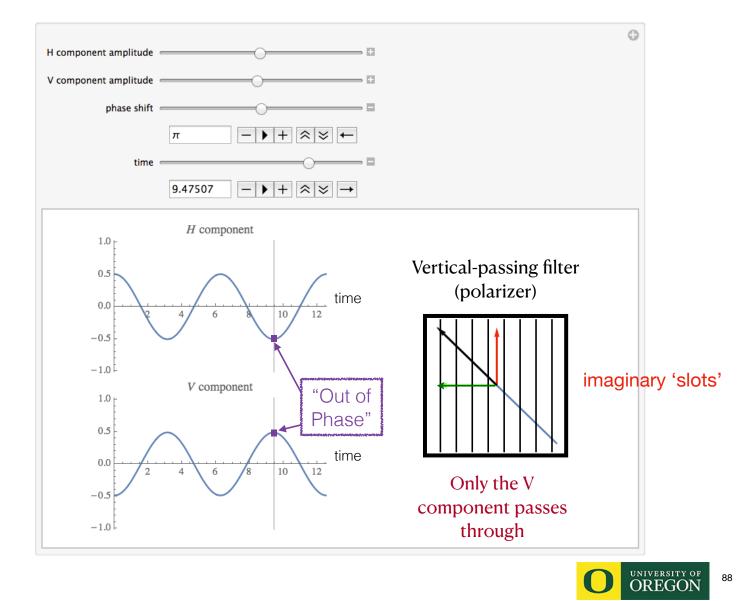


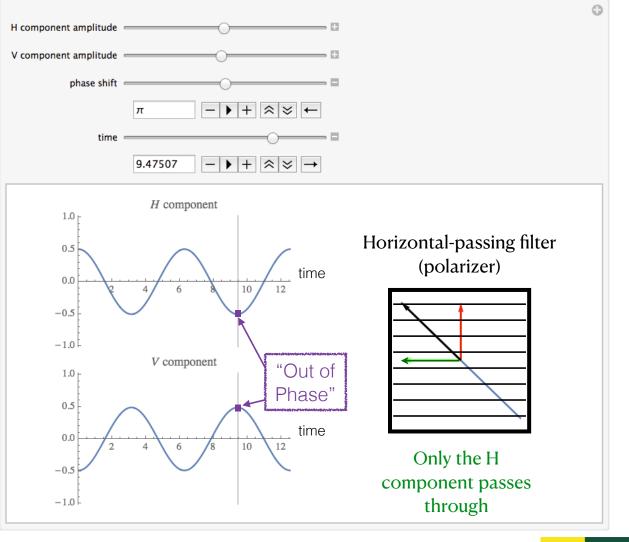
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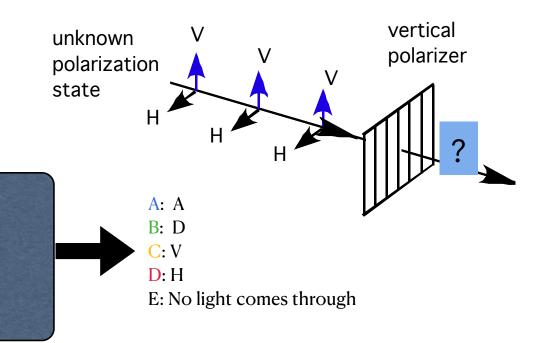






POLL QUESTION 10

# What is the polarization of transmitted light after the <u>vertical</u> polarizer?

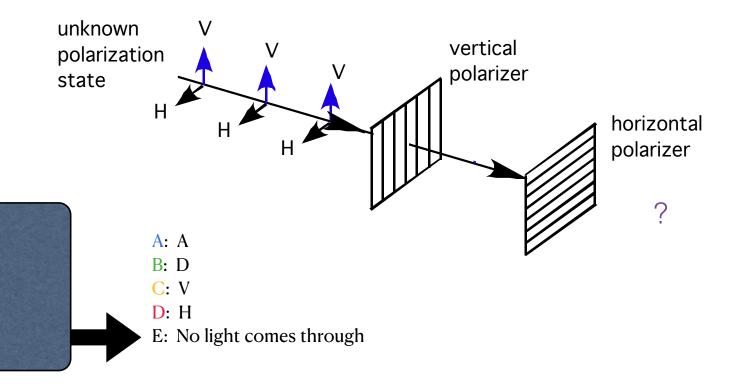






#### POLL QUESTION 11

What is the polarization of transmitted light after the <u>horizontal</u> polarizer?

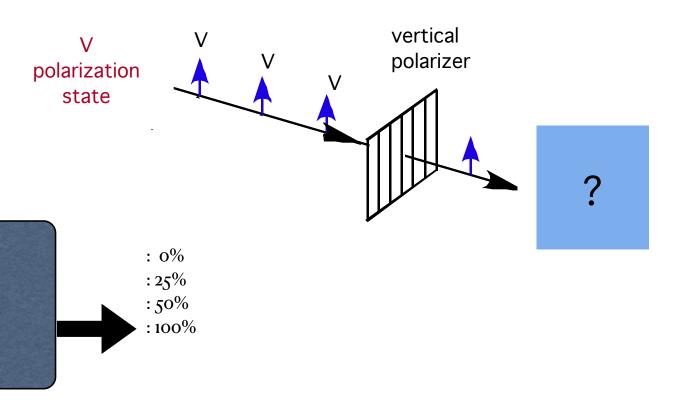








# If only a **Single Photon** is sent into this polarizer, what is the probability it will make it through?

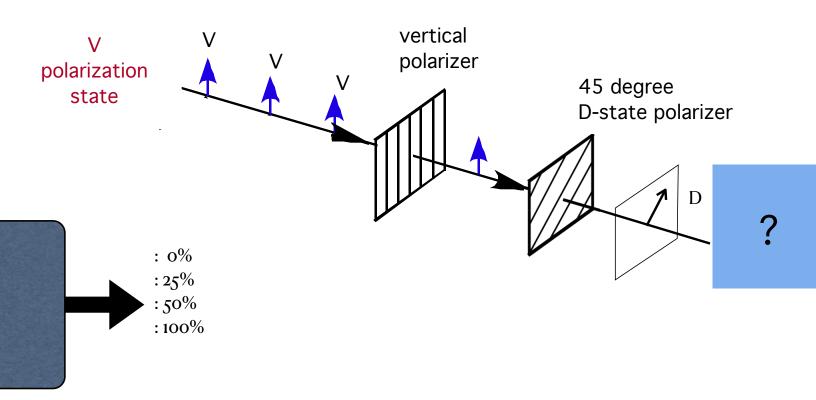






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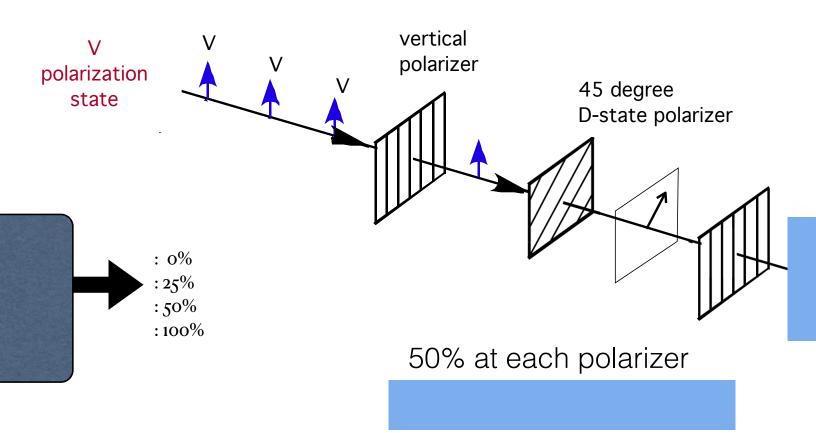
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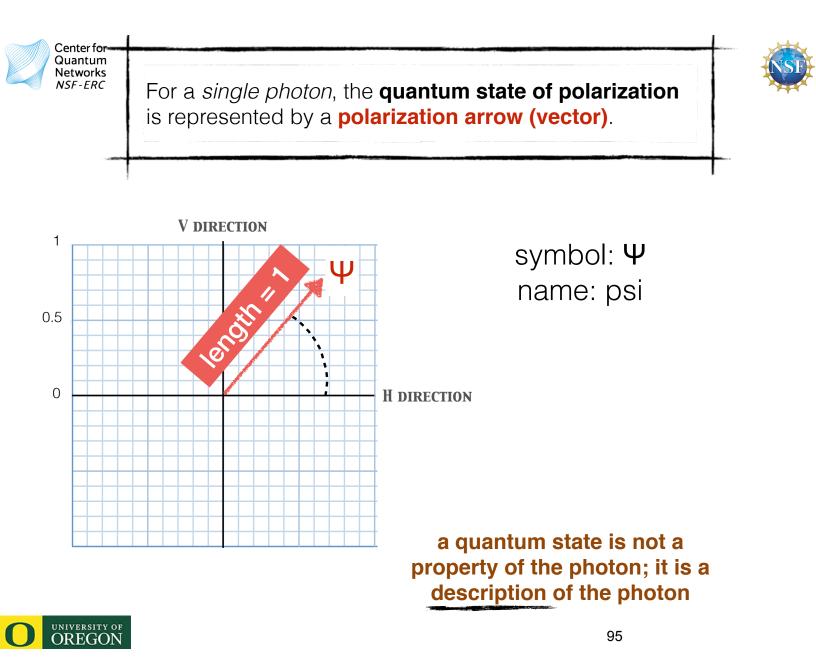






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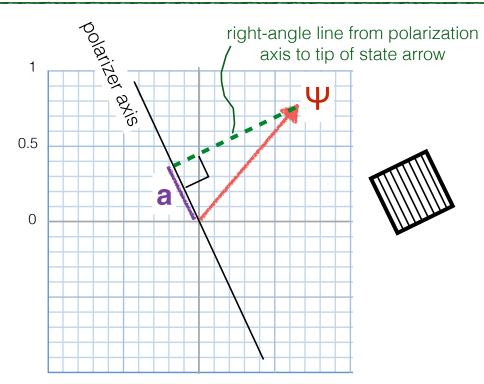
Max Born

**a** = length of projection

Probability = **a**<sup>2</sup>

# Born's Rule

To find the **probability** for a photon to be observed passing through a polarizer set for any given measurement scheme, **project** the photon's polarization arrow onto the polarizer axis, then **square** the length of the projection.



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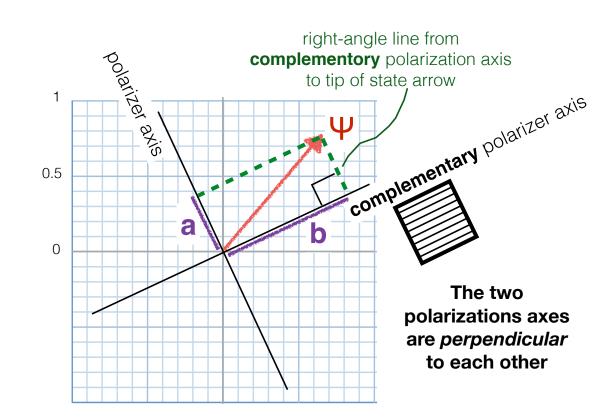


#### What about the other polarization axis?

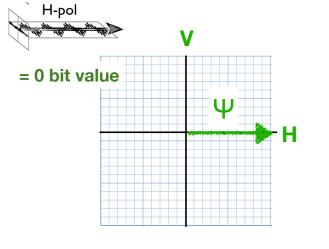
Probability = **a**<sup>2</sup>

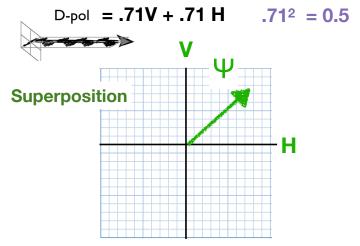
Complementary Probability = **b**<sup>2</sup>

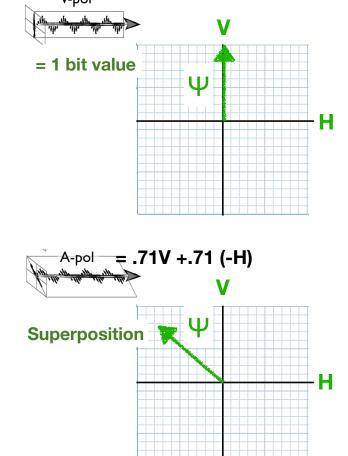
 $a^2 + b^2 = 1^2$ 







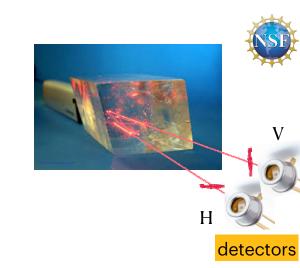


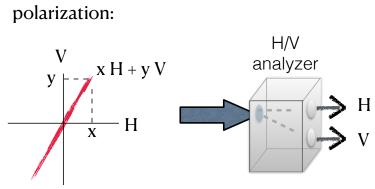




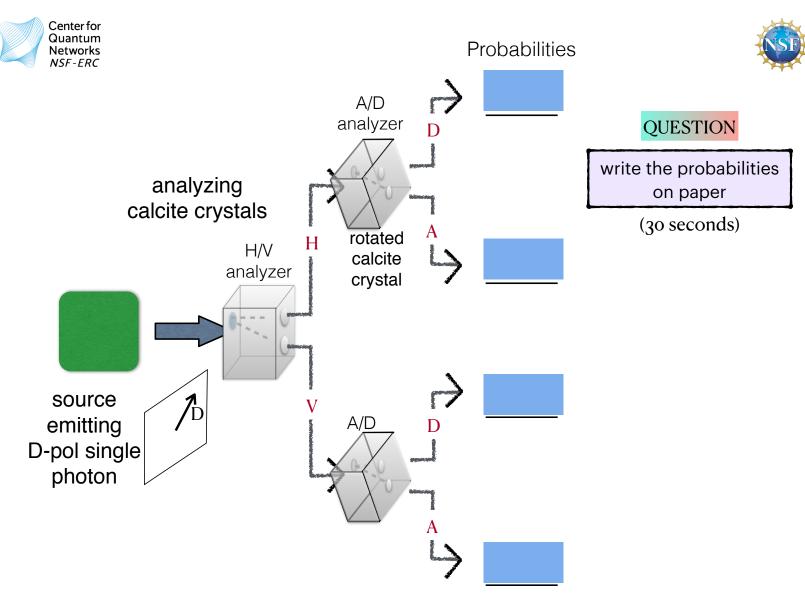
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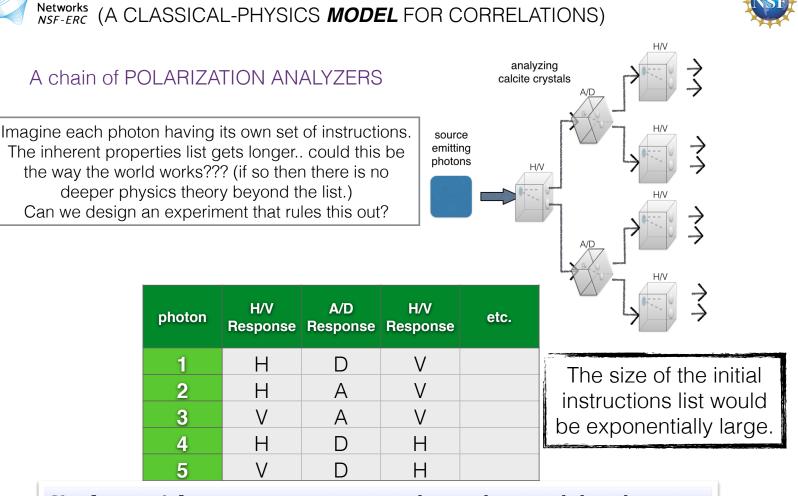
Arbitrary state of





probabilities =  $x^2$  and  $y^2$ 





INHERENT PROPERTY LIST OR INSTRUCTIONS LIST

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**Single-particle** experiments cannot rule out the possibility that nature follows inherent properties or inherent instruction tables.

The Bell Inequality -Does classical common-sense theory describe the world correctly?

Two quantum particles can have "spooky" correlations.



Correlations in Classical Probability

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Correlation\_and\_dependence

"Correlation refers to any ... statistical relationships involving dependence. ...

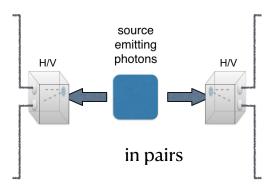
A correlation between age and height in children.

... A correlation can be taken as evidence for a possible *causal relationship*, but cannot indicate what the causal relationship, if any, might be."





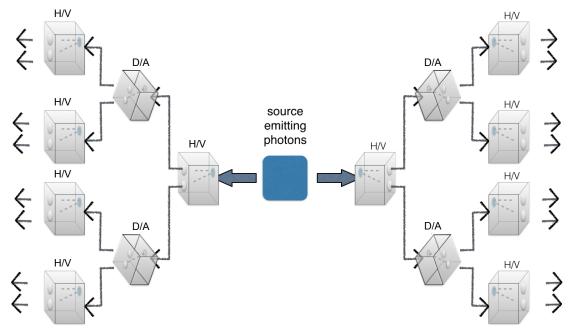
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Requires a lengthy list of possible correlations, depending on all possible measurement combinations.

Even if you could make such a predictive list, could this describe successfully the observed statistics of outcomes? NO!

The idea of inherent properties or instructions fails. Proof on next slides.



#### Proof of the (classical) Bell Inequality

Given these Assumptions:

1. After the photons leave the common source, their inherent properties or instructions exist and don't change later. (Realism)

2. Causal effects cannot travel faster than light. (Causal Locality)

3. Alice and Bob are able to make independent choices about what measurement\* each will make on each of their observed photons. (Measurement independence or 'Free Will')

One can prove a limit on the possible outcomes of certain well-designed experiments. (Bell Inequality)

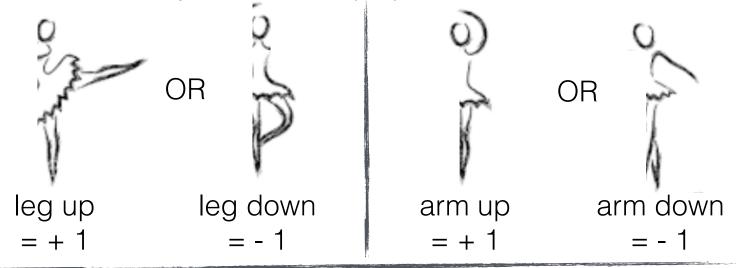
Experiments can be carried out to test the predicted limit. (Bell Tests)

\* choice of polarizer angles

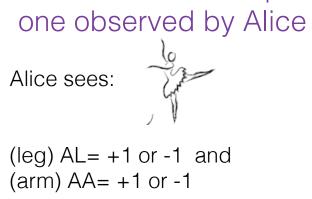


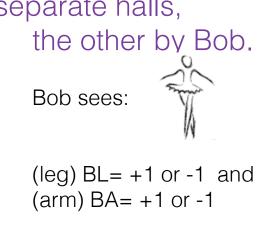
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| ,   | correlation = 0 |         |         |                           | correlation = 1 |             |   |                |     |  |
| Run                                       | Alice c         | Bob c   | Ac x Bc | Deffection                | Run             | Alice c     | Bob c   | Ac x Bc        |     |  |
| 1   | +1              | -1      | -1      | Define the correlation of | 1               | +1          | +1  | +1             |     |  |
| 2   | -1              | +1      | -1      | two lists as the          | 2               | +1          | +1  | +1             |     |  |
| 3   | +1              | -1      | -1      | average of the            | 3               | +1          | +1  | +1             |     |  |
| 4   | -1              | -1      | +1      | products of the           | 4               | -1          | -1  | +1             |     |  |
| 5   | +1              | -1      | -1      | corresponding             | 5               | +1          | +1  | +1             |     |  |
| 6   | -1              | -1      | +1      | list entries.             | 6               | -1          | -1  | +1             |     |  |
| 7   | 1               | +1      | 1       |                           | 7               | -1          | -1  | +1             |     |  |
| 8   | +1              | +1      | +1      |                           | 8               | +1          | +1  | +1             |     |  |
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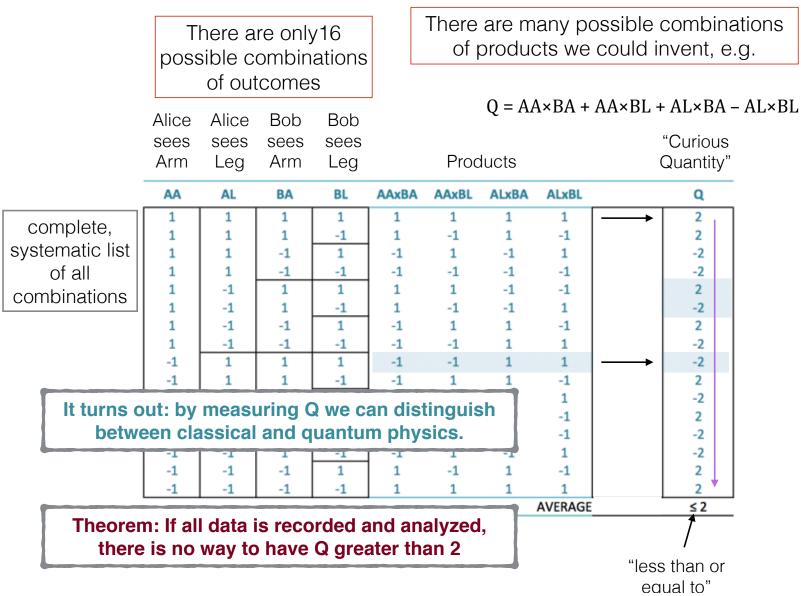
What if each 'object' has **TWO** properties that can be observed?



Two Dancers perform in separate halls,





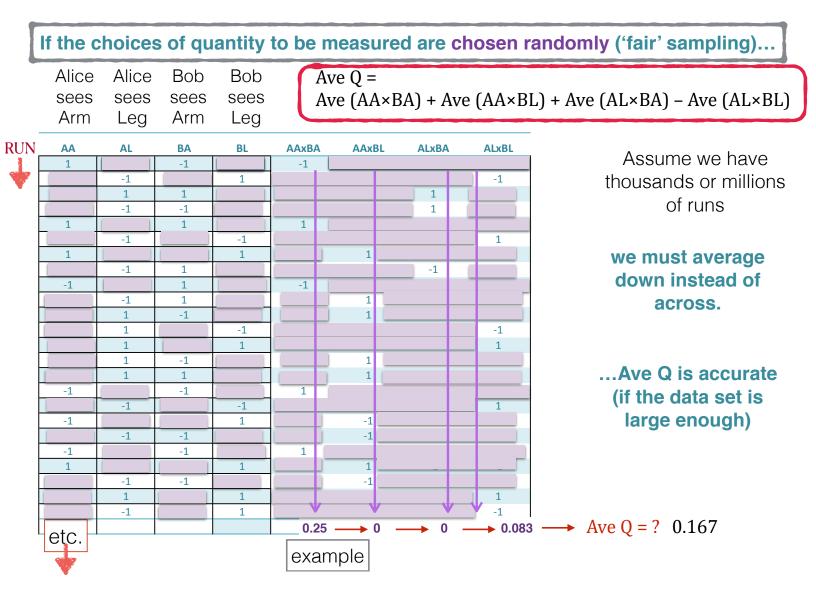


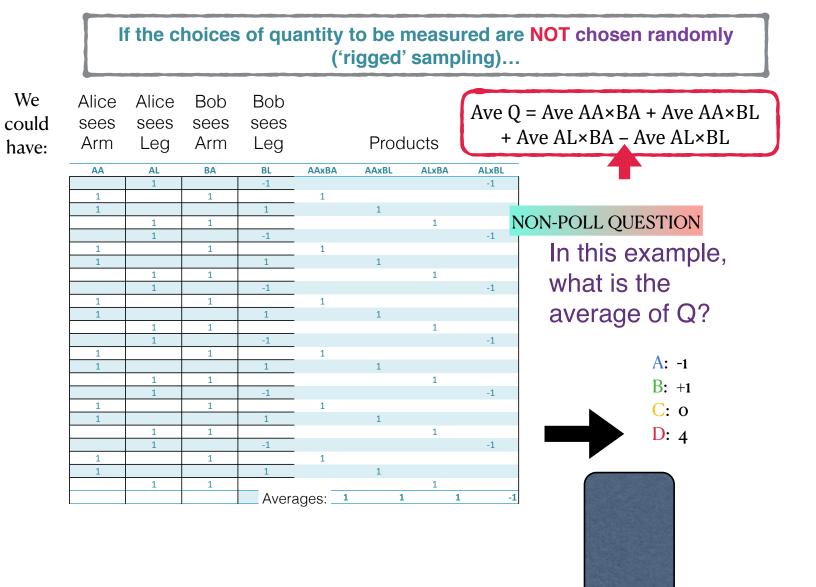




In some experiments, only <u>ONE</u> of two possible measurements can actually be done on each single object.

Examples later









For <u>any</u> data set W, X, Y, Z

 $Q = W \times Y + W \times Z + X \times Y - X \times Z$ 

Ave  $Q = Ave W \times Y + Ave W \times Z + Ave X \times Y - Ave X \times Z$ 

## **Bell's Inequality**

Under the assumptions of inherent properties or instructions, and fair sampling of measurement settings, No matter what state is prepared, and "no conspiracies" or "rigging", the Average(Q) cannot be greater than 2

Testing classical assumptions and logic



John Bell

Under the Assumptions of:

- Realism
- Causal Locality
- Fair Random Sampling and Measurement independence or 'Free Will'





### Correlations in Photon Polarization Experiments

Two photons are emitted from a common source. They might have correlated behavior. Can Alice and Bob do a Bell test?

"Alice" Alicia Keys famous musician



Pair of photons emitted by source S





"Bob" Nobel prizewinning Bob Dylan





## POLL QUESTION 12

For a given single photon, can you measure whether it is V or H and also measure whether it is D or A?



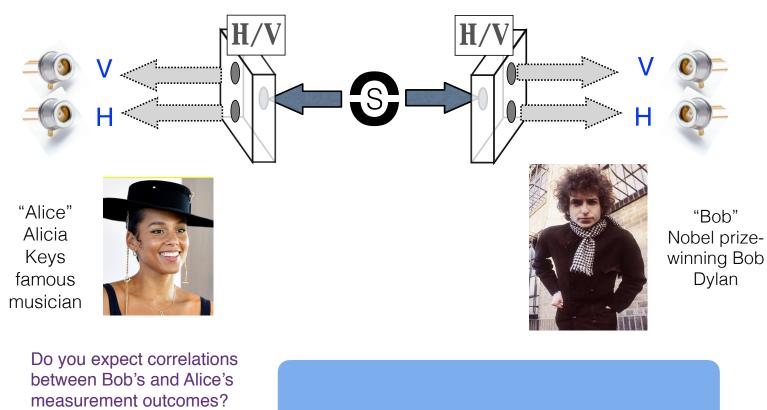
- A: Yes, send it through a series of two polarizers
- ► B: No, the first polarizer changes its state
  - C: Yes for classical light, no for quantum light D: I'm not sure



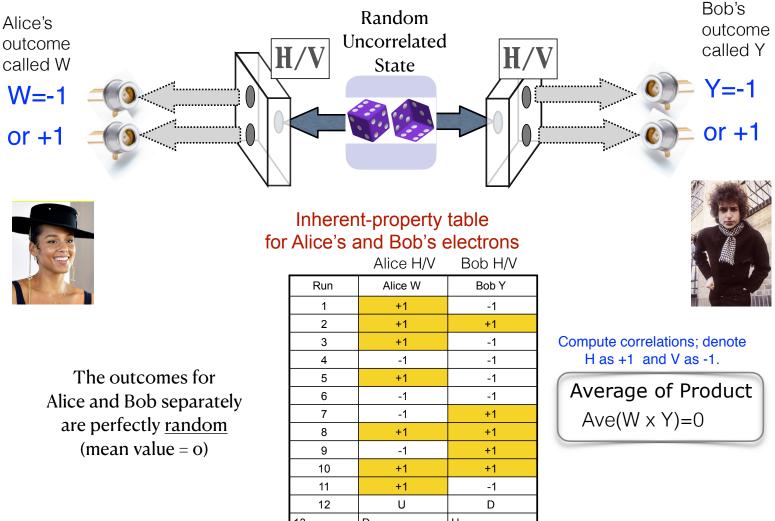


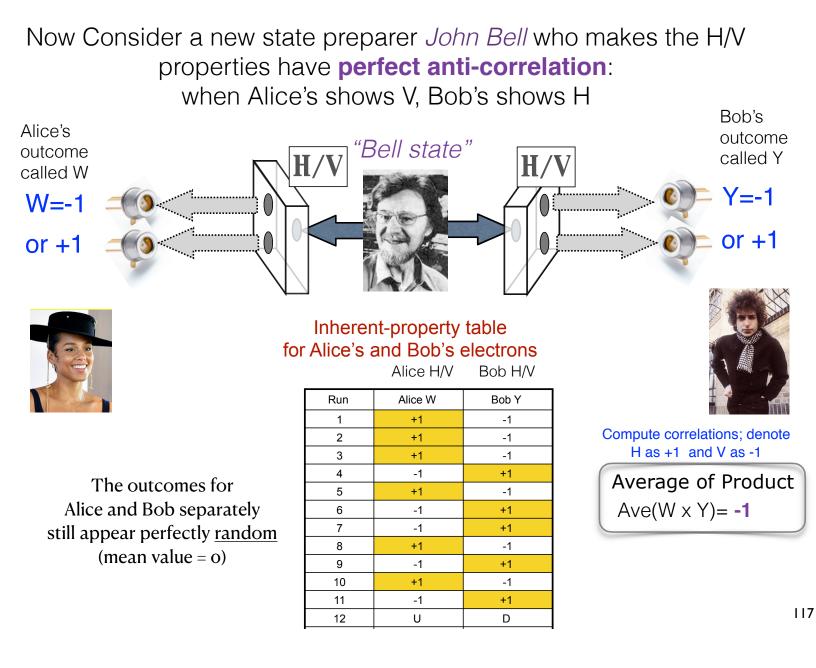
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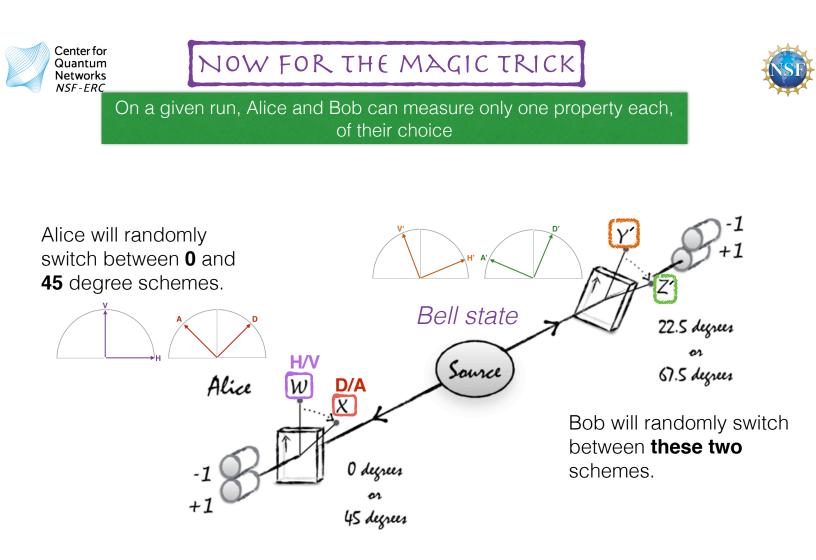
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# Consider a **quantum state** where the H/V-properties show **no correlation**: When Alice's shows V, Bob's shows H or V equally







define: Ave  $Q = Ave W \times Y' + Ave W \times Z' + Ave X \times Y' - Ave X \times Z'$ 



Alice H/V = WAlice D/A = X Bob H'/V' = Y' Bob D'/A' = Z'



## Ave Q = Ave $W \times Y'$ + Ave $W \times Z'$ + Ave $X \times Y'$ - Ave $X \times Z'$

### One might think: Bell's Classical Inequality should hold for photon polarization

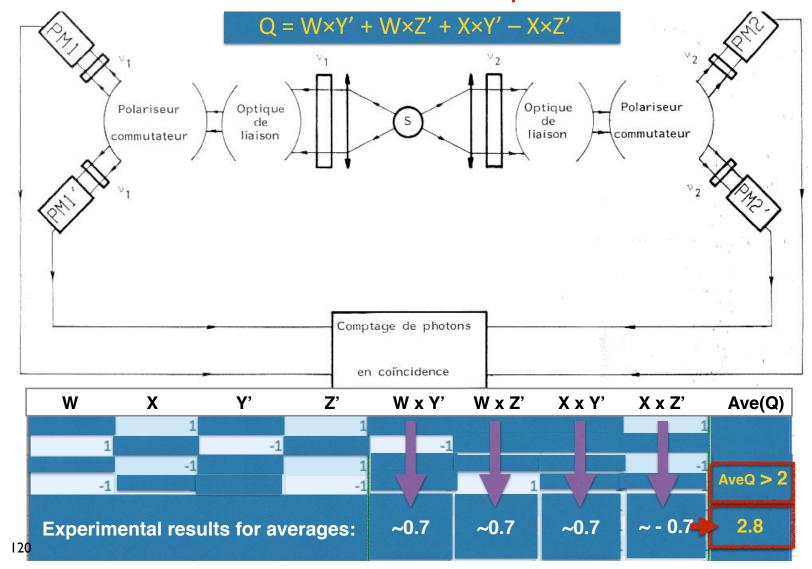
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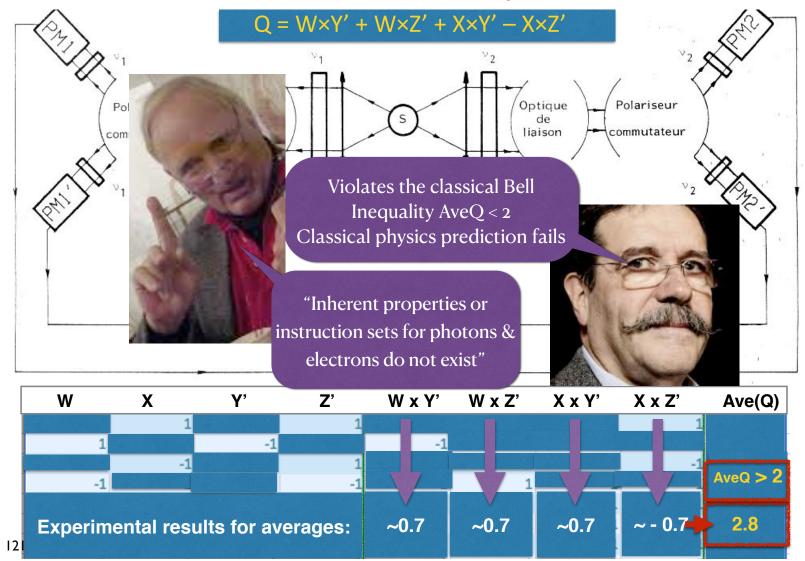
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pre-determined measurement outcomes

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2015-2017 UPDATE - Closing three possible "logical loopholes":



1. Maybe there is some unknown phenomenon that can send information between Alice's and Bob's setups, allowing a hidden coordination or 'conspiracy' unknown to physics.

*Closing the loophole*: Separate the two labs by a large distance and switch the measurement settings after the photons have departed from the source. (Light travels at 1 foot per ns.)

2. Maybe the detectors, which have limited detection efficiency (e.g. 80%), fail to detect photons under some 'conspiracy' scheme, selecting only those events that lead to 'rigged' results.

*Closing the loophole*: Use detectors with near 100% detection efficiency.

3. Maybe the experimenters' (or their computers') choices of measurement settings were being controlled by some external agent.

*Closing the loophole*: Switch the analyzer settings after the particles left the source in the experiment by using the random polarizations of photons from two distant stars. The starlight was created over 500 years ago, well before quantum theory was even invented!

In 2015 to 2017 all these experiments were done and they still observed Q = 2.8, violating the **classical prediction** the Bell Inequality (Q<2).

"Strictly speaking the experiments show that the combination of realism, causal locality, and measurement independence can't exist!"





"Obviously realism, causal locality, and measurement independence exist!"

I did the experiment.

Common Sense Questions That Look Easy ... chartcons.com



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The Bell Inequality is based on common sense. But careful scientific reasoning with experiments can override common sense.



# QUANTUM ENTANGLEMENT

Quantum theory provides an explanation for correlations that works! The state description obeys local causality, but must be "global." (Holistic - the whole does not equal the sum of parts )

A pair of photons can be prepared in the entangled Bell state  $\psi = (V)\&(H) + (-H)\&(V)$ , and quantum theory predicts exactly the correlations observed in the Bell Test experiments.

The experiments validate quantum theory and the fact that entangled states are an actual ('real') aspect of nature, which suggests that quantum states allow information processing and communication beyond what is possible with classical states.

NEXT: Bell-State Measurements provide the basis of Quantum Network operations.

END PART 3



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# The Quantum Internet

Fault-tolerant quantum memories are used to build repeaters and switches for high-fidelity high-rate quantum communications over 1000s of km

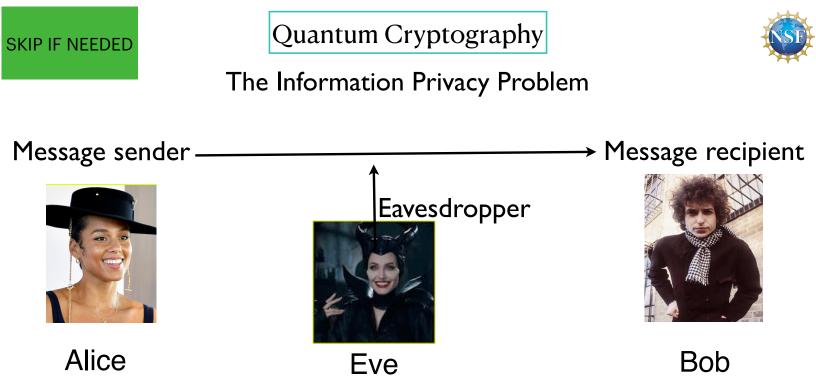
Secure Communications Quantum Multi-User Applications

What is the Q Internet?
1. A network to distribute quantum entanglement to any two or more locations regardless of distance
2. A network that is interoperable (agnostic to the particular hardware used at each location)
3. A network with a 'classical' control system to coordinate its operations

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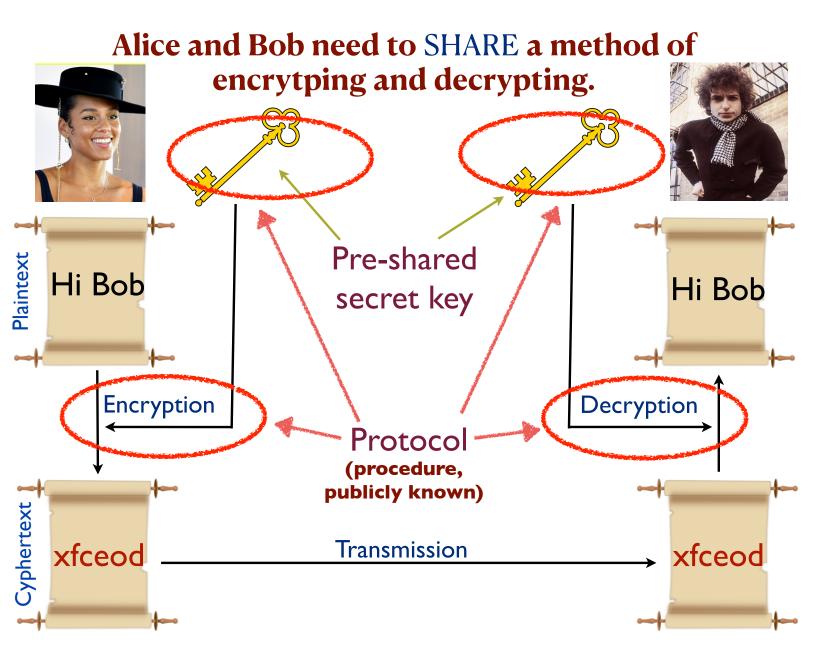
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## Alice and Bob want to share a secret message.

## But the message can be intercepted!

Alice and Bob need to SHARE a "KEY" for encrytping and decrypting.



### optional

- I Alice: Encode message into binary (bits) using ASCII
- 2 Alice: Encrypt coded message using a Shared Key
- 3 Alice: Transmit
- 4 Bob: Receive
- 5 Bob: Decrypt using same key
- 6 Bob: Convert received ASCII back to message

To ensure total secrecy: Use a different key number for each bit in the message

message: "240" convert to ASCII -> 11110000

Key Rules: **1** (flip  $0 \rightarrow 1, 1 \rightarrow 0$ ) **0** (leave unchanged)

key: 10101010

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original message: 11110000

QUESTION What is the encrypted message?

encrypted message:

30 seconds

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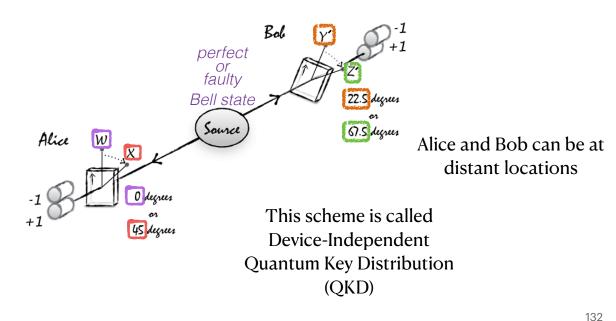
## Quantum Cryptography

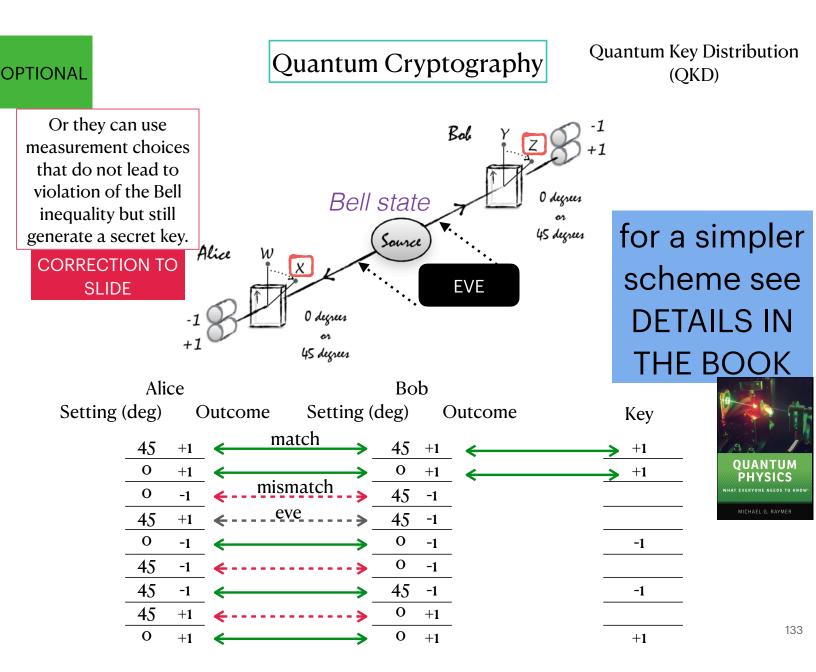


Alice and Bob can generate a secret shared encyption key by making Bell State Measurements on entangled pairs

The source generates Bell States, whose measurement outcomes are quantum correlated in a manner not possible in classical physics

The source and measurement devices can even be somewhat faulty. If Alice and Bob are able to verify that the measurement outcome statistics violate the Bell inequality, then they can use the outcome data to generate a shared key.





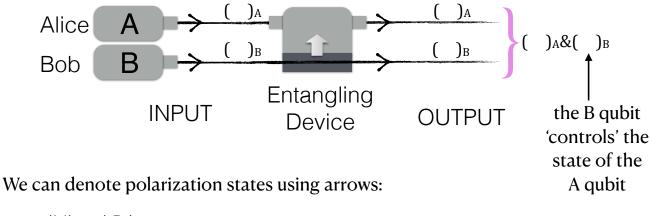


## **Creating Bell States**



Consider an Entangling Device that operates according to the Rules:

- 1. If the B photon is H-pol, the A photon's polarization is unchanged.
- 2. If the B photon is V-pol, the A photon's polarization is "rotated" by minus 90 degrees.
- 3. The B photon's polarization is unchanged in either case.



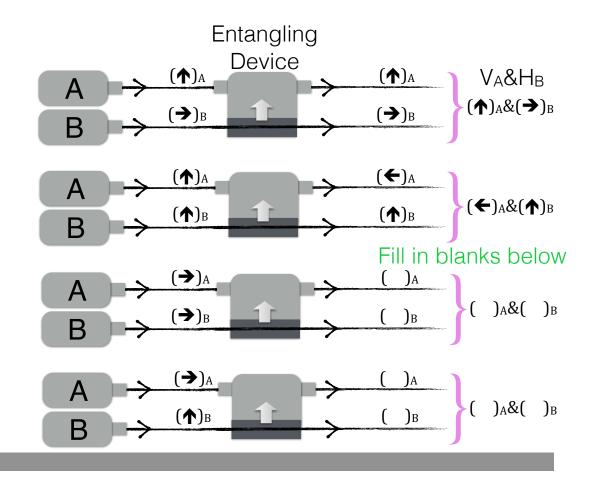
| (H) = ( <b>→</b> )    | Then:                                      |
|-----------------------|--|
| $(\vee) = (\bigstar)$ | ( <b>7</b> ) = ( <b>2</b> ) + ( <b>1</b> ) |

- $(\mathsf{D}) = (\mathbf{A}) \qquad (\mathbf{A}) = (\mathbf{A}) + (\mathbf{A})$
- $(\mathsf{A}) = (\mathbf{K})$





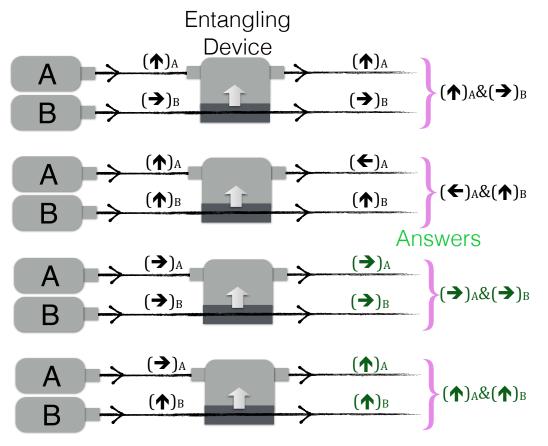
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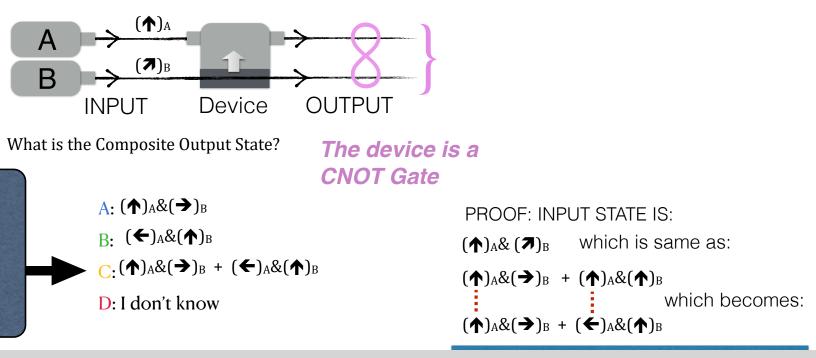




## POLL QUESTION 13

D = H + VInput at B the superposition state  $(\mathbf{7})_{B} = (\mathbf{\rightarrow})_{B} + (\mathbf{\uparrow})_{B}$ Recall the Rules:

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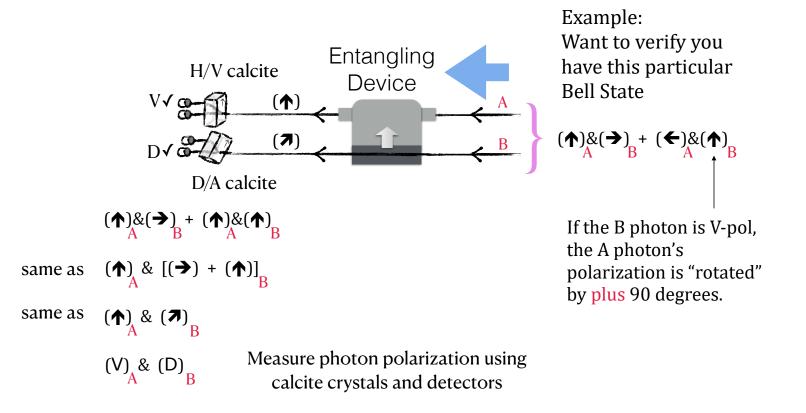




## **Bell State Disentangler**



To verify you have a particular Bell State prepared, use a **Bell State Disentangler**: Send the photon pair **from right to left** to undo the entangling operation.

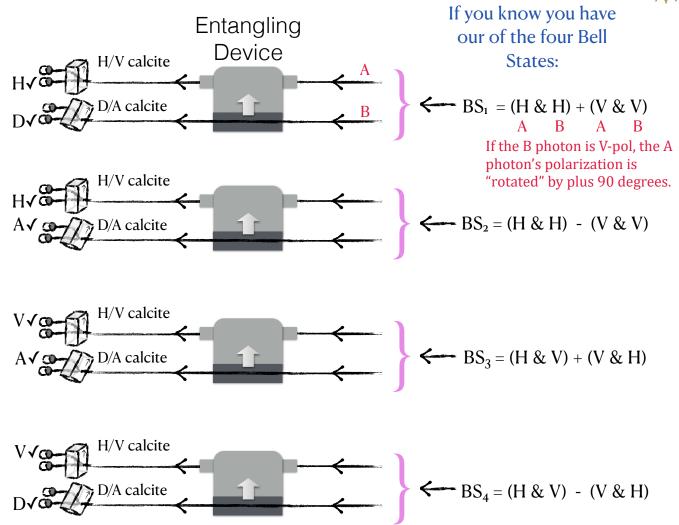


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## **Bell State Measurement (BSM)**



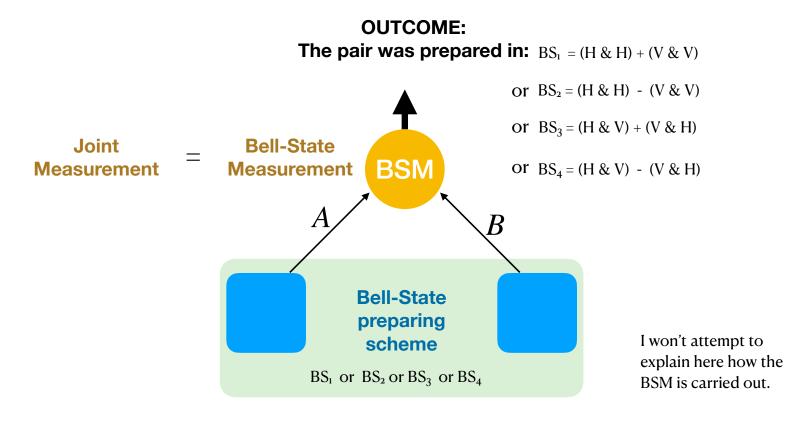


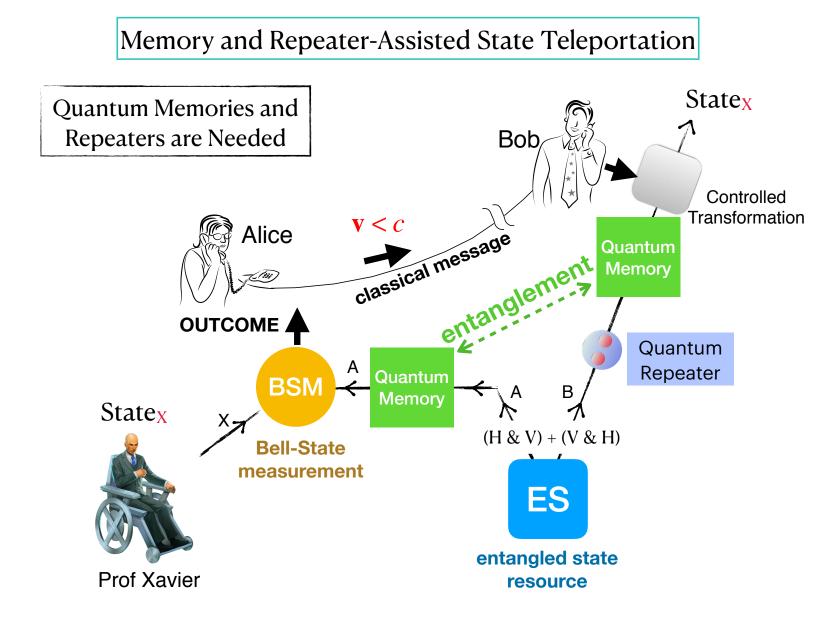


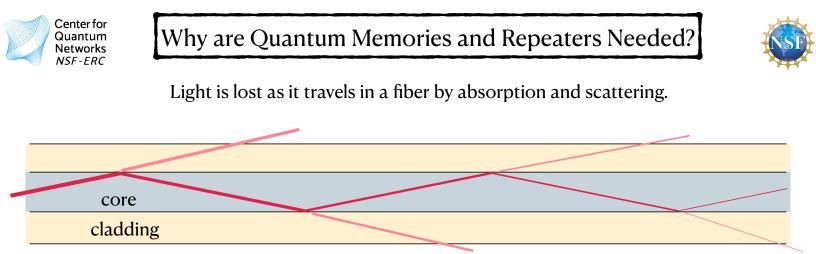
# **Measuring Bell States**



A **Bell State Measurement** is a joint measurement of two **qubits** that determines which of the four Bell states the two **qubits** were prepared in. (An example of the Joint Measurement we discussed for State Teleportation)







For telecom (Near-IR) wavelength = 1550 nm, typical loss rate = 0.5 dB/km

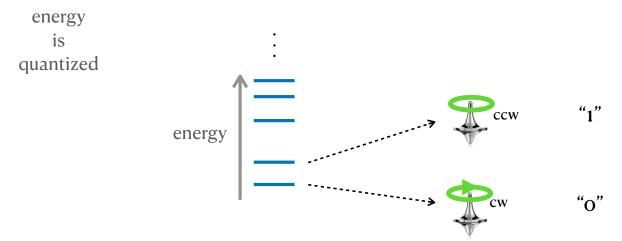
The decrease is exponential with length:

after 20 km the power is decreased by a factor = 10 dB, which is a factor of 10 after 40 km the power is decreased by a factor = 20 dB, which is a factor of 100 after 60 km the power is decreased by a factor = 30 dB, which is a factor of 1,000 after 80 km the power is decreased by a factor = 40 dB, which is a factor of 10,000

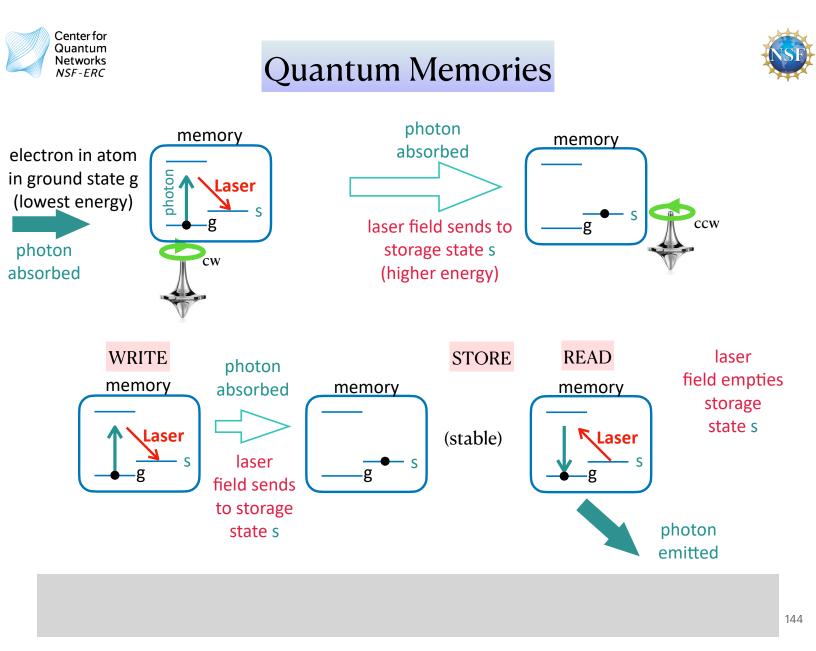


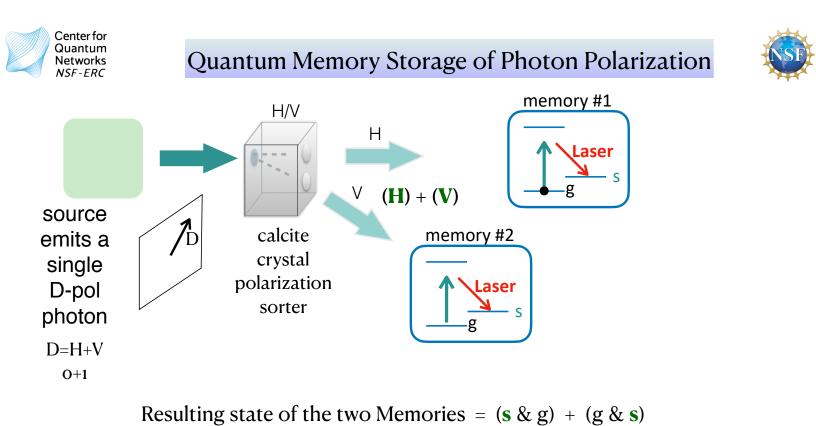
# Quantum Memories

An electron in an atom can store a qubit value in its spin state

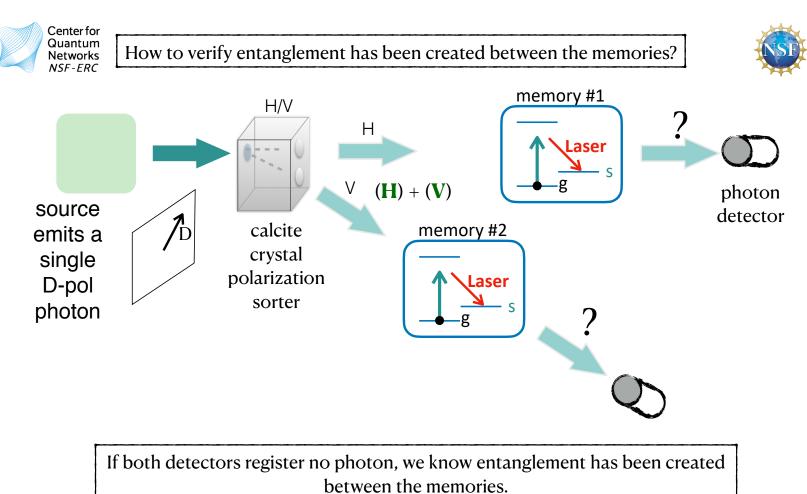


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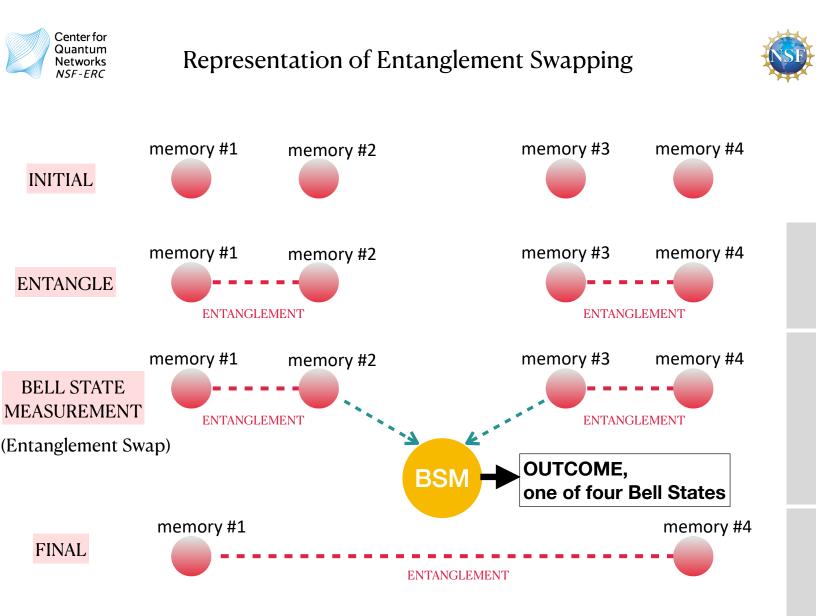




A Photon Polarization State is stored in the entangled state of the Memories



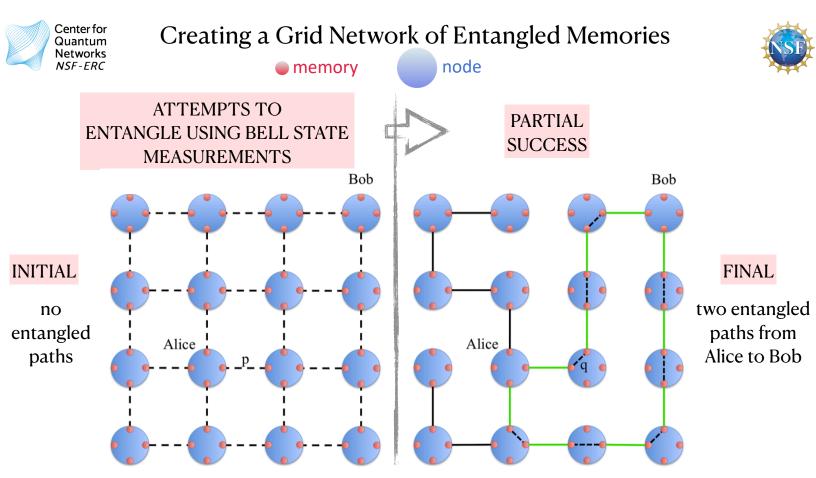
The probability of success is denoted p.







## Creating a Chain Network of Entangled Memories node memory INITIAL ATTEMPTS ТО ENTANGLE REPEAT TILL **SUCCESS BELL STATE BSM BSM BSM BSM BSM BSM MEASUREMENTS** (Entanglement Swaps) FINAL



**Fig. 2** Schematic of a square-grid topology. The blue circles represent repeater stations and the red circles represent quantum memories. Every cycle (time slot) of the protocol consists of two phases. **a** In the first (external) phase, entanglement is attempted between neighboring repeaters along all edges, each of which succeed with probability p (dashed lines). **b** In the second (internal) phase, entanglement swaps are attempted within each repeater node based on the successes and failures of the neighboring links in the first phase—with the objective of creating an unbroken end-to-end connection between Alice and Bob. Each of these internal connections succeed with probability q. Memories can hold qubits for  $T \ge 1$  time slots

#### Modeling by the Center for Quantum Networks:

Pant et al, npj Quantum Information (2019)5:25 ; https://doi.org/10.1038/s41534-019-0139-x



What could a quantum Network do?

A global quantum network would allow the distribution of *quantum states* and *quantum entanglement*, enabling:

1. quantum key distribution (secure encryption)

2. blind/private quantum computing (without the computer recording)

3. private database queries (without the computer recording)

4. global timekeeping and synchronization

5. improved sensing (magnetic, electric and gravitational fields, medical, bio research, mineral exploration, atomic clocks, telescopes, very long baseline interferometric telescopes)

6. physics tests (e.g. quantum non-locality and quantum gravity)

7. distributed quantum computing (combining power of Q computers)

Christoph Simon, "Towards a global quantum network." Nature Photonics 11, no. 11 (2017): 678-680. Mihir Pant, et al, Routing entanglement in the quantum internet, npj Quantum Information (2019)5:25 ; https://doi.org/10.1038/s41534-019-0139-x





## COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS



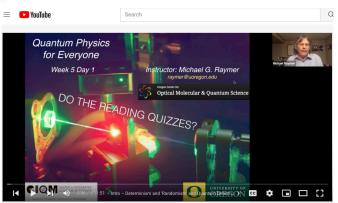
## What will the Quantum Internet NOT do?

- 1. NOT: Faster than light communication
- 2. NOT: Causation across a distance
- 3. NOT greatly increase data rate (Mbytes per second) compared to classical networks





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