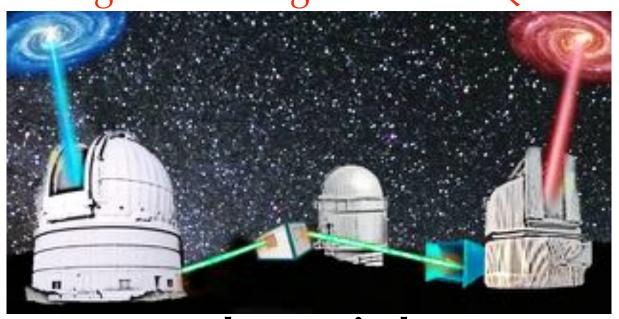
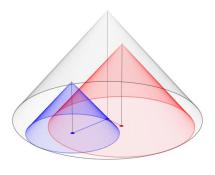
A COSMIC TEST OF QUANTUM ENTANGLEMENT

Choosing Experimental Bell Inequality Measurements with Light from High Redshift Quasars





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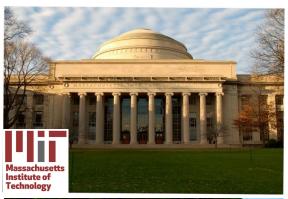








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FEYNMAN ON FREE WILL

"We have an illusion that we can do any experiment that we want. We all, however, come from the same universe, have evolved with it, and don't really have any `real' freedom. For we obey certain laws and have come from a certain past. Is it somehow that we are correlated to the experiments that we do, so that the apparent probabilities don't look like they ought to look if you assume they are random..."

Richard Feynman 1982

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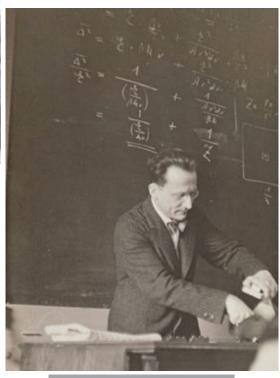
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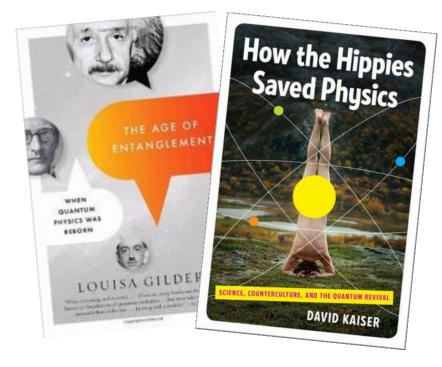
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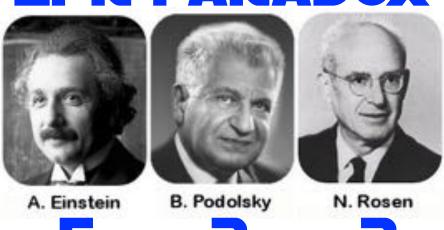
Niels Bohr and Albert Einstein

Beginning in the 1930s, the great architects of quantum theory struggled to understand the notion of "entanglement."





Erwin Schrödinger



MAY 15, 1935

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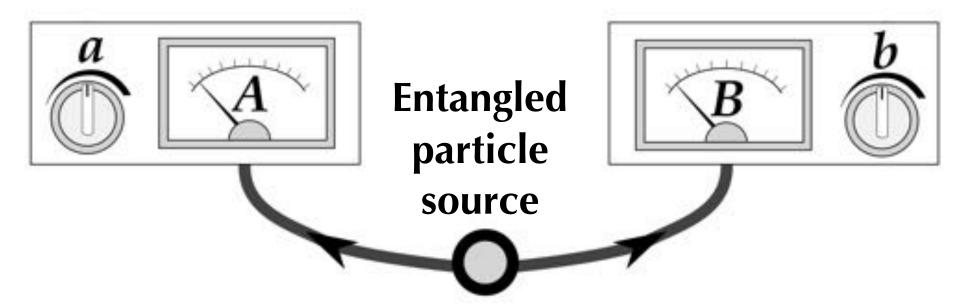
Can Quantum-Mechanical Description of Physical Reality Be Considered Complete?

A. EINSTEIN, B. PODOLSKY AND N. ROSEN, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey (Received March 25, 1935)

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \Big\{ |u_1\rangle |v_2\rangle + |u_2\rangle |v_1\rangle \Big\}$$

State does not factorize: no way to describe behavior of particle 1 (u) without referring to behavior of particle 2 (v).

BELL TESTS



a, b: Settings

A, B: Outcomes

Big question: Are non-quantum explanations for entanglement viable?
If yes, QM incomplete → Hidden variables

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BELL'S INEQUALITY ASSUMPTIONS

- 1. Realism
- 2. Locality
- 3. Freedom



http://images.iop.org/objects/ccr/cern/54/7/19/CCfac8_07_14.jpg

John S. Bell (1928-1990)

1,2,3 → Bell's Inequality

Upper limits on entangled particle measurement correlations in a "local-realist" model

RELAXING BELL'S ASSUMPTIONS

1. Realism 2. Locality 3. Freedom

Experiments violate Bell's inequality as predicted by quantum mechanics!



 \rightarrow At least one of 1,2,3 are false!

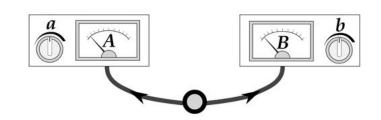
But relaxing any assumption → *LOOPHOLES*

Alternative models could mimic quantum theory

CORRELATIONS AT A DISTANCE

correlation function: $E(a,b) = \langle A B \rangle$

$$S = E(a,b) + E(a',b) + E(a,b') - E(a',b')$$

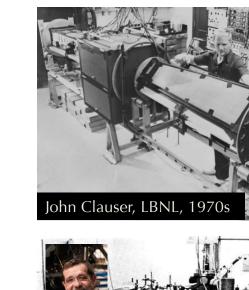


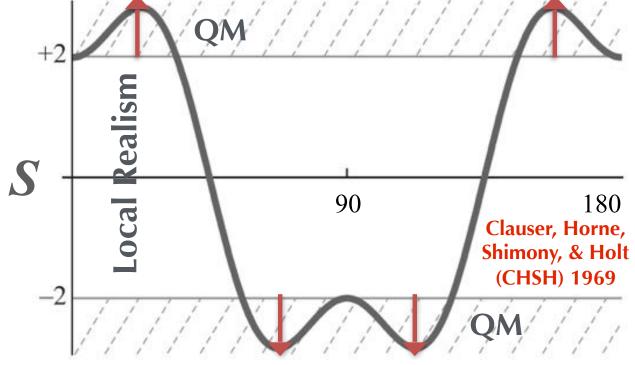
Bell: if $p(A, B|a, b) = \int d\lambda \ p(\lambda) \ p(A|a, \lambda) \ p(B|b, \lambda)$

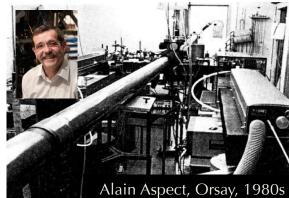
QM prediction: $|S_{\text{max}}| = 2\sqrt{2}$

then $|S| \leq 2$.

Locality: A does not depend on b or B, and vice versa.) Dozens of experiments: $|S_{max}| > 2$





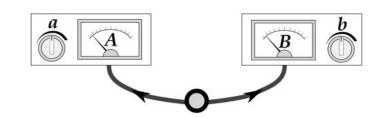


Angle Between Polarizers

L'S INEQ

correlation function: $E(a,b) = \langle A B \rangle$

$$S = E(a, b) + E(a', b) + E(a, b') - E(a', b')$$



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- ullet Bell's inequality: $|S| \leq 2$ Places limits on how correlated measurement outcomes can be in local realistic theories.
- It says nothing directly about quantum mechanics!
- Until you compare it to quantum theory as a benchmark

BELL'S THEOREM

No local-realist theory can reproduce the quantum predictions!

e.g. **QM prediction:**
$$|S_{\text{max}}| = 2\sqrt{2}$$

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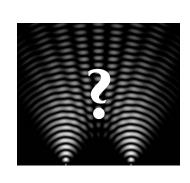
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LOOPHOLES & WHY THEY MATTER

The standard interpretation of Bell tests — that "local realism" is incompatible with experiment — relies upon several assumptions.

So What?!

Quantum foundations!



Understanding reality at a deep level. If universe exploits loopholes, does not mean QM is "wrong", but perhaps derived from a more fundamental underlying theory. Quantum gravity?

Quantum cryptography security

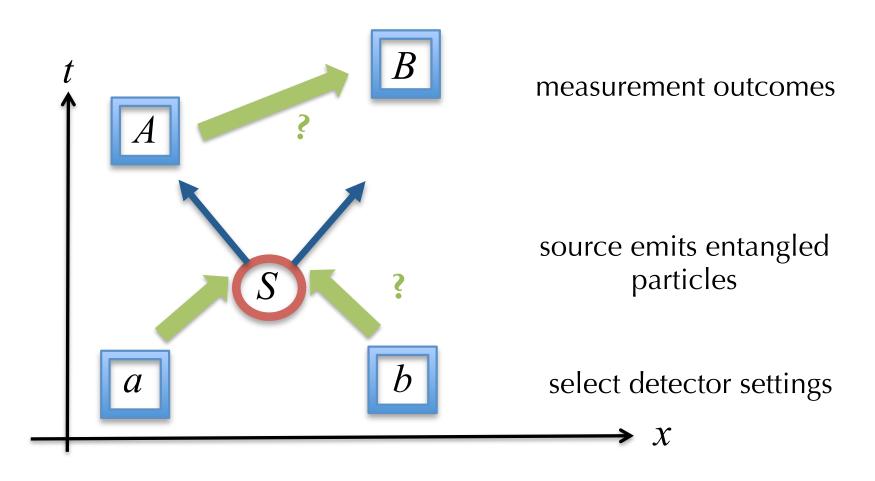


Tech applications! Hackers could exploit loopholes to undermine entanglement-based quantum information schemes

LOCALITY LOOPHOLE

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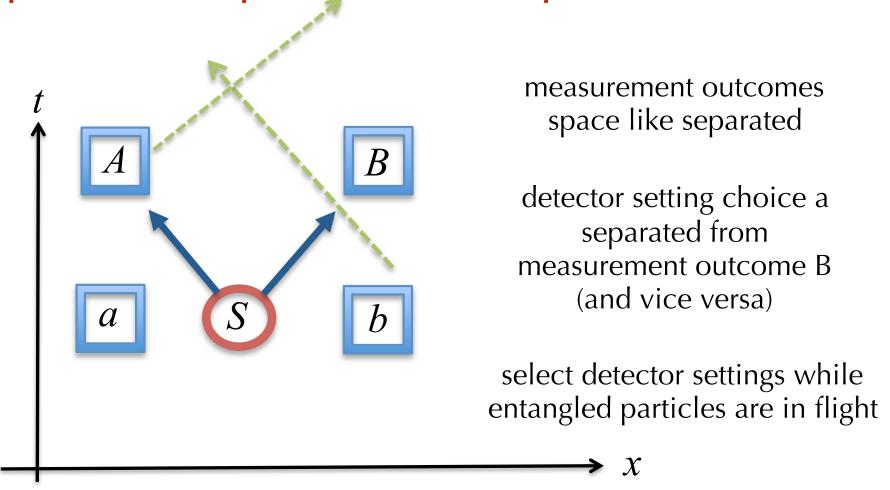
Hidden communication between parties?



CLOSING THE LOCALITY LOOPHOLE

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Space-like separate relevant pairs of events



DETECTION EFFICIENCY LOOPHOLE

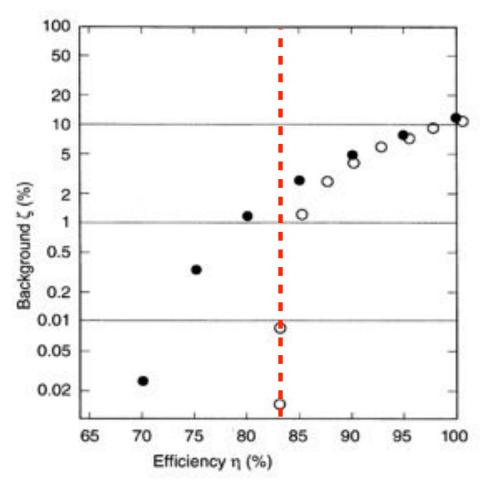
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Also called the "fair-sampling" loophole

No detectors are 100% efficient.

What if undetected photons skewed the statistics, faking Bell violation without genuine entanglement?

Closing loophole requires detector efficiencies ≥ 83%



Garg and Mermin, Phys Rev D (1987), Eberhard, Phys Rev A (1993)

TOWARD A LOOPHOLE FREE TEST

A. Locality Loophole

Hidden communication between parties



for photons: Aspect+1982, Weihs+1998

Closing Method?

Spacelike separated measurements, settings

B. Detection Loophole

Measured sub-sample not representative



for atoms: Rowe+2001, superconducting qubits:

High efficiency detectors

Ansmann+2009, photons: Giustina+2013, Christensen+2013

2 LOOPHOLES IN SAME TEST!



Hensen+2015 (Delft) (electrons)
Giustina+2015 (Vienna)
Shalm+2015 (NIST) (photons)
Rosenfeld+2017 (Germany) (atoms)

TOWARD A LOOPHOLE FREE TEST

C. Freedom-of-Choice Loophole

Settings correlated with hidden variables

partially for photons: Scheidl+2010

Settings spacelike separated from EPR source

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Locality & Freedom (photons)

Handsteiner+2017 (Vienna)





Settings chosen with Milky Way Stars. Closed locality, constrained freedom-of-choice to ~600 years ago.

Locality & Freedom (photons)

Rauch+2018 (Canary Islands)





Settings from High Redshift Quasars. Closed locality, constrained freedom-of-choice to ~7.8 Billion years ago!

Locality & Detection & Freedom (photons)

Li+2018 (China)







Closed locality and detection, constrained freedom-of-choice to ~11 years ago.

EST EXPERIME

Loophole-free Bell inequality violation using **DELFT** electron spins separated by 1.3 kilometres B. Hensen^{1,2}, H. Bernien^{1,2}†, A. E. Dréau^{1,2}, A. Reiserer^{1,2}, N. Kalb^{1,2}, M. S. Blok^{1,2}, J. Ruitenberg^{1,2}, R. F. L. Vermeulen^{1,2}, R. N. Schouten^{1,2}, C. Abellán³, W. Amaya³, V. Pruneri^{3,4}, M. W. Mitchell^{3,4}, M. Markham⁵, D. J. Twitchen⁵, D. Elkouss¹, S. Wehner¹, T. H. Taminiau^{1,2} & R. Hanson^{1,2}



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Closed both locality and detection loopholes for the first time with photons

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RECENT ENTANGLEMENT TESTS

Closed"locality" and "detection" loopholes simultaneously

Hensen+2015 (Delft), Giustina+2015 (Vienna), Shalm+2015 (NIST), Rosenfeld+2017 (Germany)

 None of these tests designed to fully address "freedom-of-choice" loophole

Cosmic Bell tests will progressively attempt to do so

FREEDOM OF CHOICE LOOPHOLE

QM is most vulnerable to the "freedom-of-choice" loophole*: Are the detector settings correlated with the local hidden variable?

$$p(A,B|a,b) = \int d\lambda \ p(A,B|a,b,\lambda) \ p(\lambda|a,b)$$

$$p(\lambda|a,b) = p(\lambda)$$
 equivalent to
$$p(a,b|\lambda) = p(a,b)$$

Bell: "It has been assumed that the settings of instruments are in some sense free variables — say at the whim of the experimenters — or in any case not determined in the overlap of the backward light cones." (1976)

locality assumption
$$p(A,B|a,b,\lambda) = p(A|a,\lambda)p(B|b,\lambda)$$

*Also known as the "measurement-independence" and "settings-independence" loophole.

RELAXING FREEDOM OF CHOICE

If we do *not* assume $p(\lambda|a,b)=p(\lambda)$, then local-realist models would be compatible with

$$|S| \leq 2 + M_1 + M_2 + \min\{M_1, M_2\}$$
where
$$M_1 = \max\{\int d\lambda |p(\lambda|x, y) - p(\lambda|x', y)|, \int d\lambda |p(\lambda|x, y') - p(\lambda|x', y')|\}$$

$$M_2 = \max\{\int d\lambda |p(\lambda|x, y) - p(\lambda|x, y')|, \int d\lambda |p(\lambda|x', y) - p(\lambda|x', y')|\}$$

A *minuscule* amount of correlation between λ and a,b would suffice to mimic QM, with $|S| \to 2\sqrt{2}$.

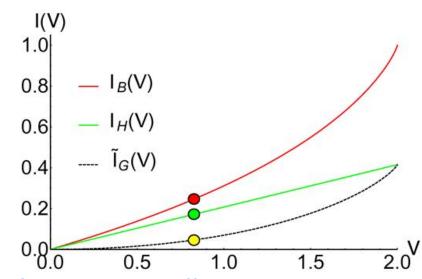
Mutual Information

$$I = \sum_{\lambda,a,b} p(\lambda|a,b) p(a,b) \log_2 \frac{p(\lambda|a,b)}{p(\lambda)}$$

Only require $I = 0.046 \sim 1/22$ of a bit!

Friedman, Guth, Hall, Kaiser, Gallicchio, 1809.01307

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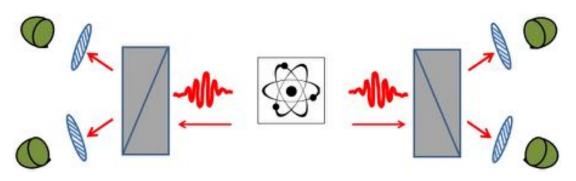


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FREEDOM OF CHOICE LOOPHOLE

X Shrimp & Chicken Fajita	\$12.99
X Fajita Salsas (for One)	\$13.25
A Combination of steak, chicken & shrimp.	0
Fajita Salsas (for Tivo)	\$21.99
Fajita Mixed Strips of steak & chicken.	\$12.25
Fajita Mixed (for Tivo)	\$19.50
Fajita Quesadilla 2 flour tortillas grilled & stuffed with chicken or steak & cheese.	\$ 9.50
X Shrimp Fajitas	\$14.25
Fajitas Steak or Chicken for One for Tivo	\$11.99 \$18.99
X Parillada Mexicana (for One) Pork tips, shrimp, chicken, chorizo &	
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If detector settings depend on hidden variables λ from past events, our choices might not be perfectly free!

Still have free will!

But limited freedom

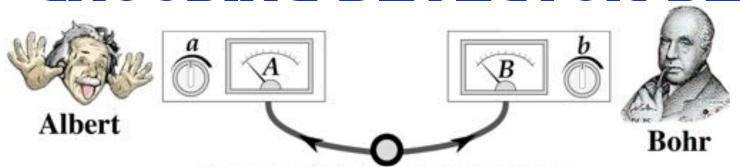
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ADDRESSING FREEDOM OF CHOICE

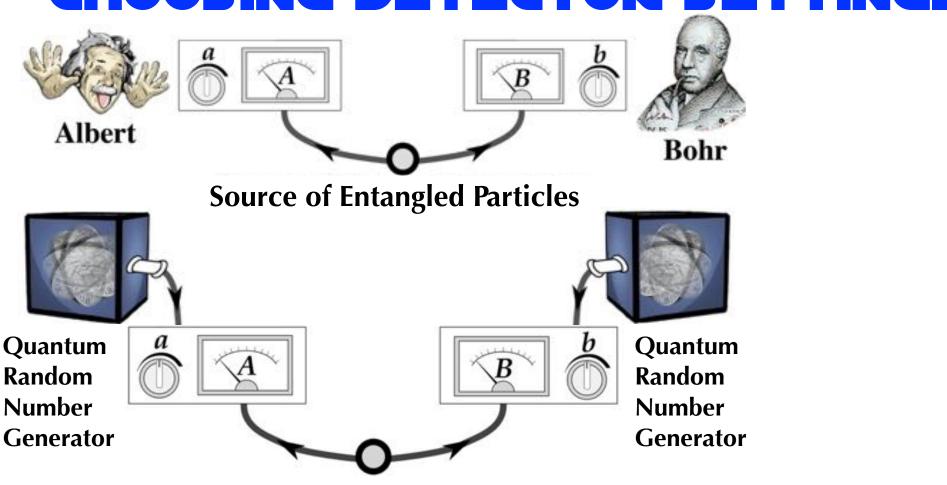
- If we don't simply assume $p(\lambda|a,b) = p(\lambda)$, how might we address the "freedom-of-choice" assumption experimentally?
- Most recent experiments used QRNGs to select detector settings.
- Such devices produce output strings based on some physical process.
- According to QM, the outputs should be intrinsically random.

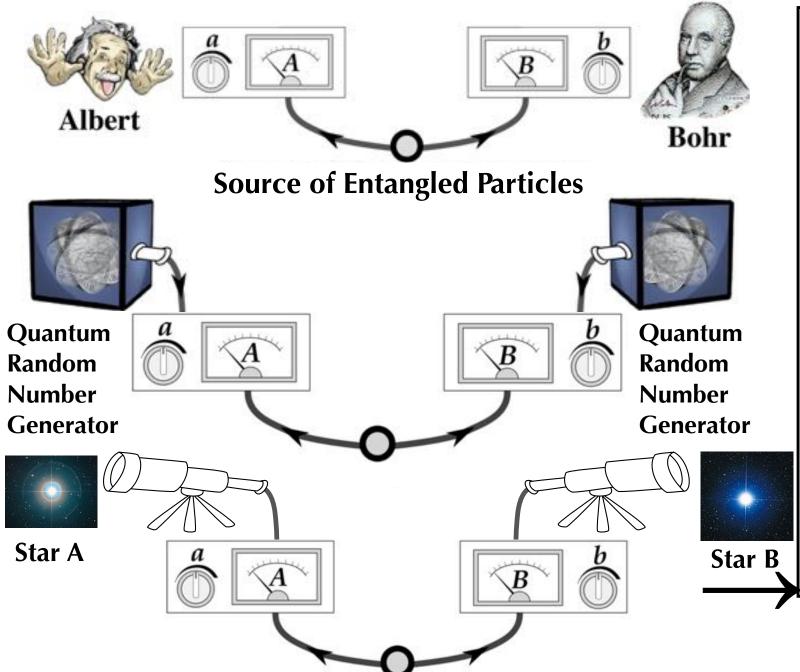


But the purported intrinsic randomness of QM is part of what is at stake in tests of Bell's inequality...



Source of Entangled Particles

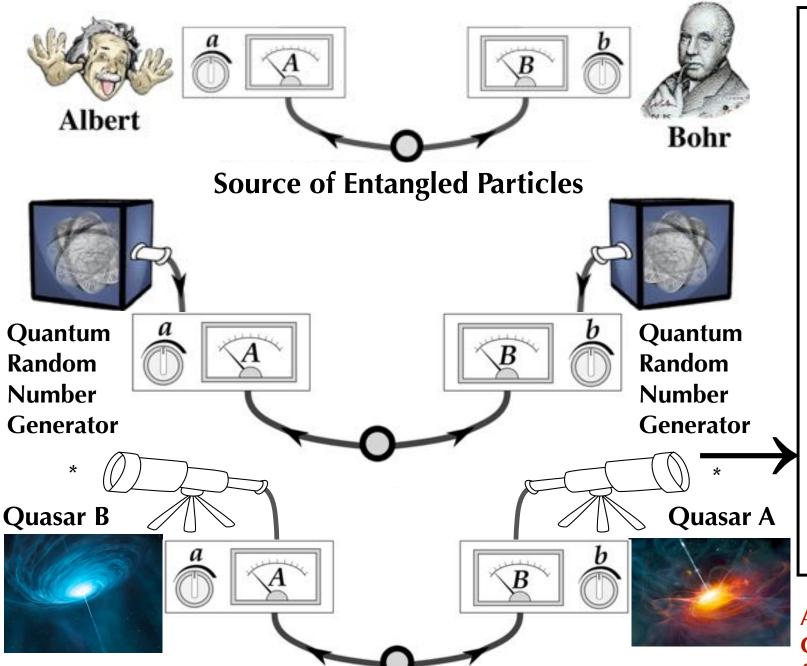




Choose settings with real-time observations of distant Milky Way stars

Requires
alternative
theories to
act hundreds
or thousands
of years ago

Adapted from: Gallicchio, Friedman, & Kaiser 2014

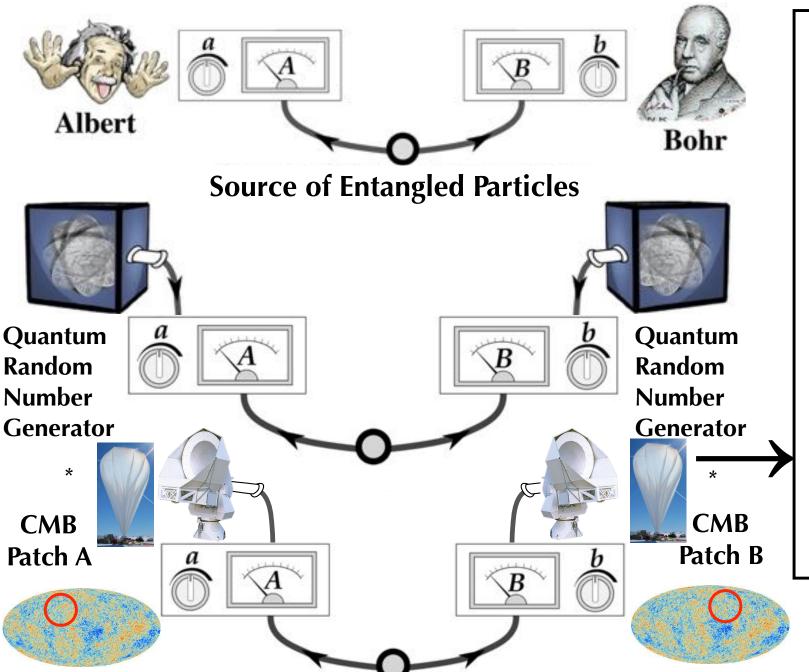


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Choose settings with observations of high redshift cosmic sources

Relegates alternatives to billions of years ago!

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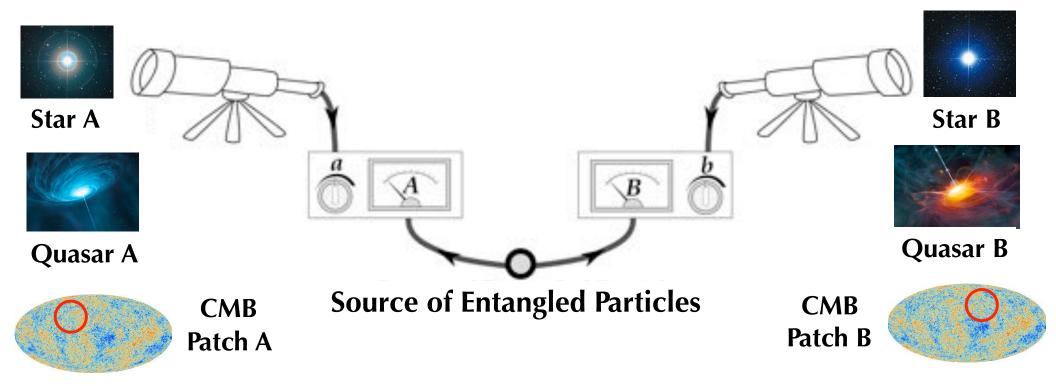


Choose settings with observations of CMB patches, etc...

Relegates
alternatives
to Big Bang,
era of early
universe
inflation!

Adapted from: Gallicchio, Friedman, & Kaiser 2014

COSMIC BELL TESTS



Let the Universe decide how to set up entanglement experiment!

Set a,b by using astronomical sources as cosmic random number generators

Gallicchio, Friedman, & Kaiser 2014, Phys. Rev. Lett., Vol. 112, Issue 11, id. 110405, (arXiv:1310.3288)

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Handsteiner, Friedman+2017 (arXiv:1611.06985)
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VIENNA COSMIC BELL TEST



Johannes Handsteiner with 8-inch stellar photon telescope



VIENNA COSMIC BELL TEST



Entangled photon receiver and polarization analyzer



COSMIC SETTING GENERATOR

Red Arm

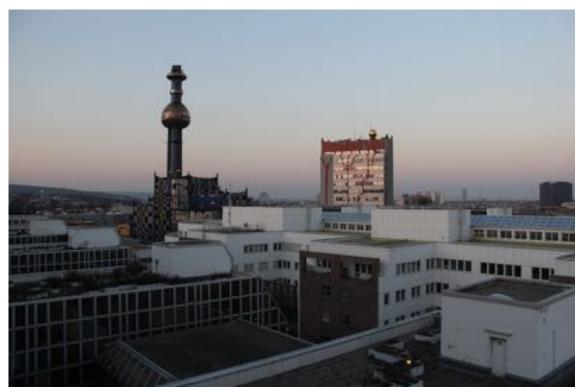
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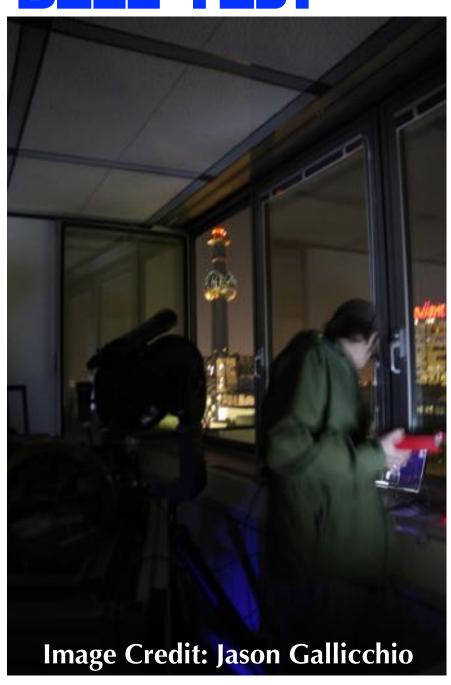
Light In

Credit: Jason Gallicchio, Amy Brown, Calvin Leung (HMC)

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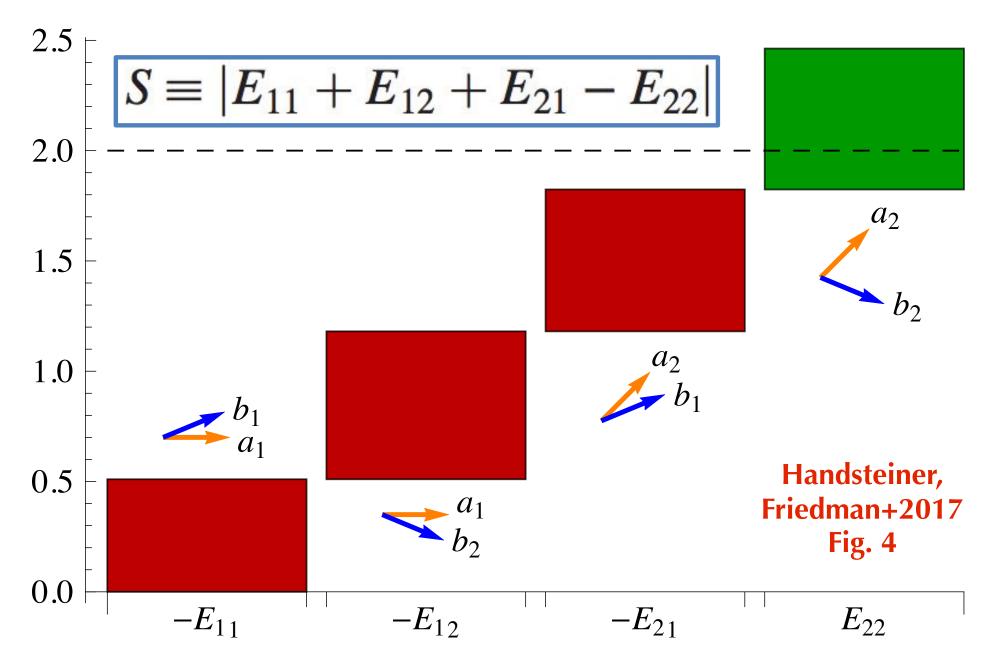
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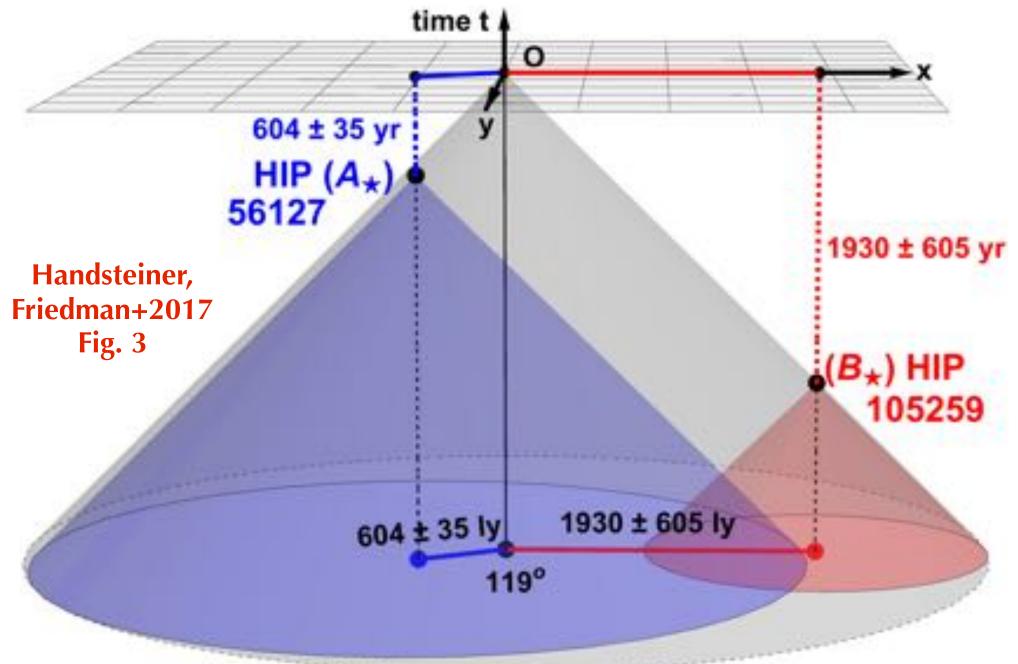


OBSERVED BELL VIOLATION



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SPACE-TIME DIAGRAM: STARS



DATA ANALYSIS

"Noise Loophole"

- Need triggers by genuine cosmic photons, not local "noise" photons: atmospheric airglow, thermal dark counts, errant dichroic mirror reflections
- Conservatively allow S=4 for any background events, S<2 for cosmic photons. Accounts for bias in red/blue ports.
- Observed sufficient signal-to-noise from cosmic sources

Highly significant Bell violation still observed: Run 1: 7.31 sigma, Run 2: 11.93 sigma

See Handsteiner, Friedman+2017 (Supplemetal Material)

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COSMIC BELL DESIGN CONCEPT

PHYSICAL REVIEW D 88, 044038 (2013)

The shared causal pasts and futures of cosmological events

Andrew S. Friedman, 1,* David I. Kaiser, 1,† and Jason Gallicchio^{2,‡}

Friedman, Kaiser, & Gallicchio 2013a, Phys. Rev. D, Vol. 88, Iss. 4, id. 044038, 18 p. (arXiv:1305.3943)

Why use quasars? Brightest continuous cosmological sources.

z > 3.65 quasars at 180 deg have no shared causal past since inflation

PRL 112, 110405 (2014)

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Testing Bell's Inequality with Cosmic Photons: Closing the Setting-Independence Loophole

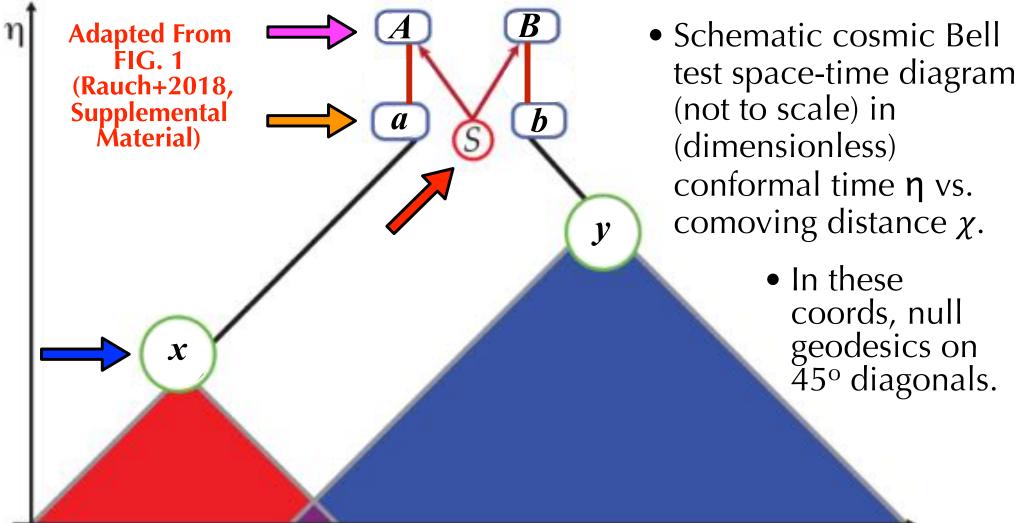
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Experiment feasible with existing technology!

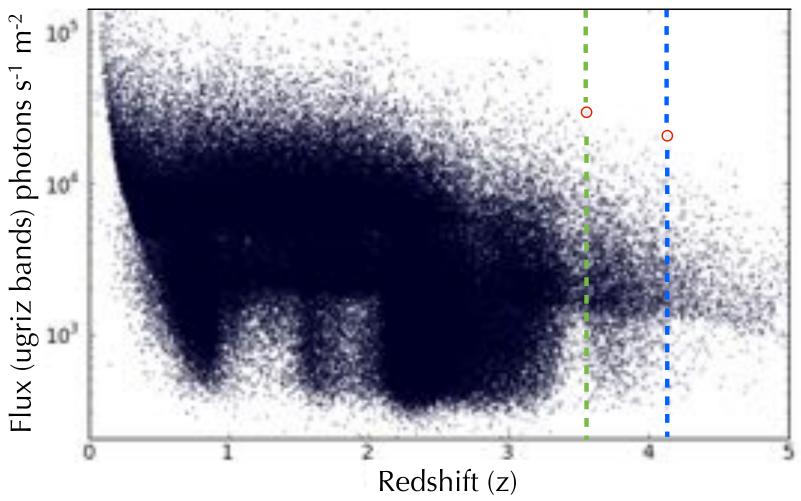
z > 3.65 quasars bright enoughCMB an intriguing possibility

1+1D SPACETIME DIAGRAM



- On each side, quasar emits light at events x,y
- Light received on Earth used to set detectors at events a,b
- Meanwhile, spacelike-separated from events x,y, and a,b, source S emits entangled pairs, which are measured at events A,B

QUASAR FLUX VS. REDSHIFT



Ground based optical flux.

IR only usable from space

> Local Sky noise!

Adapted from Fig. 3 (**GFK14**)

 $z \sim 3.65$: $F_{Opt} \sim 3 \times 10^4$ photons s⁻¹ m⁻²

 $z\sim4.13$: F_{Opt} ~ 2 × 10⁴ photons s⁻¹ m⁻²

180 degrees

130 degrees

SDSS quasars - photometric and spectroscopic redshifts

ZEILINGER GROUP EXPERIMENTS



Prof. Anton Zeilinger





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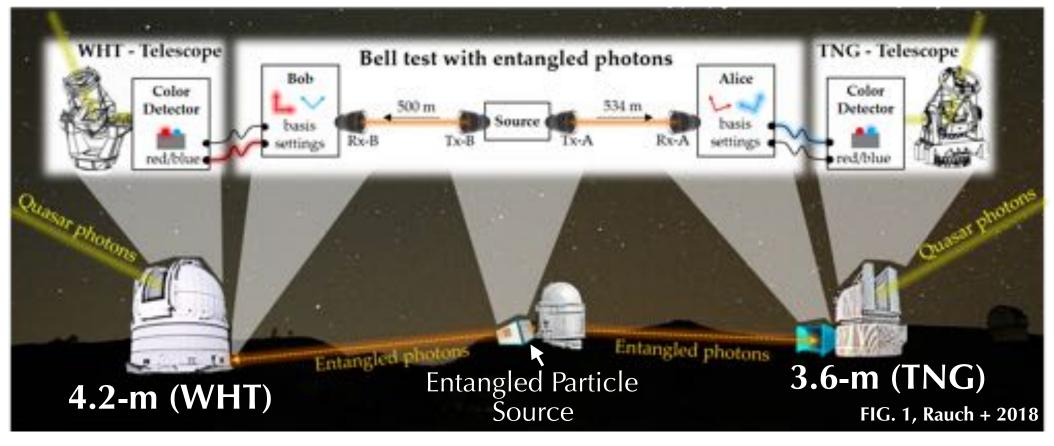
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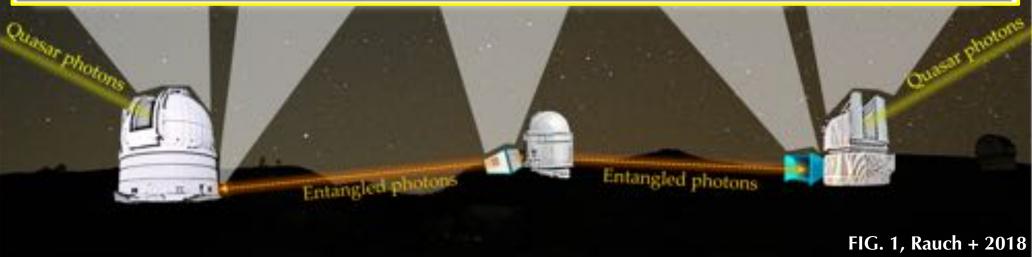
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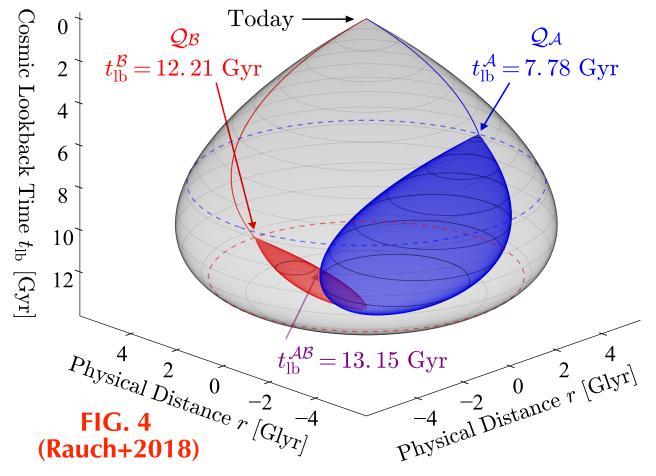
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	\mathcal{B}	QSO J0831 + 5245	35	57	3.911	12.21	0.90		Draftsomored Desiration	200400
2	\mathcal{A}	QSO B0422 + 004	246	38	0.268	3.22	2.20	2.63	7.0×10^{-13}	7.1
	\mathcal{B}	QSO J0831 + 5245	21	64	3.911	12.21	0.53		Standard Devi	ations



2+1D SPACETIME DIAGRAM



- Past light cone of pair 1 experiment (gray)
- Quasar emission events Q_A (blue, 7.78 Gyr ago), Q_B (red, 12.21 Gyr ago)
- Past light cones overlap 13.15 Gyr ago
- Big Bang 13.80 Gyr ago
- Local-realist mechanism would need to have acted at least 7.78 Gyr ago.
- Mechanism must affect detector settings + measurement outcomes from within Q_A (blue), Q_B (red), past light cones (or their overlap), a region with only 4.0% of physical space-time volume within our past light cone.
- Rules out 96% of space-time from causally influencing our experiment!

$$F_{\text{excl}} = 1 - \left(\frac{V_Q^{(4)}(\tau_A, \tau_B, \alpha)}{V_{\text{exp}}^{(4)}(\tau_0)}\right) = 0.960$$

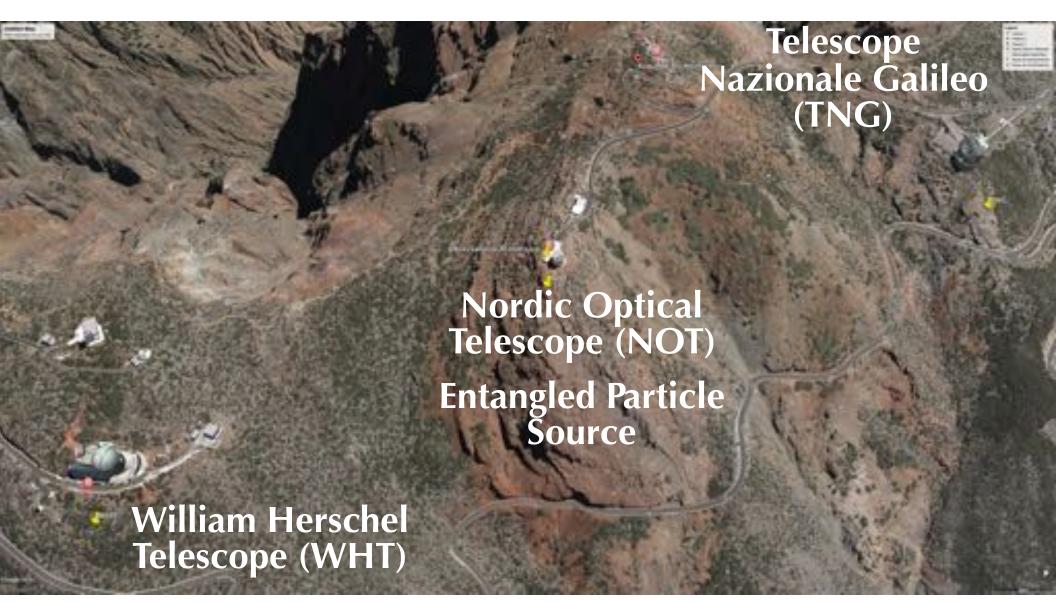
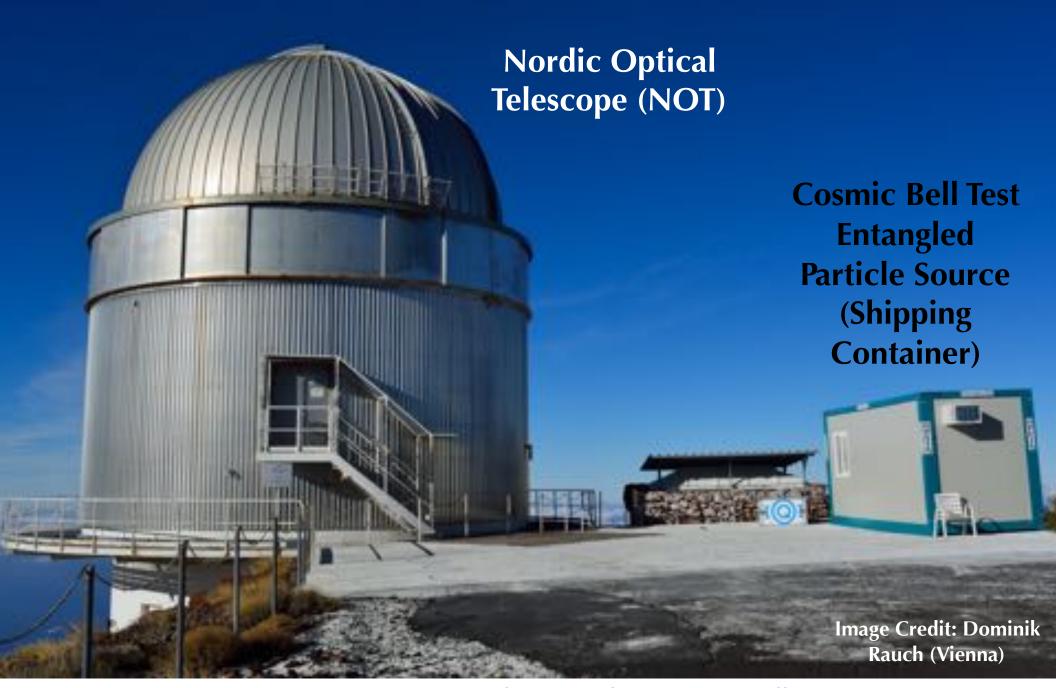
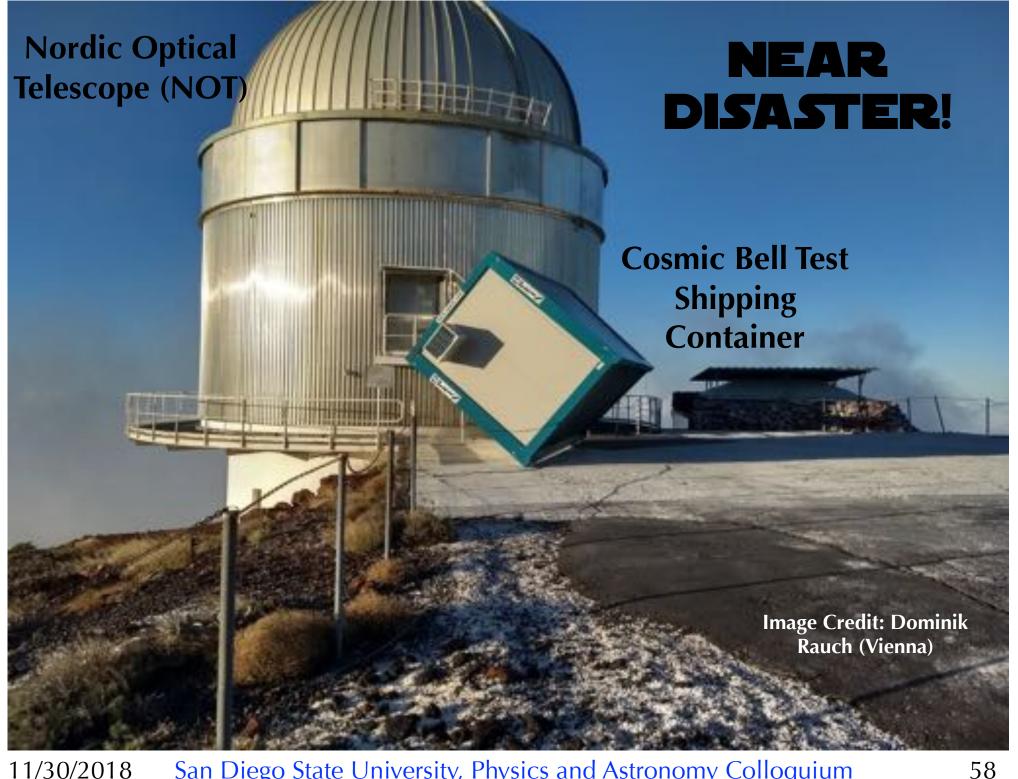


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LA PALMA COSMIC BELL TEST











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DISASTER AVERTED



Entangled photon source fixed, reinstalled in now secured shipping container control room.



COSMIC BELL TEST (SUMMARY)

- Free space Bell test with polarization-entangled photons
- Detector settings from real-time wavelength measurements of **high-z quasar photons**, light emitted billions of years ago
- Experiment simultaneously ensures locality
- Assumptions: 1) fair sampling for all detected photons, 2) quasar photon wavelengths had not been selectively altered or previewed between emission and detection
- Observed statistically significant 9.3σ Bell inequality violation (p-value $\leq 7.4 \times 10^{-21}$) for quasar pair 1.
- Pushes back to ≥7.8Gyr ago most recent time when any local-realist influences could have exploited "freedom-of-choice" loophole to engineer observed Bell violation. (Previous tests ~600yr ago. 6 more orders of mag better!)
- Excludes any such mechanism from 96% of the space-time volume of our experiment's past light cone since Big Bang. (Previous tests 10⁻⁵%). (~All vs. nothing!)



Einstein was wrong: Why 'normal' physics can't explain reality

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Ancient Starlight Just Helped Confirm the Reality of Quantum Entanglement

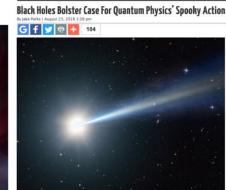
"The real estate left over for the skeptics of quantum mechanics has shrunk considerably."

SCIENTIFIC **AMERICAN**

♦ Observations Photons, Quasars and the Possibility of Free Will

Flickers of light from the edge of the cosmos help physicists advance the idea that the future is not predetermined











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The quest to test quantum entanglement

Quantum entanglement, doubted by Einstein, has passed increasingly

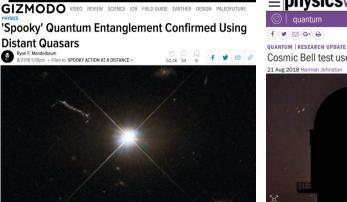
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'spooky' science August 27, 2018 by Cynthia Dillon, University of California - San Diego











SPACE



Quantum entanglement loophole quashed

Astronomy

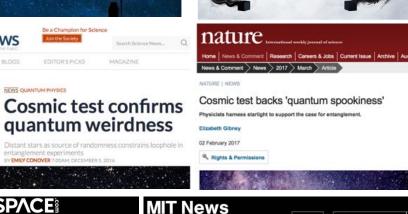


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The Universe Is as Spooky as Einstein Thought

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Starlight test shows quantum world has been weird for 600 years

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Cosmic Test Bolsters Einstein's "Spooky Action at a Distance"

Physicists harness starlight to support the case for entanglement.



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quantum weirdness



PHYSICS TODAY

Cosmic experiment is closing another Bell test loophole

A new experiment combines nanoscale measurements and interstellar distances to demonstrate quantum nonlocality

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Stars align in test supporting "spooky action at a

Physicists address loophole in tests of Bell's inequality, using 600-year-old starlight

600-year-old starlight addressed a loophole in quantum theory



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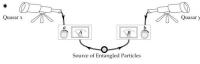
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COSMIC BELL IN THE NEW

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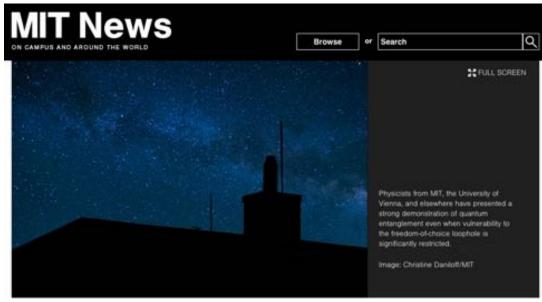


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BIG BELL TEST



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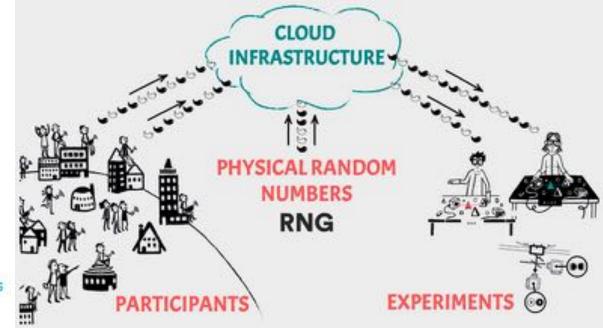
Challenging local realism with

human choices

The BIG Bell Test Collaboration

Nature 557, 212-216 (2018)





12 labs in 11 countries on 5 continents, plus 10⁵ "Bellster" volunteers who produced 108 (quasi) random 0's and 1's

DETECTION LOOPHOLE PROGRESS

Editors' Suggestion

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Test of Local Realism into the Past without Detection and Locality Loopholes

Ming-Han Li, 1,2 Cheng Wu, 1,2 Yanbao Zhang, Wen-Zhao Liu, 1,2 Bing Bai, 1,2 Yang Liu, 1,2 Weijun Zhang, Qi Zhao, Hao Li, Zhen Wang, Lixing You, W. J. Munro, Juan Yin, 1,2 Jun Zhang, 1,2 Cheng-Zhi Peng, 1,2 Xiongfeng Ma, Qiang Zhang, 1,2 Jingyun Fan, 1,2 and Jian-Wei Pan, 2

Progress in closing detection loophole in a cosmic Bell test

and fair sampling, and constrained freedom-ofchoice to ~11

Closed locality years ago.

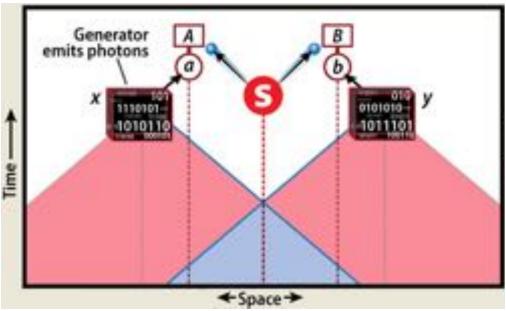
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Li et al., 1808.07653

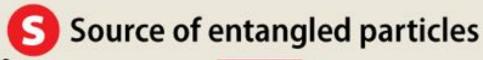
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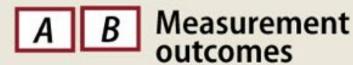
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Standard Bell Test



Past light cones from random number generators overlap milliseconds before test.









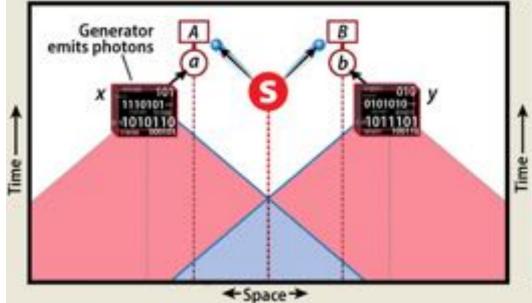
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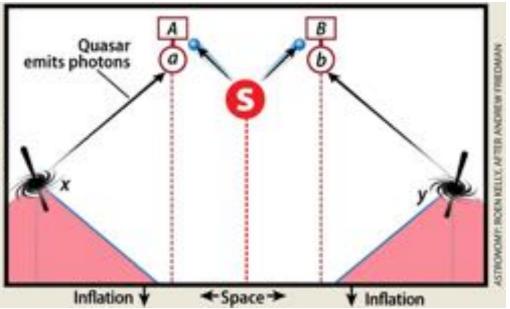


Detectors set

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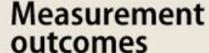




Past light cones from random number generators overlap milliseconds before test. Past light cones from quasars don't overlap since big bang, 13.8 billion years ago.









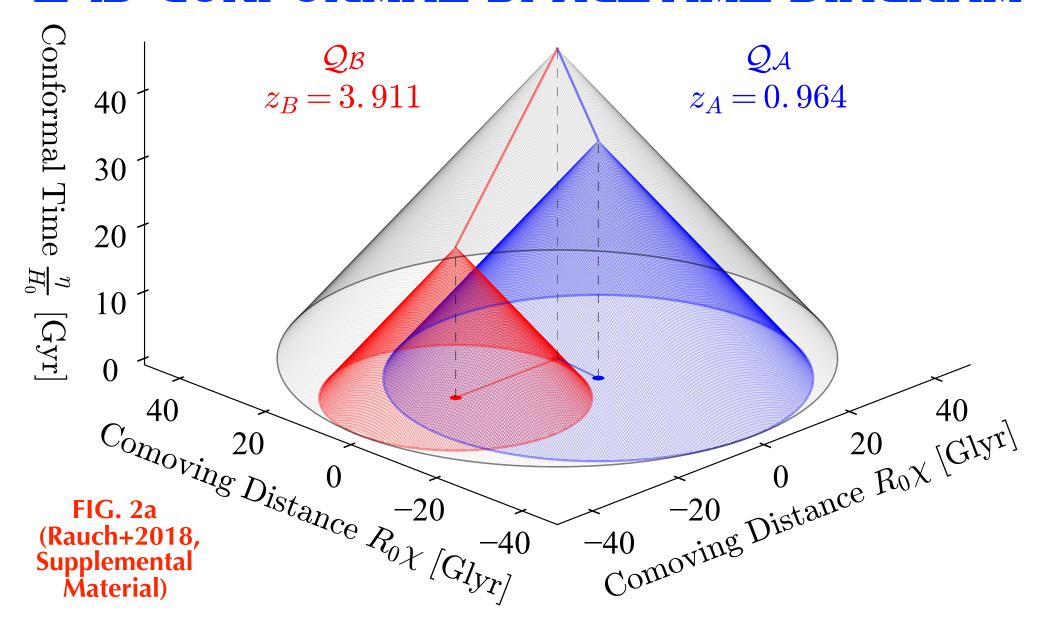


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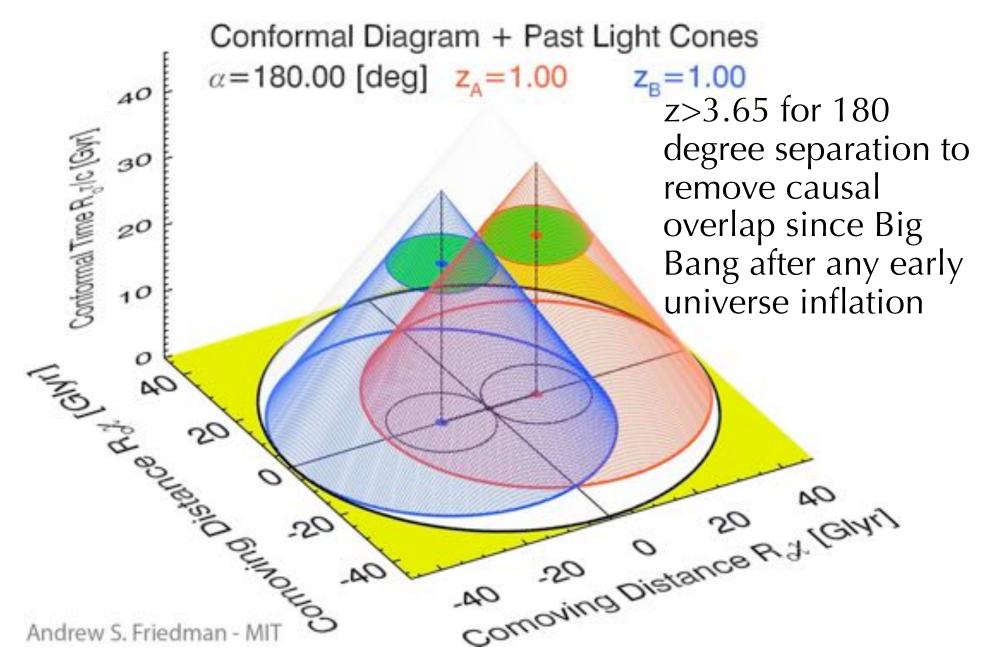
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2+1D CONFORMAL SPACETIME DIAGRAM

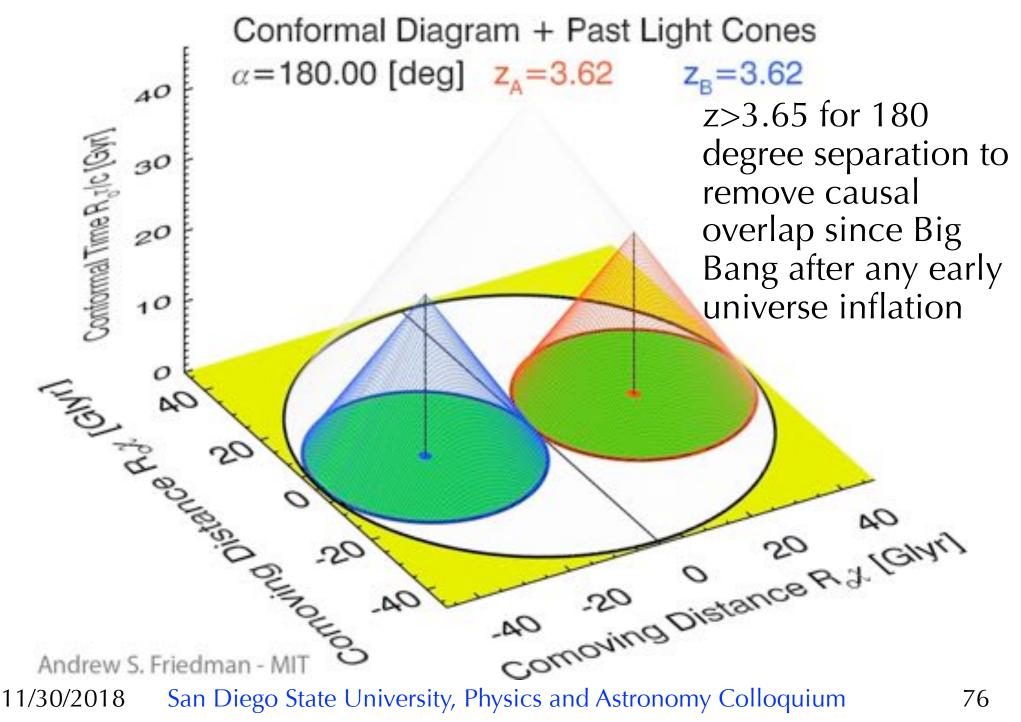


La Palma cosmic Bell test didn't completely remove causal overlap

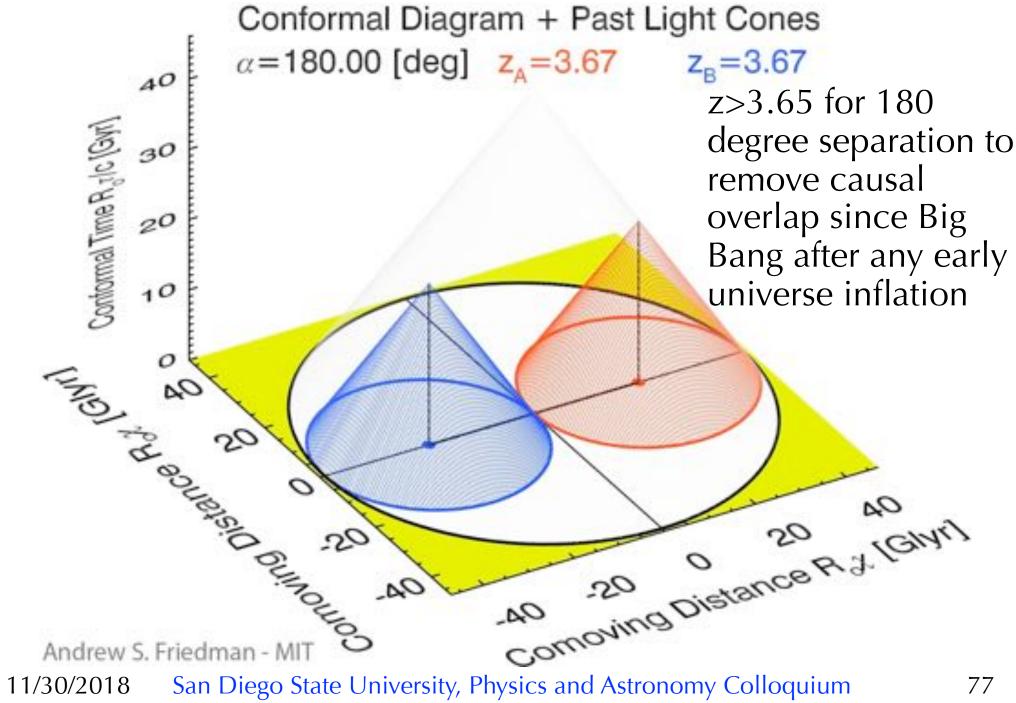
FUTURE COSMIC BELL TESTS



NO SHARED CAUSAL PAST



NO SHARED CAUSAL PAST



2 OR MORE COSMIC SOURCES

2 (EPR) or 3 or more (GHZ) entangled particles

Greenberger, Horne, Zeilinger 1989; Greenberger+1990; Mermin 1990

Each cosmic source pair in set of N=2, 3 (or > 3) satisfies pairwise constraints from Friedman+2013 for no shared causal past since the Big Bang at the end of

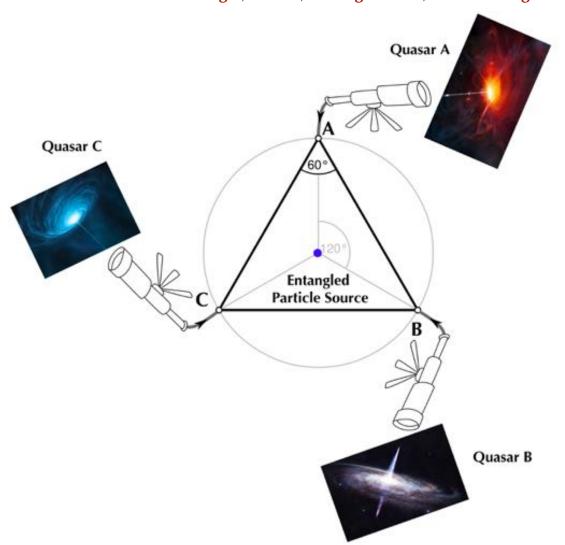
	Angular Separation	Redshift
2-Way Space	180°	z > 3.65
2-Way Ground	130°	z > 4.13
3-Way Space	120°	z > 4.37
3-Way Ground	105°	z > 4.89

Gallicchio, Friedman, & Kaiser 2014; Friedman+2019 in prep.

GHZ WITH QUASARS?

3+ particles, Bell's theorem without inequalities QM, Local realism give opposite answers to yes/no questions

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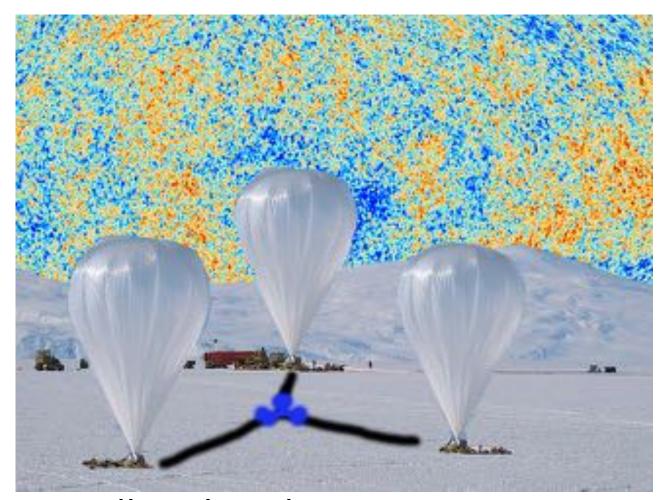
Will be difficult to remove all pairwise causal overlap in a ground based test.

But GHZ pilot test with stars and with brighter, moderate redshift quasars is technologically possible

GHZ WITH CMB?

3+ particles, Bell's theorem without inequalities QM, Local realism give opposite answers to yes/no questions

Greenberger, Horne, Zeilinger 1989; Greenberger+1990; Mermin 1990



Balloon based test in Antarctica?

Easy! Pick 3 CMB patches, each separated by 2.3°

Hard! Local noise dominates from ground (GFK14)

Noise loophole limits better than 2-particle Bell test

(Hall 2011)

POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

Future 2-quasar Cosmic Bell tests with no causal overlap 3 CMB patch or 3-quasar GHZ test from ground, balloon, or space

Safe Bet



Bell or GHZ/Mermin inequalities always violated. Strengthen evidence for quantum theory.

Rule out alternative theories, progressively close freedom-of-choice loophole as much as possible.

Longshot



Experimental results depends on which cosmic sources we look at. Maybe Bell's limit is not violated for very distant sources.

Perhaps experimenter's lack complete freedom!

COSMIC BELL PUBLICATIONS

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