

Beyond Heisenberg's uncertainty principle:

Error-disturbance uncertainty relation
studied in neutron's successive spin measurements

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The neutron

Particle

$$m = 1.674928(1) \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

$$s = \frac{1}{2} \hbar$$

$$\mu = -9.6491783(18) \times 10^{-27} \text{ J/T}$$

$$\tau = 887(2) \text{ s}$$

$$R = 0.7 \text{ fm}$$

$$\alpha = 12.0(2.5) \times 10^{-4} \text{ fm}^3$$

u - d - d - quark structure

m ... mass, s ... spin, μ ... magnetic moment, τ ... β -decay lifetime, R ... (magnetic) confinement radius, α ... electric polarizability; all other measured quantities like electric charge, magnetic monopole and electric dipole moment are compatible with zero

Feels four-forces

CONNECTION

de Broglie

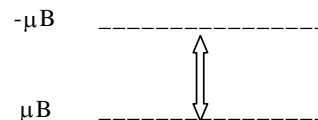
$$\lambda_B = \frac{h}{m \cdot v}$$

Schrödinger

$$H\psi(\vec{r},t) = i\hbar \frac{\delta\psi(\vec{r},t)}{\delta t}$$

&

boundary conditions



two level system

Wave

$$\lambda_c = \frac{h}{m \cdot c} = 1.319695(20) \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}$$

For thermal neutrons
= 2 Å, 2000 m/s, 20meV

$$\lambda_B = \frac{h}{m \cdot v} = 1.8 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta_c = \frac{1}{2\delta k} \cong 10^{-8} \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta_p = v \cdot \Delta t \cong 10^{-2} \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta_d = v \cdot \tau = 1.942(5) \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

$$0 \leq \chi \leq 2\pi (4\pi)$$

λ_c ... Compton wavelength, λ_B ... deBroglie wavelength, Δ_c ... coherence length, Δ_p ... packet length, Δ_d ... decay length, δk ... momentum width, Δt ... chopper opening time, v ... group velocity, χ ... phase.



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Neutrons in quantum mechanics

Particle and wave properties

$$p = mv = h/\lambda$$

(L. De Broglie)

Schroedinger equation

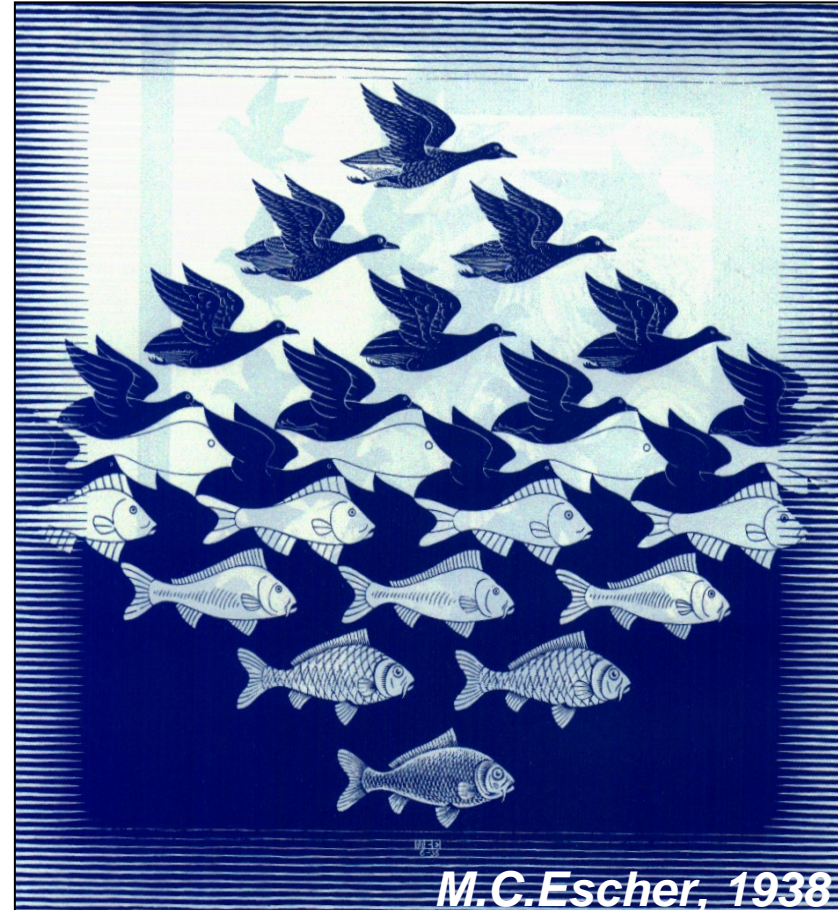
$$i\hbar \frac{\partial \Psi(\vec{r}, t)}{\partial t} = H\Psi(\vec{r}, t)$$

(E. Schrödinger)

Uncertainty

$$\Delta x \Delta p \geq h/4\pi$$

(W. Heisenberg)



Neutron interferometry

Neutrons

$$m = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$$

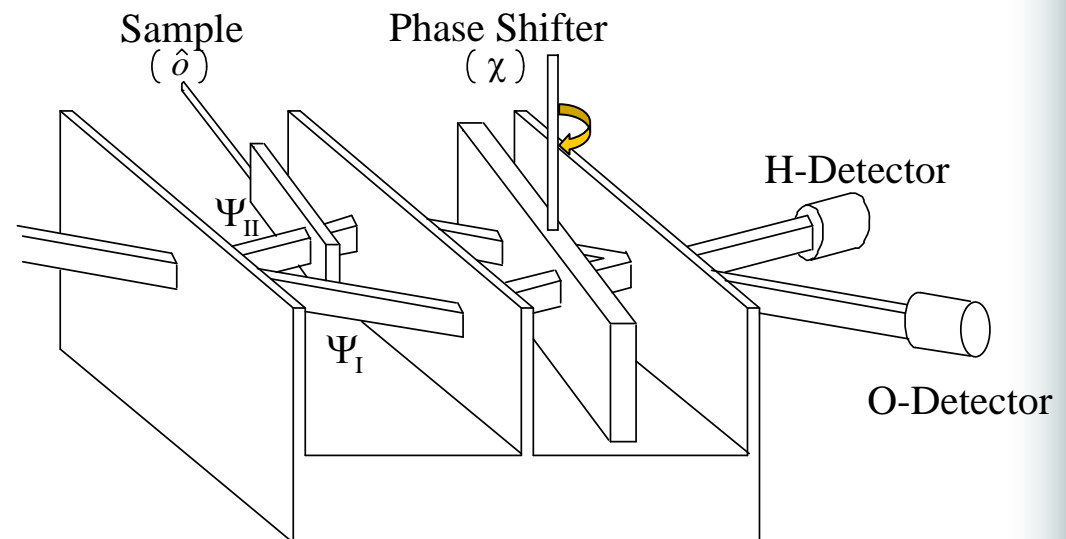
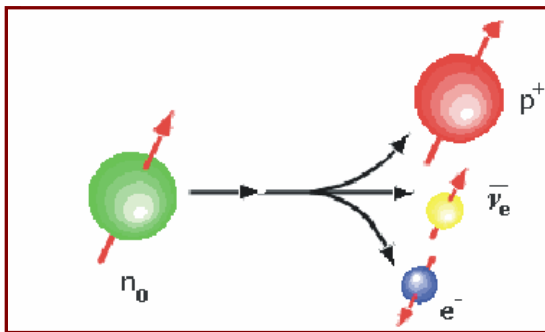
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$$\mu = -9.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ J/T}$$

$$\tau = 887 \text{ s}$$

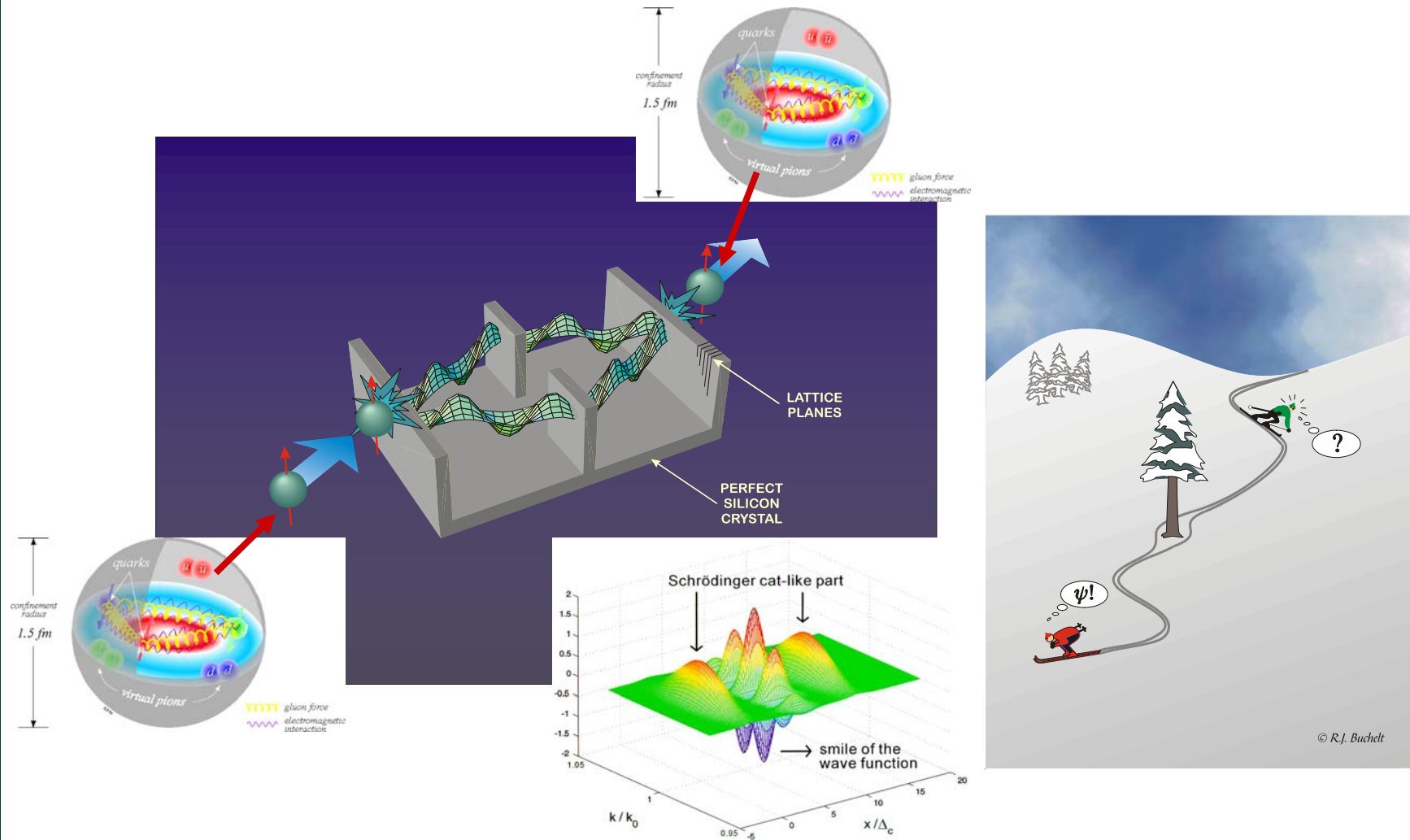
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u-d-d quark structure

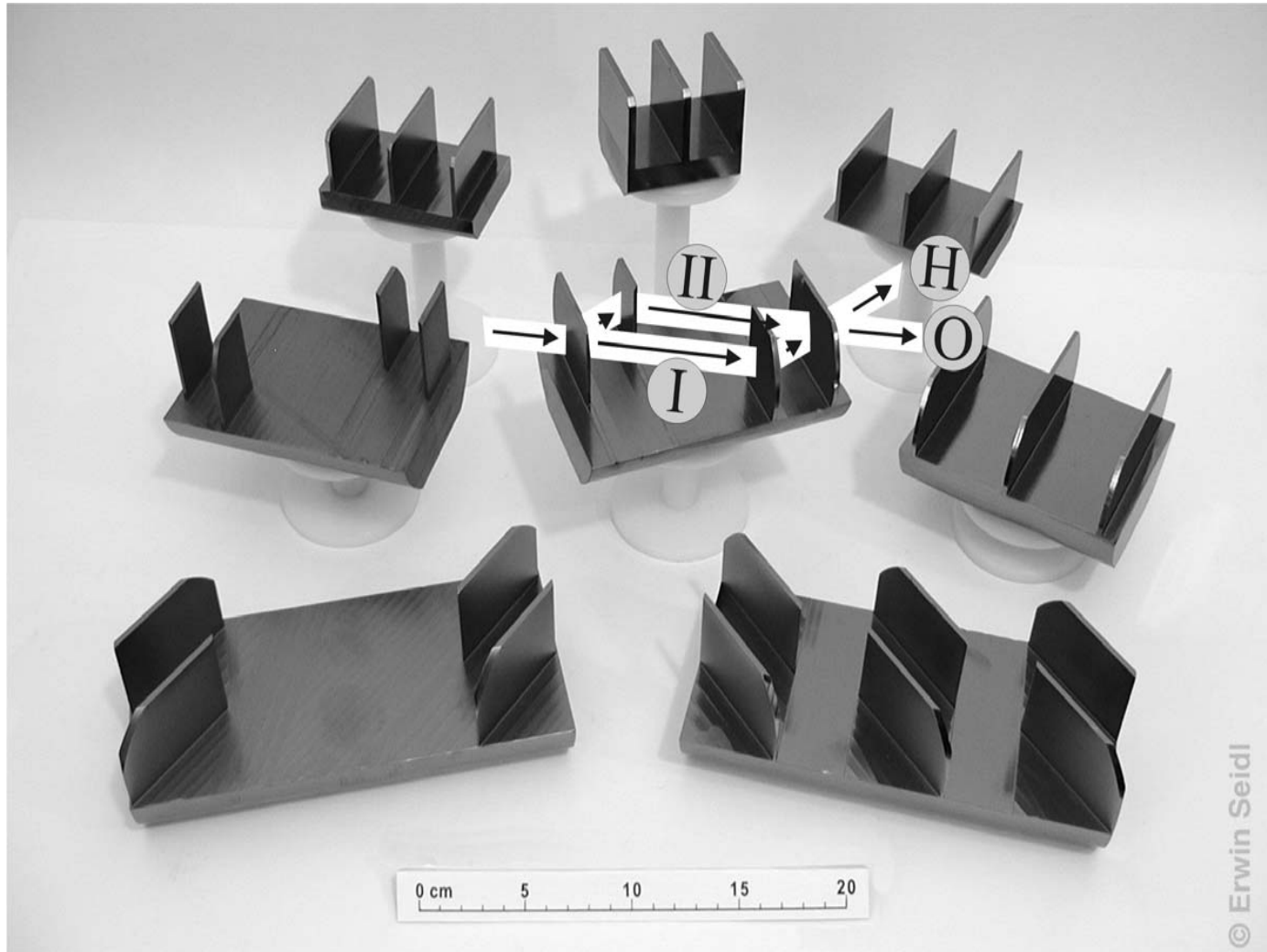


$$I = |\Psi_I + e^{i\chi} \cdot \hat{o} \cdot \Psi_{II}|^2$$

Neutron interferometer

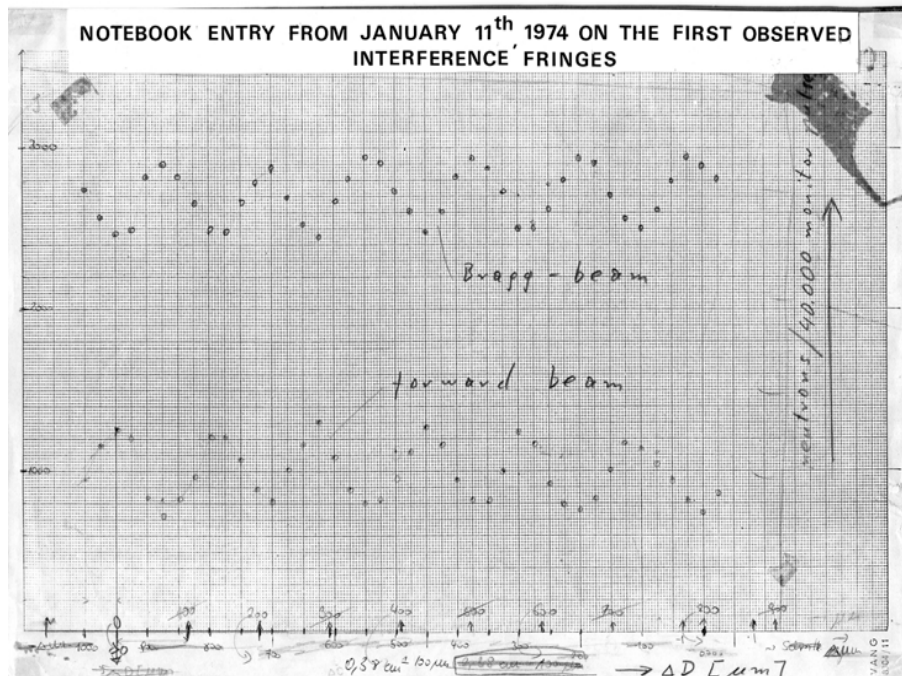


Neutron interferometer family

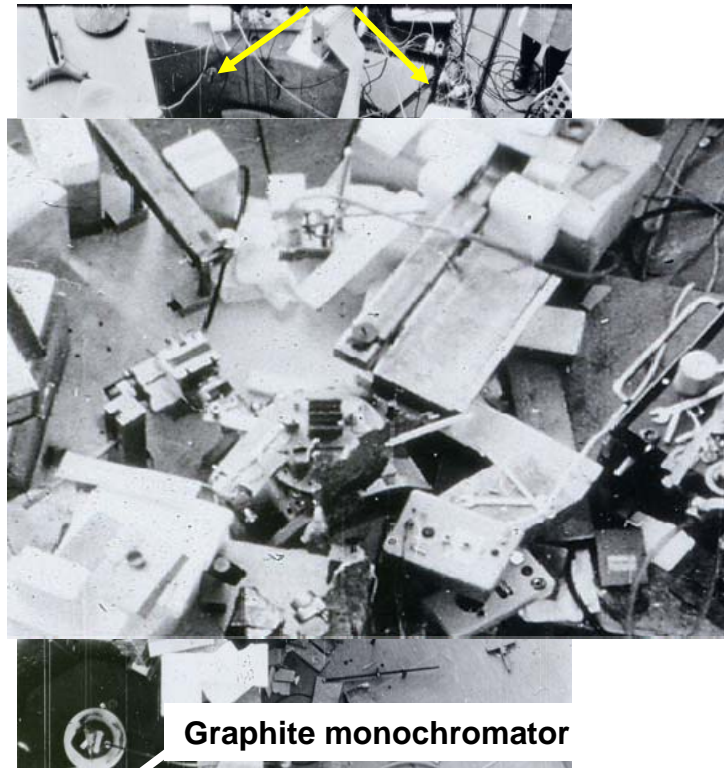


First results

TRIGA reactor Vienna 1974



detectors



H.Rauch, W.Treimer, U.Bonse, Phys.Lett.A47(1974)369

Neutron interferometer experiment(1)

4π-symmetry of spinor wavefunction

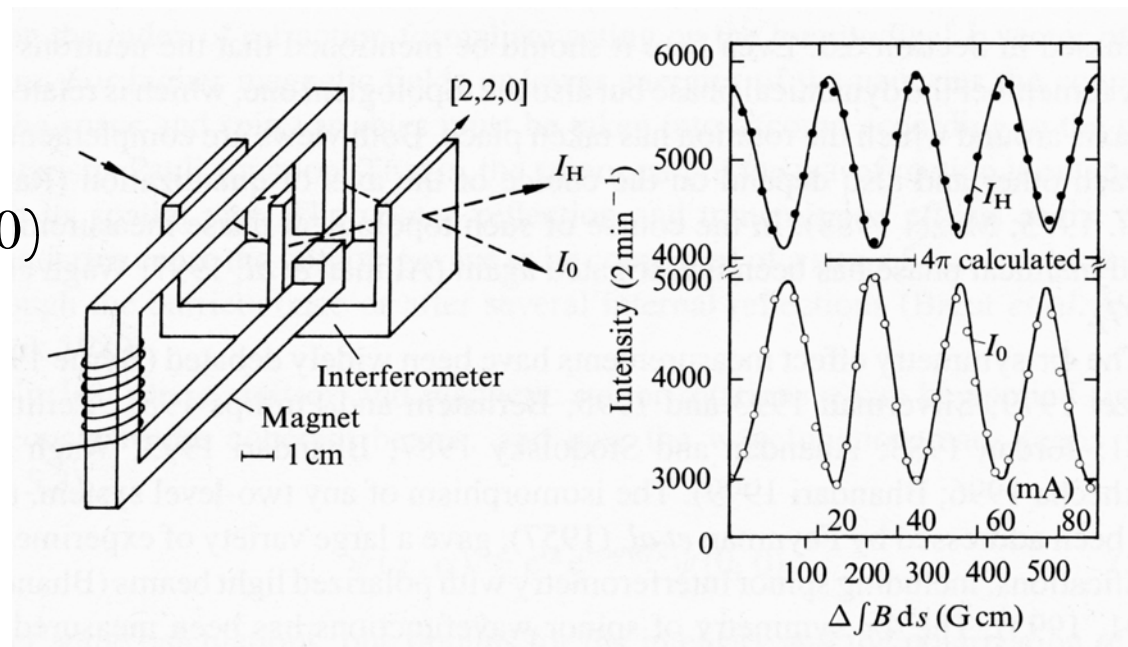
Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H} = -\boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \mathbf{B} = -\mu \boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

Wave function

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi(t) &= \exp[-iHt/\hbar] \cdot \Psi(0) \\ &= \exp[-i\boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \mathbf{B}t/\hbar] \cdot \Psi(0) \\ &= \exp[-i\boldsymbol{\sigma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\alpha}/2] \cdot \Psi(0) \end{aligned}$$

Where $\alpha = \frac{2\mu}{\hbar} \int \mathbf{B} dt$



H. Rauch et al., PL A54 (1975) 425.

Neutron interferometer experiment(2)

Gravitationally induced quantum phase

Energy of neutron

$$E_0 = \frac{\hbar^2 k_0^2}{2m} = \frac{\hbar^2 k^2}{2m} + mgH(\alpha)$$

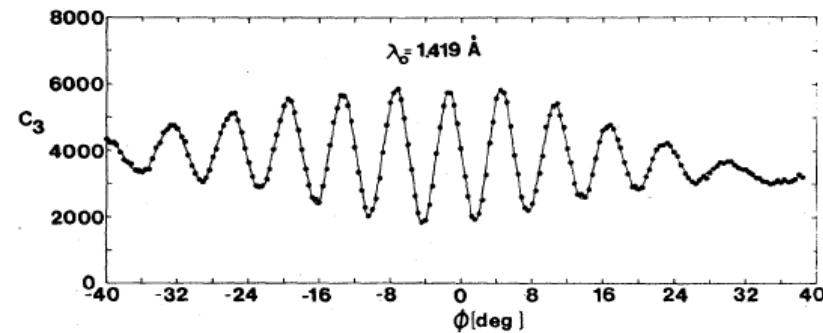
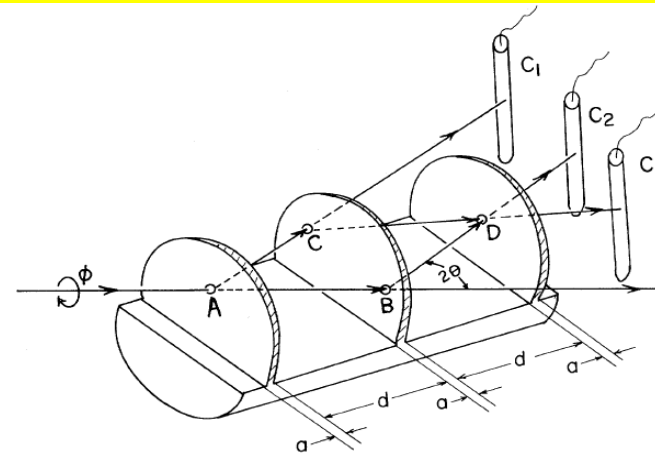
and

$$\Delta k = (k - k_0) \cong -\frac{m^2 g H}{\hbar^2 k_0} \sin \alpha$$

Phase shift

$$\Delta\Phi_{COW} = -2\pi\lambda \frac{m^2}{\hbar^2} g A_0 \sin \alpha$$

gravitational potential

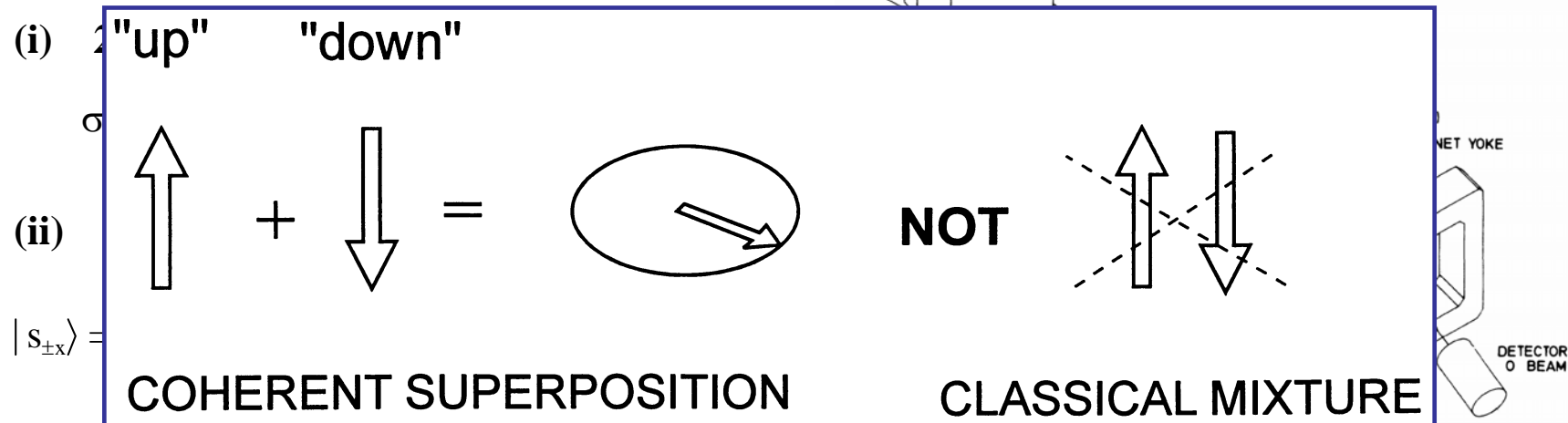


R. Colella et al., PRL **34** (1975) 1472; J.L. Staudenmann et al., PR A21 (1980) 1419.

Neutron interferometer experiment (3)

Superposition of spinor wavefunctions

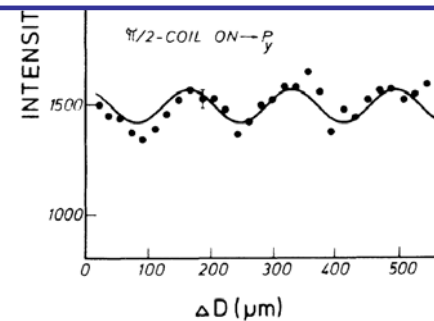
§ General framework of spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ system



→→ Superposition

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|s_{+z}\rangle + e^{i\phi}|s_{-z}\rangle) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ e^{i\phi} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|s_{+x}\rangle \rightarrow |s_{+y}\rangle \rightarrow |s_{-x}\rangle \rightarrow |s_{-y}\rangle$$



J. Summhammer et al., PL A27 (1983) 2532.



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Geometric/Topological phases

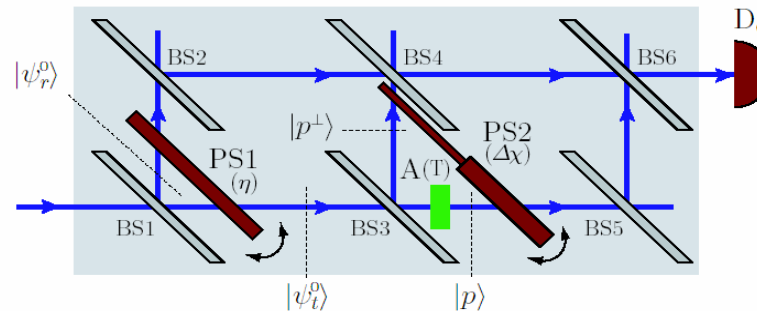
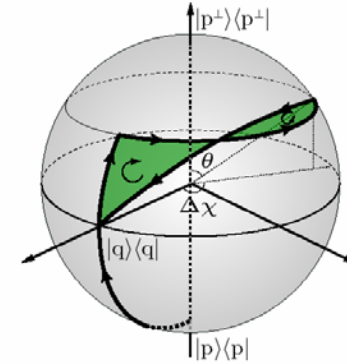
Berry Phase (adiabatic & cyclic evolution)

[Berry; Proc.R.S.Lond. A 392, 45 (1984)]

$$|\psi(t)\rangle = e^{-i\phi_d} e^{i\phi_g} |n(R(t))\rangle$$

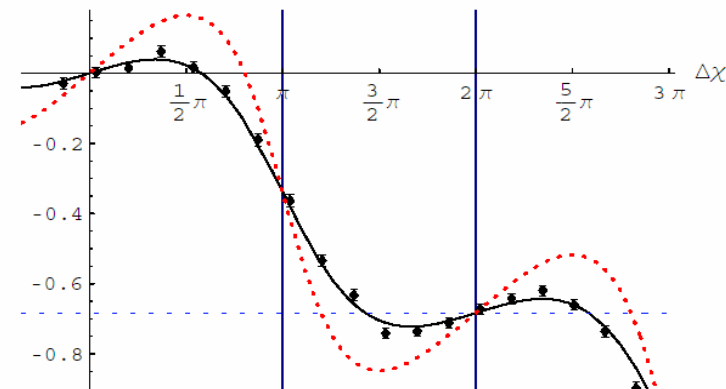
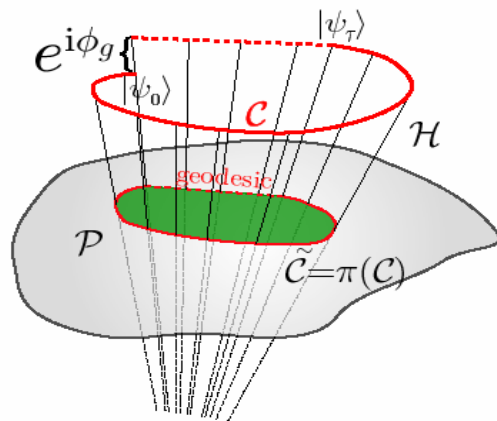
$$\phi_d(t) = \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^t dt' E_n(t')$$

$$\phi_g = -\frac{1}{2} \Omega \quad (\text{for 2-level systems})$$



Non-adiabatic & non-cyclic evolution

[Samuel & Bhandari, PRL 60, 2339 (1988)]



S. Filipp, et al., PRA72 (2005) 021602



Two-particle vs. two-space entanglement

2-Particle Bell-State

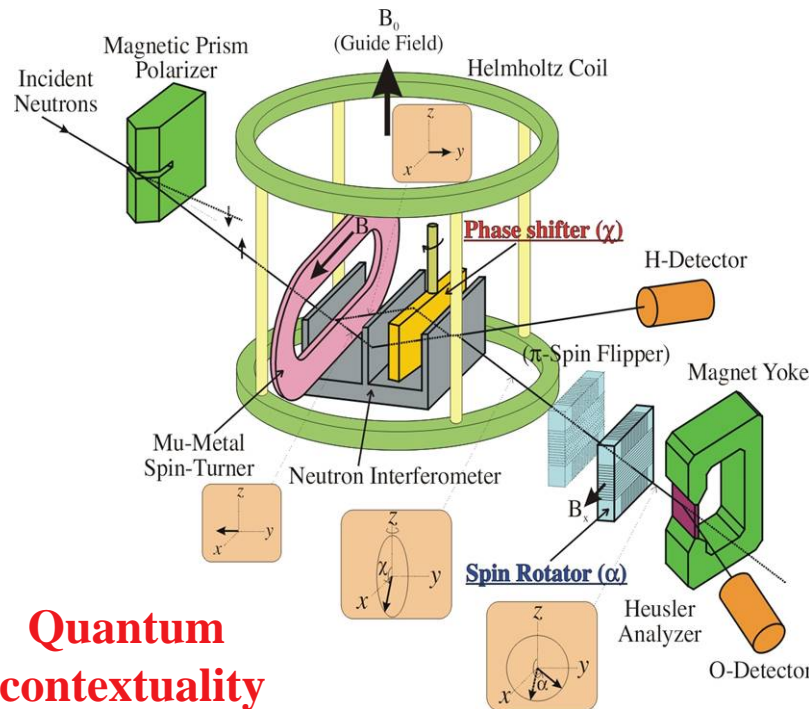
$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \{ |\uparrow\rangle_I \otimes |\downarrow\rangle_{II} + |\downarrow\rangle_I \otimes |\uparrow\rangle_{II} \}$$

I, II represent 2-Particles

2-Space Bell-State

$$|\Psi\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \{ |\uparrow\rangle_s \otimes |I\rangle_p + |\downarrow\rangle_s \otimes |II\rangle_p \}$$

s, p represent 2-Spaces, e.g., spin & path



Quantum contextuality

Violation of Bell-like inequality

$$S' \equiv E'(\alpha_1, \chi_1) + E'(\alpha_1, \chi_2) - E'(\alpha_2, \chi_1) + E'(\alpha_2, \chi_2) = 2.051 \pm 0.019 > 2$$

Hasegawa et al., Nature2003, NJP2011

Kochen-Specker-like contradiction 1

$$E_x \cdot E_y = 0.407 \xrightarrow{63\%} E' \equiv \langle \hat{X}_1 \hat{Y}_2 \cdot \hat{Y}_1 \hat{X}_2 \rangle = -0.861$$

Hasegawa et al., PRL2006/2009

Tri-partite entanglement (GHZ-state)

$$|\Psi_{\text{Neutron}}\rangle = \{ |\Psi_I\rangle \otimes |\uparrow\rangle \otimes |\Psi(E_0)\rangle + (e^{i\chi} |\Psi_{II}\rangle) \otimes (e^{i\alpha} |\downarrow\rangle) \otimes (e^{i\gamma} |\Psi(E_0 + \hbar\omega_r)\rangle) \}$$

$$M_{\text{Measured}} = 2.558 \pm 0.004 > 2$$

Hasegawa et al., PRA2010

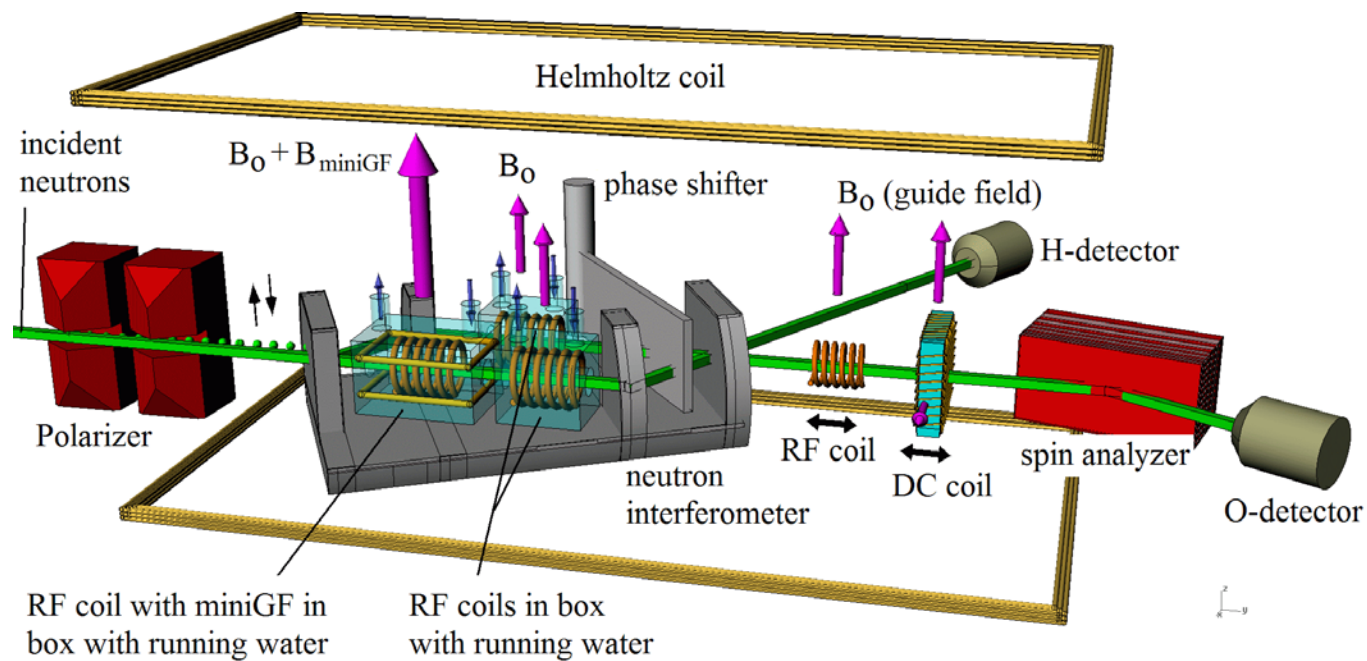


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W- and GHZ- states in a single neutron system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{W-state: } |\Psi\rangle_W = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot |II \downarrow \hbar\omega\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot |I \uparrow \hbar\omega\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot |I \downarrow 2\hbar\omega\rangle \\ \text{GHZ-state: } |\Psi\rangle_{\text{GHZ}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot |II \downarrow \hbar\omega\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot |I \uparrow 0\rangle \end{array} \right.$$



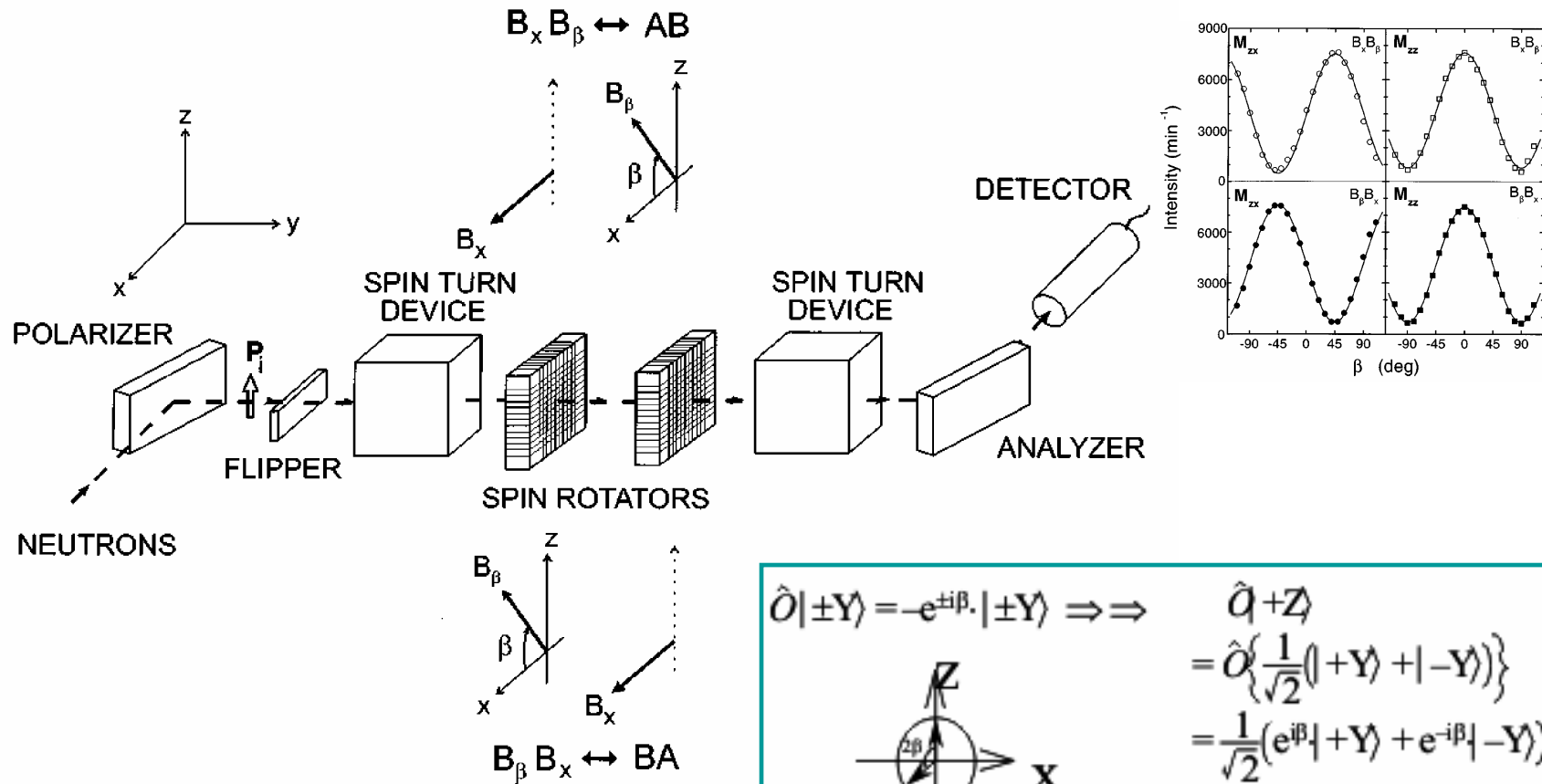
D. Erdösi et al. New J. Phys. 15 (2013) 023033



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Neutron polarimetry



$$\hat{O}|\pm Y\rangle = -e^{\pm i\beta}|\pm Y\rangle \Rightarrow \hat{O} + Z = \hat{O} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|+Y\rangle + |-Y\rangle) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(e^{i\beta}|+Y\rangle + e^{-i\beta}|-Y\rangle)$$

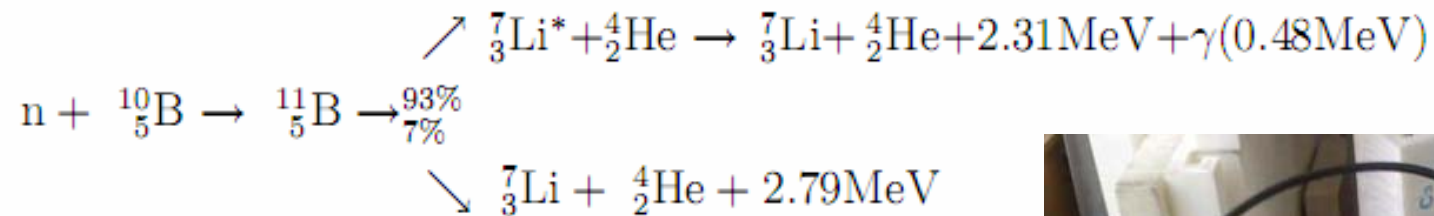
$$= \frac{e^{i\beta}}{\sqrt{2}}(|+Y\rangle + e^{-2i\beta}|-Y\rangle)$$

- Bell-Test, PLA (2010)
- Leggett-Test, NJP (2012)
- GHZ-entanglement, NJP (1012)

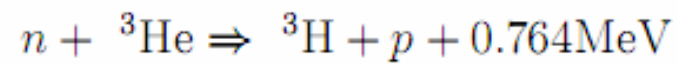
Neutron Detector

High efficiency (>99%)

1. BF₃-Detectors



2. ³He-Detectors



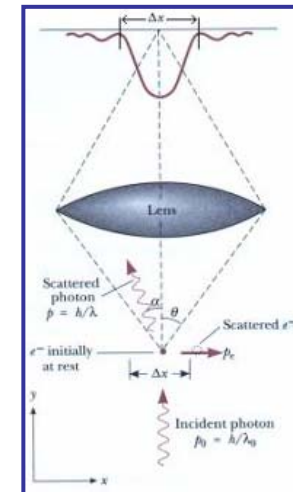
Uncertainty relation: historical 1

- In 1927 Heisenberg postulated an uncertainty principle:

γ -ray thought experiment

$$\rightarrow p_1 q_1 \sim h$$

with q_1 (mean error) & p_1 (discontinuous change)



- Sei q_1 die Genauigkeit, mit der der Wert q bekannt ist (q_1 ist etwa der mittlere Fehler von q), also hier die Wellenlänge des Lichtes, p_1 die Genauigkeit, mit der der Wert p bestimmbar ist, also hier die unstetige Änderung von p beim Compton-effekt, so stehen nach elementaren Formeln des Comptoneffekts p_1 und q_1 in der Beziehung

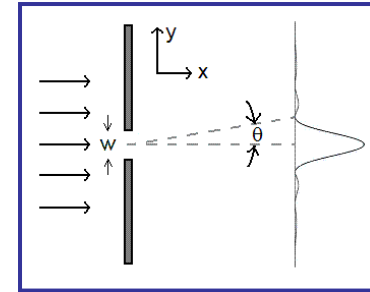
$$p_1 q_1 \sim h. \quad (1)$$

Uncertainty relation: historical 2

- Kennard considered the spread of a wave function ψ

$$\sigma(Q)\sigma(P) \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$

σ : standard deviations



- Robertson generalized the relation to arbitrary pairs of observables in any states ψ

$$\sigma(A) \sigma(B) \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle \psi | [A, B] | \psi \rangle|$$

→ dependent on the state but independent of the apparatus

Is $\varepsilon(A)\eta(B) \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle \psi | [A, B] | \psi \rangle|$ generally valid?

Ozawa's Universally Valid Uncertainty Relation 1

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Universally valid reformulation of the Heisenberg uncertainty principle on noise and disturbance in measurement

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The Heisenberg uncertainty principle states that the product of the noise in a position measurement and the momentum disturbance caused by that measurement should be no less than the limit set by Planck's constant $\hbar/2$ as demonstrated by Heisenberg's thought experiment using a γ -ray microscope. Here it is shown that this common assumption is not universally true: a universally valid trade-off relation between the noise and the disturbance has an additional correlation term, which is redundant when the intervention brought by the

$$\epsilon(A)\eta(B) + \epsilon(A)\sigma(B) + \sigma(A)\eta(B) \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle \psi | [A, B] | \psi \rangle|$$

- rigorous theoretical treatments of quantum measurements:
 - **first term:** error of the first measurement, disturbance on the second measurement
 - **second and third terms:** crosstalks between spreads of wavefunctions and error/disturbance



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Ozawa's Universally Valid Uncertainty Relation 2

composite quantum system *object* + measurement *apparatus*

$$\mathcal{H}^{\text{obj}} \otimes \mathcal{H}^{\text{app}} : \hat{U}(t)$$

object system:

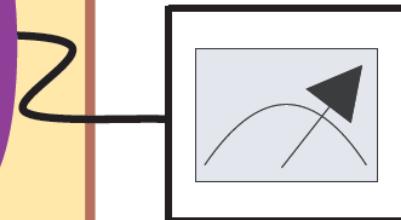
$$\mathcal{H}^{\text{obj}} : |\psi\rangle, \hat{A}, \hat{B}$$

(initial state, observables)

apparatus system:

$$\mathcal{H}^{\text{app}} : |\xi\rangle, \hat{M}$$

(initial state, meter observables)



Definition of error & disturbance

- **Error** is defined as the root-mean-square (rms):

$$\epsilon(A) = \langle \psi | \otimes \langle \xi | (U^\dagger (I \otimes M) U - A \otimes I)^2 | \xi \rangle \otimes | \psi \rangle^{1/2}$$

describes how accurate the value of the observable A before the measurement is transferred to the apparatus's meter observable M

meter observable M has orthonormal basis $|\lambda\rangle$: $M = \sum_{\lambda} \lambda |\lambda\rangle \langle \lambda|$

family of measurement **operators**: $O_{\lambda} = \langle \lambda | U | \xi \rangle$ acting on object-system \mathcal{H}^{obj} (U on $\mathcal{H}^{\text{obj}} \otimes \mathcal{H}^{\text{app}}$)

$$\bullet \epsilon(A)^2 = \sum_{\lambda} \|O_{\lambda}(\lambda - A)|\psi\rangle\|^2$$

$$\|\dots\| = \|X|\psi\rangle\| = \langle \psi | X^\dagger X | \psi \rangle^{1/2}$$

- **Disturbance** is defined in the same manner:

$$\eta(B) = \langle \psi | \otimes \langle \xi | (U^\dagger (B \otimes I) U - B \otimes I)^2 | \xi \rangle \otimes | \psi \rangle^{1/2}$$

defined by the rms difference between the observable B at time $t = 0$ and at time $t = \Delta t$

$$\bullet \eta(B)^2 = \sum \| [O_{\lambda}, B] |\psi\rangle \|^2$$



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Error and disturbance for projective measurement

- Error:**

$$\epsilon(A)^2 = \left\| \sum_{\lambda} O_{\lambda}(\lambda - A)|\psi\rangle \right\|^2$$

If the O_{λ} are mutually orthogonal projection operators sum and norm can be exchanged

$$\epsilon(A)^2 = \|(O_A - A)|\psi\rangle\|^2 \quad \text{output operator: } O_A = \sum_{\lambda} \lambda O_{\lambda}$$

different expression for measurement (5 expectation values):

$$\epsilon(A)^2 = \langle \psi | A^2 | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | O_A^2 | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | O_A | \psi \rangle + \underbrace{\langle \psi | A O_A A | \psi \rangle}_{\langle \psi' | O_A | \psi' \rangle} - \underbrace{\langle \psi | (A + I) O_A (A + I) | \psi \rangle}_{\langle \psi'' | O_A | \psi'' \rangle}$$

with $O_A^2 = \sum_{\lambda} \lambda^2 O_{\lambda}^{\dagger} O_{\lambda}$

- Disturbance:** $\eta(B)^2 = \sum_{\lambda} \|[O_{\lambda}, B]|\psi\rangle\|^2$

$$\eta(B)^2 = \langle \psi | B^2 | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | X_B^2 | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | X_B | \psi \rangle + \underbrace{\langle \psi''' | X_B | \psi''' \rangle}_{\langle \psi'''' | X_B | \psi'''' \rangle} - \langle \psi | (B + I) X_B (B + I) | \psi \rangle$$

with $X_B^2 = \sum_{\lambda} O_{\lambda}^{\dagger} B^2 O_{\lambda}$, and **modified output operator:** $X_B = \sum_{\lambda} O_{\lambda}^{\dagger} B O_{\lambda}$

Universally valid uncertainty relation by Ozawa

$$\epsilon(A)\eta(B) + \epsilon(A)\sigma(B) + \sigma(A)\eta(B) \geq \frac{1}{2} |\langle \psi | [A, B] | \psi \rangle|$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \epsilon : \text{error of the first measurement (A)} \\ \eta : \text{disturbance on the second measurement (B)} \\ \sigma : \text{standard deviations} \end{array} \right.$

First term: error of the first measurement, disturbance on the second measurement

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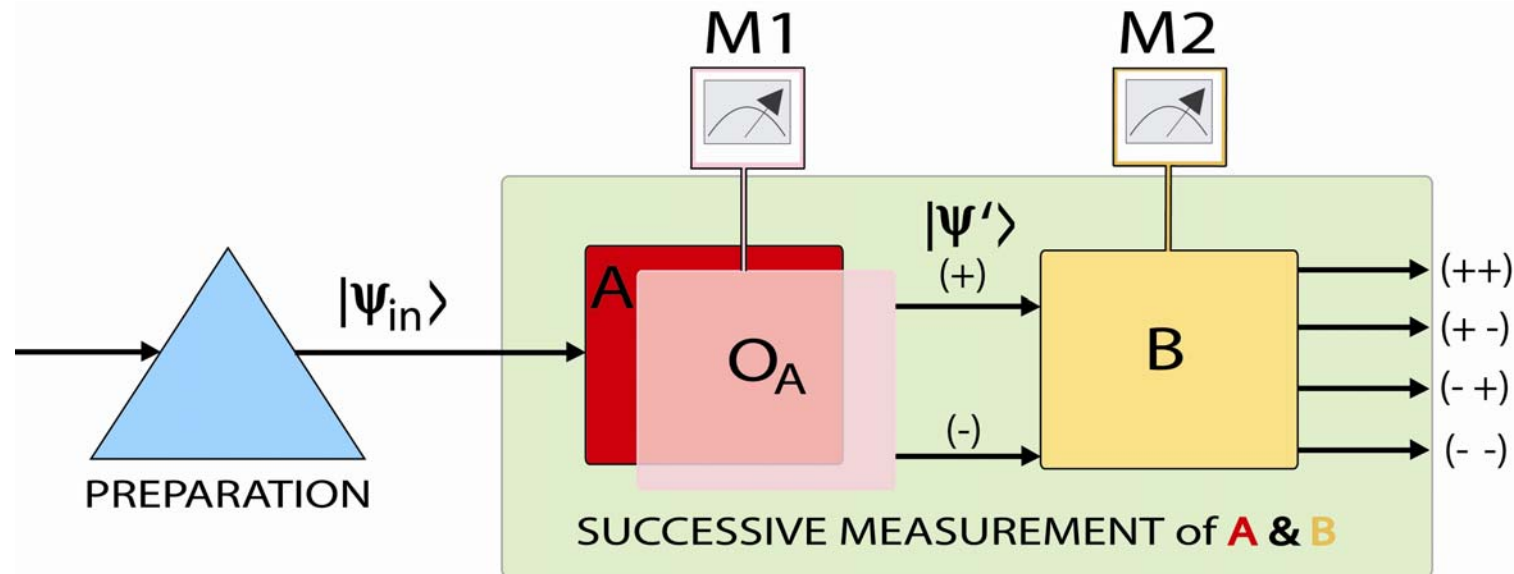
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Experimental scheme



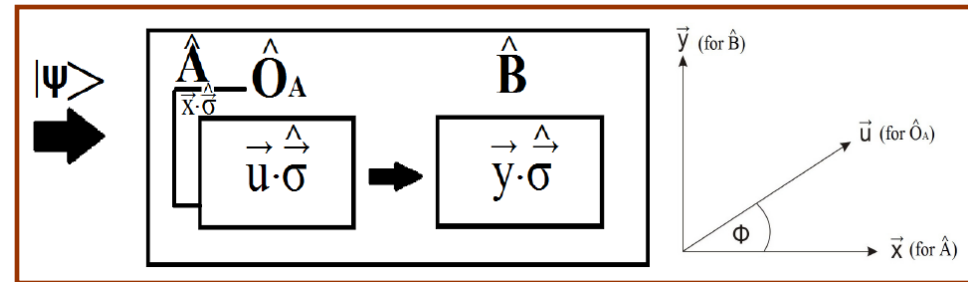
- Successively measurement of 2 noncommuting observables A and B
- Apparatus 1 measures O_A , Apparatus 2 measures B

Theoretical predictions 1

For error and disturbance:

$$\epsilon^2(A) = 2 - 2(\vec{x} \cdot \vec{u})$$

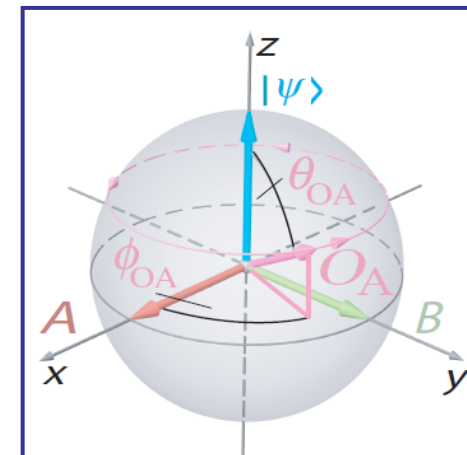
$$\eta^2(B) = 2 - 2(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{y})^2$$



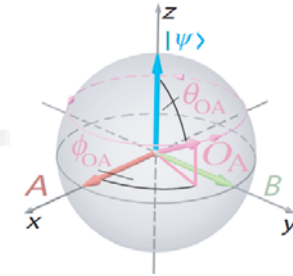
For the standard deviations:

$$\sigma^2(A) = \underbrace{\langle \psi | A^2 | \psi \rangle}_1 - (\langle \psi | A | \psi \rangle)^2$$

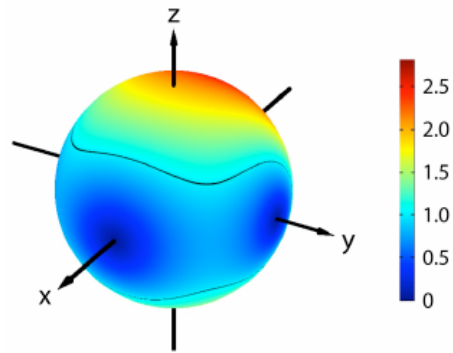
$$\sigma^2(B) = \underbrace{\langle \psi | B^2 | \psi \rangle}_1 - (\langle \psi | B | \psi \rangle)^2$$



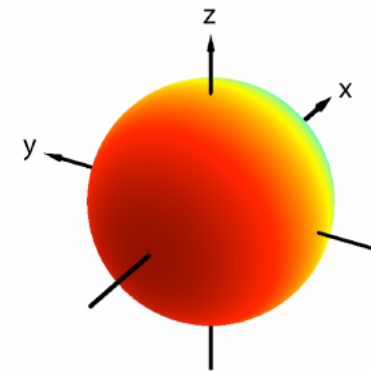
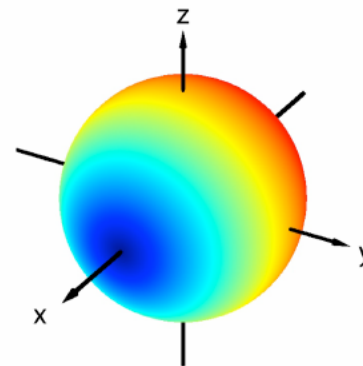
Theoretical predictions 2



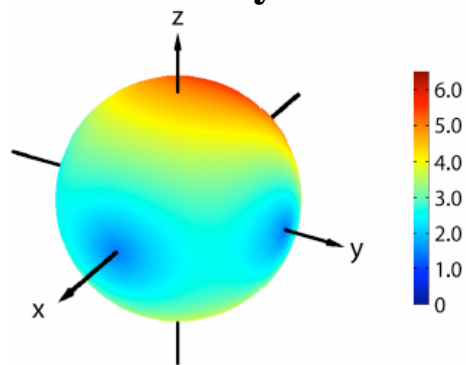
-Heisenberg's relation



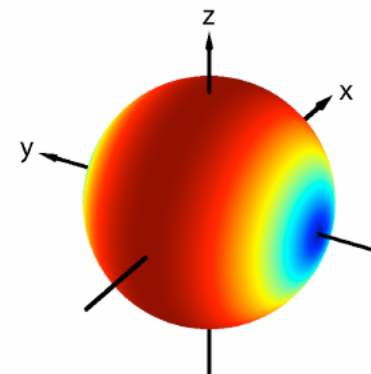
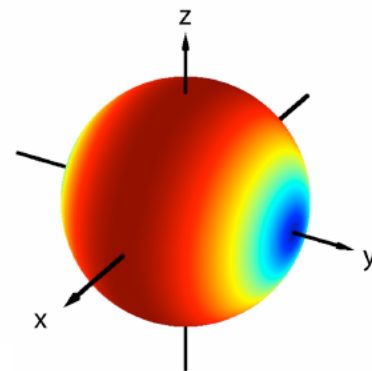
● Error: $\epsilon(A)$



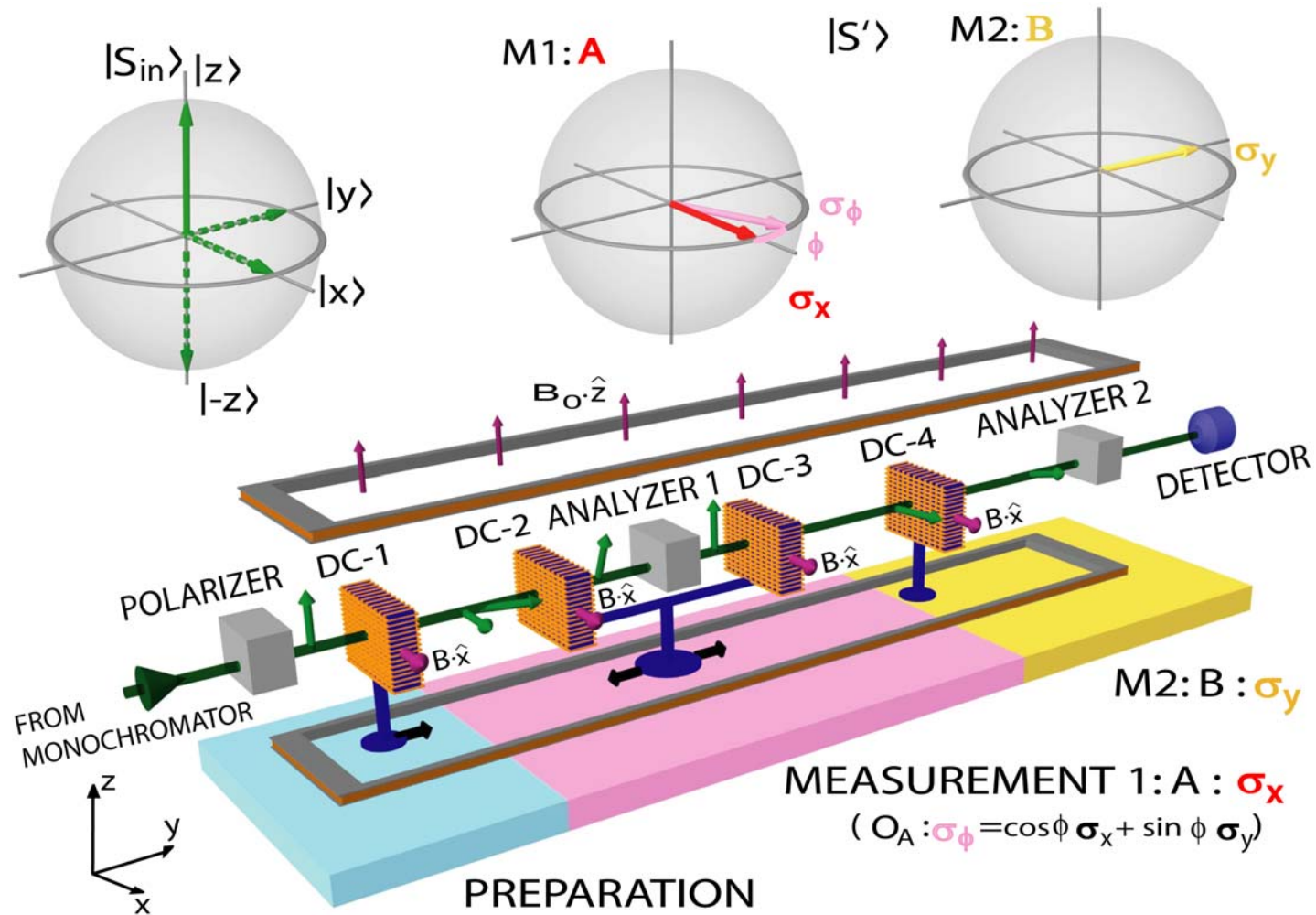
- new uncertainty relation



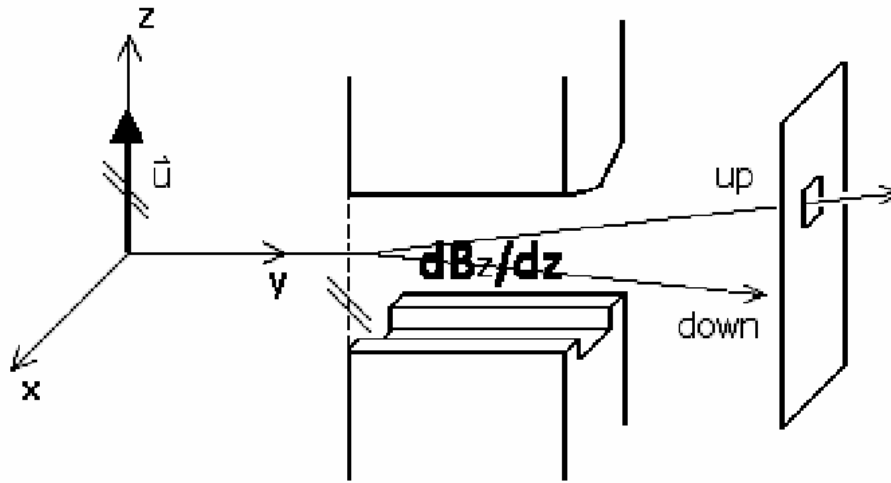
● Disturbance: $\eta(B)$



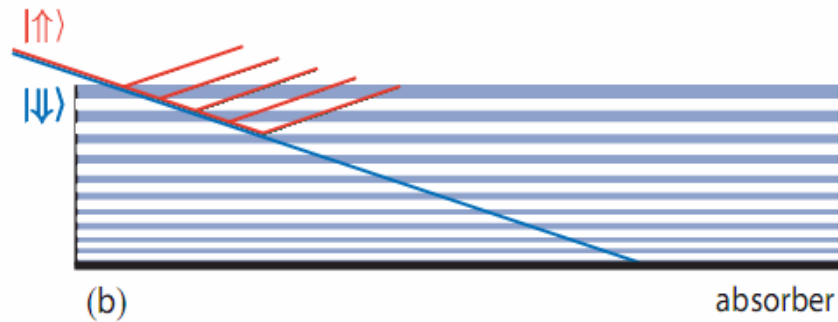
Experimental setup



Polarizer for neutrons 1

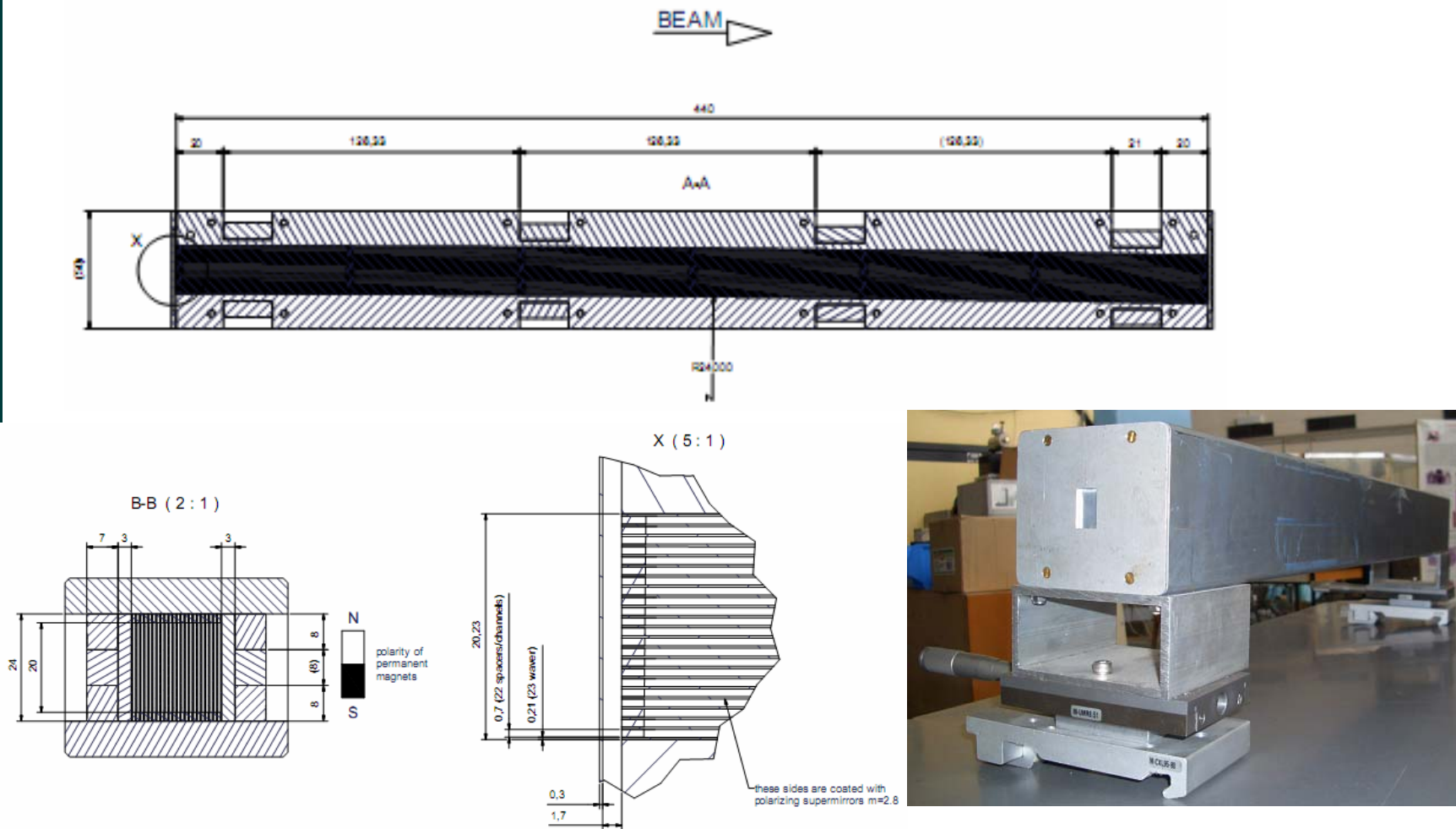


Stern-Gerlach apparatus



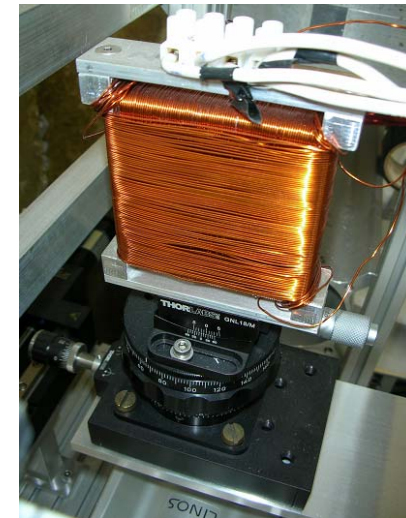
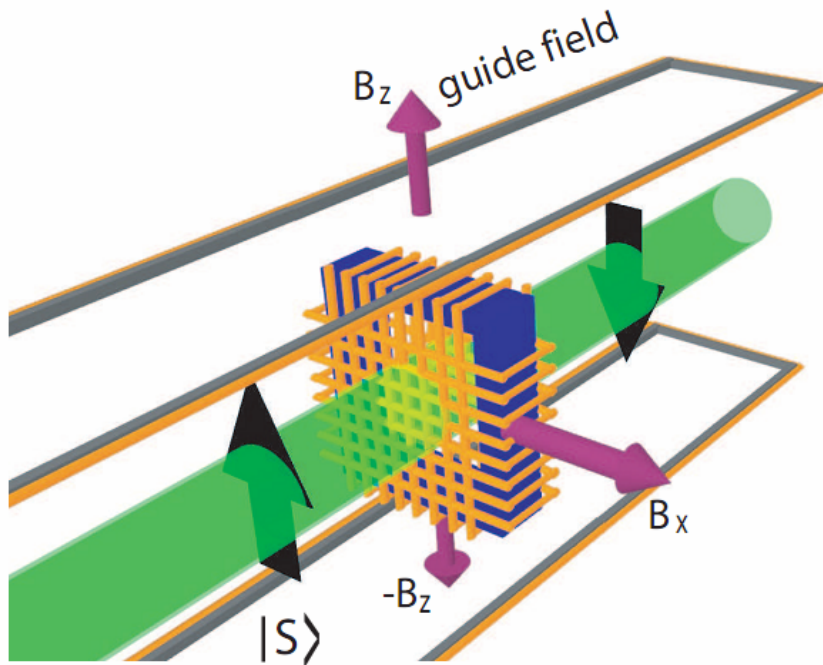
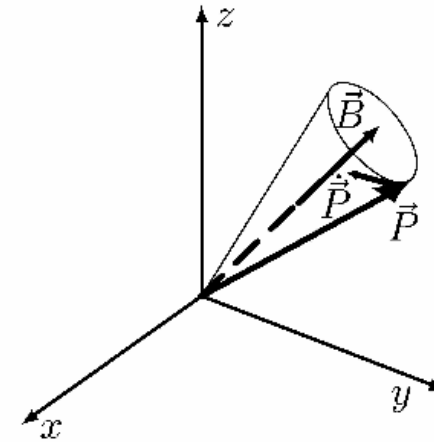
Multilayer polarizer

Polarizer for neutrons 2

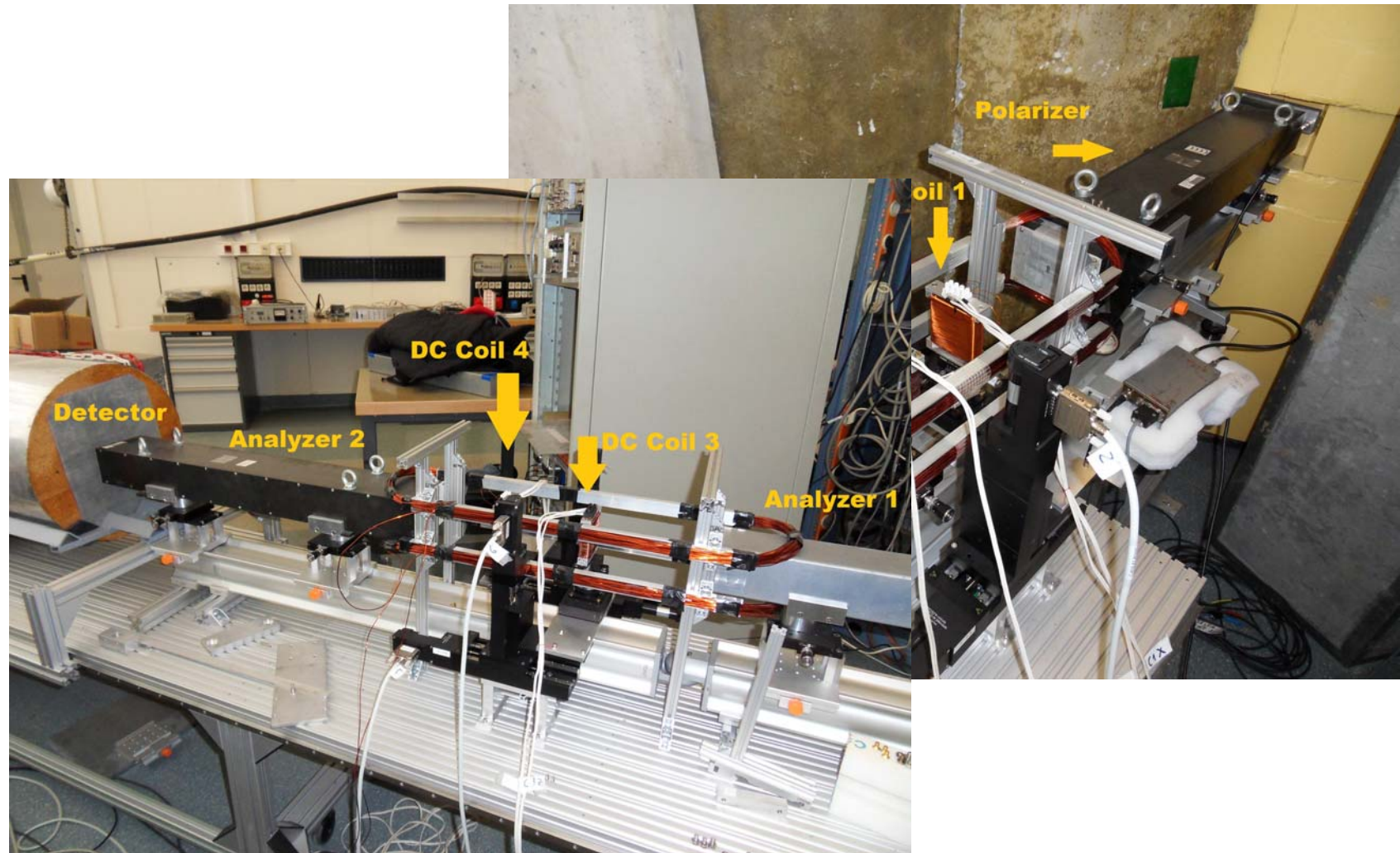


Spin rotator: Larmor precession

$$\dot{\vec{P}}(t) = \vec{P}(t) \times \gamma \vec{B}(t)$$



Experimental setup



Adjustment

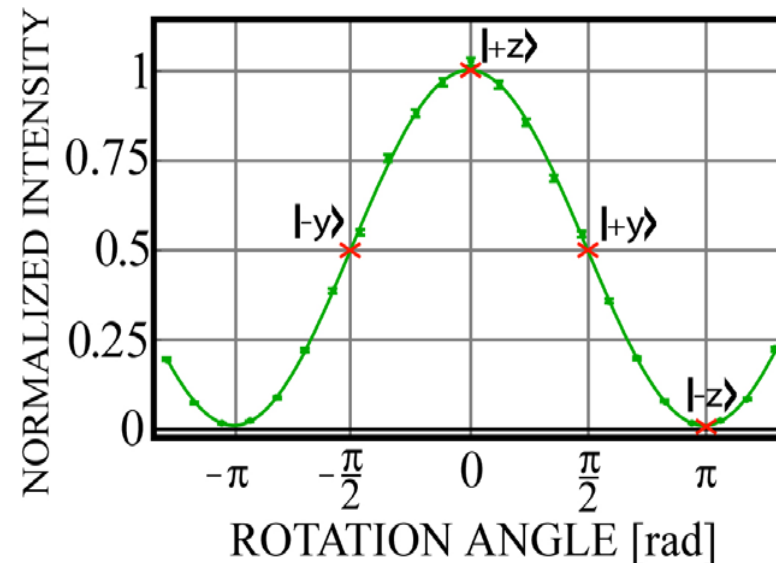
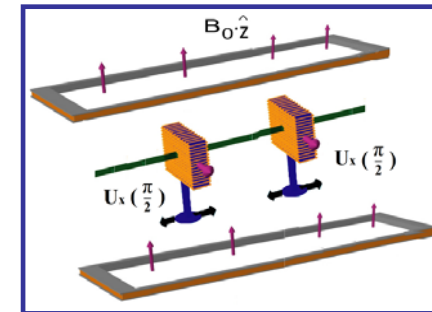
Unitary transformation: $U=e^{i\alpha \sigma /2}$

Determination of $U(\pm \pi)$

- Scanning of the current in x-direction

Determination of $U(\pm \pi /2)$

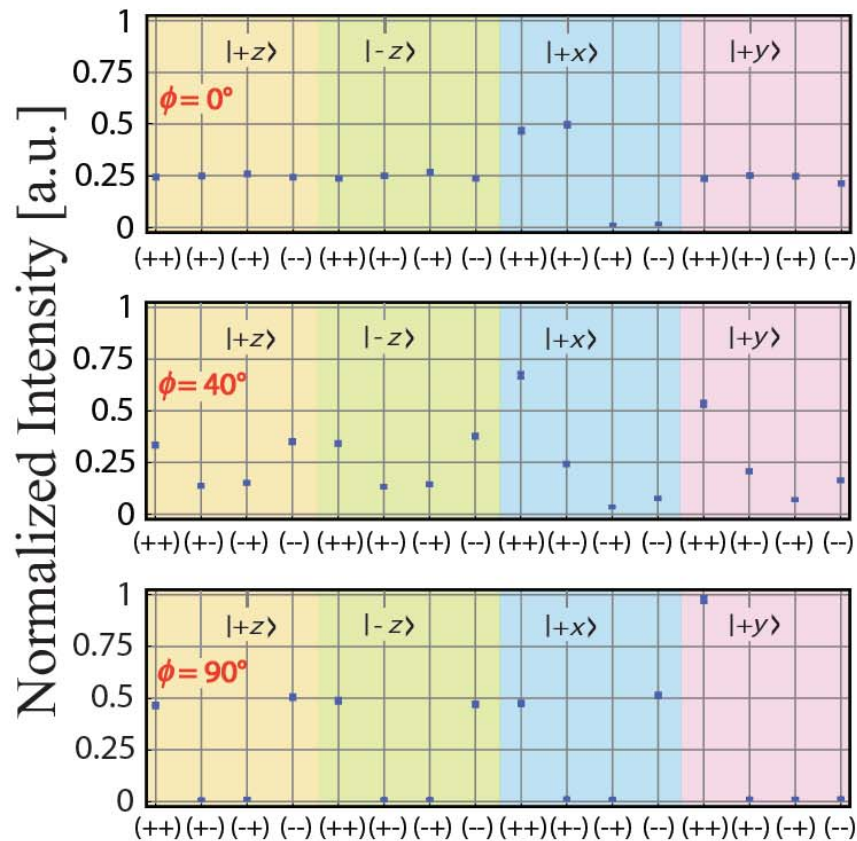
- Position scanning



Contrast of each DC coil adjustment: ~98%

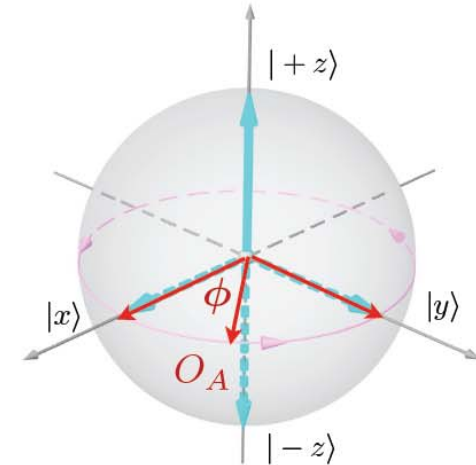
Contrast of the whole system: ~96%

Experimental data



$$A = \sigma_x$$

$$B = \sigma_y$$



$$O_A = \sigma_\phi = \sigma_x \sin \phi + \sigma_y \cos \phi$$

$$\frac{(I_{++} + I_{+-}) - (I_{-+} + I_{--})}{I_{++} + I_{-+} + I_{+-} + I_{--}} = \langle \psi_i | O_A | \psi_i \rangle$$

$$\frac{(I_{++} + I_{-+}) - (I_{+-} + I_{--})}{I_{++} + I_{-+} + I_{+-} + I_{--}} = \langle \psi_i | X_B | \psi_i \rangle$$

$$|\psi_i\rangle = |+z\rangle, |-z\rangle, |x\rangle, |y\rangle$$

$$\epsilon(A)^2 = 2 + \langle +z | \sigma_\phi | +z \rangle + \langle -z | \sigma_\phi | -z \rangle - \langle x | \sigma_\phi | x \rangle$$

$$\eta(B)^2 = 2 + \langle +z | X_B | +z \rangle + \langle -z | X_B | -z \rangle - \langle y | X_B | y \rangle$$

Experimental determination

where I_+ and I_- represent the positive and negative projections

$$\sigma^2(\hat{\sigma}_j) = \langle \hat{\sigma}_j^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{\sigma}_j \rangle^2 = 1 - (\langle \sigma_+ \rangle - \langle \sigma_- \rangle)^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{I_+ - I_-}{I_+ + I_-} \right)^2$$

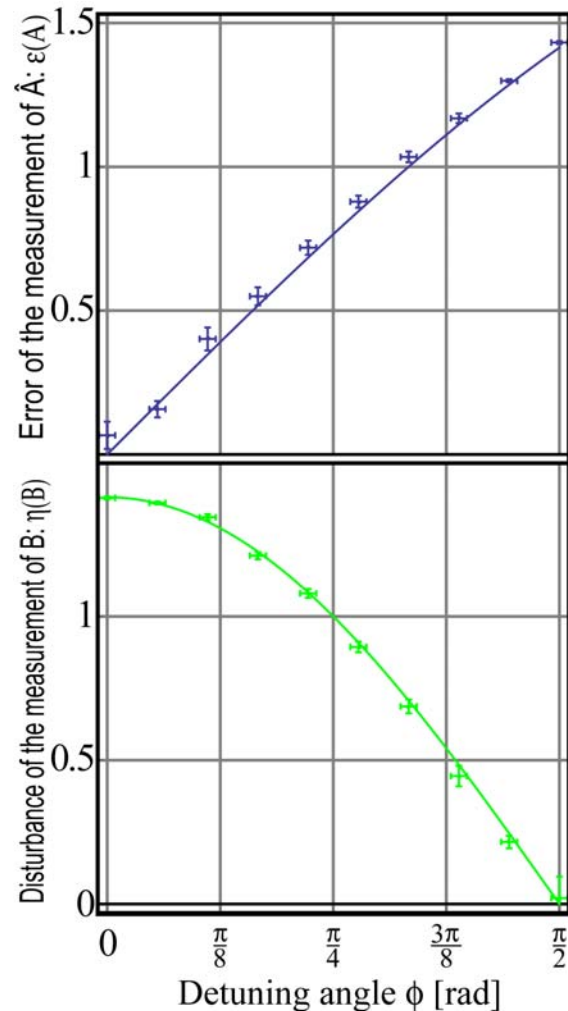
Projection operator: $\vec{P} := \langle \psi | \vec{\sigma} | \psi \rangle$

Error of A (projective measurement):

$$\epsilon(A)^2 = \underbrace{\langle \psi | A^2 | \psi \rangle}_1 + \underbrace{\langle \psi | O_A^2 | \psi \rangle}_1 + \langle \psi | O_A | \psi \rangle + \langle A\psi | O_A | A\psi \rangle - \langle (A + \mathbb{I})\psi | O_A | (A + \mathbb{I})\psi \rangle$$

$$\langle \psi | O_A | \psi \rangle = \frac{(I_{++} + I_{+-}) - (I_{-+} + I_{--})}{\sum I}$$

Results: error-disturbance trade-off



$$|\psi_i\rangle = |+z\rangle$$

$$\hat{A} = \hat{\sigma}_x \quad \hat{O}_A = \hat{\sigma}_\phi = \cos(\phi)\hat{\sigma}_x + \sin(\phi)\hat{\sigma}_y$$

$$\hat{B} = \hat{\sigma}_y$$

$$\varepsilon(A)^2 = \langle \psi | A^2 | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | O_A^2 | \psi \rangle + \langle \psi | O_A | \psi \rangle$$

$$+ \langle A\psi | O_A | A\psi \rangle - \langle (A + I)\psi | O_A | (A + I)\psi \rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle = |+z\rangle$$

$$|A\psi\rangle = |-z\rangle$$

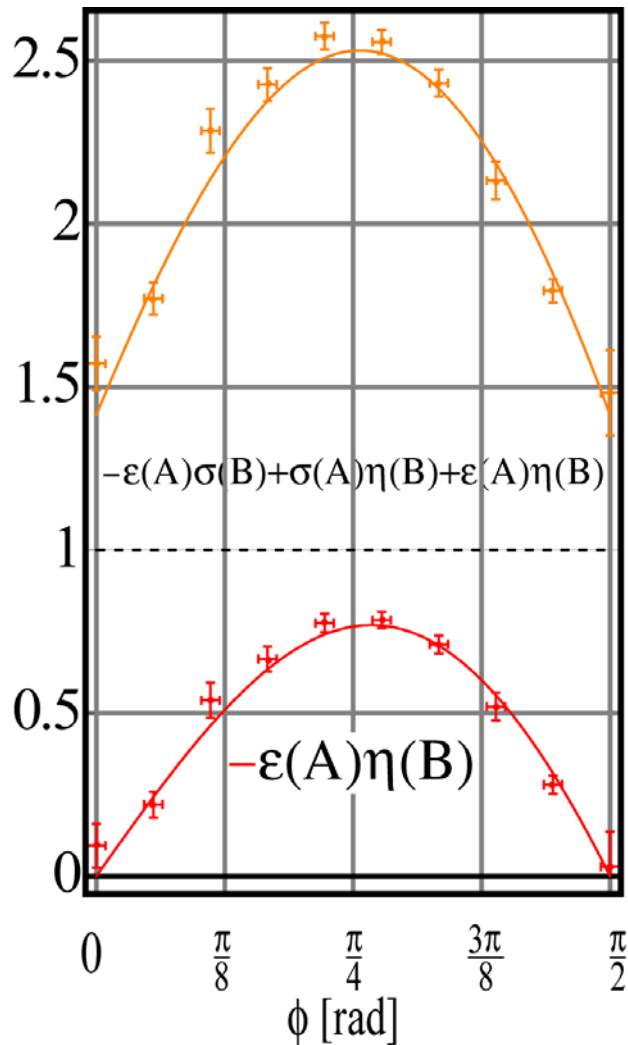
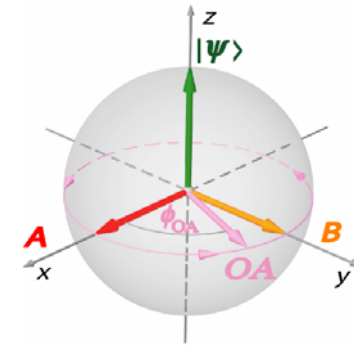
$$|(A + I)\psi\rangle = |+x\rangle$$

$$|\psi\rangle = |+z\rangle$$

$$|B\psi\rangle = |-z\rangle$$

$$|(B + I)\psi\rangle = |+y\rangle$$

Results: new/old uncertainty relation



New uncertainty principle

ϵ : error of the first measurement (A)
 η : disturbance on the second measurement (B)
 σ : standard deviations

standard deviations:
 $\sigma(B) = 0.9999(1)$
 $\sigma(A) = 0.9994(3)$

Heisenberg product

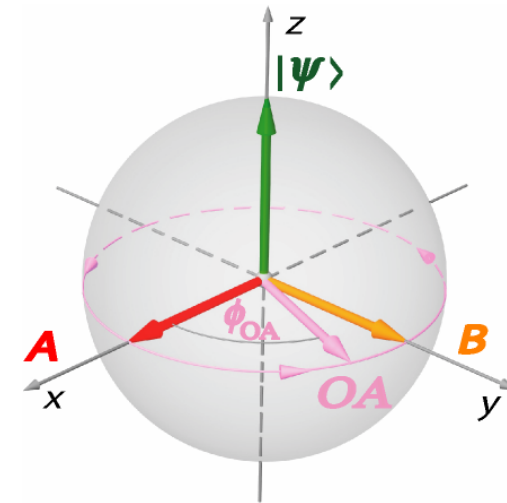
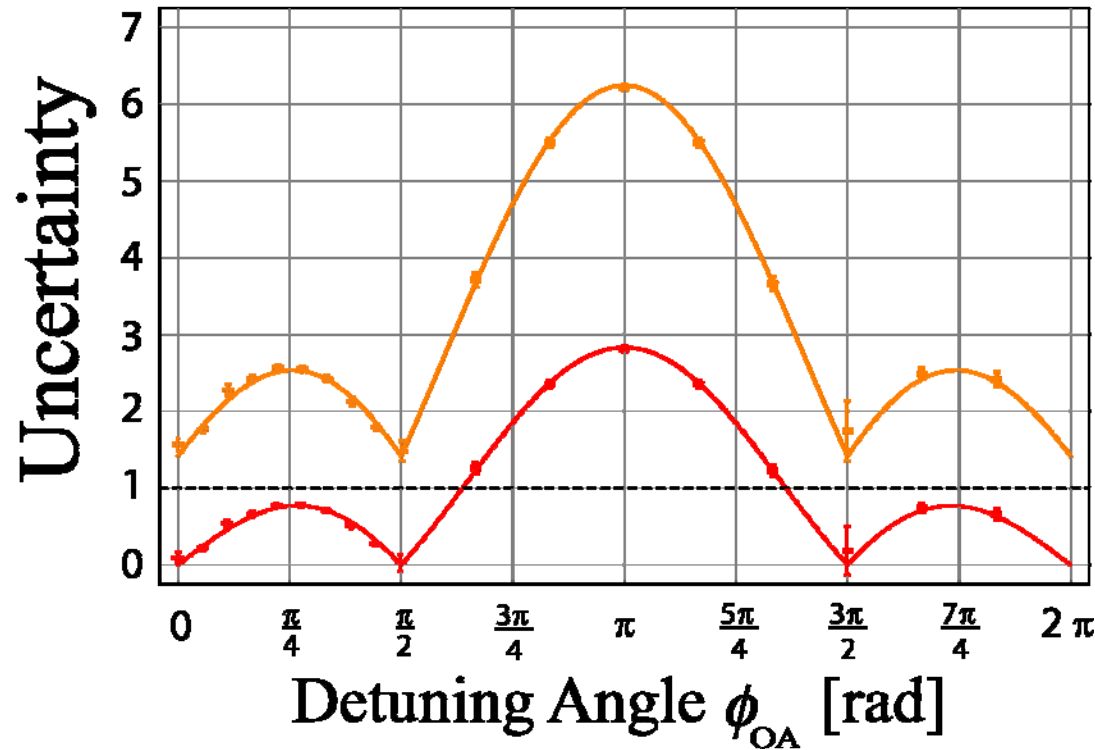
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Results 1: incident spin-state ($|s\rangle = |\theta, \phi\rangle$)

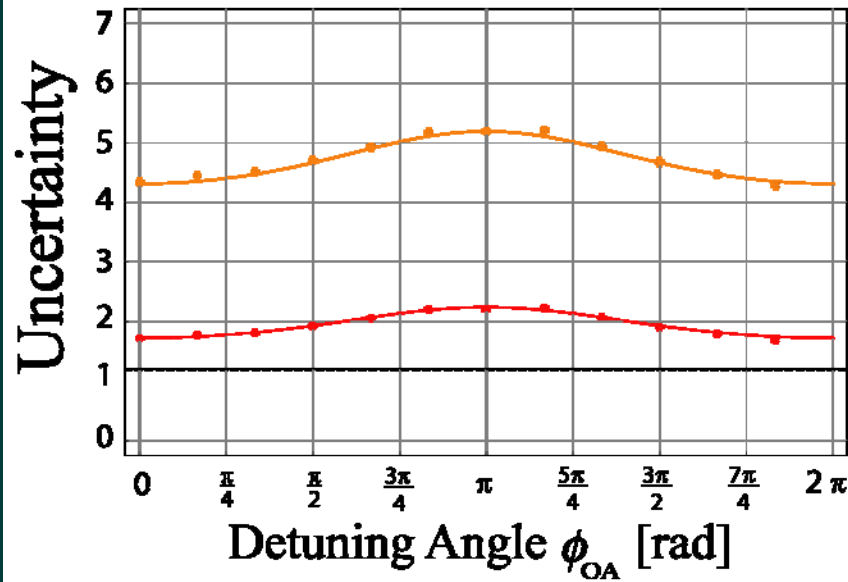


$$|s\rangle = |\theta = 0, \phi = 0\rangle$$

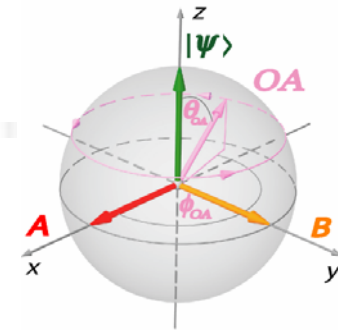
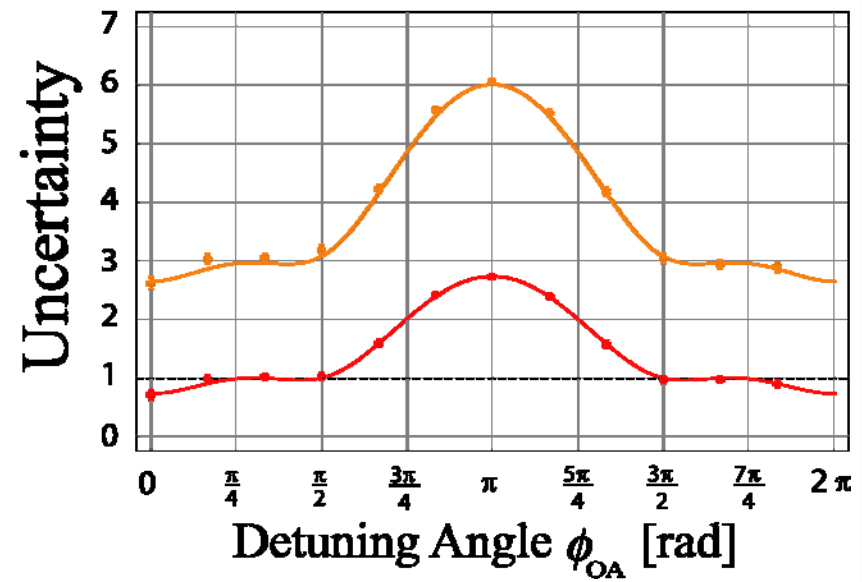
- $\varepsilon(A) \eta(B)$
- $\varepsilon(A) \eta(B) + \varepsilon(A) \sigma(B) + \sigma(A) \eta(B)$
- Heisenberg lower limit

Results 2: polar angle of O_A [$\theta(O_A)$]

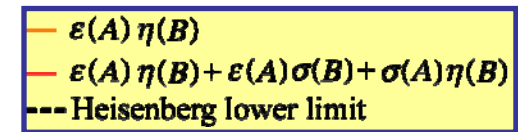
$$\theta(O_A) = \pi/12$$



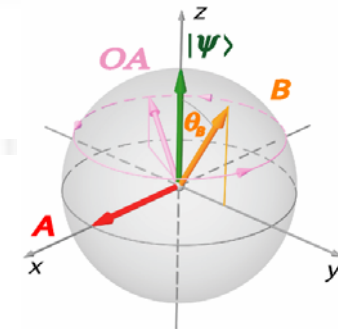
$$\theta(O_A) = \pi/3$$



New sum is always above border!

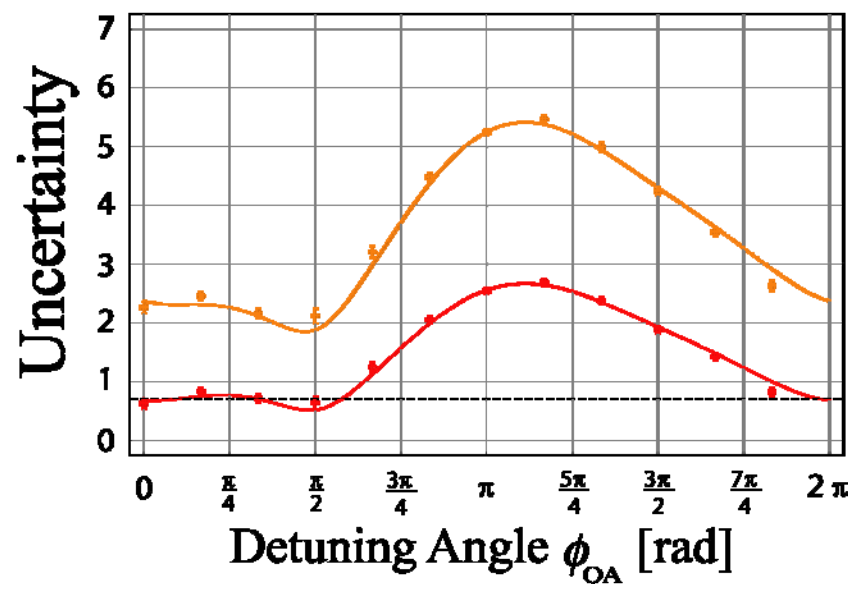
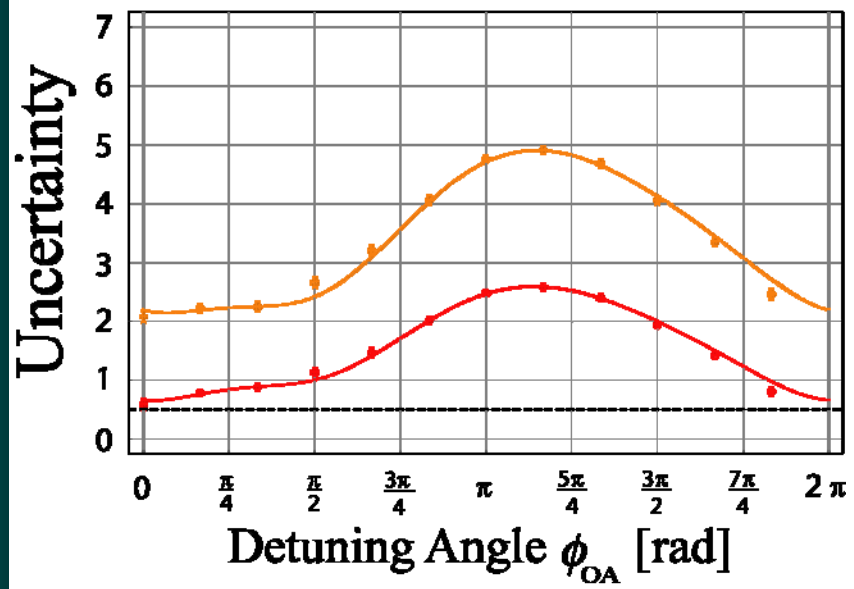


Results 3: polar angle of B [$\theta(B)$]



$$\theta(B) = \pi/6$$

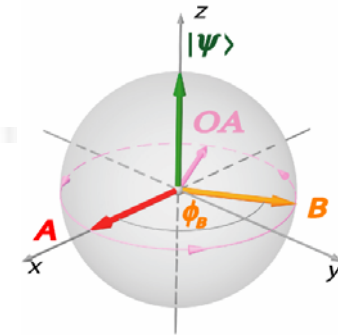
$$\theta(B) = \pi/4$$



Asymmetry appears!

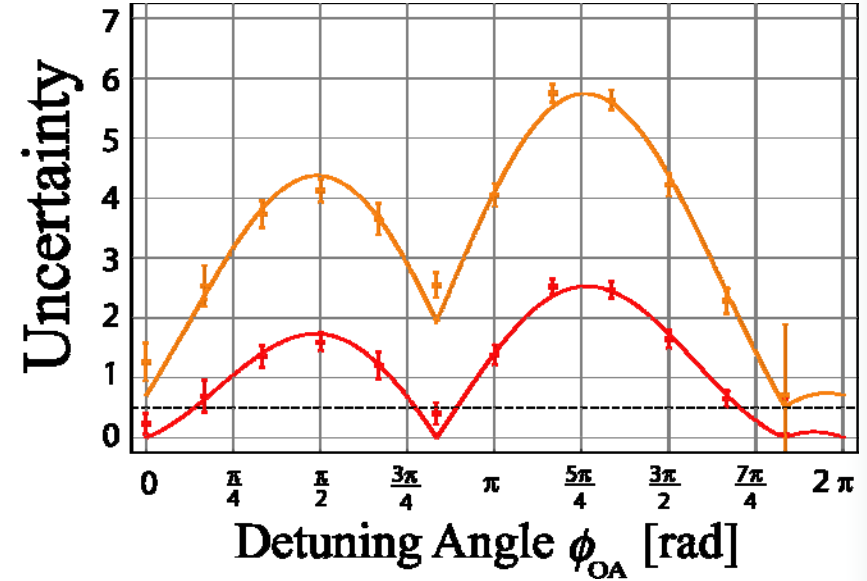
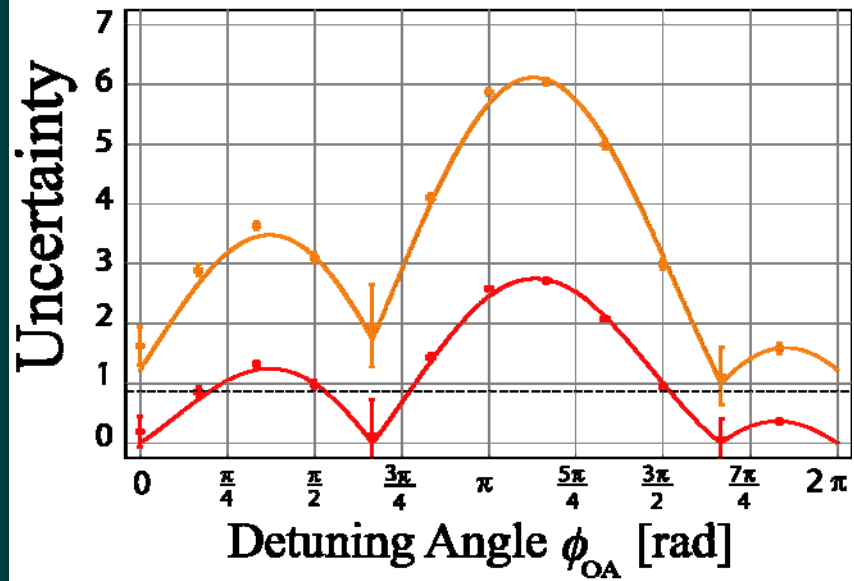
- $\varepsilon(A)\eta(B)$
- $\varepsilon(A)\eta(B) + \varepsilon(A)\sigma(B) + \sigma(A)\eta(B)$
- Heisenberg lower limit

Results 4: azimuthal angle of B [$\phi(B)$]



$$\phi(B) = 2\pi/3$$

$$\phi(B) = 5\pi/6$$



Sum touches the border!

- $\varepsilon(A) \eta(B)$
- $\varepsilon(A) \eta(B) + \varepsilon(A) \sigma(B) + \sigma(A) \eta(B)$
- Heisenberg lower limit



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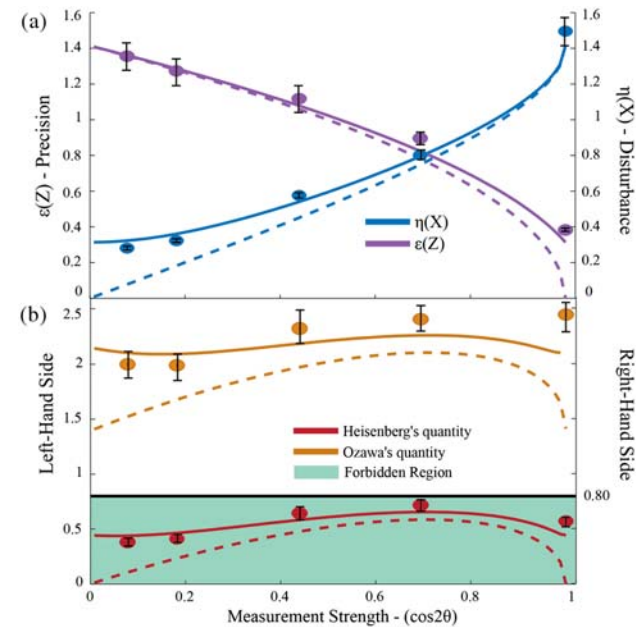
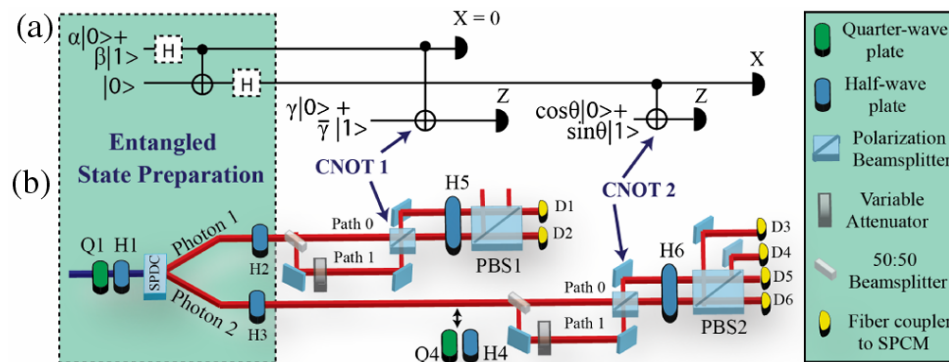
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Violation of Heisenberg's Measurement-Disturbance Relationship by Weak Measurements

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Experimental test of universal joint measurement uncertainty relations

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How well can one jointly measure two incompatible observables on a given quantum state?

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Heisenberg's uncertainty principle is one of the main tenets of quantum theory. Nevertheless, and despite its fundamental importance for our understanding of quantum foundations, there has been some confusion in its interpretation: although Heisenberg's first argument was that the measurement of one observable on a quantum state necessarily disturbs another incompatible observable, standard uncertainty relations typically bound the indeterminacy of the outcomes when either one or the other observable is measured. In this paper, we quantify precisely Heisenberg's intuition. Even if two incompatible observables cannot be measured together, one can still approximate their joint measurement, at the price of introducing some errors with respect to the ideal measurement of each of them. We present a new, tight relation characterizing the optimal trade-off between the error on one observable versus the error on the other. As a particular case, our approach allows us to characterize the disturbance of an observable induced by the approximate measurement of another one; we also derive a stronger error-disturbance relation for this scenario.



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Concluding remarks: error-disturbance uncertain relation

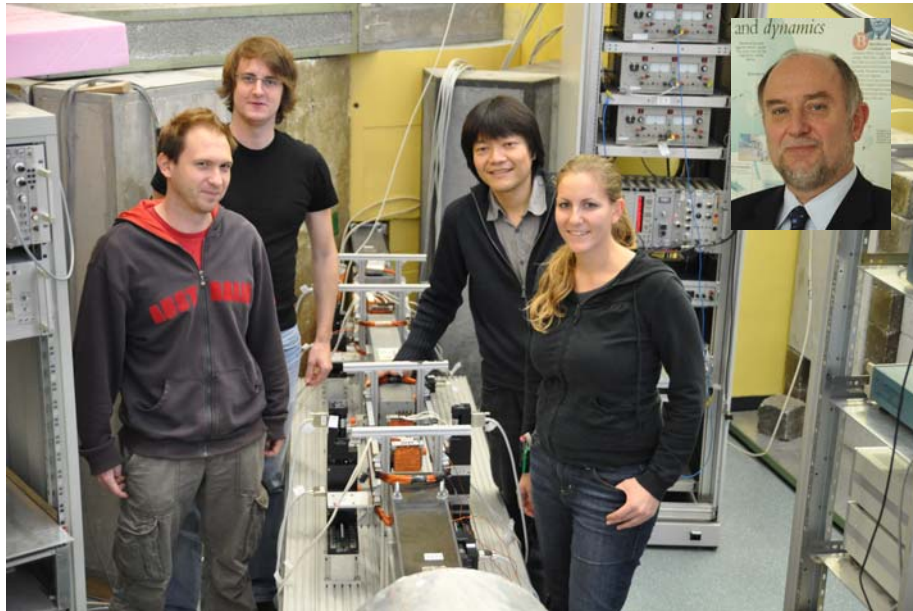
Universally valid uncertainty-relation by Ozawa is experimentally tested!

- **Neutron's spin measurement confirmed the new error-disturbance uncertainty relation.**
- **New sum is always above the limit!**
Heisenberg product is often below the limit!
- **Error & disturbance are determined from data.**
Projective measurements are exploited.



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Thank you very much
for your attention



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