

(iii) Why must a "realistic" interpretation of QM fail?

The no-signaling lemma

QM does sometimes predict facts (e.g., "relaxation to g.s., ...")

Yet, there remains an irred. element of chance whenever

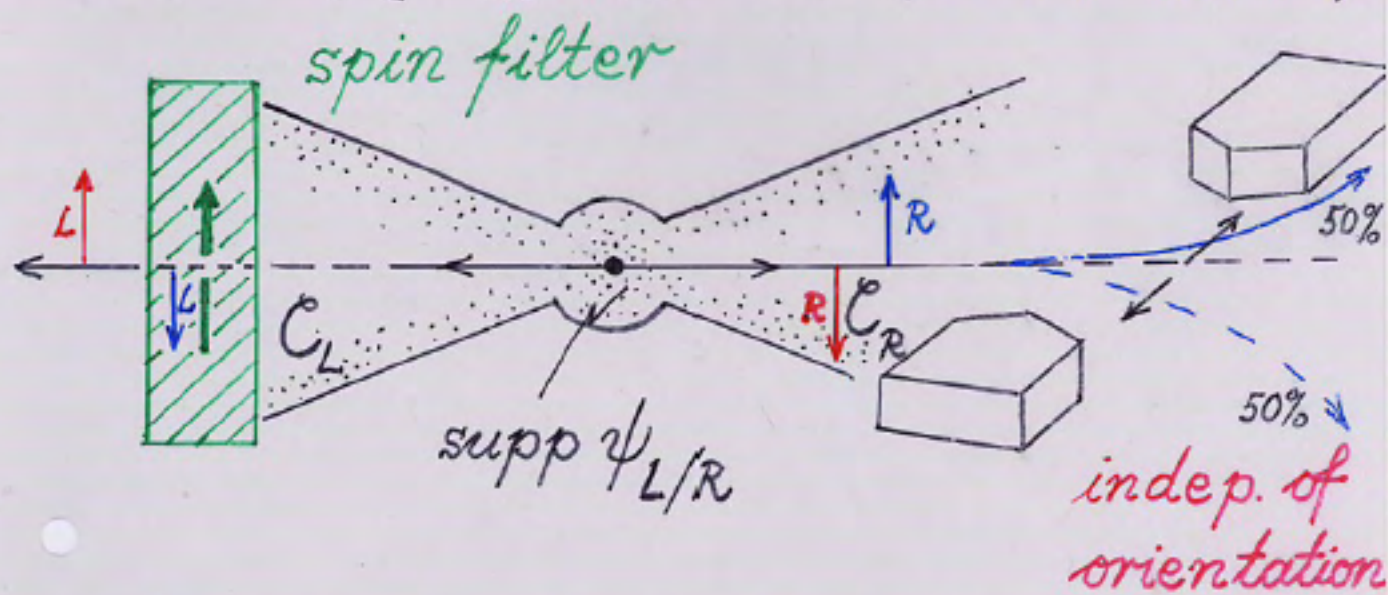
$A_S$  is non-abelian  $\Rightarrow \psi_t$  does not describe reality.

Example (n-s-l|FPS)

2 electrons prepared in spin-singlet state:



$$\Psi^{(2)} := (\psi_L \otimes \psi_R + \psi_R \otimes \psi_L) \otimes (|\uparrow\rangle \otimes |\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\rangle \otimes |\uparrow\rangle)$$



$L \uparrow$  transm.,  $L \downarrow$  absorbed

Experiment: If  $L \uparrow$  observed then  $R \downarrow$  predicted; (1)

if  $L \downarrow$  obs. then  $R \uparrow$  predicted

$\psi_{L/R}$  propagates into  $C_{L/R}$ , except for tiny tails.

Initial state of composed syst.:

$$\Phi_0 = \sum_{\alpha} \Psi_{\alpha}^{(2)} \otimes \chi_{\text{filter}, \alpha}$$

Dynamics:  $H = H_0 + H_I$

$H_0$ : dyn. of uncoupled syst.

$H_I$ : int. electrons-filter

localized around filter.

$$\Phi_t := e^{-itH} \Phi_0$$

Lemma ("no signaling")

Under "reasonable hyp." on  $H_I$ ,

$$\langle \Phi_t, \vec{S}_{e_R} \Phi_t \rangle \approx 0, \quad (2)$$

for all  $t$ .

Consequ. of Cook arg. & "cluster props." - Suppose that (R)

$$\langle \Phi_t, \vec{S}_{e_L} \Phi_t \rangle = (\hbar/2) \vec{e}_3 \quad (L\uparrow)^*$$

(2) & (L\uparrow)\*, or (L\downarrow), contradict (1)!



⇒  $(L \uparrow)^*$ , i.e.  $(R)$ , impossible!

⇒ Frequ. of transm. of left el. through filter  $\approx 1/2, \dots$

Thus,  $\Phi_t$  does **not** describe what happens in a **det.** way, but only what **may** happen.

Einstein causality not invoked.

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# Dictionary

$M$ : state space (a top. space)	$\xleftrightarrow{\text{Gel'fand}}$	A $C^*$ -algebra
$\mathcal{A} = C_0(M)$		$\mathcal{A}$ (e.g., $= M_n(\mathbb{C})$ )
$\mathcal{O} = C_R(M)$		$\mathcal{O} = \text{list of } \underline{\text{s.a. ops}} \in \mathcal{A}$
Homeos., flows on $M$		* automorphisms of $\mathcal{A}$
$\leftrightarrow$ automs. of $C_0(M)$		$(\tau_{t,s}, \dots)$

Vector bundles over $M$ ( $\rightarrow$ Swan-Serre $\rightarrow$ )	(Finitely gen.) proj. modules over $A$
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Prob. measures $\mu, \omega, \dots$	$\mathcal{I}$ - states $\mu, \omega, \dots$ on $A$
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GNS construction

$(A, \omega) \mapsto (\mathcal{H}_\omega, \pi_\omega, \Omega \in \mathcal{H}_\omega)$  with

$$\omega(a) = \langle \Omega, \pi_\omega(a) \Omega \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_\omega}, \quad \forall a \in A \quad (3)$$

$L^\infty(M, [\omega])$	$\mathcal{A}_{[\omega]}^\infty := \overline{\pi_\omega(A)}^\omega \subseteq B(\mathcal{H}_\omega)$
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$\sigma$ -alg., $\Sigma$ (Borel sets)	(sub)alg. of "events"
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Boltzmann-, K-S-  
entropy

von Neumann-, qm  
K-S entropy

Gibbs states, DLR

KMS states

Tomita-Takesaki th.

cond. prob., cond.  
exp.; Radon-Nikod.

cond. exp.  
NC Radon-Nikodym

Stoch. processes on  
M

Semigroups of compl.  
positive maps (Lindbl.)

Martingales

decoherent histories