

This is called Larmor Precession

ω is the Larmor Frequency.

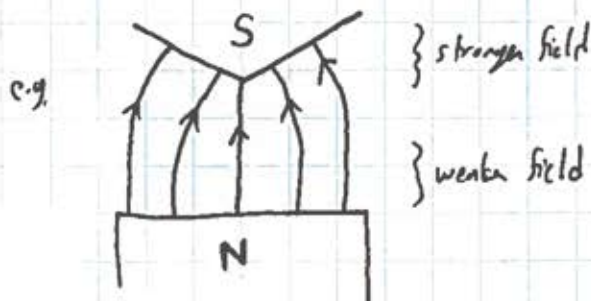
introducing a tie-dip. constant \vec{B} can cause well-defined behavior: absorb or emission of a photon w/ L.F. to "flip spin" \rightarrow underlies NMR!

$\tau_{resonance}$: match $\gamma \omega$ w/ Larmor ω .

Stern-Gerlach

Other effects of a dipole in a magnetic field? Classically:

Force $\vec{F} = \nabla(\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B})$ (force in a non-uniform B-field. Look! $F = -\nabla U$, as expected)



$$\vec{B} = -\alpha x \hat{x} + (B_0 + \alpha z) \hat{z}$$

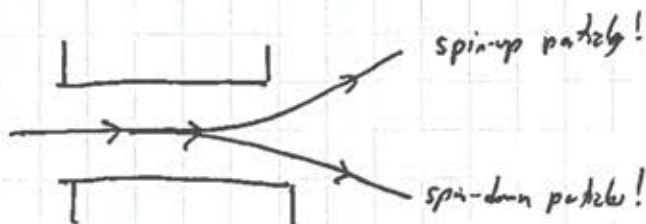
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$$\vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B} = -\alpha \mu_x x + B_0 \mu_z + \alpha \mu_z z$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{F} = -\alpha(\mu_x \hat{x} - \mu_z \hat{z}) =$$

$$" \vec{F} " = \gamma \alpha (-\hat{S}_x \hat{x} + \hat{S}_z \hat{z}) \Rightarrow " \vec{F}_z " = \gamma \alpha S_z$$

\hookrightarrow Larmor makes this not relevant



Look! A device that actually "makes a measurement"!

More precisely, what happens is the

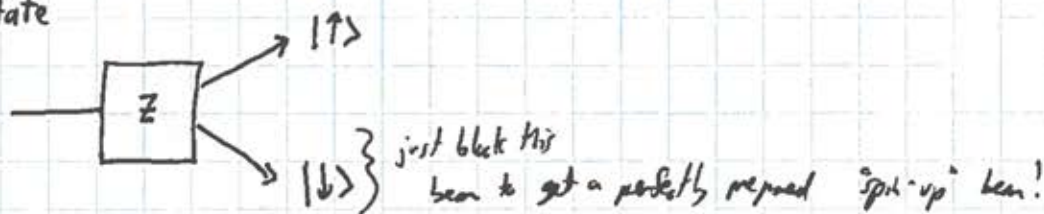
spin-up part because a wave-fn w/ $p_z > 0$
spin-down part because a wave-fn w/ $p_z < 0$ \Rightarrow wave-packet split in two: spreads



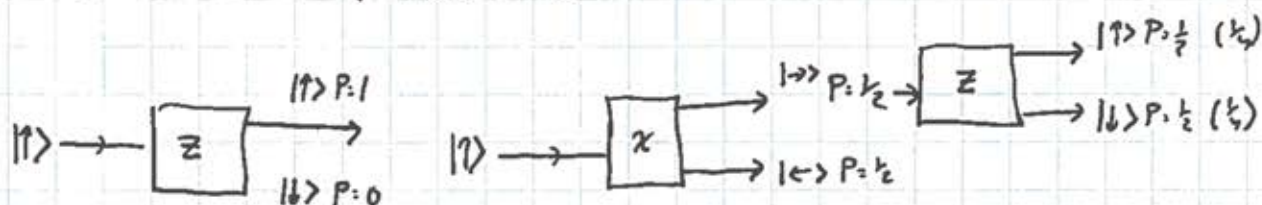
Measurement
entangles
space & spin
d.o.f.

Then now let us really explore: test quantum ideas!

• Preparing a state



SG filters act like polarizers in light!



In HW, we see that rotations are generated by ang. mom.

$$\hat{U}(\hat{n}, \theta) = e^{-i\theta \hat{n} \cdot \hat{L} / \hbar}$$

e.g. $\hat{U}(\hat{x}, \theta) \psi(\vec{x}) = \psi(\vec{R}_{\hat{x}} \vec{x})$

\hat{L} rotated \vec{x} about \hat{n} by θ

$$(\hat{T}(a) \psi)(x) = \psi(x-a)$$

Interesting fact about rotating spins:

$$\hat{U}(\hat{n}, 2\pi) = (-1)^{2s} \mathbb{I} \quad \text{on a spin-}s \text{ spinor} \Rightarrow \hat{U}(\hat{n}, 2\pi) |\chi\rangle = (-1)^{2s} |\chi\rangle$$

\mathbb{I} just = phase

→ physically measurable things are invariant under rotation by 2π but the state isn't! reason:

• integer spins do, actually, But half-integer spins require a 4π (720°) rotation

(fact relating $SU(2)$ to $SO(3)$)

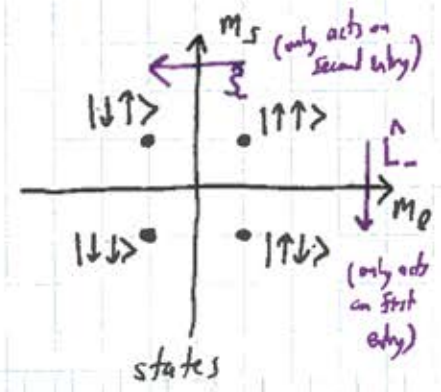
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spin rotations space rotations

• Dirac cup trick

Look @ spin- $\frac{1}{2}$ + spin- $\frac{1}{2}$

$|l \ s \ m_l \ m_s\rangle$ basis:

$$\begin{matrix} m_j = +1 & m_j = 0 & m_j = 0 & m_j = -1 \\ \hline \{ |1\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, |1\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |1\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |1\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \} \\ \hline l = \frac{1}{2} & s = \frac{1}{2} \\ m_l = +\frac{1}{2} & m_s = +\frac{1}{2} \end{matrix}$$



How to create J^2, J_z basis?

• Given (l, s) find possible values of j, m_j

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = 0, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1 \Rightarrow j = 0, 1$$

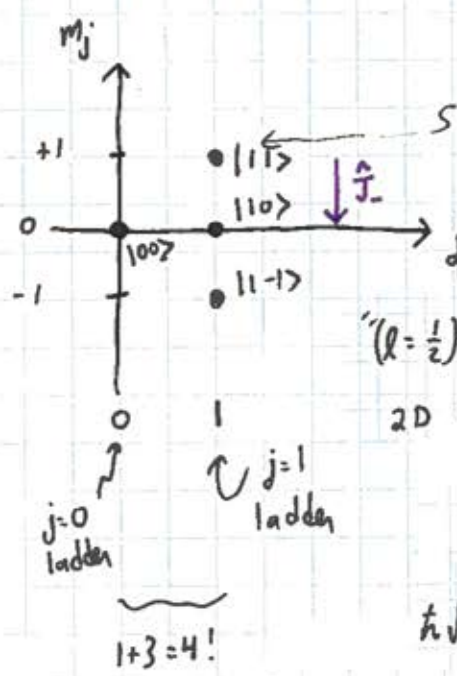
$$m_j = 0 \quad m_j = -1, 0, 1$$

We write this as

$$\frac{1}{2} \otimes \frac{1}{2} = 0 \oplus 1$$

$\begin{matrix} l & s & j\text{-values} \end{matrix}$

dim: $2 \times 2 = 1 + 3$ ✓



5 top-most rung of highest-weight ladder $|11\rangle$ = "stretch state"
only m_l, m_s state that can go into this is $|1\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$

• Declare

$$|11\rangle = |1\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

Climb down the rungs w/ \hat{J}_-

$$\hat{J}_- = \hat{L}_- + \hat{S}_-$$

$$\hat{J}_- |11\rangle = (\hat{L}_- + \hat{S}_-) |1\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$\hbar \sqrt{1(1+1) - 1(1-1)} |1,0\rangle = (\hat{L}_- |1\uparrow\rangle) |1\uparrow\rangle + |1\uparrow\rangle (\hat{S}_- |1\uparrow\rangle)$$

$$= \hbar \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}+1) - \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)} |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + \hbar \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}+1) - \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{2}-1)} |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle$$

$$\hbar \sqrt{2} |1,0\rangle = \hbar (|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle) \Rightarrow |10\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

$$\hat{J}_- |10\rangle = (\hat{L}_- + \hat{S}_-) (\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle))$$

$$\hbar \sqrt{1(1+1) - 0(0-1)} |1,-1\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [(\hat{L}_- |1\uparrow\rangle) |\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\rangle (\hat{S}_- |\downarrow\rangle) + (\hat{L}_- |\downarrow\rangle) |\uparrow\rangle + |\downarrow\rangle \hat{S}_- |\uparrow\rangle]$$

$$\hbar \sqrt{2} |1,-1\rangle = \hbar [|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle]$$

$$|1,-1\rangle = |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$$

(know $|1,-1\rangle = e^{i\varphi} |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$ but this shows we can take phase to be 1 consistently!)

But what about the lonely $100>$ state?

Well, we know that $|00\rangle$ & $|10\rangle$ can only contain $|1\uparrow\rangle$ & $|1\downarrow\rangle$
(others don't have $m_y = m_x, m_z = 0$)

and they are orthogonal, $\langle 10 | 00 \rangle = 0$

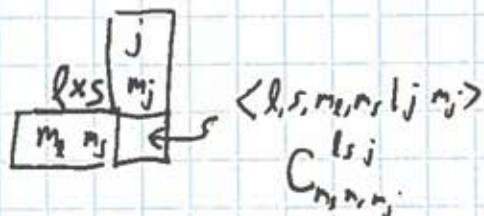
$$\cdot |10\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle \quad \cdot |00\rangle = a|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + b|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle$$

• orthogonal $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}b = 0 \Rightarrow b = -a$

normal $\Rightarrow |a|^2, |b|^2, 2|a|^2, 1 \Rightarrow |a| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

Ein Phase Convention: All coefficients real, coefficient on term w/ greatest m_0 is positive

$$\Rightarrow |00\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle]$$



Unsampled Basis

 $|\uparrow\uparrow\rangle, |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle, |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle, |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Coupled Ben's

$|00\rangle$ $|11\rangle$ $|10\rangle$ $|1-1\rangle$
 "singlet" "triplet"

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Total rotations leave singlet state alone & just mix up the triplet states in uncoupled basis, rot. operator as a mess. In coupled basis, much cleaner!

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

usual spin-1/2 rotation matrices

This simple case shows up in lots of places!

e.g. "21 cm line of Hydrogen"

Some good Qs are to write the basis operators like $L_z, J_z, J^2, L \cdot S$ in either basis!

• In Hydrogen, spin of nucleus (proton) can interact w/ spin of electron!

Most visible in Hydrogen g.s. (200 - 200)

$$\text{Energy: } \hat{H}_{hf} = A \hat{\mu}_e \cdot \hat{\mu}_p = A \gamma_e \gamma_p \hat{S}_e \cdot \hat{S}_p$$

we e, p instead of e, s subscripts

electron spin proton spin

• In $m_e m_p$ basis

$$\hat{S}_e \cdot \hat{S}_p |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle = (\hat{S}_e |\uparrow\rangle) \cdot (\hat{S}_p |\uparrow\rangle)$$

$$\hat{S}_e |\uparrow\rangle \Rightarrow \frac{\hbar}{2} [\sigma_x \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{x} + \sigma_y \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{y} + \sigma_z \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{z}] = \frac{\hbar}{2} [\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \hat{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ i \end{pmatrix} \hat{y} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{z}]$$

$$\hat{S}_e |\downarrow\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{2} [\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{x} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -i \end{pmatrix} \hat{y} + \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{z}]$$

$$\frac{\hbar^2}{4} [|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{x} + i|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{y} + |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{z}] \cdot [|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{x} + i|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{y} + |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{z}] = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} [|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle - |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle] = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle$$

$$\hat{S}_e \cdot \hat{S}_p |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} [|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{x} + i|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{y} + |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{z}] \cdot [|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{x} - i|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{y} - |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle \hat{z}]$$

$$= \frac{\hbar^2}{4} [|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + |\downarrow\downarrow\rangle - |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle] = \frac{\hbar^2}{4} [2|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle - |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle]$$

$$\hat{H}_{hf} = A \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

uncoupled basis is good interaction basis!

But in Coupled basis, $\hat{S}_0 \cdot \hat{S}_p = \frac{1}{2}(\hat{J}^2 - \hat{S}_0^2 - \hat{S}_p^2)$

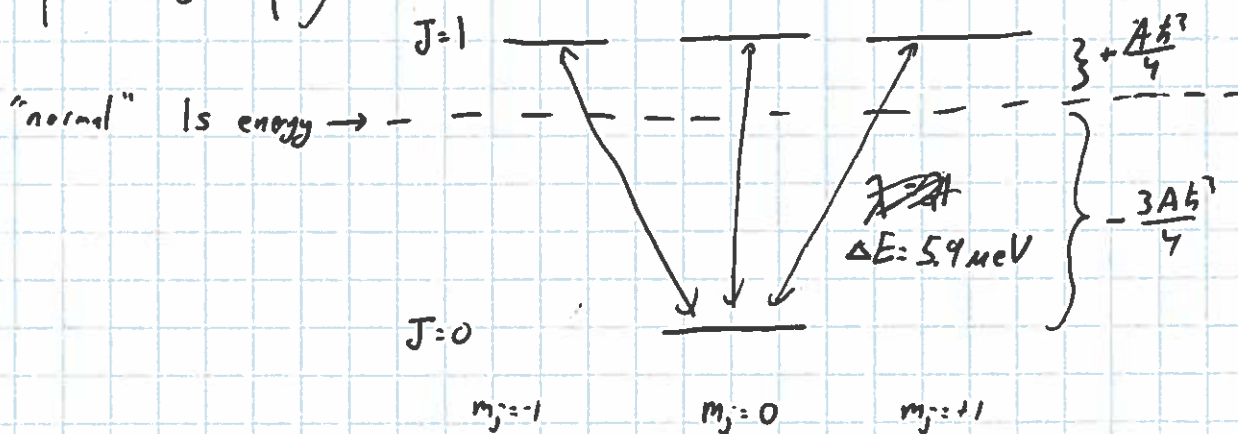
$\hat{J}^2 |j m_j\rangle = \hbar^2 j(j+1) |j m_j\rangle$ $\hat{S}_{0,p}^2 |j m_j\rangle = \hbar^2 \frac{3}{4} |j m_j\rangle$

$\Rightarrow \hat{S}_0 \cdot \hat{S}_p |00\rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} [0 - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{4}] |00\rangle = -\frac{3}{4} \hbar^2 |00\rangle$

$\hat{S}_0 \cdot \hat{S}_p |1 m_j\rangle = \frac{\hbar^2}{2} [2 - \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{4}] |1 m_j\rangle = +\frac{\hbar^2}{4} |1 m_j\rangle$

$A \frac{\hbar^2}{4} \begin{pmatrix} -3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow |j m_j\rangle$ are interaction/easy eigenstates!



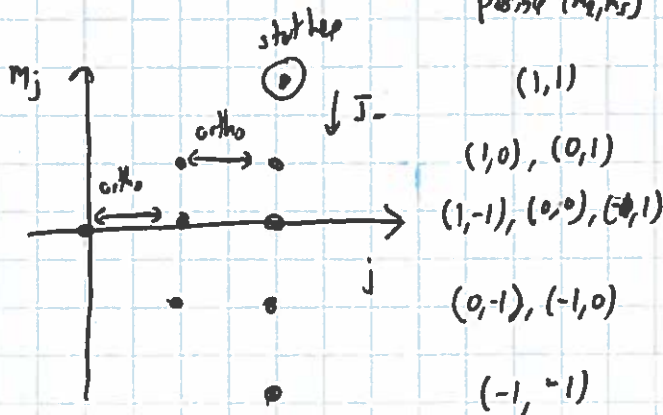
$\lambda = 21 \text{ cm!}$

Another important addition situation: $\ell=1$ $s=1$

$1 \otimes 1 = 0 \oplus 1 \oplus 2$

3×3

$1 + 3 + 5$
↑ ↑ ↑
singlet triplet quintuplet



This pops up classically. A "1" or triplet transforms under rotations like a vector

Combining two vectors gives us three special objects under rotations:

- $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}$, which transforms as a scalar ($j=0$ - singlet!)
- $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$, which transforms as a vector (3 components - triplet - $j=1$!)
- $\frac{1}{2}(A_1 B_2 + A_2 B_1) - \frac{1}{3}(\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}) \delta_{33}$, = 5 components which form a transverse symmetric tensor (quintuplet)
e.g. Quadrupole Moment! ($j=2$)

Entanglement & EPR

I can't tell you before the measurement what the values are
but if I measure one aspect of the system I automatically learn
a result of a ~~diff~~ measurement of a different aspect.

or
I know less about the parts than I do about the whole!

mathematically, state is not "simple" $|\varphi\rangle|\psi\rangle$

Entangled state

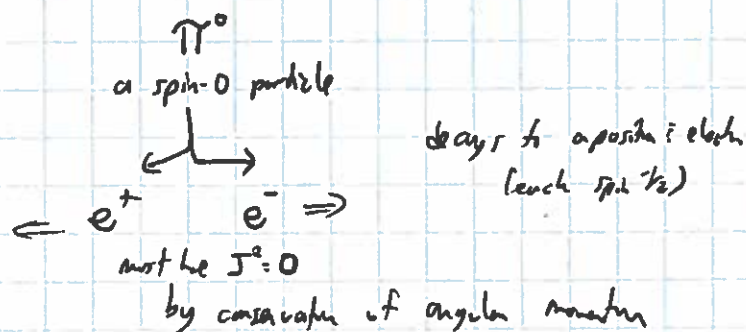
Setup: 2 particles

Typical example: Singlet state!

$$|00\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

e.g. I can produce this by the decay of a π^0 meson

$$\begin{array}{c} \pi^0 \quad S_z = 0 \\ |00\rangle \\ \downarrow \\ |\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 00\rangle \\ \uparrow \\ S_1 = \frac{1}{2} \quad S_2 = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{cons. of ang.} \end{array}$$



I measure
positron spin



I measure
electron spin



EPR experiment:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \pi^0 \leftarrow s=0 \\
 & \Rightarrow |00\rangle \\
 & \text{decay} \downarrow \\
 & e^+ \quad e^- \\
 & \text{Total ang is } 0 \Rightarrow |s, s_z, m_j\rangle = |\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 00\rangle \\
 & \Rightarrow |00\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\underbrace{|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle}_{\substack{+\text{up} \\ -\text{down}}} - \underbrace{|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle}_{\substack{-\text{up} \\ +\text{down}}}) \leftarrow \text{entangled}
 \end{aligned}$$



If sees spin up \Rightarrow "measure S_{1z} , get $+\hbar/2$ "

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - \cancel{|\downarrow\uparrow\rangle}) \Rightarrow |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle \leftarrow \text{collapsed state!} \\
 & \Rightarrow \text{must find spin down : vice-versa.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Paradox: How does 2nd particle "know" the collapse has happened!?

Does this mean FTL? Can we use this to communicate?

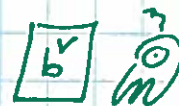
No.

It's only when the two compare their answers that the conclusion is evident
(we don't know what the other made a measurement)

Soln 1: Hidden variables (QM is "incomplete" - there's something underneath we just don't know about, like in thermo.)

<rock example>

Bell: Here's an experiment: Look at correlation in spin measurements.



Define: $F = \text{average of } \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \text{sign of} \\ A \end{smallmatrix} \right) \times \left(\begin{smallmatrix} \text{sign of} \\ B \end{smallmatrix} \right)$

Singlet: $F(\vec{z}, \vec{z}) = -1$ (if \neq then $-$ if $=$ then $+$ w/ 100%)

In general, we can determine $F(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = -\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$

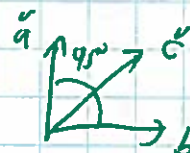
$$\langle S_{1a} S_{2b} \rangle = \langle (\vec{a} \cdot \hat{S}_1)(\vec{b} \cdot \hat{S}_2) \rangle = -\frac{\hbar^2}{4} \cos \theta$$

(exercise on stat!)

If there was a classical hidden thing determining the behaviour the outcome of the experiment (so that \uparrow is from ignorance of a knowable thing) then we must have

$$|F(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) - F(\vec{a}, \vec{c})| \leq |F(\vec{b}, \vec{c})| \quad \text{see 12.2 in math.}$$

But our QM result violates this!



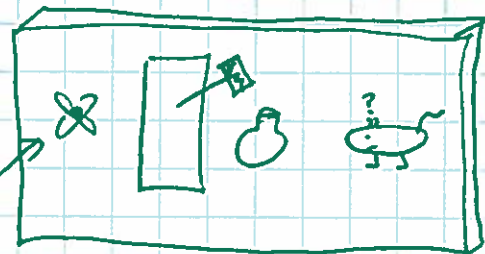
$$F(a, b) = 0$$

$$F(b, c) = F(a, c) = -\cos(45^\circ) = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$0.707 \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \neq \left| -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right| = 0.293$$

Sch. Cat is another entanglement!

IF nucleus decays, cyanide kills cat



$$\text{after } 1 \text{ hr, } |\text{nucleus state}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\text{undecayed}\rangle + |\text{decayed}\rangle)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|\text{un, alive}\rangle + |\text{dec, dead}\rangle)$$

quantum thing!

we don't see this due to decoherence of macroscopic objects.