#### From a loophole-free Bell test to a quantum Internet

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#### Bell's theorem (CHSH game)



**One rule:** no communication during a round!

 $\text{Score:} S = |\langle A \cdot B \rangle_{00} + \langle A \cdot B \rangle_{01} + \langle A \cdot B \rangle_{10} - \langle A \cdot B \rangle_{11}|$ 

Local realism/causality holds + random inputs and final outputs

 $P(A|a, b, B, \lambda) = P(A|a, \lambda)$   $P(B|a, b, A, \lambda) = P(B|b, \lambda)$   $P(\lambda|a, b) = P(\lambda)$   $S \le 2$ 

Quantum mechanics holds entangled states:

$$\left|\Psi^{-}\right\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\left(\left|\uparrow\downarrow\right\rangle - \left|\downarrow\uparrow\right\rangle\right)$$

$$\implies S \le 2\sqrt{2}$$

Local Realism and Quantum Mechanics are mathematically incompatible

## From Bell's theorem to a Bell test: definition of "loophole free"

#### **Testable local realistic theories:**



Loophole-free Bell experiment = test theories with this **minimal** set of assumptions

#### Extra assumptions $\rightarrow$ loopholes:

For example:

- 1. Assume fair sampling (detection loophole)
- 2. Assume no communication (locality loophole)
- 3. Assume no memory (memory loophole)

#### Why close loopholes? Exclude:

- 1. Local realist theories (Nature)
- 2. Systematic errors (Physicists)
- 3. Hacking (Adversaries)

# **Experimental Bell inequality violations**

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Aspect (1982), Zeilinger (1998), Gisin (1998)

Nearby ions, superc. qubits, photons (assuming no communication)



Wineland (2001), Monroe (2008), Martinis (2009), Weinfurter (2012), Zeilinger, Kwiat (2013)

Conflicting requirements for loophole-free test:

• Efficient state detection

ideally the boxes yield output values on each trial

• Large separation

distance should ensure no communication occurs during a trial

For a recent review on Bell nonlocality see Brunner et al., RMP 86, 419 (2014)

#### Bell's own solution: an event-ready detector

J.S. Bell, Bertlmann's socks and the nature of reality (1981)



"We are only interested in the "yes"s, which confirm that everything has got off to a good start"

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#### NV centers in diamond: the toolbox



Pioneering work by Stuttgart, Harvard, Chicago, Ulm,...

#### NV centers in diamond: our toolbox





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Many related works by Stuttgart, Chicago, Harvard, HP, ...

## Initialization and readout by resonant excitation



#### Creating entanglement between distant electrons



We use entanglement swapping to realize an event-ready scheme

Bell test proposals using entanglement swapping:
Zukowski et al., PRL (1993)
Simon & Irvine, PRL (2003)
Our entanglement scheme: Barrett and Kok, PRA 2005

Experiments with other systems: Monroe group, Nature 2007 (ions) Weinfurter group, Science 2012 (atoms) Rempe group, Nature 2012 (atoms) Imamoglu group, Nat. Phys. 2015 (QDs)

#### Heralded remote entanglement



#### Unconditional remote qubit teleportation

"every time Alice inserts her qubit in the teleporter, it ends up at Bob's site" - Science 345, 532 (2014)

• theory: Bennett et al., PRL (1993)



Average

experiment model w/o feed-fwd

#### Fall 2014: loophole-free Bell setup ready







#### December 2014: entanglement over 1.3km!





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X-basis correlations 52 events

Estimated state fidelity = (84±6)% => ENTANGLEMENT!!!

## May 2015: correlation measurements on new Alice/Bob



- state fidelity > (83±5)% (strict lower bound): proves entanglement
- our best estimate for state fidelity = 92%
- using this data we fixed parameters for Bell test

#### **Experimental scheme**





- Event-ready signal space-like separated from RNG
- A and B space-like separated during the trial (i.e. from RNG up to output recording)
- Additional timing buffer of 230ns

# June/July 2015: first loophole-free Bell test



Null hypothesis test: p-value = 0.039

the probability that the observed data or more extreme could result under the assumption that the experiment is ruled by a local realist model.

Hensen et al., arXiv:1508.05949 (August 2015) Nature 526, 682 (2015)

Science Top 10 Breakthroughs of the Year



One of the "10 science events that shaped 2015"

#### Demonstration of quantum superiority



#### Results corroborated by 4 more recent Bell tests

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#### Significant-Loophole-Free Test of Bell's Theorem with Entangled Photons

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Strong Loophole-Free Test of Local Realism<sup>\*</sup>

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second Bell test @Delft (december 2015)  $S \approx 2.35$  on 300 trials, in agreement with our first result

Weinfurter group @Munich (december 2015) "Showing violations but setup not yet fully stable" – Harald Weinfurter

#### Towards quantum networks



#### Quantum network node



#### Goal 1: modular quantum computing architecture



### Goal 2: long-range quantum networks



- Fundamental tests
- Quantum Internet (for e.g device-independent crypto)

#### Recent Delft results on quantum network nodes



Active quantum error correction: logical qubit with improved dephasing times



#### Summary & outlook: towards quantum networks





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