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Quantum Imaging

- Entangled state and thermal light

- Foundamental and applications

Optical Projection (Chinese shadow, x-ray, ...)



Momentum $(p_1) \implies$ Momentum (p_2)

No image plane is defined.

Optical Imaging:



Point (object Plane) \longrightarrow Point (image plane)Position (x_1) \longrightarrow Position (x_2)

 $\frac{1}{S_0} + \frac{1}{S_i} = \frac{1}{f} \text{ and } \Delta(x_1 - x_2) = 0 \qquad \begin{cases} \text{Geometric optics} \\ \text{Image lens:} \longrightarrow \infty \end{cases}$

Spatial Resolution





"Ghost" Imaging with entangled photon pairs

$$\Delta \vec{x}_1 = \infty \quad \Delta \vec{x}_2 = \infty \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2 = 0$$

$$\Delta \vec{k}_1 = \infty \quad \Delta \vec{k}_2 = \infty \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \vec{k}_1 + \vec{k}_2 = 0$$







"Ghost" Image and "Ghost" Interference EPR Experiment in momentum-position PRL, 74, 3600 (1995); PRA, 52, R3429 (1995).

Classical: never! - classical statistical measurements

$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) = \sqrt{(\Delta x_1)^2 + (\Delta x_2)^2} > Max(\Delta x_1, \Delta x_2)$$

$$\Delta(p_1 + p_2) = \sqrt{(\Delta p_1)^2 + (\Delta p_2)^2} > Max(\Delta p_1, \Delta p_2)$$

* H = H₁ + H₂; H_{interaction} = 0
* Space-like separated measurement events.
(1) No interaction between two distant quanta;
(2) No action-at-a-distance between individual measurements.

To EPR: the two quanta are independent as well as the measurements, so that

$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) = \sqrt{(\Delta x_1)^2 + (\Delta x_2)^2} > Max(\Delta x_1, \Delta x_2)$$

$$\Delta(p_1 + p_2) = \sqrt{(\Delta p_1)^2 + (\Delta p_2)^2} > Max(\Delta p_1, \Delta p_2)$$

Classically correlated systems: one may consider building an ensemble of particle-pairs to force each pair with $p_1 + p_2 = p_0$ and $\Delta p_1 = 0$, $\Delta p_2 = 0$, so that $\Delta(p_1 + p_2) = 0$. In this case, however, $\Delta(x_1 - x_2) \sim \infty$

Quantum: yes! - EPR: if the two quanta are entangled

$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) = 0$$
$$\Delta(p_1 + p_2) = 0$$

Although
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \Delta x_1 = \infty, \quad \Delta x_2 = \infty \\ \Delta p_1 = \infty, \quad \Delta p_2 = \infty \end{array} \right\}$$

Can quantum mechanical physical reality be considered complete?

Einstein, Poldosky, Rosen, Phys. Rev. 47, 777 (1935).

(1) <u>Proposed</u> the entangled two-particle state according to the principle of quantum superposition:

$$\Psi(x_1, x_2) = \int dp \,\psi_p(x_2) u_p(x_1) \Rightarrow \delta(x_1 - x_2 + x_0)$$
$$\overline{\Psi}(p_1, p_2) = \int dx \,\varphi_x(x_2) v_x(x_1) \Rightarrow \delta(p_1 + p_2)$$

(2) <u>Pointed out</u> an surprising phenomenon: the momentum (position) for neither subsystem is determinate; however, if one particle is measured to have a certain momentum (position), the momentum (position) of its "twin" is determined with certainty, *despite the distance between them!* The apparent contradiction deeply troubled Einstein.

While one sees the measurement on (p_1+p_2) and (x_1-x_2) of two individual particles satisfy the EPR δ -function and believes the classical inequality, one might easily be trapped into considering either there is a violation of the uncertainty principle or there exists action-at-a-distance.

Violation of the uncertainty principle ?

$$\Delta(p_1+p_2)=0 \quad \Delta(x_1-x_2)=0$$

Simultaneously !

 (p_1+p_2) and (x_1-x_2) are not conjugate variables !!!!

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x_1, x_2) &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int dp_1 dp_2 \,\delta(p_1 + p_2) e^{ip_1 x_1/\hbar} e^{ip_2 (x_2 - x_0)/\hbar} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int d(p_1 + p_2) \delta(p_1 + p_2) e^{i(p_1 + p_2)(x_1 + x_2)/2\hbar} \\ &\quad \times \int d(p_1 - p_2)/2 \, e^{i(p_1 - p_2)(x_1 - x_2)/2\hbar} \\ &= 1 \times \delta(x_1 - x_2 + x_0) \end{split}$$

$$\overline{\Psi}(p_1, p_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int dx_1 dx_2 \,\delta(x_1 - x_2 + x_0) e^{-ip_1 x_1/\hbar} e^{-ip_2 (x_2 - x_0)/\hbar}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi\hbar} \int d(x_1 + x_2) e^{-i(p_1 + p_2)(x_1 + x_2)/2\hbar}$$

$$\times \int d(x_1 - x_2)/2 \,\delta(x_1 - x_2) e^{-i(p_1 - p_2)(x_1 - x_2)/2\hbar}$$

$$= \delta(p_1 + p_2) \times 1$$

Conjugate Variables: $(x_1 + x_2) \Leftrightarrow (p_1 + p_2)$ $(x_1 - x_2) \Leftrightarrow (p_1 - p_2)$ \bigcup

$$\Delta(x_1 + x_2) = \infty \iff \Delta(p_1 + p_2) = 0$$
$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) = 0 \iff \Delta(p_1 - p_2) = \infty$$

EPR δ-function: -- perfect entangled system

$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) = 0, \quad \Delta(p_1 + p_2) = 0.$$

Although: $\Delta x_1 \approx \infty$, $\Delta x_2 \approx \infty$, $\Delta p_1 \approx \infty$, $\Delta p_2 \approx \infty$.

EPR Inequality: -- non-perfect entangled system $\Delta(x_1 - x_2) < \min(\Delta x_1, \Delta x_2)$

 $\Delta(p_1 + p_2) < \min(\Delta p_1, \Delta p_2)$

Then, why Einstein ... ?

Observation:

$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) = 0, \quad \Delta(p_1 + p_2) = 0$$

Believing:

$$\Delta(x_1 - x_2) > Max(\Delta x_1, \Delta x_2)$$

$$\Delta(p_1 + p_2) > Max(\Delta p_1, \Delta p_2)$$

Conclusion:

$$\Delta x_1 = 0, \quad \Delta p_1 = 0$$

$$\Delta x_2 = 0, \quad \Delta p_2 = 0$$
(Violation of the ...)

The interpretation ?

Quantum entanglement



Classical: Two Wavepackets

Entanglement: A non-factorable 2-D Wavepacket

Biphoton State: Spontaneous Parametric Down Conversion



Two-photon Pure State

The signal (idler) photon can have any energy (momentum), however, if one of the photons is measured at certain energy (momentum) its twin must be at a certain energy (momentum).

$$\left|\Psi\right\rangle = \sum_{s,i} \delta(\omega_{s} + \omega_{i} - \omega_{p}) \,\delta(\mathbf{k}_{s} + \mathbf{k}_{i} - \mathbf{k}_{p}) \,\hat{a}_{s}^{+} \hat{a}_{i}^{+} \left|0\right\rangle$$

Operational approach:

$$G^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = \left\langle E_1^{(-)} E_2^{(-)} E_2^{(+)} E_1^{(+)} \right\rangle$$

Pure state:

$$G^{(2)}(x_1, x_2)$$

= $\langle \Psi | E_1^{(-)}(x_1) E_2^{(-)}(x_2) E_2^{(+)}(x_2) E_1^{(+)}(x_1) | \Psi \rangle$
= $| \langle 0 | E_2^{(+)}(x_2) E_1^{(+)}(x_1) | \Psi \rangle |^2$

$$\Psi(t_1, t_2) \equiv \langle 0 | E_2^{(+)}(t_2) E_1^{(+)}(x_1) | \Psi \rangle$$
Effective Two-photon wavefunction

$$\Psi(t_1, t_2) = F_{t_1 + t_2} \{ f(\omega_p - \omega_{p0}) \} F_{t_1 - t_2} \{ g(\omega_s - \omega_{s0}) \} e^{-i\omega_{s0}t_1} e^{-i\omega_{i0}t_2}$$

t1-t2

Two-photon imaging

Field Operators:

$$E_{j}^{(+)}(\mathbf{r}_{j},t_{j}) = \int d\mathbf{k}^{T} \int d\omega \ a(\omega,\mathbf{k}^{T}) \ e^{-i\omega t_{j}} \ g_{j}(\omega,\mathbf{k}^{T};z_{j},\vec{\rho}_{j})$$

 $g_j(\omega, \mathbf{k}^T; z_j, \vec{\rho}_j)$: Green's function (optical transfer function). determined by the experimental setup.

$$G^{(2)} = \left| \Psi(\vec{\rho}_1, \vec{\rho}_2) \right|^2$$

The calculation of $G^{(2)}$ is lengthy but straightforward:

$$\Delta(\vec{\rho}_1 - \vec{\rho}_2)_{EPR} \sim 0$$

It is the two-photon coherent superposition made it possible!

Although questions regarding fundamental issues of quantum theory still exist, quantum entanglement has indeed brought up a novel concept or technology in nonlocal positioning and timing measurements with high accuracy, even beyond the classical limit. Question:



Thermal Light Imaging



Magic Mirror and Ghost Imaging



 $M = 2.15 (M_{theory} = 2.16); V = 12 \% (V_{theory} = 16.5\%)$

Experimental Result: Ghost image of a double-slit.

A. Valencia, G. Scarcelli, M. D'Angelo, and Y.H. Shih, Phys. Rev. Lett. 94, 063601 (2005).



Measurement on the image plan.

Two-photon thermal light Imaging:



Incoherent imaging: $G^{(2)} = \sum_{k} G^{(2)}_{k} = \sum_{k} [G^{(1)}_{11}G^{(1)}_{22} + G^{(1)}_{12}G^{(1)}_{21}]$

Magic Mirror ?



Measurement on the mirror plan.

It is useful !

A "Ghost" Camera in Space (Nonlocal)



A "Magic Mirror" for X-ray 3-D Imaging



It is fundamentally interesting !!

50% momentum-momentum, position-position EPR correlation

Where it comes from ?

Remember: thermal light is chaotic !

It comes from Hanbeury Brown - Twiss ... ???

It comes from "photon bunching" ... ???

We are not satisfied !

The physics behind ???





A product of two independent first-order-pattern.





$$G^{(2)} \propto 1 + \operatorname{sinc}^2\left[\frac{\pi a f}{\lambda}(x_1 - x_2)\right] \cos^2\left[\frac{\pi b f}{\lambda}(x_1 - x_2)\right]$$

Quantum lithography

(ultra-resolution: beyond classical limit)









Two-photon diffraction and quantum lithography



Experiment: M. D'Angelo, et al, PRL, 87, 013602 (2001).

Theory: A.N. Boto, et al. PRL 85, 2733 (2000).

Experimental Data





It is the result of two-photon coherent superposition. It measures the second-order correlation between the object plane and the image plane, defined by the Gaussian thin lens equation.

The published measurement was on the Fourier transform plane (far-field). PRL, **87**, 013602 (2001).



"Ghost" Shadow (Projection)

$$\hat{\rho}_{cl} = \int d\mathbf{k}_1 \int d\mathbf{k}_2 P(\mathbf{k}_1) \,\delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2) \,\rho_1^{(\mathbf{k}_1)} \otimes \rho_2^{(\mathbf{k}_2)}$$



Bennink *et al.* **PRL 89, 113601 (2002)**