

Quantum Entanglement, and Applications

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Entanglement is a feature of compound quantum systems

- States that can be written $|\Psi\rangle_{AB} = |\varphi^1\rangle_A |\varphi^2\rangle_B$ are **separable**
- States that cannot be written this way are **entangled**

Example: the *Bell states*
are inseparable

$$|\Phi^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle|0\rangle \pm |1\rangle|1\rangle)$$

$$|\Psi^\pm\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle|1\rangle \pm |1\rangle|0\rangle)$$

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi'\rangle &= (\alpha|0\rangle + \beta|1\rangle)(\gamma|0\rangle + \delta|1\rangle) \\ &= \alpha\gamma|0\rangle|0\rangle + \alpha\delta|0\rangle|1\rangle + \beta\gamma|1\rangle|0\rangle + \beta\delta|1\rangle|1\rangle \end{aligned}$$

No solution!

Measurement outcomes are random and correlated

Classical “entanglement”?

- Classical things can be random and correlated, too...



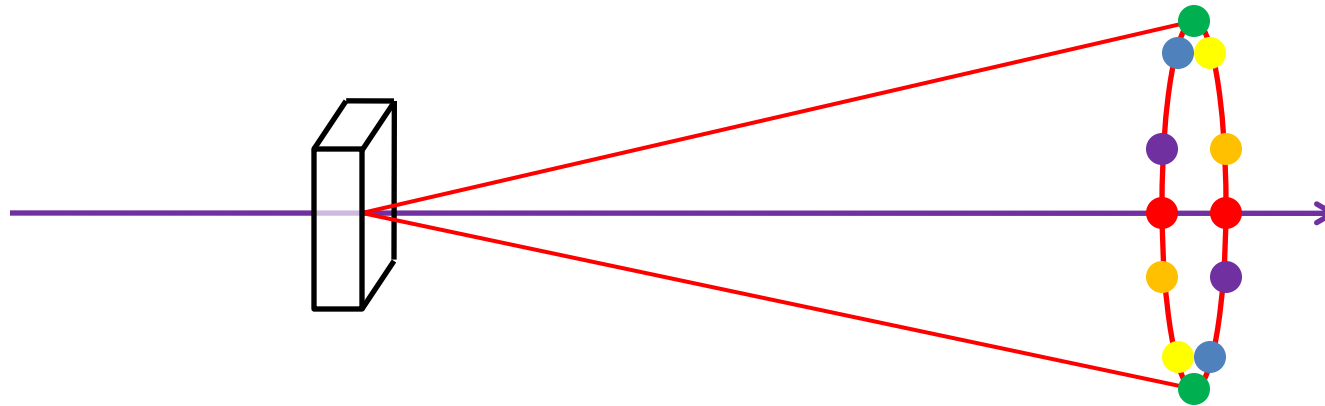
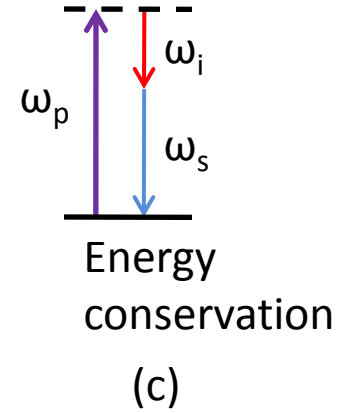
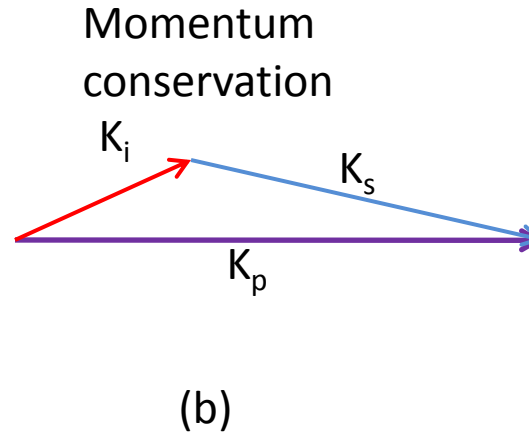
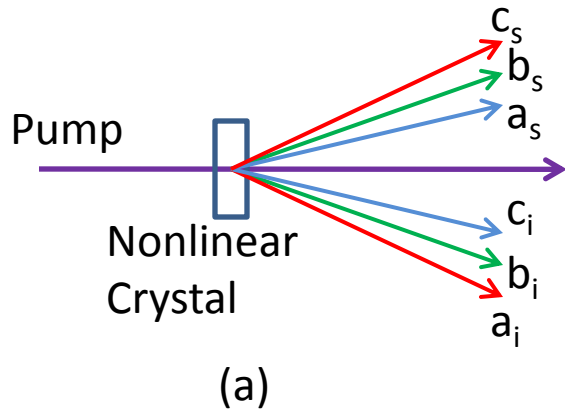
- ... but not entangled!

How is this different from an entangled state?

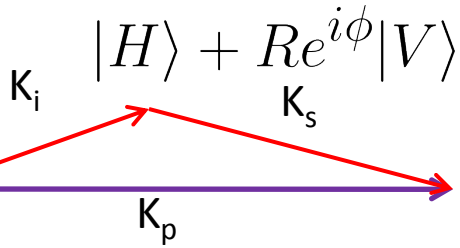
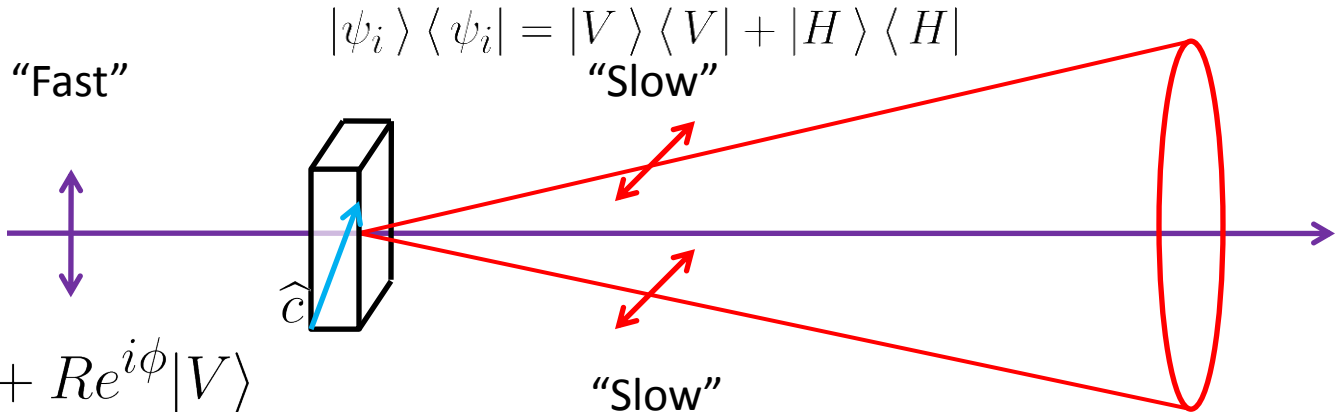
- Each marble has a defined color from the beginning (local hidden variable)
- The processes are distinguishable in principle
- There is no conjugate measurement basis

Entangled systems give
random and correlated measurement outcomes
in every measurement basis!

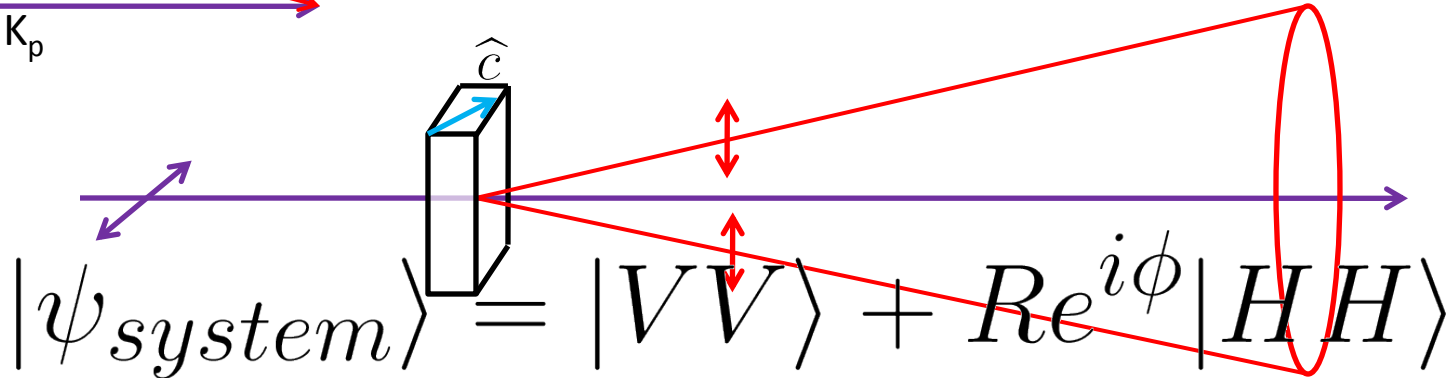
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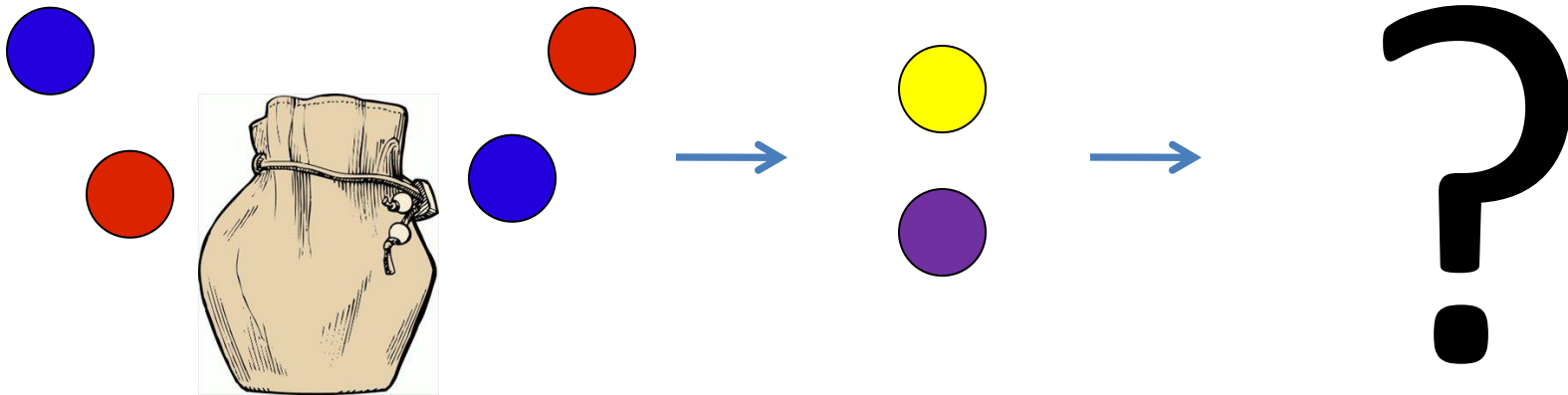
Polarization Entanglement



$|\psi_s\rangle\langle\psi_s| = |V\rangle\langle V| + |H\rangle\langle H|$

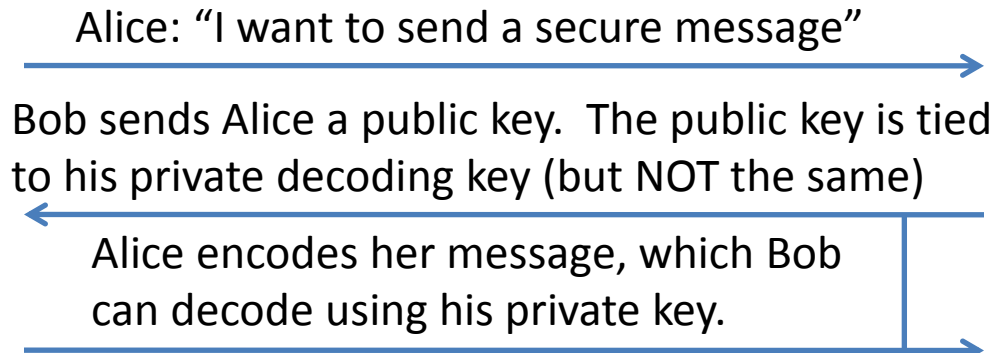


$$|HH\rangle + |VV\rangle \rightarrow \begin{matrix} |H\rangle = |D\rangle + |A\rangle \\ |V\rangle = |D\rangle - |A\rangle \end{matrix} \rightarrow |DD\rangle + |AA\rangle$$



Classical Cryptography

RSA (Rivest/Shamir/Adleman)
Public Key Cryptography



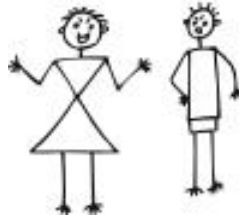
Through these public discussions, Eve tries to find out what Alice sent to Bob

Finding D,R requires prime factor decomposition. Very hard computationally, but not impossible!

Transmit message: T
Public Encryption Key: E
Private Decryption Key: D,R
 $T^E = X$, where X is encrypted
where $E \cdot D = 1 \pmod{\phi(R)}$,
 $\phi(R)$ is Euler's Totient Function
and T,R are relatively prime
 $X^D = T \pmod{\phi(R)}$

Classical Cryptography

One-Time Pad



Alice uses a one-time pad that she shares with Bob to encode a message.

Bob uses his identical one-time pad to decode Alice's string

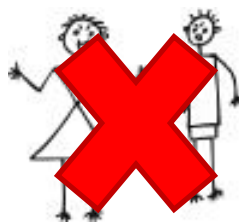


Y	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	←	Not random
+	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	←	+ Completely random
=	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	←	= Completely random
	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	←	Message + Secret key
-	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	←	- Secret Key
	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	←	= Message



Without access to the completely random key, it is impossible for Eve to decode the string

~~Classical~~ Cryptography Quantum One-Time Pad



Quantum Key Distribution



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Y 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 1
+ 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
= 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1

← Not random
← + Completely random
← = Completely random

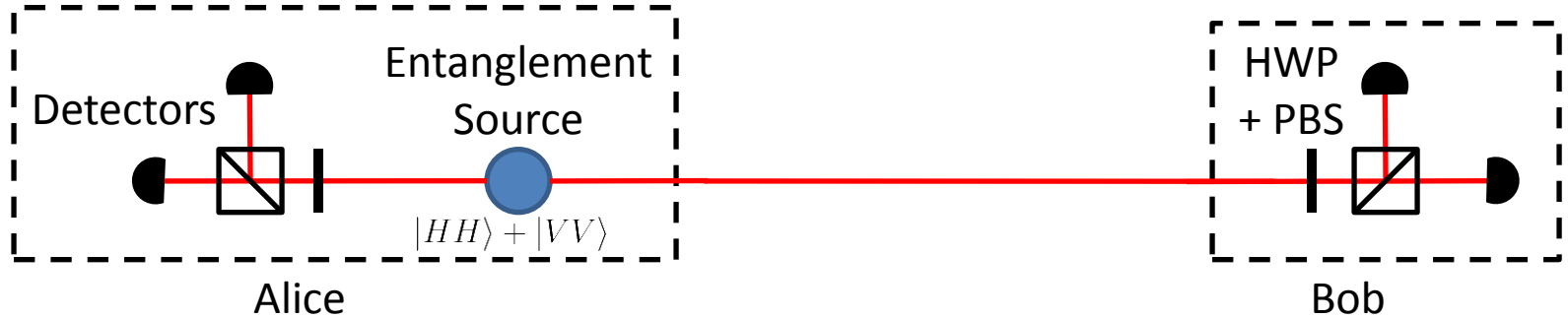
1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1
- 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
0 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 Y

← Message + Secret key
← - Secret Key
← = Message



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Quantum Key Distribution

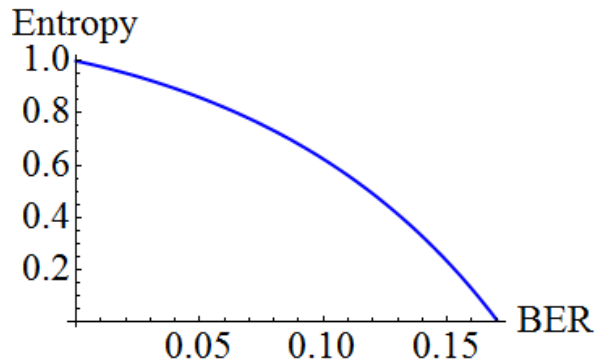


Alice's Basis Choice:	H/V	H/V
Alice's Measurements:	H	V

H/V	D/A	D/A	D/A
H	A	D	A

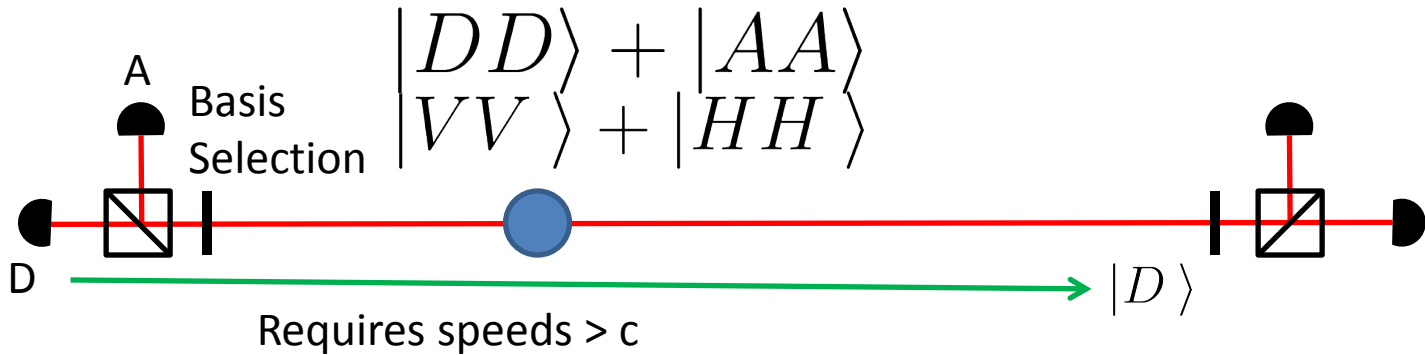
Bob's Basis Choice:	D/A	H/V
Bob's Measurements:	D	V

H/V	D/A	H/V	D/A
H	A	V	A



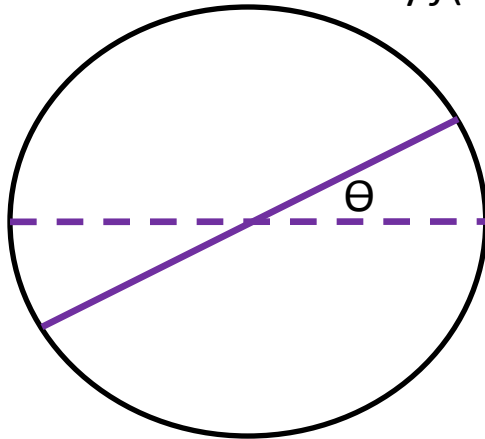
$$\begin{aligned}
 &|DD\rangle + |AA\rangle \\
 &|VV\rangle + |HH\rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Hidden-Variables

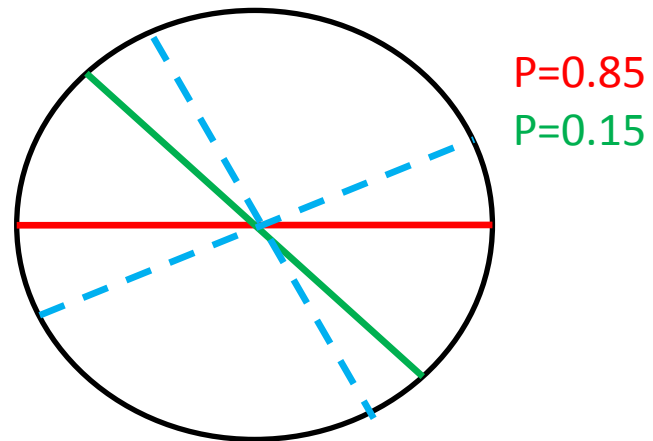


“If, without in any way disturbing a system, we can predict with certainty (i.e., with probability equal to unity) the value of a physical quantity, then there exists an element of physical reality corresponding to this physical quantity.”

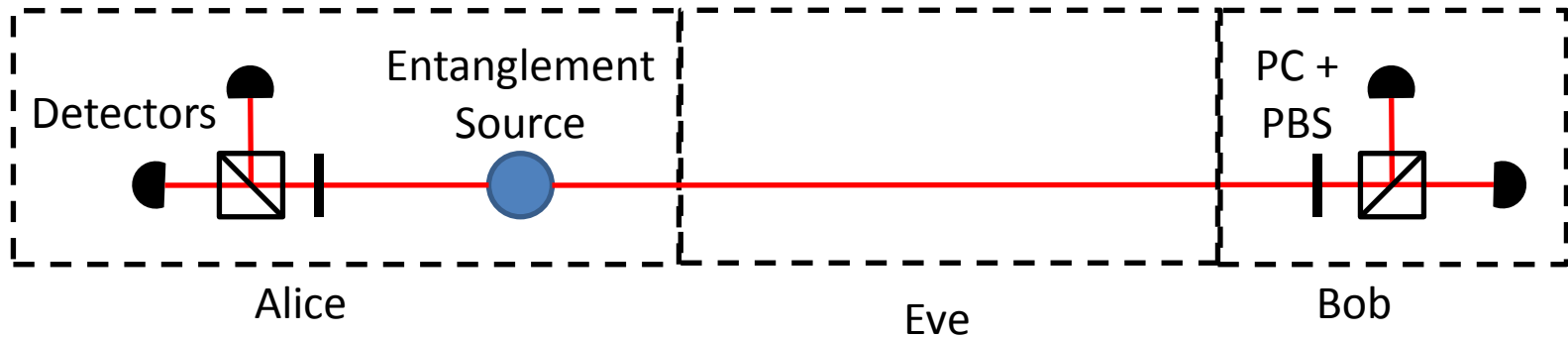
If measured in the Θ basis, then the outcome is determined by $f(\Theta) = \{0,1\}$



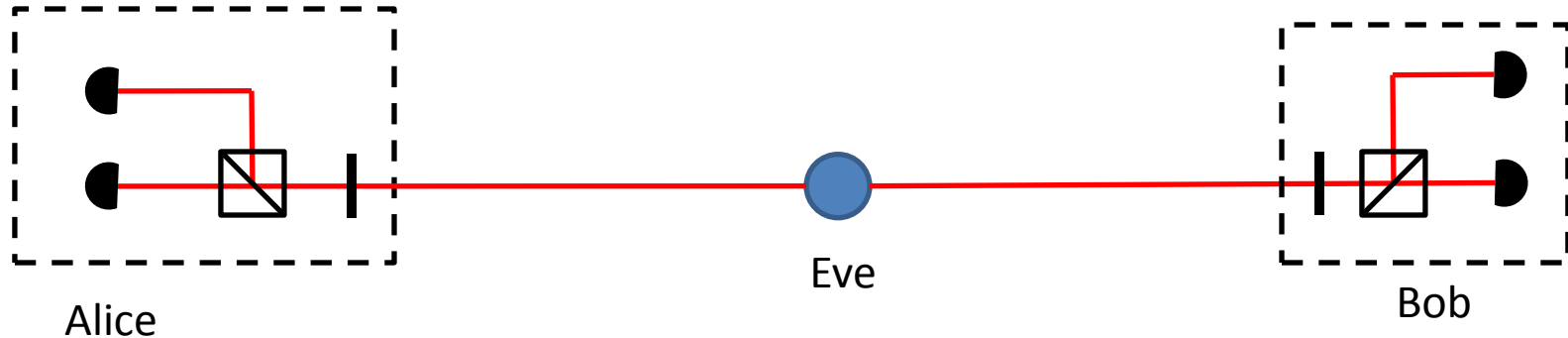
Problem:



Device Independent QKD/QRNG

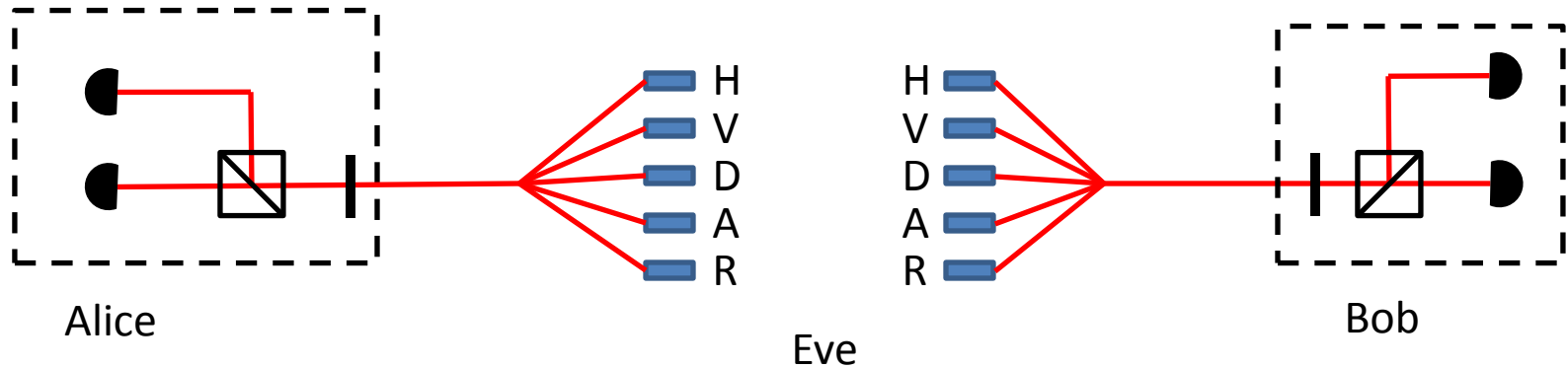


We want to remove as many assumptions as possible



Eve could pre-program the photons on where to go.
Can we detect if she does that?

Device Independent QKD/QRNG



Need to incorporate a Bell test without the detector loophole!