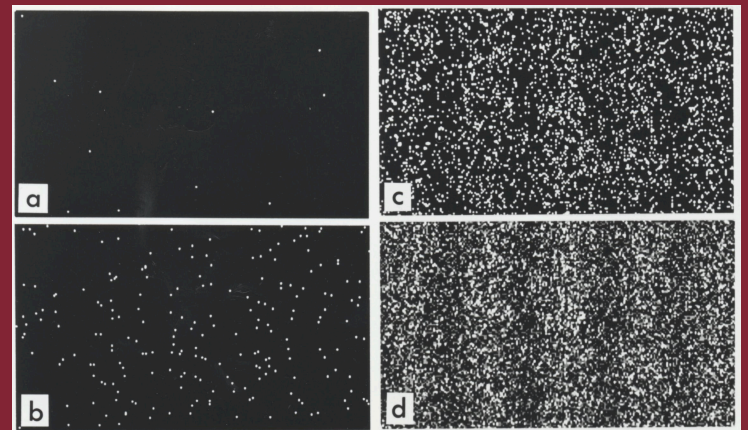


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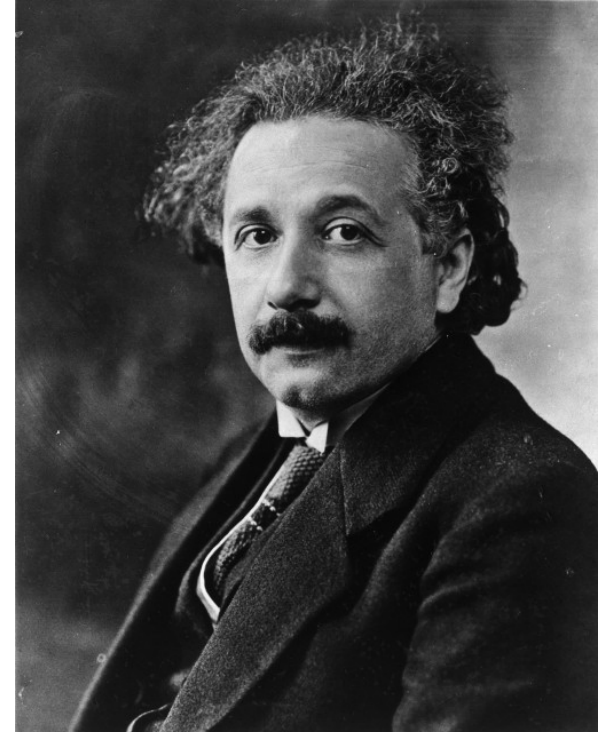
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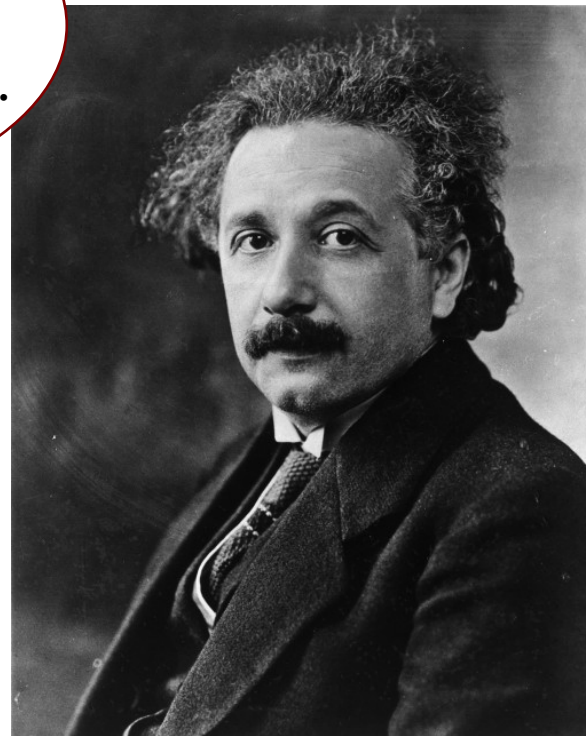
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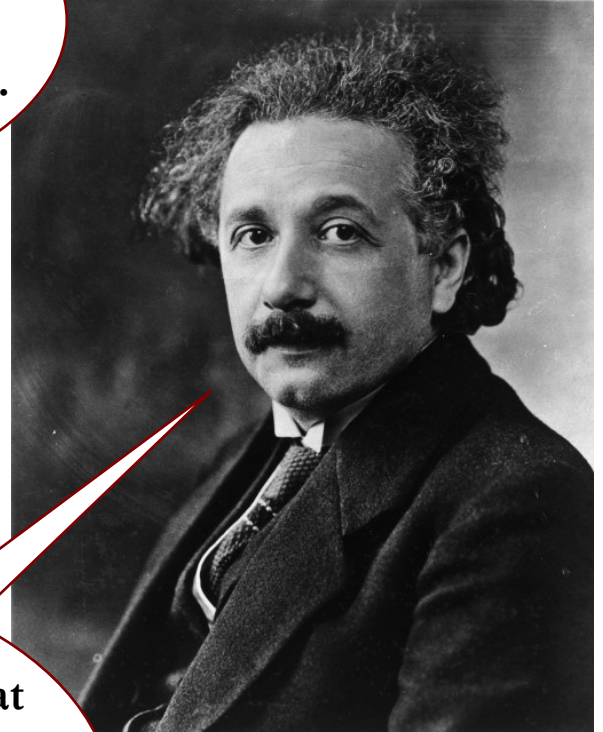
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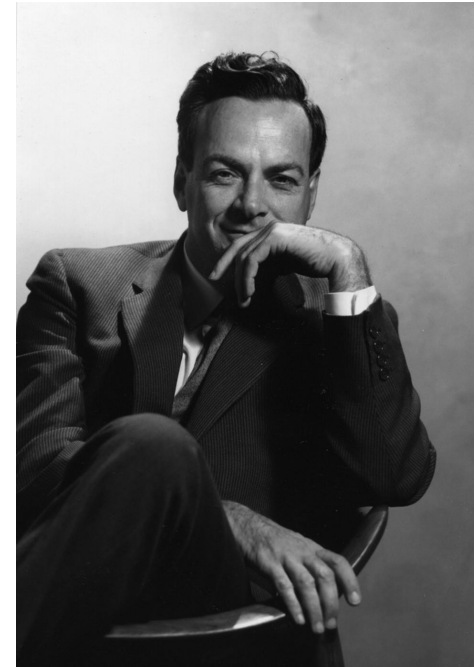
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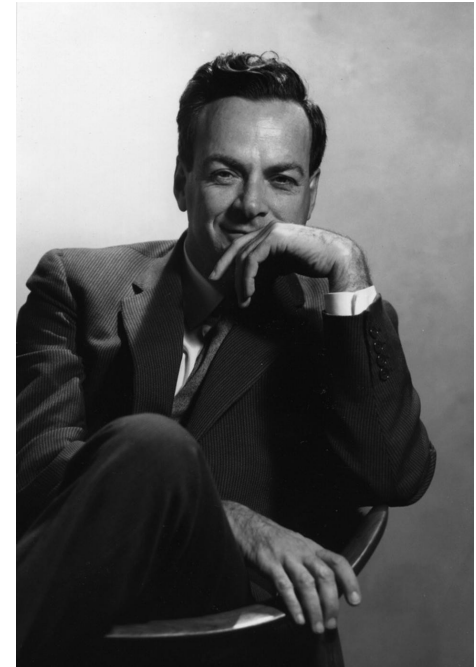
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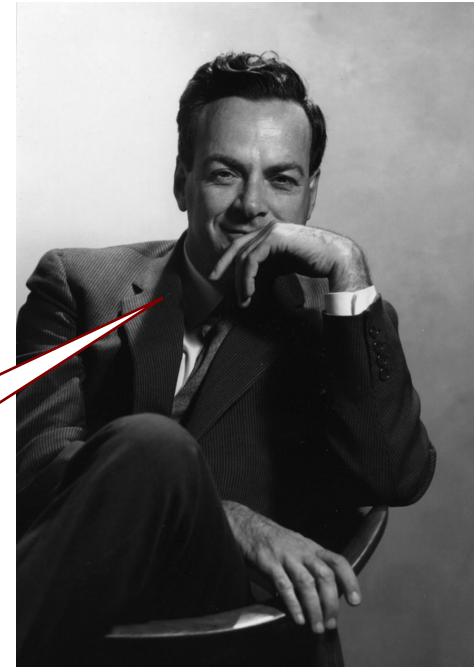
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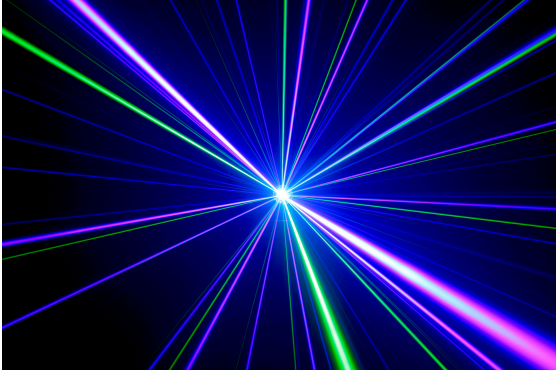
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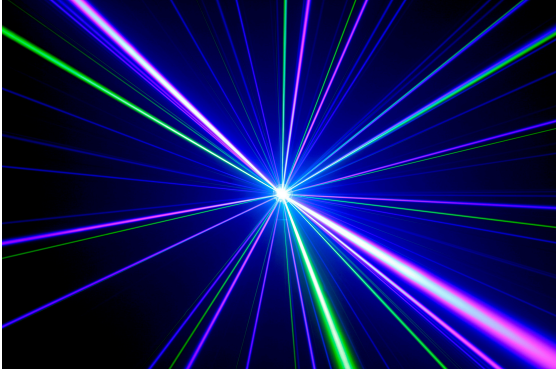
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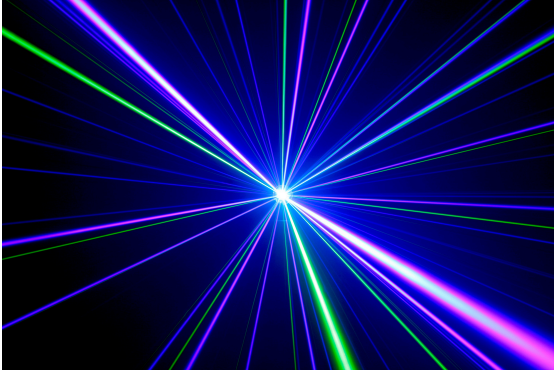
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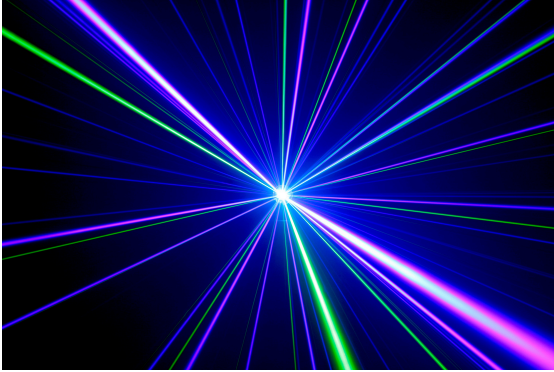
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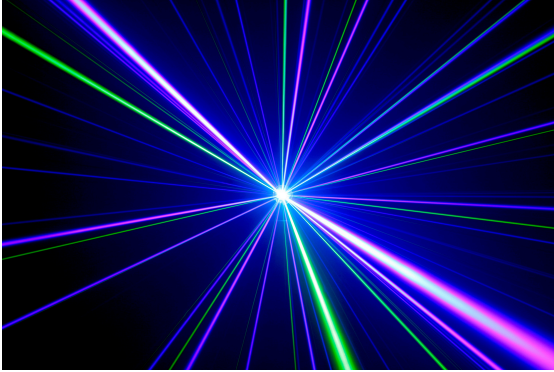
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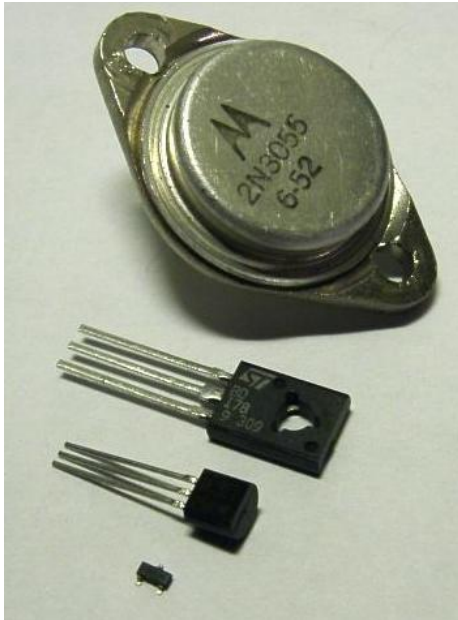
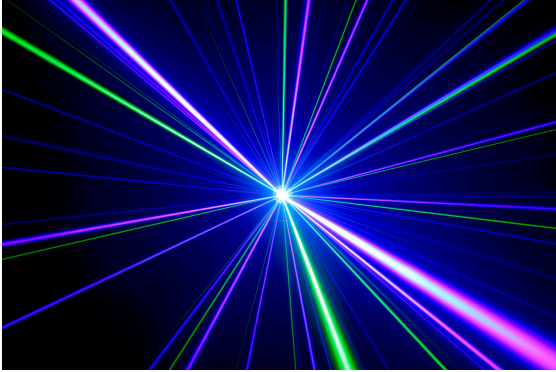
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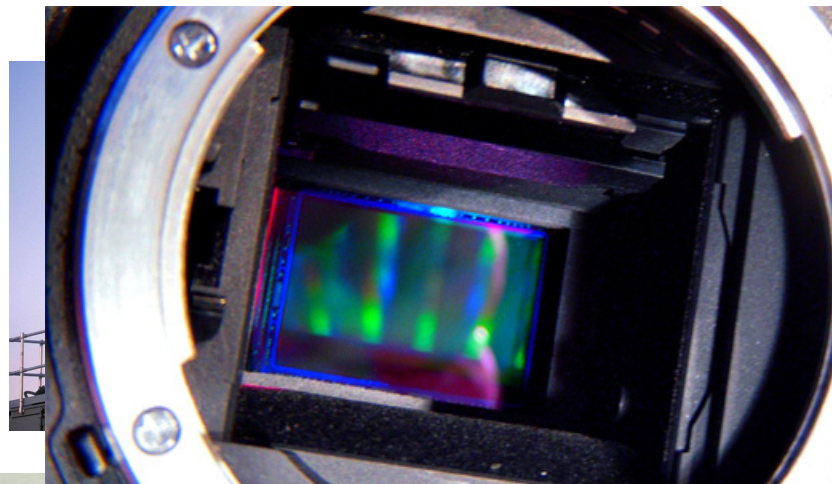
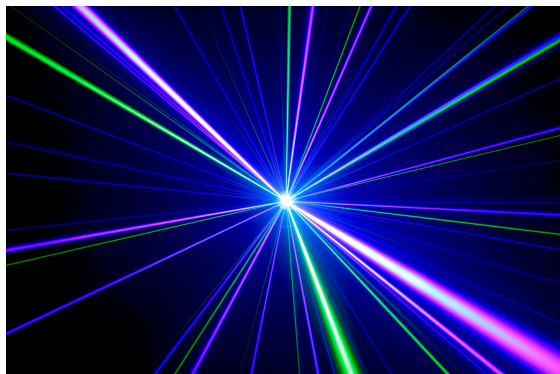
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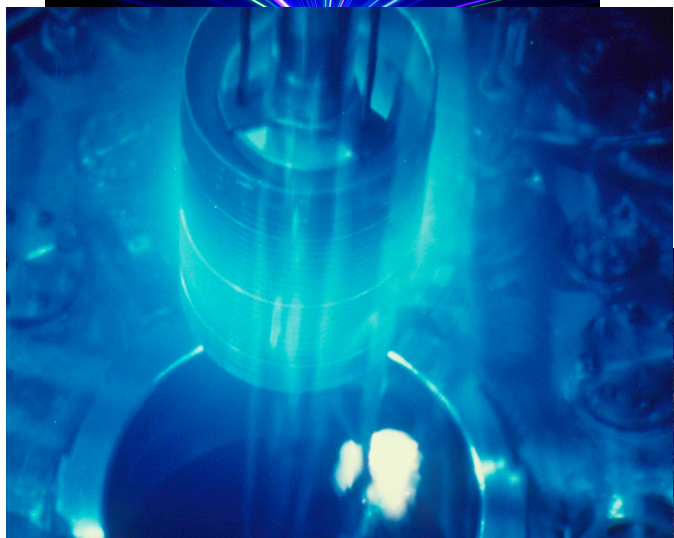
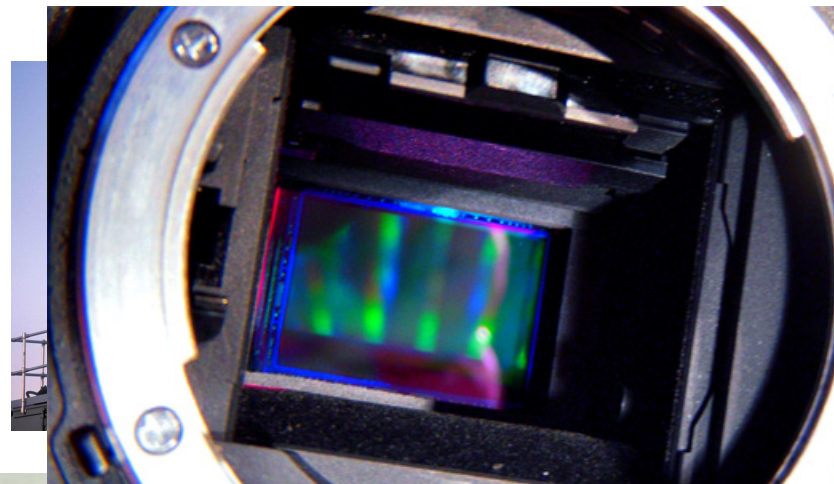
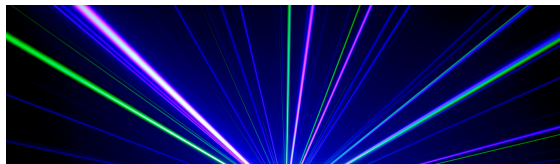
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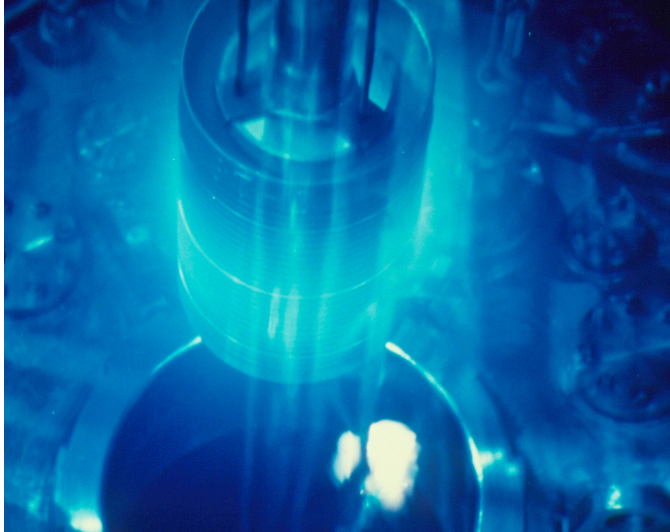
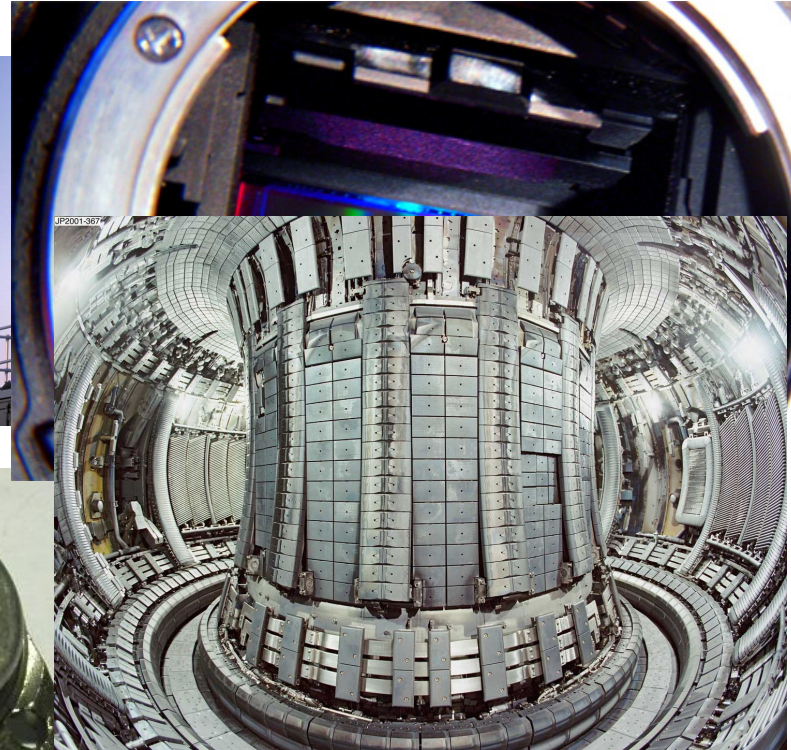
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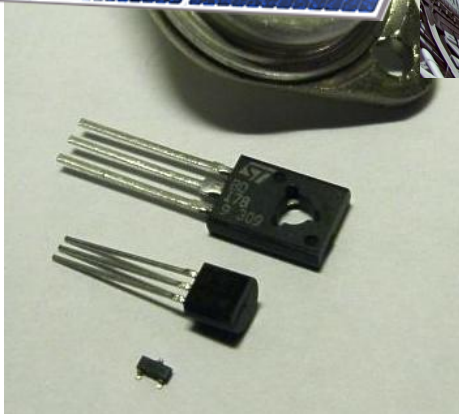
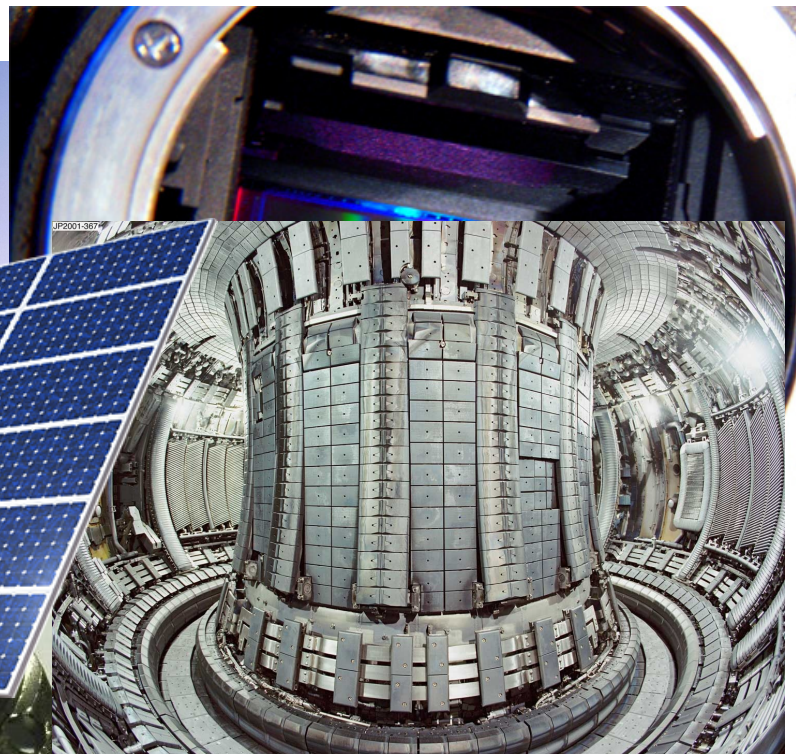
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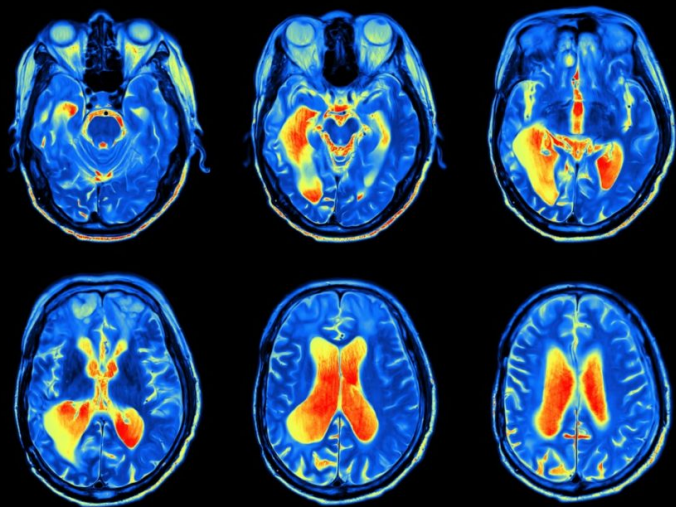
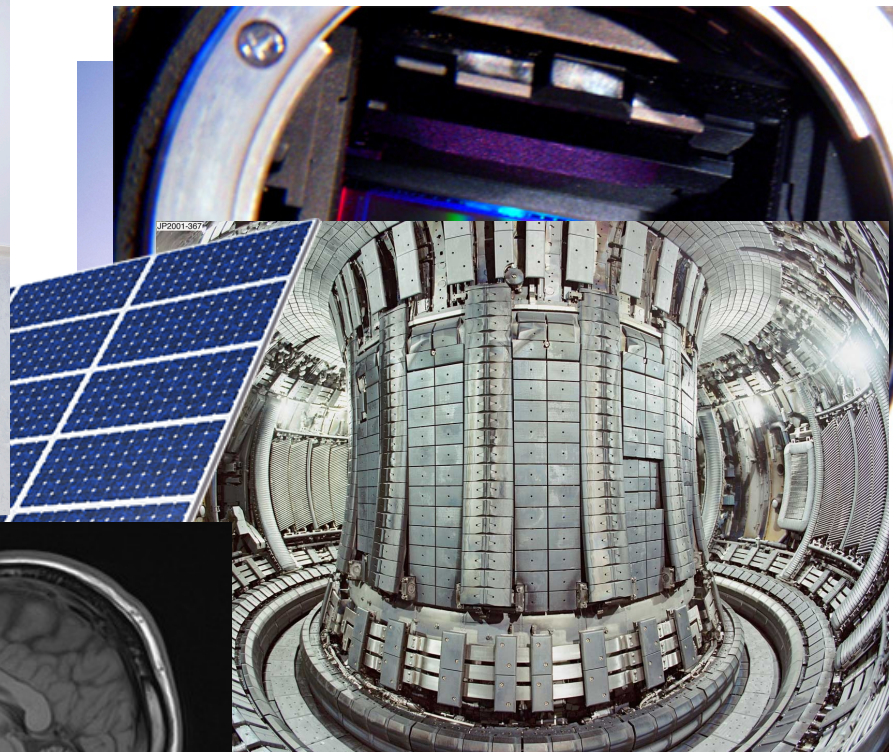
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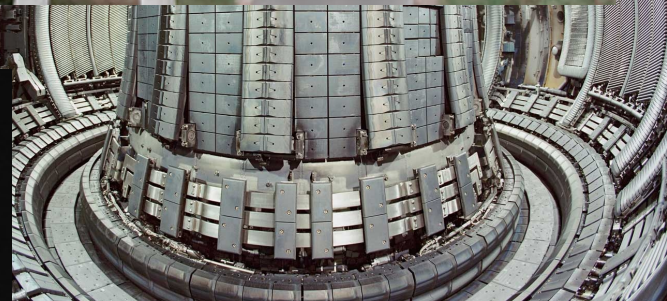
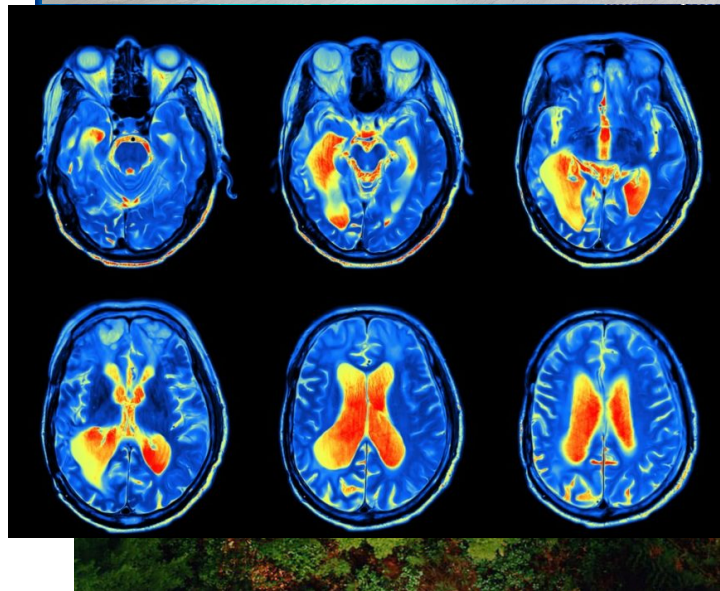
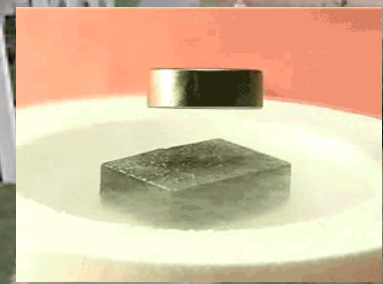
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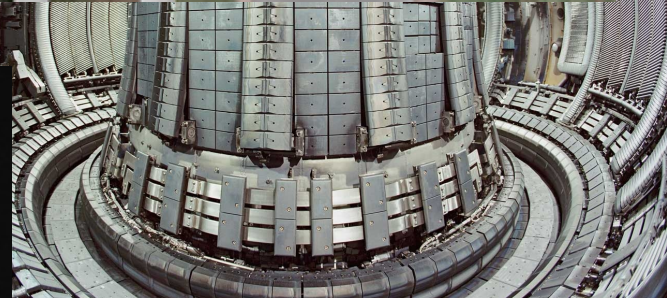
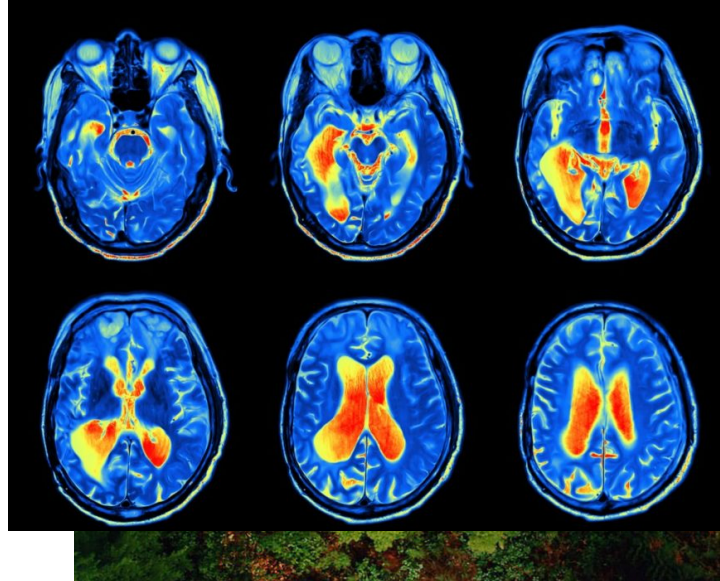
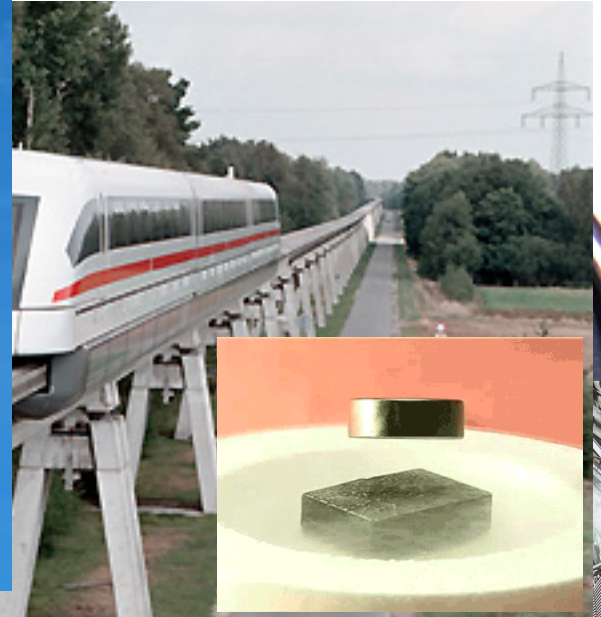
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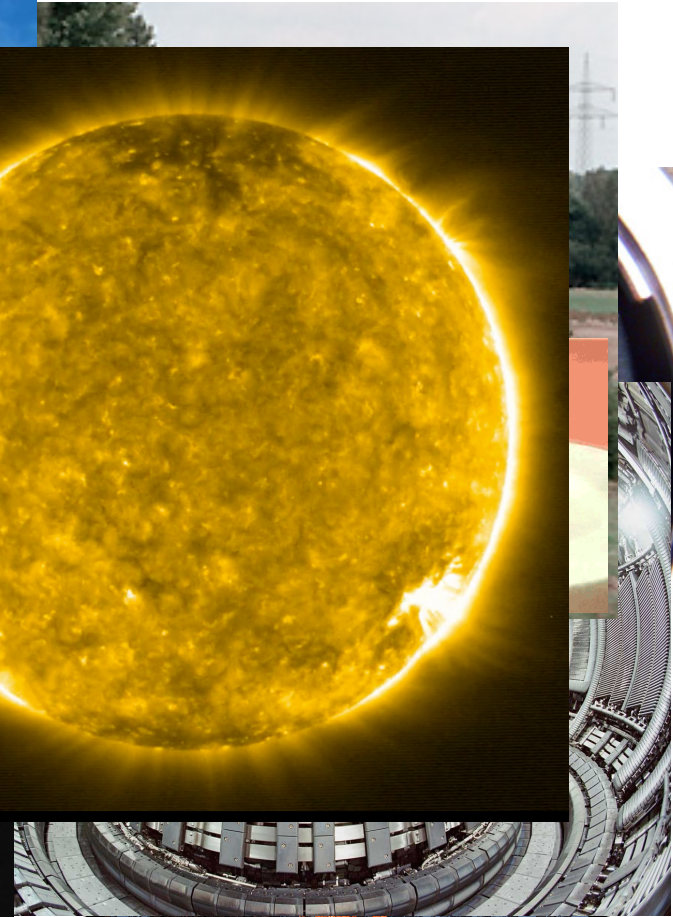
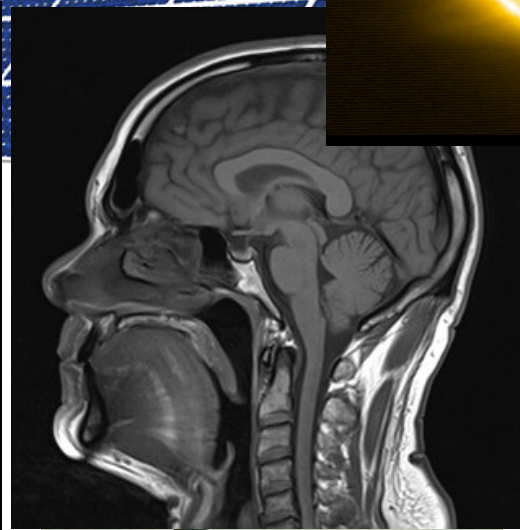
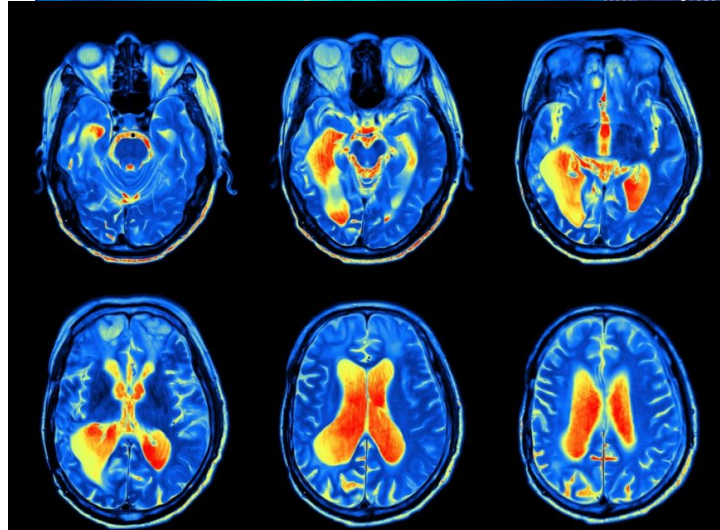
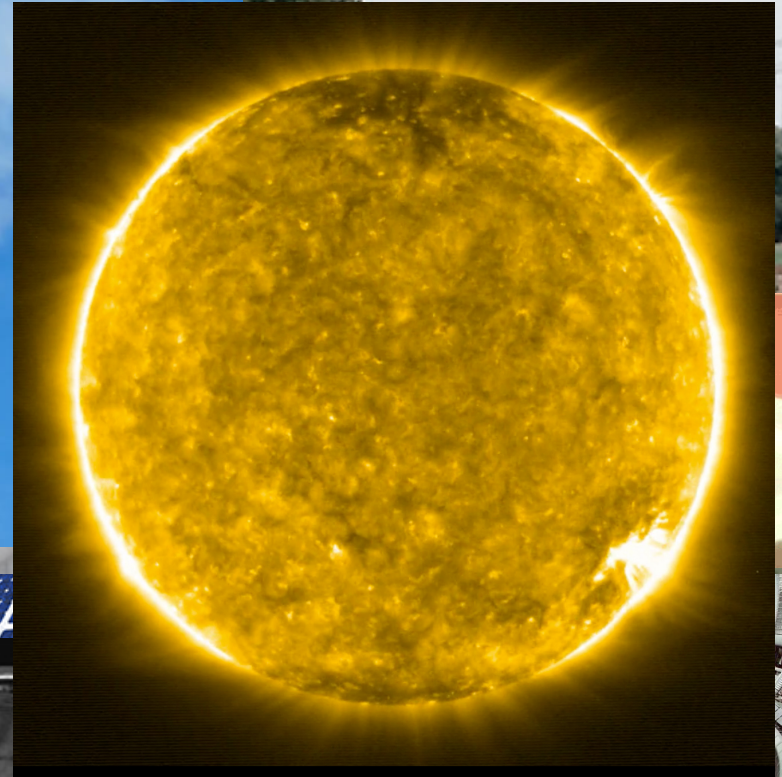
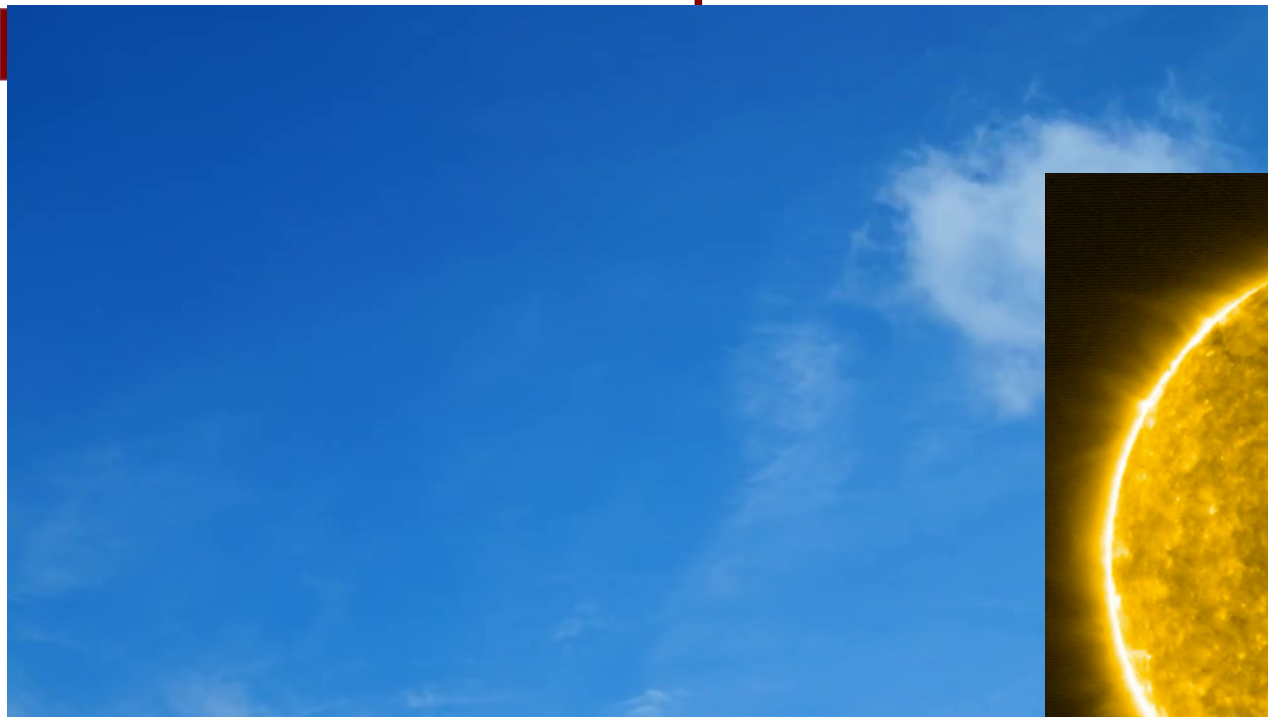
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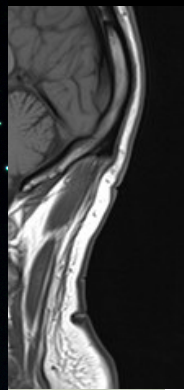
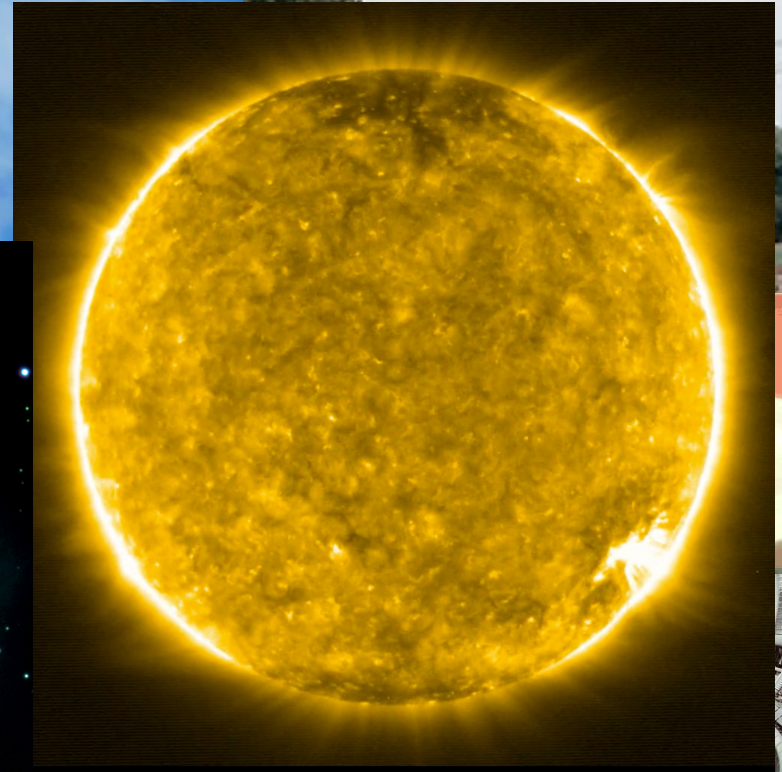
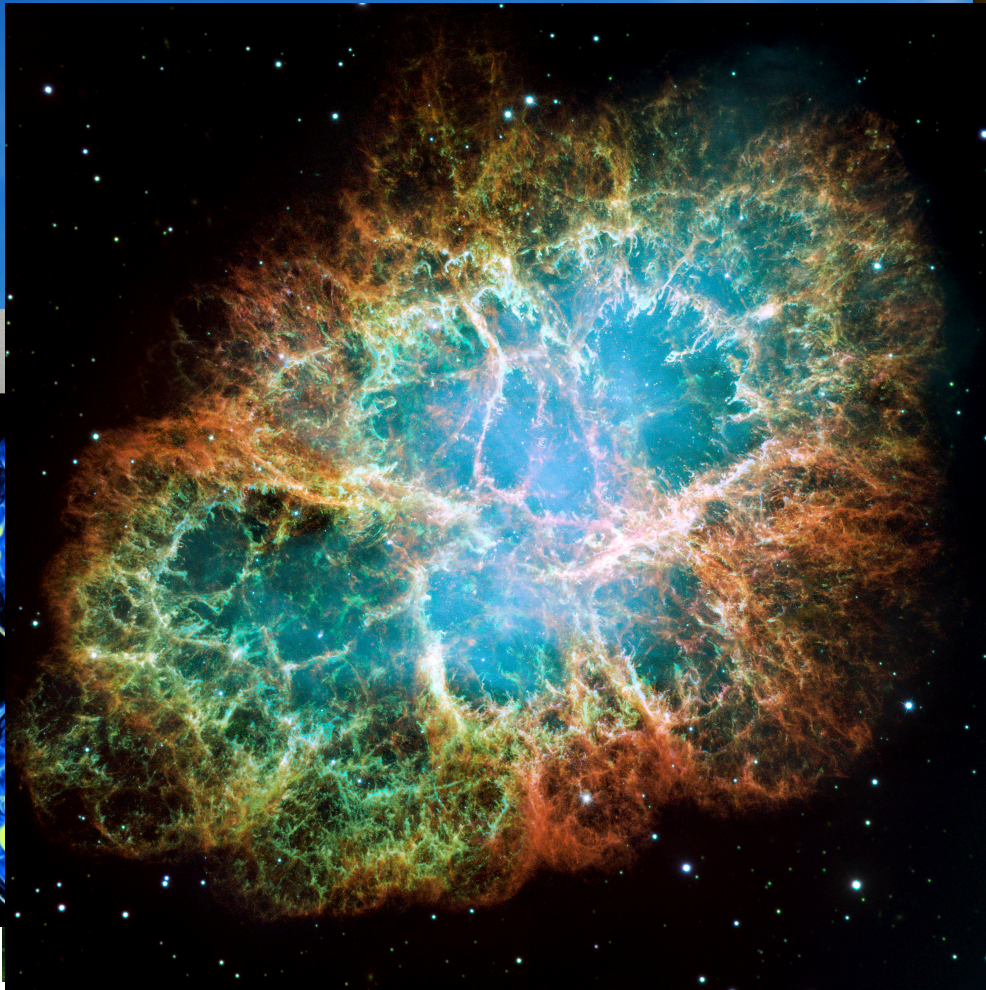
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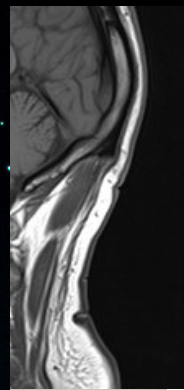
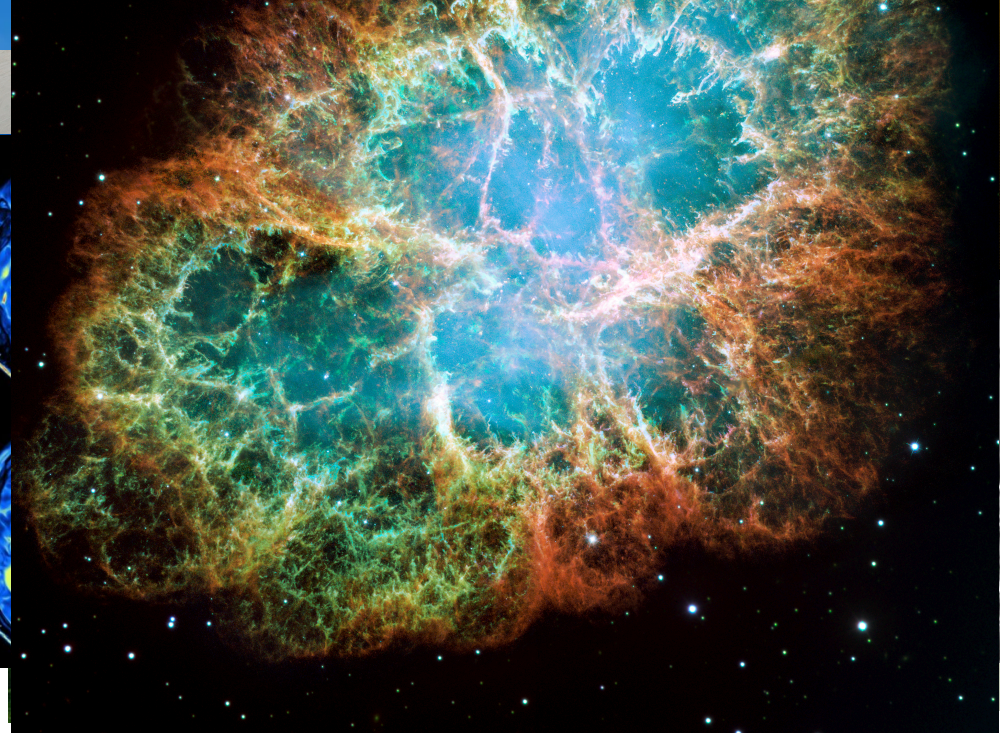
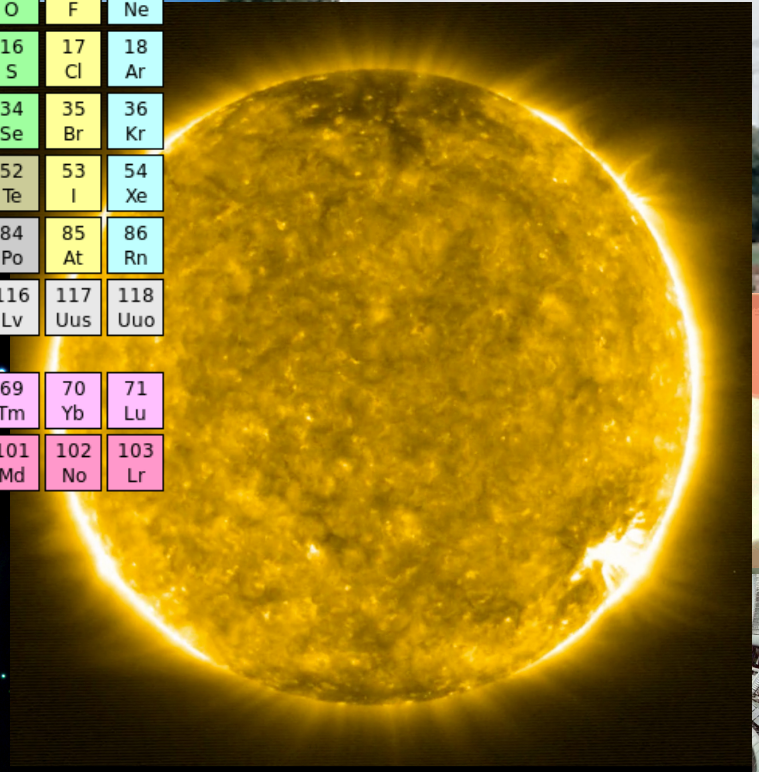




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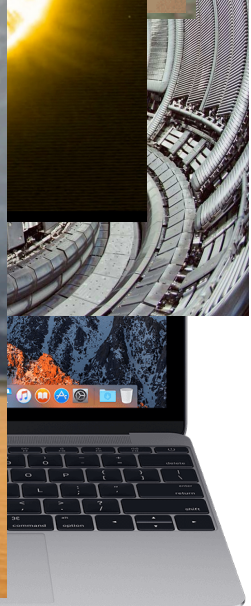
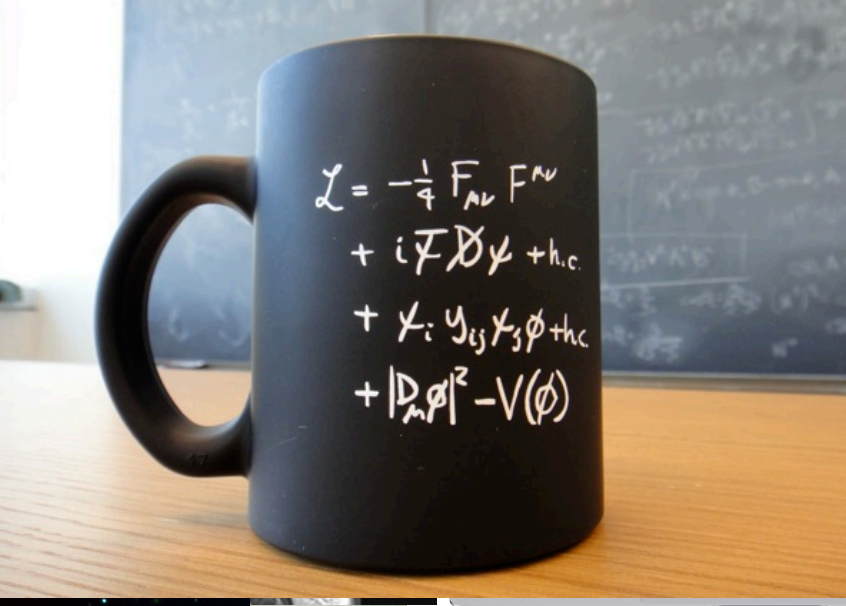
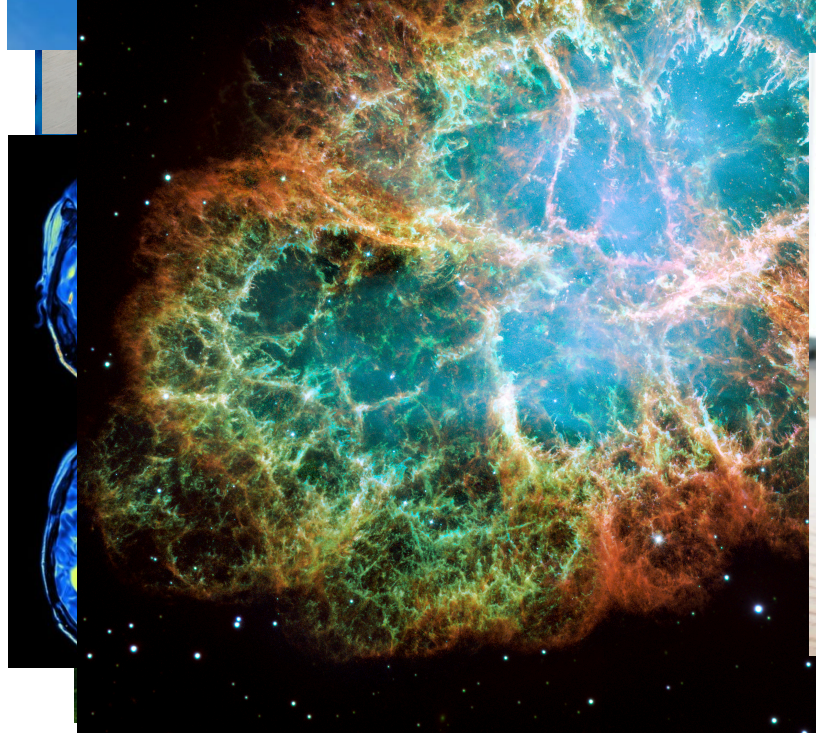
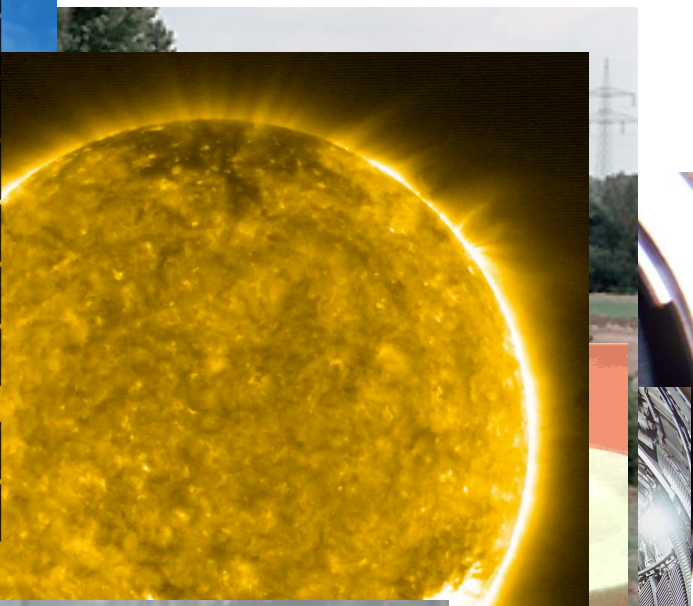
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1972	The Development of the Physicist's Conception of Nature, Trieste, Italy
1973	Foundations of Quantum Mechanics and Ordered Linear Spaces, Marbourg, Germany
1974	Quantum Mechanics, a Half Century Later, Strasbourg, Germany
1975	Foundational Problems in the Special Sciences, London, Canada
1976	International Symposium on Fifty Years of the Schrödinger Equation, Vienna, Austria
1977	International School of Physics "Enrico Fermi", Course LXXII: Problems in the Foundations of Physics, Varenna, Italy
1978	Stanford Seminar on the Foundations of Quantum Mechanics, Stanford, USA
1979	Interpretations and Foundations of Quantum Theory, Marburg, Germany
1980	Quantum Theory and the Structures of Time and Space, Tutzing, Germany
1981	NATO Advanced Study Institute on Quantum Optics, Experimental Gravitation, and Measurement Theory, Bad Windsheim, Germany
1982	The Wave-Particle Dualism: a Tribute to Louis de Broglie, Perugia, Italy
1983	Foundations of Quantum Mechanics in the Light of New Technology, Tokyo, Japan
1984	Fundamental Questions in Quantum Mechanics, Albany, New York
1985	Symposium on the Foundations of Modern Physics: 50 Years of the Einstein-Podolsky-Rosen Gedankenexperiment, Joensuu, Finland
1986	New Techniques and Ideas in Quantum Measurement Theory, New York, USA
1987	Symposium on the Foundations of Modern Physics 1987: The Copenhagen Interpretation 60 Years after the Como Lecture, Joensuu, Finland
1988	Bell's Theorem, Quantum Theory, and Conceptions of the Universe, Washington, DC, USA
1989	Sixty-two Years of Uncertainty: Historical, Philosophical and Physical Inquiries into the Foundations of Quantum Mechanics, Erice, Italy
1990	Symposium on the Foundations of Modern Physics 1990: Quantum Theory of Measurement and Related Philosophical Problems, Joensuu, Finland
1991	Bell's Theorem and the Foundations of Modern Physics, Cesena, Italy
1992	Symposia on the Foundations of Modern Physics 1992: The Copenhagen Interpretation and Wolfgang Pauli, Helsinki, Finland
1993	International Symposium on Fundamental Problems in Quantum Physics, Oviedo, Spain
1994	Fundamental Problems in Quantum Theory, Baltimore, USA
1995	The Dilemma of Einstein, Podolsky and Rosen, 60 Years Later, Haifa, Israel
1996	2nd International Symposium on Fundamental Problems in Quantum Physics, Oviedo, Spain
1997	Sixth UK Conference on Conceptual and Mathematical Foundations of Modern Physics, Hull, England
1998	Mysteries, Puzzles, and Paradoxes in Quantum Mechanics, Garda Lake, Italy
1999	2nd Workshop on Fundamental Problems in Quantum Theory, Baltimore, USA
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1972 1973	Ensemble interpretation	1926	Max Born	Agnostic	No	Yes	Agnostic	No	No	No	No	No
1974 1975 1976	Copenhagen interpretation	1927	Niels Bohr, Werner Heisenberg	No	No <sup>[a]</sup>	Yes	No	Yes <sup>[b]</sup>	Causal	Yes	No	No
1977 1978 1979	de Broglie–Bohm theory	1927–1952	Louis de Broglie, David Bohm	Yes	Yes <sup>[c]</sup>	Yes <sup>[d]</sup>	Yes	Phenomenological	No	No	Yes	Yes
1980 1981	Quantum logic	1936	Garrett Birkhoff	Agnostic	Agnostic	Yes <sup>[e]</sup>	No	No	Interpretational <sup>[f]</sup>	Agnostic	No	No
1982 1983	Time-symmetric theories	1955	Satosi Watanabe	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No <sup>[55]</sup>	No	Yes
1984 1985	Many-worlds interpretation	1957	Hugh Everett	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Ill-posed	Yes
1986 1987	Consciousness causes collapse	1961–1993	John von Neumann, Eugene Wigner, Henry Stapp	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Causal	No	No	Yes
1988 1989	Stochastic interpretation	1966	Edward Nelson	No	No	Yes	Yes <sup>[g]</sup>	No	No	No	Yes <sup>[g]</sup>	No
1990	Many-minds interpretation	1970	H. Dieter Zeh	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Interpretational <sup>[h]</sup>	Yes	Ill-posed	Yes
1991 1992	Consistent histories	1984	Robert B. Griffiths	No	No	No	No	No <sup>[i]</sup>	No	Yes	No	Yes
1993	Transactional interpretation	1986	John G. Cramer	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes <sup>[j]</sup>	No	No <sup>[k]</sup>	Yes	No
1994 1995	Objective collapse theories	1986–1989	Ghirardi–Rimini–Weber, Penrose interpretation	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
1996	Relational interpretation	1994	Carlo Rovelli	No <sup>[56]</sup>	No	Agnostic <sup>[l]</sup>	No	Yes <sup>[m]</sup>	Intrinsic <sup>[n]</sup>	Yes <sup>[57]</sup>	No	No
1997 1998 1999	QBism	2010	Christopher Fuchs, Ruediger Schack	No	No <sup>[o]</sup>	Agnostic <sup>[p]</sup>	No	Yes <sup>[q]</sup>	Intrinsic <sup>[r]</sup>	Yes	No	No

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1973				No <sup>[a]</sup>	Yes	No	Yes <sup>[b]</sup>	Causal	Yes	No	No	
1974				Yes <sup>[c]</sup>	Yes <sup>[d]</sup>	Yes	Phenomenological	No	No	Yes	Yes	
1975				Agnostic	Yes <sup>[e]</sup>	No	No	Interpretational <sup>[f]</sup>	Agnostic	No	No	
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1981				No	Yes	No	No	No	No <sup>[k]</sup>	Yes	No	
1982				No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
1983				Intrinsic <sup>[n]</sup>	Yes <sup>[57]</sup>	No	No	No	No	No	No	
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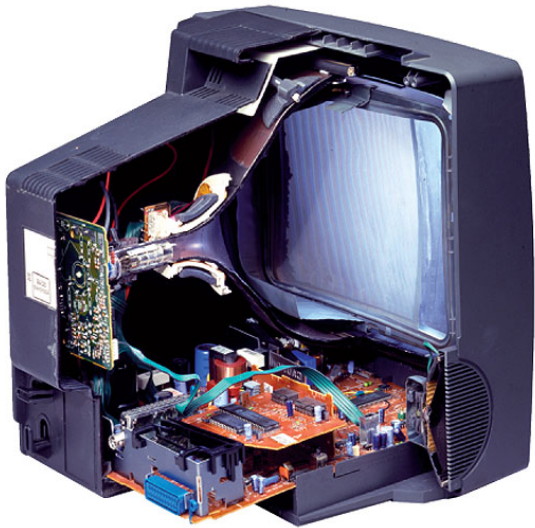
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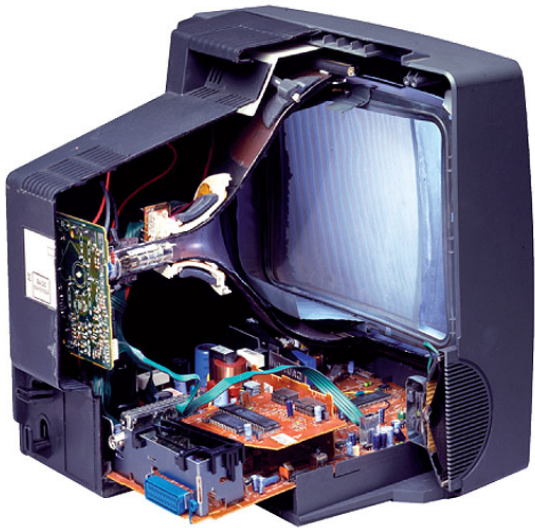
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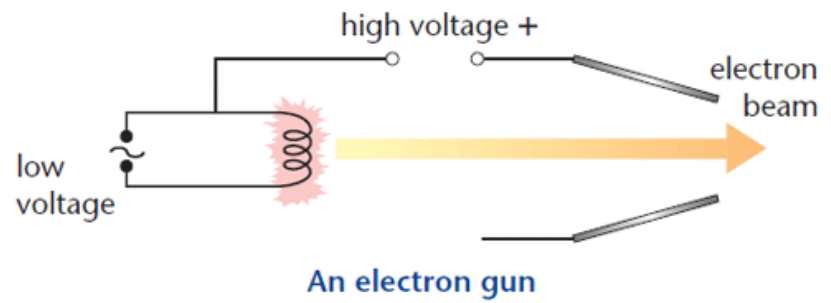
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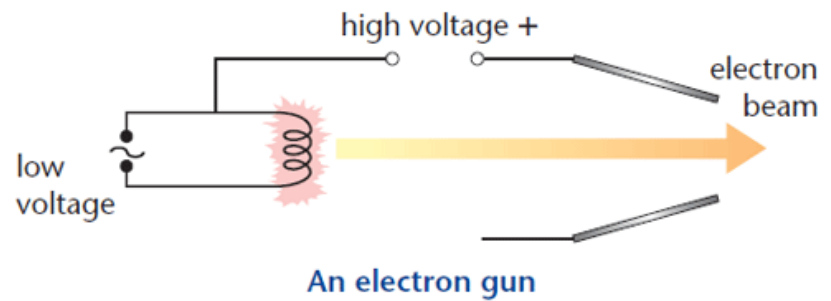
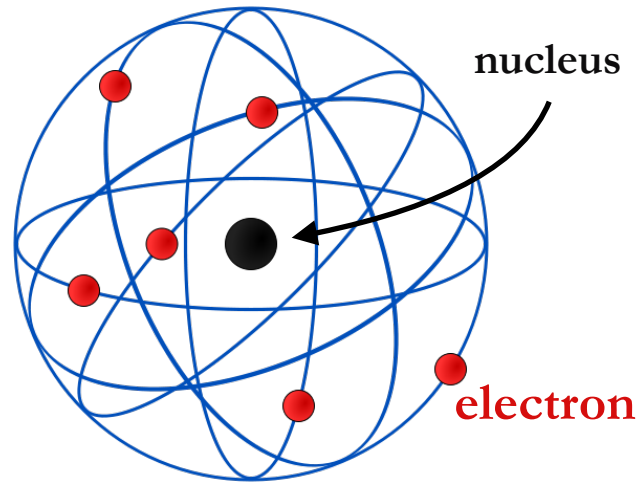




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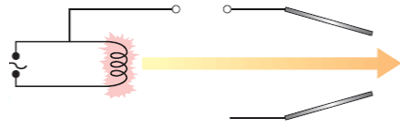


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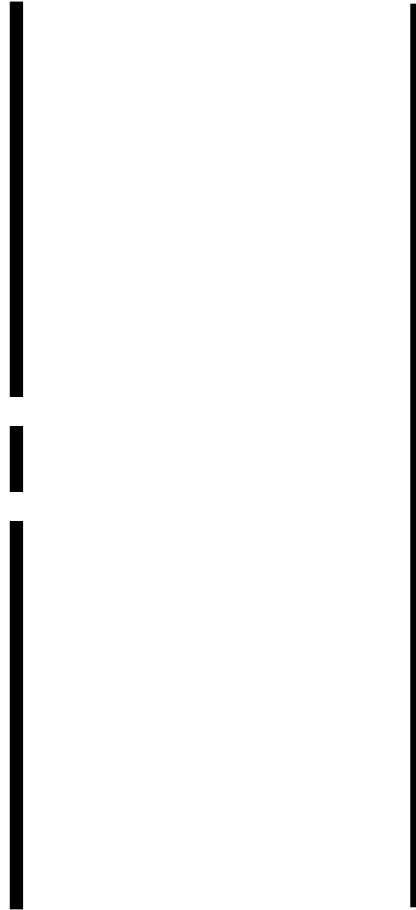




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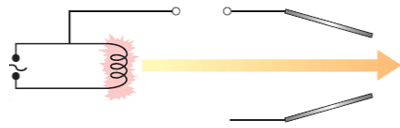
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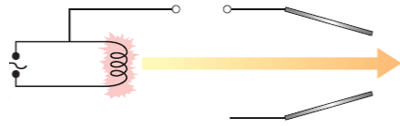


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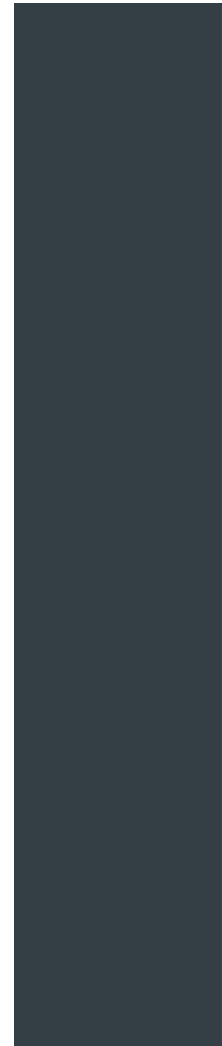
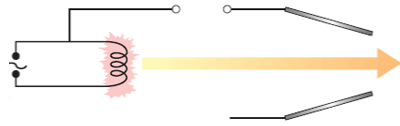


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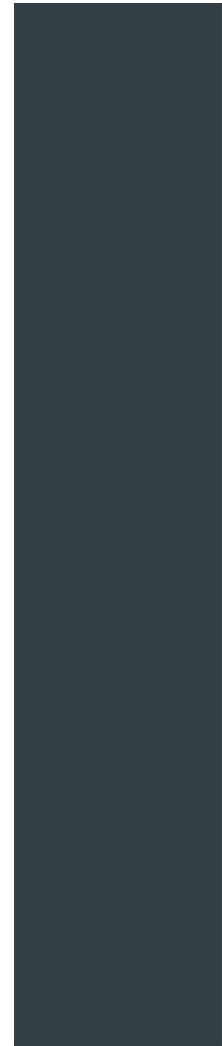
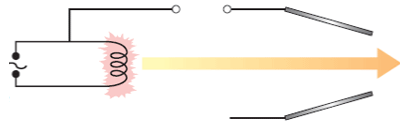


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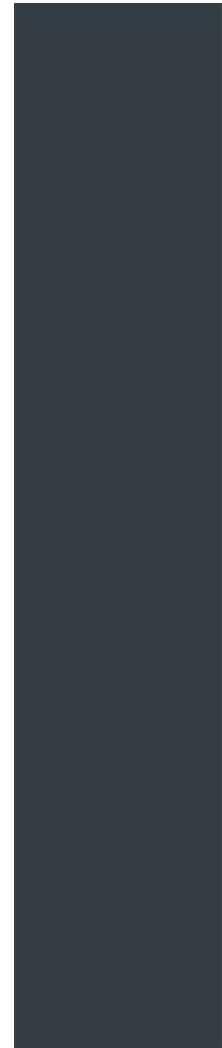
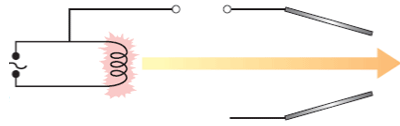


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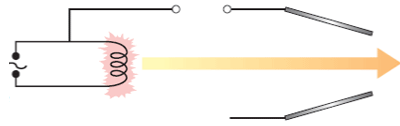


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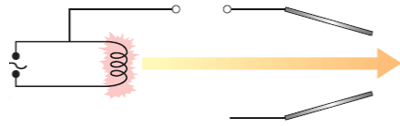


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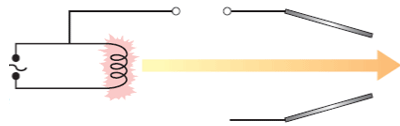
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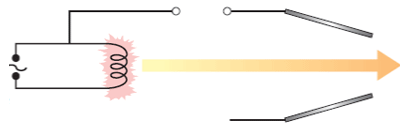


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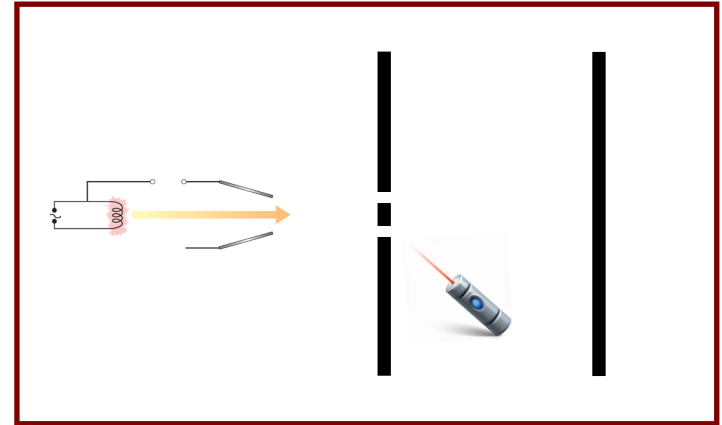
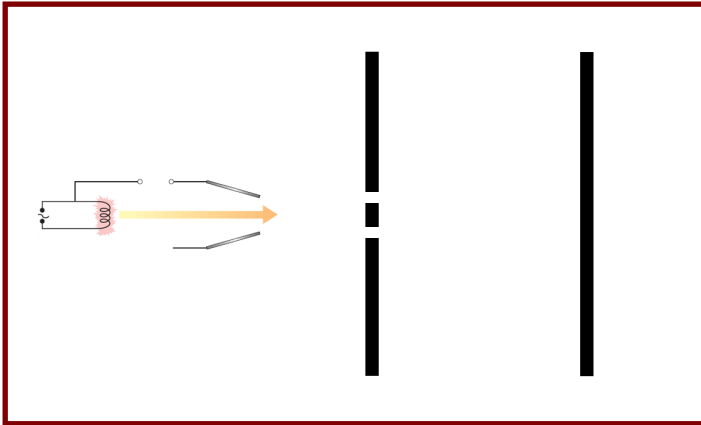


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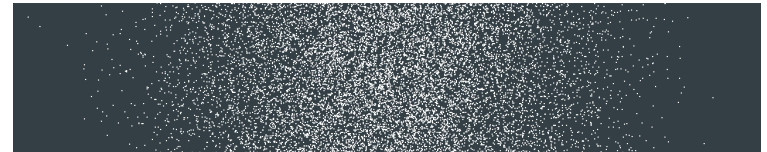
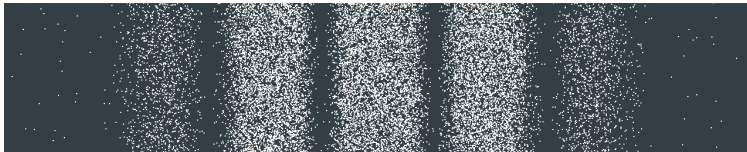
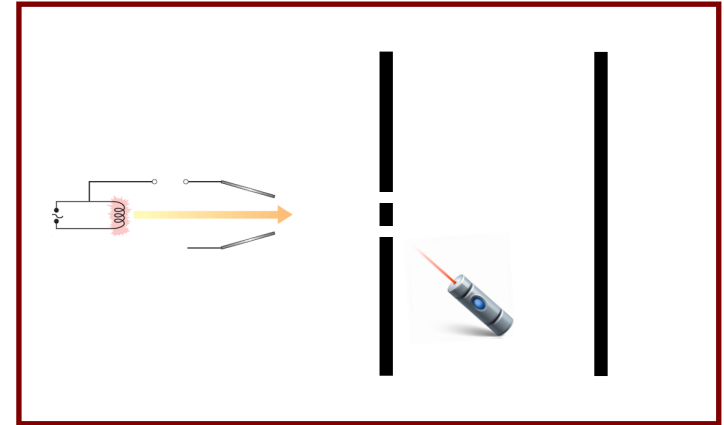
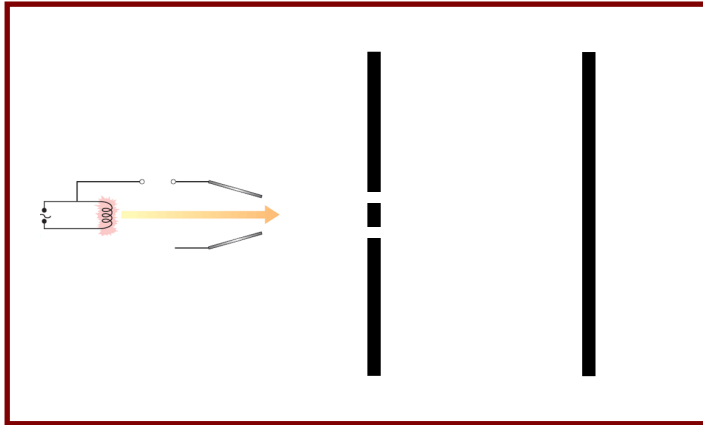
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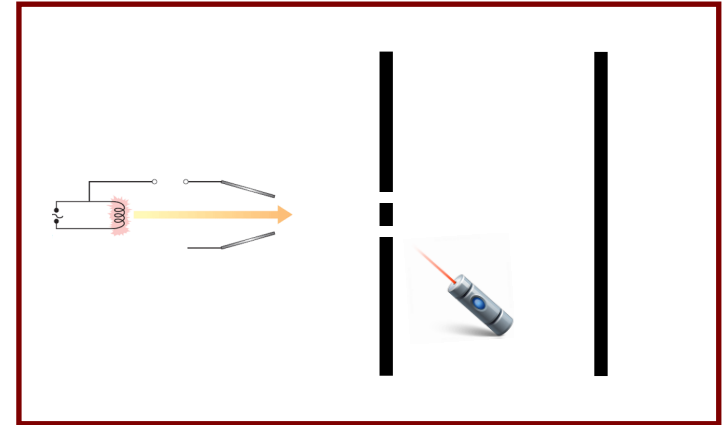
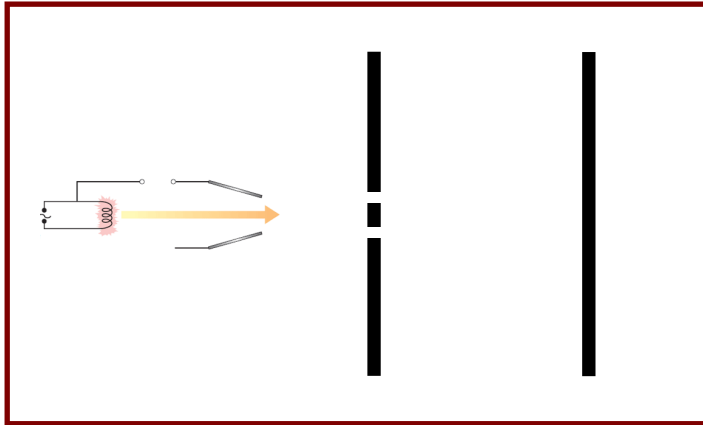
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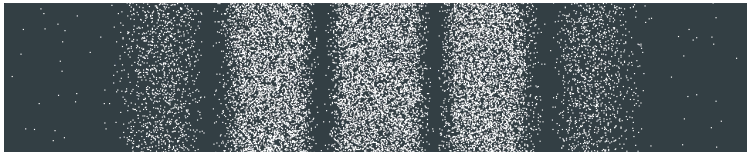
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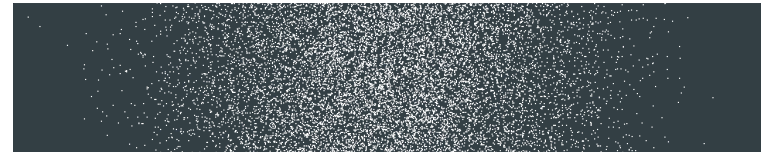
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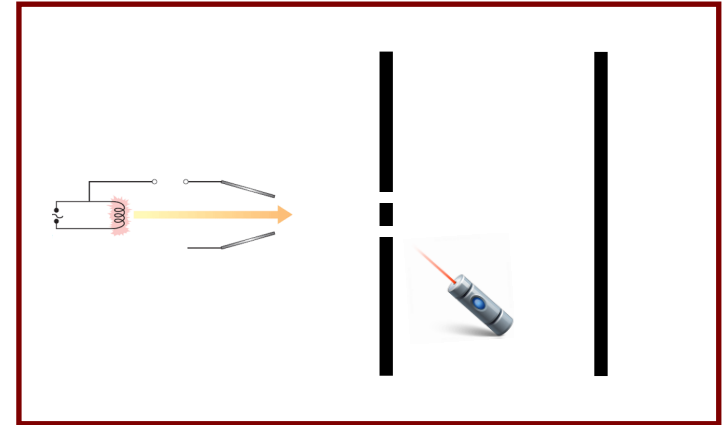
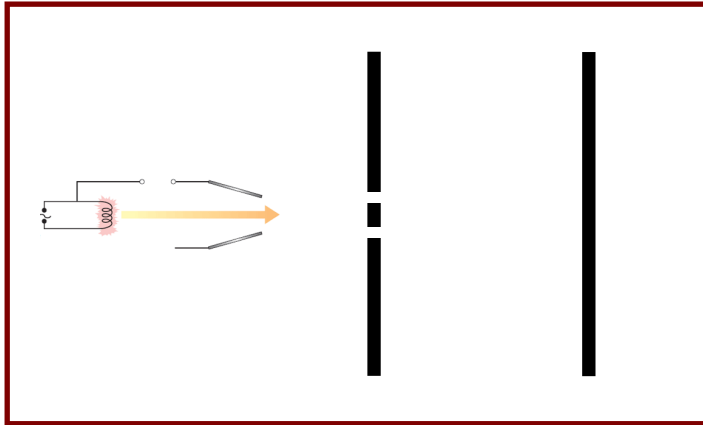
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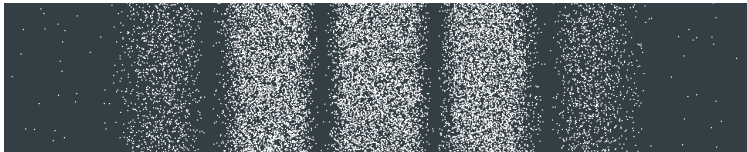
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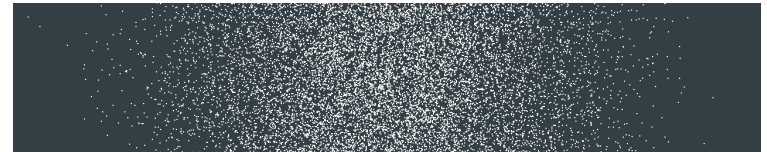
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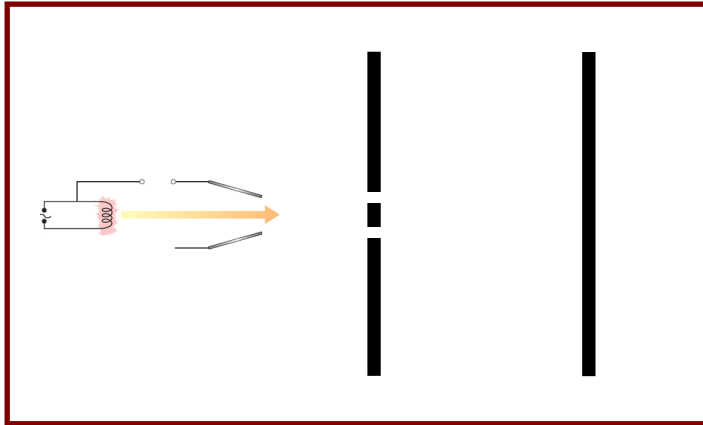


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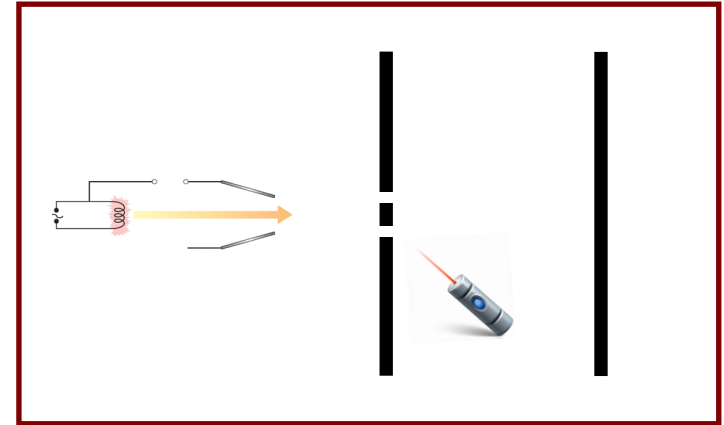


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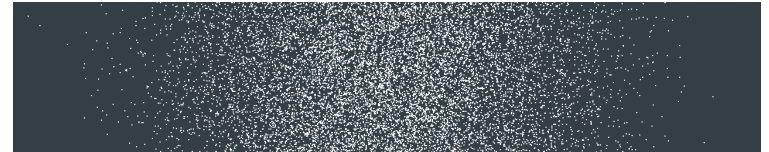
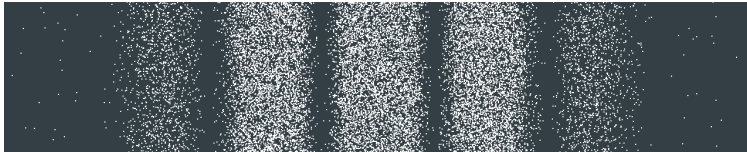
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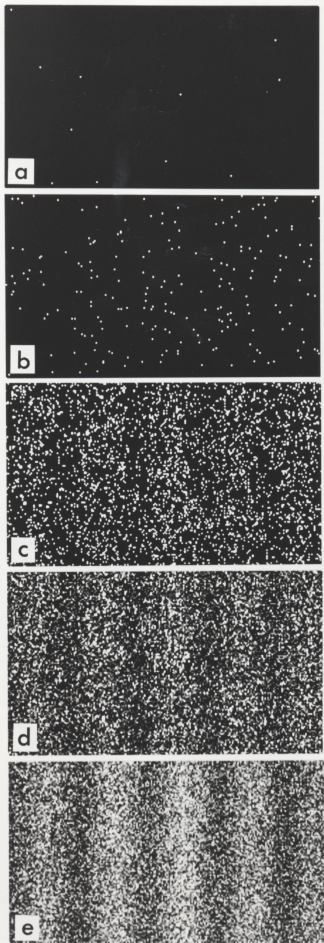
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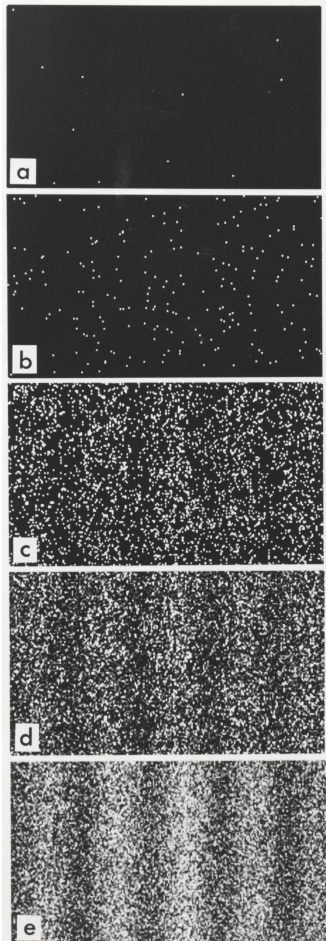


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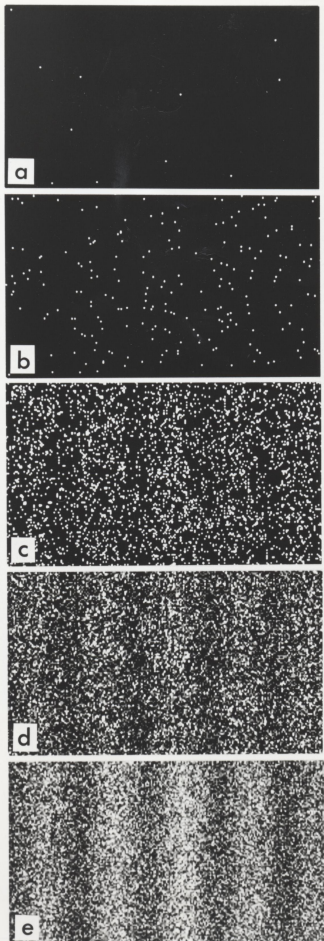
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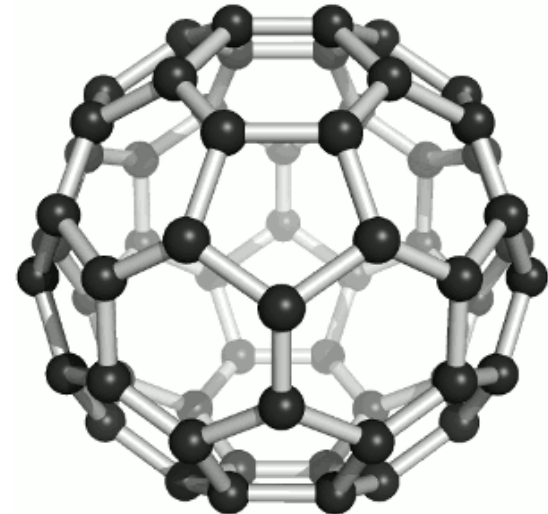
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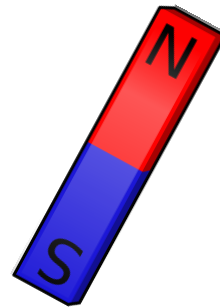


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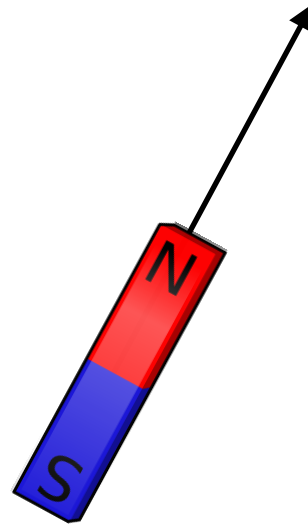
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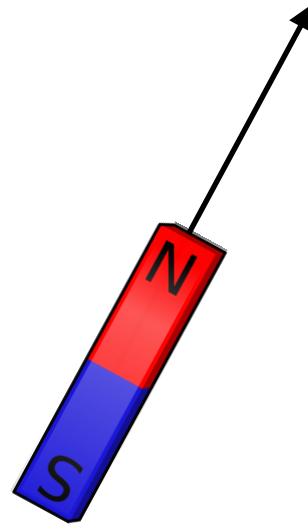
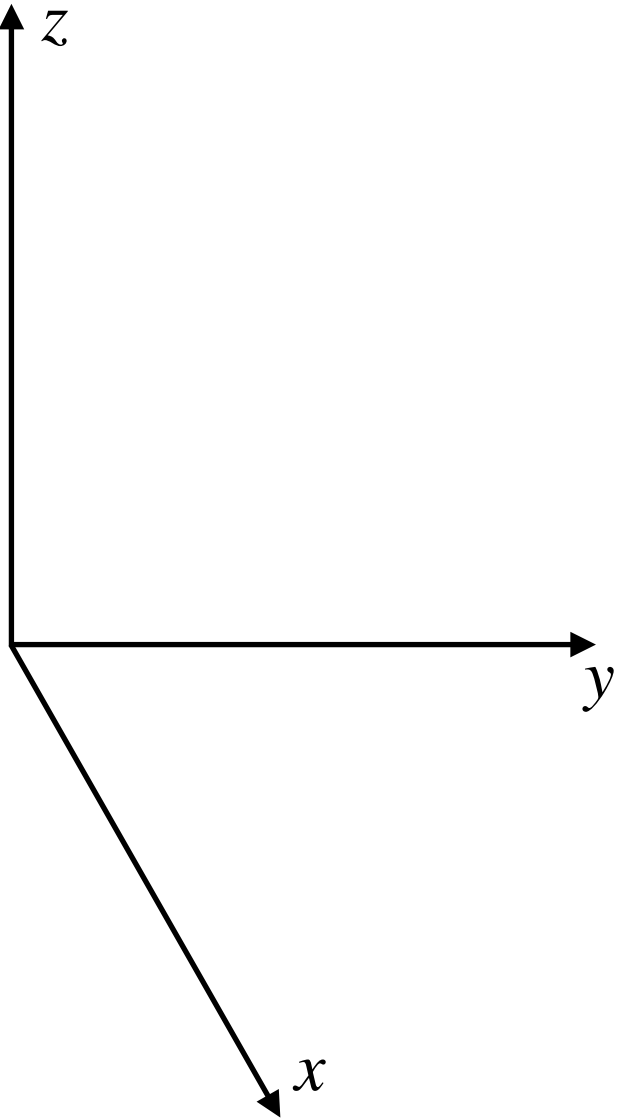


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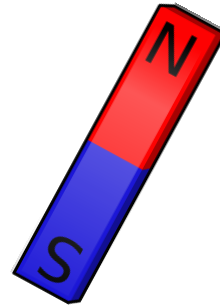
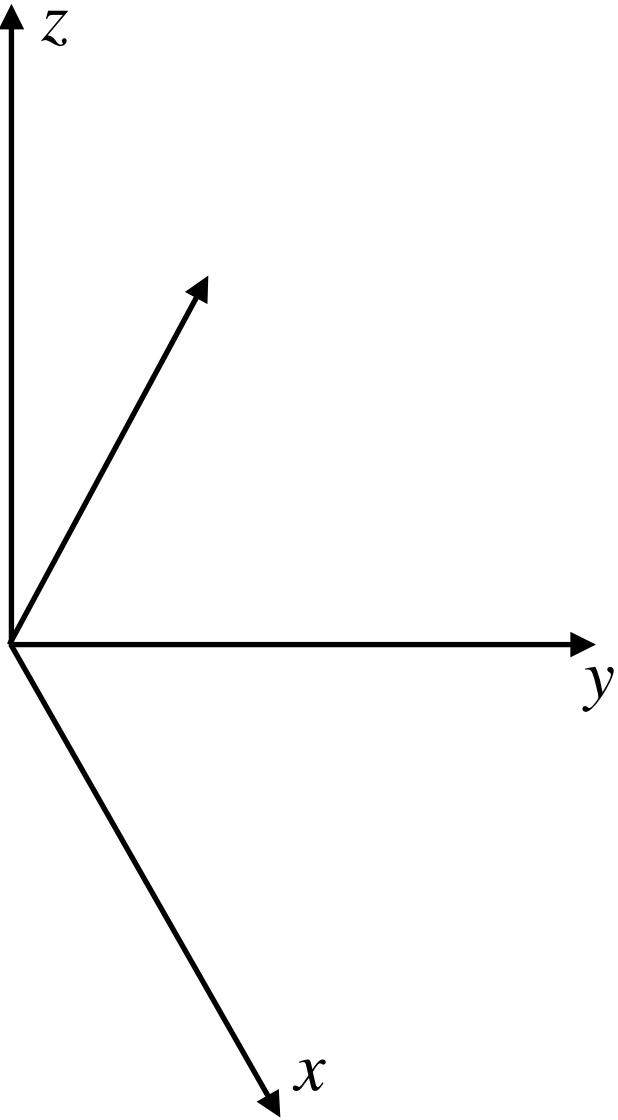




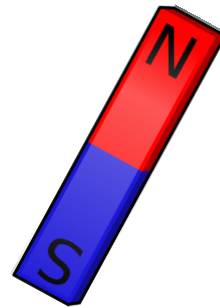
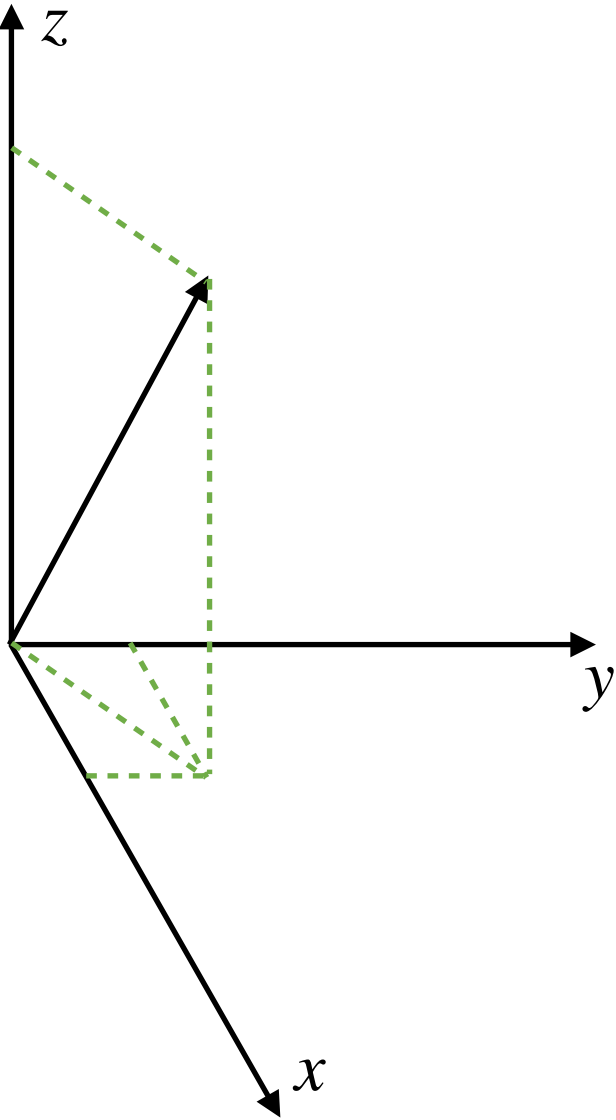
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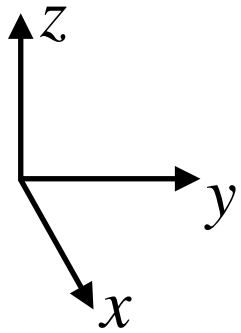
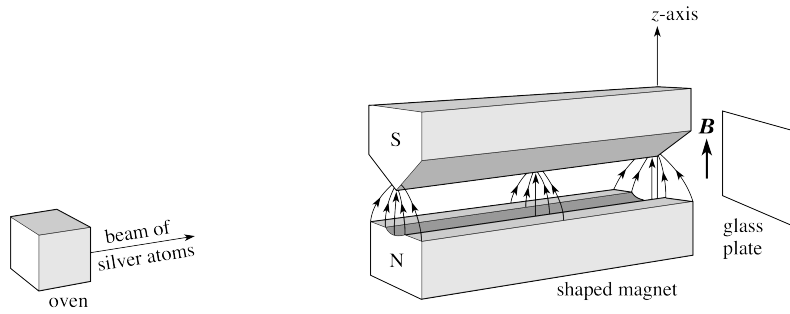
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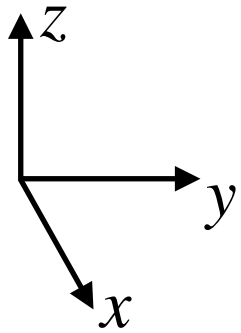
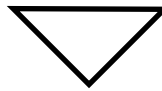
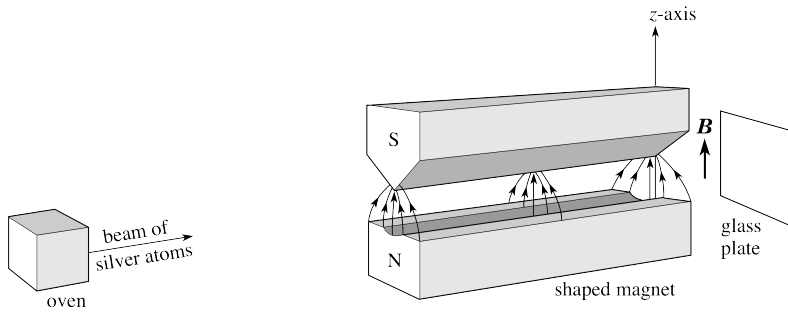
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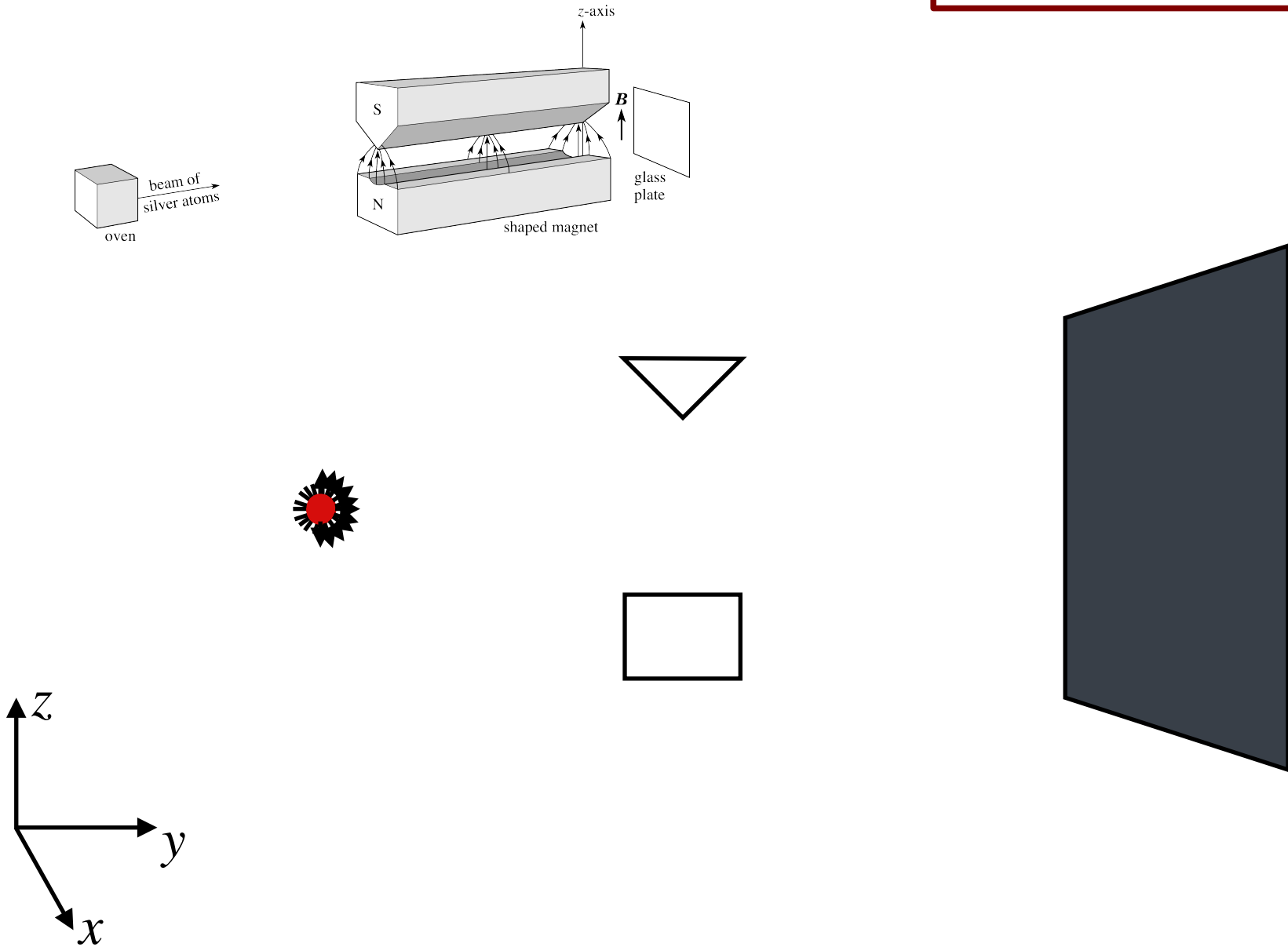
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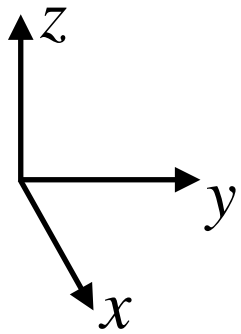
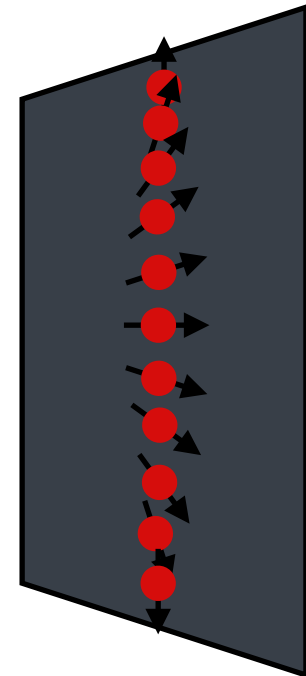
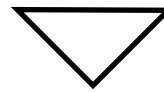
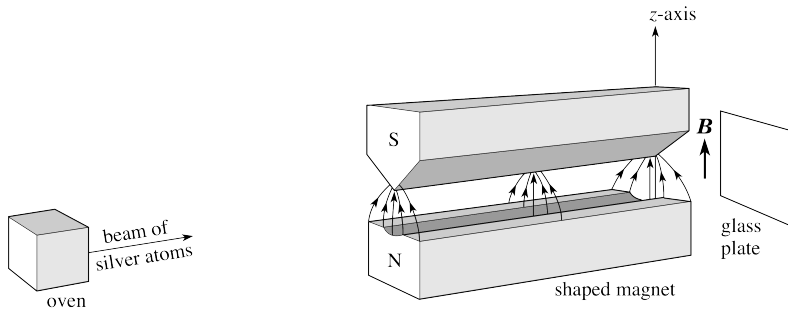
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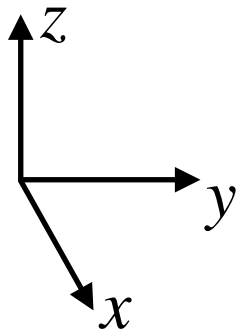
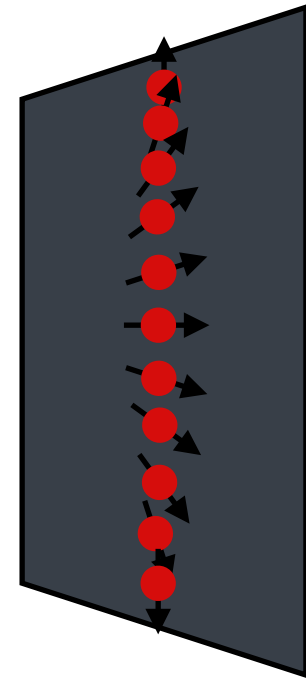
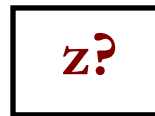
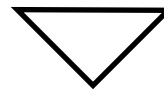
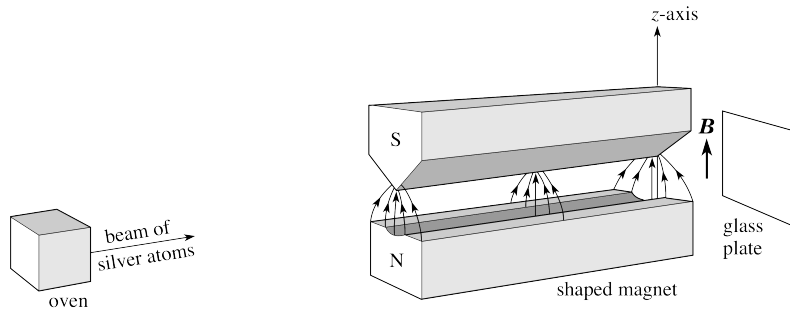
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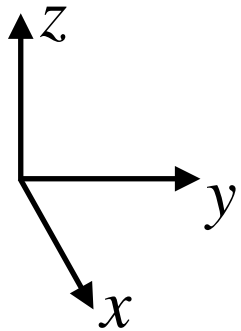
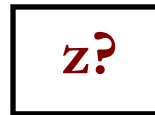
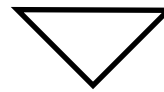
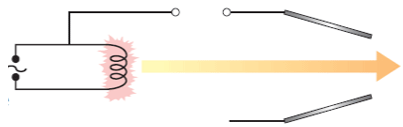
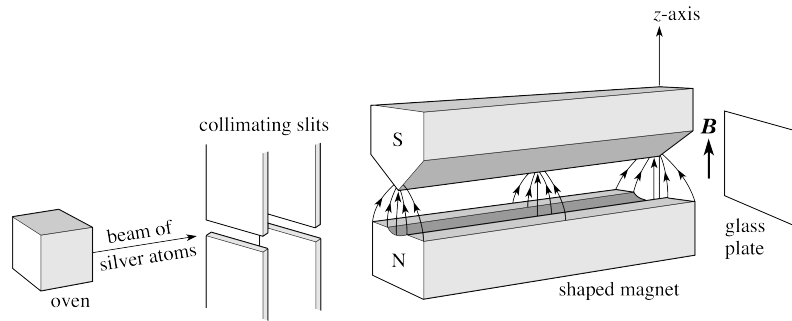
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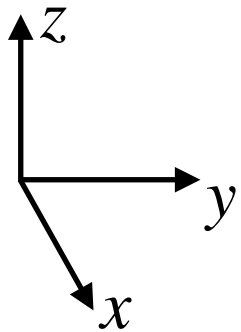
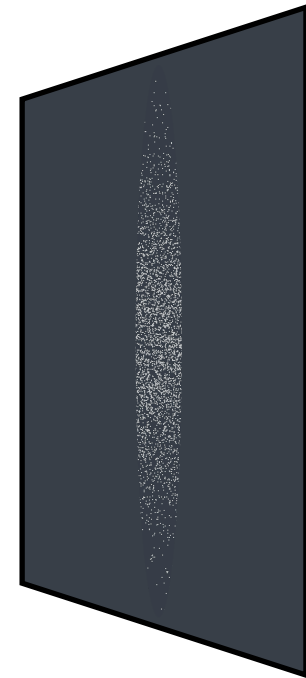
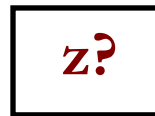
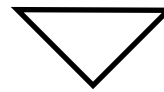
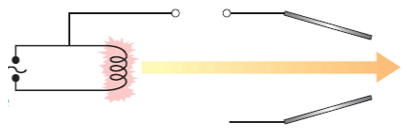
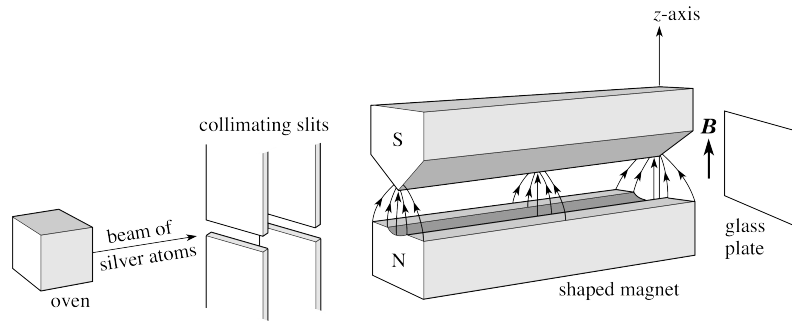


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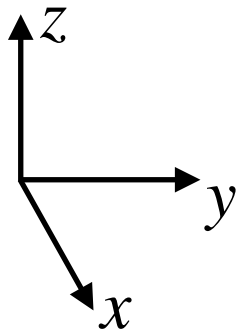
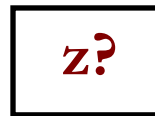
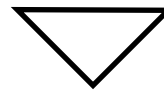
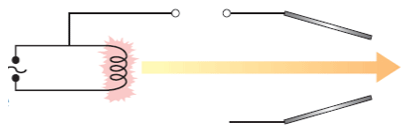
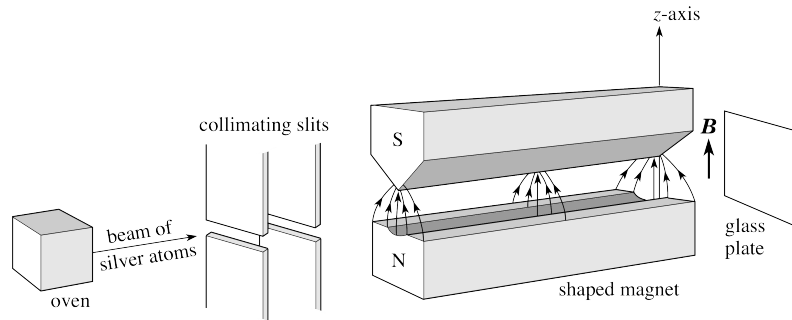
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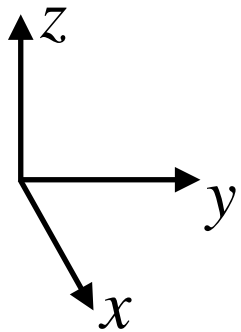
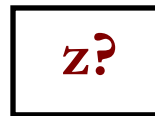
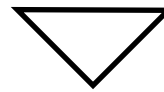
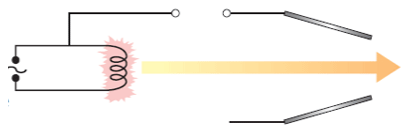
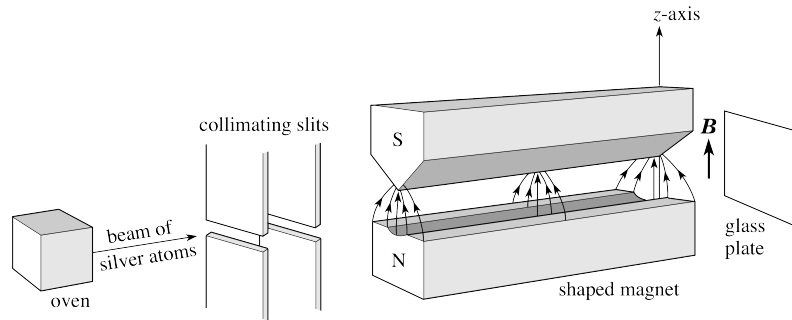
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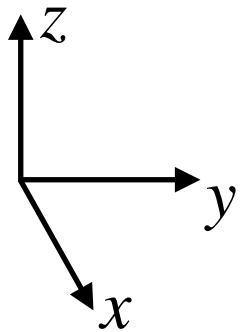
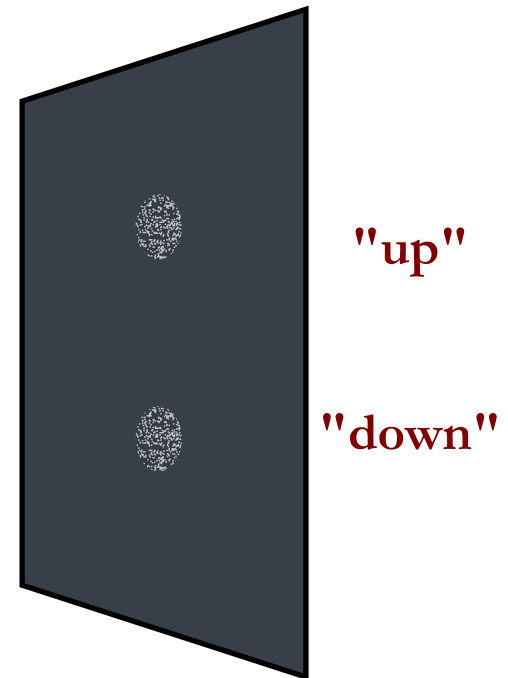
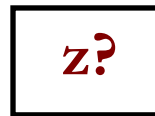
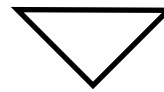
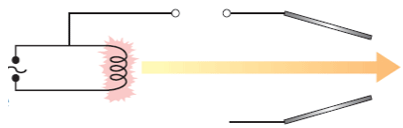
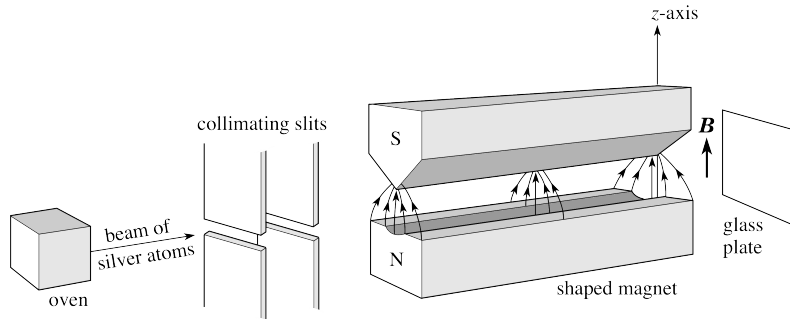
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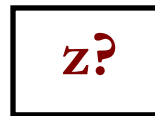
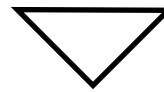
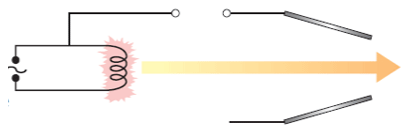
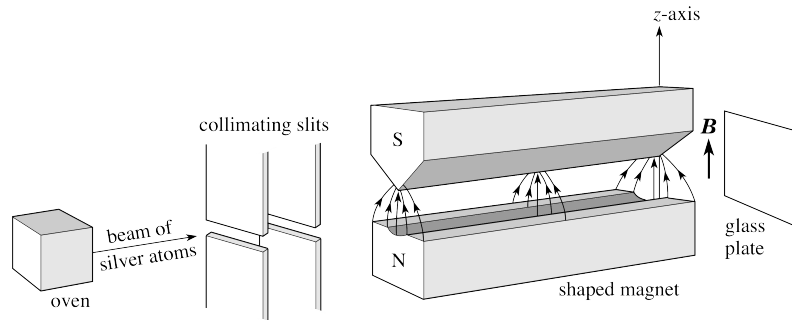
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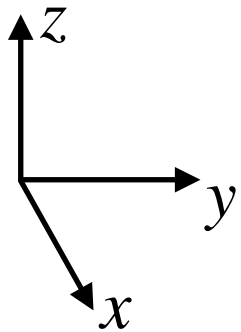
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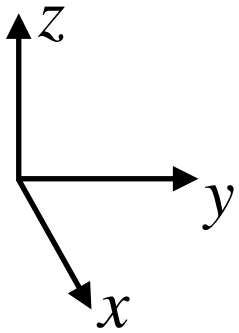
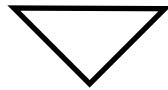
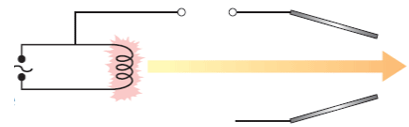
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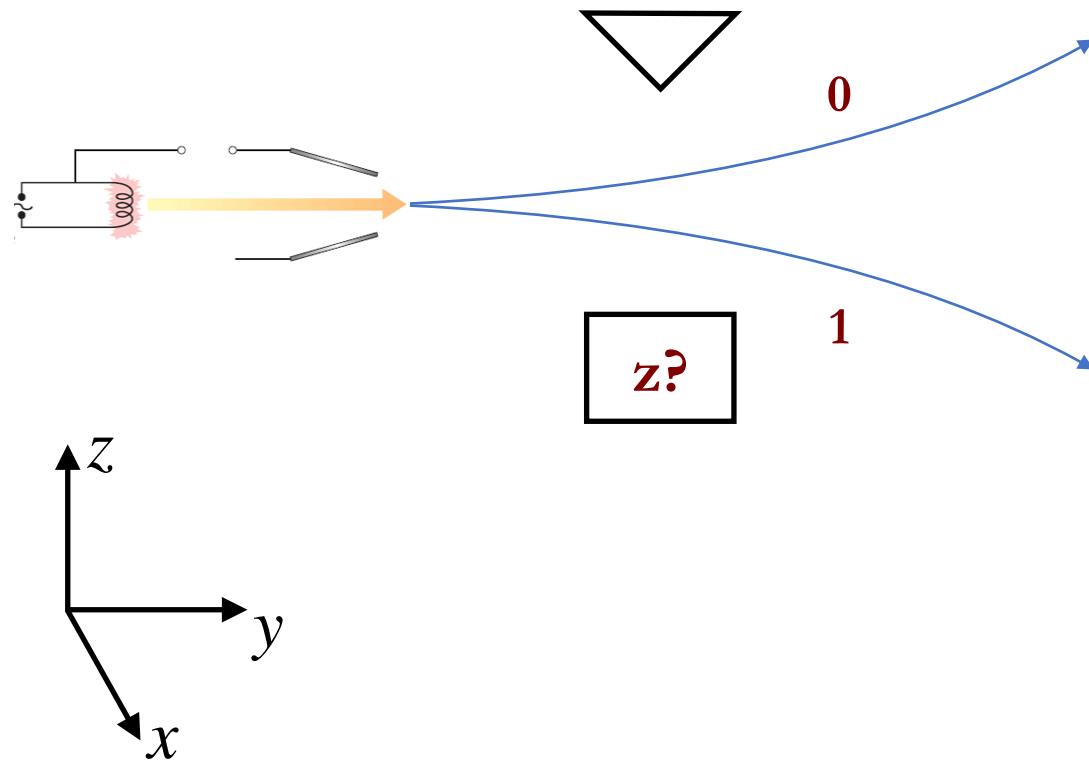
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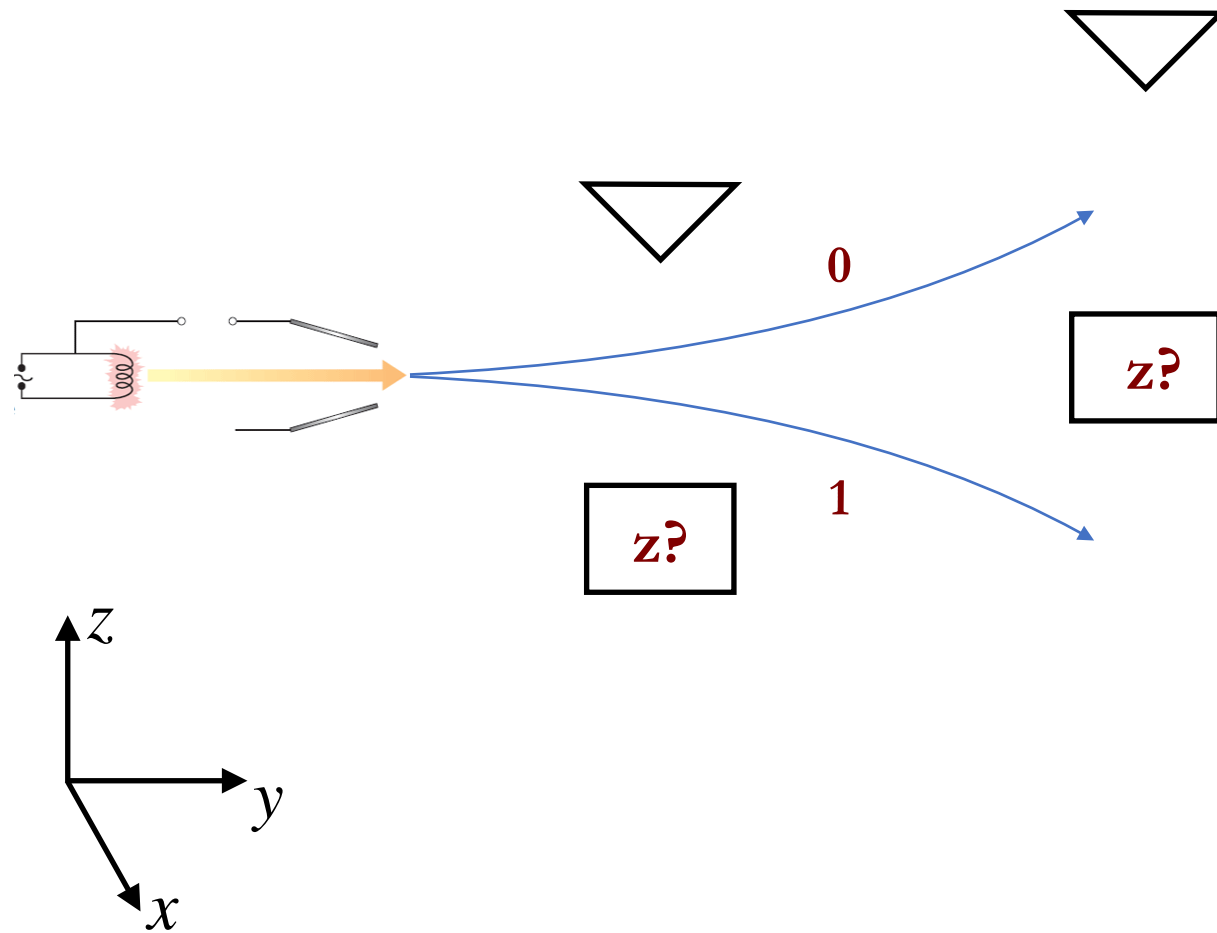


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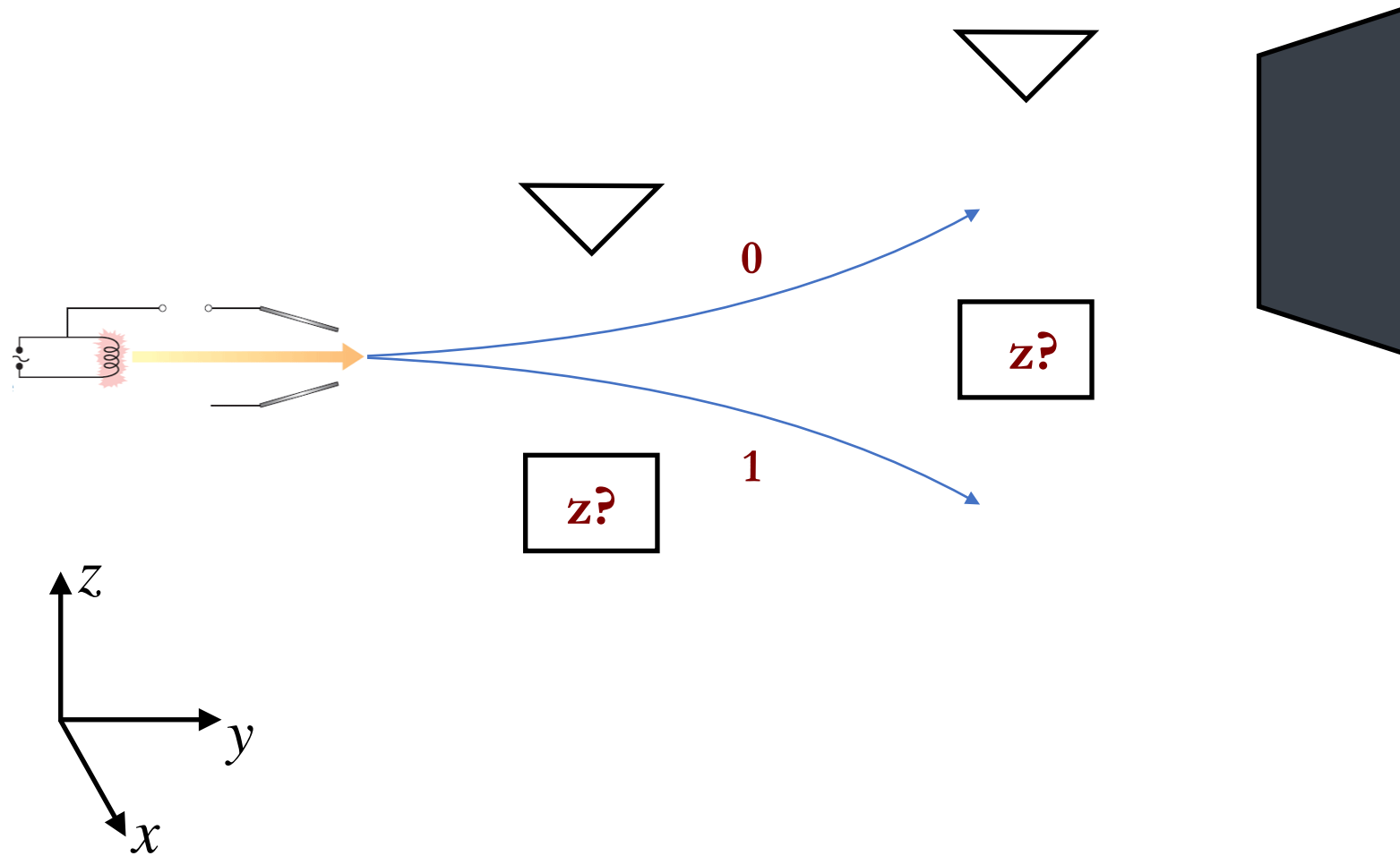




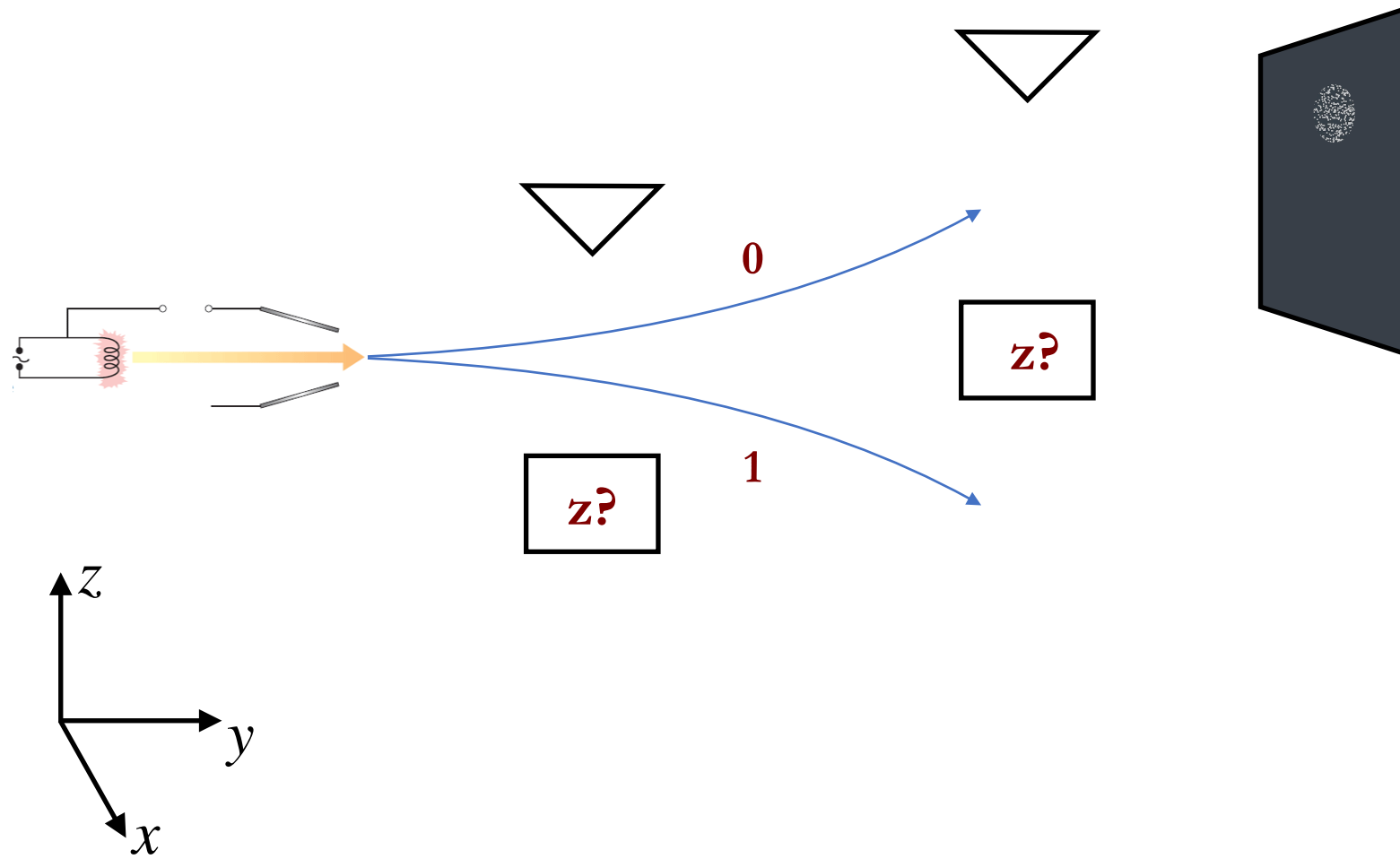
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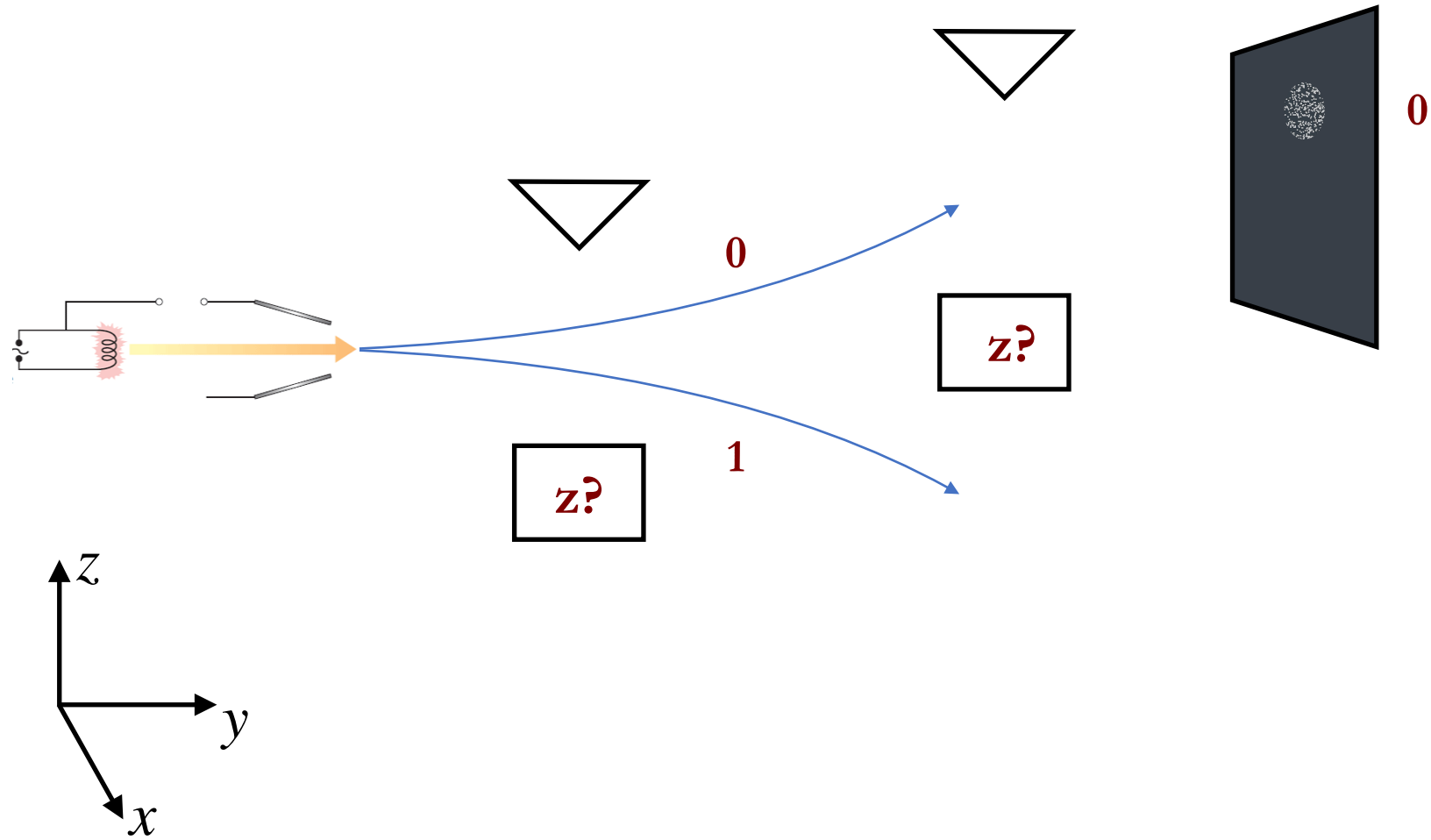
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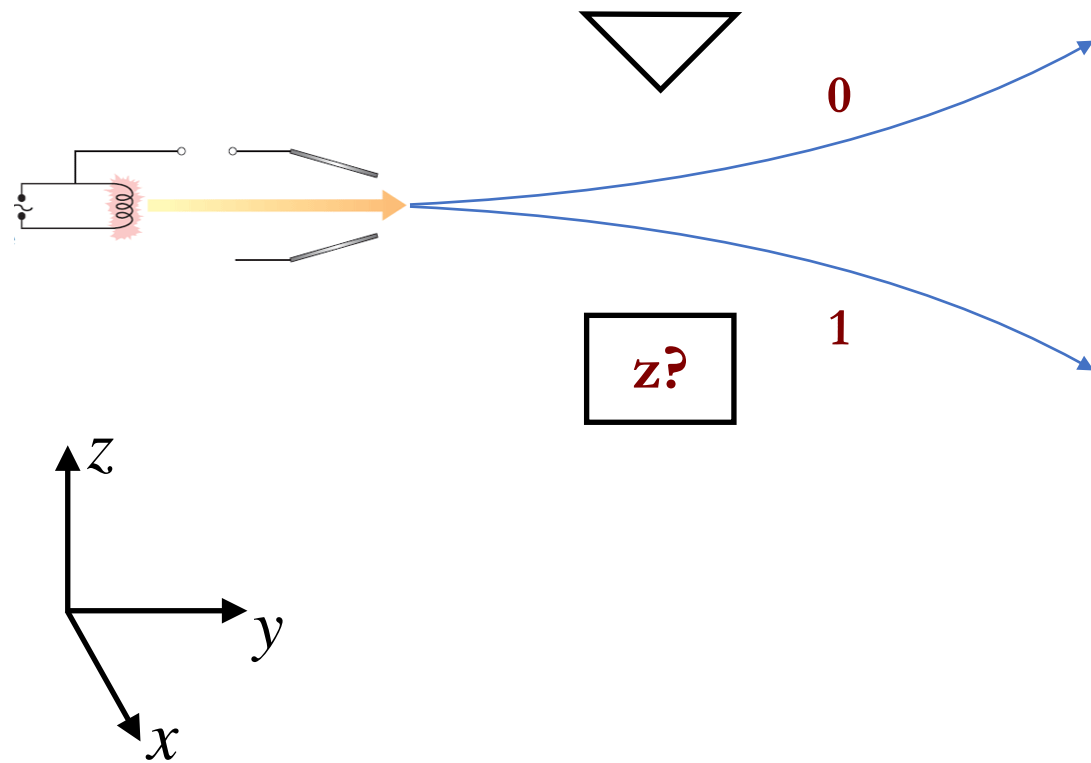
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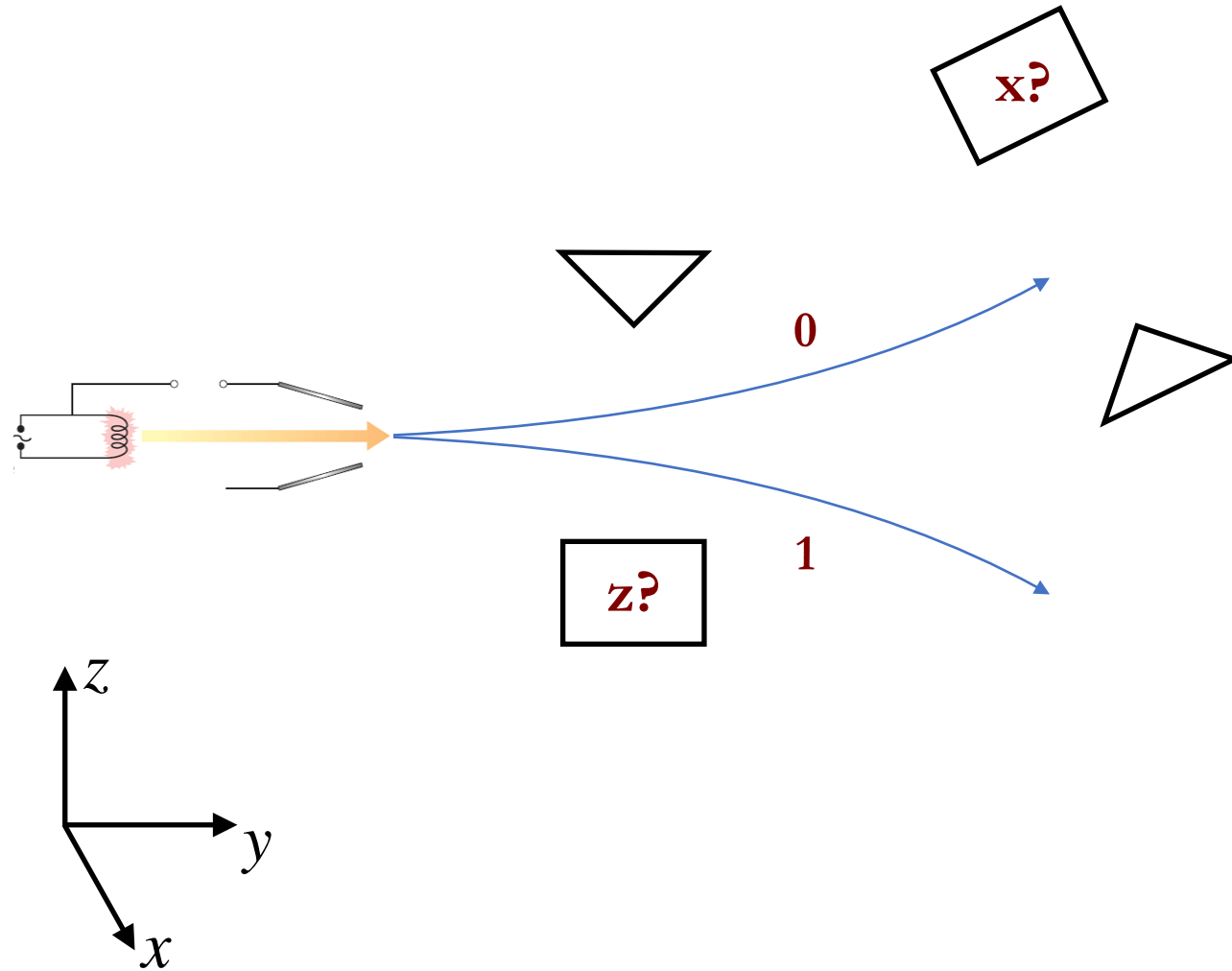
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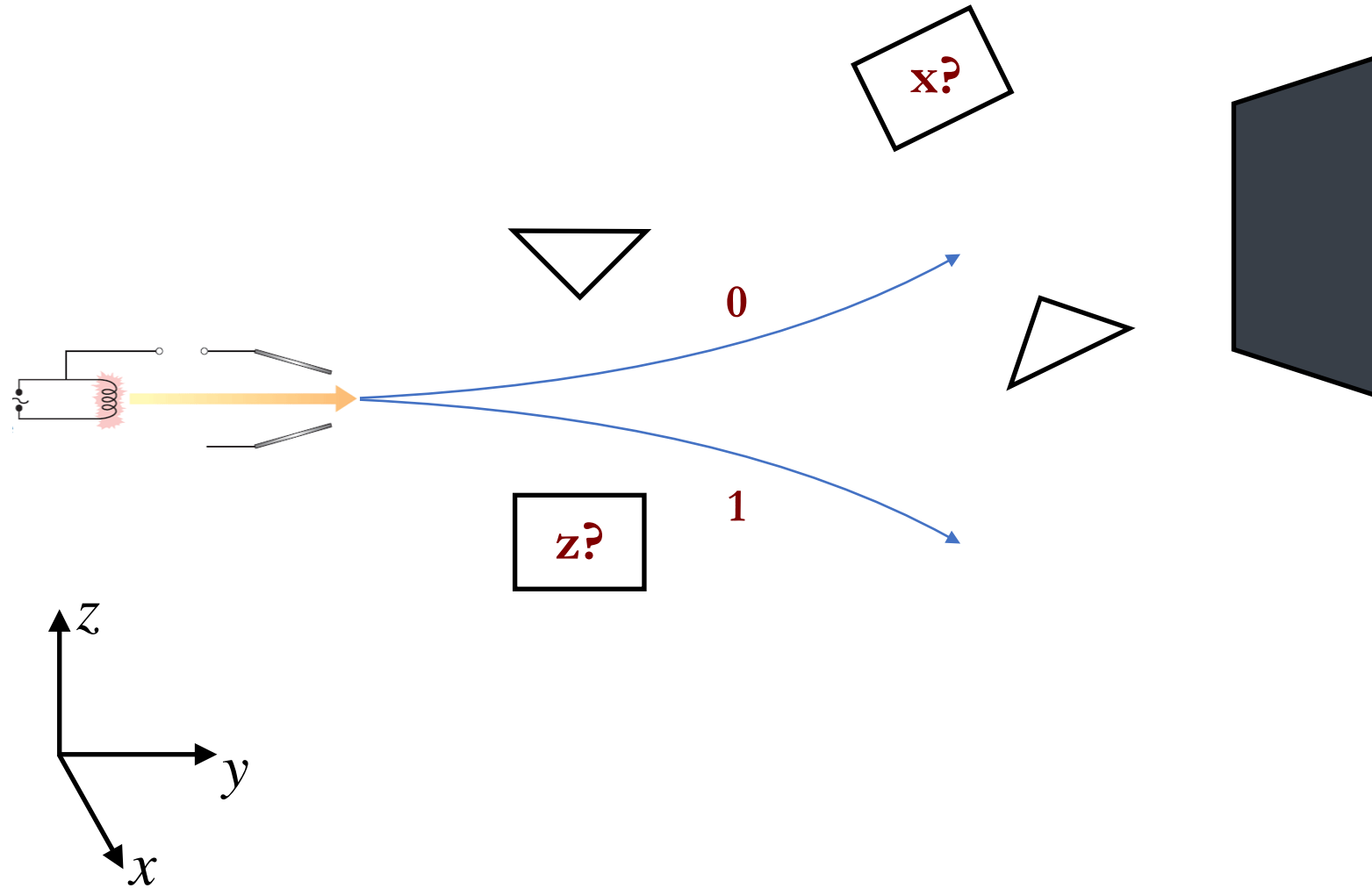
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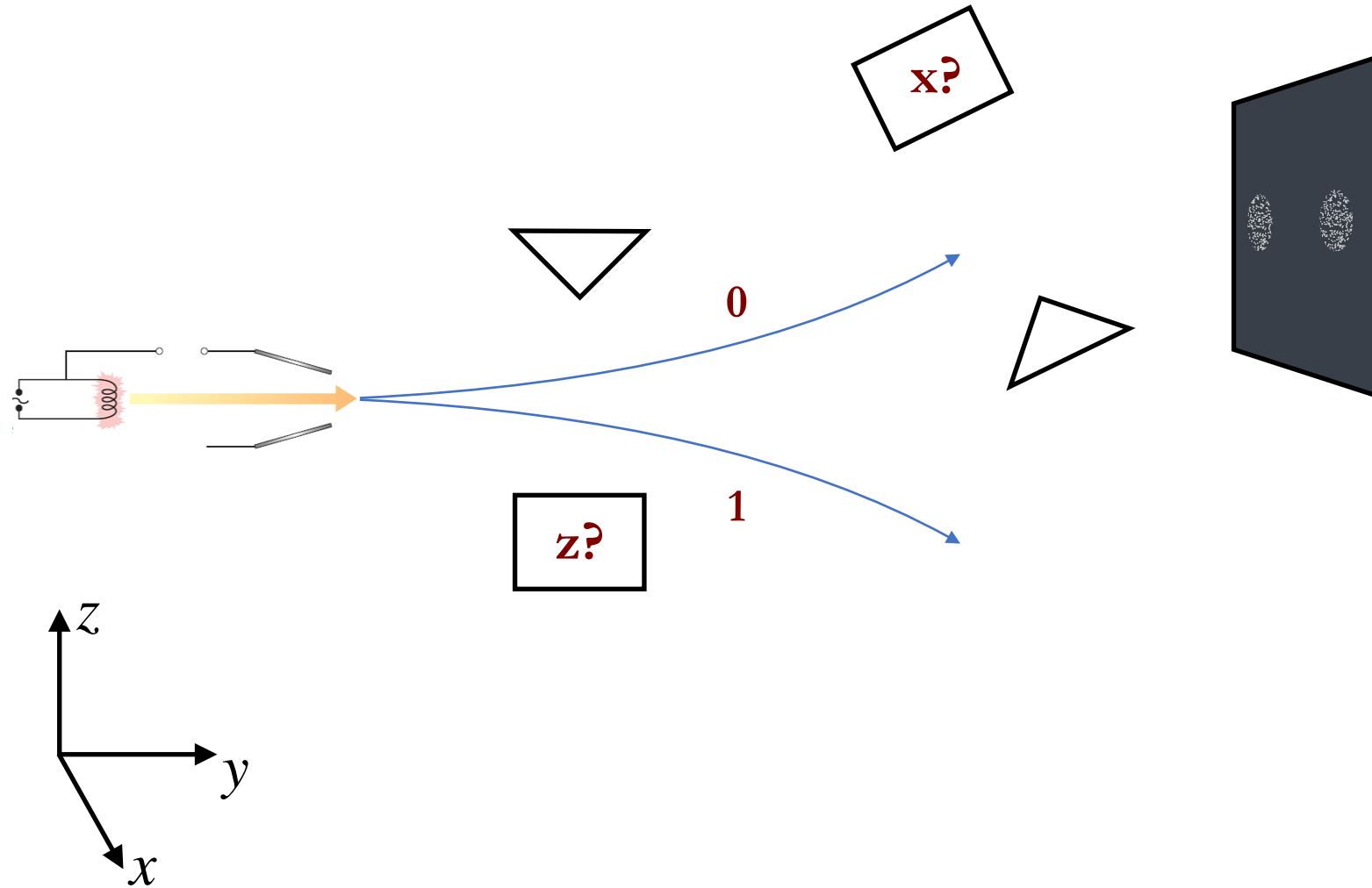
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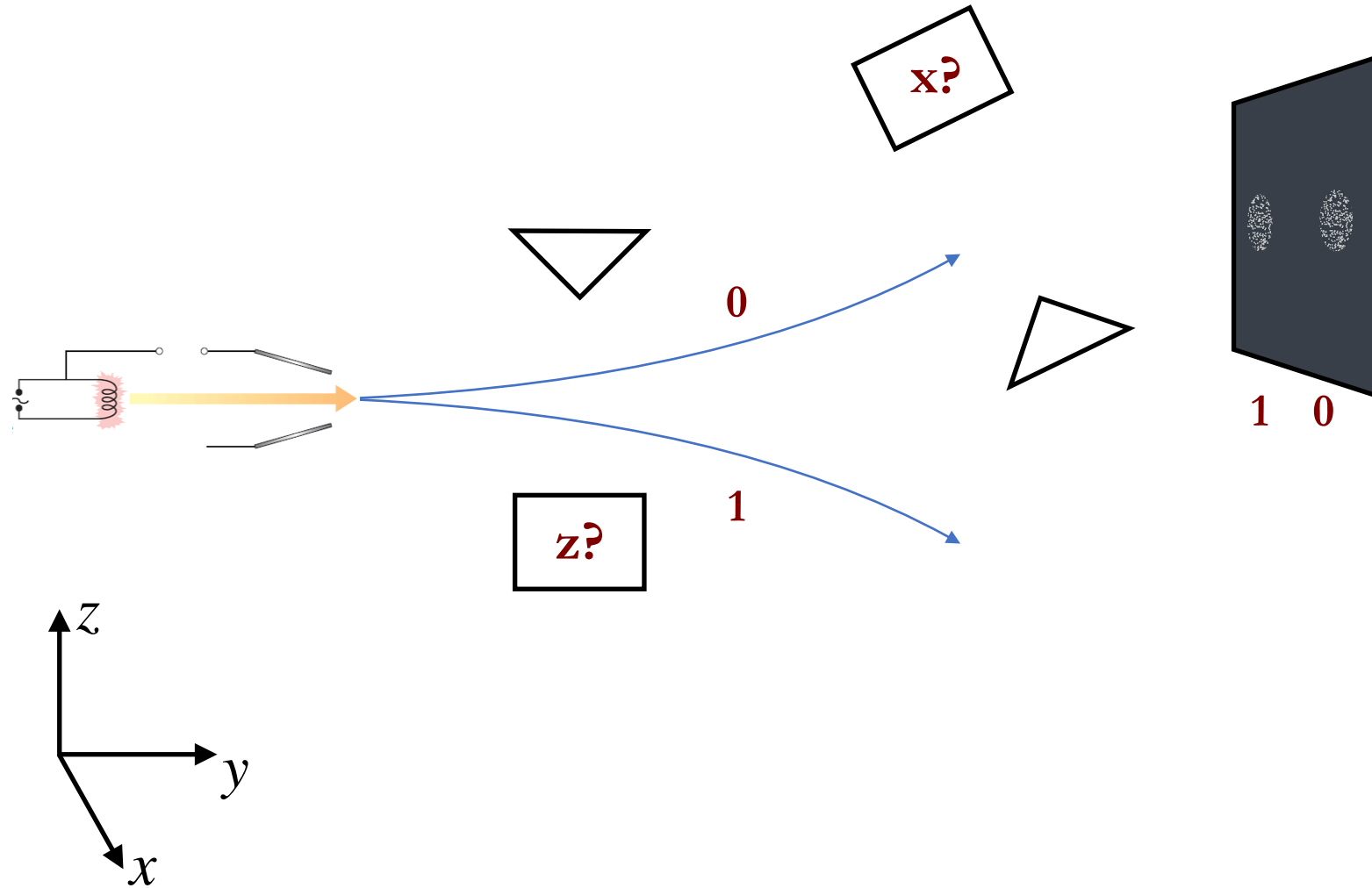


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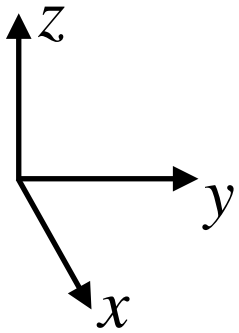
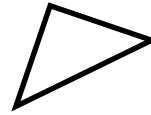
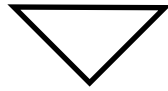
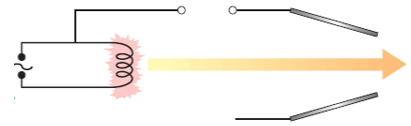




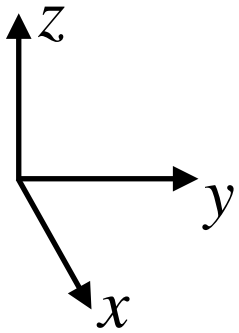
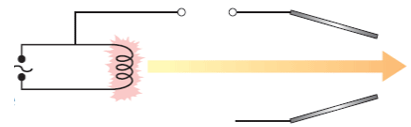
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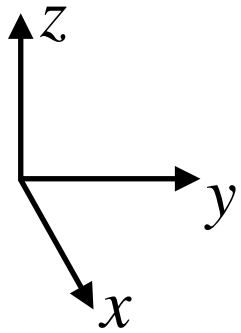
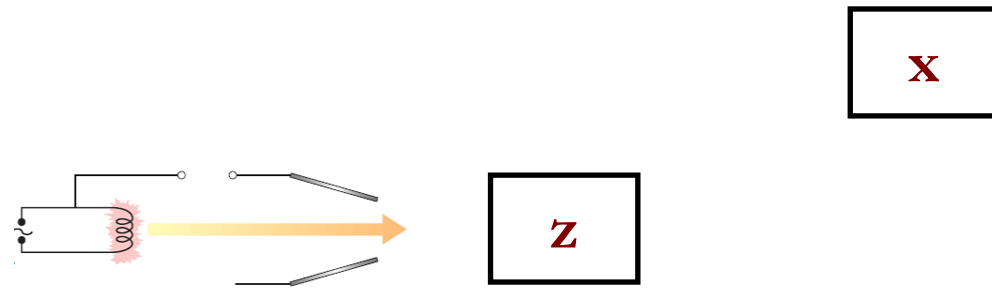
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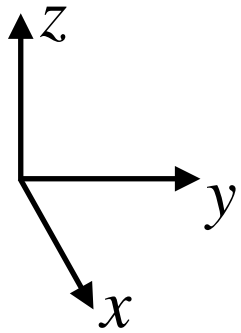
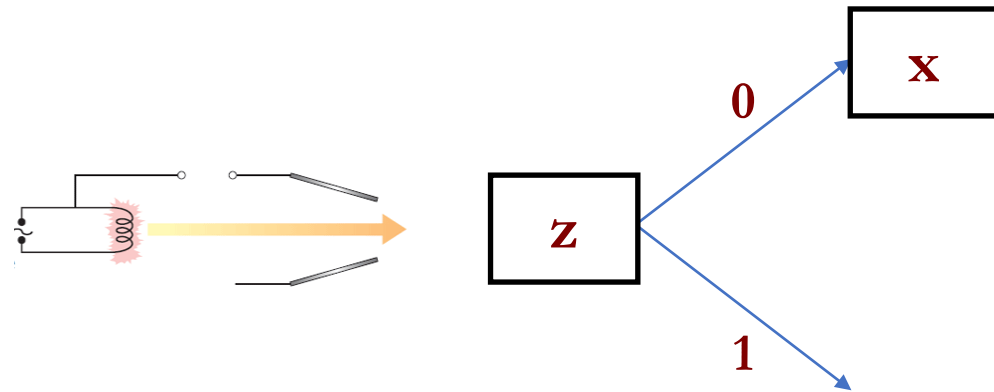
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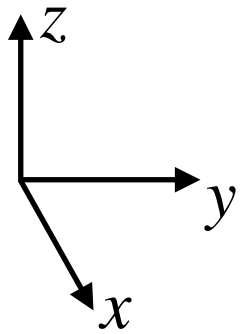
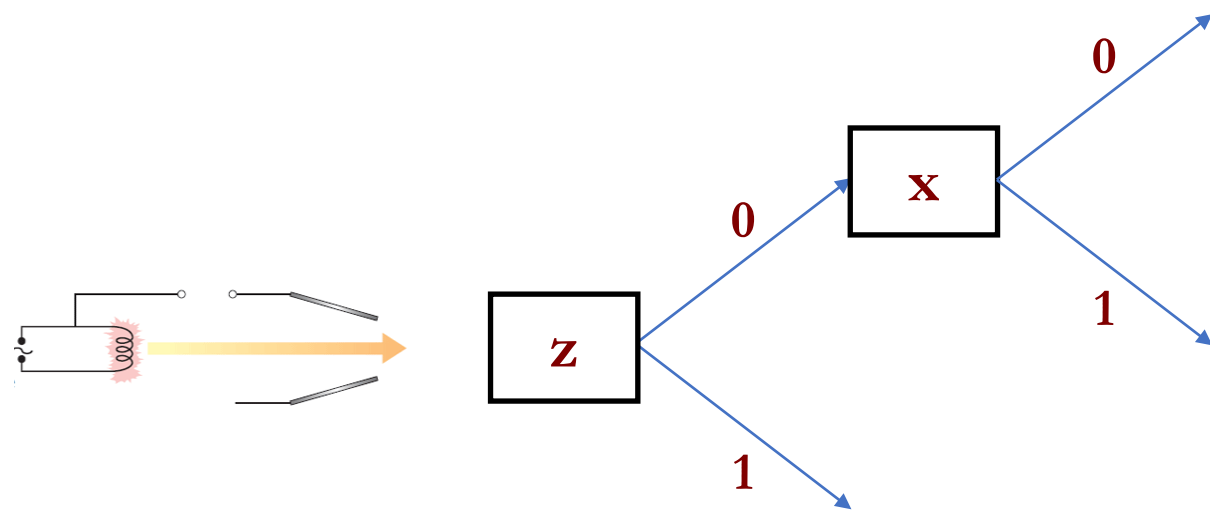
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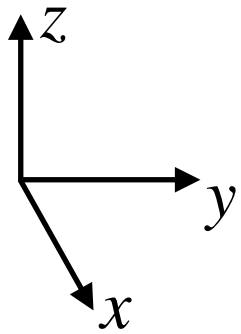
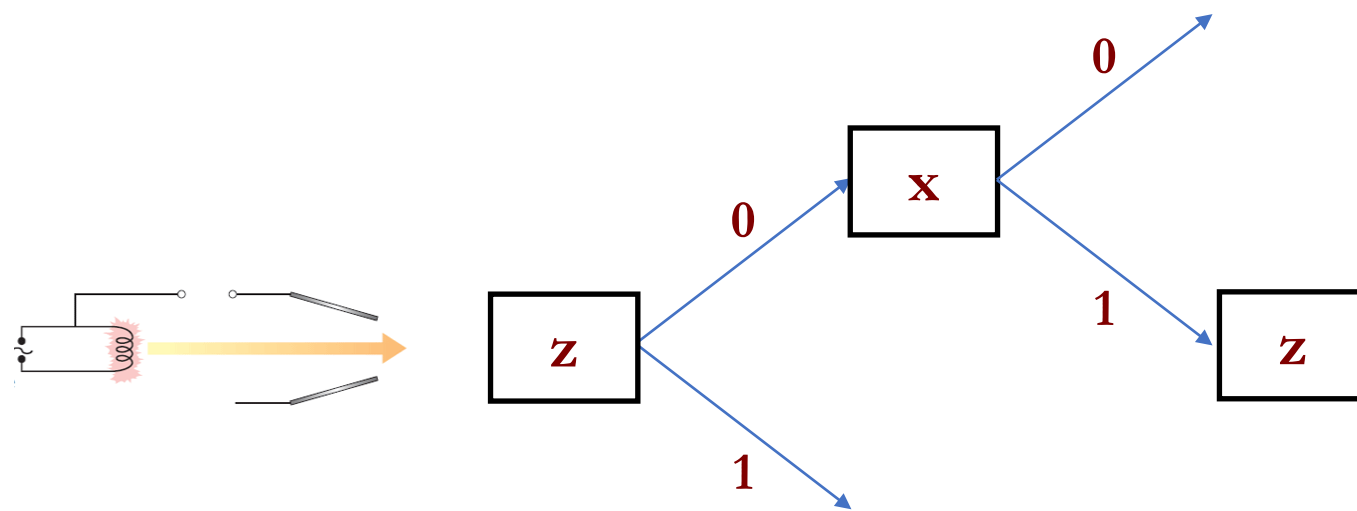
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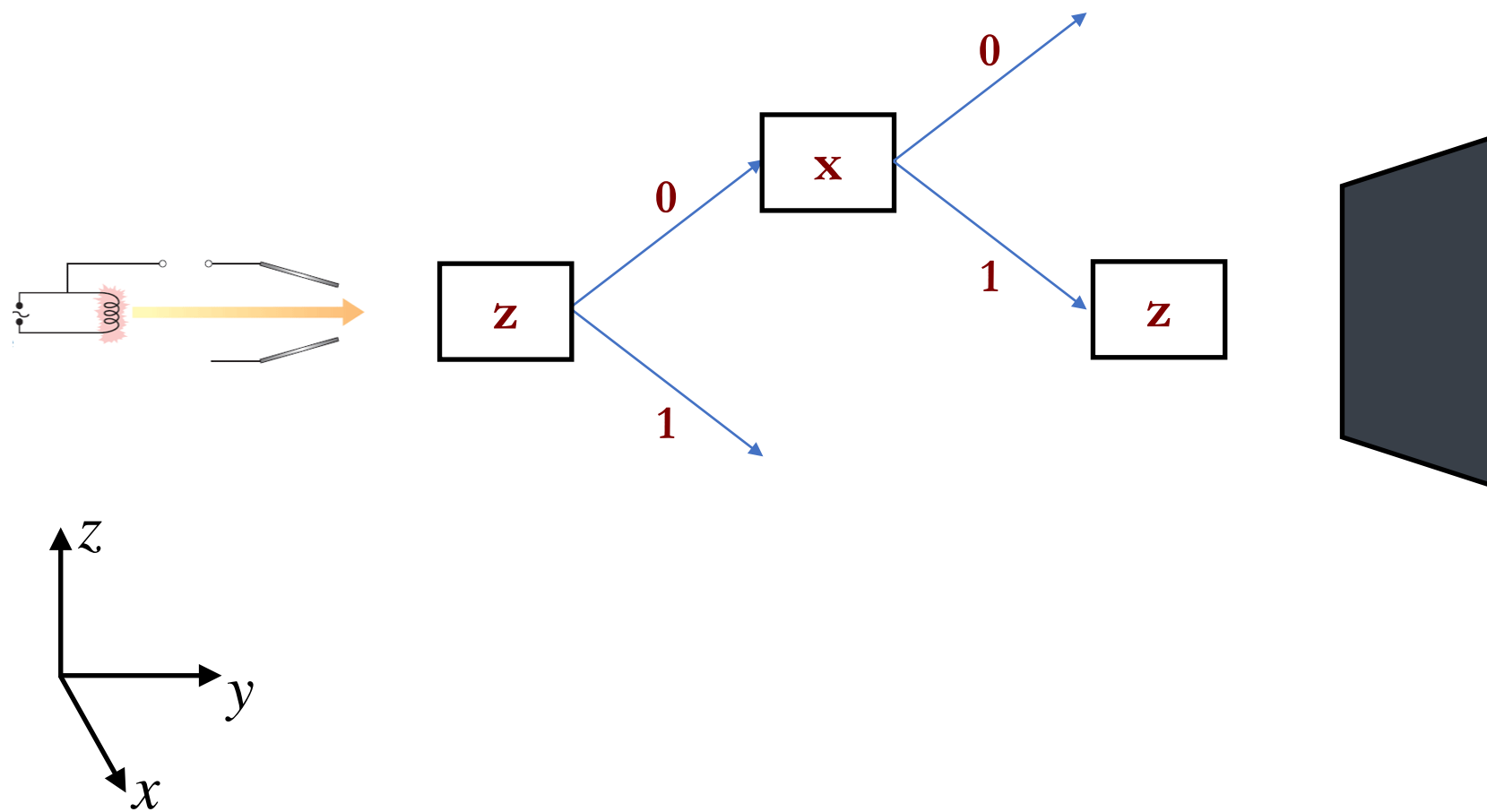
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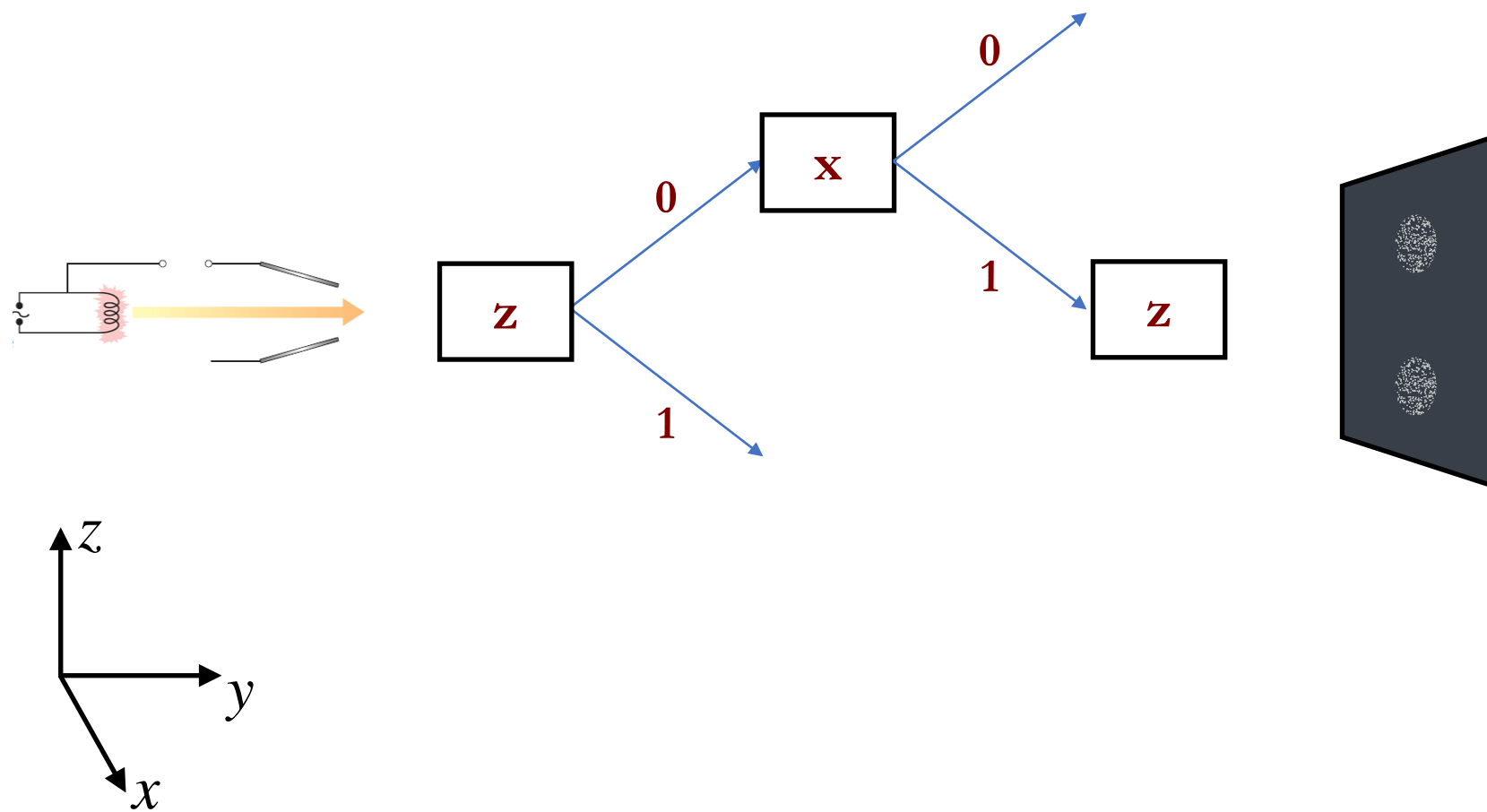


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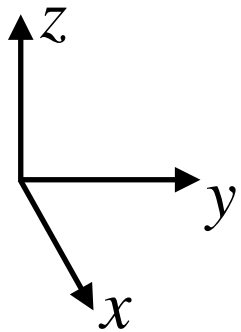
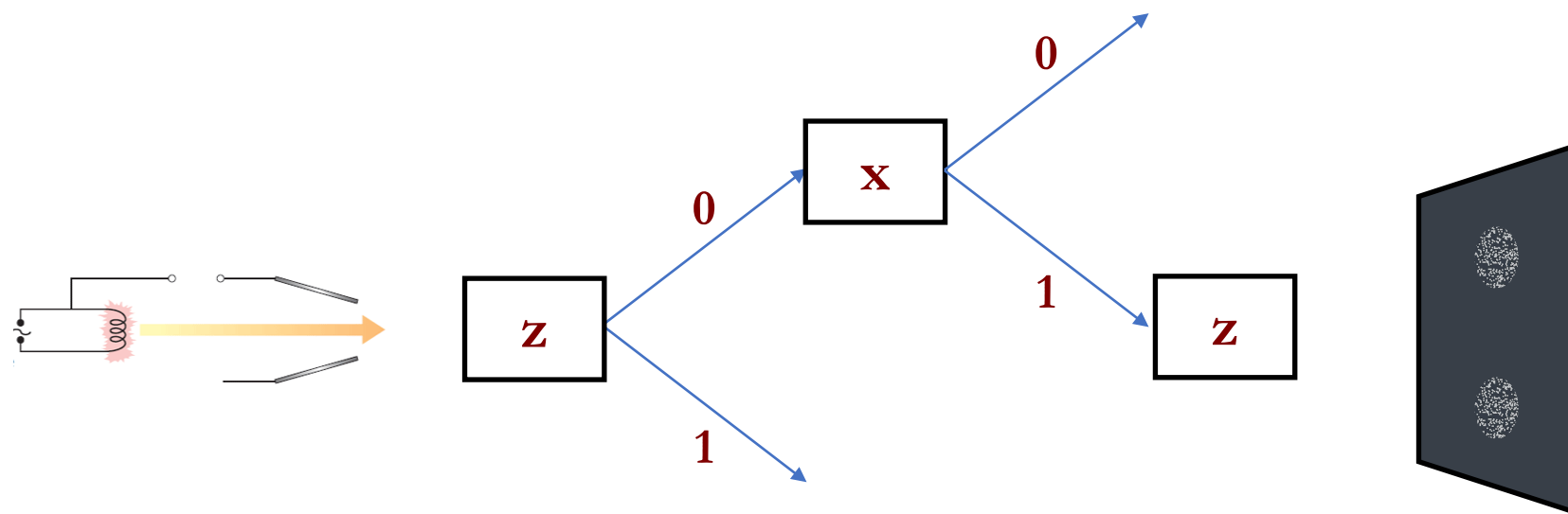




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**Only one answer at a time!**

# Qubits

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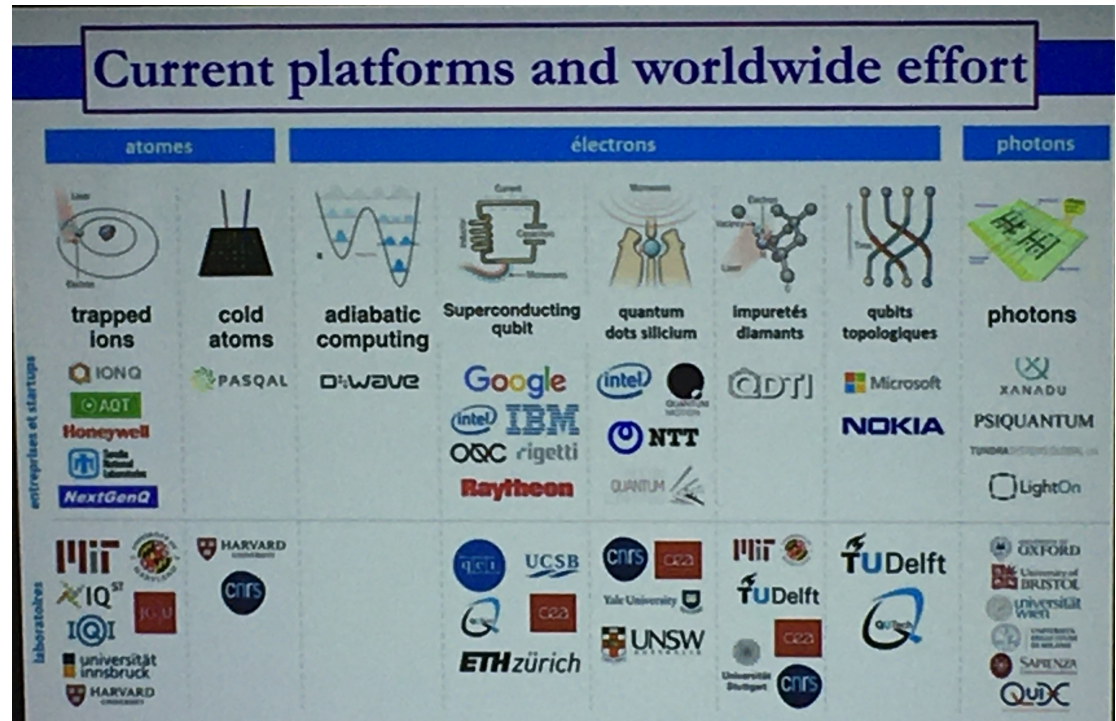
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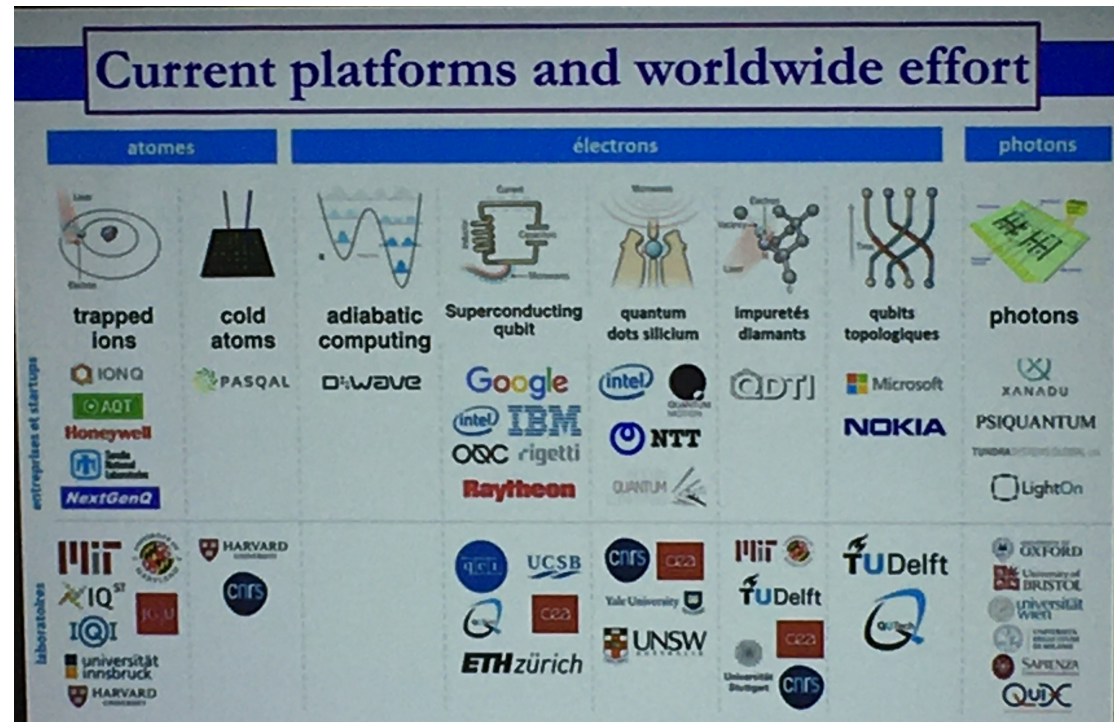
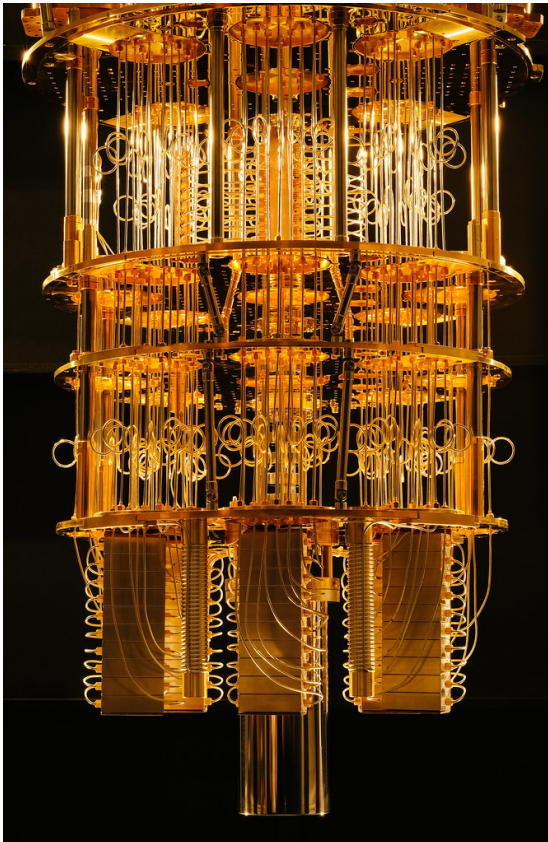
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# Plan

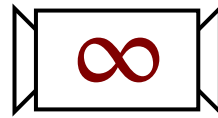
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- The double slit experiment
- Electron Spin & qubits
- **Entanglement**



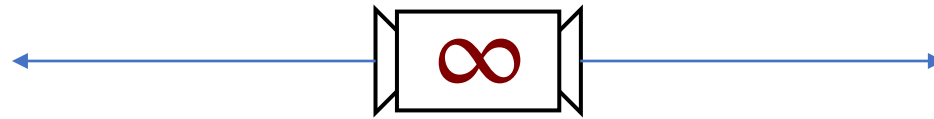


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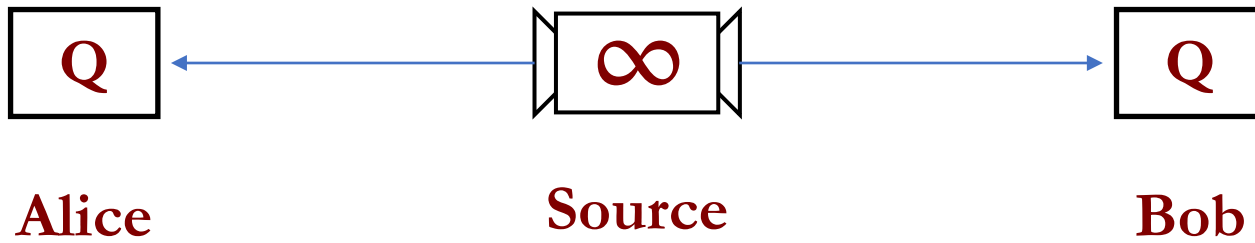


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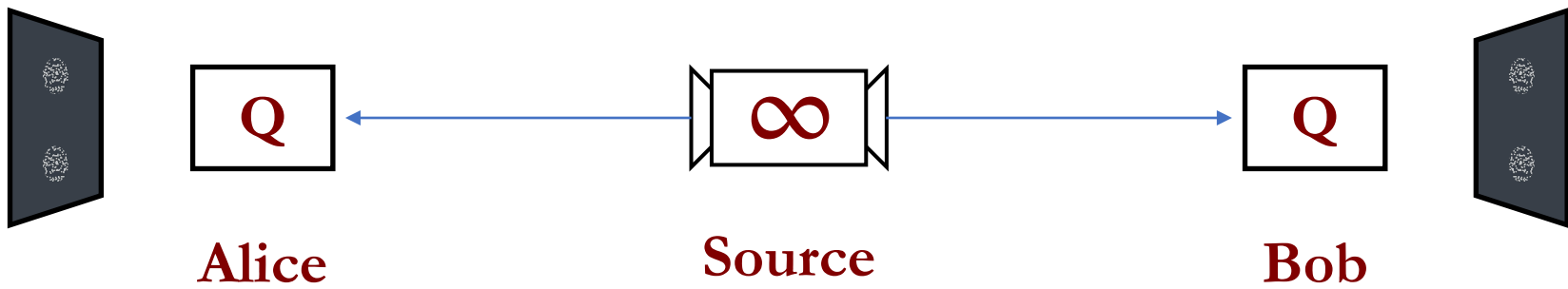


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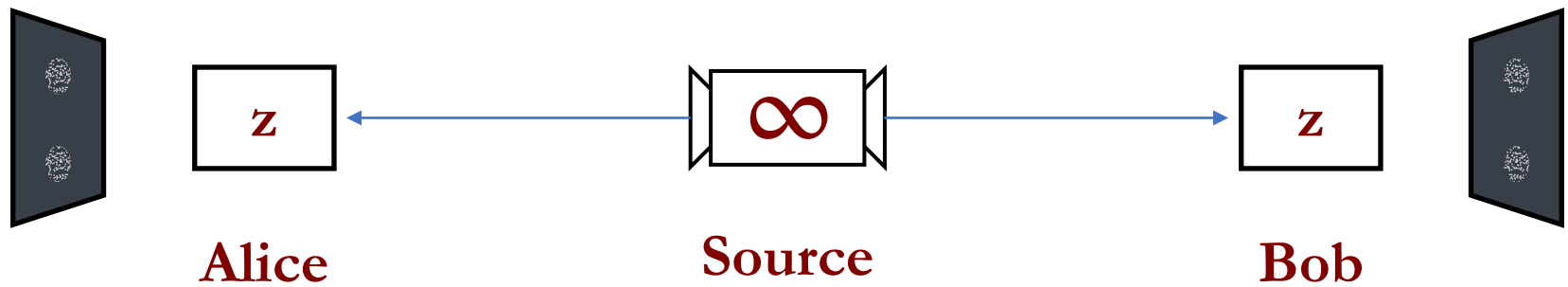
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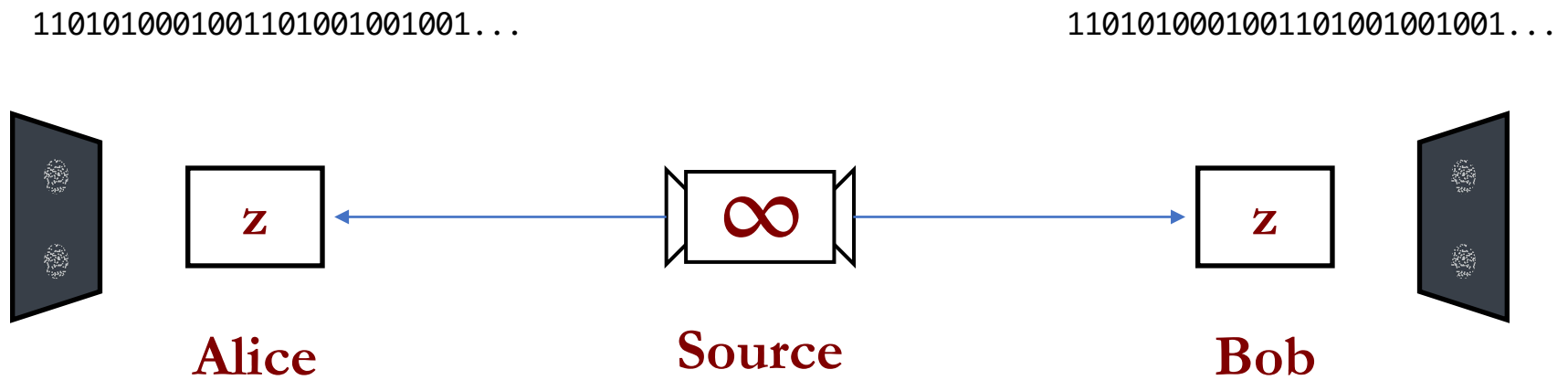
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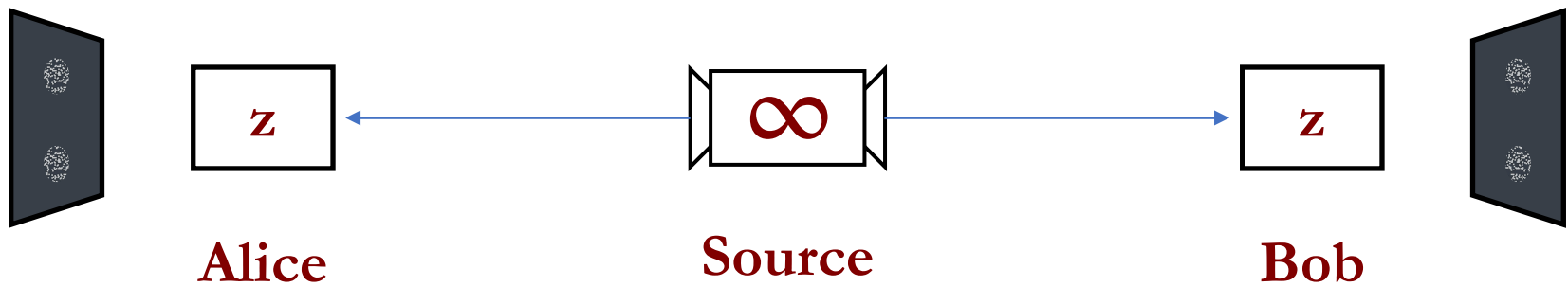


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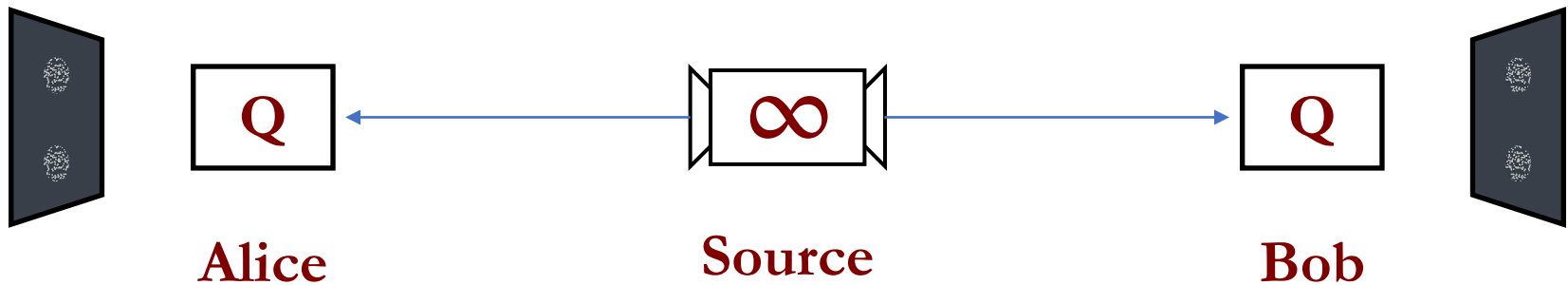




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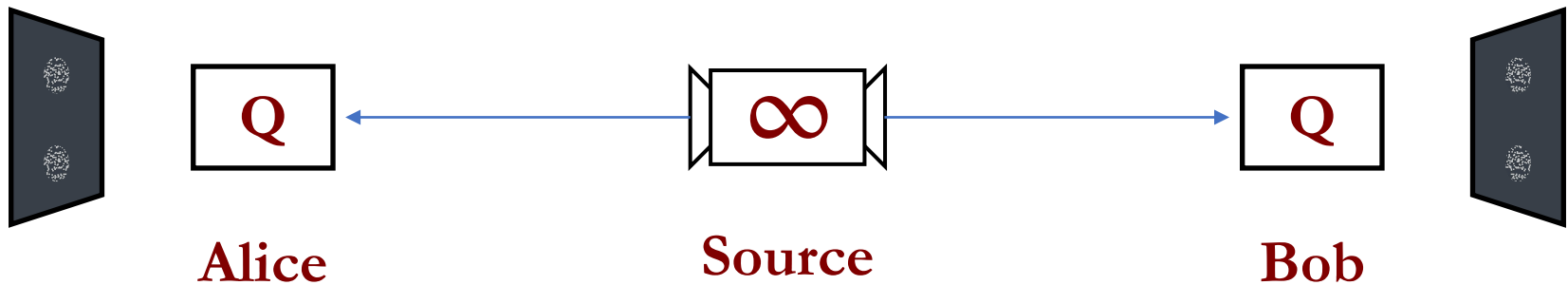
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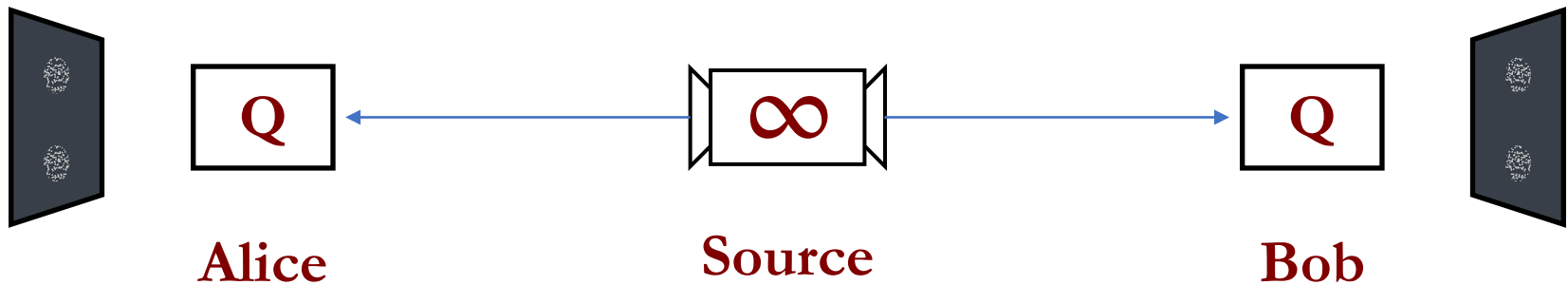
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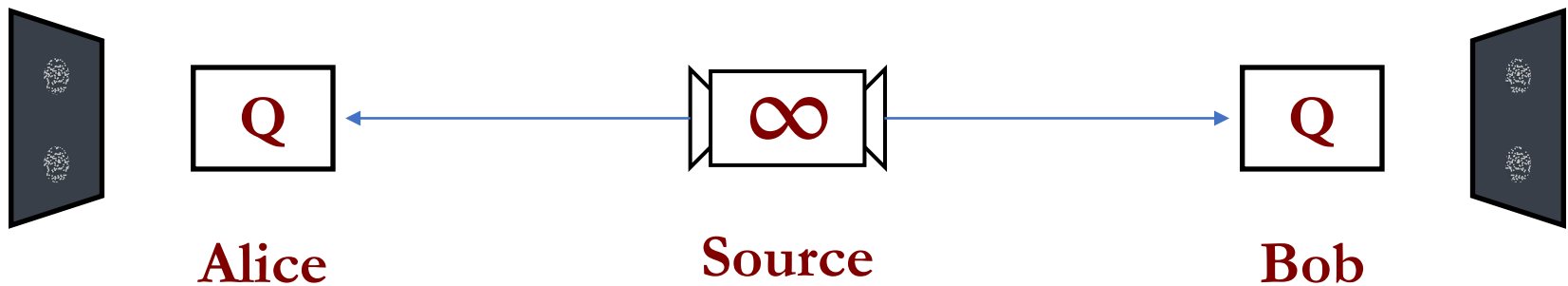
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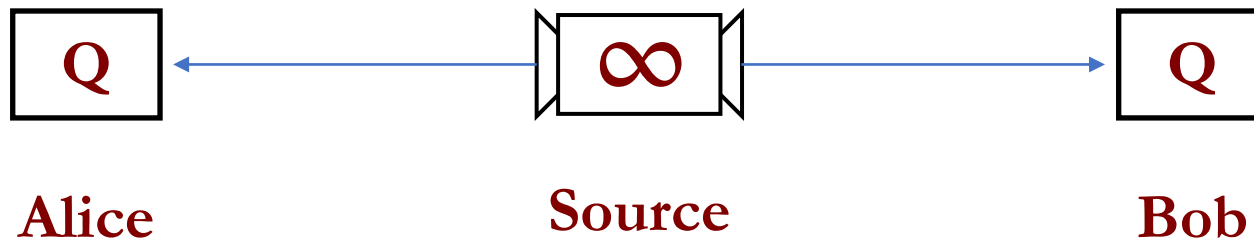
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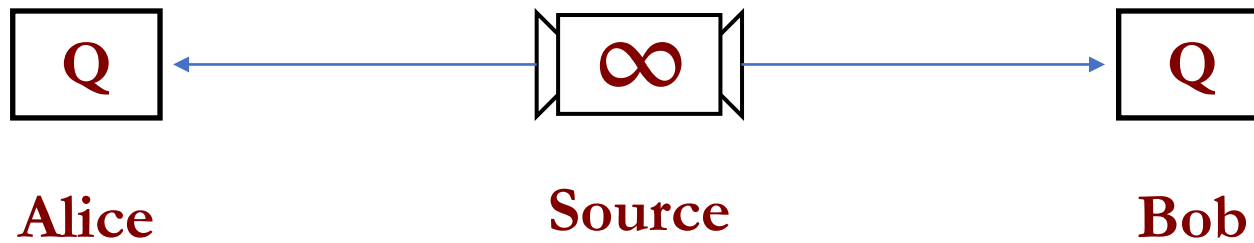
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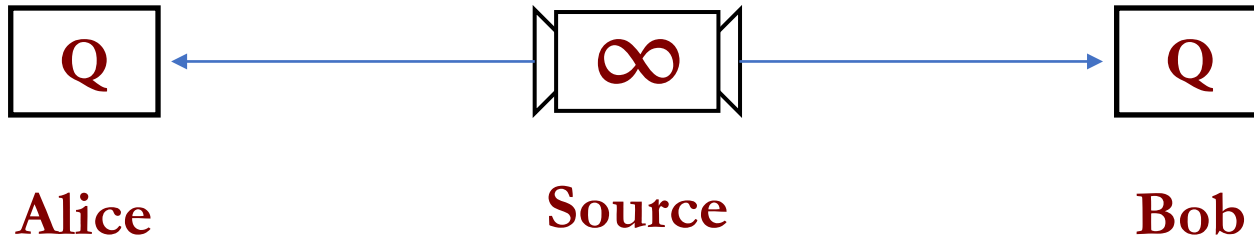
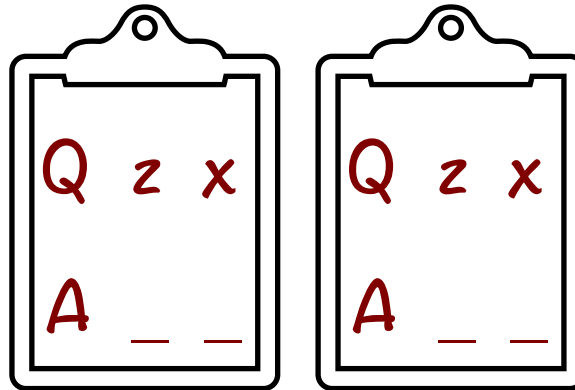
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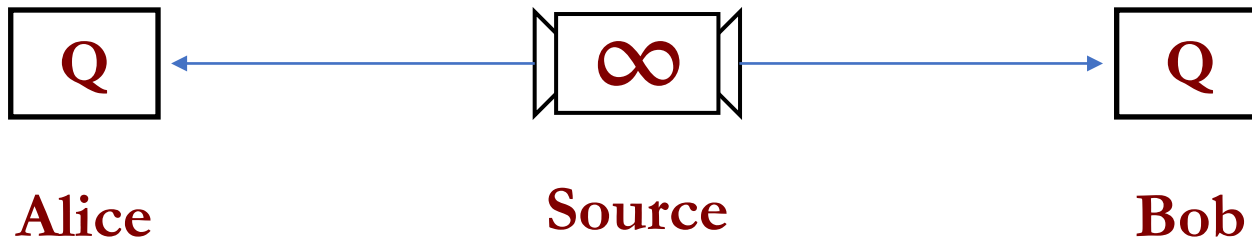
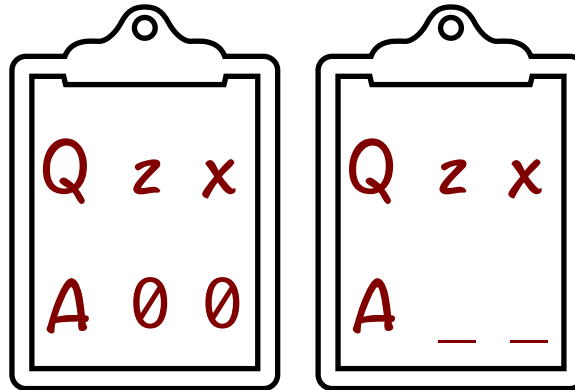
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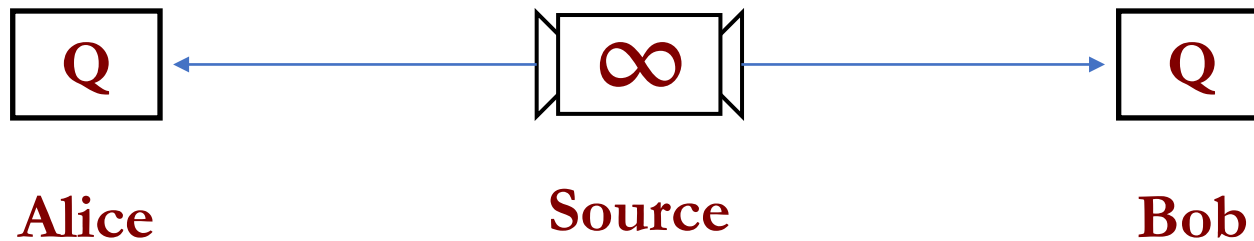
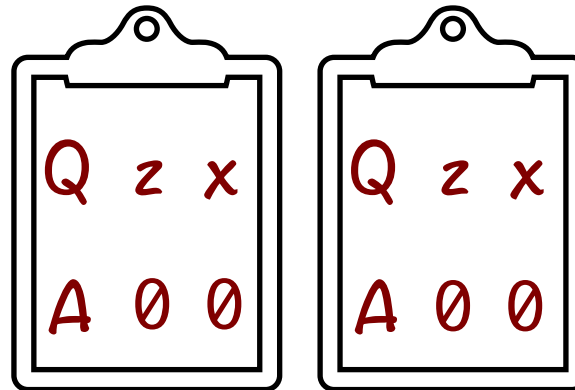
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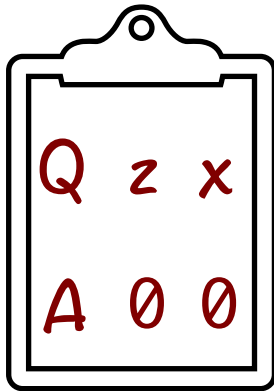
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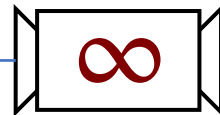


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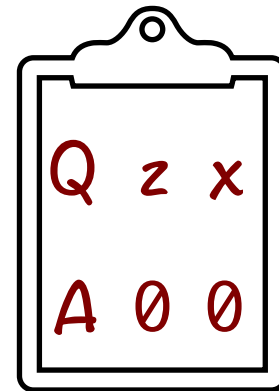
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Alice




Source



Bob

# Entanglement

A \ B	z	x
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x	<b>R</b>	=



Clipboard with handwritten text:

Q	z	x
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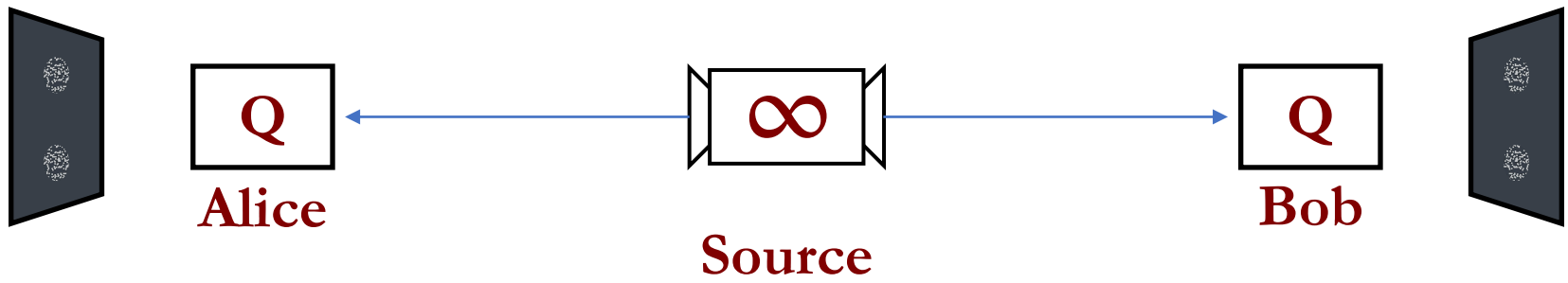


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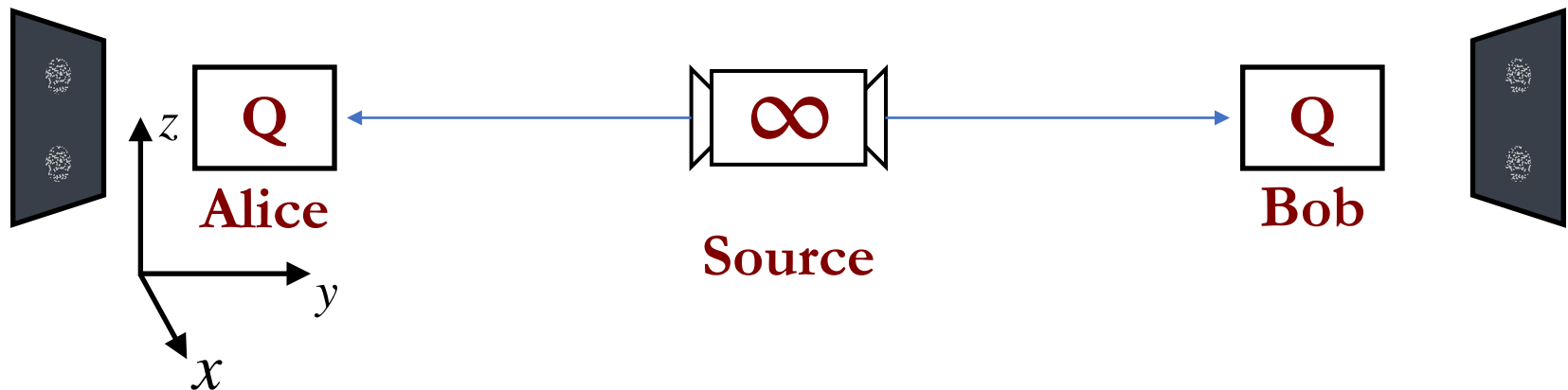
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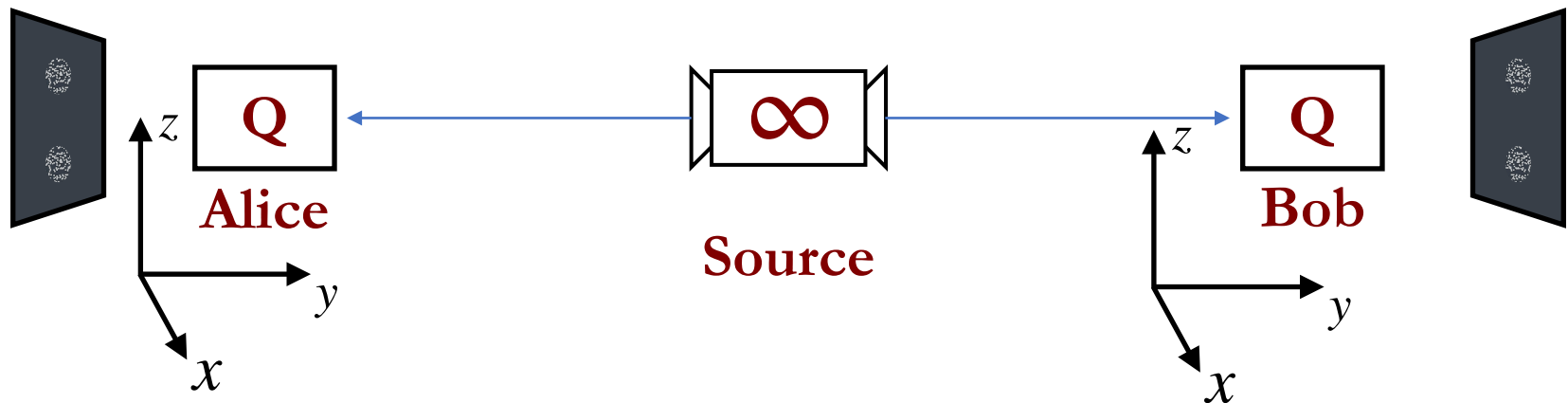
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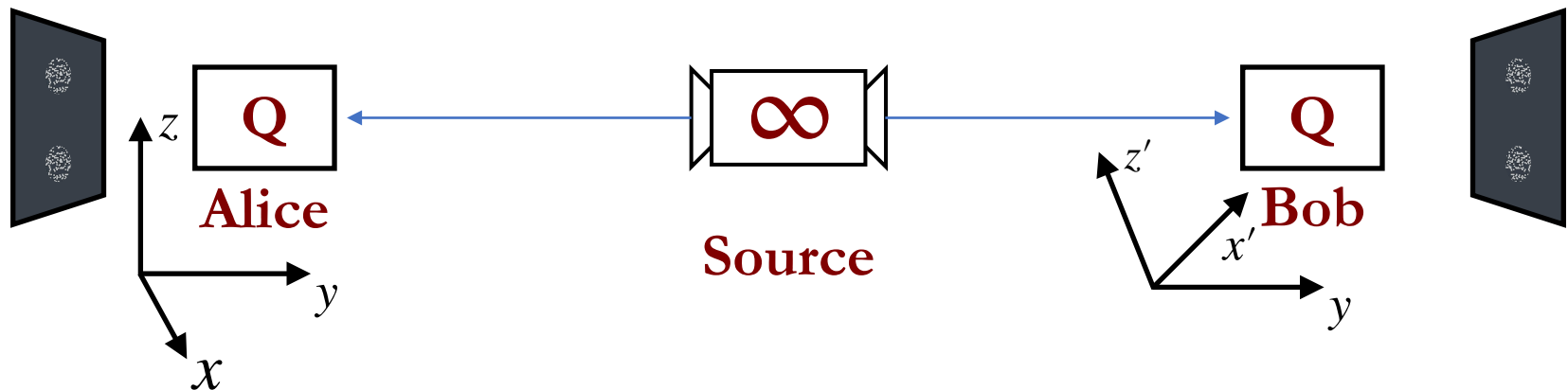
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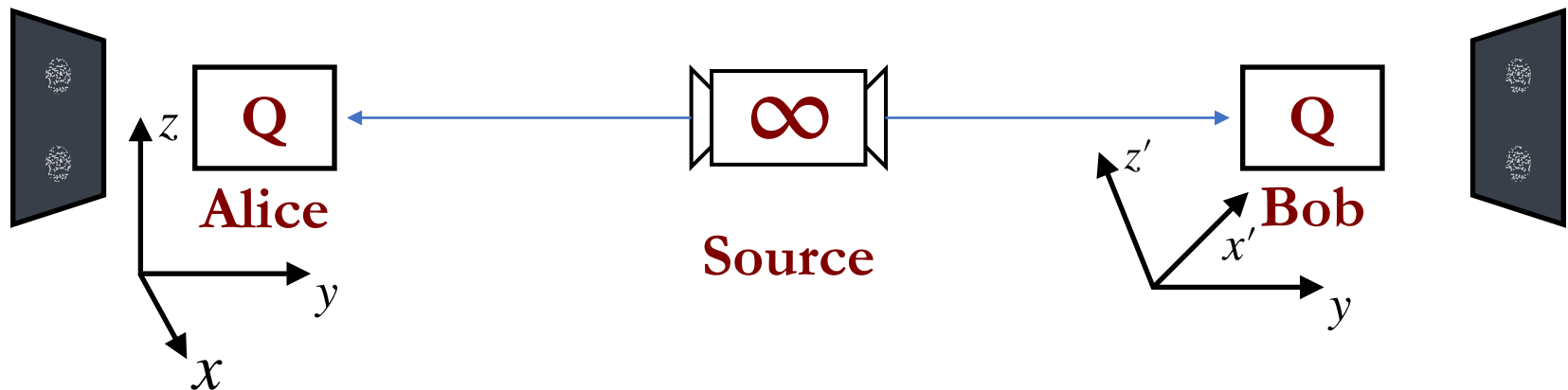


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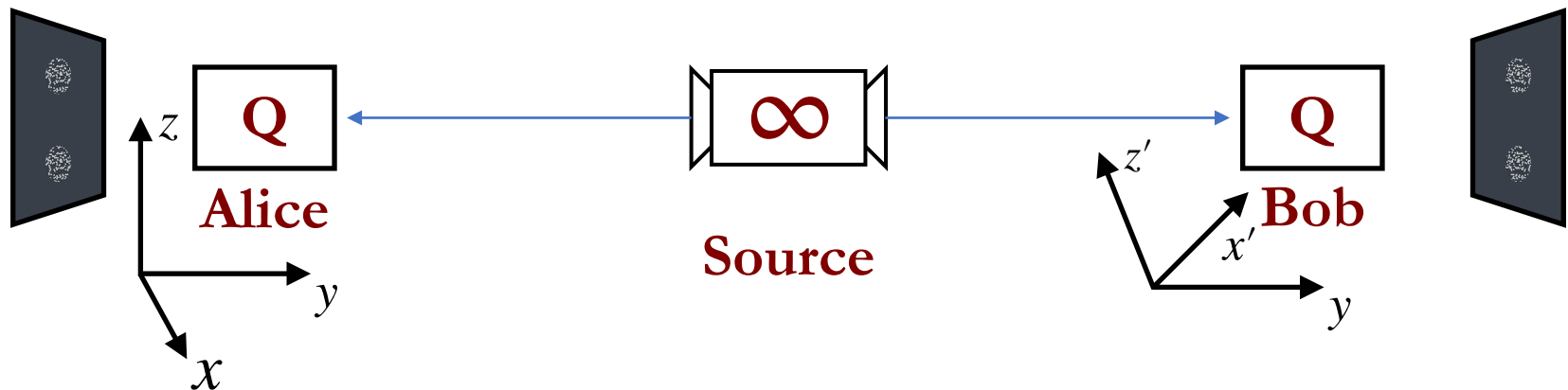
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A	$z$		
	$x$		





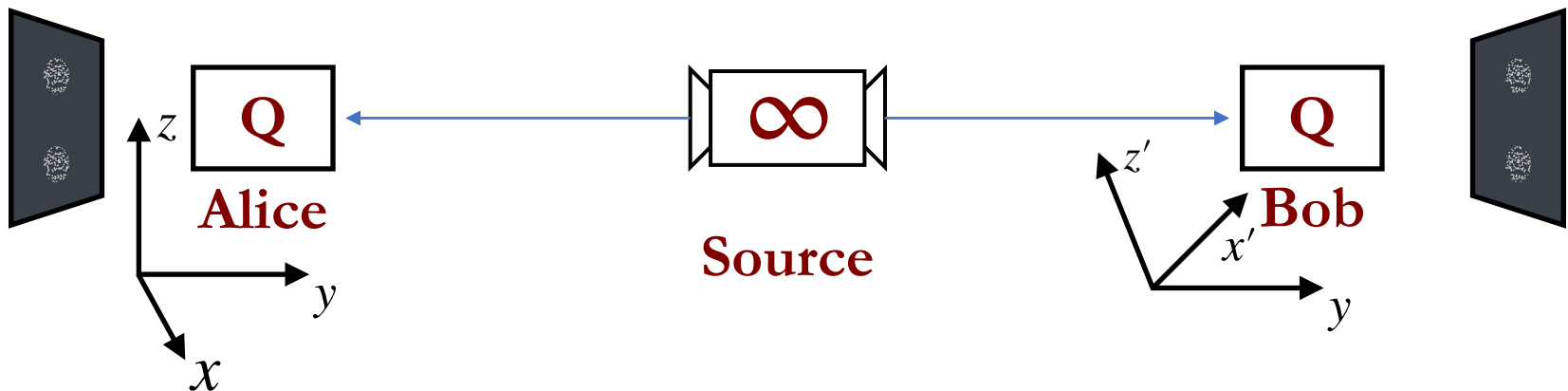
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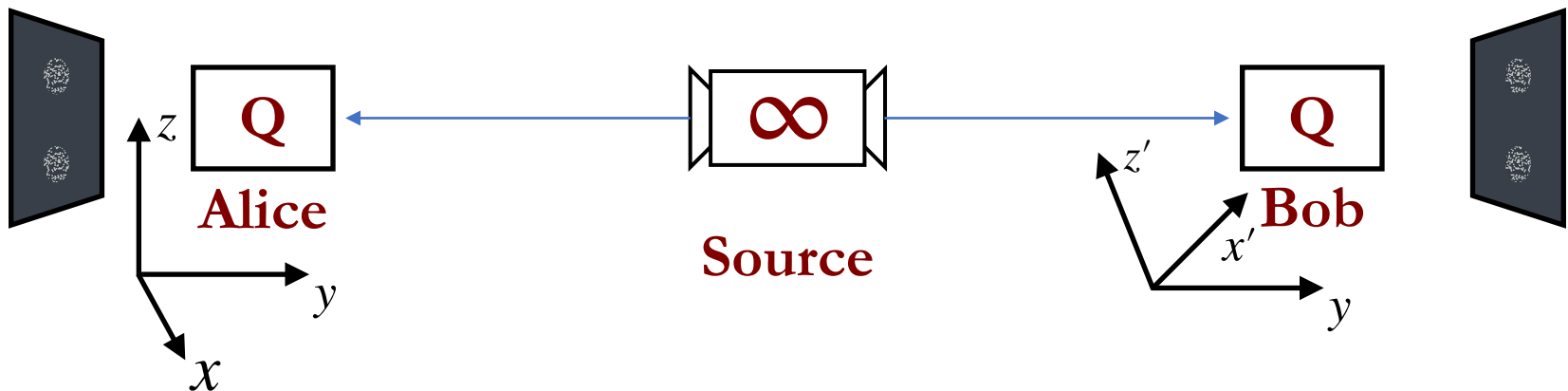
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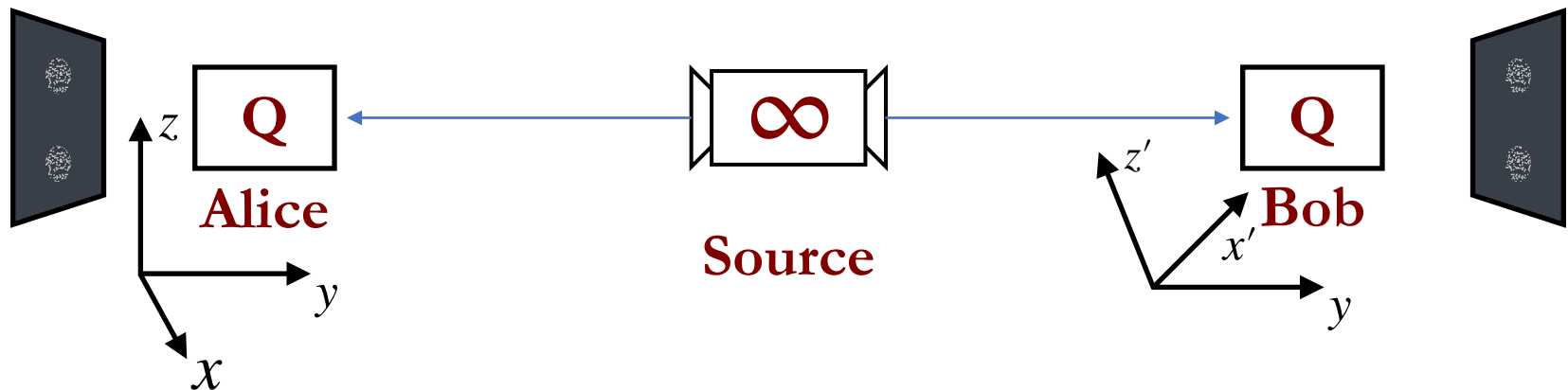
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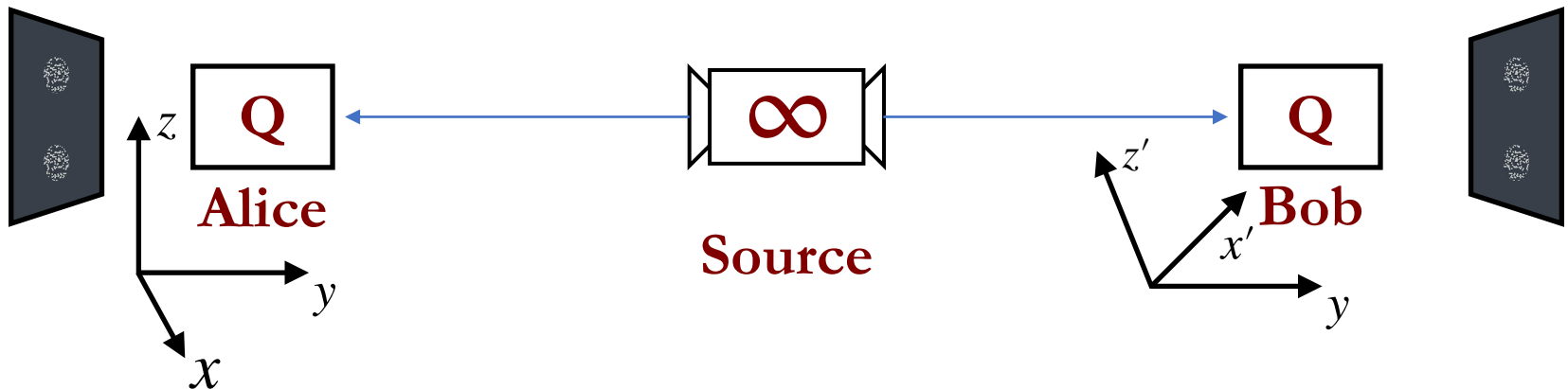
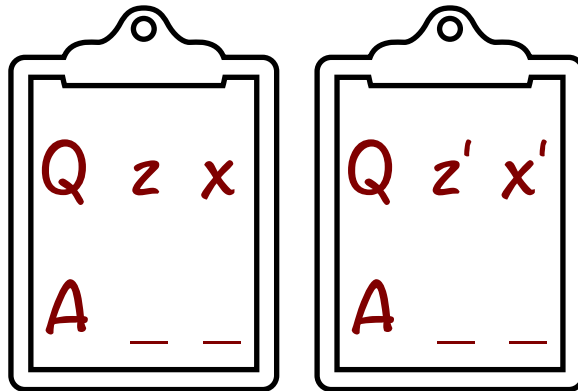
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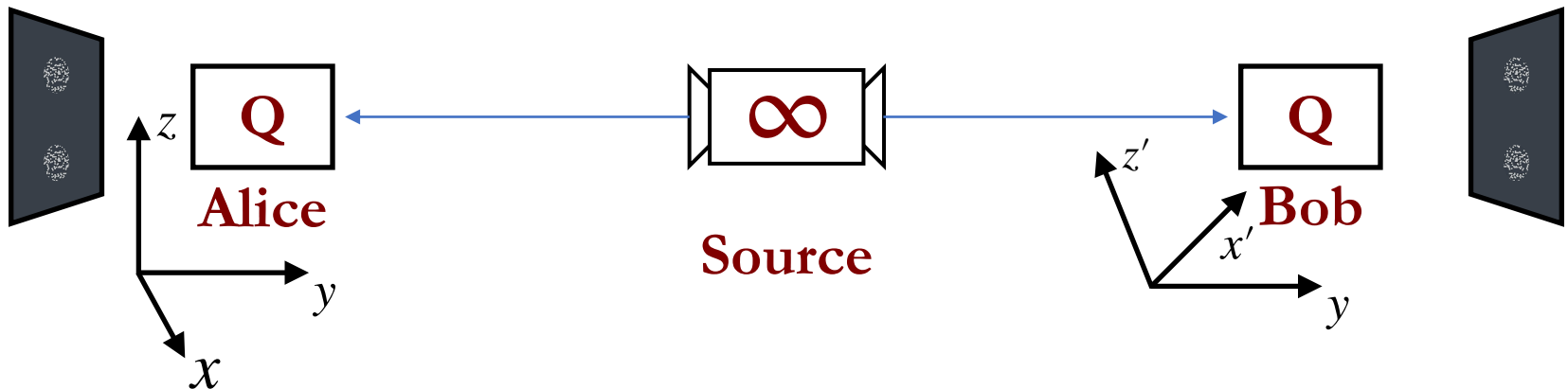
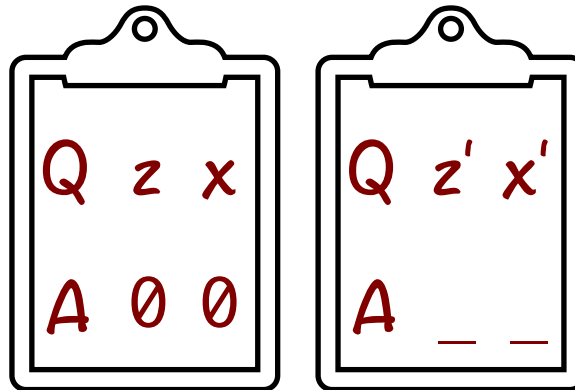
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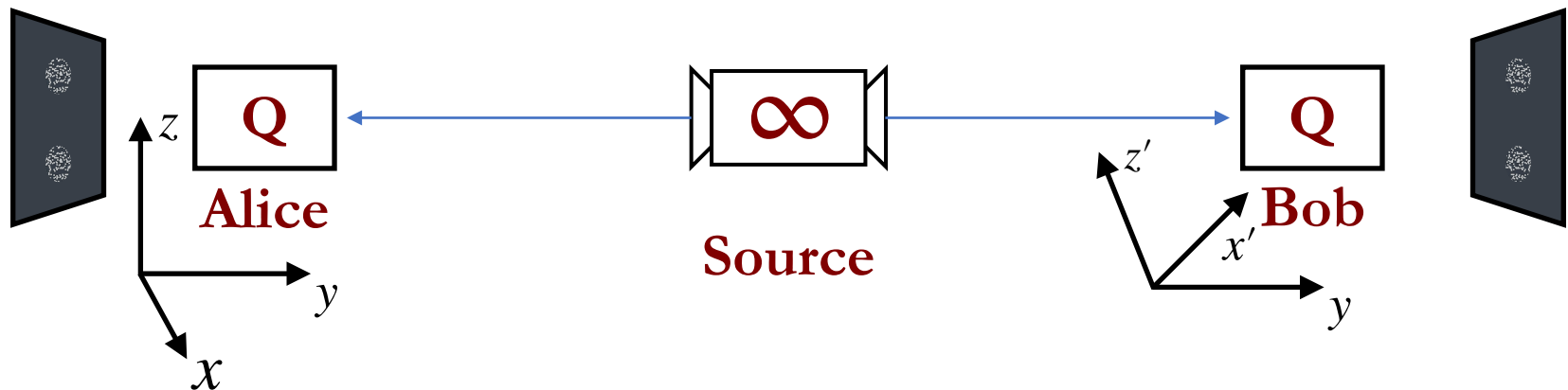
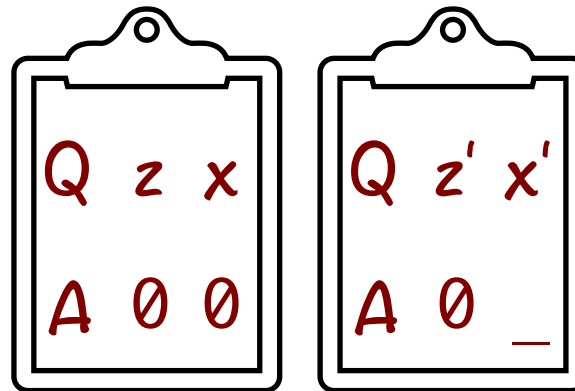
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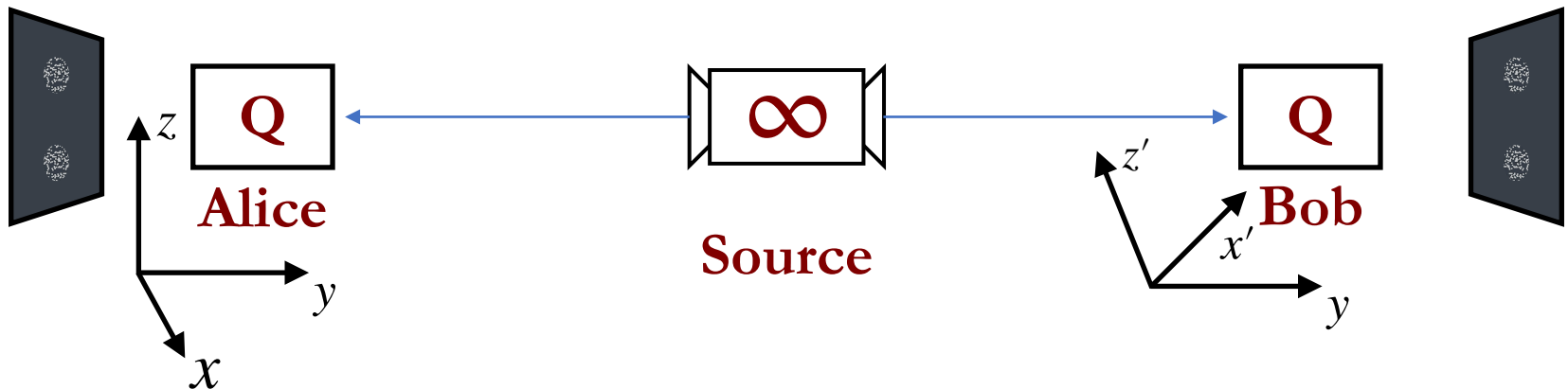
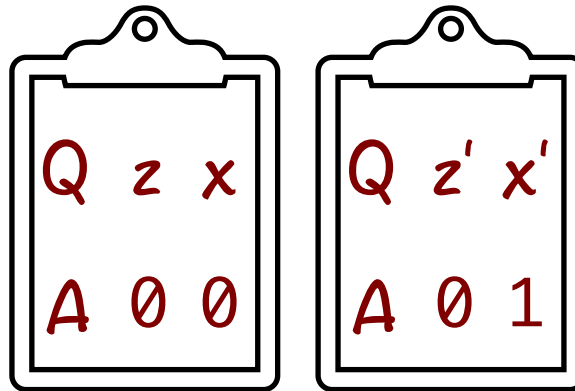
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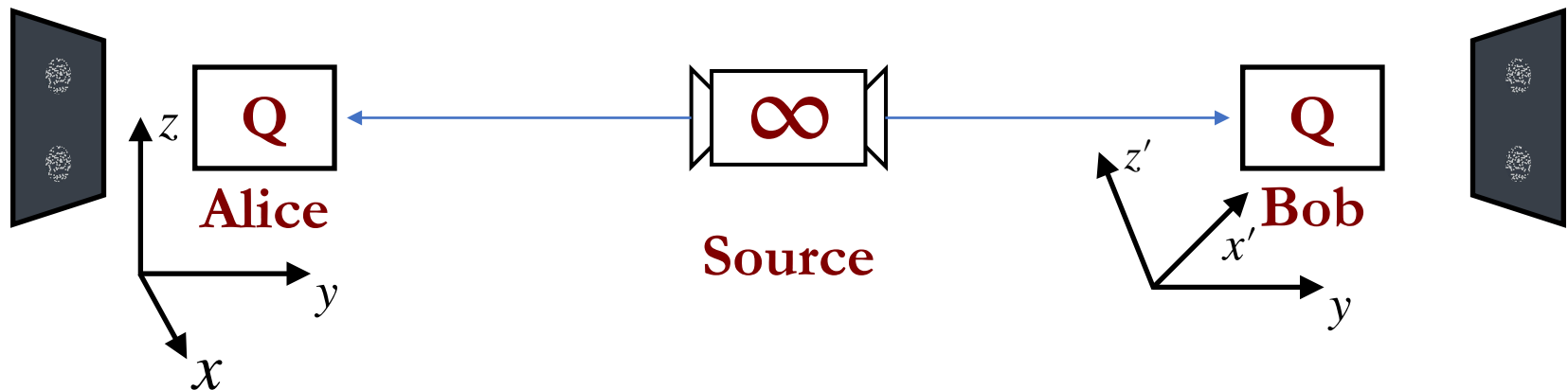
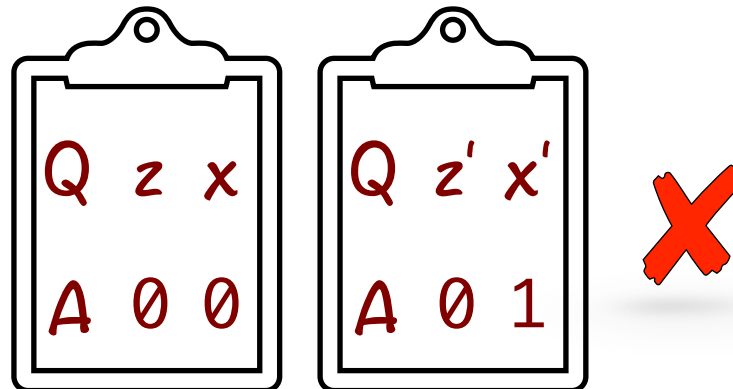
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# Entanglement

	B	
A	$z'$	$x'$
$z$	$=$	$=$
$x$	$=$	$\neq$

Q	$z$	$x$
A	$0$	$0$

Q	$z'$	$x'$
A	-	-



# Entanglement

		B	
		z'	x'
A	z	=	=
	x	=	≠

Q z x  
A 0 0

Q z' x'  
A - -



Q z x  
A 0 1

Q z' x'  
A - -

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A 1 0

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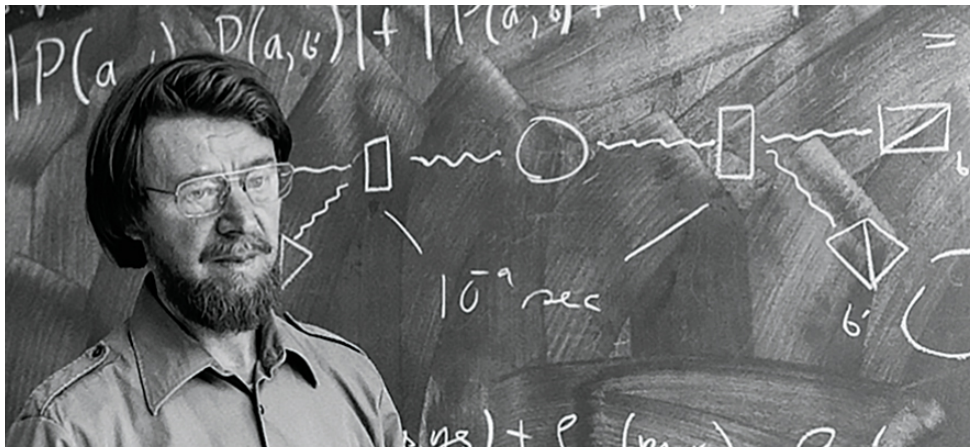


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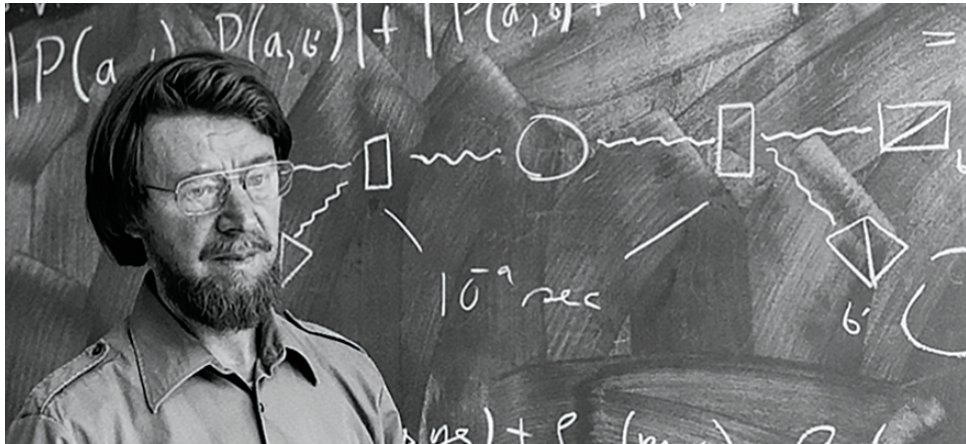
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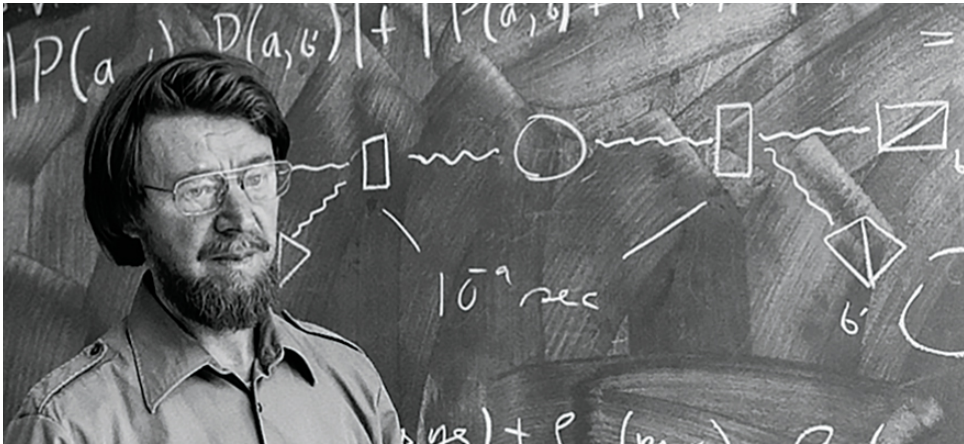
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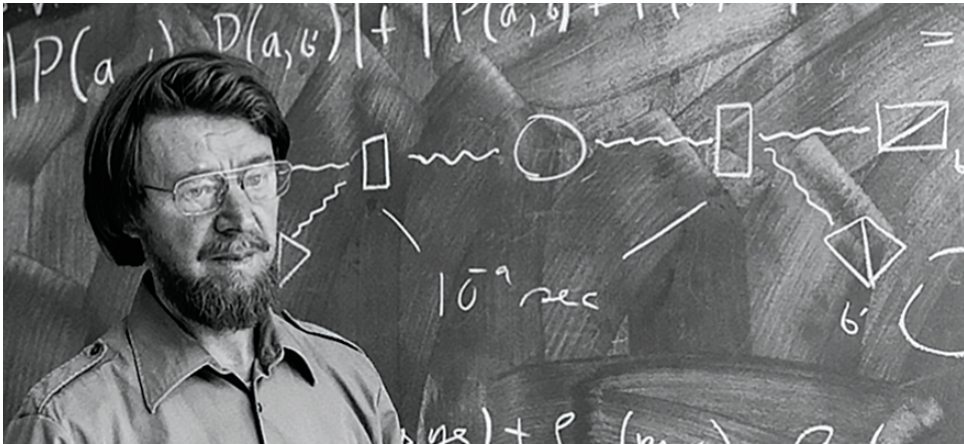
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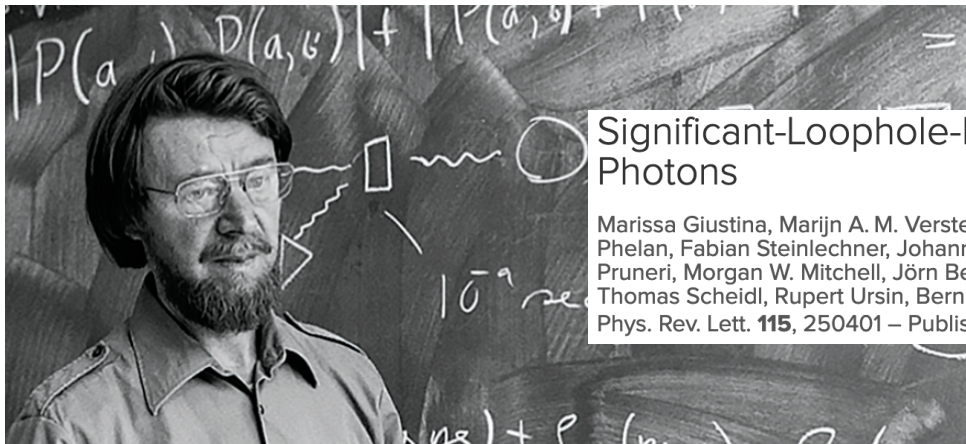
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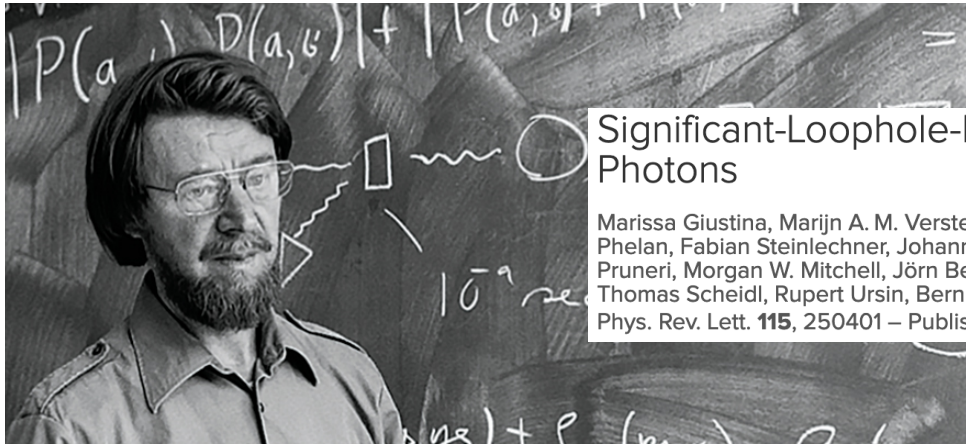
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Ensemble interpretation	1926	Max Born	Agnostic	No	Yes	Agnostic	No	No	No	No	No
Copenhagen interpretation	1927	Niels Bohr, Werner Heisenberg	No	No <sup>[a]</sup>	Yes	No	Yes <sup>[b]</sup>	Causal	Yes	No	No
de Broglie–Bohm theory	1927–1952	Louis de Broglie, David Bohm	Yes	Yes <sup>[c]</sup>	Yes <sup>[d]</sup>	Yes	Phenomenological	No	No	Yes	Yes
Quantum logic	1936	Garrett Birkhoff	Agnostic	Agnostic	Yes <sup>[e]</sup>	No	No	Interpretational <sup>[f]</sup>	Agnostic	No	No
Time-symmetric theories	1955	Satosi Watanabe	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No <sup>[55]</sup>	No	Yes
Many-worlds interpretation	1957	Hugh Everett	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Ill-posed	Yes
Consciousness causes collapse	1961–1993	John von Neumann, Eugene Wigner, Henry Stapp	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Causal	No	No	Yes
Stochastic interpretation	1966	Edward Nelson	No	No	Yes	Yes <sup>[g]</sup>	No	No	No	Yes <sup>[g]</sup>	No
Many-minds interpretation	1970	H. Dieter Zeh	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Interpretational <sup>[h]</sup>	Yes	Ill-posed	Yes
Consistent histories	1984	Robert B. Griffiths	No	No	No	No	No <sup>[i]</sup>	No	Yes	No	Yes
Transactional interpretation	1986	John G. Cramer	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes <sup>[j]</sup>	No	No <sup>[k]</sup>	Yes	No
Objective collapse theories	1986–1989	Ghirardi–Rimini–Weber, Penrose interpretation	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Relational interpretation	1994	Carlo Rovelli	No <sup>[56]</sup>	No	Agnostic <sup>[l]</sup>	No	Yes <sup>[m]</sup>	Intrinsic <sup>[n]</sup>	Yes <sup>[57]</sup>	No	No
QBism	2010	Christopher Fuchs, Ruediger Schack	No	No <sup>[o]</sup>	Agnostic <sup>[p]</sup>	No	Yes <sup>[q]</sup>	Intrinsic <sup>[r]</sup>	Yes	No	No

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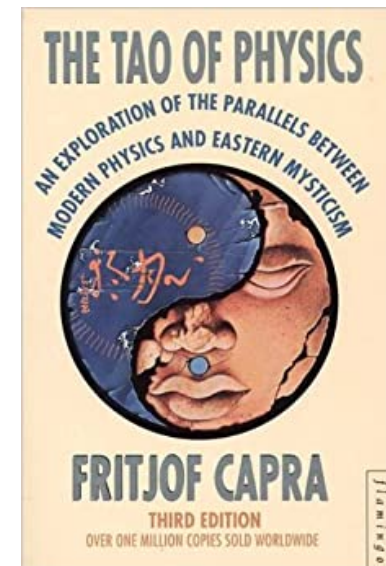
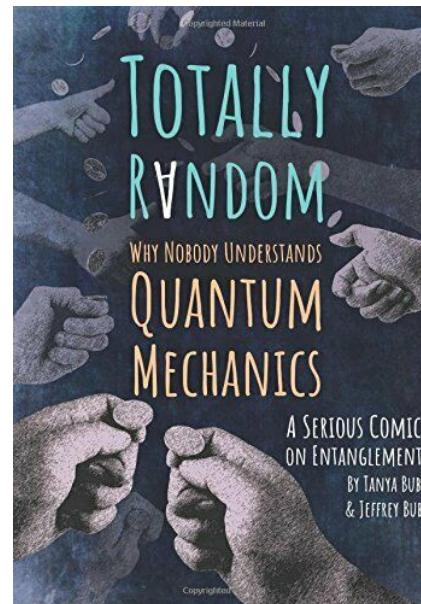
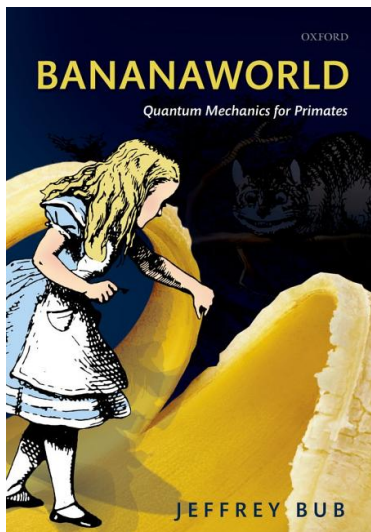
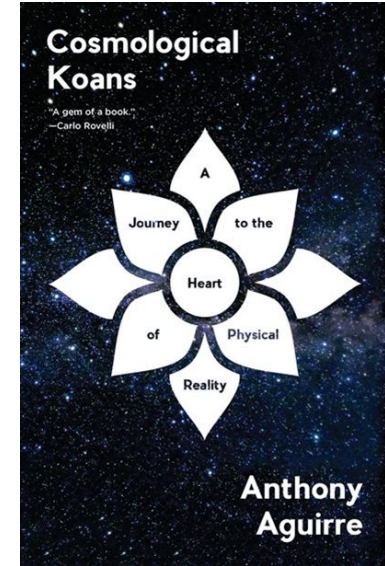
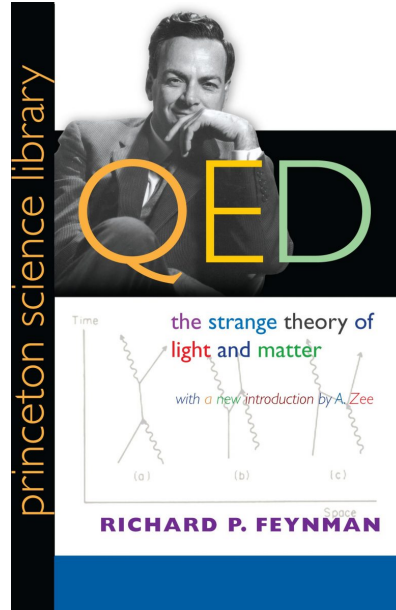
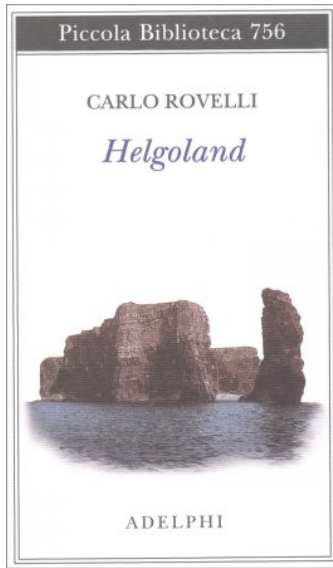
- Alice and Bob somehow rarely ask the "wrong" question
- Faster-than-light signalling (= signalling back in time)
- ???
- Parallel worlds
- Reality is relational
- Need a new concept of "explanation"

**Thank You!**

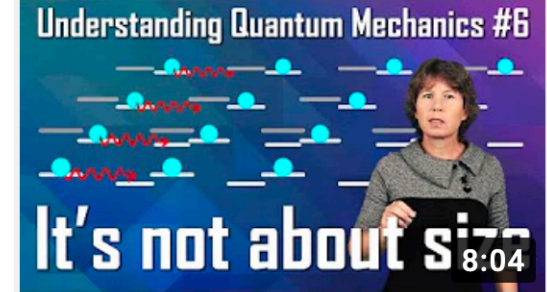
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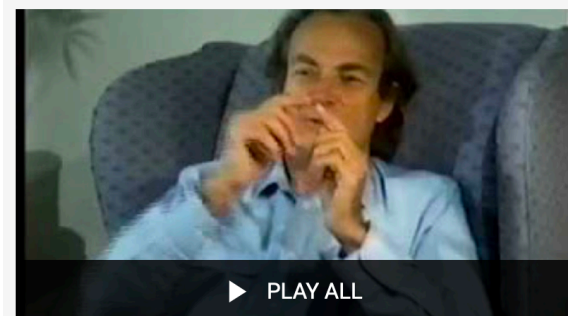


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