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The Negative & Positive Limitations of Individual Experience

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ABSTRACT

That all experience is created as the product of a particular relation in which the Individual that's apprehending the experience must themselves be involved makes unavoidable both negatively and positively restrictive limitations upon what it's possible for an Individual to create as experience in any one moment according to the relations in which that Individual is already involved in order to create what they are already, in that moment, apprehending as experience. Whereas the negative experiential limitation dictates the relations in which an Individual can't be involved according to relations in which they're already involved, the positive experiential limitation dictates the relations in which an Individual must be involved according to relations in which they're already involved. Thus, whereas the negative experiential limitation dictates what an Individual can't know according to what they already know, the positive experiential limitation dictates what an Individual must know according to what they already know. The negative experiential limitation is the basis of the phenomena of wave-particle duality and quantum uncertainty, whereas the positive experiential limitation is the basis of the phenomenon of quantum entanglement.

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All experience is the product of a relation in which the Individual that apprehends the experience must themselves be involved. The necessity of the Individual's involvement in some relation in order to create whatever they apprehend as experience imposes certain limitations upon what it's possible for an Individual to create as experience in any one moment according to the relations in which that Individual must already be involved in order to create what they are already, in that moment, apprehending as experience.

What an Individual can create as experience in any one moment is limited by the relations in which that Individual can become involved in a given moment, and the relations in which an Individual can become involved in a given moment are limited by the relations in which that Individual is, in that same moment, already involved. The relations in which an Individual is already involved limit the relations in which an Individual can become involved in that same moment in both a negative and positive way, i.e., in a way that is both negatively and positively restrictive.

The relations in which an Individual is already involved limit the relations in which an Individual can become involved in that same moment in a negative way because it's not possible for an

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Individual to be simultaneously involved in opposite or *mutually exclusive* relations. Thus, if an Individual is involved in a relation with an Underlying Actuality in a way that creates a particular experience, then it's not possible for that Individual, in that same moment, to be involved in a relation with that Underlying Actuality in a way that creates the opposite experience, since opposite experiences are always the product of opposite and so mutually exclusive relations. Thus, the negative experiential limitation limits experience by making it impossible for an Individual to simultaneously be involved in the mutually exclusive relations necessary to create opposite experiences, and therefore limits the Individual to creating and apprehending, in any moment, only one or the other of any experiential duality or complementarity, or some portion of both, such as wave or particle, position or momentum, evolution or biblical creation, or feeling good or bad. Thus, the phenomena of wave-particle duality and quantum uncertainty do not have any material cause, rather, they have an Existential cause, as these phenomena are the result of an experiential limitation that is itself a function of the way experience is created as the product of a relation of Consciousness-Existence to Itself.

This negative experiential limitation operates at all levels of experience, not just at the quantum level, although so immersed are we in experience that we take its operation in the creation of everyday experience for granted, and so do not recognize its operation at those levels. which is not surprising, since even at the quantum level, where the limitation reveals itself in the phenomena of wave-particle duality and quantum uncertainty, it is not recognized for what it is, which is as the manifestation of an unavoidable and inviolable limitation upon what it's possible for an Individual to create and apprehended in any one moment as experience. This negative experiential limitation is responsible for most if not all interpersonal conflict, i.e., the inability of each person to see the others side, and it's responsible for why for everything you know there's something else you can't know. In essence, this negative experiential limitation is responsible for the creation of an experiential blind spot consisting of whatever experiences are the opposite of those you're already experiencing.

However, there's also a positive experiential limitation that limits the creation of experience in a positively restrictive way according to the relations in which an Individual is already involved as they create what they are already, in that moment, apprehending as experience. The relations in which an Individual is already involved limit the relations in which an Individual can become involved in that same moment in a way that is positively restrictive because any relation in which an Individual becomes involved must be *mutually inclusive* of the relations in which that Individual is already, in that moment, involved. That is, because the relations in which an Individual can become involved in any one moment can't be mutually exclusive of relations in which they're already involved, the relations in which they can become involved must then be mutually inclusive of relations in which they're already, in that same moment, involved.

Whereas the negative experiential limitation dictates the relations in which an Individual can't be involved according to relations in which they're already involved, the positive experiential limitation dictates the relations in which an Individual must be involved according to relations in which they're already involved. And since all experience is created as the product of a particular relation in which the Individual that is apprehending the experience must themselves be involved, the negative experiential limitation, in dictating the relations in which an Individual can't be

involved according to relations in which they are already involved, dictates what it's not possible for an Individual to create and apprehend as experience according to the relations in which they are already, in that moment, involved in order to create what they are, in that moment, already apprehending as experience. Thus, the negative experiential limitation dictates what an Individual can't know according to what they already know.

And since all experience is created as the product of a particular relation in which the Individual that is apprehending the experience must themselves be involved, the positive experiential limitation, in dictating the relations in which an Individual must be involved according to relations in which they are already involved, dictates how an Individual must create and apprehend experience according to the relations in which they are already involved in order to create what they are, in that moment, already apprehending as experience. Thus, the positive experiential limitation dictates what an Individual must know according to what they already know.

It is this positive experiential limitation, which is the corollary of the negative experiential limitation, that's responsible for the phenomenon of quantum entanglement. That is, it's this positive experiential limitation that dictates how the other aspect of a quantum system will be apprehended as an experience according to the relation already established with one aspect of the quantum system, because the relation established with one aspect of a quantum system, which then creates an experience, limits in a positive way the relation the Individual can establish in that same moment with any other aspect of the quantum system, because those relations must be mutually inclusive of each other, as they cannot be mutually exclusive. The positive experiential limitation is the basis of what Einstein referred to as "spooky action at a distance." Quantum entanglement is not the result of any mechanical cause, faster than light or otherwise, but has as its basis an Existential cause that creates the phenomenon of quantum entanglement as an experiential effect. That is, the phenomenon of quantum entanglement is not the result of any material cause and effect mechanism, but rather is a result of the positively restrictive limitation inherent in the Individuals creation of experience, which limitation exists as a result of the fact that experience is always created as the product of some relation in which the Individual that apprehends the experience must themselves be involved, along with the fact that it is not possible for an Individual to be simultaneously involved in what are mutually exclusive relations, meaning that any relations in which an Individual is involved in any one moment must have the positively restrictive limitation of being relations that are mutually inclusive.

There's nothing that says that if you become involved in a relation with one aspect of a quantum system and so create an experience as a result that you also have to be in relation to some other aspect of that quantum system and create an experience as a result. But if you are involved in a relation with one aspect of a quantum system and then at the same time become involved with another aspect of that quantum system, then the positive experiential limitation dictates that the second relation must be mutually inclusive of the first, and so the second experience created will always be one that is created as the product of relation that is mutually inclusive of the experience created by the first relation. The experience that's the product of the first relation can't be predicted, because there are two possible relations and so two possible experiential outcomes of those two possible relations. However, the experience that's the product of the second relation

can be predicted, based on the experience created by the first relation, because in the creation of the second experience the positive experiential limitation is functioning to make only one relation possible. Specifically, the positive experiential limitation only makes possible as a second relation whichever one of the two previously possible relations is mutually inclusive of the already established first relation.

As Individuals we are not limited to creating one experience at a time as we are not limited to being involved in one relation at a time. We are, in any moment, involved in countless relations and creating countless experiences. However, although we can be involved in more than one relation at a time, we can't be involved in mutually exclusive relations at the same time, e.g., we can't face North and South at the same time, because if we are in one relation then we are, by definition, not in the other mutually exclusive relation.

And so it is that while facing North we can't see what lies South. But while facing North we can see many different things owing to our involvement in many mutually inclusive relations, i.e. relations that are inclusive of the more fundamental relation of facing North. But we can't see things that would require our involvement in the mutually exclusive relation, i.e., we can't see things that would require that we face South. Thus, if in order to experience something we would have to face South, we are precluded from becoming involved in that relation as long as we remain involved in the relation in which we are facing North. That is a negative limitation, and that is the experiential limitation that makes it impossible for an Individual to simultaneously create and apprehend experiences that would require that Individual's simultaneous involvement in mutually exclusive relations.

And this negative experiential limitation can be very subtle in its limiting effect, and yet is without mercy in the absoluteness of the limitation it imposes. For instance, if while facing North you see something that's very beautiful and you don't want to stop seeing it, in order to remain involved in that particular relation that creates that particular experience, you not only have to remain involved in the relation that creates that particular experience, but you also have to remain involved in the more fundamental or proximal relation that makes that particular and mutually inclusive relation possible, which is the relation in which you are facing North.

But now let us say that while you continue to create the experience of the beautiful object you would like to see what lies to the South as well. But you can't. You can't see what lies to the South because you can't look South because that would require you to be in a relation that's mutually exclusive of the relation in which you must be involved in order to see the beautiful object, in order to continue to create and apprehend that experience, because creating the experience of the beautiful object, being in the relation in which you create the experience of the beautiful object, also requires you to be facing North, and so requires you to be in a relation that is mutually exclusive of the relation in which you would be facing South.

The subtle part of the negative experiential limitation is as follows: we aren't usually aware that being in the particular relation requires that we also be in the other more general and fundamental mutually inclusive relation. We take the more general and fundamental relation for granted, but the more fundamental relation is just as essential to the creation of the experience of

the beautiful object as is the particular relation that creates that particular experience, because in the absence of our involvement in the more general and fundamental relation we could not be involved in the more distal and mutually inclusive particular relation that creates for us, as an Individual, the particular experience of the beautiful object.

In terms of the creation of visual experience we understand these relations and their limitations. However, in terms of the creation of conceptual experience we do not understand these limitations because we are not usually actively conscious of all the more proximal levels of relation and experience necessary to create a particular concept. That is, we can easily understand why we can't see something that lies to the South while refusing to stop looking at something that lies to the North, but we don't understand that this same limitation applies to the creation of all experience, at every level, which includes mental-conceptual experience. Thus, we don't realize that the reason we can't understand or comprehend a particular concept is owing to the fact that we are, at some level, already involved in a mutually exclusive relation in order to create and apprehend some other concept or experience, thereby making it impossible for us to create the experience that would be the apprehension of the particular concept.

Everything you know, everything you believe, everything you conceive, involves you being in a relation that's the relational equivalent of looking North or South, meaning that everything you know, believe, or conceive involves your participation in a relation that makes impossible your simultaneous involvement in any mutually exclusive relation, that makes impossible your simultaneous involvement in any relation that requires you to be in a relation that is mutually exclusive of any and all of the relations in which you must be involved in order to create what you are, in that moment, apprehending as a particular knowing, belief, or concept. That is the negative experiential limitation, that is the experiential preclusion, and that is the limitation that underlies the phenomena of wave-particle duality and quantum uncertainty, creating an experiential blind spot consisting of whatever experiences are the opposite of those you are presently creating and apprehending, because creating those opposite experiences would require your involvement in relations that are mutually exclusive of those in which you must already, in that moment, be involved in order to create what you are already, in that moment, apprehending as experience.

Likewise, everything you know, believe, or conceive involves your participation in a relation that limits you to being involved in relations that are mutually inclusive of any and all of the relations in which you must be involved in order to create what you are, in that moment, apprehending as a particular knowing, belief, or concept. That is the positive experiential limitation, that is experiential entanglement, and that is the limitation that underlies the phenomenon of quantum entanglement, as it is the positive experiential limitation that limits an Individual to creating only those experiences that require their involvement in relations that are mutually inclusive of those in which they are already involved. Ultimately, the creation of experimental results is nothing more than an Individual's creation of experience and so involves and invokes the same negative and positive limitations inherent in the creation of any experience.

Let us consider the positive experiential limitation in the context of facing North. Facing North involves a relation to the quantum system we can call Earth. Being in that relation causes one to

create the experience of seeing what lies North. While in that relation with the Earth any other relations, i.e., anything else that is seen, must occur within the context of a relation that is mutually inclusive of that relation, i.e., must be a relation that has as its basis the relation of facing North. Thus, the mutually inclusive nature of the relations that must be used to create simultaneous experiences involving the same quantum system, or the same Underlying Actuality, cause an experiential entanglement between those experiences, in which there is a consistent relation observed between the apprehended experiences owing to the mutually inclusive and so entangled nature of the relations that an Individual must use to create those experiences.

These experiential limitations only limit an Individual's involvement in simultaneous relations. Nonetheless, as it's the relations in which the Individual is involved in any one moment that create what the Individual apprehends as experience in that moment, these experiential limitations, in limiting the Individual's involvement in simultaneous relations, limit the Individual's in the moment creation of experience, both negatively and positively, according to what relations are not possible in that moment and according to what relations are only possible in that moment, according to whatever relations in which the Individual is, in that moment, already involved as they are creating what they are already, in that moment, apprehending as experience.

Whereas the negative experiential limitation creates an experiential blind spot consisting of the experiences that are the opposite of those we are presently experiencing, it is the positive experiential limitation that fills in that blind spot with experiences that are mutually inclusive of those we are presently experiencing. Thus, when we conceive that the Earth is flat we usually aren't aware that in that moment that we can't possibly conceive of the Earth as being round, we aren't aware that the negative experiential limitation is operating, because the positive experiential limitation is also operating, allowing us to create the experience of the Earth as being not round, which mutually inclusive experience fills in the blind spot, giving us the illusion that we are seeing both sides of the issue, when we can really only ever see one side at a time, because we can only ever be, in any one moment, in one of two mutually exclusive relations creating one of two opposite or complementary experiences.

Thus, our ability to conceive of something, as well as our inability to conceive of something, may have nothing to do with the actual nature of things, but may have only to do with the relations in which we can and can't become involved owing to the relations in which we are already involved as we create what we are already apprehending as experience, i.e., according to what we are already conceiving and believing to be reality.