

Wolfgang Pauli

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I have done a terrible thing, I have postulated a particle that cannot be detected.

~Wolfgang Pauli

The best that most of us can hope to achieve in physics is simply to misunderstand at a deeper level.

~Wolfgang Pauli

That's not right. That's not even wrong.

~Wolfgang Pauli

Everything comes to him who knows how to wait.

~Wolfgang Pauli

If speculative ideas can not be tested, they're not science; they don't even rise to the level of being wrong.

~Wolfgang Pauli

God made the bulk; the surface was invented by the devil.

~Wolfgang Pauli

The fact that the author thinks slowly is not serious, but the fact that he publishes faster than he thinks is inexcusable.

~Wolfgang Pauli

Physics is very muddled again at the moment; it is much too hard for me anyway, and I wish I were a movie comedian or something like that and had never heard anything about physics!

~Wolfgang Pauli

How can one avoid despondency if one thinks of the anomalous Zeeman effect?

~Wolfgang Pauli

You know, what Einstein has just said isn't so stupid.

~Wolfgang Pauli

Well, our friend Dirac, too, has a religion, and its guiding principle is "God does not exist and Dirac is His prophet."

~Wolfgang Pauli

I refuse to believe that God is a weak left-hander.

~Wolfgang Pauli

It is not only not right, it is not even wrong.

~Wolfgang Pauli

For quite a while I have set for myself the rule if a theoretician says 'universal' it just means pure nonsense.

~Wolfgang Pauli

This is to show the world that I can paint like Titian. [A big drawing of a rectangle] Only technical details are missing.

~Wolfgang Pauli

One shouldn't work on semiconductors, that is a filthy mess; who knows whether any semiconductors exist.

~Wolfgang Pauli

That theory is worthless. It isn't even wrong!

~Wolfgang Pauli

I confess, that very different from you, I do find sometimes scientific inspiration in mysticism ... but this is counterbalanced by an immediate sense for mathematics.

~Wolfgang Pauli

The fact of the existence of two theories [causal and acausal] that

contradict each other in Jung ... corresponds psychologically to the
vascillation between 3 and 4.

~Wolfgang Pauli

After reading a paper by a young theoretical scientist, Pauli, shaking his
head sadly, commented: That is not even wrong.

~Wolfgang Pauli

This isn't right. This isn't even wrong.

~Wolfgang Pauli

It is always the older that emanates the new one.

~Wolfgang Pauli

If I understand Dirac correctly, his meaning is this: there is no God, and
Dirac is his Prophet.

~Wolfgang Pauli

Aristotle was by far a less able thinker than Plato ... he was completely
overwhelmed by Plato.

~Wolfgang Pauli

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