

Refutation of the Frauchiger-Renner thought experiment with modal operators as a paradox

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Abstract: We use modal logic to evaluate a quantum rendition of the Frauchiger-Renner thought experiment to refute it as paradox (contradiction) *and* as tautology.

We assume the method and apparatus of Meth8/VL4 with Tautology as the designated *proof* value, **F** as contradiction, **N** as truthity (non-contingency), and **C** as falsity (contingency). The 16-valued truth table is row-major and horizontal.

LET $p, q, r, s: u, w, a, b;$
 \sim Not; $+$ Or ; $\&$ And; $>$ Imply; $=$ Equivalent; $@$ Not Equivalent;
 $\%$ possibility, for one or some; $\#$ necessity, for all or every;
 $(p=p)$ ok; $(q@q)$ fail; $(\%r\>\#r), (\%s\>\#s)$ ordinal one, 1.

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Remark 0: The paper described the thought experiment in several ways, however examples for t were not clear. Therefore we relied on the simpler equations of results from the sketch of the reasoning of agents.

$$(u = \text{ok}) \rightarrow (b = 1) \tag{1.1}$$

$$(p=(p=p)) > (s=(\%s\>\#s)) ; \tag{1.2}$$

TCTC TCTC TNTN TNTN

$$(b = 1) \rightarrow (a = 1) ; \tag{2.1}$$

$$(s=(\%s\>\#s)) > (r=(\%r\>\#r)) ; \tag{2.2}$$

TTTT NNNN CCCC TTTT

$$(a = 1) \rightarrow (w = \text{fail}) \tag{3.1}$$

$$(r=(\%r\>\#r)) > (q=(q@q)) ; \tag{3.2}$$

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The text injects "w =" into the antecedent of Eq. 1.1 as "(w = u = ok)" for:

$$(w = \text{Eqs. 1.1}) \rightarrow 2.1 \rightarrow 3.1 \tag{4.1}$$

$$(((p=q)=(p=p))>(s=(\%s\>\#s)))>((s=(\%s\>\#s))>(r=(\%r\>\#r))))> \tag{4.2}$$

$$((r=(\%r\>\#r))>(q=(q@q))) ;$$

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Remark 5: Without the injection, Eqs. 1.1 \rightarrow 2.1 \rightarrow 3.1, with the table result as that for 4.2: (5.1)

$$(((p=(p=p))>(s=(\%s\>\#s)))>((s=(\%s\>\#s))>(r=(\%r\>\#r))))> \tag{5.2}$$

$$((r=(\%r\>\#r))>(q=(q@q))) ;$$

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Eqs. 1.2-5.2 as rendered are *not* tautologous, meaning the quantum example of the Frauchiger-Renner thought experiment is refuted as a paradox (contradiction), and using modal operators. We stopped evaluation of the paper title at this point.