Simple test example

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Here we describe a simple protocol which can be used to test the rules of consistency and the theory employed for an ability to yield simplest predictions.

The setting consists of two agents: Alice and Bob. Each experimenter is equipped with a memory qubit. Additionally, there is another system - qubit S. The initial state of the S is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|0\rangle_S + |1\rangle_S)$. The initial state of the relevant subsystems of the agents' memories is $|0\rangle_A$ and $|0\rangle_B$. The experiment proceeds as follows:

- t=1. Alice measures system S in basis $\{|0\rangle_S, |1\rangle_S\}$, and records the result in her memory A.
- t=2. Bob measures system S in basis $\{|0\rangle_S, |1\rangle_S\}$, and records the result in her memory A.
- t=3. Alice and Bob reason about each other's outcomes.

According to the laws of quantum theory, their results should be the same, and no contradiction should arise.