

The T-Shirt Twins (or *The Entangled T-Shirts*)

A busy 32 bar reel for four couples in a longwise set.

This is for Achim Mahnke and Robert Krause who have a similar taste in amusing science themed T-shirts. They have at least two (almost) identical ones but do not coordinate wearing them at the same time. Hence 1st and 4th men are dancing the same pairs of figures but at differing points in the dance. The subtitle refers to the phenomenon of quantum entanglement coupling two particles.

One of these common T-shirts shows a computer progress bar stopped with "Thinking... Please wait". For this it makes sense for the dancing men to skip the first 4 bars of a non-progressive hands across and back. The other T-shirt shows a Tardis crushing a car foolishly left in a space clearly marked as "Tardis parking only". It does not seem wise or desirable to represent this crushing choreographically, so instead the dancing couples move one place, in time and space, by means of a chain progression.

Bars Description

- 1-8 **Tardis:** 1st and 2nd couples dance a Chain Progression. Meanwhile...
Thinking: 4th man stands for 4 bars while 3rd couple with 4th woman dance three right hands across ending on the sides. Then 3rd and 4th couples dance four left hands across.
- 9-12 All dance back to back. 2nd and 1st couples start by passing their partner right shoulder but 3rd and 4th couples start by passing left shoulder.
- 13-16 2nd with 1st, also 3rd with 4th couples, each circle four hands once round to the left.
- 17-24 **Thinking:** 1st man stands for 4 bars while 2nd couple with 1st woman dance three right hands across ending on the sides. Then 2nd and 1st couples dance four left hands across. 1st couple end in the centre in 2nd place with both hands joined. Meanwhile...
Tardis: 3rd and 4th couples dance a Chain Progression. 4th couple end in 3rd place in the centre in promenade hold facing up.
- 25-32 1st and 4th couples dance an Allepousse: 1st couple dance the track of the top couple in a Poussette, starting out to the men's side while 4th couple dance the track of 2nd couple in an Allemande. The final order is 2,4,1,3.

Music

- Suggested tune: Harry Picken's Hornpipe (David White).
- Suitable recording: And the Ladies Wore Red (Marian Anderson and her SDB: The Sunday Class: Dance Book 1).

Notes

- The trickiest part of this dance is remembering which figure to do where at which point. Those who are standing during the Allepousse should have time to remember and prompt the others, if needed, at the start of the following repeat.



Achim Mahnke
Thinking... Please Wait

Robert Krause
Tardis Parking Only!