

A PROBLEM FOR NAÏVE THEORIES OF PROPERTIES

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THE RULES

$$\begin{array}{c} \perp \\ \hline \phi \end{array} [\perp E] \qquad \frac{\phi(t)}{t \in \langle x:\phi(x) \rangle} [e I] \qquad \frac{t \in \langle x:\phi(x) \rangle}{\phi(t)} [e E] \qquad \frac{t \in S \quad S = T}{t \in T} [= E] \qquad \frac{\begin{array}{c} [a \in S] \\ \vdots \\ a \in T \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} [a \in T] \\ \vdots \\ a \in S \end{array}}{S = T} [= I]$$

(In [=I] the subproofs have no other premises, and a does not occur in the conclusion.)

THE PROBLEMATIC PROPERTY

Let P be $\langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle$. Then we have:

$$\begin{array}{c} \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \in \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \\ \hline \langle y:\langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \in \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \end{array} [e E] \quad \text{that is,} \quad \frac{P \in P}{\langle y:P \in P \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle} [e E]$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \langle y:\langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \in \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \\ \hline a \in \langle y:\langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \in \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \end{array} [e I] \quad \text{that is,} \quad \frac{\langle y:P \in P \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [e I]$$

$$\begin{array}{c} a \in \langle y:\langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \in \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \\ \hline \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \in \langle x:\langle y:x \in x \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle \rangle \end{array} [e E] \quad \text{that is,} \quad \frac{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle}{P \in P} [e E]$$

THE PROOF

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{[a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle]^*}{P \in P} [e E]}{\langle y:P \in P \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle} [e E]}{a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle} [= E] \quad \frac{\frac{[a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle]^*}{\perp} [e E]}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [\perp E]}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [= I^*] \quad \frac{\frac{[a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle]^\dagger}{P \in P} [e E]}{\langle y:P \in P \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle} [e E]}{a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle} [= E] \quad \frac{\frac{[a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle]^\dagger}{\perp} [e E]}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [\perp E]}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [= I^\dagger]$$

$$\frac{\frac{\langle y:P \in P \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [e I]}{a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle} [e E] \quad \frac{\frac{a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle}{\langle y:P \in P \rangle = \langle y:\perp \rangle} [= E]}{a \in \langle y:P \in P \rangle} [= E]$$

$$\frac{a \in \langle y:\perp \rangle}{\perp} [e E]$$