

An improvement on EWD912

In my final comments on EWD912 I suggested that Theorem 5.0 would admit a shorter proof. Here is a suggestion.

Proof Th. 5.0 With f enjoying some type of conjunctivity, f is monotonic; hence - Lemma 5.8 - h is monotonic.

In order to show that h is conjunctive over some V , i.e.

$$[h.(\underline{A}X: X \in V: X) \equiv (\underline{A}X: X \in V: h.X)]$$

we show that either side implies the other.

(i) Because h is monotonic, we have

$$[h.(\underline{A}X: X \in V: X) \Rightarrow (\underline{A}X: X \in V: h.X)]$$

(ii) To show the implication in the other direction, it suffices to show in view of (11) that

$$[(\underline{A}X: X \in V: h.X) \Rightarrow f.((\underline{A}X: X \in V: X), (\underline{A}X: X \in V: h.X))].$$

or, since quantification distributes over pair forming

$$(14') \quad [(\underline{A}X: X \in V: h.X) \Rightarrow f.(\underline{A}X: X \in V: (X, h.X))]$$

To this end we construct a bag W of predicate pairs by

$$(15') \quad (X, Y) \in W \equiv X \in V \wedge [Y \equiv h.X]$$

and observe that - see Lemma to be inserted in Ch.3 - V and W are of the same junctivity type since h is monotonic. Hence, suffices to show (14') under the assumption that f is conjunctive over W .

$$\begin{aligned} & (\underline{A}X: X \in V: h.X) \\ &= \{(10)\} \\ & (\underline{A}X: X \in V: f.(X, h.X)) \\ &= \{\text{one-point rule}\} \\ & (\underline{A}X: X \in V: (\underline{A}Y: [Y \equiv h.X]: f.(X, Y))) \\ &= \{(15')\} \\ & (\underline{A}X, Y: (X, Y) \in W: f.(X, Y)) \\ &= \{f \text{ conjunctive over } W\} \\ & f. (\underline{A}X, Y: (X, Y) \in W: (X, Y)) \\ &= \{(15')\} \\ & f. (\underline{A}X: X \in V: (\underline{A}Y: [Y \equiv h.X]: (X, Y))) \\ &= \{\text{one-point rule}\} \\ & f. (\underline{A}X: X \in V: (X, h.X)) \end{aligned}$$

(End of Proof Th. 5.0)

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