

# Contexts in *reFlect*: A Theorem Proving Meta-Language

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## Common to Both

- ▶ Not everything that may be discussed may be executed
  - ▶  $\text{let } \forall f = f = (\lambda x. \text{true})$
- ▶ Reductions in the language are valid inferences in the logic
  - ▶ If  $\Delta \rightarrow \text{true}$ , then  $\vdash \Delta$

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- ▶ A shallow embedding of LTL in *reFlect*

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2: twice quoted *reFlect* expressions

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- ▶ Variables are bound within a level, not across levels

- ▶ Want  $\langle x \rangle$  different to  $\langle 1 \rangle$
- ▶ Want usual quantifier rules
- ▶ Do not want this 

$$\frac{\frac{\vdash \neg(\langle x \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle)}{\vdash \forall x. \neg(\langle x \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle)} [\forall I]}{\vdash \neg(\langle 1 \rangle = \langle 1 \rangle)} [\forall E]$$

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## Note:

- ▶ Arbitrary expressions may be patterns
- ▶ Lambda abstractions may have match alternatives
- ▶ Omitting whole story about type annotations checking

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On the path from the root of an AST to some subexpression:

- ▶ the **level** of the subexpression is the number of quotations on the path – the number of antiquotes
- ▶ an expression is **well formed** if no subexpression has negative level



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- ▶ variables at higher level are somebody else's problem

## Example: What We Don't Do

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  letrec
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  | f (n+1) (VAR nam)      = {}
  | f n     (CONST idn)    = {}
  | f n     (APP fun arg)   =
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