

# **Current Research in Metaphysics & Epistemology**

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## **"Neo-Fregean Category Theory"**

**Abstract:** According to Bob Hale, Necessary Beings: An Essay on Ontology, Modality, and the Relations Between Them, the proper focus of ontology is the basic categories of entities, rather than the entities themselves. Hale defends a Neo-Fregean view for discovering the categories. On the view, ontological categories are derivative on linguistic categories. I critically examine this Neo-Fregean category theory and articulate a view on which categories are relativized to our theoretical interests.

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