# Issue 426

#### Pxxx holds or supports

Domain: E18 Physical Thing

Range: E18 Physical Thing

Quantification: many to many

Scope Note: This property relates one E18 Physical Thing which acts as a container or support, such as a shelf, for another E18 Physical Thing. Pxxx holds or supports is a shortcut of the more fully developed path from the domain E18 Physical Thing through P59 has section, E53 Place, P53i is former or current location of, to the range E18 Physical Thing. It is not a sub-property of P46 is composed of, as the held or supported object is not a component of the container or support.

This property can be used to avoid explicitly instantiating the E53 Place which is defined by a Physical Thing, especially when the only intended use of that Physical Thing is to act as a container or surface for the storage of other Physical Things. The place’s existence is defined by the existence of the container or surface, and will go out of existence at the same time as the Destruction of the container or surface. As such, there are very few situations in which the identity of the place needs to be distinguished from the defining physical thing.

Examples:

The archival folder (E22) “6” \_holds or supports\_ the piece of paper (E22) carrying the text of a letter from Alloway to Sleigh

The artist’s materials box (E22) labeled “VG6” \_holds or supports\_ Van Gogh’s paintbrush 23 (E22)

The storage box “VG” (E22) \_holds or supports\_ the artist’s materials box (E22) labeled “VG6”

The bronze coin bank “72.AC.99” (E22) \_holds or supports\_ silver coin “72.AC.99-1” (E22)

The bookshelf “GRI-708.1” (E22) \_holds or supports\_ the book (E22) “Catalog of Paintings in the J. Paul Getty Museum”