

# On Partial Fuzzy Type Theory

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This paper is a study of fuzzy type theory (FTT) with partial functions. We introduce a special value “\*” to all the types which represents “undefined”. In the interpretation of FTT, this value lays outside of the corresponding domains. The value  $*_o$  of type  $o$  is defined as the formula  $\iota_{o(o)} \cdot \lambda x_o \perp$  which means application of the description operator to the empty set. Similarly, the  $*_\epsilon$  is defined as  $\iota_{\epsilon(o\epsilon)} \cdot \lambda x_\epsilon *_o$ , i.e., the description operator is applied to a fuzzy set on  $M_\epsilon$  whose membership function is nowhere defined. For higher types we define

$$*_{\beta\alpha} \equiv \lambda x_\alpha *_\beta$$

which means that “undefined” is a nowhere defined function from the set  $M_\alpha$  of type  $\alpha$  to a set  $M_\beta$  of type  $\beta$ .

In the development of FTT with partial functions, we must be careful because the value “undefined” is a well formed formula. The outcome is that  $T \vdash A_o \equiv *_o$  means that the formula  $A_o$  is in the theory  $T$  equal to “undefined”. This cannot be true because otherwise  $A_o$  would have to be also undefined. Consequently, a formula  $A_o$  is defined if  $T \vdash \neg(A_o \equiv *_o)$ . We thus introduce two special predicates “?” (the given formula is undefined) and “!” (the given formula is defined) which can be extended to all types.

Important outcome of our approach is that the  $\lambda$ -conversion is preserved which makes our system of FTT very powerful. Among many results, we show that  $T \vdash *_o$  implies that  $T$  is contradictory. We prove that any consistent theory of FTT with partial functions has a model. We can also include the theory presented in the papers [4, 5] as a special theory of partial FTT. The proposed extension of FTT works of all (so far considered) kinds of algebras of truth values.

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