

# A fuzzy theory of types

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# Motivation: opinion dynamics

We need

- ▶ types and terms, because one opinion might have multiple proofs/reasons;
- ▶ fuzzy logic, because opinions are many-valued.

$$\Gamma \vdash r :_{\alpha} O$$

“Knowing  $\Gamma$ , I believe  $O$  because of  $r$  with confidence  $\alpha$ .”

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- ▶ fuzzy logic

	<i>binary</i>	<i>fuzzy</i>
<i>propositions</i>	$\{0, 1\}$	$[0, 1]$
<i>types</i>	<b>Set</b>	$\Sigma_{S:\text{Set}} S \rightarrow [0, 1]$

What structure do we need on  $[0, 1]$ ?

## Definition

A commutative monoid  $\mathbb{M} = (M, \cdot, 1)$  is

- ▶ *ordered* if there is a partial order  $\leq$  on  $M$  such that  $m \leq n$  implies  $m \cdot x \leq n \cdot x$  for all  $x \in M$ ;
- ▶ *unitally bounded* if  $\leq$  has a top element and that is 1;
- ▶ *complete* if for each  $m, n \in M$  there is  $n^m \in M$  such that

$$x \leq n^m \quad \text{iff} \quad x \cdot m \leq n \quad \text{for all } x \in M.$$

We call  $n^m$  the *internal hom* of  $m$  and  $n$ .

# Commutative ordered monoids

- ▶  $\mathbb{2} = (\{0, 1\}, \cdot, 1, \leq)$ , with  $\cdot$  and  $\leq$  inherited by the usual ones on the reals
- ▶  $\mathbb{I} = ([0, 1], \cdot, 1, \leq)$ , as above
- ▶  $\mathcal{O}_X = (\mathcal{O}(X), \cap, X, \subseteq)$ , where  $\mathcal{O}(X)$  is the set of open subsets of  $X$
- ▶  $\mathbb{L} = ([0, \infty], +, 0, \geq)$ , with  $+$  and  $\geq$  inherited by the usual ones on the reals

more generally

- ▶ every commutative unital quantale
- ▶ every complete Heyting algebra (use  $\wedge$  for  $\cdot$ )

These are actually all unitaly bounded and complete, for example:

- ✓ in  $\mathbb{I}$ ,  $n^m = \min\{\frac{n}{m}, 1\}$  (thinking of the fraction in  $[0, \infty]$  and defining  $\frac{n}{0} = \infty$ )
- ✓ in a quantale,  $n^m = \bigvee_{x \cdot m \leq n} x$

# Fuzzy sets with values in $\mathbb{M}$

## Definition

Call  $\mathbf{Set}(\mathbb{M})$  the category having

- ▶ for objects  $X = (X^0, | - |_X)$  where  $X^0$  is a set and  $| - |_X$  is a function  $X^0 \rightarrow M$ ;
- ▶ morphisms  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  are functions  $f : X^0 \rightarrow Y^0$  such that

$$|x|_X \leq |f(x)|_Y$$

for all  $x \in X^0$ .

- ✓ for  $\mathbb{I}$  we get sets with a *membership function*, we can interpret it to be

$$|x|_X = \alpha \quad \text{iff} \quad x \text{ is a member of } X \text{ with confidence } \alpha$$

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What do categories have to do with type theory?

*Type theories*  $\rightleftarrows$  **Set**-Categories

*Fuzzy type theories*  $\rightleftarrows$  **Set**( $\mathbb{M}$ )-Categories

Our strategy: enrich the categories, read the type theory!

# Enriching categories: from $\mathbf{Set}$ to $\mathbf{Set}(\mathbb{M})$

## Lemma

Both  $\mathbb{M}$  and  $\mathbf{Set}(\mathbb{M})$  support a monoidal structure.

For example, for  $\mathbf{Set}(\mathbb{M})$ :

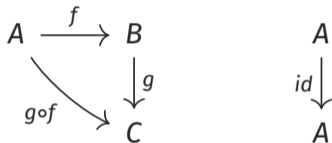
$$U \otimes V: (U \otimes V)^0 = U^0 \times V^0, |(u, v)|_{U \otimes V} = |u|_U \cdot |v|_V$$

$$I: (\{*\}, const_1)$$

Then we can use them as an enrichment:

- ▶ a  $\mathbb{2}$ -category has  $(P \leq Q) = \underline{\mathbf{hom}}(P, Q) \in \{0, 1\}$  hence propositions;
- ▶ a  $\mathbb{I}$ -category has  $(P \leq_{\alpha} Q) = \underline{\mathbf{hom}}(P, Q) = \{\alpha\}$  hence “fuzzy propositions”;
- ▶ a  $\mathbb{L}$ -category is a Lawvere metric space,  $d(x, y) \in [0, \infty]$  and  $d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$ ;
- ▶ a  $\mathbf{Set}(\mathbb{M})$ -category ...

# Composition vs monoidal product



$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\text{hom}}(A, B) \otimes \underline{\text{hom}}(B, C) &\rightarrow \underline{\text{hom}}(A, C), & |f| \cdot |g| &\leq |g \circ f| \\ I &\rightarrow \underline{\text{hom}}(A, A), & 1 &\leq |id| \end{aligned}$$

# Display-map categories

## Definition (Taylor 1999, Hyland-Pitts 1987)

A *display-map category* is a pair  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  with  $\mathcal{C}$  a category and  $\mathcal{D} = \{p_A : \Gamma.A \rightarrow \Gamma\}$  a class of morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$  called *displays* or *projections* such that:

1.  $\mathcal{C}$  has a terminal object  $1$ ;
2. for each  $p_A : \Gamma.A \rightarrow \Gamma$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $s : \Delta \rightarrow \Gamma$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ , there exists a choice of a pullback of  $p_A$  along  $s$  and it is again in  $\mathcal{D}$ ,

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Delta.A[s] & \xrightarrow{\bar{s}} & \Gamma.A \\ p_{A[s]} \downarrow & & \downarrow p_A \\ \Delta & \xrightarrow{s} & \Gamma \end{array}$$

3.  $\mathcal{D}$  is closed under pre and post-composition with isomorphisms.

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$\Gamma \vdash A$  type

$$\Gamma.A \xrightarrow{p_A} \Gamma$$

$\Gamma \vdash s : A$

$$\Gamma.A \begin{array}{c} \xleftarrow{s} \\ \xrightarrow{p_A} \end{array} \Gamma$$

substitution

pullback along projections

# Intuition

a <b>Set</b> ( $\mathbb{M}$ )-category $\mathcal{C}$	an agent in the system
a context	a set of beliefs
a type (in context)	a belief (and its premises)
a term of type $A$	a proof of the belief $A$

- ▶ we want definite beliefs  $\Rightarrow$  non-fuzzy types
- ▶ but their reasons might be subject to uncertainty  $\Rightarrow$  fuzzy terms

# Fuzzy display-map categories

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A *fuzzy display-map category* is a pair  $(\mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$  with  $\mathcal{C}$  a  $\mathbf{Set}(\mathbb{M})$ -category and  $\mathcal{D} = \{p_A : \Gamma.A \rightarrow \Gamma\}$  a class of morphisms in  $\mathcal{C}$  called *fuzzy displays* or *fuzzy projections* such that:

1.  $\mathcal{C}$  has a terminal object;
2. for each  $p_A : \Gamma.A \rightarrow \Gamma$  in  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $s : \Delta \rightarrow \Gamma$  in  $\mathcal{C}$ , there exists a choice of a **weighted pullback** of  $p_A$  along  $s$  and its underlying map is again in  $\mathcal{D}$ ,
3.  $\mathcal{D}$  is closed under pre and post-composition with isomorphisms;
4. for all  $A$ ,  $|p_A|_{\underline{\text{hom}}(\Gamma.A, \Gamma)} = 1$ .

# Projections and sections

## Types are not fuzzy

For all  $A$ ,  $|p_A|_{\text{hom}(\Gamma.A, \Gamma)} = 1$ .

$$\Gamma \xrightarrow{s} \Gamma.A \xrightarrow{p_A} \Gamma$$

*id*

## Definition

We say  $s$  is a  $\alpha$ -section of  $p_A$  if  $s$  is a section of  $p_A$  and  $|s| \geq \alpha$ .

$$\Gamma \vdash s :_{\alpha} A \quad \text{and we have} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash s :_{\alpha} A}{\Gamma \vdash s :_{\beta} A} \quad \text{for all } \beta \leq \alpha$$

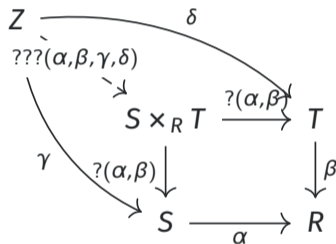
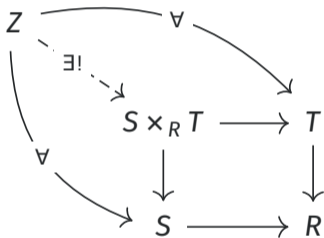


From now on, we just discuss the case of  $\mathbb{M} = \mathbb{I}$ .

Notice that all of the following results extend to the general case.

# Substituting with uncertainty: weighted pullbacks

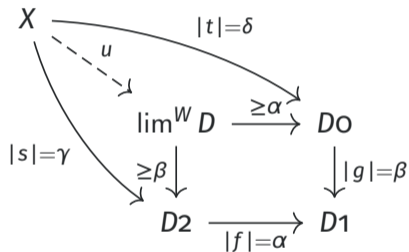
What is a pullback in **Set**( $\square$ )?



What do we ask of maps  $S \leftarrow S \times_R T \rightarrow T$ ? Here is where we pick weights.  
What happens to the map induced by the universal property of the pullback?

# Substituting with uncertainty: weighted pullbacks

(Many calculations you don't want to see,  
just know they involve this guy:  $\text{hom}_{\mathcal{C}}(X, \lim^W D) \cong \int_{\mathcal{D}} [W-, \underline{\text{hom}}(X, D-)]$ .)



$$|u| = \min\left(1, \frac{\gamma}{\beta}, \frac{\delta}{\alpha}\right)$$

# Rules for fuzzy type theory

$$\frac{}{\vdash \diamond \text{ ctx}} \text{(C-Emp)} \quad \frac{\Gamma \vdash A \text{ type}}{\vdash \Gamma, x : A \text{ ctx}} \text{(C-Ext)} \quad \frac{\vdash \Gamma, x : A, \Delta \text{ ctx}}{\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash x :_1 A} \text{(Var)}$$

provided that  $\beta \leq \alpha$ ,

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash t :_\alpha A}{\Gamma \vdash t :_\beta A} \text{(Cons)}$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash B \text{ type} \quad \Gamma \vdash A \text{ type}}{\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash B \text{ type}} \text{(Weak}_{ty})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, \Delta \vdash b :_\beta B \quad \Gamma \vdash A \text{ type}}{\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash b :_\beta B} \text{(Weak}_{tm})$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash B \text{ type} \quad \Gamma \vdash a :_\alpha A}{\Gamma, \Delta[a/x] \vdash B[a/x] \text{ type}} \text{(Subst}_{ty})$$

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## Theorem

A fuzzy display-map category is sound and complete for the rules above.

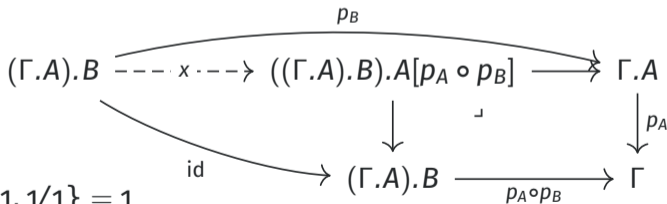
# The variable rule

aka: here is where I'm pedantic

starting from  $\vdash \Gamma, x : A, \Delta \text{ ctx}$  we want  $\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash \star :_? A$

(Assume  $\Delta = y : B$  a single type, the general case works the same way.)

- ▶  $\Gamma$  is a context
- ▶  $A$  is a type in context  $\Gamma$ , hence there is a projection  $p_A : \Gamma.A \rightarrow \Gamma$
- ▶  $B$  is a type in context  $\Gamma, x : A$ , hence there is a projection  $p_B : (\Gamma.A).B \rightarrow \Gamma.A$



$$|x| = \min\{1, 1/1, 1/1\} = 1$$

$\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash x :_1 A$  (actually, the second  $A$  is  $A[p_A \circ p_B]$ )

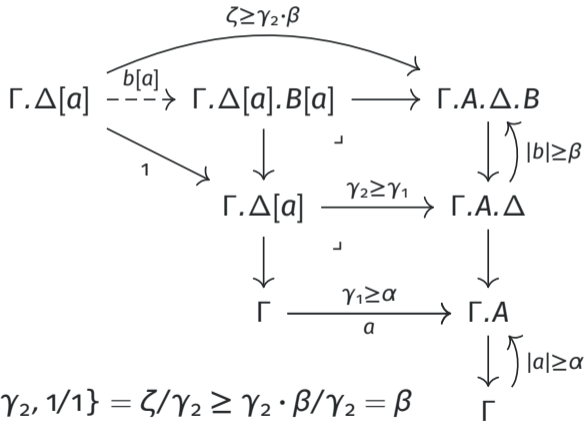
# Substitution for types

starting from  $\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash B$  type  $\Gamma \vdash a :_{\alpha} A$  we want  $\Gamma, \Delta[a/x] \vdash B[a/x]$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Gamma.\Delta[a].B[a] & \longrightarrow & \Gamma.A.\Delta.B \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ \Gamma.\Delta[a] & \longrightarrow & \Gamma.A.\Delta \\ \downarrow & \lrcorner & \downarrow \\ \Gamma & \xrightarrow{a} & \Gamma.A \\ & & \downarrow \uparrow |a| \geq \alpha \\ & & \Gamma \end{array}$$

# Substitution for terms

starting from  $\Gamma, x : A, \Delta \vdash b :_{\beta} B$   $\Gamma \vdash a :_{\alpha} A$  we want  $\Gamma, \Delta[a/x] \vdash b[a/x] :_{?} B[a/x]$



$$|b[a]| = \min\{1, \zeta/\gamma_2, 1/1\} = \zeta/\gamma_2 \geq \gamma_2 \cdot \beta/\gamma_2 = \beta$$

# Opinions






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a term of type $A$	a proof of the belief $A$
$1/\mathcal{C}$	tautologies
$E/\mathcal{C}$	facts induced by $E$
$E/\alpha\mathcal{C}$	opinions induced by $E$ with confidence $\alpha$



# Future work

- ▶ we have three possibilities to describe definitional equality
- ▶ study the behaviour of type constructors
- ▶ unpack more examples with different  $\mathbb{M}$ 's
- ▶ explore the dynamic side using **Set**( $\mathbb{M}$ )-valued sheaves (following Hansen-Ghirst 2020)

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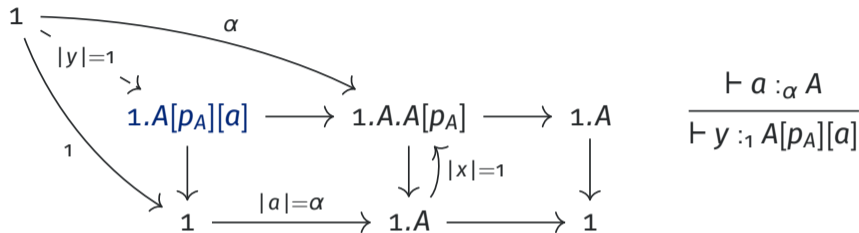
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# Something weird



In the notation we have used so far,  $y = x[a]$ .

We have two types in the empty context, and they look very similar:

- ▶ a type  $A$
- ▶ a type  $A[p_A][a]$  obtained by extending  $A$  with itself, and then substituting  $a$

but they are inherently different! How can we interpret this?

*If I can prove  $A$  with confidence  $\alpha$ ,*

*I can prove (I can prove  $A$  with confidence  $\alpha$ ) with confidence 1.*