

# A TPTP Formalization of the Unified Foundational Ontology

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## Abstract

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## 2 UFO's TPTP Specification

### 2.1 UFO Taxonomy

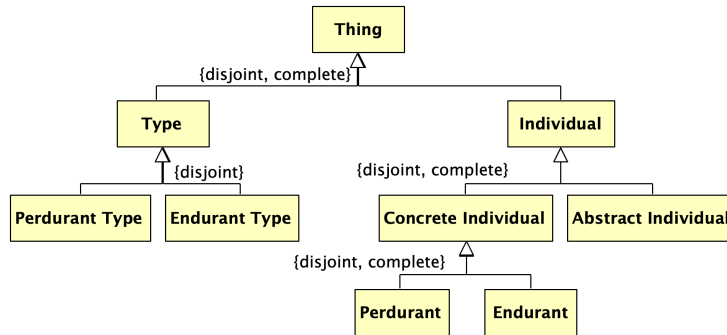


Figure 1: Partial Taxonomy of UFO – Thing.

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4 % Thing
5
6 fof(ax_thing_taxonomy, axiom, (
7   ![X]: ((type(X) | individual(X)) <=> (thing(X)))
8 )).
9
10 fof(ax_thing_partition, axiom, (
11   ~?[X]: (type(X) & individual(X))
12 )).
13
14 % Individual
15
16 fof(ax_individual_taxonomy, axiom, (
17   ![X]: ((concreteIndividual(X) | abstractIndividual(X)) <=> (
18     individual(X)))
19 )).
20 fof(ax_individual_partition, axiom, (
21   ~?[X]: (concreteIndividual(X) & abstractIndividual(X))
22 )).
23
24 % Concrete Individual
25
26 fof(ax_concreteIndividual_taxonomy, axiom, (
27   ![X]: ((endurant(X) | perdurant(X)) <=> (concreteIndividual(X)))
28 )).
29
30 fof(ax_concreteIndividual_partition, axiom, (
31   ~?[X]: (endurant(X) & perdurant(X))
32 )).
33
34 % Type
35
36 fof(ax_type_taxonomy, axiom, (
37   ![X]: ((endurantType(X) | perdurantType(X)) <=> (type(X)))
38 )).
39
40 fof(ax_type_partition, axiom, (
41   ~?[X]: (endurantType(X) & perdurantType(X))
42 )).
43
44 % Thing partial taxonomy instances
45 % (tested rule out trivial models)
46
47 % fof(ax_thing_instances, axiom, (
48 %   type(type1) & individual(individual1) & concreteIndividual(
49 %     concreteIndividual1) & abstractIndividual(abstractIndividual1)
50 %     & endurant(endurant1) & perdurant(perdurant1) & endurantType(
51 %       endurantType1) & perdurantType(perdurantType1)
52 % )).
53
54 % Abstract Individual
55
56 fof(ax_abstractIndividual_taxonomy_quale, axiom, (
57   ![X]: (quale(X) => (abstractIndividual(X)))
58 )).
59
60 fof(ax_abstractIndividual_taxonomy_set, axiom, (

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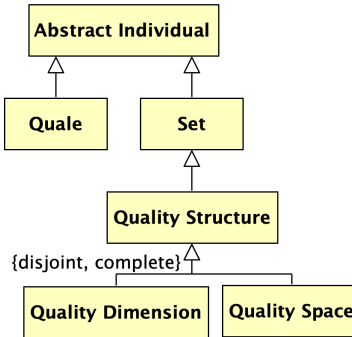


Figure 2: Partial Taxonomy of UFO – Abstract Individual.

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58  ![X]: (set(X) => (abstractIndividual(X)))
59  )).
60
61  % Set
62
63  fof(ax_set_taxonomy_qualityStructure, axiom, (
64    ![X]: (qualityStructure(X) => (set(X)))
65  )).
66
67  % Quality Structure
68
69  fof(ax_qualityStructure_taxonomy, axiom, (
70    ![X]: ((qualityDimension(X) | qualitySpace(X)) <=> (
71      qualityStructure(X)))
72  )).
73
74  fof(ax_qualityStructure_partition, axiom, (
75    ~?[X]: (qualityDimension(X) & qualitySpace(X))
76  )).
77
78  % TODO: review the definition of "world" as a subtype of "
79  qualityStructure"
80
81  fof(ax_qualityStructure_taxonomy_world, axiom, (
82    ![X]: (world(X) => (qualityStructure(X)))
83  )).
84
85  % Abstract Individual partial taxonomy instances
86  % (tested rule out trivial models)
87
88  % fof(ax_abstractIndividual_instances, axiom, (
89    % set(set1) & quale(quale1) & qualityStructure(qualityStructure1)
90    % & qualityDimension(qualityDimension1) & qualitySpace(
91    % qualitySpace1) & world(world1)
92    % )).
93
94  % Endurant
95
96  fof(ax_endurant_taxonomy, axiom, (

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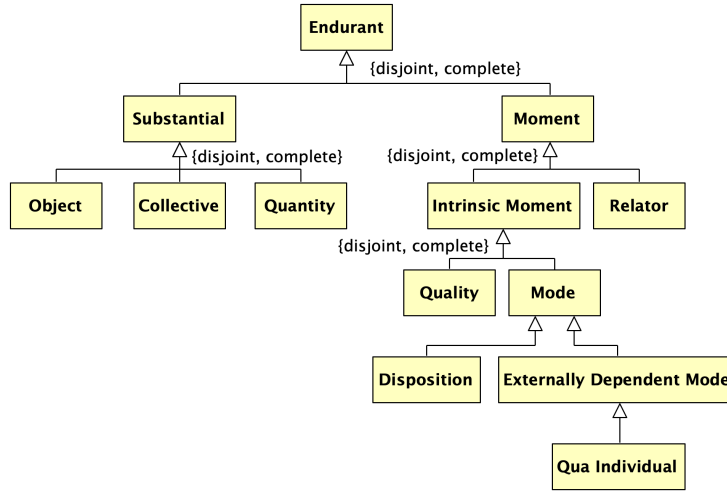


Figure 3: Partial Taxonomy of UFO – Endurant.

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93  ![X]: ((substantial(X) | moment(X)) <=> (endurant(X)))
94  )).
95
96  fof(ax_endurant_partition, axiom, (
97    ~?[X]: (substantial(X) & moment(X))
98  )).
99
100 % Substantial
101
102 fof(ax_substantial_taxonomy, axiom, (
103   ![X]: ((object(X) | collective(X) | quantity(X)) <=> (substantial
104     (X)))
105 )).
106
107 fof(ax_substantial_partition, axiom, (
108   ~?[X]: ((object(X) & collective(X)) | (object(X) & quantity(X)) |
109     (collective(X) & quantity(X)))
110 )).
111
112 % Moment
113
114 fof(ax_moment_taxonomy, axiom, (
115   ![X]: ((intrinsicMoment(X) | relator(X)) <=> (moment(X)))
116 )).
117
118 fof(ax_moment_partition, axiom, (
119   ~?[X]: (intrinsicMoment(X) & relator(X))
120 )).
121
122 % Intrinsic Moment
123
124 fof(ax_intrinsicMoment_taxonomy, axiom, (
125   ![X]: ((quality(X) | mode(X)) <=> (intrinsicMoment(X)))

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124 ))).
125
126 fof(ax_intrinsicMoment_partition, axiom, (
127   ~?[X]: (quality(X) & mode(X))
128 ))).
129
130 % Mode
131
132 fof(ax_mode_taxonomy_externallyDependentMode, axiom, (
133   ![X]: (externallyDependentMode(X) => (mode(X)))
134 ))).
135
136 % Externally Dependent Mode
137
138 fof(ax_externallyDependentMode_taxonomy_quaIndividual, axiom, (
139   ![X]: (quaIndividual(X) => (externallyDependentMode(X)))
140 ))).
141
142 % Endurant partial taxonomy instances
143 % (tested rule out trivial models)
144
145 % fof(ax_endurant_instances, axiom, (
146 %   substantial(substantial1) & moment(moment1) & object(object1) &
147 %   collective(collective1) & quantity(quantity1) &
148 %   intrinsicMoment(intrinsicMoment1) & relator(relator1) & quality
149 %   (quality1) & mode(mode1) & disposition(disposition1) &
150 %   externallyDependentMode(externallyDependentMode1) &
151 %   quaIndividual(quaIndividual1)
152 % ))).

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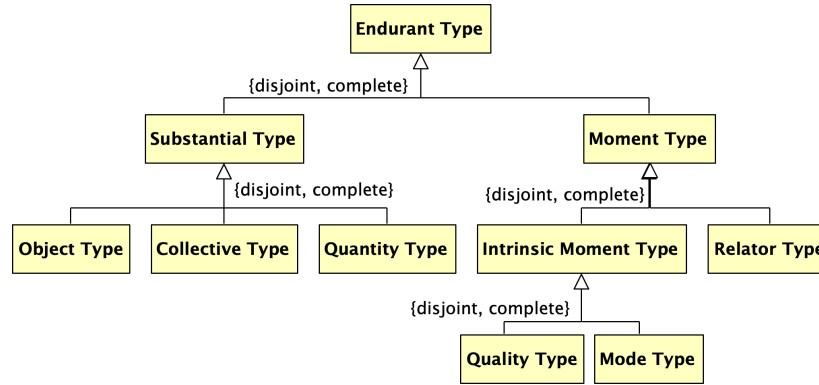


Figure 4: Partial Taxonomy of UFO – Endurant Types (by ontological nature).

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149 % Endurant Type (by ontological nature)
150
151 fof(ax_endurantType_taxonomy_nature, axiom, (
152   ![X]: ((substantialType(X) | momentType(X)) <=> (endurantType(X))
153   )
154 ))).

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155 fof(ax_endurantType_partition_nature, axiom, (
156   ~?[X]: (substantialType(X) & momentType(X))
157 )).
158
159 % Substantial Type
160
161 fof(ax_substantialType_taxonomy, axiom, (
162   ![X]: ((objectType(X) | collectiveType(X) | quantityType(X)) <=>
163     (substantialType(X)))
164 )).
165
166 fof(ax_substantialType_partition, axiom, (
167   ~?[X]: ((objectType(X) & collectiveType(X)) | (objectType(X) &
168     quantityType(X)) | (collectiveType(X) & quantityType(X)))
169 )).
170
171 % Moment Type
172
173 fof(ax_momentType_taxonomy, axiom, (
174   ![X]: ((intrinsicMomentType(X) | relatorType(X)) <=> (momentType(X)))
175 )).
176
177 fof(ax_momentType_partition, axiom, (
178   ~?[X]: (intrinsicMomentType(X) & relatorType(X))
179 )).
180
181 % Intrinsic Moment Type
182
183 fof(ax_intrinsicMomentType_taxonomy, axiom, (
184   ![X]: ((qualityType(X) | modeType(X)) <=> (intrinsicMomentType(X)))
185 )).
186
187 fof(ax_intrinsicMomentType_partition, axiom, (
188   ~?[X]: (qualityType(X) & modeType(X))
189 )).
190
191 % Endurant Type (by ontological nature) partial taxonomy instances
192 % (tested rule out trivial models)
193
194 % fof(ax_endurantType_instances_natures, axiom, (
195   % substantialType(substantialType1) & momentType(momentType1) &
196   % objectType(objectType1) & collectiveType(collectiveType1) &
197   % quantityType(quantityType1) & intrinsicMomentType(
198   %   intrinsicMomentType1) & relatorType(relatorType1) & qualityType
199   %   (qualityType1) & modeType(modeType1) &
200   %   externallyDependentModeType(externallyDependentModeType1) &
201   %   quaIndividualType(quaIndividualType1)
202 % )).
203
204 % Endurant Type (by modal properties of types)
205
206 fof(ax_endurantType_taxonomy_properties, axiom, (
207   ![X]: ((sortal(X) | nonSortal(X)) <=> (endurantType(X)))
208 )).
209
210 fof(ax_endurantType_partition_properties, axiom, (

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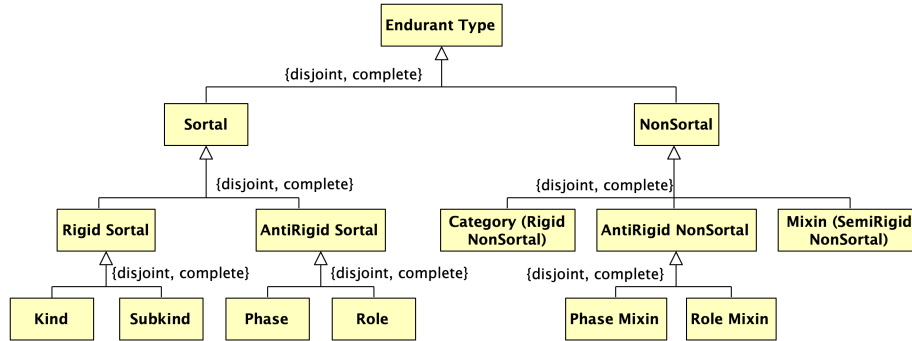


Figure 5: Partial Taxonomy of UFO – Endurant Types (by modal properties of types).

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203 ~?[X]: (sortal(X) & nonSortal(X))
204 ))).
205
206 % Sortal
207
208 fof(ax_sortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
209   ![X]: ((rigidSortal(X) | antiRigidSortal(X)) <=> (sortal(X)))
210 ))).
211
212 fof(ax_sortal_partition, axiom, (
213   ~?[X]: (rigidSortal(X) & antiRigidSortal(X))
214 ))).
215
216 % Rigid Sortal
217
218 fof(ax_rigidSortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
219   ![X]: ((kind(X) | subkind(X)) <=> (rigidSortal(X)))
220 ))).
221
222 fof(ax_rigidSortal_partition, axiom, (
223   ~?[X]: (kind(X) & subkind(X))
224 ))).
225
226 % Anti-Rigid Sortal
227
228 fof(ax_antiRigidSortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
229   ![X]: ((phase(X) | role(X)) <=> (antiRigidSortal(X)))
230 ))).
231
232 fof(ax_antiRigidSortal_partition, axiom, (
233   ~?[X]: (phase(X) & role(X))
234 ))).
235
236 % Non-Sortal
237
238 fof(ax_nonSortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
239   ![X]: ((rigidNonSortal(X) | semiRigidNonSortal(X) |
240     antiRigidNonSortal(X)) <=> (nonSortal(X)))

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240 ))).
241
242 fof(ax_nonSortal_partition, axiom, (
243   ~?[X]: ((rigidNonSortal(X) & semiRigidNonSortal(X)) | (
244     rigidNonSortal(X) & antiRigidNonSortal(X)) | (
245       semiRigidNonSortal(X) & antiRigidNonSortal(X)))
246 ))).
247
248 % Category
249 fof(ax_rigidNonSortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
250   ![X]: (rigidNonSortal(X) <=> (category(X)))
251 ))).
252
253 % Mixin
254 fof(ax_semiRigidNonSortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
255   ![X]: (semiRigidNonSortal(X) <=> (mixin(X)))
256 ))).
257
258 % Anti-Rigid Non-Sortal
259 fof(ax_antiRigidNonSortal_taxonomy, axiom, (
260   ![X]: ((phaseMixin(X) | roleMixin(X)) <=> (antiRigidNonSortal(X))
261   ))).
262
263 fof(ax_antiRigidNonSortal_partition, axiom, (
264   ~?[X]: (phaseMixin(X) & roleMixin(X))
265 ))).
266
267 % Endurant Type (by modal properties of types) partial taxonomy
268   instances
269 % (tested rule out trivial models)
270
271 % fof(ax_endurantType_instances_properties, axiom, (
272 %   sortal(sortal1) & nonSortal(nonSortal1) & rigidSortal(
273 %     rigidSortal1) & antiRigidSortal(antiRigidSortal1) & kind(kind1)
274 %     & subkind(subkind1) & phase(phase1) & role(role1) & category(
275 %       category1) & mixin(mixin1) & antiRigidNonSortal(
276 %         antiRigidNonSortal1) & phaseMixin(phaseMixin1) & roleMixin(
277 %           roleMixin1)
278 %   ))).

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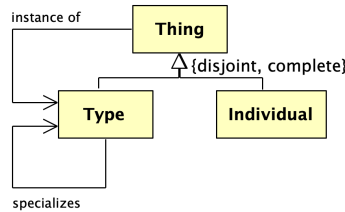


Figure 6: Types, individuals, instantiation, and specialization.



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275 %%%%%%%%% Instance of, Types, and Individuals %%%%%%%%%
276
277 fof(ax_dIof, axiom, (
278   ![X,Y,W]: (iof(X,Y,W) => (type(Y) & world(W)))
279 )).
280
281 fof(ax_dType_a1, axiom, (
282   ![X]: (type(X) <=> (?[Y,W]: iof(Y,X,W)))
283 )).
284
285 fof(ax_dIndividual_a2, axiom, (
286   ![X]: (individual(X) <=> (~?[Y,W]: iof(Y,X,W)))
287 )).
288
289 % TODO: confirm whether we are including second-order types in this
      formalization
290
291 fof(ax_multiLevel_a3, axiom, (
292   ![X,Y,W]: (iof(X,Y,W) => (type(X) | individual(X)))
293 )).
294
295 fof(ax_twoLevelConstrained_a4, axiom, (
296   ~?[X,Y,Z,W]: (type(X) & iof(X,Y,W) & iof(Y,Z,W))
297 )).
298
299 % fof(ax_iofInUse, axiom, (
300 %   type(t2) & individual(i2) & world(w2) & iof(i2,t2,w2)
301 % )).
302
303 % Ax |= "th_everythingIsAThing_t1"; conjecture comment for
      convenience
304
305 % fof(th_everythingIsAThing_t1, conjecture, (
306 %   ![X]: (type(X) | individual(X))
307 % )).
308
309 % Ax |= "th_thingPartition_t2"; conjecture comment for convenience
310
311 % fof(th_thingPartition_t2, conjecture, (
312 %   ~?[X]: (type(X) & individual(X))
313 % )).
314
315 %%%%%%%%% Specialization and Proper Specialization %%%%%%%%%
316
317 fof(ax_dSpecializes, axiom, (
318   ![X,Y]: (specializes(X,Y) => (type(X) & type(Y)))
319 )).
320
321 fof(ax_specialization_a5, axiom, (
322   ![T1,T2]: (specializes(T1,T2) <=> (
323     type(T1) & type(T2) & ![W]: (world(W) => ![E]: (iof(E,T1,W) =>
324       iof(E,T2,W)))
325   )).
326
327 fof(ax_properSpecializes_d1, axiom, (
328   ![X,Y]: (properSpecializes(X,Y) <=> (specializes(X,Y) & ~

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        specializes(Y,X)))
329 ))).
330
331 % fof(ax_specializesInUse, axiom, (
332 %   type(t3_1) & type(t3_2) & specializes(t3_1,t3_2) &
333 %   properSpecializes(t3_1,t3_2) & specializes(t3_1,t3_1)
334 % )).
335 % Ax |= "th_cyclicSpecializations_t3"; conjecture comment for
336 %   convenience
337 % fof(th_cyclicSpecializations_t3, conjecture, (
338 %   ![X,Y]: (specializes(X,Y) => (specializes(X,X) & specializes(Y,
339 %   Y)))
340 % )).
341 % Ax |= "th_transitiveSpecializations_t4"; conjecture comment for
342 %   convenience
343 % fof(th_transitiveSpecializations_t4, conjecture, (
344 %   ![X,Y,Z]: ((specializes(X,Y) & specializes(Y,Z)) => (
345 %   specializes(X,Z)))
346 % )).
347 fof(ax_sharedSpecializations_a6, axiom, (
348   ![T1,T2]: (?[X,W]: ((iof(X,T1,W) & iof(X,T2,W) & ~specializes(T1,
349   T2) & ~specializes(T2,T1)) => (
350   (?[T3]: (specializes(T1,T3) & specializes(T2,T3) & iof(X,T3,W)
351   )))|
352   (?[T3]: (specializes(T3,T1) & specializes(T3,T2) & iof(X,T3,W)
353   )))
354   )))
355 ))).

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