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COMMON ENDOMORPHISMS II

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Part I of this paper has been submitted to Czech. Math. Journ.; for references, cf. Part I. In this Part II the definitions and denotations from Part I will be used. It will be proved that $\text{card Eq}(f) \leq c$ is valid for each $f \in F$. A constructive description of all elements of the set $\text{Eq}(f)$ will be given.

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TO ENDOMORPHISMS

Let I be a nonempty set and for each $\iota \in I$ let (A_ι, f_ι) be a connected monounary algebra. Assume that $A_\iota \cap A_\varkappa = \emptyset$ for each $\iota, \varkappa \in I$, $\iota \neq \varkappa$. We denote by $\bigcup_{\iota \in I} (A_\iota, f_\iota)$ the monounary algebra (B, g) , where $B = \bigcup_{\iota \in I} A_\iota$ and $g(x) = f_\iota(x)$ for each $x \in A_\iota$, $\iota \in I$.

Now let (A, f) be a monounary algebra. A system of connected monounary algebras $\{(A_\iota, f_\iota)\}_{\iota \in I}$ such that

$$(A, f) = \bigcup_{\iota \in I} (A_\iota, f_\iota)$$

will be called a component partition of (A, f) . Obviously, each monounary algebra (A, f) has a uniquely determined component partition.

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n > 1$ we denote by $\mathcal{O}_2(n)$ the class of all algebras belonging to \mathcal{O}_2 and having a cycle with period n . The symbols $\mathcal{O}_{21}(n)$ and $\mathcal{O}_{20}(n)$ have an analogous meaning.

Let (A, f) and (A, g) be monounary algebras. Suppose that $\{(A_\iota, f_\iota)\}_{\iota \in I}$ and $\{(A_\iota, g_\iota)\}_{\iota \in I}$ are the component partitions of (A, f) and (A, g) , respectively. We shall consider the following conditions:

- (a) If there exists $\iota \in I$ with $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{X} \cup \mathcal{N}_1$, then $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa$ for each $\varkappa \in I$.
- (b) If there exists $\iota \in I$ with $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{N}_2$ and $g_\iota = f_\iota$, then $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa$ for each $\varkappa \in I$.

(c) If there exist $\iota, \varkappa \in I$ and $z \in A_\iota$ such that $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_1 \cup \mathcal{O}_{21}(2)$, $f_\iota^2(z) \neq z$, $s_f(z) = \infty$, $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{N}_2$, then $g_\lambda = f_\lambda$ for each $\lambda \in I$.

(d) If there exist $\iota, \varkappa \in I$, $2 < p_\iota \in N$ such that $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}(p_\iota)$ and $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{N}_2$, then $g_\lambda = f_\lambda$ for each $\lambda \in I$.

(e) If there exists $\iota \in I$ with $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{N}_2$ and $g_\iota \neq f_\iota$, then for each $\varkappa \in I$, whenever $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$ and $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$, the relation $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa^{p_\varkappa-1}$ holds.

(f) If there exist $\iota \in I$ and $1 < p_\iota \in N$ such that $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}(p_\iota)$, then the following conditions are fulfilled:

(f1) whenever $\varkappa \in I$, $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$, p_ι is divisible by p_\varkappa and $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_2(p_\varkappa)$, then $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa$;

(f2) whenever $\lambda \in I$, $1 < p_\lambda \in N$, p_λ is divisible by p_ι and $(A_\lambda, f_\lambda) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\lambda)$, then there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_\lambda$, n and p_λ are relatively prime, $n \equiv 1 \pmod{p_\iota}$ and $g_\lambda = f_\lambda^n$.

(g) If there are $\iota, \varkappa \in I$, $1 < p_\iota \in N$, $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$, $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\iota)$, $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$, where p_ι is divisible by p_\varkappa , then there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_\iota$, n and p_ι are relatively prime and $g_\iota = f_\iota^n$, $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa^n$.

Lemma 10. Let (A, f) be a monounary algebra nad let $\{(A_\iota, f_\iota)\}_{\iota \in I}$ be the component partition of (A, f) . Suppose that $g \in F(A)$ and that g and f are equivalent with respect to endomorphisms. Then we have:

(i) $\{(A_\iota, g_\iota)\}_{\iota \in I}$ is the component partition of (A, g) (g_ι is the operation g reduced to the set A_ι);

(ii) the conditions (a)–(g) are fulfilled;

(iii) $g_\iota \text{ eq } f_\iota$ for each $\iota \in I$.

Proof. From Lemma 4 of Part I it follows that if (A_ι, f_ι) is a connected component of (A, f) and if g_ι is the operation g reduced to A_ι , then (A_ι, g_ι) is a connected component of (A, g) . Thus $\{(A_\iota, g_\iota)\}_{\iota \in I}$ is the component partition of (A, g) .

Let $\iota \in I$ and let H be a mapping of A_ι into A_ι . Put $\bar{H}(x) = H(x)$ for each $x \in A_\iota$, $\bar{H}(x) = x$ for each $x \in A - A_\iota$. The mapping \bar{H} is a homomorphism with respect to f if and only if H is a homomorphism with respect to f_ι . Analogously, \bar{H} is a homomorphism with respect to g if and only if H is a homomorphism with respect to g_ι . Since $g \text{ eq } f$, we obtain that H is a homomorphism with respect to g_ι if and only if H is a homomorphism with respect to f_ι , i.e., $g_\iota \text{ eq } f_\iota$. Let us remark that according to the results of § 3, the relation $g_\iota \neq f_\iota$ can hold only if $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{20} \cup \mathcal{N}_2$.

a) Let the assumption of the condition (a) be fulfilled. Suppose that $\varkappa \in I$, $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$, $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$. Let $x \in A_\iota$. If $z \in A_\iota$, then there are $m, n \in N$ with $z \in f_\iota^{-m}(f_\iota^n(x))$. Let y belong to the cycle of $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa)$. Put

$$H(z) = z \quad \text{for each } z \in A - A_\iota,$$

$$H(z) = f_\varkappa^{kp_\varkappa+n-m}(y) \quad \text{for each } z \in f_\iota^{-m}(f_\iota^n(x)), \quad \text{where } k$$

is an integer such that $kp_\varkappa + n - m \geq 0$.

The mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to f , thus H is a homomorphism with respect to g . Then we have

$$f_{\lambda}(y) = f_{\lambda}(H(x)) = H(f_i(x)) = H(g_i(x)) = g_{\lambda}(H(x)) = g_{\lambda}(y),$$

and according to Thm. 2 the relation $f_{\lambda} = g_{\lambda}$ is valid.

Let $\lambda \in I$ be such that $(A_{\lambda}, g_{\lambda}) \in \mathcal{N}_2$. From Lemma 5 it follows that there are distinct elements $\{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ in A_{λ} such that $f_{\lambda}(x_i) = x_{i+1}$ for each $i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Put

$$G(z) = z \quad \text{for each } z \in A - A_{\lambda},$$

$$G(z) = x_{n-m} \quad \text{for each } z \in f_i^{-m}(f_i^n(x)).$$

The mapping G is a homomorphism with respect to f , thus G is a homomorphism with respect to g and hence

$$f_{\lambda}(x_0) = x_1 = G(f_i(x)) = G(g_i(x)) = g_{\lambda}(G(x)) = g_{\lambda}(x_0).$$

Then according to Thm. 1 we have $g_{\lambda} = f_{\lambda}$. Thus we have proved that the condition (a) is valid.

b) The condition (b) can be proved analogously.

c) Let the assumption of the condition (c) be fulfilled. If $g_{\lambda} \neq f_{\lambda}$, then Lemma 5 and Thm. 1 imply that there are distinct elements $\{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ in A_{λ} such that $f_{\lambda}(x_i) = x_{i+1}$, $g_{\lambda}(x_i) = x_{i-1}$ for each $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, $f_{\lambda}(y) \in \{x_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ for each $y \in A_{\lambda}$. Since $s_f(z) = \infty$, $f_i^2(z) \neq z$, there exist distinct elements $\{z_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}_0}$ in A_i with $z_0 = z$, $f_i(z_j) = z_{j-1}$ for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Put

$$H(y) = y \quad \text{for each } y \in A - A_{\lambda},$$

$$H(y) = f_i^{i-1}(z) \quad \text{for each } y \in f_{\lambda}^{-1}(x_i), \quad i \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$H(y) = z_{-i+1} \quad \text{for each } y \in f_{\lambda}^{-1}(x_i), \quad i \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad i \leq 0.$$

The mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to f , hence H is a homomorphism with respect to g . There exists a least positive integer n such that $f^n(z)$ belongs to the cycle of (A_i, f_i) . According to Thm. 3 we have $g_i = f_i$. Then we obtain

$$f_i^{-1}(z) = H(x_{n-1}) = H(g_{\lambda}(x_n)) = g_i(H(x_n)) = g_i(f_i^n(z)) = f_i(f_i^n(z)) = f_i^{n+1}(z),$$

which is a contradiction. Hence $g_{\lambda} = f_{\lambda}$ and the condition (b) yields $g_{\lambda} = f_{\lambda}$ for each $\lambda \in I$.

d) Let the assumption of the condition (d) be fulfilled and let z be an element of A_i such that $f_i^{p_i}(z) = z$. If $g_{\lambda} \neq f_{\lambda}$, then according to Lemma 5 and Thm. 1 there are distinct elements $\{x_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{Z}}$ in A_{λ} with $f_{\lambda}(x_i) = x_{i+1}$, $g_{\lambda}(x_i) = x_{i-1}$ for each $i \in \mathbb{Z}$, $f_{\lambda}(y) \in \{x_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ for each $y \in A_{\lambda}$. Put

$$H(y) = y \quad \text{for each } y \in A - A_{\lambda},$$

$$H(y) = f_i^{kp_i+i-1}(z) \quad \text{for each } y \in f_{\lambda}^{-1}(x_i), \quad i \in \mathbb{Z},$$

$$\text{where } k \text{ is an integer such that } kp_i + i - 1 \geq 0.$$

The mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to f and hence H is a homomorphism with respect to g . Thm. 3 implies $g_i = f_i$, thus we have

$$H(g_\lambda(x_0)) = H(x_{-1}) = f_i^{p_i-1}(z) \neq f_i(z) = g_i(z) = g_i(H(x_0)),$$

and this is a contradiction. Hence $g_\lambda = f_\lambda$ and then the condition (b) yields that $g_\lambda = f_\lambda$ for each $\lambda \in I$.

e) Let the assumption of the condition (e) be fulfilled. Then there are distinct elements $\{x_i\}_{i \in Z}$ in A_i such that $f_i(x_i) = x_{i+1}$, $g_i(x_i) = x_{i-1}$ for each $i \in Z$, $f_i(y) \in \{x_i : i \in Z\}$ for each $y \in A_i$. Let x be an element belonging to the cycle of (A_α, f_α) . Put

$$H(y) = y \quad \text{for each } y \in A - A_i,$$

$$H(y) = f_\alpha^{kp_\alpha+i-1}(x) \quad \text{for each } y \in f_i^{-1}(x), \quad i \in Z,$$

where k is an integer such that $kp_\alpha + i - 1 \geq 0$.

The mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to f , hence H is a homomorphism with respect to g and we obtain

$$g_\alpha(x) = g_\alpha(H(x_0)) = H(g_i(x_0)) = H(x_{-1}) = f_\alpha^{p_\alpha-1}(x).$$

According to Thm. 2, $g_\alpha = f_\alpha^{p_\alpha-1}$ holds.

f) Let the assumption of the condition (f) be fulfilled. Suppose that $(A_\alpha, f_\alpha) \in \mathcal{O}_2(p_\alpha)$, where p_i is divisible by p_α , $1 < p_\alpha \in N$. Let x and z be elements belonging to the cycles of (A_i, f_i) and (A_α, f_α) , respectively. Put

$$H(y) = y \quad \text{for each } y \in A - A_i,$$

$$H(y) = f_\alpha^{p_\alpha-i}(z) \quad \text{for each } y \in f_i^{-i}(x), \quad i \in N_0,$$

where k is an integer such that $kp_\alpha - i \geq 0$.

From the fact that p_i is divisible by p_α it follows that the mapping H is correctly defined. The mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to f and thus H is a homomorphism with respect to g . Since $f_i = g_i$ (cf. Thm. 3), we have

$$g_\alpha(z) = g_\alpha(H(x)) = H(g_i(x)) = H(f_i(x)) = f_\alpha(H(x)) = f_\alpha(z).$$

Then Thm. 2 yields $g_\alpha = f_\alpha$.

Suppose that $(A_\lambda, f_\lambda) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\lambda)$, where p_λ is divisible by p_i , $1 < p_\lambda \in N$. Because of $g_\lambda \text{ eq } f_\lambda$, according to Thm. 2 there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_\lambda$, n and p_λ are relatively prime and $g_\lambda = f_\lambda^n$. Let u be an element belonging to the cycle of (A_λ, f_λ) ; we set

$$G(y) = y \quad \text{for each } y \in A - A_\lambda,$$

$$G(y) = f_i^{i-1}(x) \quad \text{for each } y \in f_\lambda^{-1}(f_\lambda^i(u)), \quad i \in N, \quad 0 < i \leq p_\lambda.$$

The mapping G is a homomorphism with respect to f , hence G is a homomorphism with respect to g and we get

$$f_i(x) = g_i(x) = g_i(H(u)) = H(g_{i\lambda}(u)) = H(f_{i\lambda}^n(u)) = f_i^n(H(u)) = f_i^n(x).$$

Thus $n \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i}$.

g) Let the assumption of the condition (g) be fulfilled. From Thm. 2 it follows that there is $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_i$, n and p_i are relatively prime and $g_i = f_i^n$. Let x and z be elements belonging to the cycles of (A_i, f_i) and (A_x, f_x) , respectively. Put

$$H(y) = y \quad \text{for each } y \in A - A_i,$$

$$H(y) = f_x^{i-1}(z) \quad \text{for each } y \in f_i^{-1}(f_i^i(x)), \quad i \in N, \quad 0 < i \leq p_i.$$

The mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to f , thus H is a homomorphism with respect to g and we have

$$g_x(z) = g_x(H(x)) = H(g_i(x)) = H(f_i^n(x)) = f_x^n(H(x)) = f_x^n(z).$$

Then, according to Thm. 2, $g_x = f_x^n$ is valid.

Lemma 11. *Let (A, f) be a monounary algebra and let $\{(A_i, f_i)\}_{i \in I}$ be the component partition of (A, f) . Suppose that $g \in F(A)$ and that $H : A \rightarrow A$ is a homomorphism with respect to f . If the conditions (i)–(iii) from Lemma 10 are fulfilled, then H is a homomorphism with respect to g .*

Proof. We have to prove that the relation $H(g(x)) = g(H(x))$ holds for each $x \in A$. Let $i \in I$ and let $x \in A_i$. From [7] (Thm 7.1) it follows that there exists $x \in I$ with $H(A_i) \subseteq A_x$. If $f_i = g_i$ and $f_x = g_x$, then the assertion is obvious. Let us remark that if $\lambda \in I$, $g_\lambda \neq f_\lambda$, then $(A_\lambda, f_\lambda) \in \mathcal{N}_2 \cup \mathcal{O}_{20}$. Hence it suffices to assume that either $f_i \neq g_i$ or $f_x \neq g_x$ holds.

Suppose that $f_i = g_i$. If $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{X} \cup \mathcal{N}_1 \cup \mathcal{N}_2$, then according to the conditions (a) and (b) the relation $g_x = f_x$ holds. If $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_1$, then $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_1$ and $g_x = f_x$. Let $1 < p_i \in N$, $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_2(p_i)$. Then $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_1 \cup \mathcal{O}_2(p_x)$, where p_i is divisible by p_x , $1 < p_x \in N$. If $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_1$, then $g_x = f_x$. If $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}$, then the condition (f) implies that $g_i = f_i$. If $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}$, then the condition (g) and the fact that $g_i = f_i^1$ yield $g_x = f_x$.

Assume that $f_i \neq g_i$. Hence the assumption of none of the conditions (a)–(d) is fulfilled. Let $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{N}_2$. From Thm. 1 it follows that $A_i = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} (\{x_i\} \cup B_i)$, where $x_i \neq x_j$, $B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset$ for each $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$, $i \neq j$, $f_i(b_i) = x_{i+1}$, $g_i(b_i) = x_{i-1}$ for each $b_i \in \{x_i\} \cup B_i$. Then $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{N}_2 \cup \mathcal{O}_1 \cup \mathcal{O}_{21}(2) \cup \mathcal{O}_{20}$. First let $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{N}_2$. Thus according to the condition (b), $g_x \neq f_x$ and $A_x = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} (\{y_i\} \cup D_i)$, where $y_i \neq y_j$, $D_i \cap D_j = \emptyset$ for each $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$, $i \neq j$, $f_x(d_i) = y_{i+1}$, $g_x(d_i) = y_{i-1}$ for each $d_i \in \{y_i\} \cup D_i$, $i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Since H is a homomorphism with respect to f , there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $H(x_i) = y_{i+k}$, $H(B_i) \subseteq \{y_{i+k}\} \cup D_{i+k}$ for each $i \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then H is also a homomorphism with respect to g .

If $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_1$, $y \in A_x$ with $f_x(y) = y$, then according to the condition (c), we have $H(x_i) = y$, $H(B_i) \subseteq f_x^{-1}(y)$ for each $i \in Z$ and then H is a homomorphism with respect to g as well. If $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}(2)$, then according to the condition (c) there exist distinct elements $y_1, y_2 \in A_x$ such that $f_x^2(y_1) = y_1$, $f_x^2(y_2) = y_2$, $H(x_{2i}) = y_1$, $H(x_{2i+1}) = y_2$, $H(B_{2i}) \subseteq f_x^{-1}(y_2)$, $H(B_{2i+1}) \subseteq f_x^{-1}(y_1)$ for each $i \in Z$. Then H is also a homomorphism with respect to g , since

$$\begin{aligned} H(g_i(b_{2i})) &= H(x_{2i-1}) = y_2 = f_x(H(b_{2i})) = g_x(H(b_{2i})), \\ H(g_i(b_{2i+1})) &= H(x_{2i}) = y_1 = f_x(H(b_{2i+1})) = g_x(H(b_{2i+1})) \\ \text{for each } b_{2i} &\in B_{2i} \cup \{x_{2i}\}, \quad b_{2i+1} \in B_{2i+1} \cup \{x_{2i+1}\}, \quad i \in Z. \end{aligned}$$

Let $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_x)$, $1 < p_x \in N$, and let $z = H(x_0)$. Then $H(x_i) = f_x^{kp_x+i}(z)$, $H(B_i) \subseteq f_x^{-1}(f_x^{kp_x+i+1}(z))$ for each $i \in Z$, where k is an integer such that $kp_x + i \geq 0$. From Thm. 2 it follows that $g_x(y) = g_x(f_x^j(z))$ for each $y \in f_x^{-1}(f_x^{j+1}(z))$. Since from the condition (e) we get $g_x = f_x^{p_x-1}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} g_x(H(b_i)) &= g_x(f_x^{kp_x+i}(z)) = f_x^{p_x-1}(f_x^{kp_x+i}(z)) = f_x^{(k+1)p_x+i-1}(z) = \\ &= H(x_{i-1}) = H(g_i(b_i)) \\ \text{for each } b_i &\in B_i \cup \{x_i\}, \quad i \in Z. \end{aligned}$$

Now suppose that $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_i)$, $1 < p_i \in N$. Then either $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_1$ or there exists $1 < p_x \in N$ with $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_2(p_x)$, where p_i is divisible by p_x . Let y be an element belonging to the cycle of (A_i, f_i) . Put $z = H(y)$. Then z belongs to the cycle of (A_x, f_x) . If $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_1$, then $H(f_i^i(y)) = z$, $H(u) \in f_x^{-1}(z)$ for each $u \in f_i^{-1}(f_i^i(y))$, $i \in N_0$. For each $u \in A_i$, $g_i(u)$ belongs to the cycle of (A_i, f_i) and hence we have

$$H(g_i(u)) = z = f_x(H(u)) = g_x(H(u)).$$

If $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}$, then $g_x = f_x$ and from the condition (f) it follows that there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_i$, n and p_i are relatively prime, $n \equiv 1 \pmod{p_x}$ and $g_i = f_i^n$. Further, for each $u \in A_i$, the element $f_x(H(u)) = H(f_i(u))$ belongs to the cycle of (A_x, f_x) . Hence

$$H(g_i(u)) = H(f_i^n(u)) = f_x^n(H(u)) = f_x(H(u)) = g_x(H(u)).$$

If $(A_x, f_x) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_x)$, then the condition (g) implies that there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_i$, n and p_i are relatively prime, and $g_i = f_i^n$, $g_x = f_x^n$. Then for each $v \in A_i$ we have

$$H(g_i(v)) = H(f_i^n(v)) = f_x^n(H(v)) = g_x(H(v)).$$

Hence we have proved that $H(g(x)) = g(H(x))$ is valid for each $x \in A_i$, $i \in I$.

Let us denote by (a') – (g') the conditions that we obtain from the conditions (a)–(g) by interchanging the operations f and g .

Lemma 12. Let (A, f) be a monounary algebra, $g \in F(A)$ and let the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) from Lemma 10 be fulfilled. Then the conditions (a')–(g') hold.

Proof. a) If $\iota \in I$, $(A_\iota, g_\iota) \in \mathcal{K} \cup \mathcal{N}_1$, then it follows from $g_\iota \text{ eq } f_\iota$ and from Thm. 3 that $g_\iota = f_\iota$; from this and from the condition (a) we have $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa$ for each $\varkappa \in I$.

b) The conditions (b) and (b') are identical.

c) If there exist $\iota, \varkappa \in I$ and $z \in A_\iota$ such that $(A_\iota, g_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_1 \cup \mathcal{O}_{21}(2)$, $g_\iota^2(z) \neq z$, $s_g(z) = \infty$, $(A_\varkappa, g_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{N}_2$, then Thm. 1 yields $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{N}_2$. Since according to Thm. 3 we have $g_\iota = f_\iota$, we obtain from the condition (c) that $g_\lambda = f_\lambda$ for each $\lambda \in I$.

d) If there are $\iota, \varkappa \in I$ such that $(A_\iota, g_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}(p_\iota)$, $2 < p_\iota \in N$, $(A_\varkappa, g_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{N}_2$, then according to Thm. 3 the relation $g_\iota = f_\iota$ holds and according to Thm. 1 we have $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{N}_2$. Then from the condition (d) we get $g_\lambda = f_\lambda$ for each $\lambda \in I$.

e) If there exists $\iota \in I$ such that $(A_\iota, g_\iota) \in \mathcal{N}_2$, $g_\iota \neq f_\iota$ and if $\varkappa \in I$, $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$, $(A_\varkappa, g_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$, then according to Thm. 1 and Thm. 2 we have $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{N}_2$ and $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$. Hence the condition (e) yields $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa^{p_\varkappa-1}$. Since

$$(p_\varkappa - 1) \cdot (p_\varkappa - 1) \equiv 1 \pmod{p_\varkappa},$$

according to Remark 1 (after Thm. 2) we have $f_\varkappa = g_\varkappa^{p_\varkappa-1}$.

f) If there exist $\iota \in I$, $1 < p_\iota \in N$ such that $(A_\iota, g_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{21}(p_\iota)$, then Thm. 3 implies $g_\iota = f_\iota$. If $\varkappa \in I$, $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$, $(A_\varkappa, g_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_2(p_\varkappa)$ and if p_ι is divisible by p_\varkappa , then according to Thms. 2 and 3 we have $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_2(p_\varkappa)$; hence from the condition (f1) it follows that $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa$. If $\lambda \in I$, $1 < p_\lambda \in N$, $(A_\lambda, g_\lambda) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\lambda)$ and p_λ is divisible by p_ι , then according to Thm. 2 we obtain $(A_\lambda, f_\lambda) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\lambda)$. Thus it follows from the condition (f2) that there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_\lambda$, n and p_λ are relatively prime, $n \equiv 1 \pmod{p_\iota}$ and $g_\lambda = f_\lambda^n$. Hence according to Remark 1 there exists $m \in N$ such that $0 < m < p_\lambda$, m and p_λ are relatively prime, $m \cdot n \equiv 1 \pmod{p_\lambda}$ and $f_\lambda = g_\lambda^m$. Then obviously $m \equiv 1 \pmod{p_\iota}$.

g) If $\iota, \varkappa \in I$, $1 < p_\iota \in N$, $1 < p_\varkappa \in N$, $(A_\iota, g_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\iota)$, $(A_\varkappa, g_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$ and if p_ι is divisible by p_\varkappa , then it follows from Thm. 2 that $(A_\iota, f_\iota) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\iota)$, $(A_\varkappa, f_\varkappa) \in \mathcal{O}_{20}(p_\varkappa)$. From the condition (g) we obtain that there exists $n \in N$ such that $0 < n < p_\iota$, n and p_ι are relatively prime and $g_\iota = f_\iota^n$, $g_\varkappa = f_\varkappa^n$. According to Remark 1 there exists $m \in N$ such that $0 < m < p_\iota$, m and p_ι are relatively prime, $mn \equiv 1 \pmod{p_\iota}$ and $f_\iota = g_\iota^m$. Then also $f_\varkappa = f_\varkappa^{nm} = g_\varkappa^m$.

Theorem 4. Let (A, f) be a monounary algebra and let $\{A_\iota, f_\iota\}_{\iota \in I}$ be the component partition of (A, f) . Further let $g \in F(A)$. The operations f and g are equivalent with respect to endomorphisms if and only if the conditions (i), (ii), (iii) from Lemma 10 are fulfilled.

Proof. If $f \text{ eq } g$, then according to Lemma 10, the conditions (i), (ii) and (iii) are valid. Conversely, suppose that the conditions (i)–(iii) are fulfilled. If a mapping $H : A \rightarrow A$ is a homomorphism with respect to f , then according to Lemma 11 the

mapping H is a homomorphism with respect to g . From Lemma 12 it follows that the conditions (a')–(g') are fulfilled. Hence, if a mapping $H : A \rightarrow A$ is a homomorphism with respect to g , then H is a homomorphism with respect to f (this follows from Lemma 11 by interchanging f and g). Thus the operations f and g are equivalent with respect to endomorphisms.

5. THE CARDINALITY OF $\text{Eq}(f)$

Let A be a nonempty set and let $f \in F(A)$. Let c be the cardinality of the continuum. We shall prove that the relation

$$\text{card Eq}(f) \leq c$$

holds (independently of the cardinality of A).

Let us consider the following cases:

(1) First assume that (A, f) is a connected monounary algebra. Then it follows from Thms. 1–3 that the set $\text{Eq}(f)$ is finite.

Further, assume that the algebra (A, f) fails to be connected and that $\{(A_i, f_i)\}_{i \in I}$ is the component partition of (A, f) .

(2) If there exists $i \in I$ such that $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{K} \cup \mathcal{N}_1$, then Thm. 4 (cf. the condition (a) from Lemma 10) yields that $\text{card Eq}(f) = 1$.

Now suppose that $(A_i, f_i) \notin \mathcal{K} \cup \mathcal{N}_1$ for each $i \in I$.

(3) Let there be $i \in I$ with $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{N}_2$. Suppose that $h \in \text{Eq}(f)$ and let h_i be the operation h reduced to A_i (cf. Thm. 4). Hence according to Thm. 1 we have $\text{card Eq}(f_i) = 2$. If $h_i = f_i$, then it follows from Thm. 4 (cf. the condition (b) from Lemma 10) that $h_x = f_x$ for each $x \in I$; if $h_i \neq f_i$, then Thm. 4 (cf. the condition (e)) implies that, for each $x \in I$, the operation h_x is uniquely determined. Hence $\text{card Eq}(f) \leq 2$.

Further, assume that $(A_i, f_i) \notin \mathcal{N}_2$ for each $i \in I$.

(4) According to the assumption we have $(A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_1 \cup \mathcal{O}_2$ for each $i \in I$. Denote

$$I(1) = \{i \in I : (A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_1\},$$

$$I(n) = \{i \in I : (A_i, f_i) \in \mathcal{O}_2(n)\} \quad \text{for each } 1 < n \in N,$$

$$B^{(n)}, g^{(n)} = \bigcup_{i \in I(n)} (A_i, f_i) \quad \text{for each } n \in N.$$

Let $h \in \text{Eq}(f)$ and let $h^{(1)}$ be the operation h reduced to the set $B^{(1)}$. Thm. 3 implies that $h^{(1)} = g^{(1)}$.

Let $1 < n \in N$ and let $h^{(n)}$ be the operation h reduced to the set $B^{(n)}$. Let $i, x \in I(n)$. From Thm. 2 it follows that $h_i = f_i^i$ for some $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$. Moreover, from Thm. 4 (cf. the conditions (f), (g)) we obtain that $h_x = f_x^i$. Hence the operation

$h^{(n)}$ is uniquely determined by h_i ; therefore there exists only a finite number of possibilities for $h^{(n)}$. Since

$$(A, h) = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (B^{(n)}, h^{(n)})$$

and since the set $\{(B^{(n)}, h^{(n)}) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is countable, we infer that we have at most c possibilities for the operation h .

We have proved

Theorem 5.1. *Let A be a nonempty set, $f \in F(A)$. Then $\text{card Eq}(f) \leq c$.*

Theorem 5.2. *There exists a countable set A and a unary operation f on A such that $\text{card Eq}(f) = c$.*

Proof. Let $\{p_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be the set of all positive primes greater than 2. Let $\{A_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a system of mutually disjoint sets such that $\text{card } A_i = p_i$ for each $i \in \mathbb{N}$. For each $i \in \mathbb{N}$ we define a unary operation f_i on A_i in such a way that A_i is the cycle of (A_i, f_i) . Put $(A, f) = \bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (A_i, f_i)$. Then $\text{card } A = \aleph_0$. For each $M \subseteq \mathbb{N}$ we denote by g_M the unary operation on A by putting

$$g_M(x) = f_i^2(x) \quad \text{for each } x \in A_i, \quad i \in M,$$

$$g_M(x) = f_i(x) \quad \text{for each } x \in A_i, \quad i \in \mathbb{N} - M.$$

Then Thm. 4 implies that $g_M \text{ eq } f$. For $M_1, M_2 \subseteq \mathbb{N}, M_1 \neq M_2$ we have $g_{M_1} \neq g_{M_2}$. Since the system of all subsets of the set \mathbb{N} has the cardinality c , we obtain $\text{card Eq}(f) \geq c$. Hence according to Thm. 5.1 the relation $\text{card Eq}(f) = c$ is valid.

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