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Let $\mathbb{B} = \{ \lozenge, \blacklozenge \}$ where $\lozenge \neq \blacklozenge$. Let T be a set and $C_a : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \to T$ and $C_b : T \to T$ functions such that all of the following conditions are met:

- C_a and C_b are injective,
- for every x_2 , x_{11} and x_{12} , we have $C_a(x_{11}, x_{12}) \neq C_b(x_2)$,
- T is covered by C_a and C_b (i.e., $image(C_a) \cup image(C_b) = T$).

Then we proceed to define a function over this set.

Definition 1. Let $f_{\alpha}: T \times T \to T$ be the recursive function determined by the following equations (for any x, y and z):

$$f_{\alpha}(C_a(x,y),z) = z \tag{1}$$

$$f_{\alpha}(C_b(x), y) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(x, y)) \tag{2}$$

1 The Lemmas

We begin by proving some necessary lemmas.

Lemma 1. For every $n \in T$ and $p \in T$

$$f_{\alpha}(n, C_b(p)) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(n, p))$$

Proof. We proceed by induction on n.

For the **base of induction** we need to prove the following statement:

$$\forall x_1 \in \mathbb{B}. \ \forall x_{2a} \in \mathbb{B}. \ \forall q \in T.$$

$$f_{\alpha}(C_a(x_1, x_{2a}), C_b(q)) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(C_a(x_1, x_{2a}), q))$$

This follows trivially from our definitions.

For the **step of induction** we need to show that for every $o \in T$ and $q \in T$, the inductive hypothesis (3) entails the goal (4).

$$\forall r \in T. \ f_{\alpha}(o, C_b(r)) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(o, r)) \tag{3}$$

$$f_{\alpha}(C_b(o), C_b(q)) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(C_b(o), q)) \tag{4}$$

We show this with the following chain of equalities:

$$f_{\alpha}(C_b(o), C_b(q)) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(o, C_b(q)))$$
 by (2)

$$= C_b(C_b(f_{\alpha}(o, q)))$$
 by (3)

$$= C_b(f_{\alpha}(C_b(o), q))$$
 by (2)

Thus we conclude the proof of this lemma.

2 The Theorem

In this section we prove the main result of this article

Theorem. For every $a \in T$, $b \in T$ and $c \in T$

$$f_{\alpha}(b, f_{\alpha}(a, c)) = f_{\alpha}(a, f_{\alpha}(b, c))$$

Proof. We proceed by induction on b.

For the **base of induction** we need to prove the following statement:

$$\forall x_1 \in \mathbb{B}. \ \forall x_{2a} \in \mathbb{B}. \ \forall d \in T. \ \forall e \in T.$$
$$f_{\alpha}(C_a(x_1, x_{2a}), f_{\alpha}(d, e)) = f_{\alpha}(d, f_{\alpha}(C_a(x_1, x_{2a}), e))$$

This follows trivially from our definitions.

For the **step of induction** we need to show that for every $d \in T$, $e \in T$ and $f \in T$, the inductive hypothesis (5) entails the goal (6).

$$\forall g \in T. \ \forall h \in T. \ f_{\alpha}(d, f_{\alpha}(g, h)) = f_{\alpha}(g, f_{\alpha}(d, h)) \tag{5}$$

$$f_{\alpha}(C_b(d), f_{\alpha}(e, f)) = f_{\alpha}(e, f_{\alpha}(C_b(d), f))$$
(6)

We show this with the following chain of equalities:

$$f_{\alpha}(C_b(d), f_{\alpha}(e, f)) = C_b(f_{\alpha}(d, f_{\alpha}(e, f)))$$
 by (2)

$$= C_b(f_{\alpha}(e, f_{\alpha}(d, f)))$$
 by (5)

$$= f_{\alpha}(e, C_b(f_{\alpha}(d, f)))$$
 by Lemma 1

$$= f_{\alpha}(e, f_{\alpha}(C_b(d), f))$$
 by (2)

Thus we conclude the proof of this theorem.