

LEMMA : disjointness of VAL^* ,
 DIV/O^* ,
 ATM^*

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PROOF

let $\alpha, \beta \in \{VAL, DIV/O, ATM\}$

let $e \in \alpha^*$, and we show that

$$e \in \beta^* \quad \alpha = \beta$$

$$e \in \alpha^*$$

\therefore by def $e \xrightarrow{*} e_n$

where $e_n \in \alpha$ for some e_n

similarly,

$$e \beta^*$$

\therefore by def. $e \xrightarrow{*} e_m$

where $e_m \beta$ for some β

but,

normal forms in \rightarrow are unique

$$e_n = e_m$$

also by partition theorem on normal forms

$$e_n \alpha, \text{ and}$$

$$e_n \beta$$

is possible only if

$$\alpha = \beta$$

QED