

A CLASS OF BALANCED LAWS ON QUASIGROUPS (I)

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Let $w_1 = w_2$ be a balanced law of the I kind [2], in the form

$$(1) \quad A(u_1, \dots, u_m) = B(v_1, \dots, v_n) \quad m \geq 2, \quad n \geq 2,$$

where u_i ($i=1, \dots, m$) is either a variable or a term $A_i(x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_\alpha})$, $x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_\alpha}$ being variables, analogously v_j ($j=1, \dots, n$) is either a variable or a term $B_j(x_{j_1}, \dots, x_{j_\beta})$, $x_{j_1}, \dots, x_{j_\beta}$ being variables. A , B , A_i and B_j are function letters. Let p be the number of different variables occurring in the law (1).

For (1) we suppose the following conditions hold:

(i) For any two terms u_i and v_j there is at most one variable occurring in each of them.

(ii) If there are terms u_i, u_{i+1} (or v_j, v_{j+1}) in each of them occurs exactly one variable, these variables occur in different terms v_j, v_{j+1} (or u_i, u_{i+1}) respectively.

For example, such is the law

$$(2) \quad A(A_1(x_1, x_2), x_3, x_4, x_5, A_5(x_6, x_7, x_8), x_9)) = \\ = B(x_1, B_2(x_2, x_3), x_4, B_4(x_5, x_6), x_7, B_6(x_8, x_9)).$$

Let $|P|$ denote the length of function letter P . From (i) and (ii) it follows $|A_i| \leq 3$, $|B_j| \leq 3$. Indeed, if e. g. $u_i = A_i(x, y, z, u)$, the variables x, y, z, u occur in different terms $v_j, v_{j+1}, v_{j+2}, v_{j+3}$ respectively, and in each of terms v_{j+1}, v_{j+2} occurs exactly one variable. According to (ii) that is impossible, hence, $|A_i| \leq 3$.

We define a relation of the set $T = \{u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n\}$. For any two terms $t_1, t_2 \in T$ we say t_1 is connected with t_2 iff there are terms $s_1, \dots, s_k \in T$ such that $t_1 = s_1, t_2 = s_k$ and s_i, s_{i+1} ($i=1, \dots, k-1$) are terms occurring on opposite sides of (1) and having a common variable. This relation is an equivalence of the set T . Let r denote the number of equivalence classes.

For example, in (2) we have $r=3$, and the classes are

$$C_1 = \{u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2\}, \quad C_2 = \{u_3, v_3\}, \quad C_3 = \{u_4, u_5, u_6, v_4, v_5, v_6\}.$$

In this paper we consider the law (1) as a functional equation of unknown functions A, B, A_i, B_j and we give its general solution, provided A, B, A_i, B_j are quasigroups defined on a nonempty set S .

We give some definitions.

If t is a term, let $[t]$ denote the set of variables occurring in t [2]. If t is a subterm either of w_1 or of w_2 , $a \in S$ a fixed element, and $\tau \subset [t]$, let $t|_a^\tau$ denote the term obtained from t substituting all $x_i \in \tau$ by a . If e. g. $t = A_i(x, y, z)$, $\tau = \{x, z\}$, then $t|_a^\tau = A_i(a, y, a)$.

Let $t = P(t_1, \dots, t_\alpha)$ be a subterm either of w_1 or of w_2 and (t_μ, \dots, t_ν) be some nonempty subsequence of the sequence (t_1, \dots, t_α) of the length $k \leq \alpha$. We define an operation of the set S , derived from the quasigroup P

$$L_{\mu \dots \nu}^P: S^k \rightarrow S,$$

putting

$$L_{\mu \dots \nu}^P(t_\mu, \dots, t_\nu) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} t|_a^{[t] \setminus ([t_\mu] \cup \dots \cup [t_\nu])}.$$

So, for the law (2) we have

$$L_{13}^A(u_1, u_3) = A(u_1, a, u_3, a, A_5(a, a, a), a),$$

$$L_{23}^A(x_7, x_8) = A_5(a, x_7, x_8),$$

$$L_{25}^B(v_2, v_5) = B(a, v_2, a, B_4(a, a), v_5, B_6(a, a)), \text{ etc.}$$

These operations depend on the choice of a and on the form of the law (1). Since A, B, A_i, B_j are quasigroups, the operations, derived from them, are quasigroups too.

Let \mathcal{T} be the set of all quasigroups derived from A and B . We define the relation \rightarrow of the set \mathcal{T} on the following way: For quasigroups $L_{\alpha \dots \beta}^P$ and $L_{\mu \dots \nu}^Q$ ($P, Q \in \{A, B\}$, $P \neq Q$) we put

$$L_{\alpha \dots \beta}^P \rightarrow L_{\mu \dots \nu}^Q$$

iff there are variables $x_\gamma, \dots, x_\delta$ of the law (1) so that by substitution of all variables in (1), except $x_\gamma, \dots, x_\delta$ we get

$L_{\alpha \dots \beta}^P(\varphi_\alpha x_\gamma, \dots, \varphi_\beta x_\delta) = L_{\mu \dots \nu}^Q(\psi_\mu(x_\gamma, \dots, x_{\gamma'}), \dots, \psi_\nu(x_\delta, \dots, x_\delta))$, where $\varphi_\alpha, \dots, \varphi_\beta$ are bijections of the set S , $\psi_\mu, \dots, \psi_\nu$ are either derived quasigroups or bijections of the set S . In this case we write also

$$L_{\alpha \dots \beta}^P \xrightarrow{x_\gamma \dots x_\delta} L_{\mu \dots \nu}^Q.$$

For example, from the law (2) we have

$$L_{125}^A(L_2^{A_1} x_2, x_2, x_5) = L_{23}^B(B_2(x_2, x_3), L_1^{B_4} x_5),$$

namely

$$L_{125}^A \xrightarrow{x_2 x_3 x_5} L_{23}^B.$$

Let \Rightarrow be the minimal transitive relation of the set \mathcal{T} containing the relation \rightarrow . Relations \Rightarrow and \rightarrow of the set \mathcal{T}_k of all derived quasigroups of

the length k ($1 \leq k \leq \max(m, n)$) are symmetric and we denote them \Leftrightarrow and \leftrightarrow respectively. The relation \Leftrightarrow of the set \mathcal{T}_k is an equivalence.

We prove several lemmas.

Lemma 1. *If all terms u_i, v_j of the law (1) are connected, for any two binary quasigroups $L_{\alpha\beta}^P$ and $L_{\mu\nu}^Q$ ($P, Q \in \{A, B\}$) we have $L_{\alpha\beta}^P \Leftrightarrow L_{\mu\nu}^Q$.*

Proof. First we prove $L_{ij}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{ij+1}^A$, where $1 \leq i < j < m$. Let x be the first variable occurring in the term u_i , y the last variable occurring in the term u_j , and z the first variable occurring in the term u_{j+1} . Since all terms are connected, the variables y and z occur in the same term v_k , and x occurs in a term v_h , $h < k$. Indeed, there is at least one variable x' occurring between x and y . If x occurs in v_k , in v_k occur at least four variables x, x', y, z , which is impossible. Therefore $L_{ij}^A \xleftrightarrow{xy} L_{hk}^B \xleftrightarrow{xz} L_{ij+1}^A$, namely $L_{ij}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{ij+1}^A$. Then we have

$$(3) \quad L_{ij}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{ik}^A, \quad 1 \leq i < m, \quad i < j < k \leq m.$$

Analogously it yields

$$(4) \quad L_{ki}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{ji}^A, \quad 1 \leq k < j < i, \quad 1 < i \leq m.$$

Using (3) and (4), for any two $L_{\alpha\beta}^A$ and $L_{\gamma\delta}^A$ we get $L_{\alpha\beta}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{\gamma\beta}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{\gamma\delta}^A$.

For every $L_{\mu\nu}^B$ there are some L_{jk}^A so that $L_{jk}^A \leftrightarrow L_{\mu\nu}^B$. Using $L_{\alpha\beta}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{jk}^A$, we have $L_{\alpha\beta}^A \Leftrightarrow L_{\mu\nu}^B$. The lemma is proved.

Lemma 2. *If all terms u_i, v_j of the law (1) are connected, for every derived quasigroup $L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P$ ($P \in \{A, B\}$) of the length ≥ 3 holds:*

$$L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P \Rightarrow L_{12}^A$$

and

$$L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P \Rightarrow L_1^A.$$

Proof. As all terms are connected, there is at least one term u_μ with two variables. The variables x and y of the term u_μ occur in two different terms v_j, v_k respectively, hence we get $L_{jk}^B \rightarrow L_\mu^A$. By lemma 1, we have $L_{\alpha\beta}^P \Leftrightarrow L_{jk}^B$ and therefore $L_{\alpha\beta}^P \Rightarrow L_\mu^A$. Hence, there is a quasigroup $L_{\mu\dots\nu}^A$, so that $|L_{\mu\dots\nu}^P| < |L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P|$ and $L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P \Rightarrow L_{\mu\dots\nu}^A$. On this way we get a quasigroup $L_{\lambda\rho}^Q$ of the length 2 ($Q \in \{A, B\}$) such that $L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P \Rightarrow L_{\lambda\rho}^Q$, and according to Lemma 1 we have $L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P \Rightarrow L_{12}^A$. Since $L_{12}^A \Rightarrow L_1^A$, we have $L_{\alpha\beta\dots\gamma}^P \Rightarrow L_1^A$.

For example, in the law

$$\begin{aligned} & A(A_1(x_1, x_2), x_3, A_3(x_4, x_5, x_6), A_4(x_7, x_8)) \\ & = B(x_1, B_2(x_2, x_3, x_4), x_5, B_4(x_6, x_7), x_8) \end{aligned}$$

all terms u_i, v_j are connected, and we have

$$A \xrightarrow{x_2 x_3 x_4 x_7} L_{24}^B \xrightarrow{x_2 x_6} L_{13}^A \xrightarrow{x_1 x_4} L_{12}^B \xrightarrow{x_1 x_2} L_1^A,$$

$$B \xrightarrow{x_1 x_4 x_5 x_6 x_8} L_{134}^A \xrightarrow{x_2 x_4 x_7} L_{24}^B, \text{ etc.}$$

Lemma 3. For every $L_{\alpha\beta}^{A_i}$ and $L_{\mu\nu}^{B_j}$ there are quasigroups $L_{\gamma\delta}^B$ and $L_{\lambda\rho}^A$ so that $L_i^A L_{\alpha\beta}^{A_i}(x, y) = L_{\gamma\delta}^B(\varphi_\gamma x, \varphi_\delta y)$, and $L_j^B L_{\mu\nu}^{B_j}(x, y) = L_{\lambda\rho}^A(\varphi_\lambda x, \varphi_\rho y)$, where $\varphi_\gamma, \varphi_\delta, \varphi_\lambda$ and φ_ρ are bijections of the set S .

Proof. These equalities are obtained by substitution of all variables of the law (1), except, x and y , by $a \in S$.

Theorem 1. Let all terms u_i, v_j of the law (1) be connected. There exists a group (S, \circ) so that the following equalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} A(x_1, \dots, x_m) &= L_1^A x_1 \circ \dots \circ L_m^A x_m, \\ B(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= L_1^B x_1 \circ \dots \circ L_n^B x_n, \\ L_i^A A_i(x_1, \dots, x_\alpha) &= L_i^A L_1^{A_i} x_1 \circ \dots \circ L_i^A L_\alpha^{A_i} x_\alpha, \\ L_i^B B_i(x_1, \dots, x_\alpha) &= L_i^B L_1^{B_i} x_1 \circ \dots \circ L_i^B L_\alpha^{B_i} x_\alpha, \quad (1 \leq \alpha \leq 3). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We define a binary operation \circ of the set S as follows:

$$(6) \quad L_{12}^A(x, y) = L_1^A x \circ L_2^A y.$$

Since L_{12}^A is a quasigroup, the operation \circ is a loop [1], mainly isotopic with L_{12}^A . We prove the operation \circ is isotopic with all binary quasigroups derived from A, B, A_i, B_j .

Let be $L_{\alpha\beta}^B \overset{xy}{\leftrightarrow} L_{12}^A$, namely

$$(7) \quad L_{\alpha\beta}^B(\varphi_\alpha x, \varphi_\beta y) = L_{12}^A(\psi_1 x, \psi_2 y).$$

If we put in (7) $y = a$, we get

$$(8) \quad L_\alpha^B \varphi_\alpha x = L_1^A \psi_1 x,$$

and, if we put $x = a$, we get

$$(9) \quad L_\beta^B \varphi_\beta y = L_2^A \psi_2 y.$$

Further, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\alpha\beta}^B(\varphi_\alpha x, \varphi_\beta y) &= L_1^A \psi_1 x \circ L_2^A \psi_2 y && \text{(from (6) and (7))} \\ &= L_\alpha^B \varphi_\alpha x \circ L_\beta^B \varphi_\beta y && \text{(from (8) and (9)).} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varphi_\alpha, \varphi_\beta$ are bijections, it follows

$$(10) \quad L_{\alpha\beta}^B(x, y) = L_\alpha^B x \circ L_\beta^B y.$$

Let $L_{\mu\nu}^P$ be any quasigroup derived from either A or B . According to lemma 1, we get $L_{\mu\nu}^P \Leftrightarrow L_{12}^A$, hence there is a chain of quasigroups K_1, \dots, K_s so that $L_{\mu\nu}^P = K_1, K_1 \leftrightarrow K_2 \leftrightarrow \dots \leftrightarrow K_s, K_s = L_{12}^A$. By induction on s , we can prove

$$L_{\mu\nu}^P(x, y) = L_\mu^P x \circ L_\nu^P y.$$

With respect to lemma 3, for every quasigroup $L_{\mu\nu}^{P_i}$ derived from either A_i or B_i , it yields

$$(11) \quad L_i^P L_{\mu\nu}^{P_i}(x, y) = L_i^P L_\mu^{P_i} x \circ L_i^P L_\nu^{P_i} y.$$

We prove the operation \circ is associative. Substituting all variables of the law (1) except x_1, x_2, x_3 , we get either

$$L_{12}^A(A_1(x_1, x_2), L_1^{A_2} x_3) = L_{12}^B(B_1(x_1), L_{12}^{B_2}(x_2, x_3)),$$

or

$$L_{12}^A(A_1(x_1), L_{12}^{A_2}(x_2, x_3)) = L_{12}^B(B_1(x_1, x_2), L_1^{B_2} x_3).$$

In both cases, using (10), and (11) and equalities of the form $L_i^A L_\alpha^A x_k = L_j^B L_\beta^B x_k$, $k=1, \dots, p$, obtained from (1) by substitution of all variables except x_k , we have $(x \circ y) \circ z = x \circ (y \circ z)$, that is, (S, \circ) is a group.

Finally, we prove for every quasigroup $L_{\alpha\dots\beta}^P$ ($P \in \{A, B\}$) of the length k holds

$$(12) \quad L_{\alpha\dots\beta}^P(x_1, \dots, x_k) = L_\alpha^P x_1 \circ \dots \circ L_\beta^P x_k.$$

Let us remark the following. If for quasigroups derived from A and B holds (12), then for quasigroups derived from A_i and B_j hold analogous equalities, too. If, e. g. $|A_i| = 3$, there is a quasigroup $L_{\mu\nu\lambda}^B$ such that

$$L_i^A A_i(x, y, z) = L_{\mu\nu\lambda}^B(\varphi_\mu x, \varphi_\nu y, \varphi_\lambda z) = L_\mu^B \varphi_\mu x \circ L_\nu^B \varphi_\nu y \circ L_\lambda^B \varphi_\lambda z.$$

Using $L_i^A L_1^{A_i} = L_\mu^B \varphi_\mu$, $L_i^A L_2^{A_i} = L_\nu^B \varphi_\nu$, $L_i^A L_3^{A_i} = L_\lambda^B \varphi_\lambda$, we get

$$L_i^A A_i(x, y, z) = L_i^A L_1^{A_i} x \circ L_i^A L_2^{A_i} y \circ L_i^A L_3^{A_i} z.$$

By induction on k , we prove the equality (12).

If $|L_{\alpha\beta}^P| = 2$, the equality (12) holds with respect to lemma 1.

If $|L_{\alpha\dots\beta}^P| > 2$, there exists $L_{\mu\dots\nu}^Q$, such that $|L_{\mu\dots\nu}^Q| < |L_{\alpha\dots\beta}^P|$, and

$$L_{\alpha\dots\beta}^P(\varphi_\alpha x_1, \dots, \varphi_\beta x_k) = L_{\mu\dots\nu}^Q(\psi_{\mu\dots\mu'}(x_1, \dots, x_j), \dots, \psi_{\nu\dots\nu'}(x_j, \dots, x_k)).$$

By induction's hypothesis, operations $\psi_{\mu\dots\mu'}$, $\psi_{\nu\dots\nu'}$, $L_{\mu\dots\nu}^Q$ are expressible by \circ , hence it yields

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\alpha\dots\beta}^P(\varphi_\alpha x_1, \dots, \varphi_\beta x_k) &= L_{\mu}^Q \psi_{\mu\dots\mu'}(x_1, \dots, x_j) \circ \dots \circ L_{\nu}^Q \psi_{\nu\dots\nu'}(x_j, \dots, x_k) \\ &= L_{\mu}^Q \psi_{\mu} x_1 \circ \dots \circ L_{\mu'}^Q \psi_{\mu'} x_i \circ \dots \circ L_{\nu}^Q \psi_{\nu} x_j \circ \dots \circ L_{\nu'}^Q \psi_{\nu'} x_k. \end{aligned}$$

Using the equalities $L_\alpha^P \varphi_\alpha = L_\mu^Q \psi_\mu$, \dots , $L_\beta^P \varphi_\beta = L_\nu^Q \psi_\nu$, we get (12). The theorem is proved.

Now, we suppose for the relation of connectness of the set $T = \{u_1, \dots, u_m, v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ there is r ($r > 1$) equivalence classes $C_i = \{u_{\alpha_i}, \dots, u_{\beta_i}, v_{\gamma_i}, \dots, v_{\delta_i}\}$, $i = 1, \dots, r$. In that case the law (1) has the form

$$(13) \quad A(u_{\alpha_1}, \dots, u_{\beta_1}, \dots, u_{\alpha_r}, \dots, u_{\beta_r}) = B(v_{\gamma_1}, \dots, v_{\delta_1}, \dots, v_{\gamma_r}, \dots, v_{\delta_r}).$$

Let $\pi: S^r \rightarrow S$ be the operation of the set S defined by

$$\pi(L_{\alpha_1}^A x_1, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A x_r) = L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_r).$$

The operation π is a loop, mainly isotopic to $L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A$.

Lemma 4. For any two derived quasigroups $L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^A$ and $L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^B$ with $u_{\mu_i} \in C_i$, $v_{\nu_i} \in C_i$, $i=1, \dots, r$,

$$(14) \quad L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_r) = \pi(L_{\mu_1}^A x_1, \dots, L_{\mu_r}^A x_r)$$

and

$$(15) \quad L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^B(x_1, \dots, x_r) = \pi(L_{\nu_1}^B x_1, \dots, L_{\nu_r}^B x_r).$$

Proof. Since all terms of the set C_i ($i=1, \dots, r$) are connected, for any two derived quasigroups $L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^P$ and $L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^Q$ there is a finite sequence of derived quasigroups K_1, \dots, K_n , such that

$$L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^P = K_1 \leftrightarrow K_2 \dots \leftrightarrow K_n = L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^Q,$$

that is

$$L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^P \Leftrightarrow L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^Q, \quad (P, Q \in \{A, B\}).$$

If, for example, $L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^A \leftrightarrow L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^B$ and

$$L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_r) = \pi(L_{\mu_1}^A(x_1, \dots, L_{\mu_r}^A x_r),$$

then

$$(16) \quad L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^B(x_1, \dots, x_r) = \pi(L_{\nu_1}^B x_1, \dots, L_{\nu_r}^B x_r).$$

Indeed, from the law (13) it follows

$$L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^A(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r x_r) = L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^B(\psi_1 x_1, \dots, \psi_r x_r)$$

and

$$L_{\mu_i}^A \varphi_i x_i = L_{\nu_i}^B \psi_i x_i \quad i=1, \dots, r,$$

where φ_i and ψ_i are certain bijections of the set S , and so we have

$$L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^B(\psi_1 x_1, \dots, \psi_r x_r) = \pi(L_{\mu_1}^A \varphi_1 x_1, \dots, L_{\mu_r}^A \varphi_r x_r) = \pi(L_{\nu_1}^B \psi_1 x_1, \dots, L_{\nu_r}^B \psi_r x_r).$$

Since ψ_i are bijections, we get (16).

Analogously we can prove if $L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^P$ is expressible by π , and

$$L_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_r}^P \Leftrightarrow L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^Q, \quad \text{then } L_{\nu_1 \dots \nu_r}^Q$$

is expressible by π , too

According to definition of π , it yields (14) and (15).

Lemma 5. For quasigroups A and of the law (13) it holds

$$A \Rightarrow L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A \quad \text{and} \quad B \Rightarrow L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A.$$

Proof. By substitution of all variables, occurring in (13), except the variables occurring in the terms of C_i ($i \in \{1, \dots, r\}$), we get the law

$$L_{\alpha_i \dots \beta_i}^A(u_{\alpha_i}, \dots, u_{\beta_i}) = L_{\gamma_i \dots \delta_i}^B(v_{\gamma_i}, \dots, v_{\delta_i}),$$

in which all terms $u_{\alpha_i}, \dots, u_{\beta_i}, v_{\gamma_i}, \dots, v_{\delta_i}$ are connected.

By lemma 2 we have

$$L_{\alpha_i \dots \beta_i}^A \Rightarrow L_{\alpha_i}^A,$$

and

$$L_{\gamma_i \dots \delta_i}^B \Rightarrow L_{\alpha_i}^A.$$

Hence,

$$A = L_{\alpha_1 \dots \beta_1 \dots \alpha_r \dots \beta_r}^A \Rightarrow L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A$$

and

$$B = L_{\gamma_1 \dots \delta_1 \dots \gamma_r \dots \delta_r}^B \Rightarrow L_{\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_r}^A.$$

The lemma is proved.

Theorem 2. *Let A, B, A_i, B_i be quasigroups satisfying the law (13). There exists a loop (S, π) of the length r , and for every class C_i with card $C_i > 2$, there exists a group (S, \circ_i) , $i = 1, \dots, r$, so that*

$$\begin{aligned} & A(x_{\alpha_1}, \dots, x_{\beta_1}, \dots, x_{\alpha_r}, \dots, x_{\beta_r}) \\ (17) \quad & = \pi(L_{\alpha_1}^A x_{\alpha_1} \circ_1 \dots \circ_1 L_{\beta_1}^A x_{\beta_1}, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A x_{\alpha_r} \circ_r \dots \circ_r L_{\beta_r}^A x_{\beta_r}). \\ & B(x_{\gamma_1}, \dots, x_{\delta_1}, \dots, x_{\gamma_r}, \dots, x_{\delta_r}) \\ & = \pi(L_{\gamma_1}^B x_{\gamma_1} \circ_1 \dots \circ_1 L_{\delta_1}^B x_{\delta_1}, \dots, L_{\gamma_r}^B x_{\gamma_r} \circ_r \dots \circ_r L_{\delta_r}^B x_{\delta_r}). \end{aligned}$$

If $u_\alpha \in C_i$, and $u_\alpha = A_\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_k)$, where $k=2$ or $k=3$, then

$$(18) \quad L_\alpha^A A_\alpha(x_1, \dots, x_k) = L_\alpha^A L_1^{\alpha} x_1 \circ_i \dots \circ_i L_k^{\alpha} x_k.$$

If $v_\beta \in C_i$, and $v_\beta = B_\beta(x_1, \dots, x_k)$, where $k=2$ or $k=3$, then

$$(19) \quad L_\beta^B B_\beta(x_1, \dots, x_k) = L_\beta^B L_1^{\beta} x_1 \circ_i \dots \circ_i L_k^{\beta} x_k.$$

Proof. By theorem 1 there exist groups (S, \circ_i) so that the equalities (18) and (19) hold.

Let μ_i, \dots, ν_i be a subsequence of the sequence α_i, \dots, β_i , and λ_i, \dots, ρ_i a subsequence of the sequence $\gamma_i, \dots, \delta_i$, $i = 1, \dots, r$.

If $L_{\mu_1 \dots \nu_1 \dots \mu_r \dots \nu_r}^A \rightarrow L_{\lambda_1 \dots \rho_1 \dots \lambda_r \dots \rho_r}^B$, and if

$$L_{\lambda_1 \dots \rho_1 \dots \lambda_r \dots \rho_r}^B(x_{\lambda_1}, \dots, x_{\rho_r}) = \pi(L_{\lambda_1}^B x_{\lambda_1} \circ_1 \dots \circ_1 L_{\rho_1}^B x_{\rho_1}, \dots, L_{\lambda_r}^B x_{\lambda_r} \circ_r \dots \circ_r L_{\rho_r}^B x_{\rho_r}),$$

then, by definition of \rightarrow , it is easy to see that

$$L_{\mu_1 \dots \nu_1}^A(x_{\mu_1}, \dots, x_{\nu_r}) = \pi(L_{\mu_1}^A x_{\mu_1} \circ_1 \dots \circ_1 L_{\nu_1}^A x_{\nu_1}, \dots, L_{\mu_r}^A x_{\mu_r} \circ_r \dots \circ_r L_{\nu_r}^A x_{\nu_r}).$$

Using such equalities, by lemma 5 and by definition of π we prove the equalities (17). This completes the proof.

Theorem 3. *General solution of the functional equation (13) on unknown quasigroups A, B, A_α, B_β is given by*

$$(20) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} A(x_{\alpha_1}, \dots, x_{\beta_1}, \dots, x_{\alpha_r}, \dots, x_{\beta_r}) \\ \quad = \pi(\varphi_{\alpha_1} x_{\alpha_1} \circ_1 \dots \circ_1 \varphi_{\beta_1} x_{\beta_1}, \dots, \varphi_{\alpha_r} x_{\alpha_r} \circ_r \dots \circ_r \varphi_{\beta_r} x_{\beta_r}), \\ B(x_{\gamma_1}, \dots, x_{\delta_1}, \dots, x_{\gamma_r}, \dots, x_{\delta_r}) \\ \quad = \pi(\psi_{\gamma_1} x_{\gamma_1} \circ_1 \dots \circ_1 \psi_{\delta_1} x_{\delta_1}, \dots, \psi_{\gamma_r} x_{\gamma_r} \circ_r \dots \circ_r \psi_{\delta_r} x_{\delta_r}), \\ \varphi_\alpha A_\alpha(x_j, \dots, x_{j+k}) = \varphi_\alpha \varepsilon_j x_j \circ_i \dots \circ_i \varphi_\alpha \varepsilon_{j+k} x_{j+k}, \\ \quad (u_\alpha \in C_i, u_\alpha = A_\alpha(x_j, \dots, x_{j+k})), \quad k \in \{0, 1, 2\}, \\ \psi_\beta B_\beta(x_j, \dots, x_{j+k}) = \psi_\beta \eta_j x_j \circ_i \dots \circ_i \psi_\beta \eta_{j+k} x_{j+k}, \\ \quad (v_\beta \in C_i, v_\beta = B_\beta(x_j, \dots, x_{j+k})), \quad k \in \{0, 1, 2\}, \end{array} \right.$$

where (S, π) is an arbitrary loop of the length r , (S, \circ_i) are arbitrary groups, and $\varphi_\alpha, \psi_\gamma, \varepsilon_i, \eta_i$ are bijections of the set S satisfying the following conditions:

For every $i \in \{1, \dots, p\}$, if the variable x_i occurs in the terms u_α and v_γ , then

$$(21) \quad \varphi_\alpha \varepsilon_i = \psi_\gamma \eta_i.$$

Proof. By theorem 2, for the law (13) there exist a loop (S, π) , groups (S, \circ_i) and bijections $\varphi_\alpha, \psi_\gamma, \varepsilon_i, \eta_i$ so that the equalities (20) and (21) hold.

Conversely, let for quasigroups A, B, A_α, B_β the equalities (20) and (21) hold. It is easy to verify in this case A, B, A_α, B_β satisfy the law (13).

We give an example.

Let us consider the functional equation

$$(22) \quad A(A_1(x_1, x_2), x_3, x_4, x_5, A_5(x_6, x_7, x_8), A_6(x_9, x_{10})) \\ = B(x_1, B_2(x_2, x_3), x_4, B_4(x_5, x_6), x_7, B_6(x_8, x_9), x_{10}).$$

Here is $r=3$, and

$$C_1 = \{u_1, u_2, v_1, v_2\}, C_2 = \{u_3, v_3\}, C_3 = \{u_4, u_5, u_6, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7\}.$$

General solution of (22) is given by

$$\begin{aligned} A(y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6) &= \pi(\varphi_1 y_1 \circ_1 \varphi_2 y_2, \varphi_3 y_3, \varphi_4 y_4 \circ_3 \varphi_5 y_5 \circ_3 \varphi_6 y_6), \\ B(y_1, \dots, y_7) &= \pi(\psi_1 y_1 \circ_1 \psi_2 y_2, \psi_3 y_3, \psi_4 y_4 \circ_3 \psi_5 y_5 \circ_3 \psi_6 y_6 \circ_3 \psi_7 y_7), \\ \varphi_1 A_1(x_1, x_2) &= \varphi_1 \varepsilon_1 x_1 \circ_1 \varphi_1 \varepsilon_2 x_2, \\ \varphi_5 A_5(x_6, x_7, x_8) &= \varphi_5 \varepsilon_6 x_6 \circ_3 \varphi_5 \varepsilon_7 x_7 \circ_3 \varphi_5 \varepsilon_8 x_8, \\ \varphi_6 A_6(x_9, x_{10}) &= \varphi_6 \varepsilon_9 x_9 \circ_3 \varphi_6 \varepsilon_{10} x_{10}, \\ \psi_2 B_2(x_2, x_3) &= \psi_2 \eta_2 x_2 \circ_1 \psi_2 \eta_3 x_3, \\ \psi_4 B_4(x_5, x_6) &= \psi_4 \eta_5 x_5 \circ_3 \psi_4 \eta_6 x_6, \\ \psi_6 B_6(x_8, x_9) &= \psi_6 \eta_8 x_8 \circ_3 \psi_6 \eta_9 x_9, \end{aligned}$$

where (S, π) is an arbitrary loop, (S, \circ_1) and (S, \circ_3) are arbitrary groups and $\varphi_\alpha, \psi_\mu, \varepsilon_i, \eta_j$ are bijections of the set S so that

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_1 \varepsilon_1 &= \psi_1, \quad \varphi_1 \varepsilon_2 = \psi_2 \eta_2, \quad \varphi_2 = \psi_2 \eta_3, \quad \varphi_3 = \psi_3, \quad \varphi_4 = \psi_4 \eta_5, \quad \varphi_5 \varepsilon_6 = \psi_4 \eta_6, \\ \varphi_5 \varepsilon_7 &= \psi_5, \quad \varphi_5 \varepsilon_8 = \psi_6 \eta_8, \quad \varphi_6 \varepsilon_9 = \psi_6 \eta_9, \quad \varphi_6 \varepsilon_{10} = \psi_7.\end{aligned}$$

Now, let us consider an arbitrary law of the I kind, in the form (1), on quasigroups. Such is, e. g. the law

$$\begin{aligned}A(x_1, A_2(x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5), A_3(x_6, x_7, x_8), x_9, x_{10}) \\ = B(B_1(x_1, x_2, x_3), x_4, x_5, x_6, B_5(x_7, x_8), B_6(x_9, x_{10})).\end{aligned}$$

We prove, that such a law can be transformed into a law satisfying conditions (i) and (ii), substituting some quasigroups by *GD*-groupoids [3].

Let for two terms u_i and v_j there are more than one variable occurring in both of them, e. g. $u_i = A_i(x_1, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_{k+s})$ and $v_j = B_j(x_k, \dots, x_{k+s}, \dots, x_{k+m})$. Then we define *GD*-groupoids

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{A}_i(x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}, (x_k, \dots, x_{k+s})) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A_i(x_1, \dots, x_{k+s}), \\ \bar{B}_j((x_k, \dots, x_{k+s}), x_{k+s+1}, \dots, x_{k+m}) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} B_j(x_k, \dots, x_{k+m}).\end{aligned}$$

So we get a law on *GD*-groupoids satisfying the condition (i).

If in such obtained law occurs a sequence of terms u_k, \dots, u_{k+s} (or v_k, \dots, v_{k+s}) in each of them occurs exactly one variable x_k, \dots, x_{k+s} , respectively, and if these variables occur in the same term v_j (or u_j) on the opposite side of law, we define *GD*-groupoids

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and} \quad \bar{A}(\dots, (u_k, \dots, u_{k+s}), \dots) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A(\dots, u_k, \dots, u_{k+s}, \dots), \\ \text{or} \quad \bar{B}_j(\dots, (x_k, \dots, x_{k+s}), \dots) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} B_j(\dots, x_k, \dots, x_{k+s}, \dots), \\ \text{and} \quad \bar{B}(\dots, (v_k, \dots, v_{k+s}), \dots) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} B(\dots, v_k, \dots, v_{k+s}, \dots), \\ \bar{A}_j(\dots, (x_k, \dots, x_{k+s}), \dots) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} A_j(\dots, x_k, \dots, x_{k+s}, \dots).\end{aligned}$$

In such a way we obtain the law (13) on *GD*-groupoids satisfying the conditions (i) and (ii).

We note that for so obtained law holds the condition:

(iii) If a term u_i (or v_j) is not a variable, then L_i^A (or L_j^B) is a bijection.

We prove in this case that the operation π is well defined.

If all functions $L_{\alpha_1}^A, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A$ are bijections, the operation π is well defined.

If, for some i , function $L_{\alpha_i}^A$ is not a bijection, then u_{α_i} is a variable, but v_{γ_i} is not a variable, namely $L_{\gamma_i}^B$ is a bijection.

We assume, functions $L_{\alpha_1}^A, \dots, L_{\alpha_s}^A$ ($1 \leq s < r$) are bijections and $L_{\alpha_{s+1}}^A, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A$ are surjections. The sequence C_1, \dots, C_r can be reordered so that it holds.

Let z_1, \dots, z_r be arbitrary choiced elements of the set S . Since $L_{\alpha_1}^A, \dots, L_{\alpha_s}^A$ are bijections, for every z_i ($i=1, \dots, s$) there is exactly one x_i so that $L_{\alpha_1}^A x_1 = z_1, \dots, L_{\alpha_s}^A x_s = z_s$.

Since functions $L_{\alpha_{s+1}}^A, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A$ are surjections, for every z_i ($i = s+1, \dots, r$) there is some x_i so that $L_{\alpha_{s+1}}^A x_{s+1} = z_{s+1}, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A x_r = z_r$.

We prove that from the equalities

$$(23) \quad L_{\alpha_j}^A x'_j = L_{\alpha_j}^A x''_j \quad (j = s+1, \dots, r)$$

follows the equality

$$L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_s, x'_{s+1}, \dots, x'_r) = L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_s, x''_{s+1}, \dots, x''_r).$$

Substituting all variables except x_j ($j = s+1, \dots, r$) by $a \in S$, from (13) we get

$$(24) \quad L_{\alpha_j}^A x_j = L_{\gamma_j}^B \psi_j x_j.$$

From (23) and (24) it follows

$$L_{\gamma_j}^B \psi_j x'_j = L_{\gamma_j}^B \psi_j x''_j \quad (j = s+1, \dots, r).$$

As $L_{\gamma_j}^B$ is bijection, we have

$$(25) \quad \psi_j x'_j = \psi_j x''_j, \quad (j = s+1, \dots, r).$$

Substituting all variables, except one in each of sets C_i , $i = 1, \dots, r$, from (13) we get

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A(\varphi_1 y_1, \dots, \varphi_s y_s, y_{s+1}, \dots, y_r) \\ = L_{\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_r}^B(\psi_1 y_1, \dots, \psi_s y_s, \psi_{s+1} y_{s+1}, \dots, \psi_r y_r). \end{aligned}$$

Since φ_i are surjections, we can choose y_1, \dots, y_s so that

$$\varphi_1 y_1 = x_1, \dots, \varphi_s y_s = x_s.$$

From (25) we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_{\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_r}^B(\psi_1 y_1, \dots, \psi_s y_s, \psi_{s+1} x'_{s+1}, \dots, \psi_r x'_r) \\ = L_{\gamma_1 \dots \gamma_r}^B(\psi_1 y_1, \dots, \psi_s y_s, \psi_{s+1} x''_{s+1}, \dots, \psi_r x''_r) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore, by the choice of y_1, \dots, y_s , it follows

$$L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_s, x'_{s+1}, \dots, x'_r) = L_{\alpha_1 \dots \alpha_r}^A(x_1, \dots, x_s, x''_{s+1}, \dots, x''_r),$$

that is

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(L_{\alpha_1}^A x_1, \dots, L_{\alpha_s}^A x_s, L_{\alpha_{s+1}}^A x'_{s+1}, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A x'_r) \\ = \pi(L_{\alpha_1}^A x_1, \dots, L_{\alpha_s}^A x_s, L_{\alpha_{s+1}}^A x''_{s+1}, \dots, L_{\alpha_r}^A x''_r), \end{aligned}$$

hence $\pi(z_1, \dots, z_r)$ is well defined. It is easy to see that the operation π is a loop.

Analogously we can prove that the groups \circ_i are well defined. Hence, we can apply theorem 3, too.

We give an example.

Let

$$A(x, A_2(y, z), A_3(u, v)) = B(B_1(x, y, z, u), v)$$

be functional equation by unknown quasigroups A, B, A_2, A_3, B_1 of a set S . According to theorem 3, general solution of this equation is given by

$$A(x, y, z) = M(x, y) \circ \alpha z,$$

$$A_2(x, y) = P(x, y),$$

$$\alpha A_3(x, y) = \beta x \circ \gamma y,$$

$$\delta B_1(x, y, z, u) = M(x, P(y, z)) \circ \beta u,$$

$$B(x, y) = \delta x \circ \gamma y,$$

where M, P are arbitrary quasigroups, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ are arbitrary bijections, and \circ is an arbitrary group of the set S .

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