

**27. On Variants of Axiom Systems of
Propositional Calculus. I**

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In this note, we shall show that any axiom system containing the *BCK*-system of propositional calculus may be effectively changed into a new system which has axioms less than the number of the original axioms. Following certain ‘combinatory logicians’, we put *B* for $CCqrCCpqCpr$, *C* for $CCpCqrCqCpr$, and *K* for $CpCqp$. This system was given by C. A. Meredith. And Prof. K. Iséki has given the algebraic formulation of the *BCK*-system (see, [5]). For the notations and two rules of inferences, see [4].

Theorem 1. *If F is a thesis in the *BCK*-system, then $CCCpCqpCFvCwv$ having no occurrences of p , q , v , and w in F implies $CpCqp$ and F .*

The result is obtained by the following proof line.

- 1 $CCCpCqpCFvCwv$.
 - 1 $p/CpCqp$, q/F , $v/CpCqp$ *C1 $v/CpCqp$, w/F —2,
- 2 $CwCpCqp$.
 - 2 $w/CCCpCqpCFvCwv$ *C1—3,
- 3 $CpCqp$.
 - 1 $v/CCpCqpF$, $w/CpCqp$ *C2 p/F , $w/CpCqp$ —C3—
C3—4,
- 4 F .

Hence thesis 1 implies $CpCqp$ and F , which completes the proof of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. *If F is a formula in the *BCK*-system, then this system implies $CCCpCqpCFvCwv$, where p , q , v , and w do not contain in F .*

Proof. The axioms of the *BCK*-system are given by the following:

- 1' $CCqrCCpqCpr$,
- 2' $CCpCqrCqCpr$,
- 3' $CpCqp$.

It is well known that these axioms imply (see, [1]),

- 4' $CCpqCCqrCpr$,
- 5' $CPCCpqq$.

Then we have the following theses:

- 1 $CCFvv$,
- 5' p/F , q/v *CF—1,

- 1' $q/CFv, r/v, p/CpCqp *C1—2,$
 2 $CCCPqppCFvCCpCqp v.$
 2' $p/CCpCqpCFv, q/CpCqp, r/v *C2—C3'—3,$
 3 $CCCPqppCFvv.$
 4' $p/CCpCqpCFv, q/v, r/Cvv *C3—C2' p/v, q/w—4,$
 4 $CCCPqppCFvCvv.$

We have $CCCPqppCFvCvv$, therefore the proof is complete.

By the theorems 1 and 2, we can make many new axiom systems of propositional calculi as follows.

The classical propositional calculus contains axioms of the *BCK*-system, hence, each of the following 1)—15) gives axiom systems of the classical two valued propositional calculus (see, [1], [6], and [7]).

- 1) $CCCPqppCCrCstCCrsCrtvCvv, CCpqCNqNp, CNNpp,$
 $CpNNp.$
- 2) $CCCPqppCCCrNsNrvCvv, CCpCqrCCpqCpr, CNNpp,$
 $CpNNp.$
- 3) $CCCPqppCCNNrrvCvv, CCpCqrCCpqCpr, CCpqCNqNp,$
 $CpNNp.$
- 4) $CCCPqppCCrNNrvCvv, CCpCqrCCpqCpr, CCpqCNqNp,$
 $CNNpp.$
- 5) $CCCPqppCCCrNsNrvCvv, CCpCqrCqCpr, CNNpp,$
 $CCpNpNp, CCpNqCqNp.$
- 6) $CCCPqppCCCrCstCsCrtvCvv, CCpqCCqrCpr, CNNpp,$
 $CCpNpNp, CCpNqCqNp.$
- 7) $CCCPqppCCNNrrvCvv, CCpqCCqrCpr, CCpCqrCqCpr,$
 $CCpNpNp, CCpNqCqNp.$
- 8) $CCCPqppCCCrNrNrvCvv, CCpqCCqrCpr, CCpCqrCqCpr,$
 $CNNpp, CCpNqCqNp.$
- 9) $CCCPqppCCCrNsCsNrvCvv, CCpqCCqrCpr, CCpCqrCqCpr,$
 $CNNpp, CCpNpNp.$
- 10) $CCCPqppCCCrCstCsCrtvCvv, CCqrCCpqCpr, CpCNpq,$
 $CCpqCCNpq.$
- 11) $CCCPqppCCCrNsCrtvCvv, CCpCqrCqCpr, CpCNpq,$
 $CCpqCCNpq.$
- 12) $CCCPqppCCrCNrvCvv, CCpCqrCqCpr, CCqrCCpqCpr,$
 $CCpqCCNpq.$
- 13) $CCCPqppCCCrNsCrtvCvv, CCpCqrCqCpr, CCqrCCpqCpr,$
 $CpCNpq.$
- 14) $CCCPqppCCCrCstCCrsCrtvCvv, CCNpNqCqp.$
- 15) $CCCPqppCCCNrNsCrvCvv, CCpCqrCCpqCpr.$

Similarly, for example, we have the following axiom systems of implicational calculus (see, [3]).

- 1) $CCCpCqpCCCrssCstCrvCwv, CCCpqpp.$
- 2) $CCCpCqpCCCCrsrrvCwv, CCpqCCqrCpr.$
- 3) $CCCpCqpCCCCrstuCCsuCrurvCwv.$
- 4) $CCCpCqpCCCCrstsCCsuCrurvCwv.$

For the positive implicational calculus, we have the following axiom systems 1)—7).

- 1) $CCCpCqpCCCrCrsCrsrvCwv, CCqrCCpqCpr, CCpCqrCqCpr.$
- 2) $CCCpCqpCCCrCrsCCtrCtsvCwv, CCpCpqCpq, CCpCqrCqCpr.$
- 3) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCsCrvCwv, CCpCpqCpq, CCqrCCpqCpr.$
- 4) $CCCpCqpCCCrCrsCrsrvCwv, CCpqCCqrCpr.$
- 5) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCrvCwv, CCpCpqCpq.$
- 6) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCCrsCrvCwv.$
- 7) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCrvCwv.$

Further we can mention the following variants of the *BCK*-system (see, [2]).

- 1) $CCCpCqpCCCrCrsCCtrCtsvCwv, CpCCpq.$
- 2) $CCCpCqpCCrCCrssvCwv, CCqrCCpqCpr.$
- 3) $CCCpCqpCCCrCrsCCstCrvCwv, CpCCpq.$
- 4) $CCCpCqpCCrCCrssvCwv, CCpqCCqrCpr.$
- 5) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCtsvCwv, CCpCqrCqCpr.$
- 6) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCsCrvCwv, CCqrCCpqCpr.$
- 7) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCCusCuCrvCwv.$
- 8) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCusCrCtuvCwv.$
- 9) $CCCpCqpCCCCrstuCCstCrurvCwv.$
- 10) $CCCpCqpCCCrCstCtsuCtuvCwv.$

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