

A SEMI-LATTICE THEORETICAL CHARACTERIZATION
 OF ASSOCIATIVE NEWMAN ALGEBRAS

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The aim of this note¹ is to stress a fact which, due to the original formulation of Newman's systems given in [1], can be easily overlooked: an associative Newman algebra can be considered as a semi-lattice with respect to the binary operation \times to which the additional postulates are added concerning the properties of the binary operation $+$ (which is neither a lattice-theoretical join nor a lattice theoretical symmetrical difference) and the unary operation $-$, i.e., the complementation peculiar to this system. Namely, it will be shown that in the field of the axioms *A1-A11* the proper axioms of system \mathfrak{D} of associative Newman algebra, cf. [2], section 3, i.e., the postulates

$$\begin{aligned} F1 & \quad [ab]: a, b \in B. \supset. a = a + (b \times \bar{b}) \\ F2 & \quad [ab]: a, b \in B. \supset. a = a \times (b + \bar{b}) \\ H1 & \quad [abc]: a, b, c \in B. \supset. a \times (b + c) = (c \times a) + (b \times a) \\ L1 & \quad [abc]: a, b, c \in B. \supset. a \times (b \times c) = (a \times b) \times c \end{aligned}$$

are inferentially equivalent to the following formulas: *F1, F2, L1* and

$$\begin{aligned} F33 & \quad [ab]: a, b \in B. \supset. a \times b = b \times a \\ C1 & \quad [abc]: a, b, c \in B. \supset. a \times (b + c) = (a \times b) + (a \times c) \end{aligned}$$

and, moreover, that the idempotent law with respect to operation \times , i.e.,

$$F7 \quad [a]: a \in B. \supset. a = (a \times a)$$

is a consequence of the axioms *F1, F2* and *C1*.

Proof: In [2], section 3, it has been proved that the formulas *F33* and *C1* follow from *F1, F2, H1* and *L1*. On the other hand, let us assume *F1, F2, L1, F33* and *C1*. Then:

1. An acquaintance with the papers [1], [2] and [3] is presupposed. An enumeration of the formulas discussed in this note is the same which they have in [3] and [2]. The axioms *A1-A11*, cf. [3], section 1, will be used tacitly in the deductions presented in this note.

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 C2 & [abc]: a, b, c \in B. \supset. (a + b) \times c = (a \times c) + (b \times c) & [F33; C1] \\
 F3 & [ab]: a, b \in B. \supset. a = (b + \bar{b}) \times a & [F1; F33] \\
 K1 & [ab]: a, b \in B. a + a = a \times \bar{a}. b + b = b \times \bar{b}. \supset. a \times (b \times b) = (a \times b) \times b & [L1]
 \end{array}$$

$$F7 \quad [a]: a \in B. \supset. a = a \times a$$

$$PR \quad [\bar{a}]: Hp(1). \supset.$$

$$a = a \times (a + \bar{a}) = (a \times \bar{a}) + (a \times a) = a \times a \quad [1; F2; C1; F1]$$

Since, *cf.* [2], section 2, it has been proved that $\{C1; C2; F1; F2; F3; K1\} \rightarrow \{F1; F2; H1; L1\}$, we have $\{F1; F2; H1; L1\} \supseteq \{F1; F2; L1; F33; C1\}$. And, moreover, it is shown that $F1, F2$ and $C1$ imply $F7$. Thus, the proof is complete.

The mutual independence of the axioms $F1, F2, L1, F33$ and $C1$ is established by using Newman's example E10, *cf.* [1], p. 271, matrices $\mathfrak{M}3$ and $\mathfrak{M}4$, *cf.* [3], section 4, and the following algebraic tables (matrices):

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Matrices $\mathfrak{M}7$ and $\mathfrak{M}8$ are the examples KP_1 and E1 of Stone, *cf.* [4], p. 731, and Newman, *cf.* [1], p. 268, respectively, but adjusted to the primitive unary operation - of system \mathfrak{D} . Since:

(a) example E10 verifies all postulates of (non-associative) Newman algebra, but falsifies $L1$, and the formulas $F1, F2, F33$ and $C1$ are provable in the field of that system, *cf.* [2] and [3],

(b) matrix $\mathfrak{M}3$ verifies $F2, L1, F33$ and $C1$, but falsifies $F1$, *cf.* [3], section 4,

(c) matrix $\mathfrak{M}4$ verifies $F1, L1, F33$ and $C1$, but falsifies $F2$, *cf.* [3], section 4,

(d) matrix $\mathfrak{M}7$ verifies $F1, F2, L1$ and $F33$, but falsifies $C1$ for $a/\alpha, b/\beta$ and c/γ : (i) $\alpha \times (\beta + \gamma) = \alpha \times \delta = \alpha$, and (ii) $(\alpha \times \beta) + (\alpha \times \gamma) = 0 + 0 = 0$,

(e) matrix $\mathfrak{M}8$ verifies $F1, F2, L1$ and $C1$, but falsifies $F33$ for a/β and b/γ : (i) $\beta \times \gamma = \beta$, and (ii) $\gamma \times \beta = \gamma$,

we know that the axioms $F1, F2, L1, F33$ and $C1$ are mutually independent.

REMARK: Although it is established above that associative Newman algebra can be considered as a semi-lattice with respect to the operation \times , the axiom-system $\{F1; F2; L1; F33; C1\}$ does not contain $F7$, i.e., the idempotent law for \times , as an independent axiom. If for some reasons it would be desired to have an axiom-system of this algebra such that its axioms would be mutually independent, and that it would contain $F7$, $F33$ and $L1$, such axiomatization can be constructed as follows: Assume, as the axioms, $F7$, $F33$, $L1$ and instead of $F1$, $F2$ and $C1$ the formulas

$$F1^* \quad [ab]: a, b \in B. \supset . a \times a = a + (b \times \bar{b})$$

$$F2^* \quad [ab]: a, b \in B. \supset . a \times (a \times a) = a \times (b + \bar{b})$$

$$C1^* \quad [abc]: a, b, c \in B. \supset . (a \times ((a \times a) \times (a \times a))) \times (b + c) = (a \times b) + (a \times c)$$

It is self-evident that the axioms $F7$, $F33$, $L1$, $F1^*$, $F2^*$ and $C1^*$ are mutually independent, and that $\{F1; F2; L1; F33; C1\} \not\equiv \{F7; F33; L1; F1^*; F2^*; C1^*\}$. I was unable to construct a more natural axiom-system possessing the required property.

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