

191. A Characterization of the NB-System

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In my paper [2], we introduced a new system of propositional calculus which is called the *NB-system*. This system is given by the following axioms:

- 1 $CpCqp$,
- 2 $CCpCqrCCpqCpr$,
- 3 $CCpNqCqNp$.

In the positive implicational calculus satisfying the conditions 1 and 2, if we introduce a propositional constant 0, and we put $Np = Cp0$, then we obtain the *NB-system* (see [3]). In this note, we shall give a new axiom system of the *NB-system*.

In his paper [4], Professor B. Sobociński gave an axiom system of three valued logic. His system is given by

- 4 $CCpqCCqrCpr$,
- 5 $CpCCpqq$,
- 6 $CCpCpqCpq$,
- 7 $CpCqCNqp$,
- 8 $CCNpNqCqp$.

From the theses 4, 5, he proved a commutative law:

- 9 $CCpCqrCqCpr$.

As well known, by the theses 9, 4, we have

- 10 $CCqrCCpqCpr$.

As already shown in [1], from the theses 4, 5, 6, 9, and 10, we have

- 11 $CCpCqrCCpqCpr$.

Therefore the thesis 11 is obtained from the theses 4, 5, and 6. Hence, if we introduce a propositional constant 0, and we define $Np = Cp0$, then the thesis 9 implies the following

- 12 $CCpNqCqNp$.

Then we have the following characterization of the *NB-system*.

Theorem. *The NB-system is characterized by the axiom system:*

$$CpCqp, \quad CCpqCCqrCpr, \quad CpCCpqq, \quad CCpCpqCpq, \quad Np = Cp0.$$

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