Symmetric Implication Zroupoids and Weak Associative Laws

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Abstract

An algebra $\mathbf{A} = \langle A, \to, 0 \rangle$, where \to is binary and 0 is a constant, is called an *implication zroupoid* (\mathcal{I} -zroupoid, for short) if \mathbf{A} satisfies the identities: $(x \to y) \to z \approx ((z' \to x) \to (y \to z)')'$ and $0'' \approx 0$, where $x' := x \to 0$. An implication zroupoid is *symmetric* if it satisfies: $x'' \approx x$ and $(x \to y')' \approx (y \to x')'$. The variety of symmetric \mathcal{I} zroupoids is denoted by \mathcal{S} . We began a systematic analysis of weak associative laws (or identities) of length ≤ 4 in [CS18a], by examining the identities of Bol-Moufang type, in the context of the variety \mathcal{S} .

In this paper we complete the analysis by investigating the rest of the weak associative laws of length ≤ 4 relative to S. We show that, of the (possible) 155 subvarieties of S defined by the weak associative laws of length ≤ 4 , there are exactly 6 distinct ones. We also give an explicit description of the poset of the (distinct) subvarieties of Sdefined by weak associative laws of length ≤ 4 .

1 Introduction

Bernstein, in [Be34], gave a system of axioms for Boolean algebras using implication as the only connective. His system, while not equational, could easily be modified into an equational one by using an additional constant. In 2012, the second author of this paper extended this "modified Bernstein's theorem" to De Morgan algebras (see [San12]). Indeed, he showd in [San12] that the varieties of De Morgan algebras, Kleene algebras, and Boolean algebras are term-equivalent, respectively, to the varieties, \mathcal{DM} , \mathcal{KL} , and \mathcal{BA} (defined below) whose defining axioms use only an implication \rightarrow and a constant 0. The essential role played by the identity (I): $(x \to y) \to z \approx ((z' \to x) \to (y \to z)')'$, where $x' := x \to 0$, in the axiomatization of \mathcal{DM} , \mathcal{KL} , and \mathcal{BA} motivated the second author to introduce a new equational class of algebras called "implication zroupoids" in [San12].

DEFINITION 1.1. An algebra $\mathbf{A} = \langle A, \to, 0 \rangle$, where \to is binary and 0 is a constant, is called a zroupoid. A zroupoid $\mathbf{A} = \langle A, \to, 0 \rangle$ is an implication zroupoid (\mathcal{I} -zroupoid, for short) if \mathbf{A} satisfies:

(I) $(x \to y) \to z \approx ((z' \to x) \to (y \to z)')'$, where $x' := x \to 0$,

 \mathcal{I} denotes the variety of implication zroupoids. It is also known that this new variety \mathcal{I} contains the variety \mathcal{SL} (defined below) which is term-equivalent to the variety of \lor -semilattices with the least element 0 (see [CS16a], wherein the name "implicator groupoid" is used instead of "implication zroupoid").

The varieties \mathcal{DM} and \mathcal{SL} are defined relative to \mathcal{I} , respectively, by the following identities:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\mathrm{DM}) & (x \to y) \to x \approx x \ (\mathrm{De\ Morgan\ Algebras}); \\ (\mathrm{SL}) & x' \approx x \ \mathrm{and} \ x \to y \approx y \to x. \end{array}$$

The varieties \mathcal{KL} and \mathcal{BA} are defined relative to \mathcal{DM} , respectively, by the following identities:

(KL)
$$(x \to x) \to (y \to y) \approx y \to y$$
 (Kleene algebras);
(BA) $x \to x \approx 0'$ (Boolean algebras).

According to [San12], the variety \mathcal{I} generalizes the variety of De Morgan algebras and also exhibits some interesting properties; for example, the identity $x''' \to y \approx x' \to y$ holds in \mathcal{I} . Several new subvarieties of \mathcal{I} are also introduced and investigated in [San12]. The (largely unexplored) lattice of subvarieties of \mathcal{I} seems to be fairly complex. In fact, Problem 6 of [San12] calls for an investigation of the structure of the lattice of subvarieties of \mathcal{I} .

The papers [CS16a], [CS16b], [CS16c], [CS17], [CS18a], [CS18b], [CS18c] and [GSV] have addressed further, but still partially, the above-mentioned problem by introducing new subvarieties of \mathcal{I} and investigating relationships among them. It follows from [GSV] that the lattice of subvarieties of \mathcal{I} is not modular, which answers Problem 5 of [San12] in the negative. The size

 $⁽I_0) \quad 0'' \approx 0.$

of the poset of subvarieties of \mathcal{I} is known to be at least 40 (as of October 24, 2018); but it is still unknown whether the lattice of subvarieties is finite or infinite.

Given an \mathcal{I} -zroupoid \mathbf{A} , there are two operations \wedge and \vee on A defined as follows: $x \wedge y := (x \to y')'$ and $x \vee y := (x' \wedge y')'$. These operations give rise to the (derived) algebra $\langle A, \wedge, \vee, 0 \rangle$ which has been investigated in [CS16a] and [CS17]. Among the important subvarieties of \mathcal{I} , the two that are the most relevant to this paper are: $\mathcal{I}_{2,0}$ and \mathcal{MC} which are defined relative to \mathcal{I} , respectively, by the following identities:

 $(I_{2,0}) \quad x'' \approx x;$

(MC) $x \wedge y \approx y \wedge x$, where $x \wedge y := (x \to y')'$.

We are now ready to make the following definition which plays a fundamental role in the rest of this paper.

DEFINITION 1.2. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}$. A is involutive if $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}_{2,0}$. A is meetcommutative if $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{MC}$. A is symmetric if \mathbf{A} is both involutive and meetcommutative. Let \mathcal{S} denote the variety of symmetric \mathcal{I} -zroupoids. In other words, $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{I}_{2,0} \cap \mathcal{MC}$.

The investigations in [CS16a] and [CS17] reveal that the variety \mathcal{S} has some interesting properties; for example, for $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}_{2,0} \cap \mathcal{MC}$, the (derived) algebra $\langle A, \wedge, \vee, 0 \rangle$, where $x \vee y := (x' \wedge y')'$, is both a distributive bisemilattice and a Birkhoff system (i.e., satisfies $x \wedge (x \vee y) \approx x \vee (x \wedge y)$). (The name "symmetric \mathcal{I} -zroupoids" for the members of $\mathcal{I}_{2,0} \cap \mathcal{MC}$ is new.)

In the present paper we continue our investigations into S. More precisely, we are interested in the subvarieties of S defined by *weak associative laws*. A precise definition of a *weak associative law* appears in [Ku96], which is essentially restated below in our terminology.

DEFINITION 1.3. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and let $\mathcal{L} := \langle \times \rangle$, where \times is a binary operation symbol. Let p be a (groupoid) term in the language \mathcal{L} . Then Var(p) denotes the set of distinct variables occurring in p. p is of length n if the number of (not necessarily distinct) occurrences of variables (in p) is n. An identity $p \approx q$ is said to be a weak associative law of length n in \mathcal{L} if the following conditions hold:

(1) p and q are terms of length n;

(2) Var(p) = Var(q);

(3) the variables in p and q occur in the same order (only the bracketings are possibly different). (In other words, p and q are built from the same word using (possibly) different bracketings.)

The following (general) problem was raised in [CS18a]. (In the sequel we use the words "law" and "identity" interchangeably).

PROBLEM: Let \mathcal{V} be a given variety of algebras (whose language includes a binary operation symbol, say, \times). Investigate the subvarieties of \mathcal{V} defined by weak associative laws (with respect to \times) and their mutual relationships.

Special cases of the above problem have already been considered in the literature, wherein the weak associative laws chosen are the identities of Bol-Moufang type (i.e., weak associative laws of length 4 with 3 distinct variables), and the variety \mathcal{V} is chosen to be the variety of quasigroups or the variety of loops (for more information about these identities in the context of quasigroups and loops see [Fe69], [Ku96], [PV05a], [PV05b]).

Let W denote the set of identities of weak associative laws of size ≤ 4 . The systematic notation given in the next definition for the identities in W is influenced by the notation developed in [PV05a] for Bol-Moufang identities.

Without loss of generality, we will assume that the variables in the terms t_1 and t_2 occur alphabetically in any weak associative identity $t_1 \approx t_2$. Given a word X of variables, we refer to each possible way of bracketing X that will transform X into a term, as a "bracketing"; and we assign a number to each such bracketing and call it the "bracketing number" of that term.

We will now develop a notation for weak associative laws that helps us to investigate them.

DEFINITION 1.4. Let $n, m, p, q \in \mathbb{N}$ and let X denote a word of length n in which there are m distinct variables occurring alphabetically (with some variables possibly repeated). We denote by (nmXpq) the weak associative identity $t_1 \approx t_2$ of length n, with m distinct variables, whose terms t_1 and t_2 are obtained from X and have p and q as their respective bracketing numbers. We denote by $nm \mathcal{X}pq$ the variety defined, relative to \mathcal{S} , by the weak associative identity (nmXpq).

EXAMPLE 1.5. Let X be the word $A := \langle x, x, x \rangle$ where n = 3 and m = 1. Then there are two possible brackettings, numbered 1 and 2, with a as a place holder:

1: $a \to (a \to a)$, and 2: $(a \to a) \to a$.

Thus, (31A12) denotes the identity $x \to (x \to x) \approx (x \to x) \to x$ of length 3 with one variable, and with bracketing numbers 1 and 2, and 31A12 denotes the subvariety of \mathcal{I} defined by (31A12), relative to \mathcal{S} .

Here is a second example: Let X be the word $B := \langle x, y, x, z \rangle$ where n = 4 and m = 3. Then (43B23) denotes the identity $x \to ((y \to x) \to z) \approx (x \to y) \to (x \to z)$ of length 4 with 3 distinct variables and with bracketting numbers 2 and 3 in the listing of possible brackettings given in Section 6 below.

Observe that Bol-Moufang identities are precisely the weak associative laws of the form (43Xpq) of length 4 that have 3 distinct variables. It was shown in [CS18a] that there are 4 nontrivial subvarieties of the variety \mathcal{S} of Bol-Moufang type that are distinct from each other (out of the possible 60 varieties), giving the Hasse diagram of the poset formed by them, together with the variety \mathcal{BA} (which is contained in some of them).

In this paper we will complete that analysis by examining the rest of the weak associative laws of length ≤ 4 , relative to S. Clearly, $x \approx x$ and $x \rightarrow y \approx x \rightarrow y$ are the only identities of length 1 and 2 respectively, which are trivial. So, we will consider the identities of length 3 and 4. In Section 8, we show, as our main result, that, of the (possible) 155 subvarieties of S, each defined by a single weak associative law of length ≤ 4 , there are exactly 6 distinct ones. We also give an explicit description, by means of a Hasse diagram, of the poset of the (distinct) subvarieties of S defined by weak associative laws of length ≤ 4 .

We would like to acknowledge that the software "Prover 9/Mace 4" developed by McCune [Mc] has been useful to us in some of our findings presented in this paper. We have used it to find examples and to check some conjectures.

2 Preliminaries and Properties of S

We refer the reader to the standard references [BD74], [BS81] and [R74] for concepts and results used, but not explained, in this paper.

Recall from [San12] that \mathcal{SL} is the variety of semilattices with a least element 0. It was shown in [CS16a] that $\mathcal{SL} = \mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{I}_{1,0}$ where the subvarieties \mathcal{C} and $\mathcal{I}_{1,0}$ of \mathcal{I} are defined, respectively, by the identities $x \to y \approx y \to x$ and $x' \approx x$.

The two-element algebras 2_s , 2_b were introduced in [San12]. Their operations \rightarrow are respectively as follows:

\rightarrow :	0	1	\rightarrow :	0	1
0	0	1	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	0	1

Recall that $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{2}_{\mathbf{b}}) = \mathcal{B}\mathcal{A}$, and $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{2}_{\mathbf{s}}) = \mathcal{S}\mathcal{L}$ ([CS16a, Corollary 10.4]).

LEMMA 2.1. [CS16a] $\mathcal{MC} \cap \mathcal{I}_{1,0} \subseteq \mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{I}_{1,0} = \mathcal{SL}$.

LEMMA 2.2. [San12, Theorem 8.15] Let A be an \mathcal{I} -zroupoid. Then the following are equivalent:

- 1. $0' \to x \approx x$,
- 2. $x'' \approx x$,
- 3. $(x \to x')' \approx x$,
- 4. $x' \to x \approx x$.

Recall that $\mathcal{I}_{2,0}$ and \mathcal{MC} are the subvarieties defined, respectively, relative to \mathcal{I} by the equations

$$x'' \approx x. \tag{I}_{2,0}$$

$$x \wedge y \approx y \wedge x.$$
 (MC)

LEMMA 2.3. [San12] Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}_{2,0}$. Then

- 1. $x' \to 0' \approx 0 \to x$,
- 2. $0 \to x' \approx x \to 0'$.

LEMMA 2.4. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}_{2,0}$. Then \mathbf{A} satisfies:

1. $(x \to 0') \to y \approx (x \to y') \to y$, 2. $((0 \to x) \to y) \to x \approx y \to x$, 3. $(x \to (y \to x)')' \approx (x \to y) \to x$, 4. $(y \to x) \to y \approx (0 \to x) \to y$, 5. $(0 \to x) \to (x \to y) \approx x \to (x \to y)$, 6. $(0 \to x) \to (0 \to y) \approx x \to (0 \to y)$,

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$$x \to y \approx x \to (x \to y)$$
,
8. $0 \to (0 \to x)' \approx 0 \to x'$,
9. $0 \to (x \to y) \approx x \to (0 \to y)$,
10. $0 \to (x \to y')' \approx 0 \to (x' \to y)$,
11. $x \to (y \to x') \approx y \to x'$,
12. $(x \to y) \to (y \to x) \approx y \to x$,
13. $(x \to y) \to (y \to z) \approx (0 \to x') \to (y \to z)$,
14. $(x \to y)' \to y \approx x \to y$,
15. $(x \to y) \to ((0 \to y) \to z) \approx (x \to y) \to z$,
16. $(x \to y) \to ((z \to y) \to (u \to z)) \approx (x \to y) \to (u \to z)$.

Proof. For the proofs of items (1), (3), (4), (9), (10), (11) we refer the reader to [CS16a], and for the proofs of items (2), (6), (7), (8) to [CS16b]. Items (5), (12) are proved in [CS16c]. For the proofs of items (13), (14) we refer the reader to [CS17]. Finally, for the proof of (15), the reader is referred to the proof of the equation (3.4) in the proof of Lemma 3.1 of [CS17].

Proof of (16): Let $a, b, c, d \in A$. Hence, $(a \to b) \to ((c \to b) \to (d \to c))$ $\stackrel{(I)}{=} (a \to b) \to (((d \to c)' \to c) \to (b \to (d \to c))')' \stackrel{(14)}{=} (a \to b) \to (((d \to c) \to (b \to (d \to c))')' \stackrel{(3)}{=} (a \to b) \to (((d \to c) \to b) \to (d \to c)))$ $\stackrel{(4)}{=} (a \to b) \to ((0 \to b) \to (d \to c)) \stackrel{(15)}{=} (a \to b) \to (d \to c), \text{ completing the proof.}$

LEMMA 2.5. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}_{2,0}$ such that $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \approx 0'$, then $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$.

Proof. Let $a \in A$. Then $a = 0' \rightarrow a = (0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a = (0' \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$.

LEMMA 2.6. [CS18a] Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{I}_{2,0}$ such that $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$, then $\mathbf{A} \models (x \rightarrow y)' \approx x' \rightarrow y'$.

Throughout the rest of this paper, $A \in S$.

LEMMA 2.7. [CS18a] A satisfies:

- 1. $x \to (y \to z) \approx y \to (x \to z)$,
- 2. $x' \to y \approx y' \to x$.

LEMMA 2.8. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x \rightarrow x$, then

- 1. $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x) \approx x \rightarrow x$.
- 2. $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x' \approx 0 \rightarrow x$.

Proof. Let $a \in A$.

- 1. Observe that $0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{hyp}{=} (a \to a) \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(12)}{=} a \to a$.
- 2. $0 \to a \stackrel{hyp}{=} a \to a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to a' \stackrel{hyp}{=} 0 \to a'.$

This proves the lemma.

LEMMA 2.9. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{S}$ such that $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x) \approx x \rightarrow x$, then \mathbf{A} satisfies the following identities:

1. $(x \to x) \to y' \approx ((x \to x) \to y)',$ 2. $(x \to x) \to (y \to z) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to z,$ 3. $(x \to y) \to (x \to y) \approx (x \to x) \to (y \to y).$

Proof. Items (1) and (2) follow from [CS18a, Lemma 3.4]. Let us prove (3). Let $a, b \in A$. Observe that

 $\begin{array}{l} (a \to a) \to (0 \to a') \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} 0 \to ((a \to a) \to a') \stackrel{2.4(1)}{=} 0 \to ((a \to 0') \to a') \\ \stackrel{2.3(2)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to a') \to a') \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (0 \to a') \to (0 \to a') \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} 0 \to (a' \to a') \\ \stackrel{hyp}{=} a' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to a. \text{ Hence,} \end{array}$

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to (0 \to x') \approx x \to x.$$
(2.1)

Since

$$\begin{array}{l} (a \to b) \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to ((a \to b) \to b) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to (b' \to (a \to b)') \\ \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} b' \to (a \to (a \to b)') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to a') \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to a) \to (b \to a')') \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to a) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} b' \to ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{\to} ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')' \stackrel{(I)}{\to} ((a \to b) \to (a \to b')')'$$

$$b'))'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} b' \to ((a \to a) \to (a \to b')) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (b' \to (a \to b')) \stackrel{(2)}{=} ((a \to a) \to b') \to (a \to b') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((a \to a) \to b') \to (b \to a') \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} b \to (((a \to a) \to b') \to a') \stackrel{(2)}{=} b \to (((a \to a) \to (b' \to a')) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} b \to (((a \to a) \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (b \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a) \to (((b \to b)' \to a') = (a \to a) \to (((b \to b) \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a) \to (((b \to b)' \to a') = (a \to a) \to (((b \to b) \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a) \to (((b \to b) \to (0 \to a')) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to b) \to (a \to a), \text{ we have}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to y) \to (x \to y) \approx (y \to y) \to (x \to x).$$
(2.2)

Consequently,

$$\begin{array}{l} (a \to b) \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (b' \to a') \to (b' \to a') \stackrel{(2.2)}{=} (a' \to a') \to (b' \to b') \\ \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a) \to (b \to b). \end{array}$$

LEMMA 2.10. [CS18a] Let $\mathbf{A} \models x \to x \approx x$. Then $\mathbf{A} \models x' \approx x$.

LEMMA 2.11. Let $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$. Then $\mathbf{A} \models x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x) \approx (x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x$.

Proof. By Lemma 2.6,

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to y)' \approx x' \to y'. \tag{2.3}$$

Let $a \in A$. Then $(a \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to (a \to a)' \stackrel{(2.3)}{=} a' \to (a' \to a')$ $\stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to a \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to a).$

Let E be the set consisting of the terms: $t_1(x, y, z, t) = ((x \to y) \to z) \to t,$ $t_2(x, y, z, t) = z \to ((y \to x) \to t),$ $t_3(x, y, z, t) = (y \to x) \to (z \to t),$ $t_4(x, y, z, t) = ((z \to y) \to x) \to t,$ and $t_5(x, y, z, t) = (y \to z) \to (x \to t).$

LEMMA 2.12. If $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$, then $\mathbf{A} \models e_1 \approx e_2$ where $e_1, e_2 \in E$.

Proof. Since $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$, by Lemma 2.6,

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to y)' \approx x' \to y'. \tag{2.4}$$

Let $a, b, c, d \in A$. Then $((a \to b) \to c) \to d^{2.7(2)} \xrightarrow{2.7(2)} d' \to ((a \to b) \to c)' \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} (d \to ((a \to b) \to c))' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (d \to (c' \to (a \to b)'))' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (c' \to (d \to (a \to b)'))' \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} c'' \to (d \to (a \to b)')' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} c \to (d \to (a \to b)')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} c \to (d \to (b' \to a')')' \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} c \to (d \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} c \to (d' \to (b \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} c \to ((b \to a) \to d) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to a) \to (c \to d),$ proving $t_1 \approx t_2$ and $t_1 \approx t_3$.

Next, $((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c) \rightarrow d \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (c' \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b)') \rightarrow d \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} (c' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow b')) \rightarrow d \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a' \rightarrow (c' \rightarrow b')) \rightarrow d \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((c' \rightarrow b')' \rightarrow a) \rightarrow d \stackrel{(2.4)}{=} ((c \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a) \rightarrow d$, proving $t_1 \approx t_4$.

Also, we have that

$$c \to ((b \to a) \to d) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} c \to (d' \to (b \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} c \to (d' \to (a' \to b')')$$

$$\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} c \to (d' \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} c \to (a \to (d' \to b)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (c \to (d' \to b))$$

$$\stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (d' \to (c \to b)) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to ((c \to b)' \to d) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to ((b' \to c')' \to d)$$

$$\stackrel{(2.4)}{=} a \to ((b \to c) \to d) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to c) \to (a \to d), \text{ proving } t_2 \approx t_5.$$

LEMMA 2.13. If $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$, then $\mathbf{A} \models x \rightarrow ((x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow y) \approx (x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x)) \rightarrow y$.

Proof. By Lemma 2.12, $\mathbf{A} \models e_1 \approx e_2$ for all $e_1, e_2 \in E$. Consider $a, b \in A$. We have that $a \to ((a \to a) \to b) = t_2(a, a, a, b) = t_4(a, a, a, b) = ((a \to a) \to a) \to b \stackrel{2.11}{=} (a \to (a \to a)) \to b$, proving the lemma.

LEMMA 2.14. A satisfies:

 $1. (x \to x) \to (x \to x) \approx x \to (x \to (x \to x)),$ $2. ((x \to x) \to x) \to x \approx x \to (x \to (x \to x)),$ $3. (x \to y) \to (y \to z) \approx ((y \to x) \to y) \to z,$ $4. y \to ((x \to y) \to z) \approx ((y \to x) \to y) \to z,$ $5. (x \to x) \to (x \to y) \approx x \to ((x \to x) \to y),$ $6. x \to ((x \to x) \to y) \approx ((x \to x) \to x) \to y,$ $7. x \to ((y \to x) \to x) \approx ((x \to y) \to x) \to x,$ $8. x \to ((y \to x) \to y) \approx ((x \to y) \to x) \to y.$

Proof. Let $a, b, c \in A$.

1. Observe that

$$(a \to a) \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to ((a \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} a \to ((0 \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(5)}{=} a \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to (a \to a)).$$

- 2. $((a \to a) \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} ((0 \to a) \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(2)}{=} a \to a \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to (a \to a)).$
- 3. $(a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c) \stackrel{2.4(13)}{=} (0 \rightarrow a') \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (((b \rightarrow c)' \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c))')' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} ((b \rightarrow c) \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c))')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((a' \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((b \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow c)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((b \rightarrow (c' \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((c' \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow c)')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} ((b \rightarrow a) \rightarrow b) \rightarrow c.$

4.
$$b \to ((a \to b) \to c) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to b) \to (b \to c) \stackrel{(3)}{=} ((b \to a) \to b) \to c.$$

For (5) use Lemma 2.7 (1), and for (6) use Lemma 2.7 (1) and item (3). (7) is a special case of (4). Finally, one can use Lemma 2.7 (1) and item (3) to prove (8).

3 Weak associative laws of length 3

In this section we examine all the weak associative laws of length 3.

3.1 With one variable:

The only word of length 3 with 1 variable is:

A: $\langle x, x, x \rangle$.

Ways in which the word A can be bracketed (where a is just a place holder) are:

1: $a \to (a \to a)$, 2: $(a \to a) \to a$.

The only weak associative identity in this category is:

1: (31A12) $x \to (x \to x) \approx (x \to x) \to x$.

3.2 With 2 variables:

Possible words of length 3 with 2 variables are:

A: $\langle x, x, y \rangle$, B: $\langle x, y, x \rangle$, C: $\langle x, y, y \rangle$.

Ways in which a word of length 3 can be bracketed:

1: $a \to (a \to a)$, 2: $(a \to a) \to a$.

The weak associative identities in this category are:

- 1: (LALT) $x \to (x \to y) \approx (x \to x) \to y$ (the left-alternative law) 2: (FLEX) $x \to (y \to x) \approx (x \to y) \to x$ (the flexible law) 2. (DALT)
- 3: (RALT) $x \to (y \to y) \approx (x \to y) \to y$ (the right-alternative law)

We should note that we did not follow our convention in this case, since these identities are well known by the above names. We let \mathcal{LALT} , \mathcal{FLEX} and \mathcal{RALT} denote, respectively, the subvarieties S defined by (LALT), (FLEX) and (RALT).

THEOREM 3.1. $\mathcal{FLEX} = \mathcal{RALT} = \mathcal{LALT} = \mathcal{SL}$.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{LALT} \cup \mathcal{FLEX} \cup \mathcal{RALT}$ and $a \in A$. First, let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{LALT}$. Then $a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (a'' \to a')' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} (a \to a')'$ $= (a \to (a \to 0))' \stackrel{(LALT)}{=} ((a \to a) \to 0)' = (a \to a)'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a \to a$. Next, let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{FLEX}$. Then $a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a' \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (a'' \to a') \to a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} (a \to a') \to a \stackrel{(FLEX)}{=} a \to (a' \to a) \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a \to a$. Finally, let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{RALT}$. Then $a \to a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' \to a = ((a \to 0) \to 0) \to a$

Finally, let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{RALT}$. Then $a \to a = a'' \to a = ((a \to 0) \to 0) \to a$ $\stackrel{(RALT)}{=} (a \to (0 \to 0)) \to a = (a \to 0') \to a \stackrel{2.4(1)}{=} (a \to a') \to a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} (a'' \to a') \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a' \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a$. Therefore, $\mathbf{A} \models x \to x \approx x$. By Lemma 2.10, $\mathbf{A} \models x \approx x'$ and consequently, $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{SL}$.

For the converse, it is easy to verify that $\mathbf{2}_{s}$ satisfies (FLEX), (RALT) and (LALT). The theorem follows since $\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{2}_{s}) = \mathcal{SL}$.

3.3 With 3 variables:

The only word of length 3 with 3 variables is:

A: $\langle x, y, z \rangle$.

Ways in which a word of length 3 can be bracketed:

1: $a \to (a \to a)$, 2: $(a \to a) \to a$.

The only weak associative identity in this category is:

 $(33A12) x \to (y \to z) \approx (x \to y) \to z$ (associative law).

LEMMA 3.2. 33A12 = SL.

Proof. By [CS16a], $\mathcal{SL} \subseteq 33\mathcal{A}12$. Hence let us consider $\mathbf{A} \in 33\mathcal{A}12$ and $a \in A$. Observe that $0' \stackrel{2.8(2)}{=} 0 \to 0' = 0 \to (0 \to 0) = (0 \to 0) \to 0 = 0' \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0$. Then

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0' \approx 0. \tag{3.1}$$

Therefore, $a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a' \rightarrow a = (a \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a \stackrel{(33A12)}{=} a \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a) \stackrel{(3.1)}{=} a \rightarrow (0' \rightarrow a) \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} a \rightarrow a$. Consequently, $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{SL}$ by Lemmas 2.1 and 2.10.

4 Weak associative laws with length 4 and with 1 variable.

The only word of length 4 with 1 variable is:

A: $\langle x, x, x, x \rangle$.

Ways in which a word of length 4 can be bracketed are:

 $\begin{array}{ll} 1: \ a \to (a \to (a \to a)), & 3: \ (a \to a) \to (a \to a), & 5: \ ((a \to a) \to a) \to a. \\ 2: \ a \to ((a \to a) \to a), & 4: \ (a \to (a \to a)) \to a, \end{array}$

By now, we believe that the reader is well acquainted with our notation for identities. So, we will, no longer, present the list of the identities in this and the remaining categories.

LEMMA 4.1. The following hold:

- 1. $41\mathcal{A}12 = 41\mathcal{A}13$,
- 2. 41A24 = 41A34,
- 3. 41A25 = 41A35,
- $4. 41\mathcal{A}23 = \mathcal{S},$

- 5. 41A13 = 41A15 = 41A35 = S,
- 6. $41\mathcal{A}14 = 41\mathcal{A}34 = 41\mathcal{A}45.$

Proof. Items (1), (2), (3) and (4) follow from Lemma 2.7 (1). For (5), observe that $S \subseteq 41A13$ by Lemma 2.14 (1), $S \subseteq 41A15$ by Lemma 2.14 (2), and $S \subseteq 41A35$ by Lemma 2.14 (6) and (5).

To prove (6), $41\mathcal{A}14 \subseteq 41\mathcal{A}34$ follows from (41A14) and Lemma 2.14 (1). From (41A34), Lemma 2.7 (1) and Lemma 2.14 (6) we have that $41\mathcal{A}34 \subseteq 41\mathcal{A}45$. The inclusion $41\mathcal{A}45 \subseteq 41\mathcal{A}14$ follows from (41A45) and Lemma 2.14 (2).

LEMMA 4.2. 41A14 = 31A12.

Proof. In view of Lemma 2.4 (7), we get $31\mathcal{A}12 \subseteq 41\mathcal{A}14$. So, we will prove the converse. Let $\mathbf{A} \in 41\mathcal{A}14$. Hence $0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (0'' \to 0') \to 0$ $\stackrel{(I_0)}{=} (0 \to 0') \to 0 = (0 \to (0 \to 0)) \to 0 \stackrel{(41A14)}{=} 0 \to (0 \to (0 \to 0)) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \to 0$ = 0'. Therefore

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \approx 0'. \tag{4.1}$$

Let $a \in A$. Then we have that $(a \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} (0 \to a) \to a \stackrel{(4.1)}{=} (0' \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} a \to a \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to a)$. Thus $41\mathcal{A}14 \subseteq 31\mathcal{A}12$, completing the proof.

5 Weak associative laws with length 4 and with 2 variables.

Possible words of length 4 with 2 variables are:

Ways in which a word of length 4 can be bracketed are:

1: $a \to (a \to (a \to a)),$ 2: $a \to ((a \to a) \to a),$ 3: $(a \to a) \to (a \to a),$ 4: $(a \to (a \to a)) \to a,$ 5: $((a \to a) \to a) \to a.$

It is easy to see that there are 70 identities in this category, and accordingly there are 70 subvarieties of S defined by them. As not all of them will be distinct, we will partition these 70 varieties subject to the relation of "being equal". We will choose one representative from each block of the partition. As will be shown below, some of them will equal \mathcal{SL} and some others will equal \mathcal{S} . We will use \mathcal{SL} and \mathcal{S} as representatives of the blocks whose varieties are equal to \mathcal{SL} and \mathcal{S} , respectively.

LEMMA 5.1. $\mathcal{SL} \subseteq 42\mathcal{X}ij$, for $\mathcal{X} \in \{A, B, C, D, E, F, G\}$ and for all i, j such that $1 \leq i < j \leq 5$.

Proof. By a routine computation, it is easy to check that $\mathbf{2}_{s} \in 42\mathcal{X}ij$ for all $1 \leq i < j \leq 5$. Then the proof is complete since $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{2}_{s}) = \mathcal{SL}$, in view of [CS16a, Corollary 10.4].

LEMMA 5.2. We have

- 1. $42A23 = 42A25 = 42A35 = 42D25 = 42\mathcal{E}25 = \mathcal{S}$,
- 2. 42A12 = 42A13 = 42A15 and 42A24 = 42A34,

3. $42\mathcal{D}12 = 42\mathcal{D}15$ and $42\mathcal{E}12 = 42\mathcal{E}15$.

Proof. 1. From Lemma 2.14 (5) and (6) we have that

$$42A23 = 42A25 = 42A35 = S.$$

Using Lemma 2.14 (7) and (8) we can conclude that

$$42\mathcal{D}25 = 42\mathcal{E}25 = \mathcal{S}.$$

2. Follows from Lemma 2.14(5) and (6).

3. Follows from Lemma 2.14 (7) and (8). The proof is complete.

Let *M* be the set consisting of the following pairs of varieties: $(42\mathcal{B}12, 42\mathcal{D}13)$, $(42\mathcal{B}13, 42\mathcal{G}12)$, $(42\mathcal{C}12, 42\mathcal{E}13)$, $(42\mathcal{C}13, 42\mathcal{F}12)$, $(42\mathcal{D}12, 42\mathcal{G}13)$, $(42\mathcal{D}14, 42\mathcal{G}14)$, $(42\mathcal{D}24, 42\mathcal{G}34)$, $(42\mathcal{E}12, 42\mathcal{F}13)$, $(42\mathcal{E}14, 42\mathcal{F}14)$, $(42\mathcal{E}24, 42\mathcal{F}34)$.

LEMMA 5.3. If $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}) \in M$ then $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B}$.

Proof. Follows from Lemma 2.7 (1). Rename the variables, if necessary. \Box

Let N be the set consisting of the following varieties 42A14, 42B14, 42B24, 42B34, 42B45, 42C14, 42C24, 42C34, 42C45, 42D14, 42D34, 42E12, 42E14, 42E23, 42E24, 42E34, 42E35, 42E45, 42F15, 42F23, 42F24, 42F45, 42G23, 42G24, 42G35, 42G45.

THEOREM 5.4. If $\mathcal{X} \in N$ then $\mathcal{X} = \mathcal{SL}$.

Proof. In the proof below the following list of statements will be useful.

The identity $(I_{2,0})$, Lemma 2.2 (1), Lemma 2.2 (4), Lemma 2.4 (1),

(*) Lemma 2.4 (4), Lemma 2.4 (7), Lemma 2.4 (10), Lemma 2.7 (1) and Lemma 2.7 (2)

Let $\mathcal{X} \in N$. In view of Lemma 5.1, it suffices to prove that $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathcal{SL}$. In fact, by Lemma 2.1, it suffices to prove that $\mathcal{X} \models x' \approx x$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{X}$ and let $a \in A$.

To facilitate a uniform presentation (and to make the proof shorter), we introduce the following notation, where $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbf{A}$:

The notation

$$\mathcal{X}/x_0, y_0$$

denotes the following statement:

"In the identity (X) that defines the variety \mathcal{X} , relative to \mathcal{S} , if we assign $x := x_0, y := y_0$ (and simplify it using the list (*)), then $\mathbf{A} \models x \to x \approx x$ ".

Firstly, we consider the varieties associated with the following statements:

1.	$42\mathcal{A}14/a, 0,$	6.	$42\mathcal{E}12/a', a,$
2.	$42\mathcal{B}14/a, a',$	7.	$42\mathcal{E}23/a', 0,$
3.	$42\mathcal{B}24/a, a',$	8.	$42\mathcal{E}35/a', 0,$
4.	$42\mathcal{C}24/a, 0,$	9.	$42\mathcal{F}24/a, 0,$
5.	$42\mathcal{C}45/a, 0,$	10.	$42\mathcal{F}45/a, 0.$

We prove (7) as an illustration.

 $a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a' \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (a'' \rightarrow a') \rightarrow a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} (a \rightarrow a') \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} (0 \rightarrow a') \rightarrow a$ $\stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a')' = a' \rightarrow ((0 \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0) \stackrel{(42E23)}{=} (a' \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0)$ $= a'' \rightarrow a'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a \rightarrow a.$

Hence the statement (7) is true. Similarly, one can verify the rest of the above statements is true, from which it follows that, in each of the above cases, $\mathcal{X} \models x \to x \approx x$.

Then, applying Lemma 2.10, we get that $\mathcal{X} \models x' \approx x$.

The notation, where $x_0, y_0, x_1, y_1 \in \mathbf{A}$,

$$\mathcal{X}/x_0, y_0/x_1, y_1 / p \approx q$$

is an abbreviation for the following statement:

"In the identity (X) that defines the variety \mathcal{X} , relative to \mathcal{S} , if we assign $x := x_0, y := y_0$, (and simplify (X) using the appropriate lemmas from the list (*)), we obtain that $\mathbf{A} \models 0' \approx 0$; and then we assign $x := x_1, y := y_1$ in the identity (X) (and simplify it using 0' = 0 and the list (*)), then $\mathbf{A} \models p \approx q$."

Secondly, consider the varieties associated with the following statements:

- 1. $42\mathcal{B}45/0, 0/a, a' / x \to x \approx x,$ 5. $42\mathcal{E}34/0, 0/0, a / x \to x \approx x,$
- 2. $42C34/0, 0/a, 0 / x \to x \approx x,$ 6. $42\mathcal{E}45/0, 0/a, 0 / x \to x \approx x,$

3.
$$42\mathcal{E}14/0, 0/a, 0 / x \to x \approx x,$$

4. $42\mathcal{E}24/0, 0/a, 0 / x \to x \approx x,$ 7. $42\mathcal{F}23/0, 0'/a, 0 / x \to x \approx x.$

As a sample, we prove (2) below: $0 \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} 0' \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (0'' \to 0') \to 0 = (0 \to 0') \to 0 = (0 \to (0 \to 0)) \to 0$ $\stackrel{(42C34)}{=} (0 \to 0) \to (0 \to 0) = 0' \to 0' \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \text{ then } a \to a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to (a \to a)$ $\stackrel{0\approx0'}{=} 0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} 0 \to (a' \to a') \stackrel{2.4(10)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a)' = 0 \to ((a \to a) \to 0)$ $\stackrel{0}{=} \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (0 \to 0) \stackrel{(42C34)}{=} (a \to (a \to 0)) \to 0 = (a \to a')' \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a''$ $\stackrel{x\approx x''}{=} a. \text{ Hence, (2) holds. Similarly, one can verify that each of the above statements is true. So, it follows that in each case <math>\mathcal{X} \models x \to x \approx x$. Then, applying Lemma 2.10, we get that $\mathcal{X} \models x' \approx x$.

Thirdly, consider the varieties associated with the following statements:

1. $42C14/0, 0/a, 0 / x' \approx x$, 3. $42D34/0, 0/0, a / x' \approx x$,

2.
$$42\mathcal{D}14/0, 0/0, a / x' \approx x$$
, 4. $42\mathcal{G}23/0', 0/a, 0 / x' \approx x$,

5. $42\mathcal{G}24/0, 0/a, 0/x' \approx x,$

7.
$$42\mathcal{G}45/0, 0/a, 0/x' \approx x$$
.

6. $42\mathcal{G}35/0', 0/a, 0/x' \approx x,$

It is easy to verify that the above statements are true. Hence, it follows in each of the above cases that $\mathcal{X} \models x' \approx x$.

Thus, the varieties still left to consider are $42\mathcal{B}34$ and $42\mathcal{F}15$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{B}34$ and let $a \in A$. Since $a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (0' \rightarrow a')' = ((0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow (a \rightarrow 0))' \stackrel{(42B34)}{=} ((0 \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow 0)' \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} ((0 \rightarrow a) \rightarrow 0)' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$, we have that

$$\mathbf{A} \models x \approx 0 \to x. \tag{5.1}$$

Therefore, $a \to a \stackrel{(5.1)}{=} (0 \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} (a \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (0' \to a) \stackrel{(42B34)}{=} (a \to (a \to 0')) \to a \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} (a \to 0') \to a \stackrel{2.4(1)}{=} (a \to a') \to a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} (a'' \to a') \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a' \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a.$ Hence

$$\mathbf{A} \models x \approx x \to x.$$

Then, applying Lemma 2.10, we get that $\mathbf{A} \models x' \approx x$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{F}15$ and let $a \in A$. If we replace x := 0 and y := 0' we obtain that

$$\mathbf{A} \models \mathbf{0} \approx \mathbf{0}^{\prime}.\tag{5.2}$$

Since $a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \rightarrow a \stackrel{(5.2)}{=} 0 \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} 0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow a) \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow a'')$ = $0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0)) \stackrel{(42F15)}{=} ((0 \rightarrow a') \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{(5.2)}{=} ((0' \rightarrow a') \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0$ $\stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (a' \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow 0$, the identity

$$\mathbf{A} \models x \approx (x \to x)' \tag{5.3}$$

holds in **A**. Hence $a' \stackrel{(5.3)}{=} (a' \to a')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a)' \stackrel{(5.3)}{=} a$, proving the theorem.

Let I be the set consisting of the following identities: (42A24), (42A45), (42B13), (42B15), (42B23), (42B25), (42D24), (42D45), (42F25) and (42G15).

LEMMA 5.5. Let $(x) \in I$. If $\mathbf{A} \models (x)$ then $A \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$.

Proof. Let $a \in A$. We consider the following cases:

Case 1: $\mathbf{A} \models (42A24)$. Then $a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (0'' \rightarrow 0') \rightarrow a = (0 \rightarrow 0') \rightarrow a = (0 \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow 0)) \rightarrow a \stackrel{(42A24)}{=} 0 \rightarrow ((0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a) = 0 \rightarrow (0' \rightarrow a)$ $\stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$.

Case 2: $\mathbf{A} \models (42A45)$. We have $a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (0'' \rightarrow 0') \rightarrow a$ = $(0 \rightarrow 0') \rightarrow a = (0 \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow 0)) \rightarrow a \stackrel{(42A45)}{=} ((0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a$ = $(0' \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$.

Case 3: $\mathbf{A} \models (42B13)$. In this case, we get $a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' = a' \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0) = (0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0) \stackrel{(42B13)}{=} 0 \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0)) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0) = 0 \rightarrow a'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$.

Case 4: $\mathbf{A} \models (42B15)$. Then $a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' = a' \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (0' \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0$ = $((0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{(42B15)}{=} 0 \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0)) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0)$ = $0 \rightarrow a'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$.

Case 5: If $\mathbf{A} \models (42B23), a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' = a' \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to (a' \to 0) = (0 \to 0) \to (a' \to 0) \stackrel{(42B23)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to a') \to 0) \stackrel{2.4(8)}{=} 0 \to a'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \to a.$

Case 6: $\mathbf{A} \models (42B25)$. One has $a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a'' = a' \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (0' \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0$ = $((0 \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{(42B25)}{=} 0 \rightarrow ((0 \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0) \stackrel{2.4(8)}{=} 0 \rightarrow a'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \rightarrow a$.

Case 7: $\mathbf{A} \models (42D24)$. Then, setting x := 0 and y := 0 in the identity (42D24), we obtain that 0' = 0. Then apply Lemma 2.5.

Case 8: $\mathbf{A} \models (42D45)$, Then, set x := 0 and y := 0 in the identity (42D45) to obtain that 0' = 0. Now, apply Lemma 2.5.

Case 9: $\mathbf{A} \models (42F25)$. and we consider x := 0 and y := 0' in the identity (42F25) we obtain that 0' = 0. Then apply Lemma 2.5.

Case 10: $\mathbf{A} \models (42G15)$. Then, setting x := 0' and y := 0 in the identity (42G15), it is easy to obtain that 0' = 0. Then apply Lemma 2.5.

THEOREM 5.6. If $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$, then $\mathbf{A} \models (y)$ for all $(y) \in I$.

Proof. Observe that, by Lemma 2.12,

$$\mathbf{A} \models t_1 \approx t_2 \approx t_4 \approx t_5. \tag{5.4}$$

Also, by Lemma 2.13, $\mathbf{A} \models (42A24)$. Hence, by Lemma 2.14 (6), $\mathbf{A} \models (42A45)$. Now, $\mathbf{A} \models (42B13)$ is true, since $(a \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} b \rightarrow$

 $\begin{array}{l} \left((a \to a) \to a \right) \stackrel{2.11}{=} b \to (a \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (b \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} \\ a \to (a \to (b \to a)). \quad \text{Observe that } \left((a \to a) \to b \right) \to a = t_1(a, a, b, a) \\ \stackrel{(5.4)}{=} t_2(a, a, b, a) = b \to ((a \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.11}{=} b \to (a \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (b \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (a \to (b \to a)). \quad \text{Consequently, } \mathbf{A} \models (42B15). \text{ From} \\ (a \to a) \to (b \to a) = t_5(b, a, a, a) = t_2(b, a, a, a) = a \to ((a \to b) \to a), \\ \text{we have that } \mathbf{A} \models (42B23). \quad \text{Since } a \to ((a \to b) \to a) = t_2(b, a, a, a) = t_4(b, a, a, a) = ((a \to a) \to b) \to a \text{ we conclude that } \mathbf{A} \models (42B25). \end{array}$

Since $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$, by Lemma 2.6,

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to y)' \approx x' \to y'. \tag{5.5}$$

Since $(a \to (b \to a)) \to a^{2.7(2)} a' \to (a \to (b \to a))'^{2.7(1)} a' \to (b \to (a \to a))'^{(5.5)} a' \to (b' \to (a \to a'))^{2.7(2)} a' \to (b' \to (a \to a))'^{2.7(2)} a' \to (b' \to (a \to a))^{2.7(1)} b' \to (a \to a))^{2.7(1)} b' \to (a' \to (a) \to a))^{2.7(1)} b' \to (a' \to a))^{2.7(1)} a \to (b' \to (a \to a))^{2.7(2)} a \to (b' \to (a \to a))^{2.7(1)} a \to (b' \to (a \to a)))^{2.7(1)} a \to (b' \to (a \to a))^{2.7(2)} a \to (b' \to (a' \to a'))^{2.7(1)} a \to (a' \to (b' \to a))^{2.7(2)} a \to (b' \to (a' \to a'))^{2.7(1)} a \to (a' \to (b' \to a))^{2.7(1)} a \to (a' \to (b' \to a))^{2.7(1)} a \to (a' \to (b' \to a))^{2.7(2)} a \to ((b \to a) \to a)$. A satisfies the identity (42D24). Notice that A satisfies the identity (42D45), in view of $((a \to b) \to a) \to a = t_1(a, b, a, a) \stackrel{(5.4)}{=} t_2(a, b, a, a) = a \to ((b \to a) \to a)$

Since $((a \to b) \to b) \to a = t_4(b, b, a, a) = t_2(b, b, a, a) = a \to ((b \to b) \to a)$, the algebra $\mathbf{A} \models (42F25)$. Also, since $((a \to b) \to b) \to b = t_4(b, b, a, b) \stackrel{(5.4)}{=} t_2(b, b, a, b) = a \to ((b \to b) \to b) \stackrel{2.11}{=} a \to (b \to (b \to b))$, we have that $\mathbf{A} \models (42G15)$.

Recall that the varieties 42A24, 42A45, 42B13, 42B15, 42B23, 42B25, 42D24, 42D45, 42F25, and 42G15 are defined, respectively, by the following:

 $\begin{array}{l} (42A24) \ x \rightarrow ((x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow y) \approx (x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x)) \rightarrow y \\ (42A45) \ (x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x)) \rightarrow y \approx ((x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x) \rightarrow y \\ (42B13) \ x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x)) \approx (x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x) \\ (42B15) \ x \rightarrow (x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x)) \approx ((x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x \\ (42B23) \ x \rightarrow ((x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x) \approx (x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x) \\ (42B25) \ x \rightarrow ((x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x) \approx ((x \rightarrow x) \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x \\ (42D24) \ x \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x) \approx (x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x)) \rightarrow x \\ (42D45) \ (x \rightarrow (y \rightarrow x)) \rightarrow x \approx ((x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x) \rightarrow x \\ (42F25) \ x \rightarrow ((y \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x) \approx ((x \rightarrow y) \rightarrow y) \rightarrow x \end{array}$

(42G15) $x \to (y \to (y \to y)) \approx ((x \to y) \to y) \to y$

Using Lemma 5.5 and Theorem 5.6, one can easily verify the following Theorem.

THEOREM 5.7. 42A24 = 42A45 = 42B13 = 42B15 = 42B23 = 42B25 = 42D24 = 42D45 = 42F25 = 42G15.

LEMMA 5.8. 42A24 = 31A12.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \in 31\mathcal{A}12$. Since, replacing x := 0 in the identity (31A12), we obtain 0 = 0' then $a = a'' = a' \to 0 = a' \to 0' = 0 \to a$ by Lemma 2.3 (2). Then, by Lemma 2.13, $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{A}24$. Therefore $31\mathcal{A}12 \subseteq 42\mathcal{A}24$.

For the converse let consider $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{A}24$. Let $a \in A$. By Lemma 5.5

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \to x \approx x. \tag{5.6}$$

Hence, $(a \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} (0 \to a) \to a \stackrel{(5.6)}{=} a \to a \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to a).$

Let J be the set consisting of the following identities: (42B12), (42B35), (42C23), (42C25), (42C35) and (42G25).

LEMMA 5.9. Let $(x) \in J$. If $\mathbf{A} \models (x)$ then $A \models 0 \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x) \approx x \rightarrow x$.

Proof. Let $a \in A$. Consider the following cases: Case 1: $\mathbf{A} \models (42B12)$. Then $a \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a \to (a' \to a) = a \to ((a \to 0) \to a)$ $\stackrel{(42B12)}{=} a \to (a \to (0 \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (0 \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} 0 \to (a \to (a \to a))$ $\stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a).$ Case 2: (x) = (42B35). Hence $0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to a)$

Case 2: (x) = (42B35). Hence $0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to a)$ $\stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} 0 \to ((a \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (0 \to a)$ $\stackrel{(42B35)}{=} ((a \to a) \to 0) \to a = (a \to a)' \to a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(11)}{=} a \to a.$ Case 3: (x) = (42C23). We get $a \to a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to (a \to a) = (0 \to a)$ $0) \to (a \to a) \stackrel{(42C23)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to a)$ $\stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a).$

Case 4: (x) = (42C25). One has $a \to a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (0' \to a) \to a = ((0 \to 0) \to a) \to a \stackrel{(42C25)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to a) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a)$.

Case 5: (x) = (42C35). Then $0 \to (a \to a)' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a) \to 0' = (a \to a) \to (0 \to 0) \stackrel{(42C35)}{=} ((a \to a) \to 0) \to 0 \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a \to a$. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \to (x \to x)' \approx x \to x. \tag{5.7}$$

Hence $a \to a \stackrel{(5.7)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a)' \stackrel{(5.7)}{=} 0 \to (0 \to (a \to a)')' \stackrel{2.4(8)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a)'' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} 0 \to (a \to a).$ Case 6: (x) = (42G25). We have $0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to a)$ $\stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} 0 \to ((a \to a) \to a) \stackrel{(42G25)}{=} ((0 \to a) \to a) \to a$ $\stackrel{2.4(2)}{=} a \to a$, which proves the lemma.

THEOREM 5.10. If $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x) \approx x \rightarrow x$ then $\mathbf{A} \models (y)$, for all $(y) \in J$.

Proof. Let $a, b \in A$. By Lemma 2.9 (1) and (2),

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to y' \approx ((x \to x) \to y)' \tag{5.8}$$

and

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to (y \to z) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to z \tag{5.9}$$

Using (5.9) we have that **A** satisfies (42B35) and (42C35). Since $a \to ((a \to b) \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to b) \to (a \to a) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (((a \to a)' \to a) \to (b \to (a \to a))')' \stackrel{(5.9)}{=} (((a \to a) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((0 \to ((a \to a) \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{hyp}{=} (((a \to a) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a))) \to (b \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (((0 \to (a \to a)) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((0 \to ((a \to a) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (((0 \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} ((0 \to ((0 \to a) \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (((0 \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (((0 \to (a \to a))))'' \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} ((0 \to (a \to a)))')' \stackrel{(5.8)}{=} (((0 \to a) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a))))'' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((0 \to (a \to a))))'' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((0 \to (a \to a)))'' \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (0 \to (a \to a)) \to (b \to (a \to a))) \stackrel{2.4(12)}{=} b \to (a \to a) \to (b \to (a \to a)))$ of (5.9) and (42C23), we have $\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to (y \to y) \approx x \to ((x \to y) \to y)$ proving that the identity (42C25) holds in \mathbf{A} .

It remains to verify that the algebra **A** satisfies identity (42G25). To finish off the proof, $((a \to b) \to b) \to b \stackrel{(I)}{=} ((b' \to a) \to (b \to b)')' \to b$ $\stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} b' \to ((b' \to a) \to (b \to b)')'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} b' \to ((b' \to a) \to (b \to b)')$ $\stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} b' \to ((b \to b) \to (b' \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to b) \to (b' \to (b' \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b' \to a) \to b) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b' \to b') \to (a \to b)')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(S.8)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(S.8)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b)) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to ((b \to b) \to (a \to b))'' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to b) \to (b \to$

Recall that the varieties $42\mathcal{B}12$, $42\mathcal{B}35$, $42\mathcal{C}23$, $42\mathcal{C}25$, $42\mathcal{C}35$, and $42\mathcal{G}25$ are defined, respectively, by the following:

 $\begin{array}{l} (42\text{B}12) \ x \to (x \to (y \to x)) \approx x \to ((x \to y) \to x) \\ (42\text{B}35) \ (x \to x) \to (y \to x) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to x \\ (42\text{C}23) \ x \to ((x \to y) \to y) \approx (x \to x) \to (y \to y) \\ (42\text{C}25) \ x \to ((x \to y) \to y) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to y \\ (42\text{C}35) \ (x \to x) \to (y \to y) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to y \\ (42\text{G}25) \ x \to ((y \to y) \to y) \approx ((x \to y) \to y) \\ \end{array}$

In view of Lemma 5.9 and Theorem 5.10, the following theorem is immediate.

THEOREM 5.11. 42B12 = 42B35 = 42C23 = 42C25 = 42C35 = 42G25.

LEMMA 5.12. 42A12 = 42D23 = 42D35.

Proof. In view of Lemma 2.14(7), we have

$$\mathbf{A} \models x \to ((y \to x) \to x) \approx ((x \to y) \to x) \to x.$$

Hence,

 $\mathbf{A} \models (42D23)$ if and only if $\mathbf{A} \models (42D35)$,

proving that $42\mathcal{D}23 = 42\mathcal{D}35$.

Assume $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{A}12$ and $a, b \in A$. Observe that $((a \to b) \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(3)}{=} (a \to (b \to a)')' \to a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to (a \to (b \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to ((b \to a) \to a')$

$$\begin{array}{l} \overset{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to a) \to (a' \to a') \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (b \to a) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (a' \to b') \to (a \to a) \\ \overset{2.4(7)}{=} (a' \to (a' \to b')) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.4(7)}{=} (a' \to (a' \to (a' \to b'))) \to (a \to a) \\ \overset{(42A12)}{=} (a' \to ((a' \to a') \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(1)}{=} ((a' \to a') \to (a' \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} ((a \to a) \to (a' \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} ((a \to a) \to (a' \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to (a' \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to (a' \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} ((0 \to b)' \to a) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.4(4)}{=} (0 \to (a' \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to b)' \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.4(7)}{=} (0 \to b)) \to (a \to a) \overset{2.4(7)}{=} \overset{2.4(13)}{=} (0 \to (a \to a) \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (0 \to b) \to (a' \to a') \overset{x \approx x''}{=} (0 \to b') \to (a' \to a') \overset{2.4(7)}{=} \overset{2.4(13)}{=} (b' \to a') \to (a' \to a') \overset{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to b) \to (a \to a).$$
 Hence $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{D}35.$

Now assume that $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{D}35$ and $a, b \in A$. Since $0 \to a \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} (0 \to a)'' = ((0 \to a) \to 0) \to 0 \stackrel{(42D35)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to 0) = (0 \to a) \to 0' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} 0 \to (0 \to a)' \stackrel{2.4(8)}{=} 0 \to a'$, the algebra \mathbf{A} satisfies

$$0 \to x \approx 0 \to x'. \tag{5.10}$$

Therefore, $a \to ((a \to a) \to b) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.4(13)}{=} (0 \to a') \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to ((0 \to a') \to b) \stackrel{(5.10)}{=} a \to ((0 \to a) \to b) \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} a \to ((b \to a) \to b) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to a) \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.4(12)}{=} a \to b \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to b))$. Hence $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{A}12$.

Let K be the set consisting of the following identities: (42C12), (42C13), (42C15), (42D12) and (42F35).

LEMMA 5.13. Let $(x) \in K$. If $\mathbf{A} \models (x)$ then $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x \rightarrow x$.

Proof. Let $a \in A$.

If
$$\mathbf{A} \models (42C12), a \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \rightarrow a' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} a' \rightarrow a''' = a' \rightarrow ((a' \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0)$$

$$\stackrel{(42C12)}{=} a' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow 0)) = a' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0') \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a' \rightarrow 0' \stackrel{2.3(1)}{=} 0 \rightarrow a.$$

$$\begin{split} \text{If } \mathbf{A} &\models (42C13), \ 0 \to a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to 0' \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a' \to (a' \to 0') = a' \to (a' \to 0') \\ (0 \to 0)) \stackrel{(42C13)}{=} (a' \to a') \to (0 \to 0) = (a' \to a') \to 0' \stackrel{2.3(2)}{=} 0 \to (a' \to a')' \\ \stackrel{2.4(10)}{=} 0 \to (a'' \to a'') \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} 0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \to (0 \to (a \to a)) \\ \stackrel{(42C13)}{=} (0 \to 0) \to (a \to a) = 0' \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} a \to a. \end{split}$$

If
$$\mathbf{A} \models (42C15), 0 \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \rightarrow 0' \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0') = a' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow 0)) \stackrel{(42C15)}{=} ((a' \rightarrow a') \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0 \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} a' \rightarrow a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \rightarrow a.$$

If $\mathbf{A} \models (42D12), 0 \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \rightarrow 0' \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow 0') = a' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow 0)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} 0 \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow 0)) \stackrel{(42D12)}{=} 0 \rightarrow ((a' \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0) \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} 0 \rightarrow (a \rightarrow 0) = 0 \rightarrow a'.$ Hence,

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \to x \approx 0 \to x'. \tag{5.11}$$

Therefore, $a \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a \to (a' \to a) \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} a \to ((a \to a') \to a) \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} a \to ((0 \to a') \to a) \stackrel{(5.11)}{=} a \to ((0 \to a) \to a) \stackrel{(42D12)}{=} a \to (0 \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} 0 \to (a \to (a \to a)) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} 0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to a) \stackrel{(5.11)}{=} (0 \to a') \to (0 \to a) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} 0 \to (a' \to a) \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} 0 \to a.$

If $\mathbf{A} \models (42F35), \ 0 \rightarrow a \stackrel{2.4(11)}{=} a' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a) = (a \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a)$ $\stackrel{(42F35)}{=} [(a \rightarrow 0) \rightarrow 0] \rightarrow a = a'' \rightarrow a \stackrel{x'' \approx x}{=} a \rightarrow a.$

THEOREM 5.14. If $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x \rightarrow x$ then $\mathbf{A} \models (y)$ for all $(y) \in K$.

Proof. Let $a, b \in A$. By the hypothesis and Lemma 2.8 (1) A satisfies

$$0 \to (x \to x) \approx x \to x. \tag{5.12}$$

Hence, by Lemma 2.9 (3) and Lemma 2.7 (1), the algebra A satisfies (42C23).

In view of Theorem 5.11, the algebra **A** satisfies the identity (42B12) too. Since $(a \to a) \to (b \to b) \stackrel{hyp}{=} (0 \to a) \to (0 \to b) \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} 0 \to (a \to b)$ $\stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to (0 \to b) \stackrel{hyp}{=} a \to (b \to b) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to (b \to b))$, the algebra **A** satisfies (42C13). Therefore, $a \to ((a \to b) \to b) \stackrel{(42C23)}{=} (a \to a) \to (b \to b)$ $\stackrel{(42C13)}{=} a \to (a \to (b \to b))$. Consequently, **A** \models (42C12). By Lemma 2.9 (2),

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to (y \to z) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to z.$$
 (5.13)

Therefore, $a \to (a \to (b \to b)) \stackrel{(42C12)}{=} a \to ((a \to b) \to b) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to b) \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.9(3)and(5.12)}{=} (a \to a) \to (b \to b) \stackrel{(5.13)}{=} ((a \to a) \to b) \to b$ proving (42C15). By Lemma 2.8 (2) **A** satisfies

$$0 \to x' \approx 0 \to x. \tag{5.14}$$

Since $a \to ((b \to a) \to a) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to a) \to (a \to a) \stackrel{hyp}{=} (b \to a) \to (0 \to a)$ $\stackrel{(I)}{=} (((0 \to a)' \to b) \to (a \to (0 \to a))')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (((0 \to a)' \to b) \to (0 \to (a \to a))')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} ((0 \to a)' \to b) \to (0 \to (a \to a))')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} ((0 \to a)' \to b) \to (0 \to a))' \to (0 \to a)$ $a))')' \stackrel{(5.12)}{=} (((0 \to a)' \to b) \to (a \to a)')' \stackrel{hyp}{=} (((0 \to a)' \to b) \to (0 \to a)')'$ $\stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} (((0 \rightarrow a)' \rightarrow b) \rightarrow (0' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a))')' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \rightarrow 0') \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a)$ $\stackrel{2.3(2)}{=} (0 \to b') \to (0 \to a) \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (0 \to b) \to (0 \to a) \stackrel{hyp}{=} (0 \to b) \to (a \to a)$ a)) $\stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \rightarrow (b \rightarrow (a \rightarrow a))$, the identity (42D12) holds in **A**. Finally, $\mathbf{A} \models (42F35)$, in view of the following derivation: $((a \rightarrow b) \rightarrow b) \rightarrow a$ $\stackrel{(I)}{=} ((a' \rightarrow (a \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((a \rightarrow (a' \rightarrow b)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')'$ $\stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((a \rightarrow (b' \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((b' \rightarrow (a \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')'$ $\stackrel{hyp}{=} ((b' \rightarrow (0 \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')' \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((0 \rightarrow (b' \rightarrow a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')'$ $\stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} (((0 \to b') \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a)')' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a)')' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to a))' \stackrel{(5.14)}{=} (((0 \to b) \to (0 \to a)) \to ((0 \to a))$ $(b \to a)')' \stackrel{2.4(6)and(9)}{=} ((0 \to (b \to a)) \to (b \to a)')' \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} (((b \to a)' \to (b \to a)') \to (b \to a)')' \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} ((b \to a)' \to (b \to a)') \to (b \to a)' \to (b \to a)'$ $a)) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')' \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} ((b \rightarrow a) \rightarrow (b \rightarrow a)')' \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (b \rightarrow a)'' \stackrel{x'' \approx x}{=} b \rightarrow a$ $\stackrel{2.4(12)}{=} (a \to b) \to (b \to a)$, completing the proof.

THEOREM 5.15. 42C12 = 42C13 = 42C15 = 42D12 = 42F35.

Proof. If $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{C}12$ then, by Lemma 5.13, $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x \rightarrow x$. Hence, using Theorem 5.14, $\mathbf{A} \models (y)$ for all $(y) \in K$. Consequently $\mathbf{A} \models (42C13)$, proving $42\mathcal{C}12 \subseteq 42\mathcal{C}13$. Similar arguments can be used for the remaining inclusions.

6 Weak associative laws with length 4 and with 3 variables.

Possible words of length 4 with 3 variables are:

A: $\langle x, x, y, z \rangle$,	D: $\langle x, y, z, x \rangle$,
B: $\langle x, y, x, z \rangle$,	E: $\langle x, y, z, y \rangle$,
C: $\langle x, y, y, z \rangle$,	F: $\langle x, y, z, z \rangle$.
Ways in which a word of length 4	can be bracketed:
1: $a \to (a \to (a \to a)),$	4: $(a \to (a \to a)) \to a$
$2: a \to ((a \to a) \to a),$	5: $((a \to a) \to a) \to a$
$3: (a \to a) \to (a \to a),$	

Note that these identities are precisely the identities of Bol-Moufang type which were, as mentioned in the Introduction, analysed in [CS18a] with a slightly different notation wherein the first two digits were not used; for example, 43A23 was denoted by A_{23} , etc.

Recall that the varieties 43A12, 43A23, and 43A23 are defined, respectively, by the following:

 $\begin{array}{l} (43\text{A}12) \ x \to (x \to (y \to z)) \approx x \to ((x \to y) \to z) \\ (43\text{A}23) \ x \to ((x \to y) \to z) \approx (x \to x) \to (y \to z) \\ (43\text{F}25) \ x \to ((y \to z) \to z) \approx ((x \to y) \to z) \to z. \end{array}$

THEOREM 6.1. [CS18a] There are 4 nontrivial varieties of Bol-Moufang type that are distinct from each other: SL, 43A12, 43A23 and 43F25; and they satisfy the following inclusions:

- 1. $\mathcal{SL} \subset 43\mathcal{A}23 \subset 43\mathcal{F}25$,
- 2. $\mathcal{SL} \subset 43\mathcal{A}12$,
- 3. $\mathcal{BA} \subset 43\mathcal{A}12 \subset 43\mathcal{F}25$,
- 4. $43\mathcal{F}25 \subset \mathcal{S}$,
- 5. $\mathcal{SL} = 43\mathcal{A}23 \cap 43\mathcal{A}12.$

LEMMA 6.2. $43\mathcal{F}25 = 42\mathcal{B}35$.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{B}35$. By Lemma 5.9,

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \to (x \to x) \approx x \to x. \tag{6.1}$$

Hence, using Lemmas 2.8 and 2.9, we have

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to y' \approx ((x \to x) \to y)'. \tag{6.2}$$

Let $a, b, c \in A$. Then $((a \to b) \to c) \to c \stackrel{(I)}{=} ((c' \to a) \to (b \to c)')' \to c$ $\stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} c' \to ((c' \to a) \to (b \to c)')'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} c' \to ((c' \to a) \to (b \to c)')$ $\stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} c' \to ((b \to c) \to (c' \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (b \to c) \to (c' \to (c' \to a)') \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (b \to c)$ $c) \to ((c' \to a) \to c) \stackrel{(I)}{=} (b \to c) \to ((c' \to c') \to (a \to c)')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (b \to c) \to$ $((c \to c) \to (a \to c)')' \stackrel{(6.2)}{=} (b \to c) \to ((c \to c) \to (a \to c))'' \stackrel{x''\approx x}{=} (b \to c) \to$ $((c \to c) \to (a \to c)) \stackrel{2.4(16)}{=} (b \to c) \to (a \to c) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to ((b \to c) \to c).$ Hence, $\mathbf{A} \models (43F25)$ and consequently,

$$42\mathcal{B}35 \subseteq 43\mathcal{F}25.$$

Assume now that $\mathbf{A} \in 43\mathcal{F}25$ and $a \in A$. Then $0 \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0 \to ((0' \to a) \to a) \stackrel{(43F25)}{=} ((0 \to 0') \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} (0' \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} a \to a$. Hence, using Lemma 2.9, we get

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to (y \to z) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to z \tag{6.3}$$

Using (6.3) we have that $\mathbf{A} \models (42B35)$. This completes the proof. \Box

LEMMA 6.3. 43A12 = 42C12.

Proof. Let $\mathbf{A} \in 43\mathcal{A}12$ and $a \in A$. Observe that $a \to a \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a' \to a' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} a' \to a'' = a' \to ((a' \to 0) \to 0) \stackrel{(43\mathcal{A}12)}{=} a' \to (a' \to (0 \to 0)) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a' \to (0 \to 0) = a' \to 0' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} 0 \to a$. Hence, by Theorem 5.14, $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{C}12$, implying $43\mathcal{A}12 \subseteq 42\mathcal{C}12$.

Conversely, take $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{C}12$ and $a, b, c \in A$. By Lemma 5.13,

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \to x \approx x \to x. \tag{6.4}$$

Hence, by Lemmas 2.8 and 2.9,

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to y' \approx ((x \to x) \to y)' \tag{6.5}$$

and

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to (y \to z) \approx ((x \to x) \to y) \to z.$$
(6.6)

Therefore,

$$a \to ((a \to b) \to c) \stackrel{(I)}{=} a \to ((c' \to a) \to (b \to c)')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((c' \to a) \to (b \to c)') \to a' \stackrel{(I)}{=} \{(a'' \to (c' \to a)) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} \{(a \to (c' \to a)) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} \{(c' \to (a \to a)) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} \{(c' \to (c' \to (a \to a))) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(42C12)}{=} \{(c' \to ((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a))) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(42C12)}{=} \{(c' \to ((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a)) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(6.5)}{=} \{((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a)) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')) \to ((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} ((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a)) \to ((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a)) \to (c' \to a)) + (c' \to a) \to (c' \to a) = (c' \to a) \to (c' \to a) = (c' \to a) =$$

 $\begin{array}{l} a)) \to ((b \to c)' \to a') \stackrel{(6.6)}{=} (((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a)) \to (b \to c)') \to a' \\ \stackrel{(6.5)}{=} (((c' \to a) \to (c' \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(2.7(1))}{=} ((c' \to ((c' \to a) \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(42C12)}{=} ((c' \to (c' \to (a \to a))) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(2.4(7)}{=} ((c' \to (a \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} ((c' \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(2.4(7)}{=} ((0 \to (c' \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} (((c' \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to a))}{=} (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} (((c' \to c') \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} (((c \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} (((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c))'}{=} (0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} (((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c))'}{=} ((0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} (((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c))'}{=} ((0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} ((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c))'}{=} ((0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} ((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c))'}{=} ((0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} ((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c))'}{=} ((0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(0 \to c)}{=} ((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c)}{=} ((0 \to (c \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{(0 \to c)}{=} ((0 \to c) \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \\ \stackrel{(0 \to c)}{=} ((0 \to c) \to (0 \to c)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \quad (0 \to c))' \to a' \quad (0 \to c)) \to (0 \to c))' \to a' \quad (0 \to c))' \to a' \to c)$

So, $a \to ((a \to b) \to c) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} ((c \to (0 \to a)) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (((0 \to a)' \to c') \to (c' \to b'))' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (((0 \to a)' \to c') \to (c' \to b'))' \to a' \stackrel{2.4(13)}{=} ((0 \to (0 \to a)'') \to (c' \to b'))' \to a' \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} ((0 \to (0 \to a)) \to (c' \to b'))' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((0 \to a) \to (b \to c))' \to a'$ $b'))' \to a' \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} ((0 \to a) \to (c' \to b'))' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((0 \to a) \to (b \to c))' \to a'$ $\stackrel{2.4(11)}{=} a \to \{((0 \to a) \to (b \to c))' \to a'\} \stackrel{(6.4)}{=} a \to \{((a \to a) \to (b \to c))' \to a' \to c)\} \to a'\} \stackrel{(6.5)}{=} a \to \{((a \to a) \to (b \to c)') \to a'\} \stackrel{(1)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (a \to a) \to (b \to c))' \to a'\} \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{((b \to c)' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{((b \to c)' \to a') \to (a \to a)'\}' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{((b \to c)' \to a') \to (a \to a)'\}' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a \to a)'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a \to a)'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a \to a)'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to \{(a \to (b \to c)) \to (a' \to a')'\}' \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to (((b \to c) \to 0) \to a') \stackrel{(2.7(2)}{=} a \to (a \to (b \to c)))$

7 Weak associative laws with length 4 and with 4 variables.

The only word of length 4 with 4 variables is:

A: $\langle t, x, y, z \rangle$.

Ways in which a word of length 4 can be bracketed:

1: $a \to (a \to (a \to a)),$ 2: $a \to ((a \to a) \to a),$ 3: $(a \to a) \to (a \to a),$ 4: $(a \to (a \to a)) \to a,$ 5: $((a \to a) \to a) \to a$.

Let L be the set consisting of the following varieties 44A12, 44A13, 44A14, 44A15, 44A23, 44A24, 44A34, 44A35 and 44A45.

THEOREM 7.1. If $\mathcal{X} \in L$ then $\mathcal{X} = 33\mathcal{A}12$.

Proof. It is easy to see that $33A12 \subseteq \mathcal{X}$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{X}$ and let $a, b, c \in A$.

To facilitate a uniform presentation (and to make the proof shorter), we introduce the following notation, where $u_0, x_0, y_0, z_0 \in A$:

The notation

$$\mathcal{X}/u_0, x_0, y_0, z_0$$

denotes the following statement:

"In the identity (X) that defines the variety \mathcal{X} , relative to \mathcal{S} , if we assign $u := u_0, x := x_0, y := y_0, z := z_0$ (and simplify it using Lemma 2.2 (1) and $x \approx x''$), then $\mathbf{A} \models x \to (y \to z) \approx (x \to y) \to z$ ".

Hence, we consider the varieties associated with the following statements:

1. $44\mathcal{A}12/0', a, b, c;$	4. $44A15/0', a, b, c;$	7. $34A12/0', a, b, c;$
2. $44A13/a, b, 0', c;$	5. $44A23/0', a, b, c;$	8. 44A35/0′, a, b, c;
3. $44A14/0', a, b, c;$	6. $44A24/a, 0', b, c;$	9. $44A45/a, b, c, 0.$

It is routine to verify that each of the above statements is true, from which we conclude that, for $\mathcal{X} \in L$, $\mathcal{X} \subseteq 33\mathcal{A}12$.

LEMMA 7.2. If $\mathbf{A} \in 31\mathcal{A}12 \cup 43\mathcal{A}23 \cup 44\mathcal{A}25$ then $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$.

Proof. First, we will show that if $\mathbf{A} \in 31\mathcal{A}12 \cup 43\mathcal{A}23 \cup 44\mathcal{A}25$, then $\mathbf{A} \models 0' \approx 0$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in 31\mathcal{A}12$. Then, by Lemma 2.2 (4) and (31A12), $0' = 0 \to 0' = 0 \to (0 \to 0) = (0 \to 0) \to 0 = 0' \to 0 = 0$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in 43\mathcal{A}23$. Then $0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to (0' \to 0) = (0 \to 0) \to (0' \to 0) \stackrel{(43A23)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to 0') \to 0) \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} 0 \to (0' \to 0) \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0 \to 0 = 0'.$

Let $\mathbf{A} \in 44\mathcal{A}25$, Then $0' = 0 \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0 \to (0' \to 0) \stackrel{2.2(4)}{=} 0 \to ((0 \to 0') \to 0) \stackrel{(44A25)}{=} ((0 \to 0) \to 0') \to 0 = (0' \to 0') \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0' \to 0 \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} 0$. Therefore,

$$\mathbf{A} \models 0 \approx 0'.$$

Hence, for $a \in A$, $0 \to a = 0' \to a = a$ by Lemma 2.2 (1).

LEMMA 7.3. If $\mathbf{A} \models 0 \rightarrow x \approx x$ then $\mathbf{A} \in 31\mathcal{A}12 \cap 43\mathcal{A}23 \cap 44\mathcal{A}25$.

Proof. Let $a, b, c, d \in A$. Since $a \to (a \to a) \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to a \stackrel{hyp}{=} (0 \to a) \to a \stackrel{2.4(4)}{=} (a \to a) \to a$, we have $\mathbf{A} \models (31A12)$. Observe that, by Lemma 2.12 we have that $\mathbf{A} \models t_3(x, y, z, t) \approx t_5(x, y, z, t)$ and $\mathbf{A} \models t_3(x, y, z, t) \approx t_4(x, y, z, t)$. Hence, $(a \to a) \to (b \to c) = t_3(a, a, b, c) = t_5(a, a, b, c) = (a \to b) \to (a \to c) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} a \to ((a \to b) \to c)$ and consequently, the algebra \mathbf{A} satisfies (43A23). Also, the algebra satisfies the identity (44A25), since

 $((d \to a) \to b) \to c = t_4(b, a, d, c) = t_3(b, a, d, c) = (a \to b) \to (d \to c)^{2.7(1)} d \to ((a \to b) \to c),$

LEMMA 7.4.
$$31A12 = 43A23 = 44A25$$

Proof. The proof is immediate from Lemma 7.2 and Lemma 7.3.

8 MAIN THEOREM

The purpose of this section is to prove our main theorem. The following proposition will be needed to complete the proof of the main theorem.

In the following proposition we combine all the results obtained so far both in this paper and in [CS18a]. In the latter, each of the 60 varieties defined by the weak associative laws of lenth 4 with 3 variables was shown to be equal to one of the three varieties: 43A12, 43A23, and 43F25. Therefore, we will need only consider these three varieties with the remaining 95 varieties in the following result.

We recall here that the varieties 42A12, 43A12, 43A23, and 43A23 are defined, respectively, by the following:

 $\begin{array}{l} (42\text{A12}) \ x \to (x \to (x \to y)) \approx x \to ((x \to x) \to y) \\ (43\text{A12}) \ x \to (x \to (y \to z)) \approx x \to ((x \to y) \to z) \\ (43\text{A23}) \ x \to ((x \to y) \to z) \approx (x \to x) \to (y \to z) \\ (43\text{F25}) \ x \to ((y \to z) \to z) \approx ((x \to y) \to z) \to z. \end{array}$

PROPOSITION 8.1. Each of the possible 155 weak associative subvarieties of S is equal to one of the following varieties:

 \mathcal{SL} , 43 \mathcal{A} 12, 43 \mathcal{A} 23, 42 \mathcal{A} 12, 43 \mathcal{F} 25 and \mathcal{S} .

Proof. We have

- 1. $SL \stackrel{3.1}{=} LALT \stackrel{3.1}{=} FLEX \stackrel{3.1}{=} RALT \stackrel{3.2}{=} 33A12 \stackrel{5.4}{=} 42A14 \stackrel{5.4}{=} 42B14 \stackrel{5.4}{=}$
- 2. $43\mathcal{A}12 \stackrel{6.3}{=} 42\mathcal{C}12 \stackrel{5.15}{=} 42\mathcal{C}13 \stackrel{5.15}{=} 42\mathcal{C}15 \stackrel{5.15}{=} 42\mathcal{D}12 \stackrel{5.15}{=} 42\mathcal{F}35 \stackrel{5.2(3)}{=} 42\mathcal{D}15 \stackrel{5.3}{=} 42\mathcal{E}13 \stackrel{5.3}{=} 42\mathcal{F}12 \stackrel{5.3}{=} 42\mathcal{F}13.$
- 3. $43\mathcal{A}23 \stackrel{7.4}{=} 31\mathcal{A}12 \stackrel{4.2}{=} 41\mathcal{A}14 \stackrel{4.1(6)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}34 \stackrel{4.1(6)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}45 \stackrel{4.1(2)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}24 \stackrel{7.4}{=} 44\mathcal{A}25 \stackrel{5.8}{=} 42\mathcal{A}24 \stackrel{5.2(2)}{=} 42\mathcal{A}34 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{A}45 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{B}13 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{B}15 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{B}23 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{B}25 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{D}24 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{D}45 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{F}25 \stackrel{5.7}{=} 42\mathcal{G}15 \stackrel{5.3}{=} 42\mathcal{G}34 \stackrel{5.3}{=} 42\mathcal{G}12.$
- 4. $42\mathcal{A}12 \stackrel{5.2(2)}{=} 42\mathcal{A}13 \stackrel{5.2(2)}{=} 42\mathcal{A}15 \stackrel{5.12}{=} 42\mathcal{D}23 \stackrel{5.12}{=} 42\mathcal{D}35.$
- 5. $43\mathcal{F}25 \stackrel{6.2}{=} 42\mathcal{B}35 \stackrel{5.11}{=} 42\mathcal{B}12 \stackrel{5.11}{=} 42\mathcal{C}23 \stackrel{5.11}{=} 42\mathcal{C}25 \stackrel{5.11}{=} 42\mathcal{C}35 \stackrel{5.11}{=} 42\mathcal{G}25 \stackrel{5.3}{=} 42\mathcal{D}13.$
- 6. $\mathcal{S} \stackrel{4.1(4)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}23 \stackrel{4.1(5)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}13 \stackrel{4.1(5)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}13 \stackrel{4.1(5)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}15 \stackrel{4.1(5)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}35 \stackrel{4.1(3)}{=} 41\mathcal{A}25 \stackrel{4.1(3)}{=}$

We are now ready to present the main theorem of this paper.

THEOREM 8.2.

(a) The following are the 6 varieties defined, relative to S, by the 155 weak associative laws of length $m \leq 4$ that are distinct from each other:

SL, 43A12, 43A23, 42A12, 43F25 and S.

- (b) They satisfy the following relationships:
 - 1. $\mathcal{SL} \subset 43\mathcal{A}23 \subset 43\mathcal{F}25 \subset \mathcal{S},$
 - 2. $\mathcal{SL} \subset 43\mathcal{A}12 \subset 42\mathcal{A}12 \subset \mathcal{S},$
 - 3. $\mathcal{BA} \subset 43\mathcal{A}12 \subset 43\mathcal{F}25$,
 - 4. $43A12 \not\subseteq 43A23$ and $43A23 \not\subseteq 43A12$,
 - 5. $42\mathcal{A}12 \not\subseteq 43\mathcal{F}25$ and $43\mathcal{F}25 \not\subseteq 42\mathcal{A}12$,
 - 6. $43A23 \not\subseteq 42A12$ and $42A12 \not\subseteq 43A23$.

Proof. We first prove (b):

- 1. Follows from Theorem 6.1.
- 2. The statement $\mathcal{SL} \subset 43\mathcal{A}12$ follows from Theorem 6.1. Then it remains to check that $43\mathcal{A}12 \subset 42\mathcal{A}12 \subset \mathcal{S}$.

Let $\mathbf{A} \in 43\mathcal{A}12$ and $a, b \in A$. By Proposition 8.1 (2), $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{C}12$. Observe that

$$42\mathcal{C}12 \models 0 \to x \approx x \to x \tag{8.1}$$

by Lemma 5.13. Then, using Lemma 2.8 (1), we have $42C12 \models 0 \rightarrow (x \rightarrow x) \approx x \rightarrow x$. Hence, by Lemma 2.9 (1),

$$\mathbf{A} \models (x \to x) \to y' \approx ((x \to x) \to y)'. \tag{8.2}$$

Hence $a \to ((a \to a) \to b) \stackrel{2.7(1)}{=} (a \to a) \to (a \to b) \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} (a \to a) \to (b' \to a') \stackrel{x \approx x''}{=} ((a \to a) \to (b' \to a'))'' \stackrel{(8.2)}{=} ((a \to a) \to (b' \to a')')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((a' \to a') \to (b' \to a')')' \stackrel{(8.1)}{=} ((0 \to a') \to (b' \to a')')' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} ((a \to 0') \to (b' \to a'))' \stackrel{(I)}{=} (0' \to b') \to a' \stackrel{2.2(1)}{=} b' \to a' \stackrel{2.7(2)}{=} a \to b \stackrel{2.4(7)}{=} a \to (a \to (a \to b)).$ Thus, $\mathbf{A} \in 42\mathcal{A}12$. The following examples show, respectively, that $42\mathcal{A}12 \neq 43\mathcal{A}12$ and $42\mathcal{A}12 \neq \mathcal{S}$.

_\·		1	2	\rightarrow :	0	1	2	3
	0	1	2	0	0	1	2	3
0	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	3
1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	ี ว
2	0	1	2	Z		T	3	3
-		-	-	3	3	3	3	3

- 3. Follows from Theorem 6.1.
- 4. The algebra $\mathbf{2}_{\mathbf{b}}$ shows that $43\mathcal{A}12 \not\subseteq 43\mathcal{A}23$, whilst the following algebra shows that $43\mathcal{A}23 \not\subseteq 43\mathcal{A}12$.

5. The following algebras show that $42A12 \not\subseteq 43F25$ and $43F25 \not\subseteq 42A12$, respectively.

、 .	0	1	ົງ	\rightarrow	}:	0	1	2	
$\frac{\neg}{0}$	$\frac{0}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{2}{2}$		0	0	1	2	
1	1	1	$\frac{-}{2}$		1	2	3	2	
2	0	1	2		$\frac{2}{2}$	1 2	1	3	

6. The following algebras show that $43A23 \not\subseteq 42A12$ and $42A12 \not\subseteq 43A23$, respectively.

\rightarrow :	0	1	2	3			
0	0	1	2	3	\rightarrow :	0	1
1	2	3	2	3	0	1	1
2	1	1	3	3	1	0	1
3	3	3	3	3			

The proof of the theorem is now complete since (a) is an immediate consequence of Proposition 8.1 and (b). \Box

The Hasse diagram of the poset of the weak associative subvarieties of S of length ≤ 4 , together with the variety \mathcal{BA} is given below:



We conclude the paper with the remark that it would be of interest to investigate the weak associative identities, and in particular, the identities of Bol-Moufang type, relative to \mathcal{I} and other (important) subvarieties of \mathcal{I} .

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