

“It is not worth an intelligent man’s time to be in the majority. By definition, there are already enough people to do that.” —G. H. Hardy

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Who needs inverses anyway?

A talk by
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Abstract

We all know that, with a mere three axioms, the theory of groups is a rich and pervasive field. In this talk I hope to convince you that semigroups, with only the single assumption of associativity, display a surprising amount of structure. I will introduce Green’s relations, regular D classes and Rees matrix semigroups, and discuss the structure of semigroup algebras.

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