My contacts with Istvan Nemeti began roughly in 1978. About then I began to write a lengthy article on cylindric set algebras, based on earlier work of mine and of Leon Henkin (a joint article of Henkin and Monk appeared in 1974). Soon it was clear that Andreka and Nemeti had obtained so many results relevant to that article that something should be done about it. The solution was a joint monograph in the Springer Lecture Notes in Mathematics series, with our article (Henkin, Monk, Tarski), followed by a parallel article by Andreka and Nemeti, in which they developed our ideas further and solved many of the problems which had arisen. This period of time, up to the publication of the monograph in 1981, was the time when my contacts with Istvan and friends was closest. A little bit later we again had some correspondence back and forth as the volume II of the cylindric algebra monographs of Henkin, Monk, Tarski was being prepared; this monograph appeared in 1985. Since that time, despite the efforts of Istvan and his associates, I have worked mainly on Boolean algebras, with just a little activity concerning cylindric algebras; when that little activity took place, it was associated with the Andreka, Nemeti group. So, I have enjoyed several visits to Budapest, and regret that I am unable to attend Istvan's birthday celebration.

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