1047-08-109 Clifford Bergman\* (cbergman@iastate.edu), Department of Mathematics, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011. Categorical Equivalence of Unary Algebras. Preliminary report.

For an algebra  $\mathbf{A}$ , let  $\mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A})$  represent the variety generated by  $\mathbf{A}$ , viewed as a category. We say that algebras  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are *categorically equivalent* if there is an equivalence of categories  $F \colon \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{A}) \to \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{B})$  such that  $F(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{B}$ . We shall consider the question of characterizing those algebras that are categorically equivalent to a finite algebra, all of whose operations are unary.

In one special case the answer is known. Let **B** be a finite algebra with no nullary operations. Then **B** is categorically equivalent to an algebra all of whose operations are (unary) permutations if and only if, for every n > 0, the lattice  $Sub(\mathbf{B}^n)$  is boolean. (Received January 22, 2009)