# DEDEKIND'S TRANSPOSITION PRINCIPLE 

# AND <br> ISOTOPIC ALGEBRAS WITH NONISOMORPHIC CONGRUENCE LATTICES 

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## LEMMA

Suppose $\alpha$ and $\beta$ are permuting relations in $L \leqslant \operatorname{Eq} X$. Then $\llbracket \beta, \alpha \vee \beta \rrbracket_{L} \cong \llbracket \alpha \wedge \beta, \alpha \rrbracket_{L}^{\beta} \leqslant \llbracket \alpha \wedge \beta, \alpha \rrbracket_{L}$.


## Dedekind's Rule

The proof requires the following version of Dedekind's Rule:
Lemma
Suppose $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in L \leqslant \operatorname{Eq} X$ and $\alpha \leqslant \beta$.
Then the following identities of subsets of $X^{2}$ hold:

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But this only shows that the same argument doesn't work...

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## Lemma

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If $S$ is a nonabelian simple group, then $\operatorname{Con} \mathbf{B} \cong \mathbf{2}$, while $\operatorname{Con} \mathbf{A} \cong \operatorname{Sub}(S)$ can be arbitrarily large.

