# DEDEKIND'S TRANSPOSITION PRINCIPLE AND ISOTOPIC ALGEBRAS WITH NONISOMORPHIC CONGRUENCE LATTICES

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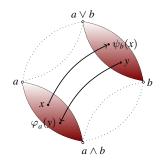
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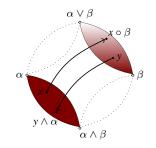
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#### Lemma

Suppose  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are permuting relations in  $L \leq \text{Eq} X$ .

Then  $[\![\beta, \alpha \lor \beta]\!]_L \cong [\![\alpha \land \beta, \alpha]\!]_L^\beta \leqslant [\![\alpha \land \beta, \alpha]\!]_L.$ 



The proof requires the following version of *Dedekind's Rule:* 

Lemma

Suppose  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in L \leq \text{Eq } X$  and  $\alpha \leq \beta$ .

Then the following identities of subsets of  $X^2$  hold:

 $\alpha \circ (\beta \cap \gamma) = \beta \cap (\alpha \circ \gamma)$  $(\beta \cap \gamma) \circ \alpha = \beta \cap (\gamma \circ \alpha)$ 

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Let S be any group and let D denote the *diagonal subgroup* of  $S \times S$ ,

$$D = \{(x, x) \mid x \in S\}$$

The interval  $\llbracket D, S \times S \rrbracket \leq Sub(S \times S)$  is described by the following

#### Lemma

The filter above the diagonal subgroup of  $S \times S$  is isomorphic to the lattice of normal subgroups of *S*.

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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.