

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

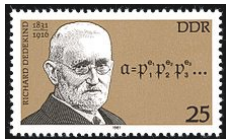
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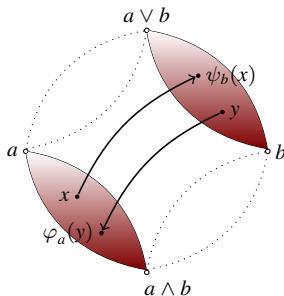
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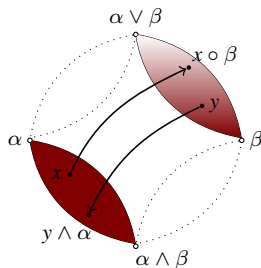
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Then  $[\beta, \alpha \vee \beta]_L \cong [\alpha \wedge \beta, \alpha]_L^\beta \leq [\alpha \wedge \beta, \alpha]_L$ .



## DEDEKIND'S RULE

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

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

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

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

The interval  $[[D, S \times S]] \leq \text{Sub}(S \times S)$  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  $\text{Con } \mathbf{B} \cong \mathbf{2}$ , while  $\text{Con } \mathbf{A} \cong \text{Sub}(S)$  can be arbitrarily large.