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The graphs of join-semilattices and the shape of congruence lattices of particle lattices

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Abstract: We attach to each $\langle 0, \vee \rangle$ -semilattice S a graph G_S whose vertices are joinirreducible elements of S and whose edges correspond to the reflexive dependency relation. We study properties of the graph G_S both when S is a join-semilattice and when it is a lattice. We call a $\langle 0, \vee \rangle$ -semilattice S particle provided that the set of its joinirreducible elements satisfies DCC and join-generates S. We prove that the congruence lattice of a particle lattice is anti-isomorphic to the lattice of all hereditary subsets of the corresponding graph that are closed in a certain zero-dimensional topology. Thus we extend the result known for principally chain finite lattices.

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