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Those S in which $a \wedge b$ always exists are called inverse meet-semigroups.

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- Then the type monoid of $Inv(\mathcal{B}, G)$ is isomorphic to $\mathbb{Z}^+ \langle \mathcal{B} \rangle /\!\!/ G$.

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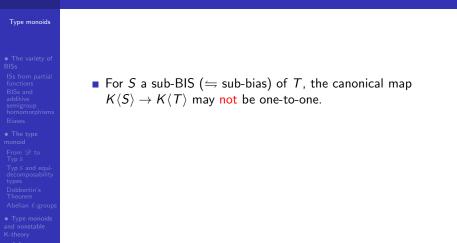
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