

## SHORT PROOF

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**Theorem 1.** (*Grätzer and Knapp [1], [2]*) *Each finite slim planar semimodular lattice can be obtained from a cover-preserving join-homomorphic image of two finite chains.*

*Proof.* It is a trivial remark that every finite lattice  $L$  is the join-homomorphic image of a distributive lattice  $B$ ,  $\varphi(B) = L$ : indeed the free kommutative, idempotent semilattices are the finite Boolean lattices.

If  $L$  is semimodular then  $\varphi$  is "semimodular-preserving". This is just the cover-preserving property,

We have now a distributive lattice  $B$  and a cover-preserving join-homomorphism such that  $\varphi(B) = L$ . A short trivial discussion shows that  $B$  is planar.  $\square$

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