

Some results obtained with the Universal Algebra
Calculator, theorem provers and constraint satisfiers in a
Sage package

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