MATHS 255 FC	Assignment 3	Due: 21 March 2001

1. Let  $(A, \leq)$  be a poset. Define a relation  $\preccurlyeq$  on  $A^2 = A \times A$  by declaring that

 $(a,b) \preccurlyeq (c,d)$  iff  $(a \le c \land b \le d)$ .

Show that  $\preccurlyeq$  is a partial order on  $A^2$ .

- **2.** Let  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ , and let l be an upper bound for A. Show that l is least upper bound for A iff for every  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$  we have  $(l \varepsilon, l] \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . [Hint: think about what it means for  $l \varepsilon$  to fail to be an upper bound for A.]
- **3.** Let  $A = \mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{N}$ . Define a relation  $\sim$  on A by declaring that

 $(a,b) \sim (c,d)$  iff ad = bc.

Show that  $\sim$  is an equivalence relation on A.

**4.** Let  $f: A \to B$  be a function. Define a new function  $F: \mathcal{P}(B) \to \mathcal{P}(A)$  by declaring that, for  $C \subseteq B$ ,

$$F(C) = \{ a \in A : f(a) \in C \}.$$

Show that F is one-to-one if and only if f is onto.