

1. We must show that  $\preceq$  is reflexive, antisymmetric and transitive.

**Reflexive:** Let  $(a, b) \in A^2$ . Then  $a \leq a$  and  $b \leq b$ , so  $(a, b) \preceq (a, b)$ .

**Antisymmetric:** Let  $(a, b), (c, d) \in A^2$  with  $(a, b) \preceq (c, d)$  and  $(c, d) \preceq (a, b)$ . Then  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$ , and  $c \leq a$  and  $d \leq b$ . So  $a \leq c \leq a$ , so  $a = c$ , and  $b \leq d \leq b$ , so  $b = d$ . Hence  $(a, b) = (c, d)$ .

**Transitive:** Let  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in A^2$  with  $(a, b) \preceq (c, d)$  and  $(c, d) \preceq (e, f)$ . Then  $a \leq c$  and  $b \leq d$ , and  $c \leq e$  and  $d \leq f$ . So  $a \leq c \leq e$ , so  $a \leq e$ , and  $b \leq d \leq f$ , so  $b \leq f$ . Hence  $(a, b) \preceq (e, f)$ .

2. [This is an “iff” proof, so we must prove two implications.]

Suppose first that  $l$  is a least upper bound for  $A$ . Let  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Put  $b = l - \varepsilon$ . Then  $b < l$ , and  $l$  is a least upper bound for  $A$ , so  $b$  is not an upper bound for  $A$ . So there is some  $a \in A$  with  $a \not\leq b$ , and then  $b < a$ . We know that  $a \leq l$ , since  $l$  is an upper bound for  $A$ , so we have  $a \in (b, l]$ , i.e.  $A \cap (l - \varepsilon, l] \neq \emptyset$ . Thus  $(l - \varepsilon, l] \cap A \neq \emptyset$ .

Conversely, suppose that for every  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $\varepsilon > 0$  we have  $(l - \varepsilon, l] \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . We must show that  $l$  is a least upper bound for  $A$ . We know that  $l$  is an upper bound for  $A$ , so we must show that if  $b$  is an upper bound for  $A$  then  $l \leq b$ . Suppose, for a contradiction, that there is an upper bound  $b$  for  $A$  with  $b < l$ . Put  $\varepsilon = l - b$ . Then  $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , so by hypothesis we have  $(l - \varepsilon, l] \cap A \neq \emptyset$ . Choose some  $a \in (l - \varepsilon, l] \cap A$ . Then we have  $a \in A$  and  $b = l - \varepsilon < a$ , contradicting the assumption that  $b$  is an upper bound for  $A$ . So there is no such  $b$ , in other words  $l$  is a least upper bound for  $A$ .

3. We must show that  $\sim$  is reflexive, symmetric and transitive.

**Reflexive:** Let  $(a, b) \in A$ . Then  $ab = ba$ , so  $(a, b) \sim (a, b)$ .

**Symmetric:** Let  $(a, b), (c, d) \in A$  with  $(a, b) \sim (c, d)$ . Then  $ad = bc$ , so  $cb = da$ , so  $(c, d) \sim (a, b)$ .

**Transitive:** Let  $(a, b), (c, d), (e, f) \in A$  with  $(a, b) \sim (c, d)$  and  $(c, d) \sim (e, f)$ . Then

$$ad = bc \tag{1}$$

$$cf = de \tag{2}$$

Multiplying (1) by  $f$  and (2) by  $b$  we get  $adf = bcf$  and  $bcf = bde$ , so  $adf = bde$ . Since we also have  $d \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $d \neq 0$ , so we can divide by  $d$  to get  $af = be$ , so  $(a, b) \sim (e, f)$ .

4. Suppose first that  $F$  is one-to-one. We want to show that  $f$  is onto, so let  $b \in B$ . Then  $\{b\} \neq \emptyset$ , so since  $F$  is one-to-one we have  $F(\{b\}) \neq \emptyset$ . Now,  $F(\emptyset) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in \emptyset\}$ , so  $F(\emptyset) = \emptyset$ . Hence we have  $F(\{b\}) \neq \emptyset$ , so there is some  $a \in A$  with  $a \in F(\{b\})$ , in other words with  $f(a) \in \{b\}$ . But then  $f(a) = b$ , as required.

Conversely, suppose that  $f$  is onto. Let  $X, Y \in \mathcal{P}(B)$  with  $F(X) = F(Y)$ . We wish to show that  $X = Y$ . So let  $x \in X$ . Then  $x \in B$ , and  $f$  is onto, so there is some  $a \in A$  with  $f(a) = x$ . Then  $f(a) \in X$ , so  $a \in F(X) = F(Y)$ , so  $a \in F(Y)$ , so  $f(a) \in Y$ , so  $x \in Y$ . Hence  $X \subseteq Y$ . Conversely, let  $y \in Y$ . Again,  $y = f(c)$  for some  $c \in A$ , so we have  $f(c) \in Y$ , so  $c \in F(Y) = F(X)$ , so  $f(c) \in X$ , so  $y \in X$ , and hence  $Y \subseteq X$ . Combining these, we have  $X = Y$ . Hence  $F$  is one-to-one.