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We need to show that  $\text{im}(f)$  is closed under functions. For every constant symbol  $c$  of  $\Sigma$ ,  $c^{\mathfrak{B}} = f(c^{\mathfrak{A}})$ . Hence  $c^{\mathfrak{B}} \in \text{im}(f)$ . Also, if  $b_1, \dots, b_n \in \text{im}(f)$  and  $F$  is an  $n$ -ary function symbol of  $\Sigma$ , then for some  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathfrak{A}$  we have

$$F^{\mathfrak{B}}(b_1, \dots, b_n) = F^{\mathfrak{B}}(f(a_1), \dots, f(a_n)) = f(F^{\mathfrak{A}}(a_1, \dots, a_n)).$$

Hence  $F^{\mathfrak{B}}(b_1, \dots, b_n) \in \text{im}(f)$ .