

## 1 Prove that

$$a \leq b \iff \forall \epsilon > 0 \quad a < b + \epsilon$$

### 1.1 $a \leq b \Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0 \quad a < b + \epsilon$ :

It is given that:

$$0 < \epsilon \qquad a \leq b$$

Therefore, because according to axiom *O3* an ordered field is adhering to addition:

$$a + 0 < b + \epsilon$$

It is worth mentioning that due to the uniqueness of zero,  $b + \epsilon$  must be *greater* than zero, rather than greater than or *equal* to zero.

### 1.2 $a \leq b \Leftarrow \forall \epsilon > 0 \quad a < b + \epsilon$ :

We'll rephrase using contraposition:

$$a > b \Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0 \quad a \geq b + \epsilon$$

We need to find an  $\epsilon > 0$  so that  $a \geq b + \epsilon$ .

Let  $\epsilon = a - b$ , now, we can see that:

$$\begin{aligned} b + \epsilon &= b + (a - b) = a \\ a &\geq b + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

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## 2 Prove that

$$\forall m, n \in \mathbb{F} \quad mn \in \mathbb{F}$$

Let's assume that  $m$  is some arbitrary natural number.

We'll prove using induction, starting with  $n = 1$ : According to axiom *M3*:

$$m \cdot 1 = m$$

It is given that  $m \in \mathbb{F}$ , therefore this case is valid. Now, let's assume that it is true for a general  $n$ , i.e.  $n = n$ , and:

$$mn \in \mathbb{F}$$

Now, we'll check  $n = n + 1$ : According to axiom *D*:

$$m(n + 1) = mn + m$$

We've assumed that  $mn \in \mathbb{F}$ , and it is given that  $m \in \mathbb{F}$ .

In addition, we've shown in exercise *2a* that the natural numbers adhere to addition.

Therefore:

$$mn \in \mathbb{F}, m \in \mathbb{F} \implies (mn + m) \in \mathbb{F}$$

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### 3 Prove

$$\sum_{k=1}^n k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

We'll prove this by induction: