The possible values of critical points between varieties of algebras

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- We can also compare the ranges of two functors Φ: A → S and Ψ: B → S.

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