Elements of Set Theory, Fall 2009

Exercise 5

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- 1. Show that even though for given sets A and B, the collection of functions from A to B is a set, the collection of *all* functions is not a set.
- 2. Is there a function $F : \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{Z}$ satisfying the equation

$$F([\langle m, n \rangle]) = [\langle m+n, n \rangle]?$$

3. Suppose that R is a binary relation on a set A, and \sim is an equivalence relation on A. Define that R is *compatible* with \sim if whenever $x \sim x'$, $y \sim y'$, and xRy, also x'Ry'. Prove that there exists a relation \overline{R} on $(A/\sim) \times (A/\sim)$ satisfying

$$[x]\bar{R}[y] \Leftrightarrow xRy$$

if and only if R is compatible with \sim .

Note: If A has at least 2 elements, we can infer this result from the analogous result for functions, as we did in the lectures.

- 4. Give an example of a set A, an equivalence relation \sim on A, and a binary relation R on A such that R is not compatible with \sim . Explicate why there is no relation \overline{R} as in the exercise above. Suggestion: Let for example $A = \{0, 1\}, \sim = A \times A$, and $R = \{\langle 0, 1 \rangle\}.$
- 5. Verify that the multiplication of rationals is associative and commutative:

$$(p \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} q) \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} r = p \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} (q \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} r),$$
$$p \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} q = q \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} p$$

for every $p, q, r \in \mathbb{Q}$.

6. Give a direct proof (not using Theorem 5QF of Enderton's) that if r and s are nonzero rational numbers, then $r \cdot_{\mathbb{Q}} s$ is also nonzero.