CSE 321: Discrete Structures

Assignment #1 October 2, 2002

Due: Wednesday, October 9

Reading Assignment: Read Sections 1.1 - 1.5 carefully (make sure that you understand the examples). You should also read Sections 1.6 - 1.8 (these are not a main focus of the class, but provide some good background).

Problems:

- 1. Section 1.1, exercise 8.
- 2. Section 1.1, exercise 16, parts a, b, c, d.
- 3. State in English the converse and contrapositive of each of the following implications:
 - (a) If a is pushed onto the stack before b, then b is popped before a.
 - (b) If the input is correct and the program terminates, then the output is correct. (Be sure to use De Morgan's Law to simplify the contrapositive.)
- 4. Section 1.1, exercise 42 a).
- 5. The following two statements form the basis of the most important methods for automated theorem proving. Use truth tables to prove that they are tautologies.
 - (a) Resolution: $((p \lor q) \land (\neg q \lor r)) \rightarrow (p \lor r)$
 - (b) Modus ponens: $((p \land (p \rightarrow q)) \rightarrow q)$
- 6. Show that Modus ponens is a tautology without using a truth table. Indicate which logical equivalences you use.
- 7. Section 1.2, exercise 12.