Math 135: Discrete Mathematics, Fall 2010 Homework 1

Due in class on Friday, January 22, 2010

Submit your solutions for this homework *in class* on Friday, September 9. Please make sure to read the course policies on homework *before* writing up your homework.

- 1. Write the negation, contrapositive, converse and inverse of the following statements.
 - (a) For any integer x, if x is even, then x^2 is even.
 - (b) You will be late to class if you oversleep.
 - (c) If Dr. Chambers' daughter is sick this week, then she either brings her to lecture or gets a babysitter.
- 2. Rewrite the following propositions as unambiguous English sentences, given the following prepositions.
 - A(x) means "x likes West Wing".
 - B(x) means "x likes Buffy".
 - C(x) means "x has good taste".
 - D(x) means "x watches TV".

For example the statements $\forall x[D(x) \to A(x)]$ could be translated to "Everyone who watches TV likes West Wing."

- (a) $\forall x [A(x) \lor B(x) \to D(x)]$
- (b) $\exists x [A(x) \land B(x)]$
- (c) $\forall x [B(x) \to C(x)]$
- (d) $\exists x [A(x) \lor B(x) \land C(x) \land D(x)]$
- 3. Express the **negations** of the following statements so that all negation symbols appear immediately preceding the predicates (and not outside any quantifiers or groups of predicates).
 - (a) $\forall x \exists y P(x,y) \lor \forall x \exists y Q(x,y)$
 - (b) $\exists x \exists y (Q(x,y) \rightarrow Q(y,x))$
 - (c) $\forall y \exists x \exists z (T(x, y, z) \lor Q(x, y)) \land \exists x \forall y \neg P(x, y)$
- 4. Classify the following formulas into logically equivalent groups. (Hint: Try using truth tables!)

- (a) p
- (b) $p \vee \neg p$
- (c) $p \wedge \neg p$
- (d) $(p \land q) \rightarrow p$
- (e) $(p \lor q) \to p$
- (f) $((p \lor q) \land \neg q) \rightarrow (p \land q)$
- (g) $(p \lor \neg p) \to (p \land \neg p)$
- (h) $(((p \lor q) \lor \neg q) \lor (r \land p)) \land (p \lor \neg q)$
- 5. While walking across campus, you come across 3 people have an argument. The first, Alice, tells you, "Bob or Carol is lying." The second, Bob, tells you, "Carol is lying". The third, Carol, tells you, "Alice and I are both telling the truth". Who, if anyone, is telling you the truth?
- 6. **Extra Credit:** Next, you come across two different people on your walk. Donald says, "I am lying if Erik is." Erik says, "If I am lying, then Donald is lying." Can you tell who if anyone is telling the truth?