

## Warm up

Using the phrase "an honors student" as the hypothesis:

- 1) Create a true conditional
- 2) Write its converse
- 3) Determine the truth value of the converse

Bonus for coming up w/a true conditional & converse!

**H** a student is h.s.  
*Biconditional* h. student

**C** They take  $\geq 1$   
h. class

Combine the halves of a **true** conditional

and its **true** converse

with the phrase **if and only if**.

**\*\*\* THE CONVERSE MUST BE TRUE! \*\*\***

**Formal definition**

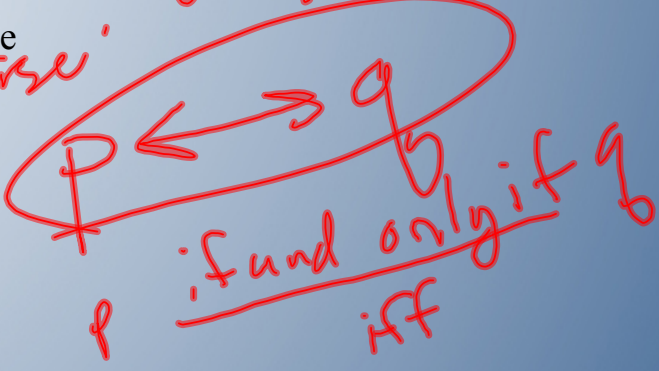
Cond.  
If  $p \rightarrow q$  is true and  $q \rightarrow p$  is true

then  $p$  if and only if  $q$

**Biconditional**

$p \rightarrow q$   
if  $p$  then  $q$   
 $p$  hyp  
 $q$  concl

converse



**Example – Pg 75, Check Understanding #1**

Conditional:

If three points are collinear, then they lie on the same line.

Converse:

If three points lie on the same line, then they are collinear.

Converse is true

Biconditional:

Three points are collinear if and only if they lie on the same line.

***Short hand***

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### ***Symbol form***

$$p \leftrightarrow q$$

Means: statement  $p$  if and only if statement  $q$ .

### ***Formal definition***

A biconditional combines  $p \rightarrow q$  and  $q \rightarrow p$  as  $p \leftrightarrow q$ .

### *Taking a biconditional apart*

1. Use left side of *iff* as hypothesis
2. Use right side of *iff* as conclusion
3. Form the conditional statement
4. Create the converse of this conditional statement

### *Example – Pg 78, #8*

Biconditional:

~~∴~~ An integer is divisible by 100 <sup>then</sup> its last two digits are zeros.

Conditional:

If an integer is divisible by 100, then its last two digits are zeros. T

Converse:

If an integer's last two digits are zeros, then it is divisible by 100. T

***What makes a good definition?***

1. Uses only clearly understood (or already defined) terms
2. Is precise (no words like large, sort of, some, part, etc)
3. It is reversible (is a biconditional)

To show a definition is not a good definition:

...find a counter-example.

***Example – Pg 77, Check Understanding #3***

Definition: A right angle is an angle whose measure is 90.

Conditional: If an angle is a right angle then its measure is 90

Converse: If the measure of an angle is 90 then it is a right angle

*Both conditional and converse are true so it is reversible*

Biconditional:

An angle is a right angle iff its measure is 90

**Example – Pg 77, Check Understanding #4**

Does it use clearly understood terms? ✓

Is it precise? ✓

Is it reversible?



Conditional: If a figure is a square, then it has four right angles.

Converse: If a figure has four right angles, then it is a square.

**NOT REVERSIBLE ∴ NOT A GOOD DEFINITION**

**Example – Pg 78, #18**

Does it use clearly understood terms?

Is it precise?

Is it reversible?

y Dad

y  
N

Conditional: If an animal is a cat, then it has whiskers.

Converse: If an animal has whiskers, then it is a cat.

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**NOT REVERSIBLE ∴ NOT A GOOD DEFINITION**

**Example – Pg 78, #20**

Does it use clearly understood terms?

Y

Is it precise?

N

No – “part of a line” is ambiguous.

Both a ray and a point are “part of a line” too...

**NOT PRECISE ∴ NOT A GOOD DEFINITION**

Pg 78  
1-13 odd  
17-23 odd  
27-35 odd  
41  
43-46