

FUNDAMENTALS OF MATHEMATICS HANDOUT § 1.1
 THE CONDITIONAL AND BICONDITIONAL IN WORDS
 (SOME OF THE VARIATIONS)
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Conditional $P \Rightarrow Q$, $P \rightarrow Q$, $Q \Leftarrow P$, or $Q \leftarrow P$

If P, then Q.
 Q, if P
 P hence Q
 Q whence P
 P is a sufficient condition for Q
 Q is a necessary condition for P
 P only if Q
 if not Q, then not P
 P implies Q
 not P, or Q
 etc.

Biconditional $P \Leftrightarrow Q$ or $P \leftrightarrow Q$

P if and only if Q
 P iff Q
 P is necessary and sufficient for Q
 P and Q are logically equivalent
 If P then Q and if Q then P.
 etc.

Also symbols order:

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| parentheses | () |
| not | \sim , \neg , or $\overline{\quad}$ |
| and - or (left to right) | \wedge \vee |
| conditional | \Rightarrow \rightarrow |
| biconditional | \Leftrightarrow \leftrightarrow |