

3-2 Proofs of Triangles

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- Objectives:
- Prove Triangle Sum Theorem
 - Prove 2 triangles are congruent
 - Prove Perpendicular Bisector Theorem
 - Prove Base Angle Theorem

Things to Remember:

Parallel Lines Cut by a Transversal:

Alternate Interior Angles: $\angle 3 \cong \angle 6$

Alternate Exterior Angles: $\angle 1 \cong \angle 8$

Linear Pair: *Linear Triplet*

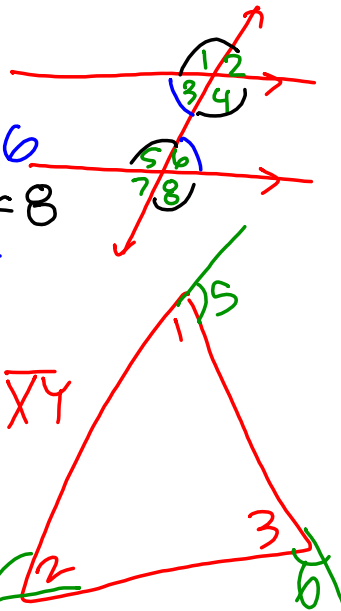
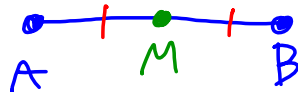
Triangle Interior Angles:

Triangle Exterior Angles:

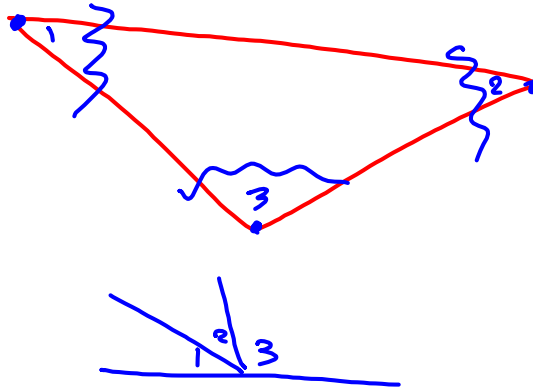
Reflexive Property: $a = a$ $\overline{XY} \cong \overline{XY}$

Definition of Midpoint:

If M is a midpoint of \overline{AB} , then $\overline{AM} \cong \overline{MB}$



Angle Sum Task



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The Triangle Sum Theorem: The sum of the measures of the interior angles of a triangle is 180° .

Prove the Triangle Sum Theorem using the diagram shown: $\angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 3 = 180^\circ$

Given: Triangle ABC with $AB \parallel CD$
 Prove: $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 + m\angle 3 = 180^\circ$

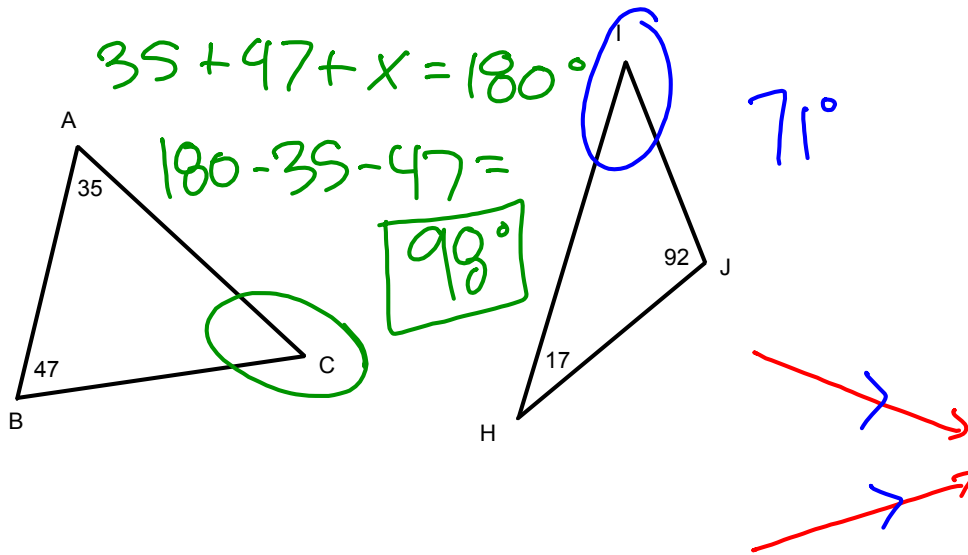
$\angle 4 \cong \angle 1$
 AIA

$\angle 5 \cong \angle 2$
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$\angle 4 + \angle 3 + \angle 5 = 180^\circ$
 Given

$\angle 1 + \angle 3 + \angle 2 = 180^\circ$
 Substitution

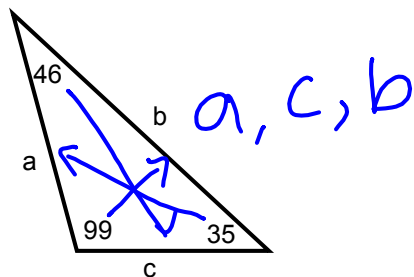
Find the missing angle measures:



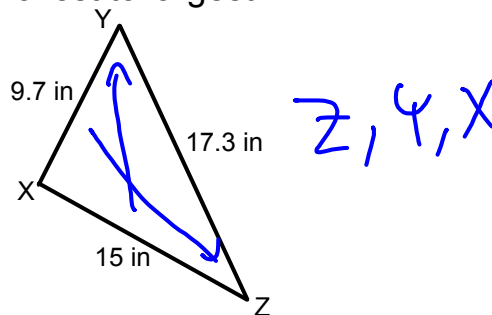
Side/Angle Relationships:

The largest angle is always opposite the longest side. The smallest angle is always opposite the shortest side.

List the sides in order, smallest to largest

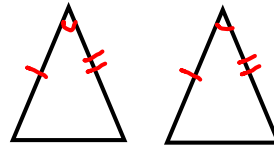


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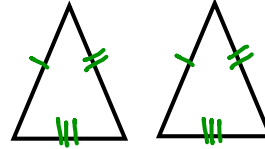


4 Ways to Prove Triangles are Congruent (\cong)

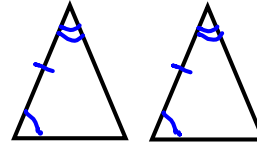
1. Side-Angle-Side (SAS)



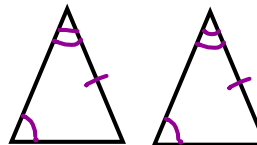
2. Side-Side-Side (SSS)



3. Angle-Side-Angle (ASA)

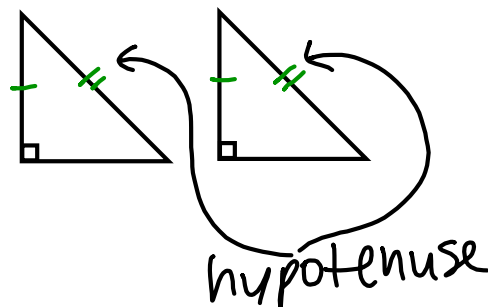
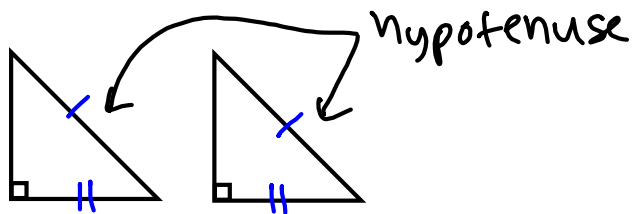


4. Angle-Angle-Side (AAS)



Hypotenuse-Leg:

Proving **RIGHT** triangles are congruent



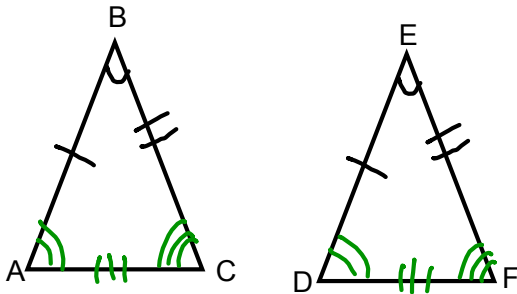
CPCTC

Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles are Congruent



Write a congruency statement for each side and angle:

SAS



$$\angle A \cong \angle D \text{ CPCTC}$$

$$\angle B \cong \angle E \text{ given}$$

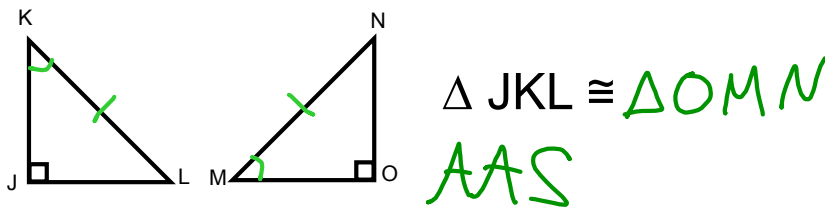
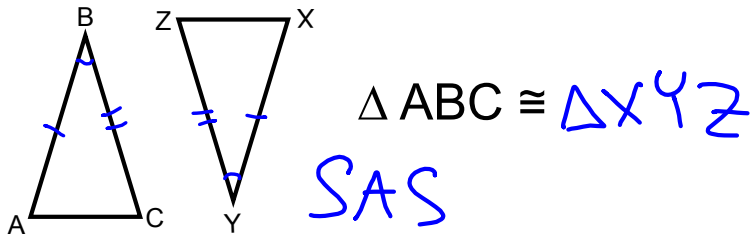
$$\angle C \cong \angle F \text{ CPCTC}$$

$$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DE} \text{ given}$$

$$\overline{BC} \cong \overline{EF} \text{ given}$$

$$\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DF} \text{ CPCTC}$$

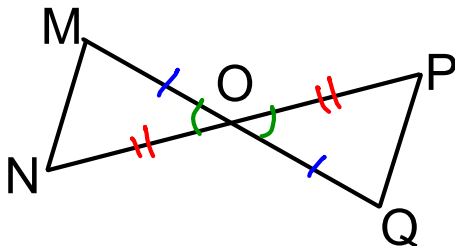
Complete the congruency statement:



Given: O is the midpoint of \overline{MQ}

O is the midpoint of \overline{PN}

Prove: $\triangle MON \cong \triangle QOP$

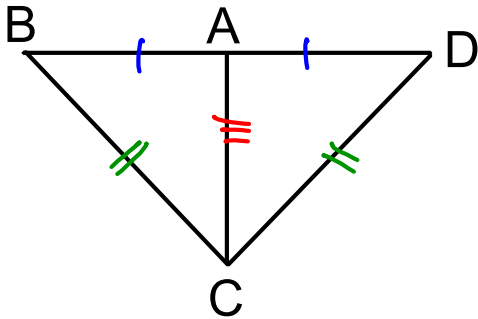


Flow Chart

Statement	Reason
O is mid. of \overline{MQ}	Given
O is mid. \overline{PN}	Given
$\overline{MO} \cong \overline{OQ}$	def of mid.
$\overline{PO} \cong \overline{ON}$	def of mid.
$\angle POQ \cong \angle MON$	V.A.
$\triangle MON \cong \triangle QOP$	SAS

Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AD}$ and $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{CD}$

Prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle ADC$



Two-Column

Statement	Reason
$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AD}$	Given
$\overline{BC} \cong \overline{CD}$	Given
$AC \cong AC$	Reflexive
$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle ADC$	SSS

VOCAB

Perpendicular:

Line Segment:

Endpoints:

Bisector:

Equidistant:

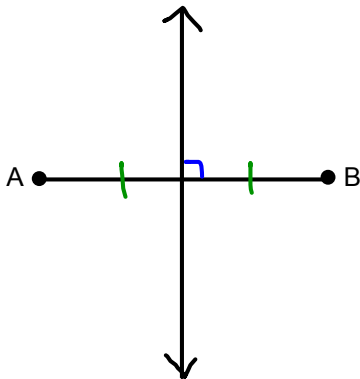
What would a **perpendicular bisector** to this line segment look like?



Draw in all congruencies; angles and lengths.

Perpendicular Bisector Theorem: Any point on the perpendicular bisector of a line segment is equidistant from the endpoints of that segment.

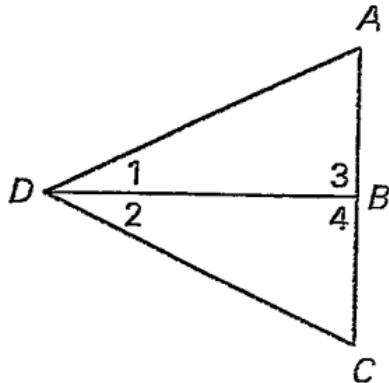
Prove this theorem:



Given: $\overline{DA} \cong \overline{DC}$

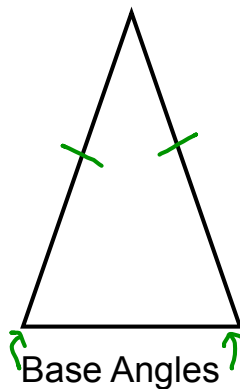
$DB \perp AC$

Prove: $\triangle ADB \cong \triangle CDB$



Isosceles Triangle:

At least 2 sides (called the *legs*) of the triangles are congruent.



Base angle theorem: The base angles of an isosceles triangle are congruent.

Prove Base Angle Theorem:

