

Homework 2.4 – Verifying Figures

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1. Show that the line segment joining points $P(1,4)$ and $Q(5,5)$ is parallel to the line segment joining points $R(3,-4)$ and $S(7,-3)$.

$$m_{PQ} = \frac{5-4}{5-1} = \frac{1}{4} \quad m_{RS} = \frac{-3-(-4)}{7-3} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$m_{PQ} = m_{RS} \therefore \text{parallel}$$

2. Show that TU , $T(-1,7)$ and $U(3,5)$, is perpendicular to VW , $V(-4,1)$ and $W(-1,7)$.

$$m_{TU} = \frac{5-7}{3-(-1)} = \frac{-2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$m_{VW} = \frac{7-1}{-1-(-4)} = \frac{6}{3} = 2$$

these are the
negative reciprocals
of each other AND
 $-\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = -\frac{2}{2} = -1 !!$

$\therefore TU$ and VW
are perpendicular.

3. Prove what type of triangle is formed by $J(2,5)$, $K(5,-2)$, and $L(-1,-2)$.

First sides

$$d_{JK} = \sqrt{58} = 7.62$$

$$d_{KL} = \sqrt{36} = 6$$

$$d_{LJ} = \sqrt{58} = 7.62$$

2 sides equal,
 \therefore Isosceles.

Second Angles (slopes)

$$m_{JK} = \frac{-7}{3}$$

$$m_{KL} = 0$$

$$m_{LJ} = \frac{7}{3}$$

no sides perpendicular
 \therefore not a right isosceles.

4. Show that triangle ABC is a right scalene triangle with points $A(-2, 2)$, $B(-1, -2)$, and $C(7, 0)$.

$$d_{AB} = \sqrt{17}$$

All sides different,

$$d_{BC} = \sqrt{68}$$

\therefore scalene

$$d_{CA} = \sqrt{85}$$

$$m_{AB} = -\frac{2}{9}$$

$$m_{BC} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$m_{CA} = -\frac{4}{1}$$

Negative reciprocal!
 \therefore perpendicular.

OR

$$\sqrt{17}^2 + \sqrt{68}^2 = \sqrt{85}^2 ?$$

$$17 + 68 = 85$$

$$85 = 85$$

works in Pythagorean
Theorem!!

Therefore this is a right scalene triangle

5. A polygon is defined by points $A(-5, 1)$, $B(5, 3)$, $C(2, -1)$, and $D(-8, -3)$. Show that the polygon is a parallelogram.

First Sides

$$d_{AB} = \sqrt{104}$$

$$d_{BC} = \sqrt{25}$$

$$d_{CD} = \sqrt{104}$$

$$d_{OA} = \sqrt{25}$$

Second slopes for "angles".

$$m_{AB} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$m_{BC} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$m_{CD} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$m_{OA} = \frac{4}{3}$$

opposite sides equal

so this is a

rectangle or parallelogram

opposite sides parallel and
consecutive slopes are not perpendicular.
(no 90°)

\therefore a parallelogram

6. Determine the type of quadrilateral described by $P(-5,1)$, $Q(3,3)$, $R(4, -1)$, and $S(-4, -3)$.

First Sides:

$$d_{PQ} = \sqrt{68}$$

$$d_{QR} = \sqrt{17}$$

$$d_{RS} = \sqrt{68}$$

$$d_{SP} = \sqrt{17}$$

opposite sides equal
therefore rectangle or
parallelogram

Second angles (m_{angles})

$$m_{PQ} = \frac{1}{4} \rightarrow \text{perpendicular, or } 90^\circ \text{ angle.}$$

$$m_{QR} = -\frac{4}{7}$$

$$m_{RS} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$m_{SP} = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$\therefore PQRS$ is a
rectangle!