

4-4 Triangle Congruence: SSS and SAS

Warm Up

1. Name the angle formed by \overrightarrow{AB} and \overrightarrow{AC} .

Possible answer: $\angle A$

2. Name the three sides of $\triangle ABC$.

\overline{AB} , \overline{AC} , \overline{BC}

3. $\triangle QRS \cong \triangle LMN$. Name all pairs of congruent corresponding parts.

$\overline{QR} \cong \overline{LM}$, $\overline{RS} \cong \overline{MN}$, $\overline{QS} \cong \overline{LN}$, $\angle Q \cong \angle L$,
 $\angle R \cong \angle M$, $\angle S \cong \angle N$

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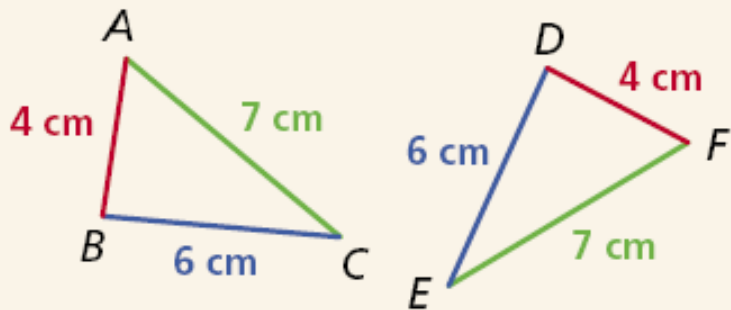
Objectives

Prove triangles congruent by using SSS and SAS.

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Side-Side-Side Triangle Congruence (SSS): If all pairs of corresponding sides between two triangles are congruent, then the triangles are congruent.

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CONCLUSION

$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle FDE$
by SSS

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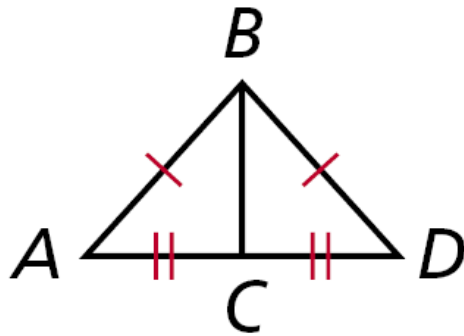
Remember!

Adjacent triangles share a side, so you can apply the Reflexive Property to get a pair of congruent parts.

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Example 1: Using SSS to Prove Triangle Congruence

Prove $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DBC$ using given info from the picture.

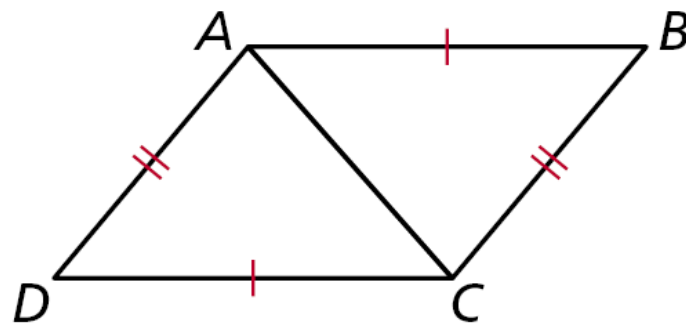


It is given that $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DC}$ and that $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DB}$. By the Reflexive Property of Congruence, $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{BC}$. Therefore $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DBC$ by SSS.

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Check It Out! Example 1

Prove
 $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDA$.

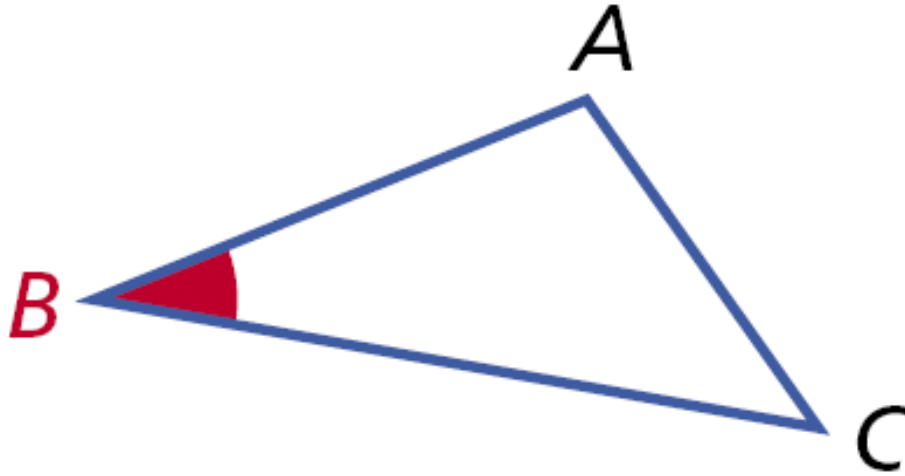


It is given that $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ and $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{DA}$.

By the Reflexive Property of Congruence, $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{CA}$.

So $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDA$ by SSS.

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An **included angle** is an angle formed by two adjacent sides of a polygon.

$\angle B$ is the included angle between sides \overline{AB} and \overline{BC} .

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It can also be shown that only two pairs of congruent corresponding sides are needed to prove the congruence of two triangles if the included angles are also congruent.

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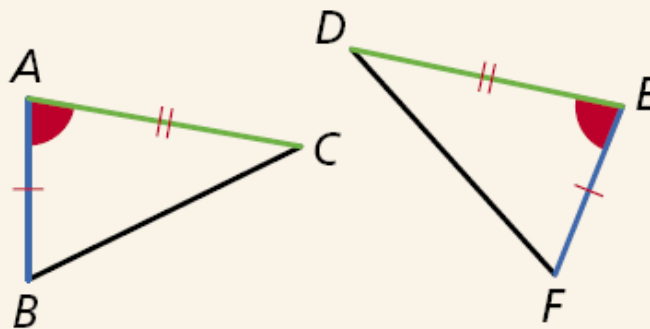
Postulate 4-4-2

Side-Angle-Side (SAS) Congruence

POSTULATE

If two sides and the included angle of one triangle are congruent to two sides and the included angle of another triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

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CONCLUSION

$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle EFD$$

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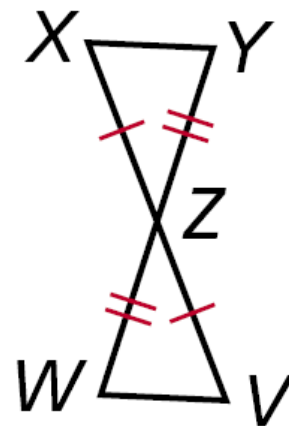
Caution

The letters SAS are written in that order because the congruent angles must be between pairs of congruent corresponding sides.

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Example 2: Engineering Application

Prove $\triangle XYZ \cong \triangle VWZ$.

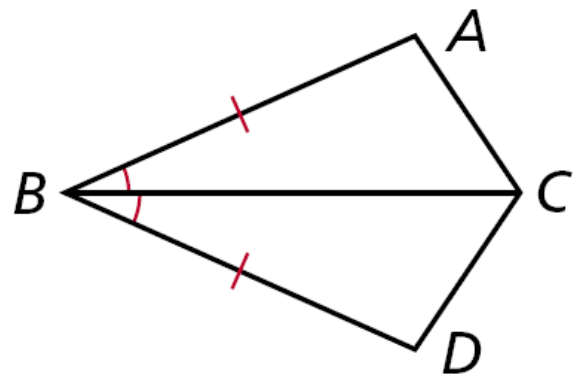


It is given that $\overline{XZ} \cong \overline{VZ}$ and that $\overline{YZ} \cong \overline{WZ}$.
By the Vertical \angle s Theorem. $\angle XZY \cong \angle VZW$.
Therefore $\triangle XYZ \cong \triangle VWZ$ by SAS.

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Check It Out! Example 2

Prove $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DBC$.



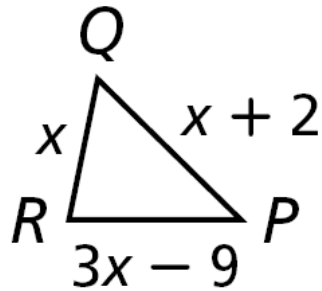
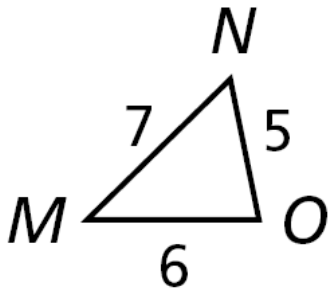
It is given that $\overline{BA} \cong \overline{BD}$ and $\angle ABC \cong \angle DBC$.
By the Reflexive Property of \cong , $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{BC}$.
So $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DBC$ by SAS.

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Example 3A: Verifying Triangle Congruence

Show that the triangles are congruent for the given value of the variable.

$\triangle MNO \cong \triangle PQR$, when $x = 5$.



$$\begin{aligned}PQ &= x + 2 \\ &= 5 + 2 = 7\end{aligned}$$

$$QR = x = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}PR &= 3x - 9 \\ &= 3(5) - 9 = 6\end{aligned}$$

$$\overline{PQ} \cong \overline{MN}, \overline{QR} \cong \overline{NO}, \overline{PR} \cong \overline{MO}$$

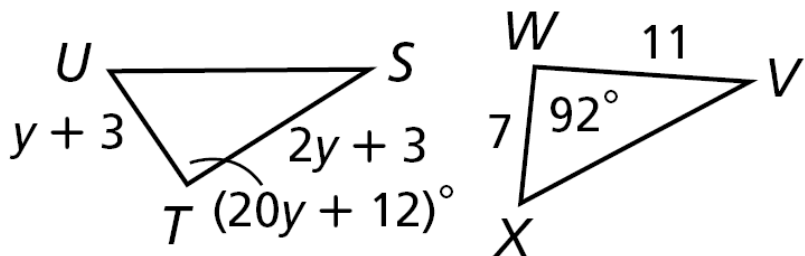
$\triangle MNO \cong \triangle PQR$ by SSS.

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Example 3B: Verifying Triangle Congruence

Show that the triangles are congruent for the given value of the variable.

$\triangle STU \cong \triangle VWX$, when $y = 4$.



$$\begin{aligned} ST &= 2y + 3 \\ &= 2(4) + 3 = 11 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} TU &= y + 3 \\ &= 4 + 3 = 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m\angle T &= 20y + 12 \\ &= 20(4) + 12 = 92^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$\overline{ST} \cong \overline{VW}$, $\overline{TU} \cong \overline{WX}$, and $\angle T \cong \angle W$.

$\triangle STU \cong \triangle VWX$ by SAS.

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Check It Out! Example 3

Show that $\triangle ADB \cong \triangle CDB$, $t = 4$.

$$\begin{aligned} DA &= 3t + 1 \\ &= 3(4) + 1 = 13 \end{aligned}$$

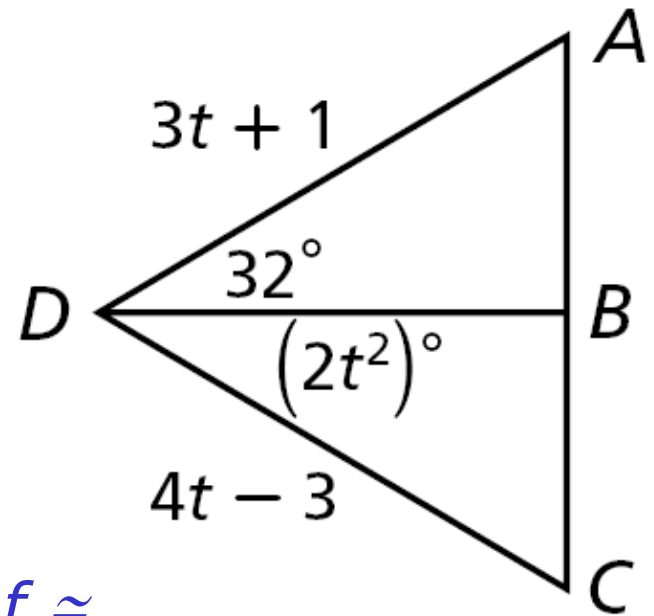
$$\begin{aligned} DC &= 4t - 3 \\ &= 4(4) - 3 = 13 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m\angle D &= 2t^2 \\ &= 2(16) = 32^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$\angle ADB \cong \angle CDB$ *Def. of \cong .*

$\overline{DB} \cong \overline{DB}$ *Reflexive Prop. of \cong .*

$\triangle ADB \cong \triangle CDB$ by SAS.

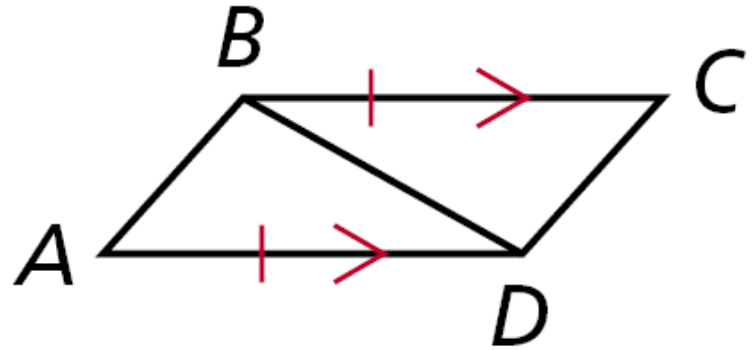


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Example 4: Proving Triangles Congruent

Given: $BC \parallel AD$, $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{AD}$

Prove: $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle CDB$



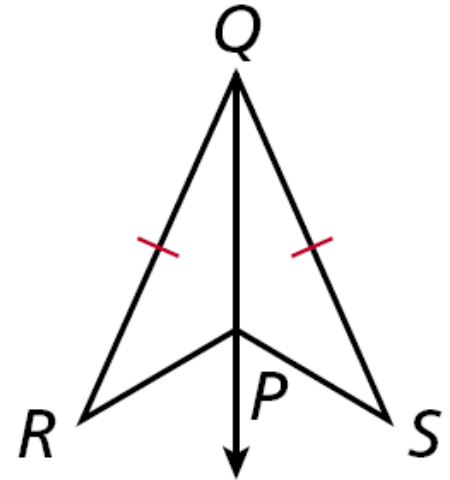
Statements	Reasons
1. $\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{AD}$	1. Given
2. $\angle CBD \cong \angle ABD$	2. Alt. Int. \angle s Thm.
3. $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{AD}$	3. Given
4. $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{BD}$	4. Reflex. Prop. of \cong
5. $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle CDB$	5. SAS Steps 3, 2, 4

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Check It Out! Example 4

Given: \overrightarrow{QP} bisects $\angle RQS$. $\overline{QR} \cong \overline{QS}$

Prove: $\triangle RQP \cong \triangle SQP$



Statements	Reasons
1. $\overline{QR} \cong \overline{QS}$	1. Given
2. \overrightarrow{QP} bisects $\angle RQS$	2. Given
3. $\angle RQP \cong \angle SQP$	3. Def. of bisector
4. $\overline{QP} \cong \overline{QP}$	4. Reflex. Prop. of \cong
5. $\triangle RQP \cong \triangle SQP$	5. SAS Steps 1, 3, 4

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Lesson Quiz: Part I

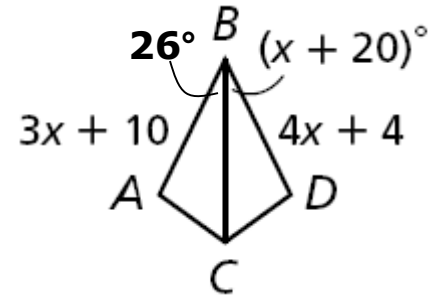
1. Show that $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DBC$, when $x = 6$.

$$\angle ABC \cong \angle DBC$$

$$\overline{BC} \cong \overline{BC}$$

$$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DB}$$

So $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DBC$ by SAS



Which postulate, if any, can be used to prove the triangles congruent?

2.
none

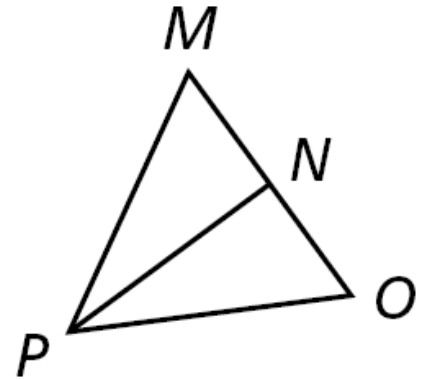
3.
SSS

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Lesson Quiz: Part II

4. **Given:** \overline{PN} bisects \overline{MO} , $PN \perp MO$

Prove: $\triangle MNP \cong \triangle ONP$



Statements	Reasons
1. \overline{PN} bisects \overline{MO}	1. Given
2. $\overline{MN} \cong \overline{ON}$	2. Def. of bisect
3. $\overline{PN} \cong \overline{PN}$	3. Reflex. Prop. of \cong
4. $\overline{PN} \perp \overline{MO}$	4. Given
5. $\angle PNM$ and $\angle PNO$ are rt. \angle s	5. Def. of \perp
6. $\angle PNM \cong \angle PNO$	6. Rt. $\angle \cong$ Thm.
7. $\triangle MNP \cong \triangle ONP$	7. SAS Steps 2, 6, 3

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