

Assignment 3

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Abstract—This document uses the properties of a parallelogram to prove a statement

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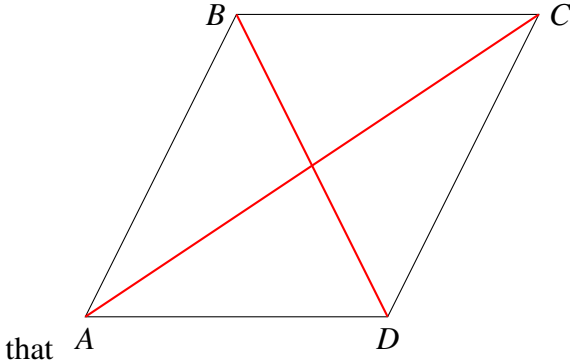
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1 PROBLEM

Prove that the sum of the squares of diagonals of parallelogram is equal to the sum of the squares of its sides.

2 EXPLANATION

Given a parallelogram ABCD we have to prove



$$\begin{aligned} \|A - C\|^2 + \|B - D\|^2 &= \\ \|A - B\|^2 + \|B - C\|^2 + \|D - C\|^2 + \|A - D\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (2.0.1)$$

3 SOLUTION

The diagonals of parallelogram are

$$A - C = (A - D) + (D - C) \quad (3.0.1)$$

$$B - D = (A - D) - (A - B) \quad (3.0.2)$$

The sum of the squares of diagonals is

$$\begin{aligned} \|A - C\|^2 + \|B - D\|^2 &= \\ \|(A - D) + (D - C)\|^2 + \|(A - D) - (A - B)\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|A - C\|^2 + \|B - D\|^2 &= \\ \|A - D\|^2 + \|D - C\|^2 + 2\|A - D\|\|D - C\| + \\ \|A - D\|^2 + \|A - B\|^2 - 2\|A - D\|\|A - B\| \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.4)$$

In the parallelogram ABCD

$$\|A - D\| = \|B - C\| \quad (3.0.5)$$

$$\|A - B\| = \|D - C\| \quad (3.0.6)$$

Simplifying equation (3.0.4), (3.0.5) and (3.0.6)

$$\begin{aligned} \|A - C\|^2 + \|B - D\|^2 &= \\ \|A - B\|^2 + \|B - C\|^2 + \|D - C\|^2 + \|A - D\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.0.7)$$

The equations (2.0.1) and (3.0.7) are same, hence proved