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Assignment 3

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

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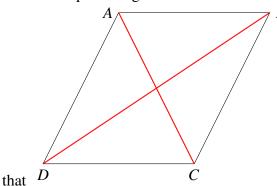
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1 Problem

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

2 Explanation

Given a parallelogram ABCD we have to prove



$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 =$$

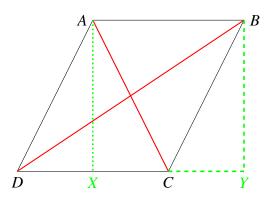
$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^2$$
(2.0.1)

In the parallelogram ABCD

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \tag{2.0.2}$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\| \tag{2.0.3}$$

Draw perpendiculars from A to $\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|$ and B to $\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|$ extended as shown



3 Solution

From $\triangle AXD$ and $\triangle BYD$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{X}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{X}\|^2$$
 (3.0.1)

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{Y}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{Y}\|^2$$
 (3.0.2)

From equation (3.0.1)

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{X}\|^2 + (\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| - \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\|)^2$$
(3.0.3)

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{X}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\|$$
 (3.0.4)

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} = (\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{X}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\|^{2}) + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2}$$
$$-2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\| \quad (3.0.5)$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\|$$
(3.0.6)

From equation (3.0.2)

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{Y}\|^2 + (\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\|)^2$$
(3.0.7)

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{Y}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\|$$
 (3.0.8)

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^{2} = (\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{Y}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\|^{2}) + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + 2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\| \quad (3.0.9)$$

$$\|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\|$$
(3.0.10)

In $\triangle AXD$ and $\triangle BYC$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{X}\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{Y}\|$$
 (3.0.11)

$$\angle AXD = \angle BYC \tag{3.0.12}$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\| \tag{3.0.13}$$

Therefore by RHS Congruency

$$\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{X}\| = \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\| \tag{3.0.14}$$

Substituting the value of DX from (3.0.14) to equation (3.0.6)

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{Y}\|$$
(3.0.15)

Combining equation (3.0.15) and (3.0.10) and simplifying

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2$$
 (3.0.16)

From equation (2.0.2) $\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 =$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^2$$
(3.0.17)