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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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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 that

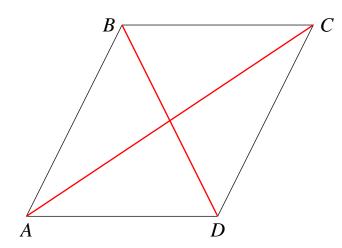


Fig. 0: parallelogram ABCD

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

3 Solution

The diagonals of parallelogram are

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

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

The sum of the squares of diagonals is

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

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

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

$$\cos(180^{\circ} - \angle ADC) + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^{2}$$

$$-2\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|\cos\angle DAB$$
(3.0.5)

In the parallelogram ABCD

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\| = \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\| \tag{3.0.6}$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\| \tag{3.0.7}$$

$$\angle ADC + \angle DAB = 180^{\circ} \tag{3.0.8}$$

$$\angle DAB = 180^{\circ} - \angle ADC \tag{3.0.9}$$

From equation (3.0.5),(3.0.6),(3.0.7) and (3.0.9)

$$= \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + 2\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|\cos \angle DAB + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^{2} - 2\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|\cos \angle DAB$$
(3.0.10)

Simplifying equation (3.0.10)

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{D}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{C}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{D}\|^2$$
(3.0.11)

The equations (2.0.1) and (3.0.11) are equal, hence proved