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Assignment 5

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Abstract—This is a simple document explaining how to prove the congruence of two triangles.

Download all and latex-tikz codes from

svn co https://github.com/gadepall/school/trunk/ncert/geometry/figs

1 Problem

 $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DBC$ are two isosceles triangles on the same base BC and the vertices A and D are on the same side of BC. If AD is extended to intersect BC at P, show that

- a) $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACD$
- b) $\triangle ABP \cong \triangle ACP$
- c) AP bisects $\angle A$ as well as $\angle D$
- d) AP is the parpendicular bisector of BC

2 EXPLANATION

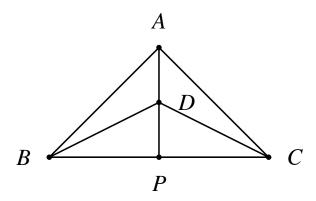


Fig. 0: Iso-sceles Triangles by Latex-Tikz

The above problem statement is depicted in the figure 0 where the vertices are: A, B and C for $\triangle ABC$ and D, B and C for $\triangle DBC$. For $\triangle ABC$ the sides AB, BC and CA are represented by the vectors $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$, $\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}$ and $\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{A}$ and for $\triangle DBC$ the sides DB, BC and CD are represented by $\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{B}$, $\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}$ and $\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D}$.

From the problem statement we get that:

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|$$
 (2.0.1)

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

$$\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C} = K_2(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) \tag{2.0.3}$$

$$\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B} = K_1(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) \tag{2.0.4}$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\| = \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{C}\|$$

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

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

$$\implies \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}\|^{2} + 2(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}) =$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P}\|^{2} + \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + 2(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C})$$

$$\implies \|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}\|^{2} + 2(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{B}) =$$

$$\|\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + 2(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^{T}(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{C})$$

$$\implies K_{1}^{2} \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + 2K_{1}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^{T}(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}) =$$

$$K_{2}^{2} \|\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C}\|^{2} + 2K_{2}(\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{P})^{T}(\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C})$$

$$(2.0.5)$$