

CHAPTER-7
TRIANGLES

Excercise 7.1

Q1. Which of the following is not a criterion for congruence of triangles?

1. SAS
2. ASA
3. SSA
4. SSS

Solution:

1. $SAS(Side - Angle - Side)$ rule is used to prove the congruency of triangles.

It states that , if two sides and the included angle of one triangle are equal to two sides and included angle of another triangle, then the triangles are said to be congruent. An included angle is an angle formed by two given sides.

For triangles PQR and XYZ , if $PQ = XZ$, $PR = YZ$ and $\angle Z < \angle P$, then by SAS rule, $\triangle XYZ$ is \cong to $\triangle PQR$ as shown in Figure 1.

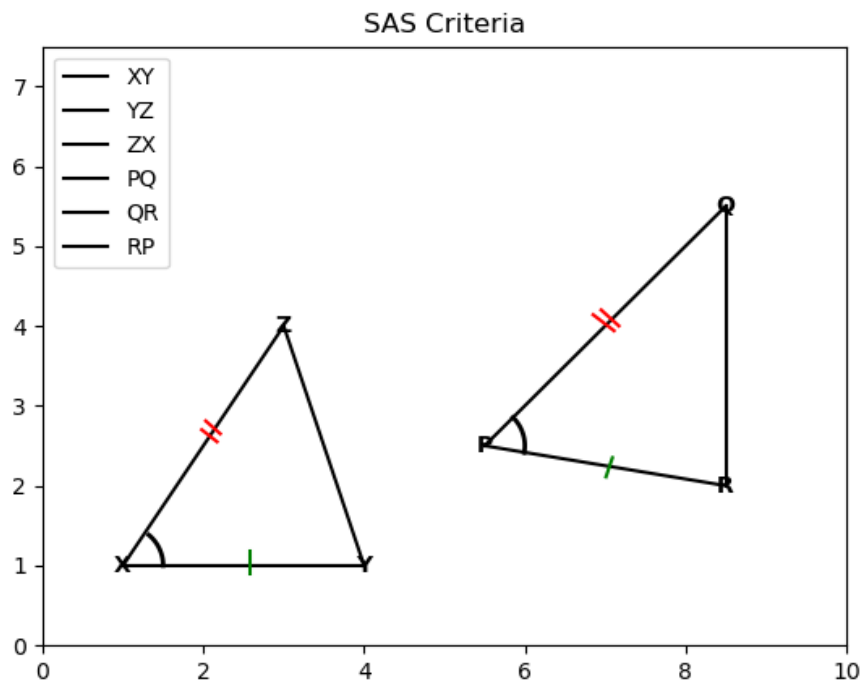


Figure 1:

2. *ASA*(*Angle – Side – Angle*) rule is used to prove the congruency of triangles.

It states that , if two angles and a non-included side of one triangle are equal to two angles and a non-included side of another triangle, then the triangles are said to be in congruent.

For triangles PQR and XYZ , $XZ = QP$, $\angle X = \angle Q$, and $\angle Y = \angle R$, then $\triangle XYZ$ is \cong to $\triangle PQR$ as shown in Figure2.

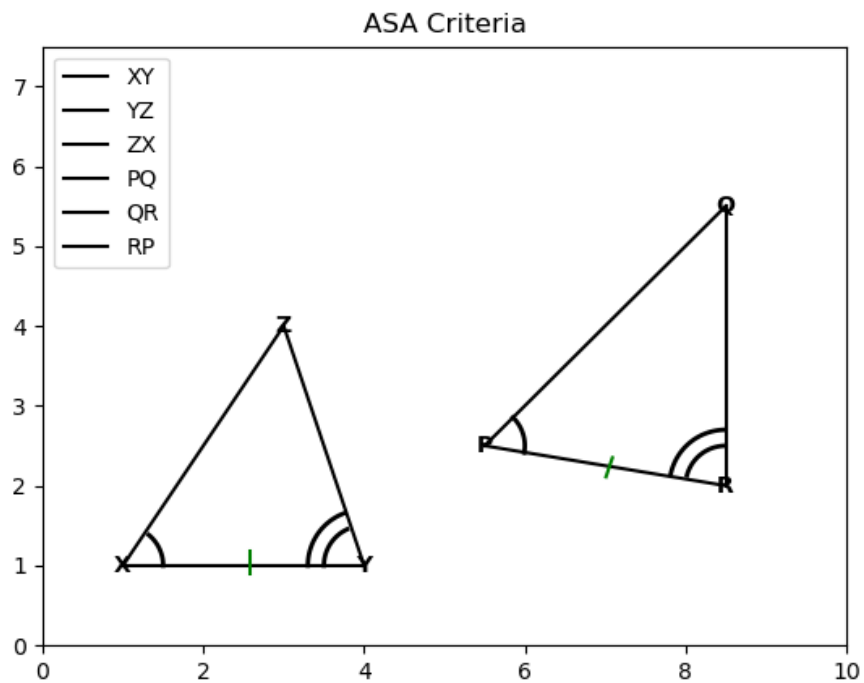


Figure 2:

3. *SSA* there is no such criterion postulated.
4. *SSS*(*Side – Side – Side*) rule is also used to prove the congruency of triangles.

If three sides of one triangle are equal to three sides of another triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

For triangles PQR and XYZ , if $XY = PR$, $YZ = PQ$ and $ZX = QR$, then $\triangle XYZ$ is \cong to $\triangle PQR$ as shown in Figure:3.

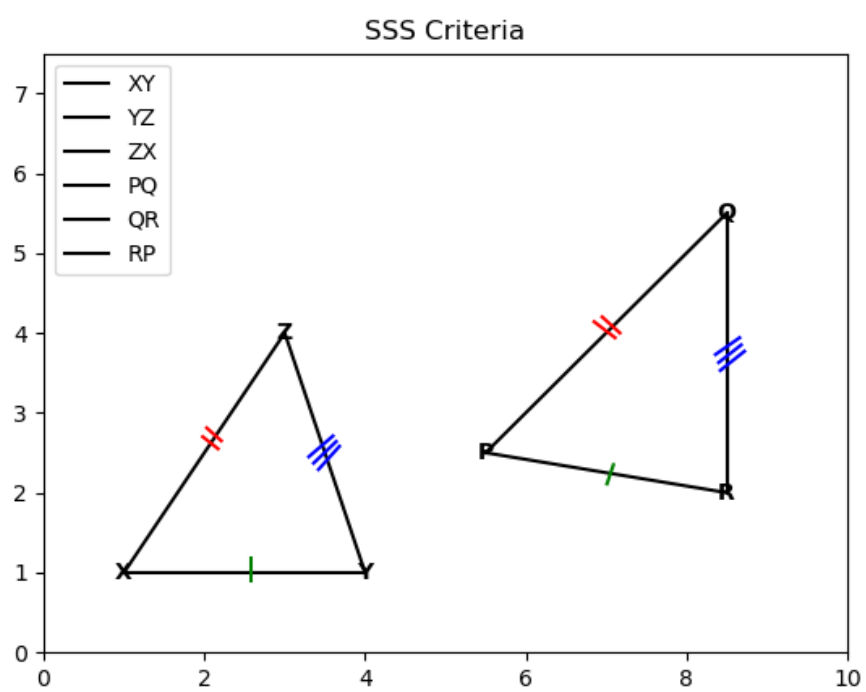


Figure 3: