Snappy Ruler Set - Complete Android Development Guide

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Project Overview

The Snappy Ruler Set is an Android drawing application that provides virtual geometry tools with intelligent snapping capabilities. Users can draw freehand and use precision tools like rulers, set squares, protractors, and compasses.

Key Features

- Freehand drawing with pen/finger
- Virtual ruler with rotation and snapping
- Set squares (45° and 30°-60° variants)
- Protractor with angle measurement
- Compass for circles and arcs
- Intelligent snapping system
- Undo/Redo functionality
- Export to PNG/JPEG

Technical Stack

- Language: Kotlin
- **UI Framework**: Jetpack Compose
- Architecture: MVVM with Repository pattern
- Graphics: Canvas API with custom drawing

- State Management: StateFlow and Compose State
- Testing: JUnit, Espresso, Compose Testing

Prerequisites

Development Environment

- Android Studio Hedgehog (2023.1.1) or later
- JDK 17 or higher
- Android SDK API 24+ (Android 7.0)
- Kotlin 1.9.0+

Hardware Requirements

- Minimum 8GB RAM (16GB recommended)
- 10GB free disk space
- Android device or emulator for testing

Knowledge Requirements

- Basic Kotlin programming
- Android development fundamentals
- Jetpack Compose basics
- Canvas drawing concepts

Project Setup

Step 1: Create New Android Project

- 1. Open Android Studio
- 2. Click "Create New Project"
- 3. Select "Empty Compose Activity"
- 4. Configure project:
 - Name: (SnapRulerSet)
 - Package: (com.yourname.snaprulerset)
 - Language: Kotlin
 - Minimum SDK: API 24
 - Build configuration: Kotlin DSL

Step 2: Update build.gradle.kts (Module: app)

```
android {
  namespace = "com.yourname.snaprulerset"
  compileSdk = 34
  defaultConfig {
    applicationId = "com.yourname.snaprulerset"
    minSdk = 24
    targetSdk = 34
    versionCode = 1
    versionName = "1.0"
    testInstrumentationRunner = "androidx.test.runner.AndroidJUnitRunner"
    vectorDrawables {
       useSupportLibrary = true
  buildTypes {
    release {
       isMinifyEnabled = false
       proguardFiles(
         {\tt getDefaultProguardFile} ("proguard-android-optimize.txt"),
         "proguard-rules.pro"
  compileOptions {
    sourceCompatibility = JavaVersion.VERSION_17
    targetCompatibility = JavaVersion.VERSION_17
  kotlinOptions {
    jvmTarget = "17"
  buildFeatures {
    compose = true
  composeOptions {
    kotlinCompilerExtensionVersion = "1.5.8"
  packaging {
    resources {
```

```
excludes += "/META-INF/{AL2.0,LGPL2.1}"
dependencies {
  implementation("androidx.core:core-ktx:1.12.0")
  implementation("androidx.lifecycle:lifecycle-runtime-ktx:2.7.0")
  implementation("androidx.activity:activity-compose:1.8.2")
  implementation("androidx.compose.ui:ui:1.5.8")
  implementation("androidx.compose.ui:ui-tooling-preview:1.5.8")
  implementation("androidx.compose.material3:1.1.2")
  // ViewModel
  implementation("androidx.lifecycle:lifecycle-viewmodel-compose:2.7.0")
  // Navigation
  implementation("androidx.navigation:navigation-compose:2.7.6")
  // Permissions
  implementation("com.google.accompanist:accompanist-permissions:0.32.0")
  // Testing
  testImplementation("junit:junit:4.13.2")
  testImplementation("org.mockito:mockito-core:5.8.0")
  androidTestImplementation("androidx.test.ext:junit:1.1.5")
  androidTestImplementation("androidx.test.espresso:espresso-core:3.5.1")
  androidTestImplementation("androidx.compose.ui:ui-test-junit4:1.5.8")
  debugImplementation("androidx.compose.ui:ui-tooling:1.5.8")
  debugImplementation("androidx.compose.ui:ui-test-manifest:1.5.8")
```

Step 3: Add Permissions (AndroidManifest.xml)

xml

```
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"</pre>
  xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools">
  <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE" />
  <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.READ_EXTERNAL_STORAGE" />
  < application
    android:allowBackup="true"
    android:dataExtractionRules="@xml/data_extraction_rules"
    android:fullBackupContent="@xml/backup_rules"
    android:icon="@mipmap/ic_launcher"
    android:label="@string/app_name"
    android:roundlcon="@mipmap/ic_launcher_round"
    android:supportsRtl="true"
    android:theme="@style/Theme.SnapRulerSet"
    tools:targetApi="31">
    < activity
      android:name=".MainActivity"
      android:exported="true"
      android:screenOrientation="portrait"
      android:theme="@style/Theme.SnapRulerSet">
       <intent-filter>
         <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
         <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
       </intent-filter>
    </activity>
  </application>
</manifest>
```

Architecture Overview

MVVM Architecture Pattern

Key Components

- 1. Drawing Engine: Handles canvas operations and rendering
- 2. **Tool System**: Manages geometry tools (ruler, protractor, etc.)
- 3. Snapping System: Implements intelligent snapping logic
- 4. **Gesture Handler**: Processes touch inputs and gestures
- 5. **State Manager**: Manages drawing state and undo/redo

Core Components Implementation

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1. Data Models								
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```
package com.yourname.snaprulerset.model
import androidx.compose.ui.geometry.Offset
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Color
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.Path
data class DrawingState(
  val paths: List<DrawingPath> = emptyList(),
  val tools: List<GeometryTool> = emptyList(),
  val selectedTool: ToolType? = null,
  val isDrawing: Boolean = false,
  val currentPath: Path = Path(),
  val canvasOffset: Offset = Offset.Zero.
  val canvasScale: Float = 1f.
  val gridVisible: Boolean = true,
  val gridSpacing: Float = 50f, // 5mm at 160dpi
  val snapEnabled: Boolean = true,
  val snapRadius: Float = 20f
data class DrawingPath(
  val path: Path,
  val color: Color,
  val strokeWidth: Float,
  val timestamp: Long = System.currentTimeMillis()
sealed class GeometryTool {
  abstract val id: String
  abstract val position: Offset
  abstract val rotation: Float
  data class Ruler(
     override val id: String = "ruler_${System.currentTimeMillis()}",
     override val position: Offset,
     override val rotation: Float = Of,
     val length: Float = 300f// 30cm at 160dpi
  ): GeometryTool()
  data class SetSquare(
     override val id: String = "setsquare_${System.currentTimeMillis()}",
     override val position: Offset,
     override val rotation: Float = Of,
     val type: SetSquareType = SetSquareType.TRIANGLE_45,
     val size: Float = 200f
  ): GeometryTool()
```

```
data class Protractor(
     override val id: String = "protractor_${System.currentTimeMillis()}",
     override val position: Offset,
     override val rotation: Float = Of.
     val radius: Float = 100f,
     val startAngle: Float = Of,
     val sweepAngle: Float = 180f
  ): GeometryTool()
  data class Compass(
     override val id: String = "compass_${System.currentTimeMillis()}",
     override val position: Offset,
     override val rotation: Float = Of.
     val radius: Float = 50f,
     val center: Offset = position
  ): GeometryTool()
enum class ToolType {
  PEN, RULER, SET_SQUARE_45, SET_SQUARE_30_60, PROTRACTOR, COMPASS
enum class SetSquareType {
  TRIANGLE_45, TRIANGLE_30_60
data class SnapPoint(
  val position: Offset,
  val type: SnapType,
  val strength: Float = 1f // 0-1, higher = stronger snap
enum class SnapType {
  GRID, ENDPOINT, MIDPOINT, INTERSECTION, ANGLE, CIRCLE_CENTER
```

2. Snapping System

SnapEngine.kt

kotlin

```
package com.yourname.snaprulerset.engine
import androidx.compose.ui.geometry.Offset
import com.yourname.snaprulerset.model.*
import kotlin.math.*
class SnapEngine {
  fun findSnapPoints(
     targetPoint: Offset,
     drawingState: DrawingState,
     snapRadius: Float
  ): List < SnapPoint > {
     if (!drawingState.snapEnabled) return emptyList()
     val snapPoints = mutableListOf<SnapPoint>()
    // Grid snapping
     if (drawingState.gridVisible) {
       snapPoints.addAll(findGridSnaps(targetPoint, drawingState.gridSpacing, snapRadius))
    // Tool snapping
     drawingState.tools.forEach { tool ->
       snapPoints.addAll(findToolSnaps(targetPoint, tool, snapRadius))
    // Path snapping
     drawingState.paths.forEach { drawingPath ->
       snapPoints.addAll(findPathSnaps(targetPoint, drawingPath, snapRadius))
     return snapPoints.filter {
       distance(targetPoint, it.position) <= snapRadius</pre>
    }.sortedBy {
       distance(targetPoint, it.position)
  private fun findGridSnaps(
     targetPoint: Offset,
     gridSpacing: Float,
     snapRadius: Float
  ): List < SnapPoint > {
     val snapX = round(targetPoint.x / gridSpacing) * gridSpacing
     val snapY = round(targetPoint.y / gridSpacing) * gridSpacing
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val gridSnap = Offset(snapX, snapY)
  return if (distance(targetPoint, gridSnap) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     listOf(SnapPoint(gridSnap, SnapType.GRID, 0.8f))
  } else emptyList()
private fun findToolSnaps(
  targetPoint: Offset,
  tool: GeometryTool,
  snapRadius: Float
): List < SnapPoint > {
  return when (tool) {
     is GeometryTool.Ruler -> findRulerSnaps(targetPoint, tool, snapRadius)
     is GeometryTool.SetSquare -> findSetSquareSnaps(targetPoint, tool, snapRadius)
     is GeometryTool.Protractor -> findProtractorSnaps(targetPoint, tool, snapRadius)
     is GeometryTool.Compass -> findCompassSnaps(targetPoint, tool, snapRadius)
private fun findRulerSnaps(
  targetPoint: Offset,
  ruler: GeometryTool.Ruler,
  snapRadius: Float
): List < SnapPoint > {
  val snapPoints = mutableListOf<SnapPoint>()
  // Calculate ruler endpoints
  val halfLength = ruler.length / 2
  val cos = cos(ruler.rotation)
  val sin = sin(ruler.rotation)
  val start = Offset(
     ruler.position.x - halfLength * cos,
     ruler.position.y - halfLength * sin
  val end = Offset(
     ruler.position.x + halfLength * cos,
     ruler.position.y + halfLength * sin
  // Endpoint snapping
  if (distance(targetPoint, start) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(start, SnapType.ENDPOINT, 1f))
  if (distance(targetPoint, end) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(end, SnapType.ENDPOINT, 1f))
```

```
// Midpoint snapping
  val midpoint = Offset(
     (start.x + end.x) / 2
     (start.y + end.y) / 2
  if (distance(targetPoint, midpoint) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(midpoint, SnapType.MIDPOINT, 0.9f))
  return snapPoints
private fun findSetSquareSnaps(
  targetPoint: Offset,
  setSquare: GeometryTool.SetSquare,
  snapRadius: Float
): List < SnapPoint > {
  val snapPoints = mutableListOf<SnapPoint>()
  // Calculate triangle vertices based on type
  val vertices = when (setSquare.type) {
     SetSquareType.TRIANGLE_45 -> calculate45TriangleVertices(setSquare)
     SetSquareType.TRIANGLE_30_60 -> calculate30_60TriangleVertices(setSquare)
  // Add vertex snaps
  vertices.forEach { vertex ->
     if (distance(targetPoint, vertex) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
       snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(vertex, SnapType.ENDPOINT, 1f))
  // Add edge midpoint snaps
  for (i in vertices.indices) {
     val nextIndex = (i + 1) % vertices.size
     val midpoint = Offset(
       (vertices[i].x + vertices[nextIndex].x) / 2,
       (vertices[i].y + vertices[nextIndex].y) / 2
     if (distance(targetPoint, midpoint) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
       snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(midpoint, SnapType.MIDPOINT, 0.9f))
  return snapPoints
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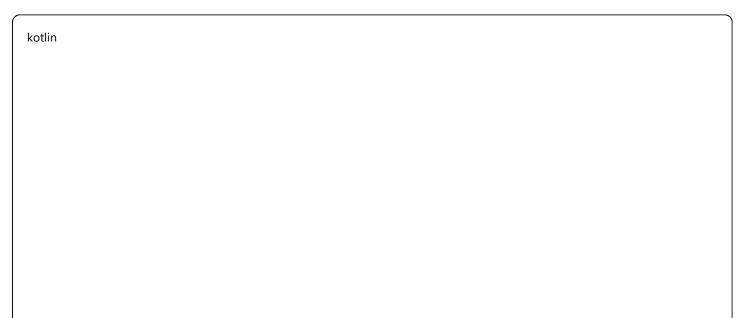
```
private fun findProtractorSnaps(
  targetPoint: Offset,
  protractor: GeometryTool.Protractor,
  snapRadius: Float
): List < SnapPoint > {
  val snapPoints = mutableListOf<SnapPoint>()
  // Center snap
  if (distance(targetPoint, protractor.position) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(protractor.position, SnapType.CIRCLE_CENTER, 1f))
  // Angle snaps (every 15 degrees)
  for (angle in 0..360 step 15) {
     val radians = Math.toRadians(angle.toDouble()).toFloat()
     val snapPoint = Offset(
       protractor.position.x + protractor.radius * cos(radians),
       protractor.position.y + protractor.radius * sin(radians)
     )
     if (distance(targetPoint, snapPoint) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
       val strength = if (angle \% 30 == 0) 1f else 0.7f
       snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(snapPoint, SnapType.ANGLE, strength))
  return snapPoints
private fun findCompassSnaps(
  targetPoint: Offset,
  compass: GeometryTool.Compass,
  snapRadius: Float
): List < SnapPoint > {
  val snapPoints = mutableListOf<SnapPoint>()
  // Center snap
  if (distance(targetPoint, compass.center) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(compass.center, SnapType.CIRCLE_CENTER, 1f))
  // Circle circumference snap
  val distanceFromCenter = distance(targetPoint, compass.center)
  if (abs(distanceFromCenter - compass.radius) <= snapRadius) {</pre>
     val angle = atan2(
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targetPoint.y - compass.center.y,
        targetPoint.x - compass.center.x
     val snapPoint = Offset(
        compass.center.x + compass.radius * cos(angle),
        compass.center.y + compass.radius * sin(angle)
     snapPoints.add(SnapPoint(snapPoint, SnapType.INTERSECTION, 0.8f))
  return snapPoints
private fun findPathSnaps(
  targetPoint: Offset,
  drawingPath: DrawingPath,
  snapRadius: Float
): List < SnapPoint > {
  // For now, return empty - would need path analysis for endpoints/intersections
  return emptyList()
private fun calculate45TriangleVertices(setSquare: GeometryTool.SetSquare): List<Offset> {
  val size = setSquare.size
  val cos = cos(setSquare.rotation)
  val sin = sin(setSquare.rotation)
  // Right triangle with 45° angles
  val vertices = listOf(
     Offset(Of, Of),
     Offset(size, Of),
     Offset(size, size)
  return vertices.map { vertex ->
     Offset(
        setSquare.position.x + vertex.x * cos - vertex.y * sin,
        setSquare.position.y + vertex.x * sin + vertex.y * cos
private fun calculate30_60TriangleVertices(setSquare: GeometryTool.SetSquare): List < Offset > {
  val size = setSquare.size
  val cos = cos(setSquare.rotation)
  val sin = sin(setSquare.rotation)
```

```
// 30-60-90 triangle
  val height = size * sqrt(3f) / 2f
  val vertices = listOf(
     Offset(0f, 0f),
     Offset(size, Of),
     Offset(size / 2f, height)
  return vertices.map { vertex ->
     Offset(
        setSquare.position.x + vertex.x * cos - vertex.y * sin,
        setSquare.position.y + vertex.x * sin + vertex.y * cos
private fun distance(p1: Offset, p2: Offset): Float {
  return sqrt((p1.x - p2.x).pow(2) + (p1.y - p2.y).pow(2))
fun snapToCommonAngles(angle: Float): Float {
  val commonAngles = listOf(0f, 30f, 45f, 60f, 90f, 120f, 135f, 150f, 180f)
  val normalizedAngle = angle % 360f
  return commonAngles.minByOrNull { abs(normalizedAngle - it) } ?: normalizedAngle
```

3. Drawing Engine

Drawing Engine.kt



```
package com.yourname.snaprulerset.engine
import androidx.compose.ui.geometry.Offset
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.*
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.drawscope.DrawScope
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.drawscope.Stroke
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.drawscope.rotate
import androidx.compose.ui.graphics.drawscope.translate
import com.yourname.snaprulerset.model.*
import kotlin.math.*
class DrawingEngine {
  private val paint = Paint().apply {
    isAntiAlias = true
  fun drawCanvas(
    drawScope: DrawScope,
    drawingState: DrawingState,
    snapPoints: List < SnapPoint >
  ) {
    with(drawScope) {
       // Draw grid
       if (drawingState.gridVisible) {
          drawGrid(drawingState.gridSpacing)
       // Draw existing paths
       drawingState.paths.forEach { drawingPath ->
         drawPath(
            path = drawingPath.path,
            color = drawingPath.color,
            style = Stroke(width = drawingPath.strokeWidth)
       // Draw current path being drawn
       if (drawingState.isDrawing) {
         drawPath(
            path = drawingState.currentPath,
            color = Color.Black,
            style = Stroke(width = 4f)
```

```
// Draw tools
     drawingState.tools.forEach { tool ->
       drawTool(tool, drawingState.selectedTool?.name == tool::class.simpleName)
    // Draw snap indicators
    snapPoints.forEach { snapPoint ->
       drawSnapIndicator(snapPoint)
private fun DrawScope.drawGrid(spacing: Float) {
  val width = size.width
  val height = size.height
  val gridPaint = Paint().apply {
     color = Color.Gray.copy(alpha = 0.3f)
    strokeWidth = 1f
  // Vertical lines
  var x = Of
  while (x <= width) {
    drawLine(
       color = Color.Gray.copy(alpha = 0.3f),
       start = Offset(x, Of),
       end = Offset(x, height),
       strokeWidth = 1f
    x += spacing
  // Horizontal lines
  var y = Of
  while (y <= height) {
     drawLine(
       color = Color.Gray.copy(alpha = 0.3f),
       start = Offset(0f, y),
       end = Offset(width, y),
       strokeWidth = 1f
    )
    y += spacing
private fun DrawScope.drawTool(tool: GeometryTool, isSelected: Boolean) {
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val color = if (isSelected) Color.Blue else Color.Black
  val strokeWidth = if (isSelected) 3f else 2f
  when (tool) {
     is GeometryTool.Ruler -> drawRuler(tool, color, strokeWidth)
     is GeometryTool.SetSquare -> drawSetSquare(tool, color, strokeWidth)
     is GeometryTool.Protractor -> drawProtractor(tool, color, strokeWidth)
     is Geometry Tool. Compass -> drawCompass (tool, color, strokeWidth)
private fun DrawScope.drawRuler(
  ruler: GeometryTool.Ruler,
  color: Color,
  strokeWidth: Float
) {
  val halfLength = ruler.length / 2
  val cos = cos(ruler.rotation)
  val sin = sin(ruler.rotation)
  val start = Offset(
     ruler.position.x - halfLength * cos,
     ruler.position.y - halfLength * sin
  val end = Offset(
     ruler.position.x + halfLength * cos,
     ruler.position.y + halfLength * sin
  // Main ruler line
  drawLine(
     color = color,
     start = start,
     end = end,
     strokeWidth = strokeWidth
  // Measurement marks
  val markCount = 20 // Every 1.5cm
  for (i in 0..markCount) {
     val t = i.toFloat() / markCount
     val markPos = Offset(
       start.x + (end.x - start.x) * t,
       start.y + (end.y - start.y) * t
     val markHeight = if (i % 5 == 0) 15f else 8f
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val perpX = -sin * markHeight / 2
     val perpY = cos * markHeight / 2
     drawLine(
       color = color.
       start = Offset(markPos.x - perpX, markPos.y - perpY),
       end = Offset(markPos.x + perpX, markPos.y + perpY),
       strokeWidth = 1f
private fun DrawScope.drawSetSquare(
  setSquare: GeometryTool.SetSquare,
  color: Color,
  strokeWidth: Float
) {
  val vertices = when (setSquare.type) {
     SetSquareType.TRIANGLE_45 -> calculate45TriangleVertices(setSquare)
     SetSquareType.TRIANGLE_30_60 -> calculate30_60TriangleVertices(setSquare)
  val path = Path().apply {
     moveTo(vertices[0].x, vertices[0].y)
    vertices.forEach { vertex ->
       lineTo(vertex.x, vertex.y)
     close()
  drawPath(
     path = path,
     color = color.copy(alpha = 0.3f)
  drawPath(
     path = path,
     color = color,
     style = Stroke(width = strokeWidth)
private fun DrawScope.drawProtractor(
  protractor: GeometryTool.Protractor,
  color: Color,
  strokeWidth: Float
) {
```

```
// Draw main arc
drawArc(
  color = color,
  startAngle = protractor.startAngle,
  sweepAngle = protractor.sweepAngle,
  useCenter = false,
  topLeft = Offset(
     protractor.position.x - protractor.radius,
     protractor.position.y - protractor.radius
  ),
  size = androidx.compose.ui.geometry.Size(
     protractor.radius * 2,
     protractor.radius * 2
  ),
  style = Stroke(width = strokeWidth)
// Draw angle marks
for (angle in 0..180 step 10) {
  val radians = Math.toRadians(angle.toDouble()).toFloat()
  val innerRadius = protractor.radius - 10f
  val outerRadius = protractor.radius
  val startPoint = Offset(
     protractor.position.x + innerRadius * cos(radians),
     protractor.position.y + innerRadius * sin(radians)
  val endPoint = Offset(
     protractor.position.x + outerRadius * cos(radians),
     protractor.position.y + outerRadius * sin(radians)
  drawLine(
     color = color,
     start = startPoint,
     end = endPoint,
     strokeWidth = 1f
// Draw center point
drawCircle(
  color = color,
  radius = 3f,
  center = protractor.position
```

```
private fun DrawScope.drawCompass(
  compass: Geometry Tool. Compass,
  color: Color,
  strokeWidth: Float
) {
  // Draw compass circle
  drawCircle(
    color = color,
    radius = compass.radius,
    center = compass.center,
    style = Stroke(width = strokeWidth)
  // Draw center point
  drawCircle(
     color = color,
    radius = 3f
    center = compass.center
  // Draw radius line
  drawLine(
    color = color,
    start = compass.center,
    end = Offset(
       compass.center.x + compass.radius,
       compass.center.y
    ),
    strokeWidth = 1f
private fun DrawScope.drawSnapIndicator(snapPoint: SnapPoint) {
  val color = when (snapPoint.type) {
     SnapType.GRID -> Color.Blue
     SnapType.ENDPOINT -> Color.Red
     SnapType.MIDPOINT -> Color.Green
     SnapType.INTERSECTION -> Color.Yellow
     SnapType.ANGLE -> Color.Magenta
     SnapType.CIRCLE_CENTER -> Color.Cyan
  val alpha = (0.5f + snapPoint.strength * 0.5f)
  // Draw snap indicator circle
  drawCircle(
```

```
color = color.copy(alpha = alpha),
     radius = 8f,
     center = snapPoint.position,
     style = Stroke(width = 2f)
  // Draw inner dot
  drawCircle(
     color = color.copy(alpha = alpha),
     radius = 2f
     center = snapPoint.position
private fun calculate45TriangleVertices(setSquare: GeometryTool.SetSquare): List<Offset> {
  val size = setSquare.size
  val cos = cos(setSquare.rotation)
  val sin = sin(setSquare.rotation)
  val vertices = listOf(
     Offset(Of, Of),
     Offset(size, Of),
     Offset(size, size)
  return vertices.map
```