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## PART I

## EUCLIDEAN GEOMETRY

## CHAPTER 1

## CONGRUENCY

1. Prove that the internal and external bisectors of the angles of a triangle are perpendicular.

Solution. Let $B D$ and $B E$ be the angle bisectors, as shown in the diagram below.


Then
$\angle E B D=\angle E B A+\angle D B A=\frac{\angle F B A}{2}+\frac{\angle C B A}{2}=\frac{\angle F B A+C B A}{2}=90$.
3. Let $P$ be a point inside $\triangle A B C$. Use the Triangle Inequality to prove that $A B+B C>A P+P C$.

Solution. Extend $A P$ to meet $B C$ at $D$. Using the Triangle Inequality,

$$
A B+B D>A D=A P+P D
$$

so that

$$
A B+B D+D C>A P+P D+D C .
$$

Since

$$
B D+D C=B C
$$

and

we have

$$
A B+B C>A P+P C
$$

5. Given the isosceles triangle $A B C$ with $A B=A C$, let $D$ be the foot of the perpendicular from $A$ to $B C$. Prove that $A D$ bisects $\angle B A C$.

Solution. Referring to the diagram, the two right triangles $A D B$ and $A D C$ have a common side and equal hypotenuses, so they are congruent by HSR. Consequently, $\angle B A D \equiv$ $\angle C A D$.

7. $D$ is a point on $B C$ such that $A D$ is the bisector of $\angle A$. Show that

$$
\angle A D C=90+\frac{\angle B-\angle C}{2} .
$$

Solution. Referring to the diagram, $2 \theta+\beta+$ $\gamma=180$, which implies that

$$
\theta=90-\frac{\beta+\gamma}{2} .
$$

From the Exterior Angle Theorem, we have

$$
\delta=\theta+\beta,
$$

so that


$$
\delta=90-\frac{\beta+\gamma}{2}+\beta=90+\frac{\beta-\gamma}{2} .
$$

9. Construct a right triangle given the hypotenuse and one side.

Solution. We construct a right triangle $A B C$ given the hypotenuse $B C$ and the length $c$ of side $A C$.

Construction.
(1) Construct the right bisector of $B C$, yielding $M$, the midpoint of $B C$.
(2) With center $M$, draw a semicircle with diameter $B C$.
(3) With center $C$ and radius equal to $c$, draw an arc cutting the semicircle at A.

Then $A B C$ is the desired triangle.


Justification. $\angle B A C$ is a right angle by Thales' Theorem.
11. Let $Q$ be the foot of the perpendicular from a point $P$ to a line $l$. Show that $Q$ is the point on $l$ that is closest to $P$.
Solution. Let $X$ be any point on $l$ with $X \neq Q$, as in the figure below.


By Pythagoras' Theorem, we have

$$
P X^{2}=P Q^{2}+X Q^{2}>P Q^{2},
$$

and therefore $P X>P Q$.
13. Let $A B C D$ be a simple quadrilateral. Show that $A B C D$ is cyclic if and only if the opposite angles sum to $180^{\circ}$.
Solution. We will show that the simple quadilateral $A B C D$ can be inscribed in a circle if and only if $\angle A+\angle C=180$ and $\angle B+\angle D=180$.


Note that we only have to show that $\angle A+\angle C=180$, since if this is true, then

$$
\angle B+\angle D=360-(\angle A+\angle C)=360-180=180
$$

Suppose first that the quadrilateral $A B C D$ is cyclic. Draw the diagonals $A C$ and $B D$ and let $P$ be the intersection of the diagonals, then use Thales' Theorem to get the angles as shown.


Since the sum of the internal angles in $\triangle A B C$ is 180 , then

$$
x+y+s+t=(x+s)+(y+t)=180
$$

That is, $\angle A+\angle C=180$ and $\angle B+\angle D=180$, so that opposite angles are supplementary.
Conversely, suppose that $\angle A+\angle C=180$ (and therefore that $\angle B+\angle D=180$ also) and let the circle shown on the following page be the circumcircle of $\triangle A B C$.


If the quadrilateral $A B C D$ is not cyclic, then the point $D$ does not lie on this circumcircle. Assume that $D$ lies outside the circle and let $D^{\prime}$ be the point where the line segment $C D$ hits the circle. Since $A B C D^{\prime}$ is a cyclic quadrilateral, $\angle B+\angle D^{\prime}=180$ and therefore $\angle D=\angle D^{\prime}$, which contradicts the External Angle Inequality in $\triangle A D^{\prime} D$.

If the point $D$ is inside the circle, a similar argument leads to a contradiction of the External Angle Inequality.

Thus, if $\angle A+\angle C=180$ and $\angle B+\angle D=180$, then quadrilateral $A B C D$ is cyclic.
15. Given a circle $\mathcal{C}(P, s)$, a line $l$ disjoint from $\mathcal{C}(P, s)$, and a radius $r,(r>s)$, construct a circle of radius $r$ tangent to both $\mathcal{C}(P, s)$ and $l$.

Note: The analysis figure indicates that there are four solutions.


Solution. We see that the centers of the circles lie on the following constructible loci:

- a line parallel to $l$ at distance $r$ from $l$
- a circle $\mathcal{C}(P, r+s)$ or a circle $\mathcal{C}(P, r-s)$


Since we are given the radius, the construction is reduced to finding the centers of the desired circles. We show how to construct one of them.
(1) Construct a line $m$ parallel to $l$ at distance $r$ from $l$ on the same side of $l$ as $\mathcal{C}(P, s)$.
(2) Construct $\mathcal{C}(P, r+s)$.
(3) Let $O=m \cap \mathcal{C}(P, r+s)$. Note that if $m$ and $\mathcal{C}(P, r+s)$ do not intersect, there is no solution.
(4) Construct $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$.

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