

## Solutions to H/wk 4

### Ch 3.2 no. 1.

(a) A point  $A$  is said to lie *between* points  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted  $A - C - B$ , if  $A, B, C$  are distinct and  $d(A, B) = d(A, C) + d(C, B)$ .

(b) For two distinct points  $A, B$  a *line segment*  $\overline{AB}$  consists of the points  $A, B$  and of all points  $C$  on the unique line passing through  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $A - C - B$ . The points  $A$  and  $B$  are called the *endpoints* of  $\overline{AB}$ .

(c) If  $A, B, C$  are three distinct non-colinear points, then the *angle*  $\angle BAC$  consists of the points on rays  $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{AC}$  and of all points  $D$  that lie between a point on  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  and a point on  $\overrightarrow{AC}$ . The rays  $\overrightarrow{AB}, \overrightarrow{AC}$  are called the *sides* of  $\angle BAC$  and the point  $A$  is called the *vertex* of  $\angle BAC$ .

(d) An angle is *obtuse* if it has measure more than  $90^\circ$ . An angle is *acute* if it has measure less than  $90^\circ$ . An angle is *right* if it has measure  $90^\circ$ .

(e) Two angles are *adjacent* if they have a common side and their intersection is equal to that side.

(f) Two angles are *vertical* if they have a common vertex, their intersection is equal to that vertex and if the sides of each angle can be ordered in such a way that the union of the first sides of these angles is a line and the union of the second sides of these angles is a line.

(g) Two angles are *supplementary* if the sum of their measures is  $180^\circ$ . Two angles are *complementary* if the sum of their measures is  $90^\circ$ .

(h) The midpoint of a line segment is a point on the segment that is equidistant from the endpoints of the segment.

(i) A *bisector* of an angle  $\angle BAC$  is a ray  $\overrightarrow{AD}$  that is contained in  $\angle BAC$  and such that  $m\angle BAD = m\angle DAC = \frac{1}{2}m\angle BAC$ .

(j) Two lines  $l_1, l_2$  are said to be *perpendicular* if they intersect at a point  $A$  such that for any point  $B$  on  $l_1$  and any point  $C$  on  $l_2$  such that  $B \neq A$  and  $C \neq A$  the angle  $\angle BAC$  is right.

(k) If  $A, B, C$  are three non-colinear points then a *triangle*  $\triangle ABC$  is the intersection of the angles  $\angle ABC, \angle BAC$  and  $\angle CBA$ . The points  $A, B, C$  are called *vertices* of  $\triangle ABC$  and the segments  $\overline{AB}, \overline{AC}, \overline{BC}$  are called the *sides* of  $\triangle ABC$ .

(l) Let  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$  (where  $n \geq 4$ ) be  $n$  distinct points in the plane.

Suppose that:

- (1) No three distinct points in the list  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$  are colinear; and
- (2) For each  $i = 2, \dots, n - 2$  the intersection of the triangles  $\triangle A_1 A_i A_{i+1}$  and  $\triangle A_1 A_{i+1} A_{i+2}$  is equal to the segment  $\overline{A_1 A_{i+1}}$ ; and
- (3) The union of the triangles  $\triangle A_1 A_2 A_3, \triangle A_1 A_3 A_4, \dots, \triangle A_1 A_{n-1} A_n$  is convex.

Then a *polygon*  $P(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  is the union of triangles

$$\triangle A_1 A_2 A_3, \triangle A_1 A_3 A_4, \dots, \triangle A_1 A_{n-1} A_n.$$

The points  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are called the *vertices* of  $P(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  and the segments  $\overline{A_1 A_2}, \overline{A_2 A_3}, \dots, \overline{A_{n-1} A_n}, \overline{A_n A_1}$  are called the *sides* of  $P(A_1, \dots, A_n)$ .

(m) The *interior* of an angle (triangle, polygon) consists of all those points of the angle (triangle, polygon) that do not lie on its sides.

### Ch 3.2 no. 4.

We will show that the relation of angle congruence is an equivalence relation. Recall that the angles  $\angle ABC$  and  $\angle A'B'C'$  are said to be *congruent*, denoted  $\angle ABC \cong \angle A'B'C'$ , if  $m\angle ABC = m\angle A'B'C'$ .

(1) **Reflexivity.** For any angle  $\angle ABC$  we have  $m\angle ABC = m\angle ABC$  and hence  $\angle ABC \cong \angle ABC$ .

(2) **Symmetry.** Suppose  $\angle ABC \cong \angle A'B'C'$ .

Then  $m\angle ABC = m\angle A'B'C'$ . Therefore  $m\angle A'B'C' = m\angle ABC$  and hence  $\angle A'B'C' \cong \angle ABC$ .

(3) **Transitivity.** Suppose  $\angle ABC \cong \angle A'B'C'$  and  $\angle A'B'C' \cong \angle A''B''C''$ .

Then  $m\angle ABC = m\angle A'B'C'$  and  $m\angle A'B'C' = m\angle A''B''C''$ . Hence  $m\angle ABC = m\angle A''B''C''$  and so  $\angle ABC \cong \angle A''B''C''$

### Ch 3.2 no. 6.

We need to prove that supplements and complements of congruent angles are congruent. We will do that for complements.

Suppose  $\alpha, \beta$  are angles such that  $\alpha \cong \alpha'$  and let  $\beta$  be a complementary angle of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta'$  be a complementary angle of  $\alpha'$ . We need to show that  $\beta \cong \beta'$ .

Since  $\alpha \cong \alpha'$ , we have  $m\alpha = m\alpha'$ . Since  $\beta$  is a complement of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta'$  is a complement of  $\alpha'$ , we have  $m\beta = 90^\circ - m\alpha$  and  $m\beta' = 90^\circ - m\alpha'$ . Hence

$$m\beta = 90^\circ - m\alpha = 90^\circ - m\alpha' = m\beta'.$$

Thus  $m\beta = m\beta'$  and  $\beta \cong \beta'$ , as required.

### Ch 3.2 no. 7. (Draw a picture for the argument below)

We need to prove that vertical angles are congruent.

Suppose angles  $\angle BAC$  and  $\angle B'AC'$  are vertical, so that  $\overrightarrow{AB} \cup \overrightarrow{AB'}$  is a line  $l_1$  and  $\overrightarrow{AC} \cup \overrightarrow{AC'}$  is a line  $l_2$ .

Since the angles  $\angle BAC$  and  $\angle CAB'$  form a linear pair, SMSG Postulate 14 implies that these angles are supplementary and so  $m\angle BAC + m\angle CAB' = 180^\circ$ .

Similarly, the angles  $\angle CAB'$  and  $\angle B'AC'$  form a linear pair and therefore by SMSG Postulate 14 these angles are supplementary and  $m\angle CAB' + m\angle B'AC' = 180^\circ$ .

Therefore

$$m\angle C'AB' = 180^\circ - m\angle CAB' = 180^\circ - (180^\circ - m\angle BAC) = m\angle BAC$$

Thus  $m\angle C'AB' = m\angle BAC$  and so  $\angle C'AB' \cong \angle BAC$ , as required.

### Ch 3.2 no. 9. (Draw a picture for the argument below)

We need to prove that if a point is on a perpendicular bisector of a line segment, then it is equidistant from the endpoints of that segment.

Let  $l$  be a perpendicular bisector to a segment  $\overline{AB}$  and denote the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$  by  $T$ .

Suppose  $C$  is a point on  $l$ .

If  $C = T$  then  $d(C, A) = d(C, B) = \frac{1}{2}d(A, B)$  and  $C$  is equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ . Suppose now that  $C \neq T$ , so that  $A, B, C$  are not co-linear.

We have  $\angle CTA \cong \angle CTB$ , since both angles are right. Moreover,  $\overline{CT} \cong \overline{CT}$  and  $\overline{TA} \cong \overline{TB}$  since  $d(A, T) = d(B, T)$ .

Therefore by the SAS axiom (MSG Postulate 15)  $\triangle CTA \cong \triangle CTB$ . This implies that  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BC}$  and so  $d(A, C) = d(B, C)$ , as required.