

**Math 460: Homework # 3. Due Thursday, September 5**

1. Use Geometer's Sketchpad to construct a triangle, along with the following
  - (a) its circumcenter (labeled  $O$ )
  - (b) its incenter (labeled  $I$ )
  - (c) its orthocenter (labeled  $H$ )
  - (d) its centroid (labeled  $G$ )
  - (e) the line through  $O$  and  $H$ .

Hide all the lines used in constructions (a)-(d). Print out a copy, then change the shape of the triangle and print another copy. The line through  $O$  and  $H$  has a special property that should be obvious from your pictures—what is it? (You do not need to prove anything for this problem.)

2. (Use Geometer's Sketchpad) Start with a triangle  $ABC$ . Let  $D$  and  $E$  be points on the segments  $AC$  and  $BC$ , respectively, with  $DE$  parallel to  $AB$ . Let  $F$  be the intersection of the segments  $DB$  and  $AE$ , and let  $G$  be the intersection of  $AB$  with the ray  $CF$ . What special property does  $G$  have? Display a measurement which shows it has this property. Print the picture, then change the shape of the triangle, check that  $G$  still has this property, and print the new picture. You do not have to prove anything for this problem.
3. Give a proof of Theorem 13.
4. Give a proof of Theorem 14.
5. Let  $ABCD$  be a parallelogram, and let  $M$  and  $N$  be the midpoints of  $AB$  and  $CD$ . Prove that  $MN$  is parallel to  $BC$ .
6. (See Figure 4.) Given  $AE \perp BC$ ,  $BD \perp AC$ , and  $AF = BF$ , prove that  $AC = BC$ .

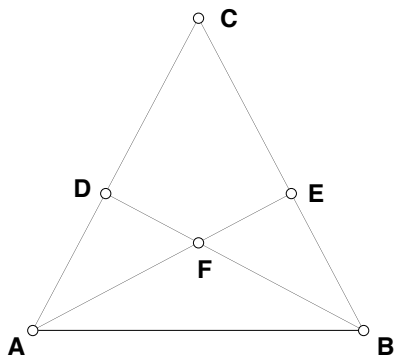


Figure 4

7. (See Figure 5) Given  $MK = MQ$ ,  $\angle K = \angle Q$ ,  $PM$  is perpendicular to  $MK$ , and  $LM$  is perpendicular to  $MQ$ , prove  $RS = TS$ . (Hint: Use what was shown in problem 7 of the last assignment.) **Warning:** Although it is true that equals subtracted from equals give equals, the same idea is *not* valid for congruence (it is not always true that congruent triangles subtracted from congruent triangles give congruent triangles.)

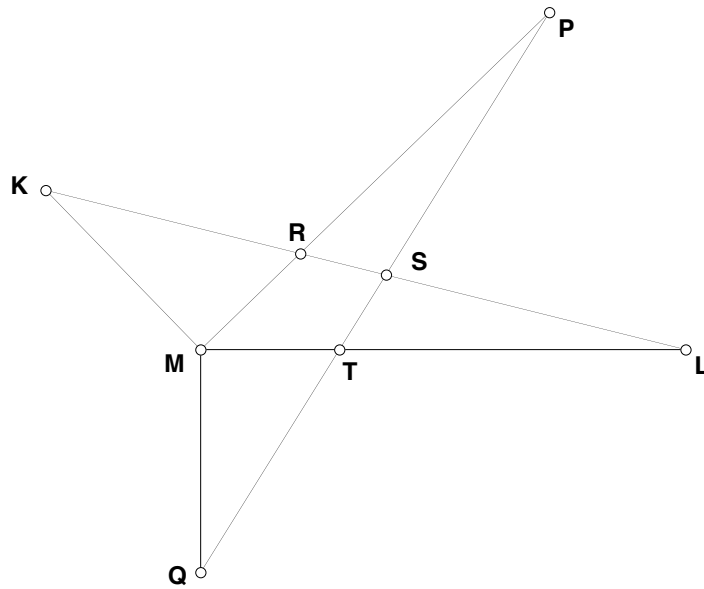


Figure 5

8. Given a quadrilateral  $ABCD$  with  $AB = BC$  and  $CD = AD$ , prove that the diagonals  $AC$  and  $BD$  are perpendicular.
9. Given:  $ABCD$  is a trapezoid in which  $AB$  is parallel to  $DC$ ,  $E$  is the midpoint of  $AD$ , and  $EG$  is parallel to  $AB$ . To prove:  $G$  is the midpoint of  $BC$ .

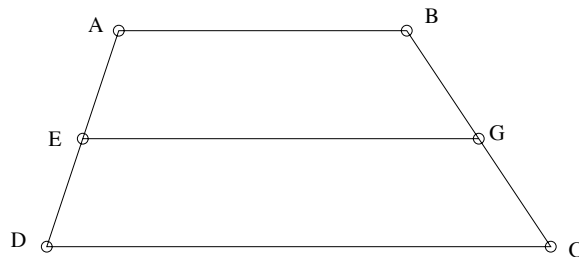


Figure 6

10. See Figure 7. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and let  $A'BC$  and  $ABC'$  be equilateral triangles. Show  $AA' = CC'$ .

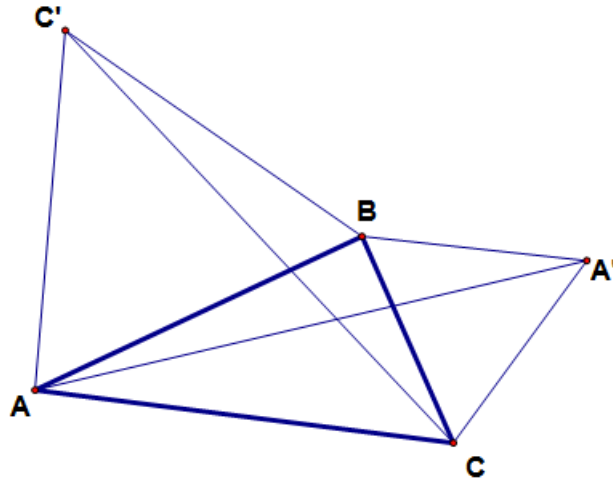


Figure 7

11. (See Figure 8) Given:  $DE$  is parallel to  $AB$ ,  $EF$  is parallel to  $BC$ , and  $DF$  is parallel to  $AC$ . To prove:  $\triangle ABC$  is similar to  $\triangle DEF$ .

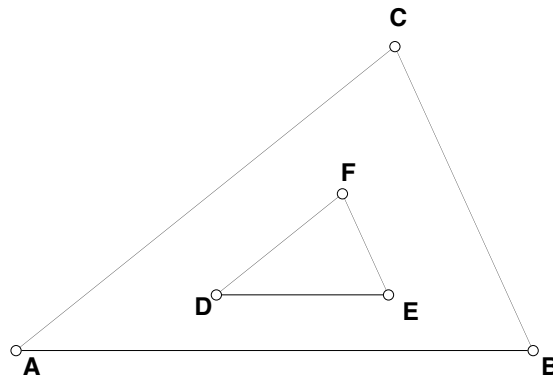


Figure 8

12. Use Figure 9. Assume the lines that look straight are. Let  $ABCD$  be a quadrilateral. Given  $AH, BH, CF$  and  $DF$  are the angle bisectors of  $ABCD$ , prove  $\angle FEH + \angle FGH = 180^\circ$ .

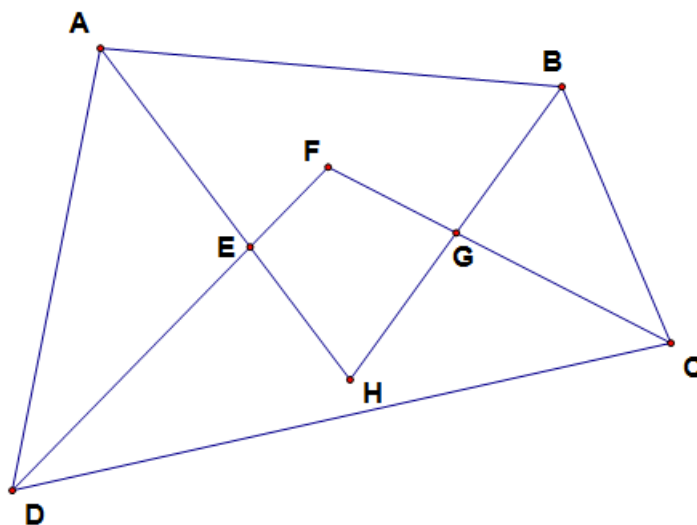


Figure 9