

Chapter 2

Reasoning and Proof

Section 6

Proving Statements about Angles

GOAL 1: Congruence of Angles

In Lesson 2.5, you proved segment relationships. In this lesson you will prove statements about angles.

THEOREM

THEOREM 2.2 *Properties of Angle Congruence*

Angle congruence is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

Here are some examples.

REFLEXIVE

For any angle A , $\angle A \cong \angle A$.

SYMMETRIC

If $\angle A \cong \angle B$, then $\angle B \cong \angle A$.

TRANSITIVE

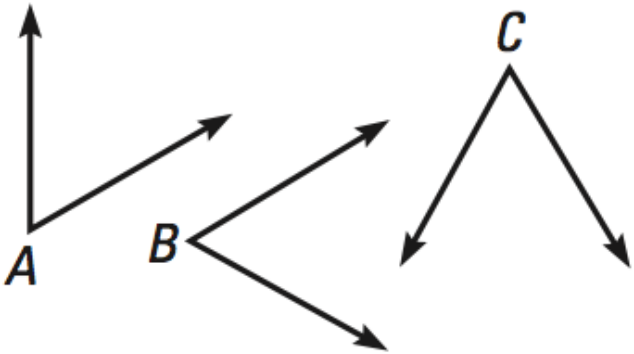
If $\angle A \cong \angle B$ and $\angle B \cong \angle C$, then $\angle A \cong \angle C$.

Example 1: Transitive Property of Angle Congruence

Prove the Transitive Property of Congruence for Angles.

GIVEN ► $\angle A \cong \angle B$,
 $\angle B \cong \angle C$

PROVE ► $\angle A \cong \angle C$



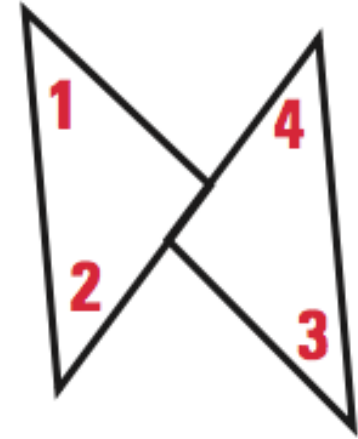
Statements	Reasons
1. $\angle A \cong \angle B$, $\angle B \cong \angle C$	1. Given
2. $m\angle A = m\angle B$	2. Definition of congruent angles
3. $m\angle B = m\angle C$	3. Definition of congruent angles
4. $m\angle A = m\angle C$	4. Transitive property of equality
5. $\angle A \cong \angle C$	5. Definition of congruent angles

Example 2: Using the Transitive Property

This two-column proof uses the Transitive Property.

GIVEN ► $m\angle 3 = 40^\circ$, $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$, $\angle 2 \cong \angle 3$

PROVE ► $m\angle 1 = 40^\circ$



Statements	Reasons
1. $m\angle 3 = 40^\circ$, $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$, $\angle 2 \cong \angle 3$	1. Given
2. $\angle 1 \cong \angle 3$	2. Transitive Property of Congruence
3. $m\angle 1 = m\angle 3$	3. Definition of congruent angles
4. $m\angle 1 = 40^\circ$	4. Substitution property of equality

THEOREM

THEOREM 2.3 *Right Angle Congruence Theorem*

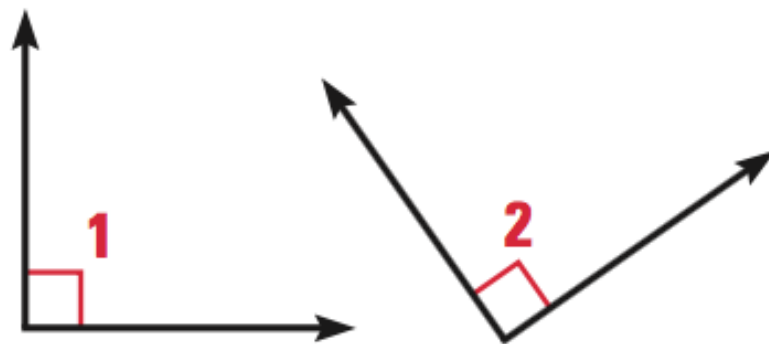
All right angles are congruent.

Example 3: Proving Theorem 2.3

You can prove Theorem 2.3 as shown.

GIVEN ► $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are right angles

PROVE ► $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$



Statements	Reasons
1. $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are right angles	1. Given
2. $m\angle 1 = 90^\circ$, $m\angle 2 = 90^\circ$	2. Definition of right angle
3. $m\angle 1 = m\angle 2$	3. Transitive property of equality
4. $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$	4. Definition of congruent angles

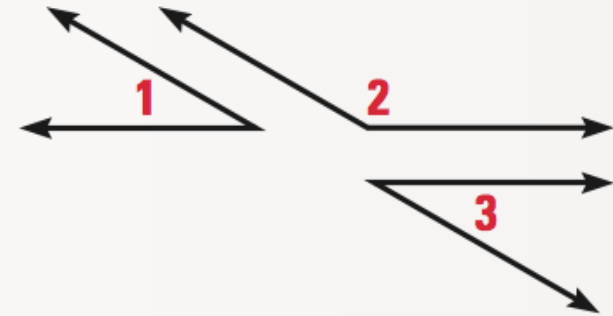
GOAL 2: Properties of Special Pairs of Angles

THEOREMS

THEOREM 2.4 *Congruent Supplements Theorem*

If two angles are supplementary to the same angle (or to congruent angles) then they are congruent.

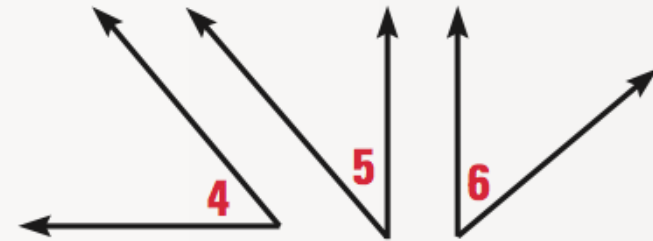
If $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = 180^\circ$ and $m\angle 2 + m\angle 3 = 180^\circ$, then $\angle 1 \cong \angle 3$.



THEOREM 2.5 *Congruent Complements Theorem*

If two angles are complementary to the same angle (or to congruent angles) then the two angles are congruent.

If $m\angle 4 + m\angle 5 = 90^\circ$ and $m\angle 5 + m\angle 6 = 90^\circ$, then $\angle 4 \cong \angle 6$.



Example 4: Proving Theorem 2.4

GIVEN ► $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are supplements,
 $\angle 3$ and $\angle 4$ are supplements,
 $\angle 1 \cong \angle 4$

PROVE ► $\angle 2 \cong \angle 3$

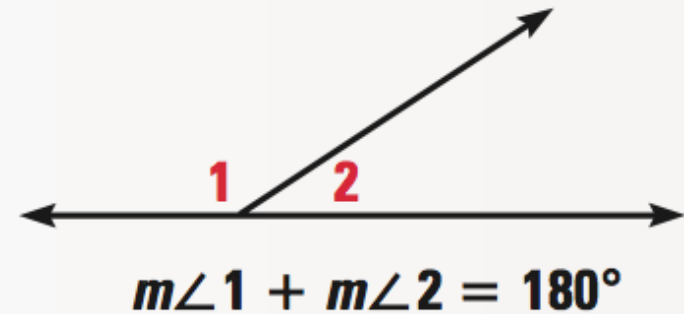


Statements	Reasons
1. $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are supplements, $\angle 3$ and $\angle 4$ are supplements, $\angle 1 \cong \angle 4$	1. Given
2. $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = 180^\circ$ $m\angle 3 + m\angle 4 = 180^\circ$	2. Definition of supplementary angles
3. $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = m\angle 3 + m\angle 4$	3. Transitive property of equality
4. $m\angle 1 = m\angle 4$	4. Definition of congruent angles
5. $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = m\angle 3 + m\angle 1$	5. Substitution property of equality
6. $m\angle 2 = m\angle 3$	6. Subtraction property of equality
7. $\angle 2 \cong \angle 3$	7. Definition of congruent angles

POSTULATE

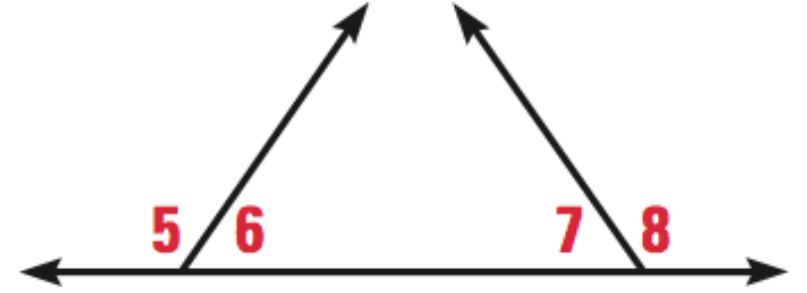
POSTULATE 12 *Linear Pair Postulate*

If two angles form a linear pair,
then they are supplementary.



Example 5: Using Linear Pairs

In the diagram, $m\angle 8 = m\angle 5$ and $m\angle 5 = 125^\circ$.
Explain how to show $m\angle 7 = 55^\circ$.



$$m\angle 8 = m\angle 5 \text{ \& } m\angle 5 = 125^\circ \rightarrow m\angle 8 = 125^\circ$$

$$\angle 7 \text{ \& } \angle 8 \rightarrow \text{linear pair} \rightarrow 180 - 125 = 55 \rightarrow m\angle 7 = 55^\circ$$

THEOREM

THEOREM 2.6 *Vertical Angles Theorem*

Vertical angles are congruent.

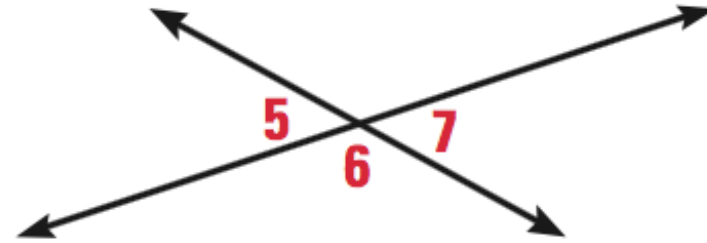


$$\angle 1 \cong \angle 3, \angle 2 \cong \angle 4$$

Example 6: Proving Theorem 2.6

GIVEN ► $\angle 5$ and $\angle 6$ are a linear pair,
 $\angle 6$ and $\angle 7$ are a linear pair

PROVE ► $\angle 5 \cong \angle 7$



Statements	Reasons
1. $\angle 5$ and $\angle 6$ are a linear pair, $\angle 6$ and $\angle 7$ are a linear pair	1. Given
2. $\angle 5$ and $\angle 6$ are supplementary, $\angle 6$ and $\angle 7$ are supplementary	2. Linear Pair Postulate
3. $\angle 5 \cong \angle 7$	3. Congruent Supplements Theorem