

Segment & Angle Addition

Postulate: A simple statement that can be assumed true without any justification.

1. Do you know any postulates already? List one or two here:

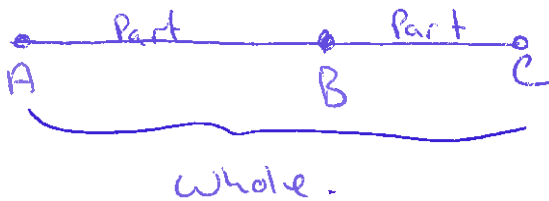
Transitive, 2 points determine a line.
Reflexive, 3 points determine a plane. etc.

Segment/Angle Addition Postulates: "Part + Part = Whole"

2. Draw a picture to represent each postulate and identify the "Parts" and the "Whole".

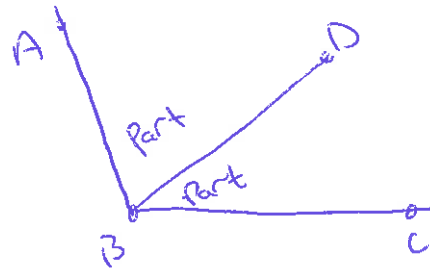
Segment Addition Postulate:

If points A, B, and C are *collinear* with B between A and C then $AB + BC = AC$.



Angle Addition Postulate:

If point D is in the interior of $\angle ABC$, then $m\angle ABD + m\angle DBC = m\angle ABC$.



$\angle ABC = \text{whole}$

Postulates of Equality: These postulates will support our Angle & Segment Addition postulates.

Addition If: $A = B$

then $A + x = B + x$

"Add x to both sides"

Subtraction If ~~$A = B$~~

then ~~$A + x = B + x$~~

~~$A = B$~~

"Subtract x from both sides."

Substitution If $A = B$

and $A + x = C$

then $B + x = C$

Reflexive $A = A$

3. How is the **Substitution** postulate used differently from the **Transitive** postulate? Explain.

Substitution is use for substituting into equations.

Transitive is for equating 3 quantities: ie)

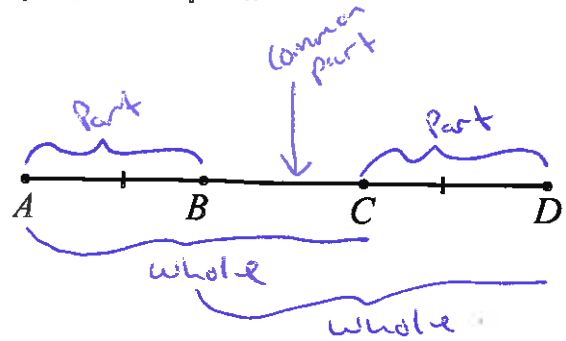
If $A = B, B = C$, then $A = C$.

The Addition Method: "Going from Small to Big"

4. Example: In this example, two equal parts are connected by a common part.

Given: \overline{ABCD}
 $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ ← Equal Parts (Small)

Prove: $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DB}$ ← Equal Wholes (Big)

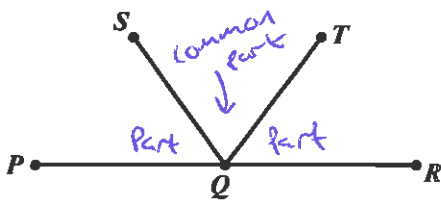


	Statements	Reasons
	1. \overline{ABCD}	1. <u>Given.</u>
(Part = Part)	$\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$	
(Part + Part = Part + Part)	2. $\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} = \overline{CD} + \overline{BC}$	2. <u>Addition.</u>
(Whole = Whole)	3. $\overline{AC} = \overline{DB}$	3. <u>Segment Addition.</u>

5. Example:

Given: $\angle PQS \cong \angle RQT$ ← Parts (Small)

Prove: $\angle PQT \cong \angle RQS$ ← Wholes (Big)



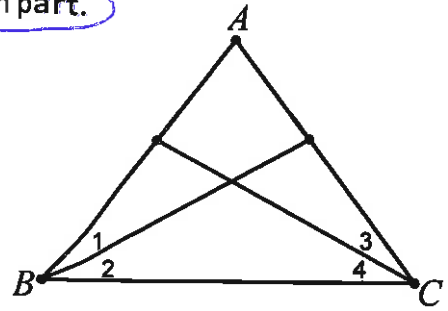
Statement	Reason
① $m\angle PQS = m\angle RQT$	① Given.
② $m\angle PQS + m\angle SQT = m\angle RQT + m\angle SQT$	② Addition.
③ $m\angle PQT = m\angle RQS$	③ Angle Addition.

6. Example: In this example equal parts are not connected by a common part.

Given: $\angle 1 \cong \angle 3$
 $\angle 2 \cong \angle 4$



Prove: $\angle ABC \cong \angle ACB$

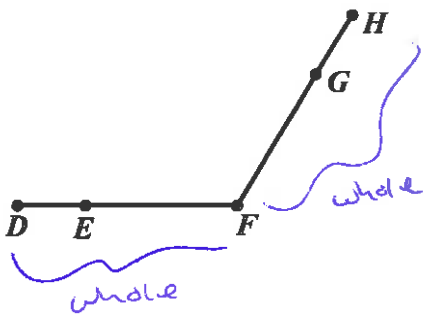


	Statements	Reasons
(Part = Part)	1. $m\angle 1 = m\angle 3$	1. <u>Given</u>
(Part = Part)	$m\angle 2 = m\angle 4$	
(Part + Part = Part + Part)	2. $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = m\angle 3 + m\angle 4$	2. <u>Addition</u>
(Exchange Parts)	3. $m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = m\angle 3 + m\angle 4$	3. <u>Substitution</u> Angle Addition
(Whole = Whole)	4. $m\angle ABC = m\angle ACB$	4. <u>Angle Addition</u>

7. Example:

Given: $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{HG}$
 $\overline{GF} \cong \overline{EF}$

Prove: $\overline{DF} \cong \overline{HF}$



Statement	Reason
① $DE = HG$ $GF = EF$	① Given
② $DE + GF = HG + GF$	② Addition
③ $DE + EF = HG + GF$	③ Substitution
④ $DF = HF$	④ Segment addition

The Subtraction Method: "Going from Big to Small"

There is **NO** segment/angle subtraction postulate!

8. Example:

Given: \overline{ABCD}
 $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DB}$ ← **Equal Wholes (Big)**

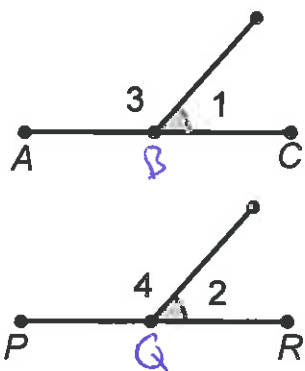
Prove: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ ← **Equal Parts (Small)**



	Statements	Reasons
	1. \overline{ABCD}	1. <u>Given</u>
(Whole = Whole)	$\overline{AC} = \overline{DB}$	
(Part + Part = Part + Part)	2. $\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} = \overline{DC} + \overline{BC}$	2. <u>Segment Addition</u>
(Part = Part)	3. $\overline{AB} = \overline{DC}$	3. <u>Subtraction</u>

9. Use the Subtraction Method to write a proof for the following theorem:

"Congruent angles have congruent supplements."



Statements	Reasons
① Straight Angle $\angle ABC$ Straight Angle $\angle PQR$. $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$.	① <u>Given</u> .
② $m\angle ABC = m\angle PQR$	② <u>All st. \angle's are \cong.</u>
③ $m\angle 1 + m\angle 3 = m\angle 2 + m\angle 4$	③ <u>Angle Addition</u> .
④ $m\angle 2 + m\angle 3 = m\angle 2 + m\angle 4$	④ <u>Substitution</u>
⑤ $m\angle 3 = m\angle 4$	⑤ <u>Subtraction</u> .

A Final Thought...

10. How are the Addition Postulate and the Segment Addition Postulate different? Explain.

Adding the measure of an object to both sides of an =

↳ Adding 2 smaller segments to form a larger segment.