

## NOTES-Proving Rhombus and Squares on a Coordinate Plane

### **PARALLELOGRAMS ON THE COORDINATE PLANE**

#### Objectives:

- Show that a quadrilateral is a parallelogram on the coordinate plane
- Identify and verify parallelograms

DISTANCE FORMULA:

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

MIDPOINT FORMULA:

$$(x_m, y_m) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$$

SLOPE FORMULA:

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

FORMULAS & THE COORDINATE PLANE	
FORMULA	WHEN TO USE IT
Distance Formula: $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$	To determine whether... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sides are congruent</li> <li>• Diagonals are congruent</li> </ul>
Midpoint Formula: $(x_m, y_m) = \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$	To determine... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The coordinates of a midpoint of a side</li> <li>• Whether diagonals bisect each other</li> </ul>
Slope Formula: $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$	To determine whether... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opposite sides are parallel</li> <li>• Diagonals are perpendicular</li> <li>• Sides are perpendicular</li> </ul>

QUADRILATERAL	PROVE:
RHOMBUS	First prove it's a parallelogram, and then prove... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two consecutive sides are congruent</li> <li>• The diagonals are perpendicular <i>slope</i></li> </ul> OR... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All four sides are congruent <i>distance</i></li> </ul>
SQUARE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's a rectangle <u>and</u> a rhombus (see above)</li> </ul>

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 1. all 4 angles are Right      }  
           ↓ lines  
 2. Diagonals are  $\cong$       Diagonals  $\perp$

**Method:** Prove that all four sides are congruent.

Example 1: Plot and label each point. A(1, 3), B(4, 1), C(1, -1), and D(-2, 1)

**Prove it!**

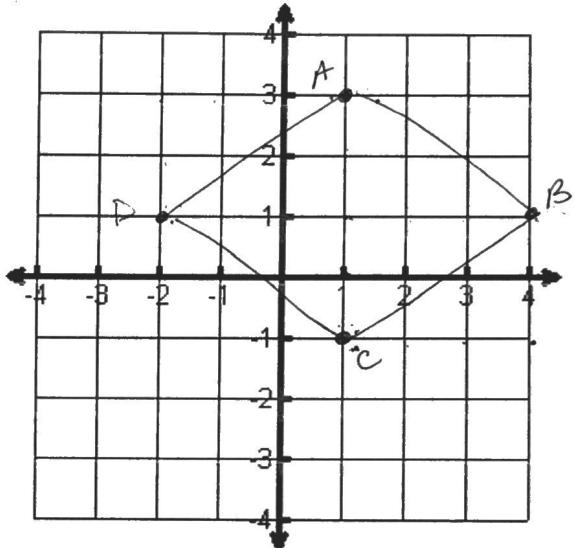
Find the **length** of each side to the nearest tenth.

$$AB = \sqrt{13} \quad d = \sqrt{(4-1)^2 + (1-3)^2} \\ \sqrt{9+4}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{13} \quad d = \sqrt{(1-4)^2 + (-1-1)^2} \\ \sqrt{9+4}$$

$$DC = \sqrt{13} \quad d = \sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (1+1)^2} \\ \sqrt{9+4}$$

$$DA = \sqrt{13} \quad d = \sqrt{(-2-1)^2 + (1-3)^2} \\ \sqrt{9+4}$$



- What conclusions can you make? (Hint: are any sides the same length)

all 4 sides are  $\cong$ .  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{BC} \cong \overline{DC} \cong \overline{DA}$

Find the **slope** of each side.

$$\text{Slope of } AB = \frac{-2}{3} \quad \overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DC}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} \cdot -\frac{2}{3} = -\frac{4}{9} \neq -1$$

don't have  $\perp$  lines

$$\text{Slope of } DC = \frac{2}{-3}$$

$$\text{Slope of } BC = \frac{-2}{-3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{AD}$$

$$\text{Slope of } AD = \frac{2}{3}$$

opposite sides are  $\cancel{\parallel}$  parallel

- What conclusions can you make? (Hint: are any sides parallel? Perpendicular?)

Based on my answers above, I have proven this shape to be a Rhombus

because...

- 1) opposite sides are parallel (parallelogram)
- 2) all 4 sides are  $\cong$  (Rhombus)

**Method:** First, prove the quadrilateral is a rhombus by showing all four sides are congruent; then prove the quadrilateral is a rectangle by showing the diagonals are congruent.

Example 2: Plot and label each point. A(-5, 6), B(3, 7), C(4, -1), and D(-4, -2)

### Prove it!

Find the **length (distance)** of each side to the nearest tenth.

$$AB = \sqrt{65}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(3 + 5)^2 + (7 - 6)^2} \\ \sqrt{64 + 1}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{65}$$

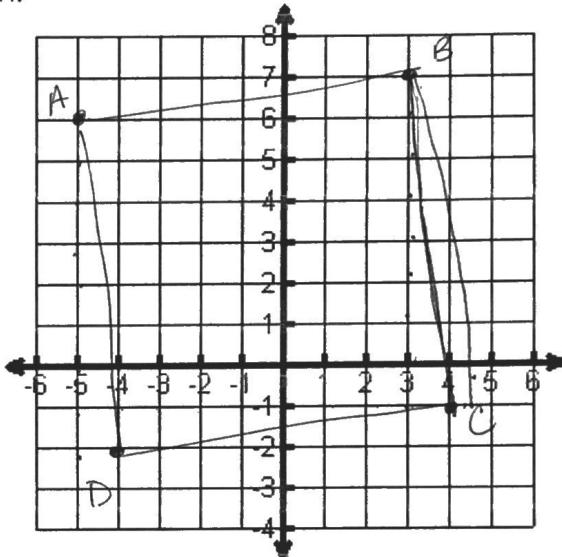
$$d = \sqrt{(4 - 3)^2 + (-1 - 7)^2} \\ \sqrt{1 + 64}$$

$$DC = \sqrt{65}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(-4 - 4)^2 + (-2 + 1)^2} \\ \sqrt{64 + 1}$$

$$DA = \sqrt{65}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(-4 + 5)^2 + (-2 - 6)^2} \\ \sqrt{1 + 64}$$



- What conclusions can you make?  
(Hint: are any sides the same length?)

all sides are  $\cong$

$$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{BC} \cong \overline{DC} \cong \overline{DA}$$

Find the **slope** of each side.

$$\text{Slope of } AB = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DC}$$

$$\text{Slope of } DC = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\text{Slope of } BC = \frac{-8}{1} = -8$$

$$\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{AD}$$

$$\text{Slope of } AD = \frac{-8}{1} = -8$$

opposite sides are parallel

$$\frac{1}{8} \cdot -\frac{8}{1} = -\frac{8}{8} = -1$$

so sides are  $\perp$

$$\overline{AB} \perp \overline{BC}$$

$$\overline{CD} \perp \overline{DA}$$

$$\overline{BC} \perp \overline{CD}$$

$$\overline{AD} \perp \overline{AB}$$

all angles are rt. X's

- What conclusions can you make? (Hint: are any sides parallel? Perpendicular?)

Based on my answers above, I have proven this shape to be a Square

because...

- 1.) Parallelogram — Opposite sides are  $\parallel$
- 2.) Rectangle — all angles are  $90^\circ$
- 3.) Rhombus — all sides are  $\cong$

1.)

Prove that a quadrilateral with the vertices A(-1,3), B(3,6), C(8,6) and D(4,3) is a rhombus.

1) Prove Parallelogram

$$m\overline{AB} = \frac{3}{4} \quad m\overline{BC} = \frac{0}{5} = 0$$

$$m\overline{CD} = \frac{-3}{-4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad m\overline{DA} = \frac{0}{5} = 0$$

\*  $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$        $\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{DA}$   
 Opposite sides are parallel

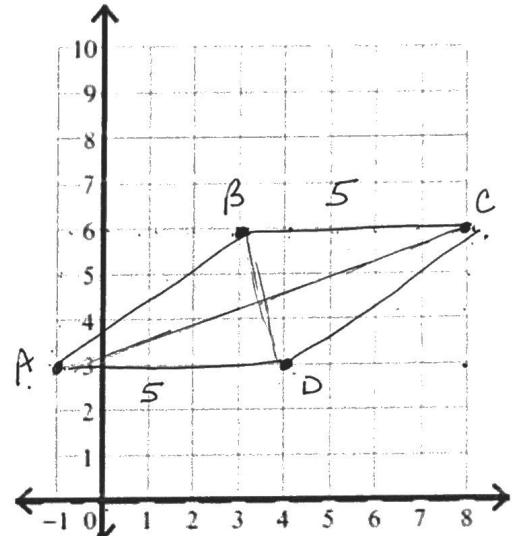
2) Prove Rhombus

$$\overline{AC} \perp \overline{BD}$$

$$m\overline{AC} = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$m\overline{BD} = \frac{3}{-1} = -3$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot -3 = \frac{-3}{3} = -1 \quad \checkmark$$



2.)

Prove that the quadrilateral with vertices A(-1,0), B(3,3), C(6,-1) and D(2,-4) is a square.

1. Prove Parallelogram

$$m\overline{AB} = \frac{3}{4} \quad m\overline{BC} = \frac{-4}{3}$$

$$m\overline{CD} = \frac{-3}{-4} = \frac{3}{4} \quad m\overline{DA} = \frac{4}{-3}$$

$\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$        $\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{DA}$  opp. sides are  $\parallel$ .

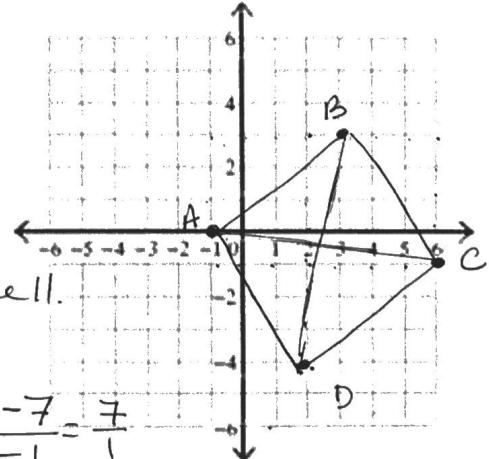
2. Prove Rhombus

$$\overline{AC} \perp \overline{BD}$$

Diagonals are  $\perp$

$$m\overline{AC} = \frac{-1}{7} \quad m\overline{BD} = \frac{-7}{-1} = \frac{7}{1}$$

$$\frac{-1}{7} \cdot \frac{7}{1} = \frac{-7}{7} = -1 \quad \checkmark$$



3. Prove Rectangle

$$\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$$

Diagonals are  $\cong$

$$AC = \sqrt{(6+1)^2 + (-1-0)^2} = \sqrt{49+1} = \sqrt{50} \quad \checkmark$$

$$BD = \sqrt{(2-3)^2 + (-4-3)^2} = \sqrt{1+49} = \sqrt{50}$$