


Segments & Congruence

title

Segment—part of a line that consists of two points, called *endpoints*, and all of the points on the line that are between the endpoints

➤ Use the endpoints to name a line segment.



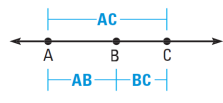
Length—the distance between the endpoints of a segment

segments

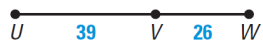
Postulate (or axiom)—a rule that is accepted without proof

Segment Addition Postulate


If B is between A and C , then $AB + BC = AC$.



Find UW . $39 + 26 = 65$
 $UW = 65$

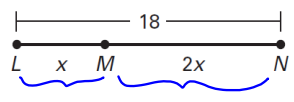


Find DE . $63 - 50 = 13$
 $DE = 13$



segment addition post

Find the value of x .
Then find LM and MN .



$x + 2x = 18$
 $3x = 18$
 $x = 6$
 $LM = 6$
 $MN = 12$

example

Suppose K is between J and L . Use the Segment Addition Postulate to solve for x . Then find JK and KL .

$JK = 7x + 2$, $KL = 2x - 1$, $JL = 64$

$7x + 2 + 2x - 1 = 64$
 $9x + 1 = 64$
 $9x = 63$
 $x = 7$

$x = 7$
 $JK = 51$
 $KL = 13$

example

Congruent segments—segments that have the same length

➤ The symbol for congruence is \cong .

\sim : same shape
 \cong : same shape and size

Lengths are equal.
 $AB = CD$
 “is equal to”

Segments are congruent.
 $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$
 “is congruent to”

congruent

Plot the given points in a coordinate plane. Then determine whether segment AB is congruent to segment CD .

\overline{AB} : $A(-3, 2), B(1, 2)$ ✓
 \overline{CD} : $C(2, 1), D(2, -4)$ ✓

Not \cong

example

Conclusion

1. What is the difference between a line and a segment?
2. Using the Segment Addition Postulate, make a problem for your partner to solve.
3. Trade papers and solve. Discuss with your partner the problems.
4. Questions????

Assignment

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