

Postulate 15: If the three angles of one triangle are congruent to the three angles of a second triangle, then the triangles are similar (AAA).

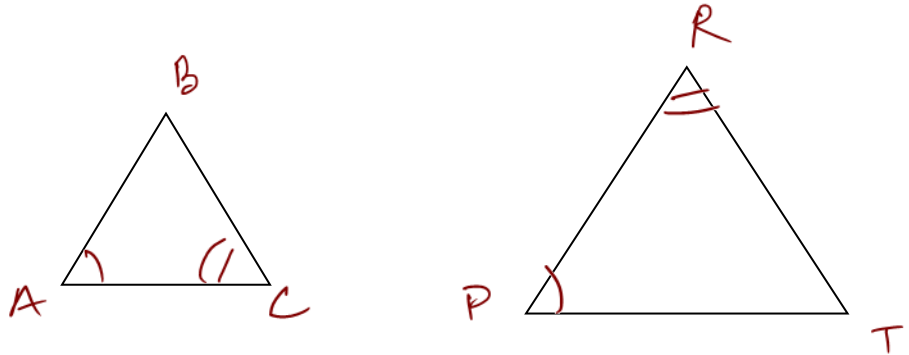
Corollary 5.3.1: If two angles of one triangle are congruent to the two angles of another triangle, then the triangles are similar (AA).

(AA):

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Example 1:

Given: $\angle A \cong \angle P$,
 $\angle C \cong \angle R$



Conclusion:

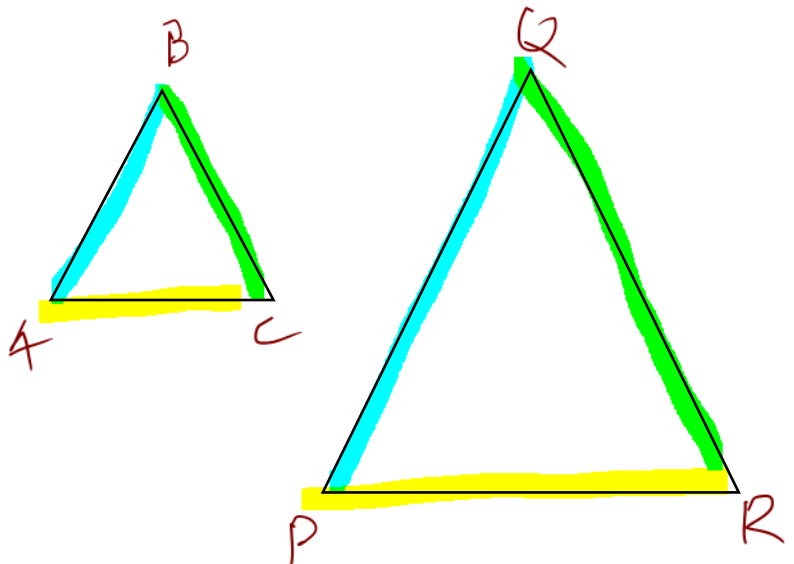
$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PTR$$

(SSS):

If each side of one triangle and the corresponding side of another triangle are proportional, then the triangles are similar.

Example 2:

Given $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AC}{PR}$



Conclusion:

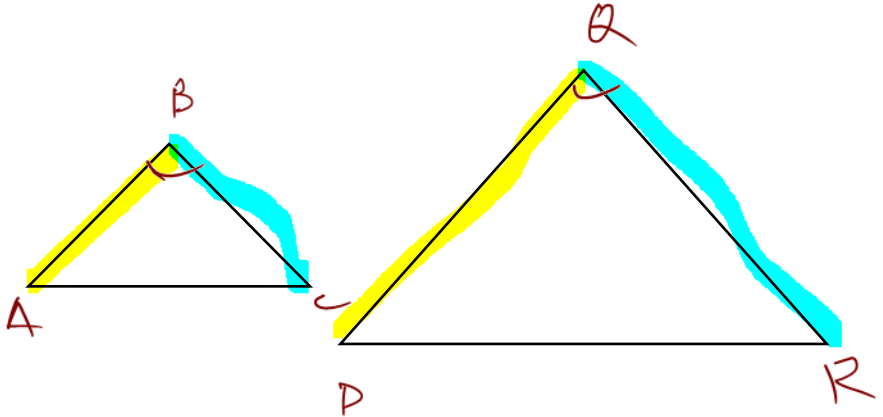
$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$$

(SAS):

If the measures of two sides of one triangle are proportional to the corresponding sides of another triangle AND the included angles are congruent, then the triangles are similar.

Example 3:

Given: $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR}$ and $\angle B \cong \angle Q$

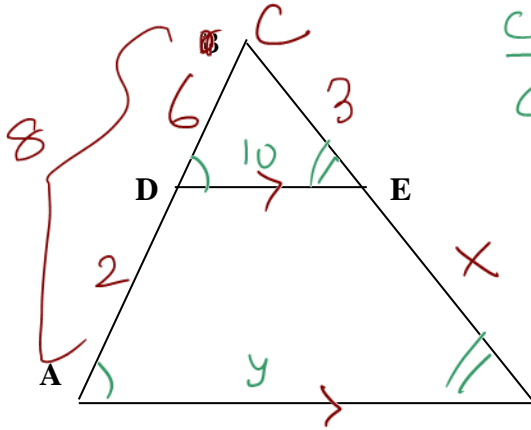


Conclusion:

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$

Example 4: In the figure below, $AB \parallel DE$, $DA = 2$, $CA = 8$, and $CE = 3$. Find CB .

In $\triangle CDE$ & $\triangle CAB$
 $\angle D \cong \angle A$
 $\angle E \cong \angle B$
 } Corresponding \angle s
 $\therefore \triangle CDE \sim \triangle CAB$
 (AA)



$\frac{CD}{CA} = \frac{DE}{AB} = \frac{CE}{CB}$

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$\frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{3+x}$

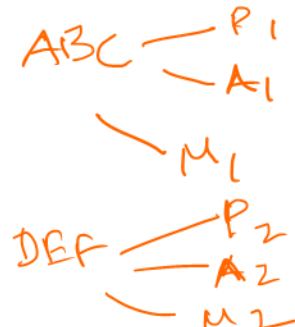
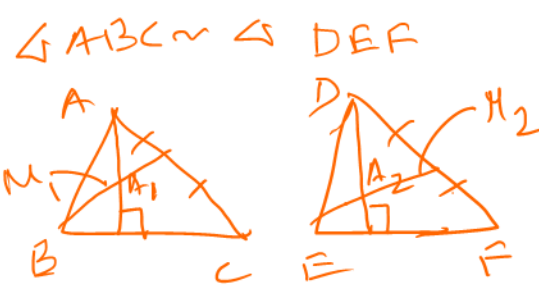
$6(3+x) = 3 \cdot 8$
 $18 + 6x = 24$

$6x = 6$
 $x = 1$

$CB = 3 + 1 = 4$

RULES:

- 1) If two triangles are similar, then the perimeters are proportional to the measures of corresponding sides.
- 2) If two triangles are similar, then the measures of the corresponding altitudes (form 90°) are proportional to the measures of the corresponding sides.
- 3) If two triangles are similar, then the measures of the corresponding angle bisectors of the triangles are proportional to the measures of the corresponding sides.
- 4) If two triangles are similar, then the measures of the corresponding medians are proportional to the measures of the corresponding sides.

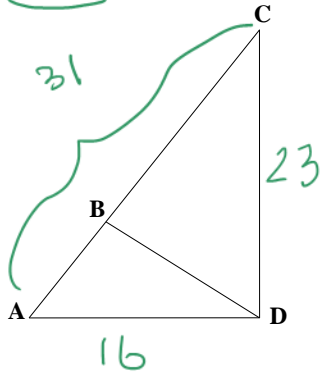


$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{P_1}{P_2}$
 $= \frac{A_1}{A_2}$
 $= \frac{M_1}{M_2}$

$P_1 \rightarrow$ Perimeter of ΔABD
 $P_2 \rightarrow$ " " ΔADC

Example 5:

$\Delta ABD \sim \Delta ADC$. If $AD=16$, $AC=31$, and $DC=23$, find the perimeter of ΔABD .



$$\frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AD}{AC} = \frac{P_1}{P_2}$$

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$$\frac{16}{31} = \frac{P_1}{70}$$

$$70 \left(\frac{16}{31} \right) = P_1$$

$$P_2 = 31 + 23 + 16 = 70$$

CSSTP: Corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional.

CASTC: Corresponding angles of similar triangles are congruent.

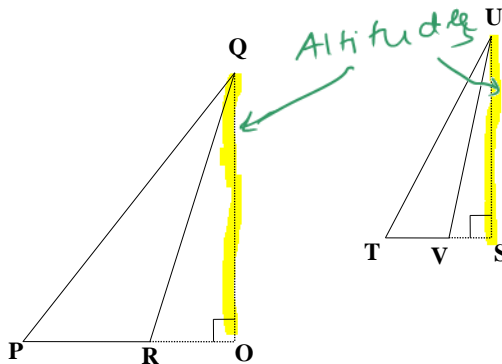
Theorem 5.3.2: The lengths of the corresponding altitudes of similar triangles have the same ratio as the lengths of any pair of corresponding sides.

Example 6:

$\Delta PQR \sim \Delta TUV$. If QO is an altitude of ΔPQR , and US is an altitude of ΔTUV , then complete the following:

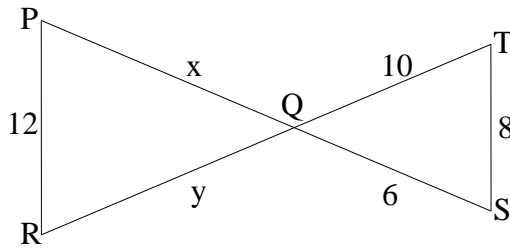
$$\frac{QO}{US} = \frac{QR}{UV}$$

$$\frac{QO}{US} = \frac{PQ}{TU}$$



Example 7: Find the value of x and y.

$\Delta PQR \sim \Delta SQT$



$$\frac{PQ}{SQ} = \frac{QR}{QT} = \frac{PR}{ST}$$

$$\frac{x}{6} = \frac{10}{y} = \frac{12}{8}$$

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$$x = \frac{36 \cdot 12}{84} = 9$$

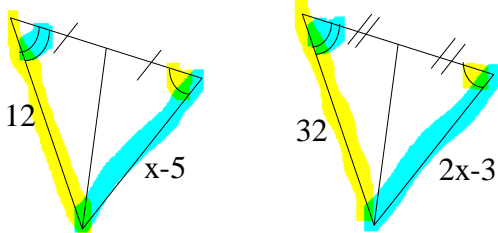
$$\frac{10}{y} = \frac{12}{8}$$

$$y = \frac{10 \cdot 12}{82} = 15$$

Example 8:

a.

x = _____



$$\frac{12}{32} = \frac{x-5}{2x-3}$$

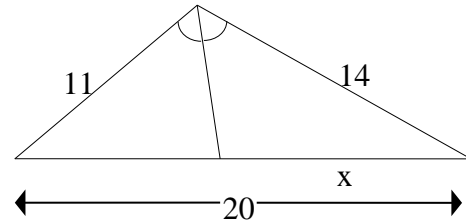
$$12(2x-3) = 32(x-5)$$

$$24x - 36 = 32x - 160$$

$$160 - 36 = 32x - 24x$$

$$124 = 8x \Rightarrow 15.5 = x$$

b) x = _____



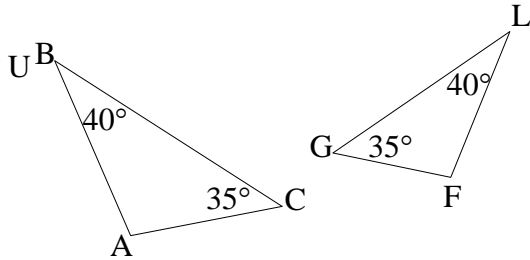
Theorem 5.3.3: (SAS ~) If an angle of one triangle is congruent to an angle of a second triangle and the pairs of sides including the angles are proportional, then the triangles are similar.

Theorem 5.3.4: (SSS ~) If the three sides of one triangle are proportional to the three consecutive sides of one second triangle, then the triangles are similar.

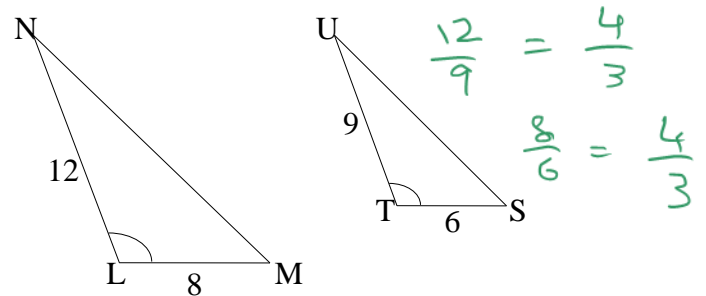
Example 9:

Determine if the triangles are similar and give a reason for your answer (AA, SSS, SAS).

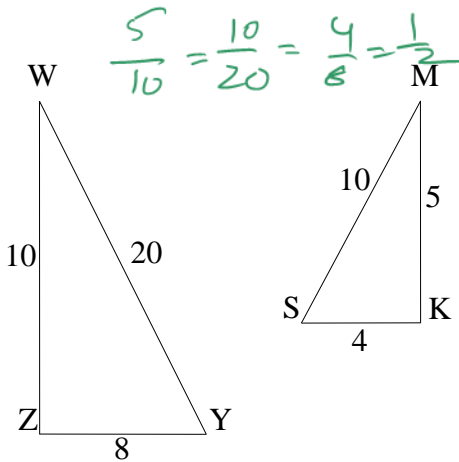
a. similar? Yes
reason AA



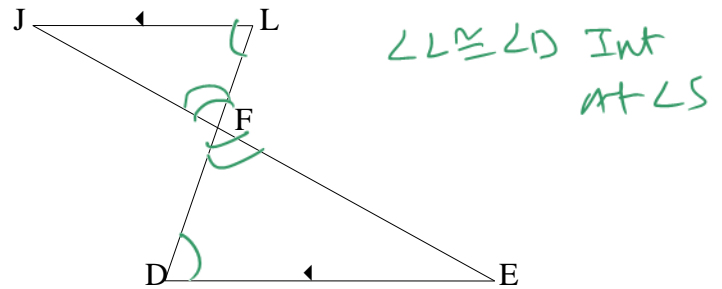
b. reason Yes similar? SAS



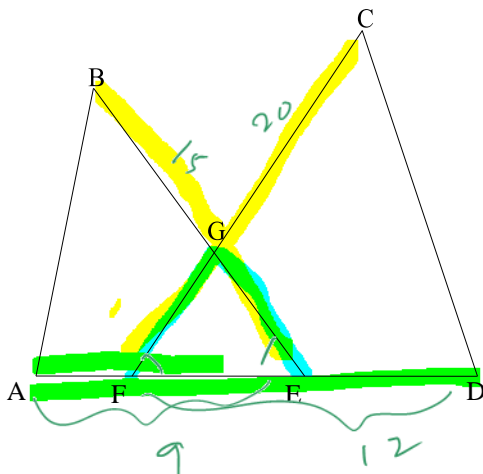
c. similar? Yes
reason SSS



d. similar? Yes reason AA



Example 10: In the figure below, $FG \cong EG$, $BE = 15$, $CF = 20$, $AE = 9$, $DF = 12$. Determine which triangles in the figure are similar.



$\triangle AEB \sim \triangle DFC$ (SAS)

$m\angle CFE = m\angle BEF$

$\frac{AE}{DF} = \frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4}$

$\frac{BE}{CF} = \frac{15}{20} = \frac{3}{4}$

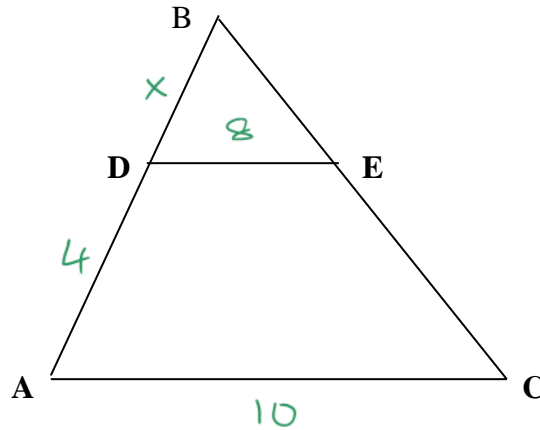
$\therefore \frac{AE}{DF} = \frac{BE}{CF}$

$\therefore \triangle AEB \sim \triangle DFC$ (SAS)

Lemma 5.3.5: If a line segment divides two side of a triangle proportionally, then this line segment is parallel to the third side.

Example 11:
Given $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DBE$

If $AC = 10$, $DE = 8$, $AD = 4$.
Find DB



$$\frac{x}{4} = \frac{8}{10} \quad \text{X}$$

$$\frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{BC}{BE} = \frac{AC}{DE}$$

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$$\frac{4+x}{x} = \frac{10}{8}$$

$$8(4+x) = 10x \Rightarrow 32 + 8x = 10x$$

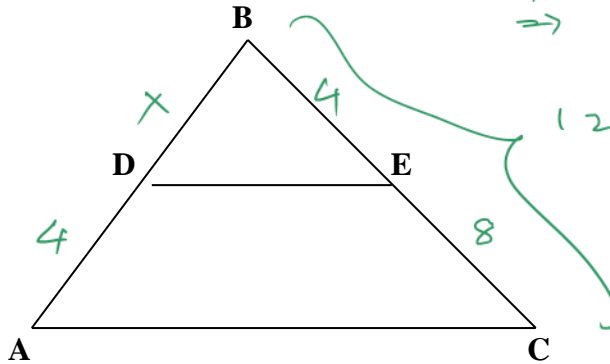
$$\Rightarrow 32 = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 = x$$

Example 12:
Given $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DBE$

$CB = 12$, $CE = 8$, $AD = 4$.

Find BD



$$\frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{BC}{BE} = \frac{AC}{DE}$$

$$\frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{BC}{BE}$$

$$\frac{4+x}{x} = \frac{12}{4}$$

$$4(4+x) = 12x$$

$$16 + 4x = 12x$$

$$16 = 8x$$

$$2 = x$$

$$\frac{x}{4} = \frac{4}{8} \quad \text{✓}$$