

Examlet 2 Advanced Geometry 3/4/15

1. a) State the definition of an *exterior angle* of a triangle.

b) State the definition of a convex quadrilateral.

c) State the Saccheri-Legendre Theorem

d) State Euclid's Postulate V.

e) State the Universal Hyperbolic Theorem

2. How do you know ASS (Angle-Side-Side) is not a valid triangle congruence condition?

3. a) Provide good justifications in the blanks below for the corresponding statements:

Proposition: Let $\triangle ABC$ be a triangle. If $AB > BC$ then $\mu(\angle ACB) > \mu(\angle BAC)$.

| Statement: | Reason: |
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| Let A, B, and C be three noncollinear points. Let $AB > BC$. | |
| Since $AB > BC$, there exists a point D between A and B such that $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{BC}$. | |
| Now $\mu(\angle ACB) > \mu(\angle DCB)$, | |
| and $\mu(\angle DCB) \cong \mu(\angle CDB)$. | |
| But $\angle CDB$ is an exterior angle for $\triangle ADC$, so $\mu(\angle CDB) > \mu(\angle CAB)$. | |
| The conclusion follows from those inequalities. | The conclusion follows from those inequalities. |

b) Let $\triangle ABC$ be a triangle. Show that if $\mu(\angle ACB) > \mu(\angle BAC)$ then $AB > BC$.

4. Provide good justifications in the blanks below for the corresponding statements:

Proposition: If there exists one line ℓ_0 , an external point P_0 , and at least two lines that pass through P_0 and are parallel to ℓ_0 , then for every line ℓ and for every external point P there exist at least two lines that pass through P and are parallel to ℓ .

| Statement: | Reason: |
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| S'pose there exists a line ℓ_0 , an external point P_0 , and at least two lines that pass through P_0 and are parallel to ℓ_0 . | |
| Then the Euclidean Parallel Postulate fails. | |
| No rectangle exists. | |
| Let ℓ be a line and P an external point. | |
| We must prove that there are at least two lines through P that are both parallel to ℓ . Drop a perpendicular to ℓ through P and call the foot of that perpendicular Q . | |
| Let m be the line through P that is perpendicular to \overrightarrow{PQ} . | |
| Choose a point R on ℓ that is different from Q and let t be the line through R that is perpendicular to ℓ . | |
| Drop a perpendicular from P to t and call the foot of the perpendicular S . | |
| Now $\square PQRS$ is a Lambert quadrilateral. | |
| But $\square PQRS$ is not a rectangle (reason?), so $\angle QPS$ is not a right angle and $\overrightarrow{PS} \neq m$. | |
| Nevertheless \overrightarrow{PS} is parallel to ℓ , | |
| so our proof is complete. | Because our proof is complete. |

5. A **rhombus** is a quadrilateral with four congruent sides, and a **square** is a quadrilateral with four congruent sides and four right angles.

a) Do rhombi exist in neutral geometry? [Hint: Let \overline{AB} and \overline{CD} be segments that share a common midpoint, with $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{CD}$, and look at $\square ACBD$.]

b) Do squares exist in neutral geometry?

