

# A Day of Definitions

Basic Building Blocks

# Segments, Lines and Polygons

Given two points  $A$  and  $B$   $\exists!$  line containing them,  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ . Why?

We can identify  $A$  with the number 0 and  $B$  with any positive real number. Why?

Why are there infinitely many points on  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ ?

# Distance

$d(P,Q) = |x_P - x_Q|$  Where do we get this definition?

Can there be two different distances associated with two points? Why not?

Notation:  $d(P,Q) \equiv PQ$

# Betweenness

$C$  lies between  $A$  and  $B$  if  $A, B, C$  distinct points on the same line and  $AC + CB = AB$ .

Notation:  $A * C * B$  means  $C$  lies between  $A$  and  $B$

Given two points  $A$  and  $B$  the line segment  $\overline{AB}$  consists of  $A$ ,  $B$ , and all points that lie between  $A$  and  $B$ .

$A, B$  = endpoints      all other points = interior  
 $AB$  = length of segment

# Plane Figures

A figure in the plane is a set of points in the plane.

Convex: it contains all interior points of all lines segments joining any two points.

Non convex = concave

# Rays and Angles

For  $A \neq B$ , the ray  $\overrightarrow{AB}$  is

$$\overrightarrow{AB} = \overline{AB} \cup \{D \in \overleftrightarrow{AB} \mid A * B * D\}$$

$\overrightarrow{BA}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC}$  are opposite if  $A * B * C$ .

# Rays and Angles

Two rays emanating from the same point form two angles.

Common endpoint = vertex

Rays = sides

If the rays coincide we have one angle of measure 0 and another of measure 360.

# Rays and Angles

If union of the rays is a straight line, each angle has measure 180. Called a straight angle.

For all others, one angle has a unique measure between 0 and 180.

If  $\overrightarrow{BA}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC}$  are the rays the angle is  $\angle ABC$  and its measure is  $m\angle ABC$



# Rays and Angles

Rays divide plane into 2 sets

Interior:

Exterior:

Are the sides of the angle in either set?

# Rays and Angles

Acute

Obtuse

Right

Complimentary

Supplementary

# Rays and Angles

What is difference between supplementary angles and angles that form a linear pair?

# Polygons

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be distinct points in plane so that no three consecutive points are collinear

Suppose that no two of the segments  
 $\overline{A_1 A_2}, \overline{A_2 A_3}, \dots, \overline{A_{n-1} A_n}, \overline{A_n A_1}$   
share an interior point

The  $n$ -gon is  $P_n = \overline{A_1 A_2} \cup \overline{A_2 A_3} \cup \dots \cup \overline{A_{n-1} A_n} \cup \overline{A_n A_1}$

Points = vertices      segments = sides

# Polygons

Polygon divides plane into two sets:  
interior and exterior

How do we define the interior?

If interior is convex, polygon is called  
convex.

Regular - all sides are congruent and all  
angles are congruent

# Polygons

3-gon = triangle

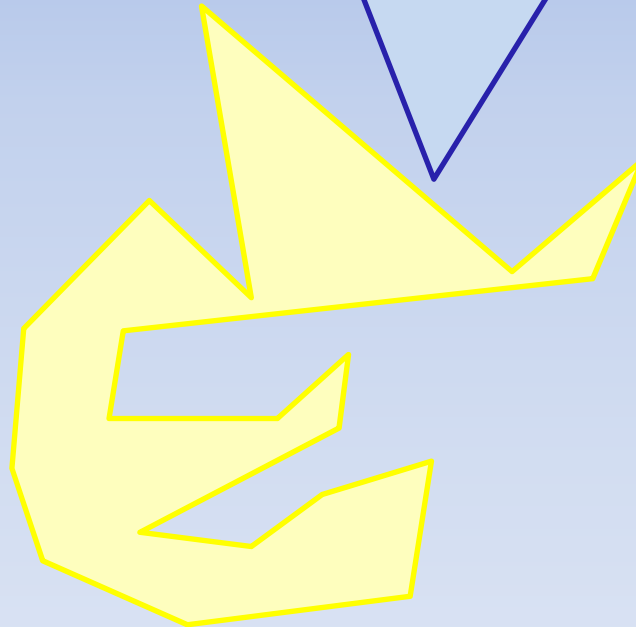
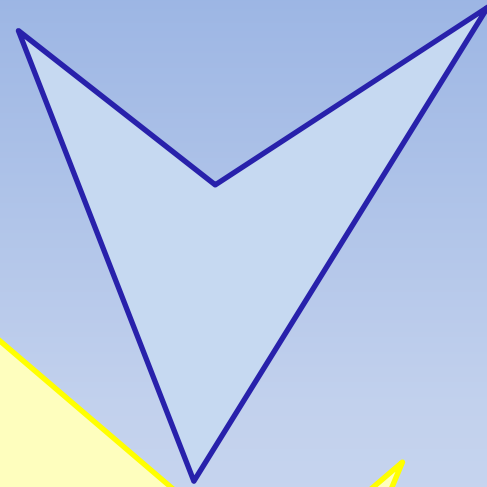
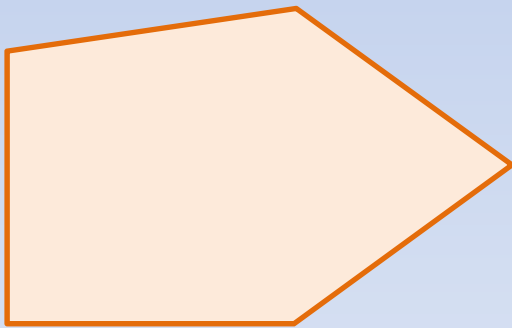
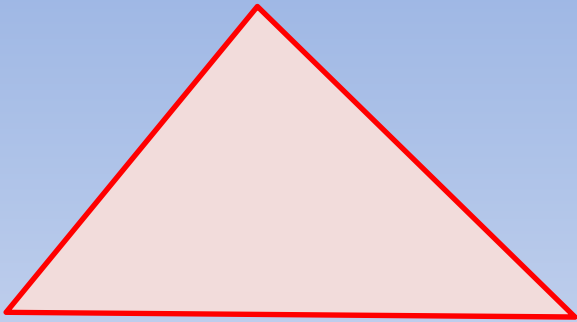
4-gon = quadrilateral

5-gon = pentagon

6-gon = hexagon

heptagon, octagon, nonagon, decagon,  
undecagon, dodecagon, etcagon

# Examples



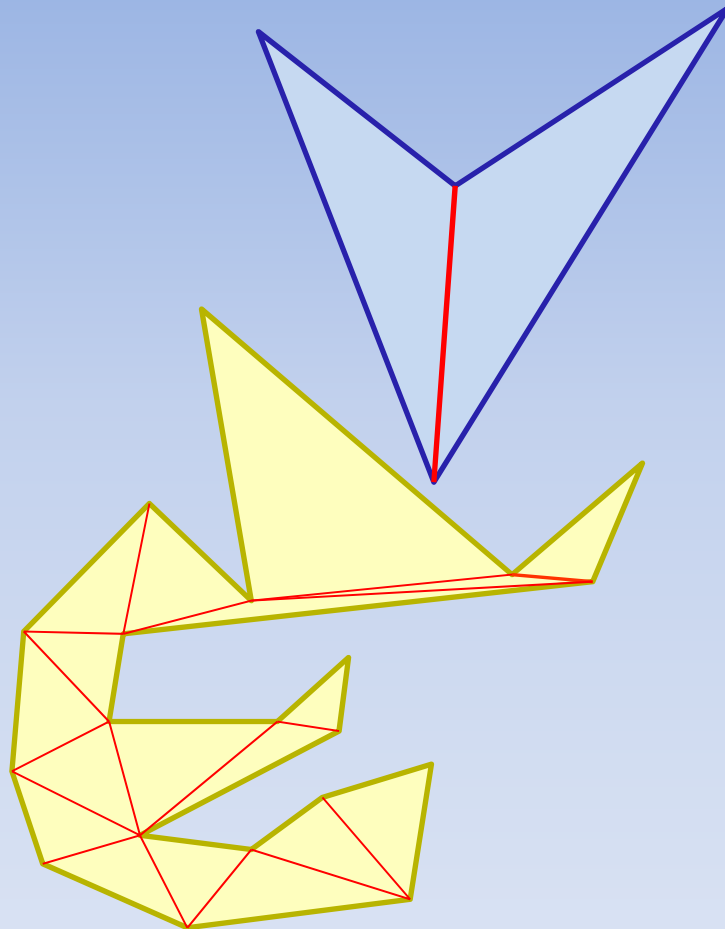
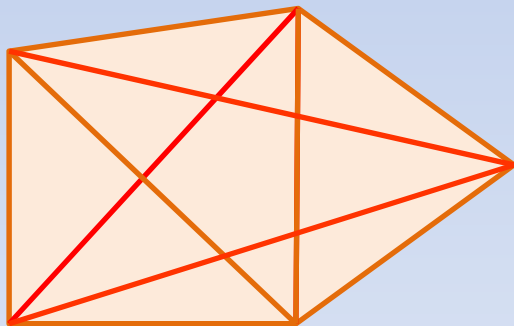
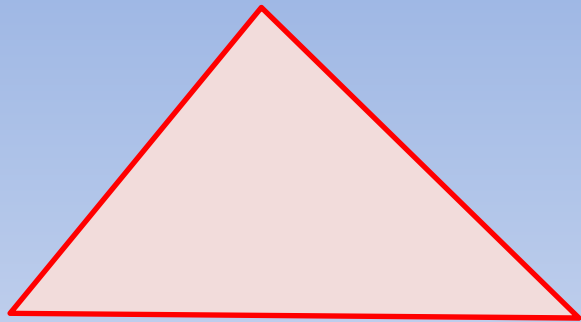
# Statement

Every polygon can be written as a union of triangles that share only vertices and sides.

True or False



# Examples



# Similarity

1. Definition: Two triangles are similar if their corresponding angles are equal.
2. Definition: Triangles are similar if they have the same shape, but can be different sizes.
3. Definition: Two geometric shapes are similar if there is a rigid motion of the plane that maps one onto the other.

# Definition

We need to be more precise, more inclusive.

Working Definition: Two figures,  $P$  and  $P'$ , are similar if there exists a positive real number  $k$  and an onto function  $f: P \rightarrow P'$  so that for all  $A, B$  in  $P$   $f(A)f(B) = A'B' = k AB$ .

$k$  = coefficient of similarity

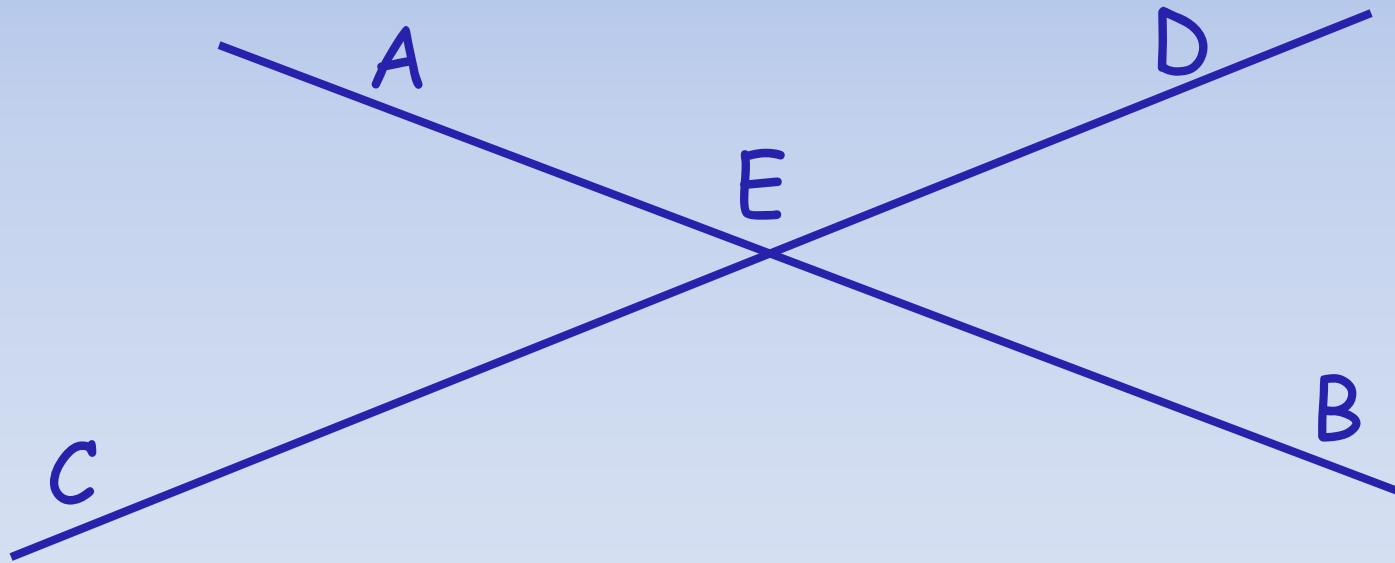
If  $k = 1$ , we say that the figures are congruent.

# Similarity Facts

- Two lines are congruent
- Two rays are congruent
- Any two segments are similar
- Two segments are congruent iff they have the same length
- Any two circles are similar.
- Two circles are congruent iff they have equal radii
- Two angles are congruent iff they have equal measures.

# Vertical Angles

If two distinct lines intersect they form 4 angles having a common vertex.



Which are vertical angles?

# THEOREM

Theorem 1: Vertical angles are congruent.

Proof:

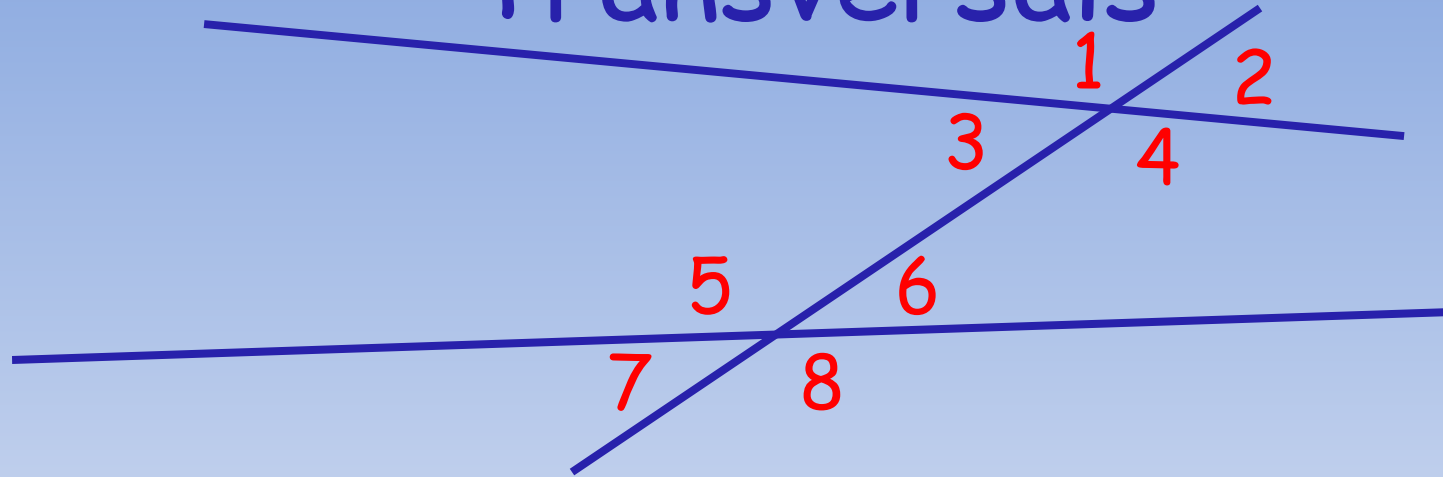
# Lines

Two lines are parallel if they do not intersect.

Do we want a line to be parallel to itself?

If two lines are not parallel they intersect in a unique point. Why? Does your answer above affect this?

# Transversals



Corresponding angles:

Alternate interior angles:

Alternate exterior angles:

Same side interior angles:



# THEOREM

Theorem 2: Let  $l$  and  $m$  be distinct lines and let  $t$  be a transversal. The following are equivalent.  
(TFAE)

- (1)  $l$  and  $m$  are parallel.
- (2) Any two corresponding angles are congruent.
- (3) Any two alternate interior angles are congruent.
- (4) Any two alternate exterior angles are congruent.
- (5) Any two same side interior angles are supplementary.

# Proof

We will show that  $1 \Rightarrow 3$  and  $3 \Rightarrow 1$ .

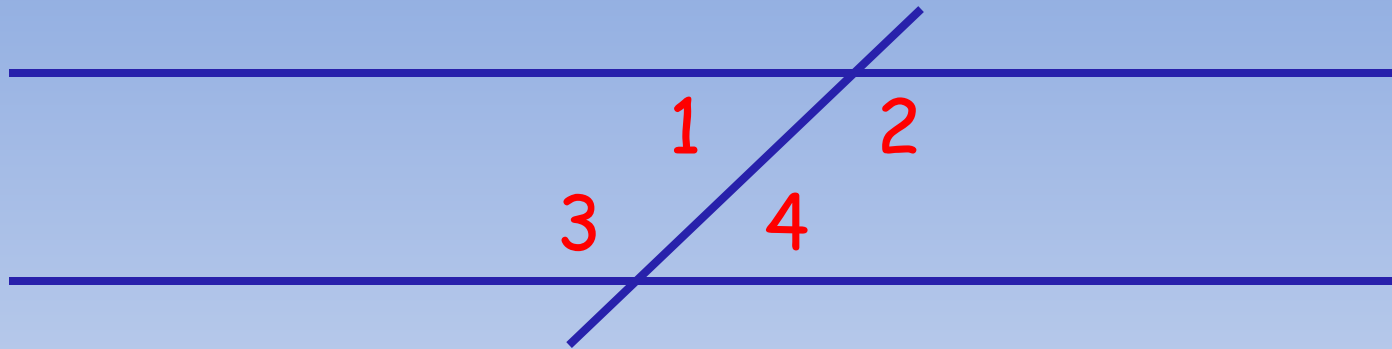
To complete this proof we could show  
either:  $1 \Leftrightarrow 2, 1 \Leftrightarrow 3, 1 \Leftrightarrow 4, 1 \Leftrightarrow 5$

OR:  $1 \Leftrightarrow 2 \Leftrightarrow 3 \Leftrightarrow 4 \Leftrightarrow 5$

OR:  $1 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 3 \Rightarrow 4 \Rightarrow 5 \Rightarrow 1$

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# Proof: $1 \Rightarrow 3$



(Set up proof by contradiction).

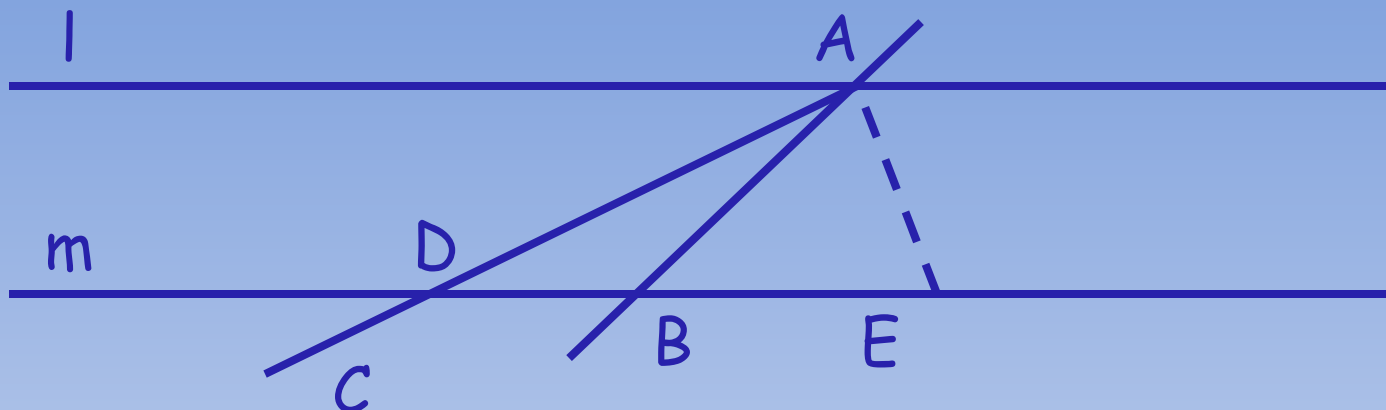
Assume  $l \parallel m$  and  $\angle 1 \neq \angle 4$ .

We know

$$m\angle 1 + m\angle 2 = 180$$

and

$$m\angle 3 + m\angle 4 = 180.$$

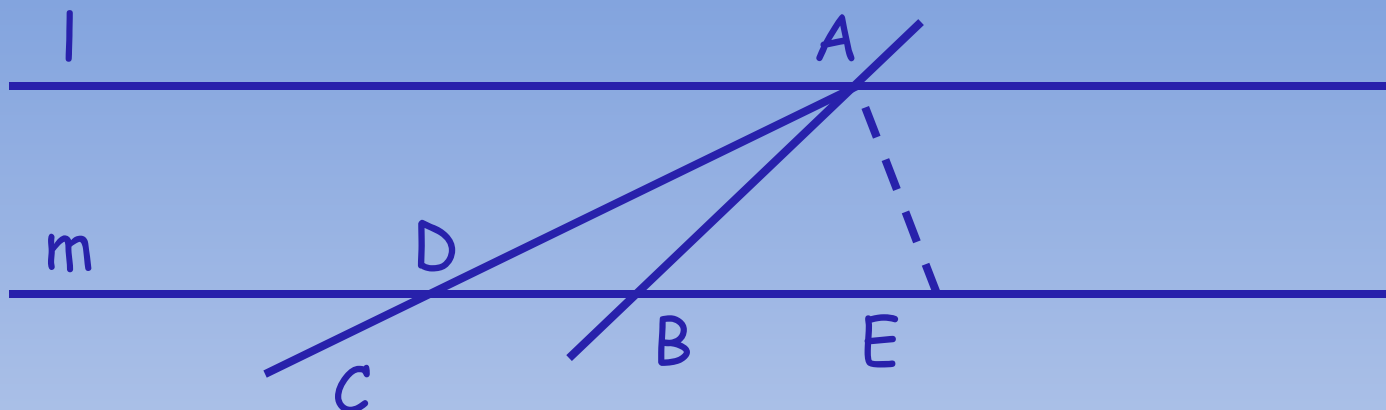


Since  $\angle 1 \neq \angle 4$ , we may assume  $m\angle 1 > m\angle 4$ . (Why?)

$\exists$  ray  $AC$  on opposite side of  $t$  from  $\angle 4$  so that  $m\angle CAB = m\angle ABE$ .

Let  $m \cap AC = D$ .

$\exists E$  in  $m$  on opposite side of  $t$  from  $D$  so that  $AD = BE$ .



Then,  $AD = BE$ ,  $m\angle DAB = m\angle EBA$ , and  $AB = AB$ .

Therefore by SAS  $\triangle DAB \cong \triangle EBA$

$\Rightarrow m\angle DBA = m\angle 3 = m\angle BAE$

$\Rightarrow \angle DAB$  and  $\angle BAE$  form linear pair

$\Rightarrow A, D, E$  collinear

$\Rightarrow A$  lies on  $m$

$\Rightarrow l$  and  $m$  not parallel.

Thus we now have that

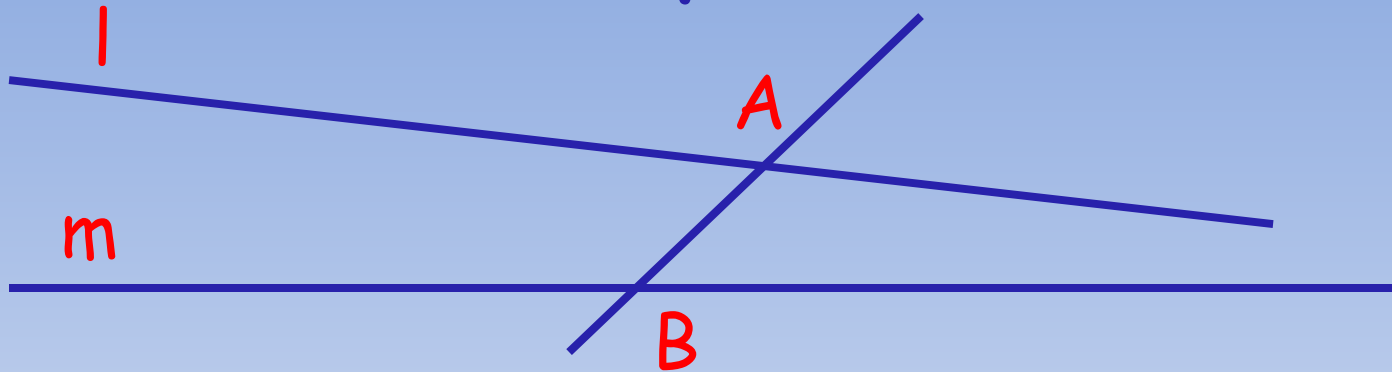
$l$  and  $m$  not parallel

AND we are given that

$l$  and  $m$  are parallel.

In other words we have  $R \wedge \sim R$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $1 \wedge \sim 3$  leads to a contradiction so  $1 \Rightarrow 3$

## Proof: $3 \Rightarrow 1$

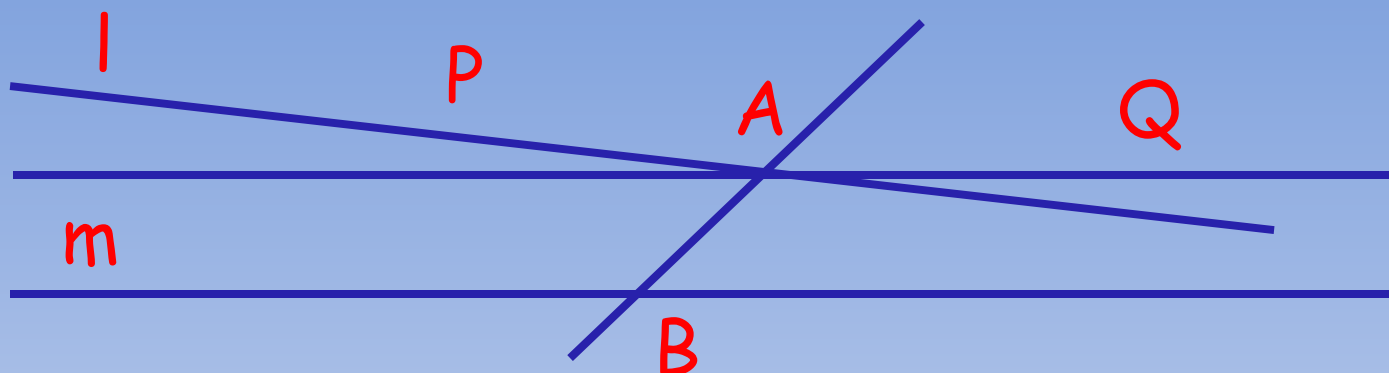


(Proof by Contrapositive).

[Assume  $\sim 1$  and we need to deduce  $\sim 3$ .]

Assume  $l$  and  $m$  not parallel.

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be intersection of  $t$  with  $l$  and  $m$ .



$P, Q$  on  $l$  so that  $P * A * Q$

Let  $R$  be on  $m$  on same side of  $t$  as  $P$

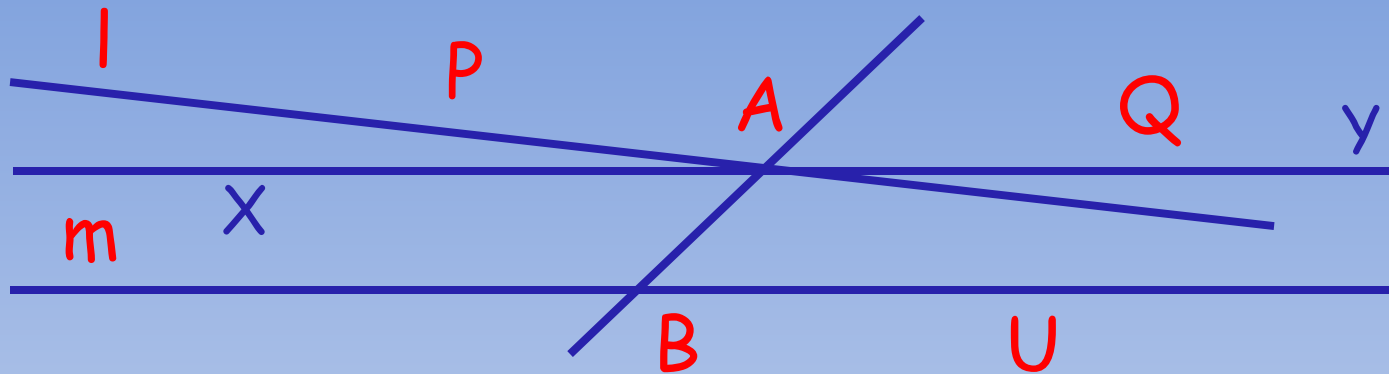
Let  $S$  be on  $m$  on same side of  $t$  as  $Q$

$\exists$  line  $n$  through  $A$  parallel to  $m$

Choose  $X, Y$  on  $n$  so that  $X * A * Y$

$n \neq l$ , so we may assume  $n$  is interior to  $\angle PAB$ .





Thus,  $m\angle PAX > 0$ .

By first part of proof,

$$m\angle BAX = m\angle UBA = m\angle 4$$

Thus,

$$m\angle 1 = m\angle PAB = m\angle PAX + m\angle XAB > m\angle UBA = m\angle 4.$$

Thus,  $m\angle 1 \neq m\angle 4$

Thus we now have that  $\sim 1 \Rightarrow \sim 3$  which is logically equivalent to  $3 \Rightarrow 1$ .