

# Flowchart and Paragraph Proofs

# OBJECTIVES

- To prove and apply theorems about angles and segments
- To use two-column proofs to write flowchart and paragraph proofs

#### 2-7-1 Common Segments Theorem

Given collinear points A, B, C, and D arranged as shown:

If  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ , then  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$ .



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If two congruent angles are supplementary, then each angle is a right angle.

If  $\angle 1$  and  $\angle 2$  are supplementary, and  $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$ , then  $\angle 1$  and  $\angle 2$  are right angles.







### Proof of Common Segments Theorem

If A, B, C, and D are collinear, as shown in the figure, with AB = CD, then AC = BD.

Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ Prove: $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$ 



Statements	Reasons
$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$	Given
AB = CD	Definition of congruent segments
AB + BC = BC + CD	Addition property of equality
AB + BC = AC $BC + CD = BD$	Segment addition postulate
AC = BD	Substitution
$\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$	Definition of congruent segments

 $\overrightarrow{AB} \cong \overrightarrow{BC}$  because it is given.  $\overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{CD}$  by definition of  $\cong$  segments.  $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BL} = \overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CD}$ because of the addition property of =.  $\overrightarrow{AB} + \overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{AL}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC} + \overrightarrow{CD} = \overrightarrow{BD}$  by segment addition postulate.  $\overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{BD}$  by substitution  $\overrightarrow{PL} \cong \overrightarrow{BD}$  because of the Definition of  $\overrightarrow{\Xi} = \overrightarrow{Segments}$ .

#### Angles and segments can be proven congruent in several different ways.

### The proofs can be written as twocolumn proofs, flowchart proofs, and paragraph proofs.



## HOMEWORK

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