

## Hyperbolic Geometry Exercises on Quadrilaterals.

For these exercises you may use the Neutral Geometry theorems. These include the congruence theorems between triangles: SAS, ASA, SSS, AAS; the alternate interior angle theorem.

Definition. The quadrilateral  $\square ABCD$  is called a *Lambert quadrilateral* if it has three right angles. [Notation, for the Lambert quadrilateral  $\square ABCD$  the point  $D$  is usually assumed to be the angle which has not been designated as a right angle. (Though in Euclidean geometry it will be a right angle.)]

Definition. The quadrilateral  $\square ABCD$  is called a *Saccheri quadrilateral* if it has two congruent sides perpendicular to a third side, called the base of the quadrilateral. [Notation, for the Saccheri quadrilateral  $\square ABCD$  the side  $\overline{AB}$  is usually assumed to be the base with sides  $\overline{DA}$  and  $\overline{CB}$  perpendicular to it.]

## Saccheri Quadrilaterals.

Given: For  $\square ABCD$  we have  $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{BC}$ , angles  $\angle ABC$  and  $\angle BAD$  are congruent right angles.

**Exercise 1.** *The summit angle of a Saccheri Quadrilateral are equal.*

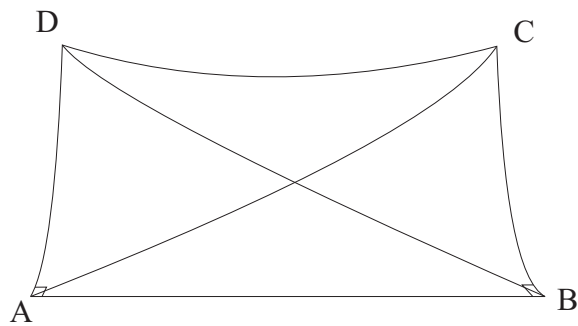


Figure 1: Saccheri Quadrilateral.

**Exercise 2.** *The line joining the midpoint of the base and of the summit of a Saccheri Quadrilateral is perpendicular to both of them.*

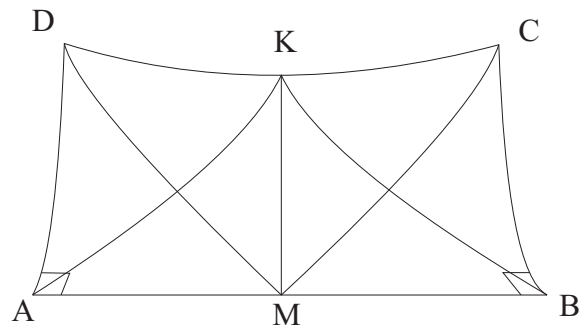


Figure 2: Saccheri Quadrilateral - Midpoint Theorem.

**Exercise 3.** *If perpendiculars are drawn from the extremities of the base of a triangle upon the line passing through the midpoints of the two sides, then a Saccheri quadrilateral is formed.*

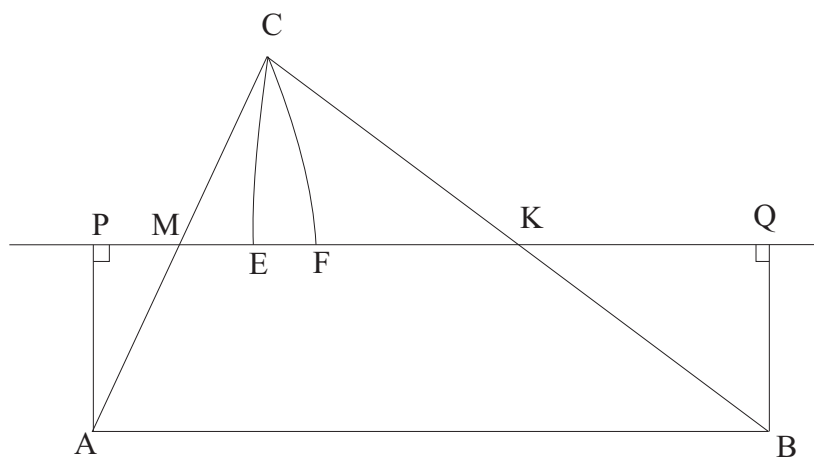


Figure 3: Triangle theorem.

Note, you are given the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{AM} &\cong \overline{CM} \\ \overline{BK} &\cong \overline{CK} \\ \overline{AP} &\perp \overleftrightarrow{MK} \\ \overline{BQ} &\perp \overleftrightarrow{MK} \end{aligned}$$

**Exercise 4.** *The line joining the midpoints of the equal sides of a Saccheri quadrilateral is perpendicular to the line joining the midpoints of the base and summit.*

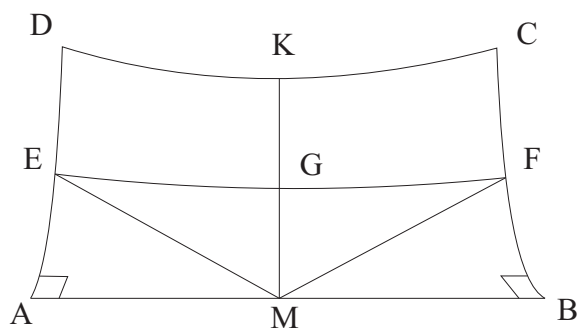


Figure 4: Midline theorem.

**Exercise 5.** If  $\square ABCD$  is a rectangle, then opposite sides are congruent.  
 [Note: this is a neutral geometry theorem.]

**Exercise 6.** If  $\square ABCD$  is a Saccheri quadrilateral with congruent sides  $\overline{DA}$  and  $\overline{CB}$ , then the angles  $\angle CDA$  and  $\angle DCB$  are congruent.

**Exercise 7.** Suppose  $\square ABCD$  is a quadrilateral with right angles  $\angle DAB$  and  $\angle ABC$ . Then the angle opposite the smaller side is smaller: if  $m(\overline{DA}) < m(\overline{CB})$  then  $m(\angle ADC) > m(\angle BCD)$ .

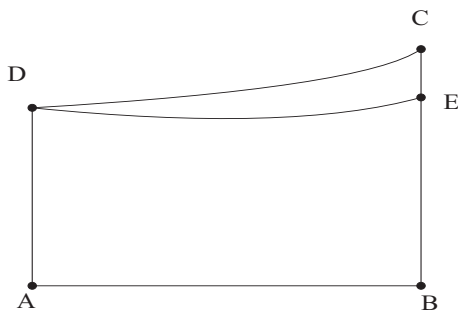


Figure 5: angle opposite the smaller side is smaller

Observe that we have the following from our exercises: Suppose  $\square ABCD$  is a quadrilateral with right angles  $\angle DAB$  and  $\angle ABC$ . Then the side opposite the larger angle is larger: if  $m(\angle ADC) > m(\angle BCD)$  then  $m(\overline{DA}) < m(\overline{CB})$ .

**Exercise 8.** Suppose  $\ell$  and  $m$  are two parallel lines so that  $P$  and  $Q$  are points of  $\ell$  whose distance from  $m$  are equal, then  $\ell$  and  $m$  have a common perpendicular through the midpoint  $M$  of  $\overline{PQ}$ .

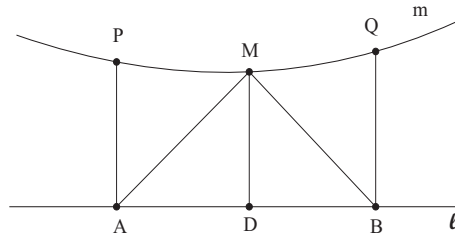


Figure 6:

**Exercise 9.** *On the hypothesis of the previous exercise, every other point of  $\ell$  is farther from  $m$  than  $M$ .*