

Geometry

Ch. 5 Handout 5.1

Midsegments of Triangles

Theorem 5.1: Triangle Midsegment Theorem
If a segment joins the midpoint of two sides of a triangle, then the segment is parallel to the third side, and is half its length.

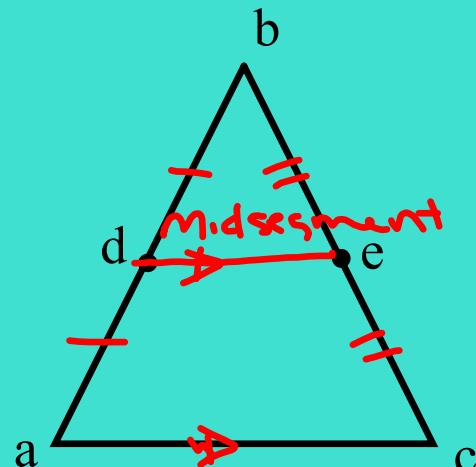
Given: d is the midpoint of \overline{ab} .

e is the midpoint of \overline{bc} .

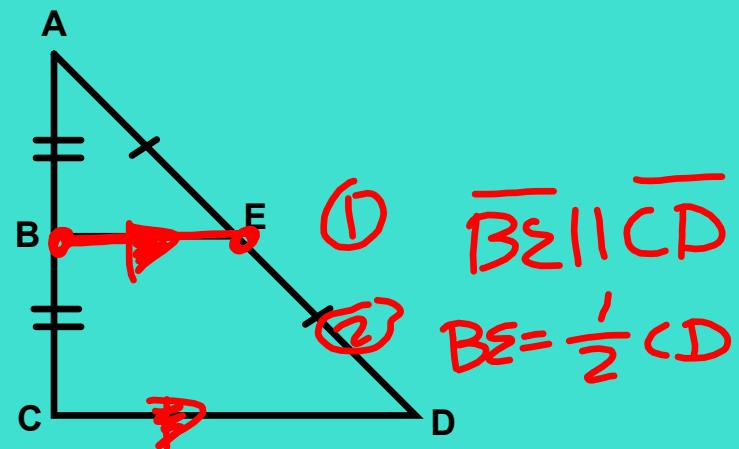
$$1) \overline{de} \parallel \overline{ac}$$

$$2) de = \frac{1}{2}ac$$

$$\text{OR } 2de = ac$$



\overline{BE} is a midsegment
of triangle ACD.



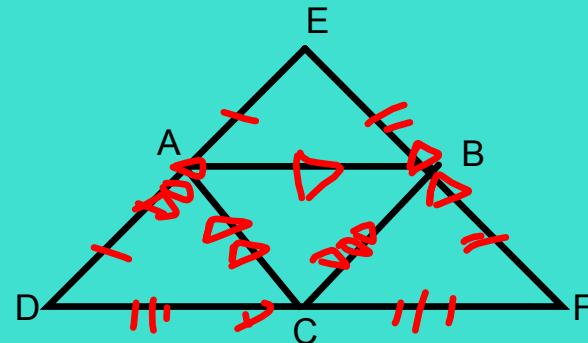
In triangle DEF, A, B, and C are midpoints.

Name all pairs of parallel segments.

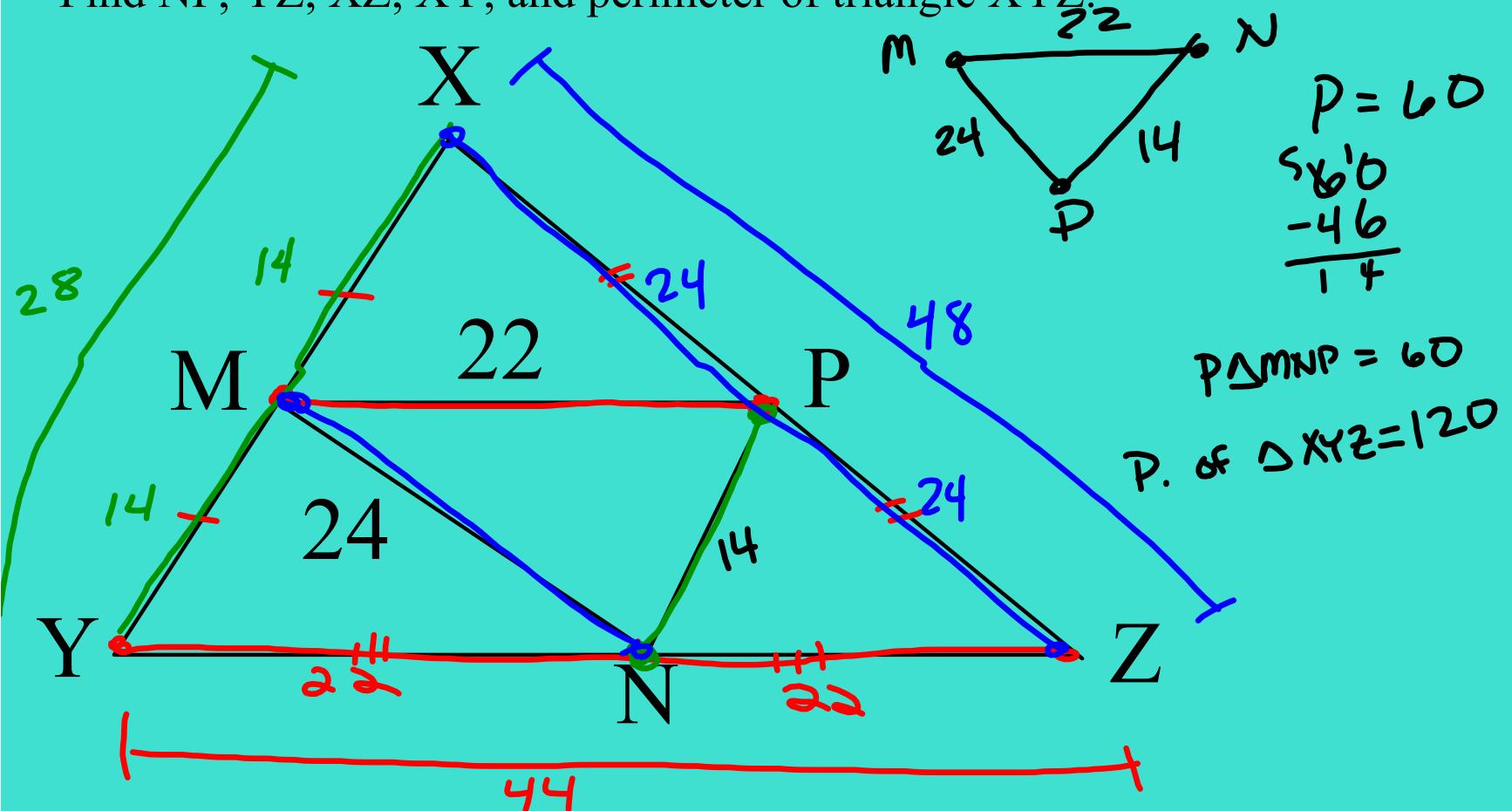
$$\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{DE}$$

$$\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DF}$$

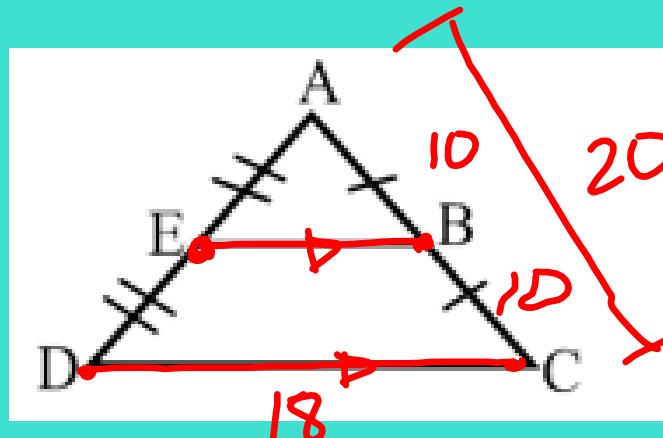
$$\overline{AC} \parallel \overline{EF}$$



1. In $\triangle XYZ$, M, N, and P are midpoints. The perimeter of $\triangle MNP$ is 60.
Find NP, YZ, XZ, XY, and perimeter of triangle XYZ.



AB = 10 and CD = 18. Find EB, BC, and AC.



$$EB = 9$$

$$BC = 10$$

$$AC = 20$$

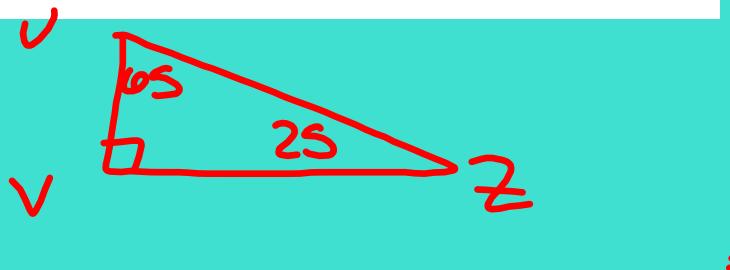
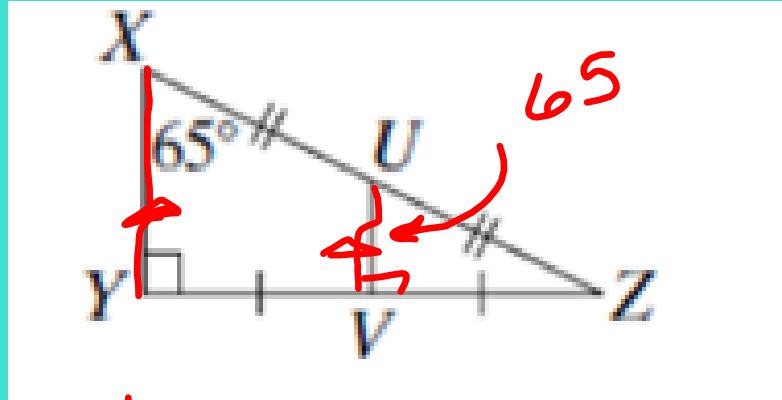
$$EB = \frac{1}{2}(DC)$$

$$EB = \frac{1}{2}(18)$$

Find the measure of the following angles:

$$m\angle VUZ = 65^\circ$$

$$m\angle Z = 25^\circ$$

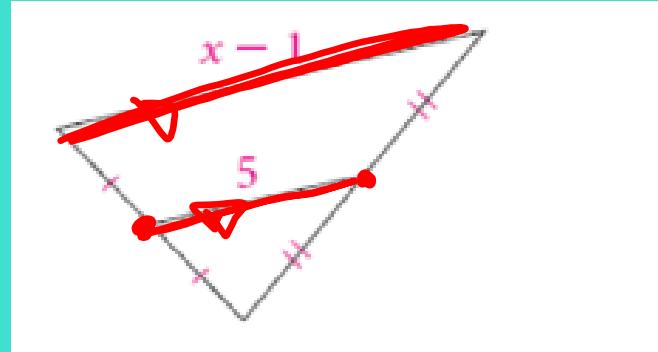


Find the value of x.

$$2 \cdot 5 = \frac{1}{2}(x - 1)$$

$$10 = x - 1$$

$$x = 11$$



Solve for x, y, and z.

$$2 \cdot 2x = \frac{1}{2} (x + 6)$$

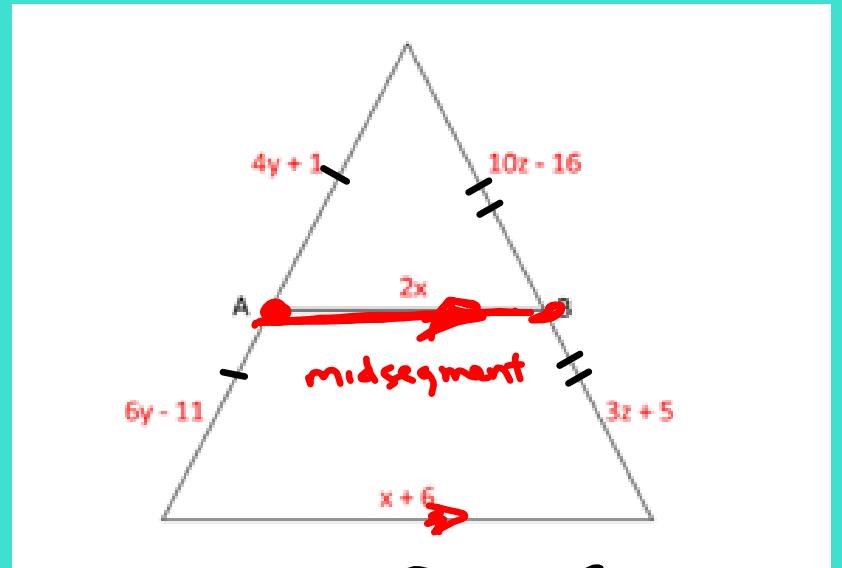
$$\begin{aligned} 4x &= x + 6 \\ -x &-x \end{aligned}$$

$$3x = 6$$

$$\boxed{x = 2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4y + 1 &= 6y - 11 \\ -4y + 11 &-4y + 11 \end{aligned}$$

$$12 = 2y \quad \boxed{y = 6}$$



$$\begin{aligned} 10z - 16 &= 3z + 5 \\ -3z + 16 &-3z + 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$7z = 21 \quad \boxed{z = 3}$$

The vertices of a triangle are A(-5, 1), B(-5, 7), and C(3, 3).

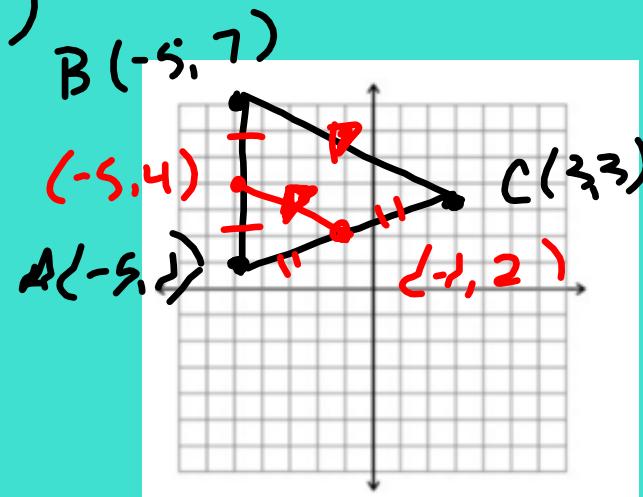
What is the midpoint of \overline{AB} ? $\left(\frac{x_1+x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1+y_2}{2} \right)$

Midpt Formula

$$\left(\frac{-5+(-5)}{2}, \frac{7+1}{2} \right) = (-5, 4)$$

What is the midpoint of \overline{AC} ?

$$\left(\frac{-5+3}{2}, \frac{1+3}{2} \right) = (-1, 2)$$



Is the midsegment created by these midpoints parallel to \overline{BC} ? \rightarrow yes lines are \parallel .

$$M = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

M of m. segment	M of \overline{BC}
$m = \frac{4-2}{-5-(-1)} = -\frac{2}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$	$m = \frac{7-3}{-5-3} = -\frac{4}{8} = -\frac{1}{2}$

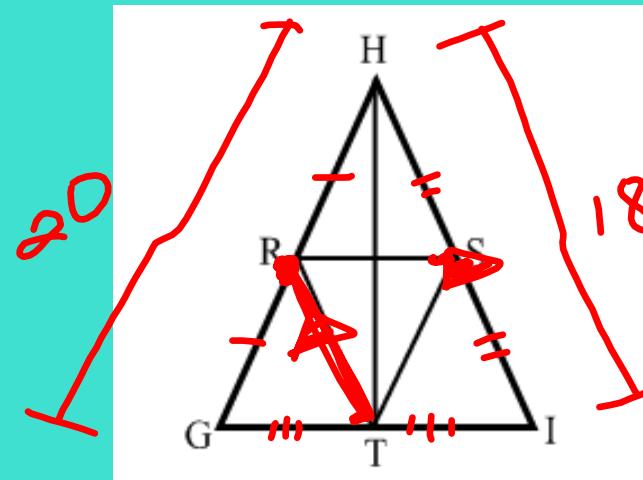
ΔGHI , R, S, and T are midpoints.

If $GH = 20$ and $HI = 18$, find RT .

$$RT = \frac{1}{2}(HI)$$

$$RT = \frac{1}{2}(18)$$

$$RT = 9$$



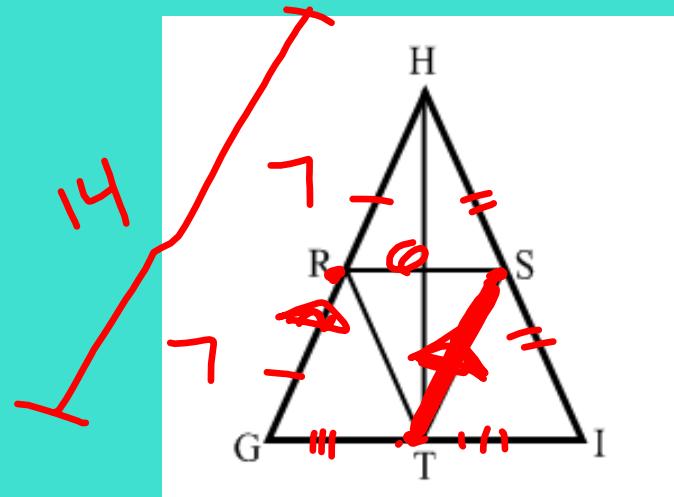
ΔGHI , R, S, and T are midpoints.

If RH = 7 and RS = 6, find ST.

$$ST = \frac{1}{2} (RH)$$

$$ST = \frac{1}{2} (RS)$$

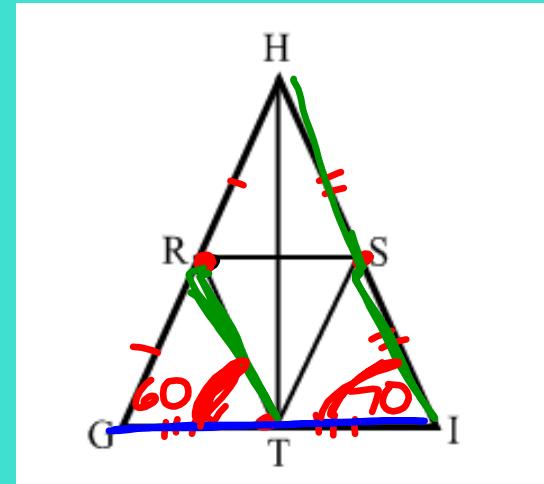
$$ST = 7$$



$\triangle GHI$, R, S, and T are midpoints.

If $m\angle G = 60$ and $m\angle I = 70$, find $m\angle GTR$.

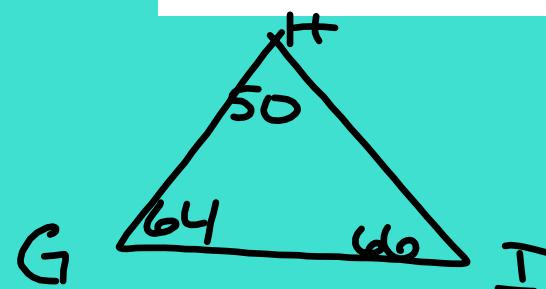
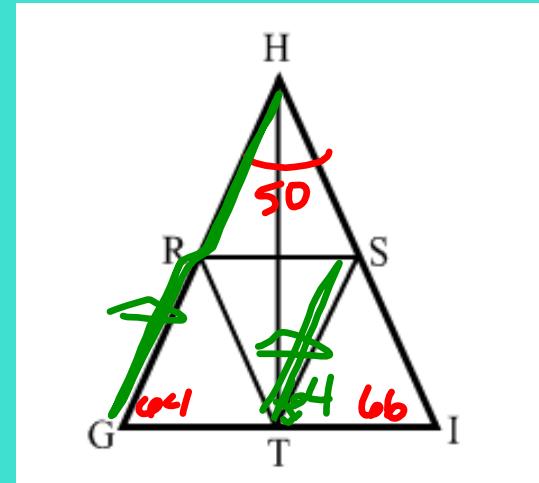
$$m\angle GTR = 70^\circ$$



ΔGHI , R, S, and T are midpoints.

If $m\angle H = 50$ and $m\angle I = 66$,
find $m\angle ITS$.

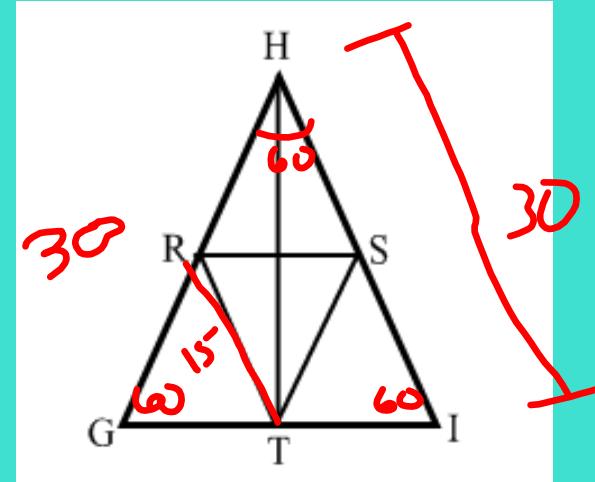
$$m\angle ITS = 64^\circ$$



ΔGHI , R, S, and T are midpoints.

If $m\angle G = m\angle H = m\angle I$ and $RT = 15$,
find the perimeter of triangle GHI.

→ 90



90

Assignments:

Pgs 262-264 2-6 evens, 7-10 all, 13,14-16 evens,
20, 21a, 22, 24, 28,30-36