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CHAPTER 6

LINES AND ANGLES

6.1 Introduction

In Chapter 5, you have studied that a minimum of two points are required to draw a line. You have also studied some axioms and, with the help of these axioms, you proved some other statements. In this chapter, you will study the properties of the angles formed when two lines intersect each other, and also the properties of the angles formed when a line intersects two or more parallel lines at distinct points. Further you will use these properties to prove some statements using deductive reasoning (see Appendix 1). You have already verified these statements through some activities in the earlier classes.

In your daily life, you see different types of angles formed between the edges of plane surfaces. For making a similar kind of model using the plane surfaces, you need to have a thorough knowledge of angles. For instance, suppose you want to make a model of a hut to keep in the school exhibition using bamboo sticks. Imagine how you would make it? You would keep some of the sticks parallel to each other, and some sticks would be kept slanted. Whenever an architect has to draw a plan for a multistoried building, she has to draw intersecting lines and parallel lines at different angles. Without the knowledge of the properties of these lines and angles, do you think she can draw the layout of the building?

In science, you study the properties of light by drawing the ray diagrams. For example, to study the refraction property of light when it enters from one medium to the other medium, you use the properties of intersecting lines and parallel lines. When two or more forces act on a body, you draw the diagram in which forces are represented by directed line segments to study the net effect of the forces on the body. At that time, you need to know the relation between the angles when the rays (or line segments) are parallel to or intersect each other. To find the height of a tower or to find the distance of a ship from the light house, one needs to know the angle

formed between the horizontal and the line of sight. Plenty of other examples can be given where lines and angles are used. In the subsequent chapters of geometry, you will be using these properties of lines and angles to deduce more and more useful properties.

Let us first revise the terms and definitions related to lines and angles learnt in earlier classes.

6.2 Basic Terms and Definitions

Recall that a part (or portion) of a line with two end points is called a **line-segment** and a part of a line with one end point is called a **ray**. Note that the line segment AB is denoted by $\overline{AB}$, and its length is denoted by AB. The ray AB is denoted by $\overrightarrow{AB}$, and a line is denoted by $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$. However, **we will not use these symbols**, and will denote the line segment AB, ray AB, length AB and line AB by the same symbol, AB. The meaning will be clear from the context. Sometimes small letters l, m, n , etc. will be used to denote lines.

If three or more points lie on the same line, they are called **collinear points**; otherwise they are called **non-collinear points**.

Recall that an **angle** is formed when two rays originate from the same end point. The rays making an angle are called the **arms** of the angle and the end point is called the **vertex** of the angle. You have studied different types of angles, such as acute angle, right angle, obtuse angle, straight angle and reflex angle in earlier classes (see Fig. 6.1).

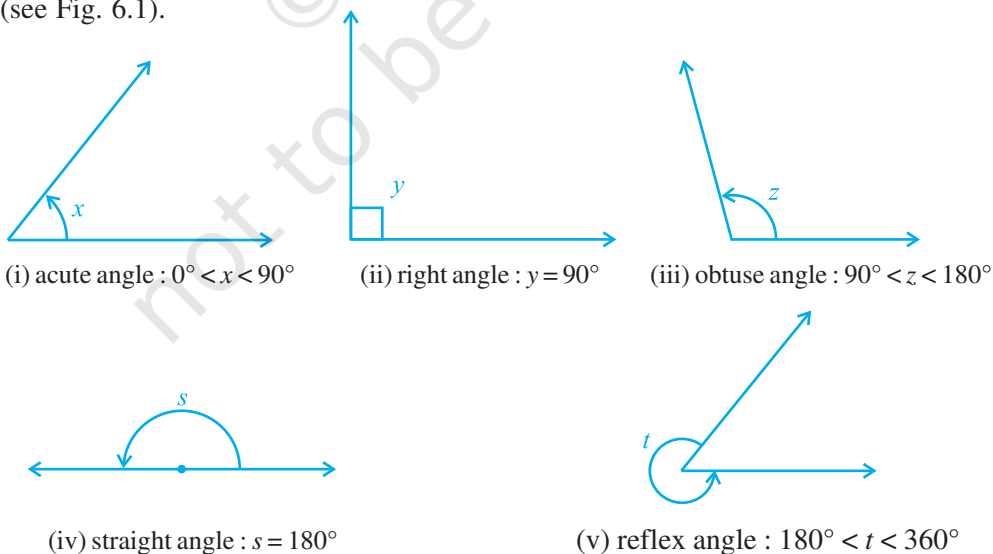


Fig. 6.1 : Types of Angles

An **acute** angle measures between 0° and 90° , whereas a **right angle** is exactly equal to 90° . An angle greater than 90° but less than 180° is called an **obtuse angle**. Also, recall that a **straight angle** is equal to 180° . An angle which is greater than 180° but less than 360° is called a **reflex angle**. Further, two angles whose sum is 90° are called **complementary angles**, and two angles whose sum is 180° are called **supplementary angles**.

You have also studied about adjacent angles in the earlier classes (see Fig. 6.2). Two angles are **adjacent**, if they have a common vertex, a common arm and their non-common arms are on different sides of the common arm. In Fig. 6.2, $\angle ABD$ and $\angle DBC$ are adjacent angles. Ray BD is their common arm and point B is their common vertex. Ray BA and ray BC are non common arms. Moreover, when two angles are adjacent, then their sum is always equal to the angle formed by the two non-common arms. So, we can write

$$\angle ABC = \angle ABD + \angle DBC.$$

Note that $\angle ABC$ and $\angle ABD$ are not adjacent angles. Why? Because their non-common arms BD and BC lie on the same side of the common arm BA.

If the non-common arms BA and BC in Fig. 6.2, form a line then it will look like Fig. 6.3. In this case, $\angle ABD$ and $\angle DBC$ are called **linear pair of angles**.

You may also recall the **vertically opposite angles** formed when two lines, say AB and CD, intersect each other, say at the point O (see Fig. 6.4). There are two pairs of vertically opposite angles.

One pair is $\angle AOD$ and $\angle BOC$. Can you find the other pair?

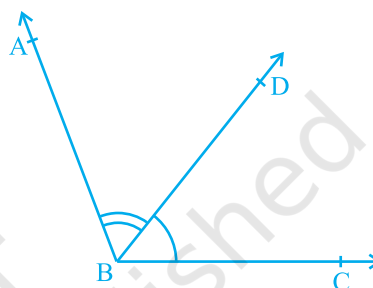


Fig. 6.2 : Adjacent angles

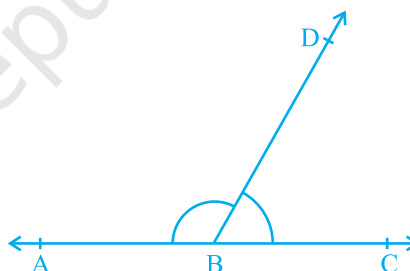


Fig. 6.3 : Linear pair of angles

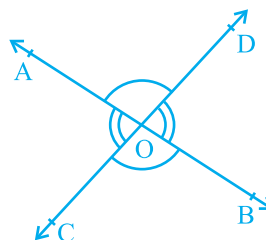
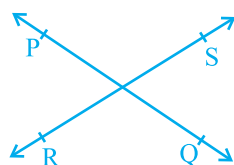


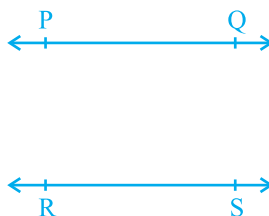
Fig. 6.4 : Vertically opposite angles

6.3 Intersecting Lines and Non-intersecting Lines

Draw two different lines PQ and RS on a paper. You will see that you can draw them in two different ways as shown in Fig. 6.5 (i) and Fig. 6.5 (ii).



(i) Intersecting lines



(ii) Non-intersecting (parallel) lines

Fig. 6.5 : Different ways of drawing two lines

Recall the notion of a line, that it extends indefinitely in both directions. Lines PQ and RS in Fig. 6.5 (i) are intersecting lines and in Fig. 6.5 (ii) are parallel lines. Note that the lengths of the common perpendiculars at different points on these parallel lines is the same. This equal length is called the *distance between two parallel lines*.

6.4 Pairs of Angles

In Section 6.2, you have learnt the definitions of some of the pairs of angles such as complementary angles, supplementary angles, adjacent angles, linear pair of angles, etc. Can you think of some relations between these angles? Now, let us find out the relation between the angles formed when a ray stands on a line. Draw a figure in which a ray stands on a line as shown in Fig. 6.6. Name the line as AB and the ray as OC. What are the angles formed at the point O? They are $\angle AOC$, $\angle BOC$ and $\angle AOB$.

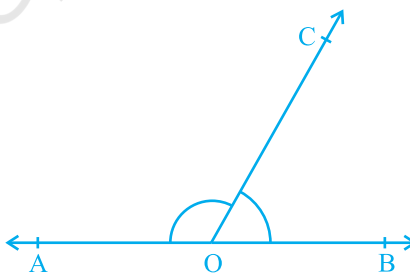


Fig. 6.6 : Linear pair of angles

Can we write $\angle AOC + \angle BOC = \angle AOB$? (1)

Yes! (Why? Refer to adjacent angles in Section 6.2)

What is the measure of $\angle AOB$? It is 180° . (Why?) (2)

From (1) and (2), can you say that $\angle AOC + \angle BOC = 180^\circ$? Yes! (Why?)

From the above discussion, we can state the following Axiom:

Axiom 6.1 : *If a ray stands on a line, then the sum of two adjacent angles so formed is 180° .*

Recall that when the sum of two adjacent angles is 180° , then they are called a **linear pair of angles**.

In Axiom 6.1, it is given that ‘a ray stands on a line’. From this ‘given’, we have concluded that ‘the sum of two adjacent angles so formed is 180° ’. Can we write Axiom 6.1 the other way? That is, take the ‘conclusion’ of Axiom 6.1 as ‘given’ and the ‘given’ as the ‘conclusion’. So it becomes:

(A) If the sum of two adjacent angles is 180° , then a ray stands on a line (that is, the non-common arms form a line).

Now you see that the Axiom 6.1 and statement (A) are in a sense the reverse of each others. We call each as converse of the other. We do not know whether the statement (A) is true or not. Let us check. Draw adjacent angles of different measures as shown in Fig. 6.7. Keep the ruler along one of the non-common arms in each case. Does the other non-common arm also lie along the ruler?

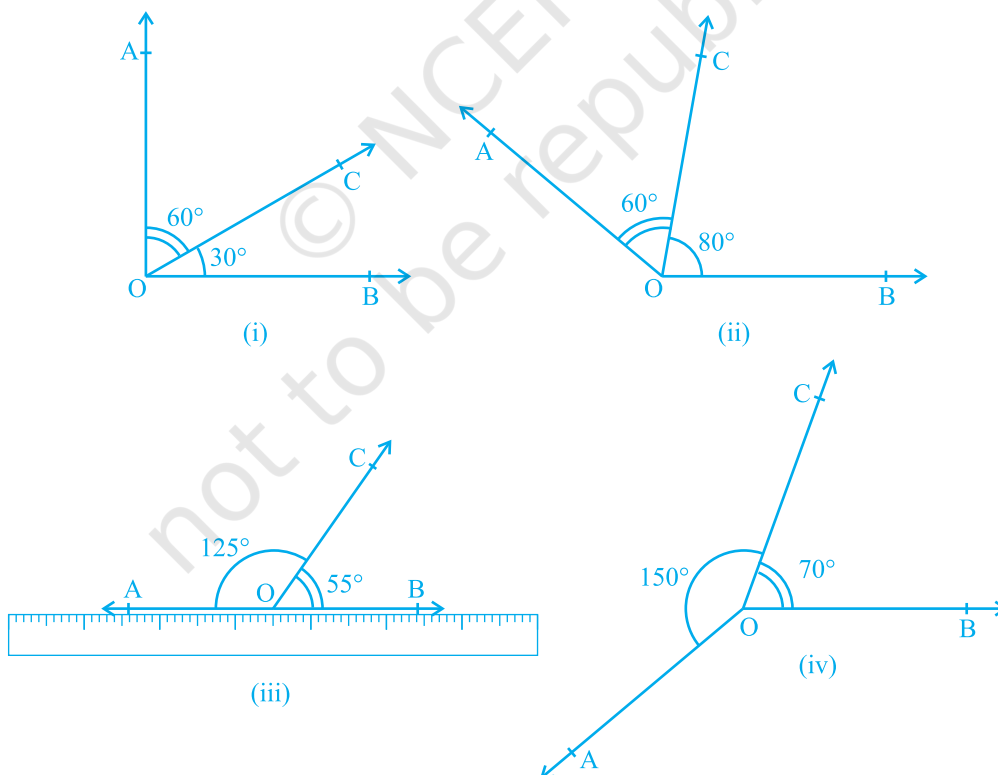


Fig. 6.7 : Adjacent angles with different measures

You will find that only in Fig. 6.7 (iii), both the non-common arms lie along the ruler, that is, points A, O and B lie on the same line and ray OC stands on it. Also see that $\angle AOC + \angle COB = 125^\circ + 55^\circ = 180^\circ$. From this, you may conclude that statement (A) is true. So, you can state in the form of an axiom as follows:

Axiom 6.2 : *If the sum of two adjacent angles is 180° , then the non-common arms of the angles form a line.*

For obvious reasons, the two axioms above together is called the **Linear Pair Axiom**.

Let us now examine the case when two lines intersect each other.

Recall, from earlier classes, that when two lines intersect, the vertically opposite angles are equal. Let us prove this result now. See Appendix 1 for the ingredients of a proof, and keep those in mind while studying the proof given below.

Theorem 6.1 : *If two lines intersect each other, then the vertically opposite angles are equal.*

Proof : In the statement above, it is given that ‘two lines intersect each other’. So, let AB and CD be two lines intersecting at O as shown in Fig. 6.8. They lead to two pairs of vertically opposite angles, namely,

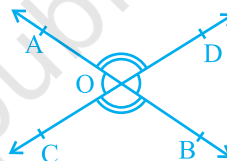


Fig. 6.8 : Vertically opposite angles

(i) $\angle AOC$ and $\angle BOD$ (ii) $\angle AOD$ and $\angle BOC$.

We need to prove that $\angle AOC = \angle BOD$ and $\angle AOD = \angle BOC$.

Now, ray OA stands on line CD.

Therefore, $\angle AOC + \angle AOD = 180^\circ$ (Linear pair axiom) (1)

Can we write $\angle AOD + \angle BOD = 180^\circ$? Yes! (Why?) (2)

From (1) and (2), we can write

$$\angle AOC + \angle AOD = \angle AOD + \angle BOD$$

This implies that $\angle AOC = \angle BOD$ (Refer Section 5.2, Axiom 3)

Similarly, it can be proved that $\angle AOD = \angle BOC$

Now, let us do some examples based on Linear Pair Axiom and Theorem 6.1.

Example 1 : In Fig. 6.9, lines PQ and RS intersect each other at point O. If $\angle POR : \angle ROQ = 5 : 7$, find all the angles.

Solution : $\angle POR + \angle ROQ = 180^\circ$
(Linear pair of angles)

But $\angle POR : \angle ROQ = 5 : 7$
(Given)

Therefore, $\angle POR = \frac{5}{12} \times 180^\circ = 75^\circ$

Similarly, $\angle ROQ = \frac{7}{12} \times 180^\circ = 105^\circ$

Now, $\angle POS = \angle ROQ = 105^\circ$ (Vertically opposite angles)

and $\angle SOQ = \angle POR = 75^\circ$ (Vertically opposite angles)

Example 2 : In Fig. 6.10, ray OS stands on a line POQ. Ray OR and ray OT are angle bisectors of $\angle POS$ and $\angle SOQ$, respectively. If $\angle POS = x$, find $\angle ROT$.

Solution : Ray OS stands on the line POQ.

Therefore, $\angle POS + \angle SOQ = 180^\circ$

But, $\angle POS = x$

Therefore, $x + \angle SOQ = 180^\circ$

So, $\angle SOQ = 180^\circ - x$

Now, ray OR bisects $\angle POS$, therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\angle ROS &= \frac{1}{2} \times \angle POS \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times x = \frac{x}{2}\end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

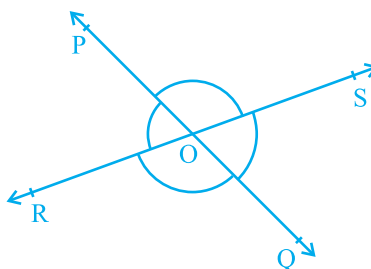
$$\begin{aligned}\angle SOT &= \frac{1}{2} \times \angle SOQ \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times (180^\circ - x) \\ &= 90^\circ - \frac{x}{2}\end{aligned}$$


Fig. 6.9

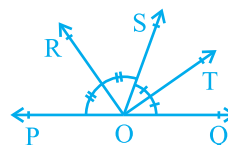


Fig. 6.10

Now,

$$\angle ROT = \angle ROS + \angle SOT$$

$$= \frac{x}{2} + 90^\circ - \frac{x}{2}$$

$$= 90^\circ$$

Example 3 : In Fig. 6.11, OP, OQ, OR and OS are four rays. Prove that $\angle POQ + \angle QOR + \angle SOR + \angle POS = 360^\circ$.

Solution : In Fig. 6.11, you need to produce any of the rays OP, OQ, OR or OS backwards to a point. Let us produce ray OQ backwards to a point T so that TOQ is a line (see Fig. 6.12).

Now, ray OP stands on line TOQ.

$$\text{Therefore, } \angle TOP + \angle POQ = 180^\circ \quad (1)$$

(Linear pair axiom)

Similarly, ray OS stands on line TOQ.

$$\text{Therefore, } \angle TOS + \angle SOQ = 180^\circ \quad (2)$$

But

$$\angle SOQ = \angle SOR + \angle QOR$$

So, (2) becomes

$$\angle TOS + \angle SOR + \angle QOR = 180^\circ \quad (3)$$

Now, adding (1) and (3), you get

$$\angle TOP + \angle POQ + \angle TOS + \angle SOR + \angle QOR = 360^\circ \quad (4)$$

But

$$\angle TOP + \angle TOS = \angle POS$$

Therefore, (4) becomes

$$\angle POQ + \angle QOR + \angle SOR + \angle POS = 360^\circ$$

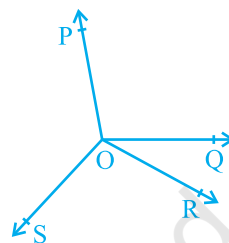


Fig. 6.11

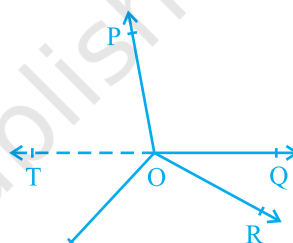


Fig. 6.12

EXERCISE 6.1

1. In Fig. 6.13, lines AB and CD intersect at O. If $\angle AOC + \angle BOE = 70^\circ$ and $\angle BOD = 40^\circ$, find $\angle BOE$ and reflex $\angle COE$.

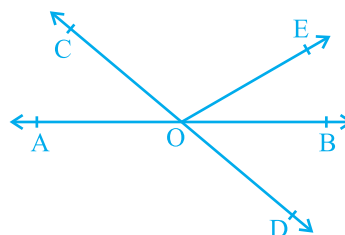


Fig. 6.13

2. In Fig. 6.14, lines XY and MN intersect at O. If $\angle POY = 90^\circ$ and $a : b = 2 : 3$, find c .

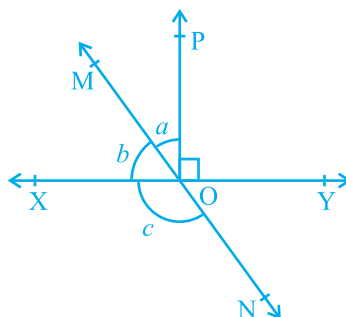


Fig. 6.14

3. In Fig. 6.15, $\angle PQR = \angle PRQ$, then prove that $\angle PQS = \angle PRT$.

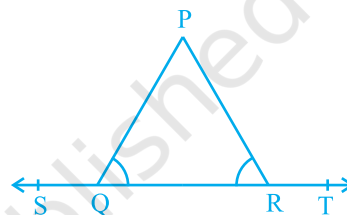


Fig. 6.15

4. In Fig. 6.16, if $x + y = w + z$, then prove that AOB is a line.

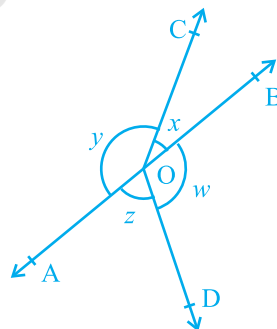


Fig. 6.16

5. In Fig. 6.17, POQ is a line. Ray OR is perpendicular to line PQ. OS is another ray lying between rays OP and OR. Prove that

$$\angle ROS = \frac{1}{2} (\angle QOS - \angle POS).$$

6. It is given that $\angle XYZ = 64^\circ$ and XY is produced to point P. Draw a figure from the given information. If ray YQ bisects $\angle ZYP$, find $\angle XYQ$ and reflex $\angle QYP$.

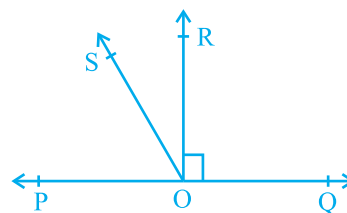


Fig. 6.17

6.5 Parallel Lines and a Transversal

Recall that a line which intersects two or more lines at distinct points is called a **transversal** (see Fig. 6.18). Line l intersects lines m and n at points P and Q respectively. Therefore, line l is a transversal for lines m and n . Observe that four angles are formed at each of the points P and Q.

Let us name these angles as $\angle 1, \angle 2, \dots, \angle 8$ as shown in Fig. 6.18.

$\angle 1, \angle 2, \angle 7$ and $\angle 8$ are called **exterior angles**, while $\angle 3, \angle 4, \angle 5$ and $\angle 6$ are called **interior angles**.

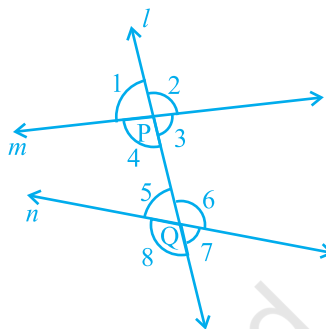


Fig. 6.18

Recall that in the earlier classes, you have named some pairs of angles formed when a transversal intersects two lines. These are as follows:

(a) **Corresponding angles :**

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| (i) $\angle 1$ and $\angle 5$ | (ii) $\angle 2$ and $\angle 6$ |
| (iii) $\angle 4$ and $\angle 8$ | (iv) $\angle 3$ and $\angle 7$ |

(b) **Alternate interior angles :**

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| (i) $\angle 4$ and $\angle 6$ | (ii) $\angle 3$ and $\angle 5$ |
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(c) **Alternate exterior angles:**

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| (i) $\angle 1$ and $\angle 7$ | (ii) $\angle 2$ and $\angle 8$ |
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(d) **Interior angles on the same side of the transversal:**

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| (i) $\angle 4$ and $\angle 5$ | (ii) $\angle 3$ and $\angle 6$ |
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Interior angles on the same side of the transversal are also referred to as **consecutive interior** angles or **allied** angles or **co-interior** angles. Further, many a times, we simply use the words alternate angles for alternate interior angles.

Now, let us find out the relation between the angles in these pairs when line m is parallel to line n . You know that the ruled lines of your notebook are parallel to each other. So, with ruler and pencil, draw two parallel lines along any two of these lines and a transversal to intersect them as shown in Fig. 6.19.

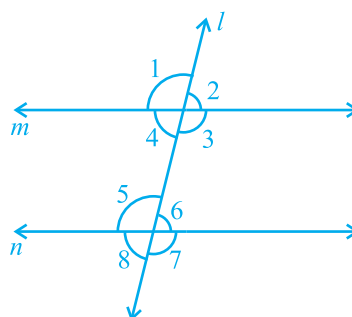


Fig. 6.19

Now, measure any pair of corresponding angles and find out the relation between them. You may find that : $\angle 1 = \angle 5$, $\angle 2 = \angle 6$, $\angle 4 = \angle 8$ and $\angle 3 = \angle 7$. From this, you may conclude the following axiom.

Axiom 6.3 : *If a transversal intersects two parallel lines, then each pair of corresponding angles is equal.*

Axiom 6.3 is also referred to as the **corresponding angles axiom**. Now, let us discuss the converse of this axiom which is as follows:

If a transversal intersects two lines such that a pair of corresponding angles is equal, then the two lines are parallel.

Does this statement hold true? It can be verified as follows: Draw a line AD and mark points B and C on it. At B and C, construct $\angle ABQ$ and $\angle BCS$ equal to each other as shown in Fig. 6.20 (i).

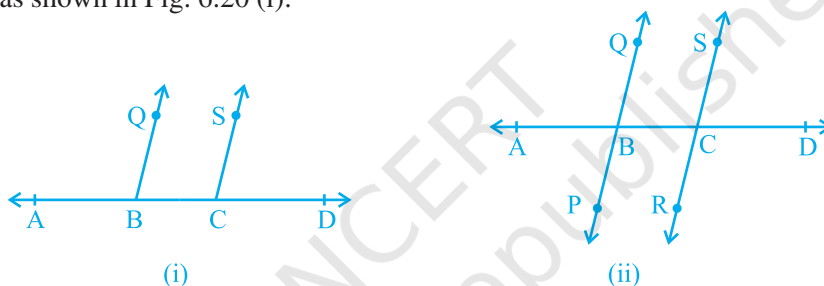


Fig. 6.20

Produce QB and SC on the other side of AD to form two lines PQ and RS [see Fig. 6.20 (ii)]. You may observe that the two lines do not intersect each other. You may also draw common perpendiculars to the two lines PQ and RS at different points and measure their lengths. You will find it the same everywhere. So, you may conclude that the lines are parallel. Therefore, the converse of corresponding angles axiom is also true. So, we have the following axiom:

Axiom 6.4 : *If a transversal intersects two lines such that a pair of corresponding angles is equal, then the two lines are parallel to each other.*

Can we use corresponding angles axiom to find out the relation between the alternate interior angles when a transversal intersects two parallel lines? In Fig. 6.21, transversal PS intersects parallel lines AB and CD at points Q and R respectively.

Is $\angle BQR = \angle QRC$ and $\angle AQR = \angle QRD$?

You know that $\angle PQA = \angle QRC$ (1)
(Corresponding angles axiom)

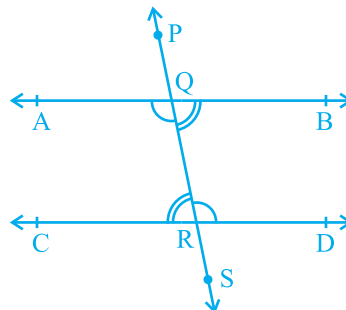


Fig. 6.21

Is $\angle PQA = \angle BQR$? Yes! (Why ?) (2)

So, from (1) and (2), you may conclude that

$$\angle BQR = \angle QRC.$$

Similarly, $\angle AQR = \angle QRD.$

This result can be stated as a theorem given below:

Theorem 6.2 : *If a transversal intersects two parallel lines, then each pair of alternate interior angles is equal.*

Now, using the converse of the corresponding angles axiom, can we show the two lines parallel if a pair of alternate interior angles is equal? In Fig. 6.22, the transversal PS intersects lines AB and CD at points Q and R respectively such that $\angle BQR = \angle QRC$.

Is $AB \parallel CD$?

$$\angle BQR = \angle PQA \quad (\text{Why?}) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{But, } \angle BQR = \angle QRC \quad (\text{Given}) \quad (2)$$

So, from (1) and (2), you may conclude that

$$\angle PQA = \angle QRC$$

But they are corresponding angles.

So, $AB \parallel CD$ (Converse of corresponding angles axiom)

This result can be stated as a theorem given below:

Theorem 6.3 : *If a transversal intersects two lines such that a pair of alternate interior angles is equal, then the two lines are parallel.*

In a similar way, you can obtain the following two theorems related to interior angles on the same side of the transversal.

Theorem 6.4 : *If a transversal intersects two parallel lines, then each pair of interior angles on the same side of the transversal is supplementary.*

Theorem 6.5 : *If a transversal intersects two lines such that a pair of interior angles on the same side of the transversal is supplementary, then the two lines are parallel.*

You may recall that you have verified all the above axioms and theorems in earlier classes through activities. You may repeat those activities here also.

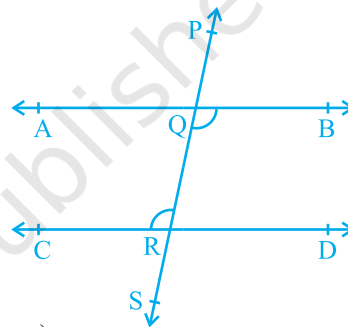


Fig. 6.22

6.6 Lines Parallel to the Same Line

If two lines are parallel to the same line, will they be parallel to each other? Let us check it. See Fig. 6.23 in which line $m \parallel$ line l and line $n \parallel$ line l .

Let us draw a line t transversal for the lines, l , m and n . It is given that line $m \parallel$ line l and line $n \parallel$ line l .

Therefore, $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ and $\angle 1 = \angle 3$

(Corresponding angles axiom)

So, $\angle 2 = \angle 3$ (Why?)

But $\angle 2$ and $\angle 3$ are corresponding angles and they are equal.

Therefore, you can say that

Line $m \parallel$ Line n

(Converse of corresponding angles axiom)

This result can be stated in the form of the following theorem:

Theorem 6.6 : Lines which are parallel to the same line are parallel to each other.

Note : The property above can be extended to more than two lines also.

Now, let us solve some examples related to parallel lines.

Example 4 : In Fig. 6.24, if $PQ \parallel RS$, $\angle MXQ = 135^\circ$ and $\angle MYR = 40^\circ$, find $\angle XMY$.

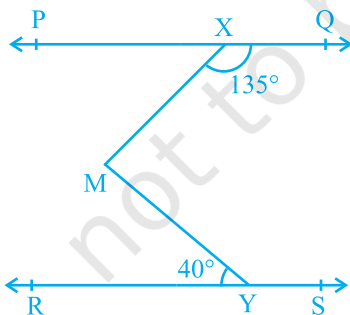


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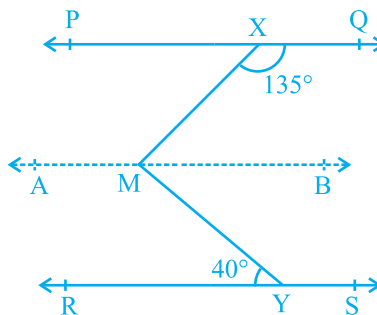


Fig. 6.25

Solution : Here, we need to draw a line AB parallel to line PQ , through point M as shown in Fig. 6.25. Now, $AB \parallel PQ$ and $PQ \parallel RS$.

Therefore, $AB \parallel RS$ (Why?)

Now, $\angle QXM + \angle XMB = 180^\circ$

($AB \parallel PQ$, Interior angles on the same side of the transversal XM)

But $\angle QXM = 135^\circ$

So, $135^\circ + \angle XMB = 180^\circ$

Therefore, $\angle XMB = 45^\circ$ (1)

Now, $\angle BMY = \angle MYR$ ($AB \parallel RS$, Alternate angles)

Therefore, $\angle BMY = 40^\circ$ (2)

Adding (1) and (2), you get

$$\angle XMB + \angle BMY = 45^\circ + 40^\circ$$

That is, $\angle XMY = 85^\circ$

Example 5 : If a transversal intersects two lines such that the bisectors of a pair of corresponding angles are parallel, then prove that the two lines are parallel.

Solution : In Fig. 6.26, a transversal AD intersects two lines PQ and RS at points B and C respectively. Ray BE is the bisector of $\angle ABQ$ and ray CG is the bisector of $\angle BCS$; and $BE \parallel CG$.

We are to prove that $PQ \parallel RS$.

It is given that ray BE is the bisector of $\angle ABQ$.

Therefore, $\angle ABE = \frac{1}{2} \angle ABQ$ (1)

Similarly, ray CG is the bisector of $\angle BCS$.

Therefore, $\angle BCG = \frac{1}{2} \angle BCS$ (2)

But $BE \parallel CG$ and AD is the transversal.

Therefore, $\angle ABE = \angle BCG$
(Corresponding angles axiom) (3)

Substituting (1) and (2) in (3), you get

$$\frac{1}{2} \angle ABQ = \frac{1}{2} \angle BCS$$

That is, $\angle ABQ = \angle BCS$

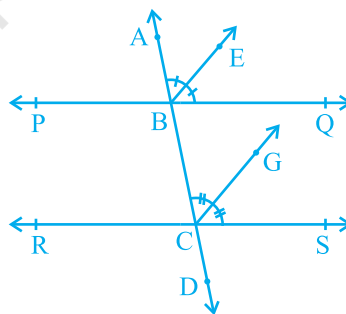


Fig. 6.26

But, they are the corresponding angles formed by transversal AD with PQ and RS; and are equal.

Therefore,

$$PQ \parallel RS$$

(Converse of corresponding angles axiom)

Example 6 : In Fig. 6.27, $AB \parallel CD$ and $CD \parallel EF$. Also $EA \perp AB$. If $\angle BEF = 55^\circ$, find the values of x , y and z .

Solution : $y + 55^\circ = 180^\circ$

(Interior angles on the same side of the transversal ED)

Therefore, $y = 180^\circ - 55^\circ = 125^\circ$

Again $x = y$

($AB \parallel CD$, Corresponding angles axiom)

Therefore $x = 125^\circ$

Now, since $AB \parallel CD$ and $CD \parallel EF$, therefore, $AB \parallel EF$.

So, $\angle EAB + \angle FEA = 180^\circ$

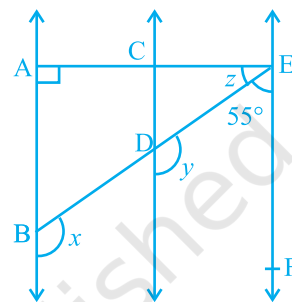


Fig. 6.27

(Interior angles on the same side of the transversal EA)

Therefore, $90^\circ + z + 55^\circ = 180^\circ$

Which gives $z = 35^\circ$

EXERCISE 6.2

1. In Fig. 6.28, find the values of x and y and then show that $AB \parallel CD$.

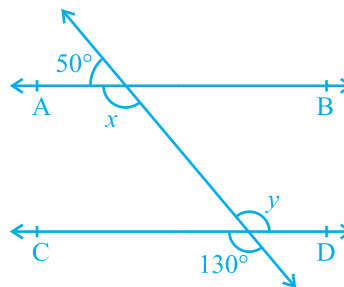


Fig. 6.28

2. In Fig. 6.29, if $AB \parallel CD$, $CD \parallel EF$ and $y : z = 3 : 7$, find x .

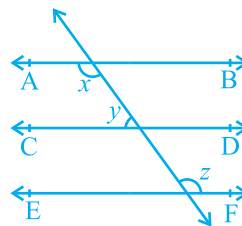


Fig. 6.29

3. In Fig. 6.30, if $AB \parallel CD$, $EF \perp CD$ and $\angle GED = 126^\circ$, find $\angle AGE$, $\angle GEF$ and $\angle FGE$.

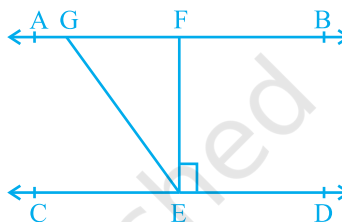


Fig. 6.30

4. In Fig. 6.31, if $PQ \parallel ST$, $\angle PQR = 110^\circ$ and $\angle RST = 130^\circ$, find $\angle QRS$.

[Hint : Draw a line parallel to ST through point R .]

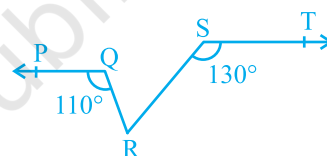


Fig. 6.31

5. In Fig. 6.32, if $AB \parallel CD$, $\angle APQ = 50^\circ$ and $\angle PRD = 127^\circ$, find x and y .

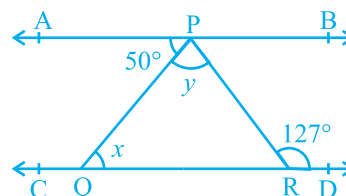


Fig. 6.32

6. In Fig. 6.33, PQ and RS are two mirrors placed parallel to each other. An incident ray AB strikes the mirror PQ at B , the reflected ray moves along the path BC and strikes the mirror RS at C and again reflects back along CD . Prove that $AB \parallel CD$.

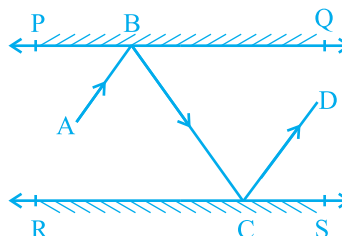


Fig. 6.33

6.7 Angle Sum Property of a Triangle

In the earlier classes, you have studied through activities that the sum of all the angles of a triangle is 180° . We can prove this statement using the axioms and theorems related to parallel lines.

Theorem 6.7 : *The sum of the angles of a triangle is 180° .*

Proof : Let us see what is given in the statement above, that is, the hypothesis and what we need to prove. We are given a triangle PQR and $\angle 1$, $\angle 2$ and $\angle 3$ are the angles of ΔPQR (see Fig. 6.34).

We need to prove that $\angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 3 = 180^\circ$. Let us draw a line XPY parallel to QR through the opposite vertex P, as shown in Fig. 6.35, so that we can use the properties related to parallel lines.

Now, XPY is a line.

Therefore, $\angle 4 + \angle 1 + \angle 5 = 180^\circ$ (1)

But XPY $\parallel$ QR and PQ, PR are transversals.

So, $\angle 4 = \angle 2$ and $\angle 5 = \angle 3$
(Pairs of alternate angles)

Substituting $\angle 4$ and $\angle 5$ in (1), we get

$$\angle 2 + \angle 1 + \angle 3 = 180^\circ$$

That is, $\angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 3 = 180^\circ$

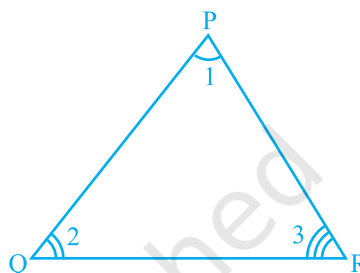


Fig. 6.34

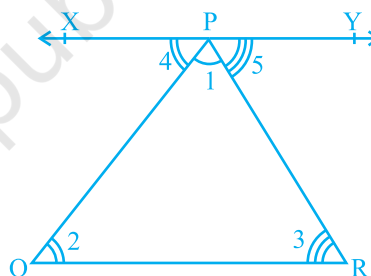


Fig. 6.35

Recall that you have studied about the formation of an exterior angle of a triangle in the earlier classes (see Fig. 6.36). Side QR is produced to point S, $\angle PRS$ is called an exterior angle of ΔPQR .

Is $\angle 3 + \angle 4 = 180^\circ$? (Why?) (1)

Also, see that

$$\angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 3 = 180^\circ \text{ (Why?) (2)}$$

From (1) and (2), you can see that

$$\angle 4 = \angle 1 + \angle 2.$$

This result can be stated in the form of a theorem as given below:

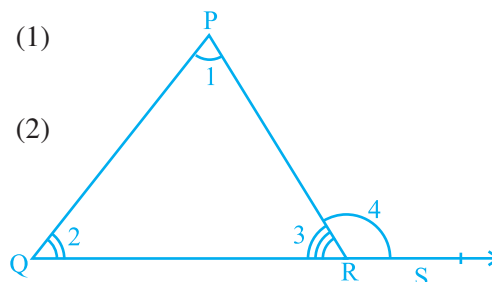


Fig. 6.36

Theorem 6.8 : *If a side of a triangle is produced, then the exterior angle so formed is equal to the sum of the two interior opposite angles.*

It is obvious from the above theorem that an exterior angle of a triangle is greater than either of its interior opposite angles.

Now, let us take some examples based on the above theorems.

Example 7 : In Fig. 6.37, if $QT \perp PR$, $\angle TQR = 40^\circ$ and $\angle SPR = 30^\circ$, find x and y .

Solution : In ΔTQR , $90^\circ + 40^\circ + x = 180^\circ$

(Angle sum property of a triangle)

Therefore, $x = 50^\circ$

Now, $y = \angle SPR + x$ (Theorem 6.8)

Therefore, $y = 30^\circ + 50^\circ$
 $= 80^\circ$

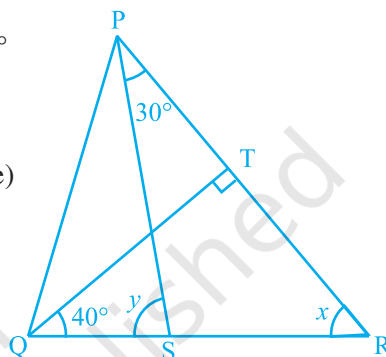


Fig. 6.37

Example 8 : In Fig. 6.38, the sides AB and AC of ΔABC are produced to points E and D respectively. If bisectors BO and CO of $\angle CBE$ and $\angle BCD$ respectively meet at point O, then prove that

$$\angle BOC = 90^\circ - \frac{1}{2} \angle BAC.$$

Solution : Ray BO is the bisector of $\angle CBE$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } \angle CBO &= \frac{1}{2} \angle CBE \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (180^\circ - y) \\ &= 90^\circ - \frac{y}{2} \quad (1) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, ray CO is the bisector of $\angle BCD$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } \angle BCO &= \frac{1}{2} \angle BCD \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (180^\circ - z) \\ &= 90^\circ - \frac{z}{2} \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

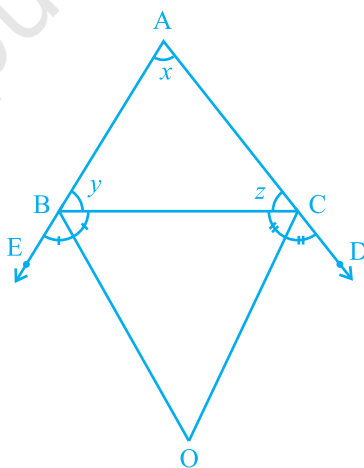


Fig. 6.38

$$\text{In } \triangle BOC, \angle BOC + \angle BCO + \angle CBO = 180^\circ \quad (3)$$

Substituting (1) and (2) in (3), you get

$$\angle BOC + 90^\circ - \frac{z}{2} + 90^\circ - \frac{y}{2} = 180^\circ$$

$$\text{So,} \quad \angle BOC = \frac{z}{2} + \frac{y}{2}$$

$$\text{or,} \quad \angle BOC = \frac{1}{2} (y + z) \quad (4)$$

$$\text{But,} \quad x + y + z = 180^\circ \quad (\text{Angle sum property of a triangle})$$

$$\text{Therefore,} \quad y + z = 180^\circ - x$$

Therefore, (4) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \angle BOC &= \frac{1}{2} (180^\circ - x) \\ &= 90^\circ - \frac{x}{2} \\ &= 90^\circ - \frac{1}{2} \angle BAC \end{aligned}$$

EXERCISE 6.3

1. In Fig. 6.39, sides QP and RQ of $\triangle PQR$ are produced to points S and T respectively. If $\angle SPR = 135^\circ$ and $\angle PQT = 110^\circ$, find $\angle PRQ$.
2. In Fig. 6.40, $\angle X = 62^\circ$, $\angle XYZ = 54^\circ$. If YO and ZO are the bisectors of $\angle XYZ$ and $\angle XZY$ respectively of $\triangle XYZ$, find $\angle OZY$ and $\angle YOZ$.
3. In Fig. 6.41, if $AB \parallel DE$, $\angle BAC = 35^\circ$ and $\angle CDE = 53^\circ$, find $\angle DCE$.

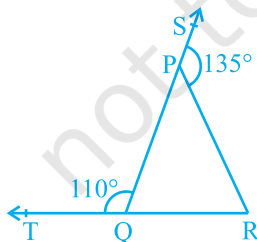


Fig. 6.39

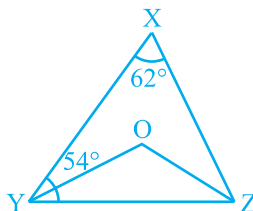


Fig. 6.40

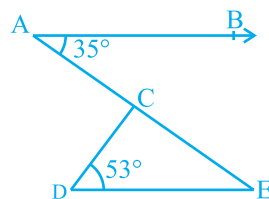


Fig. 6.41

4. In Fig. 6.42, if lines PQ and RS intersect at point T, such that $\angle PRT = 40^\circ$, $\angle RPT = 95^\circ$ and $\angle TSQ = 75^\circ$, find $\angle SQT$.

5. In Fig. 6.43, if $PQ \perp PS$, $PQ \parallel SR$, $\angle SQR = 28^\circ$ and $\angle QRT = 65^\circ$, then find the values of x and y .

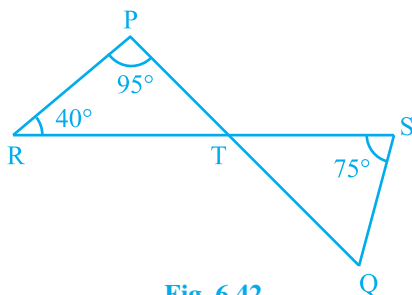


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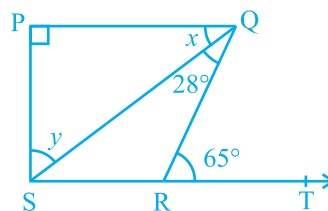


Fig. 6.43

6. In Fig. 6.44, the side QR of $\triangle PQR$ is produced to a point S. If the bisectors of $\angle PQR$ and $\angle PRS$ meet at point T, then prove that $\angle QTR = \frac{1}{2} \angle QPR$.

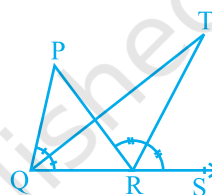


Fig. 6.44

6.8 Summary

In this chapter, you have studied the following points:

1. If a ray stands on a line, then the sum of the two adjacent angles so formed is 180° and vice-versa. This property is called as the Linear pair axiom.
2. If two lines intersect each other, then the vertically opposite angles are equal.
3. If a transversal intersects two parallel lines, then
 - (i) each pair of corresponding angles is equal,
 - (ii) each pair of alternate interior angles is equal,
 - (iii) each pair of interior angles on the same side of the transversal is supplementary.
4. If a transversal intersects two lines such that, either
 - (i) any one pair of corresponding angles is equal, or
 - (ii) any one pair of alternate interior angles is equal, or
 - (iii) any one pair of interior angles on the same side of the transversal is supplementary,
 then the lines are parallel.
5. Lines which are parallel to a given line are parallel to each other.
6. The sum of the three angles of a triangle is 180° .
7. If a side of a triangle is produced, the exterior angle so formed is equal to the sum of the two interior opposite angles.