

7.4 Setting Up for Coordinate Geometry Proofs

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Before we dive right into completing coordinate proofs, I want to illustrate the need to make convenient choices for our vertices on the coordinate plane.

Let's look at an example proof worked out for you.

Prove: *The midpoint of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equidistant from the three vertices.*

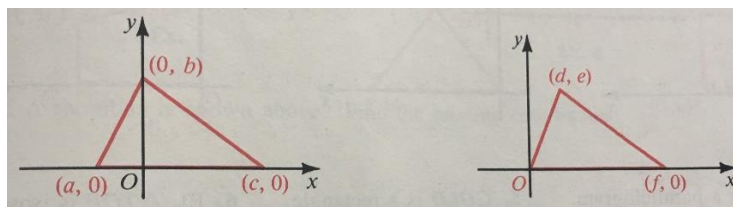
Notice that $2a$ and $2b$ are convenient choices for coordinates since they lead to expressions that do not contain fractions for the coordinate of M .

Statements	Picture	Reasons
1) $\triangle ROP$ is a right triangle		1. Given
2) M is the Midpoint of \overline{RP}		2. Given
3) _____ = _____		3. Definition of Midpoint
4) Let \overrightarrow{OP} and \overrightarrow{OR} be the x-axis and y-axis. Let P and R have the coordinates shown.		Let statements don't need reasons.
5) The coordinate of M are (a, b)		5. By using the midpoint formula. $M = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$ $M = \left(\frac{0 + 2a}{2}, \frac{0 + 2b}{2} \right)$ $M = \left(\frac{2a}{2}, \frac{2b}{2} \right)$ $M = (a, b)$
6) $\overline{MO} = \sqrt{(\quad - \quad)^2 + (\quad - \quad)^2}$ $\overline{MP} = \sqrt{(\quad - \quad)^2 + (\quad - \quad)^2}$		6. By using the distance formula. $d = \sqrt{\left(\frac{x_2 - x_1}{2} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y_2 - y_1}{2} \right)^2}$
7) $\overline{MO} = \overline{MP}$		7. _____
8) $\overline{MO} = \overline{MP} = \overline{MR}$		8. Transitive Property
9) Thus, the midpoint of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equidistant from the three vertices.		9. Definition of Equidistant

Organizing Coordinate Proofs

Notice that these locations for the axes maximize the number of times zero is a coordinate vertex.

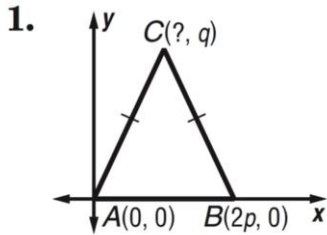
If you have a right triangle, the most convenient place to put the x-axis and the y-axis is usually along the legs of the triangle (like in the example above). If the triangle is not a right triangle, the two most convenient ways to place your axes are shown below.



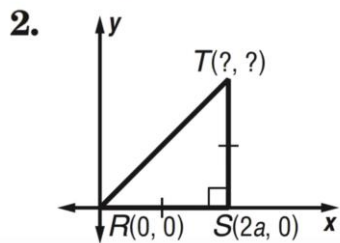
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Other common ways of placing coordinate axes on other triangles:

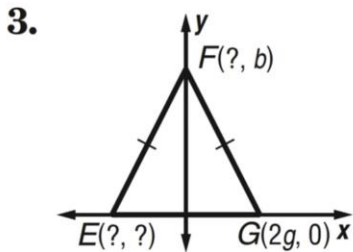
Find the missing coordinates of each triangle.



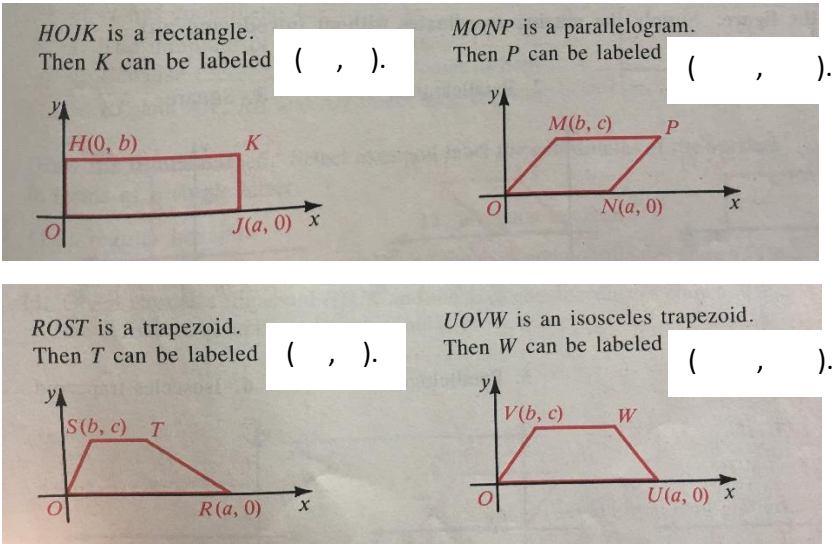
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Find the missing coordinates of each triangle.



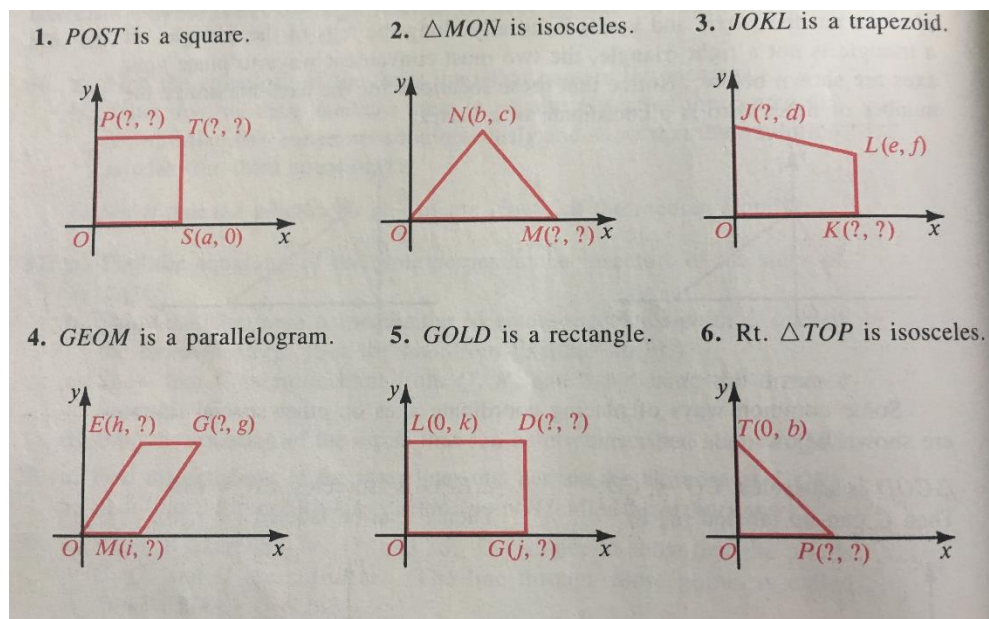
Some common ways of placing coordinate axes on other special figures are shown below.



Summary/Comments/Notes: _____

7.3 Problem Set

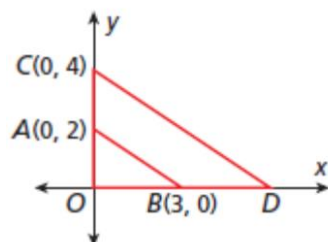
Supply the missing coordinates without introducing any new letters.



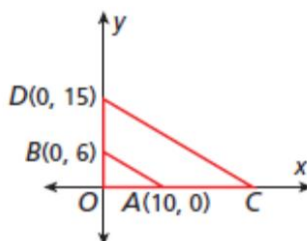
<p>7. Rectangle</p>	<p>8. Parallelogram</p>	<p>9. Square</p>
<p>10. Isosceles Triangle</p>	<p>11. Parallelogram</p>	<p>12. Isosceles Trapezoid</p>
<p>13. Equilateral Triangle</p>	<p>14. Rhombus</p>	<p>15. Rhombus</p>

Given that $\triangle AOB \sim \triangle COD$, find the missing coordinates and the scale factor.

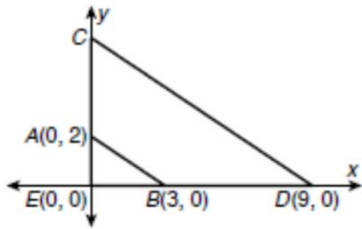
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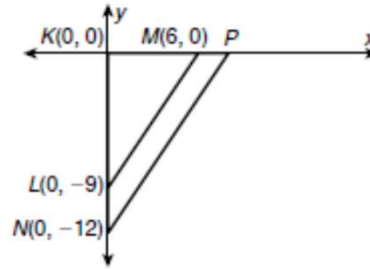
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18. Given that $\triangle AEB \sim \triangle CED$, find the coordinates of C and the scale factor.



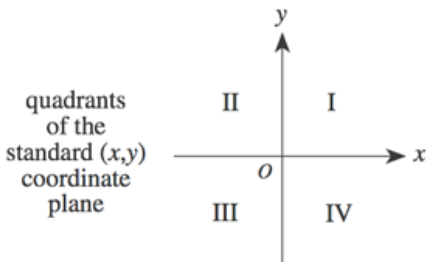
19. Given that $\triangle LKM \sim \triangle NKP$, find the coordinates of P and the scale factor.



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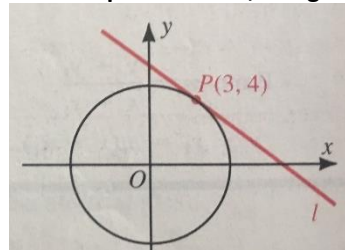
Multiple Choice

If point M has a nonzero x -coordinate and a nonzero y -coordinate and the coordinates have opposite signs, then point M *must* be located in which of the 4 quadrants labeled below?



- A. I only
- B. III only
- C. I or III only
- D. I or IV only
- E. II or IV only

Answer questions a-d, using the picture below:



- Line l is tangent to $\odot O$ at point $P(3, 4)$.
- a. Find the radius of the circle.
 - b. Give an equation of the circle.
 - c. Find the slope of line l .
 - d. Give an equation of line l .

State the slope of the line and name two points on the line

$$y = -(x + 7)$$

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

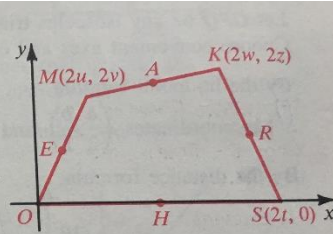
7.4 Applications

1. Supply the missing coordinates to prove:

The segments that join the midpoints of opposite sides of any quadrilateral bisect each other.

Let H , E , A , and R be midpoints of the sides of the quadrilateral $SOMK$. Choose axes and coordinates as shown.

- R has coordinates $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$.
- E has coordinates $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$.
- The midpoint of \overline{RE} has coordinates $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$.
- A has coordinates $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$.
- H has coordinates $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$.
- The midpoint of \overline{AH} has coordinates $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$.
- Because $(\underline{\quad ? \quad}, \underline{\quad ? \quad})$ is the midpoint of both \overline{RE} and \overline{AH} , \overline{RE} and \overline{AH} bisect each other.

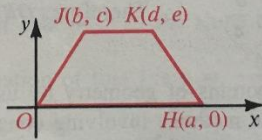


Draw the figure named. Select axes and label the coordinates of the vertices in terms of a single letter.

2. A regular hexagon
3. A regular octagon

4. PROOF:

Given isosceles trapezoid $HOJK$ and the axes and coordinates shown, use the definition of an isosceles trapezoid to prove that $e = c$ and $d = a - b$.



5. PROOF:

Given points $A(1, 1)$, $B(13, 9)$, and $C(3, 7)$. D is the midpoint of \overline{AB} , and E is the midpoint of \overline{AC} .

- Find the coordinates of D and E .
- Use slopes to show that $\overline{DE} \parallel \overline{BC}$.
- Use the distance formula to show that $DE = \frac{1}{2}BC$.

6. PROOF:

- Find the coordinates of the midpoints J , K , L , and M .
- What kind of figure is $JKLM$? Prove it.

