

Copy It Exactly

Plan precise segment and angle constructions.

HIGH SCHOOL • MA.912.GR.5.1

MA.912.GR.5.1 "Construct a copy of a segment or an angle."

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MATCH THE MEASURE

Congruent segments have equal lengths, and congruent angles have equal measures. To copy a segment, keep the compass opening equal to the original length. To copy an angle, transfer the arc marks and the distance between the arc-intersection points.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Segment AB is 9 cm long. Describe how to construct a congruent segment starting at P on a ray.

1. Draw a ray with endpoint P.
2. Set the compass opening from A to B.
3. Place the compass point at P and mark where the arc crosses the ray.

Answer: The marked point Q makes $PQ = 9$ cm.

PRACTICE 5 problems

- 1** Segment QR is 6 cm long. Segment ST is a copy of QR. What is ST?

ANSWER _____

- 2** Angle A measures 42° . Angle B is a copy of angle A. What is $m\angle B$?

ANSWER _____

- 3** You are copying segment MN onto ray PX. After setting the compass width to MN and placing the point at P, what do you draw?

ANSWER _____

- 4** An arc crosses both sides of an original angle. What distance must you transfer onto the new arc?

ANSWER _____

- 5** Segment CD is 13 mm long. Segment UV is constructed as a copy of CD. What is UV?

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A concert lighting crew needs a second cardboard guide with the same 65° opening as a guide on the plan. What angle measure must the second guide have, and what angle-construction distance is transferred?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A phone-stand designer copies an 18 mm segment from a template onto a new design. What length should the copied segment be, and what compass setting must be kept?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

An arc centered at J crosses the sides of an angle at K and L. An equal-radius arc centered at P crosses a new ray at Q. The distance KL is copied onto the new arc to locate R, and PR is drawn. Explain why $\angle QPR$ is congruent to $\angle KJL$.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Segment QR is 6 cm long. Segment ST is a copy of QR. What is ST?	6 cm
2	Angle A measures 42° . Angle B is a copy of angle A. What is $m\angle B$?	42°
3	You are copying segment MN onto ray PX. After setting the compass width to MN and placing the point at P, what do you draw?	An arc that crosses ray PX.
4	An arc crosses both sides of an original angle. What distance must you transfer onto the new arc?	The distance between the two original arc-intersection points.
5	Segment CD is 13 mm long. Segment UV is constructed as a copy of CD. What is UV?	13 mm

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- 65° ; transfer the distance between the original arc-intersection points.** A copied angle is congruent to the original, so it has the same measure. The chord between the original arc marks is copied onto an equal-radius arc.
- 18 mm; keep the compass opening equal to the original segment.** A copied segment must be congruent to the template segment. The compass opening preserves the original length.

CHALLENGE

$JK = JL = PQ = PR$ because the arcs have equal radii, and $KL = QR$ because that distance was copied. Therefore triangles JKL and PQR are congruent by SSS, so $\angle KJL = \angle QPR$.

Accept equivalent construction language, such as "mark the point where the arc meets the ray." For the challenge, accept any correct SSS-based explanation that identifies equal radii and the copied chord.