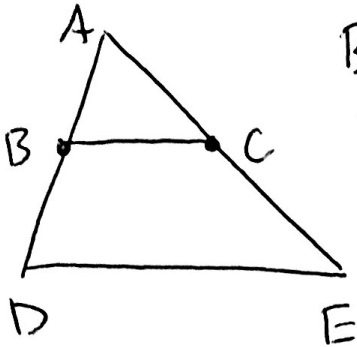


Notes 4-4

Midsegment



B is mdpt of \overline{AD}
C is mdpt of \overline{AE}

* When 2 mdpts are connected, the segment is called a midsegment and it has 2 useful properties

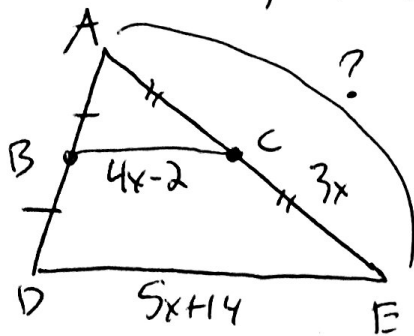
* Its length is $\frac{1}{2}$ of the opp side of the Δ
($BC = \frac{1}{2} DE$)

* It is \parallel to the opp side of the Δ
($\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{DE}$)

\rightarrow This creates corr \angle 's and consint \angle 's

* The 2 Δ 's that are created are \sim w/ a SF = 1:2
($\Delta ABC \sim \Delta ADE$)

ex: If $BC = 4x - 2$, $DE = 5x + 14$, and $CE = 3x$, find AE



? * \overline{BC} is a midsegment, connects 2 mdpts

$$2(4x - 2) = 5x + 14 \quad (\text{midsegment } \frac{1}{2} \text{ opp side})$$

$$8x - 4 = 5x + 14$$

$$3x = 18$$

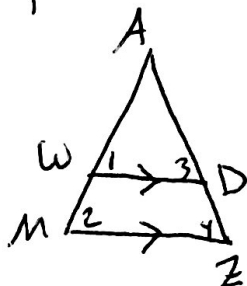
$$\boxed{x = 6}$$

$$AE = 2 \cdot CE$$

$$3(6) = 18 \cdot 2 = \boxed{36}$$

|| segments/lines cutting figures

* When a || segment or line cuts ~~through~~ through a figure it does so in a proportional way (b/c of \sim figures)



* There are 2 \sim Δ 's in this picture

$$\Delta AWD \sim \Delta AMZ$$

* We know this b/c $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$

and $\angle 3 \cong \angle 4$ b/c they are corr \angle 's with || lines.

* \overline{WD} is not a segment b/c it does not connect 2 mdpts.

* Using the diagram above: $AD = \frac{x-1}{x+1}$ $AZ = x+1$ $AW = x+2$
 $AM = x+5$

$\sim \Delta$'s so corr sides must have = S.F.

$$\frac{AD}{AZ} = \frac{AW}{AM}$$

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

Find WM

$$\begin{aligned} (x-1)(x+5) &= (x+1)(x+2) \\ x^2 - 1x + 5x - 5 &= x^2 + 2x + 1x + 2 \\ x^2 + 4x - 5 &= x^2 + 3x + 2 \\ -x^2 - 3x + 5 & \quad -x^2 - 3x + 5 \end{aligned}$$

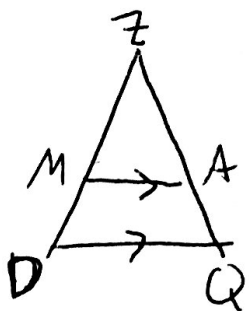
$$\boxed{x = 7}$$

$$AM = 7 + 5 = 12$$

$$AW = 7 + 2 = 9$$

$$\boxed{3 = WM}$$

Be Careful! (use sides of $\sim \Delta$'s)



$$ZA = 14$$

$$AQ = 7$$

$$DQ = 24$$

Find AM

$$\frac{14}{x} = \frac{x}{24}$$

$$336 = 21x$$

$$\boxed{x = 16}$$

* not right b/c 7 is not side of Δ
 need $ZQ = 14 + 7 = 21$