

## Common Core Geometry Proof – Parallelograms\_1

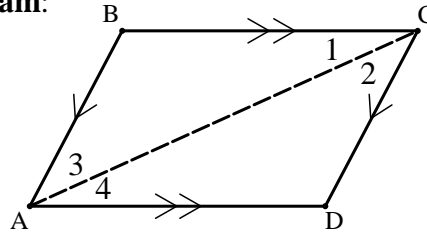
### Opposite Sides

**Theorem:** If a quadrilateral is a parallelogram, then both pairs of opposite sides are congruent.

**Given:** ABCD is a parallelogram  
Diagonal  $\overline{AC}$

**Prove:**  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DC}$  and  $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{AD}$

**Diagram:**



Statements	Reasons
1. Parallelogram ABCD	1. Given
2. $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DC}$ and $\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{AD}$	2. Definition of Parallelogram (i.e. A parallelogram is a quadrilateral with two pairs of parallel sides)
3. $\angle 1$ and $\angle 4$ are alternate interior angles; $\angle 2$ and $\angle 3$ are alternate interior angles	3. Definition of Alternate Interior Angles
4. $\angle 1 \cong \angle 4$ ; $\angle 2 \cong \angle 3$	4. Theorem: If two parallel lines are cut by a transversal, then the alternate interior angles formed are congruent.
5. $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{AC}$	5. Reflexive Axiom
6. $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDA$	6. ASA $\cong$ ASA
7. $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DC}$ and $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{AD}$	7. Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles are Congruent (CPCTC)