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## Technology Activity

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## GOAL Verifying a proof using geometry software

Geometry software can be used to verify a proof. For example, you could use geometry software to construct the diagram described in the proof below. Then, you could use the software's measuring tool to verify the statement about the segment length.

GIVEN $A B=C D$


PROVE $A C=B D$

## Activity

(1) Construct a diagram with points $A, B, C$, and $D$ such that $A B=C D$ (see figure above).
(2) Measure the lengths of $\overline{A B}, \overline{C D}, \overline{A C}$, and $\overline{B D}$ and verify that $A C=B D$.

## Exercises

Use geometry software to verify the following.

1. GIVEN $\overline{A D} \cong \overline{B C}, \overline{E C} \cong \overline{E D}$

PROVE $\overline{A E} \cong \overline{B E}$

2. GIVEN $A B=B C$

PROVE $A C=2 \cdot B C$

3. GIVEN $C$ is the midpoint of $\overline{A B}$


PROVE $\quad A C=\frac{1}{2} A B$ and $C B=\frac{1}{2} A B$
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## TI-92

1. Construct a line with points $A, B, C$, and $D$ such that $A B=C D$

F8 9 (Set Coordinate Axes to RECTANGULAR and Grid to ON) ENTER
F2 5 (Move cursor to point $(-3,0)$ and prompt says "POINT ON . . .")
ENTER 2 (Move cursor to point $(-1,0)$ and prompt says "POINT ON . . .")
ENTER 2 (Move cursor to point $(1,0)$ and prompt says "POINT ON . . .")
ENTER 2 (Move cursor to point $(3,0)$ and prompt says "POINT ON . . .")
ENTER 2
Label the vertices
F7 4 (Move cursor to point $(-3,0)$ ) ENTER $A$ ENTER (Move cursor to point
$(-1,0))$ ENTER $B$ ENTER (Move cursor to point at $(1,0)$ ) ENTER $C$ ENTER
(Move cursor to point at $(3,0)$ ) ENTER $D$ ENTER
Turn off the axes and the grid
F8 9 (Set Coordinate Axes and Grid to OFF) ENTER
2. Measure the lengths of $\overline{A B}, \overline{C D}, \overline{A C}$ and $\overline{B D}$ and verify that $A C=B D$

F6 1 (Move cursor to $A$ ) ENTER (Move cursor to $B$ ) ENTER

| (Move cursor to $C$ ) | ENTER | (Move cursor to D) | ENTER |
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| (Move cursor to $A$ ) | ENTER | (Move cursor to $C$ ) | ENTER |
| (Move cursor to $B$ ) | ENTER | (Move cursor to $D$ ) | ENTER |

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## SKETCHPAD

1. Turn on the axes and the grid. Choose Snap To Grid from the Graph menu.

Choose the segment straightedge tool. Draw a segment from $(-2.5,0)$ to $(-0.5,0)$.
Draw a segment from $(-0.5,0)$ to $(0.5,0)$. Draw a segment from $(0.5,0)$ to $(2.5,0)$.
Label the points. Choose the text tool. Label point $(-2.5,0) A$, label point $(-0.5,0) B$, label point $(0.5,0) C$, and label point $(2.5,0) D$. Turn off the axes and the grid. Choose Hide Axes from the Graph menu. Choose Hide Grid from the Graph menu.
2. Measure the lengths of $\overline{A B}, \overline{C D}, \overline{A C}$, and $\overline{B D}$ and verify that $A C=B D$. Choose the translate selection arrow tool and select $\overline{A B}$. Then hold down the shift key, select $\overline{C D}$, and choose Length from the Measure menu. To measure the length of $\overline{A C}$, select $A$, hold down the shift key and select $C$, and choose Distance from the Measure menu. To measure the length of $\overline{B D}$, select $B$, hold down the shift key and select $D$, and choose Distance from the Measure menu.

