

School Mathematics Glossary - English-Inuktitut Glossary

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sense of shape or pattern in geometry and in classification, counting, and other number-related activities. Plastic blocks of 1 cm and 2 cm are widely marketed for such purposes.

Box: ᐃᑦᑎᑦᐱᐅᐅᑦᑲ ᑦᑭᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎ: ittirviujaq qijuquti: **boîte**

The usual "box" shape is that of a rectangular prism. Its volume or capacity is obtained as the product of length times width times height.

Brackets: ᐅᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ: uqutanngvak: **crochets**

Such grouping symbols as parentheses (), square brackets [], and braces { } are used to indicate that a bracketed mathematical expression is to be treated as a single quantity. Thus, $3(4 + 5)$ means 3×9 , or 27. See *Order of Operations*.

C

Cancel (Verb): ᑦᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ: qujanaaqtaq: **annuler**

In fraction multiplication and in the reduction of a fraction to lower terms, it is usual to "cancel" a factor common to numerator and denominator. This "cancellation" is equivalent to division by n/n , or 1, where n is the common factor.

Capacity: ᐃᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ: iluliqarunnarninga: **capacité**

A measure of the interior volume of a container. Volume and capacity units (e.g. cubic centimetre, millilitre) are used interchangeably.

Centimetre: ᑦᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ: santamiita: **centimètre**

A unit of length or distance measure equivalent to one one-hundredth of a metre. The symbol is cm. The centimetre is a convenient classroom unit and is used for most body measurements and clothing sizes. Where greater precision is desired, the millimetre unit (0.1 cm) is commonly employed.

Centre: ᑦᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ: qitia: **centre**

The centre of a circle (or ellipse or other figure) is the centre of symmetry of the figure.

Centre Of Rotation: ᐅᐃᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ ᑦᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑎᑲᑦᑲᑎ: uijjaaqtuup qitinga: **centre de rotation**

The point about which a geometric figure is rotated or turned.

Fold (Verb): ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦ: piritiniq: plier

The folding of a piece of paper is an effective approach to the demonstration or verification of line symmetry.

Four: ᑭᐱᐱᑦ/ᐅᐅᐱᐱᑦ: sitamat/tisamat: quatre

4; the fourth counting number.

Fraction: ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦ: aviktuiniq: fraction

In general, a rational number, which is not an integer, written so as to show a breaking (fracture) into parts. Thus, 3/7 implies breaking into seven equal parts and consideration of three of these parts.

Function: ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦ ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦ: naisausirinirijat ilagiingniqarningik: fonction

A relation between elements of two sets such that for each element of the first set (the domain of the function) there is exactly one element of the second set (the range of the function). A function may typically be defined by a rule (the set of ordered pairs, (x,y) , such that $y = x^2$) or a table (the set of children's names and the heights, to the nearest centimetre, associated with these names).

Function Machine: ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦ ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦ ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦ: naisausirinirijat ilagiingniqarningita takuksautisimaninga: machine à fonctions

The visualization of a function as a machine having input (the domain elements), output (the corresponding range elements), and a processing capacity reflecting the rule of the function. Thus, for input 3, a domain element, a $2x + 1$ machine gives output 7.

G

Geoboard: ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦ ᐱᐱᑦᐅᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦᐅᑦ: pauttuqsimajut tasijuajuuliqsurviit: géoplan

A popular manipulative (commercial or teacher made) having nails or pegs in a square or circular array, about which elastic bands can be stretched to investigate geometrical properties. The square array is, mathematically, a set of lattice points, and also can be considered on dot paper.

akulliqpaaq naasautini: tendance centrale

In statistics, a measure of central tendency (average). In a set containing an odd number of scores, when scores are listed from least to greatest, the median is the middle score. In a set containing an even number of scores, the median is the mean of the two middle scores. In geometry, a median is the line segment joining a vertex to the midpoint of the opposite side.

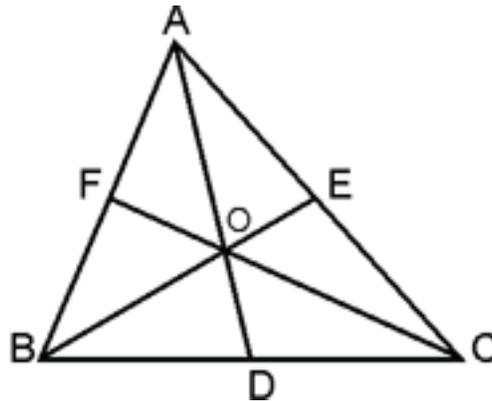


Figure 23: Medians of a Triangle, Concurrent at Centroid O

Metre: ᑦᑕ (ᐃᑕᑕᑕᑕ ᐱᑕᑕᑕᑕ): miita (uuttuuti atausiq): mètre

The base unit of measure of length. The metre is commonly subdivided to hundredths (centimetres) or thousandths (millimetres), or considered in multiples of one thousand (kilometres). The symbol is m (lower case), and the preferred Canadian-English spelling is metre (French *mètre*).

Millilitre: ᑦᑕᑕᑕ: mililiita: millilitre

A unit of volume or capacity equivalent to one one-thousandth of a litre. The symbol is mL. Millilitre and cubic centimetre are used interchangeably.

Millimetre: ᑦᑕᑕᑕ (m.): milimiita (m.): millimètre

A measure of length equivalent to one one-thousandth of a metre. The symbol is mm.

Million: ᑦᑕᐱᑕ: milian: million

A quantity equivalent to one thousand thousand (10^6).

Minuend: ᐃᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕ: ilanngagatsaq: diminuende

In subtraction, the number from which a quantity is being subtracted. Thus, in $26 - 17 = 9$, 26 is the minuend, with 17 the subtrahend and 9 the difference.

Mixed Numeral: ᐱᑕᑕᑕᑕ ᐃᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕᑕ: naasauti ilagutalik: nombre fractionnaire

Numerator: ᖃᑦᑦᑦᑦ ᑲᖅᑲᑦᑲᑦ ᐃᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ: qulliq naasauti ilagutalinni:
numérateur

The terms of a fraction are the numerator (above) and denominator (below). The line acts as a bracket and indicates division. The numerator names the number of parts. Thus, 5/7 has numerator 5, denominator 7. The 5 indicates that there are five parts, each part being one seventh.

O

Obtuse Angle: ᐃᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ ᑲᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ: iq pangajuq tiriqquq: **angle obtus**

An angle whose measure is between that of a right angle and that of a straight angle: that is, an angle between 90° and 180°.

Obtuse Triangle: ᐃᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ ᑲᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ ᖃᑦᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ: iq pangajumik tiriqqulik quagjaqtuq: **triangle obtusangle**

A triangle, one of whose angles is an obtuse angle.

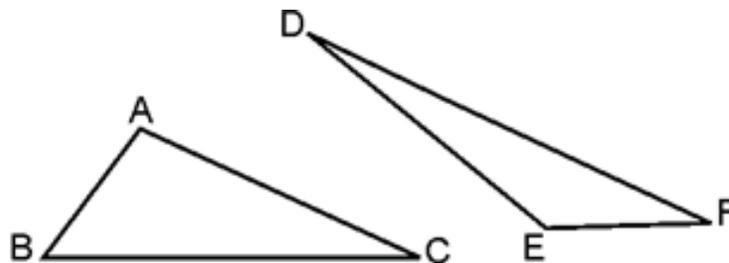


Figure 24: Obtuse Triangles

Octagon: ᖃᑦᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ ᖃᑦᑲᖅᑲᖅᑲᖅ: sitamaujuqtunik sinarjulik: **octagone**

A polygon having eight sides and eight angles. A regular octagon has eight equal sides and eight 135° angles. For young children, the stop sign, universally a red octagon, often provides the first acquaintance with this figure.

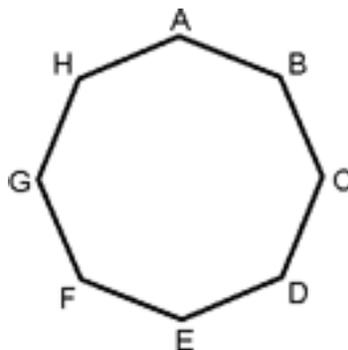


Figure 25: Regular Octagon

P

Pair: ᐃᑦᐱᑦᑲᑦ: illugiik: **paire**

A set of two. Positions on the coordinate plane are designated by an ordered pair of real numbers.

Parallel: ᐱᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ ᑲᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ: saniliriik katigunnangittuuk: **parallèle**

Lines, line segments, or rays which, when produced in a plane, do not meet, are said to be parallel. Correspondingly, planes or part planes which, when produced in space, do not meet, are said to be parallel.

Parallelogram: ᑲᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ ᐃᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ: kippaarittuujaq iqungajuq: **parallélogramme**

A quadrilateral whose opposite sides are parallel. A parallelogram with a right angle is a rectangle. A parallelogram with equal sides is a rhombus. A parallelogram with both sides equal and a right angle is a square.

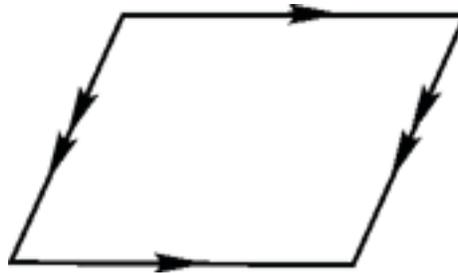


Figure 28: Parallelogram

Pentagon: ᑲᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ ᑲᑲᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ: tallimanik sinarjulik: **pentagone**

A polygon with five sides and five angles. A regular pentagon has five equal sides and five 108° angles. See *Polygon*.

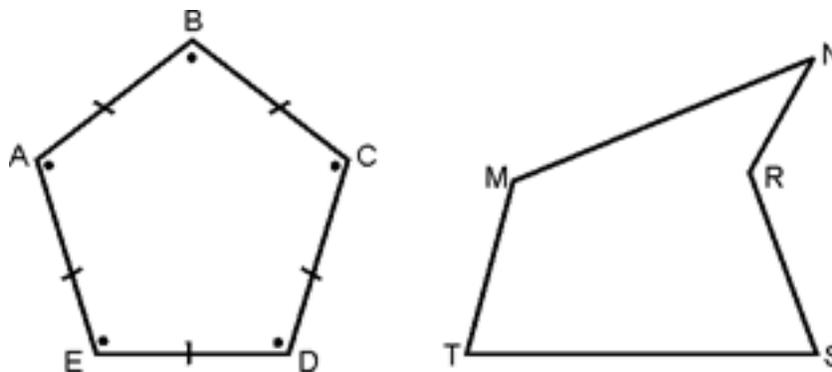


Figure 29: Regular and Nonregular Pentagons

There are 5 tetrominoes, 12 pentominoes, and 35 hexominoes which are distinct in that they cannot be obtained from one another by translation, rotation or reflection.

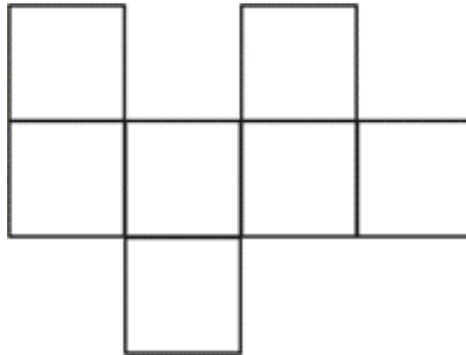


Figure 31: Polyomino

Positive Number: ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: **akilitsaunngittut naasautiit: nombre positif**

Real numbers are positive, zero, or negative. A positive number is one that is greater than zero.

Predict (Verb): ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: **nalauttainiq: prédire**

Children frequently predict the outcome of a mathematical or statistical investigation.

Prime Number: ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: **imminullu uamullu kisiani avigunnaqtuq: nombre premier**

Counting numbers may be assigned to three categories according to their number of divisors. Numbers which have exactly two divisors are called prime numbers. Numbers which have more than two divisors are called composite numbers. Thus $17 = 17 \times 1$ has two divisors, 17 and 1, and is a prime number, while $18 = 18 \times 1 = 9 \times 2 = 6 \times 3$ has six divisors (18, 9, 6, 3, 2, and 1), and is a composite number. The number 1 has only one divisor, 1 (itself), and is in a class by itself. It is called the unit of the counting number system. The first prime numbers, in order, are 2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23

Prism: ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ ᐱᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: **sanirangit kippaarittukutaat qatsituinnaugunnaqsutik sinarjungit: prisme**

A mathematical solid having parallel polygonal bases with parallelograms (commonly rectangles) as lateral surfaces. The volume of a prism is the product of the area of the base times the vertical height.

fractions, proper and improper, are rational numbers, as are integers ($8 = 8/1$) and mixed numbers ($2 \frac{1}{3} = 7/3$). See *Irrational Number*.

Ray: ᐅᑭᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ ᐱᑭᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ ᐃᑭᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ: tukiliaqtuq pigiangarnilik
 isuaqangittumut: **rayon**

The part of a line comprising a point and all other points to one side of it.

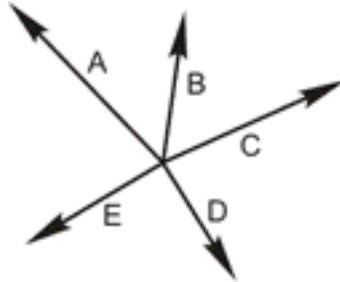


Figure 33: Rays

Real Number: ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ: naasautilimaat: **nombre réel**

Real numbers represent the number system of most high school mathematics. Elementary school tends to restrict itself to the rational subset, which includes integers. A real number is any number which can be represented by a point on the number line or by a terminating or non-terminating, repeating or non-repeating, decimal expression. Real numbers, accordingly, comprise rational and irrational numbers.

Rectangle: ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ/ᐅᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ: kipparittukutaak/tisamanik
 sinarjulik: **rectangle**

A quadrilateral having opposite sides equal and each angle a right angle. A rectangle may be thought of as a parallelogram with a right angle. A rectangle with equal sides is a square.

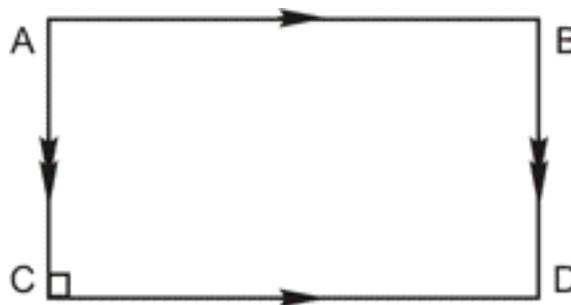


Figure 34: Rectangle

Reduce (Verb): ᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭᑭ: mikillivaallitittiniq: **réduire**

We reduce a fraction by dividing its numerator and denominator by a common factor. Thus, $30/42$ reduces to $10/14$. When both numerator and denominator

are relatively prime (that is, have no common factor greater than 1), we have reduced to lowest terms. Thus, 30/42 reduced to lowest terms is 5/7.

Reflect (Verb): $\Delta^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\Delta\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$: **iqqainiq: réfléchir**

To obtain the image in a line or plane.

Reflection: $\mathbb{J}\Gamma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{N}\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$: **mumittiniq: reflet**

The "mirror image" of a geometric figure in a line or plane.

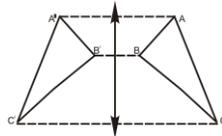


Figure 35: Triangle A'B'C' is the Image of Triangle ABC under Reflection in Line L

Reflex Angle: $\mathbb{N}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{d}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$: **tiriqquq silammuangajuq: angle plein**

An angle greater than a straight angle, more specifically an angle whose measure is between 180° and 360° , is called a reflex angle. Reflex angles occur in geometric figures which are concave (nonconvex).

Regroup (Verb): $\mathbb{b}\mathbb{N}\mathbb{N}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{b}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ / $\Delta\mathbb{L}\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{N}\mathbb{C}\mathbb{N}\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$:
katitirikkannirniq/immiguuliqtittiniq: regrouper

A place-value related concept, regrouping is implied in the "carrying" procedure of integer and decimal addition and the "borrowing" of integer and decimal subtraction. Thus, when we add $27 + 35$, the 12 ones are regrouped as 1 ten and 2 ones, giving (in all) 6 tens and 2 ones, or 62. Correspondingly, when we subtract $93 - 27$, 9 tens and 3 ones are regrouped as 8 tens and 13 ones; the difference when 27 is subtracted being 6 tens and 6 ones, or 66.

Regular Polygon: $\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ $\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$: **sinarjugasalik nalimugiinnik: polygone régulier**

A regular polygon is a polygon all of whose sides are congruent (equal in length) and all of whose angles (angle measures) are congruent (equal).

Regular Polyhedron: $\mathbb{L}\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ $\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\sigma^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ $\mathbb{ᖃᖃ}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$: **amisunik nalimugiinik qaalik: polyèdre régulier**

A polyhedron is regular if all its faces are congruent polygons and such faces meet at congruent angles.

Relation: $\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ $\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{C}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}\mathbb{J}\mathbb{L}^{\text{ᖃᖃ}}$ $\mathbb{N}\mathbb{a}\mathbb{s}\mathbb{a}\mathbb{u}\mathbb{t}\mathbb{i}\mathbb{t}$ **ataqattautiningit: rapport**

A correspondence which assigns to each element of a first set (the domain of the relation) one or more elements of a second set (the range of the relation).

V

Verify (Verb): ᐅᑭᑭᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: tukisigiakkannirniq: **contrôler**

To show the correctness of a result. Commonly used verification techniques ("checks") involve inverse operations (e.g., add to check a subtraction), or performing an operation in a different manner (multiply in the opposite order).

Vertex: ᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: tiriqquup nuvunga: **vertex**

In an angle, the point common to the rays. In a polygon, a point where sides intersect. In a polyhedron, a point where edges intersect.

Vertical: ᑦᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: qummut amnullu tukimuangajuq: **axe vertical**

In a rectangular coordinate system, the vertical axis or y-axis plots the second coordinate ("y-coordinate" or "ordinate") of the ordered pair.

Volume: ᑦᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: sanimut tukimut qummullu anginga: **volume**

The measure of the amount of space occupied by an object; measured in cubic units.

Volume Capacity Measure: ᐃᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: ilutuninga: **measure de volume/capacité**

1 mL = 1 cm³; 1000 mL = 1 L = 1000 cm³; 1 kL = 1 m³ The litre is convenient as a carton of milk or container of soft drink, but it is not true that one system necessarily is to be preferred for solids or volumes and the other for fluids or capacities.

W

Weight: ᐅᑦᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: uqumainninga: **pesanteur**

The force on an object due to gravity. The weight of an object is dependent on its mass, so we frequently weigh to determine mass, although mass still exists in weightlessness and is measured by other means. Strictly speaking, weight is measured in force units (newtons), not in mass units (grams).

Whole: ᐃᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: iluittuq: **entier**

Refers to 1, the entire object, when fractional parts are being considered. See *Whole Number*.

Whole Number: ᐃᑎᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦᑎᑦ: naasaijutiit jiru ilagijaulluni:

