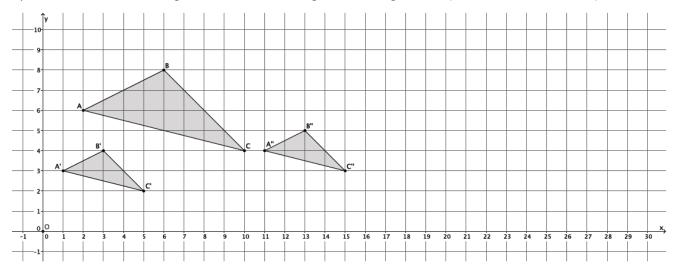
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Example 1

In the picture below, we have a triangle ABC that has been dilated from center O by a scale factor of $r=\frac{1}{2}$. It is noted by A'B'C'. We also have triangle A''B''C'', which is congruent to triangle A'B''C' (i.e., $\triangle A'B'C' \cong \triangle A''B''C''$).



Describe the sequence that would map triangle A''B''C'' onto triangle ABC.

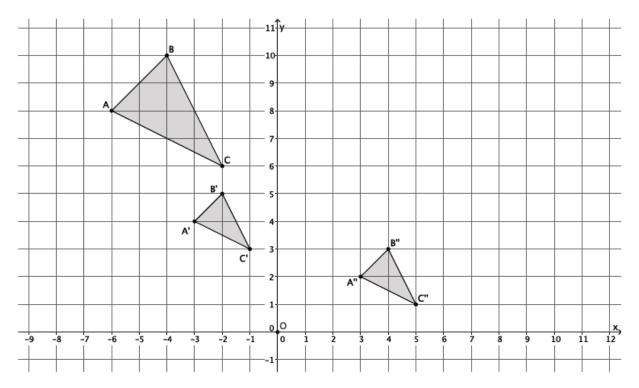


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Exercises

1. Triangle ABC was dilated from center O by scale factor $r=\frac{1}{2}$. The dilated triangle is noted by A'B'C'. Another triangle A''B''C'' is congruent to triangle A'B'C' (i.e., $\triangle A''B''C'' \cong \triangle A'B'C'$). Describe a dilation followed by the basic rigid motion that would map triangle A''B''C'' onto triangle ABC.



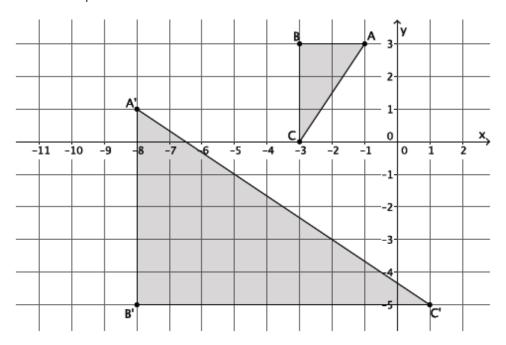


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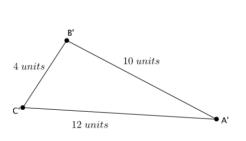
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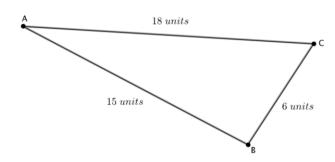


2. Describe a sequence that would show $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'B'C'$.



3. Are the two triangles shown below similar? If so, describe a sequence that would prove $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'B'C'$. If not, state how you know they are not similar.

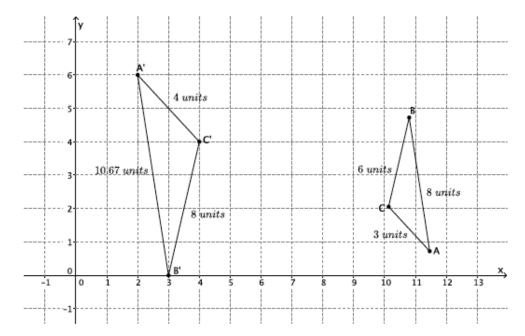




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4. Are the two triangles shown below similar? If so, describe a sequence that would prove $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'B'C'$. If not, state how you know they are not similar.





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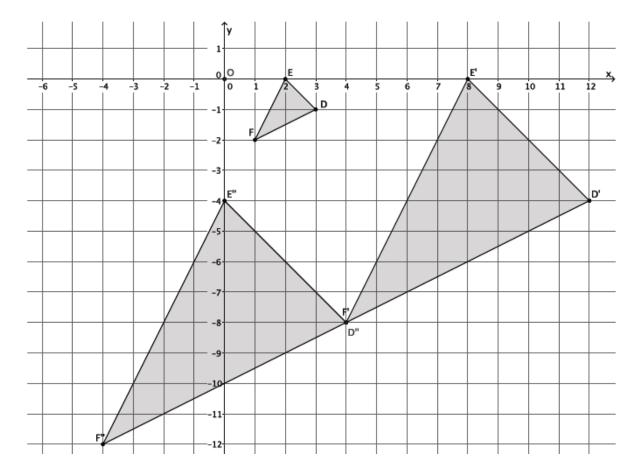
Lesson Summary

A similarity transformation (or a similarity) is a sequence of a finite number of dilations or basic rigid motions. Two figures are similar if there is a similarity transformation taking one figure onto the other figure. Every similarity can be represented as a dilation followed by a congruence.

The notation \triangle $ABC \sim \triangle$ A'B'C' means that \triangle ABC is similar to \triangle A'B'C'.

Problem Set

1. In the picture below, we have triangle DEF that has been dilated from center O by scale factor r=4. It is noted by D'E'F'. We also have triangle D''E''F'', which is congruent to triangle D'E'F' (i.e., $\triangle D'E'F' \cong \triangle D''E''F''$). Describe the sequence of a dilation, followed by a congruence (of one or more rigid motions), that would map triangle D''E''F'' onto triangle DEF.





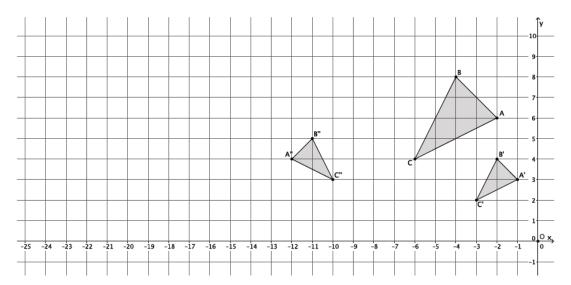
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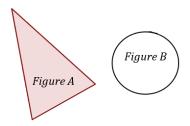


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2. Triangle ABC was dilated from center O by scale factor $r=\frac{1}{2}$. The dilated triangle is noted by A'B'C'. Another triangle A''B''C'' is congruent to triangle A'B'C' (i.e., $\triangle A''B''C'' \cong \triangle A'B'C'$). Describe the dilation followed by the basic rigid motions that would map triangle A''B''C'' onto triangle ABC.



3. Are the two figures shown below similar? If so, describe a sequence that would prove the similarity. If not, state how you know they are not similar.

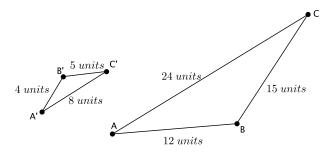




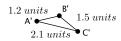
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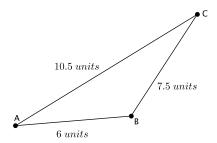


4. Triangle ABC is similar to triangle A'B'C' (i.e., $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'B'C'$). Prove the similarity by describing a sequence that would map triangle A'B'C' onto triangle ABC.



5. Are the two figures shown below similar? If so, describe a sequence that would prove $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'B'C'$. If not, state how you know they are not similar.



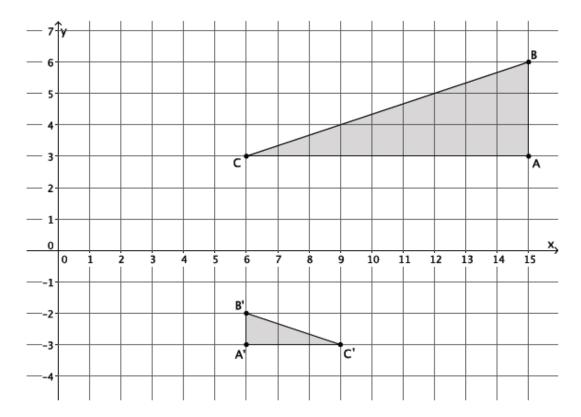


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Describe a sequence that would show $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'B'C'$.





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