

Flashcards: Dilations

Directions: Answer the following questions.

- Determine if each image below are an enlargement or a reduction.
 - large arrow changing to small arrow
 - small moon changing to large moon
 - small plus sign changing to large plus sign
 - large heart changing to small heart
- Line segment AB is dilated to produce line segment A'B'. Point A is located at (1, -3) and is dilated to Point A' (3, -9). Point B is located at point (2, 4) and is dilated to point B' (6, 12). What is the scale factor?
- Triangle PQR located at P (8, -3), Q (6, 2), and R (-5, 4) is dilated with a scale factor of one-half. Give the coordinates where is the dilation located.
- Point C is located at (4, 2) and Point D is located at (1, -2).
 - Determine the length of the line segment CD.

The line segment is dilated by a scale factor of three-fourths.

- Find the new coordinates of line segment C'D'.
- How does the length of CD compare with the length of C'D'?

Answers:

- Reduction – since the second image is smaller than the first
 - Enlargement – since the second image is larger than the first
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 - Reduction – since the second image is smaller than the first

2. $A' = A \cdot f$, where f is the scale factor.

x-coordinate:

$$3 = 1 \cdot f$$

$$f = 3$$

y-coordinate:

$$-9 = -3 \cdot f$$

$$f = 3$$

$B' = B \cdot f$, where f is the scale factor.

x-coordinate:

$$6 = 2 \cdot f$$

$$f = 3$$

y-coordinate:

$$12 = 4 \cdot f$$

$$f = 3$$

Therefore, the scale factor is 3. This is an enlargement because the absolute value of the scale factor ($|3| = 3$) is greater than 1.)

3. Since Triangle XYZ has a scale factor of one-half we know that the dilated triangle will be smaller. This is a reduction because the scale factor is between 0 and 1.

P (8, -3):

$x' = \text{one-half times } (8) = 4$

$y' = \text{one-half times } (-3) = \text{negative three-halves}$

$P' (4, \text{negative three-halves})$

Q (6, 2):

$x' = \text{one-half times } (6) = 3$

$y' = \text{one-half times } (2) = 1$

$Q' (3, 1)$

R (-5, 4):

$x' = \text{one-half times } (-5) = \text{negative five-halves}$

$y' = \text{one-half times } (4) = 2$

$R' (\text{negative five-halves}, 2)$

Triangle P'Q'R' is located at: P' (4, negative three-halves); Q' (3, 1); R' (negative five-halves, 2)

4. a. $CD = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(1 - 4)^2 + (2 - (-3))^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25} = \sqrt{34} = 5.83$

The length of line segment CD is 5 units.

b. Coordinates of C' and D':

C(4, 2):

$x' = \text{three-fourths times } (4) = 3$

$y' = \text{three-fourths times } (2) = \text{three-halves}$

$C' (3, \text{three-halves})$

D(-1, -2):

$x' = \text{three-fourths times } (1) = \text{three-fourths}$

$y' = \text{three-fourths times } (-2) = \text{negative three-halves}$

$D' (\text{three-fourths}, \text{negative three-halves})$

The coordinates of line segment C'D' are: C' (3, three-halves) and D' (three-fourths, negative three-halves).

c. $C'D' = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2} = \sqrt{(\frac{3}{4} - 3)^2 + (-\frac{3}{2} - \frac{3}{2})^2} = \sqrt{\frac{81}{16} + 36} = \sqrt{\frac{657}{16}} = \frac{\sqrt{657}}{4} = 6.37$

$C'D' = \text{three-fourths time } CD$