Ch. 3 - Parallel & Perpendicular Constructions Notes

Review of previous constructions:



Now, let's do three new constructions:

3.2 Perpendicular Postulate

If there is a line and a point not on the line, then there is exactly one line through the point perpendicular to the given line.



Construction #1 – Perpendicular from a line through a point (NOTE – GIVEN POINT IS **NOT ON** THE LINE)

Given line ℓ and a point P **NOT ON** line ℓ , construct line m perpendicular to ℓ through P



Construction #2 – Perpendicular at a point ON a line (NOTE – GIVEN POINT IS **ON** THE LINE)

Given line \boldsymbol{n} and a point R **ON** line \boldsymbol{n} , construct line \boldsymbol{t} perpendicular to \boldsymbol{n} through R



Now let's move on to a construction involving parallel lines.

3.1 Parallel Postulate

If there is a line and a point not on the line, then there is exactly one line through the point parallel to the given line.



There is exactly one line through *P* parallel to ℓ .

Construction #3 – Parallel line through a point (angle copy method)

Given line \boldsymbol{u} and a point Q not on line \boldsymbol{u} , construct line \boldsymbol{w} parallel to \boldsymbol{u} through Q

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