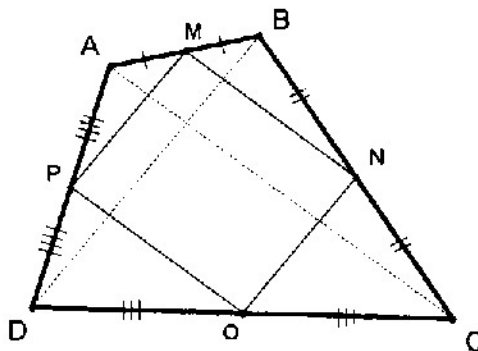


### 4.3

Given: Quadrilateral ABCD with midpoints M of AB, N of BC, O of CD and P of AD

To Prove: MNOP is a parallelogram



Proof:

- Draw in diagonals AC and BD and segments MN, NO, OP and PM
- $MB = \frac{1}{2} AB$ ,  $NB = \frac{1}{2} CB$  and  $OD = \frac{1}{2} CD$ ,  $PD = \frac{1}{2} AD$  by definition of midpoint
- $\angle MBN = \angle ABC$  and  $\angle ODP = \angle CDA$  (each the same angles)
- $\triangle MBN \sim \triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle ODP \sim \triangle CDA$  by SAS
- $\angle ACB = \angle MNB$  and  $\angle OPD = \angle CAD$  by definition of similar
- $AC \parallel MN$  and  $OP \parallel AC$  by Theorem 14
- Therefore  $MN \parallel OP$  by Corollary 13.b
- $CO = \frac{1}{2} DC$ ,  $CN = \frac{1}{2} BC$  and  $AP = \frac{1}{2} AD$ ,  $AM = \frac{1}{2} AB$  by definition of midpoint
- $\angle DAB = \angle PAM$  and  $\angle DCB = \angle OCN$  (each the same angles)
- $\triangle DBA \sim \triangle PMA$  and  $\triangle DCB \sim \triangle OCN$  by SAS
- $\angle DBA = \angle PMA$  and  $\angle CDB = \angle CON$  by definition of similar
- $PM \parallel DB$  and  $DB \parallel ON$  by Theorem 14
- Therefore  $PM \parallel ON$  by Corollary 13.b
- Since  $MN \parallel OP$  and  $PM \parallel ON$ , MNOP is a parallelogram