Practice Problems

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Problem One

Problem 1- Triangle ABC has points A(1,0) B(3,0) and C(3,5). If it were reflected across the y axis, and then translated along the vector <0-5>, what would the coordinates of C'' be?

Solving- Since we know the coordinates, and where the y axis is, we can reflect the triangle. As a rule, reflection across the y axis means (x,y) changes to (-x,y). If A is (1,0), then A' is (-1,0) after reflection. If B is (3,0), then B' is (-3,0) as well. If C is at (3,5), then C' (-3,5). Using a vector notation means <e,f>, and (x+e, y+f). In this case, e = 0, and f = -5, so (x+0,y-5). We only need C' for this, which is (-3,5). So, (-3+0,5-5) is C''. In other words, C'' is (-3,0).



Problem 2

Problem 2- Pat builds models of WWII planes. If the original wingspan of a Grumman FF was 34' 6", and his model is 3' 10", what is the scale factor for this reduction?

Solving- First, we should make the values of wingspans into inches. 34*12=408, and 408+6=414. The original wingspan was 414". 3*12=36, and 36+10=46. The model has a wingspan of 46". We can new over old with the wingspan to find the scale factor. Essentially, 46/414. Simplified, we have a scale factor of 1/9.



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