

Chapter 7: Triangles

Exercise:7.1(Multiple Choice questions)

Question 1: Which of the following is not a criterion for congruence of triangles?

- (a) SAS (b) ASA (c) SSA (d) SSS

Thinking Process

For a triangle to be congruent the equal angles must be included between the pairs of equal sides. So, the SAS congruence rule holds but not ASS or SSA rule.

Answer: (c) We know that two triangles are congruent if the sides and angles of one triangle are equal to the corresponding sides and angles of the other triangle.

Also, the criterion for congruence of triangles is SAS (Side-Angle-Side), ASA (Angle-Side-Angle), SSS (Side-Side-Side) and RHS (right angle-hypotenuse-side).

So, SSA is not a criterion for the congruence of triangles.

Question 2:

If $AB = QR$, $BC = PR$ and $CA = PQ$, then

- (a) $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle QRP$ (b) $\triangle CBA \cong \triangle PRQ$
(c) $\triangle BAC \cong \triangle RQP$ (d) $\triangle PQR \cong \triangle BCA$

Answer: (b) We know that, if $\triangle RST$ is congruent to $\triangle UVW$ i.e., $\triangle RST = \triangle UVW$, then sides of $\triangle RST$ fall on corresponding equal sides of $\triangle UVW$ and angles of $\triangle RST$ fall on corresponding equal angles of $\triangle UVW$.

Here, given $AB = QR$, $BC = PR$ and $CA = PQ$, which shows that AB covers QR, BC covers PR and CA covers PQ i.e., A corresponds to Q, B corresponds to R and C correspond to P.
or $A \leftrightarrow Q$, $B \leftrightarrow R$, $C \leftrightarrow P$

Under this correspondence,

$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle QRP$, so option (a) is incorrect,

or $\triangle BAC \cong \triangle RQP$, so option (c) is incorrect,

or $\triangle CBA \cong \triangle PRQ$, so option (b) is correct,

or $\triangle BCA \cong \triangle RPQ$, so option (d) is incorrect.

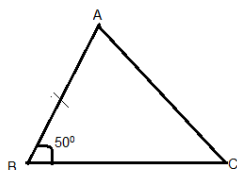
Question 3: In $\triangle ABC$, if $AB = AC$ and $\angle B = 50^\circ$, then $\angle C$ is equal to

- (a) 40° (b) 50° (c) 80° (d) 130°

Answer: (b)

Given, triangle ABC, such that, $AB = AC$ and $\angle B = 50^\circ$

In triangle ABC, $AB = AC$



$\angle C = \angle D$ [angles opposite to equal sides are equal]
 or, $\angle C = 50^\circ$ [as, $\angle B = 50^\circ$, given]

Question 4: In $\triangle ABC$, if $BC = AB$ and $\angle B = 80^\circ$, then $\angle A$ is equal to
(a) 80° (b) 40° (c) 50° (d) 100°

Answer: (c) is the correct option.

Given, triangle ABC such that $BC = AB$ and $\angle B = 80^\circ$

In triangle ABC $AB = BC$ and $\angle C = \angle A$(1)[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

We know that the sum of all angles of a triangle is 180°

Thus, $\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^\circ$

or, $\angle A + 80^\circ + \angle A = 180^\circ$

or, $2\angle A = 180^\circ - 80^\circ = 100^\circ$

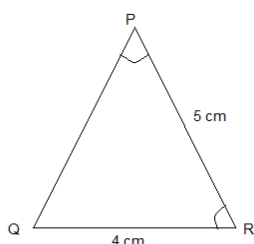
or, $\angle A = 50^\circ$

Question 5: In $\triangle PQR$, if $\angle R = \angle P$ and $QR = 4$ cm and $PR = 5$ cm. Then, the length of PQ is

(a) 4 cm (b) 5 cm (c) 2 cm (d) 2.5 cm

Answer: The correct answer is (a)

Given, triangle PQR, such that $\angle R = \angle P$ and $QR = 4$ cm and $PR = 5$ cm



In a triangle, PQR, $\angle R = \angle P$

or, $PQ = QR$ [sides opposite to equal angles are equal]

or, $PQ = 4$ cm [As, $QR = 4$ cm]

Question 6: If D is a point on the side BC of a $\triangle ABC$ such that AD bisects $\angle BAC$. Then,

(a) $BD = CD$ (b) $BA > BD$ (c) $BD > BA$ (d) $CD > CA$

Thinking Process

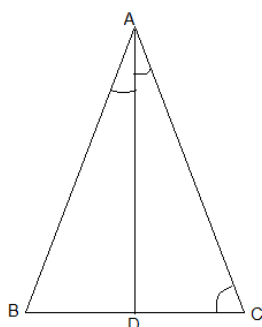
(i) Firstly, use the property, exterior angle of a triangle is greater than the interior opposite angle.

(ii) Secondly, use the property that in a triangle, the side opposite to the greater angle is longer.

Answer: (b) is the correct option.

Given, triangle ABC such that AD bisects $\angle BAC$.

$$\angle BAD = \angle CAD \dots\dots\dots(1)$$



In triangle ABC, $\angle BDA$ is an exterior angle.

$$\text{Thus, } \angle BDA > \angle CAD \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{or, } \angle BDA > \angle BAD \quad [\text{eq (1)}]$$

$$\text{or, } BA > BD$$

Question 7: It is given that $\triangle ABC = \triangle FDE$ and $AB = 5$ cm, $\angle B = 40^\circ$ and $\angle A = 80^\circ$, then Which of the following is true?

- (a) $DF = 5$ cm, $\angle F = 60^\circ$ (b) $DF = 5$ cm, $\angle E = 60^\circ$
 (c) $DE = 5$ cm, $\angle E = 60^\circ$ (d) $DE = 5$ cm, $\angle D = 40^\circ$

Answer: (b)

Question 8: If two sides of a triangle are of lengths 5 cm and 1.5 cm, then the length of the third side of the triangle cannot be

- (a) 3.6 cm (b) 4.1 cm (c) 3.8 cm (d) 3.4 cm

Thinking Process

Use the condition that, sum of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side and the difference of any two sides is less than the third side.

Answer: (d) Given, the length of the two sides of a triangle is 5 cm and 1.5 cm, respectively.

Let sides $AB = 5$ cm and $CA = 1.5$ cm

We know that a closed figure formed by three intersecting lines (or sides) is called a triangle, if the difference of two sides $<$ third side and sum of two sides $>$ third side

$$\therefore 5 - 1.5 < BC \text{ and } 5 + 1.5 > BC$$

$$\text{or, } 3.5 < BC \text{ and } 6.5 > BC$$

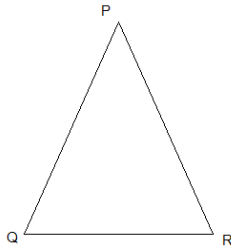
Here, we see that options (a), (b) and (c) satisfy the above inequality but option (d) does not satisfy the above inequality.

Question 9: In $\triangle PQR$, if $\angle R > \angle Q$, then

- (a) $QR > PR$ (b) $PQ > PR$ (c) $PQ < PR$ (d) $QR < PR$

Answer: (b)

Given, $\angle R > \angle Q$



Or, $PQ > PR$ [side opposite to greater angle is longer]

Question 10: In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$, if $AB = AC$, $\angle C = \angle P$ and $\angle B = \angle Q$, then the two triangles are

- (a) isosceles but not congruent (b) isosceles and congruent
(c) congruent but not isosceles (d) Neither congruent nor isosceles

Answer: (a)

Question 11: In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$, $AB = FD$ and $\angle A = \angle D$. The two triangles will be congruent by SAS axiom, if

- (a) $BC = EF$ (b) $AC = DE$ (c) $AC = EF$ (d) $BC = DE$

Answer: (b) Given, in $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$, $AB = DF$ and $\angle A = \angle D$

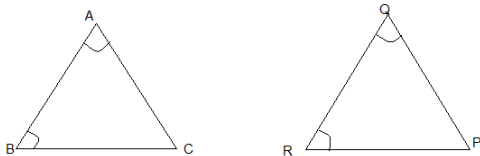
We know that, two triangles will be congruent by ASA rule if two angles and the included side of one triangle are equal to the two angles and the included side of another triangle.

$\therefore AC = DE$

Exercise 7.2 (Very short Answer type question)

Question 1: In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$, $\angle A = \angle Q$ and $\angle B = \angle R$. Which side of $\triangle PQR$ should be equal to side AB of $\triangle ABC$ so that the two triangles are congruent? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer:



Since AB and QR are included between equal angles. Hence, the side of ΔPQR is QR which should be equal to side AB of ΔABC , so that the triangles are congruent by the rule ASA.

Question 2:

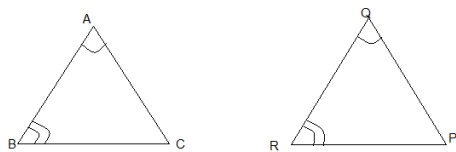
In ΔABC and ΔPQR , $\angle A = \angle Q$ and $\angle B = \angle R$. Which side of ΔPQR should be equal to side BC of ΔABC so that the two triangles are congruent? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: We have given, in ΔABC and ΔPQR ,
 $\angle A = \angle Q$ and $\angle B = \angle R$

Since two pairs of angles are equal in two triangles.

We know that, two triangles will be congruent by the AAS rule if two angles and the side of one triangle are equal to the two angles and the side of another triangle.

$\therefore BC = RP$



Question 3:

'If two sides and an angle of one triangle are equal to two sides and an angle of another triangle, then the two triangles must be congruent. Is the statement true? Why?

Answer: No, because in the congruent rule, the two sides and the included angle of one triangle are equal to the two sides and the included angle of the other triangle i.e., SAS rule.

Question 4:

'If two angles and a side of one triangle are equal to two angles and a side of another triangle, then the two triangles must be congruent.' Is the statement true? Why?

Answer: No, because sides must be corresponding sides.

Question 5:

Is it possible to construct a triangle with lengths of its sides as 4 cm, 3 cm and 7 cm? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: No, it is not possible to construct a triangle with lengths of its sides as 4 cm, 3 cm and 7 cm because here we see that some of the lengths of two sides are equal

to the third side i.e., $4+3 = 7$.

As we know that, the sum of any two sides of a triangle is greater than its third side, so a given statement is not correct.

Question 6:

It is given that $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle RPQ$. Is it true to say that $BC = QR$? Why?

Answer: No, we know that two triangles are congruent if the sides and angles of one triangle are equal to the corresponding side and angles of another triangle.

Here $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle RPQ$

$AB = RP$, $BC = PQ$ and $AC = RQ$ Hence, it is not true to say that $BC = QR$.

Question 7:

If $\triangle PQR \cong \triangle EOF$, then is it true to say that $PR = EF$? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: Yes, if $\triangle PQR \cong \triangle EDF$, then it means that corresponding angles and their sides are equal because we know that, two triangles are congruent, if the sides and angles of one triangle are equal to the corresponding sides and angles of another triangle.

Here, $\triangle PQR \cong \triangle EDF$

$\therefore PQ = ED$, $QR = DF$ and $PR = EF$

Hence, it is true to say that $PR = EF$.

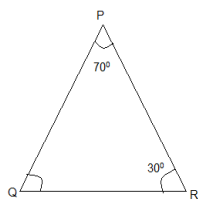
Question 8:

In $\triangle PQR$, $\angle P = 70^\circ$ and $\angle R = 30^\circ$. Which side of this triangle is the longest? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: Given, in $\triangle PQR$, $\angle P = 70^\circ$ and $\angle R = 30^\circ$.

We know that the sum of all the angles of a triangle is 180° .

$\angle P + \angle Q + \angle R = 180^\circ$



$$\angle Q = 180^\circ - (70^\circ + 30^\circ) = 80^\circ$$

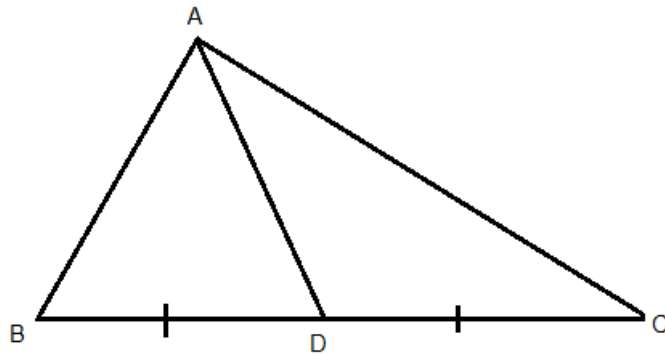
We know that here $\angle Q$ is the largest, so side PR is the longest.

[\therefore since in a triangle, the side opposite to the largest angle is the longest]

Question 9:

AD is a median of the $\triangle ABC$. Is it true that $AB + BC + CA > 2AD$? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: yes,



In the triangle ABD, we have

$$AB + BD > AD \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{In triangle ACD, we have, } AC + CD > AD \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

On adding eq(1) and (2), we get,

$$(AB + BD + AC + CD) > 2AD$$

$$\text{or, } (AB + BD + CD + AC) > 2AD$$

$$\text{Hence, } AB + BC + AC > 2AD \quad [\text{as, } BC = BD + CD]$$

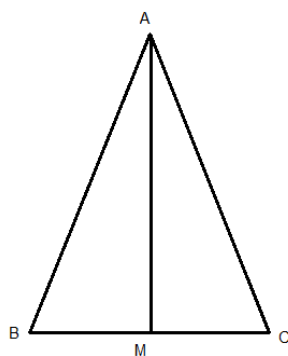
Question 10:

M is a point on side BC of a triangle ABC such that AM is the bisector of $\angle BAC$. Is it true to say that perimeter of the triangle is greater than 2 AM? Give a reason for your answer?

Answer: Yes in Triangle ABC, M is the point of side BC such that AM is the bisector of $\angle BAC$.

$$\text{In triangle ABM, } AB + BM > AM \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{In triangle ACM, } AC + CM > AM \dots\dots\dots(2)$$



On adding eq(1) and eq(2), we get,

$$(AB + BM + AC + CM) > 2AM$$

$$\text{or, } (AB + BM + MC + AC) > 2AM$$

or, $AB + BC + AC$ (perimeter of triangle ABC) $> 2AM$

Question 11:

Is it possible to construct a triangle with lengths of its sides as 9 cm, 7 cm and 17 cm? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: No. Here, we see that $9 + 7 = 16 < 17$

i.e., the sum of two sides of a triangle is less than the third side.

Hence, it contradicts the property that the sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side. Therefore, it is not possible to construct a triangle with given sides.

Question 12:

Is it possible to construct a triangle with lengths of its sides as 8 cm, 7 cm and 4 cm? Give a reason for your answer.

Answer: Yes, because in each case the sum of two sides is greater than the third side. i.e.,

$$7 + 4 > 8,$$

$$8 + 4 > 7, \quad 7 + 8 > 4$$

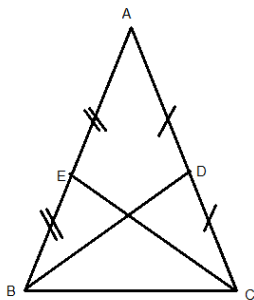
Hence, it is possible to construct a triangle with given sides.

Exercise 7.3 (Short type question)

Question 1: ABC is an isosceles triangle with $AB = AC$ and BD, CE are its two medians. Show that $BD = CE$.

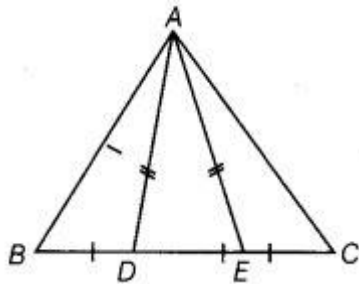
Answer: Given $\triangle ABC$ is an isosceles triangle in which $AB = AC$ and BD, CE are its two medians.

To show $BD = CE$.



Proof: In triangle ABC and ACE,
 $AB = AC$ [Given]
 $\angle A = \angle A$ [common angle]
 $AD = AE$
 Since, $AB = AC$
 or, $\frac{1}{2}AB = \frac{1}{2}AC$
 or, $AE = AD$
 As D is the mid-point of AC and E is the mid-point of AB.
 thus, $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACE$ [by SAS]
 Or, $BD = CE$ [CPCT]

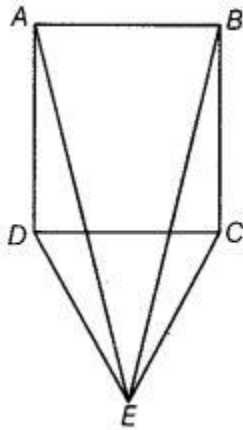
Question 2: In the figure, D and E are points on side BC of a $\triangle ABC$ such that $BD = CE$ and $AD = AE$. Show that $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACE$.



Answer: D and E are the points on side BC of a triangle ABC such that $BD = CE$ and $AD = AE$ [Given]
 To prove: $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACE$
 proof: We have, $AD = AE$ [given]
 $\angle ADE = \angle AED$ (1)
 We have, $\angle ADB + \angle ADE = 180^\circ$ [Linear pair axiom]
 or, $\angle ADB = 180^\circ - \angle ADE = 180^\circ - \angle AED$...[from eq(1)]

In triangle ABD and ACE,
 $\angle ADB = \angle AEC$ [As, $\angle AEC + \angle AED = 180^\circ$, linear pair axiom]
 $BD = CE$
 $AD = AE$
 $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACE$ [SAS congruency]

Question 3:
 In the given figure, $\triangle CDE$ is an equilateral triangle formed on a side CD of a square ABCD. Show that $\triangle ADE \cong \triangle BCE$.



Answer: In the figure, triangle CDE is an equilateral triangle formed on a side CD of a square ABCD. [Given]

To prove: $\triangle ADE \cong \triangle BCE$

Proof: In triangle ADE and BCE,

$DE = CE$ [sides of an equilateral triangle]

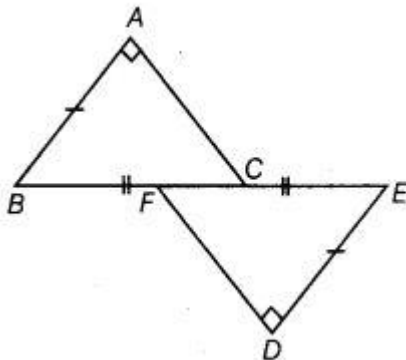
$\angle ADE = \angle BCE$ [Since, $\angle ADE = \angle BCD = 90^\circ$ and $\angle EDC = 60^\circ$,
 $\angle ADE = 90^\circ + 60^\circ = 150^\circ$ and, $\angle BCE = 90^\circ + 60^\circ = 150^\circ$]

$AD = BC$

$\triangle ADE \cong \triangle BCE$ [SAS congruence]

Question 4:

In the figure, $BA \perp AC$, $DE \perp DF$ such that $BA = DE$ and $BF = EC$. Show that $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$.



Thinking Process

Use the RHS congruence rule to show the given result

Answer: In the figure $BA \perp AC$, $DE \perp DF$ such that $BA = DE$ and $BF = EC$ [Given]

To prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$

Proof: Since, $BF = EC$

On adding CF on both sides, we get

$$BF + CF = EC + CF$$

$$BC = EF \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

In triangle ABC and DEF ,

$$\angle A = \angle D = 90^\circ [BA \perp AC \text{ and } DE \perp DF]$$

$$BC = EF [\text{from eq (1)}]$$

$$BA = DE [\text{given}]$$

Hence, $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$[RHS congruence]

Question 5:

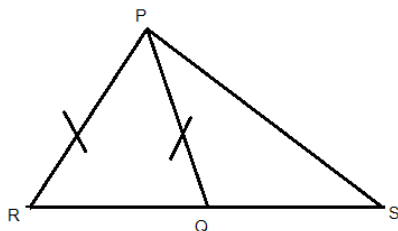
If Q is a point on the side SR of a $\triangle PSR$ such that $PQ = PR$, then prove that $PS > PQ$.

Thinking Process

Use the property of a triangle that if two sides are equal then their opposite angles are also equal. Also, use the property that side opposite to a greater angle is longer.

Answer: Given: In triangle PSR , Q is a point on the side SR such that $PQ = PR$

To prove: $PS > PQ$



In triangle PQR , $PQ = PR$ [Given]

$$\angle R = \angle PQR \dots\dots\dots(1) [\text{angles opposite to equal sides are equal}]$$

But, $\angle PQR > \angle S$ (2) [Exterior angle of a triangle is greater than each of the interior angle]

From eq(1) and (2),

$$\angle R = \angle S$$

or, $PS > PR$ [side opposite to greater angle is longer]

or, $PS > PQ$ [As, $PQ = PR$]

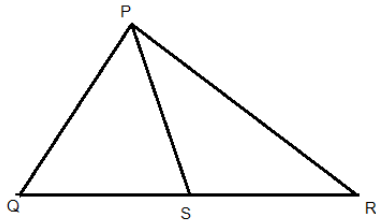
Question 6:

S is any point on the side QR of a ΔPQR . Show that $PQ + QR + RP > 2 PS$.

Thinking Process

Use the inequality of a triangle i.e., sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side. Further, show the required result.

Answer: In triangle QPR, S is any point on side QR.



To proof: $PQ + QR + RP > 2PS$

Proof: In triangle PQS, $PQ + QS > PS$(1) [Sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

Similarly, in Triangle PRS, $SR + RP > PS$ (2) [Sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

On adding eq(1) and (2) we get,

$$PQ + QS + SR + RP > 2PS$$

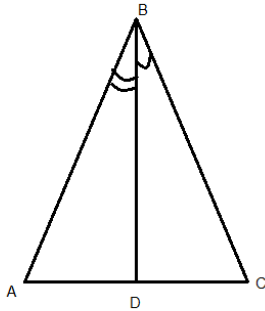
$$\text{or, } PQ + (QS + SR) + RP > 2PS$$

$$\text{or, } PQ + QR + RP > 2PS \text{ [as, } QR = QS + SR]$$

Question 7:

D is any point on side AC of a ΔABC with $AB = AC$. Show that $CD < BD$.

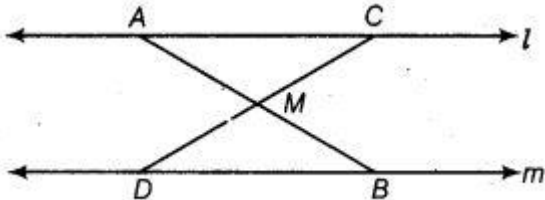
Answer: In triangle ABC, D is any point on side AC
 To prove: $CD > BD$ or $BD > CD$



Proof: In triangle ABC, $AC = AB$ [Given]
 $\angle ABC = \angle ACB$ (1) [Angles opposite to equal sides are equal]
 In triangle ABC and DBC,
 $\angle ABC > \angle DBC$ [Since, $\angle DBC$ is an internal angle of $\angle B$]
 or, $\angle ACB > \angle DBC$ [From eq (1)]
 or, $BD > CD$ [Side opposite to greater angle is longer]
 or, $CD < BD$

Question 8:

In the given figure $l \parallel m$ and M is the mid-point of a line segment AB. Show that M is also the mid-point of any line segment CD, having its endpoints on l and m, respectively.



Answer: In the figure, $l \parallel m$ and M is the mid-point of a line-segment AB i.e., $AM = BM$

To prove: $MC = MD$

proof: $l \parallel m$ [Given]

$\angle BAC = \angle ABD$ [Alternate interior angles]
 $\angle AMC = \angle BMD$ [Vertically opposite angles]
 In triangle AMC and BMD ,
 $\angle BAC = \angle ABD$ [proved above]
 $AM = BM$ [Given]
 and $\angle AMC = \angle BMD$ [Proved above]
 Hence, $\triangle AMC \cong \triangle BMD$ [SAS congruence]
 or, $MC = MD$ [CPCT]

Question 9:

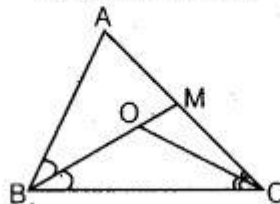
Bisectors of the angles B and C of an isosceles triangle with $AB = AC$ intersect each other at O. BO is produced to a point M. Prove that $\angle MOC = \angle ABC$.

Answer:

Given Lines, OB and OC are the angle bisectors of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$ of an isosceles $\triangle ABC$ such that $AB = AC$ which intersect each other at O and BO is produced to M .

To prove

$$\angle MOC = \angle ABC.$$



Proof In $\triangle ABC$,

\Rightarrow

$$AB = AC \quad \text{[given]}$$

$$\angle ACB = \angle ABC \quad \text{[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \angle ACB = \frac{1}{2} \angle ABC \quad \text{[dividing both sides by 2]}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle OCB = \angle OBC \quad \dots(i)$$

[since, OB and OC are the bisector of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$]

Now,

$$\angle MOC = \angle OBC + \angle OCB$$

[exterior angle of a triangle is equal to the sum of two interior angles]

\Rightarrow

$$\angle MOC = \angle OBC + \angle OBC \quad \text{[from Eq. (i)]}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle MOC = 2\angle OBC$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle MOC = \angle ABC \quad \text{[since, } OB \text{ is the bisector of } \angle B]$$

Hence proved.

Question 10:

Bisectors of the angles B and C of an isosceles $\triangle ABC$ with $AB = AC$ intersect each other at O. Show that the external angle adjacent to $\angle ABC$ is equal to $\angle BOC$.

Answer:

Given $\triangle ABC$ is an isosceles triangle in which $AB = AC$, BO and CO are the bisectors of $\angle ABC$ and $\angle ACB$ respectively intersect at O .

To show $\angle DBA = \angle BOC$

Construction Line CB produced to D .

Proof In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = AC$ [given]

$$\angle ACB = \angle ABC$$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \angle ACB = \frac{1}{2} \angle ABC \quad [\text{on dividing both sides by 2}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OCB = \angle OBC$$

... (i)

[$\because BO$ and CO are the bisectors of $\angle ABC$ and $\angle ACB$]

In $\triangle BOC$, $\angle OBC + \angle OCB + \angle BOC = 180^\circ$ [by angle sum property of a triangle]

$$\Rightarrow \angle OBC + \angle OBC + \angle BOC = 180^\circ \quad [\text{from Eq. (i)}]$$

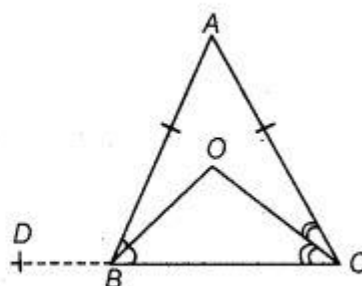
$$\Rightarrow 2\angle OBC + \angle BOC = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ABC + \angle BOC = 180^\circ \quad [\because BO \text{ is the bisector of } \angle ABC]$$

$$\Rightarrow 180^\circ - \angle DBA + \angle BOC = 180^\circ \quad [\because DBC \text{ is a straight line}]$$

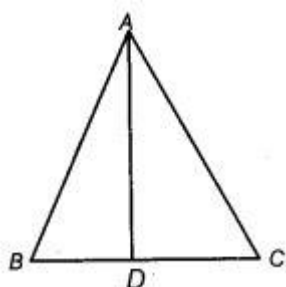
$$\Rightarrow -\angle DBA + \angle BOC = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle DBA = \angle BOC$$



Question 11:

In the following figure if AD is the bisector of $\angle BAC$, then prove that $AB > BD$.



Solution:

Given ABC is a triangle such that AD is the bisector of $\angle BAC$. To prove $AB > BD$.

Proof Since, AD is the bisector of $\angle BAC$.

But $\angle BAD = \angle CAD$... (i)

$$\therefore \angle ADB > \angle CAD$$

[exterior angle of a triangle is greater than each of the opposite interior angle]

$$\therefore \angle ADB > \angle BAD \quad [\text{from Eq. (i)}]$$

$AB > BD$ [side opposite to greater angle is longer]

Hence proved.

Exercise 7.4: (Long Answer Type Questions)

Question 1:

Find all the angles of an equilateral triangle.

Solution:

Let ABC be an equilateral triangle such that $AB = BC = CA$

We have, $AB = AC \Rightarrow \angle C = \angle B$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

Let

$$\angle C = \angle B = x^\circ \quad \dots (i)$$

Now,

$$BC = BA$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle A = \angle C \quad \dots (ii)$$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

From Eqs. (i) and (ii),

$$\angle A = \angle B = \angle C = x$$

Now, in $\triangle ABC$,

$$\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^\circ \quad [\text{by angle sum property of a triangle}]$$

\Rightarrow

$$x + x + x = 180^\circ$$

\Rightarrow

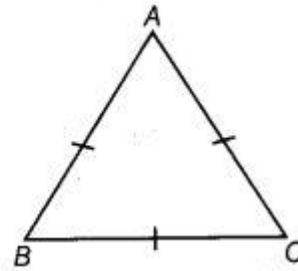
$$3x = 180^\circ$$

\therefore

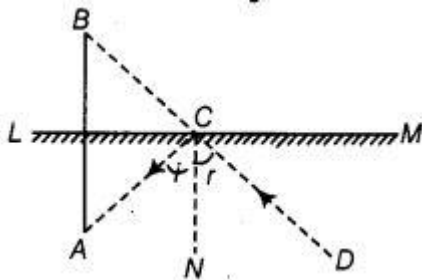
$$x = 60^\circ$$

Hence,

$$\angle A = \angle B = \angle C = 60^\circ$$

**Question 2:**

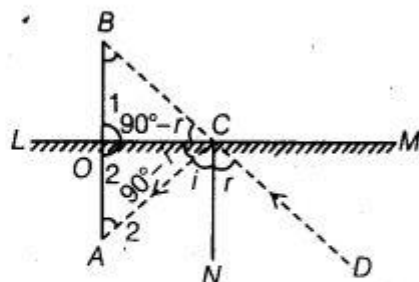
The image of an object placed at point A before a plane mirror LM is seen at point B by an observer at D as shown in the figure. Prove that the image is as far behind the mirror as the object is in front of the mirror.



Solution:

Given An object OA placed at a point A , LM be a plane mirror, D be an observer and OB is the image.

To prove The image is as far behind the mirror as the object is in front of the mirror i.e., $OB = OA$.



Proof $\because CN \perp LM$ and $AB \perp LM$

\Rightarrow

$$AB \parallel CN$$

$$\angle A = \angle i$$

[alternate interior angles]...(i)

$$\angle B = \angle r$$

[corresponding angles]...(ii)

Also,

$$\angle i = \angle r$$

[\because incident angle = reflected angle]...(iii)

From Eqs. (i), (ii) and (iii),

$$\angle A = \angle B$$

In $\triangle COB$ and $\triangle COA$,

$$\angle B = \angle A$$

[proved above]

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$

[each 90°]

and

$$CO = CO$$

[common side]

\therefore

$$\triangle COB \cong \triangle COA$$

[by AAS congruence rule]

\Rightarrow

$$OB = OA$$

[by CPCT]

Hence proved.

Alternate Method

In $\triangle OBC$ and $\triangle OAC$,

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$

[each 90°]

Also,

$$\angle i = \angle r$$

[\because incident angle = reflected angle]...(i)

On multiplying both sides of Eq. (i) by -1 and then adding 90° both sides, we get

$$90^\circ - \angle i = 90^\circ - \angle r$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle ACO = \angle BCO$$

and

$$OC = OC$$

[common side]

\therefore

$$\triangle OBC \cong \triangle OAC$$

[by ASA congruence rule]

\Rightarrow

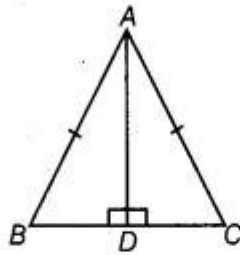
$$OB = OA$$

[by CPCT]

Hence, the image is as far behind the mirror as the object is in front of the mirror.

Question 3:

ABC is an isosceles triangle with $AB = AC$ and D is a point on BC such that $AD \perp BC$ (see figure). To prove that $\angle BAD = \angle CAD$, a student proceeded as follows



In $\triangle ABD$ and $\triangle ACD$, we have

$$AB = AC$$

[given]

$$\angle B = \angle C$$

[because $AB = AC$]

and

$$\angle ADB = \angle ADC$$

Therefore,

$$\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACD$$

[by AAS congruence rule]

So,

$$\angle BAD = \angle CAD$$

[by CPCT]

What is the defect in the above arguments?

Solution:

In $\triangle ABC$,

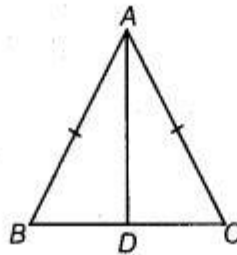
$$AB = AC$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle ACB = \angle ABC$$

[angles opposite to the equal sides are equal]

In $\triangle ABD$ and $\triangle ACD$,



$$AB = AC$$

[given]

$$\angle ABD = \angle ACD$$

[proved above]

$$\angle ADB = \angle ADC$$

[each 90°]

$$\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACD$$

[by AAS]

$$\angle BAD = \angle CAD$$

[by CPCT]

\therefore

So,

So, the defect in the given argument is that firstly prove $\angle ABD = \angle ACD$

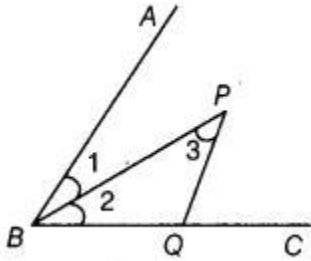
Hence, $\angle ABD = \angle ACD$ is defect.

Question 4:

P is a point on the bisector of $\angle ABC$. If the line through P, parallel to BA meets BC at Q, prove that BPQ is an isosceles triangle.

Solution:

Given we have P is a point on the bisector of $\angle ABC$ and draw the line through P parallel to BA and meet BC at Q.



To prove $\triangle BPQ$ is an isosceles triangle.

Proof

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$

[$\because BP$ is bisector of $\angle B$ (given)]

Now,

$$\angle 1 = \angle 3$$

[alternate interior angles as $PQ \parallel AC$]

\therefore

$$\angle 2 = \angle 3$$

\Rightarrow

$$PQ = BQ \quad [\text{sides opposite to equal angles are equal}]$$

Hence, $\triangle BPQ$ is an isosceles triangle.

Hence proved.

Question 5:

$ABCD$ is a quadrilateral in which $AB = BC$ and $AD = CD$. Show that BD bisects both the angles ABC and ADC .

Thinking Process

Firstly, use the property that if two sides of a triangle are equal, then their opposite angles are equal. Further, show that $\triangle BAD$ and $\triangle BCD$ are congruent by the SAS rule.

Solution:

Given $ABCD$ is a quadrilateral in which $AB = BC$ and $AD = CD$.

To show BD bisects both the angles ABC and ADC .

Proof Since,

$$AB = BC \quad (\text{given})$$

\therefore

$$\angle 2 = \angle 1 \quad \dots (i)$$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

and

$$AD = CD \quad (\text{given})$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle 4 = \angle 3 \quad \dots (ii)$$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

On adding Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\angle 2 + \angle 4 = \angle 1 + \angle 3$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle BCD = \angle BAD \quad \dots (iii)$$

In $\triangle BAD$ and $\triangle BCD$,

$$AB = BC$$

[given]

$$\angle BAD = \angle BCD$$

[from Eq. (iii)]

and

$$AD = CD$$

[given]

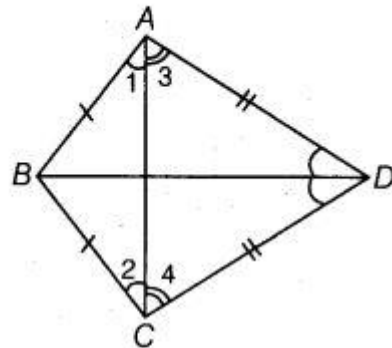
\therefore

$$\triangle BAD \cong \triangle BCD$$

[by SAS congruence rule]

Hence, $\angle ABD = \angle CBD$ and $\angle ADB = \angle CDB$ i.e., BD bisects the angles ABC and ADC .

[by CPCT]

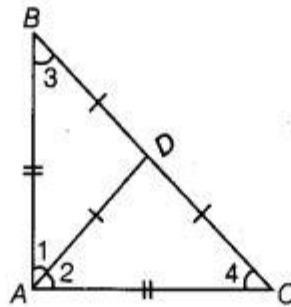


Question 6:

ABC is a right triangle with $AB = AC$. If bisector of $\angle A$ meets BC at D , then prove that $BC = 2AD$.

Solution:

Given $\triangle ABC$ is a right angled triangle with $AB = AC$, AD is the bisector of $\angle A$.



To prove

Proof In $\triangle ABC$,

\Rightarrow

$$BC = 2AD$$

$$AB = AC$$

$$\angle C = \angle B$$

[given]

...(i)

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

Now, in right angled $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^\circ$

[by angle sum property of a triangle in 180°]

$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ + \angle B + \angle B = 180^\circ$$

[from Eq. (i)]

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle B = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle B = 45^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle B = \angle C = 45^\circ$$

$$\text{or } \angle 3 = \angle 4 = 45^\circ$$

$$\text{Now, } \angle 1 = \angle 2 = 45^\circ$$

[$\because AD$ is bisector of $\angle A$]

$$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 3, \angle 2 = \angle 4$$

$$\Rightarrow BD = AD, DC = AD$$

...(ii)

[sides opposite to equal angles are equal]

$$\text{Hence, } BC = BD + CD = AD + AD \Rightarrow BC = 2AD$$

[from Eq. (ii)]

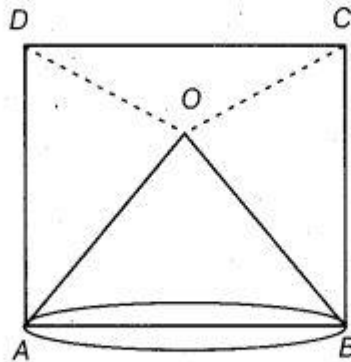
Hence proved.

Question 7:

O is a point in the interior of a square ABCD such that OAB is an equilateral triangle. Show that $\triangle OCD$ is an isosceles triangle.

Solution:

Given O is a point in the interior of a square $ABCD$ such that $\triangle OAB$ is an equilateral triangle.



Construction Join OC and OD .

To show $\triangle OCD$ is an isosceles triangle.

Proof Since, AOB is an equilateral triangle.

$$\therefore \angle OAB = \angle OBA = 60^\circ \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Also, } \angle DAB = \angle CBA = 90^\circ \quad \dots(ii) \text{ [each angle of a square is } 90^\circ \text{]} \\ [\because ABCD \text{ is a square}]$$

On subtracting Eq. (i) from Eq. (ii), we get

$$\angle DAB - \angle OAB = \angle CBA - \angle OBA = 90^\circ - 60^\circ$$

i.e.,

$$\angle DAO = \angle CBO = 30^\circ$$

In $\triangle AOD$ and $\triangle BOC$,

$$AO = BO \quad \text{[given]}$$

[all the side of an equilateral triangle are equal]

$$\angle DAO = \angle CBO \quad \text{[proved above]}$$

and

$$AD = BC \quad \text{[sides of a square are equal]}$$

$$\therefore \triangle AOD \cong \triangle BOC \quad \text{[by SAS congruence rule]}$$

$$\text{Hence, } OD = OC \quad \text{[by CPCT]}$$

In $\triangle COD$,

$$OC = OD$$

Hence, $\triangle COD$ is an isosceles triangle.

Hence proved.

Question 8:

ABC and DBC are two triangles on the same base BC such that A and D lie on the opposite sides of BC , $AB = AC$ and $DB = DC$. Show that AD is the perpendicular bisector of BC .

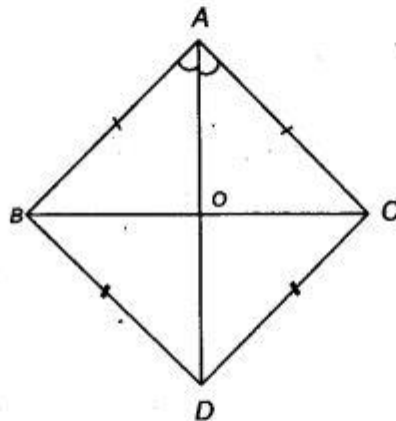
Solution:

Given Two $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DBC$ are formed on the same base BC such that A and D lie on the opposite sides of BC such that $AB = AC$ and $DB = DC$. Also AD intersects BC at O .

To show AD is the perpendicular bisector of BC i.e., $AD \perp BC$ and AD bisects BC .

Proof In $\triangle ABD$ and $\triangle ACD$,

	$AB = AC$	[given]
	$AD = AD$	[common side]
and	$BD = DC$	[given]
\therefore	$\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACD$	[by SSS congruence rule]
\Rightarrow	$\angle BAD = \angle CAD$	[by CPCT]
i.e.,	$\angle BAO = \angle CAO$	
In $\triangle AOB$ and $\triangle AOC$,		



	$AB = AC$	[given]
	$AO = OA$	[common side]
and	$\angle BAO = \angle CAO$	[proved above]
\therefore	$\triangle AOB \cong \triangle AOC$	[by SAS congruence rule]
\Rightarrow	$BO = OC$	[by CPCT]
and	$\angle AOB = \angle AOC$	[by CPCT]... (i)
But	$\angle AOB + \angle AOC = 180^\circ$	[linear pair axiom]
\Rightarrow	$\angle AOB + \angle AOB = 180^\circ$	[from Eq. (i)]
\Rightarrow	$2\angle AOB = 180^\circ$	
\Rightarrow	$\angle AOB = \frac{180^\circ}{2} = 90^\circ$	

Hence, $AD \perp BC$ and AD bisects BC i.e., AD is the perpendicular bisector of BC .

Question 9:

If ABC is an isosceles triangle in which $AC = BC$, AD and BE are respectively two altitudes to sides BC and AC , then prove that $AE = BD$.

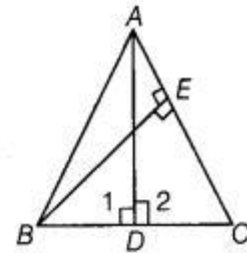
Solution:

Given $\triangle ABC$ is an isosceles triangle in which $AC = BC$. Also, AD and BE are two altitudes to sides BC and AC , respectively.

To prove $AE = BD$.

Proof In $\triangle ABC$,

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= BC && \text{[given]} \\ \angle ABC &= \angle CAB && \text{[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]} \end{aligned}$$



i.e.,

In $\triangle AEB$ and $\triangle BDA$,

$$\angle ABD = \angle EAB \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\angle AEB = \angle ADB = 90^\circ$$

[given, $AD \perp BC$ and $BE \perp AC$]

$$\angle EAB = \angle ABD$$

[from Eq. (i)]

$$AB = AB$$

[common side]

$$\triangle AEB \cong \triangle BDA$$

[by AAS congruence rule]

$$AE = BD$$

[by CPCT]

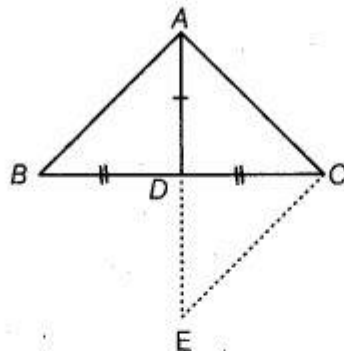
Hence proved.

Question 10:

Prove that sum of any two sides of a triangle is greater than twice the median concerning the third side.

Solution:

Given In $\triangle ABC$, AD is a median.



Construction

Produce AD to a point E such that $AD = DE$ and join CE .

To prove

$$AC + AB > 2AD$$

Proof In $\triangle ABD$ and $\triangle ECD$,

$$AD = DE$$

[by construction]

$$BD = CD$$

[given AD is the median]

$$\angle ADB = \angle CDE$$

[vertically opposite angle]

$$\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ECD$$

[by SAS congruence rule]

$$AB = CE$$

[by CPCT] ... (i)

and

\therefore

\Rightarrow

Now, in $\triangle AEC$,

$$AC + EC > AE$$

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

\therefore

$$AC + AB > 2AD$$

[from Eq. (i) and also taken that $AD = DE$]

Hence proved.

Question 11:

Show that in a quadrilateral $ABCD$, $AB + BC + CD + DA < 2(BD + AC)$

Thinking Process

Firstly, draw a quadrilateral ABCD. Further, use the property of a triangle that the sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side and show the required result.

Solution:

Given ABCD is a quadrilateral.

To show $AB + BC + CD + DA < 2(BD + AC)$

Construction Join diagonals AC and BD.

Proof In $\triangle OAB$, $OA + OB > AB$... (i)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

In $\triangle OBC$, $OB + OC > BC$... (ii)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

In $\triangle OCD$, $OC + OD > CD$... (iii)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

In $\triangle ODA$, $OD + OA > DA$... (iv)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

On adding Eqs. (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv), we get

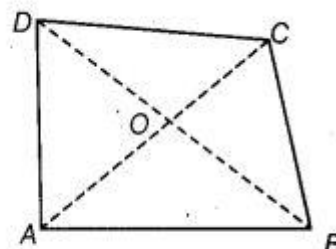
$$2[(OA + OB + OC + OD)] > AB + BC + CD + DA$$

$$\Rightarrow 2[(OA + OC) + (OB + OD)] > AB + BC + CD + DA$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(AC + BD) > AB + BC + CD + DA$$

$$[\because OA + OC = AC \text{ and } OB + OD = BD]$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + BC + CD + DA < 2(BD + AC)$$

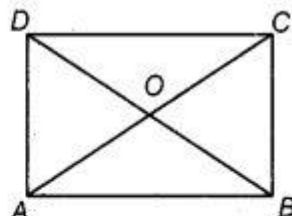


Question 12:

Show that in a quadrilateral ABCD, $AB + BC + CD + DA > AC + BD$.

Solution:

Given ABCD is a quadrilateral.



Construction

Join diagonals AC and BD.

To show $AB + BC + CD + DA > AC + BD$

In $\triangle ABC$, $AB + BC > AC$... (i)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

In $\triangle BCD$, $BC + CD > BD$... (ii)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

In $\triangle CDA$, $CD + DA > AC$... (iii)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

In $\triangle DAB$, $DA + AB > BD$... (iv)

[sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side]

On adding Eqs. (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv), we get

$$2(AB + BC + CD + DA) > 2(AC + BD)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + BC + CD + DA > AC + BD$$

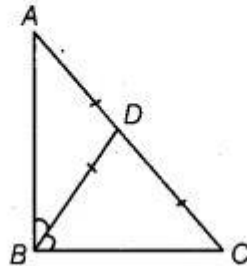
Question 13:

In $\triangle ABC$, D is the mid-point of side AC such that $BD = \frac{1}{2} AC$. Show that $\angle ABC$ is a right angle.

Solution:

Given In $\triangle ABC$, D is the mid-point of AC i.e., $AD = CD$ such that $BD = \frac{1}{2} AC$.

To show $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$



Proof We have,

$$BD = \frac{1}{2} AC \quad \dots(i)$$

Since, D is the mid-point of AC .

$$\therefore AD = CD = \frac{1}{2} AC \quad \dots(ii)$$

From Eqs. (i) and (ii),

$$AD = CD = BD$$

In $\triangle DAB$,

$$AD = BD$$

[proved above]

\therefore

$$\angle ABD = \angle BAD$$

$\dots(iii)$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

In $\triangle DBC$,

$$BD = CD$$

[proved above]

\therefore

$$\angle BCD = \angle CBD$$

$\dots(iv)$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

[by angle sum property of a triangle]

$$\text{In } \triangle ABC, \quad \angle ABC + \angle BAC + \angle ACB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle ABC + \angle BAD + \angle DCB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle ABC + \angle ABD + \angle CBD = 180^\circ$$

[from Eqs. (iii) and (iv)]

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle ABC + \angle ABC = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad 2\angle ABC = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle ABC = 90^\circ$$

Question 14:

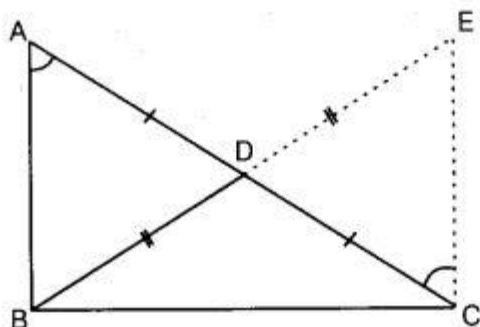
In a right triangle, prove that the line-segment joining the mid-point of the hypotenuse to the opposite vertex is half the hypotenuse.

Solution:

Given In $\triangle ABC$, $\angle B = 90^\circ$ and D is the mid-point of AC .

Construction Produce BD to E such that $BD = DE$ and join EC .

To prove $BD = \frac{1}{2} AC$



Proof In $\triangle ADB$ and $\triangle CDE$,

$$AD = DC$$

[$\because D$ is mid-point of AC]

$$BD = DE$$

[by construction]

and

$$\angle ADB = \angle CDE$$

[vertically opposite angles]

\therefore

$$\triangle ADB \cong \triangle CDE$$

[by SAS congruence rule]

\Rightarrow

$$AB = EC$$

[by CPCT]

and

$$\angle BAD = \angle DCE$$

[by CPCT]

But $\angle BAD$ and $\angle DCE$ are alternate angles.

So, $EC \parallel AB$ and BC is a transversal.

\therefore

$$\angle ABC + \angle BCE = 180^\circ$$

[cointerior angles]

\Rightarrow

$$90^\circ + \angle BCE = 180^\circ$$

[$\because \angle ABC = 90^\circ$, given]

\Rightarrow

$$\angle BCE = 180^\circ - 90^\circ$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle BCE = 90^\circ$$

In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ECB$,

$$AB = EC$$

[proved above]

$$BC = CB$$

[common side]

and

$$\angle ABC = \angle ECB$$

[each 90°]

\therefore

$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle ECB$$

[by SAS congruence rule]

\Rightarrow

$$AC = EB$$

[by CPCT]

\Rightarrow

$$\frac{1}{2} EB = \frac{1}{2} AC$$

[dividing both sides by 2]

\Rightarrow

$$BD = \frac{1}{2} AC$$

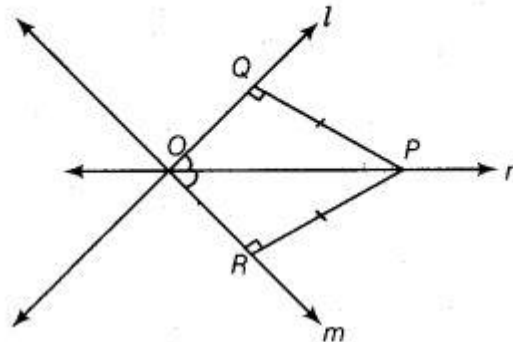
Hence proved.

Question 15:

Two lines l and m intersect at point O and P is a point on passing through point O such that P is equidistant from l and m . Prove that n is the bisector of the angle formed by l and m .

Solution:

Given Two lines l and m intersect at the point O and P is a point on a line n passing through O such that P is equidistant from l and m . i.e., $PQ = PR$.



To prove n is the bisector of the angle formed by l and m i.e., n is the bisector of $\angle QOR$.

Proof In $\triangle OQP$ and $\triangle ORP$,

$$\angle PQO = \angle PRO = 90^\circ$$

[since, P is equidistant from l and m , so PQ and PR should be perpendicular to lines l and m respectively]

$$OP = OP$$

[common side]

$$PQ = PR$$

[given]

\therefore

$$\triangle OQP \cong \triangle ORP$$

[by RHS congruence rule]

\Rightarrow

$$\angle POQ = \angle POR$$

[by CPCT]

Hence, n is the bisector of $\angle QOR$.

Hence proved.

Question 16:

The line segment joining the mid-points M and N of parallel sides AB and DC , respectively of a trapezium $ABCD$ is perpendicular to both the sides AB and DC . Prove that $AD = BC$.

Solution:

Given In trapezium $ABCD$, points M and N are the mid-points of parallel sides AB and DC respectively and join MN , which is perpendicular to AB and DC .

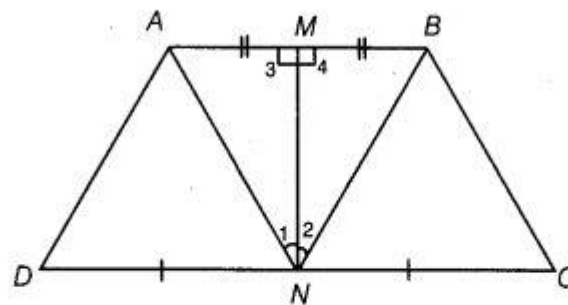
To prove $AD = BC$

Proof Since, M is the mid-point of AB .

\therefore	$AM = MB$	
Now, in $\triangle AMN$ and $\triangle BMN$,	$AM = MB$	[proved above]
	$\angle 3 = \angle 4$	[each 90°]
	$MN = MN$	[common side]
\therefore	$\triangle AMN \cong \triangle BMN$	[by SAS congruence rule]
\therefore	$\angle 1 = \angle 2$	[by CPCT]

On multiplying both sides of above equation by -1 and then adding 90° both sides, we get

$$\begin{aligned} 90^\circ - \angle 1 &= 90^\circ - \angle 2 \\ \Rightarrow \angle AND &= \angle BNC \end{aligned} \quad \dots(i)$$



Now, in $\triangle ADN$ and $\triangle BCN$,

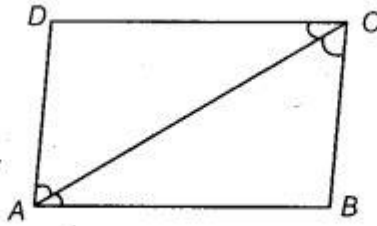
	$\angle AND = \angle BNC$	[from Eq. (i)]
	$AN = BN$	[$\because \triangle AMN \cong \triangle BMN$]
and	$DN = NC$	[$\because N$ is the mid-point of CD (given)]
\therefore	$\triangle ADN \cong \triangle BCN$	[by SAS congruence rule]
Hence,	$AD = BC$	[by CPCT]
		Hence proved.

Question 17:

If $ABCD$ is a quadrilateral such that diagonal AC bisects the angles A and C , then prove that $AB = AD$ and $CB = CD$.

Solution:

Given In a quadrilateral $ABCD$, diagonal AC bisects the angles A and C .



To prove $AB = AD$ and $CB = CD$

Proof In $\triangle ADC$ and $\triangle ABC$,

$$\angle DAC = \angle BAC \quad [\because AC \text{ is the bisector of } \angle A \text{ and } \angle C]$$

$$\angle DCA = \angle BCA \quad [\because AC \text{ is the bisector of } \angle A \text{ and } \angle C]$$

and

$$AC = AC \quad [\text{common side}]$$

\therefore

$$\triangle ADC \cong \triangle ABC \quad [\text{by ASA congruence rule}]$$

and

$$\bullet \quad AD = AB \quad [\text{by CPCT}]$$

$$CD = CB \quad [\text{by CPCT}]$$

Hence proved.

Question 18:

If ABC is a right-angled triangle such that $AB = AC$ and bisector of angle C intersects the side AB at D , then prove that $AC + AD = BC$.

Solution:

Given In right angled $\triangle ABC$, $AB = AC$ and CD is the bisector of $\angle C$.

Construction Draw $DE \perp BC$.

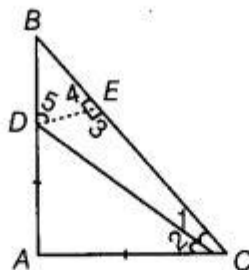
To prove $AC + AD = BC$

Proof In right angled $\triangle ABC$, $AB = AC$ and BC is a hypotenuse

[given]

$\therefore \angle A = 90^\circ$

In $\triangle DAC$ and $\triangle DEC$, $\angle A = \angle 3 = 90^\circ$



$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$

[given, CD is the bisector of $\angle C$]

$$DC = DC$$

[common sides]

$$\triangle DAC \cong \triangle DEC$$

[by AAS congruence rule]

$$DA = DE$$

[by CPCT]... (i)

$$AC = EC$$

... (ii)

$$AB = AC$$

$$\angle C = \angle B$$

[angles opposite to equal sides are equal]... (iii)

Again, in $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^\circ$

[by angle sum property of a triangle]

$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ + \angle B + \angle B = 180^\circ$$

[from Eq. (iii)]

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle B = 180^\circ - 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle B = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle B = 45^\circ$$

In $\triangle BED$, $\angle 5 = 180^\circ - (\angle B + \angle 4)$

[by angle sum property of a triangle]

$$= 180^\circ - (45^\circ + 90^\circ)$$

$$= 180^\circ - 135^\circ = 45^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle B = \angle 5$$

$$\Rightarrow DE = BE \quad [\because \text{sides opposite to equal angles are equal}] \dots (iv)$$

From Eqs. (i) and (iv),

$$DA = DE = BE$$

... (v)

$$\therefore BC = CE + EB$$

$$= CA + DA$$

[from Eqs. (ii) and (v)]

$$\therefore AD + AC = BC$$

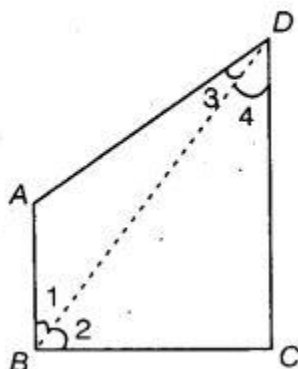
Hence proved.

Question 19:

If AB and CD are the smallest and largest sides of a quadrilateral $ABCD$, out of $\angle B$ and $\angle D$ decide which is greater.

Solution:

Given In quadrilateral $ABCD$, AB is the smallest and CD is the largest side
To find $\angle B > \angle D$ or $\angle D > \angle B$.



Construction Join BD .

Now, in $\triangle ABD$, $AD > AB$ [since, AB is the smallest side in $ABCD$]
 $\Rightarrow \angle 1 > \angle 3$ [angle opposite to larger side is greater]... (i)
 In $\triangle BCD$, $CD > BC$ [since, CD is the largest side in $ABCD$]
 $\Rightarrow \angle 2 > \angle 4$ [angle opposite to larger side is greater]... (ii)

On adding Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\angle 1 + \angle 2 > \angle 3 + \angle 4$$

Hence, $\angle B > \angle D$

Question 20:

Prove that in a triangle, other than an equilateral triangle, the angle opposite the longest side is greater than $2/3$ of a right angle.

Solution:

Consider $\triangle ABC$ in which BC is the longest side.

To prove $\angle A = \frac{2}{3}$ right angle

Proof In $\triangle ABC$, $BC > AB$
 [consider BC is the largest side]
 $\Rightarrow \angle A > \angle C$... (i)
 [angle opposite the longest side is greatest]

and $BC > AC$
 $\Rightarrow \angle A > \angle B$... (ii)
 [angle opposite the longest side is greatest]

On adding Eqs. (i) and (ii), we get

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle A > \angle B + \angle C$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle A + \angle A > \angle A + \angle B + \angle C$$
 [adding $\angle A$ both sides]

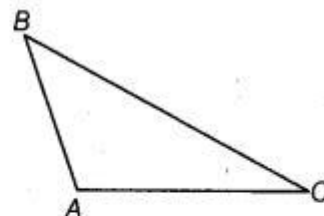
$$\Rightarrow 3\angle A > \angle A + \angle B + \angle C$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\angle A > 180^\circ$$
 [sum of all the angles of a triangle is 180°]

$$\Rightarrow \angle A > \frac{2}{3} \times 90^\circ$$

$$\text{i.e., } \angle A > \frac{2}{3} \text{ of a right angle}$$

Hence proved.



Question 21:

If $ABCD$ is quadrilateral such that $AB = AD$ and $CB = CD$, then prove that AC is

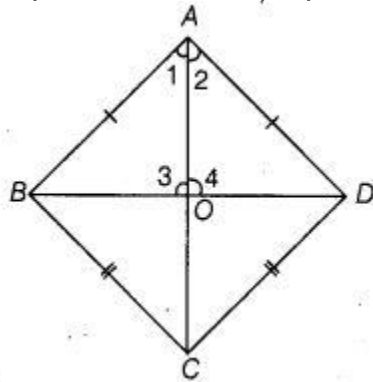
the perpendicular bisector of BD.

Solution:

Given In quadrilateral ABCD, $AB = AD$ and $CB = CD$.

Construction Join AC and BD.

To prove AC is the perpendicular bisector of BD.



Proof In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ADC$,

$$AB = AD$$

[given]

$$BC = CD$$

[given]

$$AC = AC$$

[common side]

and

$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle ADC$$

[by SSS congruence rule]

\therefore

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$

[by CPCT]

\Rightarrow

Now, in $\triangle AOB$ and $\triangle AOD$,

$$AB = AD$$

[given]

\Rightarrow

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$

[proved above]

and

$$AO = AO$$

[common side]

\therefore

$$\triangle AOB \cong \triangle AOD$$

[by SAS congruence rule]

\Rightarrow

$$BO = DO$$

[by CPCT]

and

$$\angle 3 = \angle 4$$

[by CPCT]... (i)

But

$$\angle 3 + \angle 4 = 180^\circ$$

[linear pair axiom]

$$\angle 3 + \angle 3 = 180^\circ$$

[from Eq. (i)]

\Rightarrow

$$2\angle 3 = 180^\circ$$

\Rightarrow

$$\angle 3 = \frac{180^\circ}{2}$$

\therefore

$$\angle 3 = 90^\circ$$

i.e., AC is perpendicular bisector of BD.