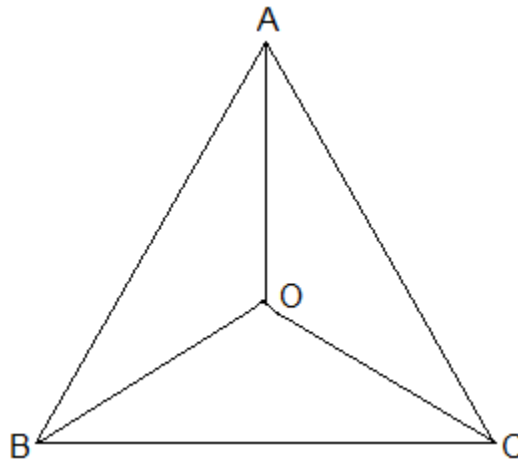


**Exercise: 7.2**

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1. In an isosceles triangle ABC, with  $AB = AC$ , the bisectors of  $\angle B$  and  $\angle C$  intersect each other at O. Join A to O. Show that :

- (i)  $OB = OC$                       (ii) AO bisects  $\angle A$



**Solution:**

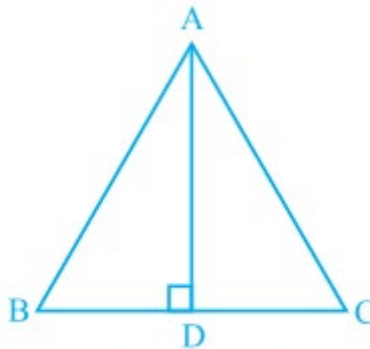
Given:

- >  $AB = AC$  and
- > the bisectors of  $\angle B$  and  $\angle C$  intersect each other at O

(i) Since ABC is an isosceles with  $AB = AC$ ,  
 $\Rightarrow \angle B = \angle C$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \angle B = \frac{1}{2} \angle C$   
 $\Rightarrow \angle OBC = \angle OCB$  (Angle bisectors)  
 $\therefore OB = OC$  (Side opposite to the equal angles are equal.)

(ii) In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle AOC$ ,  
 $AB = AC$  (Given in the question)  
 $AO = AO$  (Common arm)  
 $OB = OC$  (As Proved Already)  
 So,  $\triangle AOB \cong \triangle AOC$  by SSS congruence condition.  
 $\angle BAO = \angle CAO$  (by CPCT)  
 Thus, AO bisects  $\angle A$ .

2. In  $\triangle ABC$ , AD is the perpendicular bisector of BC (see Fig. 7.30). Show that  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle in which  $AB = AC$ .

**Fig. 7.30****Solution:**

It is given that AD is the perpendicular bisector of BC

**To prove:**

$$AB = AC$$

**Proof:**

In  $\triangle ADB$  and  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$AD = AD$  (It is the Common arm)

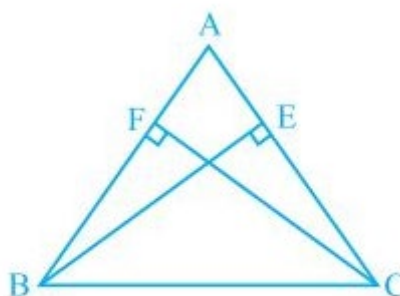
$$\angle ADB = \angle ADC$$

$BD = CD$  (Since AD is the perpendicular bisector)

So,  $\triangle ADB \cong \triangle ADC$  by **SAS congruency criterion**.

$AB = AC$  (by CPCT)

**3. ABC is an isosceles triangle in which altitudes BE and CF are drawn to equal sides AC and AB respectively (see Fig. 7.31). Show that these altitudes are equal.**

**Fig. 7.31****Solution:**

Given:

(i) BE and CF are altitudes.

(ii)  $AC = AB$

**To prove:**

$$BE = CF$$

**Proof:**

Triangles  $\triangle AEB$  and  $\triangle AFC$  are similar by AAS congruency since

$\angle A = \angle A$  (It is the common arm)

$\angle AEB = \angle AFC$  (They are right angles)

$AB = AC$  (Given in the question)

$\therefore \triangle AEB \cong \triangle AFC$  and so,  $BE = CF$  (by CPCT).

**4. ABC is a triangle in which altitudes BE and CF to sides AC and AB are equal (see Fig. 7.32).**

**Show that**

(i)  $\triangle ABE \cong \triangle ACF$

(ii)  $AB = AC$ , i.e., ABC is an isosceles triangle.

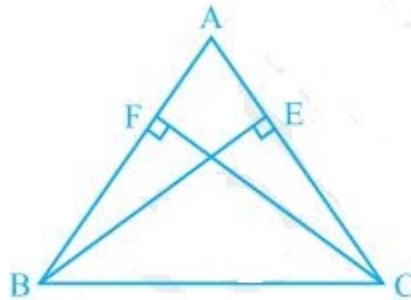


Fig. 7.32

**Solution:**

It is given that  $BE = CF$

(i) In  $\triangle ABE$  and  $\triangle ACF$ ,

$\angle A = \angle A$  (It is the common angle)

$\angle AEB = \angle AFC$  (They are right angles)

$BE = CF$  (Given in the question)

$\therefore \triangle ABE \cong \triangle ACF$  by **AAS congruency condition**.

(ii)  $AB = AC$  by CPCT and so, ABC is an isosceles triangle.

**5. ABC and DBC are two isosceles triangles on the same base BC (see Fig. 7.33). Show that**

**$\angle ABD = \angle ACD$ .**

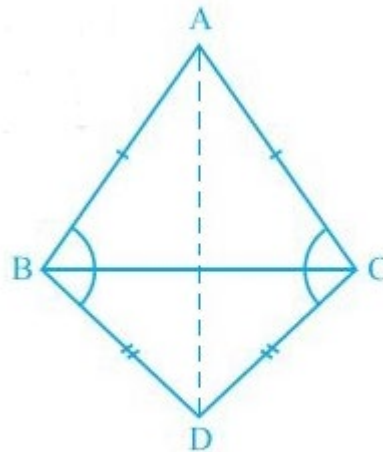


Fig. 7.33

**Solution:**

In the question, it is given that ABC and DBC are two isosceles triangles.

We will have to show that  $\angle ABD = \angle ACD$

**Proof:**

Triangles  $\triangle ABD$  and  $\triangle ACD$  are similar by SSS congruency since

$AD = AD$  (It is the common arm)

$AB = AC$  (Since ABC is an isosceles triangle)

$BD = CD$  (Since BCD is an isosceles triangle)

So,  $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACD$ .

$\therefore \angle ABD = \angle ACD$  by CPCT.

6.  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle in which  $AB = AC$ . Side BA is produced to D such that  $AD = AB$  (see Fig. 7.34). Show that  $\angle BCD$  is a right angle.

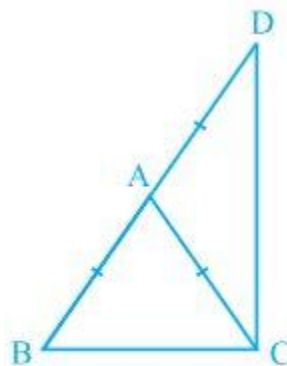


Fig. 7.34

**Solution:**

It is given that  $AB = AC$  and  $AD = AB$

We will have to now prove  $\angle BCD$  is a right angle.

**Proof:**

Consider  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$AB = AC$  (It is given in the question)

Also,  $\angle ACB = \angle ABC$  (They are angles opposite to the equal sides and so, they are equal)

Now, consider  $\triangle ACD$ ,

$AD = AB$

Also,  $\angle ADC = \angle ACD$  (They are angles opposite to the equal sides and so, they are equal)

Now,

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\angle CAB + \angle ACB + \angle ABC = 180^\circ$$

$$\text{So, } \angle CAB + 2\angle ACB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle CAB = 180^\circ - 2\angle ACB \text{-- (i)}$$

Similarly in  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$$\angle CAD = 180^\circ - 2\angle ACD \text{-- (ii)}$$

also,

$$\angle CAB + \angle CAD = 180^\circ \text{ (BD is a straight line.)}$$

Adding (i) and (ii) we get,

$$\angle CAB + \angle CAD = 180^\circ - 2\angle ACB + 180^\circ - 2\angle ACD$$

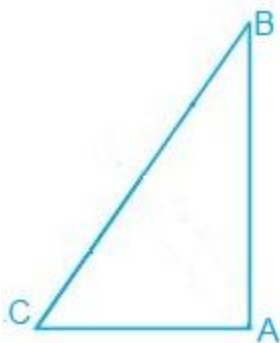
$$\Rightarrow 180^\circ = 360^\circ - 2\angle ACB - 2\angle ACD$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(\angle ACB + \angle ACD) = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle BCD = 90^\circ$$

7. ABC is a right-angled triangle in which  $\angle A = 90^\circ$  and  $AB = AC$ . Find  $\angle B$  and  $\angle C$ .

**Solution:**



In the question, it is given that

$$\angle A = 90^\circ \text{ and } AB = AC$$

$$AB = AC$$

$\Rightarrow \angle B = \angle C$  (They are angles opposite to the equal sides and so, they are equal)

Now,

$$\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^\circ \text{ (Since the sum of the interior angles of the triangle)}$$

$$\therefore 90^\circ + 2\angle B = 180^\circ$$

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

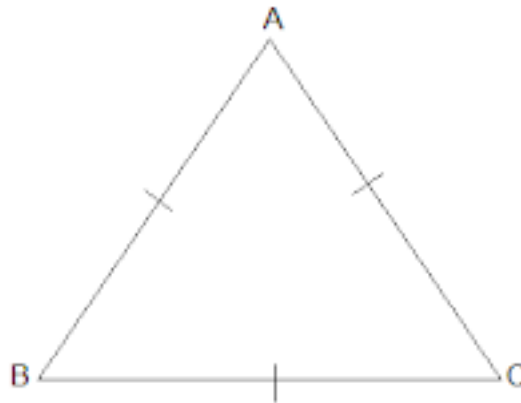
$$\Rightarrow \angle B = 45^\circ$$

$$\text{So, } \angle B = \angle C = 45^\circ$$

**8. Show that the angles of an equilateral triangle are  $60^\circ$  each.**

**Solution:**

Let ABC be an equilateral triangle as shown below:



Here,  $BC = AC = AB$  (Since the length of all sides is same)

$$\Rightarrow \angle A = \angle B = \angle C \text{ (Sides opposite to the equal angles are equal.)}$$

Also, we know that

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

$$\Rightarrow 3\angle A = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle A = 60^\circ$$

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

So, the angles of an equilateral triangle are always  $60^\circ$  each.