

1. Name the greatest and the smallest sides in the following triangles:

(a) $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A = 56^\circ$, $\angle B = 64^\circ$ and $\angle C = 60^\circ$

(b) $\triangle DEF$, $\angle D = 32^\circ$, $\angle E = 56^\circ$ and $\angle F = 92^\circ$

(c) $\triangle XYZ$, $\angle X = 76^\circ$, $\angle Y = 84^\circ$

Solution:

(a) In the given $\triangle ABC$,

The greatest angle is $\angle B$ and the opposite side to the $\angle B$ is AC

Therefore,

The greatest side is AC

The smallest angle in the $\triangle ABC$ is $\angle A$ and the opposite side to the $\angle A$ is BC

Therefore,

The smallest side is BC

(b) In the given $\triangle DEF$,

The greatest angle is $\angle F$ and the opposite side to the $\angle F$ is DE

Therefore,

The greatest side is DE

The smallest angle in the $\triangle DEF$ is $\angle D$ and the opposite side to the $\angle D$ is EF

Therefore,

The smallest side is EF

(c) In $\triangle XYZ$,

$$\angle X + \angle Y + \angle Z = 180^\circ$$

$$76^\circ + 84^\circ + \angle Z = 180^\circ$$

$$160^\circ + \angle Z = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle Z = 180^\circ - 160^\circ$$

We get,

$$\angle Z = 20^\circ$$

Therefore,

$$\angle X = 76^\circ, \angle Y = 84^\circ, \angle Z = 20^\circ$$

In the given $\triangle XYZ$,

The greatest angle is $\angle Y$ and the opposite side to the $\angle Y$ is XZ

Therefore,

The greatest side is XZ

The smallest angle in the $\triangle XYZ$ is $\angle Z$ and the opposite side to the $\angle Z$ is XY

Therefore,

The smallest side is XY

2. Arrange the sides of the following triangles in an ascending order:

(a) $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A = 45^\circ$, $\angle B = 65^\circ$

(b) $\triangle DEF$, $\angle D = 38^\circ$, $\angle E = 58^\circ$

Solution:

(a) In $\triangle ABC$,

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

$$45^\circ + 65^\circ + \angle C = 180^\circ$$

$$110^\circ + \angle C = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle C = 180^\circ - 110^\circ$$

We get,

$$\angle C = 70^\circ$$

Hence,

$$\angle A = 45^\circ, \angle B = 65^\circ, \angle C = 70^\circ$$

$$45^\circ < 65^\circ < 70^\circ$$

Hence,

Ascending order of the angles in the given triangle is,

$$\angle A < \angle B < \angle C$$

Therefore,

Ascending order of sides in triangle is,

BC, AC, AB

(b) In $\triangle DEF$,

$$\angle D + \angle E + \angle F = 180^\circ$$

$$38^\circ + 58^\circ + \angle F = 180^\circ$$

$$96^\circ + \angle F = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle F = 180^\circ - 96^\circ$$

We get,

$$\angle F = 84^\circ$$

Hence,

$$\angle D = 38^\circ, \angle E = 58^\circ, \angle F = 84^\circ$$

$$38^\circ < 58^\circ < 84^\circ$$

Hence,

Ascending order of the angles in the given triangle is,

$$\angle D < \angle E < \angle F$$

Therefore,

Ascending order of sides in triangle is,

EF, DF, DE

3. Name the smallest angle in each of these triangles:

(i) In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = 6.2$ cm, $BC = 5.6$ cm and $AC = 4.2$ cm

(ii) In $\triangle PQR$, $PQ = 8.3$ cm, $QR = 5.4$ cm and $PR = 7.2$ cm

(iii) In $\triangle XYZ$, $XY = 6.2$ cm, $XY = 6.8$ cm and $YZ = 5$ cm

Solution:

(i) We know that,

In a triangle, the angle opposite to the smallest side is the smallest

In $\triangle ABC$,

$AC = 4.2$ cm is the smallest side

Hence,

$\angle B$ is the smallest angle

(ii) We know that,

In a triangle, the angle opposite to the smallest side is the smallest

In $\triangle PQR$,

$QR = 5.4$ cm is the smallest side

Hence,

$\angle P$ is the smallest angle

(iii) We know that,

In a triangle, the angle opposite to the smallest side is the smallest

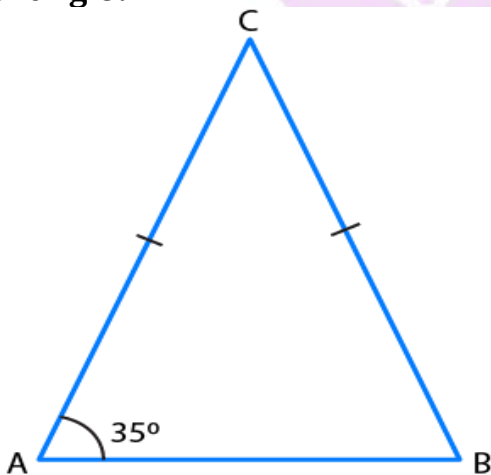
In $\triangle XYZ$,

$YZ = 5$ cm is the smallest side

Therefore,

$\angle X$ is the smallest angle

4. In a triangle ABC , $BC = AC$ and $\angle A = 35^\circ$. Which is the smallest side of the triangle?



Solution:

In $\triangle ABC$,

$BC = AC$ (given)

$\angle A = \angle B = 35^\circ$ [angles opposite to the two equal sides are equal]

Let $\angle C = x^\circ$

In $\triangle ABC$,

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

$$35^\circ + 35^\circ + x^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$70^\circ + x^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$x^\circ = 180^\circ - 70^\circ$$

We get,

$$x^\circ = 110^\circ$$

Hence,

$$\angle C = x^\circ = 110^\circ$$

Therefore,

Angles in a triangle are $\angle A = \angle B = 35^\circ$ and $\angle C = 110^\circ$

In $\triangle ABC$,

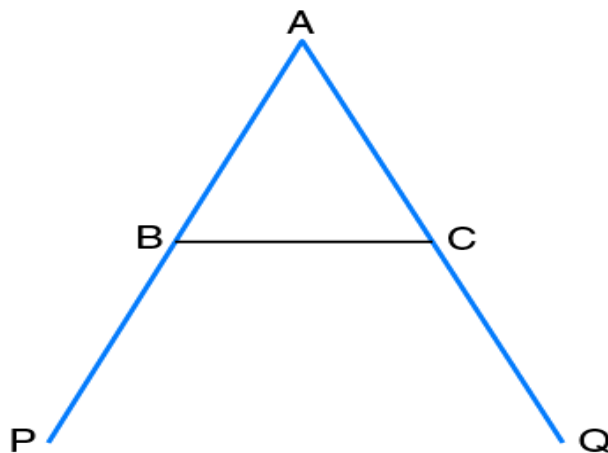
The greatest angle is $\angle C$

Here, the smallest angles are $\angle A$ and $\angle B$

Hence,

Smallest sides are BC and AC

5. In $\triangle ABC$, the exterior $\angle PBC >$ exterior $\angle QCB$. Prove that $AB > AC$.



Solution:

In the given triangle,

Given that, $\angle PBC > \angle QCB$ (1)

$\angle PBC + \angle ABC = 180^\circ$ (linear pair angles)

$$\angle PBC = 180^\circ - \angle ABC \quad \dots (2)$$

Similarly,

$$\angle QCB = 180^\circ - \angle ACB \quad \dots (3)$$

Now,

From (2) and (3), we get,

$$180^\circ - \angle ABC > 180^\circ - \angle ACB$$

$$-\angle ABC > -\angle ACB$$

Therefore,

$$\angle ABC < \angle ACB \text{ or } \angle ACB > \angle ABC$$

We know that,

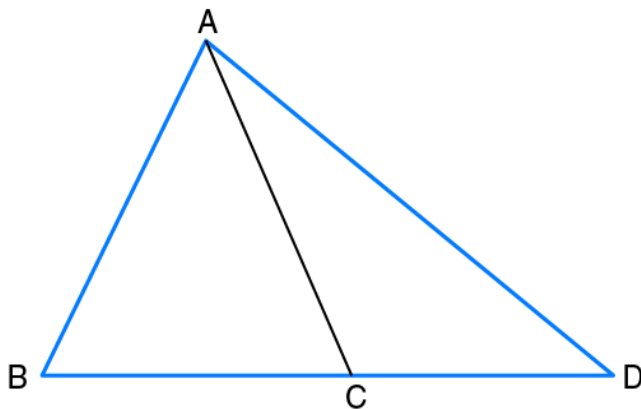
In a triangle, the greater angle has the longer side opposite to it

Therefore,

$$AB > AC$$

Hence proved

6. $\triangle ABC$ is isosceles with $AB = AC$. If BC is extended at D , then prove that $AD > AB$.



Solution:

In $\triangle ACD$,

We have,

$$\angle ACB = \angle CDA + \angle CAD$$

[Using exterior angle property]

$$\angle ACB > \angle CDA \quad \dots (1)$$

Now,

$$AB = AC \quad \dots (\text{given})$$

$$\angle ACB = \angle ABC \quad \dots (2)$$

From equations (1) and (2), we get,

$$\angle ABC > \angle CDA$$

We know that,

In a triangle, the greater angle has the longer side opposite to it.

Now,

In $\triangle ABD$,

We have,

$$\angle ABC > \angle CDA$$

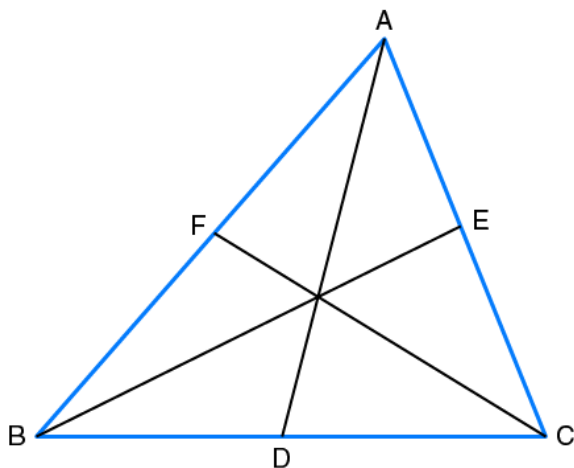
Therefore,

$$AD > AB$$

Hence, proved

7. Prove that the perimeter of a triangle is greater than the sum of its three medians.

Solution:



Given

In $\triangle ABC$,

AD, BE and CF are its medians

We know that,

The sum of any two sides of a triangle is greater than twice the median bisecting the third side.

Hence,

AD is the median bisecting BC

So,

$$AB + AC > 2AD \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

BE is the median bisecting AC

$$AB + BC > 2BE \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

CF is the median bisecting AB

$$BC + AC > 2CF \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

Now,

Adding equations (1), (2) and (3), we get,

$$(AB + AC) + (AB + BC) + (BC + AC) > 2AD + 2BE + 2CF$$

$$2(AB + BC + AC) > 2(AD + BE + CF)$$

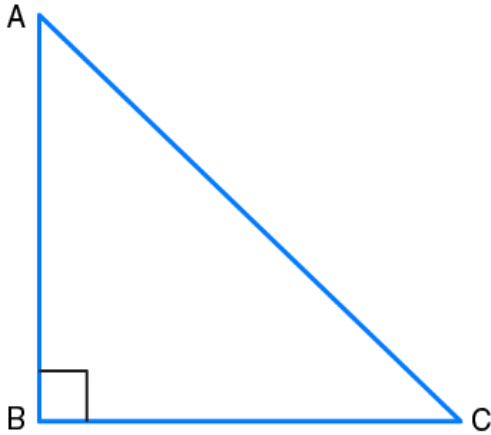
We get,

$$AB + BC + AC > AD + BE + CF$$

Hence, proved

8. Prove that the hypotenuse is the longest side in a right angled triangle.

Solution:



Let $\triangle ABC$ be a right angled triangle in which the right angle is at B

By angle sum property of a triangle,

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

$$\angle A + 90^\circ + \angle C = 180^\circ$$

We get,

$$\angle A + \angle C = 90^\circ$$

Hence,

The other two angles must be acute i.e less than 90°

Therefore,

$\angle B$ is the largest angle in $\triangle ABC$

$$\angle B > \angle A \text{ and}$$

$$\angle B > \angle C$$

$$AC > BC \text{ and}$$

$$AC > AB$$

$\therefore$ In any triangle, the side opposite to the greater angle is longer

Hence,

AC is the largest side in $\triangle ABC$

But, AC is the hypotenuse of $\triangle ABC$

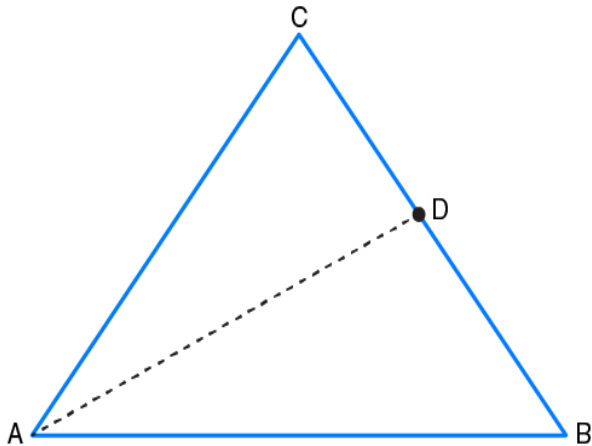
Therefore,

Hypotenuse is the longest side in a right angled triangle

Hence, proved

9. D is a point on the side of the BC of $\triangle ABC$. Prove that the perimeter of $\triangle ABC$ is greater than twice of AD.

Solution:



Construction: Join AD

In $\triangle ACD$,

$$AC + CD > AD \quad \dots (1)$$

$\therefore$ Sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side

Similarly,

In $\triangle ADB$,

$$AB + BD > AD \quad \dots (2)$$

Adding equations (1) and (2), we get,

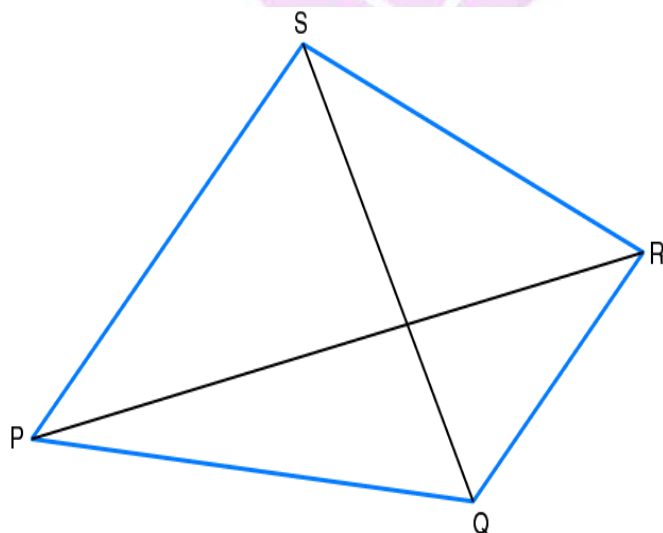
$$AC + CD + AB + BD > 2AD$$

$$AB + BC + AC > 2AD \quad (\text{since, } CD + BD = BC)$$

Hence, proved

10. For any quadrilateral, prove that its perimeter is greater than the sum of its diagonals.

Solution:



Given

PQRS is a quadrilateral

PR and QS are the diagonals of quadrilateral

To prove: $PQ + QR + SR + PS > PR + QS$

Proof: In $\triangle PQR$,

$PQ + QR > PR$ (Sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side)

Similarly,

In $\triangle PSR$,

$PS + SR > PR$

In $\triangle PQS$,

$PS + PQ > QS$ and

In $\triangle QRS$,

$QR + SR > QS$

Now,

We have,

$PQ + QR > PR$

$PS + SR > PR$

$PS + PQ > QS$

$QR + SR > QS$

After adding all the above inequalities, we get,

$PQ + QR + PS + SR + PS + PQ + QR + SR > PR + PR + QS + QS$

$2PQ + 2QR + 2PS + 2SR > 2PR + 2QS$

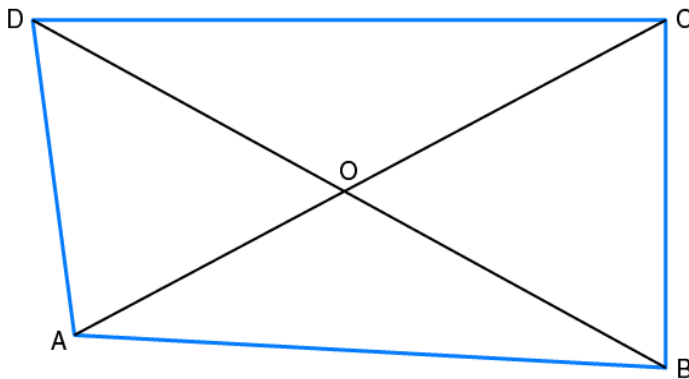
$2(PQ + QR + PS + SR) > 2(PR + QS)$

We get,

$PQ + QR + PS + SR > PR + QS$

Hence, proved

11. ABCD is a quadrilateral in which the diagonals AC and BD intersect at O. Prove that $AB + BC + CD + AD < 2(AC + BD)$



Solution:

We know that,

Sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side

Hence,

In $\triangle AOB$,

$$OA + OB > AB \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)$$

In $\triangle BOC$,

$$OB + OC > BC \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

In $\triangle COD$,

$$OC + OD > CD \quad \dots\dots\dots (3)$$

In $\triangle AOD$,

$$OA + OD > AD \quad \dots\dots\dots (4)$$

Now,

Adding equations (1) (2) and (3) and (4), we get,

$$2(OA + OB + OC + OD) > AB + BC + CD + AD$$

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

We get,

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

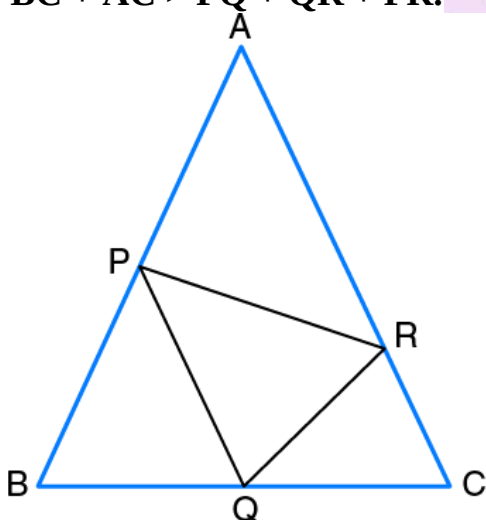
$$\because OA + OC = AC \text{ and } OB + OD = BD$$

Therefore,

$$AB + BC + CD + AD < 2(AC + BD)$$

Hence, proved

12. In $\triangle ABC$, P, Q and R are points on AB, BC and AC respectively. Prove that $AB + BC + AC > PQ + QR + PR$.



Solution:

We know that,

Sum of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side

Hence,

In $\triangle APR$,

$$AP + AR > PR \quad \dots\dots (1)$$

In $\triangle BPQ$,

$$BQ + PB > PQ \quad \dots\dots (2)$$

In $\triangle QCR$,

$$QC + CR > QR \quad \dots\dots (3)$$

Now,

Adding equations (1), (2) and (3), we get,

$$AP + AR + BQ + PB + QC + CR > PR + PQ + QR$$

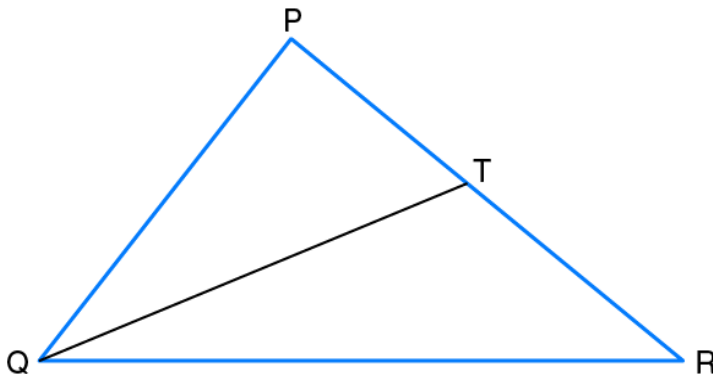
$$(AP + PB) + (BQ + QC) + (CR + AR) > PR + PQ + QR$$

We get,

$$AB + BC + AC > PQ + QR + PR$$

Hence, proved

13. In $\triangle PQR$, $PR > PQ$ and T is a point on PR such that $PT = PQ$. Prove that $QR > TR$.



Solution:

In $\triangle PQT$,

We have

$$PT = PQ \quad \dots\dots (1) \quad (\text{given})$$

In $\triangle PQR$,

$$PQ + QR > PR$$

$$PQ + QR > PT + TR \quad (\because PR = PT + TR)$$

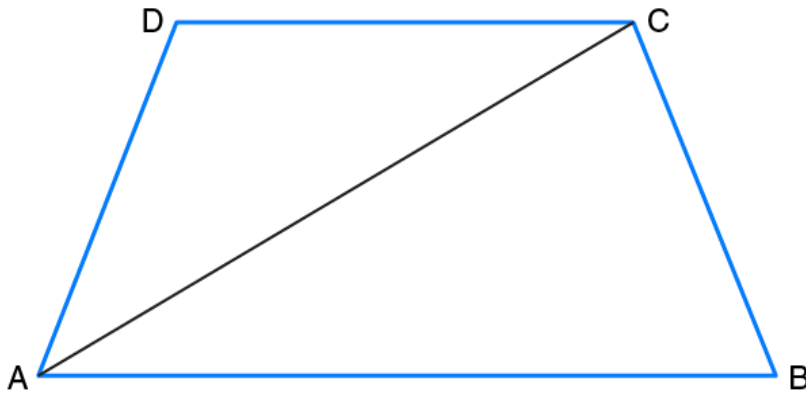
$$PQ + QR > PQ + TR \quad [\text{Using equation (1)}]$$

We get,

$$QR > TR$$

Hence, proved

14. ABCD is a trapezium. Prove that:



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

(ii) $CD + DA + AB > BC$

Solution:

(i) In $\triangle ABC$,

We have,

$$AB + BC > AC \quad \dots\dots (1)$$

In $\triangle ACD$,

We have,

$$AD + CD > AC \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)$$

Adding equations (1) and (2), we get,

$$AB + BC + AD + CD > 2AC$$

Hence, proved

(ii) In $\triangle ACD$,

We have,

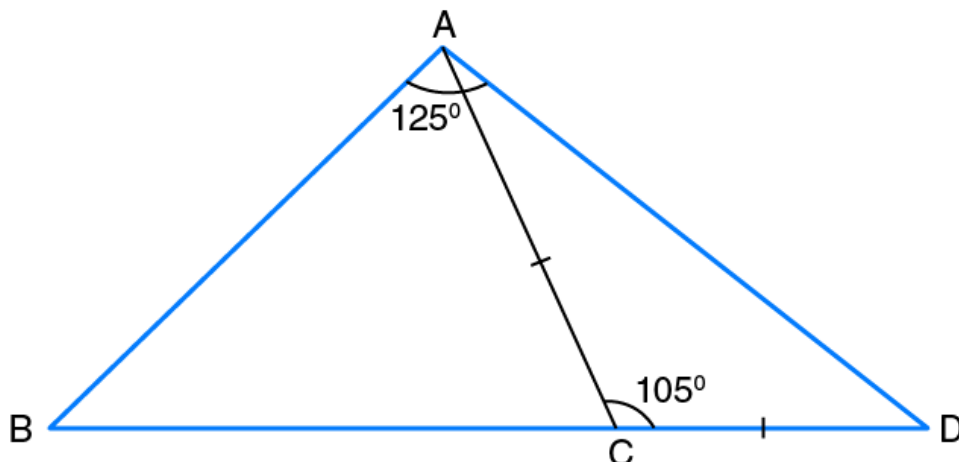
$$CD + DA > CA$$

$$CD + DA + AB > CA + AB$$

$$CD + DA + AB > BC \quad \text{(since, } AB + AC > BC \text{)}$$

Hence, proved

15. In $\triangle ABC$, BC produced to D, such that, $AC = CD$; $\angle BAD = 125^\circ$ and $\angle ACD = 105^\circ$. Show that $BC > CD$.



Solution:

In $\triangle ACD$,

$AC = CD$... (given)

$\angle CDA = \angle DAC$ ($\triangle ACD$ is an isosceles triangle)

Let $\angle CDA = \angle DAC = x^\circ$

$\angle CDA + \angle DAC + \angle ACD = 180^\circ$

$$x^\circ + x^\circ + 105^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$2x^\circ + 105^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$2x^\circ = 180^\circ - 105^\circ$$

We get,

$$2x^\circ = 75^\circ$$

$$x = (75^\circ / 2)$$

We get,

$$x = 37.5^\circ$$

$$\angle CDA = \angle DAC = x^\circ = 37.5^\circ \text{ (1)}$$

$$\angle DAB = \angle DAC + \angle BAC$$

$$125^\circ = 37.5^\circ + \angle BAC \quad \{\text{from equation (1)}\}$$

$$125^\circ - 37.5^\circ = \angle BAC$$

$$87.5^\circ = \angle BAC$$

Also,

$$\angle BCA + \angle ACD = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle BCA + 105^\circ = 180^\circ$$

We get,

$$\angle BCA = 75^\circ$$

Now,

In $\triangle BAC$,

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

$$75^\circ + 87.5^\circ + \angle ABC = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle ABC = 180^\circ - 75^\circ - 87.5^\circ$$

We get,

$$\angle ABC = 17.5^\circ$$

Since, $87.5^\circ > 17.5^\circ$

Hence,

$$\angle BAC > \angle ABC$$

$$BC > AC$$

Therefore,

$$BC > CD \quad \dots \text{ (Since } AC = CD \text{)}$$

Hence, proved

