

# EXERCISE: 7.4

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1. Show that in a right-angled triangle, the hypotenuse is the longest side.



### Solution:

It is known that ABC is a triangle right angled at B.

We know that,

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

Now, if  $\angle B + \angle C = 90^{\circ}$  then  $\angle A$  has to be  $90^{\circ}$ .

Since A is the largest angle of the triangle, the side opposite to it must be the largest.

So, AB is the hypotenuse which will be the largest side of the above right-angled triangle i.e.  $\triangle ABC$ .

# 2. In Fig. 7.48, sides AB and AC of $\triangle$ ABC are extended to points P and Q respectively. Also, $\angle$ PBC < $\angle$ QCB. Show that AC > AB.



# Solution:

It is given that  $\angle PBC < \angle QCB$ We know that  $\angle ABC + \angle PBC = 180^{\circ}$ So,  $\angle ABC = 180^{\circ} - \angle PBC$ Also,



 $\angle ACB + \angle QCB = 180^{\circ}$ 

Therefore  $\angle ACB = 180^{\circ} - \angle QCB$ 

Now, since  $\angle PBC < \angle QCB$ ,

 $\therefore \angle ABC > \angle ACB$ 

Hence, AC > AB as sides opposite to the larger angle is always larger.

## 3. In Fig. 7.49, $\angle B < \angle A$ and $\angle C < \angle D$ . Show that AD < BC.



#### Solution:

In the question, it is mentioned that angles B and angle C is smaller than angles A and D respectively i.e.  $\angle B < \angle A$  and  $\angle C < \angle D$ .

Now,

Since the side opposite to the smaller angle is always smaller

AO < BO --- (i)

And OD < OC —(ii)

By adding equation (i) and equation (ii) we get

AO+OD < BO + OC

So, AD < BC

4. AB and CD are respectively the smallest and longest sides of a quadrilateral ABCD (see Fig. 7.50).

Show that  $\angle A > \angle C$  and  $\angle B > \angle D$ .

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Fig. 7.50

Solution:

In  $\triangle ABD$ , we see that

AB < AD < BD

So,  $\angle ADB < \angle ABD$  — (i) (Since angle opposite to longer side is always larger)

Now, in  $\triangle BCD$ ,

BC < DC < BD

Hence, it can be concluded that

 $\angle BDC < \angle CBD$  — (ii)

Now, by adding equation (i) and equation (ii) we get,

 $\angle ADB + \angle BDC < \angle ABD + \angle CBD$ 

 $\angle ADC < \angle ABC$ 

 $\angle B > \angle D$ 

Similarly, In triangle ABC,

 $\angle ACB < \angle BAC$  — (iii) (Since the angle opposite to the longer side is always larger)

Now, In  $\triangle$ ADC,

 $\angle DCA < \angle DAC - (iv)$ 

By adding equation (iii) and equation (iv) we get,

 $\angle ACB + \angle DCA < \angle BAC + \angle DAC$ 

 $\Rightarrow \angle BCD < \angle BAD$ 

 $\therefore \angle A > \angle C$ 

5. In Fig 7.51, PR > PQ and PS bisect  $\angle$ QPR. Prove that  $\angle$ PSR >  $\angle$ PSQ.

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#### Solution:

It is given that PR > PQ and PS bisects  $\angle QPR$ 

Now we will have to prove that angle PSR is smaller than PSQ i.e.  $\angle PSR > \angle PSQ$ 

#### **Proof:**

 $\angle QPS = \angle RPS - (ii)$  (As PS bisects  $\angle QPR$ )

 $\angle PQR > \angle PRQ$  — (i) (Since PR > PQ as angle opposite to the larger side is always larger)

 $\angle PSR = \angle PQR + \angle QPS$  — (iii) (Since the exterior angle of a triangle equals to the sum of opposite interior angles)

 $\angle PSQ = \angle PRQ + \angle RPS$  — (iv) (As the exterior angle of a triangle equals to the sum of opposite interior angles)

By adding (i) and (ii)

 $\angle PQR + \angle QPS > \angle PRQ + \angle RPS$ 

Thus, from (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv), we get

 $\angle PSR > \angle PSQ$ 

# 6. Show that of all line segments drawn from a given point not on it, the perpendicular line segment is the shortest.

#### Solution:

First, let "l" be a line segment and "B" be a point lying on it. A line AB perpendicular to l is now drawn. Also, let C be any other point on l. The diagram will be as follows:



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### To prove:

AB < AC

## **Proof:**

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle B = 90^{\circ}$ 

Now, we know that

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

 $\therefore \angle A + \angle C = 90^{\circ}$ 

Hence,  $\angle C$  must be an acute angle which implies  $\angle C < \angle B$ 

So, AB < AC (As the side opposite to the larger angle is always larger)

