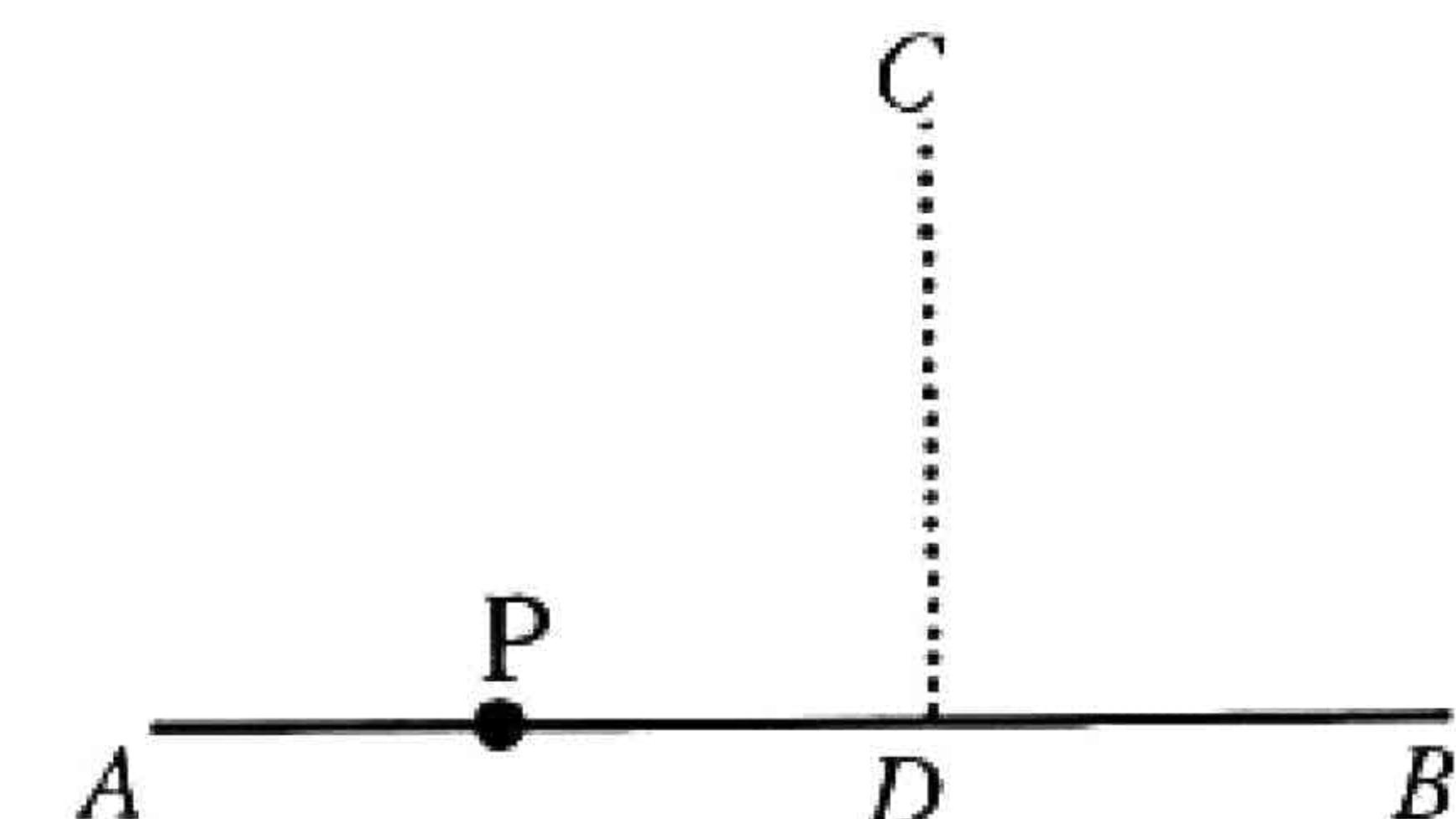


**Unit
08**

PROJECTION OF A SIDE OF A TRIANGLE

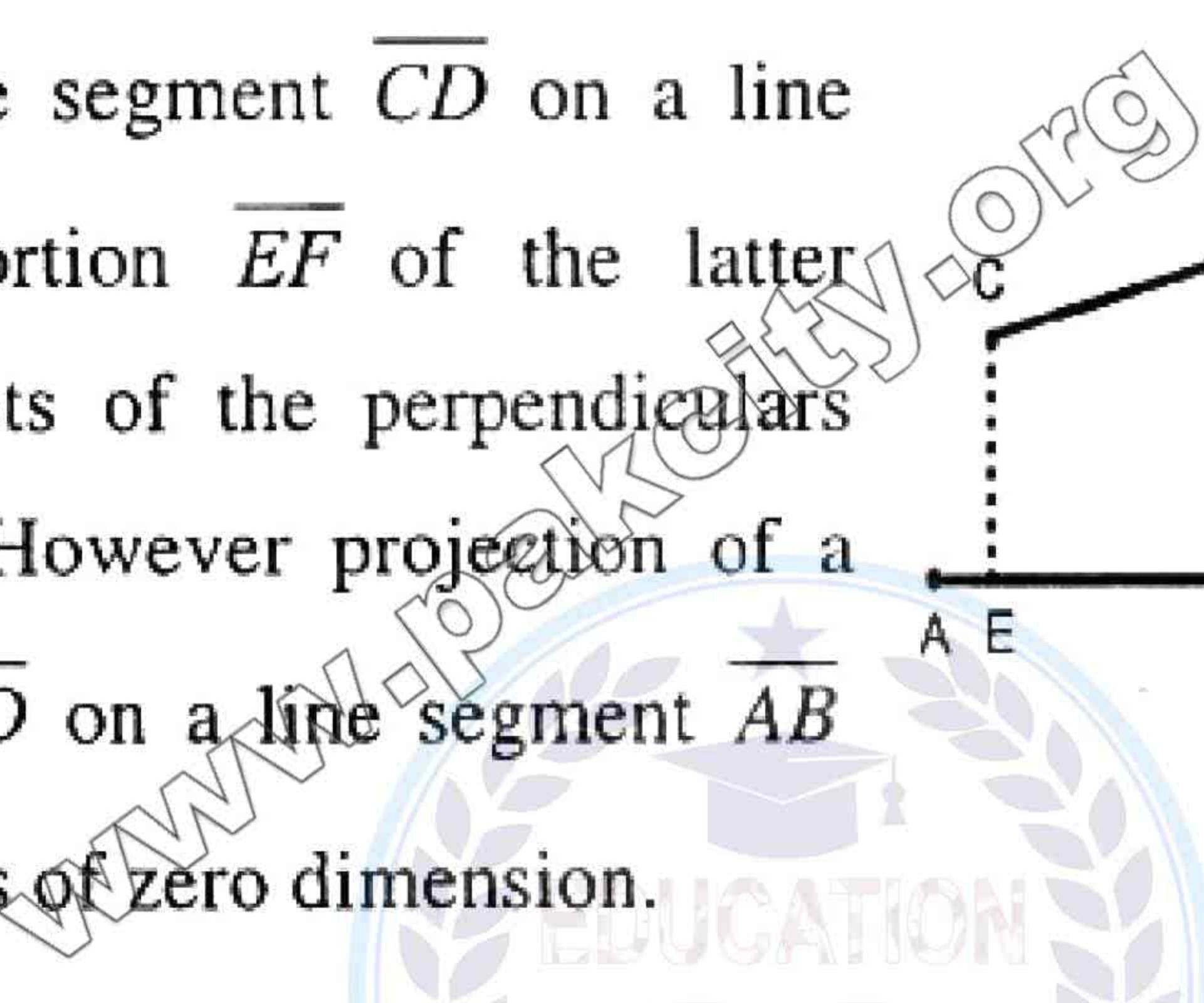
Projection of a Point:

The projection of a given point on a line segment is the foot of \perp drawn from the point on that line segment. If $\overline{CD} \perp \overline{AB}$, then evidently D is the foot of perpendicular CD from the point C on the line segment AB. However projection of a point p lying on the \overline{AB} is the point itself.



Projection of a Line Segment:

The projection of a line segment \overline{CD} on a line segment \overline{AB} is the portion \overline{EF} of the latter intercepted between foots of the perpendiculars drawn from C and D. However projection of a vertical line segment \overline{CD} on a line segment \overline{AB} is a point on \overline{AB} which is of zero dimension.



THEOREM 1

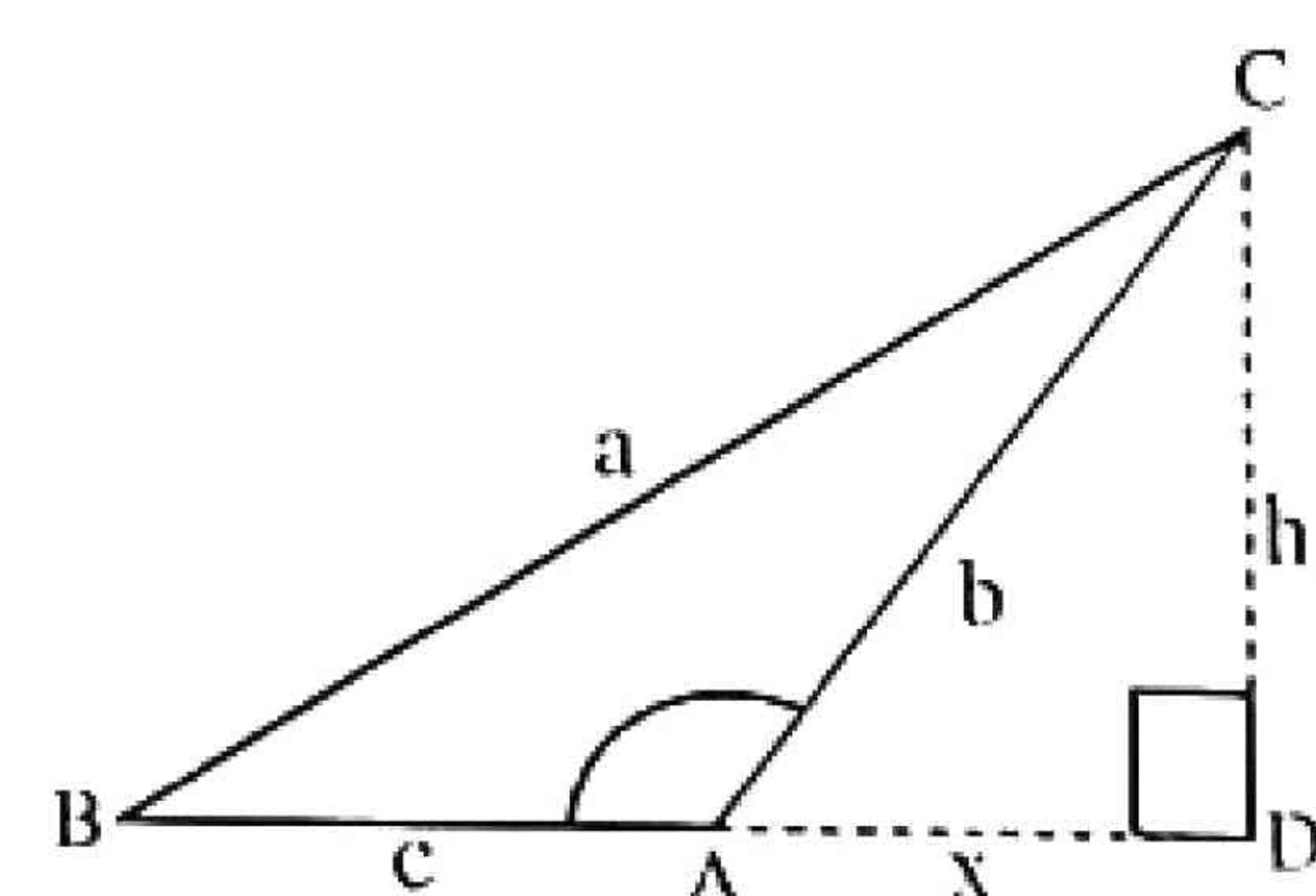
In an obtuse angled triangle, the square on the side opposite to the obtuse angle is equal to the sum of the squares on the sides containing the obtuse angle together with twice the rectangle contained by one of the sides, and the projection on it of the other.

Given: ABC is a triangle having an obtuse angle BAC at A. Draw \overline{CD} perpendicular on \overline{BA} produced, so that \overline{AD} is the projection of \overline{AC} on \overline{BA} produced.

Take $m\overline{BC} = a$, $m\overline{CA} = b$, $m\overline{AB} = c$, $m\overline{AD} = x$ and $m\overline{CD} = h$

To prove: $(m\overline{BC})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$

$$\text{i.e., } a^2 = b^2 + c^2 + 2cx$$



Proof:

Statements	Reasons
In $\angle rt \triangle CDA$,	
$m\angle CDA = 90^\circ$	Given
$(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 = (m\overline{CD})^2$	Pythagoras Theorem
or $b^2 = x^2 + h^2 \dots\dots\dots(i)$	
In $\angle rt \triangle CDB$,	
$m\angle CDB = 90^\circ$	Given
$(m\overline{BC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = (m\overline{CD})^2$	Pythagoras Theorem
or $a^2 = (c+x)^2 + h^2$	$m\overline{BD} + m\overline{BA} = m\overline{AD}$
$a^2 = c^2 + 2cx + x^2 + h^2 \dots\dots\dots(ii)$	
Hence $a^2 = c^2 + 2cx + b^2$	Using (i) and (ii)
i.e., $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 + 2cx$	
or $(m\overline{BC})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$	

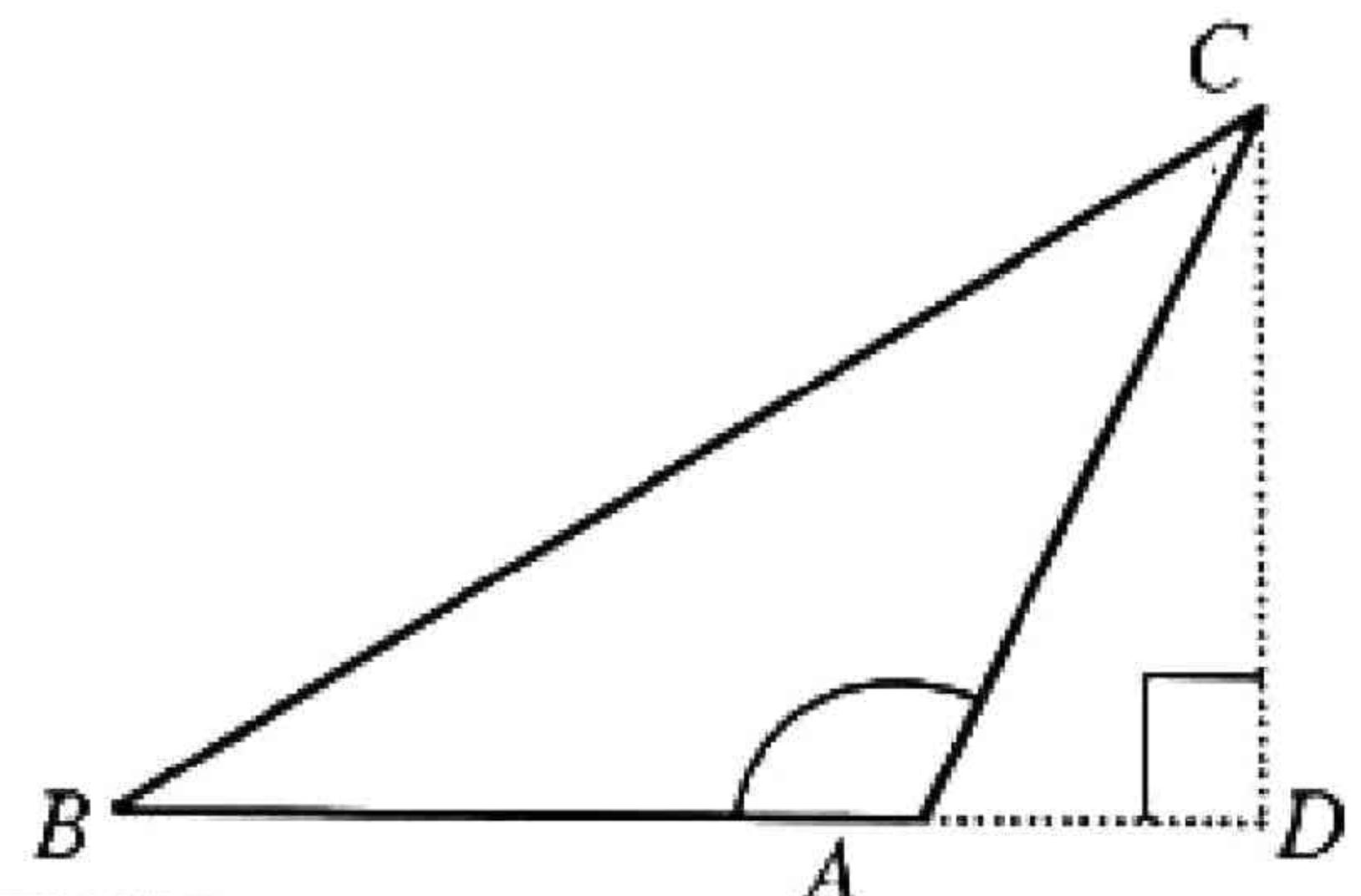
Example: In a $\triangle ABC$ with obtuse angle at A, if CD is an altitude on \overline{BA} produced and $m\overline{AC} = m\overline{AB}$ then prove that $(m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{BD})$

Given: In a $\triangle ABC$, $m\angle A$ is obtuse $m\overline{AC} = m\overline{AB}$

and \overline{CD} being altitude on \overline{BA} produced.

To prove: $(m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{BD})$

Proof: In a $\triangle ABC$, having obtuse angle BAC at A.



Statements	Reasons
$(m\overline{BC})^2 + (m\overline{BA})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$	By theorem 1
$= (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 + 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$	$m\overline{AC} = m\overline{AB}$ (Given)
$= 2(m\overline{AB})^2 + 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$	Taking $2(m\overline{AB})$ as common
$(m\overline{BC})^2 + 2m\overline{AB}(m\overline{AB}) = m\overline{AD}$	On the line segment BD, Point A is between B and D.
$(m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{BD})$	

THEOREM 4

The opposite angles of any quadrilateral inscribed in a circle are supplementary.

Given: ABCD is a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle with centre O.

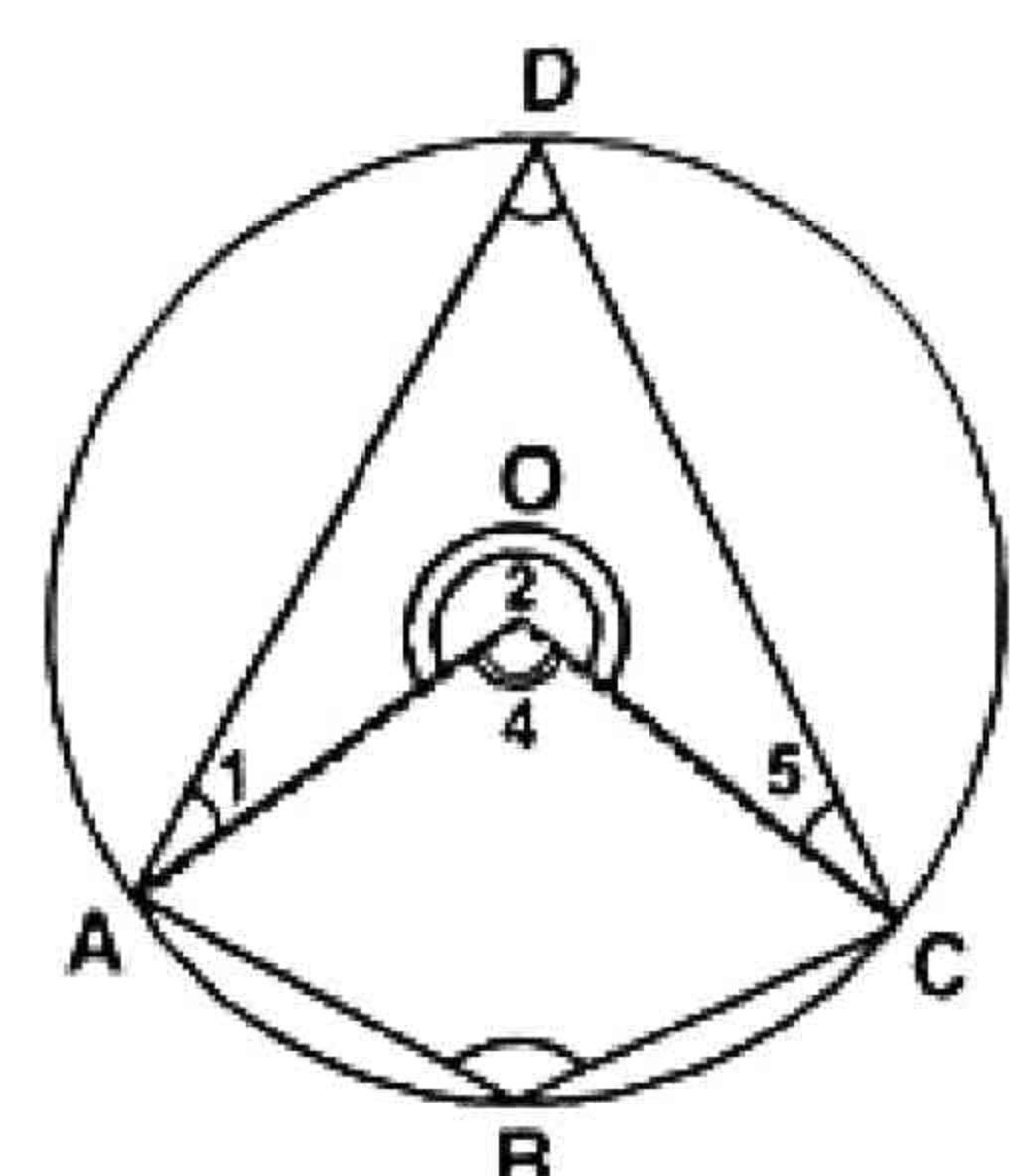
To Prove: $\begin{cases} m\angle A + m\angle C = 2\angle rts \\ m\angle B + m\angle D = 2\angle rts \end{cases}$

Construction: Draw \overline{OA} and \overline{OC} .

Write $\angle 1, \angle 2, \angle 3, \angle 4, \angle 5$ and

$\angle 6$ as shown in the figure.

Proof:



Statements	Reasons
Standing on the same arc ADC, $\angle 2$ is a central angle. Whereas $\angle B$ is the circum angle	Arc ADC of the circle with centre O.
$\therefore m\angle B = \frac{1}{2} (m\angle 2)$ (i)	By theorem 1
Standing on the same arc ABC, $\angle 4$ is a central angle whereas $\angle D$ is the circum angle.	Arc ABC of the circle with centre O.
$\therefore m\angle D = \frac{1}{2} (m\angle 4)$ (ii)	By theorem 1
$\Rightarrow m\angle B + m\angle D = \frac{1}{2} m\angle 2 + \frac{1}{2} m\angle 4$ $= \frac{1}{2} (m\angle 2 + m\angle 4) = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Total central angle})$ i.e., $m\angle B + m\angle D = \frac{1}{2} (4\angle rt) = 2\angle rt$	Adding (i) and (ii)
Similarly $m\angle A + m\angle C = 2\angle rt$	

Corollary 1: In equal circles or in the same circle if two minor arcs are equal then angles inscribed by their corresponding major arcs are also equal.

Corollary 2: In equal circles or in the same circle, two equal arcs subtend equal angles at the circumference and vice versa.

Q.2 Find $m\overline{AC}$ if in $\triangle ABC$, $m\overline{BC} = 6\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AB} = 4\sqrt{2}\text{cm}$ and $m\angle ABC = 135^\circ$.

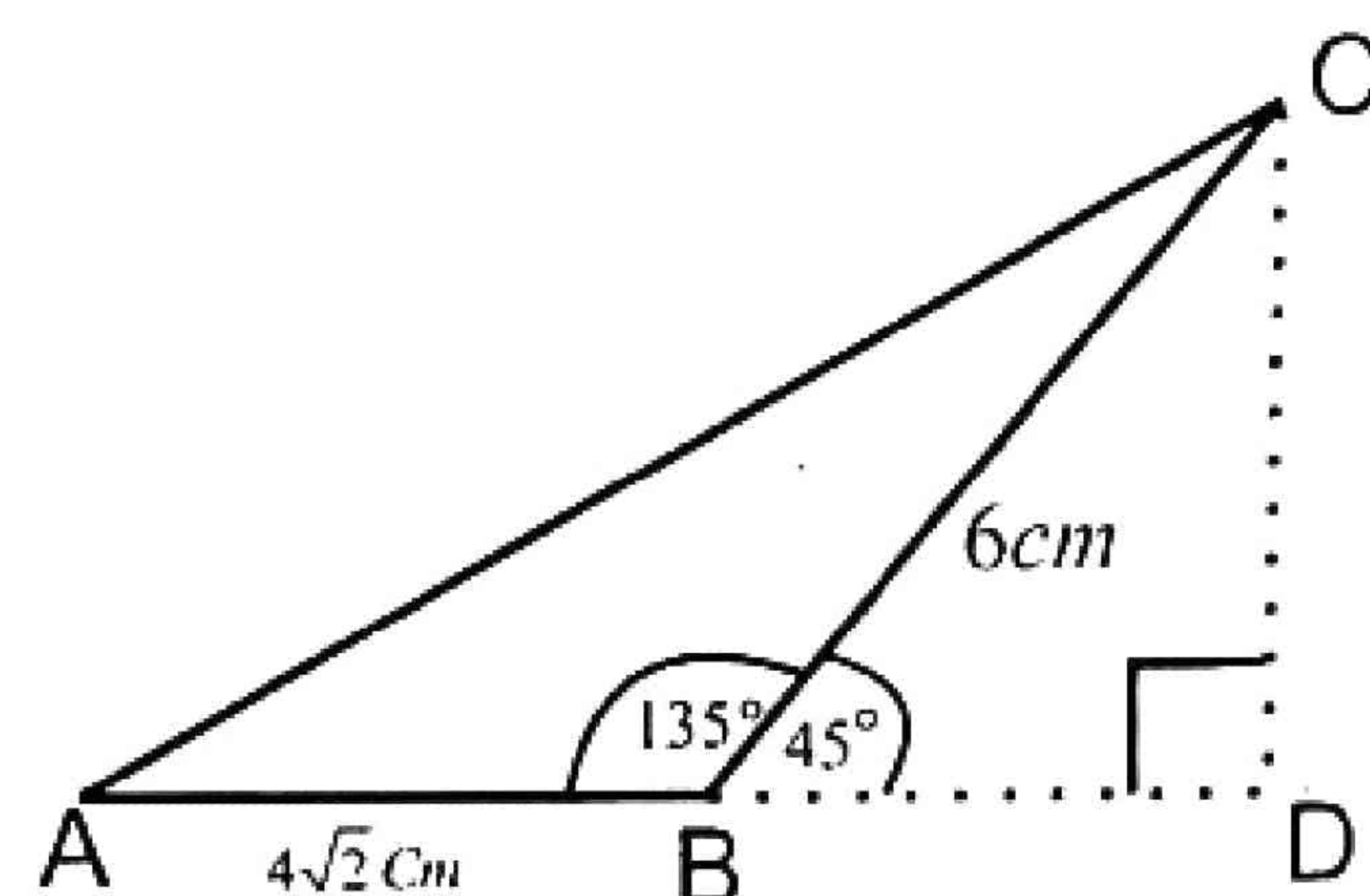
Solution:

Given:

$$m\overline{BC} = 6\text{cm}$$

$$m\overline{AB} = 4\sqrt{2}\text{cm}$$

$$\text{m}\angle ABC = 135^\circ$$



To Find: $m\overline{AC} = ?$

Calculation:

In obtuse angled triangle ABC, by theorem 1

$$\left(\overline{m_{AC}}\right)^2 = \left(\overline{m_{AB}}\right)^2 + \left(\overline{m_{BC}}\right)^2 + 2\left(\overline{m_{AB}}\right)\left(\overline{m_{BD}}\right) \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

In right angled $\triangle BCD$

$$\cos 45^\circ = \frac{\overline{mBD}}{\overline{mBC}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m_{BD}}{6\text{cm}}$$

$$m\overline{BD} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ cm}$$

Now putting the corresponding values in equation (i) we get

$$(\overline{mAC})^2 + (4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm})^2 = (6 \text{ cm})^2$$

$$= 16(2 \text{ cm}^2) + 36\text{cm}^2 + 8\text{cm} (6\text{cm})$$

$$= 32 \text{ cm}^2 + 36 \text{ cm}^2 + 48 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$= 116 \text{ cm}^2$$

By taking square root of both sides, we get

$$\sqrt{(\overline{mAC})^2} = \sqrt{116\text{cm}^2} = \sqrt{4 \times 29\text{cm}^2}$$

$$m\overline{AC} = 2\sqrt{29} \text{ cm}$$

THEOREM 2

In any triangle, the square on the side opposite to acute angle is equal to sum of the squares on the sides containing that acute angle diminished by twice the rectangle contained by one of those sides and the projection on it of the other.

Given: $\triangle ABC$ with an acute angle CAB at A.

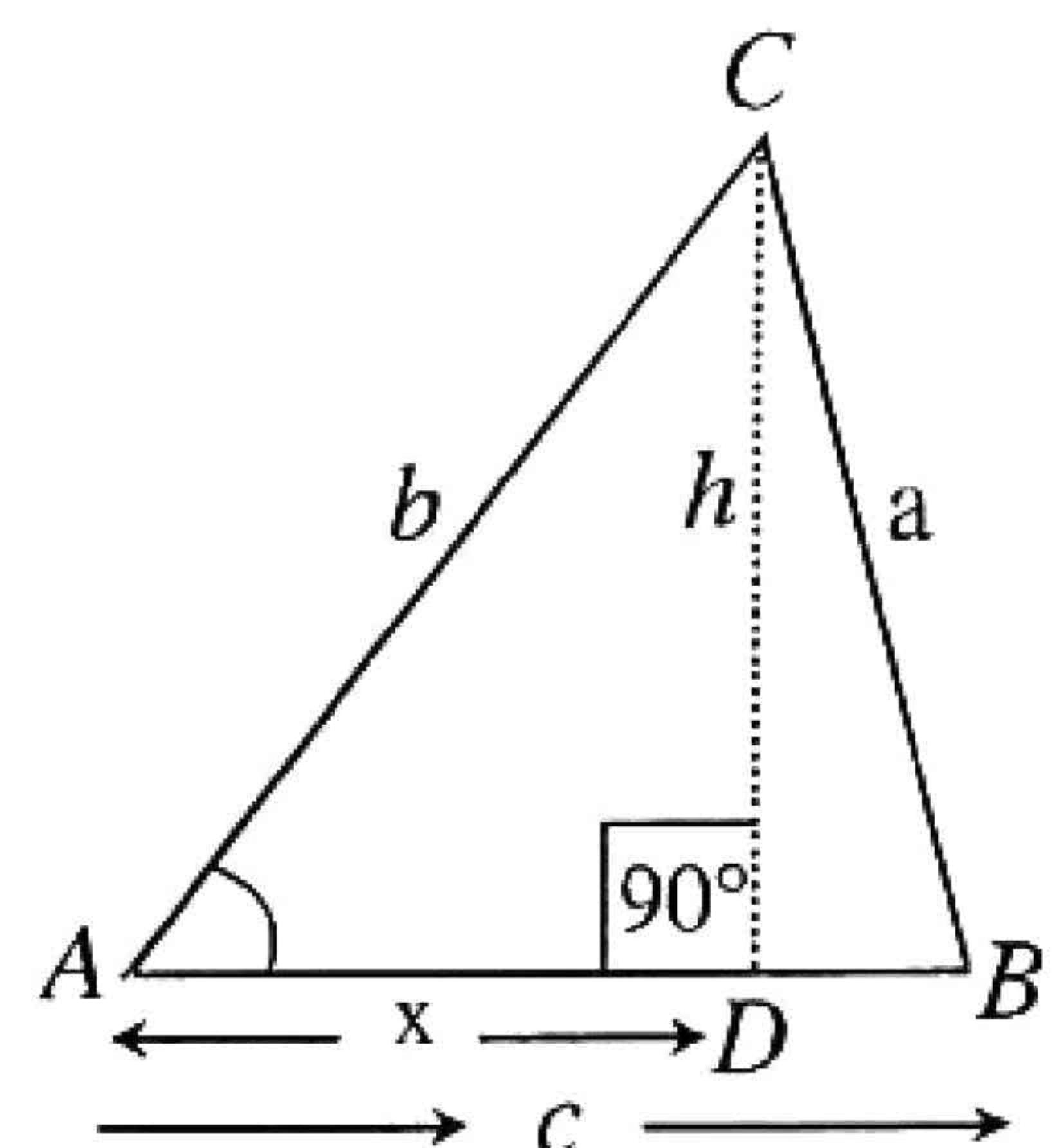
Take $m\overline{BC} = a$ $m\overline{CA} = b$ and $m\overline{AB} = c$

Draw $\overline{CD} \perp \overline{AB}$ so that \overline{AD} is projection of \overline{AC} on \overline{AB}

Also, $m\overline{AD} = x$ and $m\overline{CD} = h$

To prove: $(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$

i.e., $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2cx$



Proof:

Statements	Reasons
In $\angle rt \triangle CDA$ $m\angle CDA = 90^\circ$ $(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 = (m\overline{CD})^2$	Given Pythagoras theorem
i.e., $b^2 = x^2 + h^2$(i)	
In $\angle rt \triangle CDB$, $m\angle CDB = 90^\circ$ $(m\overline{BC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = (m\overline{CD})^2$	Given Pythagoras theorem
$a^2 = (c - x)^2 + h^2$ or $a^2 = c^2 - 2cx + x^2 + h^2$(ii) $a^2 = c^2 - 2cx + b^2$	From the figure $m\overline{BD} = (c - x)$ Using (i) and (ii)
Hence, $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2cx$ $i.e., (m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD})$	

THEOREM 3**(APOLLONIUS' THEOREM)**

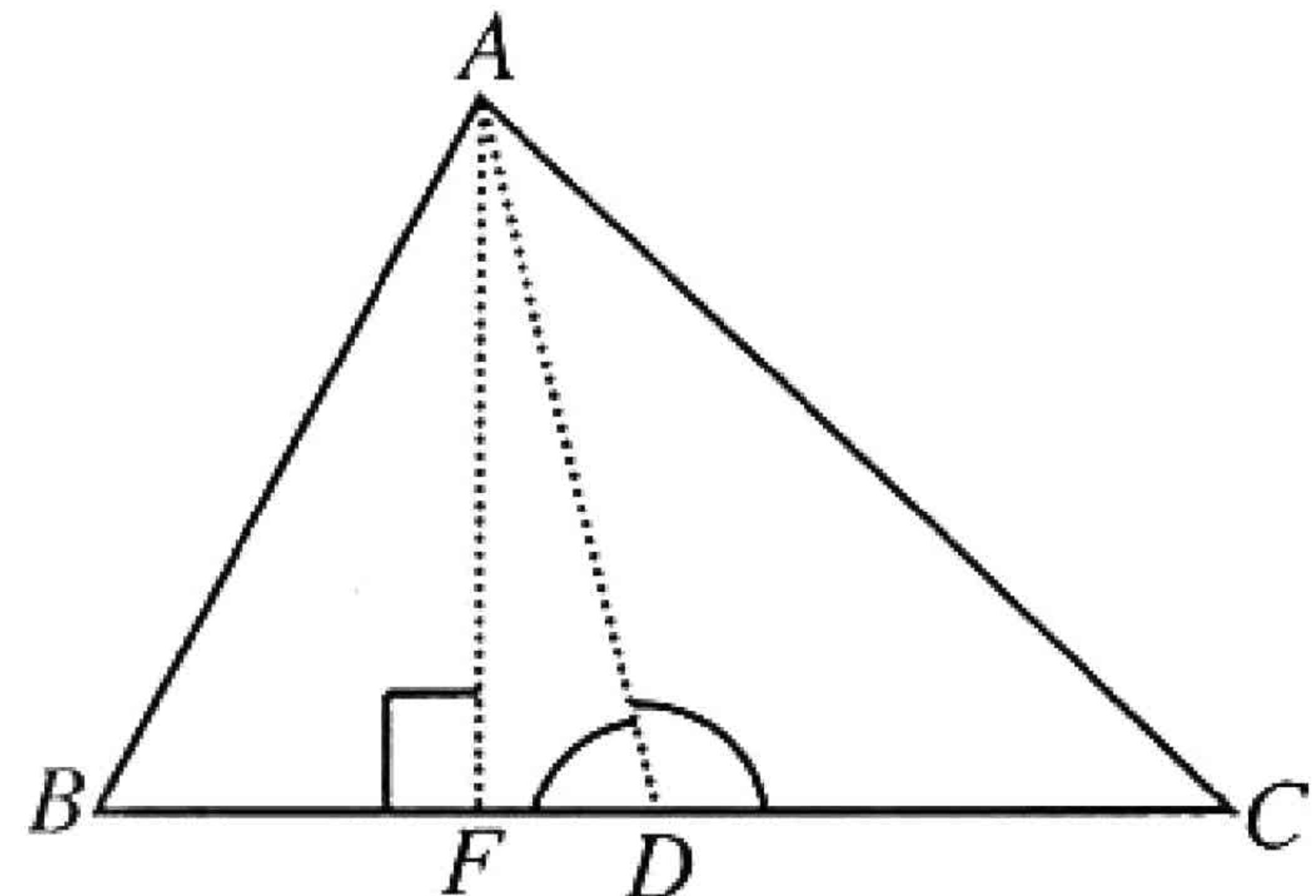
In any triangle, the sum of the squares on any two sides is equal to twice the square on half the third side together with twice the square on the median which bisects the third side.

Given: In a ΔABC , the median \overline{AD} bisects \overline{BC} .

$$\text{i.e., } m\overline{BD} = m\overline{CD}$$

$$\text{To prove: } (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 = 2(m\overline{BD})^2 + 2(m\overline{AD})^2$$

Construction: Draw $\overline{AF} \perp \overline{BC}$



Proof:

Statements	Reasons
In ΔADB Since $\angle ADB$ is acute at D $\therefore (m\overline{AB})^2 = (m\overline{BD})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 - 2(m\overline{BD})(m\overline{FD}) \dots \text{(i)}$	Using theorem 2
Now in ΔADC since $\angle ADC$ is obtuse at D $\therefore (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{CD})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 = 2(m\overline{CD})(m\overline{FD}) \dots \text{(ii)}$	Using theorem 1
Then $(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = (m\overline{CD})^2 + 2(m\overline{AD})^2$ $- 2(m\overline{BD})(m\overline{FD}) + 2(m\overline{CD})(m\overline{FD}) \dots \text{(iii)}$	Adding (i) and (ii)
Also $m\overline{BD} = m\overline{CD} \dots \text{(iv)}$	Given
So $(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = (m\overline{BD})^2 + 2(m\overline{AD})^2$ $- 2(m\overline{BD})(m\overline{FD}) + 2(m\overline{BD})(m\overline{FD})$ $(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 = 2(m\overline{BD})^2 + 2(m\overline{AD})^2$	Using (iii) and (iv)

Example 1: In ΔABC , $\angle C$ is obtuse, $\overline{AD} \perp \overline{BC}$ produced, whereas \overline{BD} is projection of \overline{AB} on \overline{BC} .

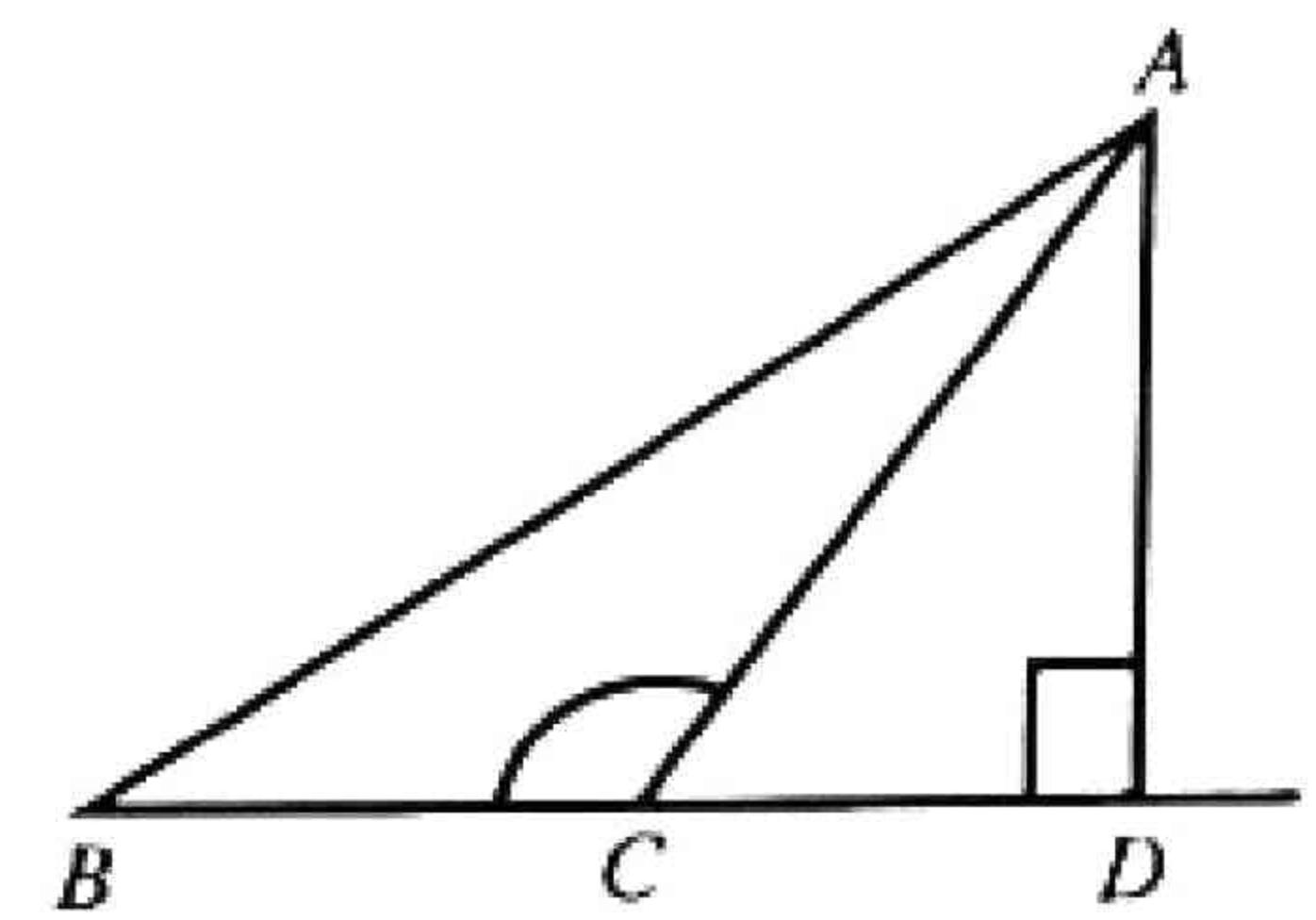
Prove that $(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{BC})(m\overline{BD})$

Given:

In a ΔABC , $\angle BCA$ is obtuse so that $\angle B$ is acute, $\overline{AD} \perp \overline{BC}$ produced whereas \overline{BD} is projection of \overline{AB} on \overline{BC} produced.

To prove: $(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{BC})(m\overline{BD})$

Proof:



Statements	Reasons
In $\angle rt \Delta ABD$ $(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 = (m\overline{BD})^2$(i) Pythagoras theorem
In $\angle rt \Delta ACD$ $(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 = (m\overline{CD})^2$(ii) Pythagoras theorem $m\overline{BC} = m\overline{CD} + m\overline{BD}$
or $(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AD})^2 + (m\overline{BD} - m\overline{BC})^2$ $(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AD})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{BC})(m\overline{BD})$(iii)	Using (i) and (ii)
$(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{BC})(m\overline{BD})$	

Example 2: In an isosceles ΔABC , if

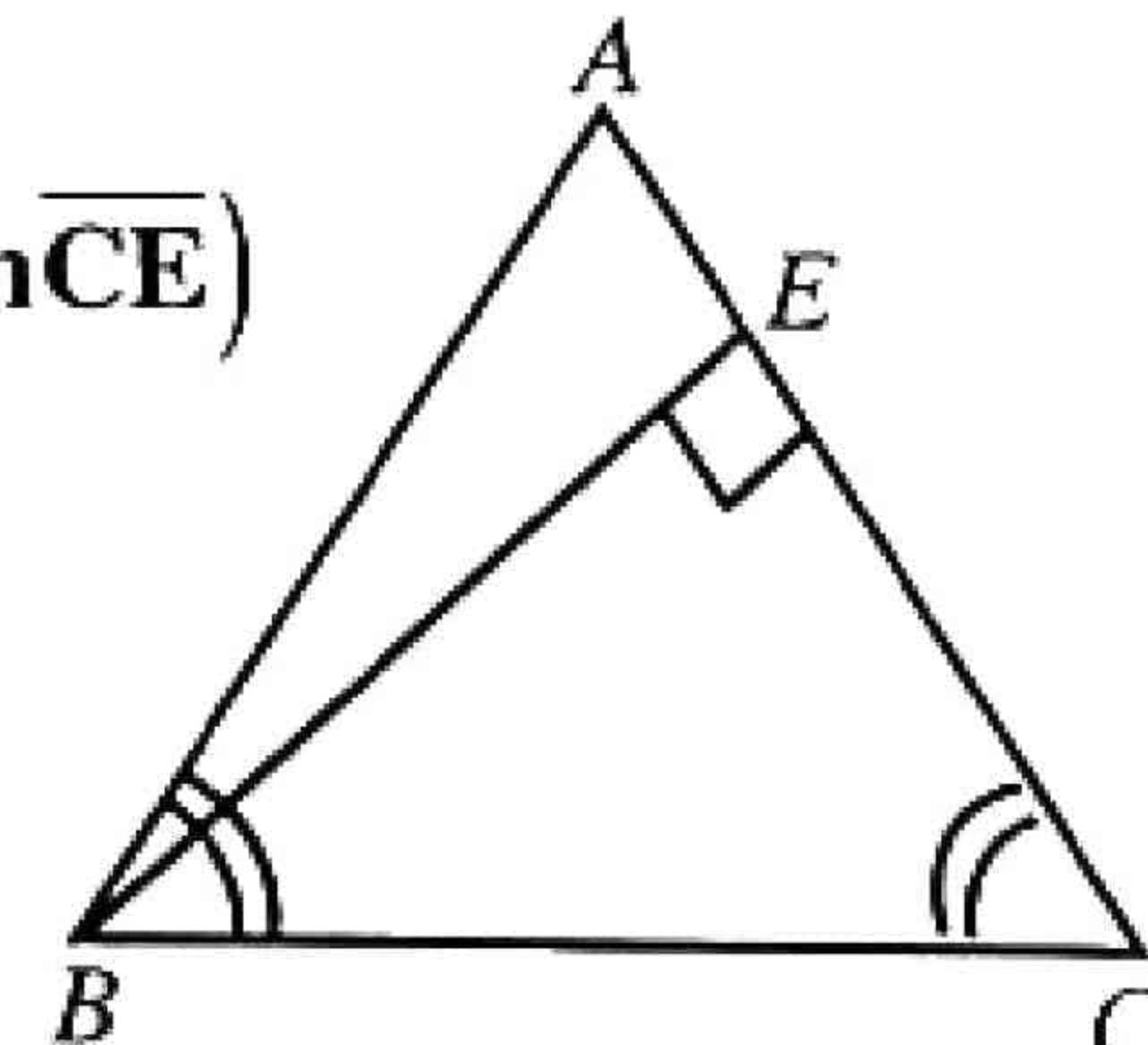
$m\overline{AB} = m\overline{AC}$ and $\overline{BE} \perp \overline{AC}$, then prove that $(m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AC})(m\overline{CE})$

Given: In an isosceles ΔABC

$$m\overline{AB} = m\overline{AC} \text{ and } \overline{BE} \perp \overline{AC}$$

Whereas \overline{CE} is the projection of \overline{BC} on \overline{AC}

To prove: $(m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AC})(m\overline{CE})$



Proof:

Statements	Reasons
In an isosceles ΔABC with $m\overline{AB} = m\overline{AC}$. If $\angle C$ is acute, then	
$(m\overline{AB})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{AC})(m\overline{CE})$	By theorem 2
$(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{AC})(m\overline{CE})$	Given $m\overline{AB} = m\overline{AC}$
$(m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{AC})(m\overline{CE}) = 0$	Cancel $(m\overline{AC})^2$ on both sides
or $(m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AC})(m\overline{CE})$	

EXERCISE 8.2

Q. 1 In a $\triangle ABC$ calculate $m\overline{BC}$

When $m\overline{AB} = 6\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AC} = 4\text{cm}$ and $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

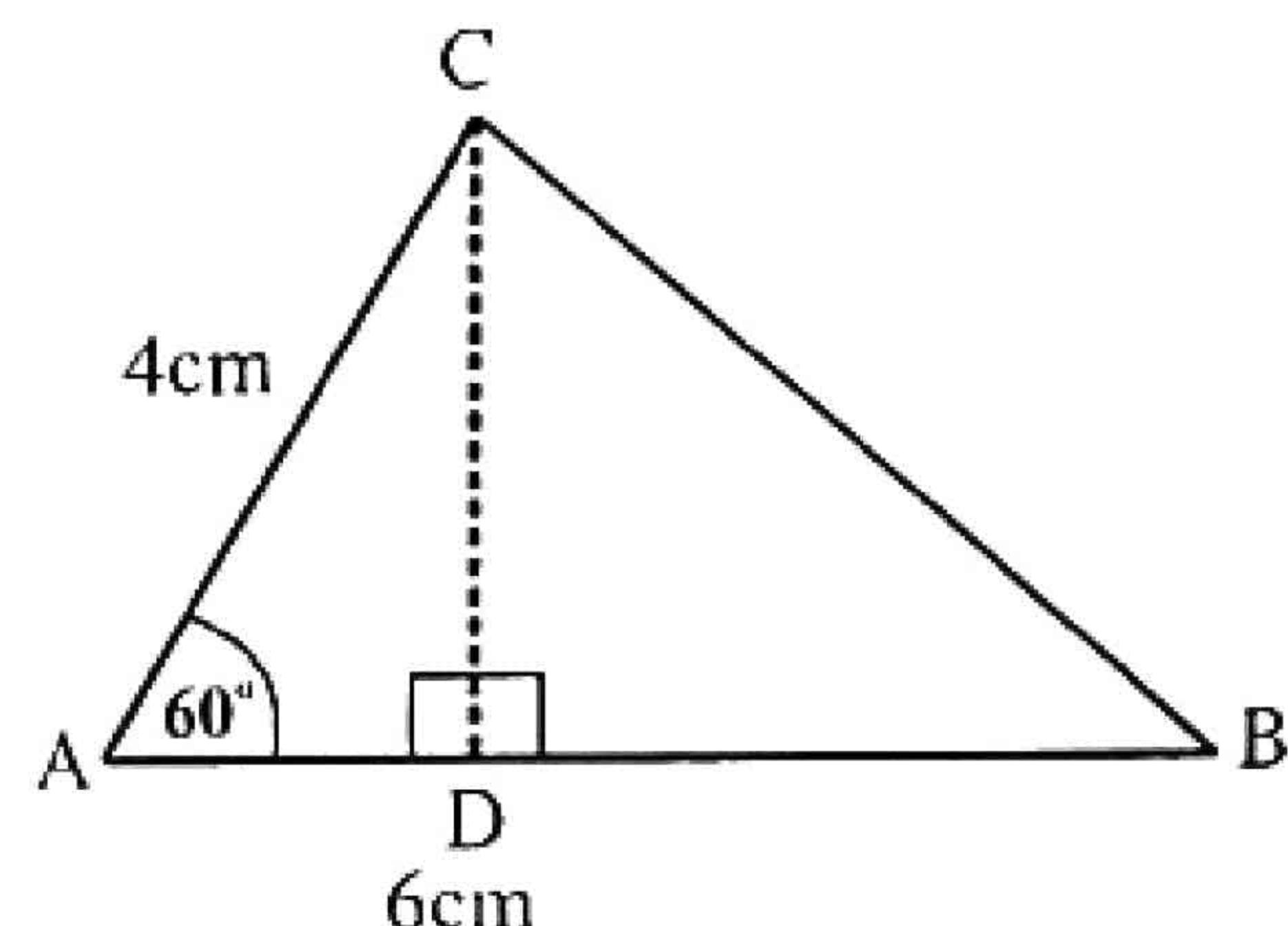
Solution:

Given: In a ΔABC , $m\overline{AB} = 6\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AC} = 4\text{cm}$ and $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

To find: $m\overline{BC} = ?$

Calculations:

In acute angled triangle ABC, by theorem 2



In right angle $\triangle ACD$

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{\overline{mAD}}{\overline{mAC}}$$

$$\frac{1}{Z} = \frac{\overline{mAD}}{A_2} \quad \square$$

$$m\overline{AD} = 2cm$$

Putting the corresponding values in equation (i), we get

$$\left(m\overline{BC}\right)^2 = (4\text{cm})^2 + (6\text{cm})^2 - 2(6\text{cm})(2\text{cm})$$

$$(\overline{mBC})^2 = 16\text{cm}^2 + 36\text{ cm}^2 - 24\text{ cm}^2$$

$$\left(\overline{mBC}\right)^2 = 28 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\sqrt{(m\overline{BC})^2} = \sqrt{28cm^2}$$

$$m\overline{BC} = 5.29 \text{ cm}$$

Q.2 In a $\triangle ABC$, $m\overline{AB} = 6\text{cm}$, $m\overline{BC} = 8\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AC} = 9\text{cm}$ and D is the mid-point of side \overline{AC} . Find length of the median \overline{BD} .

Solution:

Given:

In a $\triangle ABC$,

$$\overline{wAB} = 6\text{cm}$$

$m\overline{BC} = 8cm$

$$\overline{mAC} = 9_{\text{GMM}}$$

To Find: Length of median i.e. $m\overline{BD} = ?$

Calculations:

By Apollonius' theorem

In a $\triangle ABC$

$$As \quad m\overline{AD} = \frac{1}{2}m\overline{AC}$$

$$m\overline{AD} = \frac{1}{2}(9\text{cm}) = 4.5\text{cm}$$

Now, putting the corresponding value in equation (i)

$$(6\text{cm})^2 + (8\text{cm})^2 = 2(4.5\text{cm})^2 + 2(\overline{\text{mBD}})^2$$

$$36\text{cm}^2 + 64\text{cm}^2 = 2(20.25\text{cm}^2) + 2(\overline{\text{mBD}})$$

$$100\text{cm}^2 + 40.5\text{cm}^2 = 2 \left(\text{m}\overline{\text{BD}} \right)^2$$

$$100\text{cm}^2 - 40.5\text{cm}^2 = 2 \left(\overline{mBD} \right)^2$$

$$59.5\text{cm}^2 = 2(\overline{mBD})^2$$

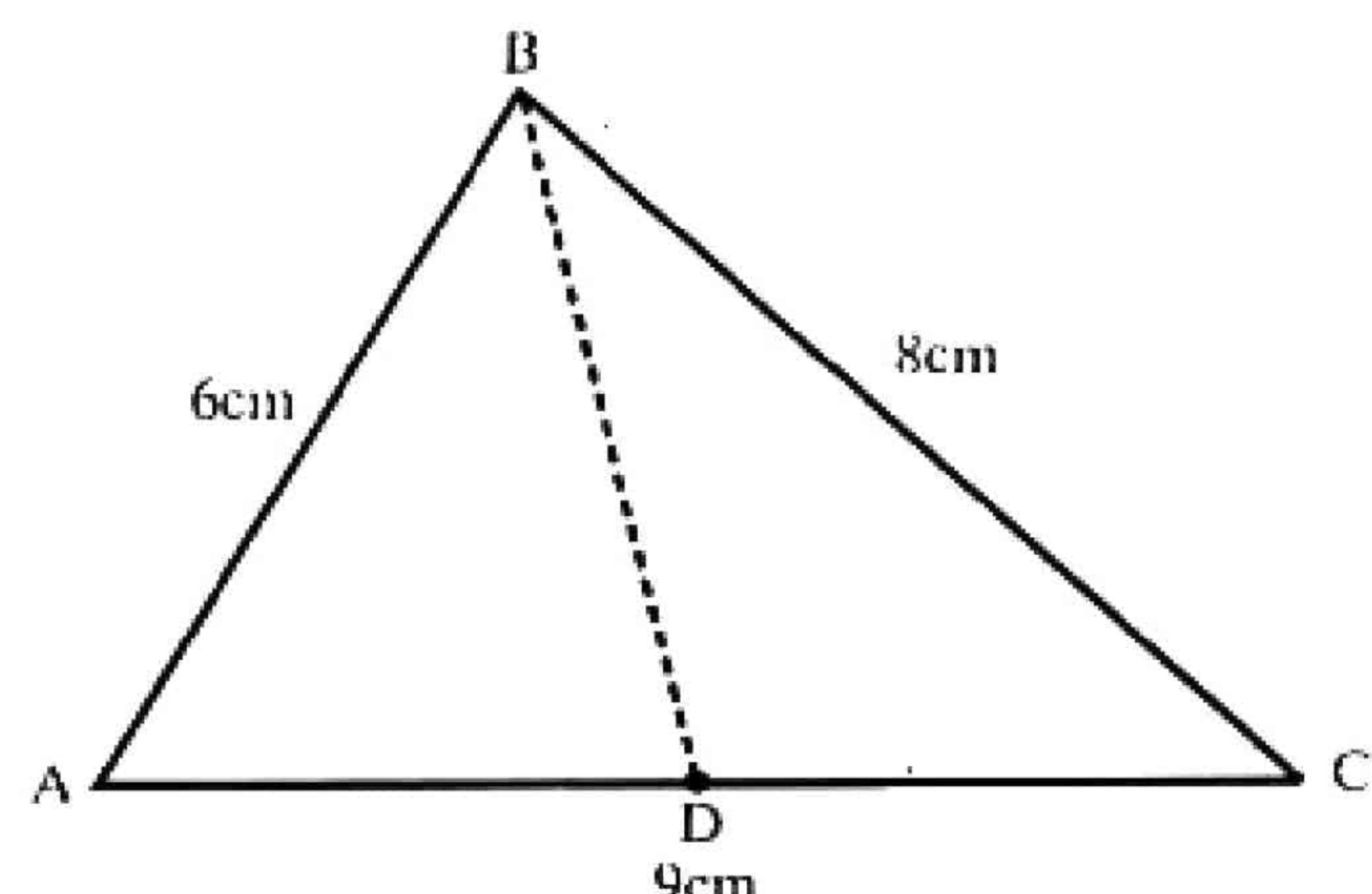
$$\frac{59.5 \text{ cm}^2}{2} = (\overline{mBD})^2$$

$$29.75 \text{ cm}^2 = \left(\overline{mBD} \right)^2$$

By taking square root

$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{mBD}{t}\right)^2} = \sqrt{29.75\text{cm}^2}$$

$$m\overline{BD} = 5.45\text{cm}$$



Q.3 In a Parallelogram ABCD prove that $(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2$

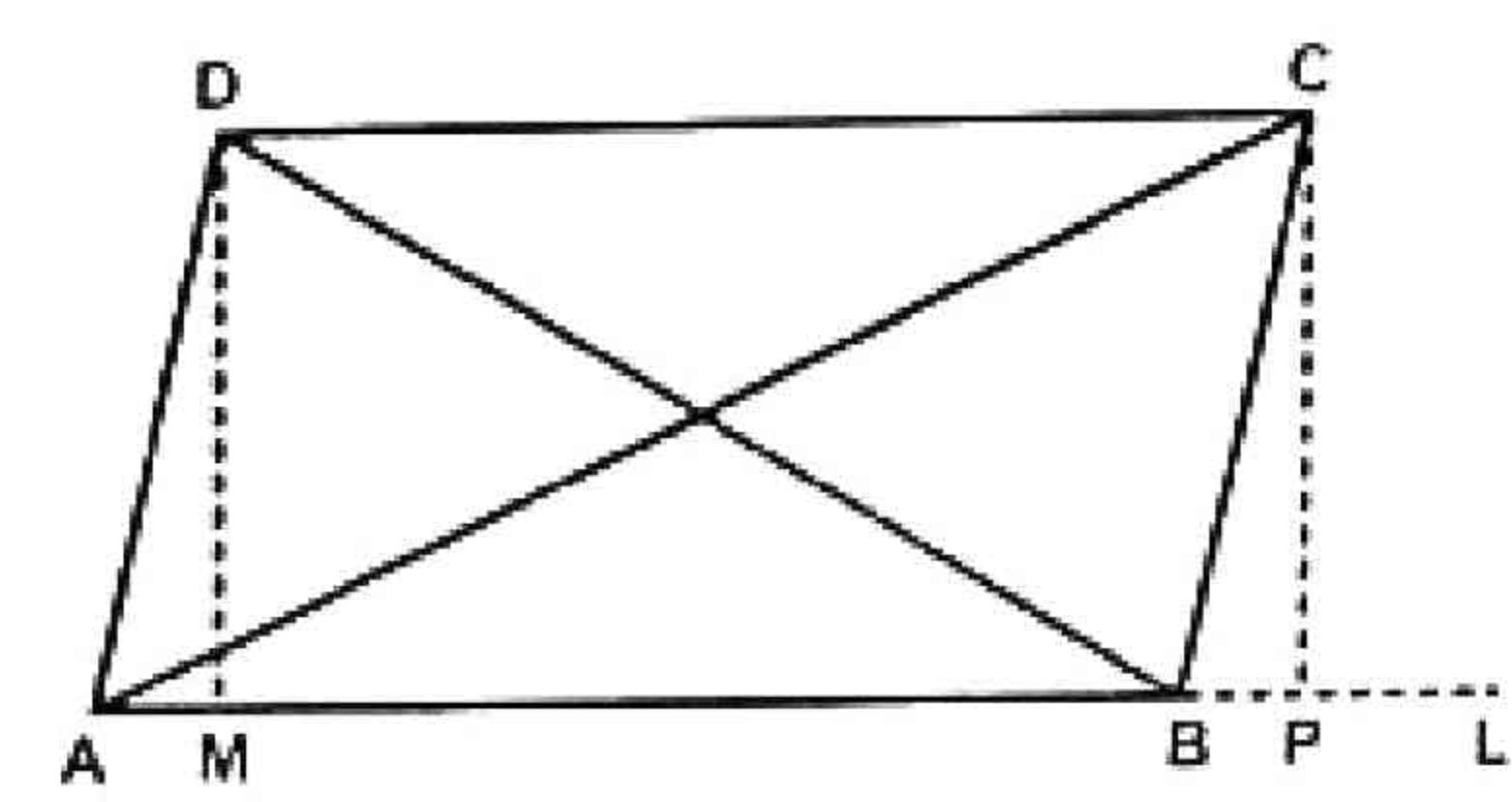
Given: ABCD is a Parallelogram.

To Prove: $(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2$

Construction:

Extend \overline{AB} beyond B. Draw $\overline{DM} \perp \overline{AB}$ and $\overline{CP} \perp \overline{AB}$ extended.

Proof:



Statements	Reasons
In ΔABC , $\angle ABC$ is obtuse	
$(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{BP}) \dots\dots\dots (i)$	By theorem 1
In ΔABD , $\angle BAD$ is acute	
$(m\overline{BD})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AD})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AM})$ $= (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{BP}) \dots (ii)$	By theorem 2 $AMD \cong BPC$ i.e. $m\overline{AM} = m\overline{BP}$
$(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})^2 + 2(m\overline{BC})^2$	
$(m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{BD})^2 = 2(m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2$	By adding (i) and (ii)

MISCELLANEOUS EXERCISE – 8

Q. 1 In a ΔABC , $m\angle A = 60^\circ$,

Prove that $(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 - (m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC})$

Solution:

Given: In a ΔABC , $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

To Prove: $(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 - (m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC})$

Proof: In acute angled triangle ABC, by Theorem No. 2

$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AD}) \dots\dots\dots (i)$

In right angled ΔACD

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}} \quad \frac{1}{2} = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}} \quad (\cos 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2})$$

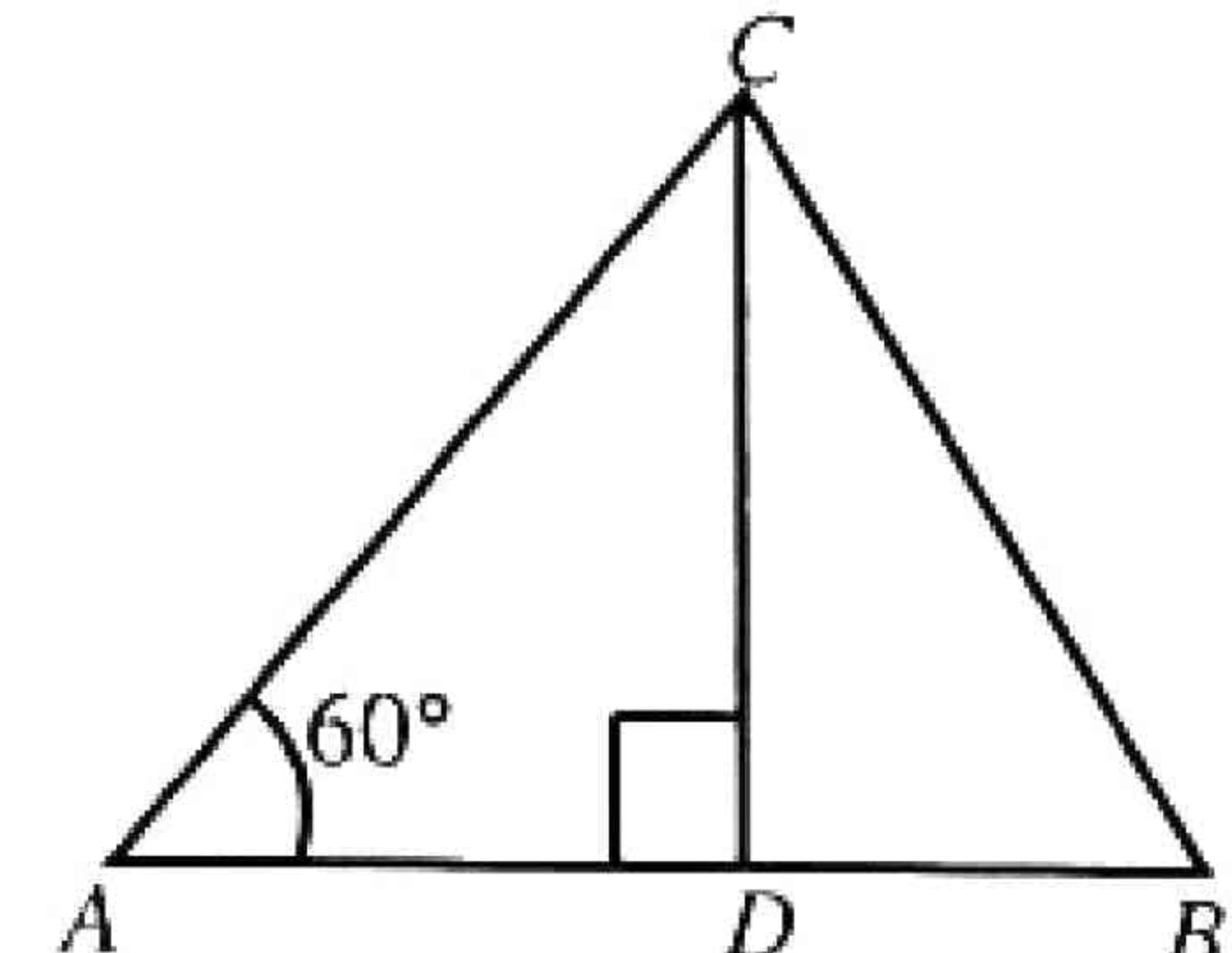
$$m\overline{AD} = \frac{1}{2}m\overline{AC}$$

Put it in equation (i)

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB}) \cdot \frac{1}{2}m\overline{AC}$$

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - \cancel{2}(m\overline{AB}) \cdot \frac{1}{\cancel{2}}m\overline{AC}$$

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - (m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC}) \quad \text{Hence proved}$$



Q. 2 In a ΔABC , $m\angle A = 45^\circ$, prove that $(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 - \sqrt{2}(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC})$.

Solution:

Given: In a ΔABC , $m\angle A = 45^\circ$

To prove: $(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 - \sqrt{2}(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC})$

Proof: In triangle ABC , $\angle A$ is acute so by Theorem 2

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC}) \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

In right angled ΔACD

$$\cos 45^\circ = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

$$m\overline{AD} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} m\overline{AC}$$

Put it in equation (i)

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB}) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} m\overline{AC}$$

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{AC})^2 - \sqrt{2}(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC}) \quad \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}$$

Q. 3 In a ΔABC , calculate $m\overline{BC}$ when $m\overline{AB} = 5\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AC} = 4\text{cm}$, $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

Solution:

Given: In a ΔABC $m\overline{AB} = 5\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AC} = 4\text{cm}$, $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

To Find: $m\overline{BC} = ?$

Calculations: In triangle ABC , $\angle A$ is acute so by Theorem 2

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC})$$

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (4\text{cm})^2 + (5\text{cm})^2 - 2(5\text{cm})(m\overline{AD}) \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

In right angle ΔACD

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}} \quad \frac{1}{2} = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{4\text{cm}} \quad (\cos 60^\circ = \frac{1}{2})$$

$$2\text{cm} = m\overline{AD} \quad \boxed{m\overline{AD} = 2\text{cm}}$$

Putting the corresponding values in equation (i)

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = (m\overline{AC})^2 + (m\overline{AB})^2 - 2(m\overline{AB})(m\overline{AC})$$

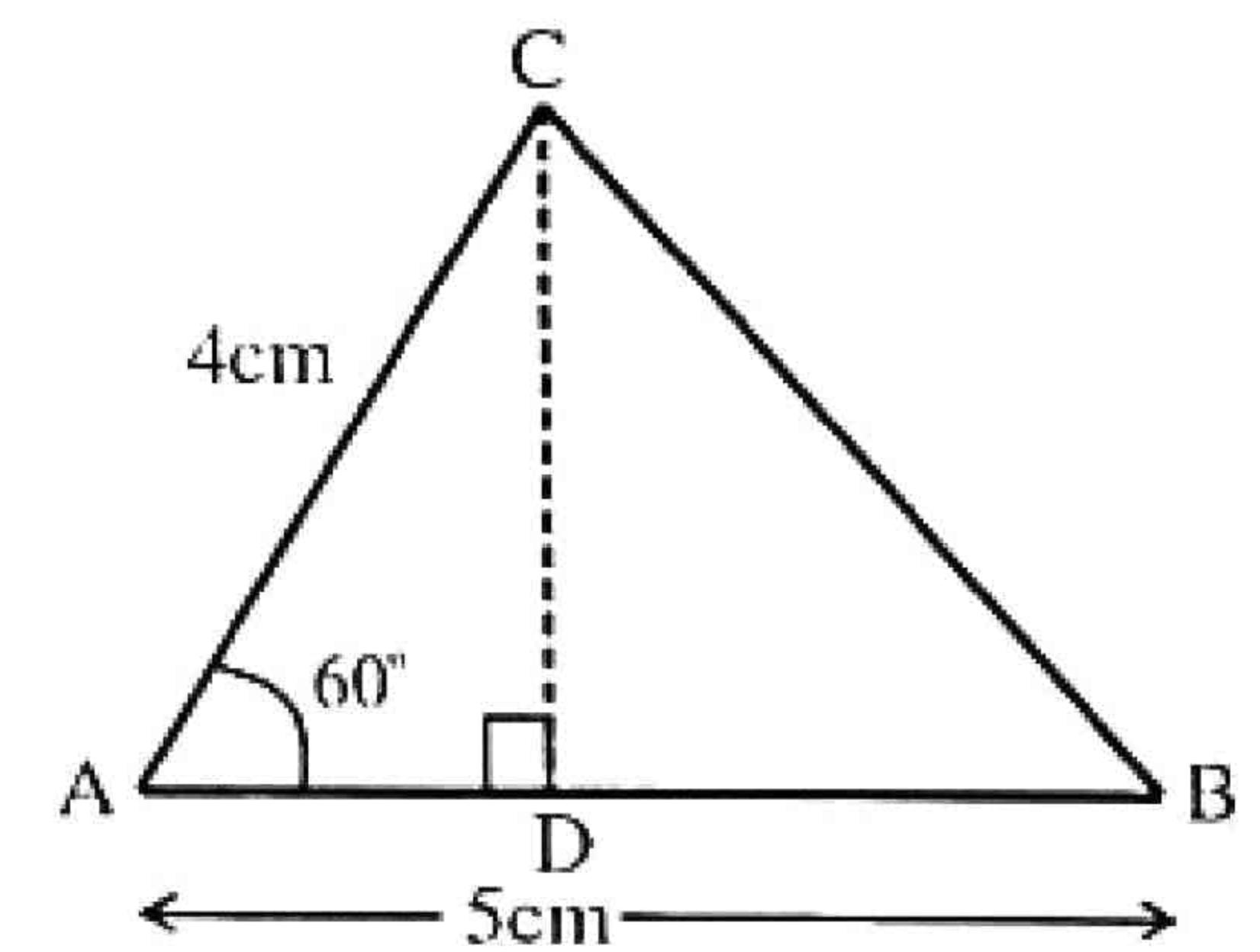
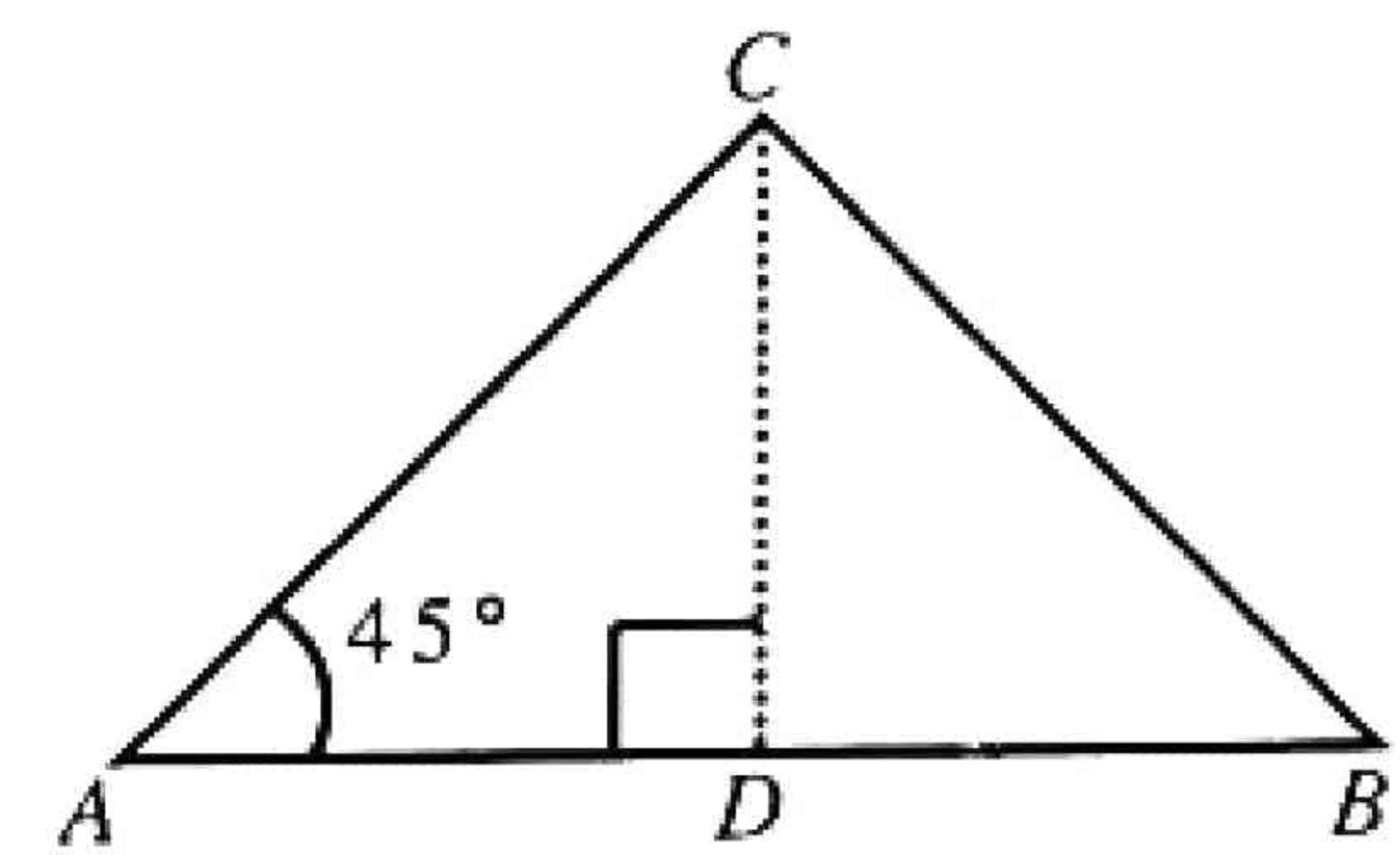
$$= (4\text{cm})^2 + (5\text{cm})^2 - 2(5\text{cm})(2\text{cm})$$

$$= 16\text{cm}^2 + 25\text{cm}^2 - 20\text{cm}^2$$

$$= 41\text{cm}^2 - 20\text{cm}^2$$

$$(m\overline{BC})^2 = 21\text{cm}^2$$

$$\sqrt{(m\overline{BC})^2} = \sqrt{21\text{cm}^2} \quad \boxed{m\overline{BC} = 4.58\text{ cm}}$$



Q. 6 In a triangle ABC, $m\overline{BC} = 21\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AC} = 17\text{cm}$, $m\overline{AB} = 10\text{cm}$. Calculate the projection of \overline{AB} upon \overline{BC} .

Solution:

Given

$$m\overline{BC} = 21\text{cm}$$

$$m\overline{AC} = 17\text{cm}$$

$$m\overline{AB} = 10\text{cm}$$

To Find: Projection of \overline{AB} upon \overline{BC} i.e $m\overline{BD} = ?$

Calculations:

In triangle ABC, $\angle B$ is acute so by theorem 2

$$(m\overline{AC})^2 = (m\overline{AB})^2 + (m\overline{BC})^2 - 2(m\overline{BC})(m\overline{BD})$$

$$(17\text{cm})^2 = (10\text{cm})^2 + (21\text{cm})^2 - 2(21\text{cm})(m\overline{BD})$$

$$289\text{cm}^2 = 100\text{cm}^2 + 441\text{cm}^2 - 42\text{cm}(m\overline{BD})$$

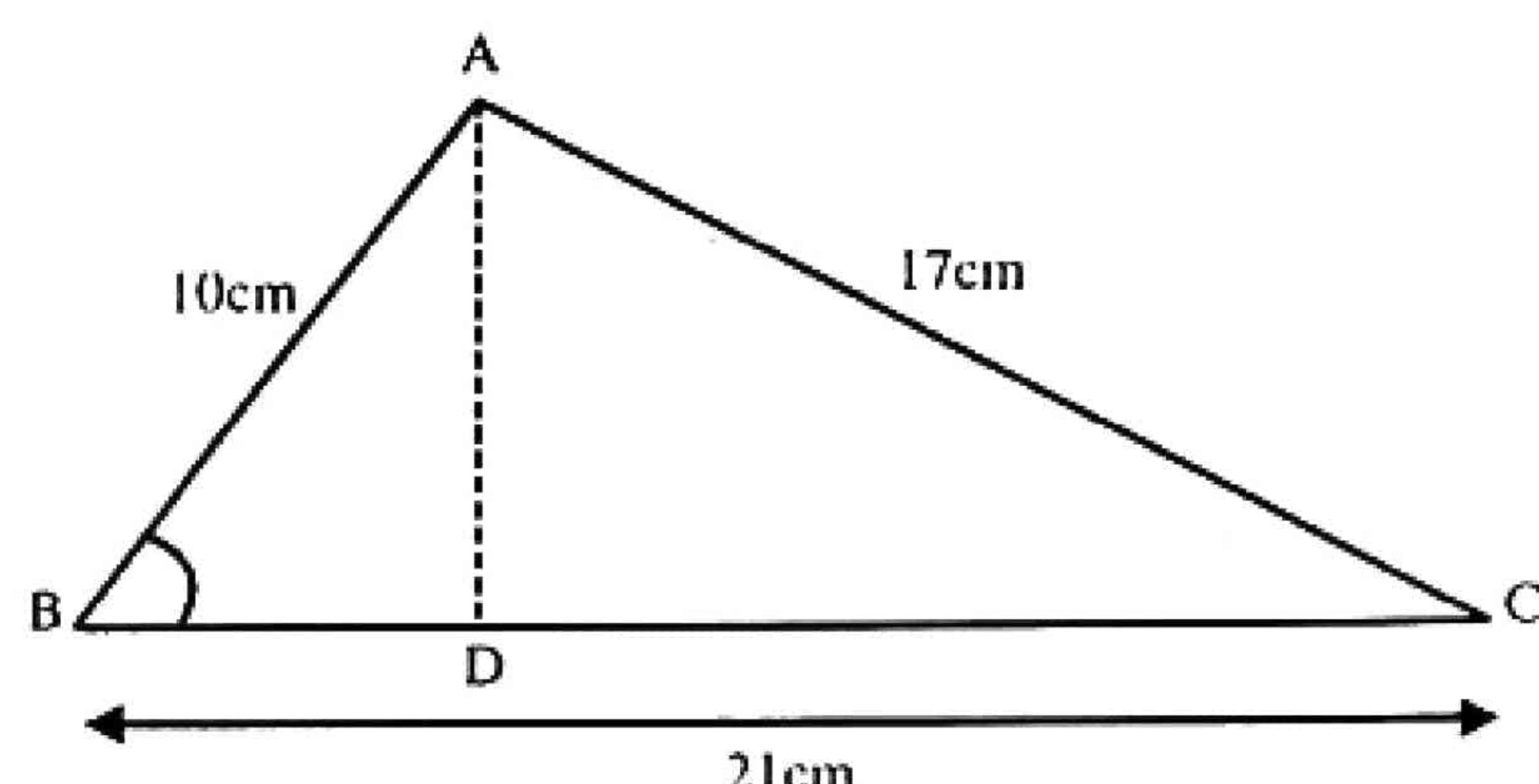
$$289\text{cm}^2 = 541\text{cm}^2 - 42\text{cm}(m\overline{BD})$$

$$289\text{cm}^2 - 541\text{cm}^2 = -42\text{cm}(m\overline{BD})$$

$$-252\text{cm}^2 = -42\text{cm}(m\overline{BD})$$

$$\frac{-252\text{cm}^2}{-42\text{cm}} = m\overline{BD}$$

$$\boxed{m\overline{BD} = 6\text{cm}}$$



Q. 7 In a ΔABC , $a = 17\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$ and $c = 8\text{cm}$. Find $m\angle A$.

Solution:

Given: In a ΔABC , $a = 17\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$, $c = 8\text{cm}$

To Find: $m\angle A = ?$

Calculations:

Sum of squares of two sides $= b^2 + c^2$

$$= (15\text{cm})^2 + (8\text{cm})^2$$

$$= 225\text{cm}^2 + 64\text{cm}^2$$

$$= 289\text{cm}^2 \dots\dots (\text{i})$$

Square of length of third side $= a^2$

$$= (17\text{cm})^2$$

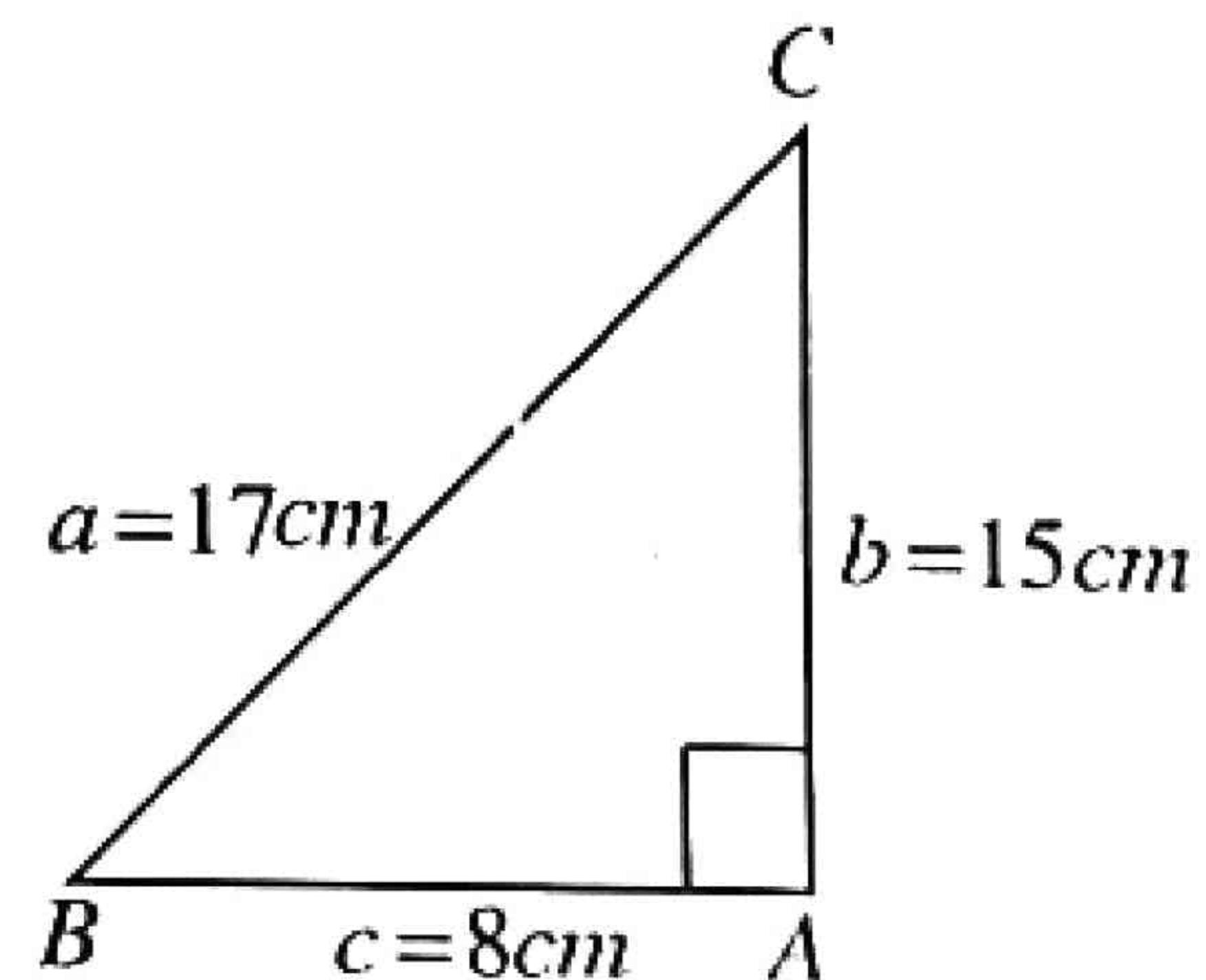
$$= 289\text{cm}^2 \dots\dots (\text{ii})$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2$$

The result show that the triangle ABC is right angled triangle with side $a = 17\text{cm}$ as hypotenuse.

The angle opposite to the hypotenuse is right angle i.e $m\angle A = 90^\circ$



8. In a ΔABC , $a = 17\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$ and $c = 8\text{cm}$ find $m\angle B$.

Solution:

Given: In a ΔABC , $a = 17\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$, $c = 8\text{cm}$

To Find: $m\angle B = ?$

Calculations:

Sum of squares of two sides = $b^2 + c^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (15\text{cm})^2 + (8\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 225\text{cm}^2 + 64\text{ cm}^2 \\ &= 289 \text{ cm}^2 \dots\dots \text{(i)} \end{aligned}$$

Square of length of third side = a^2

$$\begin{aligned} &= (17\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 289\text{cm}^2 \dots\dots \text{(ii)} \end{aligned}$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2$$

The result shows that the triangle ABC is right angled triangle with $m\angle A = 90^\circ$

In triangle ABC,

$$\tan m\angle B = \frac{\text{Per}}{\text{Base}} = \frac{15\text{cm}}{8\text{cm}}$$

$$m\angle B = \tan^{-1} \frac{15}{8} \quad m\angle B = (61.9)^\circ$$

Q.9 Whether the triangle with sides 5cm, 7cm, 8cm is acute, obtuse or right angled.

Solution:

In a triangle ABC, let $a = 5\text{cm}$, $b = 7\text{cm}$, $c = 8\text{cm}$

Sum of squares of two sides = $a^2 + b^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (5\text{cm})^2 + (7\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 25\text{cm}^2 + 49\text{cm}^2 \\ &= 74\text{cm}^2 \dots\dots \text{(i)} \end{aligned}$$

Square of length of 3rd side = c^2

$$\begin{aligned} &= (8\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 64\text{cm}^2 \dots\dots \text{(ii)} \end{aligned}$$

From (i) and (ii) $74\text{cm}^2 > 64\text{cm}^2$ i.e.

$$a^2 + b^2 > c^2$$

The result shows that the triangle with sides 5cm, 7cm, 8cm is acute angled triangle.

It is acute angled triangle.

Q.10 Whether the triangle with sides 8cm, 15cm, 17cm is acute, obtuse or right angled.

Solution:

In a triangle ABC let $a = 8\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$, $c = 17\text{cm}$

Sum of squares of two sides = $a^2 + b^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (8\text{cm})^2 + (15\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 64\text{cm}^2 + 225\text{ cm}^2 \\ &= 289 \text{ cm}^2 \dots\dots \text{(i)} \end{aligned}$$

Square of length of 3rd side = c^2

$$\begin{aligned} &= (17\text{cm})^2 \\ &= 289\text{cm}^2 \dots\dots \text{(ii)} \end{aligned}$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$\text{i.e. } a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

Result shows that triangle with sides $a = 8\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$ and $c = 17\text{cm}$ is right angled triangle.

