

Exercise 13.1

Q.1 Two sides of a triangle measure 10cm and 15 cm which of the following measure is possible for the third side?

- (a) 5cm
- (b) 20 cm
- (c) 25 cm
- (d) 30 cm

Solution

Lengths of two sides are 15 and 10 cm.

So, sum of two lengths of triangle = $10 + 15 = 25$ m

$$10 + 15 > 20$$

$$10 + 20 > 15$$

$$15 + 20 > 10$$

\therefore 20 cm is possible for third side

Or

Sum of length of two sides is always greater than the third sides of a triangle.

Given

Q.2 Point O is interior of $\triangle ABC$

Show that

$$m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC} > \frac{1}{2}(m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA})$$

Given

Point O is interior of $\triangle ABC$

To prove:

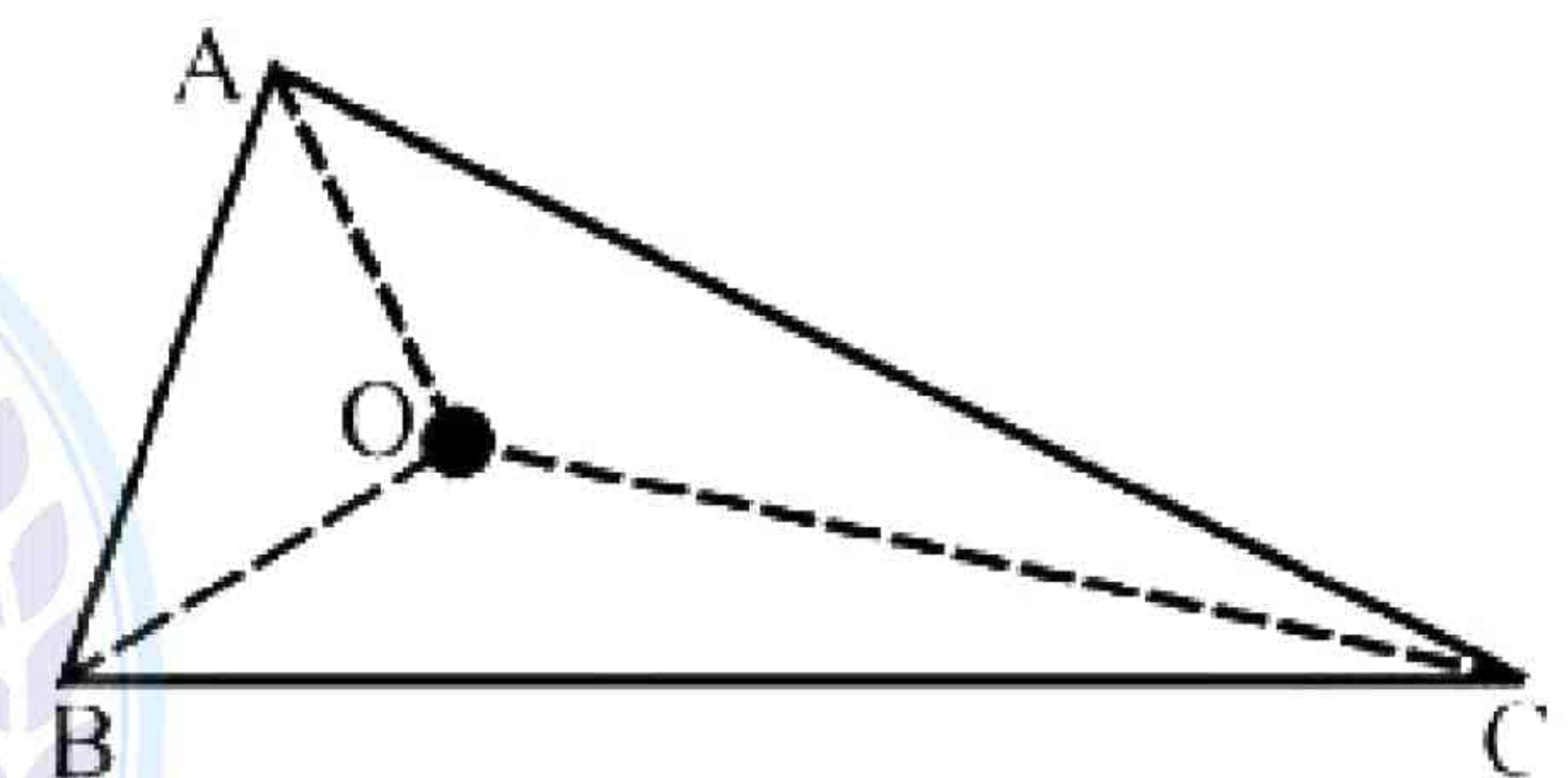
$$m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC} > \frac{1}{2}(m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} + m\overline{AC})$$

Construction

Join O with A, B and C.

So that we get three triangle $\triangle OAB$, $\triangle OBC$ and $\triangle OAC$

Proof



Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle OAB$ $m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} > m\overline{AB}$ _____ (i)	In any triangle the sum of length of two sides is greater than the third sides.
In $\triangle OAC$ $m\overline{OC} + m\overline{OA} > m\overline{AC}$ _____ (ii)	As in (i)
In $\triangle OBC$ $m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC} > m\overline{BC}$ _____ (iii)	As in (i)
Adding equation i, ii and iii $\overline{OA} + \overline{OC} + \overline{OA} + \overline{OB} + \overline{OB} + \overline{OC} > \overline{AC} + \overline{AB} + \overline{BC}$ $2\overline{OA} + 2\overline{OC} + 2\overline{OB} > \overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CA}$ $2(\overline{OA} + \overline{OC} + \overline{OB}) > \overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CA}$	

$\frac{2(OA + OC + OB)}{2} > \frac{\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CA}}{2}$ $(OA + OC + OB) > \frac{1}{2}(\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CA})$	Dividing both sides by 2
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Q.3 In the $\triangle ABC$ $m\angle B = 70^\circ$ and $m\angle C = 45^\circ$ which of the sides of the triangle is longest and which is the shortest.

Solution

Sum of three angle in a triangle is 180°

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

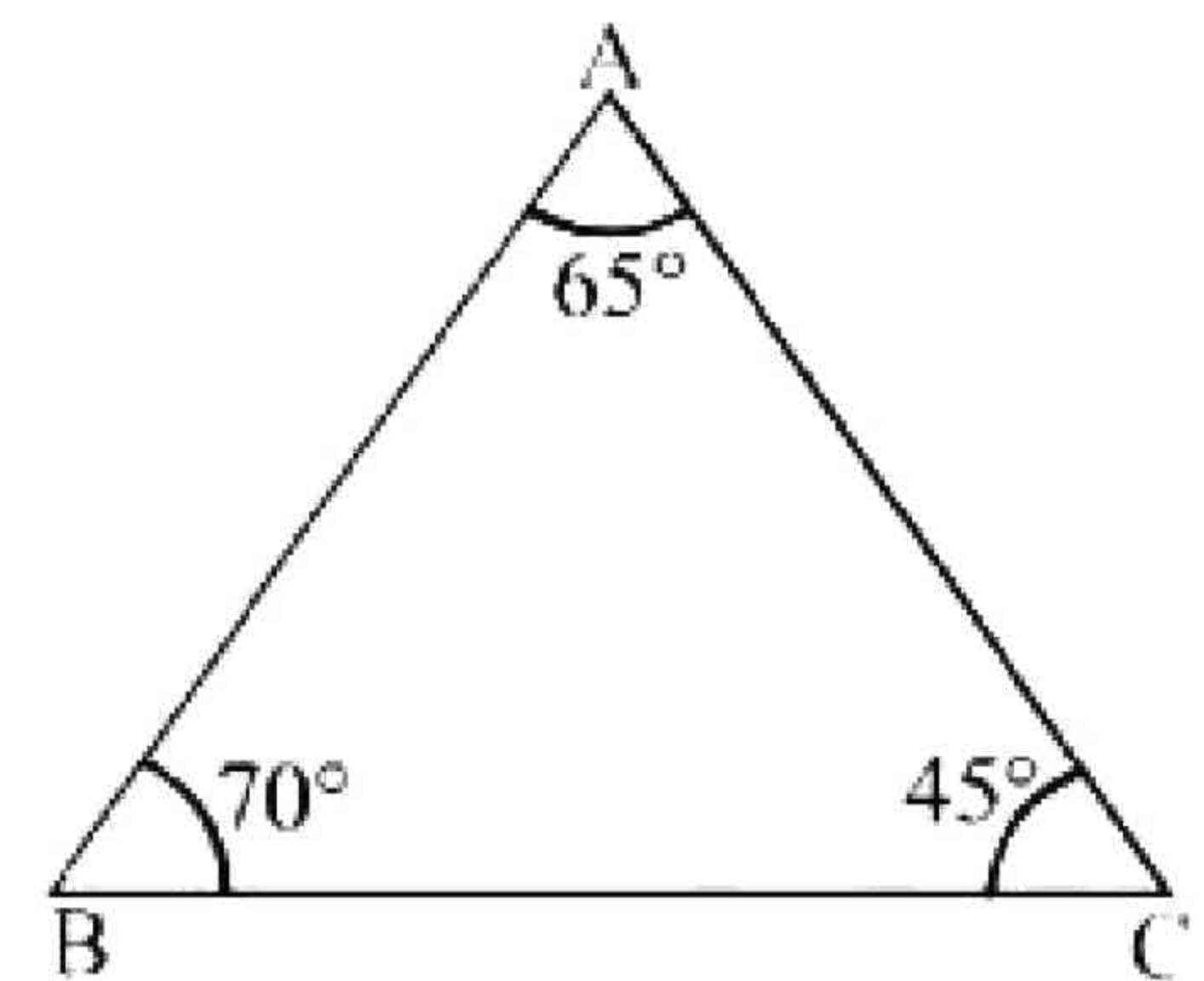
$$\angle A + 70 + 45 = 180$$

$$\angle A + 115 = 180$$

$$\angle A = 180 - 115$$

$$\angle A = 65^\circ$$

Sides of the triangle depend upon the angles largest angle has largest opposite side and smallest angle has smallest opposite side here $\angle B$ is largest so, \overline{AC} is largest $\angle C$ is smallest, so \overline{AB} is smallest side.



Q.4 Prove that in a right-angled triangle, the hypotenuse is longer than each of the other two sides.

Solution

Sum of three angles in a triangle is equal to 180° . So in a triangle one angle will be equal to 90° and rest of two angles are acute angle (less than 90°)

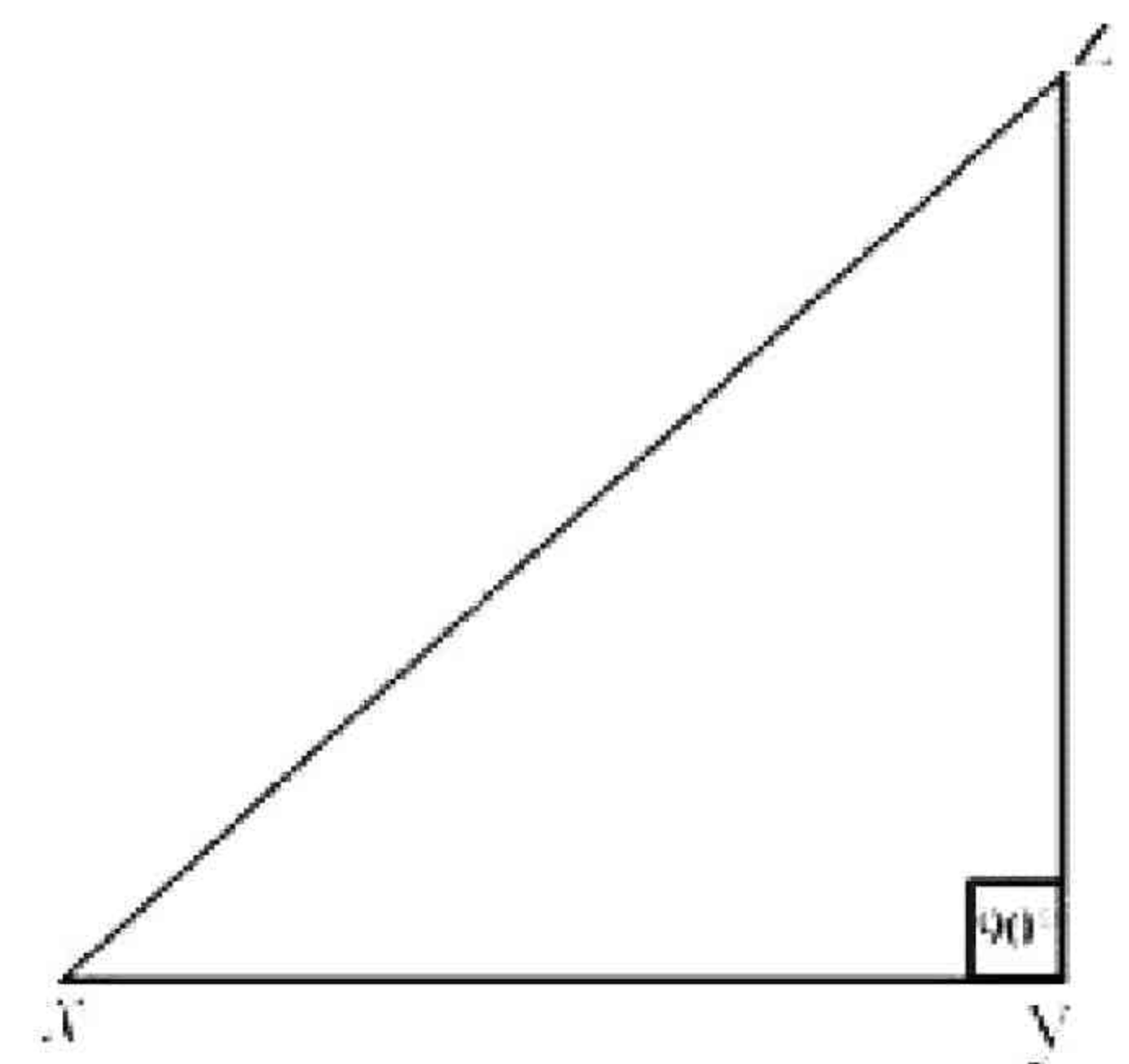
$$\therefore m\angle y = 90$$

$$\text{And } m\angle x + m\angle z = 90$$

So $m\angle x$ and $m\angle z$ are acute angle

\therefore Opposite to $m\angle y = 90^\circ$ is hypotenuse

It is largest side.



Q.5 In the triangular figure $\overline{AB} > \overline{AC}$. \overline{BD} and \overline{CD} are the bisectors of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$ respectively prove that $\overline{BD} > \overline{DC}$

Given

In $\triangle ABC$

$$\overline{AB} > \overline{AC}$$

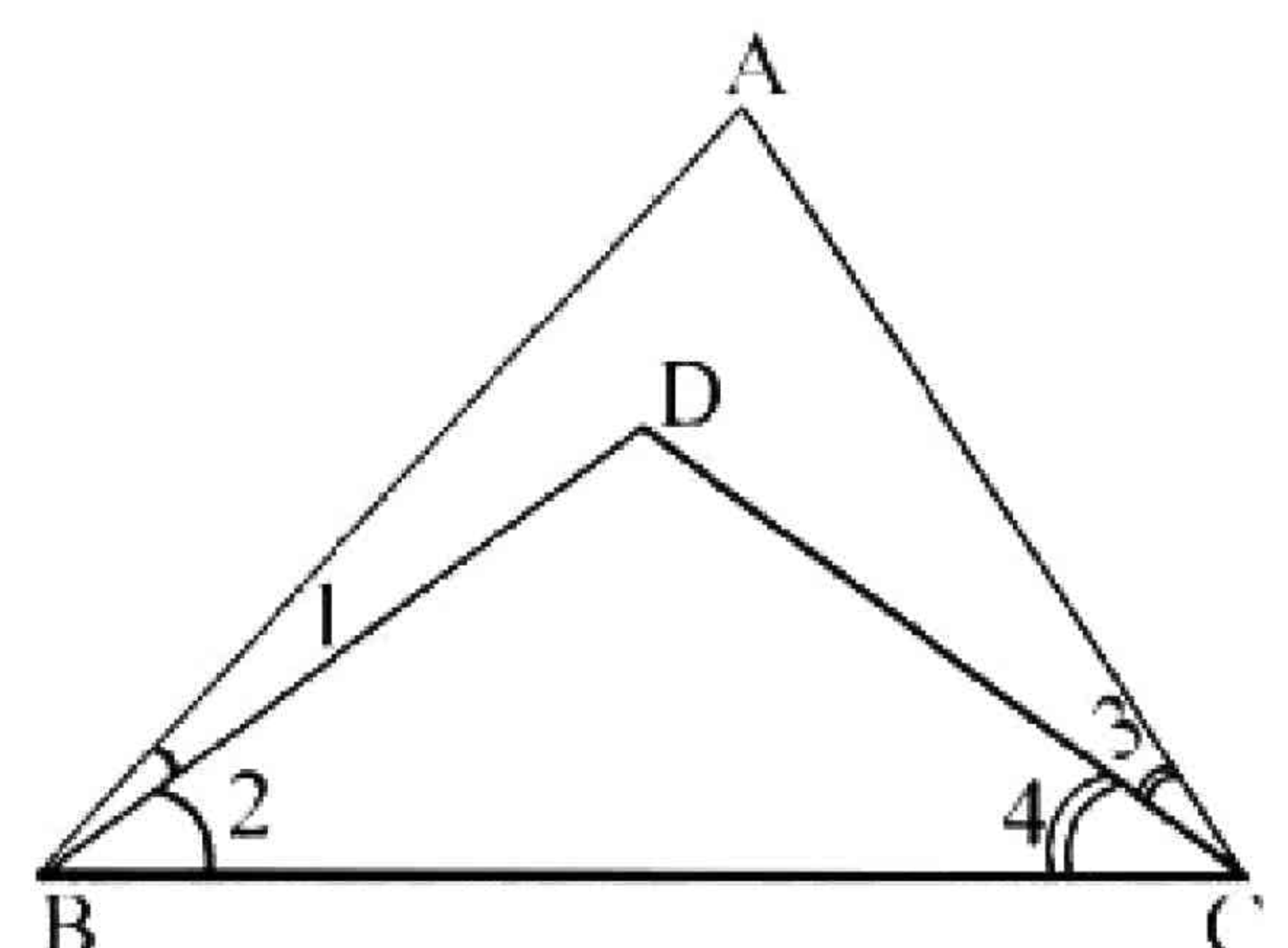
\overline{BD} and \overline{CD} are the bisectors of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$

To prove

$$\overline{BD} > \overline{CD}$$

Construction

Label the angles $\angle 1, \angle 2, \angle 3$ and $\angle 4$



Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABC$ $\overline{AB} > \overline{AC}$ \overline{BD} is the bisector of $\angle B$ $\frac{1}{2}m\angle ACB > \frac{1}{2}m\angle ABC$ $m\angle ABC$ $m\angle 2 < m\angle 4$	Given
\overline{CD} is the bisector of $\angle C$ In $\triangle BCD$ $\overline{BD} > \overline{DC}$	Given
	Side opposite to greater angle is greater

Theorem 13.1.4

From a point, out side a line, the perpendicular is the shortest distance from the point to the line.

Given:

A line \overline{AB} and a point C

(Not lying on \overline{AB}) and a point D on \overline{AB} such that

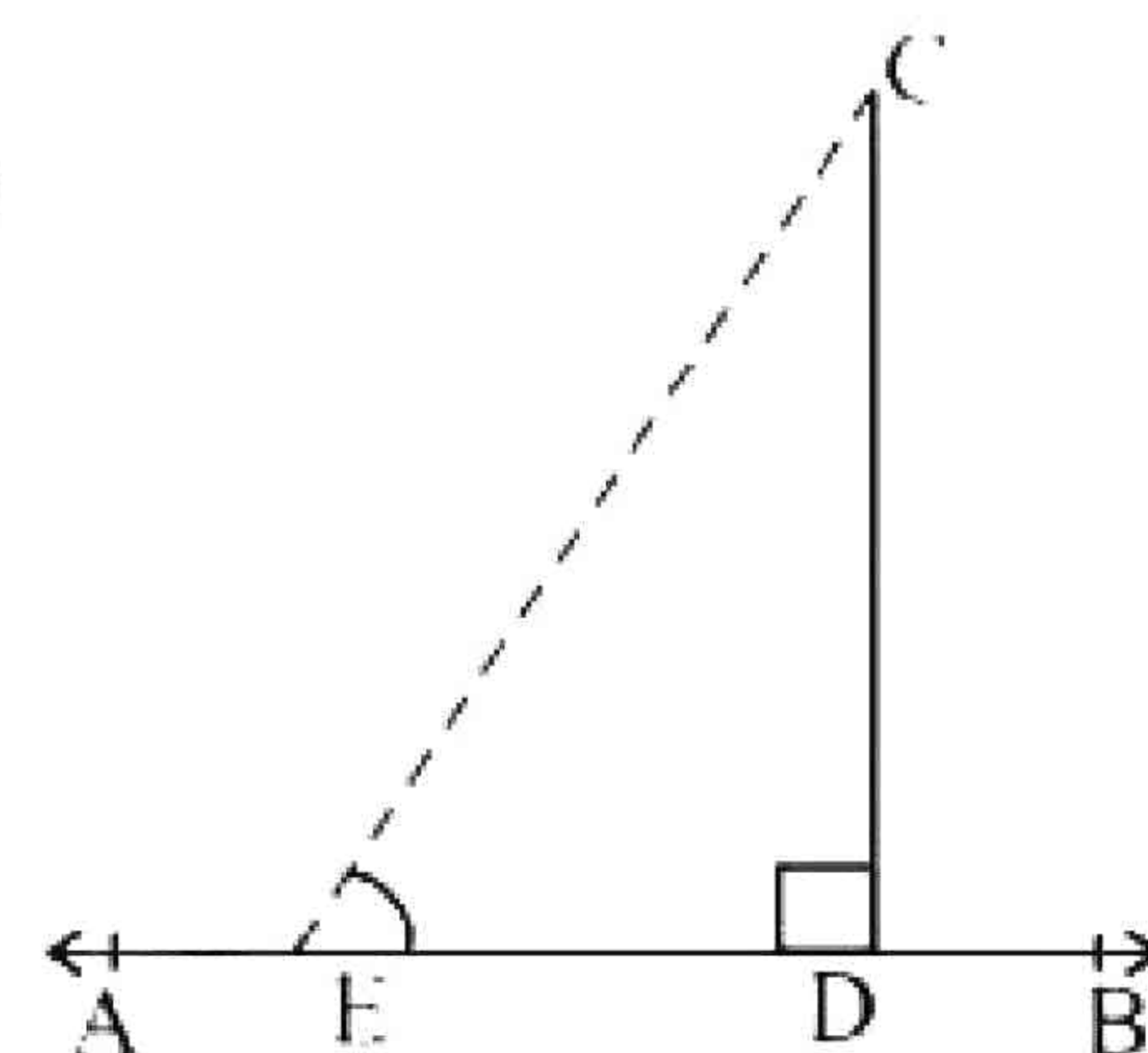
$\overline{CD} \perp \overline{AB}$

To prove

$m\overline{CD}$ is the shortest distance from the point C to \overline{AB}

Construction

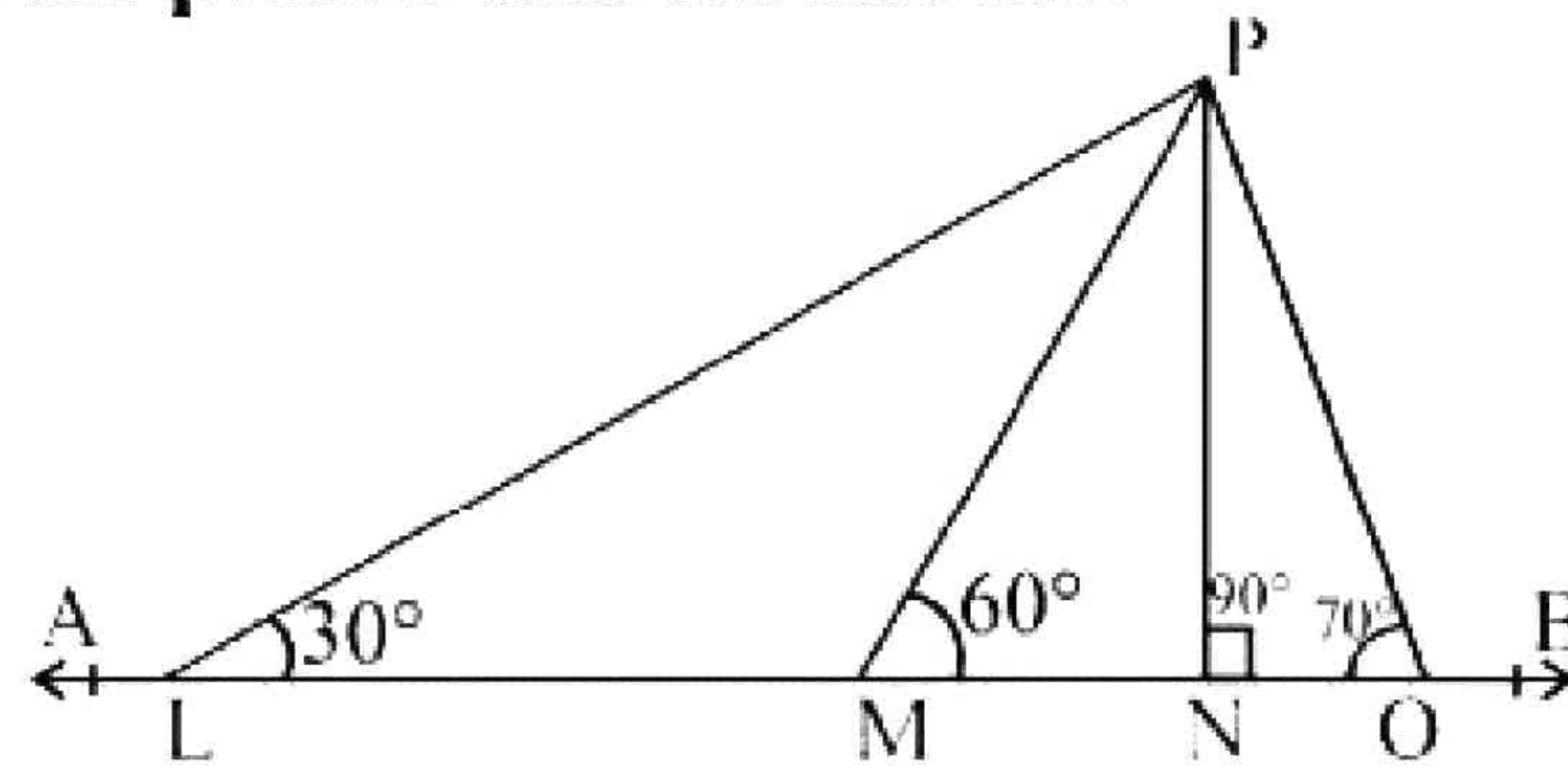
Take a point E on \overline{AB} Join C and E to form a $\triangle CDE$

Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle CDE$ $m\angle CDB > m\angle CED$ But $m\angle CDB = m\angle CDE$ $\therefore m\angle CDE > m\angle CED$ Or $m\angle CED < m\angle CDE$ Or $m\overline{CD} < m\overline{CE}$ But E is any point on \overline{AB} Hence $m\overline{CD}$ is the shortest distance from C to \overline{AB}	(An exterior angle of a triangle is greater than non adjacent interior angle) Supplement of right angle Side opposite to greater angle is greater.

Exercise 13.2

- Q.1** In the figure P is any point and AB is a line which of the following is the shortest distance between the point P and the line AB.

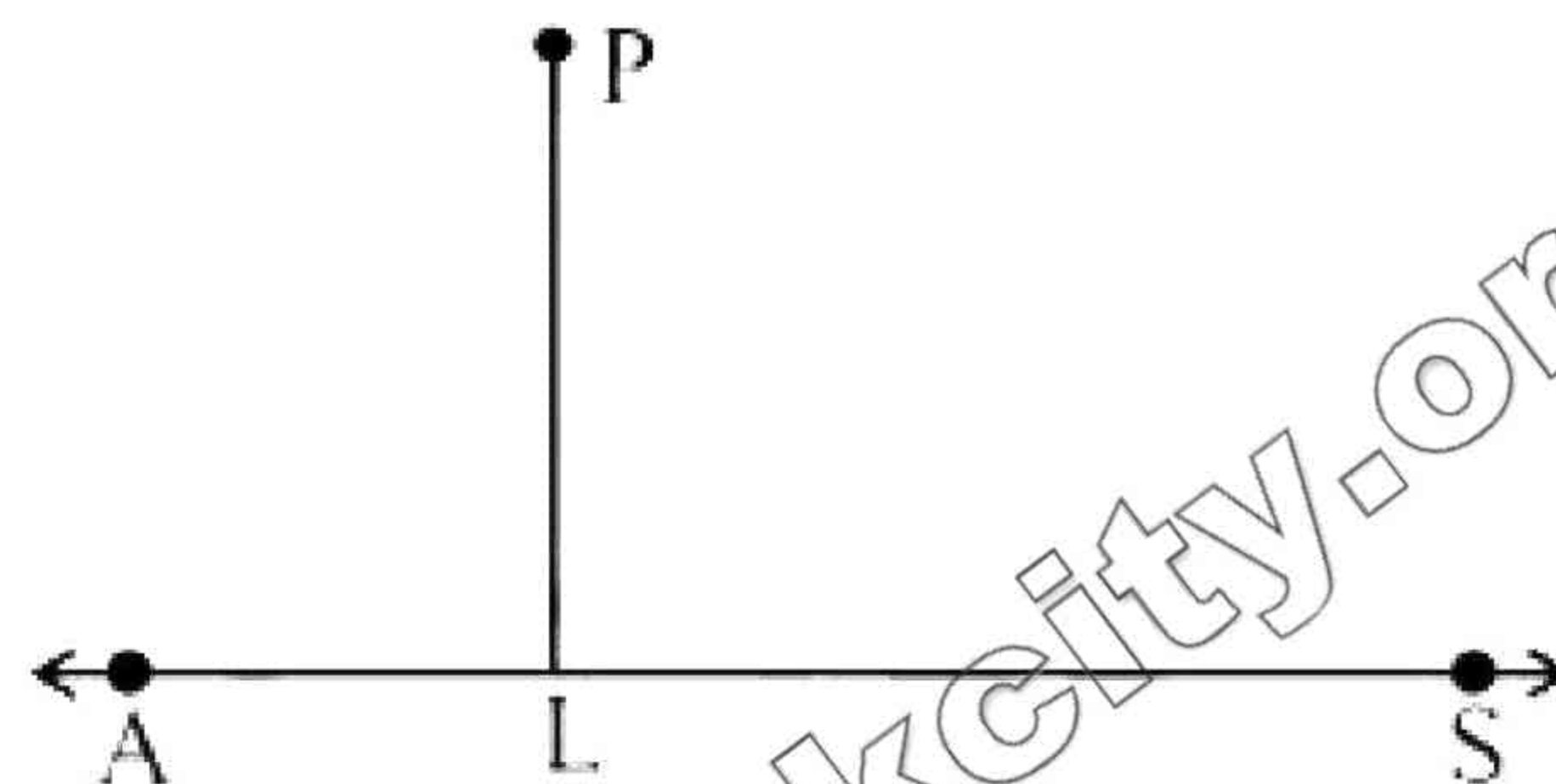


- (a) $m\overline{PL}$ (b) $m\overline{PM}$ (c) $m\overline{PN}$ (d) $m\overline{PO}$

As we know that $\overline{PN} \perp \overline{AB}$

So \overline{PN} is the shortest distance

- Q.2** In the figure, P is any point lying away from the line \overline{AB} . Then $m\overline{PL}$ will be the shortest distance if



- (a) $m\angle P \angle A = 80^\circ$ (b) $m\angle P \angle B = 100^\circ$ (c) $m\angle P \angle A = 90^\circ$

Solution:

$$m\angle PLA = 90^\circ$$

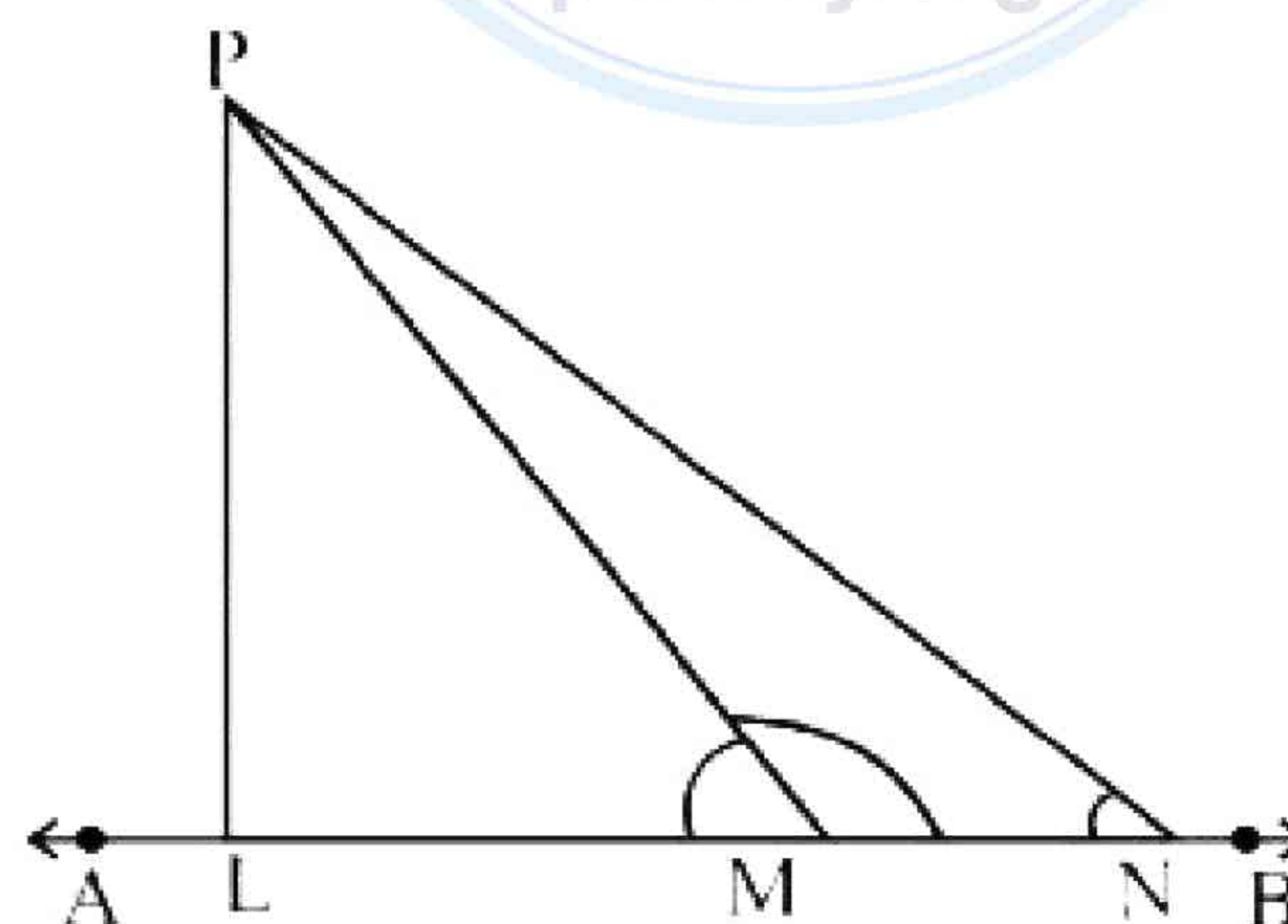
$$\overline{PL} \perp \overline{AS}$$

PL is the shortest distance

So $\angle PLA$ or PLS equal to 90°

- Q.3** In the figure, \overline{PL} is perpendicular to the line AB and $\overline{LN} > m\overline{LM}$. Prove that $m\overline{PN} > m\overline{PM}$.

Given



$$\overline{PL} \perp \overline{AB}$$

$$m\overline{LN} > m\overline{LM}$$

To proved:

$$m\overline{PN} > m\overline{PM}$$

Proof

Statements	Reasons
$\triangle PLM$ $\angle PLM = 90^\circ$ $\therefore \angle PMN > \angle PLM$ $\angle PMN > 90^\circ$ In $\triangle PLN$ $\angle PLN = 90^\circ$ $m\angle PNL < 90^\circ$ $\triangle PMN$ $m\angle PMN > m\angle PNL$ $\therefore \overline{PN} > \overline{PM}$	 Exterior angle Acute angle



Review Exercise 13

Q.1 Which of the following are true and which are false?

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| (i) | The angle opposite to the longer side is greater. | (True) |
| (ii) | In a right-angled triangle greater angle is of 60° . | (False) |
| (iii) | In an isosceles right-angled triangle, angles other than right angle are each of 45° . | (True) |
| (iv) | A triangle having two congruent sides is called equilateral triangle. | (False) |
| (v) | A perpendicular from a point to line is shortest distance. | (True) |
| (vi) | Perpendicular to line forms an angle of 90° . | (True) |
| (vii) | A point out side the line is collinear. | (False) |
| (viii) | Sum of two sides' of a triangle is greater than the third. | (True) |
| (ix) | The distance between a line and a point on it is zero. | (True) |
| (x) | Triangle can be formed of length 2cm, 3cm and 5cm. | (False) |

Q.2 What will be angle for shortest distance from an outside point to the line?

The angle for shortest distance from an outside point to the line is 90° angle.

Q.3 If 13cm, 12cm and 5cm are the length of a triangle, then verify that difference of measures of any two sides of a triangle is less than the third side.

$$a = 13, b = 5, c = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$a - b = 13 - 5 = 8$$

$$8 < c$$

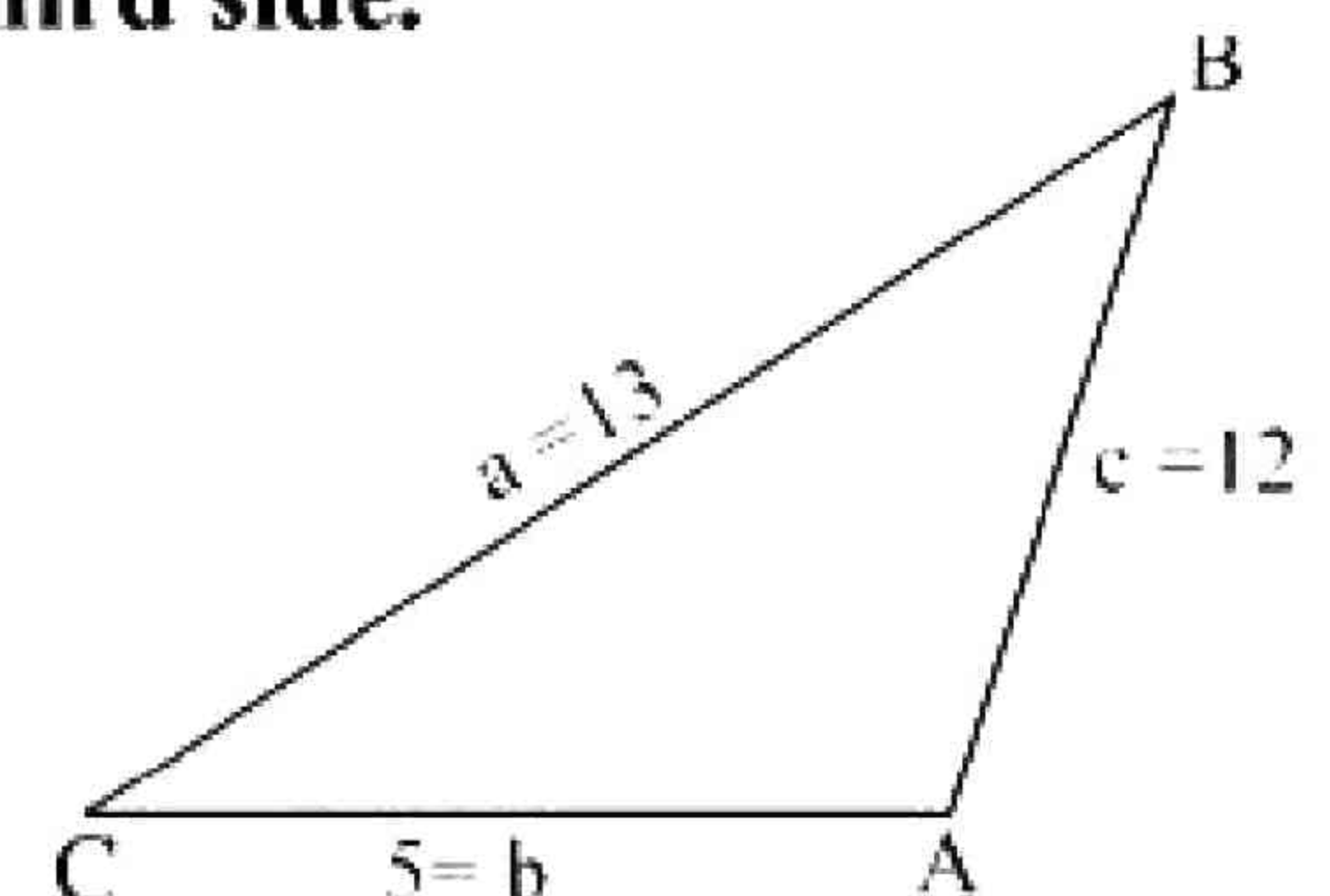
$$c - b = 12 - 5 = 7$$

$$7 < a$$

$$a - c = 13 - 12 = 1$$

$$1 < b$$

This is the process which show the difference of any two sides of a triangle is less then the measure of the third.



Q.4 If 10cm, 6cm and 8cm are the length of a triangle, then verify that sum of measures of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side.

$$a = 8\text{cm}, b = 10\text{cm}, c = 6\text{cm}$$

$$8 + 10 = 18\text{cm} > 6\text{cm}$$

$$a + b > c$$

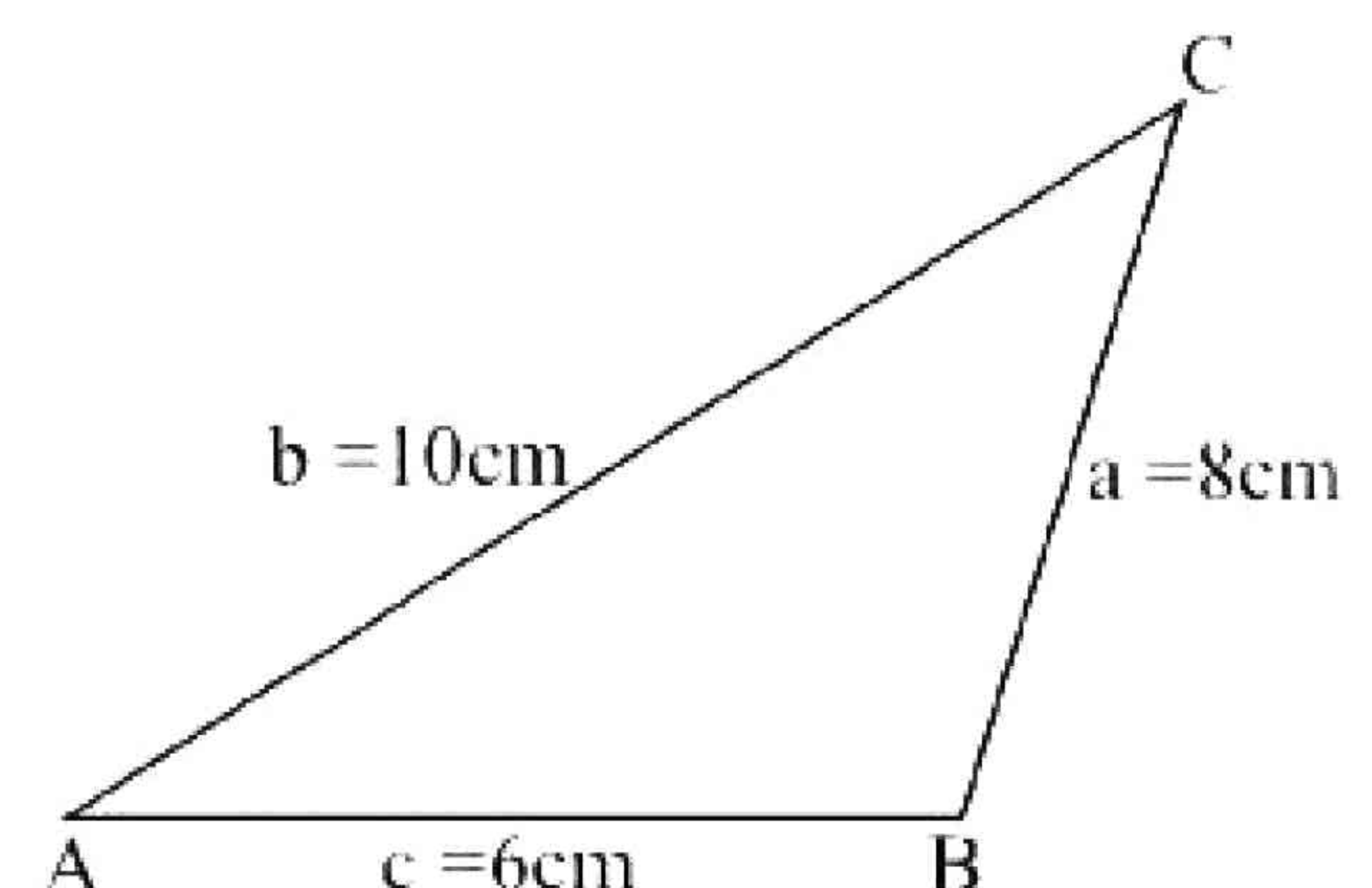
$$10 + 6 = 16\text{cm} > 8\text{cm}$$

$$b + c > a$$

$$6 + 8 = 14\text{cm} > 10\text{cm}$$

$$c + a > b$$

\therefore The sum of measures of two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side.



Q.5 3cm, 4cm and 7cm are not the length of the triangle. Give reasons.

$$a = 3\text{cm} \quad b = 4\text{cm} \quad c = 7\text{cm}$$

$$3 + 4 = 7$$

$$a + b = c$$

$$b + c > a$$

$$4 + 7 > 3$$

$$c + a > b$$

$$7 + 3 > 4$$

In a triangle sum of measures of two sides should be greater than the third sides.

Q.6 If 3cm and 4cm are the length of two sides of a right angle triangle than what should be the third length of the triangle.

If sum of the squares of two sides of a triangles is equal to the square of the third side then it is called right angled triangle.

So by Pythagoras theorem.

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

$$(\overline{AC})^2 = (4)^2 + (3)^2$$

$$(\overline{AC})^2 = 16 + 9$$

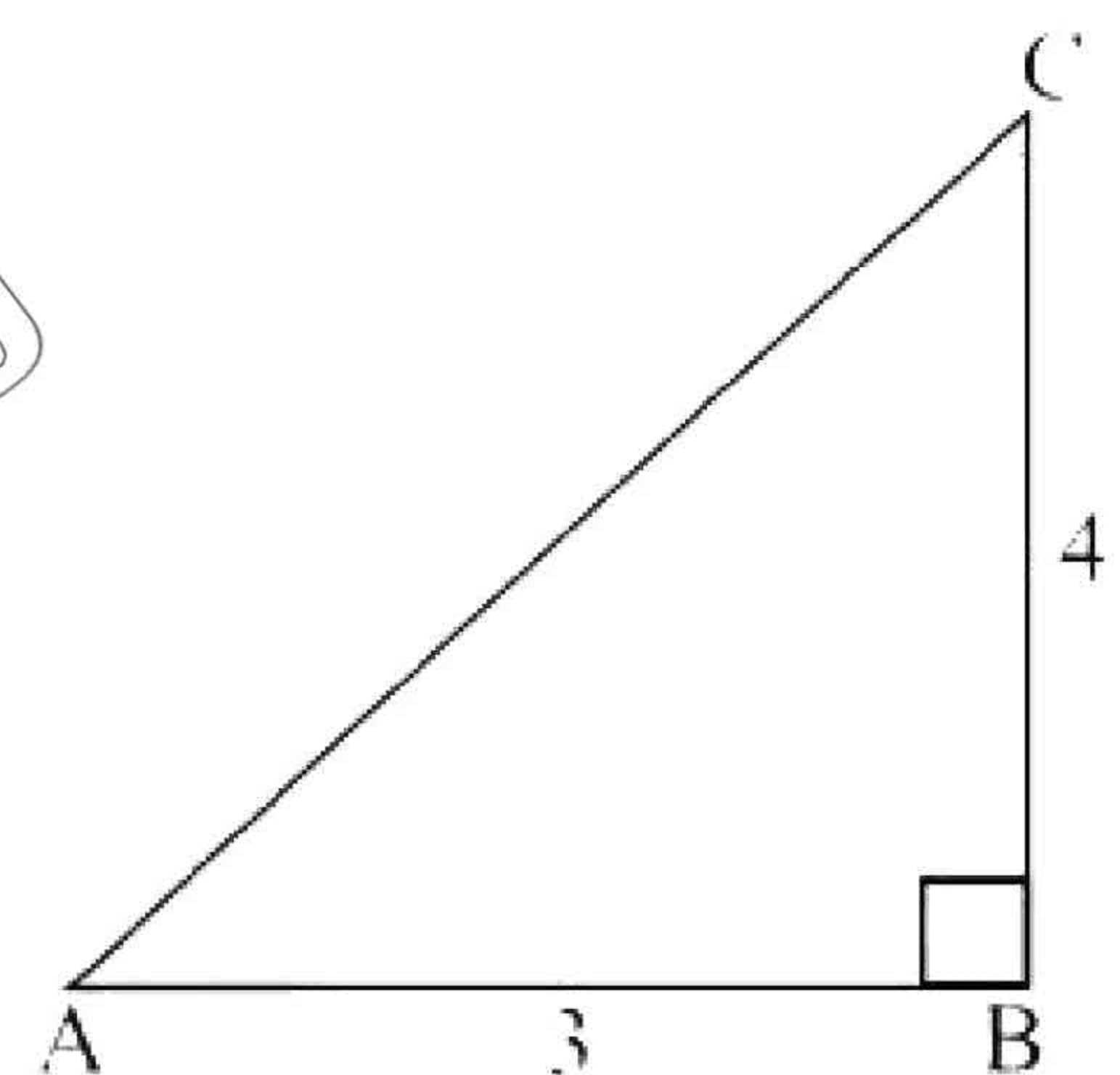
$$(\overline{AC})^2 = 25$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$\sqrt{(\overline{AC})^2} = \sqrt{25}$$

$$\overline{AC} = 5\text{cm}$$

\therefore Length of third side of right angled triangle is 5cm.



Unit 13: Sides and Angles of Triangles

Overview

Theorem 13.1.1

If two sides of a triangle are unequal in length, the longer side has an angle of greater measure opposite to it.

Given:

In $\triangle ABC$, $\overline{AC} > \overline{AB}$

To prove

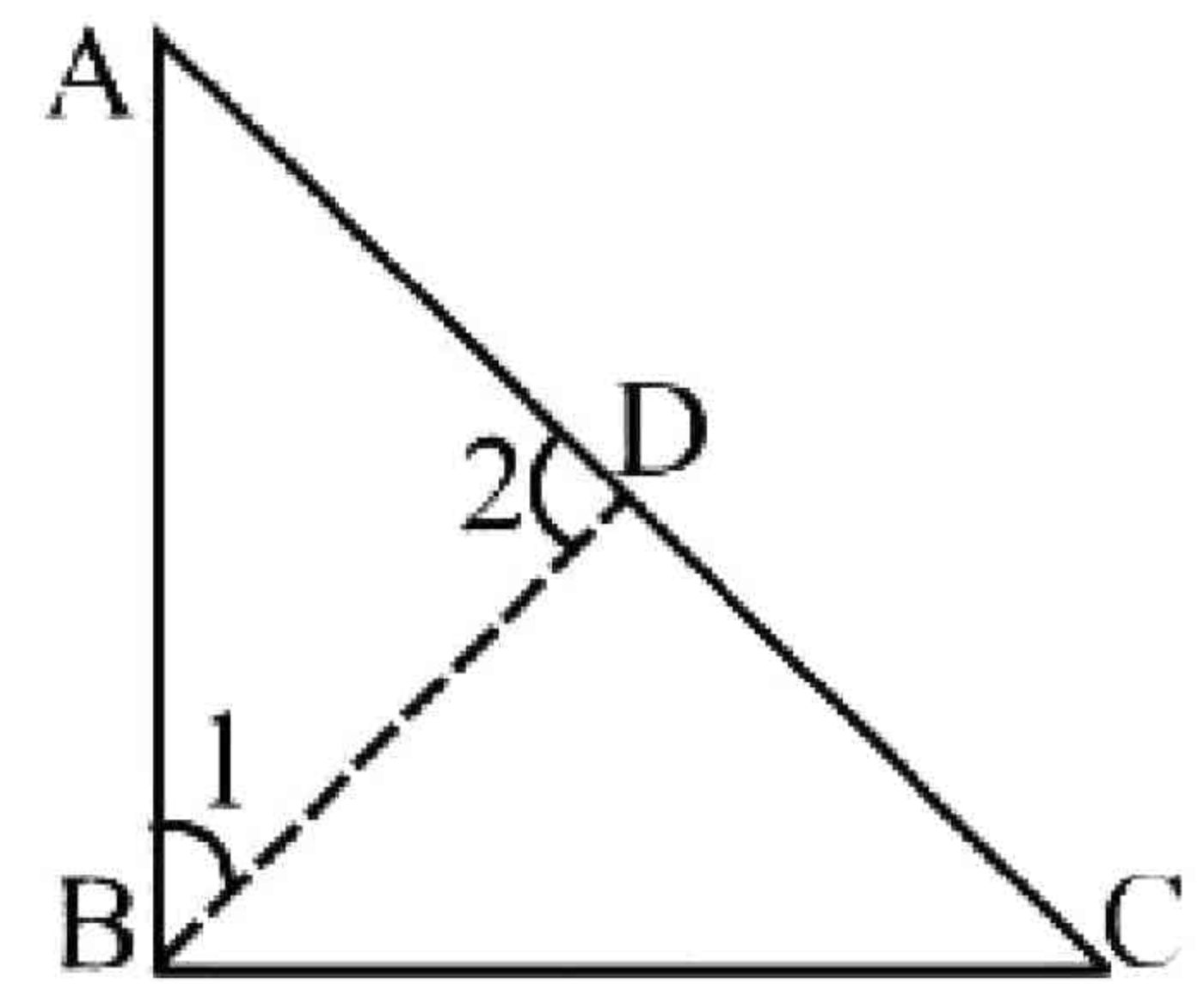
$m\angle ABC > m\angle ACB$

Construction

On \overline{AC} take a point D such that

$\overline{AD} \cong \overline{AB}$. Join B to D so that $\triangle ADB$ is an isosceles triangle.

Label $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ as shown in the given figure.



Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABD$	
$m\angle 1 = m\angle 2 \dots$ (i)	Angles opposite to congruent sides (construction)
In $\triangle BCD$, $m\angle ACB < m\angle 2$	(An exterior angle of a triangle is greater than a non adjacent interior angle.)
i.e. $m\angle 2 > m\angle ACB$ _____ (ii)	
$\therefore m\angle 1 > m\angle ACB$ _____ (iii)	By (i) and (ii)
But $m\angle ABC = m\angle 1 + m\angle DBC$	Postulate of addition of angles
$\therefore m\angle ABC > m\angle 1$ _____ (iv)	
$\therefore m\angle ABC > m\angle 1 > m\angle ACB$	By (iii) and (iv)
Hence $m\angle ABC > m\angle ACB$	(Transitive property of inequality of real number)

Example 1

Prove that in a scalene triangle, the angle opposite to the largest side is of measure greater than 60° .

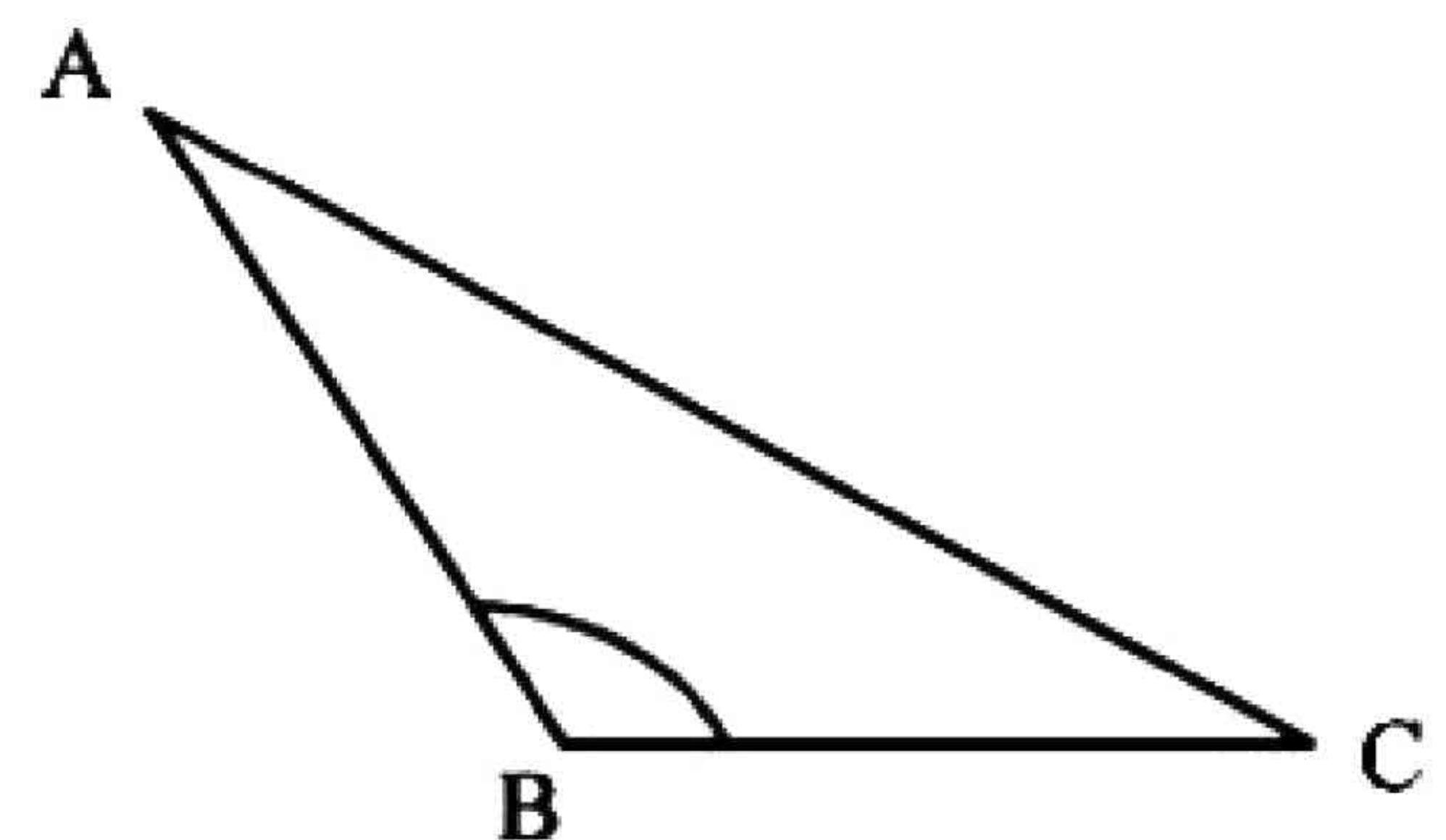
(i.e., two-third of a right-angle)

Given

In $\triangle ABC$, $\overline{AC} > \overline{AB}$, $\overline{AC} > \overline{BC}$.

To prove

$m\angle B > 60^\circ$



Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABC$	
$m\angle B > m\angle C$	$m\overline{AC} > m\overline{AB}$ (given)
$m\angle B > m\angle A$	$m\overline{AC} > m\overline{BC}$ (given)
But $m\angle A + m\angle B + m\angle C = 180^\circ$	$\angle A, \angle B, \angle C$ are the angles of $\triangle ABC$
$\therefore m\angle B + m\angle B + m\angle B > 180^\circ$	$m\angle B > m\angle C, m\angle B > m\angle A$ (proved)
Hence $m\angle B > 60^\circ$	$\frac{180^\circ}{3} = 60^\circ$

Example 2

In a quadrilateral ABCD, \overline{AB} is the longest side and \overline{CD} is the shortest side. Prove that $m\angle BCD > m\angle BAD$

Given

In quad. ABCD, \overline{AB} is the longest side and \overline{CD} is the shortest side.

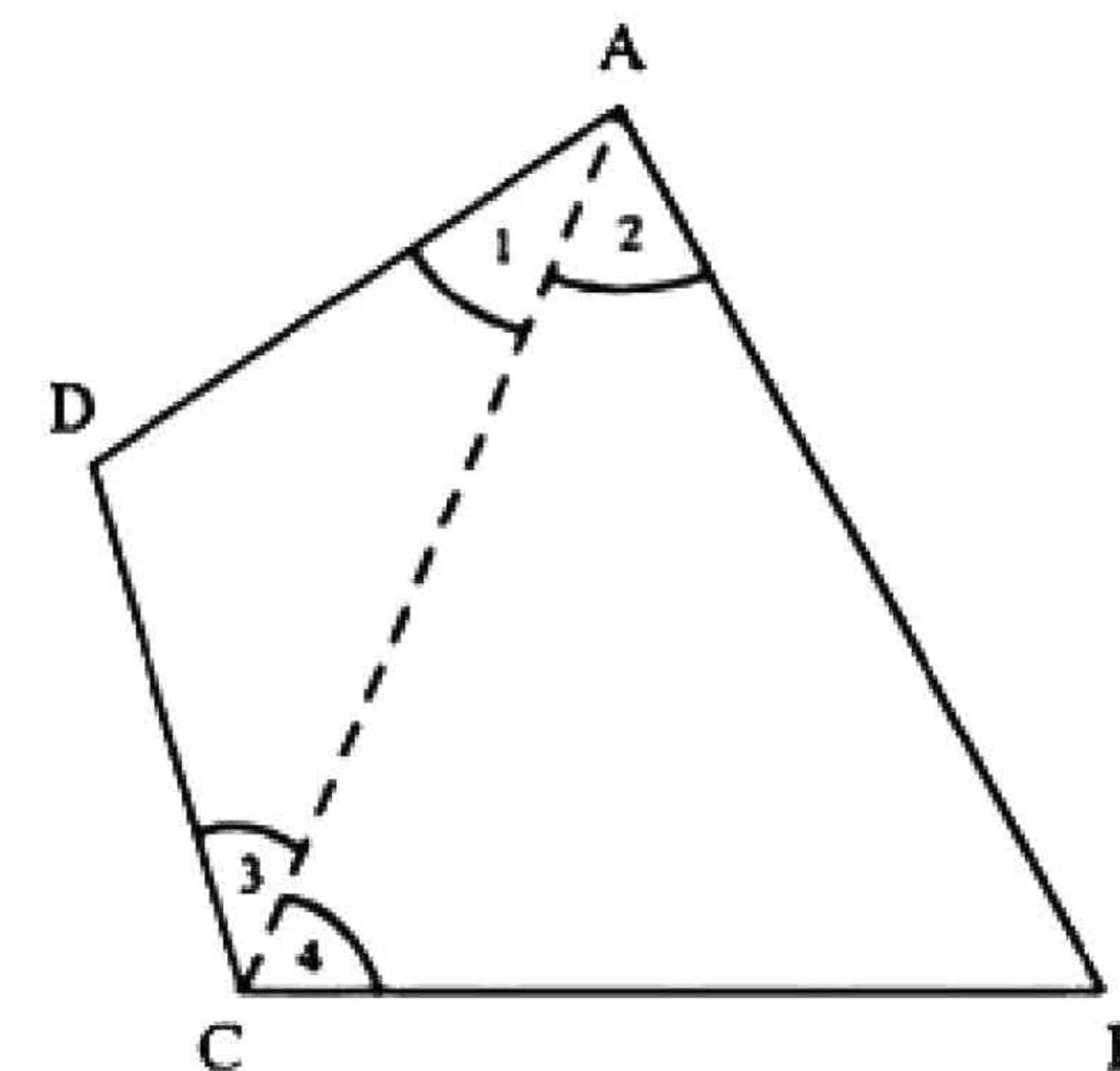
To prove

$m\angle BCD > m\angle BAD$

Construction

Joint A to C.

Name the angles $\angle 1, \angle 2, \angle 3$ and $\angle 4$ as shown in the figure.

Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABC, m\angle 4 > \angle 2 \dots (i)$	$m\overline{AB} > m\overline{BC}$ (given)
In $\triangle ACD, m\angle 3 > \angle 1 \dots (ii)$	$m\overline{AD} > m\overline{CD}$ (given)
$\therefore m\angle 4 + m\angle 3 > m\angle 2 + m\angle 1$	From (i) and (ii)
Hence $m\angle BCD > m\angle BAD$	$\therefore \begin{cases} m\angle 4 + m\angle 3 = m\angle BCD \\ m\angle 2 + m\angle 1 = m\angle BAD \end{cases}$

Theorem 13.1.2 (Converse of theorem 13.1.1)

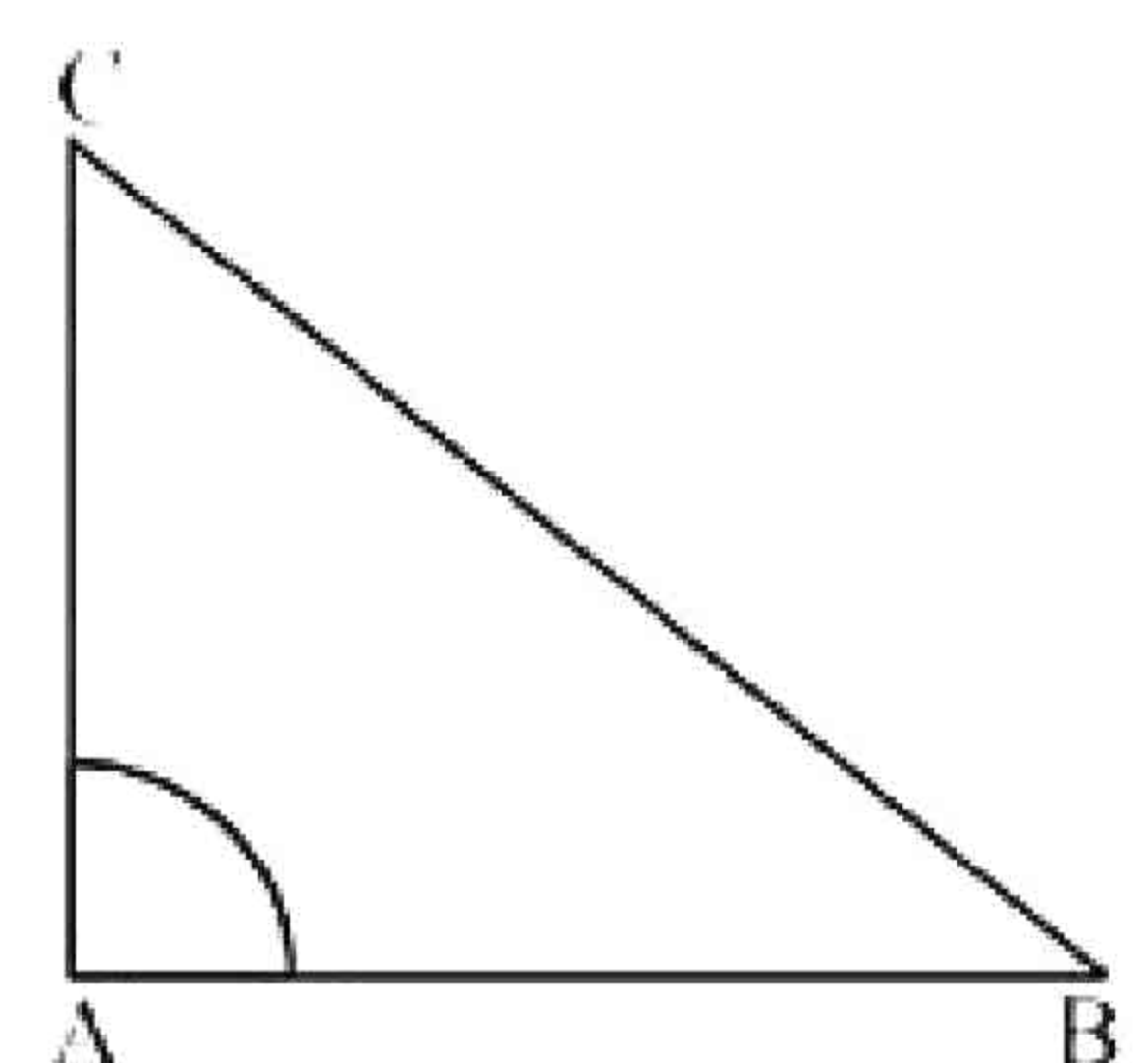
If two angles of a triangle are unequal in measure, the side opposite to the greater angle is longer than the side opposite to the smaller angle.

Given:

In $\triangle ABC, m\angle A > m\angle B$

To prove

$m\overline{BC} > m\overline{AC}$



Proof

Statements	Reasons
<p>If $\overline{mBC} \neq \overline{mAC}$, then</p> <p>Either (i) $\overline{mBC} = \overline{mAC}$</p> <p>Or (ii) $\overline{mBC} < \overline{mAC}$</p> <p>From (i) if $\overline{mBC} = \overline{mAC}$, then</p> <p>$m\angle A = m\angle B$</p> <p>Which is not possible</p> <p>From (ii) if $\overline{mBC} < \overline{mAC}$, then</p> <p>$m\angle A < m\angle B$</p> <p>This is also not possible</p> <p>$\therefore \overline{mBC} \neq \overline{mAC}$</p> <p>And $\overline{mBC} \neq \overline{mAC}$</p> <p>Thus $\overline{mBC} > \overline{mAC}$</p>	<p>(Trichotomy property of real numbers)</p> <p>(Angles opposite to congruent sides are congruent)</p> <p>(The angle opposite to longer side is greater than angle opposite to smaller side?)</p> <p>Contrary to the given</p> <p>Trichotomy property of real numbers.</p>

Corollaries

- (i) The hypotenuse of a right triangle is longer than each of the other two sides.
- (ii) In an obtuse angled triangle, the side opposite to the obtuse angle is longer than each of the other two sides.

Example

ABC is an isosceles triangle with base \overline{BC} . On \overline{BC} a point D is taken away from C . A line segment through D cuts \overline{AC} at L and \overline{AB} at M .

prove that $\overline{mAL} > \overline{mAM}$.

Given

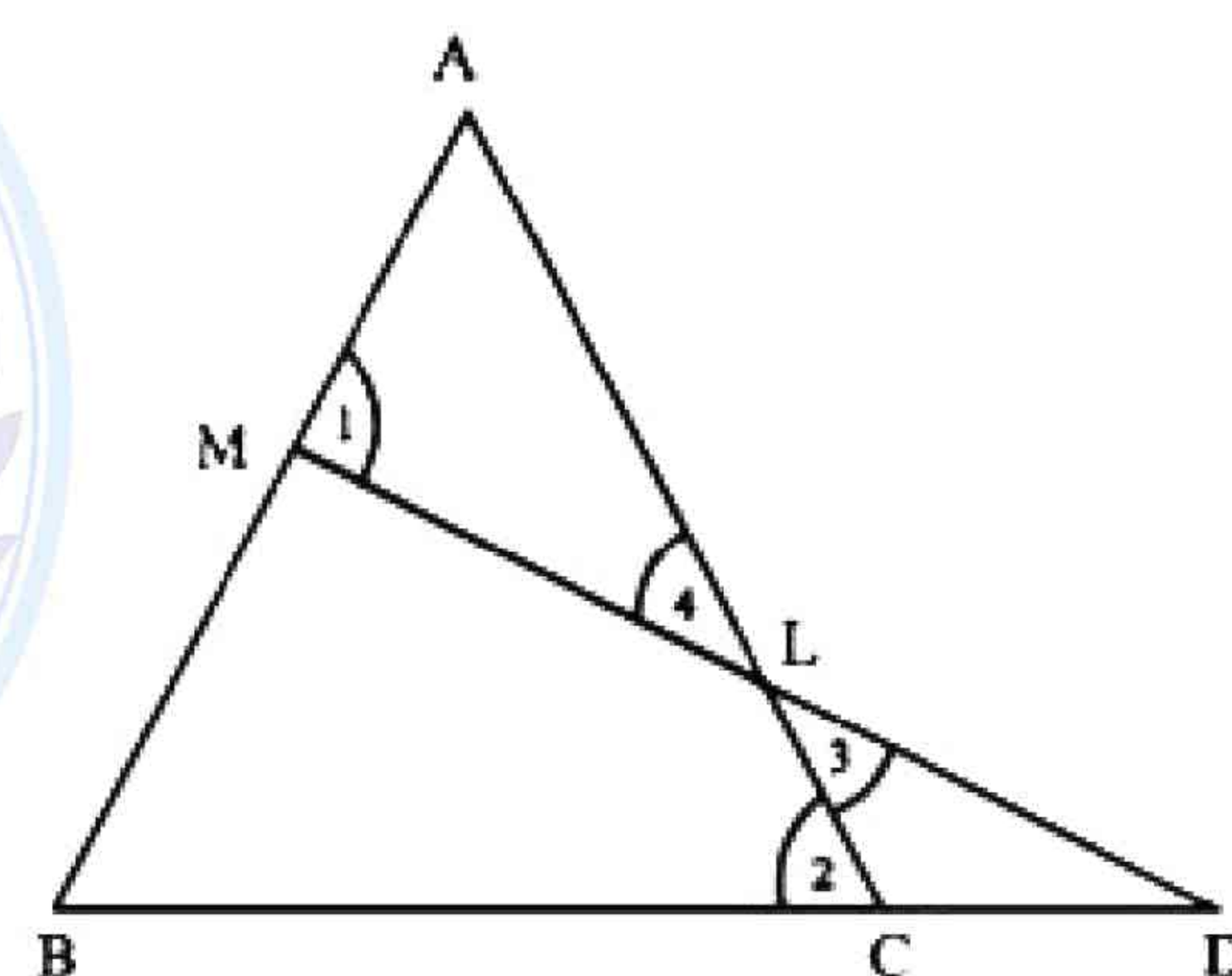
In $\triangle ABC$, $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$

D is a point on \overline{BC} away from C

A line segment through D cuts \overline{AC} at L and \overline{AB} at M .

To Prove

$\overline{mAL} > \overline{mAM}$

Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABC$	
$\angle B \cong \angle 2$..(i)	$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$ (given)
In $\triangle MBD$	
$m\angle 1 > m\angle B$...(ii)	($\angle 2$ is an ext. \angle and $\angle 3$ is its internal opposite \angle)
$\therefore m\angle 1 > m\angle 2$...(iii)	From (i) and (ii)
In $\triangle LCD$	
$m\angle 2 > m\angle 3$	($\angle 1$ is an ext. \angle and $\angle 3$ is its internal opposite \angle)
$\therefore m\angle 1 > m\angle 3$...(v)	From (iii) and (iv)

But $m\angle 3 \cong m\angle 4 \dots (vi)$

$\therefore m\angle 1 > m\angle 4$

Hence $m\overline{AL} > m\overline{AM}$

Vertical angles

From (v) and (vi)

In $\triangle ALM$, $m\angle 1 > m\angle 4$ (proved)

Theorem 13.1.3

The sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the length of third side.

Given $\triangle ABC$

To prove

(i) $m\overline{AB} + m\overline{AC} > m\overline{BC}$

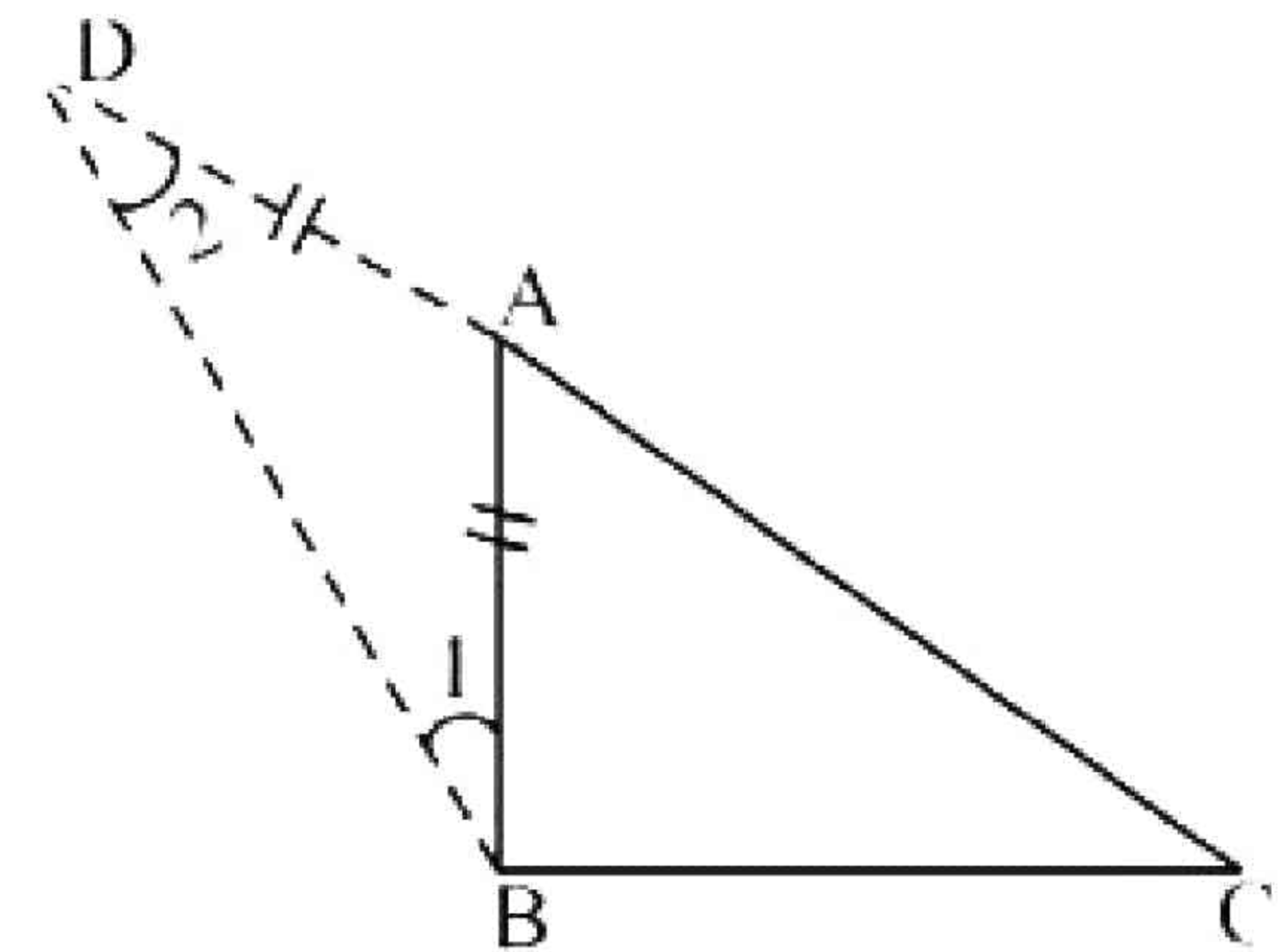
(ii) $m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} > m\overline{AC}$

(iii) $m\overline{BC} + m\overline{AC} > m\overline{AB}$

Construction

Take a point D on \overline{CA} such that $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{AB}$ join B to D and name the angles $\angle 1$, $\angle 2$ as shown in the given figure.

Proof



Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABD$,	
$\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$ _____ (i)	$\overline{AD} \cong \overline{AB}$ (construction)
$m\angle DBC > m\angle 1$ _____ (ii)	$m\angle DBC = m\angle 1 + m\angle ABC$
$\therefore m\angle DBC > m\angle 2$ _____ (iii)	From (i) and (ii)
In $\triangle DBC$	
$m\overline{CD} > m\overline{BC}$	By (iii)
i.e. $m\overline{AD} + m\overline{AC} > m\overline{BC}$	$m\overline{CD} = m\overline{AD} > m\overline{AC}$
Hence $m\overline{AB} + m\overline{AC} > m\overline{BC}$	$m\overline{AD} = m\overline{AB}$ (Construction)
Similarly	
$m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} > m\overline{AC}$	
And $m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA} > m\overline{AB}$	

Example 1

Which of the following sets of lengths can be the lengths of the sides of a triangle?

(a) 2cm, 3cm, 5cm (b) 3cm, 4cm, 5cm, (c) 2cm, 4cm, 7cm,

(a) $\because 2 + 3 = 5$

\therefore This set of lengths cannot be those of the sides of a triangle.

(b) $\because 3 + 4 > 5, 3 + 5 > 4, 4 + 5 > 3$

\therefore This set can form a triangle

(c) $\because 2 + 4 < 7$

\therefore This set of lengths cannot be the sides of a triangle.

Example 2

Prove that the sum of the measures of two sides of a triangle is greater than twice the measure of the median which bisects the third side.

Given

In $\triangle ABC$, median AD bisects side \overline{BC} at D .

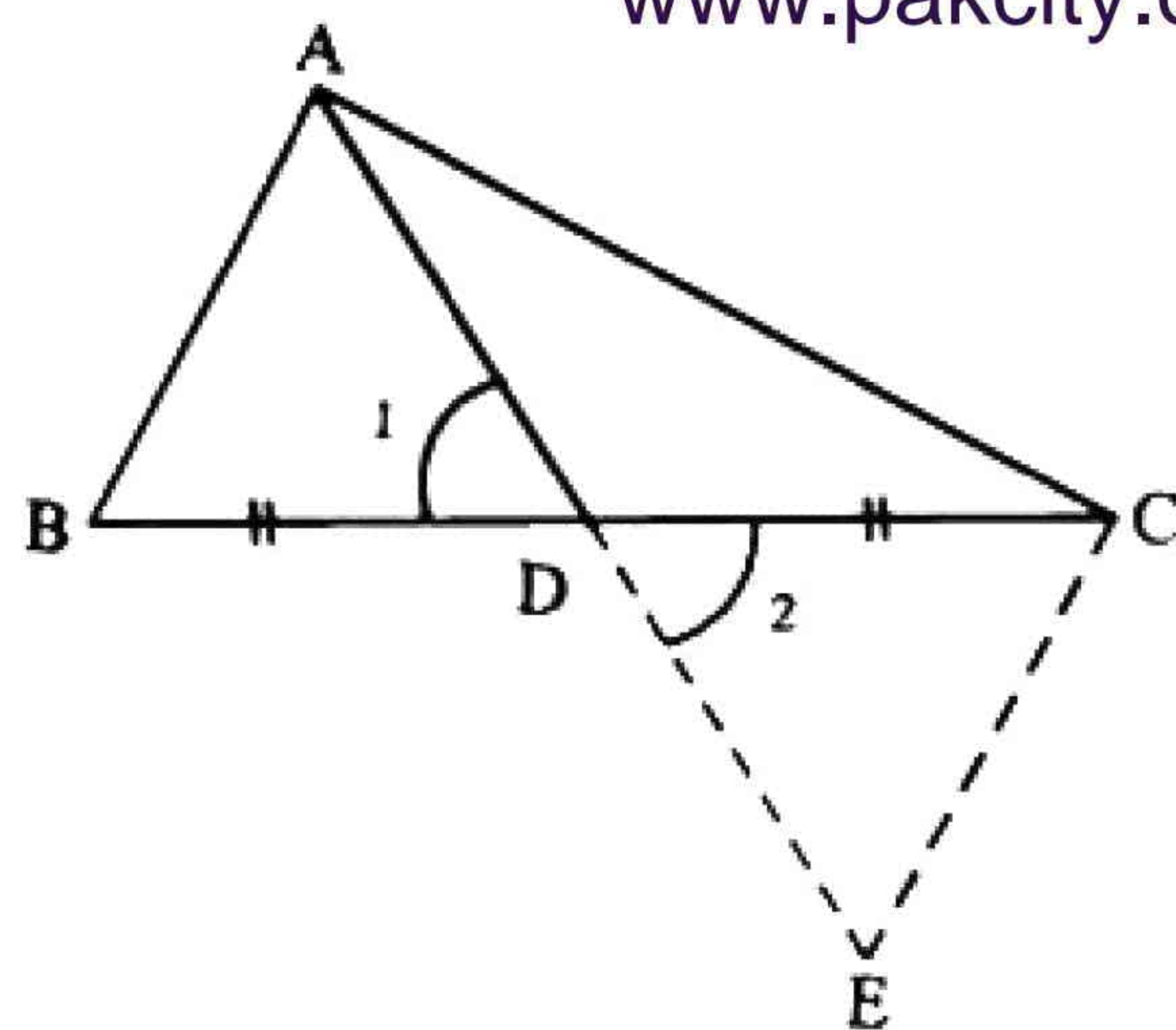
To prove

$$m\overline{BC} + \overline{AC} > 2m\overline{AD}.$$

Construction

On \overline{AD} , Take a point E , such that $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{AD}$.

Join C to E . Name the angles $\angle 1, \angle 2$ as shown in the _____ figure.

**Proof**

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABD \leftrightarrow \triangle ECD$	
$\overline{BD} \cong \overline{CD}$	Given
$\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$	Vertical angles
$\overline{AD} \cong \overline{ED}$	Construction
$\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ECD$	S.A.S. Postulate
$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{EC} \dots (i)$	Corresponding sides of $\cong \Delta s$
$m\overline{AC} + m\overline{EC} > m\overline{AE} \dots (ii)$	ACE is a triangle
$m\overline{AC} + m\overline{AB} > m\overline{AE} \dots (ii)$	From (i) and (ii)
Hence $m\overline{AC} + m\overline{AB} > 2m\overline{AD}$	$m\overline{AE} = 2m\overline{AD}$ (Construction)

Example 3

Prove that the difference of measures of two sides of a triangle is less than the measure of the third side.

Given

$\triangle ABC$

To Prove

$$m\overline{AC} - m\overline{AB} < m\overline{BC}$$

$$m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AB} < m\overline{AC}$$

$$m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AC} < m\overline{AB}$$

Proof

Statements	Reasons
$m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} > m\overline{AC}$	ABC is a triangle
$(\cancel{m\overline{AB}} + m\overline{BC} - \cancel{m\overline{AB}}) > (m\overline{AC} - m\overline{AB})$	Subtracting $m\overline{AB}$ from both sides
$\therefore m\overline{BC} > (m\overline{AC} - m\overline{AB})$	
or $m\overline{AC} - m\overline{AB} < m\overline{BC} \dots (i)$	$a > b \Rightarrow b < a$
Similarly	
$m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AB} < m\overline{AC}$	Reason similar to (i)
$m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AC} < m\overline{AB}$	

