

# Exercise 15

**Q.1** Verify that the  $\Delta$ s having the following measures of sides are right-angled to verify whether the  $\Delta$ s are right angled or not we use Pythagoras Theorem

$$(\text{Hypotenuse})^2 = (\text{base})^2 + (\text{Perpendicular})^2$$

(i)  $a = 5\text{cm}$   
 $b = 12\text{cm}$   
 $c = 13\text{cm}$   
 $a^2 = 25\text{cm}^2$   
 $b^2 = 144\text{cm}^2$   
 $c = 169\text{cm}^2$   
 Larger Side is Hypotenuse So  
 $169 = 25 + 144$   
 $169 = 169$   
 L.H.S = R.H.S  
 So it is right angled triangle

(ii)  $a = 1.5\text{cm}$   
 $b = 2\text{cm}$   
 $c = 2.5\text{cm}$   
 $a^2 = 2.25\text{cm}^2$   
 $b^2 = 4\text{cm}^2$   
 $c^2 = 6.25$   
 $6.25 = 2.25 + 4$   
 $6.25 = 6.25$   
 L.H.S = R.H.S  
 So it is right-angled triangle

(iii)  $a = 9\text{cm}$   
 $b = 12\text{cm}$   
 $c = 15\text{cm}$   
 $a^2 = 81\text{cm}^2$   
 $b^2 = 144\text{cm}^2$   
 $c = 225\text{cm}^2$   
 $225\text{cm}^2 = 81\text{cm} + 144\text{cm}$   
 $225\text{cm}^2 = 225\text{cm}^2$   
 L.H.S = R.H.S  
 So it is right angled triangle

(iv)  $a = 16\text{cm}$   
 $b = 30\text{cm}$   
 $c = 34\text{cm}$   
 $a^2 = 256\text{cm}^2$   
 $b^2 = 900\text{cm}^2$   
 $c^2 = 1156\text{cm}^2$

$1156 = 256 + 900$   
 $1156 = 1156$   
 L.H.S = R.H.S  
 It is right angled triangle

**Q.2** Verify that  $a^2 + b^2, a^2 - b^2$  and  $2ab$  are the measures of the sides of a right angled Triangle where  $a$  and  $b$  are any two real numbers ( $a > b$ )

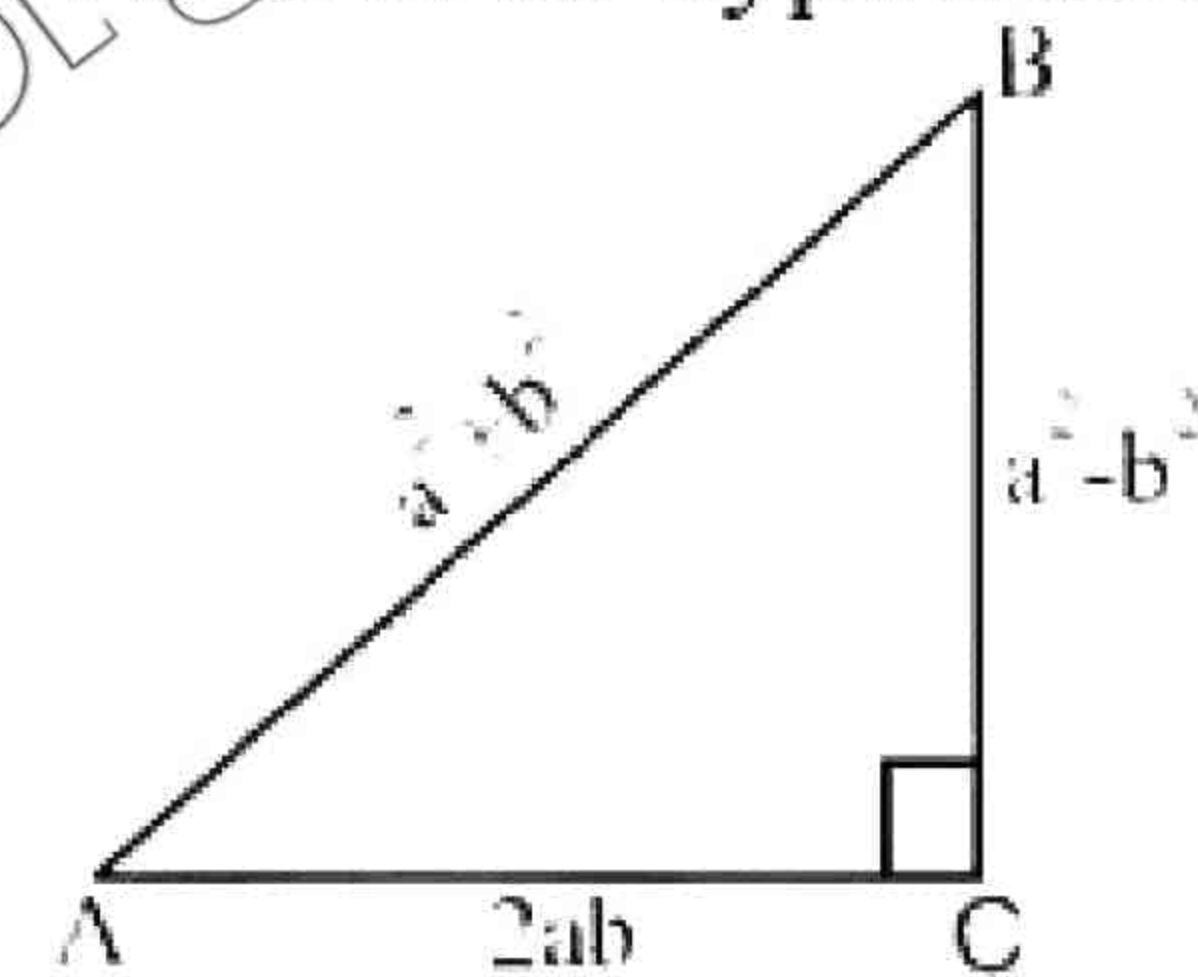
Let  $a = 2$  and  $b = 1$

$$a^2 + b^2 = (2)^2 + (1)^2 = 4 + 1 = 5$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = (2)^2 - (1)^2 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$$2ab = 2(2)(1) = 4$$

Since  $a^2 + b^2$  is the largest side so  $a^2 + b^2$  will be hypotenuse



So

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

$$(a^2 + b^2)^2 = (2ab)^2 + (a^2 - b^2)^2$$

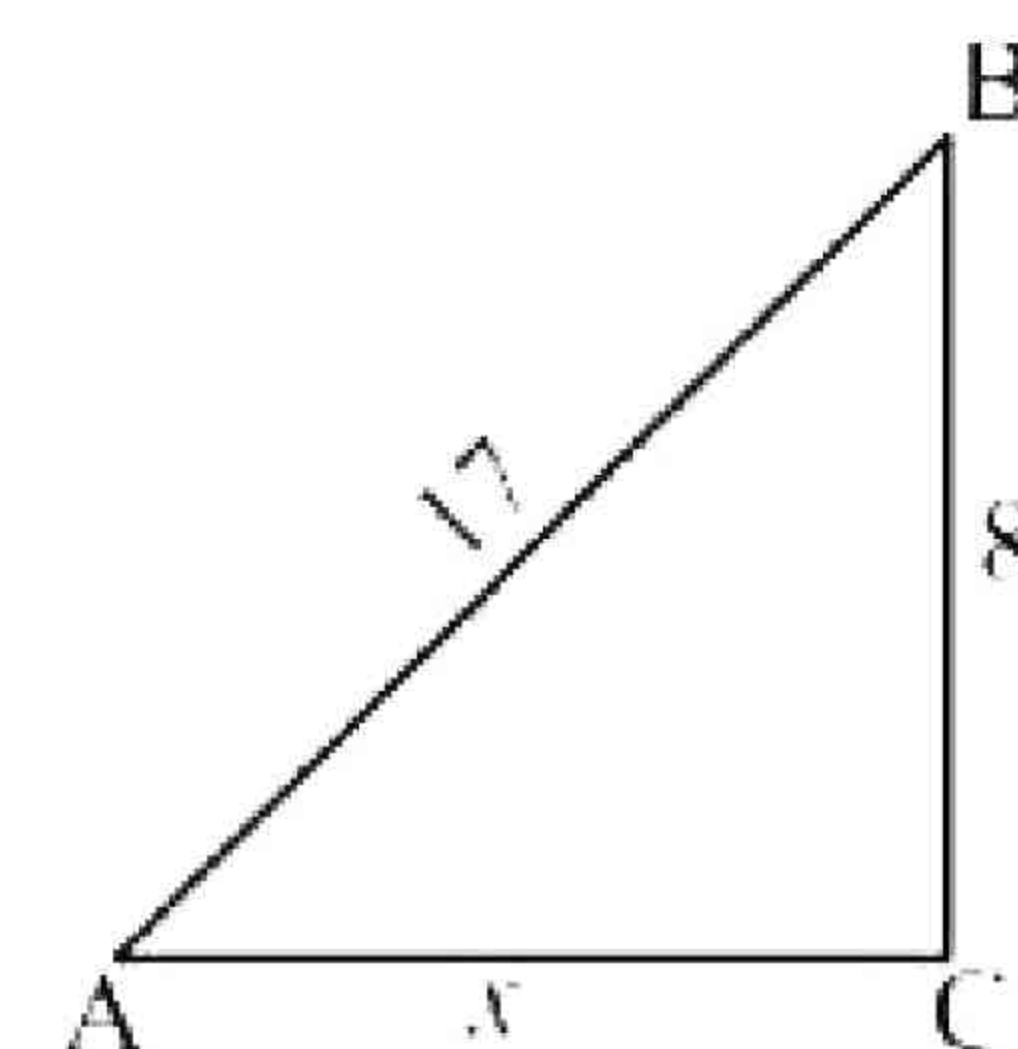
$$a^4 + b^4 + 2a^2b^2 = 4a^2b^2 + a^4 + b^4 - 2a^2b^2$$

$$a^4 + b^4 + 2a^2b^2 = a^4 + b^4 + 2a^2b^2$$

L.H.S = R.H.S

It is proved that it is a right angled triangle

**Q.3** The three sides of a triangle are of measure 8,  $x$  and 17 respectively. For what value of  $x$  will it become base of right angled triangle by Pythagoras theorem



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

$$(17)^2 = (x)^2 + (8)^2$$

$$289 = x^2 + 64$$

$$289 - 64 = x^2$$

$$x^2 = 225$$

Taking square root both side

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{225}$$

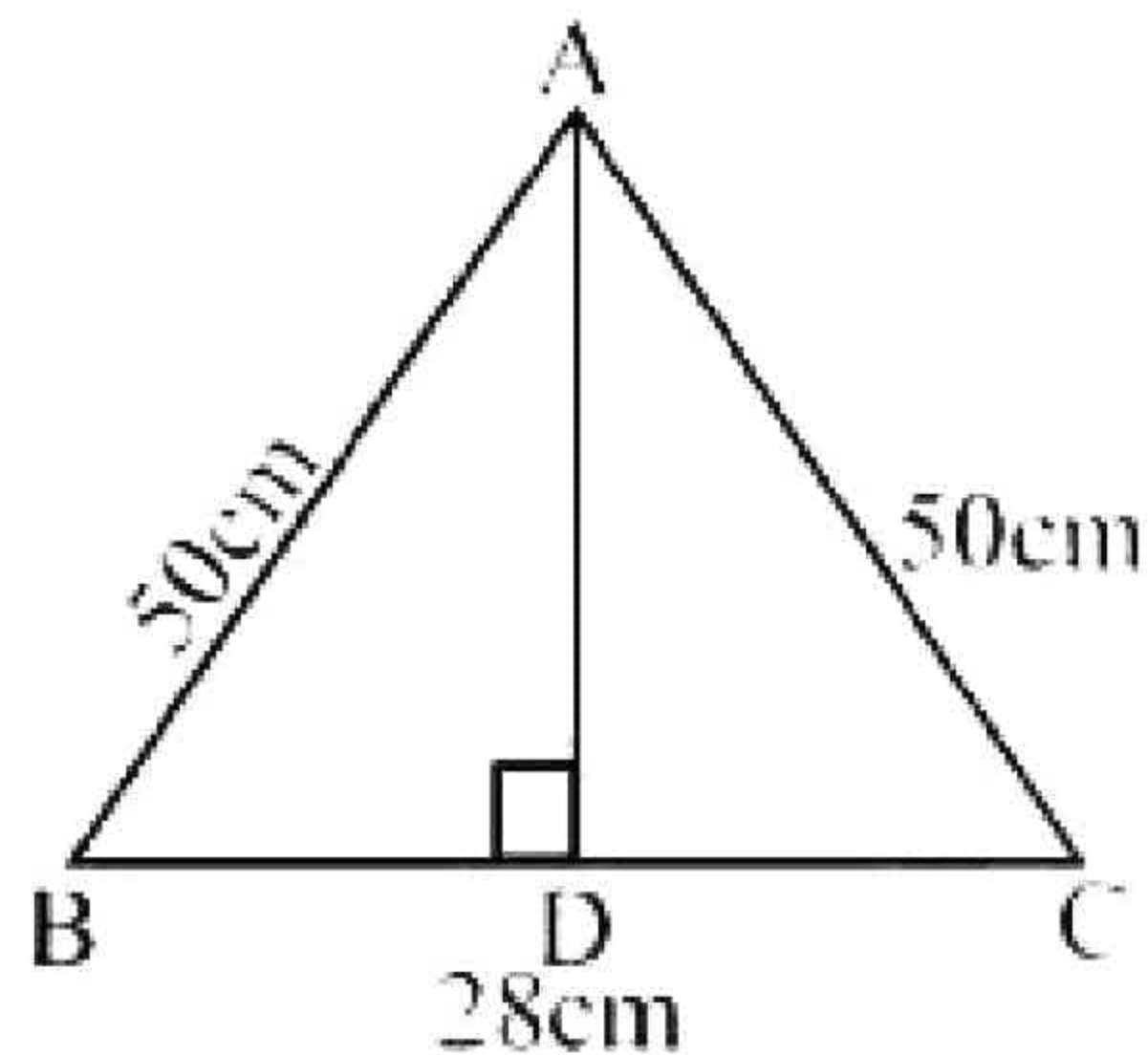
$$x = 15$$

**Q.4** In an isosceles  $\Delta$  the base

$$\overline{BC} = 28 \text{ cm and}$$

$$\overline{AB} = \overline{AC} = 50 \text{ cm}$$

If  $\overline{AD} \perp \overline{BC}$  then find



(i) Length of  $\overline{AD}$

**Solution:**

$$\overline{AD} \perp \overline{BC}$$

$$\text{So } \overline{BD} = \overline{CD}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \overline{BC} = \frac{1}{2} (28)$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \overline{BC} = 14$$

So

$$\overline{BD} = \overline{CD} = 14$$

$$(\overline{AB})^2 = (\overline{BD})^2 + (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$2500 = (14)^2 + (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$2500 = 196 + (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$2500 - 196 = (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = 2304$$

Taking square root on both side

$$\sqrt{(\overline{AD})^2} = \sqrt{2304}$$

$$\overline{AD} = 48 \text{ cm}$$

(ii) Area of  $\Delta ABC$

$$\text{Area of } \Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} (\text{base})$$

(height)

$$= \frac{1}{2} (28) (48)$$

$$= (14) (48)$$

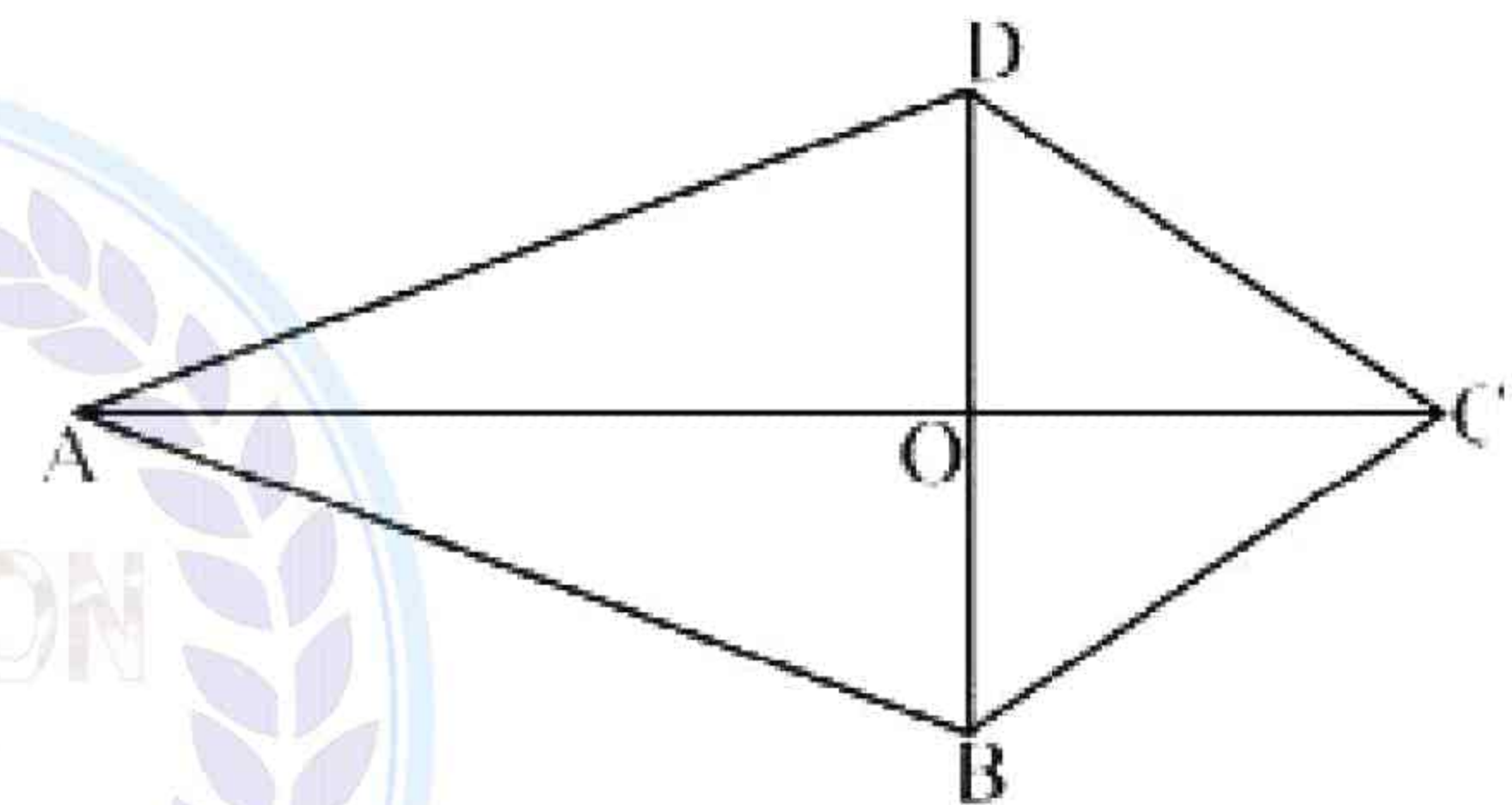
$$= 672 \text{ cm}^2$$

**Q.5** In a quadrilateral ABCD the diagonals  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{BD}$  are perpendicular to each other.

Prove that

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

$\Delta AOB$



$$(\overline{AB})^2 = (\overline{OB})^2 + (\overline{OA})^2 \longrightarrow \text{(i)}$$

$\Delta BOC$

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = (\overline{OB})^2 + (\overline{OC})^2 \longrightarrow \text{(ii)}$$

$\Delta COD$

$$(\overline{CD})^2 = (\overline{OD})^2 + (\overline{OC})^2 \longrightarrow \text{(iii)}$$

$\Delta DOA$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = (\overline{OA})^2 + (\overline{OD})^2 \longrightarrow \text{(iv)}$$

By adding (i) and (iii)

$$(\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{CD})^2 = (\overline{OB})^2 + (\overline{OA})^2 + (\overline{OD})^2 + (\overline{OC})^2 \rightarrow \text{(v)}$$

By adding (ii) and (iv)

$$(\overline{AD})^2 + (\overline{BC})^2 = (\overline{OB})^2 + (\overline{OC})^2 + (\overline{OA})^2 + (\overline{OD})^2 \rightarrow \text{(vi)}$$

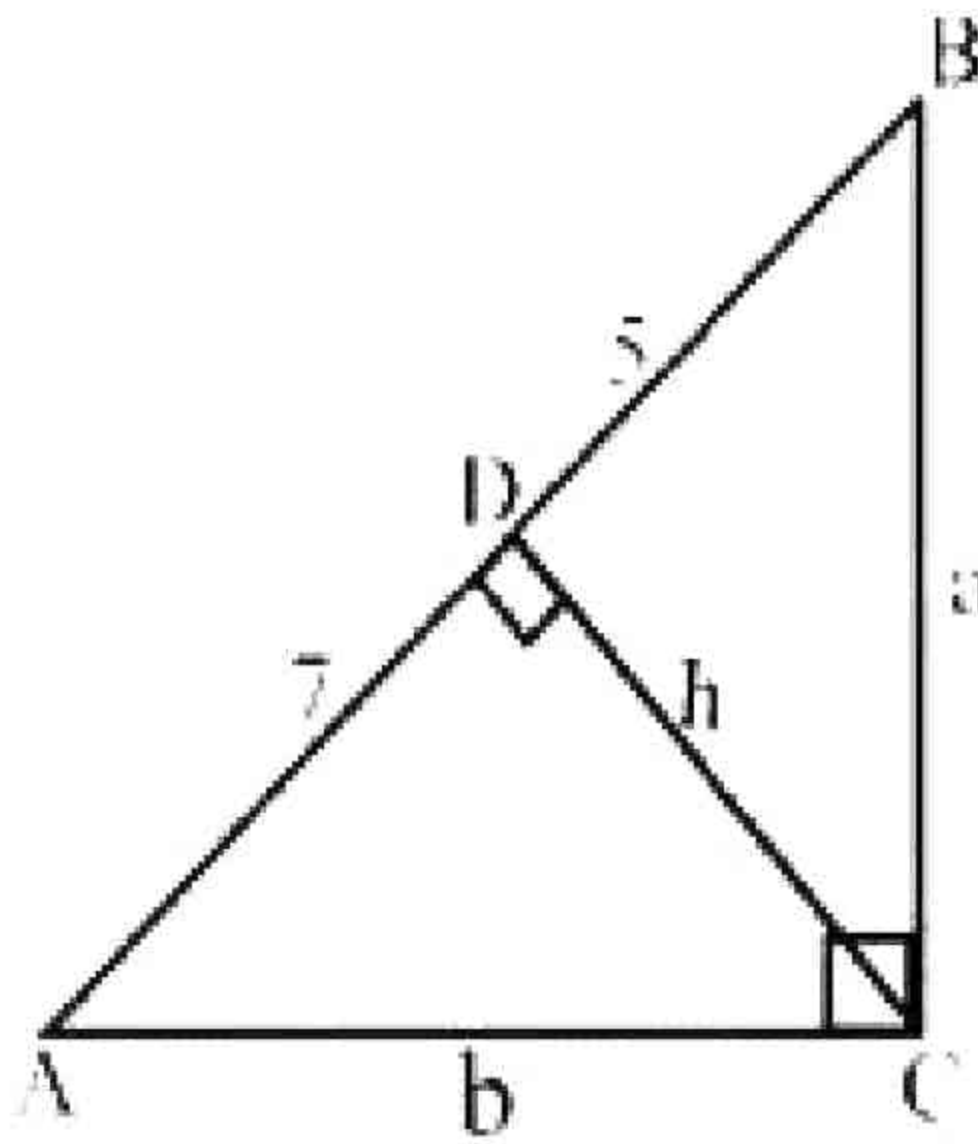
By comparing v and vi

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

Hence proved

**Q.6** the  $\Delta ABC$  as shown in the figure  $m\angle ACB = 90^\circ$  and  $\overline{CD} \perp \overline{AB}$  find the length  $a$ ,  $h$  and  $b$  if  $m\overline{BD} = 5$  units and  $m\overline{AD} = 7$  units

(i)



$\Delta ACB$

$$(7+5)^2 = (b)^2 + (a)^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = (12)^2$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 144 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$\Delta ADC$

$$(b)^2 = (7)^2 + (h)^2$$

$$b^2 - h^2 = 49 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

$\Delta CDB$

$$a^2 = (5)^2 + (h)^2$$

$$a^2 - h^2 = 25 \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Subtracting ii from iii

$$a^2 - \cancel{h^2} = 25$$

$$\pm b^2 \mp \cancel{h^2} = \pm 49$$

$$\underline{a^2 - b^2 = -24}$$

$$a^2 - b^2 = -24 \quad \text{--- (iv)}$$

Adding equation I and IV

$$a^2 + \cancel{b^2} = 144$$

$$a^2 - \cancel{b^2} = -24$$

$$\underline{2a^2 = 120}$$

$$2a^2 = 120$$

$$a^2 = \frac{120}{2}$$

$$a^2 = 60$$

$$a^2 = 4 \times 15$$

Taking square root both side

Prime factor

$2 \times 2 \times 15$	2	60
	2	30
$4 \times 15$		15

$$\sqrt{a^2} = \sqrt{4 \times 15}$$

$$a = 2\sqrt{15}$$

Putting the value of a in equation

(i)

$$(2\sqrt{15})^2 + b^2 = 144$$

Prime factor

$$4 \times 15 + b^2 = 144$$

$$60 + b^2 = 144$$

$$b^2 = 144 - 60$$

$$b^2 = 84$$

$$b^2 = 4 \times 21$$

$$2 \times 2 \times 21$$

$$4 \times 21$$

Taking square root both side

$$b^2 = \sqrt{4 \times 21}$$

$$b = 2\sqrt{21}$$

Putting the value of b in equation

(ii)

$$(2\sqrt{21})^2 - h^2 = 49$$

$$4 \times 21 - 49 = h^2$$

$$h^2 = 84 - 49$$

$$h^2 = 35$$

Taking square root both side

$$\sqrt{h^2} = \sqrt{35}$$

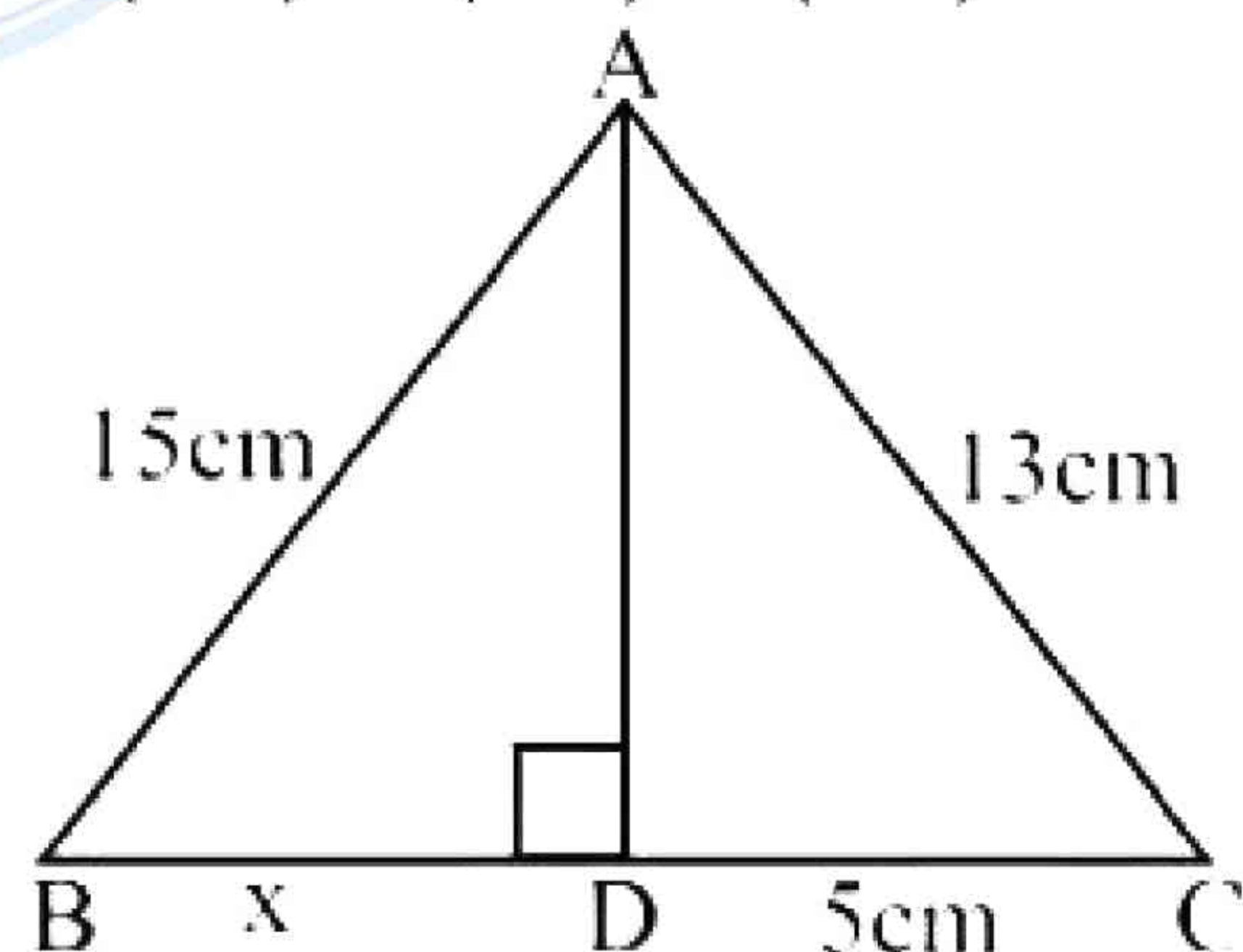
$$h = \sqrt{35}$$

(ii)

Find the value of  $x$  in the shown figure

From  $\Delta ADC$

$$(\overline{AC})^2 = (\overline{DC})^2 + (\overline{AD})^2$$



$$(13)^2 = (5)^2 + (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$169 = 25 + (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$169 - 25 = (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = 144$$

Taking square root both side

$$\sqrt{(\overline{AD})^2} = \sqrt{(144)}$$

$$\overline{AD} = 12$$

From  $\triangle ADB$

$$(\overline{AB})^2 = (\overline{BD})^2 + (\overline{AD})^2$$

$$(15)^2 = x^2 + (12)^2$$

$$225 = x^2 + 144$$

$$225 - 144 = x^2$$

$$x^2 = 81$$

Taking square on both side

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{81}$$

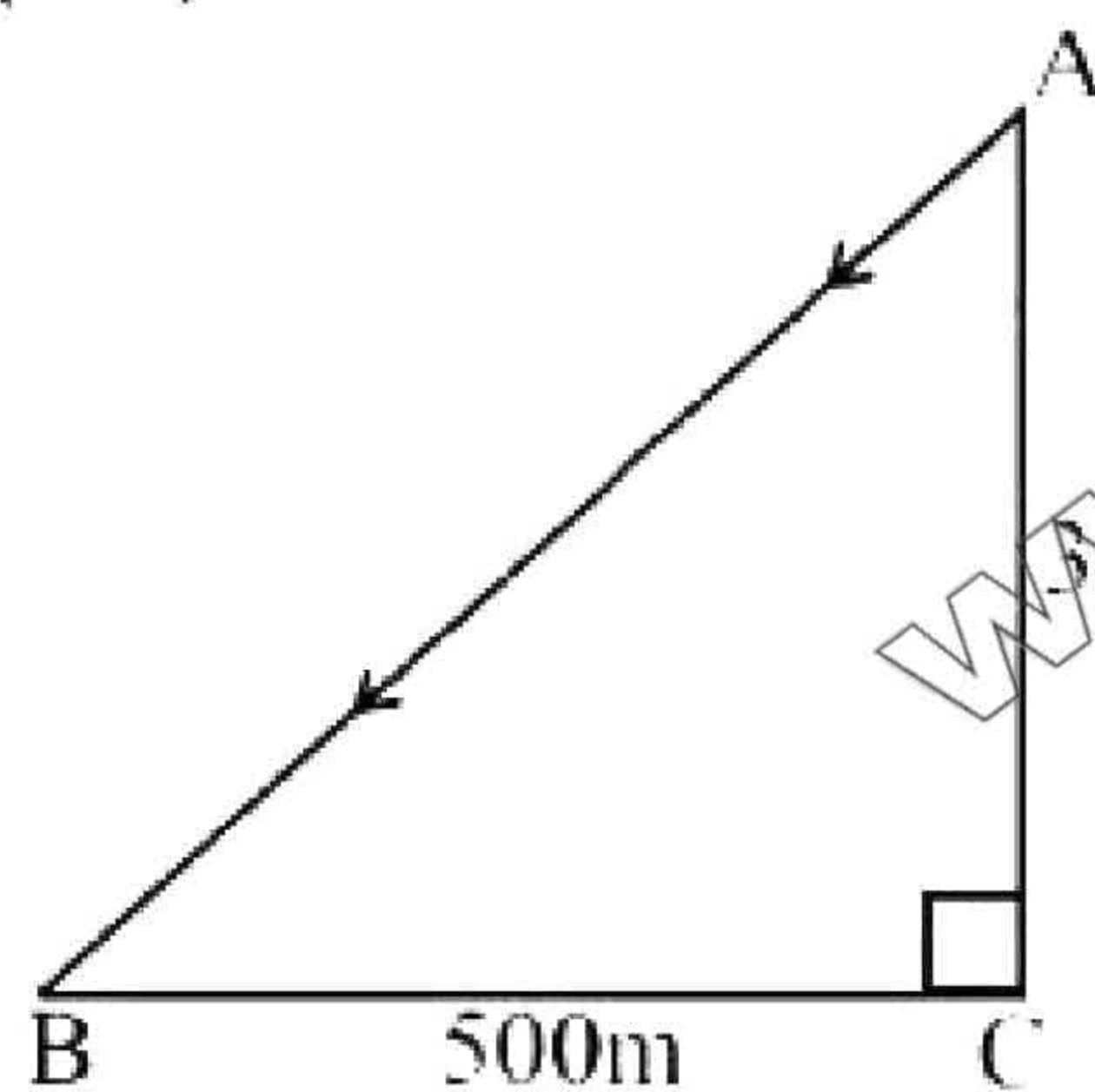
$$x = 9$$

**Q.7** A plane is at a height of 300m and is 500m away from the airport as shown in the figure How much distance will it travel to land at the airport?

$\triangle ABC$  is right angle triangle

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

$$(\overline{AB})^2 = (500)^2 + (300)^2$$



Airport

$$(\overline{AB})^2 = 250000 + 90000$$

$$(\overline{AB})^2 = 340000$$

$$(\overline{AB})^2 = 10000 \times 34$$

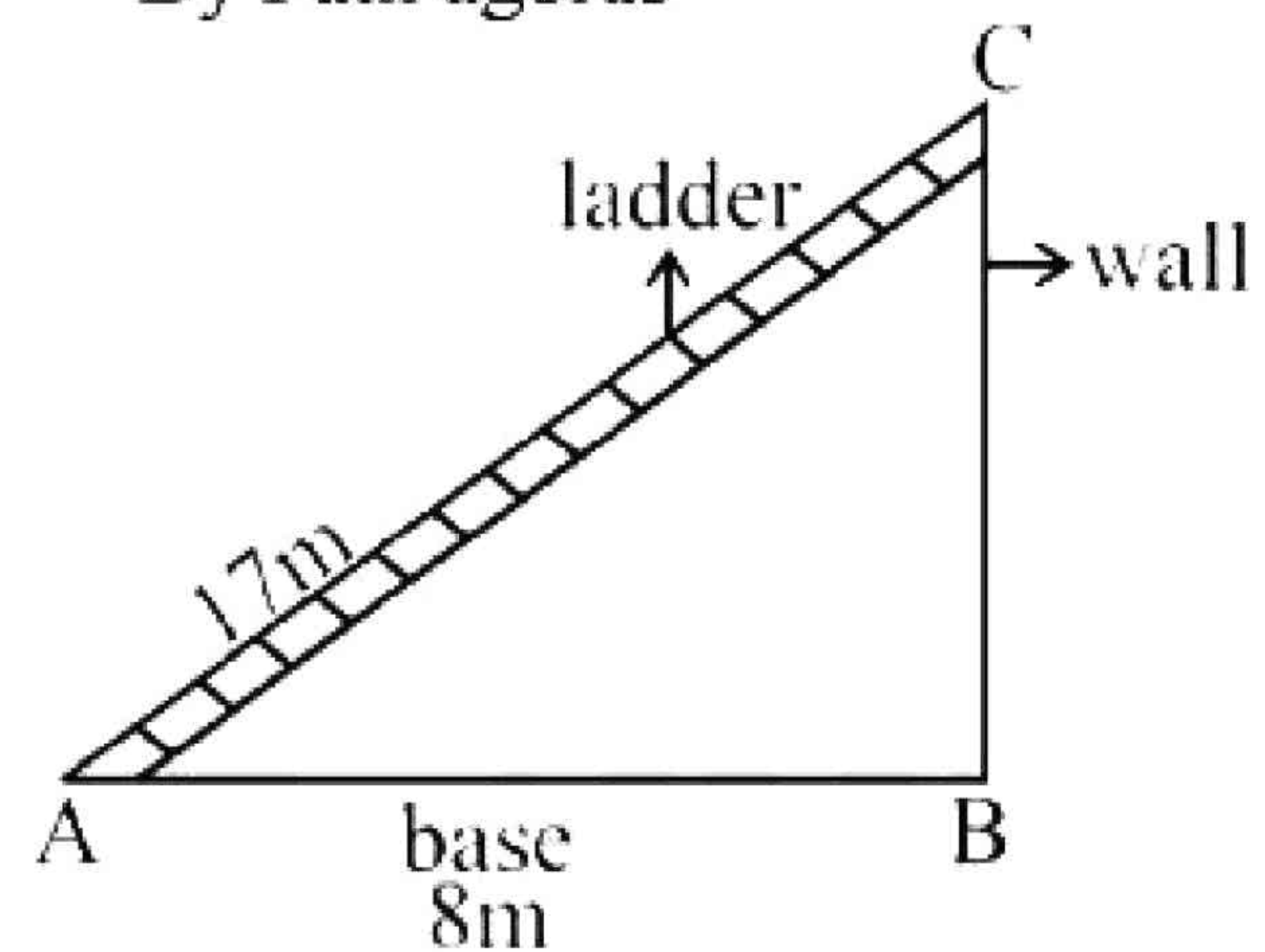
Taking square root on both side

$$\sqrt{(\overline{AB})^2} = \sqrt{10000 \times 34}$$

$$AB = 100\sqrt{34}m$$

**Q.8** A ladder 17m long rests against a vertical wall. The foot of the ladder is 8m away from the base of the wall. How high up the wall will the ladder reach?

By Path agoras



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

$$(17)^2 = (8)^2 + (\overline{BC})^2$$

$$289 = 64 + (\overline{BC})^2$$

$$289 - 64 = (\overline{BC})^2$$

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = 225$$

Taking square root on both side

$$\sqrt{(\overline{BC})^2} = \sqrt{225}$$

$$\overline{BC} = 15m$$

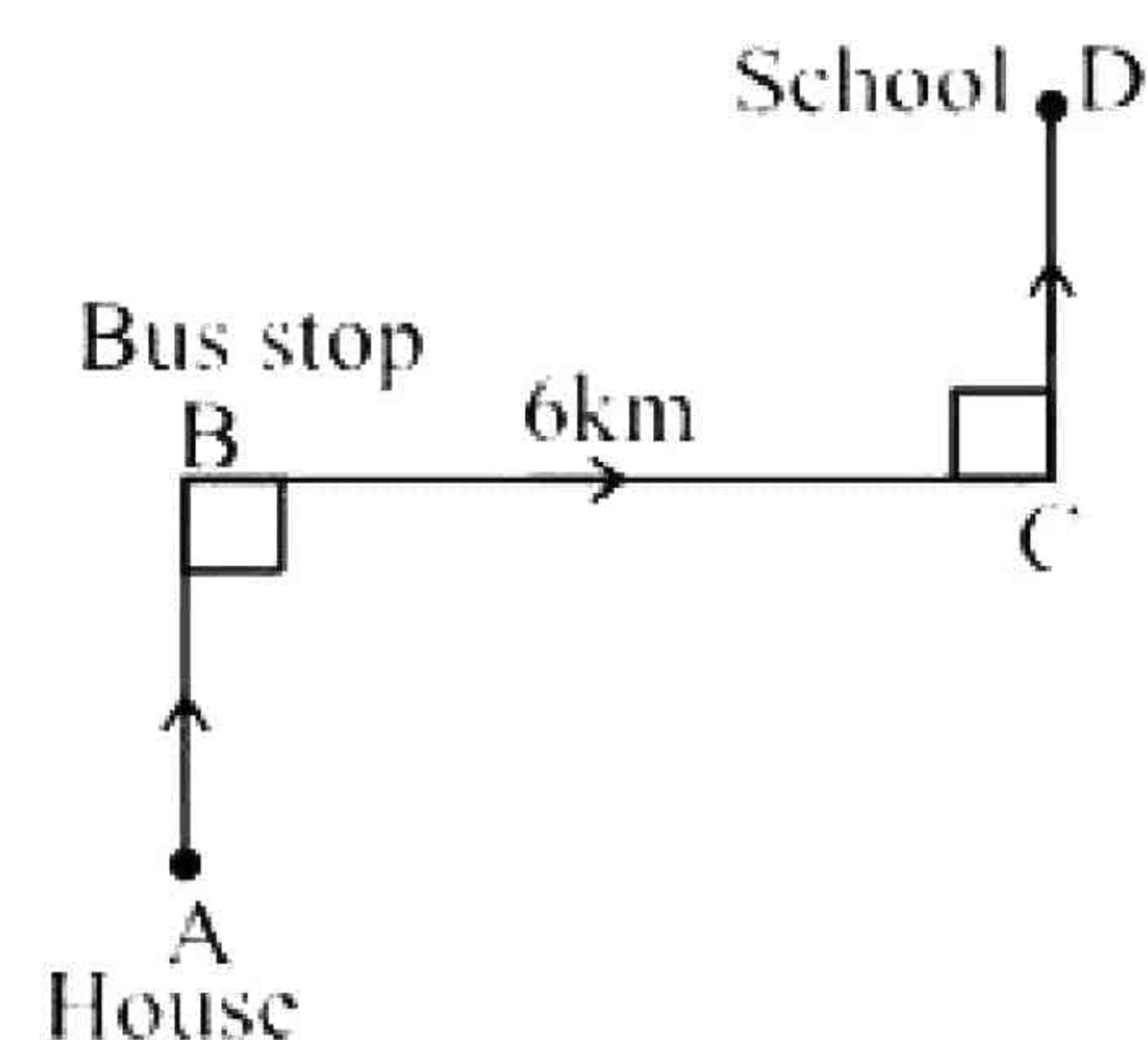
The height of wall =  $\overline{BC} = 15m$

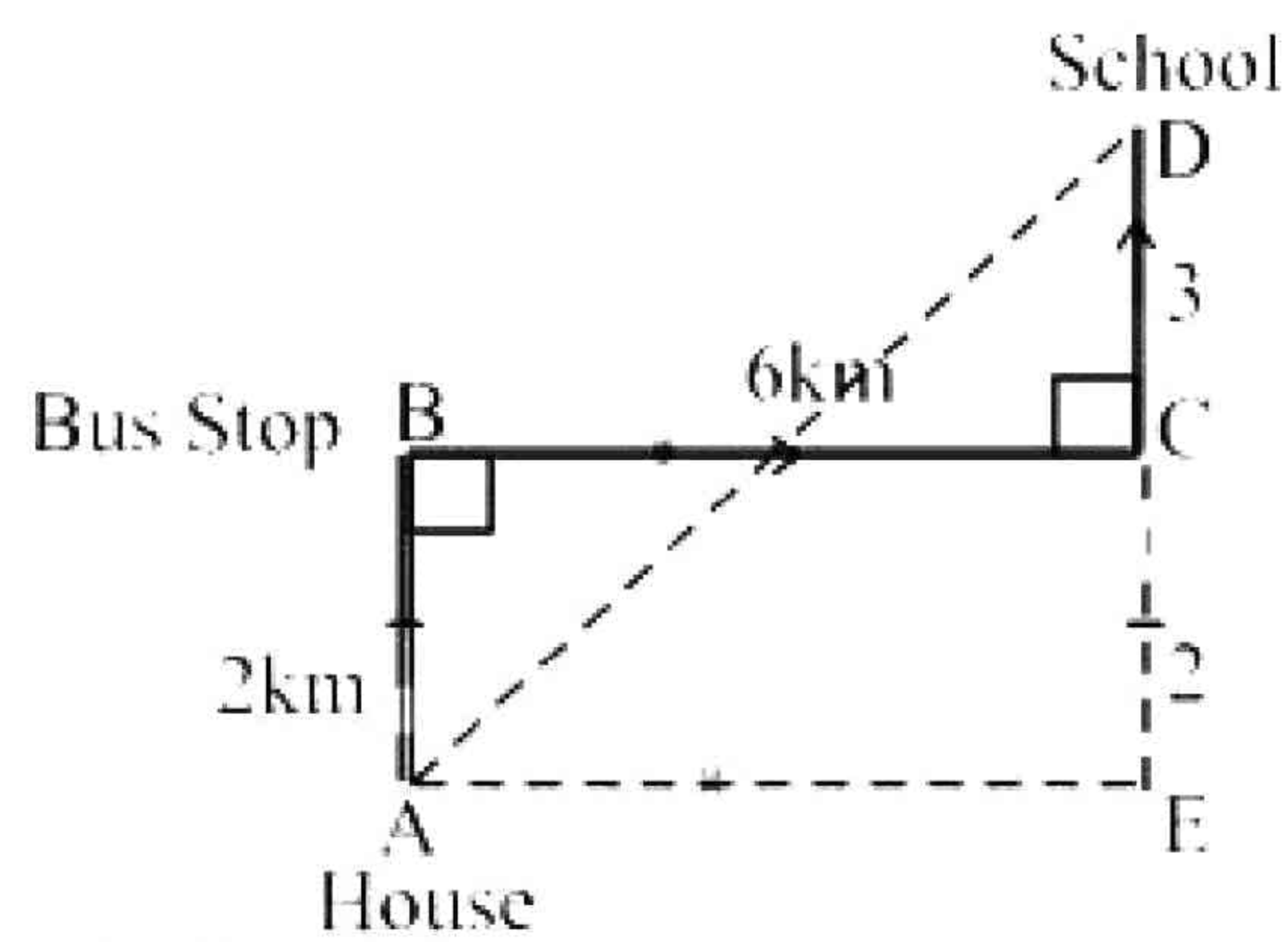
**Q.9** A student travels to his school by the route as shown in the figure.

Find  $m\overline{AD}$ , the direct distance from his house to school.

**Solution:**

As we know that in rectangular opposite sides are equal so





$$\overline{AB} = \overline{CE} = 2km$$

$$\overline{BC} = \overline{AE} = 6km$$

$$\overline{DE} = \overline{DC} + \overline{CE}$$

∴ We get triangle

Δ ADE which is right angled

triangle

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = (\overline{AE})^2 + (\overline{ED})^2$$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = (6)^2 + (3+2)^2$$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = 36 + (5)^2$$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = 36 + 25$$

$$(\overline{AD})^2 = 61$$

Taking square root on both side

$$\sqrt{(\overline{AD})^2} = \sqrt{61}$$

$$\overline{AD} = \sqrt{61}km$$

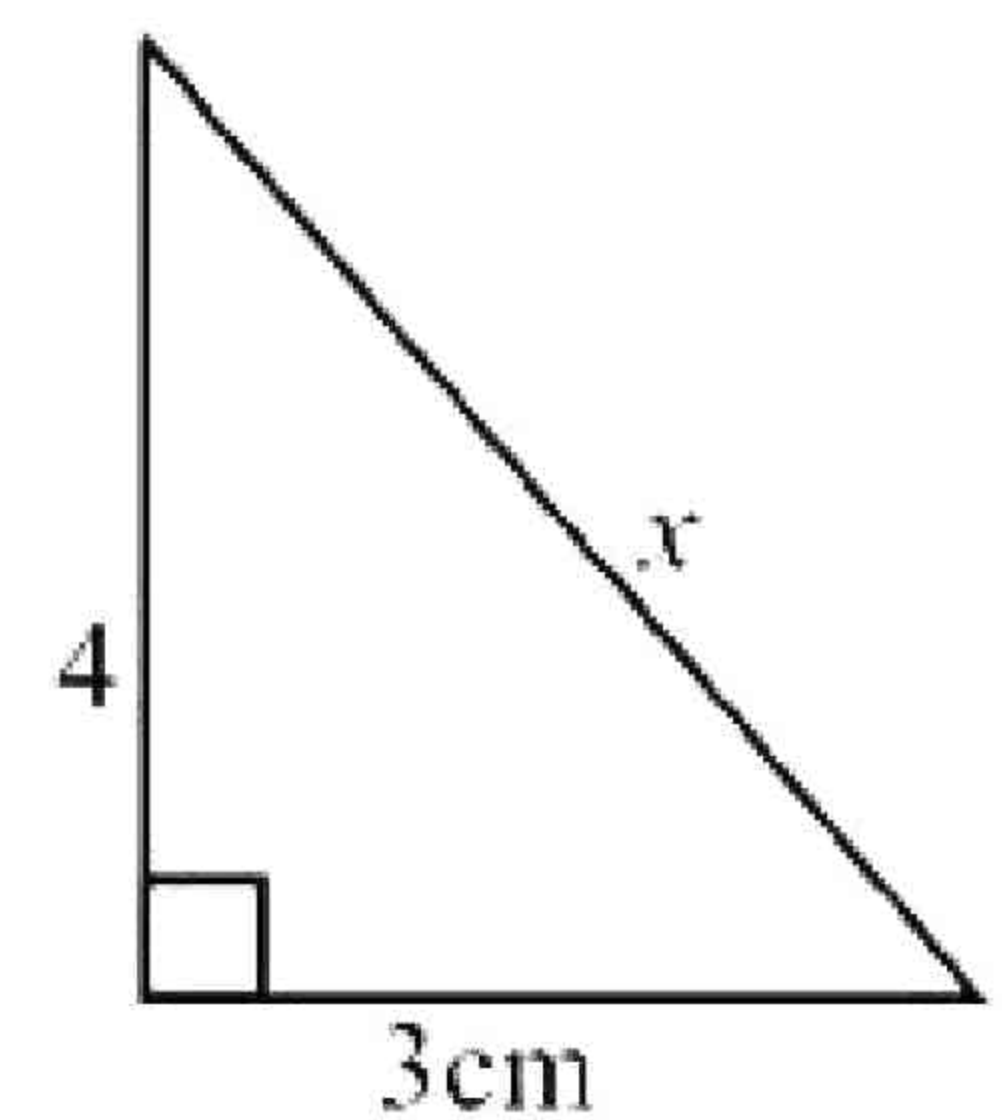


**Q.1 Which of the following are true and which are false**

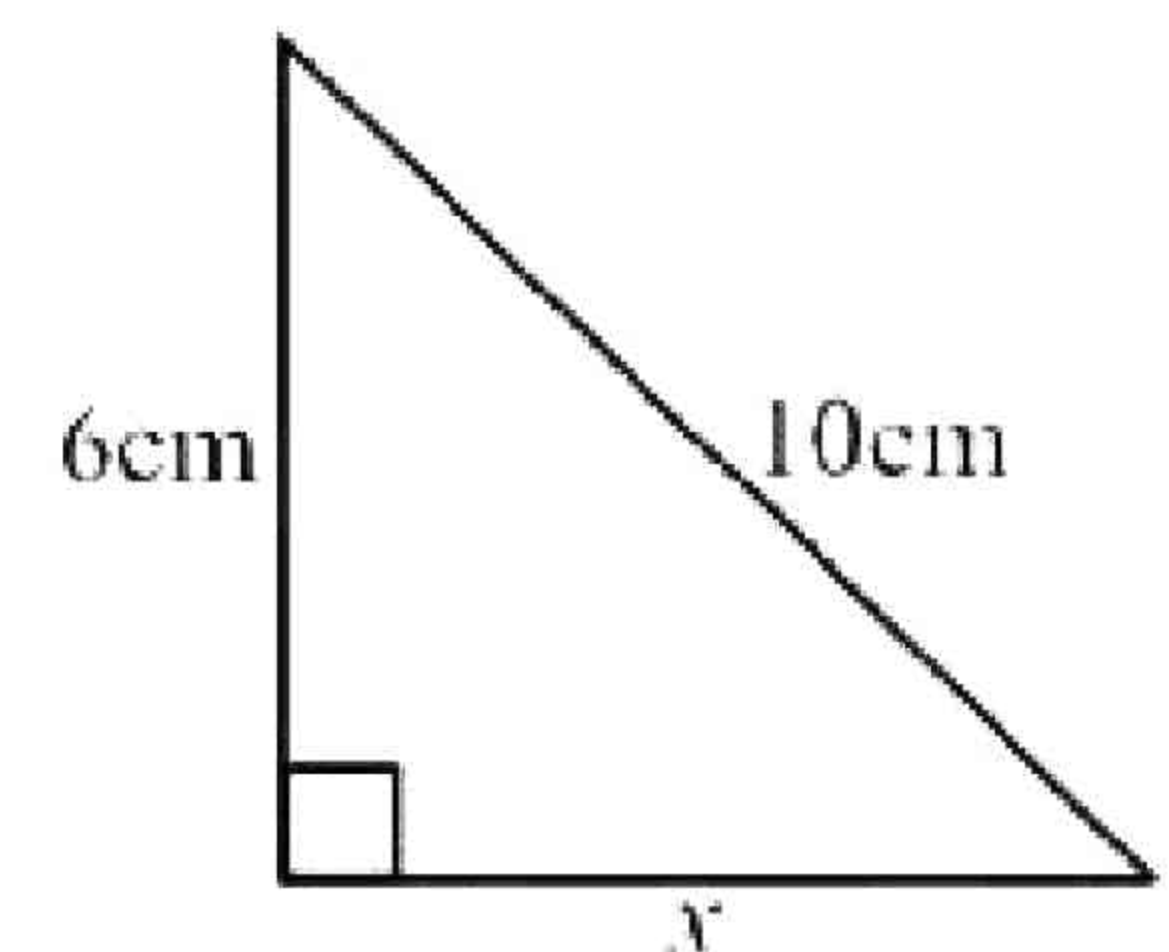
- (i) In a right angled triangle greater angle is of  $90^\circ$  (True)
- (ii) In a right angled triangle right angle is of  $60^\circ$  (False)
- (iii) In a right triangle hypotenuse is a side opposite to right angle (True)
- (iv) If a,b,c are sides of right angled triangle with c as longer side then  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$  (True)
- (v) If 3cm and 4cm are two sides of a right angled triangle, the hypotenuse is 5cm (True)
- (vi) If hypotenuse of an isosceles right triangle is  $\sqrt{2}$  cm then each of other side is of length 2cm (False)

**Q.2 Find the unknown value in each of the following figures.**

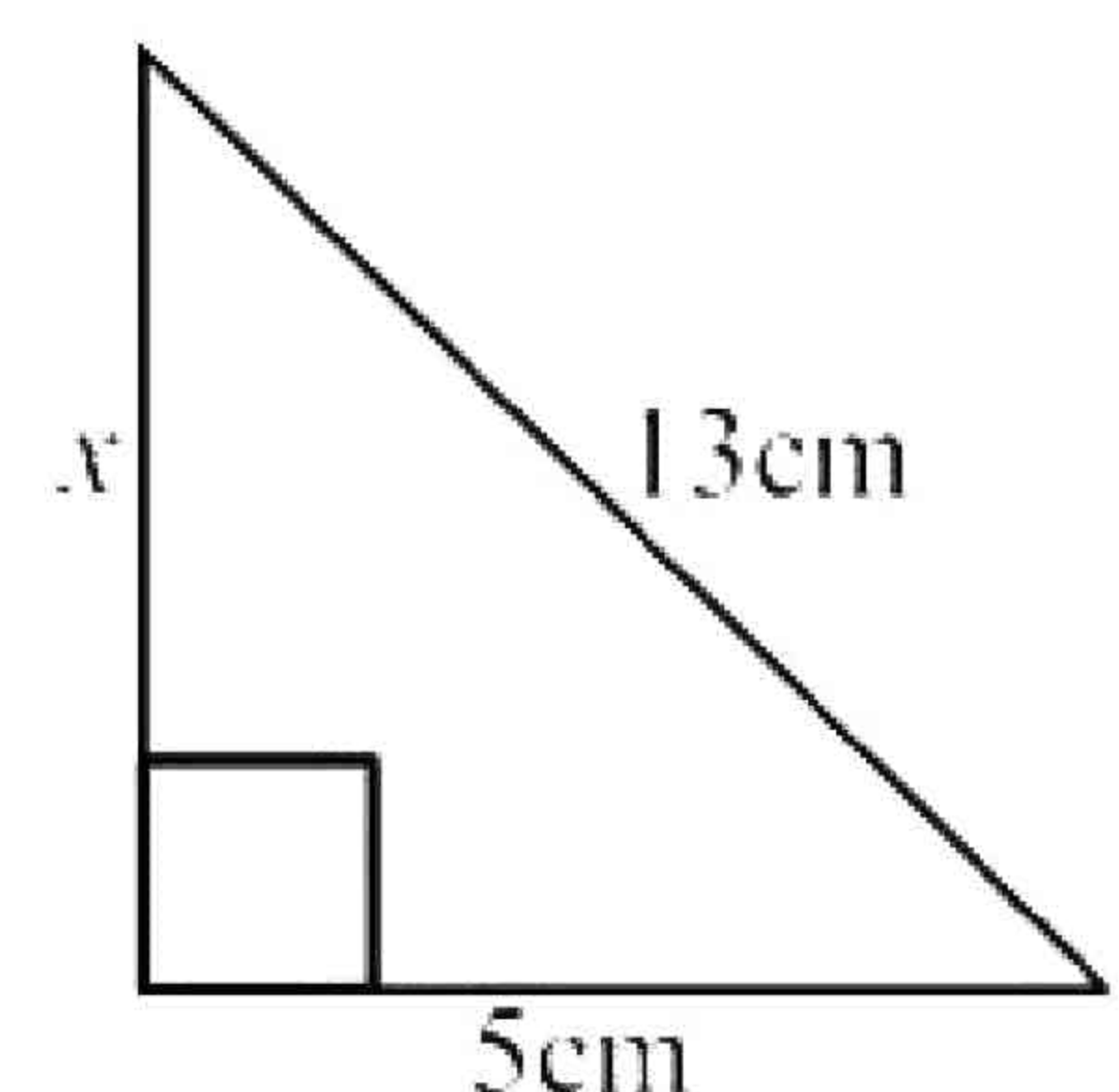
- (i) By Path agoras theorem  
 (Hypotenuse)<sup>2</sup> = (Base)<sup>2</sup> + (Perpendicular)<sup>2</sup>  
 $(x)^2 = (3)^2 + (4)^2$   
 $x^2 = 9 + 16$   
 $x^2 = 25$   
 Taking square root on both side  
 $\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{25}$   
 $x = 5 \text{ cm}$



- (ii) By Pythagoras theorem  
 (Hypotenuse)<sup>2</sup> = (Base)<sup>2</sup> + (Perpendicular)<sup>2</sup>  
 $(10)^2 = (x)^2 + (6)^2$   
 $100 = x^2 + 36$   
 $100 - 36 = x^2$   
 $x^2 = 64$   
 Taking square root on both side  
 $\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{64}$   
 $x = 8 \text{ cm}$



- (iii) By Pythagoras theorem  
 (Hypotenuse)<sup>2</sup> = (Base)<sup>2</sup> + (Perpendicular)<sup>2</sup>  
 $(13)^2 = (5)^2 + (x)^2$   
 $169 = 25 + x^2$   
 $169 - 25 = x^2$   
 $x^2 = 144$   
 Taking square root on both side



$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{144}$$

$$x = 12 \text{ cm}$$

(iv) By Path agoras theorem

$$(\text{Hypotenuse})^2 = (\text{base})^2 + (\text{Perpendicular})^2$$

$$(\sqrt{2})^2 = (1)^2 + (x)^2$$

$$2 = 1 + x^2$$

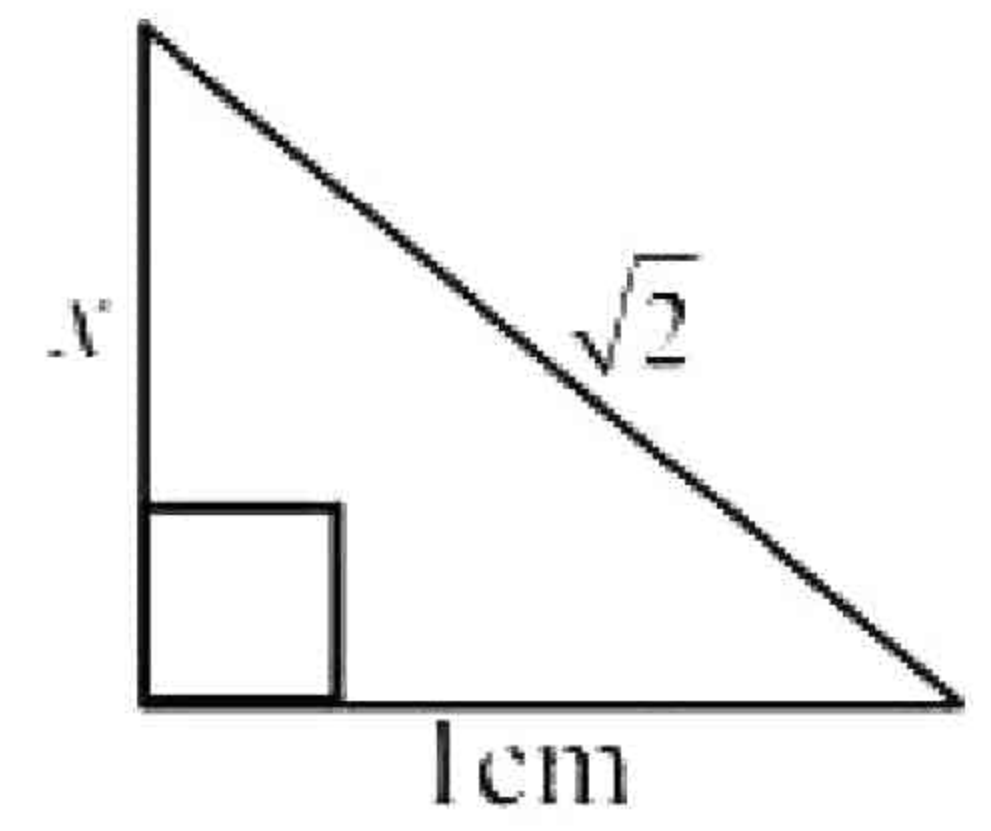
$$2 - 1 = x^2$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

Taking square root on both side

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{1}$$

$$x = 1 \text{ cm}$$

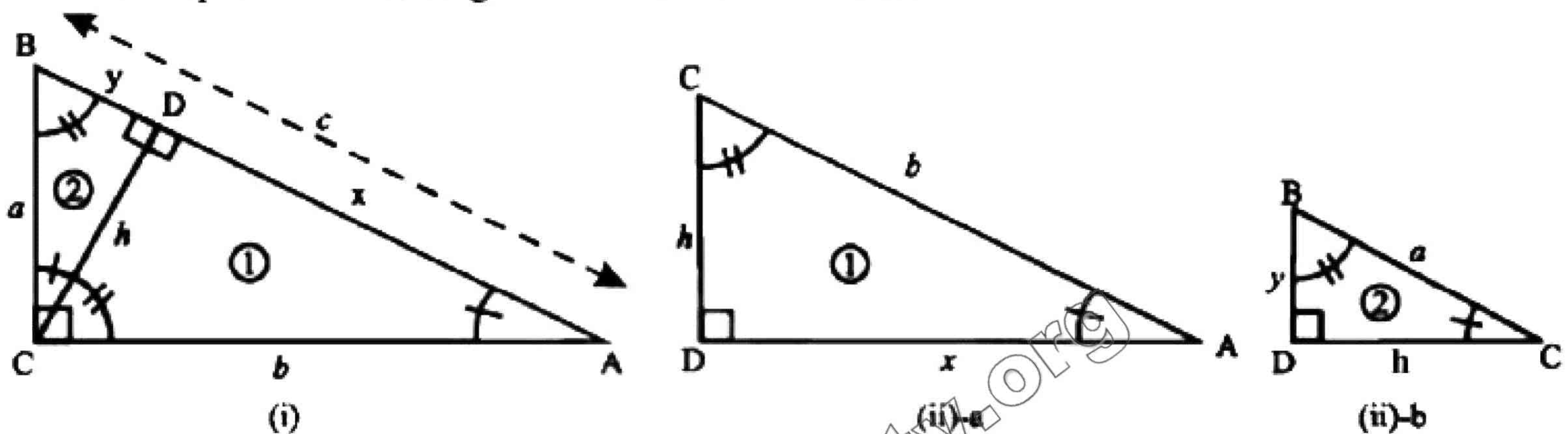


# Unit 15: Pythagoras Theorem

## Overview

### Theorem 15.1.1

In a right angled triangle, the square of the length of hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the other two sides



#### Given

$\Delta ACB$  is a right angled triangle in which  $m\angle C = 90^\circ$  and  $m\overline{BC} = a$ ,  $m\overline{AC} = b$  and  $m\overline{AB} = c$

#### To prove

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

#### Construction

Draw  $\overline{CD}$  perpendicular from C on  $\overline{AB}$

Let  $m\overline{CD} = h$ ,  $m\overline{AD} = x$  and  $m\overline{BD} = y$ . Line segment CD splits  $\Delta ABC$  into two  $\Delta$ s ADC and BDC which are separately shown in the figures (ii) –a and (ii) –b respectively

#### Proof (using similar $\Delta$ s)

Statements	Reasons
In $\Delta ADC \leftrightarrow \Delta ACB$	Refer to figure (ii)-a and (i)
$\angle A \cong \angle A$	Common – Self Congruent
$\angle ADC \cong \angle ACB$	Construction- given each angle = $90^\circ$
$\angle C \cong \angle B$	$\angle C$ and $\angle B$ complements of $\angle A$



$\therefore \triangle ADC \sim \triangle ACB$ $\therefore \frac{x}{b} = \frac{b}{c}$ or $x = \frac{b^2}{c}$ _____ (i) Again in $\triangle BDC \leftrightarrow \triangle BCA$ $\angle B \cong \angle B$ $\angle BDC \cong \angle BCA$ $\angle C \cong \angle A$ $\therefore \triangle BDC \sim \triangle BCA$ $\therefore \frac{y}{a} = \frac{a}{c}$ or $y = \frac{a^2}{c}$ _____ (ii) But $y + x = c$ $\therefore \frac{a^2}{c} + \frac{b^2}{c} = c$ or $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ i-e $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$	Congruency of three angles (Measures of corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional)  Refer to figure (ii)-b and (i) Common – self Congruent Construction – given each angle = $90^\circ$ $\angle C$ and $\angle A$ complements of $\angle B$ Congruency of three angles (Corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional)  Supposition By (i) and (ii) Multiplying both side by $c$
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### **Theorem 15.1.2 Converse of Pythagoras Theorem 15.1.1**

If the Square of one side of a triangle is equal to the sum of the square of the other two sides then the triangle is a right angled triangle

#### **Given**

In a  $\triangle ABC$  ,  $m\overline{AB} = c, m\overline{BC} = a, m\overline{AC} = b$

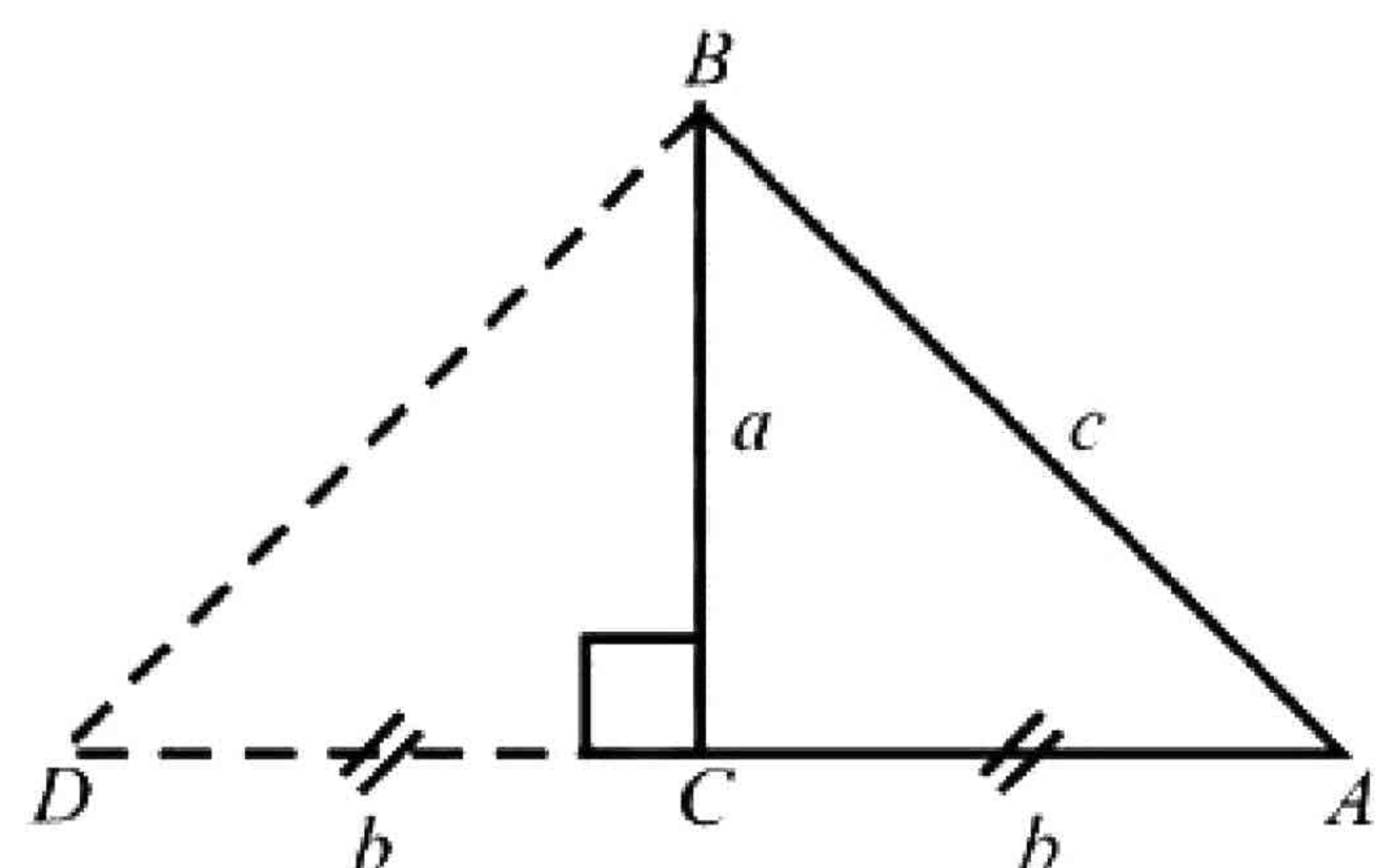
Such that  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

#### **To prove**

$\triangle ACB$  is a right angled triangle

#### **Construction**

Draw  $\overline{CD}$  perpendicular to  $\overline{BC}$  Such that



$\overline{CD} \cong \overline{CA}$  . Join the points B and D

**Proof**

Statements	Reasons
$\triangle DCB$ is a right angled triangle	Construction
$\therefore (m\overline{BD})^2 = a^2 + b^2$	Pythagoras theorem
But $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$	Given
$\therefore (m\overline{BD})^2 = c^2$	
or $m\overline{BD} = c$	Taking Square root on both sides
Now in $\triangle DCB \leftrightarrow \triangle ACB$	
$\overline{CD} \cong \overline{CA}$	Construction
$\overline{BC} \cong \overline{BC}$	Common
$\overline{DB} \cong \overline{AB}$	Each side $\cong c$
$\therefore \triangle DCB \cong \triangle ACB$	S.S.S $\cong$ S.S.S
$\therefore \triangle DCB \cong \angle ACB$	(Corresponding angles of congruent triangle)
But $m\angle DCB = 90^\circ$	Construction
$\therefore m\angle ACB = 90^\circ$	
Hence the $\triangle ACB$ is a Right angled triangle	

