

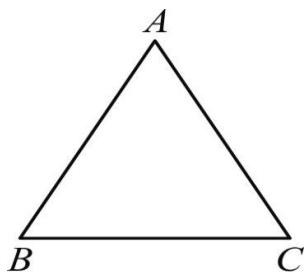
# UNIT

# 8

## PROJECTION OF A SIDE OF A TRIANGLE

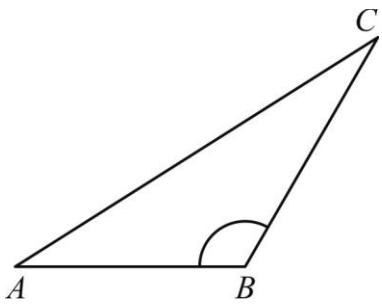
### Acute Angled Triangle (K.B)

A triangle having all angles less than  $90^\circ$  is called acute angled triangle.  
i.e In the fig,  $\triangle ABC$  is an acute angle triangle.



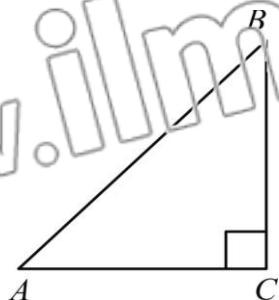
### Obtuse Angled Triangle (K.B)

A triangle having one of its angles greater than  $90^\circ$  is called obtuse angle triangle.



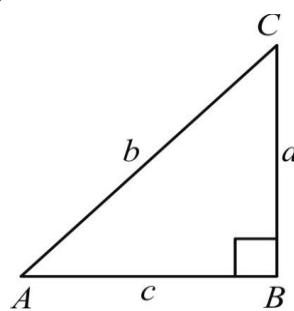
### Right Angled Triangle (K.B)

A triangle having one of its angles equal to  $90^\circ$  is called right angle triangle.



### Pythagoras's Theorem (K.B)

It states that “In a right angled triangle, square of hypotenuse is equal to, sum of squares of other two sides”. From the  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $b^2 = a^2 + c^2$



### Apollonius Theorem (K.B)

It states that “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”.

### Projection (K.B)

Image on Footing is called projection.  $\overline{CD}$  is projection of  $\overline{AB}$  on  $\overline{XY}$ .



**Theorem 1**
**(A.B)**
**8.1(i)**

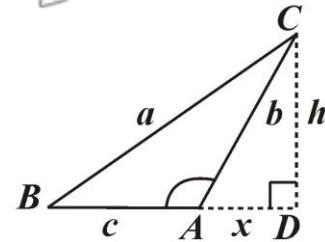
In an obtuse angled triangle, the square on the side opposite to the obtuse angle is equal to the sum of the squares on the sides containing the obtuse angle together with twice the rectangle contained by one of the sides, and the projection on it of the other.

**Given:**

$\triangle ABC$  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:**

$$(BC)^2 = (AC)^2 + (AB)^2 + 2(AB)(AD) \text{ i.e., } a^2 = b^2 + c^2 + 2cx$$

**Proof:**


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

**Theorem 2**
**(A.B)**
**8.1(ii)**

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  $m\overline{AB} = c$

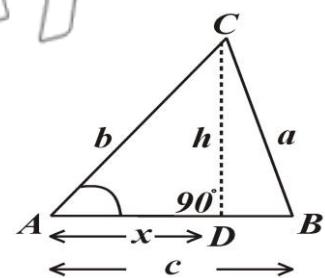
Draw  $\overline{CD} \perp \overline{AB}$  so that  $\overline{AD}$  is projection of  $\overline{AC}$  on  $\overline{AB}$

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

**To Prove:**

$$(BC)^2 = (AC)^2 + (AB)^2 - 2(AB)(AD)$$

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



**Proof:**

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

### Theorem 3

**(A.B)**

(Apollonius' Theorem)

8.1(iii)

**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  $\Delta ABC$ , the median  $\overline{AD}$  bisects  $\overline{BC}$ .

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

**To Prove:**

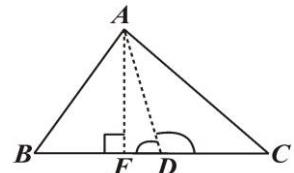
$$(\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{AC})^2 = 2(\overline{BD})^2 + 2(\overline{AD})^2$$

**Construction:**

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

**Proof:**

Statements	Reasons
In $\Delta ADB$ Since $\angle ADB$ is acute at D	
$\therefore (\overline{AB})^2 = (\overline{PD})^2 + (\overline{AD})^2 - 2m\overline{BD}.m\overline{FD} \rightarrow (i)$	Using Theorem 2
Now in $\Delta ADC$ Since $\angle ADC$ is acute at D	
$\therefore (\overline{AC})^2 = (\overline{CD})^2 + (\overline{AD})^2 + 2m\overline{CD}.m\overline{FD}$ $= (\overline{BD})^2 + (\overline{AD})^2 + 2m\overline{BD}.m\overline{FD} \rightarrow (ii)$	Using Theorem 1
Thus $(\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{AC})^2 = 2(\overline{BD})^2 + 2(\overline{AD})^2$	Adding (i) and (ii)



### Exercise 8.1

**Q.1** (A.B)

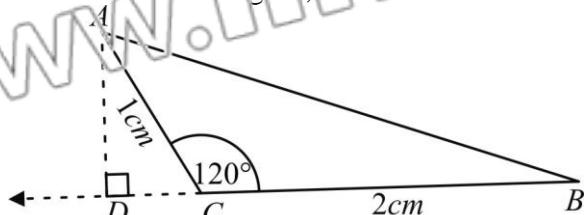
Given:

$m\overline{AC} = 1\text{cm}$ ,  $m\overline{BC} = 2\text{cm}$ ,  $m\angle C = 120^\circ$   
compute the length  $AB$  and the area of  $\triangle ABC$

**Solution:**

**For area of  $\triangle$**

From the figure,



$$m\angle ACD = 180^\circ - m\angle ACB$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{(Supplementary Angles)} \\ &= 180^\circ - 120^\circ \\ &= 60^\circ \end{aligned}$$

From  $\triangle ACD$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sin 60^\circ &= \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} &= \frac{m\overline{AD}}{1\text{cm}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow m\overline{AD} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 1\text{cm} \quad m\overline{AD} = 0.877\text{cm}$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} m\overline{BC} \times m\overline{AD}$$

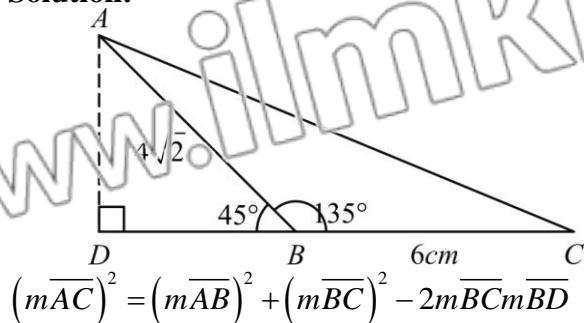
$$\therefore \text{Area of } \triangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{base} \times \text{height}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Area of } \triangle ABC = 0.877\text{cm}^2$$

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

(A.B)

**Solution:**



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

From  $\triangle ABD$

$$\cos 45^\circ = \frac{m\overline{BD}}{m\overline{AB}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m\overline{BD}}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

$$4 = m\overline{BD}$$

Now putting the values in formula

$$(m\overline{AC})^2 = (4\sqrt{2})^2 + (6)^2 - 2(6)(4)$$

$$(m\overline{AC})^2 = 16(2) + 36 - 48$$

$$(m\overline{AC})^2 = 32 + 36 - 48$$

$$(m\overline{AC})^2 = 20$$

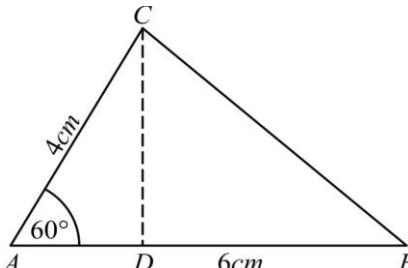
$$\text{Taking square root } m\overline{AC} = \sqrt{20} = 4.47$$

$$\therefore m\overline{AC} = 4.47\text{cm}$$

### 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  $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

(A.B)



**Solution:**

By Theorem 8.2, we get

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

**For value of  $m\overline{AD}$**

From  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{4\text{cm}}$$

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

Or

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

Putting the values

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = (6)^2 + (4)^2 - 2 \cdot 6 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4$$

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = 36 + 16 - 24$$

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

Taking square root on both sides

$$m\overline{BC} = \sqrt{28}$$

**Result**

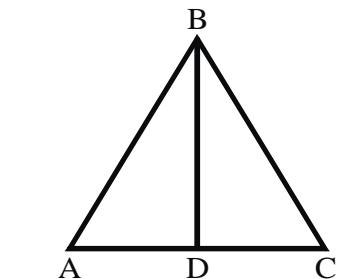
$$m\overline{BC} = \sqrt{28} \text{ cm}$$

- 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  $\overline{BD}$ . **(A.B)**

**Ans:**

By Theorem 8.3, we have

$$(AB)^2 + (BC)^2 = 2[(AD)^2 + (BD)^2]$$



Putting the values

$$(6)^2 + (8)^2 = 2\left[\left(\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 + (BD)^2\right]$$

$$36 + 64 = 2\left[\frac{49}{4} + (BD)^2\right]$$

$$100 = 2\left[\frac{49}{4} + (BD)^2\right]$$

$$50 = \frac{49}{4} + (BD)^2$$

$$50 - \frac{49}{4} = (BD)^2$$

$$\frac{151}{4} = (BD)^2$$

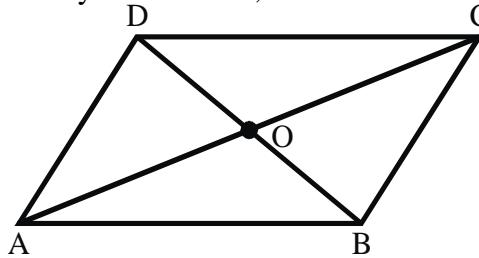
$$\frac{151}{4} = (BD)^2$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$\frac{\sqrt{151}}{2} = \overline{BD}$$

- Q.3** In a parallelogram  $AECF$  prove that  $(\overline{AC})^2 + (\overline{BD})^2 = 2[(\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{BC})^2]$  **(A.B)**

**Ans:** By theorem 8.3, we have



$$(AB)^2 + (BC)^2 = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\overline{AC}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\overline{BD}\right)^2$$

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

$$(AB)^2 + (BC)^2 = \frac{1}{2}[(\overline{BD})^2 + (\overline{AC})^2]$$

$\therefore$  O is mid point of  $\overline{BD}$  and  $\overline{AC}$

$$\text{Or } 2[(\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{BC})^2] = (\overline{AC})^2 + (\overline{BD})^2$$

**Hence Proved**

### Miscellaneous Exercise 8

- Q.1** In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $m\angle A = 60^\circ$ , prove that

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = (\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{AC})^2 - 2m\overline{AB} \cdot m\overline{AC}. \quad \text{(A.B)}$$

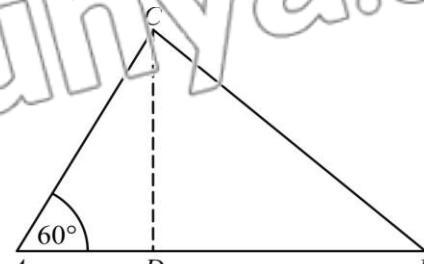
**Given:**

In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

**To prove:**

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

**Proof:**



By Theorem 8.2, we get

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

**For value of  $m\overline{AD}$**

From  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

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

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

Put in equation (1)

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

Or

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

**Hence Proved**

**Q.2 In a  $\triangle ABC, m\angle A = 45^\circ$ , prove that**

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

**(A.B)**

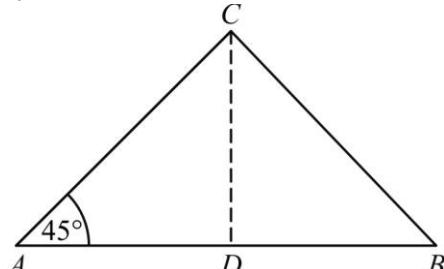
**Given:**

In a  $\triangle ABC, m\angle A = 45^\circ$

**To prove**

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

**Proof:**



By Theorem 8.2, we get

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

**For value of  $m\overline{AD}$**

From  $\triangle ADC$ ,

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

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

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

Put in equation (i)

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

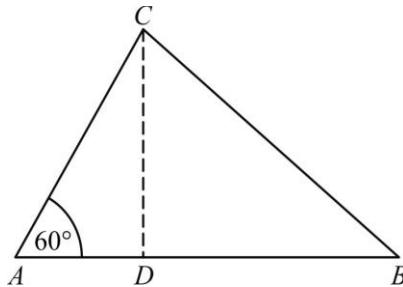
$$\text{Or } (\overline{BC})^2 = (\overline{AB})^2 + (\overline{AC})^2 - \sqrt{2}m\overline{AB} \cdot m\overline{AC}$$

**Hence Proved**

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

**(A.B)**

**Solution:**



By Theorem 8.2, we get

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

**For value of  $m\overline{AD}$**

From  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

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

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

Or

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

Putting the values

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = (5)^2 + (4)^2 - 2 \cdot 5 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4$$

$$(\overline{BC})^2 = 25 + 16 - 20$$

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

Taking square root on both sides

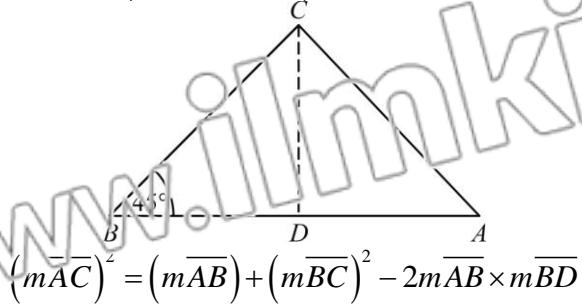
$$m\overline{BC} = \sqrt{21}$$

**Result:**

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

- Q.4 In a  $\triangle ABC$ , calculate  $m\overline{AC}$  when  $m\overline{AB} = 5\text{cm}$ ,  $m\overline{BC} = 4\text{cm}$ ,  $m\angle B = 45^\circ$ .**

By theorem 8.2, we have



For value of  $m\overline{BD}$

$$\cos 45^\circ = \frac{m\overline{BD}}{m\overline{BC}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{m\overline{BD}}{4\text{cm}}$$

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

Now putting the values in equation (i)

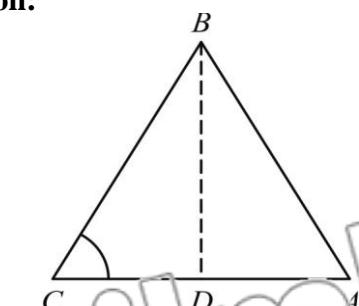
$$(m\overline{AC})^2 = (5)^2 + (4)^2 - 2(5) \times \frac{4}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow m\overline{AC} = 12.71\text{cm}$$

- Q.5 In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $m\overline{BC} = 21\text{cm}$ ,  $m\overline{AC} = 17\text{cm}$ ,  $m\overline{AB} = 10\text{cm}$ . Measure the length of projection of  $\overline{AC}$  upon  $\overline{BC}$**

**(A.B)**

**Solution:**



From the figure, we get

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

Putting the values

$$(10)^2 = (21)^2 + (17)^2 - 2(21) \cdot m\overline{CD}$$

$$100 = 441 + 289 - 42m\overline{CD}$$

$$42m\overline{CD} = 730 - 100$$

$$42m\overline{CD} = 630$$

$$m\overline{CD} = \frac{630}{42}$$

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

∴ Length of projection of  $\overline{AC}$  upon  $\overline{BC} = 15\text{cm}$

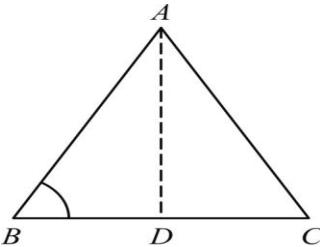
- Q.6 In a triangle  $ABC$ ,  $m\overline{BC} = 21\text{cm}$ ,  $m\overline{AC} = 17\text{cm}$  and  $m\overline{AB} = 10\text{cm}$ .**

**Calculate the projection**

**of  $\overline{AB}$  upon  $\overline{BC}$ .**

**(A.B)**

**Solution:**



From the figure, we get

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

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

$$289 = 100 + 144 - 42m\overline{BD}$$

$$42m\overline{BD} = 541 - 289$$

$$42m\overline{BD} = 252$$

$$m\overline{BD} = \frac{252}{42}$$

$$m\overline{BD} = 6$$

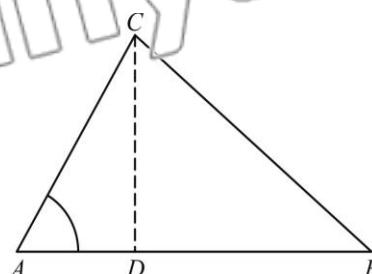
**Result**

∴ Project of  $\overline{AB}$  upon  $\overline{BC} = 6\text{cm}$

- Q.7 In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $a = 17\text{cm}$ ,  $b = 15\text{cm}$ ,  $c = 8\text{cm}$ . Find  $m\angle A$**

**(E.B)**

**Solution:**



From fig, we get

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

Putting the values

$$(17)^2 = (15)^2 + (8)^2 - 2 \times 8 \times m\overline{AD}$$

$$289 = 225 + 64 - 16 \times m\overline{AD}$$

$$16 \times m\overline{AD} = 289 - 289$$

$$16 \times m\overline{AD} = 0$$

$$m\overline{AD} = 0$$

$$\text{From } \Delta CAD, \cos m\angle A = \frac{m\overline{AD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

$$\cos m\angle A = \frac{0}{8}$$

$$\cos m\angle A = 0$$

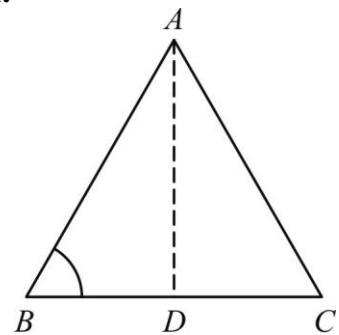
$$m\angle A = \cos^{-1} 0$$

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

**Q.8** In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $a = 17\text{cm}$ ,  $b = 15\text{cm}$  and  $c = 8\text{cm}$  find  $m\angle B$ . **(A.B)**

In  $\triangle ABC$

**Solution:**



$$a = 17\text{cm}, b = 15\text{cm} \text{ and } c = 8\text{cm}$$

By theorem 8.2, we have

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

Putting the values

$$(15)^2 = (8)^2 + (17)^2 - 2(17)m\overline{BD}$$

$$225 = 64 + 289 - 34m\overline{BD}$$

$$34m\overline{BD} = 353 - 225$$

$$= 128$$

$$\therefore m\overline{BD} = 3.76\text{cm}$$

Now from  $\triangle ABD$

$$\cos m\angle B = \frac{m\overline{BD}}{m\overline{AB}}$$

$$= \frac{3.76\text{cm}}{8\text{cm}}$$

$$\cos m\angle B = 0.48\text{cm}$$

$$m\angle B = \cos^{-1} 0.48$$

$$m\angle B = 61.9^\circ$$

**Q.9** Whether the triangle with sides  $5\text{cm}$ ,  $7\text{cm}$ ,  $8\text{cm}$  is acute, obtuse or right angled. **(A.B)**

**Solution:**

Let  $a = 5\text{cm}$ ,  $b = 7\text{cm}$  and  $c = 8\text{cm}$

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

$$= 25 + 49$$

$$= 64$$

$$= 74$$

Since  $a^2 + b^2 > c^2$   $\Delta$  is acute angled.

Or

$$a^2 = 5^2 = 25$$

$$b^2 = 7^2 = 49$$

$$c^2 = 8^2 = 64$$

Since  $a^2 + b^2 > c^2$   $\Delta$  is acute angled.

**Q.10** Whether the triangle with sides  $8\text{cm}$ ,  $15\text{cm}$ ,  $17\text{cm}$  is acute, obtuse or right angled. **(A.B)**

**Solution:**

Let  $a = 8\text{cm}$ ,  $b = 15\text{cm}$  and  $c = 17\text{cm}$

$$a^2 = (8\text{cm})^2 = 64\text{cm}^2$$

$$b^2 = (15\text{cm})^2 = 225\text{cm}^2$$

$$c^2 = (17\text{cm})^2 = 289\text{cm}^2$$

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

$\therefore \Delta$  with given sides form a right angled triangle.

**Note** **(A.B + U.B + K.B)**

If  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ ,  $\Delta$  is a right angled  $\Delta$

If  $a^2 + b^2 < c^2$ ,  $\Delta$  is a obtuse angled  $\Delta$

If  $a^2 + b^2 > c^2$ ,  $\Delta$  is a acute angled  $\Delta$

Where  $c$  is longest side