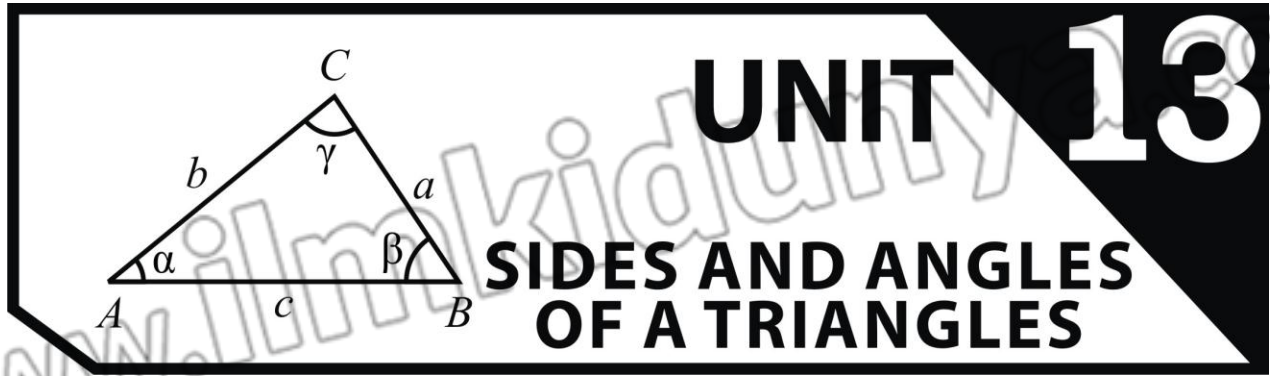


UNIT 13



SIDES AND ANGLES OF A TRIANGLES

Condition for Triangle

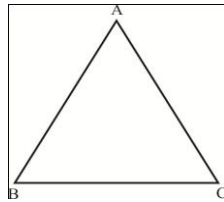
(U.B + A.B)

- (i) The sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the length of the third side

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

$$m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA} > m\overline{AB}$$

$$m\overline{AB} + m\overline{CA} > m\overline{BC}$$

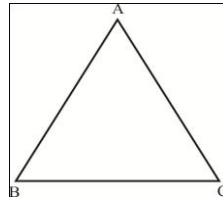


- (ii) The difference of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is smaller than the length of the third side.

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

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

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



Collinear Points

(U.B + A.B)

$m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} = m\overline{AC}$, where B lies between A and C .

Shortest Distance between a Line and a Point outside it

(U.B + A.B)

From a point outside a line the perpendicular is the shortest distance from the point to the line.

Greater Angle of a Triangle

(U.B + A.B)

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

Longer Side of a Triangle

(U.B + A.B)

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.

Note

If two sides of a triangle are equal, then the angles opposite to them are also equal and vice-versa.

Theorem 13.1.1

(U.B + A.B)

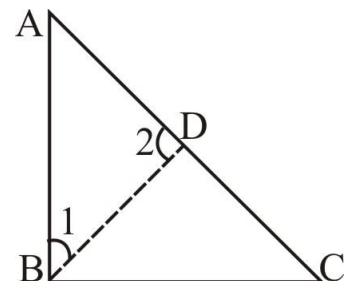
If two sides of a triangle are unequal in length, the longer side has an angle of greater measure opposite to it.

Given:

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

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

Example # 1

(K.B + A.B)

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)

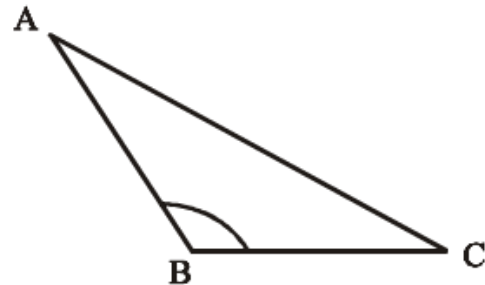
Given

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

To prove

$m\angle B > 60^\circ$

Proof



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

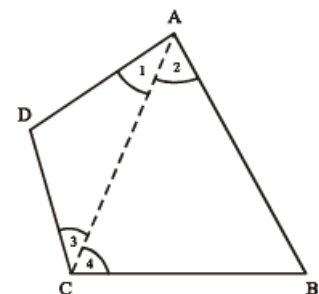
Example # 2

(K.B + A.B)

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)

(U.B + A.B)

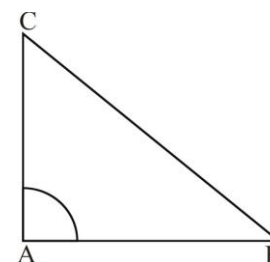
If two angles of a triangle are unequal in measure, the side opposite to the greater angle is longer than the side opposite to the smaller angle.

Given:

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

To prove

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



Proof

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

Corollaries

(K.B + A.B)

(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

(K.B + A.B)

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

prove that $m\overline{AL} > m\overline{AM}$.

Given

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

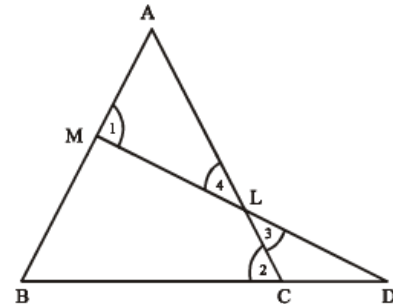
D is a point on \overline{BC} away from C

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

To Prove

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

Proof



Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle ABC$ $\angle B \cong \angle C$..(i)	$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$ (given)
In $\triangle MBD$ $m\angle 1 > m\angle B$...(ii)	($\angle 1$ is an ext. \angle and $\angle B$ is its internal opposite \angle)
$\therefore m\angle 1 > m\angle 2$...(iii)	From (i) and (ii)
In $\triangle LCD$ $m\angle 2 > m\angle 3$	($\angle 2$ 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 $m\angle 3 \cong m\angle 4$...(vi)	Vertical angles
$\therefore m\angle 1 > m\angle 4$	From (v) and (vi)
Hence $m\overline{AL} > m\overline{AM}$	In $\triangle ALM$, $m\angle 1 > m\angle 4$ (proved)

Theorem 13.1.3

(K.B + A.B)

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

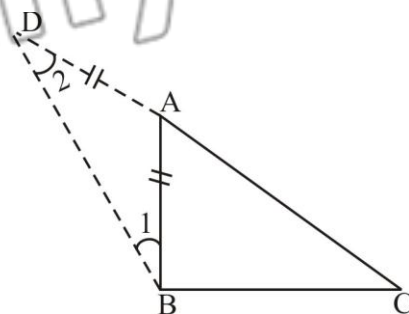
Given $\triangle ABC$

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 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)	$m\angle DBC = m\angle 1 + m\angle ABC$
Q $m\angle DBC > m\angle 2$ _____ (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

(MTN 2016, 17, SWL 2016, 17, D.G.K 2016, 17)

(K.B + A.B)

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.

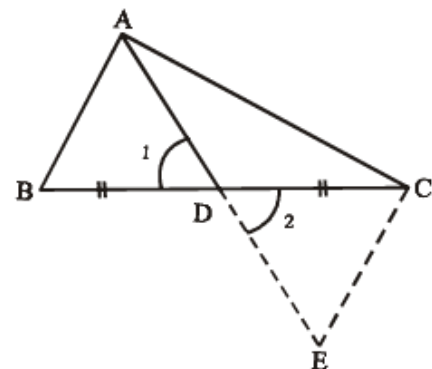
Example # 2

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

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

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

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

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

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

Given

$\triangle ABC$

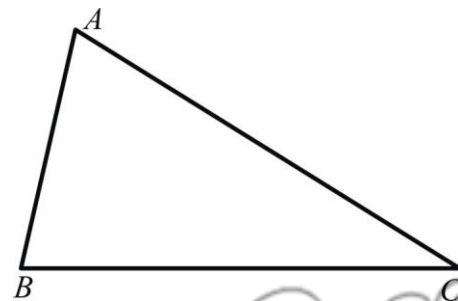
To Prove

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

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

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

Proof



Statements	Reasons
$m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} > m\overline{AC}$	ABC is a triangle
$(m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AB}) > (m\overline{AC} - m\overline{AB})$	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	
$m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AB} < m\overline{AC}$	
$m\overline{BC} - m\overline{AC} < m\overline{AB}$	Reason similar to (i)

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? (K.B + U.B)

- (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

$$10 + 15 > 20$$

$$10 + 20 > 15$$

$$15 + 20 > 10$$

∴ 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 ΔABC (K.B + U.B)

Show that

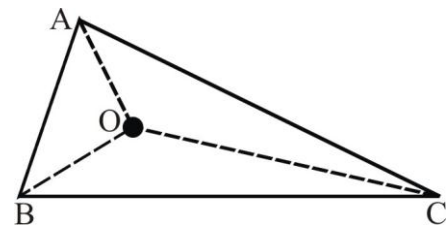
$$m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC} > \frac{1}{2}(m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA})$$

Given

Point O is interior of ΔABC

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 ΔOAB, ΔOBC and ΔOAC

Proof

Statements	Reasons
In ΔOAB $m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} > m\overline{AB}$ _____(i)	In any triangle the sum of length of two sides is greater then the third sides. As in (i) As in (i)
In ΔOAC $m\overline{OC} + m\overline{OA} > m\overline{AC}$ _____(ii)	
In ΔOBC $m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC} > m\overline{BC}$ _____(iii)	

$2m\overline{OA} + 2m\overline{OC} + 2m\overline{OB} > m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA}$ $2(m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC}) > m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA}$ $\frac{2(m\overline{OA} + m\overline{OB} + m\overline{OC})}{2} > \frac{m\overline{AB} + m\overline{BC} + m\overline{CA}}{2}$ $(OA + OC + OB) > \frac{1}{2}(\overline{AB} + \overline{BC} + \overline{CA})$	<p>Adding equation (i), (ii) and (iii)</p> <p>Dividing both sides by 2</p>
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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. (MTN 2013) (K.B + U.B)

Solution

Sum of three angle in a triangle is 180°

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

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

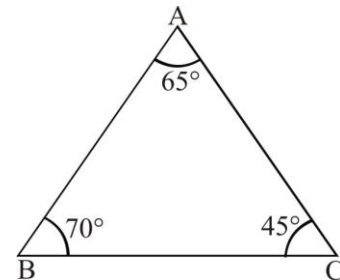
$$m\angle A + 115 = 180$$

$$m\angle A = 180 - 115$$

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

Sides of the triangle depend upon the angles.

Largest angle has largest opposite side and smallest angle has smallest opposite side here $m\angle B$ is largest, so \overline{AC} is largest and $m\angle C$ 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. (A.B + U.B)

Solution:

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

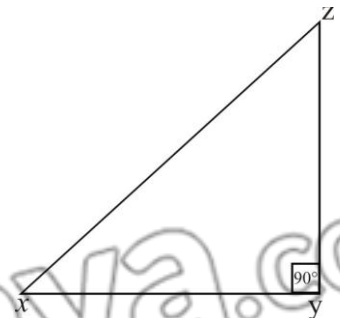
$$\therefore m\angle y = 90$$

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

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 $\overline{BD} > \overline{DC}$ (A.B + U.B)

Given

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

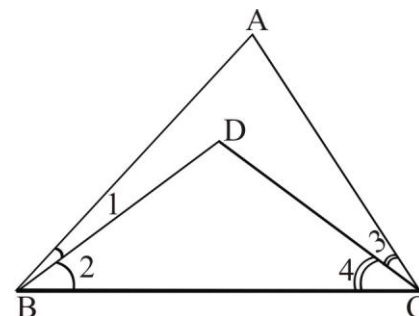
\overline{BD} and \overline{CD} are the bisectors of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$

To prove

$$\overline{BD} > \overline{DC}$$

Construction

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



Proof

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

Theorem 13.1.4

(K.B + U.B)

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

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

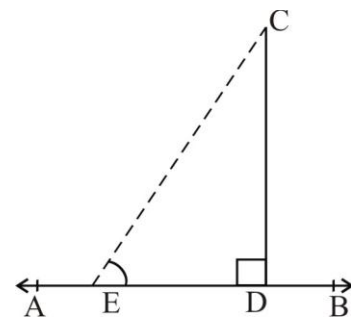
To prove

$m\overline{CD}$ 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



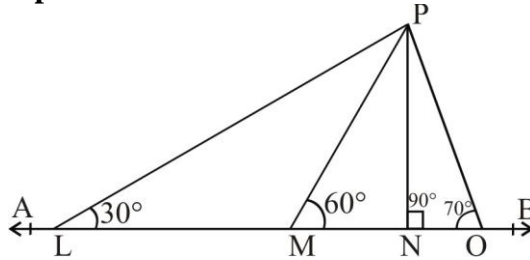
Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle CDE$	
$m\angle CDB > m\angle CED$	(An exterior angle of a triangle is greater than non adjacent interior angle)
But $m\angle CDB = m\angle CDE$	Supplement of right angle
$\therefore m\angle CDE > m\angle CED$	
Or $m\angle CED < m\angle CDE$	$a > b \Rightarrow b < a$
Or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

Note

- (i) The distance between a line and a point not on it, is the length of the perpendicular line segment from the point to the line.
- (ii) The distance between a line and a point lying on it is zero.

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. (K.B + U.B)

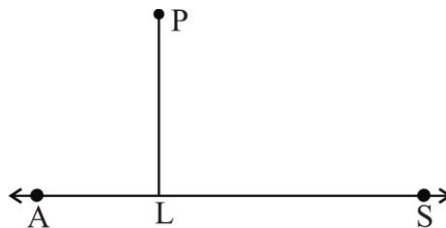


- (a) $m\overline{PL}$
- (b) $m\overline{PM}$
- (c) $m\overline{PN}$
- (d) $m\overline{PO}$

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 (K.B + U.B)



- (a) $m\angle PLA = 80^\circ$
- (b) $m\angle PLB = 100^\circ$
- (c) $m\angle PLA = 90^\circ$

Solution:

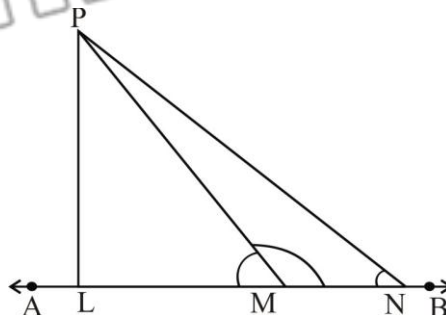
$m\angle PLA = 90^\circ$

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

PL is the shortest distance

So $\angle PLA$ or $\angle PLS$ equal to 90°

Q.3 In the figure, \overline{PL} is perpendicular to the line AB and $\overline{LN} > m\overline{LM}$. Prove that $m\overline{PN} > m\overline{PM}$. (K.B + U.B)



Given

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

$$m\angle LN > m\angle LM$$

To proved:

$$m\angle PN > m\angle PM$$

Proof

Statements	Reasons
In $\triangle PLM$ $m\angle PLM = 90^\circ$ $\therefore m\angle PMN > m\angle PLM$ $m\angle PMN > 90^\circ \rightarrow (i)$	Exterior angle of a triangle is greater than non adjacent interior angle
In $\triangle PLN$ $m\angle PLN = 90^\circ$ $m\angle PNL < 90^\circ \rightarrow (ii)$	Acute angle of a right angle triangle
In $\triangle PMN$ $m\angle PMN > m\angle PNL$ $\therefore \overline{PN} > \overline{PM}$	From (i) and (ii) Longer side opposite to greater angle

Review Exercise 13

- Q.1** Which of the following are true and which are false? (K.B + U.B + A.B)
- (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)

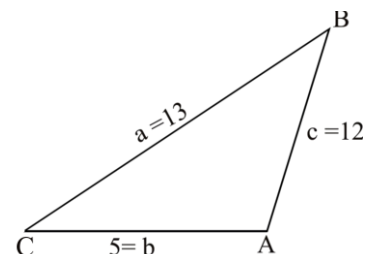
Q.2 What will be angle for shortest distance from an outside point to the line?

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

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

Given:

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



Verification:

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

$$8 < c \quad \text{True}$$

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

$$7 < a \quad \text{True}$$

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

$$1 < b \quad \text{True}$$

This shows that difference of any two sides of a triangle is less than 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. (K.B)

Given:

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

Verification:

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

$$a + b > c \quad \text{True}$$

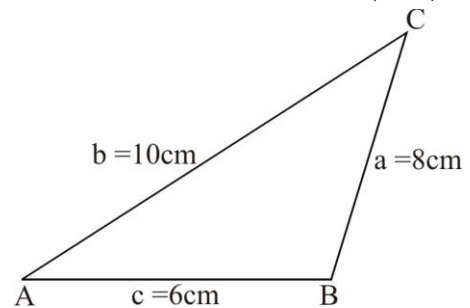
$$10 + 6 = 16\text{cm} > 8\text{cm}$$

$$b + c > a \quad \text{True}$$

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

$$c + a > b \quad \text{True}$$

∴ 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. (K.B)
(LHR 2017, FSD 2017, SWL 2015, SGD 2017, MTN 2013, 15, 17, D.G.K 2015, 16)

Solution:

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

$$3 + 4 = 7$$

$$\text{i.e. } a + b \not> c$$

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

- Q.6** If 3cm and 4cm are the lengths of two sides of a right angle triangle than what should be the third length of the triangle. (A.B)

(LHR 2016, 17, GRW 2017, FSD 2015, 17, SWL 2014, SGD 2016, MTN 2014, 15)

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.

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

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

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

∴ length of third side of right angled triangle is 5cm.

