

Congruence of Triangles

Exercise – 3.1

Solution 1:

Congruent sides:

side $AB \cong$ side MN

side $BC \cong$ side NP

side $AC \cong$ side MP

Congruent angles:

$\angle A \cong \angle M$

$\angle B \cong \angle N$

$\angle C \cong \angle P$

Solution 2:

Seg $PQ \cong$ seg QR

$\therefore \angle R \cong \angle P$ (Isosceles triangle theorem)

$m\angle P = 70^\circ$... (Given)

$\therefore m\angle R = 70^\circ$ (1)

Now, the sum of the measures of the angles of a triangle is 180° .

$\therefore m\angle P + m\angle Q + m\angle R = 180^\circ$

$\therefore 70^\circ + m\angle Q + 70^\circ = 180^\circ$... [Given and from (1)]

$\therefore 140^\circ + m\angle Q = 180^\circ$

$\therefore m\angle Q = 180^\circ - 140^\circ$

$\therefore m\angle Q = 40^\circ$

The measures of the remaining angles are $m\angle R = 70^\circ$ and $m\angle Q = 40^\circ$.

Solution 3:

In $\triangle PST$, seg $PS \cong$ seg PT(Given)

\therefore By Isosceles Triangle Theorem,

$\angle PTS \cong \angle PST$ (1)

The sum of the measures of the angles of a triangle is 180° .

$\therefore m\angle P + m\angle PTS + m\angle PST = 180^\circ$ (2)

$\therefore m\angle P + 2m\angle PTS = 180^\circ$ [From (1) and (2)](3)

Seg $PS \cong$ seg PT and seg $SQ \cong$ seg TR ... (Given)

$\therefore PS = PT$ and $SQ = TR$

$\therefore PS + SQ = PT + TR$

$\therefore PQ = PR$ (P-S-Q and P-T-R)

\therefore seg $PQ \cong$ seg PR .

In $\triangle PQR$, seg $PQ \cong$ seg PR (Proved)

$\therefore \angle PRQ \cong \angle PQR \dots(4)$
 $m\angle P + m\angle PQR + m\angle PRQ = 180^\circ \dots(5)$
 $\therefore m\angle P + 2m\angle PQR = 180^\circ \dots[From (4) and (5)]\dots(6)$
 From (3) and (6), $\angle PTS = \angle PRQ$
 $\therefore \text{seg } ST \parallel \text{seg } QR \dots(\text{corresponding angles test for parallel lines})$
 i.e. Side $ST \parallel$ Side QR .

Solution 4:

Proof with justification:

In $\triangle POR$ and $\triangle SOQ$,

$\text{seg } OP \cong \text{seg } OS$ and $\text{seg } OR \cong \text{seg } OQ \dots(\text{Given})$

$\angle POR \cong \angle SOQ \dots(\text{Vertically opposite angles})$

$\therefore \triangle POR \cong \triangle SOQ \dots(\text{SAS test})$

$\therefore \text{seg } PR \cong \text{seg } SQ \dots(\text{c.s.c.t.})$

Also, $\angle P \cong \angle S$ and $\angle R \cong \angle Q \dots(\text{c.a.c.t.})$

For $\text{seg } PR$ and $\text{seg } SQ$, PQ is the transversal.

\therefore For $\text{seg } PR$ and $\text{seg } SQ$ to be parallel, the alternate angles, $\angle P$ and $\angle Q$, should be congruent.

But these angles are not congruent.

$\therefore \text{seg } PR$ and $\text{seg } SQ$ are not parallel.

Also, taking RS as the transversal, we can show that $\text{seg } PR$ and $\text{seg } SQ$ are not parallel.

Solution 5:

$\angle ABP \cong \angle CBQ \dots(\text{Given})$

$\therefore \angle ABP = \angle CBQ$

Adding $\angle PBC$ to both the sides

$\angle ABP + \angle PBC = \angle CBQ + \angle PBC$

$\angle ABC \cong \angle PBQ \dots(1)$

$\text{seg } AB = \text{seg } PB$ and $\text{seg } BC \cong \text{seg } BQ \dots(\text{Given})$

$\therefore \triangle ABC \cong \triangle PBQ \dots(\text{SAS test})$

$\therefore \text{seg } AC \cong \text{seg } PQ \dots(\text{c.s.c.t.})$

Solution 6:

Solution with justification:

In $\triangle ABC$, $\text{seg } AB \cong \text{seg } AC \dots(\text{Given})$

\therefore by Isosceles Triangle Theorem,

$\angle ABC \cong \angle ACB$.

i.e. $\angle ABC = \angle ACB \dots(1)$

The sum of the measures of the angles of a triangle is 180°

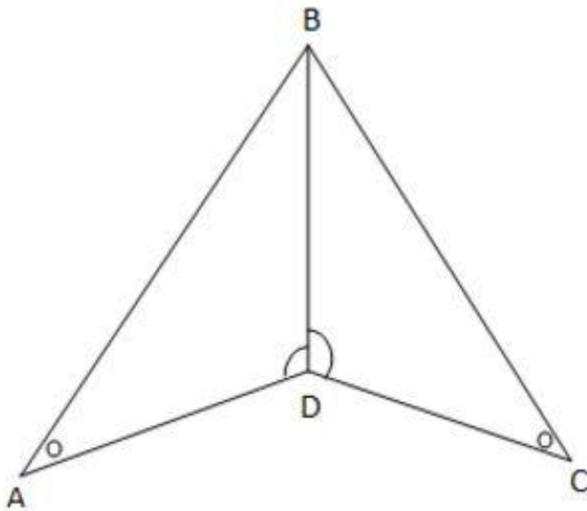
$\therefore m\angle A + m\angle ABC + m\angle ACB = 180^\circ$
 $\therefore m\angle A + m\angle ABC + m\angle ABC = 180^\circ \dots$ [From (1)]
 $\therefore m\angle A + 2m\angle ABC = 180^\circ$
 $\therefore 40^\circ + 2m\angle ABC = 180^\circ \dots$ [Given: $m\angle A = 40^\circ$]
 $\therefore 2m\angle ABC = 180^\circ - 40^\circ = 140^\circ$
 $\therefore m\angle ABC = 70^\circ$
 $\therefore m\angle ABC = m\angle ACB = 70^\circ \dots$ (2)
 In $\triangle ABP$, $\text{seg } AB \cong \text{seg } PB \dots$ (Given)
 $\therefore \angle P \cong \angle PAB$ i.e. $\angle P = \angle PAB \dots$ (3)
 By Remote Interior Angle Theorem,
 $\angle ABC = \angle P + \angle PAB$
 From (2) and (3), $70^\circ = m\angle P + m\angle P$
 $\therefore m\angle P = m\angle PAB = 35^\circ \dots$ (4)
 Similarly, we can prove that
 $m\angle Q = m\angle QAC = 35^\circ \dots$ (5)
 In $\triangle APQ$, $m\angle PAQ + m\angle P + m\angle Q = 180^\circ$
 $\therefore m\angle PAQ + 35^\circ + 35^\circ = 180^\circ \dots$ [From (4) and (5)]
 $\therefore m\angle PAQ = 180^\circ - 70^\circ$
 $\therefore m\angle PAQ = 110^\circ \dots$ (6)
 So, $m\angle P = m\angle Q = m\angle PAB = m\angle QAC = 35^\circ$
 $PC = PB + BC$ and $QB = QC + BC \dots$ (7)
 But $PB = QC \dots$ (Given) \dots (8)
 $\therefore PC = QB \dots$ [From (7) and (8)]
 In $\triangle PAC$ and $\triangle QAB$,
 $PC = QB \dots$ (Proved)
 $AC = AB \dots$ (Given)
 $\angle ACB = \angle ABC \dots$ [From (2)]
 i.e. $\angle ACP = \angle ABQ$
 $\therefore \triangle PAC \cong \triangle QAB \dots$ (SAS test)
 Similarly, we can prove that
 $\triangle PAB \cong \triangle QAC$.
 Hence, $m\angle PAQ = 110^\circ$; Also $\triangle PAC \cong \triangle QAB$ and $\triangle PAB \cong \triangle QAC$ are the congruent triangles.

Exercise – 3.2

Solution 1:

In $\triangle ACO$ and $\triangle DBO$,
 $\angle ACO \cong \angle DBO \dots$ (Given)
 $\text{seg } CO \cong \text{seg } BO \dots$ (Given)
 $\angle AOC \cong \angle DOB \dots$ (Vertically opposite angles)
 $\therefore \triangle ACO \cong \triangle DBO \dots$ (ASA test)
 The remaining congruent parts:
 $\angle A \cong \angle D$, $\text{seg } AC \cong \text{seg } DB$, and $\text{seg } AO \cong \text{seg } DO$

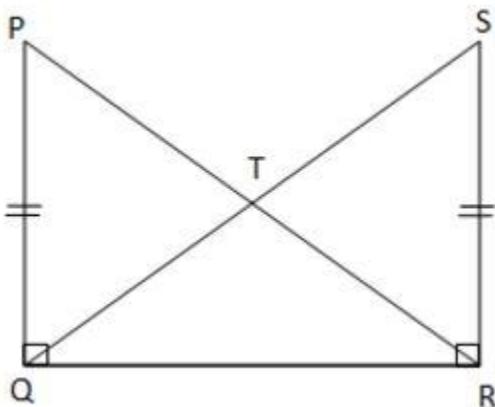
Solution 2(i):



$$\triangle BDA \cong \triangle BDC$$

1. Test of congruence: SAA test
2. Correspondence: BDA \leftrightarrow BDC
3. Congruent Parts:
 $\angle ABD \cong \angle CBD$
seg AB \cong seg CB
seg AD \cong seg CD

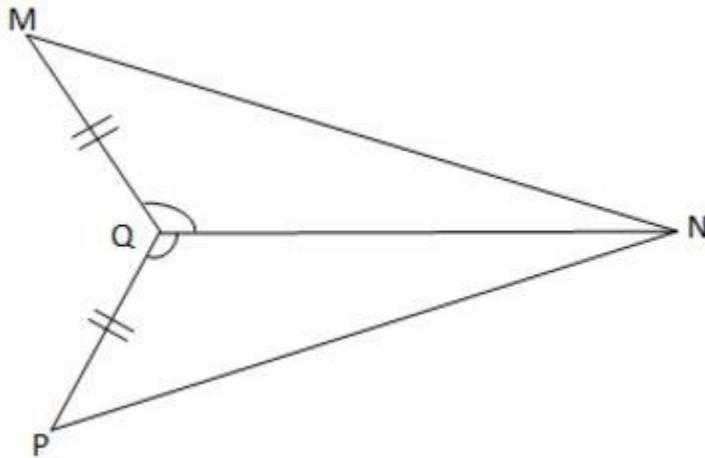
Solution 2(ii):



$$\triangle PQR \cong \triangle SRQ$$

1. Test of congruence: SAS test
2. Correspondence: PQR \leftrightarrow SRQ
3. Congruent Parts:
seg PR \cong seg SQ
 $\angle QPR \cong \angle RSQ$
 $\angle PRQ \cong \angle SQR$

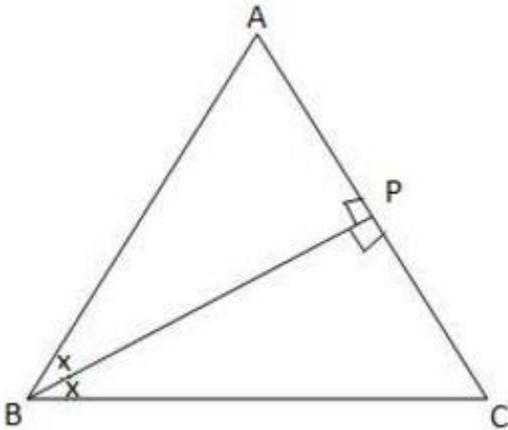
Solution 2(iii):



$$\Delta MQN \cong \Delta PQN$$

1. Test of congruence: SAS test
2. Correspondence: $MQN \leftrightarrow PQN$
3. Congruent Parts:
seg $MN \cong$ seg PN
 $\angle QMN \cong \angle QPN$
 $\angle QNM \cong \angle QNP$

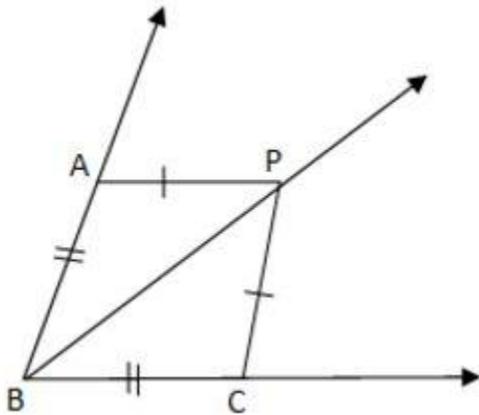
Solution 2(iv):



$$\Delta BPA \cong \Delta BPC$$

1. Test of congruence: ASA test
2. Correspondence: $BPA \leftrightarrow BPC$
3. Congruent Parts:
 $\angle BAP \cong \angle BCP$
seg $BA \cong$ seg BC
seg $PA \cong$ seg PC

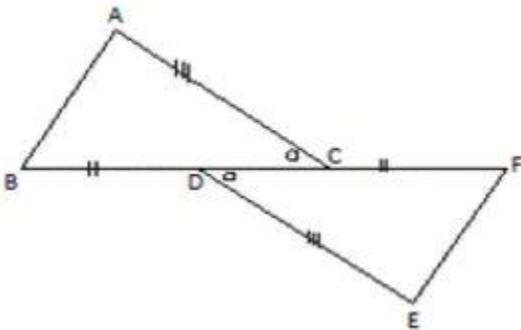
Solution 2(v):



$\triangle ABP \cong \triangle CBP$

1. Test of congruence: SSS test
2. Correspondence: $ABP \leftrightarrow CBP$
3. Congruent Parts:
 $\angle PBA \cong \angle PBC$
 $\angle BAP \cong \angle BCP$
 $\angle BPA \cong \angle BPC$

Solution 2(vi):



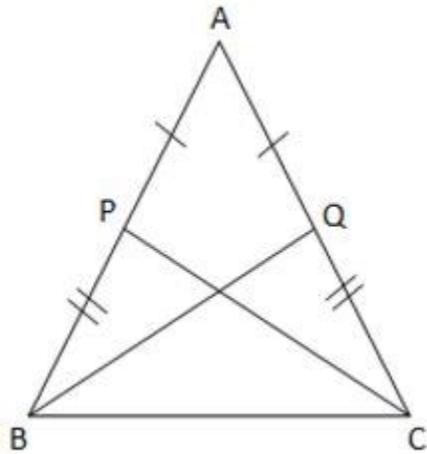
$$BD + DC = FC + DC$$

$$\therefore BC = FD$$

$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle FED$

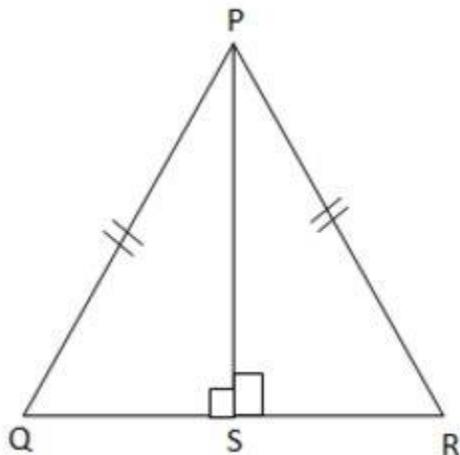
1. Test of congruence: SAS test
2. Correspondence: $ABC \leftrightarrow FED$
3. Congruent Parts:
seg $AB \cong$ seg FE
 $\angle ABC \cong \angle FED$
 $\angle BAC \cong \angle FED$

Solution 2(vii):



$AP = AQ$
 $PB = QC$
 $\therefore AP + PB = AQ + QC$
 $\therefore AB = AC \dots\dots(A-P-B; A-Q-C)$
 $\triangle ABQ \cong \triangle ACP$
1. Test of congruence: SAS test
2. Correspondence: $ABQ \leftrightarrow ACP$
3. Congruent Parts:
 $\text{seg } BQ \cong \text{seg } CP$
 $\angle ABQ \cong \angle ACP$
 $\angle AQB \cong \angle APC$

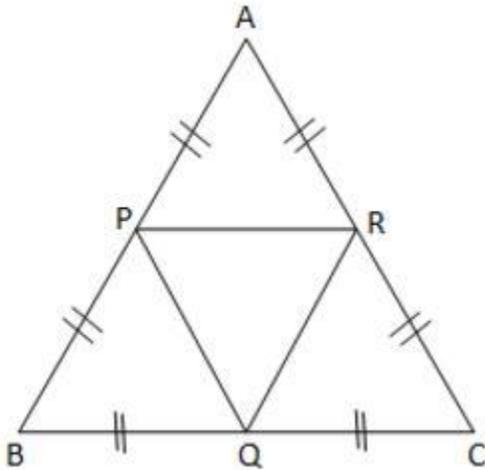
Solution 2(viii):



$\triangle PSQ \cong \triangle PSR$
1. Test of congruence: Hypotenuse-Side theorem

2. Correspondence: $PSQ \leftrightarrow PSR$
3. Congruent Parts:
 - $\text{seg } QS \cong \text{seg } RS$
 - $\angle QPS \cong \angle RPS$
 - $\angle PQS \cong \angle PRS$

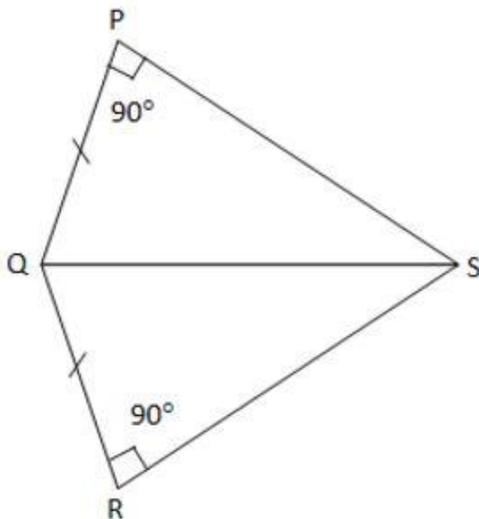
Solution 2(ix):



$\triangle APR \cong \triangle BPQ \cong \triangle CQR \cong \triangle QPR$

1. Test of congruence: SSS test
2. Correspondence:
 - $APR \leftrightarrow BPQ \leftrightarrow CQR \leftrightarrow QPR$ or any correspondence
3. Congruent Parts:
 - All the angles of $\triangle APR$, $\triangle BPQ$, $\triangle CQR$ and $\triangle QPR$ are 60° each.

Solution 2(x):



$\triangle PQS \cong \triangle RQS$

1. Test of congruence: Hypotenuse – side theorem

2. Correspondence: $PQS \leftrightarrow RQS$

3. Congruent Parts:

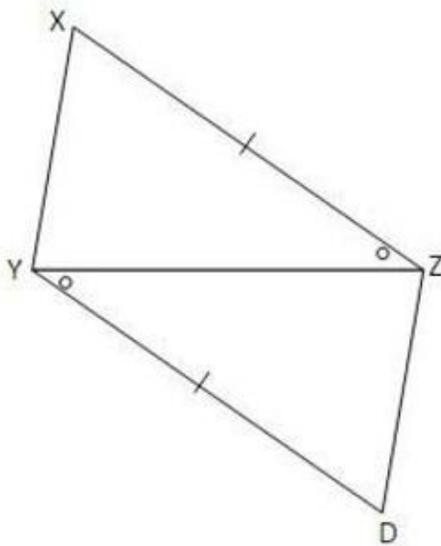
seg $PS \cong$ seg RS

$\angle PQS \cong \angle RQS$

$\angle PSQ \cong \angle RSQ$

Solution 3:

i.



1. $\triangle XYZ$ and $\triangle DYZ$ are drawn as above.

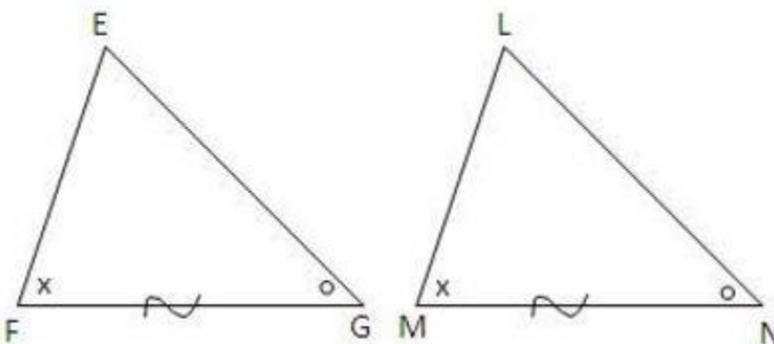
2. Congruent parts seg $XZ \cong$ seg DY and $\angle XZY \cong \angle ZYD$ are shown in the figure by identical marks.

3. Test of congruence: SAS test

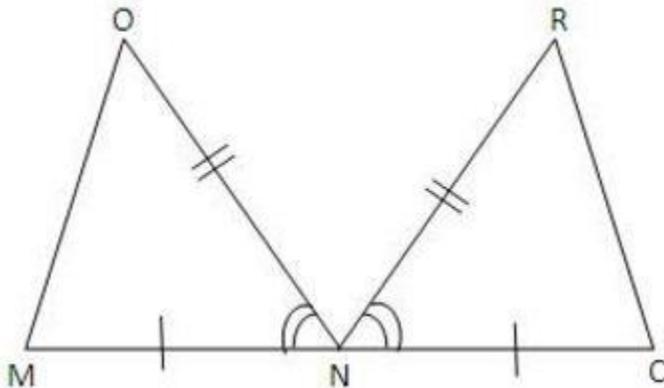
4. Congruent triangle: $\triangle XYZ \cong \triangle DZY$.

Correspondence: $XYZ \leftrightarrow DZY$

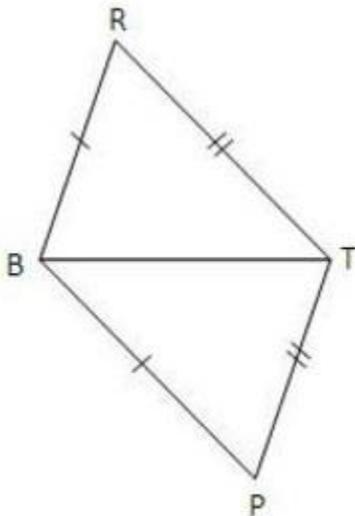
ii.



1. $\triangle EFG$ and $\triangle LMN$ are drawn as above.
 2. Congruent parts $\text{seg } FG \cong \text{seg } MN$, $\angle G \cong \angle N$ and $\angle F \cong \angle M$ are shown in the figure by identical marks.
 3. Test of congruence: ASA test
 4. Congruent triangle: $\triangle EFG \cong \triangle LMN$.
Correspondence: $EFG \leftrightarrow LMN$
- iii.

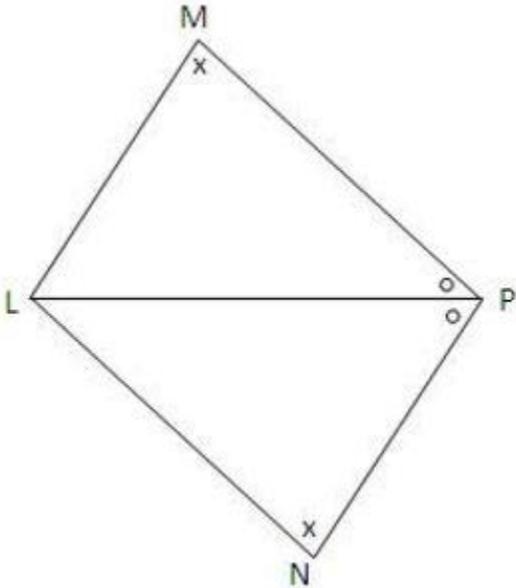


1. $\triangle MNO$ and $\triangle CNR$ are drawn as above.
 2. Congruent parts $\text{seg } MN \cong \text{seg } CN$, $\text{seg } NO \cong \text{seg } NR$ and $\angle MNO \cong \angle CNR$ are shown in the figure by identical marks.
 3. Test of congruence: SAS test
 4. Congruent triangle: $\triangle MNO \cong \triangle CNR$.
Correspondence: $MNO \leftrightarrow CNR$
- iv.



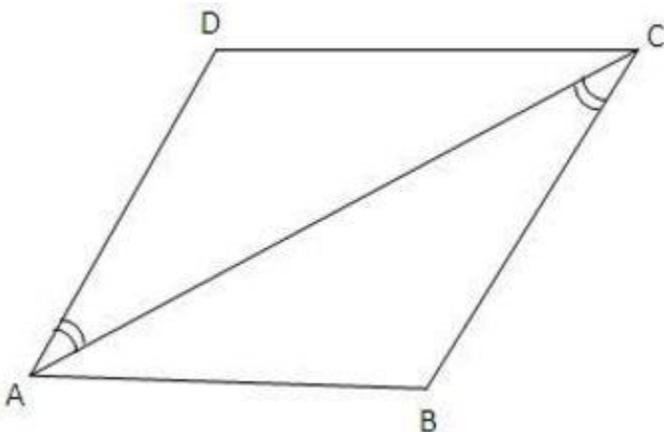
1. $\triangle BTR$ and $\triangle BTP$ are drawn as above.
1. Congruent parts $\text{seg } BR \cong \text{seg } BP$, $\text{seg } RT \cong \text{seg } PT$ are shown in the figure by identical marks.
2. Test of congruence: SSS test
3. Congruent triangle: $\triangle BTR \cong \triangle BTP$.

4. Correspondence: $BTR \leftrightarrow BTP$
 v. In $\triangle LMP$ and $\triangle LPN$,
 $\angle LMP \cong \angle LNP$, $\angle LPM \cong \angle NPL$.
 Ans. (1) and (2)



- $\triangle LMP$ and $\triangle LPN$ are drawn as above.
- Congruent parts $\angle LMP \cong \angle LNP$ and $\angle LPM \cong \angle NPL$ are shown in the figure by identical marks.
- Test of congruence: SAA test
- Congruent triangle: $\triangle LMP \cong \triangle LNP$.
 Correspondence: $LMP \leftrightarrow LNP$

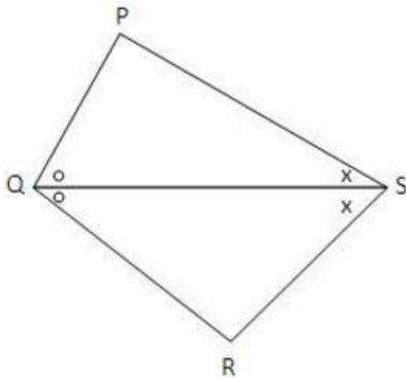
Solution 4:



Missing information required and sufficient to prove
 $\triangle ADC \cong \triangle CBA$:
 SAS test
 seg $AD \cong$ seg CB

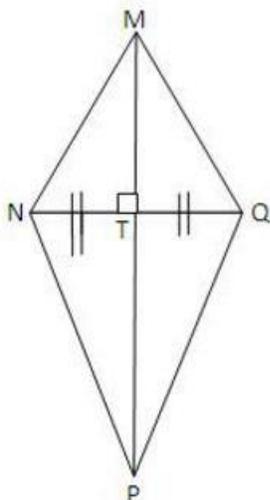
SAA test
 $\angle D \cong \angle B$
ASA test
 $\angle ACD \cong \angle CAB$

Solution 5:



Seg QS is the bisector of $\angle PQR$ (Given)
 $\therefore \angle PQS \cong \angle RQS$...(1)
Seg QS is the bisector of $\angle PSR$ (Given)
 $\therefore \angle PSQ \cong \angle RSQ$...(2)
In ΔPQS and ΔRQS ,
 $\angle PQS \cong \angle RQS$...[From (1)]
seg QS \cong seg QS ... (Common side)
 $\angle PSQ \cong \angle RSQ$ [From (2)]
 $\therefore \Delta PQS \cong \Delta RSQ$ (ASA test)
 $\therefore \angle P \cong \angle R$ (c.a.c.t.)

Solution 6:



Diagonal MP is the perpendicular bisector of diagonal NQ.

\therefore seg NT \cong seg QT and
 $m\angle NTM = m\angle QTM = m\angle PTN = m\angle PTQ = 90^\circ \dots(1)$

Now, in $\triangle MNT$ and $\triangle MQT$,

seg NT \cong seg QT ...[From (1)]

$\angle MTN \cong \angle MTQ$...[From (1)]

seg MT \cong seg MT ... (Common side)

$\therefore \triangle MNT \cong \triangle MQT$... (SAS test)

\therefore seg MN \cong seg MQ ... (c.s.c.t.)

In $\triangle PNT$ and $\triangle PQT$,

seg NT \cong seg QT ...[From (1)]

$\angle PTN \cong \angle PTQ$...[From (1)]

seg PT \cong seg PT ... (Common side)

$\therefore \triangle PNT \cong \triangle PQT$... (SAS test)

\therefore seg NP \cong seg QP ... (c.s.c.t.)

In $\triangle NMP$ and $\triangle QMP$,

seg MN \cong seg MQ

seg NP \cong seg QP

seg MP \cong seg MP ... (Common side)

$\therefore \triangle NMP \cong \triangle QMP$... (SSS test)

Solution 7:

i. In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle CDE$,

$m\angle B = m\angle D = 90^\circ$

hypotenuse AC \cong hypotenuse CE ... (Given)

seg BC \cong seg ED ... (Given)

$\therefore \triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDE$... (Hypotenuse- side theorem)

ii. As $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDE$

$\therefore \angle BAC \cong \angle DCE$... (c.a.c.t.) ... (1)

iii. In $\triangle ABC$, $m\angle BAC + m\angle ACB = 90^\circ$... (Acute angles of a right angled triangle)... (2)

From (1) and (2),

$m\angle DCE + m\angle ACB = 90^\circ$... (3)

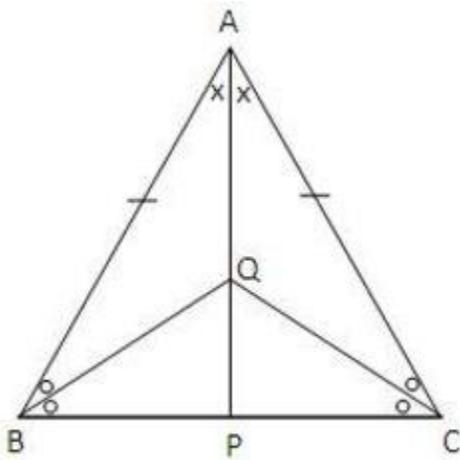
$m\angle ACB + m\angle ACE + m\angle DCE = 180^\circ$

$\therefore m\angle ACB + m\angle DCE + m\angle ACE = 180^\circ$

$\therefore 90^\circ + m\angle ACE = 180^\circ$... [From (3)]

$\therefore m\angle ACE = 90^\circ$

Solution 8:



i. The pairs of congruent triangles:

- a. $\triangle ABP$ and $\triangle ACP$
- b. $\triangle ABQ$ and $\triangle ACQ$
- c. $\triangle BQP$ and $\triangle CQP$

a.

In $\triangle ABP$ and $\triangle ACP$,
seg $AB \cong$ seg AC ... (Given)
 $\angle BAP \cong \angle CAP$ (AP is the bisector of $\angle BAC$)
seg $AP \cong$ seg AP ... (Common side)
 $\therefore \triangle ABP \cong \triangle ACP$ (SAS test)
 \therefore seg $BP \cong$ seg CP ... (c.s.c.t.).... (1)

b.

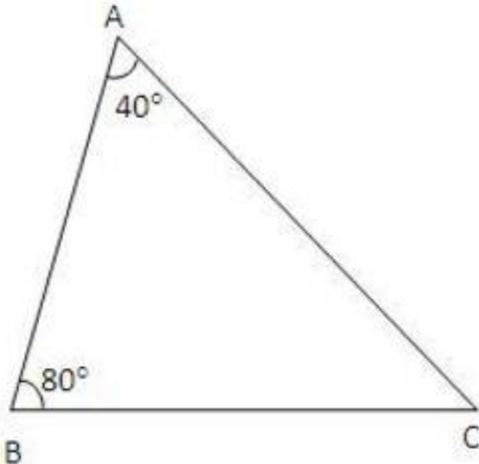
In $\triangle ABQ$ and $\triangle ACQ$,
seg $AB \cong$ seg AC ... (Given)
 $\angle BAQ \cong \angle CAQ$ (AP, i.e. AQ is the bisector of $\angle BAC$)
seg $AQ \cong$ seg AQ ... (Common side)
 $\therefore \triangle ABQ \cong \triangle ACQ$ (SAS test)
 \therefore seg $BQ \cong$ seg CQ ... (c.s.c.t.).... (2)

c.

In $\triangle BQP$ and $\triangle CQP$,
seg $BP \cong$ seg CP ... [From (1)]
seg $BQ \cong$ seg CQ ... [From (2)]
seg $QP \cong$ seg QP ... (Common side)
 $\therefore \triangle BQP \cong \triangle CQP$... (SSS test)
ii $\triangle BQC$ is an isosceles triangle. [From (2)]
seg $AB \cong$ seg AC ... (Given)
 $\triangle ABC$ is an isosceles triangle.

Exercise – 3.3

Solution 1:



$m\angle A + m\angle B + m\angle C = 180^\circ$... (Angles of a triangle)

$$\therefore 40^\circ + 80^\circ + m\angle C = 180^\circ$$

$$\therefore m\angle C = 180^\circ - 120^\circ \therefore m\angle C = 60^\circ$$

The descending order of the measures of the angles is $\angle B > \angle C > \angle A$

\therefore side AC > side AB > side BC (Sides opposite to the angles)

The shortest side is side BC and the longest side is side AC.

Solution 2:

AB = 5 cm, BC = 8 cm, AC = 10 cm.

$$\therefore AC > BC > AB$$

$\therefore \angle B > \angle A > \angle C$ (Inequality property of a triangle)

The smallest angle is $\angle C$ and the greatest angle is $\angle B$.

Their descending order is $\angle B > \angle A > \angle C$.

Solution 3:

In $\triangle ABC$, AB = 4 cm, AC = 6 cm.

$$\therefore AC > AB.$$

Angle opposite to the greater side is greater.

$$\therefore a > b$$

b is the exterior angle of $\triangle ACD$.

$$\therefore \text{By exterior angle theorem } b > d \text{(2)}$$

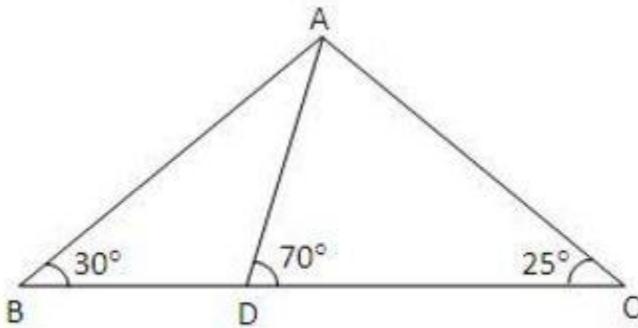
$$\text{From (1) and (2) } a > b > d \text{(3)}$$

Now, c is the exterior angle of $\triangle ABC$.

$$\therefore c > a \text{(By exterior angle theorem) ... (4)}$$

$$\text{From (3) and (4) } c > a > b > d.$$

Solution 4:



In $\triangle ABC$, $m\angle B = 30^\circ$, $m\angle C = 25^\circ$,

$\therefore \angle B > \angle C$

\therefore side $AC >$ side AB

.....(In a triangle, the side opposite to the greater angle is greater)(1)

$m\angle ADB + m\angle ADC = 180^\circ$...(Angles in a linear pair)

$\therefore m\angle ADB + 70^\circ = 180^\circ$

$\therefore m\angle ADB = 110^\circ$

In $\triangle ABD$, $m\angle ADB = 110^\circ$ and $m\angle B = 30^\circ$

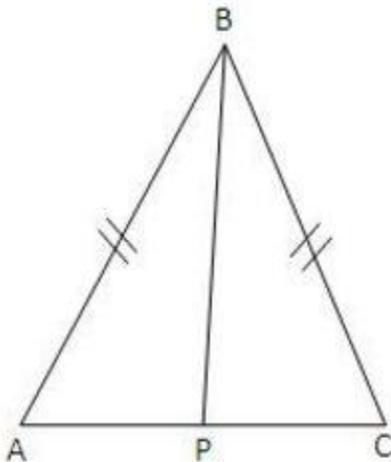
$\therefore \angle ADB > \angle B$

\therefore side $AB >$ side AD ...(2)

From (1) and (2),

side $AC >$ side $AB >$ side AD .

Solution 5:



(i) In $\triangle ABC$, side $AB \cong$ side BC and $A-P-C$(Given)

$\therefore \angle A \cong \angle C$...(Isosceles Triangle Theorem) ..(1)

$\angle BPC > \angle A$...(Exterior Angle Theorem)(2)

From (1) and (2), $\angle BPC > \angle C$

$\therefore BC > BP$

...(Side opposite to greater angle)

i.e. $BP < BC$... (3)

$AB \cong BC$ (Given)...(4)

From (3) and (4),

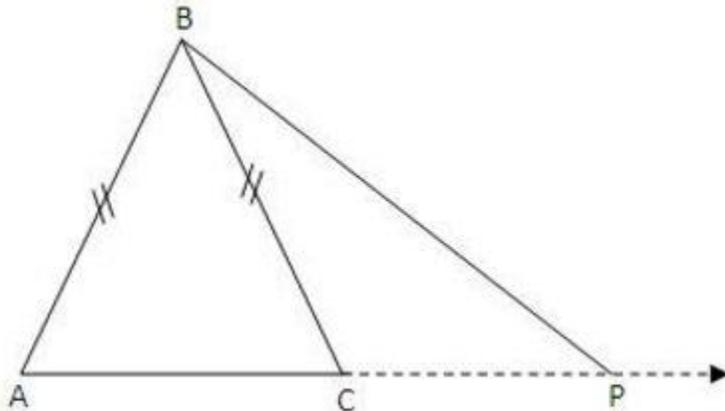
BP

$\therefore BP <$ congruent sides.

(ii) In $\triangle ABC$, side $AB \cong$ side BC and $A-C-P$.

....(Given)

$\therefore \angle A \cong \angle BCA$ (Isosceles Triangle Theorem) ... (1)



$\angle BCA > \angle P$...(Exterior Angle Theorem)...(2)

From (1) and (2), $\angle A > \angle P$

$\therefore BP > BA$...(Side opposite to greater angle) ..(3)

side $AB \cong$ side BC ...(Given) ... (4)

From (3) and (4),

$BP > BA$ and $BP > BC$.

$\therefore BP >$ congruent sides.

Solution 6:

$\angle APC > \angle B$...(Exterior Angle Theorem) ... (1)

$\angle B \cong \angle ACB$ (Isosceles Triangle Theorem) ... (2)

From (1) and (2), $\angle APC > \angle ACP$.

$\therefore AC > AP$...(Side opposite to greater angle) ... (3)

$AB = AC$ (Given) ... (4)

From (3) and (4), $AB > AP$

i.e. $AP < AB$... (5)

$\angle ACB > \angle AQC$...(Exterior Angle Theorem) ..(6)

$\therefore \angle ABC > \angle AQC$...[From (2) and (6)]

i.e. $\angle ABQ > \angle AQC$

\therefore in $\triangle ABQ$, $AQ > AB$

...(Side opposite to greater angle)

i.e. $AB < AQ$... (7)

From (5) and (7), $AP < AQ$.

Solution 7:

Let the length of side PR be x cm.

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

$$\therefore PQ + QR > PR$$

$$\therefore 4 + 6 > PR$$

$$\therefore 10 > PR$$

$$\therefore 10 > x \dots(1)$$

The difference between the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is less than the length of the third side.

$$\therefore QR - PQ < PR$$

$$\therefore 6 - 4 < PR$$

$$\therefore 2 < PR \text{ i.e. } PR > 2$$

$$\therefore x > 2 \dots(2)$$

From (1) and (2), $10 > x > 2$

The length of side PR is greater than 2 cm but less than 10 cm.