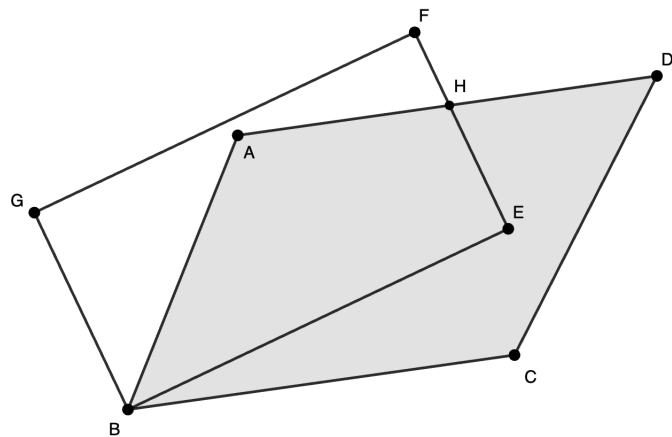


As shown in the figure below,  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram and  $BEFG$  is a rectangle. The intersection of  $AD$  and  $EF$  is shown by  $H$ . If  $\angle ABE = 41^\circ$  and  $\angle DHE = 69^\circ$ , find the measure of  $\angle BCD$ .<sup>1</sup>




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<sup>1</sup>Hiroshima Prefecture

## Solution

*Answer* :  $118^\circ$

Proof:  $\angle AHE = 180^\circ - \angle DHE = 180^\circ - 69^\circ = 111^\circ$ . Now focusing on the interior angles of quadrilateral  $ABEH$ ,  $\angle A + 41^\circ + 90^\circ + 111^\circ = 360^\circ$ , giving us  $\angle A = 118^\circ$ . Since opposite angles of a parallelogram are congruent,  $\angle \mathbf{BCD} = \angle \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{118^\circ}$ .