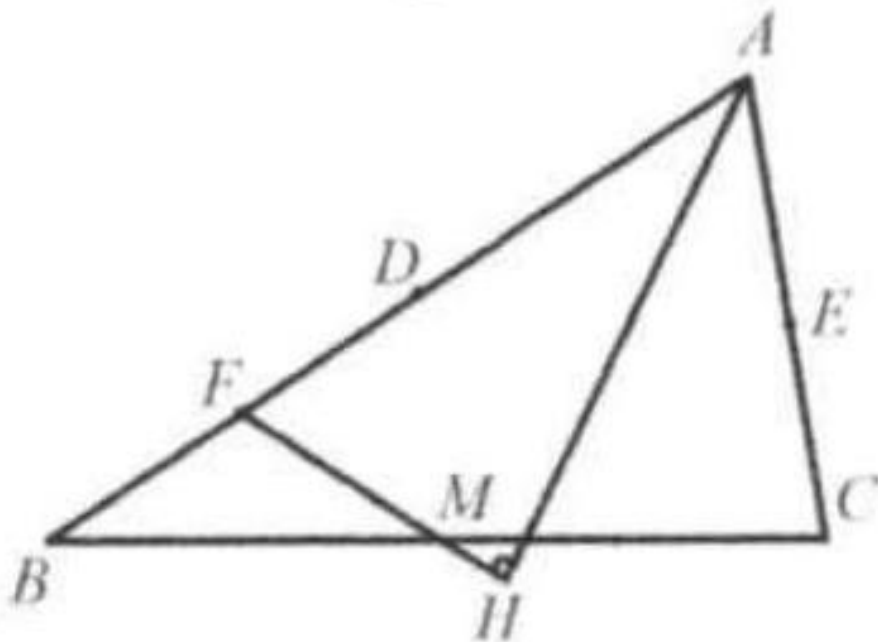


Problem

As shown in the figure below, in $\triangle ABC$, D, E are the midpoints of AB, AC , respectively. $AB > AC$. Take F , a point between DB such that $DF = AE$. Draw $FH \perp AH$, AH is the angle bisector of $\angle A$. Let H be the feet of the perpendicular from F . FH meets BC at M . Show that $BM = MC$.



Solution

Extend FH to meet the extension of AC at G .

Draw $CK \parallel AB$. CK meets FG at K .

Since $CK \parallel AB$, $\angle B = \angle MCK$.



Since $FH \perp AH$, and AH is the angle bisector of $\angle A$,
 $\angle AFH = \angle AGH, AF = AG$.

We also know that $\angle BMF = \angle CMK$ (vertical angles).

$$\begin{aligned} AF = AG &\Rightarrow AD + DF = AE + EC + CG \\ &\Rightarrow (DF + BF) + DF = AE + AE + CG \end{aligned}$$

Since $DF = AE$, (1) becomes:

$$AE + BF + AE = AE + AE + CG \Rightarrow BF = CG.$$

Since $CK \parallel AB$, $\angle AFH = \angle AGH = \angle GKC$.

Thus $CG = CK = BF$.

Therefore, $\triangle BFM \cong \triangle CKM$ and $BM = MC$.