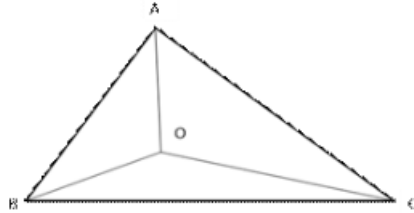




Exercise 5A

Question 44:

Given : ABC is a triangle and O is a point inside it.



To Prove : (i) $AB+AC > OB+OC$

(ii) $AB+BC+CA > OA+OB+OC$

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

Proof:

(i) In $\triangle ABC$,

$AB+AC > BC$ (i)

And in $\triangle OBC$,

$OB+OC > BC$ (ii)

Subtracting (i) from (ii) we get

$(AB+AC) - (OB+OC) > (BC-BC)$

i.e. $AB+AC > OB+OC$

(ii) $AB+AC > OB+OC$ [proved in (i)]

Similarly, $AB+BC > OA+OC$

And $AC+BC > OA+OB$

Adding both sides of these three inequalities, we get

$(AB+AC) + (AC+BC) + (AB+BC) > OB+OC+OA+OB+OA+OC$

i.e. $2(AB+BC+AC) > 2(OA+OB+OC)$

Therefore, we have

$AB+BC+AC > OA+OB+OC$

(iii) In $\triangle OAB$

$OA+OB > AB$ (i)

In $\triangle OBC$,

$OB+OC > BC$ (ii)

And, in $\triangle OCA$,

$OC+OA > CA$

Adding (i), (ii) and (iii) we get

$(OA+OB) + (OB+OC) + (OC+OA) > AB+BC+CA$

i.e. $2(OA+OB+OC) > AB+BC+CA$

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

Question 45:

Since $AB=3\text{cm}$ and $BC=3.5\text{ cm}$

$\therefore AB+BC=(3+3.5)\text{ cm}=6.5\text{ m}$

And $CA=6.5\text{ cm}$

So $AB+BC=CA$

A triangle can be drawn only when the sum of two sides is greater than the third side.

So, with the given lengths a triangle cannot be drawn.

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