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已給三段長度為 $b \cdot c \cdot m$  的綫段,若x 滿足 $b^2 + c^2 = 2m^2 + 2x^2$ ,作長度為x 的綫段。<sup>1</sup>

作圖方法如下(圖一):

作三角形 ABC, 其中邊長 BC = 2m, AC = b, AB = c.

利用垂直平分綫,找出BC之中點D,BD = m = DC。

設AD = x,  $\angle ADC = \theta$ ,  $\angle ADB = 180^{\circ} - \theta$  (直綫上的鄰角)

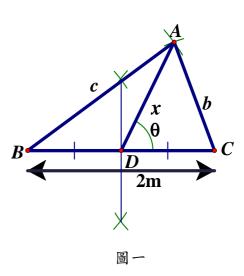
$$\cos (180^{\circ} - \theta) = \frac{m^2 + x^2 - c^2}{2mx}$$
 ... (2) (ΔABD 餘弦定理)

$$\therefore \cos (180^{\circ} - \theta) = -\cos \theta$$

(1) + (2): 
$$0 = \frac{m^2 + x^2 - b^2}{2mx} + \frac{m^2 + x^2 - c^2}{2mx}$$

$$b^2 + c^2 = 2m^2 + 2x^2$$

:. AD=x 為題目要求的綫段,亦即中綫。



<sup>1</sup>題目原自 1954 HKU O level Mathematics Paper 2 Q3 (c)

Using the result in (a), derive a construction of the length x from the equation

$$b^2 + c^2 = 2m^2 + 2x^2$$
 when the lengths b, c and m are given.