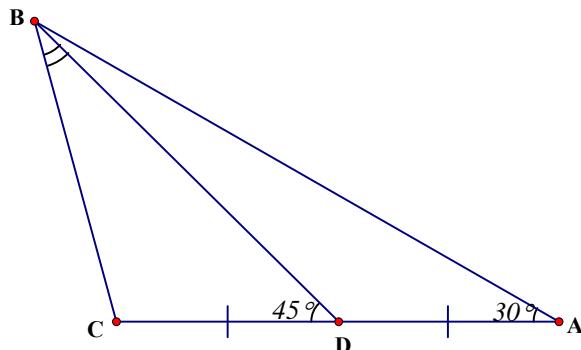


## Problem on equilateral triangle

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In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $D$  is the mid-point of  $AC$ .  $\angle BAC = 30^\circ$ ,  $\angle BDC = 45^\circ$ . Find  $\angle CBD$ .

Draw a circle  $\odot(D, DA)$ , cutting  $AB$  at  $E$ . Join  $CE$ .

$$DA = DE = DC \quad (\text{radii})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \angle ABD &= \angle BDC - \angle BAD \\ &= 45^\circ - 30^\circ = 15^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\angle AED = \angle DAE = 30^\circ \quad (\text{base } \angle \text{s isos. } \Delta)$$

In  $\triangle ADE$ ,

$$\angle CDE = 30^\circ + 30^\circ = 60^\circ \quad (\text{ext. } \angle \text{ of } \Delta)$$

In  $\triangle CDE$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \angle DCE &= \angle DEC \quad (\text{base } \angle \text{s isos. } \Delta) \\ &= \frac{180^\circ - 60^\circ}{2} \quad (\angle \text{ sum of } \Delta) \\ &= 60^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \triangle CDE$  is an equilateral triangle

$$CE = CD = DE \quad (\text{property of equilateral triangle})$$

$$\angle BDE = 60^\circ - 45^\circ = 15^\circ = \angle ABD$$

$$\therefore BE = DE \quad (\text{sides opp. equal angles})$$

$$\therefore CE = DE = BE$$

$$\angle CEA = 60^\circ + 30^\circ = 90^\circ$$

$\therefore \triangle CDE$  is an right-angled isosceles triangle

$$\angle CBE = \angle BCE = 45^\circ \quad (\text{base } \angle \text{s, isos. } \Delta, \angle \text{ sum of } \Delta)$$

$$\angle CBD = \angle CBE - \angle DBE$$

$$= 45^\circ - 15^\circ$$

$$= 30^\circ$$

