

## Answer on Question #71257 – Math – Geometry

### Question

Given  $\angle BCA = \angle DCE$ ,

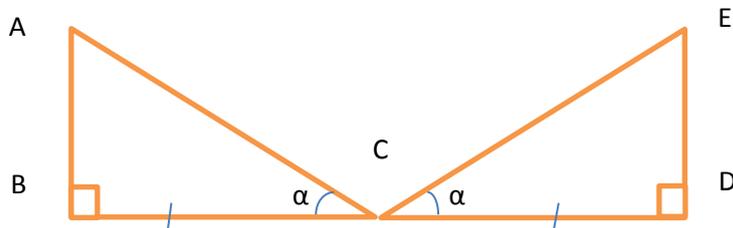
$\angle B$  and  $\angle D$  are right angles,

$C$  is the midpoint of  $BD$ .

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Prove  $BA = DE$

### Solution



Given

$$\angle BCA = \angle DCE = \alpha$$

Consider triangles  $\triangle BCA$ ,  $\triangle DCE$  and apply the definition of the tangent

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{BA}{BC} = \frac{DE}{DC} \quad (1)$$

It is given that  $C$  is a midpoint of  $BD$ , then

$$BC = DC \quad (2)$$

It follows from (1) and (2) that

$$BA = DE$$

QED.