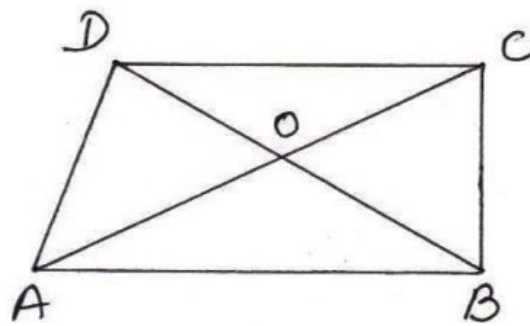


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given - $\square ABCD$, diagonals intersect each other at O

to prove - $AB + BC + CD + DA < 2(AC + BD)$

proof - In $\triangle AOB$

$$OA + OB > AB \dots \textcircled{i} \quad (*)$$

In $\triangle BOC$

$$OB + OC > BC \dots \textcircled{ii} \quad (*)$$

In $\triangle COD$

$$OC + OD > CD \dots \textcircled{iii} \quad (*)$$

In $\triangle DOA$

$$OD + OA > DA \dots \textcircled{iv} \quad (*)$$

$$\textcircled{i} + \textcircled{ii} + \textcircled{iii} + \textcircled{iv}$$

$$2(OA + OC + OB + OD) > AB + BC + CD + DA$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(AC + BD) > AB + BC + CD + DA$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + BC + CD + DA < 2(AC + BD)$$

let $a = 12\text{cm}$, $b = 15\text{cm}$, let third side = c

$$b - a < c < b + a$$

$$15 - 12 < c < 15 + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 < c < 27$$