

Answer on Question #54217, Math / Geometry

**Given:**

Let ABC be a triangle with angle A = 90 and AB = AC. Let D and E be points on the segment

BC such that  $BD : DE : EC = 3 : 5 : 4$ . Prove that angle DAE = 45 .

**Solution:**

$$BD : DE : EC = 3 : 5 : 4 \Rightarrow \angle BAD : \angle DAE : \angle EAC = 9 : 25 : 16$$

So we obtain

$$9x^2 + 25x^2 + 16x^2 = 90 \Rightarrow 50x^2 = 90$$

$$x^2 = \frac{90}{50} = 1.8$$

$$\angle DAE = 25x^2 = 25 \cdot 1.8 = 45^0$$

**Answer:**  $\angle DAE = 45^0$