

CHAPTER

7

TRIANGLES

Syllabus

- Definitions, examples, counter examples of similar triangles.
1. (Prove) If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle to intersect the other two sides in distinct points, then the other two sides are divided in the same ratio.
 2. (Motivate) If a line divides two sides of a triangle in the same ratio, then the line is parallel to the third side.
 3. (Motivate) If in two triangles, the corresponding angles are equal, then their corresponding sides are proportional and the triangles are similar.
 4. (Motivate) If the corresponding sides of two triangles are proportional, then their corresponding angles are equal and the two triangles are similar.
 5. (Motivate) If one angle of a triangle is equal to one angle of another triangle and the sides including these angles are proportional, then the two triangles are similar.
 6. (Motivate) If a perpendicular is drawn from the vertex of the right angle of a right triangle to the hypotenuse, then the triangles on each side of the perpendicular are similar to each other and to the whole triangle.
 7. (Prove) The ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides.
 8. (Prove) In a right triangle, the square on the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of squares of the other two sides.
 9. (Prove) In a triangle, if the square of one side is equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides, then the angles opposite to the first side is a right angle.

Trend Analysis

List of Concepts	2018		2019		2020	
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Question based on Area of Triangle	1 Q (1 M) 2 Q (3 M)		1 Q (1 M)		2 Q (1 M)	1 Q (1 M) 1 Q (2 M)
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Revision Notes

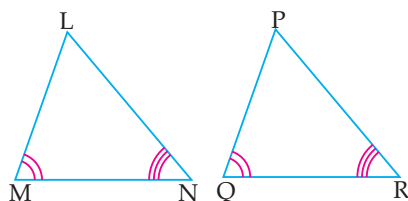
- A triangle is one of the basic shapes of geometry. It is a polygon with 3 sides and 3 vertices/corners.
- Two figures are said to be congruent if they have the same shape and the same size.
- Those figures which have the same shape but not necessarily the same size are called **similar figures**.
Hence, we can say that **all congruent figures are similar but all similar figures are not congruent**.

- **Similarity of Triangles:** Two triangles are similar, if:

- their corresponding sides are proportional.
- their corresponding angles are equal.

If $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ are similar, then this similarity can be written as $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$.

- **Criteria for Similarity of Triangles:**



In $\triangle LMN$ and $\triangle PQR$, if

$$(a) \angle L = \angle P, \angle M = \angle Q \text{ and } \angle N = \angle R$$

$$(b) \frac{LM}{PQ} = \frac{MN}{QR} = \frac{LN}{PR},$$

then $\triangle LMN \sim \triangle PQR$.

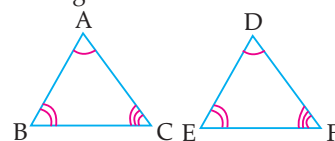
- AAA-Criterion:** In two triangles, if corresponding angles are equal, then the triangles are similar and hence their corresponding sides are in the same ratio.

If $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ are similar

$$\angle A = \angle D, \angle B = \angle E \text{ and } \angle C = \angle F.$$

Then,

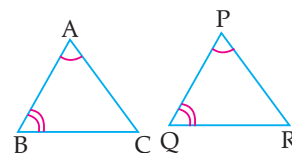
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$



Remark: If two angles of a triangle are respectively equal to the two angles of another triangle, then by the angle sum property of a triangle their third angles will also be equal. Therefore, AAA similarity criterion can also be stated as follows:

AA-Criterion: If two angles of one triangle are respectively equal to two angles of another triangle, then the two triangles are similar.

As we know that the sum of all angles in a triangle is 180° so if two angles in $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$ are same i.e., $\angle A = \angle P, \angle B = \angle Q$.



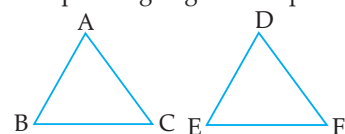
- SSS-Criterion:** In two triangles if the sides of one triangle are proportional to the sides of another triangle, then the two triangles are similar and hence corresponding angles are equal.

$$\text{If } \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{CA}{FD}$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$

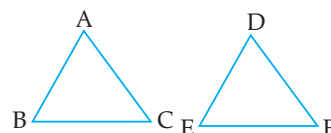
$$\text{then } \angle A = \angle D, \angle B = \angle E$$

$$\text{and } \angle C = \angle F$$



- SAS-Criterion:** If one angle of a triangle is equal to one angle of another triangle and the sides including these angles are in the same ratio, then the two triangles are similar.

$$\text{If } \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF} \text{ and } \angle A = \angle D, \text{ then } \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF.$$



Some theorems based on similarity of triangles:

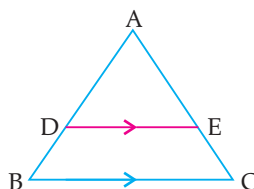
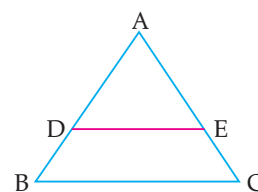
- (i) If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle to intersect the other two sides at distinct points, the other two sides are divided in the same ratio. It is known as '**Basic Proportionality Theorem**' or '**Thales Theorem**'.

In $\triangle ABC$, let $DE \parallel BC$, then

$$(a) \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

$$(b) \frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{AC}{EC}$$

$$(c) \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC}$$



- (ii) If a line divides any two sides of a triangle in the same ratio, then the line is parallel to the third side. It is the '**Converse of Basic Proportionality Theorem**'.

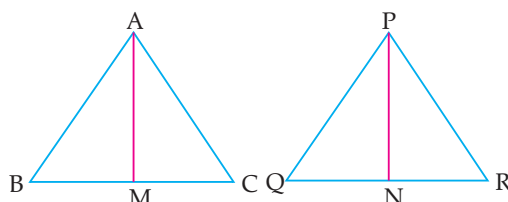
$$\text{If } \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC},$$

then $DE \parallel BC$

- (iii) If two triangles are similar, then the ratio of areas of these triangles is equal to the ratio of squares of their corresponding sides.

Let $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$,

$$\text{then } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \left(\frac{AB}{PQ}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{BC}{QR}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{CA}{RP}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{AM}{PN}\right)^2$$



➤ **Theorems Based on Right Angled Triangles:**

- (i) If a perpendicular is drawn from the vertex of the right angle of a right triangle to the hypotenuse, then the triangles on both sides of the perpendicular are similar to the whole triangle and also to each other.

In right $\triangle ABC$, $B \perp AC$,

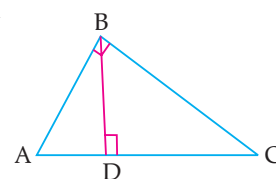
then

$$\triangle ADB \sim \triangle ABC$$

$$\triangle BDC \sim \triangle ABC$$

and

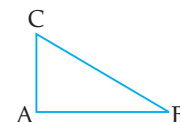
$$\triangle ADB \sim \triangle BDC$$



- (ii) In a right angled triangle, the square of hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides. It is known as **Pythagoras Theorem**.

In right $\triangle ABC$,

$$BC^2 = AB^2 + AC^2.$$



Some Important Notes:

- In any triangle, the sum of the squares of any two sides is equal to twice the square of half of the third side together with the twice of the square of the median which bisects the third side.
- Three times the sum of the squares of the sides of a triangle is equal to four times the sum of the squares of the median of the triangle.
- Three times of the square of any side of an equilateral triangle is equal to four times the square of the altitude.



Mnemonics

Area of Right angled Triangle

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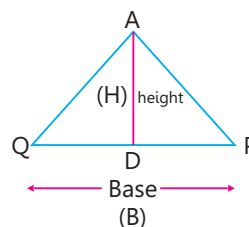
Concept: Area of triangle = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base} \times \text{height}$

Interpretation:

A = Area

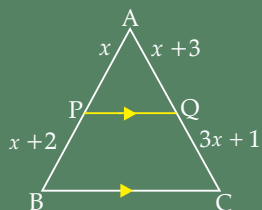
B = Base

H = Height



How is it done on the GREENBOARD?

Q.1. In the given triangle, find x if PQ || BC.



Solution:

Step I : Given that PQ || BC

Hence by using Basic Proportionality theorem

Step II :

$$\frac{AP}{PB} = \frac{AQ}{QC}$$

$$\frac{x}{x+2} = \frac{x+3}{3x+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(3x+1) = (x+2)(x+3)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + x = x^2 + 5x + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 4x - 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x - 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3 \text{ or } x = -1$$

Since, side of a triangle is not negative.

$$\therefore x = 3.$$



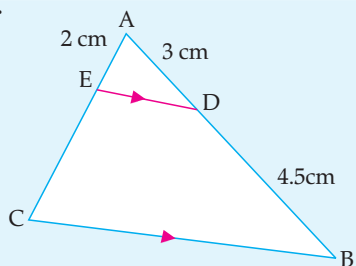
Very Short Answer Type Questions

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Q. 1. In the $\triangle ABC$, D and E are points on side AB and AC respectively such that $DE \parallel BC$. If $AE = 2$ cm, $AD = 3$ cm and $BD = 4.5$ cm, then find CE.

[A] [CBSE SQP, 2020-21]

Sol.



Using basic proportionality theorem

$$\frac{AD}{BD} = \frac{AE}{CE} \quad [\text{By using BPT}] \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{3}{4.5} = \frac{2}{CE}$$

$$CE = 3 \text{ cm} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

Q. 2. Given $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$, if $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{1}{3}$, then

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)}$$

[U] [CBSE Delhi Set-I, 2020]

[CBSE Delhi/OD, 2018] [CBSE SQP, 2017]

Sol. 1 : 9

Explanation: Since, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$, we have

$$\frac{ar(\triangle ABC)}{ar(\triangle PQR)} = \left(\frac{AB}{PQ}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \quad [\because \text{By using property of similar triangles}]$$

$$= \frac{1}{9}.$$

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[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2020]

Detailed Solution:



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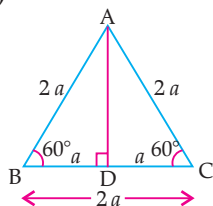
$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{1}{3}, \quad \frac{ar(\triangle ABC)}{ar(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AB^2}{PQ^2} = \frac{1}{3^2} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

Ratio of areas is $\frac{1}{9}$.

Q. 3. In an equilateral triangle of side $2a$, find the length of the altitude. [CBSE Delhi Set-I, 2020]

Sol. ABC is an equilateral triangle in which $AD \perp BC$.

From $\triangle ABC$,



$$AB^2 = (AD)^2 + (BD)^2 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

(By using Pythagoras Theorem)

$$\Rightarrow (2a)^2 = (AD)^2 + (a)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4a^2 - a^2 = (AD)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (AD)^2 = 3a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AD = a\sqrt{3}$$

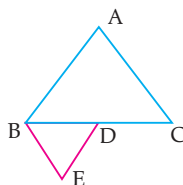
Hence, the length of altitude is $a\sqrt{3}$. $\frac{1}{2}$

Q. 4. $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle BDE$ are two equilateral triangles such that D is the mid-point of BC. Find the ratio of the areas of triangles ABC and BDE.

[A] [CBSE Delhi Set-II, 2020]

Sol.

$$\frac{ar(\triangle ABC)}{ar(\triangle BDE)} = \frac{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(BC)^2}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}(BD)^2}$$



$$= \frac{(BC)^2}{\left(\frac{BC}{2}\right)^2}$$

$\frac{1}{2}$

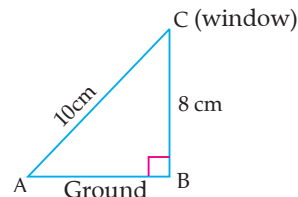
$$= \frac{4BC^2}{BC^2} = \frac{4}{1}$$

$= 4 : 1.$ $\frac{1}{2}$

Q. 5. If a ladder 10 m long reaches a window 8 m above the ground, then find the distance of the foot of the ladder from the base of the wall.

[C] [CBSE Delhi Set-III, 2020]

Sol. Let BC be the height of the window above the ground and AC be a ladder.



Here, $BC = 8$ cm and $AC = 10$ cm $\frac{1}{2}$

\therefore In right angled triangle ABC,

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

(By using Pythagoras Theorem)

$$\Rightarrow (10)^2 = AB^2 + (8)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = 100 - 64$$

$$= 36$$

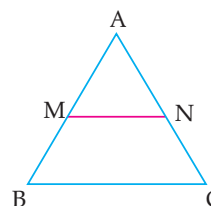
$$\Rightarrow AB = 6 \text{ m.}$$

$\frac{1}{2}$

Q. 6. In fig., $MN \parallel BC$ and $AM : MB = 1 : 2$, then find

$$\frac{ar(\triangle AMN)}{ar(\triangle ABC)}.$$

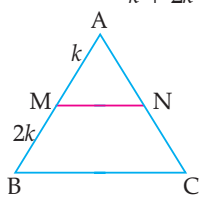
[A] [CBSE OD Set-I, 2020]



Sol. Here,
and

$$AM = k, MB = 2k.$$

$$MN \parallel BC$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore AB &= AM + MB \\ &= k + 2k = 3k \end{aligned}$$


$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle AMN)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)} = \frac{AM^2}{AB^2} = \frac{k^2}{9k^2} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

Q. 7. In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = 6\sqrt{3}$ cm, $AC = 12$ cm and $BC = 6$ cm, then find $\angle B$. [CBSE OD Set-I, 2020]

Sol. Given, $AB = 6\sqrt{3}$ cm, $AC = 12$ cm and $BC = 6$ cm.

It can be observed that

$$AB^2 = 108 \text{ cm}, AC^2 = 144 \text{ cm and } BC^2 = 36 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Now } AB^2 + BC^2 = 108 + 36 = 144 \text{ cm and } AC^2 = 144 \text{ cm}$$

i.e., $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$, Which satisfies Pythagoras theorem.

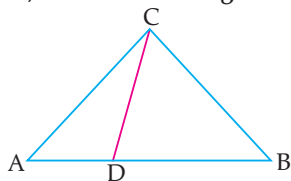
$$\text{So, } \angle B = 90^\circ. \quad 1$$

Q. 8. If two triangles are similar, then find the relation of their corresponding sides.

[A] [CBSE OD Set-I, 2020]

Sol. If two triangles are similar, then their corresponding sides are in the same ratio. 1

Q. 9. In the figure, if $\angle ACB = \angle CDA$, $AC = 6$ cm and $AD = 3$ cm, then find the length of AB



[CBSE SQP, 2020]

Sol. $\triangle ACB \sim \triangle ADC$ (AA criterion) $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AD} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\frac{6}{3} = \frac{AB}{6}$$

$$\therefore AB = 12 \text{ cm.} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

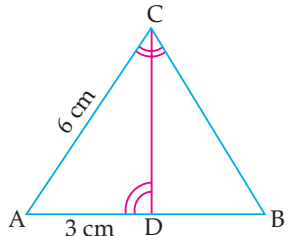
[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020]

Detailed Solution:

Since $\angle CDA = \angle ACB$ (given)

$\angle CAD = \angle CAB$ (common)

$\therefore \triangle ADC \sim \triangle ACB$ (AA Similarity)



$$\frac{AC}{AB} = \frac{AD}{AC}$$

$$\frac{6}{AB} = \frac{3}{6}$$

$$\therefore AB = 12 \text{ cm.} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Q. 10. The perimeters of two similar triangles $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$ are 35 cm and 45 cm respectively, then find the ratio of the areas of the two triangles.

[CBSE SQP, 2020]

Sol. 49 : 81

[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020] 1

Detailed Solution:

Given, Perimeter of $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$ are 35 cm and 45 cm,

Since, the ratio of area of the similar triangles is square of the scalar factor of similarity,

$$\text{Scalar factor} = \frac{\text{Perimeter of triangle } ABC}{\text{Perimeter of triangle } PQR}$$

$$= \frac{35}{45} = \frac{7}{9} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

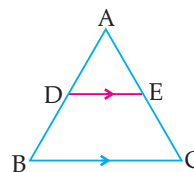
Hence,

$$\frac{\text{Area of triangle } ABC}{\text{Area of triangle } PQR} = (\text{scalar factor})^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{9}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{49}{81} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Q. 11. In Figure, $DE \parallel BC$, $AD = 1$ cm and $BD = 2$ cm. What is the ratio of the ar ($\triangle ABC$) to the ar ($\triangle ADE$) ?



[A] [CBSE Delhi Set-1, 2019]

Sol. $AB = 1 + 2 = 3$ cm

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle ADE$ $\frac{1}{2}$

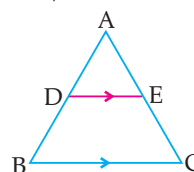
$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ADE)} = \frac{AB^2}{AD^2} = \frac{9}{1}$$

$$\therefore \text{ar}(\triangle ABC) : \text{ar}(\triangle ADE) = 9 : 1 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2019]

Detailed Solution:

Given, $AD = 1$ cm, $BD = 2$ cm and $DE \parallel BC$



In $\triangle ADE$ and $\triangle ABC$,

$$\angle ADE = \angle ABC \text{ (corresponding angles)}$$

$$\angle A = \angle A \text{ (common)}$$

Therefore, by AA criterion corollary condition

$$\triangle ADE \sim \triangle ABC \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Ratio of areas of similar triangles is equal to the square of the ratio of the corresponding sides,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ADE)} = \frac{AB^2}{AD^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ADE)} = \frac{(3)^2}{(1)^2} \quad [AB = AD + BD = 3]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ADE)} = \frac{9}{1}$$

Hence, the ratio of the $\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)$ to the $\text{ar}(\triangle ADE)$ is $9 : 1$. $\frac{1}{2}$

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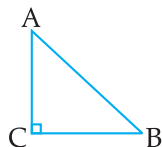
Some candidates took the ratio of area

$$\frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle ADE} = \frac{AB}{AD} \text{ instead of } \frac{AB^2}{AD^2}.$$

ANSWERING TIP

It is necessary to explain how the ratio of the areas of similar triangles is proportional to the square to the corresponding.

Q. 12. In Figure, ABC is an isosceles triangle right angled at C with $AC = 4$ cm. Find the length of AB.



[A] [CBSE OD Set-1, 2019]

Sol. $\triangle ABC$: Isosceles $\triangle \Rightarrow AC = BC = 4$ cm. $\frac{1}{2}$

$$AB = \sqrt{4^2 + 4^2} = 4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2019]

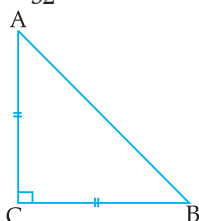
Detailed Solution:

Given, ABC is an isosceles triangle right angled at C
i.e. $AC = BC = 4$ cm

$$\angle C = 90^\circ \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

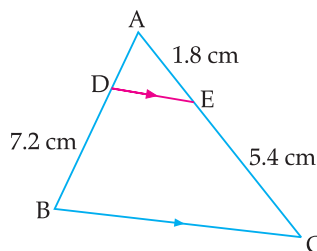
Applying pythagoras theorem in $\triangle ABC$,

$$\begin{aligned} AB^2 &= BC^2 + AC^2 \\ &= 4^2 + 4^2 \\ &= 16 + 16 \\ &= 32 \end{aligned}$$



$$\therefore AB = 4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm.} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Q. 13. In Figure, $DE \parallel BC$. Find the length of side AD, given that $AE = 1.8$ cm, $BD = 7.2$ cm and $CE = 5.4$ cm.



[A] [CBSE OD Set-1, 2019]

[CBSE Term-2, 2016]

$$\text{Sol.} \quad \frac{AD}{BD} = \frac{AE}{CE} \Rightarrow \frac{AD}{7.2} = \frac{1.8}{5.4} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore AD = \frac{7.2 \times 1.8}{5.4} = 2.4 \text{ cm.} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2019]

Detailed Solution:

It is given that $DE \parallel BC$

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Hence,

Putting the values, we get

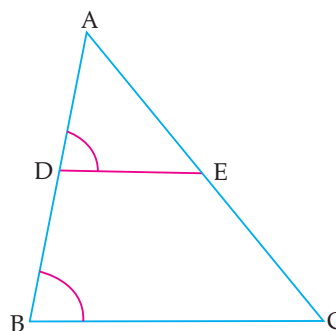
$$\frac{AD}{7.2} = \frac{1.8}{5.4}$$

$$\Rightarrow AD = \frac{1.8 \times 7.2}{5.4}$$

$$\Rightarrow AD = \frac{12.96}{5.4}$$

$$\Rightarrow AD = 2.4 \text{ cm.} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Q. 14. In figure, if $AD = 6$ cm, $DB = 9$ cm, $AE = 8$ cm and $EC = 12$ cm and $\angle ADE = 48^\circ$. Find $\angle ABC$.



[U] [CBSE SQP, 2018-19]

$$\text{Sol.} \quad \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

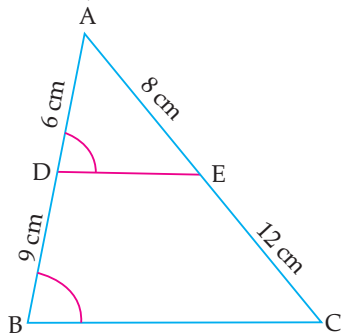
$$\therefore DE \parallel BC \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ADE = \angle ABC = 48^\circ \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]

Detailed Solution:

It is given that,



Here, in $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ADE$,

$$AB = (9 + 6) \text{ cm} = 15 \text{ cm}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} AC &= AE + EC \\ &= (8 + 12) \text{ cm} \\ &= 20 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{6}{15} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{8}{20} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC}$$

$$\therefore DE \parallel BC$$

$$\angle ABC = \angle ADE \quad (\text{Corresponding angles})$$

$$\text{Hence, } \angle ABC = 48^\circ \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

AI Q. 15. If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle QRP$, $\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle QRP)} = \frac{9}{4}$, and $BC = 15$

cm, then find PR. [CBSE Comptt. Set I, II, III, 2018]

[CBSE, Term-I, 2015]

Sol.

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle QRP)} = \left(\frac{BC}{RP}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{4} = \left(\frac{15}{PR}\right)^2 \Rightarrow PR = 10 \text{ cm} \quad 1$$

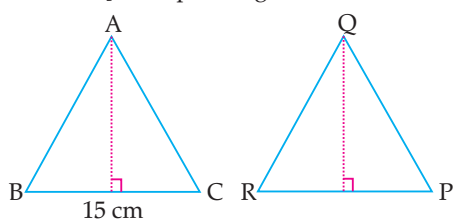
[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]

Detailed Solution:

We have, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle QRP$

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{QR} = \frac{BC}{RP} = \frac{AC}{QP}$$

[corresponding sides of similar triangles]



$$\text{Now, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle QRP)} = \left(\frac{BC}{RP}\right)^2$$

[Areas of two similar triangles is equal to the square of the ratio of their corresponding sides]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{4} = \left(\frac{15}{RP}\right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} = \frac{15}{RP}$$

$$\Rightarrow RP = \frac{30}{3} = 10 \text{ cm.} \quad 1$$

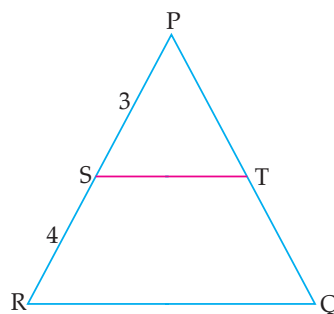
COMMONLY MADE ERROR

Some candidates take the ratio of area $\frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle QRP} = \frac{BC}{RP}$ instead of $\frac{BC^2}{RP^2}$.

ANSWERING TIP

Candidates should more practice to solve such problems.

Q. 16. In the given figure, $ST \parallel RQ$, $PS = 3$ cm and $SR = 4$ cm. Find the ratio of the area of $\triangle PST$ to the area of $\triangle PRQ$. [A] [CBSE, SQP, 2017-18]



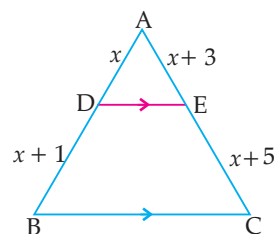
Sol. $PS = 3$ cm, $SR = 4$ cm and $ST \parallel RQ$.

$$\begin{aligned} PR &= PS + SR \\ &= 3 + 4 = 7 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\text{ar } \triangle PST}{\text{ar } \triangle PRQ} = \frac{PS^2}{PR^2} = \frac{3^2}{7^2} = \frac{9}{49}$$

Hence, required ratio = 9 : 49.

AI Q. 17. In $\triangle ABC$, $DE \parallel BC$, find the value of x .



[U] [CBSE, Term-1, 2016]

Sol. As

$$DE \parallel BC$$

$$\therefore \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

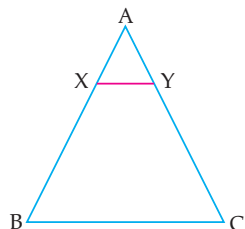
$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } \frac{x}{x+1} &= \frac{x+3}{x+5} \\ \text{or, } x^2 + 5x &= x^2 + 4x + 3 \\ \text{or, } x &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2016]

Q. 18. In $\triangle ABC$, if X and Y are points on AB and AC respectively such that $\frac{AX}{XB} = \frac{3}{4}$, $AY = 5$ and $YC = 9$, then state whether XY and BC parallel or not.

[CBSE Term-1, 2015, 2016]

Sol.



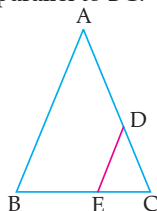
$$\frac{AX}{XB} = \frac{3}{4}, AY = 5 \text{ and } YC = 9 \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{AX}{XB} = \frac{3}{4} \text{ and } \frac{AY}{YC} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\frac{AX}{XB} \neq \frac{AY}{YC}$$

Hence XY is not parallel to BC.

Q. 19.



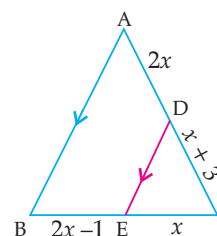
In the figure of $\triangle ABC$, the points D and E are on the sides CA, CB respectively such that $DE \parallel AB$, $AD = 2x$, $DC = x + 3$, $BE = 2x - 1$ and $CE = x$. Then, find x .

[CBSE, Term-1, 2016]

OR

In the figure of $\triangle ABC$, $DE \parallel AB$. If $AD = 2x$, $DC = x + 3$, $BE = 2x - 1$ and $CE = x$, then find the value of x .

[CBSE, Term-1, 2015]



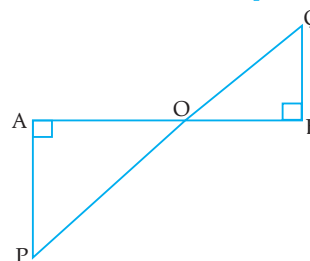
Sol.

$$\frac{CD}{AD} = \frac{CE}{BE} \text{ or, } \frac{x+3}{2x} = \frac{x}{2x-1} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{or, } 5x = 3 \text{ or, } x = \frac{3}{5} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Q. 20. In the given figure, if $\angle A = 90^\circ$, $\angle B = 90^\circ$, $OB = 4.5$ cm, $OA = 6$ cm and $AP = 4$ cm, then find QB .

[CBSE Term-1, 2015]



Sol. In $\triangle PAO$ and $\triangle QBO$,

$$\angle A = \angle B = 90^\circ \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\angle POA = \angle QOB \quad (\text{Vertically Opposite Angles})$$

$$\text{Since, } \triangle PAO \sim \triangle QBO, \quad (\text{by AA})$$

$$\text{Then, } \frac{OA}{OB} = \frac{PA}{QB}$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{6}{4.5} = \frac{4}{QB}$$

$$\text{or, } QB = \frac{4 \times 4.5}{6}$$

$$\therefore QB = 3 \text{ cm} \quad 1$$

Q. 21. Are two triangles having corresponding sides equal, similar. [CBSE Term-1, 2015]

Sol. Yes, Two triangles having equal corresponding sides are congruent and all congruent Δ s have equal angles, hence they are similar too. 1

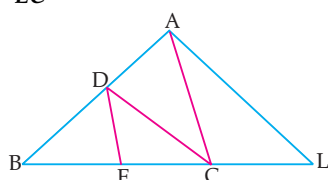


Short Answer Type Questions-I

2 marks each

Q. 1. In the adjoining figure, $DE \parallel AC$ and $DC \parallel AP$.

Prove that $\frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BC}{CP}$.

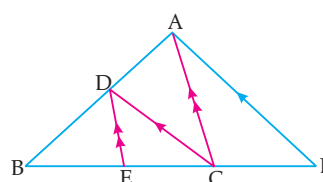


[CBSE Delhi Set-I, 2020]

Sol. In $\triangle ABP$,

$$DC \parallel AP \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\therefore \frac{BD}{DA} = \frac{BC}{CP} \quad (\text{From BPT}) \dots (i) \quad \frac{1}{2}$$



In $\triangle ABC$,

$$DE \parallel AC \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\therefore \frac{BD}{DA} = \frac{BE}{EC} \quad (\text{From BPT}) \dots (ii) \frac{1}{2}$$

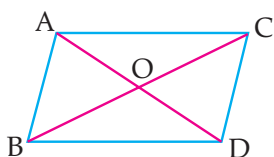
From equations (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BC}{CP} \quad \text{Hence Proved. } \frac{1}{2}$$

AI Q. 2. In the given figure, $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DBC$ are on the same base BC . AD and BC intersect at O . Prove that

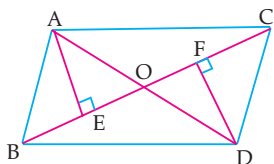
$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO}$$

[CBSE Outside Delhi Set-I, 2020]
[CBSE Term-1, 2016]



Sol. To prove: $\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO}$

Construction : Draw $AE \perp BC$ and $DF \perp BC$.



Proof: $\frac{1}{2}$

In $\triangle AOE$ and $\triangle DOF$,

$$\angle AOE = \angle DOF \quad (\text{Vertically opposite angles})$$

$$\angle AEO = \angle DFO = 90^\circ \quad (\text{Construction})$$

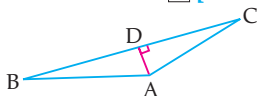
or, $\triangle AOE \sim \triangle DOF$ (By AA Similarity)

$$\therefore \frac{AO}{DO} = \frac{AE}{DF} \quad \dots (i) \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DBC)} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AE}{\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times DF} \\ &= \frac{AE}{DF} \quad \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \frac{AO}{DO} \quad [\text{From equation (i)}] \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

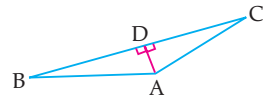
Hence Proved.

AI Q. 3. In fig. 6, if $AD \perp BC$, then prove that $AB^2 + CD^2 = BD^2 + AC^2$. [A] [CBSE OD Set-I, 2020]



Sol. In right $\triangle ADC$,

$$AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2 \quad \dots (i) \frac{1}{2}$$



In right $\triangle ADB$,

$$AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 \quad \dots (ii) \frac{1}{2}$$

Subtracting eq. (i) from eq. (ii),

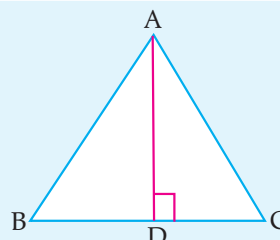
$$AB^2 - AC^2 = BD^2 - CD^2$$

$$\text{Hence, } AB^2 + CD^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$$

Hence Proved. 1

AI Q. 4. In an equilateral triangle, prove that three times the square of one side is equal to four times the square of one of its altitudes. [C] [CBSE SQP, 2020]

Sol.



$$AD \perp BC \therefore \text{In } \triangle ABD, AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 \quad 1$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AD^2 + \frac{BC^2}{4} \quad \text{or } 4AB^2 = 4AD^2 + BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 3AB^2 = 4AD^2 \quad 1$$

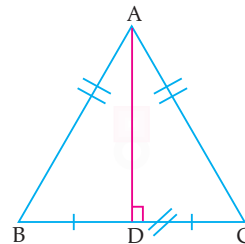
[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020]

Detailed Solution:

Let ABC be an equilateral triangle, in which AD is the perpendicular bisector on BC.

$$\therefore BD = \frac{BC}{2}$$

$$\text{and } AB = BC = CA. \quad 1$$



In right angled $\triangle ABD$,

$$AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2$$

(Using Pythagoras Theorem)

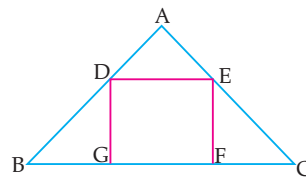
$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AD^2 + \frac{BC^2}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4AB^2 = 4AD^2 + AC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 4AB^2 = 4AD^2 + AB^2 \quad [\because AB = AC]$$

$$\text{Hence, } 3AB^2 = 4AD^2. \quad \text{Hence Proved. 1}$$

AI Q. 5. In the given figure, DEFG is a square and $\angle BAC = 90^\circ$. Show that $FG^2 = BG \times FC$



[CBSE SQP, 2020]

Sol. $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle GBD$ and $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle FEC$

$$\Rightarrow GBD \sim FEC \quad (\text{AA Criterion})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{GD}{FC} = \frac{GB}{FE}$$

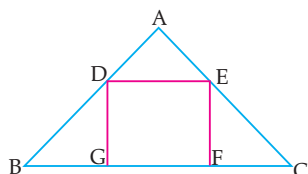
$$\Rightarrow GD \times FE = GB \times FC$$

$$\text{or } FG^2 = BG \times FC$$

[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020]

Detailed Solution:

Given, DEFG is a square and



$$\angle BAC = 90^\circ$$

To prove, $FG^2 = BG \times FC$

Since, DEFG is a square, therefore we can write,

$$DE = EF = FG = GD$$

In $\triangle AGE$ and $\triangle GDB$,

$$\therefore \angle A = \angle DGB = 90^\circ$$

$$\angle ADE = \angle GBD$$

(Corresponding angles)

\therefore By AA similarity, $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle GDB$... (i)

Now, In $\triangle AGF$ and $\triangle FCE$,

$$\angle A = \angle EFC = 90^\circ$$

$$\angle AED = \angle FCE$$

(Corresponding angles)

\therefore By AA similarity, $\triangle AED \sim \triangle FCE$... (ii)

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\triangle GDB \sim \triangle FCE$$

Since, corresponding sides of two similar triangles are proportional.

$$\therefore \frac{GD}{FC} = \frac{BG}{EF}$$

$$\Rightarrow GD \times EF = BG \times FC \quad 2$$

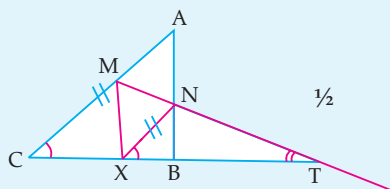
$$FG^2 = BG \times FC \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

Q. 6. X is a point on the side BC of $\triangle ABC$. XM and XN are drawn parallel to AB and AC respectively meeting AB in N and AC in M. MN produced meets CB produced at T. Prove that $TX^2 = TB \times TC$.

[CBSE Comppt. Set-I, II, III, 2018]

Sol.

$$\triangle TXN \sim \triangle TCM$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{TX}{TC} = \frac{XN}{CM} = \frac{TN}{TM}$$

$$\Rightarrow TX \times TM = TC \times TN \quad \dots(i) \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Again, $\triangle TBN \sim \triangle TXM$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{TB}{TX} = \frac{BN}{XM} = \frac{TN}{TM}$$

$$\Rightarrow TM = \frac{TN \times TX}{TB} \quad \dots(ii) \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Using (ii) in (i), we get

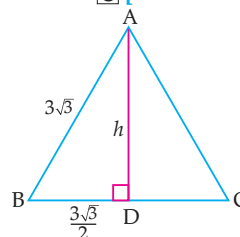
$$\Rightarrow TX^2 = \frac{TN}{TB} = TC \times TN$$

$$\Rightarrow TX^2 = TC \times TB \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]

Q. 7. In an equilateral triangle of side $3\sqrt{3}$ cm, find the length of the altitude. [U] [CBSE Term-1, 2016, 2015]

Sol.



$\triangle ABD$,

$$\angle D = 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore (3\sqrt{3})^2 = h^2 + \left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2$$

$$\text{or, } 27 = h^2 + \frac{27}{4}$$

$$\text{or, } h^2 = 27 - \frac{27}{4}$$

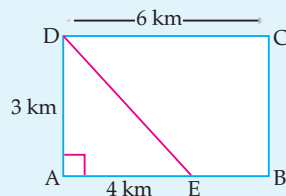
$$\text{or, } h^2 = \frac{81}{4}$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{9}{2} = 4.5 \text{ cm} \quad 1$$

Q. 8. In a rectangle ABCD, E is a point on AB such that $AE = \frac{2}{3} AB$. If AB = 6 km and AD = 3 km, then find

DE. [A] [CBSE, Term-1, 2016]

Sol.



$$\text{Given, } AE = \frac{2}{3} AB = \frac{2}{3} \times 6 = 4 \text{ km}$$

In right triangle ADE,

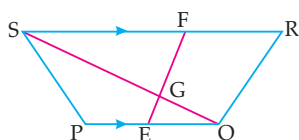
$$DE^2 = (3)^2 + (4)^2$$

$$\text{or, } DE^2 = 25$$

$$\therefore DE = 5 \text{ km.} \quad 1$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2016]

Q. 9. In the figure, PQRS is a trapezium in which $PQ \parallel RS$. On PQ and RS, there are points E and F respectively such that EF intersects SQ at G. Prove that $EQ \times GS = GQ \times FS$.



[U] [CBSE Term-1, 2016]

Sol. In $\triangle GEQ$ and $\triangle GFS$

$$\angle EGQ = \angle FGS \text{ (vert. opp. angles)}$$

$$\angle EQG = \angle FSG \text{ (alt. angles)}$$

$$\therefore \triangle GEQ \sim \triangle GFS \text{ (AA similarity) } 1$$

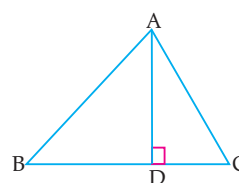
$$\text{or, } \frac{EQ}{FS} = \frac{GQ}{GS}$$

$$\text{or, } EQ \times GS = GQ \times FS. \quad 1$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2016]

Q. 10. In $\triangle ABC$, $AD \perp BC$, such that $AD^2 = BD \times CD$.
Prove that $\triangle ABC$ is right angled at A.

[A] [CBSE, Term-1, 2015]



Sol. Given,

$$AD^2 = BD \times CD$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{AD}{CD} = \frac{BD}{AD} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \triangle ADC \sim \triangle BDA \text{ (by SAS; } \because \angle D = 90^\circ)$$

$$\text{or, } \angle BAD = \angle ACD;$$

$$\angle DAC = \angle DBA$$

(Corresponding angles of similar triangles) $\frac{1}{2}$

$$\angle BAD + \angle ACD + \angle DAC + \angle DBA = 180^\circ$$

$$\text{or, } 2\angle BAD + 2\angle DAC = 180^\circ \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{or, } \angle BAD + \angle DAC = 90^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle A = 90^\circ \text{ Hence proved. } \frac{1}{2}$$

Short Answer Type Questions-II

3 marks each

Q. 1. The perimeter of two similar triangles are 25 cm and 15 cm respectively. If one side of the first triangle is 9 cm. Find the length of the corresponding side of the second triangle.

[C] + [A] [CBSE SQP, 2020-21]

Sol. $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

$$\frac{\text{Perimeter } (\triangle ABC)}{\text{Perimeter } (\triangle DEF)} = \frac{AB + BC + CA}{DE + EF + FD} = \frac{AB}{DE} \quad 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{25}{15} = \frac{9}{x} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[Using proportionality theorem]

$$\Rightarrow x = 5.4 \text{ cm} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow DE = 5.4 \text{ cm} \quad 1$$

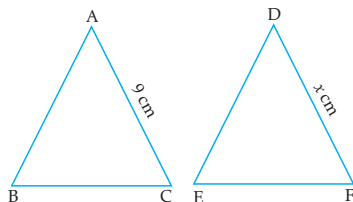
[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

Detailed Solution:

Given, perimeters of both triangles are 25 cm, 15 cm
Let both triangles be ABC and DEF.

$$\therefore AB + BC + CA = 25 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{and } DE + EF + FD = 15 \text{ cm}$$



$$\text{Also given, } CA = 9 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Let } FD = x \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Then } \frac{AB + BC + CA}{DE + EF + FD} = \frac{CA}{FD} \quad 1$$

[Given, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$]

$$\frac{25}{15} = \frac{9}{x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 25x = 135$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{135}{25} = 5.4$$

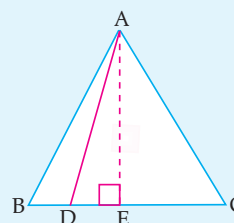
Hence, the length of the corresponding side of second triangle is 5.4 cm. 1

Q. 2. In an equilateral triangle ABC, D is a point on side

BC such that $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$. Prove that

$$9AD^2 = 7AB^2. \quad \text{[CBSE SQP, 2020-21]}$$

Sol.



Construction: Draw $AM \perp BC$

$$BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$$

$$BM = \frac{1}{2} BC$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ABM, AB^2 = AM^2 + BM^2 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= AM^2 + (BD + DM)^2$$

$$= AM^2 + DM^2 + BD^2 + 2BD \cdot DM$$

$$= AD^2 + BD^2 + 2BD(BM - BD) \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= AD^2 + \left(\frac{BC}{3}\right)^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{BC}{3} \left(\frac{BC}{2} - \frac{BC}{3}\right)$$

$$= AD^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{BC^2}{9} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= AD^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{AB^2}{9}$$

$$\text{Hence, } 7AB^2 = 9AD^2 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2020-21]



9) Given: $\triangle ABC$ is equilateral.
 $\rightarrow AB = BC = CA, \angle A = \angle B = \angle C = 60^\circ$

(4) D is a point on BC such that $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$.

To prove: $9(AD)^2 = 7(AB)^2$.

Construction: Draw $AE \perp BC$.

Proof: Let $BD = x$.
 $\Rightarrow BC = 3x = AB = AC$ [$\because \triangle ABC$ is equilateral] [Given $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$].
 Also, we know that $BE = \frac{1}{2} BC$ [Altitude in equilateral \triangle bisects base].
 As $\angle AEB = 90^\circ$,
 In $\triangle ABE$, by Pythagoras Theorem,
 $BE^2 + AE^2 = AB^2 \rightarrow AB^2 = 9x^2 \rightarrow \textcircled{a}$.
 $(\frac{3x}{2})^2 + AE^2 = (3x)^2$
 $\frac{9x^2}{4} + AE^2 = 9x^2 \rightarrow AE^2 = \frac{27x^2}{4} \rightarrow \textcircled{b}$

Now, in $\triangle ADE$, $\angle E = 90^\circ$ $DE = BE - BD$
 $= \frac{3x}{2} - x$
 By Pythagoras Theorem,
 $DE^2 + AE^2 = AD^2$
 $(\frac{3x}{2} - x)^2 + \frac{27x^2}{4} = AD^2$ [From \textcircled{b}].
 $(\frac{x}{2})^2 + \frac{27x^2}{4} = AD^2$
 $\frac{x^2 + 27x^2}{4} = AD^2$
 $\Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{28x^2}{4} = 7x^2 \rightarrow \textcircled{c}$.

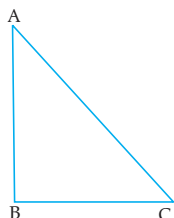
From \textcircled{a} and \textcircled{c} ,
 $AB^2 = 9x^2, AD^2 = 7x^2$
 $7AB^2 = 63x^2, 9AD^2 = 63x^2$
 $\Rightarrow 7AB^2 = 9AD^2$
 hence proved.

AI Q. 3. In a triangle, if square of one side is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides, then prove that the angle opposite the first side is a right angle. [A] [CBSE OD Set-III, 2019; Delhi Set-I, 2020]

Sol. For correct given, to prove construction, and figure $3 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1\frac{1}{2}$
 For correct Proof $1\frac{1}{2}$
 [CBSE Marking Scheme, 2020]

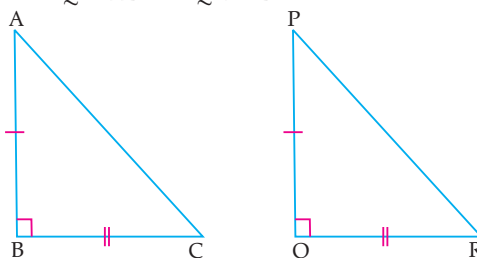
Detailed Solution:

Given: A triangle ABC in which
 $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$



To prove: $\angle B = 90^\circ$

Construction: Draw $\triangle PQR$ right angled at Q , such that $PQ = AB$ and $QR = BC$



Proof:

In $\triangle PQR$, $\angle Q = 90^\circ$

\therefore By Pythagoras theorem,
 $PR^2 = PQ^2 + QR^2$

Since, $PQ = AB$ and $QR = BC$

(By construction)

$$\therefore PR^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

Also, given

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From eq (i) & (ii),

$$PR^2 = AC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow PR = AC \quad \dots(iii)$$

Now, in $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$

$$AC = PR \quad [\text{From (iii)}]$$

$$AB = PQ \quad (\text{By construction})$$

$$BC = QR \quad (\text{By construction})$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR \quad (\text{By SSS congruence rule})$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle B = \angle Q \quad (\text{By cpct})$$

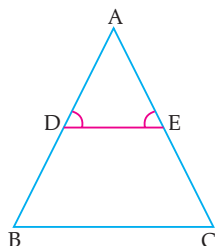
$$\text{Since, } \angle Q = 90^\circ \quad (\text{By construction})$$

$$\therefore \angle B = 90^\circ \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

Q. 4. In the adjoining figure,

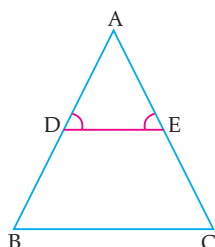
$$\angle D = \angle E \text{ and } \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC},$$

Prove that $\triangle BAC$ is an isosceles triangle.



[A] [CBSE Delhi Set-I, 2020]

$$\text{Sol. Given: } \angle D = \angle E \text{ and } \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$



To prove: $\triangle BAC$ is an isosceles triangle.

$$\text{Proof: } \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

By converse of BPT,

$$DE \parallel BC \quad 1$$

$$\therefore \angle ADE = \angle ABC \quad (\text{Corresponding angles}) \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

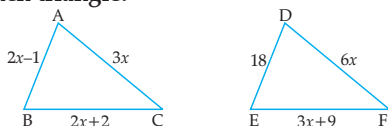
$$\text{and } \angle AED = \angle ACB \quad (\text{Corresponding angles}) \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \angle ADE = \angle AED \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\therefore \angle ABC = \angle ACB$$

So, $\triangle BAC$ is an isosceles triangle. **Hence Proved. 1**

Q. 5. In the given figure, if $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ and their sides of the given figure lengths (in cm) are marked along them, then find the lengths of sides of each triangle.



[C] + [A] [CBSE OD Set-I, 2020]

Sol. Given, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

Then according to question,

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{DE}{EF} \quad [\text{From BPT}] \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-1}{2x+2} = \frac{18}{3x+9} \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x-1)(3x+9) = 18(2x+2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (2x-1)(x+3) = 6(2x+2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - x + 6x - 3 = 12x + 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 5x - 12x - 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 7x - 15 = 0 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 10x + 3x - 15 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x(x-5) + 3(x-5) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-5)(2x+3) = 0$$

$$\text{Either } x = 5 \text{ or } x = \frac{-3}{2}, \text{ which is not possible}$$

$$\text{So, } x = 5 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Then in $\triangle ABC$, we have

$$AB = 2x - 1 = 2 \times 5 - 1 = 9$$

$$BC = 2x + 2 = 2 \times 5 + 2 = 12$$

$$AC = 3x = 3 \times 5 = 15 \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

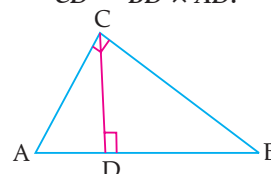
and in $\triangle DEF$, we have

$$DE = 18$$

$$EF = 3x + 9 = 3 \times 5 + 9 = 24$$

$$DF = 6x = 6 \times 5 = 30. \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

Q. 6. In Figure, $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$ and $CD \perp AB$, prove that $CD^2 = BD \times AD$.



[CBSE Delhi Set-I, 2019]

Sol. $\triangle ACB \sim \triangle ADC$ (AA similarity)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{BC} = \frac{AD}{CD} \quad \dots(1) \quad 1$$

Also $\triangle ACB \sim \triangle CDB$ (AA similarity)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{BC} = \frac{CD}{BD} \quad \dots(2) \quad 1$$

Using equations (1) and (2),

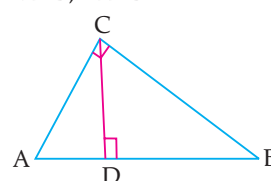
$$\frac{AD}{CD} = \frac{CD}{BD} \quad 1$$

$$\Rightarrow CD^2 = AD \times BD$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2019]

Alternate Solution:

Given: In $\triangle ACB$, $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$ and $CD \perp AB$



To prove: $CD^2 = BD \times AD$

Proof: In $\triangle CAD$, $\angle ADC = 90^\circ$

$$CA^2 = CD^2 + AD^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

and In $\triangle CDB$, $\angle CDB = 90^\circ$
 $CB^2 = CD^2 + BD^2$... (ii) 1

On adding eq's. (i) and (ii), we get

$$CA^2 + CB^2 = 2CD^2 + AD^2 + BD^2$$

$$AB^2 = 2CD^2 + AD^2 + BD^2$$

$$[\because \text{Given } \angle ACB = 90^\circ \Rightarrow AB^2 = CA^2 + CB^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 - AD^2 = BD^2 + 2CD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (AB + AD)(AB - AD) = BD^2 + 2CD^2$$
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$$\Rightarrow (AB + AD)BD - BD^2 = 2CD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow BD[(AB + AD) - BD] = 2CD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow BD[AD + (AB - BD)] = 2CD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow BD[AD + AD] = 2CD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow BD \times 2AD = 2CD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow CD^2 = BD \times AD$$
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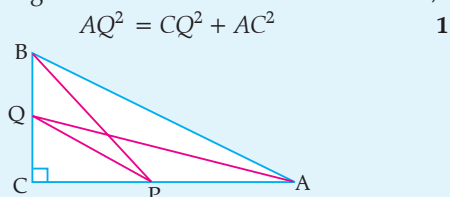
Hence proved.

Q. 7. If P and Q are the points on sides CA and CB respectively of $\triangle ABC$, right angled at C . Prove that $(AQ^2 + BP^2) = (AB^2 + PQ^2)$

[CBSE Delhi Set-I, 2019]

Sol. Correct Figure

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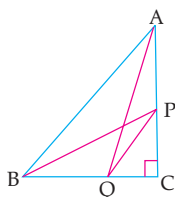
$$AQ^2 = CQ^2 + AC^2$$
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$$BP^2 = CP^2 + BC^2$$
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$$\therefore AQ^2 + BP^2 = (CQ^2 + CP^2) + (AC^2 + BC^2) = PQ^2 + AB^2$$
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[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2019]

Detailed Solution:



In right angled triangles ACQ and PCB

$$AQ^2 = AC^2 + CQ^2$$
 ... (i) 1/2

$$\text{and } BP^2 = PC^2 + CB^2$$
 ... (ii) 1/2

Adding eq (i) and eq (ii), we get

Q. 9. In similar triangles, $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$, AD and PM are the medians respectively. Prove that $\frac{AD}{PM} = \frac{AB}{PQ}$.

[CBSE Board Term, 2019]

$$AQ^2 + BP^2 = (AC^2 + CQ^2) + (PC^2 + CB^2)$$
 1

$$\text{or } AQ^2 + BP^2 = (AC^2 + CB^2) + (PC^2 + CQ^2)$$

$$\text{or } AQ^2 + BP^2 = AB^2 + PQ^2$$
 Hence proved. 1

Commonly Made Error

- Some candidates make mistakes in applying Pythagoras theorem.

Answering Tip

- Students should analyse the diagram carefully to write correct conditions to prove the question.

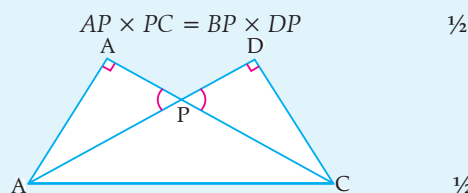
Q. 8. Two right triangles ABC and DBC are drawn on the same hypotenuse BC and on the same side of BC . If AC and BD intersect at P , prove that $AP \times PC = BP \times DP$. [CBSE OD Set-1, 2019]

Sol.

$$\triangle APB \sim \triangle DPC$$
 [AA similarity] 1

$$\frac{AP}{DP} = \frac{BP}{PC}$$
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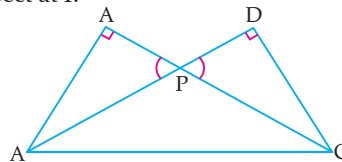
$$\Rightarrow AP \times PC = BP \times DP$$
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[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2019]

Detailed Solution:

Given: $\angle BAC$ and $\angle BDC$ are 90° each AC and BD intersect at P



To prove: $AP \times PC = BP \times DP$.

Proof: In $\triangle BAP$ and $\triangle CDP$,

$$\angle A = \angle D \text{ (Given)}$$

$$\angle BPA = \angle DPC$$

(vertically opposite angles)

$$\therefore \triangle BAP \sim \triangle CDP \text{ (By AA similarity)}$$
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$$\text{Then } \frac{AP}{DP} = \frac{BP}{PC}$$

$$\text{or, } AP \times PC = BP \times DP$$
 Hence proved. 1



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are medians of $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$ respectively

Since, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$

$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AC}{PR} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

D is the midpoint of BC (AD is median)

M is the midpoint of QR (PM is median)

$$\therefore BC = 2BD$$

$$QR = 2QM$$

} (2)

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR}$$

[from (1)]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{2BD}{2QM}$$

[from (2)]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BD}{QM} \Rightarrow$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABD \sim \triangle PQM \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

That is, $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BD}{QM} = \frac{AD}{PM}$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AC}{PR}$$

[from (1)]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2BD}{2QM} = \frac{AC}{PR}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BD}{QM} = \frac{AC}{PR}$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABD \sim \triangle PQM \quad \text{--- (3) That is, } \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM} = \frac{CD}{RM}$$

From both (3) and (4) we get that.

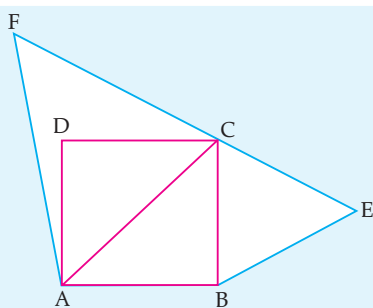
$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AD}{PM}$$

hence proved!

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Q. 10. Prove that area of the equilateral triangle described on the side of a square is half of the area of the equilateral triangle described on its diagonal. [CBSE Delhi Set-2018]

Sol.



Let the side of the square be 'a' units

$$\therefore AC^2 = a^2 + a^2 = 2a^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = \sqrt{2}a \text{ units} \quad 1$$

$$\text{Area of equilateral triangle } \triangle BCE = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 \text{ sq.u } \frac{1}{2}$$

Area of equilateral triangle

$$\triangle ACF = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} (\sqrt{2}a)^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} a^2 \text{ sq.u } 1$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle BCE = \frac{1}{2} \text{ Area of } \triangle ACF \quad \frac{1}{2}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]



(choice I)

Given: Square ABCD. $\triangle AED$ and $\triangle AFC$ are equilateral.

To prove: Area $\triangle AFC = 2 \times$ Area $\triangle AED$.

Construction: Draw $EP \perp AD$ and $FQ \perp AC$.

Proof: Let side of square be x .

\Rightarrow sides of $\triangle AED = x$.

In $\triangle ABC$, $\angle B = 90^\circ$.

\Rightarrow By Pythagoras Theorem,
 $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$
 $x^2 + x^2 = AC^2 \Rightarrow AC = \sqrt{2}x. \Rightarrow$ sides of $\triangle AFC = \sqrt{2}x$.

We know, altitude of equilateral \triangle bisects the base.

$\rightarrow PD = \frac{x}{2}, AQ = \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$.

In $\triangle AEP$, $\angle P = 90^\circ$.

By Pythagoras theorem, $AE^2 = EP^2 + AP^2$.

$x^2 = EP^2 + \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^2$.

$EP^2 = \frac{3x^2}{4} \Rightarrow EP = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x$.

In $\triangle AFR$, $\angle Q = 90^\circ$.

By Pythagoras theorem, $AF^2 = FQ^2 + AQ^2$.

$2x^2 = FQ^2 + \frac{x^2}{2}$.

$FQ^2 = \frac{3x^2}{2} \Rightarrow FQ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x$.

We know, Area of triangle $= \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Base} \times \text{height}$ sq. units.

\Rightarrow Area of $\triangle AFC = \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{2}x \times FQ$
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times \sqrt{2}x \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x^2$.

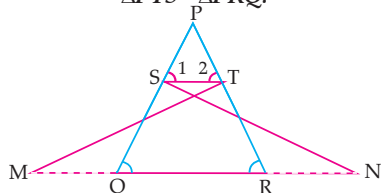
Area of $\triangle AED = \frac{1}{2} \times x \times EP$
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times x \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}x^2$.

$2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AED = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x^2 = \text{Area of } \triangle AFC$.

hence proved.

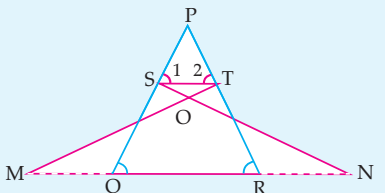
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Q. 11. In figure $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ and $\triangle NSQ \cong \triangle MTR$, then prove that $\triangle PTS \sim \triangle PRQ$.



[A] [CBSE SQP, 2018-2019]

Sol.



$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \angle 1 &= \angle 2 \\ PT &= PS \end{aligned} \quad \dots (i) \quad 1$$

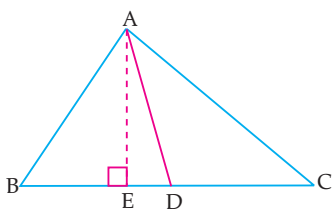
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \triangle NSQ &\cong \triangle MTR \\ \Rightarrow \angle NQS &= \angle MRT \\ \Rightarrow \angle PQR &= \angle PRQ \\ \Rightarrow PR &= PQ \end{aligned} \quad \dots (ii) \quad 1$$

$$\text{From (i) and (ii), } \frac{PT}{PR} = \frac{PS}{PQ}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also, } \angle TPS &= \angle RPQ \quad (\text{common}) \\ \Rightarrow \triangle PTS &\sim \triangle PRQ \quad 1 \end{aligned}$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]

Q. 12. In $\triangle ABC$, if AD is the median, then show that $AB^2 + AC^2 = 2(AD^2 + BD^2)$.



[A] [CBSE SQP, 2018-19]

Sol. In $\triangle ABE$,

$$AB^2 = AE^2 + BE^2 \quad (\text{Pythagoras theorem})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } AB^2 &= AD^2 - DE^2 + (BD - DE)^2 \\ &= AD^2 - DE^2 + BD^2 + DE^2 \\ &\quad - 2BD \times DE \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 - 2BD \times DE \quad \dots(i) \quad 1$$

In $\triangle AEC$,

$$AC^2 = AE^2 + EC^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } AC^2 &= (AD^2 - ED^2) + (ED + DC)^2 \\ &= AD^2 - ED^2 + ED^2 + DC^2 + 2ED \times DC \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or, } AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 + 2ED \times DC$$

$$\text{or, } AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 + 2DC \times DE \quad \dots(ii) \quad 1$$

Adding equations (i) and (ii),

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2(AD^2 + BD^2) \quad [\because BD = DC] \quad 1$$

Hence Proved.

Q. 13. If the area of two similar triangles are equal, then prove that they are congruent.

[A] [CBSE Delhi/OD Set-2018]

Sol. Let,

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AB^2}{PQ^2} = \frac{BC^2}{QR^2} = \frac{AC^2}{PR^2} \quad 1$$

$$\text{Given, } \text{ar}(\triangle ABC) = \text{ar}(\triangle PQR)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB^2}{PQ^2} = \frac{BC^2}{QR^2} = \frac{AC^2}{PR^2} = 1 \quad 1$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = PQ, BC = QR \text{ and } AC = PR$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Therefore, } \triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR \quad 1$$

(SSS Congruence Rule)

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2018]

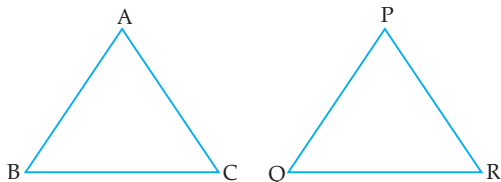
Detailed Solution:

Given:

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR,$$

and

$$\text{ar} \triangle ABC = \text{ar} \triangle PQR$$



To prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$

Proof: $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$ (Given)

$$\text{or, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AB^2}{PQ^2} = \frac{BC^2}{QR^2} = \frac{CA^2}{RP^2} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Also } \text{ar}(\triangle ABC) = \text{ar}(\triangle PQR) \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = 1 \quad 1$$

From equation (i), we have

$$\frac{AB^2}{PQ^2} = \frac{BC^2}{QR^2} = \frac{CA^2}{RP^2} = 1$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{CA}{RP} = 1 \quad 1$$

$$\text{or, } AB = PQ,$$

$$BC = QR$$

$$CA = RP$$

and

$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$$

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COMMONLY MADE ERROR

Most candidates are not able to prove $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$

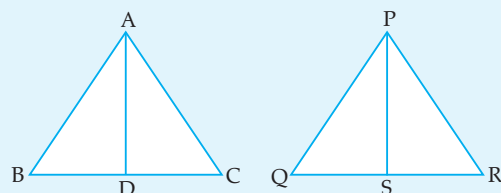
ANSWERING TIP

Candidates should know about SSS-criteria for Congruence of triangles.

Q. 14. If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$ and AD and PS are bisectors of corresponding angles A and P , then prove that

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AD^2}{PS^2} \quad \text{[Board Term-1, 2016]}$$

Sol.



$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$$

$$\angle A = \angle P, \angle B = \angle Q, \angle C = \angle R \quad 1$$

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AB^2}{PQ^2} \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\angle A = \angle P$$

$$\text{or, } \frac{1}{2} \angle A = \frac{1}{2} \angle P$$

$$\text{or, } \angle BAD = \angle QPS$$

$$\triangle BAD \sim \triangle QPS \quad (\text{AA similarity}) \quad 1$$

$$\frac{BA}{QP} = \frac{AD}{PS} \quad \dots(ii)$$

By eqs. (i) and (ii),

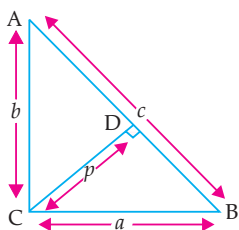
$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AD^2}{PS^2} \quad \text{Hence Proved.} \quad 1$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2016]

Q. 15. $\triangle ABC$ is a right angled at C . If p is the length of the perpendicular from C to AB and a, b, c are the lengths of the sides opposite to $\angle A, \angle B$ and $\angle C$ respectively, then prove that $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$.

[A] [Board Term-1, 2016]

Sol.



In $\triangle ACB$ and $\triangle CDB$,

$$\angle ACB = \angle CDB = 90^\circ$$

$$\angle B = \angle B \quad (\text{common})$$

$$\therefore \triangle ACB \sim \triangle CDB \quad (\text{by AA Similarity}) \quad 1$$

$$\text{or,} \quad \frac{b}{p} = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$\text{or,} \quad \frac{1}{p} = \frac{c}{ab} \quad 1$$

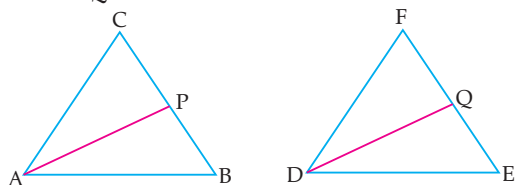
Squaring on both sides,

$$\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{c^2}{a^2b^2}$$

$$\text{or,} \quad \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2b^2} \quad [\because c^2 = a^2 + b^2]$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} \quad \text{Hence Proved.} \quad 1$$

Q. 16. In given figure $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$. AP bisects $\angle CAB$ and DQ bisects $\angle FDE$.

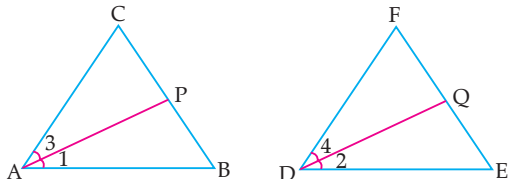


Prove that:

$$(i) \quad \frac{AP}{DQ} = \frac{AB}{DE}$$

$$(ii) \quad \triangle CAP \sim \triangle FDQ. \quad \text{[Board Term-1, 2016]}$$

Sol.



$$(i) \text{ Here, } \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$

$$\therefore \angle A = \angle D \quad (\text{corresponding angles})$$

$$\text{and} \quad 2\angle 1 = 2\angle 2$$

$$\text{or,} \quad \angle 1 = \angle 2$$

$$\text{Also} \quad \angle B = \angle E \quad (\text{corresponding angles})$$

$$\text{Since,} \quad \triangle APB \sim \triangle DQE \quad 1$$

$$\text{Hence,} \quad \frac{AP}{DQ} = \frac{AB}{DE} \quad 1$$

$$(ii) \therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$

$$\therefore \angle A = \angle D$$

$$\text{and} \quad \angle C = \angle F$$

$$\text{Hence,} \quad 2\angle 3 = 2\angle 4 \text{ or, } \angle 3 = \angle 4 \quad 1$$

$$\therefore \triangle CAP \sim \triangle FDQ \quad (\text{By AA similarity})$$

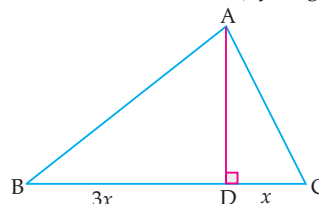
Hence Proved.

Q. 17. The perpendicular AD on the base BC of a $\triangle ABC$ intersects BC at D so that $DB = 3CD$. Prove that $2(AB)^2 = 2(AC)^2 + BC^2$.

[Board Term-1, 2016]

$$\text{Sol. Given, in } \triangle ADB, \quad AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

(Pythagoras Theorem)



$$\text{In } \triangle ADC, \quad AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

(Pythagoras theorem)

Subtracting eqn. (ii) from eqn. (i),

$$AB^2 - AC^2 = BD^2 - CD^2 \quad 1$$

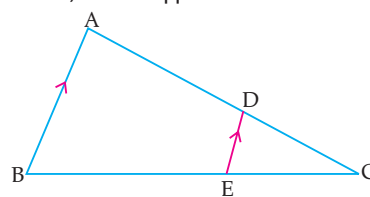
$$\text{or,} \quad = \left(\frac{3}{4}BC\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{4}BC\right)^2$$

$$\text{or,} \quad = \frac{9}{16}BC^2 - \frac{1}{16}BC^2 = \frac{BC^2}{2} \quad 1$$

$$\therefore 2(AB^2 - AC^2) = BC^2$$

$$\therefore 2(AB)^2 = 2AC^2 + BC^2. \quad \text{Hence proved.} \quad 1$$

Q. 18. In given figure, D is a point on AC such that $AD = 2CD$, also $DE \parallel AB$.



$$\text{Find:} \quad \frac{ar(\triangle DCE)}{ar(\triangle ACB)}$$

[Board Term-1, 2015]

$$\text{Sol. Given} \quad AD = 2CD$$

In $\triangle CDE$ and $\triangle CAB$

$$\angle C = \angle C \quad (\text{Common})$$

$$\angle CDE = \angle CAB$$

(Corresponding angles)

$$\therefore \triangle CDE \sim \triangle CAB \quad (\text{By AA similarity rule})$$

$$\text{Now} \quad \frac{ar(\triangle DCE)}{ar(\triangle ACB)} = \frac{CD^2}{CA^2} = \frac{CD^2}{(AD + DC)^2}$$

$$\text{or,} \quad \frac{ar(\triangle DCE)}{ar(\triangle ACB)} = \frac{CD^2}{(3CD)^2} = \frac{1}{9} \quad 3$$

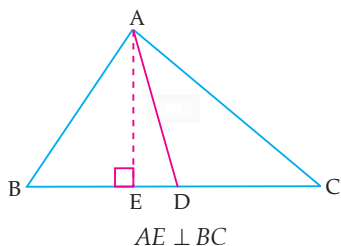
[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015]

Q. 19. If in $\triangle ABC$, AD is median and $AE \perp BC$, then prove that $AB^2 + AC^2 = 2AD^2 + \frac{1}{2} BC^2$.

[A] [Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol. To prove:

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2AD^2 + \frac{1}{2}(BC)^2$$



Draw

In $\triangle ABE$,

$$AB^2 = AE^2 + BE^2 \text{ (Pythagoras theorem)}$$

or,

$$AB^2 = AD^2 - DE^2 + (BD - DE)^2$$

$$= AD^2 - DE^2 + BD^2 + DE^2$$

$$- 2BD \times DE$$

$$\therefore AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 - 2BD \times DE \quad \dots(i) \quad 1$$

In $\triangle AEC$,

$$AC^2 = AE^2 + EC^2$$

or,

$$AC^2 = (AD^2 - ED^2) + (ED + DC)^2$$

$$= AD^2 - ED^2 + ED^2 + DC^2 + 2ED \times DC$$

or,

$$AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2 + 2ED \times CD$$

or,

$$AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 + 2DC \times DE \quad \dots(ii) \quad 1$$

Adding eqns. (i) & (ii),

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2(AD^2 + BD^2) \quad (\because BD = DC)$$

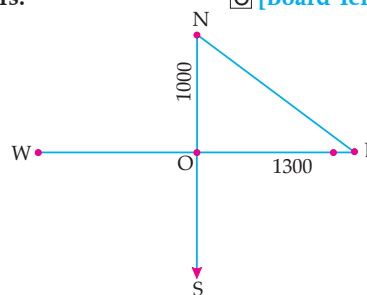
$$= \left[2AD^2 + 2\left(\frac{1}{2}BC\right)^2 \right]$$

$$= 2AD^2 + \frac{1}{2}BC^2 \text{ (as } BD = \frac{1}{2}BC) \quad 1$$

Hence Proved.

Q. 20. From an airport, two aeroplanes start at the same time. If speed of first aeroplane due North is 500 km/h and that of other due East is 650 km/h then find the distance between the two aeroplanes after 2 hours. [C] [Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol.



Distance covered by first aeroplane due North after two hours = $500 \times 2 = 1000$ km. 1

Distance covered by second aeroplane due East after two hours = $650 \times 2 = 1300$ km. 1

Distance between two aeroplanes after 2 hours

$$NE = \sqrt{ON^2 + OE^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(1000)^2 + (1300)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1000000 + 1690000}$$

$$= \sqrt{2690000}$$

$$= 1640.12 \text{ km} \quad 1$$

✓ Long Answer Type Questions

5 marks each

Q. 1. Prove that in a right triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides. [A] [CBSE Delhi/OD Set-2018] [SQP, 2018-19]



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Sol.

To prove: Square of hypotenuse, in a right triangle, is equal to the sum of squares of other two sides. (Pythagoras theorem)

That is, $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$.

Construction: Construct $BD \perp AC$

Name $\angle BAC = \theta$

Then, $\angle BCA = 90 - \theta$, $\angle ABD = 90 - \theta$, $\angle DBC = \theta$

fig.

It is clear that,

$$\triangle ABD \sim \triangle ACB \sim \triangle BCD.$$



Using $\triangle ABD \sim \triangle ACB$, we get:

$$\frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AD}{AB} \Rightarrow AB^2 = AC \times AD \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Similarly, using $\triangle BCD \sim \triangle ACB$, we get:

$$\frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{CD}{CB} \Rightarrow BC^2 = AC \times CD \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Adding (1) and (2), gives:

$$AB^2 + BC^2 = AC \times AD + AC \times CD$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 + BC^2 = AC (AD + CD)$$

[AD + CD = AC] Figure

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 + BC^2 = AC \times AC$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2}$$

Hence, proved that in a right triangle, sum of square of by other 2 sides is equal to the square of hypotenuse

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Q. 2. Prove that in a right triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to sum of squares of other two sides. Using the above result, prove that, in rhombus ABCD,

$$4AB^2 = AC^2 + BD^2.$$

[A] [Board Term-1, 2015]

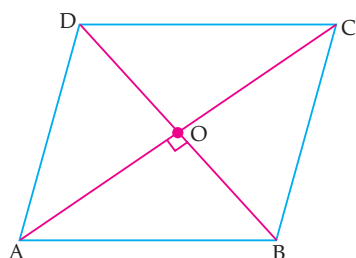
[Sample Question Paper 2017]

Sol. We have already proved $AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2$ in above Q.1.

Given: ABCD is a rhombus.

Construction: Draw diagonals AC and BD

$$\therefore AO = OC = \frac{1}{2} AC$$



and $BO = OD = \frac{1}{2} BD$

$AC \perp BD$ [\because ABCD is rhombus]

To prove: $4AB^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$

Proof: $\angle AOB = 90^\circ$ (Diagonal of rhombus bisect each other at right angle)

$$AB^2 = OA^2 + OB^2$$

or, $AB^2 = \left(\frac{AC}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{BD}{2}\right)^2$

$$AB^2 = \frac{AC^2}{4} + \frac{BD^2}{4}$$

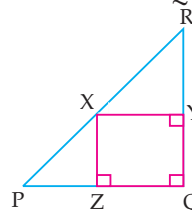
Hence,

$$4AB^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$$

Hence proved.

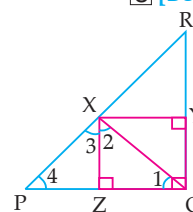
Q. 3. $\triangle PQR$ is right angled at Q. $QX \perp PR$, $XY \perp RQ$ and $XZ \perp PQ$ are drawn. Prove that

$$XZ^2 = PZ \times ZQ.$$



[U] [Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol.



Here, $RQ \perp PQ$ and $XZ \perp PQ$

or, $XZ \parallel YQ$

\therefore Similarly, $XY \parallel ZQ$

$XYQZ$ is a rectangle. ($\because \angle PQR = 90^\circ$)

In $\triangle XZQ$, $\angle 1 + \angle 2 = 90^\circ$

and in $\triangle PZX$, $\angle 3 + \angle 4 = 90^\circ$

$XQ \perp PR$ or, $\angle 2 + \angle 3 = 90^\circ$

By eqs. (i) and (iii), we get

$$\angle 1 = \angle 3$$

By eqs. (ii) and (iii), we get

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...(i)

...(ii)

...(iii)

$\frac{1}{2}$

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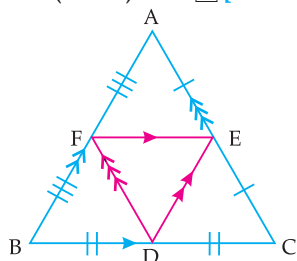
$$\begin{aligned} \angle 2 &= \angle 4 \\ \therefore \triangle PZX &\sim \triangle XZQ \quad (\text{AA similarity}) \quad 1 \\ \therefore \frac{PZ}{XZ} &= \frac{XZ}{ZQ} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, } XZ^2 = PZ \times ZQ \quad 1$$

Hence Proved.

Q. 4. In $\triangle ABC$, the mid-points of sides BC , CA and AB are D , E and F respectively. Find ratio of $\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)$ to $\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)$. [A] [Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol.



In $\triangle ABC$, given that F , E and D are the mid-points of AB , AC and BC respectively.

Hence, $FE \parallel BC$, $DE \parallel AB$ and $DF \parallel AC$. 1

By mid-point theorem,

If $DE \parallel BA$

then $DE \parallel BF$

and if $FE \parallel BC$

then $FE \parallel BD$ 1

\therefore $FEDB$ is a parallelogram in which DF is diagonal and a diagonal of parallelogram divides it into two equal Areas.

$$\text{Hence } \text{ar}(\triangle BDF) = \text{ar}(\triangle DEF) \quad \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \text{ar}(\triangle CDE) = \text{ar}(\triangle DEF) \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{or } (\triangle AFE) = \text{ar}(\triangle DEF) \quad \dots(iii)$$

$$\text{or } (\triangle DEF) = \text{ar}(\triangle DEF) \quad \dots(iv)$$

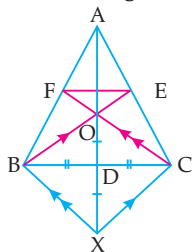
On adding eqns. (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ar}(\triangle BDF) + \text{ar}(\triangle CDE) + \text{ar}(\triangle AFE) + \text{ar}(\triangle DEF) &= 4\text{ar}(\triangle DEF) \\ &= 4\text{ar}(\triangle DEF) \end{aligned} \quad 1$$

$$\text{or, } \text{ar}(\triangle ABC) = 4\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)$$

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)} = \frac{1}{4} \quad 1$$

Q. 5. In $\triangle ABC$, AD is a median and O is any point on AD . BO and CO on producing meet AC and AB at E and F respectively. Now AD is produced to X such that $OD = DX$ as shown in figure.



Prove that:

(i) $EF \parallel BC$

(ii) $AO : AX = AF : AB$

[A] [Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol. (i) Since, BC and OX bisect each other.

So, $BXCO$ is a parallelogram then $BE \parallel XC$ and $BX \parallel CF$.

In $\triangle ABX$, by B.P.T.,

$$\frac{AF}{FB} = \frac{AO}{OX} \quad \dots(i) \quad 1$$

In $\triangle AXC$,

$$\frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{AO}{OX} \quad \dots(ii) \quad 1$$

Eqn. (i) and (ii) gives,

$$\frac{AF}{FB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \quad 1$$

So by converse of B.P.T.,

$$EF \parallel BC$$

$$(ii) \text{ Given } \frac{OX}{OA} = \frac{FB}{AF} \quad 1$$

Adding 1 on both sides

$$\frac{OX}{OA} + 1 = \frac{FB}{AF} + 1$$

$$\frac{OX + OA}{OA} = \frac{FB + AF}{AF}$$

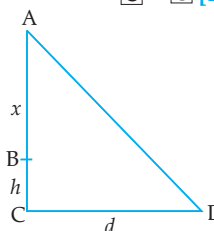
$$\frac{AX}{OA} = \frac{AB}{AF} \quad (\text{from fig.})$$

or $OA : AX = AF : AB$

Hence Proved. 1

Q. 6. In the right triangle, B is a point on AC such that $AB + AD = BC + CD$. If $AB = x$, $BC = h$ and $CD = d$, then find x (in terms of h and d).

[C] + [U] [Board Term-1, 2015]



$$\text{Sol. Given, } AB + AD = BC + CD$$

$$AD = BC + CD - AB$$

$$\text{or, } AD = h + d - x \quad 1\frac{1}{2}$$

In $\text{rt } \triangle ACD$,

$$AD^2 = AC^2 + DC^2$$

$$\text{or, } (h + d - x)^2 = (x + h)^2 + d^2$$

$$\text{or, } (h + d - x)^2 - (x + h)^2 = d^2 \quad 1\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{or, } (h + d - x - x - h)(h + d - x + x + h) = d^2$$

$$\text{or, } (d - 2x)(2h + d) = d^2$$

$$\text{or, } 2hd + d^2 - 4hx - 2xd = d^2$$

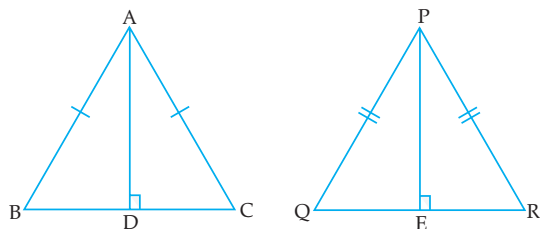
$$\begin{aligned} \text{or, } 2hd &= 4hx + 2xd \\ &= 2(2h + d)x \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or, } x = \frac{hd}{2h + d} \quad 2$$

[CBSE Marking Scheme, 2015]

Q. 7. Vertical angles of two isosceles triangles are equal. If their areas are in the ratio $16 : 25$, then find the ratio of their altitudes drawn from vertex to the opposite side. [U] [Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol.



Given: $\angle A = \angle P$
 $\angle B = \angle Q, \angle C = \angle R$

Proof: Let $\angle A = \angle P$ be x
 In $\triangle ABC$,

$$\begin{aligned} \angle A + \angle B + \angle C &= 180^\circ \\ \text{or, } x^\circ + \angle B + \angle B &= 180^\circ \quad (\text{given, } \angle B = \angle C) \\ \text{or, } 2\angle B &= 180^\circ - x \\ \text{or, } \angle B &= \frac{180^\circ - x}{2} \quad \dots(i) \end{aligned}$$

Now, in $\triangle PQR$

$$\begin{aligned} \angle P + \angle Q + \angle R &= 180^\circ \quad (\text{Given, } \angle Q = \angle R) \\ \text{or, } x^\circ + \angle Q + \angle Q &= 180^\circ \\ \text{or, } 2\angle Q &= 180^\circ - x \\ \text{or, } \angle Q &= \frac{180^\circ - x}{2} \quad \dots(ii) \end{aligned}$$

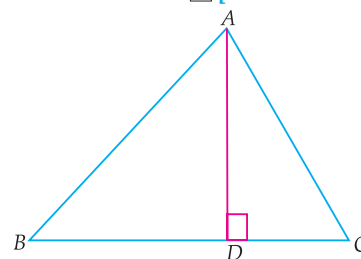
In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$,

$$\begin{aligned} \angle A &= \angle P && [\text{Given}] \\ \angle B &= \angle Q && [\text{from eqs. (i) and (ii)}] \\ \triangle ABC &\sim \triangle PQR && (AA \text{ similarity}) \\ \text{or, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} &= \frac{AD^2}{PE^2} && 1 \\ \text{or, } \frac{16}{25} &= \frac{AD^2}{PE^2} \\ \text{or, } \frac{4}{5} &= \frac{AD}{PE} \\ \therefore \frac{AD}{PE} &= \frac{4}{5} && 1 \end{aligned}$$

Q. 8. In $\triangle ABC$, $AD \perp BC$ and point D lies on BC such that $2DB = 3CD$. Prove that $5AB^2 = 5AC^2 + BC^2$.

[Board Term-1, 2015]

Sol.



Given: $AD \perp BC$
 $2DB = 3CD$

To prove: $5AB^2 = 5AC^2 + BC^2$

Proof: Since, $2DB = 3CD$

$$\text{or, } \frac{DB}{CD} = \frac{3}{2} \quad 1$$

or, Let DB be $3x$, CD be $2x$, so $BC = 5x$

$$\text{In } \triangle ADB, \quad \angle D = 90^\circ$$

$$AB^2 = AD^2 + DB^2 \quad 1$$

$$\text{or, } AB^2 = AD^2 + (3x)^2$$

$$\text{or, } AB^2 = AD^2 + 9x^2$$

$$\text{Now } 5AB^2 = 5AD^2 + 45x^2$$

$$\text{or, } 5AD^2 = 5AB^2 - 45x^2 \quad \dots(i) \quad 1$$

$$\text{and } AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2$$

$$\text{or, } AC^2 = AD^2 + (2x)^2$$

$$\text{or, } AC^2 = AD^2 + 4x^2$$

$$\text{or, } 5AC^2 = 5AD^2 + 20x^2$$

$$\text{or, } 5AD^2 = 5AC^2 - 20x^2 \quad \dots(ii) \quad 1$$

From equation (i) & (ii),

$$5AB^2 - 45x^2 = 5AC^2 - 20x^2$$

$$\text{or, } 5AB^2 = 5AC^2 - 20x^2 + 45x^2$$

$$\text{or, } 5AB^2 = 5AC^2 + 25x^2$$

$$\text{or, } 5AB^2 = 5AC^2 + (5x)^2$$

$$\therefore 5AB^2 = 5AC^2 + BC^2 \quad [\because BC = 5x]$$

Hence proved. 1



Visual Case Based Questions

4 marks each

Note: Attempt any four sub parts from each question. Each sub part carries 1 mark

Q. 1. SCALE FACTOR AND SIMILARITY

SCALE FACTOR

A scale drawing of an object is of the same shape as the object but of a different size.

The scale of a drawing is a comparison of the length used on a drawing to the length it represents.

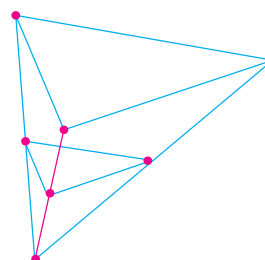
The value of scale is written as a ratio.

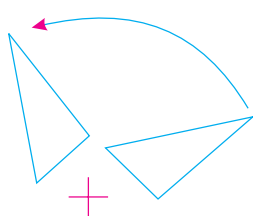
SIMILAR FIGURES

The ratio of two corresponding sides in similar figures is called the scale factor.

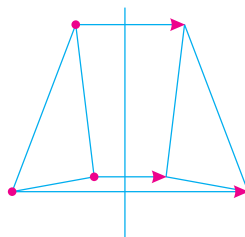
If one shape can become another using Resizing then the shapes are Similar.

$$\text{Scale factor} = \frac{\text{length in image}}{\text{corresponding length in object}}$$

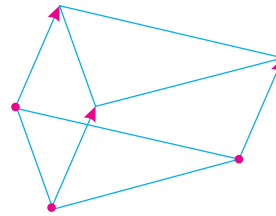




Rotation or Turn



Reflection or Flip



Translation or Slide

Hence, two shapes are Similar when one can become the other after a resize, flip, slide or turn.

[C] + [A] [CBSE SQP, 2020-21]

- (i) A model of a boat is made on the scale of 1 : 4. The model is 120 cm long. The full size of the boat has a width of 60 cm. What is the width of the scale model ?



- (a) 20 cm (b) 25 cm
(c) 15 cm (d) 240 cm

Sol. Correct option: (c).

Explanation: Width of the scale model = $60/4$
= 15 cm.

[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

- (ii) What will effect the similarity of any two polygons ?

- (a) They are flipped horizontally
(b) They are dilated by a scale factor
(c) They are translated down
(d) They are not the mirror image of on another.

Sol. Correct option: (d).

Explanation: They are not the mirror image of one another. [CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

- (iii) If two similar triangles have a scale factor of $a : b$, which statement regarding the two triangles is true ?

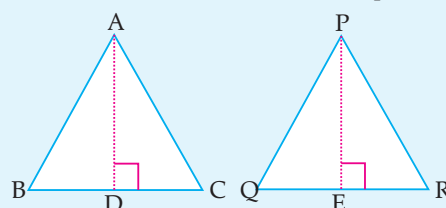
- (a) The ratio of their perimeters is $3a : b$
(b) Their altitudes have a ratio $a : b$
(c) Their medians have a ratio $\frac{a}{2} : b$
(d) Their angle bisectors have a ratio $a^2 : b^2$

Sol. Correct option: (b).

Explanation: Let ABC and PQR be two similar triangles and AD, PE are two altitudes:

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AC}{PR}$$

(corresponding sides)

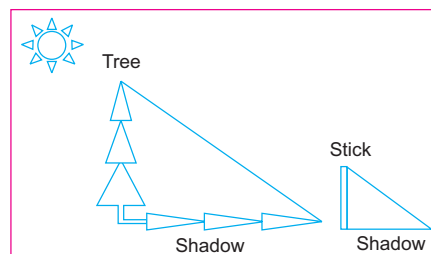


$$\therefore \angle B = \angle Q \text{ and } \angle ADB = \angle PEQ \text{ (each } 90^\circ)$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{AD}{PE} = \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{a}{b} \text{ (corresponding sides)}$$

[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

- (iv) The shadow of a stick 5 m long is 2 m. At the same time the shadow of a tree 12.5 m high is



- (a) 3 m (b) 3.5 m
(c) 4.5 m (d) 5 m

Sol. Correct option: (d).

Explanation:

Let shadow of the tree be x .

By the property to similar triangles

$$\text{we have } \frac{5}{2} = \frac{12.5}{x}$$

$$x = \frac{(12.5 \times 2)}{5} = 5 \text{ m}$$

[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

- (v) Below you see a student's mathematical model of a farmhouse roof with measurements. The attic floor, ABCD in the model, is a square. The beams that support the roof are the edge of a rectangular prism, EFGHKL MN. E is the middle of AT, F is the middle of BT, G is the middle of CT, and H is the middle of DT. All the edges of the pyramid in the model have length of 12 m.



What is the length of EF, where EF is one of the horizontal edges of the block ?

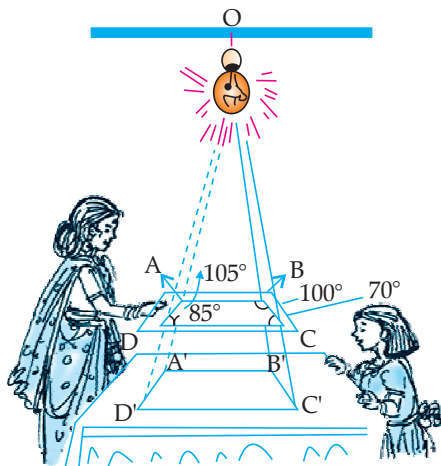
- (a) 24 m (b) 3 m
(c) 6 m (d) 10 m

Sol. Correct option: (c).

Explanation: Length of the horizontal edge EF
= half of the edge of pyramid
 $= \frac{12}{2} = 6 \text{ cm}$ (as E is the mid-point of AT)

[CBSE SQP Marking Scheme, 2020-21]

Q. 2. Seema placed a light bulb at point O on the ceiling and directly below it placed a table. Now, she put a cardboard of shape ABCD between table and lighted bulb. Then a shadow of ABCD is casted on the table as A'B'C'D' (see figure). Quadrilateral A'B'C'D' is an enlargement of ABCD with scale factor 1 : 2. Also, $AB = 1.5 \text{ cm}$, $BC = 25 \text{ cm}$, $CD = 2.4 \text{ cm}$ and $AD = 2.1 \text{ cm}$; $\angle A = 105^\circ$, $\angle B = 100^\circ$, $\angle C = 70^\circ$ and $\angle D = 85^\circ$. [C] + [A]



(i) What is the measurement of angle A' ?

- (a) 105° (b) 100°
(c) 70° (d) 80°

Sol. Correct Option: (a)

Explanation: Quadrilateral A'B'C'D' is similar to ABCD.

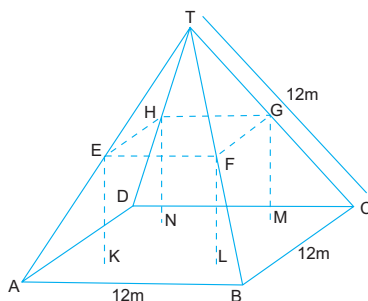
$$\therefore \angle A' = \angle A$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle A' = 105^\circ$$

(ii) What is the length of A'B' ?

- (a) 1.5 cm (b) 3 cm
(c) 5 cm (d) 2.5 cm

Sol. Correct Option: (b)



Explanation: Given scale factor is 1 : 2

$$\therefore A'B' = 2AB$$

$$\Rightarrow A'B' = 2 \times 1.5 = 3 \text{ m}$$

(iii) What is the sum of angles of quadrilateral A'B'C'D' ?

- (a) 180° (b) 360°
(c) 270° (d) None of these

Sol. Correct Option: (b)

Explanation: Sum of the angles of quadrilateral A'B'C'D' is 360°

(iv) What is the ratio of sides A'B' and A'D' ?

- (a) 5 : 7 (b) 7 : 5
(c) 1 : 1 (d) 1 : 2

Sol. Correct Option: (a)

Explanation:

$$A'B' = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{and } A'D' = 2AD$$

$$= 2 \times 2.1 = 4.2 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \frac{A'B'}{A'D'} = \frac{3}{4.2} = \frac{30}{42}$$

$$= \frac{5}{7} \text{ or } 5 : 7$$

(v) What is the sum of angles C' and D' ?

- (a) 105° (b) 100°
(c) 155° (d) 140°

Sol. Correct Option: (c)

Explanation:

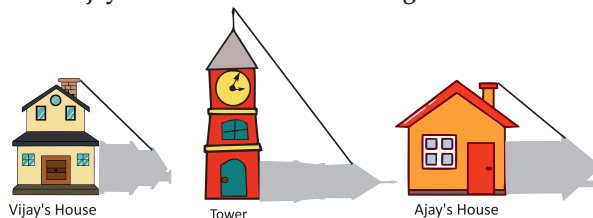
$$\angle C' = \angle C = 70^\circ$$

$$\text{and } \angle D' = \angle D = 85^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle C' + \angle D' = 70^\circ + 85^\circ = 155^\circ$$

Q. 3. SIMILAR TRIANGLES

Vijay is trying to find the average height of a tower near his house. He is using the properties of similar triangles. The height of Vijay's house is 20 m when Vijay's house casts a shadow 10 m long on the ground. At the same time, the tower casts a shadow 50 m long on the ground and the house of Ajay casts 20 m shadow on the ground.



(i) What is the height of the tower?

- (a) 20 m (b) 50 m
(c) 100 m (d) 200 m

Sol. Correct Option: (c)

Explanation: When two corresponding angles of two triangles are similar, then ratio of sides are equal.

$$\frac{\text{Height of Vijay's house}}{\text{Length of Shadow}} = \frac{\text{Height of tower}}{\text{length of shadow}}$$

$$\frac{20 \text{ m}}{10 \text{ m}} = \frac{\text{Height of tower}}{50 \text{ m}}$$

$$\text{Height of tower} = \frac{20 \times 50}{10} = \frac{1000}{10} = 100 \text{ m.}$$

(ii) What will be the length of the shadow of the tower when Vijay's house casts a shadow of 12 m?

- (a) 75 m (b) 50 m
(c) 45 m (d) 60 m

Sol. Correct Option: (d)

(iii) What is the height of Ajay's house?

- (a) 30 m (b) 40 m
(c) 50 m (d) 20 m

Sol. Correct Option: (b)

Explanation: d

$$\frac{\text{Height of Vijay's house}}{\text{Length of Shadow}} = \frac{\text{Height of Vijay's house}}{\text{Length of Shadow}}$$

$$\frac{20 \text{ m}}{10 \text{ m}} = \frac{\text{Height of Vijay's house}}{20 \text{ m}}$$

$$\text{Height of Ajay's house} = \frac{20 \text{ m} \times 20 \text{ m}}{10 \text{ m}} = 40 \text{ m.}$$

(iv) When the tower casts a shadow of 40 m, same time what will be the length of the shadow of Ajay's house?

- (a) 16 m (b) 32 m
(c) 20 m (d) 8 m

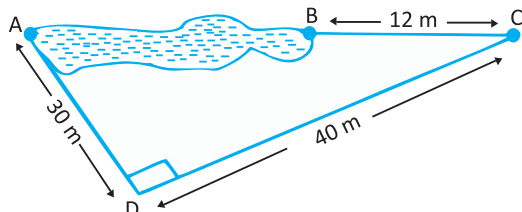
Sol. Correct Option: (a)

(v) When the tower casts a shadow of 40 m, same time what will be the length of the shadow of Vijay's house?

- (a) 15 m (b) 32 m
(c) 16 m (d) 8 m

Sol. Correct Option: (d)

Q. 4. Rohan wants to measure the distance of a pond during the visit to his native. He marks points A and B on the opposite edges of a pond as shown in the figure below. To find the distance between the points, he makes a right-angled triangle using rope connecting B with another point C are a distance of 12 m, connecting C to point D at a distance of 40 m from point C and the connecting D to the point A which is a distance of 30 m from D such the $\angle ADC = 90^\circ$.



(i) Which property of geometry will be used to find the distance AC?

- (a) Similarity of triangles
(b) Thales Theorem
(c) Pythagoras Theorem
(d) Area of similar triangles

Sol. Correct Option: (c)

(ii) What is the distance AC?

- (a) 50 m (b) 12 m
(c) 100 m (d) 70 m

Sol. Correct Option: (a)

Explanation: According to the pythagoras,

$$AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2$$

$$AC^2 = (30 \text{ m})^2 + (40 \text{ m})^2$$

$$AC^2 = 900 + 1600$$

$$AC^2 = 2500$$

$$AC = 50 \text{ m}$$

(iii) Which is the following does not form a Pythagoras triplet?

- (a) (7, 24, 25) (b) (15, 8, 17)
(c) (5, 12, 13) (d) (21, 20, 28)

Sol. Correct Option: (d)

(iv) Find the length AB?

- (a) 12 m (b) 38 m
(c) 50 m (d) 100 m

Sol. Correct Option: (b)

Explanation: $AC = 50 \text{ m}$

$$BC = 12 \text{ m}$$

$$AC = AB + BC$$

$$50 \text{ m} = AB + 12 \text{ m}$$

$$AB = 50 \text{ m} - 12 \text{ m}$$

$$AB = 38 \text{ m}$$

(v) Find the length of the rope used.

- (a) 120 m (b) 70 m
(c) 82 m (d) 22 m

Sol. Correct Option: (c)

Explanation:

$$\text{Length of Rope} = BC + CD + DA$$

$$= 12 \text{ m} + 40 \text{ m} + 30 \text{ m}$$

$$= 82 \text{ m}$$

Q. 5.

SCALE FACTOR

A scale drawing of an object is the same shape as the object but a different size. The scale of a drawing is a comparison of the length used on a drawing to the length it represents. The scale is written as a ratio. The ratio of two corresponding sides in similar figures is called the scale factor

Scale factor = $\frac{\text{length in image}}{\text{corresponding length in object}}$



If one shape can become another using resizing, then the shapes are similar. Hence, two shapes

are similar when one can become the other after a resize, flip, slide or turn. In the photograph below showing the side view of a train engine. Scale factor is 1:200

This means that a length of 1 cm on the photograph above corresponds to a length of 200 cm or 2 m, of the actual engine. The scale can also be written as the ratio of two lengths.

- (i) If the length of the model is 11 cm, then the overall length of the engine in the photograph above, including the couplings (mechanism used to connect) is:

- (a) 22 cm (b) 220 cm
(c) 220 m (d) 22 m

Sol. Correct Option: (a)

- (ii) What will affect the similarity of any two polygons?

- (a) They are flipped horizontally
(b) They are dilated by a scale factor
(c) They are translated down
(d) They are not the mirror image of one another.

Sol. Correct Option: (d)

- (iii) What is the actual width of the door if the width of the door in photograph is 0.35 cm?

- (a) 0.7 m (b) 0.7 cm
(c) 0.07 cm (d) 0.07 m

Sol. Correct Option: (a)

- (iv) If two similar triangles have a scale factor 5:3 which statement regarding the two triangles is true?

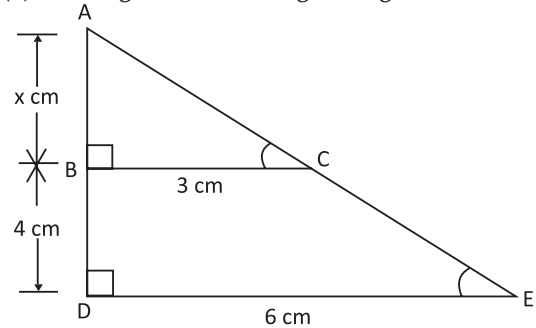
- (a) The ratio of their perimeters is 15:1
(b) Their altitudes have a ratio 25:15

- (c) Their medians have a ratio 10:4

- (d) Their angle bisectors have a ratio 11:5

Sol. Correct Option: (b)

- (v) The length of AB in the given figure:



- (a) 8 cm (b) 6 cm

- (c) 4 cm (d) 10 cm

Sol. Correct Option: (c)

Explanation: Since, $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ADE$ are similar, then their ratio of corresponding sides are equal.

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{AB + BD}{DE}$$

$$\frac{x}{3 \text{ cm}} = \frac{(x + 4) \text{ cm}}{6 \text{ cm}}$$

$$6x = 3(x + 4)$$

$$6x = 3x + 12$$

$$6x - 3x = 12$$

$$3x = 12$$

$$x = 4$$

Hence, $AB = 4 \text{ cm}$.