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## SIMILAR TRIANGLES

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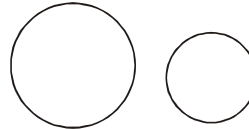
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### 4.1 INTRODUCTION

In previous classes, we have learnt about the congruency of two geometric figure. In this chapter we shall learn about these geometric figures. Which have the same but not necessary have the same size. These kind of geometric figures are known as simmlar figures. So the congruent figures are always similar figures but similar figures need not be congruence figures.

- (i) Two line segment are similar  $\begin{array}{c} A \text{-----} B \\ C \text{-----} D \end{array}$
- (The two line segment are congruent if they have the same length)
- (ii) Two circles are similar  $\text{_____}$ . (The two circles are congruent. If they have the same radius)



### 4.2 SIMILAR TRIANGLE

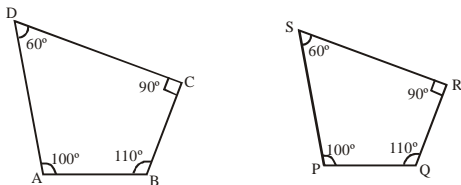
#### 4.2.1 Similar Polygons

Two polygons of the same number of sides are said to be similar. If

- (i) Their corresponding angles are equal  
 (ii) Their corresponding sides are in the same ratio

#### *Illustration 1*

*If two polygons ABCD and PQRS are similar then*

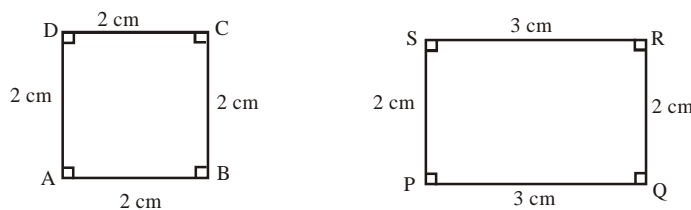
**Solution**

By the definition

$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{CD}{RS} = \frac{DA}{SP} = 2$$

So corresponding sides are proportional.

Therefore quadrilateral ABCD and PQRS are similar

**Illustration 2****Solution**

Clearly a square ABCD and rectangle PQRS are equiangular.

But corresponding sides of square ABCD and rectangle PQRS are not proportional.

Therefore square ABCD and rectangle PQRS are not similar.

**Remark: If one polygon is similar to a second polygon and the second polygon is similar to a third polygon, then the first polygon is similar to the third polygon.**

**4.3 SIMILARITY OF TRIANGLES**

Two triangles are said to be similar if

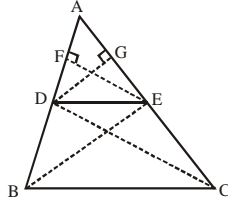
- (i) Their corresponding angles are equal (or triangles are equiangular)
- (ii) Their corresponding sides are in the same ratio (or proportional)

**Remark: equiangular triangles means that the corresponding angles of the triangles are equal.**

**Theorem 1: (Basic proportionality theorem or thales theorem)**

If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle intersecting the other two sides, then it divides the two sides in the same ratio.

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



### 4.3.1 Carollary

If in a  $\triangle ABC$ , a line  $DE \parallel BC$ , intersects  $AB$  in  $D$  and  $AC$  in  $E$  then

$$(i) \frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE} \quad (ii) \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

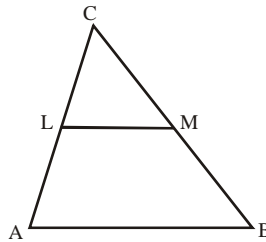
(ii) from the basic proportionality theorem

### Theorem–2: Converse of basic proportionality Theorem

If a line divides any two sides of a triangle in the same ratio, then the line must be parallel to the third side.

#### Illustration 3

$LM \parallel AB$ . If  $AL = x - 3$ ,  $AC = 2x$ ,  $BM = x - 2$ ,  $BC = 2x + 3$   
find the value of  $x$ ?



#### Solution

In  $\triangle ABC$  we have

$LM \parallel AB$

$$\frac{AL}{LC} = \frac{BM}{MC} \Rightarrow \frac{AL}{AC - AL} = \frac{BM}{BC - BM}$$

$$\frac{x - 3}{2x - (x - 3)} = \frac{x - 2}{(2x + 3) - (x - 2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x - 3}{x + 3} = \frac{x - 2}{x + 5} \Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 5) = (x - 2)(x + 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 15 = x^2 + x - 6 \Rightarrow x = 9$$

**Illustration 4**

In the given figure PA, QB and RC each is perpendicular to AC such that PA = x, RC = y, QB = z,

AB = a and BC = b. Prove that  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{z}$ .

**Solution**

PA ⊥ AC and QB ⊥ AC ⇒ QB ∥ PA

Thus in Δ PAC, QB ∥ PA

so Δ QBC ~ Δ PAC

$$\therefore \frac{QB}{PA} = \frac{BC}{AC} \Rightarrow \frac{z}{x} = \frac{b}{a+b}$$

In Δ RAC, QB ∥ RC, so Δ QBC ~ Δ RAC

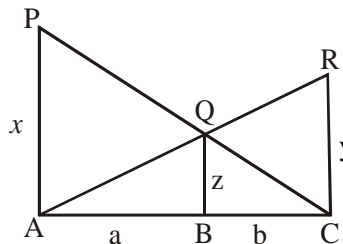
$$\therefore \frac{QB}{RC} = \frac{AB}{AC} \Rightarrow \frac{z}{y} = \frac{a}{a+b}$$

Now from (i) and (ii) we get

$$\frac{z}{x} + \frac{z}{y} = \left( \frac{b}{a+b} + \frac{a}{a+b} \right) = 1$$

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$$\left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{z} \right)$$

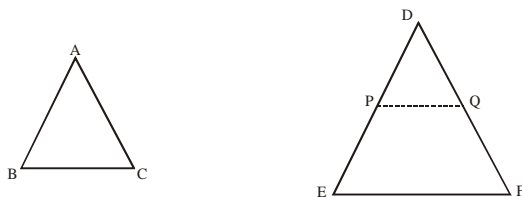


..... (i) (by the property of similar triangle)

..... (ii) (by the property of similar triangle)

**THEOREM-3: (AAA - SIMILARITY)**

If in two triangle. The corresponding angles are equal, then their corresponding sides are proportional and hence the triangles are similar.



**4.4.1 Corollary (AA Similarity)**

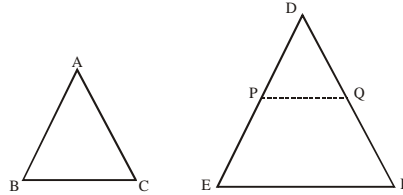
If two angles of one triangle are respectively equal to two angles of another triangle then the two triangles are similar.

### Theorem-4: (SSS-Similarity)

If the corresponding sides of two triangles are proportional then their corresponding angles are equal and hence the two triangles are similar.

**Given :**

$$\Delta ABC \text{ and } \Delta DEF \text{ \& } \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$

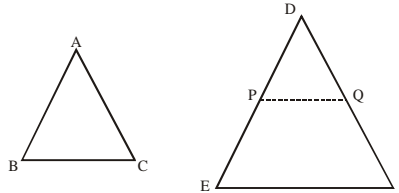


### Theorem-5: (SAS-similarity)

If one angle of a triangle is equal to one angle of the other triangle and the sides including these angles are proportional then two triangles are similar.

$\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta DEF$

$$\angle A = \angle D \quad \& \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$



#### Illustration 5

*Prove that the ratio of the perimeters of two similar triangles is the same as the ratio of their corresponding sides.*

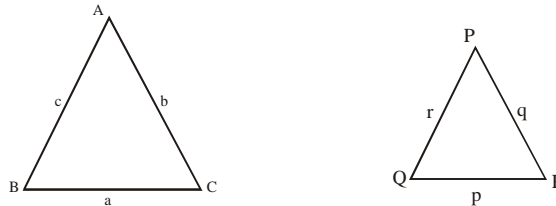
#### Solution

**Given:**  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta PQR$

$$BC = a, CA = b, AB = c$$

$$\text{and } QR = p, RP = q, PQ = r$$

Also  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$



**To prove:**  $\frac{a}{p} = \frac{b}{q} = \frac{c}{r} = \frac{a+b+c}{p+q+r}$

**Proof:** Since  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta PQR$  are similar, therefore their corresponding sides are proportional

$$\therefore \frac{a}{p} = \frac{b}{q} = \frac{c}{r} = k \text{ (say)}$$

$$a = kp, b = kq, c = kr$$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{perimeter of } \Delta ABC}{\text{perimeter of } \Delta PQR} = \frac{a + b + c}{p + q + r} = \frac{kp + kq + kr}{p + q + r}$$

$$= \frac{k(p + q + r)}{p + q + r} = k \quad \dots (ii)$$

from (i) and (ii) we get

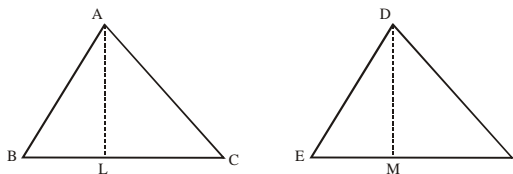
$$\frac{a}{p} = \frac{b}{q} = \frac{c}{r} = \frac{a + b + c}{p + q + r} = \frac{\text{perimeter of } \Delta ABC}{\text{perimeter of } \Delta PQR}$$

### 4.4 AREAS OF SIMILAR TRIANGLES

**Theorem–6:** The ratio of the area of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides.

**Given:**  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$

**To Prove :** 
$$\frac{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{ar}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{AB^2}{DE^2} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2}$$

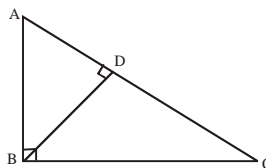


### 4.5 PYTHAGORAS THEOREM

**Theorem–7:** In a right triangle the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

**Given :** In  $\Delta ABC$   
 $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$

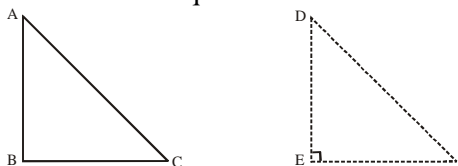
**To prove:**  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$



### Theorem–8: Converse of Pythagoras theorem

In a triangle, if the square of one side is equal to the sum of the square of the other two sides then the angle opposite to the first side is right angle.

In  $\Delta ABC$   
 $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$   
 $\angle B = 90^\circ$



## Solved Examples

### Example 1

In the adjoining figure.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral and  $P, Q, R, S$  are the points of trisection of the sides  $AB, BC, CD$  and  $DA$  respectively. Prove that  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.

#### Solution

Here,  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral. Since  $R$  and  $S$  are points of trisection of sides  $CD$  and  $DA$  respectively.

$$\therefore CD = 3CR \quad \text{or } CR + DR = 3CR$$

$$\text{or } DR = 2CR \quad \text{or } \frac{DR}{RC} = \frac{2}{1} \text{ and}$$

$$AD = 3AS \quad \text{or } AS + SD = 2AS$$

$$\text{or } DS = 2AS \quad \text{or } \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC}$$

$\therefore$  By converse of basic proportionality theorem,

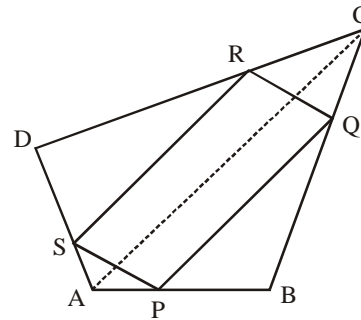
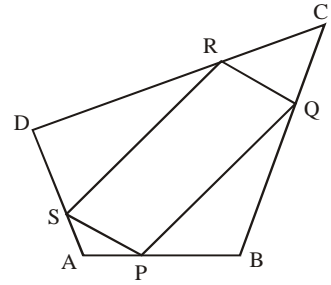
$$\text{In } \triangle DAC, \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC} \Rightarrow SR \parallel AC$$

Similarly,  $PQ \parallel AC$

$$\therefore SR \parallel AC \text{ and } PQ \parallel AC \Rightarrow SR \parallel PQ$$

$\Rightarrow$  Similarly one can prove that  $PS \parallel QR$

Hence,  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.



### Example 2

Prove that the line segments joining the mid-points of the adjacent sides of a quadrilateral form a parallelogram.

#### Solution

Let  $P, Q, R$  and  $S$  respectively be the mid-points of the sides  $AB, BC, CD$  and  $DA$  of the quadrilateral  $ABCD$ .

Join  $PQ, QR, RS$  and  $SP$ .

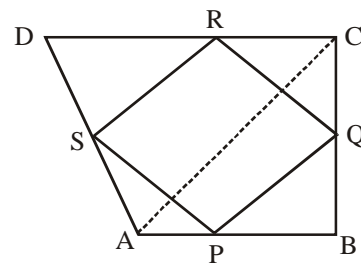
Also, join  $AC$ ,

Since  $S$  and  $R$  are the mid-points of  $DA$  and  $DC$  respectively

$$\therefore DS = SA \text{ and } DR = RC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DS}{SA} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{DR}{RC} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC}$$



$\therefore$  In  $\Delta DAC$ ,  $\frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC} \Rightarrow SR \parallel AC$  ..... (i) (By converse of basic proportionality theorem)

Since Q and P are the mid-points of BC and BA respectively.

$\therefore BQ = QC$  and  $BP = PA$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BQ}{QC} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{BP}{PA} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BQ}{QC} = \frac{BP}{PA}$$

$\therefore$  In  $\Delta BCA$ ,  $\frac{BQ}{QC} = \frac{BP}{PA}$

$\Rightarrow QP \parallel CA$  or  $PQ \parallel AC$  ..... (ii) (By converse of basic proportionality theorem)

From (i) and (ii), we have

$PQ \parallel SR$

Similarly,  $PS \parallel QR$

Hence, PQRS is a parallelogram.

**Example 3**

*Sides AB and AC and median AD of a triangle ABC are respectively proportional to sides PQ and PR and median PM of another triangle PQR.*

*Show that  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$ .*

**Solution**

Since sides AB and AC and median AD of a triangle ABC are respectively proportional to sides PQ and PR and median PM of another triangle PQR.

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$$

Now, produce AD to E and PM to N such that  $AD = DE$  and  $PM = MN$ .

Join EC and NR

In triangles ADB and EDC,

- $AD = DE$  (construction)
- $BD = CD$  ( $\because$  AD is median)
- $\angle ADB = \angle EDC$  (Vertically opposite angles)

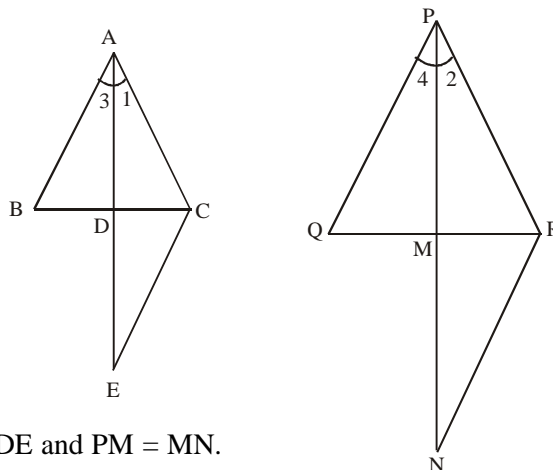
$\therefore$  By S.A.S. congruency criteria,

$$\Delta ADB \cong \Delta EDC$$

$\Rightarrow AB = EC$  ( $\because$  corresponding parts of congruent triangles are equal)

Now, in triangles PMQ and NMR,

- $PM = MN$  (construction)
- $QM = RM$  ( $\because$  PM is median)
- $\angle PMQ = \angle NMR$  (vertically opposite angles)





∴ By S.A.S. congruency criteria,

$$\triangle PMQ \cong \triangle NMR$$

⇒ PQ = NR (∵ corresponding parts of congruent triangles are equal)

Now,  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$

⇒  $\frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$  [ $\because AB = EC$  and  $PQ = NR$  (proved above)]

⇒  $\frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{2AD}{2PM} \Rightarrow \frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AE}{PN}$

⇒  $\triangle AEC \sim \triangle PNR$  (By using S.S.S. similarity criteria)

⇒  $\angle 1 = \angle 2$  (∵ Similar triangles are equiangular)

Similarly, we can prove that  $\angle 3 = \angle 4$

∴  $\angle 1 + \angle 3 = \angle 2 + \angle 4$

⇒  $\angle BAC = \angle QPR$

Now, in triangles ABC and PQR,

$\angle BAC = \angle QPR$  (prove above)

$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR}$  (given)

∴ By S.A.S. similarity criteria,

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$

Hence proved.

**Example 4**

Two poles of heights *a* metres and *b* metres are *p* metres apart. Prove that the height of the point of

intersection of the lines joining the top of each pole to the foot of the opposite pole is given by  $\frac{ab}{a + b}$

metres.

**Solution**

Let AL and BM represent the two poles of heights *a* metres and *b* metres respectively.

Since the poles are *p* metres apart.

∴ LM = *p* metres

Let O be the point of intersection of the lines AM and BL

From O, draw ON perpendicular on LM

Let ON = *h* metres and LN = *x* metres

∴ Nm = LM - LN = (*p* - *x*) metres

In triangles LMB and LNO,

$\angle LMB = \angle LNO$

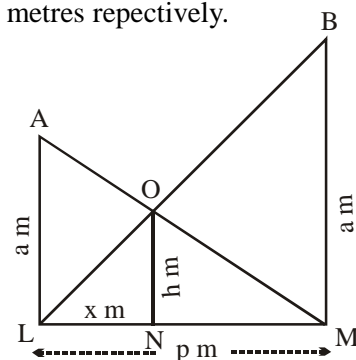
$\angle L = \angle L$

(Each = 90°)

(common)

∴ By A.A. similarity criteria

$\triangle LMB \sim \triangle LNO$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{LM}{LN} = \frac{MB}{NO} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{p}{x} = \frac{b}{h} \quad \Rightarrow x = \frac{ph}{b} \quad \dots (i)$$

In triangles MLA and MNO,

$$\angle MLA = \angle MNO \quad (\text{each } 90^\circ)$$

$$\angle LMA = \angle NMO \quad (\text{common})$$

$\therefore$  By A.A. similarity criteria,

$$\Delta MLA \sim \Delta MNO$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ML}{MN} = \frac{LA}{NO} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{p}{p-x} = \frac{a}{h} \quad \Rightarrow p-x = \frac{ph}{a} \quad \Rightarrow x = p - \frac{ph}{a} \quad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{ph}{b} = p - \frac{ph}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ph}{a} + \frac{ph}{b} = p \quad \Rightarrow ph \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) = p \quad \Rightarrow h \left( \frac{b+a}{ab} \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{ab}{a+b}$$

Hence, the required height is  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$  metres.

#### Example 5

*In an equilateral triangle ABC, D is a point on side BC such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$ . Prove that  $9AD^2 = 7AB^2$ .*

#### Solution

In equilateral  $\Delta ABC$ , D is a point on side BC such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$ .

From A, draw  $AE \perp BC$ .

Also, join AD

Now, in right angled triangles AEB and AEC,

$$\angle B = \angle C \quad (\text{each } 60^\circ)$$

$$\angle AEB = \angle AEC \quad (\text{each } 90^\circ)$$

$\therefore$  By A.A. similarity criteria,

$$\Delta AEB \sim \Delta AEC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AE}{AE} = \frac{BE}{CE} \quad (\because \text{corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{AC} = 1 = \frac{BE}{CE}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BE}{CE} = 1$$

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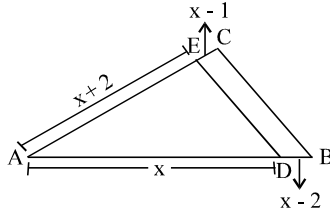
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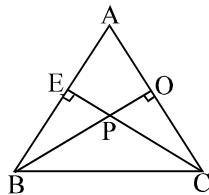
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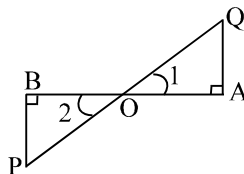
1. In the given figure,  $DE \parallel BC$ . If  $AD = x$ ,  $DB = x - 2$ ,  $AE = x + 2$  and  $EC = x - 1$ , find the value of  $x$ .



2. ABCD is a parallelogram, P is a point on side BC and DP, when produced meets AB produced at L. Prove that (i)  $\frac{DP}{PL} = \frac{DC}{BL}$ , (ii)  $\frac{DL}{DP} = \frac{AL}{DC}$ .
3. In a  $\triangle ABC$ , AD is the bisector of  $\angle A$ , meeting side BC at D. If  $AC = 4.2\text{cm}$ ,  $DC = 6\text{cm}$ ,  $BC = 10\text{cm}$ , find AB.
4. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if AD is the bisector of  $\angle A$ , Prove that  $\frac{\text{Area}(\triangle ABD)}{\text{Area}(\triangle ACD)} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ .
5. In  $\triangle ABC$ , D is the mid point of BC and ED is the bisector of  $\angle ADB$  and EF is drawn parallel to BC cutting AC in F. Prove that  $\angle EDF$  is a right angle.
6. Two triangles  $\triangle BAC$  and  $\triangle BDC$ , right angled at A and D respectively, are drawn on the same base BC and on the same side of BC. If AC and DB intersect at P, Prove that  $AP \times PC = DP \times PB$ .
7. In the given figure, considering the triangles BEP and CPO, prove that  $BP \times PD = EP \times PC$ .



8. In the given figure PB and QA perpendicular to segment AB. If  $PO = 5\text{cm}$ ,  $QO = 7\text{cm}$  and area  $\triangle POB = 150\text{cm}^2$ , find the area of  $\triangle QOA$ .



9. In the given figure,  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DBC$  are two triangles on the same base BC. If AD intersects BC at O, prove

that  $\frac{\text{area}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{area}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO}$ .

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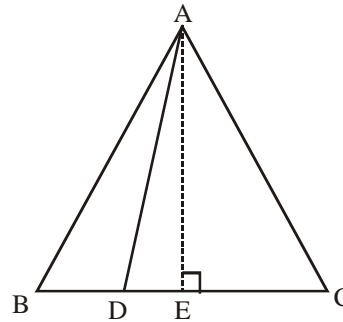
$$\Rightarrow BE = CE \quad \text{or } BE = EC$$

$$\text{Now, } BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$$

$$\Rightarrow BC - DC = \frac{1}{3} BC$$

$$\Rightarrow BC - \frac{1}{3} BC = DC$$

$$\Rightarrow DC = \frac{2}{3} BC$$



Using Pythagoras theorem in right angled triangles AED and AEC, we get

$$AD^2 = AE^2 + DE^2 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$AC^2 = AE^2 + EC^2 \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{From (i) } AD^2 = AE^2 + DE^2 = AE^2 + (DC - EC)^2$$

$$= AE^2 + DC^2 + EC^2 - 2DC \times EC$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = (AE^2 + EC^2) + DC^2 - 2DC \times EC$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AC^2 + DC^2 - 2DC \times EC \quad [\text{By using (ii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AC^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3} BC\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{2}{3} BC\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{3} BC\right)$$

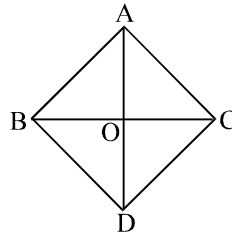
$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AC^2 + \frac{4}{9} BC^2 - \frac{2}{3} BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AB^2 + \frac{4}{9} AB^2 + \frac{2}{3} AB^2 \quad (\because \Delta ABC \text{ is an equilateral triangle, so } AB = AC = BC)$$

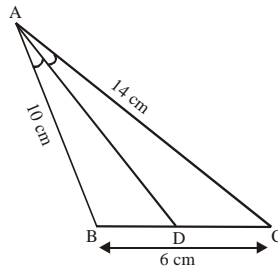
$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{9AB^2 + 4AB^2 - 6AB^2}{9} \quad \Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{7}{9} AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 9AD^2 = 7AB^2$$

Hence proved.

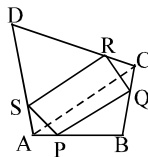


10. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB = AC$  and  $BD \perp AC$ . Prove that  $BD^2 - CD^2 = 2AD \cdot CD$ .
11. In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD \perp BC$  and  $AD^2 = BD \times CD$ . Prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is a right angle.
12. In trapezium  $ABCD$ ,  $AB \parallel DC$  and  $DC = 2AB$ .  $EF$  drawn parallel to  $AB$  cuts  $AD$  in  $F$  and  $BC$  in  $E$  such that  $\frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{3}{4}$ . Diagonal  $DB$  intersects  $EF$  at  $G$ . Prove that  $7FE = 10AB$ .
13. In the given figure  $AD$  is the bisector of  $\angle BAC$ . If  $AB = 10$  cm,  $AC = 14$  cm and  $BC = 6$  cm. Then find  $BD$  and  $DC$ ?

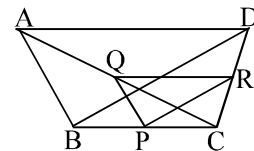


## EXERCISE-II

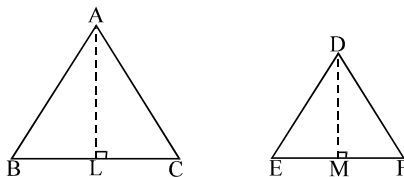
1. Let  $X$  be any point on the side  $BC$  of a triangle  $ABC$ . If  $XM, XN$  are drawn parallel to  $BA$  and  $CA$  meeting  $CA, BA$  in  $M, N$  respectively,  $MN$  meets  $BC$  produced in  $T$ , prove that  $TX^2 = (TB)(TC)$ .
2. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and  $D$  and  $E$  be two points on side  $AB$  such that  $AD = BE$ . If  $DP \parallel BC$  and  $EQ \parallel AC$ , then prove that  $PQ \parallel AB$ .
3.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral.  $P, Q, R$  and  $S$  are the points of trisection of sides  $AB, BC, CD$ , and  $DA$  respectively and are adjacent to  $A$  and  $C$ . Prove that  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.



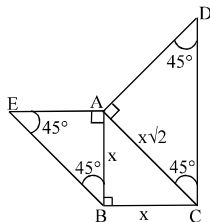
4.  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DBC$  lie on the same side of the base  $BC$ . From a Point  $P$  on  $BC$ ,  $PQ \parallel AB$  and  $PR \parallel BD$  are drawn. They meet  $AC$  in  $Q$  and  $DC$  in  $R$  respectively. Prove that  $QR \parallel AD$ .



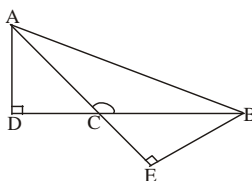
- Two poles of height 'a' metres and 'b' metres are 'p' metres apart. Prove that the height of the point of intersection of the lines joining the top of each pole to the foot of the opposite pole is given by  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$  meters.
- The areas of two similar triangles are  $81\text{cm}^2$  and  $49\text{cm}^2$  respectively. If the altitude of the bigger triangle is 4.5cm, find the corresponding altitude of the smaller triangle.



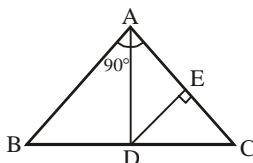
- Prove that the area of the equilateral described on the side of a square is half the area of the equilateral triangle described on its diagonal.
- In the equilateral triangle ABC, AD is drawn perpendicular to BC, meeting BC in D. Prove that  $AD^2 = 3BD^2$ .
- P and Q are the mid points of the sides CA and CB respectively of  $\Delta ABC$  right angled at C. Prove that (i)  $4AQ^2 = 4AC^2 + BC^2$  (ii)  $4BP^2 = 4BC^2 + AC^2$  (iii)  $4(AQ^2 + BP^2) = 5AB^2$ .
- $\Delta ABC$  is an isosceles triangle right angled at B. Similar triangles ACD and ABE are constructed on sides AC and AB. Find the ratio between the areas of  $\Delta ABE$  and  $\Delta ACD$ .



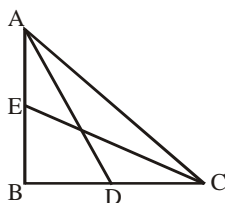
- In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle C$  is obtuse.  $AD \perp BC$  produced and  $BE \perp AC$  produced. Prove that  $AB^2 = AC \cdot AE + BC \cdot BD$ .



- In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle A$  is obtuse.  $PB \perp AC$  and  $QC \perp AB$ . Prove that (i)  $AB \times AQ = AC \times AP$ .
- ABC is a triangle in which  $AB = AC$  and D is any point in BC. Prove that  $AB^2 - AD^2 = BD \cdot CD$ .
- In A be the area of a right triangle and b one of the sides containing the right angle, prove that the length of the altitude on the hypotenuse is  $\frac{2Ab}{\sqrt{b^4 + 4A^2}}$ .
- In figure,  $\angle BAC = 90^\circ$ , AD is its bisector. If  $DE \perp AC$ , prove that  $DE \times (AB + AC) = AB \times AC$ .



16. In figure, ABC is a right triangle right-angled at B. AD and CE are the two medians drawn from A and C respectively. If  $AC = 5$  cm and  $AD = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2}$  cm, find the length of CE.

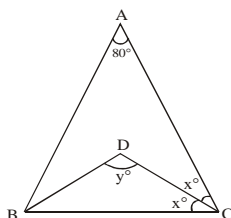


## EXERCISE-III

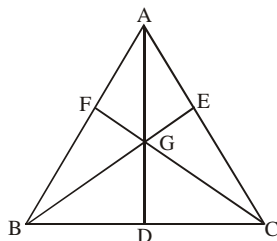
### SECTION-A

• **Multiple choice question with one correct answers**

1. In the given figure  $\angle A = 80^\circ$ ,  $B = 60^\circ$ ,  $C = 2x^\circ$  and  $\angle BDC = y^\circ$ , BD and CD bisect angles B and C respectively. The values of x and y, respectively, are



- (A)  $15^\circ, 70^\circ$                       (B)  $10^\circ, 160^\circ$                       (C)  $20^\circ, 130^\circ$                       (D)  $20^\circ, 125^\circ$
2. If  $a + b + c = 2s$ , then the value of  $(s - a)^2 + (s - b)^2 + (s - c)^2$  will be:  
 (A)  $s^2 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2$                       (B)  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - s^2$   
 (C)  $s^2 - a^2 - b^2 - c^2$                       (D)  $4s^2 - a^2 - b^2 - c^2$
3. If D is a point on the side  $BC = 12$  cm of a  $\Delta ABC$  such that  $BD = 9$  cm and  $\angle ADC = \angle BAC$ , then the length of AC is equal to:  
 (A) 9 cm                      (B) 6cm                      (C)  $6\sqrt{3}$                       (D) 3 cm
4. In  $\Delta ABC$  medians BE and CF intersect at G. If the straight line AGD meets BC at D in such a way that  $GD = 1.5$  cm, then the length of AD is :



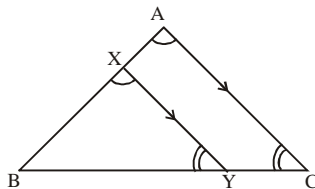
- (A) 2.5 cm                      (B) 3.0 cm                      (C) 4.00 cm                      (D) 4.5 cm
- 5. The side of an equilateral triangle is  $20\sqrt{3}$  cm. The numerical value of the radius of the circle circumscribing the triangle is :
  - (A) 20 cm                      (B)  $20\sqrt{3}$  cm                      (C)  $20\pi$  cm                      (D)  $\frac{20}{\pi}$
- 6. If  $\Delta ABC$  is a right angled triangle with  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ , AN is perpendicular to BC, BC = 12 cm and AC = 6 cm, then the ratio of  $\frac{\text{area } \Delta ANC}{\text{area } \Delta ABC}$  :
  - (A) 1 : 3                      (B) 1 : 2                      (C) 1 : 4                      (D) 1 : 8
- 7. The area of the largest triangle inscribed in a semi - circle of radius R is :
  - (A)  $2R^2$                       (B)  $R^2$                       (C)  $\frac{1}{2}R^2$                       (D)  $\frac{3}{2}R^2$
- 8. In a triangle ABC, then sum of the exterior angles at B and C is equal to :
  - (A)  $180^\circ - \angle BAC$                       (B)  $180^\circ + \angle BAC$                       (C)  $180^\circ - 2\angle BAC$                       (D)  $180^\circ + 2\angle BAC$
- 9. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle B = 3x$ ,  $\angle A = x$ ,  $\angle C = y$  and  $3y - 5x = 30$ , then the triangle is ;
  - (A) isosceles                      (B) equilateral                      (C) right angled                      (D) scalene
- 10. The internal bisectors of  $\angle B$  and  $\angle C$  of  $\Delta ABC$  meet at O. If  $\angle A = 80^\circ$ , then  $\angle BOC$  is:
  - (A)  $50^\circ$                       (B)  $100^\circ$                       (C)  $130^\circ$                       (D)  $160^\circ$

**SECTION-B**

- **Match the following (one to one)**

**Column-I** and **column-II** contains **four** entries each. Entries of column-I are to be matched with some entries of column-II. Only One entries of column-I may have the matching with the some entries of column-II and one entry of column-II Only one matching with entries of column-I

In the figure, the line segment xy is parallel to the side AC of  $\Delta ABC$  and it divides the triangle into two parts of equal areas, then match the column





1. Column I

- (A)  $AB : XB$
- (B)  $\text{ar}(\Delta ABC) : \text{ar}(\Delta XBY)$
- (C)  $AX : AB$
- (D)  $\angle X : \angle A$

Column II

- (P)  $\sqrt{2} : 1$
- (Q)  $2 : 1$
- (R)  $(\sqrt{2} - 1)^2 : \sqrt{2}$
- (S)  $1 : 1$

## EXERCISE-IV

### SECTION-A

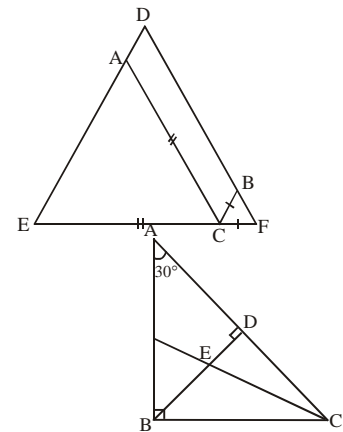
• Multiple choice question with one correct answers

1. The areas of two similar triangles are  $12 \text{ cm}^2$  and  $48 \text{ cm}^2$ . If the height of the smaller one is  $2.1 \text{ cm}$ , then the corresponding height of the bigger triangle is:

- (A)  $12.6 \text{ cm}$                       (B)  $8.4 \text{ cm}$                       (C)  $4.2 \text{ cm}$                       (D)  $1.05 \text{ cm}$

2. In a triangle DEF shown in given figure, points A, B and C are taken on DE, DF and EF respectively, such that  $EC = AC$  and  $CF = BC$ . If angle D =  $40^\circ$ , then what is angle ACB in degrees?

- (A) 140                                  (B) 70
- (C) 100                                 (D) None of these

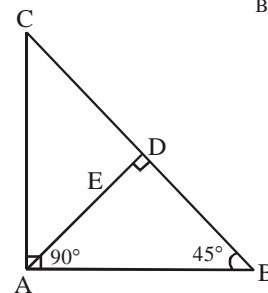


3.  $AB \perp BC$ ,  $BD \perp AC$  and CE bisects  $\angle C$ . If  $A = 30^\circ$ . Then, what is  $\angle CED$ ?

- (A)  $30^\circ$                                  (B)  $60^\circ$
- (C)  $45^\circ$                                  (D)  $65^\circ$

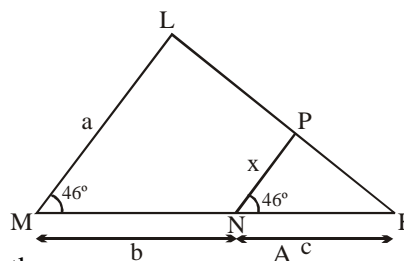
4. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ ,  $AC \perp BC$  and  $\angle B = 45^\circ$ . If  $AB = x$ , then the value of AD in terms of x is :

- (A)  $\frac{x}{2}$                                       (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}$
- (C)  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$                                  (D)  $\sqrt{\frac{x}{2}}$



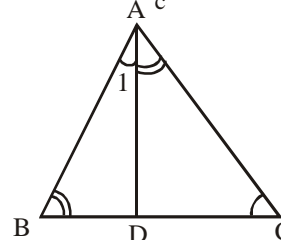
5. Express  $x$  in terms of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .

- (A)  $x = \frac{ac}{b+c}$                       (B)  $x = \frac{bc}{a+c}$   
 (C)  $x = \frac{b+c}{ac}$                       (D)  $x = \frac{ab}{a+c}$



6. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $AD \perp BC$  and  $AD^2 = BD \times DC$ . Then find the angle  $\angle BAC = ?$

- (A)  $60^\circ$                                       (B)  $90^\circ$   
 (C)  $30^\circ$                                       (D) None of this



7.  $PB$  and  $QA$  are perpendiculars to segment  $AB$ . If  $PO = 5$  cm,  $QO = 7$  cm and area  $\triangle POB = 150$  cm<sup>2</sup>, find the area of  $\triangle QOA$ .

- (A) 294 cm<sup>2</sup>                      (B) 150 cm<sup>2</sup>                      (C) 250 cm<sup>2</sup>                      (D) 210 cm<sup>2</sup>

8. The corresponding altitude of two similar triangles are 6 cm and 9 cm respectively. Find the ratio of their areas.

- (A) 9 : 4                      (B) 3 : 2                      (C) 4 : 9                      (D) 8 : 16

**SECTION-B**

• **Multiple choice question with one or more than one correct answers**

1.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$  with  $BC = a$  and  $AC = b$ . If  $p$  is the length of the perpendicular from  $C$  on  $AB$  then.

- (A)  $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$                       (B)  $p^2 = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2+b^2}$                       (C)  $\frac{2}{p^2} = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2+b^2}$                       (D)  $p^2 = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2-b^2}$

2.  $ABC$  is a right triangle, right angled at  $C$ , let  $BC = a$ ,  $CA = b$ ,  $AB = c$  and let  $p$  be the length of perpendicular from  $C$  on  $AB$ . Then which of the following is correct?

- (A)  $CP = ab$                       (B)  $\frac{a}{c} = \frac{p}{b}$                       (C)  $cb = ap$                       (D) None of these

3. Through the mid-point  $M$  of the side  $CD$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , the line  $BM$  is drawn intersecting  $AC$  in  $AD$  produced  $ME$ . Then which of the following is correct?

- (A)  $BL = 2EL$                       (B)  $EL = 2BL$                       (C)  $BE = \frac{1}{2}EL$                       (D)  $BL = EL$

**SECTION-C**

• **Comprehension**

$\triangle ACB \sim \triangle APQ$ . If  $BC = 10$  cm,  $PQ = 5$  cm,  $BA = 6.5$  cm and  $AP = 2.8$  cm.

# 4

## SIMILAR TRIANGLES

### 4.1 Introduction

### 4.2 Similar Triangles

### 4.3 Similarity of Triangles

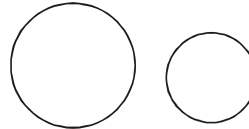
### 4.4 Areas of Similar Triangles

### 4.5 Pythagoras Theorem

### 4.1 INTRODUCTION

In previous classes, we have learnt about the congruency of two geometric figure. In this chapter we shall learn about these geometric figures. Which have the same but not necessary have the same size. These kind of geometric figures are known as simmlar figures. So the congruent figures are always similar figures but similar figures need not be congruence figures.

- (i) Two line segment are similar  $\begin{array}{c} A \text{-----} B \\ C \text{-----} D \end{array}$
- (The two line segment are congruent if they have the same length)
- (ii) Two circles are similar  $\text{-----}$ . (The two circles are congruent. If they have the same radius)



### 4.2 SIMILAR TRIANGLE

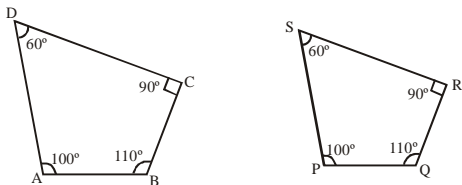
#### 4.2.1 Similar Polygons

Two polygons of the same number of sides are said to be similar. If

- (i) Their corresponding angles are equal
- (ii) Their corresponding sides are in the same ratio

#### *Illustration 1*

*If two polygons ABCD and PQRS are similar then*



**Solution**

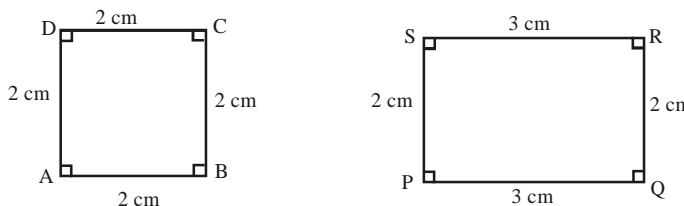
By the definition

$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{CD}{RS} = \frac{DA}{SP} = 2$$

So corresponding sides are proportional.

Therefore quadrilateral ABCD and PQRS are similar

**Illustration 2**



**Solution**

Clearly a square ABCD and rectangle PQRS are equiangular.

But corresponding sides of square ABCD and rectangle PQRS are not proportional.

Therefore square ABCD and rectangle PQRS are not similar.

**Remark: If one polygon is similar to a second polygon and the second polygon is similar to a third polygon, then the first polygon is similar to the third polygon.**

**4.3 SIMILARITY OF TRIANGLES**

Two triangles are said to be similar if

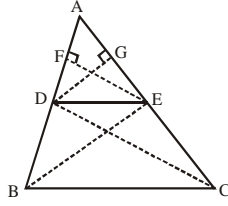
- (i) Their corresponding angles are equal (or triangles are equiangular)
- (ii) Their corresponding sides are in the same ratio (or proportional)

**Remark: equiangular triangles means that the corresponding angles of the triangles are equal.**

**Theorem 1: (Basic proportionality theorem or thales theorem)**

If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle intersecting the other two sides, then it divides the two sides in the same ratio.

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



### 4.3.1 Carollary

If in a  $\triangle ABC$ , a line  $DE \parallel BC$ , intersects  $AB$  in  $D$  and  $AC$  in  $E$  then

$$(i) \frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE} \quad (ii) \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AC}{EC}$$

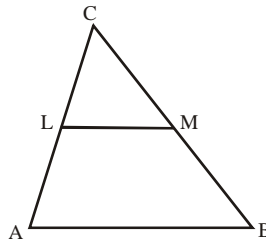
(ii) from the basic proportionality theorem

### Theorem–2: Converse of basic proportionality Theorem

If a line divides any two sides of a triangle in the same ratio, then the line must be parallel to the third side.

#### Illustration 3

$LM \parallel AB$ . If  $AL = x - 3$ ,  $AC = 2x$ ,  $BM = x - 2$ ,  $BC = 2x + 3$   
find the value of  $x$ ?



#### Solution

In  $\triangle ABC$  we have

$LM \parallel AB$

$$\frac{AL}{LC} = \frac{BM}{MC} \Rightarrow \frac{AL}{AC - AL} = \frac{BM}{BC - BM}$$

$$\frac{x - 3}{2x - (x - 3)} = \frac{x - 2}{(2x + 3) - (x - 2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x - 3}{x + 3} = \frac{x - 2}{x + 5} \Rightarrow (x - 3)(x + 5) = (x - 2)(x + 3)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 15 = x^2 + x - 6 \Rightarrow x = 9$$

**Illustration 4**

In the given figure PA, QB and RC each is perpendicular to AC such that PA = x, RC = y, QB = z,

AB = a and BC = b. Prove that  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{z}$ .

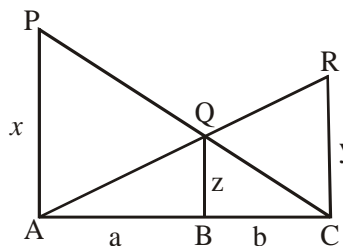
**Solution**

PA ⊥ AC and QB ⊥ AC ⇒ QB ∥ PA

Thus in Δ PAC, QB ∥ PA

so Δ QBC ~ Δ PAC

$$\therefore \frac{QB}{PA} = \frac{BC}{AC} \Rightarrow \frac{z}{x} = \frac{b}{a+b}$$



..... (i) (by the property of similar triangle)

In Δ RAC, QB ∥ RC, so Δ QBC ~ Δ RAC

$$\therefore \frac{QB}{RC} = \frac{AB}{AC} \Rightarrow \frac{z}{y} = \frac{b}{a+b}$$

..... (ii) (by the property of similar triangle)

Now from (i) and (ii) we get

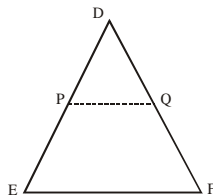
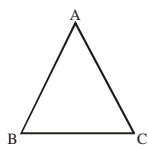
$$\frac{z}{x} + \frac{z}{y} = \left( \frac{b}{a+b} + \frac{a}{a+b} \right) = 1$$

$$\frac{z}{x} + \frac{z}{y} = 1$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{z} \right)$$

**THEOREM-3: (AAA - SIMILARITY)**

If in two triangle. The corresponding angles are equal, then their corresponding sides are proportional and hence the triangles are similar.



**4.4.1 Corollary (AA Similarity)**

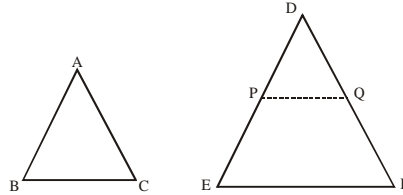
If two angles of one triangle are respectively equal to two angles of another triangle then the two triangles are similar.

### Theorem-4: (SSS-Similarity)

If the corresponding sides of two triangles are proportional then their corresponding angles are equal and hence the two triangles are similar.

**Given :**

$$\Delta ABC \text{ and } \Delta DEF \text{ \& } \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$

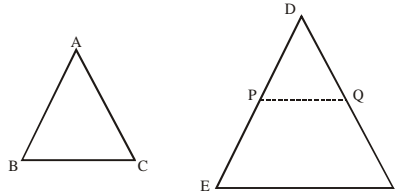


### Theorem-5: (SAS-similarity)

If one angle of a triangle is equal to one angle of the other triangle and the sides including these angles are proportional then two triangles are similar.

$\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta DEF$

$$\angle A = \angle D \quad \& \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$



#### Illustration 5

*Prove that the ratio of the perimeters of two similar triangles is the same as the ratio of their corresponding sides.*

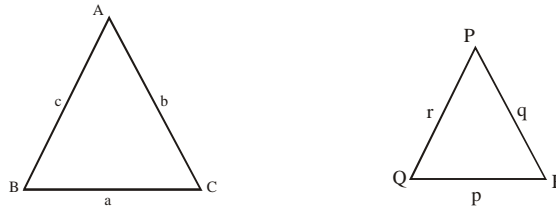
#### Solution

**Given:**  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta PQR$

$$BC = a, CA = b, AB = c$$

$$\text{and } QR = p, RP = q, PQ = r$$

Also  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$



**To prove:**  $\frac{a}{p} = \frac{b}{q} = \frac{c}{r} = \frac{a+b+c}{p+q+r}$

**Proof:** Since  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta PQR$  are similar, there for their corresponding sides are proportional

$$\therefore \frac{a}{p} = \frac{b}{q} = \frac{c}{r} = k \text{ (say)}$$

$$a = kp, b = kq, c = kr$$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{perimeter of } \Delta ABC}{\text{perimeter of } \Delta PQR} = \frac{a + b + c}{p + q + r} = \frac{kp + kq + kr}{p + q + r}$$

$$= \frac{k(p + q + r)}{p + q + r} = k \quad \dots (ii)$$

from (i) and (ii) we get

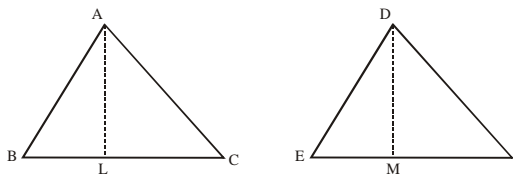
$$\frac{a}{p} = \frac{b}{q} = \frac{c}{r} = \frac{a + b + c}{p + q + r} = \frac{\text{perimeter of } \Delta ABC}{\text{perimeter of } \Delta PQR}$$

### 4.4 AREAS OF SIMILAR TRIANGLES

**Theorem–6:** The ratio of the area of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides.

**Given:**  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$

**To Prove :** 
$$\frac{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{ar}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{AB^2}{DE^2} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2}$$

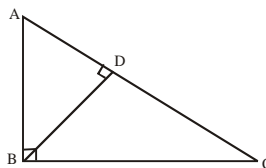


### 4.5 PYTHAGORAS THEOREM

**Theorem–7:** In a right triangle the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

**Given :** In  $\Delta ABC$   
 $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$

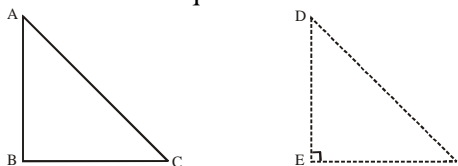
**To prove:**  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$



### Theorem–8: Converse of Pythagoras theorem

In a triangle, if the square of one side is equal to the sum of the square of the other two sides then the angle opposite to the first side is right angle.

In  $\Delta ABC$   
 $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$   
 $\angle B = 90^\circ$





## Solved Examples

### Example 1

In the adjoining figure.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral and  $P, Q, R, S$  are the points of trisection of the sides  $AB, BC, CD$  and  $DA$  respectively. Prove that  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.

#### Solution

Here,  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral. Since  $R$  and  $S$  are points of trisection of sides  $CD$  and  $DA$  respectively.

$$\therefore CD = 3CR \quad \text{or } CR + DR = 3CR$$

$$\text{or } DR = 2CR \quad \text{or } \frac{DR}{RC} = \frac{2}{1} \text{ and}$$

$$AD = 3AS \quad \text{or } AS + SD = 2AS$$

$$\text{or } DS = 2AS \quad \text{or } \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC}$$

$\therefore$  By converse of basic proportionality theorem,

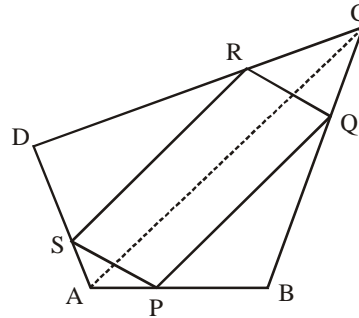
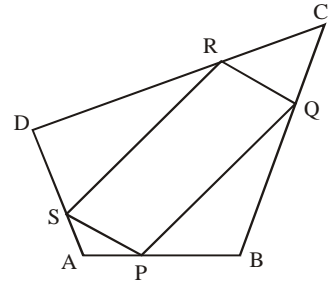
$$\text{In } \triangle DAC, \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC} \Rightarrow SR \parallel AC$$

Similarly,  $PQ \parallel AC$

$$\therefore SR \parallel AC \text{ and } PQ \parallel AC \Rightarrow SR \parallel PQ$$

$\Rightarrow$  Similarly one can prove that  $PS \parallel QR$

Hence,  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.



### Example 2

Prove that the line segments joining the mid-points of the adjacent sides of a quadrilateral form a parallelogram.

#### Solution

Let  $P, Q, R$  and  $S$  respectively be the mid-points of the sides  $AB, BC, CD$  and  $DA$  of the quadrilateral  $ABCD$ .

Join  $PQ, QR, RS$  and  $SP$ .

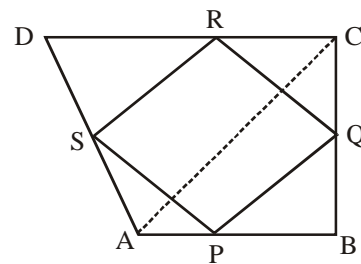
Also, join  $AC$ ,

Since  $S$  and  $R$  are the mid-points of  $DA$  and  $DC$  respectively

$$\therefore DS = SA \text{ and } DR = RC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DS}{SA} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{DR}{RC} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC}$$



$\therefore$  In  $\Delta DAC$ ,  $\frac{DS}{SA} = \frac{DR}{RC} \Rightarrow SR \parallel AC$  ..... (i) (By converse of basic proportionality theorem)

Since Q and P are the mid-points of BC and BA respectively.

$\therefore BQ = QC$  and  $BP = PA$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BQ}{QC} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{BP}{PA} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BQ}{QC} = \frac{BP}{PA}$$

$\therefore$  In  $\Delta BCA$ ,  $\frac{BQ}{QC} = \frac{BP}{PA}$

$\Rightarrow QP \parallel CA$  or  $PQ \parallel AC$  ..... (ii) (By converse of basic proportionality theorem)

From (i) and (ii), we have

$PQ \parallel SR$

Similarly,  $PS \parallel QR$

Hence, PQRS is a parallelogram.

**Example 3**

*Sides AB and AC and median AD of a triangle ABC are respectively proportional to sides PQ and PR and median PM of another triangle PQR.*

*Show that  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$ .*

**Solution**

Since sides AB and AC and median AD of a triangle ABC are respectively proportional to sides PQ and PR and median PM of another triangle PQR.

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$$

Now, produce AD to E and PM to N such that  $AD = DE$  and  $PM = MN$ .

Join EC and NR

In triangles ADB and EDC,

- $AD = DE$  (construction)
- $BD = CD$  ( $\because$  AD is median)
- $\angle ADB = \angle EDC$  (Vertically opposite angles)

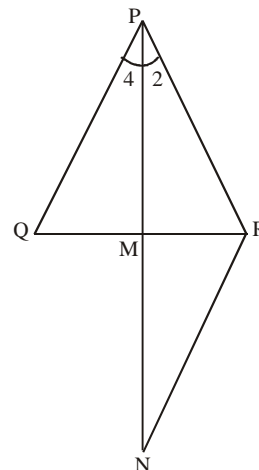
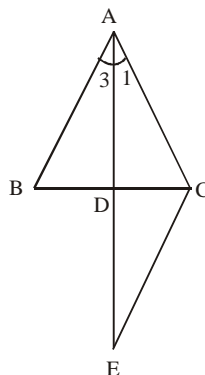
$\therefore$  By S.A.S. congruency criteria,

$$\Delta ADB \cong \Delta EDC$$

$\Rightarrow AB = EC$  ( $\because$  corresponding parts of congruent triangles are equal)

Now, in triangles PMQ and NMR,

- $PM = MN$  (construction)
- $QM = RM$  ( $\because$  PM is median)
- $\angle PMQ = \angle NMR$  (vertically opposite angles)



∴ By S.A.S. congruency criteria,

$$\triangle PMQ \cong \triangle NMR$$

⇒ PQ = NR (∵ corresponding parts of congruent triangles are equal)

Now,  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$

⇒  $\frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$  [ $\because AB = EC$  and  $PQ = NR$  (proved above)]

⇒  $\frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{2AD}{2PM} \Rightarrow \frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AE}{PN}$

⇒  $\triangle AEC \sim \triangle PNR$  (By using S.S.S. similarity criteria)

⇒  $\angle 1 = \angle 2$  (∵ Similar triangles are equiangular)

Similarly, we can prove that  $\angle 3 = \angle 4$

∴  $\angle 1 + \angle 3 = \angle 2 + \angle 4$

⇒  $\angle BAC = \angle QPR$

Now, in triangles ABC and PQR,

$\angle BAC = \angle QPR$  (prove above)

$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR}$  (given)

∴ By S.A.S. similarity criteria,

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$

Hence proved.

**Example 4**

*Two poles of heights a metres and b metres are p metres apart. Prove that the height of the point of intersection of the lines joining the top of each pole to the foot of the opposite pole is given by  $\frac{ab}{a + b}$  metres.*

**Solution**

Let AL and BM represent the two poles of heights a metres and b metres respectively.

Since the poles are p metres apart.

∴ LM = p metres

Let O be the point of intersection of the lines AM and BL

From O, draw ON perpendicular on LM

Let ON = h metres and LN = x metres

∴ Nm = LM - LN = (p - x) metres

In triangles LMB and LNO,

$\angle LMB = \angle LNO$

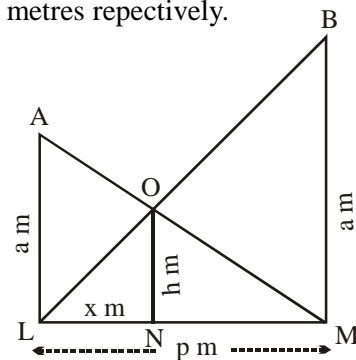
$\angle L = \angle L$

(Each = 90°)

(common)

∴ By A.A. similarity criteria

$\triangle LMB \sim \triangle LNO$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{LM}{LN} = \frac{MB}{NO} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{p}{x} = \frac{b}{h} \quad \Rightarrow x = \frac{ph}{b} \quad \dots (i)$$

In triangles MLA and MNO,

$$\angle MLA = \angle MNO \quad (\text{each } 90^\circ)$$

$$\angle LMA = \angle NMO \quad (\text{common})$$

$\therefore$  By A.A. similarity criteria,

$$\Delta MLA \sim \Delta MNO$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ML}{MN} = \frac{LA}{NO} \quad \Rightarrow \frac{p}{p-x} = \frac{a}{h} \quad \Rightarrow p-x = \frac{ph}{a} \quad \Rightarrow x = p - \frac{ph}{a} \quad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{ph}{b} = p - \frac{ph}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ph}{a} + \frac{ph}{b} = p \quad \Rightarrow ph \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) = p \quad \Rightarrow h \left( \frac{b+a}{ab} \right) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{ab}{a+b}$$

Hence, the required height is  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$  metres.

#### Example 5

*In an equilateral triangle ABC, D is a point on side BC such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$ . Prove that  $9AD^2 = 7AB^2$ .*

#### Solution

In equilateral  $\Delta ABC$ , D is a point on side BC such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$ .

From A, draw  $AE \perp BC$ .

Also, join AD

Now, in right angled triangles AEB and AEC,

$$\angle B = \angle C \quad (\text{each } 60^\circ)$$

$$\angle AEB = \angle AEC \quad (\text{each } 90^\circ)$$

$\therefore$  By A.A. similarity criteria,

$$\Delta AEB \sim \Delta AEC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AE}{AE} = \frac{BE}{CE} \quad (\because \text{corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{AC} = 1 = \frac{BE}{CE}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BE}{CE} = 1$$

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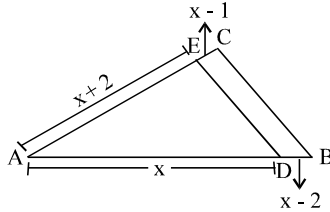
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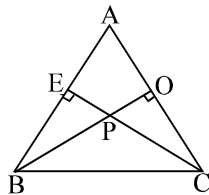
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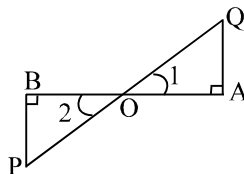
1. In the given figure,  $DE \parallel BC$ . If  $AD = x$ ,  $DB = x - 2$ ,  $AE = x + 2$  and  $EC = x - 1$ , find the value of  $x$ .



2. ABCD is a parallelogram, P is a point on side BC and DP, when produced meets AB produced at L. Prove that (i)  $\frac{DP}{PL} = \frac{DC}{BL}$ , (ii)  $\frac{DL}{DP} = \frac{AL}{DC}$ .
3. In a  $\triangle ABC$ , AD is the bisector of  $\angle A$ , meeting side BC at D. If  $AC = 4.2\text{cm}$ ,  $DC = 6\text{cm}$ ,  $BC = 10\text{cm}$ , find AB.
4. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if AD is the bisector of  $\angle A$ , Prove that  $\frac{\text{Area}(\triangle ABD)}{\text{Area}(\triangle ACD)} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ .
5. In  $\triangle ABC$ , D is the mid point of BC and ED is the bisector of  $\angle ADB$  and EF is drawn parallel to BC cutting AC in F. Prove that  $\angle EDF$  is a right angle.
6. Two triangles  $\triangle BAC$  and  $\triangle BDC$ , right angled at A and D respectively, are drawn on the same base BC and on the same side of BC. If AC and DB intersect at P, Prove that  $AP \times PC = DP \times PB$ .
7. In the given figure, considering the triangles BEP and CPO, prove that  $BP \times PD = EP \times PC$ .



8. In the given figure PB and QA perpendicular to segment AB. If  $PO = 5\text{cm}$ ,  $QO = 7\text{cm}$  and area  $\triangle POB = 150\text{cm}^2$ , find the area of  $\triangle QOA$ .



9. In the given figure,  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DBC$  are two triangles on the same base BC. If AD intersects BC at O, prove

that  $\frac{\text{area}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{area}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO}$ .

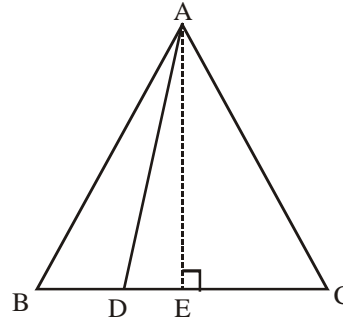
$$\Rightarrow BE = CE \quad \text{or } BE = EC$$

$$\text{Now, } BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$$

$$\Rightarrow BC - DC = \frac{1}{3} BC$$

$$\Rightarrow BC - \frac{1}{3} BC = DC$$

$$\Rightarrow DC = \frac{2}{3} BC$$



Using Pythagoras theorem in right angled triangles AED and AEC, we get

$$AD^2 = AE^2 + DE^2 \quad \dots (i)$$

$$AC^2 = AE^2 + EC^2 \quad \dots (ii)$$

$$\text{From (i) } AD^2 = AE^2 + DE^2 = AE^2 + (DC - EC)^2$$

$$= AE^2 + DC^2 + EC^2 - 2DC \times EC$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = (AE^2 + EC^2) + DC^2 - 2DC \times EC$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AC^2 + DC^2 - 2DC \times EC \quad [\text{By using (ii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AC^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3} BC\right)^2 - 2\left(\frac{2}{3} BC\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{3} BC\right)$$

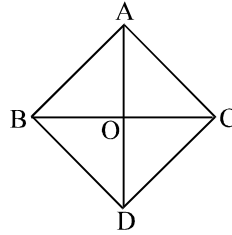
$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AC^2 + \frac{4}{9} BC^2 - \frac{2}{3} BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AB^2 + \frac{4}{9} AB^2 + \frac{2}{3} AB^2 \quad (\because \Delta ABC \text{ is an equilateral triangle, so } AB = AC = BC)$$

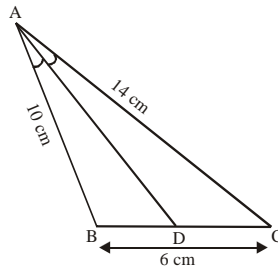
$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{9AB^2 + 4AB^2 - 6AB^2}{9} \quad \Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{7}{9} AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 9AD^2 = 7AB^2$$

Hence proved.

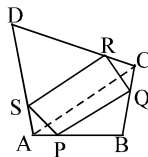


10. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB = AC$  and  $BD \perp AC$ . Prove that  $BD^2 - CD^2 = 2AD \cdot CD$ .
11. In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD \perp BC$  and  $AD^2 = BD \times CD$ . Prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is a right angle.
12. In trapezium  $ABCD$ ,  $AB \parallel DC$  and  $DC = 2AB$ .  $EF$  drawn parallel to  $AB$  cuts  $AD$  in  $F$  and  $BC$  in  $E$  such that  $\frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{3}{4}$ . Diagonal  $DB$  intersects  $EF$  at  $G$ . Prove that  $7FE = 10AB$ .
13. In the given figure  $AD$  is the bisector of  $\angle BAC$ . If  $AB = 10$  cm,  $AC = 14$  cm and  $BC = 6$  cm. Then find  $BD$  and  $DC$ ?

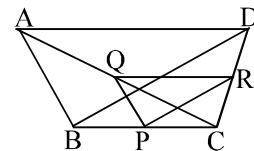


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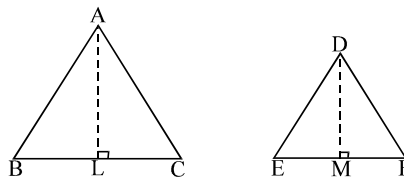
1. Let  $X$  be any point on the side  $BC$  of a triangle  $ABC$ . If  $XM, XN$  are drawn parallel to  $BA$  and  $CA$  meeting  $CA, BA$  in  $M, N$  respectively,  $MN$  meets  $BC$  produced in  $T$ , prove that  $TX^2 = (TB)(TC)$ .
2. Let  $ABC$  be a triangle and  $D$  and  $E$  be two points on side  $AB$  such that  $AD = BE$ . If  $DP \parallel BC$  and  $EQ \parallel AC$ , then prove that  $PQ \parallel AB$ .
3.  $ABCD$  is a quadrilateral.  $P, Q, R$  and  $S$  are the points of trisection of sides  $AB, BC, CD$ , and  $DA$  respectively and are adjacent to  $A$  and  $C$ . Prove that  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.



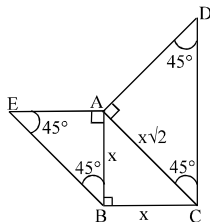
4.  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DBC$  lie on the same side of the base  $BC$ . From a Point  $P$  on  $BC$ ,  $PQ \parallel AB$  and  $PR \parallel BD$  are drawn. They meet  $AC$  in  $Q$  and  $DC$  in  $R$  respectively. Prove that  $QR \parallel AD$ .



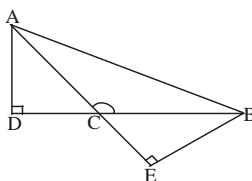
5. Two poles of height 'a' metres and 'b' metres are 'p' metres apart. Prove that the height of the point of intersection of the lines joining the top of each pole to the foot of the opposite pole is given by  $\frac{ab}{a+b}$  meters.
6. The areas of two similar triangles are  $81\text{cm}^2$  and  $49\text{cm}^2$  respectively. If the altitude of the bigger triangle is 4.5cm, find the corresponding altitude of the smaller triangle.



7. Prove that the area of the equilateral described on the side of a square is half the area of the equilateral triangle described on its diagonal.
8. In the equilateral triangle ABC, AD is drawn perpendicular to BC, meeting BC in D. Prove that  $AD^2 = 3BD^2$ .
9. P and Q are the mid points of the sides CA and CB respectively of  $\Delta ABC$  right angled at C. Prove that (i)  $4AQ^2 = 4AC^2 + BC^2$  (ii)  $4BP^2 = 4BC^2 + AC^2$  (iii)  $4(AQ^2 + BP^2) = 5AB^2$ .
10.  $\Delta ABC$  is an isosceles triangle right angled at B. Similar triangles ACD and ABE are constructed on sides AC and AB. Find the ratio between the areas of  $\Delta ABE$  and  $\Delta ACD$ .

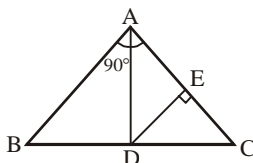


11. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle C$  is obtuse.  $AD \perp BC$  produced and  $BE \perp AC$  produced. Prove that  $AB^2 = AC \cdot AE + BC \cdot BD$ .

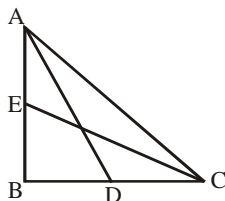


12. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle A$  is obtuse.  $PB \perp AC$  and  $QC \perp AB$ . Prove that (i)  $AB \times AQ = AC \times AP$ .
13. ABC is a triangle in which  $AB = AC$  and D is any point in BC. Prove that  $AB^2 - AD^2 = BD \cdot CD$ .
14. In A be the area of a right triangle and b one of the sides containing the right angle, prove that the length of the altitude on the hypotenuse is  $\frac{2Ab}{\sqrt{b^4 + 4A^2}}$ .
15. In figure,  $\angle BAC = 90^\circ$ , AD is its bisector. If  $DE \perp AC$ , prove that  $DE \times (AB + AC) = AB \times AC$ .





16. In figure, ABC is a right triangle right-angled at B. AD and CE are the two medians drawn from A and C respectively. If  $AC = 5$  cm and  $AD = \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2}$  cm, find the length of CE.

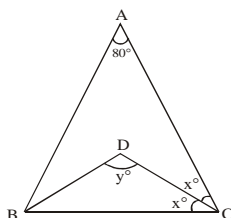


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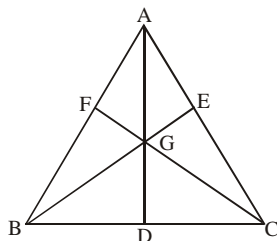
### SECTION-A

• **Multiple choice question with one correct answers**

1. In the given figure  $\angle A = 80^\circ$ ,  $B = 60^\circ$ ,  $C = 2x^\circ$  and  $\angle BDC = y^\circ$ , BD and CD bisect angles B and C respectively. The values of x and y, respectively, are



- (A)  $15^\circ, 70^\circ$                       (B)  $10^\circ, 160^\circ$                       (C)  $20^\circ, 130^\circ$                       (D)  $20^\circ, 125^\circ$
2. If  $a + b + c = 2s$ , then the value of  $(s - a)^2 + (s - b)^2 + (s - c)^2$  will be:  
 (A)  $s^2 + a^2 + b^2 + c^2$                       (B)  $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 - s^2$   
 (C)  $s^2 - a^2 - b^2 - c^2$                       (D)  $4s^2 - a^2 - b^2 - c^2$
3. If D is a point on the side  $BC = 12$  cm of a  $\Delta ABC$  such that  $BD = 9$  cm and  $\angle ADC = \angle BAC$ , then the length of AC is equal to:  
 (A) 9 cm                      (B) 6cm                      (C)  $6\sqrt{3}$                       (D) 3 cm
4. In  $\Delta ABC$  medians BE and CF intersect at G. If the straight line AGD meets BC at D in such a way that  $GD = 1.5$  cm, then the length of AD is :



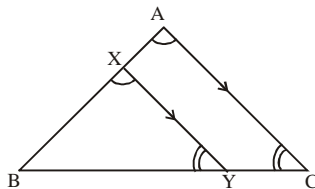
- (A) 2.5 cm                      (B) 3.0 cm                      (C) 4.00 cm                      (D) 4.5 cm
5. The side of an equilateral triangle is  $20\sqrt{3}$  cm. The numerical value of the radius of the circle circumscribing the triangle is :
- (A) 20 cm                      (B)  $20\sqrt{3}$  cm                      (C)  $20\pi$  cm                      (D)  $\frac{20}{\pi}$
6. If  $\Delta ABC$  is a right angled triangle with  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ , AN is perpendicular to BC, BC = 12 cm and AC = 6 cm, then the ratio of  $\frac{\text{area } \Delta ANC}{\text{area } \Delta ABC}$  :
- (A) 1 : 3                      (B) 1 : 2                      (C) 1 : 4                      (D) 1 : 8
7. The area of the largest triangle inscribed in a semi - circle of radius R is :
- (A)  $2R^2$                       (B)  $R^2$                       (C)  $\frac{1}{2}R^2$                       (D)  $\frac{3}{2}R^2$
8. In a triangle ABC, then sum of the exterior angles at B and C is equal to :
- (A)  $180^\circ - \angle BAC$                       (B)  $180^\circ + \angle BAC$                       (C)  $180^\circ - 2\angle BAC$                       (D)  $180^\circ + 2\angle BAC$
9. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle B = 3x$ ,  $\angle A = x$ ,  $\angle C = y$  and  $3y - 5x = 30$ , then the triangle is ;
- (A) isosceles                      (B) equilateral                      (C) right angled                      (D) scalene
10. The internal bisectors of  $\angle B$  and  $\angle C$  of  $\Delta ABC$  meet at O. If  $\angle A = 80^\circ$ , then  $\angle BOC$  is:
- (A)  $50^\circ$                       (B)  $100^\circ$                       (C)  $130^\circ$                       (D)  $160^\circ$

**SECTION-B**

- Match the following (one to one)

**Column-I** and **column-II** contains **four** entries each. Entries of column-I are to be matched with some entries of column-II. Only One entries of column-I may have the matching with the some entries of column-II and one entry of column-II Only one matching with entries of column-I

In the figure, the line segment xy is parallel to the side AC of  $\Delta ABC$  and it divides the triangle into two parts of equal areas, then match the column



## 1. Column I

(A)  $AB : XB$ (B)  $\text{ar}(\Delta ABC) : \text{ar}(\Delta XBY)$ (C)  $AX : AB$ (D)  $\angle X : \angle A$ 

## Column II

(P)  $\sqrt{2} : 1$ (Q)  $2 : 1$ (R)  $(\sqrt{2}-1)^2 : \sqrt{2}$ (S)  $1 : 1$ **EXERCISE-IV****SECTION-A**

## • Multiple choice question with one correct answers

1. The areas of two similar triangles are  $12 \text{ cm}^2$  and  $48 \text{ cm}^2$ . If the height of the smaller one is 2.1 cm, then the corresponding height of the bigger triangle is:

(A) 12.6 cm

(B) 8.4 cm

(C) 4.2 cm

(D) 1.05 cm

2. In a triangle DEF shown in given figure, points A, B and C are taken on DE, DF and EF respectively, such that  $EC = AC$  and  $CF = BC$ . If angle D =  $40^\circ$ , then what is angle ACB in degrees?

(A) 140

(B) 70

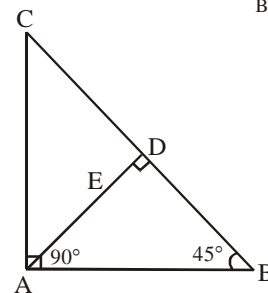
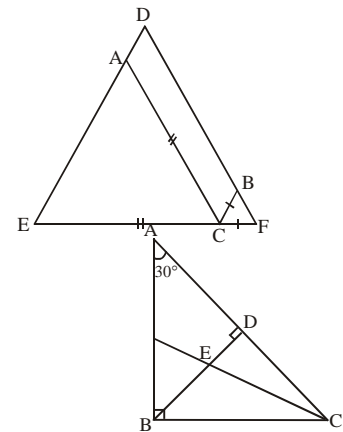
(C) 100

(D) None of these

3.  $AB \perp BC$ ,  $BD \perp AC$  and CE bisects  $\angle C$ . If  $A = 30^\circ$ . Then, what is  $\angle CED$ ?

(A)  $30^\circ$ (B)  $60^\circ$ (C)  $45^\circ$ (D)  $65^\circ$ 

4. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle A = 90^\circ$ ,  $AC \perp BC$  and  $\angle B = 45^\circ$ . If  $AB = x$ , then the value of AD in terms of x is :

(A)  $\frac{x}{2}$ (B)  $\frac{\sqrt{x}}{2}$ (C)  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}$ (D)  $\sqrt{\frac{x}{2}}$ 

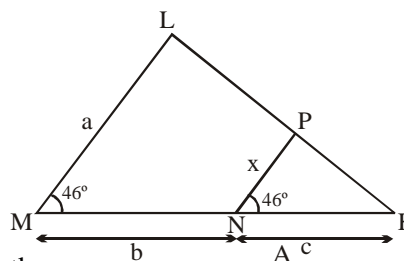
5. Express  $x$  in terms of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .

(A)  $x = \frac{ac}{b+c}$

(B)  $x = \frac{bc}{a+c}$

(C)  $x = \frac{b+c}{ac}$

(D)  $x = \frac{ab}{a+c}$



6. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $AD \perp BC$  and  $AD^2 = BD \times DC$ . Then find the angle  $\angle BAC = ?$

(A)  $60^\circ$

(B)  $90^\circ$

(C)  $30^\circ$

(D) None of this

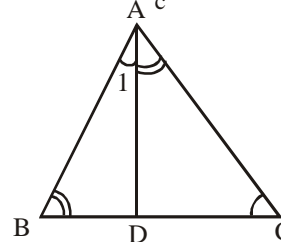
7.  $PB$  and  $QA$  are perpendiculars to segment  $AB$ . If  $PO = 5$  cm,  $QO = 7$  cm and area  $\triangle POB = 150$  cm<sup>2</sup>, find the area of  $\triangle QOA$ .

(A) 294 cm<sup>2</sup>

(B) 150 cm<sup>2</sup>

(C) 250 cm<sup>2</sup>

(D) 210 cm<sup>2</sup>



8. The corresponding altitude of two similar triangles are 6 cm and 9 cm respectively. Find the ratio of their areas.

(A) 9 : 4

(B) 3 : 2

(C) 4 : 9

(D) 8 : 16

**SECTION-B**

• **Multiple choice question with one or more than one correct answers**

1.  $ABC$  is a triangle right-angled at  $C$  with  $BC = a$  and  $AC = b$ . If  $p$  is the length of the perpendicular from  $C$  on  $AB$  then.

(A)  $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$

(B)  $p^2 = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2+b^2}$

(C)  $\frac{2}{p^2} = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2+b^2}$

(D)  $p^2 = \frac{a^2b^2}{a^2-b^2}$

2.  $ABC$  is a right triangle, right angled at  $C$ , let  $BC = a$ ,  $CA = b$ ,  $AB = c$  and let  $p$  be the length of perpendicular from  $C$  on  $AB$ . Then which of the following is correct?

(A)  $CP = ab$

(B)  $\frac{a}{c} = \frac{p}{b}$

(C)  $cb = ap$

(D) None of these

3. Through the mid-point  $M$  of the side  $CD$  of a parallelogram  $ABCD$ , the line  $BM$  is drawn intersecting  $AC$  in  $AD$  produced  $ME$ . Then which of the following is correct?

(A)  $BL = 2EL$

(B)  $EL = 2BL$

(C)  $BE = \frac{1}{2}EL$

(D)  $BL = EL$

**SECTION-C**

• **Comprehension**

$\triangle ACB \sim \triangle APQ$ . If  $BC = 10$  cm,  $PQ = 5$  cm,  $BA = 6.5$  cm and  $AP = 2.8$  cm.