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## Objective Section \_\_\_\_\_ (1 mark each)

### Fill in the Blanks

Q. 1. In Fig. 1,  $MN \parallel BC$  and  $AM : MB = 1 : 2$ , then [CBSE OD, Set 1, 2020]

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\Delta AMN)}{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)} = \dots\dots\dots$$

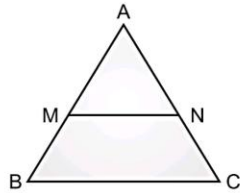


Fig. - 1

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

#### Explanation :

Given :  $MN \parallel BC$  and  $AM : MB = 1 : 2$

In  $\Delta AMN$  and  $\Delta ABC$ ,

$$\angle MAN = \angle BAC \quad [\text{Common angle}]$$

$$\angle AMN = \angle ABC$$

[Corresponding angles]

$$\therefore \Delta AMN \sim \Delta ABC$$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\Delta AMN)}{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)} = \left(\frac{AM}{AB}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{AM}{AM+MB}\right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{1+2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{9}$$

Ans.

Q. 2. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $AB = 6\sqrt{3}$  cm,  $AC = 12$  cm and  $BC = 6$  cm, then  $\angle B = \dots\dots\dots$  [CBSE OD, Set 1, 2020]

Ans.  $90^\circ$

#### Explanation :

$$\therefore (12)^2 = (6\sqrt{3})^2 + (6)^2$$

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

$\therefore$  By the converse of Pythagoras theorem,

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

Q. 3. Two triangles are similar if their corresponding sides are  $\dots\dots\dots$  [CBSE OD, Set 1, 2020]

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Ans. Proportional.

Q. 4. Given  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$ , if  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{1}{3}$ , then

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{ar}(\Delta PQR)} = \dots\dots\dots$$

[CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2020]

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

Explanation : As  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{ar}(\Delta PQR)} = \left(\frac{AB}{PQ}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{9}$$

Q. 5.  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle of side  $2a$ , then length of one of its altitude is  $\dots\dots\dots$  [CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2020]

Ans.  $\sqrt{3}a$

Explanation : We know that for an equilateral triangle,

$$\Rightarrow \text{Length of altitude} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times \text{side.}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 2a = \sqrt{3}a \text{ Ans.}$$

Q. 6.  $ABC$  and  $BDE$  are two equilateral triangles such that  $D$  is the mid-point of  $BC$ . Ratio of the areas of triangles  $ABC$  and  $BDE$  is  $\dots\dots\dots$  [CBSE Delhi, Set 2, 2020]

Ans. 4 : 1

Explanation :

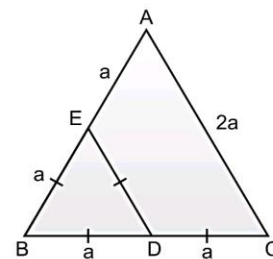


Figure - 1

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta BDE$$

( $\because$  both are equilateral)

$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{ar}(\Delta BDE)} = \left(\frac{2a}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{1} = 4 : 1$$

Very Short Answer Type Questions (1 mark each)

Q. 1. In Figure 1,  $ABC$  is an isosceles triangle right angled at  $C$  with  $AC = 4$  cm. Find the length of  $AB$ .

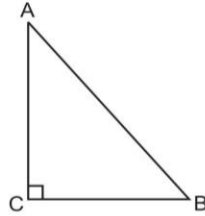
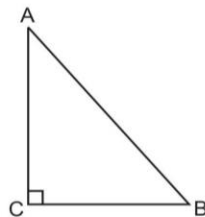


Figure 1

[CBSE OD, Set 1, 2019]

Ans. Given,  $\angle C = 90^\circ$  and  $AC = 4$  cm  
 $AB = ?$



$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle so,

$$BC = AC = 4 \text{ cm}$$

On applying Pythagoras theorem, we have

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

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow AB &= \sqrt{32} \\ &= 4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 2. In Figure 2,  $DE \parallel BC$ . Find the length of side  $AD$ , given that  $AE = 1.8$  cm,  $BD = 7.2$  cm and  $CE = 5.4$  cm.

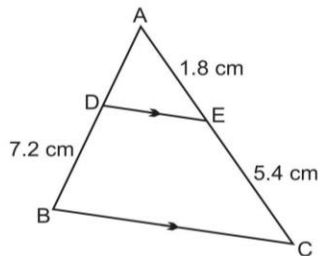
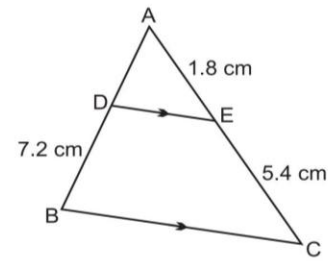


Figure 2

[CBSE OD, Set 1, 2019]

Ans. Given,  $DE \parallel BC$   
 On applying Thales theorem, we have

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



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

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

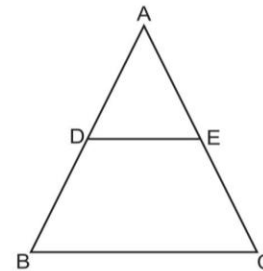
$$\frac{AD}{AD+7.2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$4AD = AD + 7.2$$

$$3AD = 7.2$$

$$AD = 2.4 \text{ cm}$$

Q. 3. In Fig.,  $DE \parallel BC$ ,  $AD = 1$  cm and  $BD = 2$  cm. what is the ratio of the ar ( $\triangle ABC$ ) to the ar ( $\triangle ADE$ )?



[CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2019]

Ans. Given,

$$AD = 1 \text{ cm}, BD = 2 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore AB = 1 + 2 = 3 \text{ cm}$$

Also,  $DE \parallel BC$  (Given)

$\therefore \angle ADE = \angle ABC$  ... (i)  
 (corresponding angles)

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

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

$$\angle ABC = \angle ADE \quad [\text{by equation (i)}]$$

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle ADE$  (by AA rule)

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

$$\text{or} \quad \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle ADE)} = \left(\frac{3}{1}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{1}$$

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

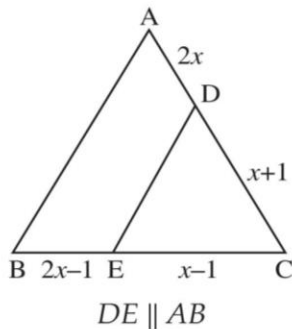
Q. 4. Given  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$ , if  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{1}{3}$ , then find  $\frac{\text{ar}\triangle ABC}{\text{ar}\triangle PQR}$ . [CBSE, 2018]

Ans. Given,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$   
 and  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{1}{3}$

Now,  $\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{AB^2}{PQ^2}$   
 $= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{9}$

Q. 5. In  $\triangle ABC$ , D and E are points AC and BC respectively such that  $DE \parallel AB$ . If  $AD = 2x$ ,  $BE = 2x - 1$ ,  $CD = x + 1$  and  $CE = x - 1$ , then find the value of x. [CBSE Term 1, 2016]

Ans.



So,  $\frac{AD}{CD} = \frac{BE}{EC}$  [By B.P.T.]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x}{x+1} = \frac{2x-1}{x-1}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 - 2x = 2x^2 + 2x - x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -2x = x - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Q. 6. In  $\triangle DEW$ ,  $AB \parallel EW$ . If  $AD = 4$  cm,  $DE = 12$  cm and  $DW = 24$  cm, then find the value of DB. [CBSE Term 1, Set 1, 2015]

Ans. Let  $BD = x$  cm.  
 $\therefore DW = 24$  cm.  
 Then,  $BW = (24 - x)$  cm,  $AE = 12 - 4 = 8$  cm  
 In  $\triangle DEW$ ,  $AB \parallel EW$

$\therefore \frac{AD}{AE} = \frac{BD}{BW}$  [Thales' Theorem]

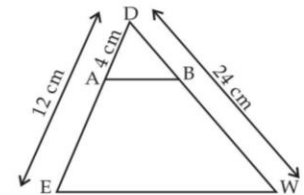
$\Rightarrow \frac{4}{8} = \frac{x}{24-x}$

$\Rightarrow 8x = 96 - 4x$

$\Rightarrow 12x = 96$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{96}{12} = 8$  cm

$\therefore DB = 8$  cm



**Short Answer Type Questions-I**

(2 marks each)

Q. 1. In fig. 5, ABC and DBC are two triangles on the same base BC. If AD intersects BC at O, show that  $\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO}$

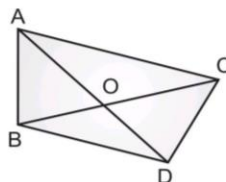


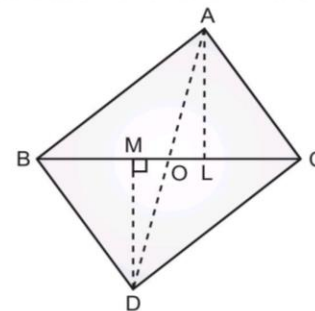
Fig. - 5

[CBSE OD, Set-I, 2020]

Ans. Given :  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DBC$  are on the same base BC and AD intersect BC at O.

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

**Construction :** Draw  $AL \perp BC$  and  $DM \perp BC$ .



**Proof :** In  $\triangle ALO$  and  $\triangle DMO$ , we have

$\angle ALO = \angle DMO = 90^\circ$

and  $\angle AOL = \angle DOM$

[Vertically opposite angles]

$\therefore \angle ALO \sim \angle DMO$  [AA-similarity]

$$\therefore \frac{AL}{DM} = \frac{AO}{DO}$$

[corresponding part of similar triangles] ... (i)

$$\text{Now, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AL}{\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times DM} = \frac{AL}{DM} = \frac{AO}{DO}$$

[using (i)]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO} \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

**Q. 2.** In fig. 6, if  $AD \perp BC$ , then prove that

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

[CBSE OD, Set-I, 2020]

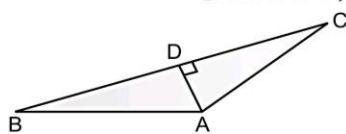


Fig - 6

**Ans.** Given :  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AD \perp BC$ .

**To prove :**  $AB^2 + CD^2 = BD^2 + AC^2$

**Proof :** From right  $\triangle ADB$ , we have

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

[By Pythagoras theorem]

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 - BD^2 = AD^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

From right  $\triangle ADC$ , we have

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

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 - CD^2 = AD^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

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

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 + CD^2 = BD^2 + AC^2 \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

**Q. 3.** In Fig. 2,  $DE \parallel AC$  and  $DC \parallel AP$ . Prove that

$$\frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BC}{CP} \quad \text{[CBSE Delhi, Set-I, 2020]}$$

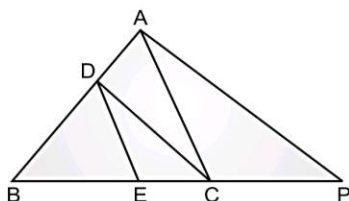
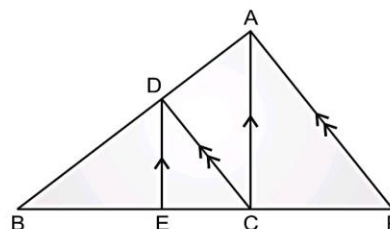


Fig. 2

**Ans.** Given :  $DE \parallel AC$  and  $DC \parallel AP$ .

$$\text{To Prove : } \frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BC}{CP}$$



**Proof :** In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$DE \parallel AC$$

$$\therefore \frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BD}{AD} \quad \dots(i)$$

(By Basic Proportionality Theorem)

Similarly, In  $\triangle ABP$ ,

$$DC \parallel AP$$

$$\therefore \frac{BC}{CP} = \frac{BD}{AD} \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BC}{CP}$$

Hence Proved.

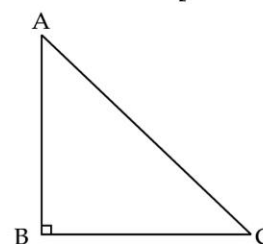
**Q. 4.** In an isosceles  $\triangle ABC$  right angled at  $B$ , prove that  $AC^2 = 2AB^2$ .

[CBSE Term 1, 2016]

**Ans.** In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AB = BC$

... (i)

[ $\because$  triangle is isosceles]



In  $\triangle ABC$  by pythagoras theorem,

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

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = AB^2 + AB^2 \quad \text{[From (i)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = 2AB^2 \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

**Q. 5.**  $X$  and  $Y$  are points on the sides  $AB$  and  $AC$ , respectively of a triangle  $ABC$  such that  $\frac{AX}{AB}, AY = 2$  cm and  $YC = 6$  cm. Find whether  $XY \parallel BC$  or not.

[CBSE Term 1, Set 1, 2015]

**Ans.**  $\frac{AX}{AB} = \frac{1}{4}$

i.e.,  $AX = 1K, AB = 4K$

( $K$  - constant)

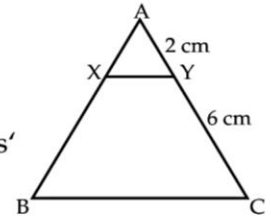
$$\therefore BX = AB - AX = 4K - 1K = 3K$$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{AX}{XB} = \frac{1K}{3K} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{and, } \frac{AY}{YC} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

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

$\therefore XY \parallel BC$   
 (By converse of Thales' theorem)



**Short Answer Type Questions-II** \_\_\_\_\_ (3 marks each)

**Q. 1.** In Fig. 7, if  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  and their sides of lengths (in cm) are marked along them, then find the lengths of sides of each triangle. [CBSE OD, Set 1, 2020]

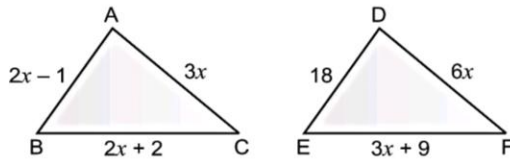


Fig. - 7

**Ans.** Given :  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$

[Corresponding parts of similar triangles]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-1}{18} = \frac{3x}{6x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2x-1}{18} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x - 2 = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 5$$

Now, lengths of sides of triangle ABC are,

$$AB = 2x - 1 = 9 \text{ cm}$$

$$BC = 2x + 2 = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$AC = 3x = 15 \text{ cm}$$

And, lengths of sides of triangle DEF are,

$$DE = 18 \text{ cm}$$

$$EF = 3x + 9 = 24 \text{ cm}$$

$$DF = 6x = 30 \text{ cm} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

**Q. 2.** In Fig. 5,  $\angle D = \angle E$  and  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$ , prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.

[CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2020]

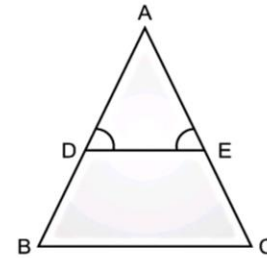


Fig. 5

**Ans.** Given :  $\angle D = \angle E$

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

To prove :  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle

$$\text{Proof : In } \triangle ABC, \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \quad (\text{given})$$

$$\Rightarrow DE \parallel BC$$

{By converse of Basic Proportionality theorem}

$$\therefore \angle ADE = \angle ABC \quad \dots(i)$$

{ $\because$  Corresponding angles are equal as  $DE \parallel BC$ }

$$\text{and } \angle AED = \angle ACB \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\text{But } \angle ADE = \angle AED \quad (\text{Given}) \dots(iii)$$

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

(From eq. (i), (ii) and (iii))

$$\Rightarrow AB = AC$$

$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle as two of its sides are equal. **Hence Proved.**

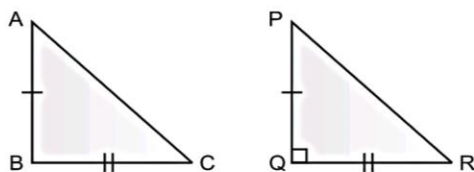
**Q. 3.** In a triangle, if square of one side is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides, then prove that the angle opposite of the first side is a right angle.

[CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2020]

**Ans.** Given :  $\triangle ABC$  in which

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

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



Construction : Draw  $\Delta PQR$  in which  $PQ = AB$ ,  $QR = BC$  and  $\angle Q = 90^\circ$ .

Proof : In  $\Delta ABC$ ,

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = PQ^2 + QR^2 \quad (\text{Given}) \dots(i)$$

$$\text{Now, } PR^2 = PQ^2 + QR^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

(By Pythagoras Theorem)

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

$$AC^2 = PR^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = PR$$

$\therefore$  In  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta PQR$ ,

$$AB = PQ$$

$$BC = QR$$

$$AC = PR$$

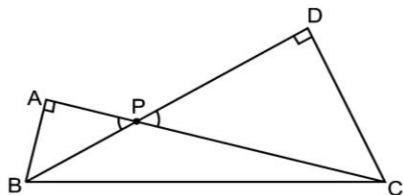
$$\therefore \Delta ABC \cong \Delta PQR$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ABC = \angle PQR \quad (\text{C.P.C.T.})$$

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

- Q. 4.** 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  $AP \times PC = BP \times PD$ . [CBSE OD, Set 1, 2019]

Ans. Given,  $\Delta ABC$  and  $\Delta DBC$  are right angle triangles, right angled at  $A$  and  $D$  respectively, on same side of  $BC$ .  $AC$  &  $BD$  intersect at  $P$ .



In  $\Delta APB$  and  $\Delta PDC$ ,

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

$$\angle APB = \angle DPC \quad (\text{Vertically opposite})$$

$$\therefore \Delta APB \sim \Delta PDC \quad (\text{By AA Similarity})$$

$$\therefore \frac{AP}{BP} = \frac{PD}{PC} \quad (\text{by c.s.s.t.})$$

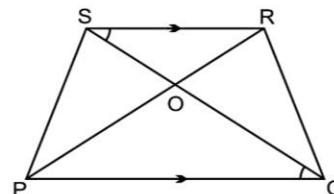
$$\Rightarrow AP \times PC = BP \times PD. \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

- Q. 5.** Diagonals of a trapezium  $PQRS$  intersect each other at the point  $O$ ,  $PQ \parallel RS$

and  $PQ = 3RS$ . Find the ratio of the areas of triangles  $POQ$  and  $ROS$ .

[CBSE OD, Set 1, 2019]

Ans. Given,  $PQRS$  is a trapezium where  $PQ \parallel RS$  and diagonals intersect at  $O$  and  $PQ = 3RS$



In  $\Delta POQ$  and  $\Delta ROS$ , we have

$$\angle ROS = \angle POQ$$

(vertically opposite angles)

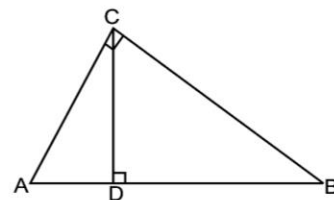
$$\angle OQP = \angle OSR \quad (\text{alternate angles})$$

Hence,  $\Delta POQ \sim \Delta ROS$  by AA similarity then, If two triangles are similar, then ratio of areas is equal to the ratio of square of its corresponding sides.

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\text{area of } \Delta POQ}{\text{area of } \Delta ROS} &= \frac{(PQ)^2}{(RS)^2} \\ &= \frac{(3RS)^2}{(RS)^2} = \frac{9}{1} \\ &= 9 : 1 \end{aligned}$$

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



[CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2019]

Ans. Given,  $\Delta ACB$  in which  $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$  and  $CD \perp AB$

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

Proof: In  $\Delta ADC$  and  $\Delta ACB$

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

$$\angle ADC = \angle ACB \quad (90^\circ \text{ each})$$

$$\therefore \Delta ADC \sim \Delta ACB \quad (\text{By AA rule})$$

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

Similarly,

$$\Delta CDB \sim \Delta ACB \quad (\text{By AA rule})$$

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

From equation (i) and (ii)

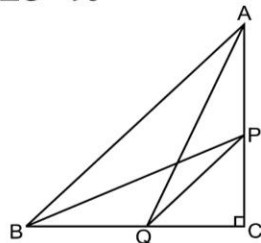
$$\frac{AD}{CD} = \frac{CD}{DB}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow CD^2 = BD \times AD \text{ Hence Proved.}$$

**Q. 7.** If  $P$  and  $Q$  are the points on side  $CA$  and  $CB$  respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ , right angled at  $C$ , prove that  $(AQ^2 + BP^2) = (AB^2 + PQ^2)$ .  
 [CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2019]

**Ans.** Given,  $ABC$  is a right angled triangle in which  $\angle C = 90^\circ$



To prove:  $AQ^2 + BP^2 = AB^2 + PQ^2$

construction: Join  $AQ, PB$  and  $PQ$

Proof: In  $\triangle AQC, \angle C = 90^\circ$

$$\therefore AQ^2 = AC^2 + CQ^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

(Using Pythagoras theorem)

In  $\triangle PBC, \angle C = 90^\circ$

$$\therefore BP^2 = BC^2 + CP^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

(Using Pythagoras theorem)

Adding equation (i) and (ii)

$$AQ^2 + BP^2 = AC^2 + CQ^2 + BC^2 + CP^2 \\ = AC^2 + BC^2 + CQ^2 + CP^2$$

$$\text{or } AQ^2 + BP^2 = AB^2 + PQ^2$$

Hence Proved.

**Q. 8.** Prove that the area of an equilateral triangle described on one side of the square is equal to half the area of the equilateral triangle described on one of its diagonal. [CBSE, 2018]

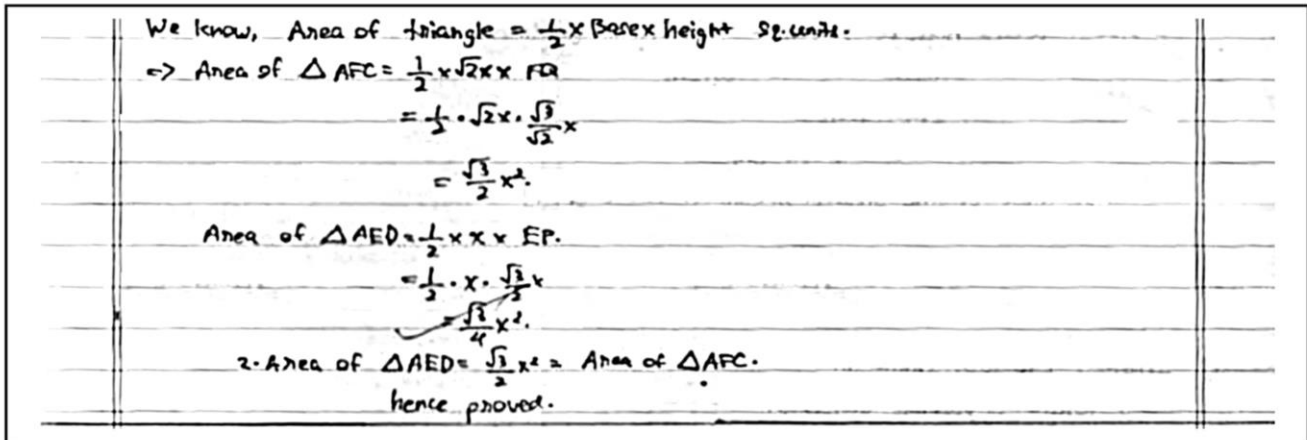
**Ans.**



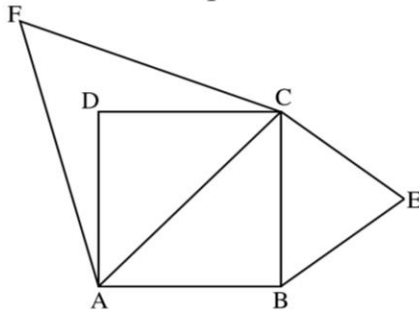
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17) Given. Square  $ABCD$ .  $\triangle AED$  and  $\triangle AFC$  are equilateral.  
 (choice) To prove: Area  $\triangle AFC = 2 \times$  Area  $\triangle AED$ .  
 Construction: Draw  $EP \perp AD$  and  $FQ \perp AC$ .  
 Proof: Let side of square 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,  $AE^2 = EP^2 + AP^2$ .  
 $x^2 = EP^2 + (\frac{x}{2})^2$ .  
 $EP^2 = \frac{3x^2}{4} \rightarrow EP = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x$ .  
 In  $\triangle AFR, \angle R = 90^\circ$ .  
 By Pythagoras theorem,  $AF^2 = FR^2 + AQ^2$   
 $2x^2 = FR^2 + \frac{x^2}{2}$ .  
 $FR^2 = \frac{3x^2}{2} \rightarrow FR = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}x$ .





Let ABCD be a square with side 'a'.



In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

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

$$= a^2 + a^2 = 2a^2$$

$$AC = \sqrt{2a^2} = \sqrt{2}a.$$

Area of equilateral  $\triangle BEC$  (formed on side BC of square ABCD)

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \times (\text{side})^2$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

Area of equilateral  $\triangle ACF$  (formed on diagonal AC of square ABCD)

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} (\sqrt{2}a)^2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} (2a^2)$$

$$= 2 \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} a^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From eq. (i) and (ii),

$$\text{ar } \triangle ACF = 2 \times \text{ar } \triangle BCF$$

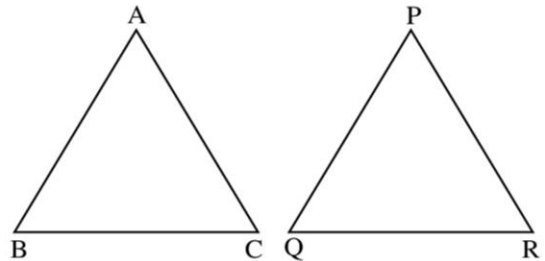
$$\text{or ar } (\triangle BCF) = \frac{1}{2} \text{ar } (\triangle ACF)$$

i.e., area of triangle described on one side of square is half the area of triangle described on its diagonal. **Hence Proved.**

**Q. 9.** If the area of two similar triangles are equal, prove that they are congruent.

[CBSE, 2018]

**Ans.** Given,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$



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

To prove:

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

**Proof:**

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

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

(Ratio of area of similar triangles is equal to the square of corresponding sides)

$$\text{But } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle PQR)} = 1 \quad (\text{Given})$$

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

$$\text{So, } AB^2 = PQ^2 \text{ or } AB = PQ$$

$$BC^2 = QR^2 \text{ or } BC = QR$$

$$AC^2 = PR^2 \text{ or } AC = PR$$

By SSS congruency axiom

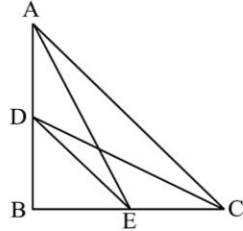
$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

Q. 10.  $\Delta ABC$  is a right angled triangle in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ .  $D$  and  $E$  are any point on  $AB$  and  $BC$  respectively. Prove that

$$AE^2 + CD^2 = AC^2 + DE^2.$$

[CBSE, Term 1, 2016]

Ans. In  $\Delta ABC$ ,  $\angle B = 90^\circ$  and  $D, E$  are points on  $AB, BC$  respectively.



To prove:

$$AC^2 + DE^2 = AE^2 + CD^2$$

In  $\Delta ABC$  by using Pythagoras theorem,

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

In  $\Delta ABE$  by using Pythagoras theorem

$$AE^2 = AB^2 + BE^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

In  $\Delta BCD$  by using Pythagoras theorem

$$CD^2 = BD^2 + BC^2 \quad \dots(iii)$$

In  $\Delta DBE$  by using Pythagoras theorem

$$DE^2 = DB^2 + BE^2 \quad \dots(iv)$$

Adding eq. (i) and eq. (iv),

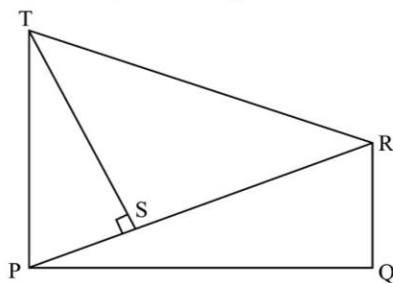
$$\begin{aligned} AC^2 + DE^2 &= AB^2 + BC^2 + BD^2 + BE^2 \\ &= AB^2 + BE^2 + BC^2 + BD^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$AC^2 + DE^2 = AE^2 + CD^2$$

[From eq. (ii) and eq. (iii)]

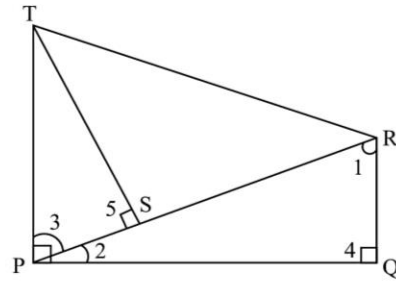
Hence Proved.

Q. 11. In the given figure,  $RQ$  and  $TP$  are perpendicular to  $PQ$ , also  $TS \perp PR$  prove that  $ST \cdot RQ = PS \cdot PQ$ .



[CBSE, Term 1, 2016]

Ans.



In  $\Delta RPQ$ ,

$$\angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 4 = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 + \angle 2 + 90^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 + \angle 2 = 180^\circ - 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 = 90^\circ - \angle 2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$\therefore TP \perp PQ$

$$\therefore \angle TPQ = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 2 + \angle 3 = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 = 90^\circ - \angle 2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

From eq. (i) and eq. (ii),

$$\angle 1 = \angle 3$$

Now in  $\Delta RQP$  and  $\Delta PST$ ,

$$\angle 1 = \angle 3 \quad [\text{Proved above}]$$

$$\angle 4 = \angle 5 \quad [\text{Each } 90^\circ]$$

So by AA similarity

$$\Delta RQP \sim \Delta PST$$

$$\frac{ST}{QP} = \frac{PS}{RQ} \quad [\text{By c.p.c.t.}]$$

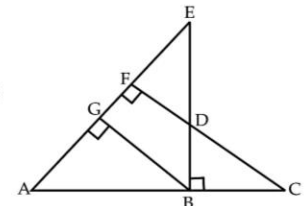
$$\Rightarrow ST \cdot RQ = PS \cdot PQ \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

Q. 12. In given figure,  $EB \perp AC$ ,  $BG \perp AE$  and  $CF \perp AE$ .

Prove that:

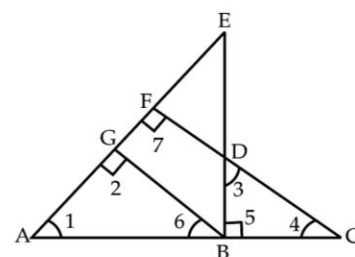
(i)  $\Delta ABG \sim \Delta DCB$

(ii)  $\frac{BC}{BD} = \frac{BE}{BA}$



[CBSE, Term 1, 2015]

Ans.



Given:  $EB \perp AC$ ,  $BG \perp AE$  and  $CF \perp AE$

To prove: (i)  $\triangle ABG \sim \triangle DCB$

(ii)  $\frac{BC}{BD} = \frac{BE}{BA}$

Proof: (i) In  $\triangle ABG$  and  $\triangle DCB$ ,  $BG \parallel CF$  as corresponding angles 2 and 7 are equal.

$\angle 2 = \angle 5$  [Each  $90^\circ$ ]

$\angle 6 = \angle 4$

[Corresponding angles]

$\therefore \triangle ABG \sim \triangle DCB$  Hence Proved.

[By AA similarity]

$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 3$  [c.p.c.t]

(ii) In  $\triangle ABE$  and  $\triangle DBC$ ,

$\angle 1 = \angle 3$  [Proved above]

$\angle ABE = \angle 5$

[Each is  $90^\circ$ ,  $EB \perp AC$  (Given)]

$\therefore \triangle ABE \sim \triangle DBC$  [By AA similarity]

In similar triangles, corresponding sides are proportional

$\therefore \frac{BC}{BD} = \frac{BE}{BA}$  Hence Proved.

**Q. 13.** In triangle  $ABC$ , if  $AP \perp BC$  and  $AC^2 = BC^2 - AB^2$ , then prove that

$PA^2 = PB \times CP$ .

[CBSE, Term 1, Set 1, 2015]

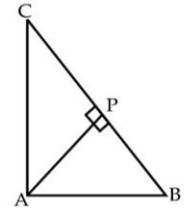
**Ans.**  $AC^2 = BC^2 - AB^2$  [Given]

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

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

[By converse of Pythagoras' theorem]

$\therefore \triangle APB \sim \triangle CPA$



[If a perpendicular is drawn from the vertex of the right angle of a triangle to the hypotenuse then triangles on both sides of the perpendicular are similar to the whole triangle and to each other]

$\Rightarrow \frac{AP}{CP} = \frac{PB}{PA}$

[In similar triangles, corresponding sides are proportional]

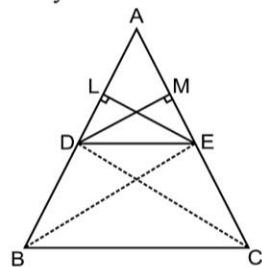
$\Rightarrow PA^2 = PB \cdot CP$  Hence Proved

Long Answer Type Questions \_\_\_\_\_ (4 marks each)

**Q. 1.** If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle to intersect the other two sides in distinct points, then prove that the other two sides are divided in the same ratio. [CBSE OD, Set 1, 2019]

[CBSE Term 1, Set 1, 2015]

**Ans.** Given, a  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $DE \parallel BC$  and  $DE$  intersect  $AB$  and  $AC$  at  $D$  and  $E$  respectively.



To prove:  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$

Construction: Join  $BE$  and  $CD$

Draw  $EL \perp AB$  and  $DM \perp AC$

Proof: we have

area ( $\triangle ADE$ ) =  $\frac{1}{2} \times AD \times EL$

and area ( $\triangle DBE$ ) =  $\frac{1}{2} \times DB \times EL$

$\left( \because \Delta = \frac{1}{2} \times b \times h \right)$

$\therefore \frac{\text{area}(\triangle ADE)}{\text{area}(\triangle DBE)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times AD \times EL}{\frac{1}{2} \times DB \times EL}$

$= \frac{AD}{DB}$  ... (i)

Again, area ( $\triangle ADE$ ) = area ( $\triangle AED$ )

$= \frac{1}{2} \times AE \times DM$

and area ( $\triangle ECD$ ) =  $\frac{1}{2} \times EC \times DM$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{area}(\triangle ADE)}{\text{area}(\triangle ECD)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times AE \times DM}{\frac{1}{2} \times EC \times DM} = \frac{AE}{EC} \dots(\text{ii})$$

Now,  $\triangle DBE$  and  $\triangle ECD$ , being on same base  $DE$  and between the same parallels  $DE$  and  $BC$ , we have

$$\text{area}(\triangle DBE) = \text{area}(\triangle ECD) \dots(\text{iii})$$

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

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

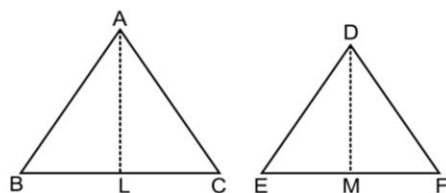
**Q. 2. Prove that the ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares on their corresponding sides.**

[CBSE OD, Set 2, 2019]

[CBSE Delhi, Set 3, 2019]

**Ans.** Given,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

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



Construction: Draw  $AL \perp BC$  and  $DM \perp EF$ .

Proof: Since  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  it follows that they are equiangular and their sides are proportional.

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

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF} \dots(\text{i})$$

$$\text{Now, } \text{area}(\triangle ABC) = \frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AL$$

$$\text{area}(\triangle DEF) = \frac{1}{2} \times EF \times DM$$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AL}{\frac{1}{2} \times EF \times DM} = \frac{BC}{EF} \times \frac{AL}{DM}$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{AL}{DM} = \frac{BC}{EF} \dots(\text{ii})$$

( $\because$  In similar triangles, the ratio of the corresponding sides is the same as the ratio of corresponding altitudes)

Using equations (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)} = \left( \frac{BC}{EF} \times \frac{BC}{EF} \right) = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2}$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)} = \frac{AB^2}{DE^2}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)} = \frac{AB^2}{DE^2} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2}$$

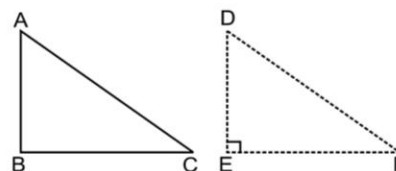
Hence Proved.

**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.**

[CBSE OD, Set 3, 2019]

**Ans.** Given,  $\triangle ABC$  in which

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



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

Construction: Draw a  $\triangle DEF$  such that

$$DE = AB, EF = BC \text{ and } \angle E = 90^\circ.$$

Proof: In  $\triangle DEF$  we have  $\angle E = 90^\circ$

So, by Pythagoras theorem, we have

$$DF^2 = DE^2 + EF^2$$

$$\Rightarrow DF^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \dots(\text{i})$$

$$(\because DE = AB \text{ and } EF = BC)$$

$$\text{But } AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \dots(\text{ii}) \text{ (Given)}$$

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

$$AC^2 = DF^2 \Rightarrow AC = DF.$$

Now, in  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$ , we have

$$AB = DE, BC = EF \text{ and } AC = DF.$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF.$$

Hence,  $\angle B = \angle E = 90^\circ$ . Hence Proved.

Q. 4. Prove that in a right angle triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal the sum of squares of the other two sides. [CBSE Delhi, Set 1, 2019] [CBSE 2018]

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24. 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,  $\angle BCA = 90 - \theta$ ,  $\angle ABD = 90 - \theta$ ,  $\angle DBC = \theta$

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:

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

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.

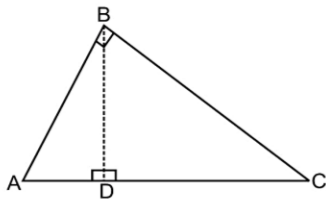
$$\Rightarrow AB^2 + BC^2 = AC \times AC$$

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

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

Ans. Given, A  $\triangle ABC$  right angled at B.

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



Construction: Draw  $BD \perp AC$

Proof: In  $\triangle ADB$  and  $\triangle ABC$

$\angle A = \angle A$  (common)  
 $\angle ADB = \angle ABC$  ( $90^\circ$  each)  
 $\therefore \triangle ADB \sim \triangle ABC$  (By AA rule)  
 So,  $\frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AB}{AC}$   
 (sides are proportional)

or  $AB^2 = AD \cdot AC$  ... (i)

Also, In  $\triangle BDC$  and  $\triangle ABC$

$\angle C = \angle C$  (common)  
 $\angle BDC = \angle ABC$  ( $90^\circ$  each)

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \quad \triangle BDC &\sim \triangle ABC && = AC(AD + CD) \\ \text{So,} \quad \frac{CD}{BC} &= \frac{BC}{AC} && = AC \times AC \\ \text{or} \quad BC^2 &= CD \cdot AC && = AC^2 \\ \text{Adding equation (i) and (ii), we get} &&& \text{or} \quad AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Hence Proved.**

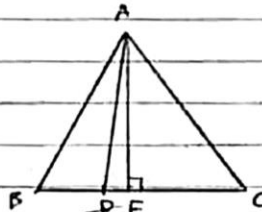
$$AB^2 + BC^2 = AD \cdot AC + CD \cdot AC$$

**Q. 5.** In an equilateral  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $D$  is a point on side  $BC$  such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3}BC$ . Prove that  $9(AD)^2 = 7(AB)^2$ . [CBSE, 2018]

Ans.

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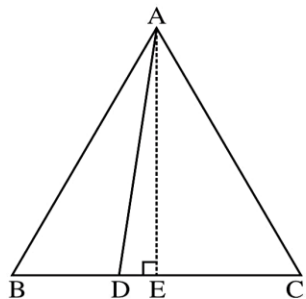
25) Given:  $\triangle ABC$  is equilateral.  
 $\rightarrow AB = BC = CA, \angle A = \angle B = \angle C = 60^\circ$   
 $D$  is a point on  $BC$  such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3}BC$ .  
 To prove:  $9(AD)^2 = 7(AB)^2$ .  
 Construction: Draw  $AE \perp BC$ .



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,  
 $BE^2 + AE^2 = AB^2 \rightarrow AB^2 = 9x^2 \rightarrow \text{①}$ .  
 $\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right)^2 + AE^2 = 9x^2$ .  
 $\frac{9x^2}{4} + AE^2 = 9x^2 \rightarrow AE^2 = \frac{27x^2}{4} \rightarrow \text{②}$ .

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

From ① and ③,  
 $AB^2 = 9x^2, AD^2 = 7x^2$ .  
 $7AB^2 = 63x^2, 9AD^2 = 63x^2$ .  
 $\Rightarrow 7AB^2 = 9AD^2$ .  
 hence proved.



Given,  $ABC$  is an equilateral triangle and  $D$  is a point on  $BC$  such that  $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$ .

To prove:

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

Construction: Draw  $AE \perp BC$

Proof:  $BD = \frac{1}{3} BC$  ... (i) (Given)

and  $AE \perp BC$

We know that perpendicular from a vertex of equilateral triangle to the base divides base in two equal parts.

$$\therefore BE = EC = \frac{1}{2} BC \quad \dots (ii)$$

In  $\triangle AED$ ,

$$AD^2 = AE^2 + DE^2 \quad \text{(Pythagoras theorem)}$$

$$\text{or } AE^2 = AD^2 - DE^2 \quad \dots (iii)$$

Similarly, In  $\triangle AEB$ ,

$$AB^2 = AE^2 + BE^2$$

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

[from equations (ii) and (iii)]

$$= AD^2 - (BE - BD)^2 + \frac{1}{4} BC^2$$

$$= AD^2 - BE^2 - BD^2 + 2 \cdot BE \cdot BD + \frac{1}{4} BC^2$$

$$= AD^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}BC\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{3}BC\right)^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}BC \cdot \frac{1}{3}BC + \frac{1}{4} BC^2$$

[From equations (i) and (ii)]

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AD^2 - \frac{1}{9} BC^2 + \frac{1}{3} BC^2$$

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

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AD^2 + \frac{2}{9} AB^2 \quad (\because BC = AB)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 - \frac{2}{9} AB^2 = AD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{7}{9} AB^2 = AD^2$$

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

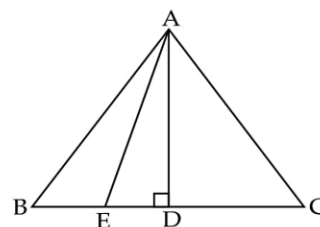
or  $9(AD)^2 = 7(AB)^2$  Hence Proved.

**Q. 6.** In an equilateral  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $E$  is any point on  $BC$  such that  $BE = \frac{1}{4} BC$ . Prove that  $16 AE^2 = 13 AB^2$ .

[CBSE Term 1, 2016]

**Ans.** Given  $BE = \frac{1}{4} BC$

Draw  $AD \perp BC$ .



In  $\triangle AED$  by pythagoras theorem,

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

In  $\triangle ADB$ ,

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

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 - DE^2 + BD^2 \quad \text{[From (i)]}$$

$$= AE^2 - DE^2 + (BE + DE)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 - DE^2 + BE^2 + DE^2 + 2BE \cdot DE$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 + BE^2 + 2BE \cdot DE$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 + \left(\frac{BC}{4}\right)^2 + 2 \cdot \frac{BC}{4} \cdot (BD - BE)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 + \frac{BC^2}{16} + \frac{BC}{2} \left(\frac{BC}{2} - \frac{BC}{4}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 + \frac{AB^2}{16} + \frac{AB}{2} \left[\frac{2AB - AB}{4}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AE^2 + \frac{AB^2}{16} + \frac{AB}{2} \times \frac{AB}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 - \frac{AB^2}{16} - \frac{AB^2}{8} = AE^2$$

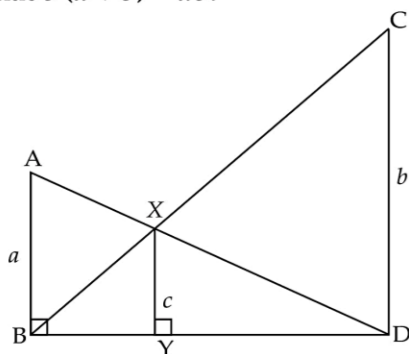
$$\Rightarrow \frac{16AB^2 - AB^2 - 2AB^2}{16} = AE^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 16AB^2 - 3AB^2 = 16AE^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 13AB^2 = 16AE^2$$

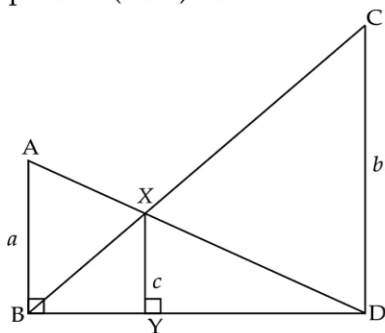
Hence Proved.

**Q. 7.** In the figure, if  $\angle ABD = \angle XYD = \angle CDB = 90^\circ$ .  $AB = a$ ,  $XY = c$  and  $CD = b$ , then prove that  $c(a + b) = ab$ .



[CBSE Term 1, 2016]

**Ans.** To prove:  $c(a + b) = ab$



In  $\triangle ABD$  &  $\triangle DXY$ ,  
 $\angle B = \angle XYD$  [Each  $90^\circ$ ]  
 $\angle XDY = \angle ADB$  [Common]

So by AA similarity,

$$\triangle DAB \sim \triangle DXY$$

$$\therefore \frac{DY}{DB} = \frac{XY}{AB}$$

$$\Rightarrow DY = \frac{c}{a}(BD) \quad \dots(i)$$

In  $\triangle BCD$  &  $\triangle BYX$ ,  
 $\angle XYB = \angle D$  [Each  $90^\circ$ ]  
 $\angle CBD = \angle XBY$  [Common]

So by AA similarity,

$$\triangle BYX \sim \triangle BDC$$

$$\therefore \frac{BY}{BD} = \frac{XY}{CD}$$

$$\Rightarrow BY = \frac{c}{b}(BD) \quad \dots(ii)$$

Adding equation (i) and equation (ii),

$$DY + BY = \frac{c}{a}(BD) + \frac{c}{b}(BD)$$

$$\Rightarrow BD = BD \left[ \frac{c}{a} + \frac{c}{b} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BD}{BD} = \left[ \frac{cb + ca}{ab} \right]$$

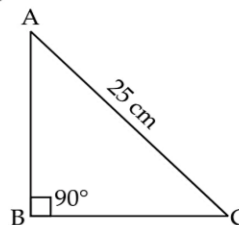
$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{c(a+b)}{ab}$$

$$\Rightarrow c(a+b) = ab \quad \text{Hence Proved.}$$

**Q. 8.** The perimeter of a right triangle is 60 cm. Its hypotenuse is 25 cm. Find the area of the triangle.

[CBSE Delhi, Term 2, Set 2, 2016]

**Ans.** Given, the perimeter of right triangle = 60 cm  
 and hypotenuse = 25 cm



$$\therefore AB + BC + CA = 60 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + BC + 25 = 60$$

$$\therefore AB + BC = 35 \quad \dots(i)$$

Now, by pythagoras theorem,

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

$$\Rightarrow (25)^2 = (AB)^2 + (BC)^2$$

$$\therefore AB^2 + BC^2 = 625 \quad \dots(ii)$$

We know that,  $(a + b)^2 = a^2 + b^2 + 2ab$

$$\text{then, } (AB + BC)^2 = (AB)^2 + (BC)^2 + 2AB \cdot BC$$

$$\Rightarrow (35)^2 = 625 + 2AB \cdot BC$$

$$\Rightarrow 2AB \cdot BC = 1225 - 625$$

$$\Rightarrow 2AB \cdot BC = 600$$

$$\therefore AB \cdot BC = 300$$

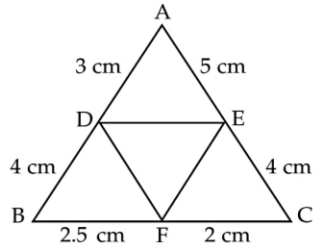
$$\therefore \text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times BC$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 300$$

$$= 150 \text{ cm}^2$$



Q. 9. In the given figure,  $AD = 3$  cm,  $AE = 5$  cm,  $BD = 4$  cm,  $CE = 4$  cm,  $CF = 2$  cm,  $BF = 2.5$  cm, then find the pair of parallel lines and hence their lengths.



[CBSE Term 1, Set 1, 2015]

Ans.  $\frac{EC}{EA} = \frac{4}{5}$  and  $\frac{CF}{FB} = \frac{2}{2.5} = \frac{4}{5}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{EC}{EA} = \frac{CF}{FB}$$

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $EF \parallel AB$

[Converse of Thales' theorem]

Also,  $\frac{CE}{CA} = \frac{4}{4+5} = \frac{4}{9}$  ... (i)

$$\frac{CF}{CB} = \frac{2}{2+2.5} = \frac{2}{4.5} = \frac{4}{9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{EC}{EA} = \frac{CF}{CB}$$

$$\angle ECF = \angle ACB \quad [\text{Common}]$$

$$\therefore \triangle CFE \sim \triangle CBA \quad [\text{SAS similarity}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{EF}{AB} = \frac{CE}{CA}$$

[In similar  $\triangle$ 's, corresponding sides are proportional]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{EF}{7} = \frac{4}{9} \quad [\because AB = 3 + 4 = 7 \text{ cm}]$$

$$\therefore EF = \frac{28}{9} \text{ cm and } AB = 7 \text{ cm}$$