# SIMILAR TRIANGLES

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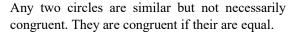
# CONCEPT OF SIMILARITY

Geometric figures having the same shape but different sizes are known as similar figures. Two congruent figures are always similar but similar figures need not be congruent.

# Illustration 1 :

Any two line segments are always similar but they need not be congruent. They are congruent, if their lengths are equal.

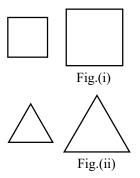
#### **Illustration 2 :**





**Illustration 3 :** 

(i) Any two square are similar (see fig. (i))



(ii) Any two equilateral triangles are similar (see fig. (ii))

# **SIMILAR POLYGONS**

#### Definition

Two polygons are said to be similar to each other, if

- (i) their corresponding angles are equal, and
- (ii) the lengths of their corresponding sides are proportional.

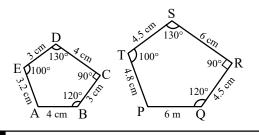
If two polygons ABCDE and PQRST are similar, then from the above definition it follows that :

Angle at A = Angle at P, Angle at B = Angle at Q, Angle at C = Angle at R, Angle at D = Angle at S, Angle at E = Angle at T

and, 
$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{CD}{RS} = \frac{DE}{ST}$$

If two polygons ABCDE and PQRST, are similar, we write ABCED ~ PQRST.

Here, the symbol '~' stands for is similar to.

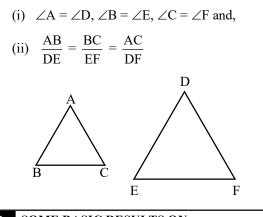


# SIMILAR TRIANGLE AND THEIR PROPERTIES

#### Definition

Two triangles are said to be similar, if their

- (i) corresponding angles are equal and,
- (ii) corresponding sides are proportional.
- Two triangles ABC and DEF are similar, if



SOME BASIC RESULTS ON PROPORTIONALITY

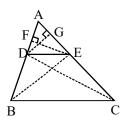
#### Sasic Proportionality Theorem or Thales Theorem

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.

**Given :** A triangle ABC in which DE  $\parallel$  BC, and intersects AB in D and AC in E.

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

**Construction :** Join BE, CD and draw  $EF \perp BA$  and  $DG \perp CA$ .



**Proof :** Since EF is perpendicular to AB. Therefore, EF is the height of triangles ADE and DBE.

Now, Area(
$$\triangle ADE$$
) =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (base × height) =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (AD.EF)  
and, Area( $\triangle DBE$ ) =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (base × height) =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (DB.EF)  
 $\therefore \frac{\text{Area}(\triangle ADE)}{\text{Area}(\triangle DBE)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(AD.EF)}{\frac{1}{2}(DB.BF)} = \frac{AD}{DB}$  .... (i)

Similarly, we have

$$\frac{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{ADE})}{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{DEC})} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(\text{AE.DG})}{\frac{1}{2}(\text{EC.DG})} = \frac{\text{AE}}{\text{EC}} \qquad \dots \text{ (ii)}$$

But,  $\Delta DBE$  and  $\Delta DEC$  are on the same base DE and between the same parallels DE and BC.

 $\therefore$  Area ( $\Delta DBE$ ) = Area ( $\Delta DEC$ )

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{DBE})} = \frac{1}{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{DEC})}$$

[Taking reciprocals of both sides]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ADE})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{DBE})} = \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ADE})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{DEC})}$$

[Multiplying both sides by Area ( $\Delta ADE$ )]

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \qquad [Using (i) and (ii)]$$

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

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

**Proof :** (i) From the basic proportionality theorem, we have

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

- $\Rightarrow \frac{DB}{AD} = \frac{EC}{AE}$  [Taking reciprocals of both sides]
- $\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{\text{DB}}{\text{AD}} = 1 + \frac{\text{EC}}{\text{AE}} \text{ [Adding 1 on both sides]}$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD + DB}{AD} = \frac{AE + EC}{AE} \Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE}$$

(ii) From the basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{DE}{EC}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD}{DB} + 1 = \frac{AE}{EC} + 1$$

[Adding 1 on both sides]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD + DB}{DB} = \frac{AE + EC}{EC} \Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{AC}{EC}$$

So, if in a  $\triangle ABC$ , DE || BC, and intersect AB in D and AC in E, then we have

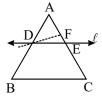
(i) 
$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$
  
(ii)  $\frac{DB}{AD} = \frac{EC}{AE}$   
(iii)  $\frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE}$   
(iv)  $\frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC}$   
(v)  $\frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{AC}{EC}$   
(vi)  $\frac{DB}{AB} = \frac{EC}{AC}$ 

#### 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.

**Given :** A  $\triangle$ ABC and a line l intersecting AB in D and AC in E, such that  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$ 

**To prove :**  $\ell \parallel BC$  i.e.  $DE \parallel BC$ 



**Proof :** If possible, let DE be not parallel to BC. Then, there must be another line parallel to BC. Let  $DF \parallel BC$ .

Since DF || BC. Therefore from Basic Proportionality Theorem, we get

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AF}{FC} \qquad \dots (i)$$

But, 
$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$
 (Given) ....(ii)

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AF}{FC} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

 $\Rightarrow \frac{AF}{FC} + 1 = \frac{AE}{EC} + 1 \text{ [Adding 1 on both sides]}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AF + FC}{FC} = \frac{AE + EC}{EC}$$

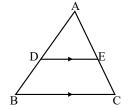
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AC}{FC} = \frac{AC}{EC} \Rightarrow FC = EC$$

This is possible only when F and E coincide i.e. DF is the line l itself. But, DF  $\parallel$  BC. Hence, l  $\parallel$  BC.

#### **\*** EXAMPLES **\***

**Ex.1** D and E are points on the sides AB and AC respectively of a  $\triangle$ ABC such that DE || BC.

Find the value of x, when



- (i) AD = 4 cm, DB = (x 4) cm, AE = 8 cm and EC = (3x - 19) cm
- (ii) AD = (7x 4) cm, AE = (5x 2) cm,

DB = (3x + 4) cm and EC = 3x cm.

**Sol.** (i) In 
$$\triangle$$
ABC, DE  $\parallel$  BC

 $\therefore \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$  (By thates theorem)  $\frac{4}{x-4} = \frac{8}{3x-19}$ 

$$4(3x - 19) = 8(x - 4)$$
  

$$12x - 76 = 8x - 32$$
  

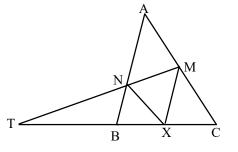
$$4x = 44$$
  

$$x = 17$$

(ii) In  $\triangle ABC$ , DE  $\parallel BC$ 

$$\therefore \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$
 (By thales theorem)  
$$\frac{7x-4}{3x+4} = \frac{5x-2}{3x}$$
$$21x^2 - 12x = 15x^2 - 6x + 20x - 8$$
$$6x^2 - 26x + 8 = 0$$
$$3x^2 - 13x + 4 = 0$$
$$(x-4)(3x-1) = 0 \Longrightarrow x = 4, 1/3$$

- **Ex.2** 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  $TX^2 = TB \times TC$ .
- **Sol.** In  $\Delta$ TXM, we have



 $XM \parallel BN$ 

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\text{TB}}{\text{TX}} = \frac{\text{TM}}{\text{TN}} \qquad \dots (i)$$

In  $\Delta$ TMC, we have

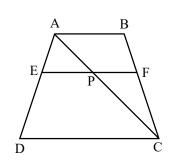
XN || CM

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\mathrm{TX}}{\mathrm{TC}} = \frac{\mathrm{TN}}{\mathrm{TM}} \qquad \dots (\mathrm{ii})$$

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

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

**Ex.3** In fig., EF || AB || DC. Prove that  $\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$ 



Sol. We have,

EF || AB || DC

$$\Rightarrow EP \parallel DC$$

Thus, in  $\triangle ADC$ , we have

Therefore, by basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AP}{PC} \qquad \dots (i)$$

Again, EF || AB || DC

$$\Rightarrow$$
 FP || AB

Thus, in  $\Delta CAB$ , we have

FP || BA

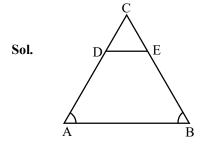
Therefore, by basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{BF}{FC} = \frac{AP}{PC} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$$

**Ex.4** In figure,  $\angle A = \angle B$  and  $DE \parallel BC$ . Prove that AD = BE



 $\angle A = \angle B$  (given)

 $\Rightarrow$  BC = AC ....(i)

(Sides opposite to equal angles are equal)

Now, DE  $\parallel AB$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\text{CD}}{\text{DA}} = \frac{\text{CE}}{\text{EB}}$$

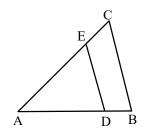
(By basic proportionality theorem)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{CD}}{\text{DA}} + 1 = \frac{\text{CE}}{\text{EB}} + 1$$

(Adding 1 on both sides)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CD + DA}{DA} = \frac{CE + EB}{EB} \Rightarrow \frac{CA}{DA} = \frac{CE}{EB}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AD} = \frac{BC}{BE} \Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AD} = \frac{AC}{BE}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{AD} = \frac{1}{BE} \Rightarrow AD = BE$$

**Ex.5** In fig., DE || BC. If AD = 4x - 3, DB = 3x - 1, AE = 8x - 7 and EC = 5x - 3, find the value of x.

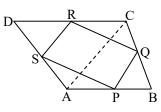


Sol. In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have  $DE \parallel BC$ 

$$\therefore \quad \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \quad [By \text{ Thale's Theorem}]$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{4x-3}{3x-1} = \frac{8x-7}{5x-3}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad (4x-3)(5x-3) = (3x-1)(8x-7)$$

- $\mathbf{x} = 1$
- **Ex.6** Prove that the line segment joining the midpoints of the adjacent sides of a quadrilateral form a parallelogram.
- Sol. Given : A quadrilateral ABCD in which P, Q, R, S are the midpoints of AB, BC, CD and DA respectively.

To prove : PQRS is a parallelogram.



**Construction :** Join AC.

**Proof :** In  $\triangle ABC$ , P and Q are the midpoints of AB and BC respectively.

:. PQ || AC ....(i)

In  $\Delta DAC$ , S and R are the midpoints of AD and CD respectively.

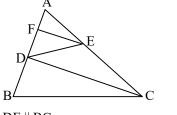
From (i) and (ii), we get PQ  $\parallel$  SR.

Similarly, PS || QR.

Hence, PQRS is a parallelogram

**Ex.7** In fig. DE || BC and CD || EF. Prove that  $AD^2 = AB \times AF$ .

**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC, we have



$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE} \qquad \dots (i)$$

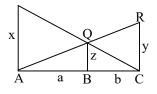
In  $\triangle$ ADC, we have

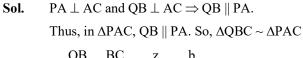
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD}{AF} = \frac{AC}{AE} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AD}{AF} \Rightarrow AD^2 = AB \times AF$$

**Ex.8** 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  $\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{z}$ .





$$\therefore \frac{QB}{PA} = \frac{BC}{AC} \Rightarrow \frac{Z}{x} = \frac{b}{a+b} \quad \dots(i)$$
[By the property of similar  $\Delta$ ]

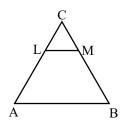
In 
$$\Delta RAC$$
, QB || RC. So,  $\Delta QBC \sim \Delta RAC$ 

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

[By the property of similar  $\Delta$ ] From (i) and (ii), we get

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

**Ex.9** In fig., LM || AB. If AL = x - 3, AC = 2x, BM = x - 2 and BC = 2x + 3, find the value of x.



**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC, we have

 $LM \, \| \, AB$ 

$$\therefore \quad \frac{AL}{LC} = \frac{MB}{MC} \quad [By Thale's Theorem]$$

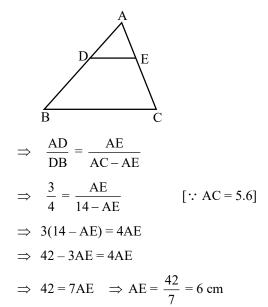
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AL}{AC - AL} = \frac{BM}{BC - BM}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{x - 3}{2x - (x - 3)} = \frac{x - 2}{(2x + 3) - (x - 2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x-3}{x+3} = \frac{x-2}{x+5}$$
$$\Rightarrow (x-3)(x+5) = (x-2)(x+3)$$
$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x - 15 = x^2 + x - 6$$
$$\Rightarrow x = 9$$

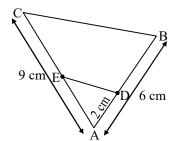
**Ex.10** In a given  $\triangle ABC$ , DE || BC and  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{3}{4}$ . If AC = 14 cm, find AE.

Sol. In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have  $DE \parallel BC$ 

$$\therefore \quad \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \qquad [By Thales Theorem]$$



**Ex.11** In figure, DE || BC. Find AE.



Sol. Let AE = x cmThen EC = (9 - x) cmAD = 2 cmDB = (6 - 2) cm = 4 cm We have  $\frac{AE}{BE} = \frac{AD}{DB}$ 

[By Basic Proportionality Theorem]

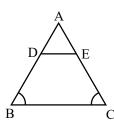
$$\Rightarrow \frac{x}{9-x} = \frac{2}{4} \qquad \Rightarrow 4x = 2 (9-x)$$
$$\Rightarrow 6x = 18 \qquad \Rightarrow x = 3$$

Hence, AE = 3 cm

- **Ex.12** In figure, ABC is a triangle in which AB = AC. Points D and E are points on the sides AB and AC respectively such that AD = AE. Show that the points B, C, E and D are concyclic.
- Sol. In order to prove that the points B, C, E and D are concyclic, it is sufficient to show that  $\angle ABC + \angle CED = 180^{\circ}$  and  $\angle ACB + \angle BDE = 180^{\circ}$ .

In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have

$$AB = AC \text{ and } AD = AE$$



$$\Rightarrow$$
 AB - AD = AC - AE

$$\Rightarrow$$
 DB = EC

Thus, we have

AD = AE and DB = EC

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

 $\Rightarrow \ DE \, \| \, BC$ 

[By the converse of Thale's Theorem]

- $\Rightarrow \angle ABC = \angle ADE$  [Corresponding angles]
- $\Rightarrow \angle ABC + \angle BDE = \angle ADE + \angle BDE$

[Adding  $\angle$  BDE on both sides]

$$\Rightarrow \angle ABC + \angle BDE = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ACB + \angle BDE = 180^{\circ}$$

$$[:: AB = AC :: \angle ABC = \angle ACB]$$

Again, DE  $\parallel$  BC

- $\Rightarrow \angle ACB = \angle AED$
- $\Rightarrow \angle ACB + \angle CED = \angle AED + \angle CED$

[Adding ∠CED on both sides]

 $\Rightarrow \angle ACB + \angle CED = 180^{\circ}$ 

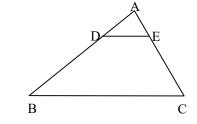
$$\Rightarrow \angle ABC + \angle CED = 180^{\circ} [\because \angle ABC = \angle ACB]$$

Thus, BDEC is quadrilateral such that

 $\angle ACB + \angle BDE = 180^{\circ}$  and

 $\angle ABC + \angle CED = 180^{\circ}$ 

**Ex.13** In fig.,  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{1}{4}$ . Using converse of basic proportionality theorem, prove that DE || BC.



**Sol.** 
$$\frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{1}{4}$$

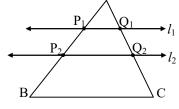
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AE} = 4 \Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AE} - 1 = 3$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC - AE}{AE} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{EC}{AE} = 3 \Rightarrow \frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{1}{3}$$

**Ex.14** Using basic proportionality theorem, prove that the lines drawn through the points of trisection of one side of a triangle parallel to another side trisect the third side.

Sol.



 $l_1 \parallel BC, l_2 \parallel BC$ and  $AP_1 = P_1P_2 = P_2B$  (given)

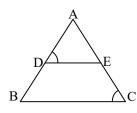
$$=\frac{1}{3}AB.$$

To prove,  $AQ_1 = Q_1Q_2 = Q_2B$ 

$$=\frac{1}{3}$$
AC.

Proof 
$$\frac{AQ_1}{AC} = \frac{AP_1}{AB} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}AB}{AB}$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \frac{AQ_1}{AC} = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow AQ_1 = \frac{1}{3}AC$ 

**Ex.15** In the given figure,  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$  and  $\angle ADE = \angle ACB$ . Prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.



Sol. We have,

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC} \Rightarrow DE \parallel BC$$

[By the converse of Thale's theorem]

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

But,  $\angle ADE = \angle ACB$  (given)

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

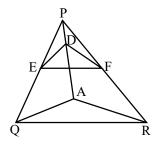
So, AB = AC [sides opposite to equal angles]

Hence,  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangles.

Ex.16In fig., if DE  $\parallel$  AQ and DF  $\parallel$  AR. Prove that<br/>EF  $\parallel$  QR.[NCERT]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle PQA$ , we have





Therefore, by basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{PE}{EQ} = \frac{PD}{DA} \qquad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle PAR$ , we have

Therefore, by basic proportionality theorem, we have

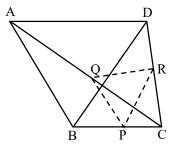
$$\frac{PD}{DA} = \frac{PF}{FR} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{PE}{EQ} = \frac{PF}{FR}$$

$$\Rightarrow EF \parallel QR \qquad [By the converse of Basic Proportionality Theorem]$$

- Ex.17 Two triangles ABC and DBC lie on the same side of the base BC. From a point P on BC, PQ || AB and PR || BD are drawn. They meet AC in Q and DC in R respectively. Prove that QR || AD.
- **Sol.** Given : Two triangles ABC and DBC lie on the same side of the base BC. Points P, Q and R are points on BC, AC and CD respectively such that PR || BD and PQ || AB.



To Prove : QR || AD

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

PQ || AB

$$\therefore \quad \frac{CP}{PB} = \frac{CQ}{QA} \qquad \qquad \dots (i)$$

[By Basic Proportionality Theorem]

In  $\triangle$ BCD, we have

$$\therefore \quad \frac{CP}{PB} = \frac{CR}{RD} \qquad \dots ....(ii)$$

[By Thale's Theorem]

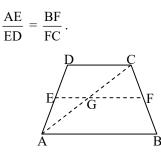
From (i) and (ii), we have

 $\frac{CQ}{QA} = \frac{CR}{RD}$ 

Thus, in  $\triangle ACD$ , Q and R are points on AC and CD respectively such that

$$\frac{CQ}{QA} = \frac{CR}{RD}$$

- $\Rightarrow QR \| AD \qquad [By the converse of Basic proportionality theorem]$
- **Ex.18** ABCD is a trapezium with AB || DC. E and F are points on non-parallel sides AD and BC respectively such that EF || AB. Show that



**Sol.** Given : A trap. ABCD in which AB || DC. E and F are points on AD and BC respectively such that EF || AB.

**To prove :**  $\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$ 

Construction : Ioin AC, intersecting EF at G.

**Proof :** EF || AB and AB || DC

$$\Rightarrow$$
 EF  $\parallel$  DC

Now, in  $\triangle ADC$ , EG  $\parallel DC$ 

$$\therefore \frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AG}{GC} \qquad \dots (i) [By Thale's theorem]$$

Similarly, in  $\triangle CAB$ , GF || AB.

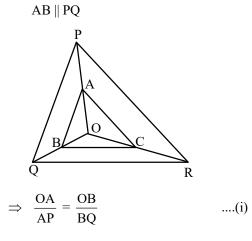
$$\therefore \quad \frac{AG}{GC} = \frac{BF}{FC} \qquad \dots (ii)$$
$$[\because \quad \frac{GC}{AG} = \frac{FC}{BF} \text{ by Thale's theorem}]$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$$

Ex.19 In fig., A, B and C are points on OP, OQ and OR respectively such that AB || PQ and AC || PR. Show that BC || QR. [NCERT]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle OPQ$ , we have



In  $\triangle OQR$ , we have

 $BC \parallel QR$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{OB}{BQ} = \frac{OC}{CR} \qquad \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{OA}{AP} = \frac{OC}{CR}$$

Thus, A and C are points on sides OP and OR respectively of  $\triangle OPR$ , such that

$$\frac{OA}{AP} = \frac{OC}{CR}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  AC || PR [Using the converse of BPT]

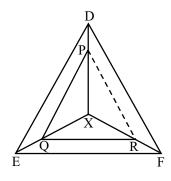
- **Ex.20** Any point X inside  $\Delta DEF$  is joined to its vertices. From a point P in DX, PQ is drawn parallel to DE meeting XE at Q and QR is drawn parallel to EF meeting XF in R. Prove that PR || DF.
- Sol. A  $\triangle DEF$  and a point X inside it. Point X is joined to the vertices D, E and F. P is any point on DX. PQ || DE and QR || EF.

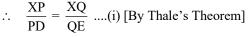
To Prove : PR || DF

Construction : Join PR.

**Proof :** In  $\triangle$ XED, we have

PQ || DE





In  $\Delta XEF$ , we have

QR || EF

$$\therefore \quad \frac{XQ}{QE} = \frac{XR}{RF} \quad ...(ii) \text{ [By Thale's Theorem]}$$

From (i) and (ii), we have

$$\frac{XP}{PD} = \frac{XR}{RF}$$

Thus, in  $\Delta XFD$ , points R and P are dividing sides XF and XD in the same ratio. Therefore, by the converse of Basic Proportionality Theorem, we have, PR || DF

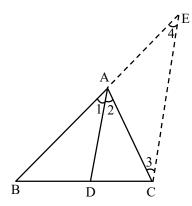
#### Theorem 1:

The internal bisector of an angle of a triangle divides the opposite side internally in the ratio of the sides containing the angle.

Given : A  $\triangle ABC$  in which AD is the internal bisector of  $\angle A$  and meets BC in D.

**To Prove :** 
$$\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

Construction : Draw CE || DA to meet BA produced in E.



**Proof :** Since  $CE \parallel DA$  and AC cuts them.

 $\therefore \quad \angle 2 = \angle 3$ [Alternate angles] ....(i) and,  $\angle 1 = \angle 4$  [Corresponding angles] ....(ii) [:: AD is the bisector of  $\angle A$ ] But,  $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ 

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\angle 3 = \angle 4$$

Thus, in  $\triangle ACE$ , we have

$$\angle 3 = \angle 4$$
  
 $\Rightarrow AE = AC$  ....(iii)

[Sides opposite to equal angles are equal]

Now, in  $\triangle BCE$ , we have

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{BA}{AE}$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

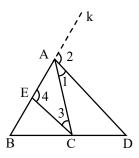
[:: BA = AB and AE = AC (From (iii))]

Hence, 
$$\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

# Theorem 2:

 $\Rightarrow$ 

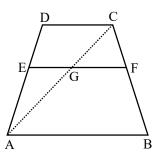
The external bisector of an angle of a triangle divides the opposite side externally in the ratio of the sides containing the angle.



- **Ex.21** Prove that any line parallel to the parallel sides of a trapezium divides the non-parallel sides proportionally.
- Sol. Given : A trapezium ABCD in which  $DC \parallel AB$  and EF is a line parallel to DC and AB.

**To Prove :** 
$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$$

Construction : Join AC, meeting EF in G.





 $EG \parallel DC$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AG}{GC} \quad [By Thale's Theorem]....(i)$$

In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have

 $GF \parallel AB$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AG}{GC} = \frac{BF}{FC}$$
[By Thale's Theorem]....(ii)

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$$

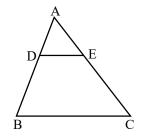
- **Ex.22** Prove that the line drawn from the mid-point of one side of a triangle parallel of another side bisects the third side.
- Sol. Given : A  $\triangle$ ABC, in which D is the midpoint of side AB and the line DE is drawn parallel to BC, meeting AC in E.

**To Prove :** E is the mid-point of AC i.e., AE = EC.

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

DE || BC

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$
[By Thale's Theorem] ....(i)



But, D is the mid-point of AB.

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AD = DB

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD}{DB} = 1 \qquad \qquad \dots (ii)$$

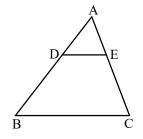
From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AE}{EC} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AE = EC

Hence, E bisects AC.

- Ex.23 Prove that the line joining the mid-point of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side. [NCERT]
- **Sol.** Given : A  $\triangle$ ABC in which D and E are midpoint of sides AB and AC respectively.



To Prove : DE || BC

**Proof :** Since D and E are mid-points of AB and AC respectively.

 $\therefore$  AD = DB and AE = EC

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AE}{DB} = 1 \text{ and } \frac{AE}{EC} = 1$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

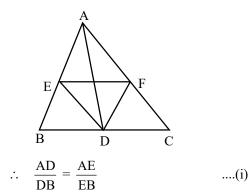
Thus, the line DE divides the sides AB and AC of  $\triangle$ ABC in the same ratio. Therefore, by the converse of Basic Proportionality Theorem, we have

DE || BC

- **Ex.24** AD is a median of  $\triangle$ ABC. The bisector of  $\angle$ ADB and  $\angle$ ADC meet AB and AC in E and F respectively. Prove that EF || BC.
- Sol. Given : In  $\triangle ABC$ , AD is the median and DE and DF are the bisectors of  $\angle ADB$  and  $\angle ADC$  respectively, meeting AB and AC in E and F respectively.

**To Prove :** EF || BC

**Proof** : In  $\triangle ADB$ , DE is the bisector of  $\angle ADB$ .



In  $\triangle$ ADC, DF is the bisector of  $\angle$ ADC.

$$\therefore \quad \frac{AD}{DC} = \frac{AF}{FC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AF}{FC} \begin{bmatrix} \because AD \text{ is the median} \\ \therefore BD = DC \end{bmatrix} \dots (ii)$$

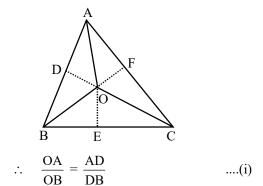
From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AE}{EB} = \frac{AF}{FC}$$

Thus, in  $\triangle ABC$ , line segment EF divides the sides AB and AC in the same ratio.

Hence, EF is parallel to BC.

- **Ex.25** O is any point inside a triangle ABC. The bisector of  $\angle AOB$ ,  $\angle BOC$  and  $\angle COA$  meet the sides AB, BC and CA in point D, E and F respectively. Show that AD × BE × CF = DB × EC × FA.
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle AOB$ , OD is the bisector of  $\angle AOB$ .



In  $\triangle BOC$ , OE is the bisector of  $\angle BOC$ .

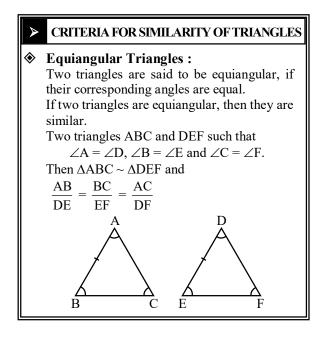
$$\therefore \quad \frac{OB}{OC} = \frac{BE}{EC} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

In  $\triangle COA$ , OF is the bisector of  $\angle COA$ 

$$\therefore \quad \frac{OC}{OA} = \frac{CF}{FA} \qquad \dots (iii)$$

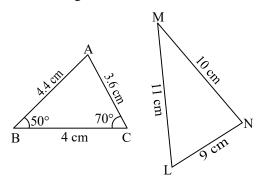
Multiplying the corresponding sides of (i), (ii) and (iii), we get

$$\frac{OA}{OB} \times \frac{OB}{OC} \times \frac{OC}{OA} = \frac{AD}{DB} \times \frac{BE}{EC} \times \frac{CF}{FA}$$
$$\Rightarrow 1 = \frac{AD}{DB} \times \frac{BE}{EC} \times \frac{CF}{FA}$$
$$\Rightarrow DB \times EC \times FA = AD \times BE \times CF$$
$$\Rightarrow AD \times BE \times CF = DB \times EC \times FA$$



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**Ex.26** In figure, find  $\angle L$ .



**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ LMN,

$$\frac{AB}{LM} = \frac{4.4}{11} = \frac{2}{5}$$
$$\frac{BC}{MN} = \frac{4}{10} = \frac{2}{5}$$
and  $\frac{CA}{NL} = \frac{3.6}{9} = \frac{2}{5}$ 
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{LM} = \frac{BC}{MN} = \frac{CA}{NL}$$
$$\Rightarrow \Delta ABC \sim \Delta LMN \quad (SSS similarity)$$
$$\Rightarrow \angle L = \angle A$$
$$= 180^{\circ} - \angle B - \angle C$$

$$= 180^{\circ} - 50^{\circ} - 70^{\circ} = 60^{\circ}$$

 $\Rightarrow \angle L = 60^{\circ}$ 

**Ex.27** Examine each pair of triangles in Figure, and state which pair of triangles are similar. Also, state the similarity criterion used by you for answering the question and write the similarity relation in symbolic form.

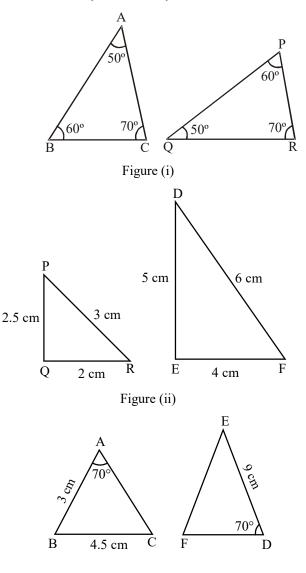


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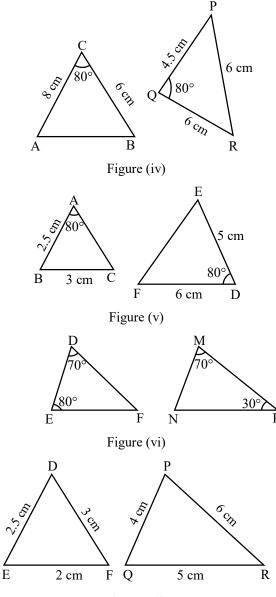


Figure (vii)

**Sol.** (i)  $\angle A = \angle Q$ ,  $\angle B = \angle P$  and  $\angle C = \angle R$ .

 $\therefore \Delta ABC \sim \Delta QPR$  (AAA-similarity)

(ii) In triangle PQR and DEF, we observe that

$$\frac{PQ}{DE} = \frac{QR}{EF} = \frac{PR}{DF} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Therefore, by SSS-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta PQR \sim \Delta DEF$$

- (iii) SAS-similarity is not satisfied as included angles are not equal.
- (iv)  $\Delta CAB \sim \Delta QRP$  (SAS-similarity), as

$$\frac{CA}{QR} = \frac{CB}{QP} \text{ and } \angle C = \angle Q.$$

(v) In  $\Delta$ 's ABC and DEF, we have

$$\angle A = \angle D = 80^{\circ}$$

But,  $\frac{AB}{DE} \neq \frac{AC}{DF}$  [:: AC is not given]

So, by SAS-criterion of similarity these two triangles are not similar.

(vi) In  $\Delta$ 's DEF and MNP, we have

$$\angle D = \angle M = 70^{\circ}$$

$$\angle E = \angle N = 80^{\circ}$$
 [::  $\angle N = 180^{\circ} - \angle M - \angle P$   
=  $180^{\circ} - 70^{\circ} - 30^{\circ} = 80^{\circ}$ ]

So, by AA-criterion of similarity

 $\Delta DEF \sim \Delta MNP.$ 

(vii) FE = 2 cm, FD = 3 cm, ED = 2.5 cm

PQ = 4 cm, PR = 6 cm, QR = 5 cm

 $\therefore \Delta FED \sim \Delta PQR$  (SSS-similarity)

- **Ex.28** In figure, QA and PB are perpendicular to AB. If AO = 10 cm, BO = 6 cm and PB = 9 cm. Find AQ.
- Sol. In triangles AOQ and BOP, we have

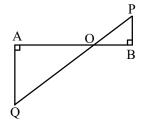
 $\angle OAQ = \angle OBP$  [Each equal to 90°]

 $\angle AOQ = \angle BOP$ 

[Vertically opposite angles]

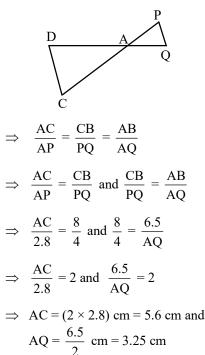
Therefore, by AA-criterion of similarity

 $\Delta AOQ \sim \Delta BOP$ 



$$\Rightarrow \frac{AO}{BO} = \frac{OQ}{OP} = \frac{AO}{BP}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AO}{BO} = \frac{AQ}{BP} \Rightarrow \frac{10}{6} = \frac{AQ}{9}$$
$$\Rightarrow AQ = \frac{10 \times 9}{6} = 15 \text{ cm}$$

- **Ex.29** In figure,  $\triangle ACB \sim \triangle APQ$ . If BC = 8 cm, PQ = 4 cm, BA = 6.5 cm, AP = 2.8 cm, find CA and AQ.
- **Sol.** We have,  $\triangle ACB \sim \triangle APQ$



- **Ex.30** The perimeters of two similar triangles ABC and PQR are respectively 36 cm and 24 cm. If PQ = 10 cm, find AB.
- **Sol.** Since the ratio of the corresponding sides of similar triangles is same as the ratio of their perimeters.

$$\therefore \quad \Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{36}{24}$$

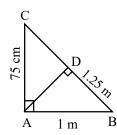
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{36}{24} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{10} = \frac{36}{24}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad AB = \quad \frac{36 \times 10}{24} \text{ cm} = 15 \text{ cm}$$

- **Ex.31** In figure,  $\angle CAB = 90^{\circ}$  and  $AD \perp BC$ . If AC = 75 cm, AB = 1 m and BD = 1.25 m, find AD.
- Sol. We have,
  - AB = 1 m = 100 cm, AC = 75 cm and BD = 125 cm
  - In  $\triangle$ BAC and  $\triangle$ BDA, we have

$$\angle BAC = \angle BDA$$
 [Each equal to 90°]

and, 
$$\angle B = \angle B$$



So, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

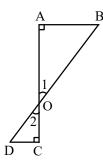
$$\Delta BAC \sim \Delta BDA$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BA}{BD} = \frac{AC}{AD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{100}{125} = \frac{75}{AD}$$

$$\Rightarrow AD = \frac{125 \times 75}{100} \text{ cm} = 93.75 \text{ cm}$$

**Ex.32** In figure, if  $\angle A = \angle C$ , then prove that  $\triangle AOB \sim \triangle COD$ .

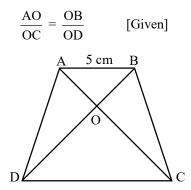


Sol. In triangles AOB and COD, we have

 $\angle A = \angle C$  [Given] and,  $\angle 1 = \angle 2$  [Vertically opposite angles] Therefore, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have  $\triangle AOB \sim \triangle COD$ 

- **Ex.33** In figure,  $\frac{AO}{OC} = \frac{BO}{OD} = \frac{1}{2}$  and AB = 5 cm. Find the value of DC.
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$ , we have

 $\angle AOB = \angle COD$  [Vertically opposite angles]



So, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we have

 $\Delta AOB \sim \Delta COD$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AO}{OC} = \frac{BO}{OD} = \frac{AB}{DC}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{DC} \qquad [\because AB = 5 \text{ cm}]$$
$$\Rightarrow DC = 10 \text{ cm}$$

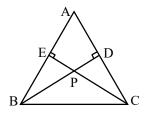
- **Ex.34** In figure, considering triangles BEP and CPD, prove that  $BP \times PD = EP \times PC$ .
- Sol. Given : A  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $BD \perp AC$  and  $CE \perp AB$  and BD and CE intersect at P.

To Prove :  $BP \times PD = EP \times PC$ 

**Proof :** In  $\triangle$ EPB and  $\triangle$ DPC, we have

 $\angle PEB = \angle PDC$  [Each equal to 90°]

 $\angle EPB = \angle DPC$  [Vertically opposite angles]



Thus, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta EPB \sim \Delta DPC$$

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$$\frac{EP}{DP} = \frac{PB}{PC}$$

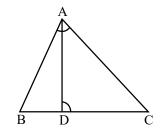
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 $\Rightarrow$  BP × PD = EP × PC

**Ex.35** D is a point on the side BC of  $\triangle$ ABC such that  $\angle$ ADC =  $\angle$ BAC. Prove that  $\frac{CA}{CD} = \frac{CB}{CA}$ or, CA<sup>2</sup> = CB × CD.

**Sol.** In 
$$\triangle$$
ABC and  $\triangle$ DAC, we have

$$\angle ADC = \angle BAC$$
 and  $\angle C = \angle C$ 



Therefore, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DAC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DA} = \frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{AC}{DC}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{CB}{CA} = \frac{CA}{CD}$$

**Ex.36** P and Q are points on sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ . If AP = 3 cm, PB = 6 cm. AQ = 5 cm and QC = 10 cm, show that BC = 3PQ.

Sol. We have,

$$AB = AP + PB = (3 + 6) cm = 9 cm$$

and, AC = AQ + QC = (5 + 10) cm = 15 cm.

Thus, in triangles APQ and ABC, we have

$$\frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{AQ}{AC} \text{ and } \angle A = \angle A \text{ [Common]}$$

Therefore, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we have

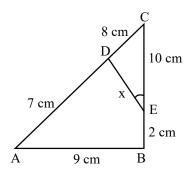
$$\Delta APQ \sim \Delta ABC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{PQ}{BC} = \frac{AQ}{AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{PQ}{BC} = \frac{AQ}{AC} \Rightarrow \frac{PQ}{BC} = \frac{5}{15}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{PQ}{BC} = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow BC = 3PQ$$

**Ex.37** In figure,  $\angle A = \angle CED$ , prove that  $\triangle CAB \sim \triangle CED$ . Also, find the value of x.



**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ CAB and  $\triangle$ CED, we have

 $\angle A = \angle CED$  and  $\angle C = \angle C$  [common]

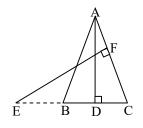
$$\therefore \Delta CAB \sim \Delta CED$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CA}{CE} = \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{CB}{CD}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{CB}{CD} \Rightarrow \frac{9}{x} = \frac{10+2}{8}$$

 $\Rightarrow x = 6 cm$ 

**Ex.38** In the figure, E is a point on side CB produced of an isosceles  $\triangle ABC$  with AB = AC. If  $AD \perp BC$  and  $EF \perp AC$ , prove that

 $\Delta ABD \sim \Delta ECF.$ 



Sol. Given : A  $\triangle ABC$  in which AB = AC and  $AD \perp BC$ . Side CB is produced to E and  $EF \perp AC$ .

**To prove :**  $\triangle ABD \sim \triangle ECF$ .

**Proof :** we known that the angles opposite to equal sides of a triangle are equal.

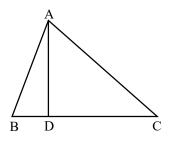
$$\therefore \quad \angle \mathbf{B} = \angle \mathbf{C} \qquad [\because \mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{AC}]$$

Now, in  $\triangle ABD$  and  $\triangle ECF$ , we have

 $\angle B = \angle C$  [proved above]  $\angle ADB = \angle EFC = 90^{\circ}$ 

 $\therefore \Delta ABD \sim \Delta ECF [By AA-similarity]$ 

- **Ex.39** In figure,  $\angle BAC = 90^{\circ}$  and segment  $AD \perp BC$ . Prove that  $AD^2 = BD \times DC$ .
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABD and  $\triangle$ ACD, we have



 $\angle ADB = \angle ADC$  [Each equal to 90°]

and,  $\angle DBA = \angle DAC$ 

 $\begin{bmatrix} \text{Each equal to complement of} \\ \angle \text{BAD i.e.}, 90^\circ - \angle \text{BAD} \end{bmatrix}$ 

Therefore, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

 $\Delta DBA \sim \Delta DAC$ 

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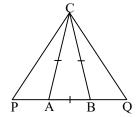
$$\begin{bmatrix} \therefore \angle D \leftrightarrow \angle D, \angle DBA \leftrightarrow \angle DAC \\ and \angle BAD \leftrightarrow \angle DCA \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{DB}{DA} = \frac{DA}{DC} \\\begin{bmatrix} \text{In similar triangles corresponding} \\ \text{sides are proportional} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{BD}{AD} = \frac{AD}{DC} \quad \Rightarrow \quad AD^2 = BD \times DC$$

**Ex.40** In an isosceles  $\triangle ABC$ , the base AB is produced both ways in P and Q such that

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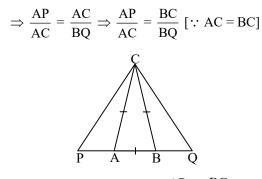
 $AP \times BQ = AC^2$  and CE are the altitudes. Prove that  $\triangle ACP \sim \triangle BCQ$ .



$$\Rightarrow 180^{\circ} - \angle CAB = 180^{\circ} - \angle CBA$$
$$\Rightarrow \angle CAP = \angle CBQ$$

 $CA = CB \Longrightarrow \angle CAB = \angle CBA$ 

Now,  $AP \times BQ = AC^2$ 



Thus, 
$$\angle CAP = \angle CBQ$$
 and  $\frac{AP}{AC} = \frac{BC}{BQ}$ .

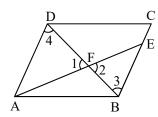
 $\therefore \Delta ACP \sim \Delta BCQ.$ 

**Ex.41** The diagonal BD of a parallelogram ABCD intersects the segment AE at the point F, where E is any point on the side BC. Prove that  $DF \times EF = FB \times FA$ .

**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ AFD and  $\triangle$ BFE, we have

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2$$
 [Vertically opposite angles]





So, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta FBE \sim \Delta FDA$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{FB}{FD} = \frac{FD}{FA} \Rightarrow \frac{FB}{DF} = \frac{EF}{FA}$$
$$\Rightarrow DF \times EF = FB \times FA$$

- **Ex.42** Through the mid-point M of the side CD of a parallelogram ABCD, the line BM is drawn intersecting AC in L and AD produced in E. Prove that EL = 2 BL.
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle$ BMC and  $\triangle$ EMD, we have

$$MC = MD$$
 [:: M is the mid-point of CD]

 $\angle CMB = \angle EMD$  [Vertically opposite angles]

and,  $\angle$  MBC =  $\angle$  MED [Alternate angles]

So, by AAS-criterion of congruence, we have

$$. \quad \Delta BMC \cong \Delta EMD$$

$$\Rightarrow BC = DE \qquad \dots(i)$$

Also, 
$$AD = BC$$
 ....(ii)

[:: ABCD is a parallelogram]

$$AD + DE = BC + BC$$

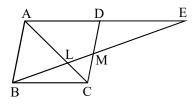
$$\Rightarrow$$
 AE = 2 BC ....(iii)

Now, in  $\triangle AEL$  and  $\triangle CBL$ , we have

 $\angle ALE = \angle CLB$ [Vertically opposite angles]

 $\angle EAL = \angle BCL$ [Alternate angles]

So, by AA-criterion of similarity of triangles, we have



 $\Delta AEL \sim \Delta CBL$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{EL}{BL} = \frac{AE}{CB} \Rightarrow \frac{EL}{BL} = \frac{2BC}{BC}$$

[Using equations (iii)]

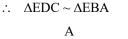
$$\Rightarrow \frac{EL}{BL} = 2$$
$$\Rightarrow EL = 2BL$$

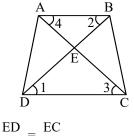
- **Ex.43** In figure, ABCD is a trapezium with AB  $\parallel$  DC. If  $\triangle$ AED is similar to  $\triangle$ BEC, prove that AD = BC.
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle$ EDC and  $\triangle$ EBA, we have

 $\angle 1 = \angle 2$  [Alternate angles]

$$\angle 3 = \angle 4$$
 [Alternate angles]

and,  $\angle CED = \angle AEB$ [Vertically opposite angles]





$$\Rightarrow \frac{ED}{EC} = \frac{EB}{EA} \qquad \dots (i)$$

It is given that  $\triangle AED \sim \triangle BEC$ 

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\text{ED}}{\text{EC}} = \frac{\text{EA}}{\text{EB}} = \frac{\text{AD}}{\text{BC}} \qquad \qquad \dots (\text{ii})$$

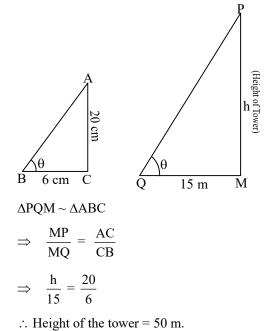
From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{EB}{EA} = \frac{EA}{EB}$$
$$\Rightarrow (EB)^2 = (EA)^2$$
$$\Rightarrow EB = EA$$

Substituting EB = EA in (ii), we get

$$\frac{\text{EA}}{\text{EA}} = \frac{\text{AD}}{\text{BC}} \implies \frac{\text{AD}}{\text{BC}} = 1$$

- $\Rightarrow AD = BC$
- Ex.44 A vertical stick 20 cm long casts a shadow 6 cm long on the ground. At the same time, a tower casts a shadow 15 m long on the ground. Find the height of the tower.

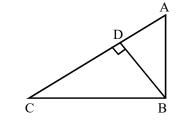


- Ex.45 If a perpendicular is drawn from the vertex containing the right angle of a right triangle to the hypotenuse then prove that the triangle on each side of the perpendicular are similar to each other and to the original triangle. Also, prove that the square of the perpendicular is equal to the product of the lengths of the two parts of the hypotenuse. [NCERT]
- Sol. Given : A right triangle ABC right angled at B,  $BD \perp AC$ .

To Prove :

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(v) $AB^2 = AD \times AC$	(vi) $BC^2 = CD \times AC$
(iii) $\Delta BDC \sim \Delta ABC$	(iv) $BD^2 = AD \times DC$
(i) $\Delta ADB \sim \Delta BDC$	(ii) $\triangle ADB \sim \triangle ABC$





(i) We have,

 $\angle ABD + \angle DBC = 90^{\circ}$ 

Also,  $\angle C + \angle DBC + \angle BDC = 180^{\circ}$ 

**Sol.** Let the sun's altitude at that moment be  $\theta$ .

$$\Rightarrow \angle C + \angle DBC + 90^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$
$$\Rightarrow \angle C + \angle DBC = 90^{\circ}$$
But,  $\angle ABD + \angle DBC = 90^{\circ}$ 
$$\therefore \angle ABD + \angle DBC = 40^{\circ}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ABD = \angle C \qquad \dots (i)$$

Thus, in  $\triangle ADB$  and  $\triangle BDC$ , we have

 $\angle ABD = \angle C$  [From (i)]

and,  $\angle ADB = \angle BDC$ [Each equal to 90°]

So, by AA-similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta ADB \sim \Delta BDC$$

(ii) In  $\triangle$ ADB and  $\triangle$ ABC, we have

 $\angle ADB = \angle ABC$  [Each equal to 90°]

and, 
$$\angle A = \angle A$$
 [Common]

So, by AA-similarity criterion, we have

 $\Delta ADB \sim \Delta ABC$ 

(iii) In  $\triangle$ BDC and  $\triangle$ ABC, we have

 $\angle BDC = \angle ABC$ [Each equal to 90°]

$$\angle C = \angle C$$
 [Common]

So, by AA-similarity criterion, we have

 $\Delta BDC \sim \Delta ABC$ 

(iv) From (i), we have

 $\Delta ADB \sim \Delta BDC$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD}{BD} = \frac{BD}{DC} \Rightarrow BD^2 = AD \times DC$$

(v) From (ii), we have

 $\Delta ADB \sim \Delta ABC$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AB}{AC} \Rightarrow AB^2 = AD \times AC$$

(vi) From (iii), we have

 $\Delta BDC \sim \Delta ABC$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{DC}{BC}$$
$$\Rightarrow BC^2 = CD \times AC$$

- **Ex.46** Prove that the line segments joining the mid points of the sides of a triangle form four triangles, each of which is similar to the original triangle.
- Sol. Given :  $\triangle ABC$  in which D, E, F are the mid-points of sides BC, CA and AB respectively.

To Prove : Each of the triangles AFE, FBD, EDC and DEF is similar to  $\triangle$ ABC.

**Proof :** Consider triangles AFE and ABC.

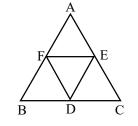
Since F and E are mid-points of AB and AC respectively.

 $\therefore$  FE || BC

 $\Rightarrow \angle AEF = \angle B$ 

[Corresponding angles]

Thus, in  $\triangle AFE$  and  $\triangle ABC$ , we have



 $\angle AFE = \angle B$ 

and,  $\angle A = \angle A$  [Common]

 $\therefore \quad \Delta AFE \sim \Delta ABC.$ 

Similarly, we have

 $\Delta$ FBD ~  $\Delta$ ABC and  $\Delta$ EDC ~  $\Delta$ ABC.

Now, we shall show that  $\Delta DEF \sim \Delta ABC$ .

Clearly,  $ED \parallel AF$  and  $DE \parallel EA$ .

 $\therefore$  AFDE is a parallelogram.

 $\Rightarrow \angle EDF = \angle A$ 

[:: Opposite angles of a parallelogram are equal]

Similarly, BDEF is a parallelogram.

 $\therefore \angle DEF = \angle B$ 

[:: Opposite angles of a parallelogram are equal]

Thus, in triangles DEF and ABC, we have

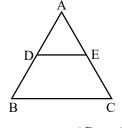
 $\angle EDF = \angle A \text{ and } \angle DEF = \angle B$ 

So, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

 $\Delta DEF \sim \Delta ABC.$ 

Thus, each one of the triangles AFE, FBD, EDC and DEF is similar to  $\triangle$ ABC.

- **Ex.47** In  $\triangle ABC$ , DE is parallel to base BC, with D on AB and E on AC. If  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{2}{3}$ , find  $\frac{BC}{DE}$ .
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC, we have



$$DE \parallel BC \quad \Rightarrow \frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE}$$

Thus, in triangles ABC and ADE, we have

$$\frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{AC}{AE}$$
 and,  $\angle A = \angle A$ 

Therefore, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle ADE$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AD}{AD} = \frac{BC}{DE} \qquad \dots (i)$$

It is given that

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DB}{AD} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DB}{AD} + 1 = \frac{3}{2} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DB + AD}{AD} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{5}{2} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

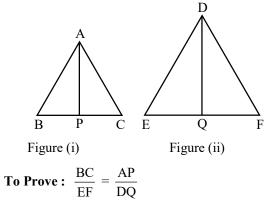
$$\frac{BC}{DE} = \frac{5}{2}$$

> MORE ON CHARACTERISTIC PROPERTIES

#### Theorem 1 :

If two triangles are equiangular, prove that the ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of the corresponding medians.

**Given :** Two triangles ABC and DEF in which  $\angle A = \angle D$ ,  $\angle B = \angle E$ ,  $\angle C = \angle F$ , AP and DQ are their medians.



**Proof :** Since equiangular triangles are similar.

$$\therefore \quad \Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} \Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{2BP}{2EQ}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \because P \text{ and } Q \text{ are mid} - po \text{ int s of } BC \\ and EF \text{ respectively} \\ \therefore BC = 2BP \text{ and } EF = 2EQ \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BP}{EQ} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

Now, in  $\triangle ABP$  and  $\triangle DFQ$ , we have

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BP}{EQ}$$
[From (ii)]

and, 
$$\angle B = \angle E$$
 [Given]

So, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta ABP \sim \Delta DEQ$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AP}{DQ} \qquad \qquad \dots (iii)$$

From (i) and (iii), we get

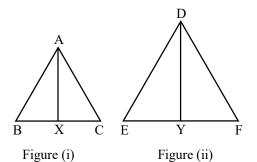
$$\frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AP}{DQ}$$

Hence, the ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of corresponding medians.

# Theorem 2:

If two triangles are equiangular, prove that the ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of the corresponding angle bisector segments.

**Given :** Two triangles ABC and DEF in which  $\angle A = \angle D$ ,  $\angle B = \angle E$ ,  $\angle C = \angle F$ ; and AX, DY are the bisectors of  $\angle A$  and  $\angle D$  respectively.



**To Prove :**  $\frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AX}{DY}$ 

**Proof :** Since equiangular triangles are similar.

 $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} \qquad \qquad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle ABX$  and DEY, we have

$$\angle B = \angle E$$
 [Given]

and, $\angle BAX = \angle EDY$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} \because \angle A = \angle D \implies \frac{1}{2} \angle A = \frac{1}{2} \angle D \\ \implies \angle BAX = \angle EDY \end{bmatrix}$$

So, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

 $\Delta ABX \sim \Delta DEY$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AX}{DY} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AX}{DY}$$

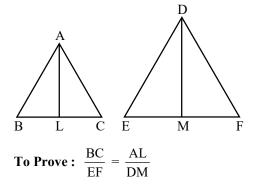
#### Theorem 3:

If two triangles are equiangular, prove that the ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of the corresponding altitudes.

Given : Two triangles ABC and DEF in which

$$\angle A = \angle D, \angle B = \angle E, \angle C = \angle F$$
 and

$$AL \perp BC, DM \perp EF$$



**Proof :** Since equiangular triangles are similar.

$$\therefore \quad \Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEH$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} \qquad \qquad \dots (i)$$

In triangle ALB and DME, we have

$$\angle ALB = \angle DME$$
 [Each equal to 90°]

$$\angle B = \angle E$$
 [Given]

So, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta ALB \sim \Delta DME$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AL}{DM} \qquad \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AL}{DM}$$

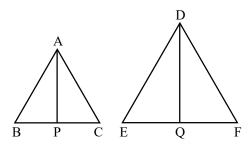
#### Theorem 4:

If one angle of a triangle is equal to one angle of another triangle and the bisectors of these equal angles divide the opposite side in the same ratio, prove that the triangles are similar. **Given :** Two triangles ABC and DEF in which  $\angle A = \angle D$ . The bisectors AP and DQ or  $\angle A$  and  $\angle D$  intersect BC and EF in P and Q respectively

such that  $\frac{BP}{PC} = \frac{EQ}{QF}$ .

# To Prove : $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

**Proof :** We know that the bisectors of an angle of triangle of a triangle intersects the opposite side in the ratio of the sides containing the angle.



 $\therefore$  AP is the bisector of  $\angle A$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{BP}{PC} = \frac{AB}{AC} \qquad \dots (i)$$

DQ is the bisector of  $\angle D$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{EQ}{QF} = \frac{DE}{DF} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

But, 
$$\frac{BP}{PC} = \frac{EQ}{QF}$$
 [Given]

Therefore, from (i) and (ii), we get

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

Thus, in triangles ABC and DEF, we have

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

[Given]

So, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we get

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$$

 $\angle A = \angle D$ 

# Theorem 5:

and,

If two sides and a median bisecting one of these sides of a triangle are respectively proportional to

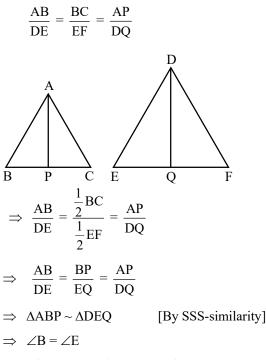
the two sides and the corresponding median of another triangle, then the triangles are similar.

Given :  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$  in which AP and DQare the medians such that[NCERT]

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AP}{DQ}$$

**To Prove :**  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ 

Proof : We have,



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

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF}$$
 [Given]

and,  $\angle B = \angle E$ 

So, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we get

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$$

#### Theorem 6:

If two sides and a median bisecting the third side of a triangle are respectively proportional to the corresponding sides and the median of another triangle, then the two triangles are similar.

#### [NCERT]

**Given :** Two triangle ABC and DEF in which AP and DQ are the medians such that

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{AP}{DQ}.$$

To Prove :  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ 

**Construction :** Produce AP to G so that PG = AP. Join CG. Also, produce DQ to H so that QH = DQ. Join FH.

**Proof :** In  $\triangle$ APB and  $\triangle$ GPC, we have

BP = CP	[:: AP is the median]
AP = GP	[By construction]

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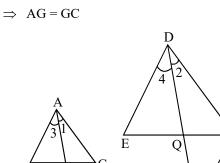
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and,  $\angle APB = \angle CPG$  [Vertically opposite angles]

So, by SAS-criterion of congruence, we have

$$\Delta APB \cong \Delta GPC$$



Again, In  $\triangle DQE$  and  $\triangle HQF$ , we have

EQ = FQ [:: DQ is the median]

DQ = HQ [By construction]

and,  $\angle DQE = \angle HQF$  [Vertically opposite angles]

So, by SAS-criterion of congruence, we have

 $\Delta DQE \cong \Delta HQF$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 DE = HF ....(ii)

Now, 
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{AP}{DQ}$$
 [Given]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{GC}}{\text{HF}} = \frac{\text{AC}}{\text{DF}} = \frac{\text{AP}}{\text{DQ}}$$

[:: AB = GC and DE = HF (from (i) and (ii))]

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\text{GC}}{\text{HF}} = \frac{\text{AC}}{\text{DF}} = \frac{2\text{AP}}{2\text{DQ}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{GC}{HF} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{AG}{DH}$$
  
[:: 2AP = AG and 2DQ = DH]

 $\Rightarrow \Delta AGC \sim \Delta DHF$ 

[By SSS-criterion of similarity]

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 = \angle 2$$

Similarly, we have

$$\angle 3 = \angle 4$$
  

$$\therefore \quad \angle 1 + \angle 3 = \angle 2 + \angle 4$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle A = \angle D \qquad \dots (iii)$$

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

$$\angle A = \angle D$$
 [From (iii)]

and, 
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$
 [Given]

So, by SAS-criterion of similarity, we have

 $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$ 

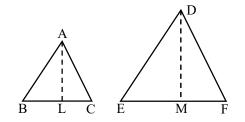
# > AREAS OF TWO SIMILAR TRIANGLES

# Theorem 1:

The ratio of the areas of two similar triangles are equal to the ratio of the squares of any two corresponding sides.

Given : Two triangles ABC and DEF such that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ .

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



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

**Proof :** Since similar triangles are equiangular and their corresponding sides are proportional. Therefore,

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$$
  
$$\Rightarrow \angle A = \angle D, \angle B = \angle E, \angle C = \angle F$$

and 
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$
 ....(i)

Thus, in  $\triangle ALB$  and  $\triangle DME$ , we have

 $\Rightarrow \angle ALB = \angle DME \qquad [Each equal to 90^{\circ}]$ and,  $\angle B = \angle E \qquad [From (i)]$ 

So, by AA-criterion of similarity, we have

$$\Delta ALB \sim \Delta DME$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AL}{DM} = \frac{AB}{DE} \qquad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{AL}{DM} \qquad \dots (iii)$$

Now,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(BC \times AL)}{\frac{1}{2}(EF \times DM)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{BC}{EF} \times \frac{AL}{DM}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{BC}{EF} \times \frac{BC}{EF} \left[\text{From(iii)}, \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AL}{DM}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{BC^{2}}{EF^{2}}$$
But,  $\frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF}$ 

$$BC^{2} = AB^{2} = AC^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{EF^2} = \frac{1}{DE^2} = \frac{1}{DF^2}$$

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

# Theorem 2:

If the areas of two similar triangles are equal, then the triangles are congruent i.e. equal and similar triangles are congruent.

**Given :** Two triangles ABC and DEF such that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  and Area ( $\triangle ABC$ ) = Area ( $\triangle DEF$ ).

To Prove : We have,

 $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$ 

**Proof :**  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ 

$$\Rightarrow \angle A = \angle D, \ \angle B = \angle E, \ \angle C = \angle F \text{ and}$$
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF}$$

In order to prove that  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$ , it is sufficient to show that AB = DE, BC = EF and AC = DF.

Now, Area ( $\triangle ABC$ ) = Area ( $\triangle DEF$ )

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area}(\Delta DEF)} = 1$$
  

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB^2}{DE^2} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2} = 1$$
  

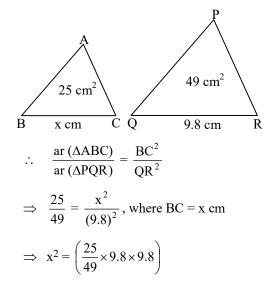
$$\left[ \because \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area}(\Delta DEF)} = \frac{AB^2}{DE^2} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2} \right]$$
  

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = DE^2, BC^2 = EF^2 \text{ and } AC^2 = DF^2$$
  

$$\Rightarrow AB = DE, BC = EF \text{ and } AC = DF$$
  
Hence,  $\Delta ABC \cong \Delta DEF$ .

#### **♦ EXAMPLES ♦**

- **Ex.48** The areas of two similar triangles  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$  are 25 cm<sup>2</sup> and 49 cm<sup>2</sup> respectively. If QR = 9.8 cm, find BC.
- **Sol.** It is being given that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$ , ar  $(\triangle ABC) = 25 \text{ cm}^2$  and ar  $(\triangle PQR) = 49 \text{ cm}^2$ . We know that the ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides.



$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{49} \times 9.8 \times 9.8} = \left(\frac{5}{7} \times 9.8\right) = (5 \times 1.4) = 7.4$$

Hence BC = 7 cm.

- **Ex.49** In two similar triangles ABC and PQR, if their corresponding altitudes AD and PS are in the ratio 4 : 9, find the ratio of the areas of  $\Delta$ ABC and  $\Delta$ PQR.
- **Sol.** Since the areas of two similar triangles are in the ratio of the squares of the corresponding altitudes.

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ABC})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{PQR})} = \frac{\text{AD}^2}{\text{PS}^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ABC})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{PQR})} = \left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^2 = \frac{16}{81}$$
$$[\because \text{AD} : \text{PS} = 4 : 9]$$

Hence, Area ( $\triangle ABC$ ) : Area ( $\triangle PQR$ ) = 16 : 81

- **Ex.50** If  $\triangle ABC$  is similar to  $\triangle DEF$  such that  $\triangle DEF = 64 \text{ cm}^2$ , DE = 5.1 cm and area of  $\triangle ABC = 9 \text{ cm}^2$ . Determine the area of AB.
- **Sol.** Since the ratio of areas of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of any two corresponding sides.

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ABC})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{DEF})} = \frac{\text{AB}^2}{\text{DE}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{9}{64} = \frac{AB^2}{(5.1)^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{3.65} \Rightarrow AB = 1.912 \text{ cm}$$

- **Ex.51** If  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  such that area of  $\triangle ABC$  is  $16cm^2$  and the area of  $\triangle DEF$  is  $25cm^2$  and BC = 2.3 cm. Find the length of EF.
- Sol. We have,

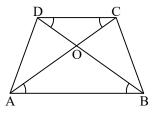
$$\frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ABC})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{DEF})} = \frac{\text{BC}^2}{\text{EF}^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{16}{25} = \frac{(2.3)^2}{\text{EF}^2} \Rightarrow \text{EF} = \sqrt{8.265}$$
$$= 2.875 \text{ cm}$$

**Ex.52** In a trapezium ABCD, O is the point of intersection of AC and BD, AB || CD and

 $AB = 2 \times CD$ . If the area of  $\triangle AOB = 84 \text{ cm}^2$ . Find the area of  $\triangle COD$ .

**Sol.** In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$ , we have

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$$\angle OAB = \angle OCD \text{ (alt. int. } \angle s)$$
  
 $\angle OBA = \angle ODC \text{ (alt. int. } \angle s)$   
 $\triangle AOB \sim \triangle COD \text{ [By AA-similarity]}$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\operatorname{ar} (\Delta AOB)}{\operatorname{ar} (\Delta COD)} = \frac{AB^2}{CD^2} = \frac{(2CD)^2}{CD^2}$$

$$[:: AB = 2 \times CD]$$

$$=\frac{4\times CD^2}{CD^2}=4$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{ar} (\Delta \operatorname{COD}) = 1/4 \times \operatorname{ar} (\Delta \operatorname{AOB})$$
$$= \left(\frac{1}{4} \times 84\right) \operatorname{cm}^2 = 21 \operatorname{cm}^2$$

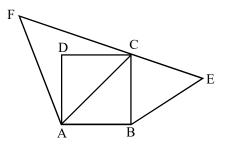
Hence, the area of  $\triangle COD$  is 21 cm<sup>2</sup>.

- **Ex.53** Prove that the area of the triangle BCE described on one side BC of a square ABCD as base is one half the area of the similar triangle ACF described on the diagonal AC as base.
- Sol. ABCD is a square.  $\triangle$ BCE is described on side BC is similar to  $\triangle$ ACF described on diagonal AC.

Since ABCD is a square. Therefore,

$$AB = BC = CD = DA \text{ and, } AC = \sqrt{2} BC$$

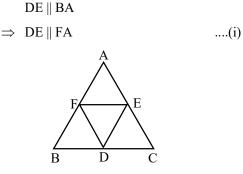
[:: Diagonal = 
$$\sqrt{2}$$
 (Side)]



Now,  $\triangle BCE \sim \triangle ACF$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{BCE})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ACF})} = \frac{\text{BC}^2}{\text{AC}^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{BCE})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ACF})} = \frac{\text{BC}^2}{(\sqrt{2}\text{BC})^2} = \frac{1}{2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \text{Area} (\Delta \text{BCE}) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Area} (\Delta \text{ACF})$$

- **Ex.54** D, E, F are the mid-point of the sides BC, CA and AB respectively of a  $\triangle ABC$ . Determine the ratio of the areas of  $\triangle DEF$  and  $\triangle ABC$ .
- **Sol.** Since D and E are the mid-points of the sides BC and AB respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ . Therefore,



Since D and F are mid-points of the sides BC and AB respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ . Therefore,

 $DF \parallel CA \Rightarrow DF \parallel AE$ 

From (i), and (ii), we conclude that AFDE is a parallelogram.

Similarly, BDEF is a parallelogram.

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

$$\angle FDE = \angle A$$

[Opposite angles of parallelogram AFDE]

and,  $\angle \text{DEF} = \angle B$ 

[Opposite angles of parallelogram BDEF]

So, by AA-similarity criterion, we have

 $\Delta DEF \sim \Delta ABC$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{DEF})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ABC})} = \frac{\text{DE}^2}{\text{AB}^2} = \frac{(1/2\text{AB})^2}{\text{AB}^2} = \frac{1}{4}$$
$$\left[ \because \text{DE} = \frac{1}{2}\text{AB} \right]$$

Hence, Area ( $\Delta DEF$ ) : Area ( $\Delta ABC$ ) = 1 : 4.

**Ex.55** D and E are points on the sides AB and AC respectively of a  $\triangle$ ABC such that DE || BC

and divides  $\triangle ABC$  into two parts, equal in area. Find  $\frac{BD}{ABC}$ .

Sol. We have,

Area ( $\triangle ADE$ ) = Area (trapezium BCED)  $\Rightarrow$  Area ( $\triangle ADE$ ) + Area ( $\triangle ADE$ )

= Area (trapezium BCED) + Area ( $\triangle$ ADE)

 $\Rightarrow$  2 Area ( $\triangle$ ADE) = Area ( $\triangle$ ABC)

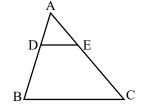
In  $\triangle$ ADE and  $\triangle$ ABC, we have

 $\angle ADE = \angle B$ 

 $[:: DE \parallel BC :: \angle ADE = \angle B \text{ (Corresponding angles)}]$ 

and, 
$$\angle A = \angle A$$
 [Common]

 $\therefore \quad \Delta ADE \sim \Delta ABC$ 



$$\Rightarrow \quad \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ADE})}{\text{Area} (\Delta \text{ABC})} = \frac{\text{AD}^2}{\text{AB}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{ADE})}{2 \text{Area}(\Delta \text{ADE})} = \frac{\text{AD}^2}{\text{AB}^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \left(\frac{AD}{AB}\right)^2 \Rightarrow \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{2} AD \Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{2} (AB - BD)$$

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$$\Rightarrow (\sqrt{2} - 1) AB = \sqrt{2} BD$$
$$\Rightarrow BD = \sqrt{2} - 1 = 2 - \sqrt{2}$$

 $\sqrt{2}$ 

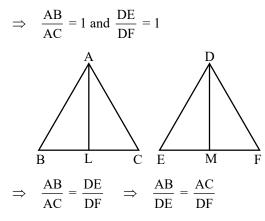
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- **Ex.56** Two isosceles triangles have equal vertical angles and their areas are in the ratio 16 : 25. Find the ratio of their corresponding heights.
- Sol. Let  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$  be the given triangles such that AB = AC and DE = DF,  $\angle A = \angle D$ .

and, 
$$\frac{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{ABC})}{\text{Area}(\Delta \text{DEF})} = \frac{16}{25}$$
 ....(i)

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

Now, AB = AC, DE = DF



Thus, in triangles ABC and DEF, we have

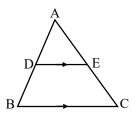
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF} \text{ and } \angle A = \angle D \qquad [Given]$$

So, by SAS-similarity criterion, we have

 $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\text{Area} (\Delta ABC)}{\text{Area} (\Delta DEF)} = \frac{AL^2}{DM^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{16}{25} = \frac{AL^2}{DM^2} \qquad [Using (i)]$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AL}{DM} = \frac{4}{5} \Rightarrow AL : DM = 4 : 5$$

**Ex.57** In the given figure, DE || BC and DE : BC = 3 : 5. Calculate the ratio of the areas of  $\triangle$ ADE and the trapezium BCED.



**Sol.**  $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle ABC.$ 

$$\therefore \frac{\operatorname{ar}(\Delta ADE)}{\operatorname{ar}(\Delta ABC)} = \frac{DE^2}{BC^2} = \left(\frac{DE}{BC}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{25}$$

Let ar  $(\Delta ADE) = 9x$  sq units

Then, ar  $(\Delta ABC) = 25x$  sq units

ar (trap. BCED) = ar ( $\triangle$ ABC) – ar ( $\triangle$ ADE) = (25x – 9x) = (16x) sq units

$$\therefore \quad \frac{\operatorname{ar}(\Delta ADE)}{\operatorname{ar}(\operatorname{tran}BCED)} = \frac{9x}{16x} = \frac{9}{16}$$

> PYTHAGORAS THEOREM

# Theorem 1:

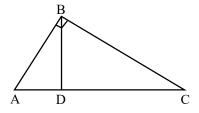
In a right angled triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

**Given :** A right-angled triangle ABC in which  $\angle B = 90^{\circ}$ .

To Prove :  $(Hypotenuse)^2 = (Base)^2 + (Perpendicular)^2$ .

i.e.,  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$ 

**Construction :** From B draw  $BD \perp AC$ .



Proof: In triangle ADB and ABC, we have

 $\angle ADB = \angle ABC$  [Each equal to 90°]

and, 
$$\angle A = \angle A$$
 [Common]

So, by AA-similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta ADB \sim \Delta ABC$$

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

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:. In similar triangles corresponding sides are proportion al

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AD \times AC \qquad \dots (i)$$

In triangles BDC and ABC, we have

$$\angle CDB = \angle ABC$$
 [Each equal to 90°]

and,  $\angle C = \angle C$  [Common] So, by AA-similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta BDC \sim \Delta ABC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DC}{BC} = \frac{BC}{AC}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \because \text{ In similar triangles corresponding} \\ \text{sides are proportional} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow BC^2 = AC \times DC \qquad \dots (ii)$$

- $AB^2 + BC^2 = AD \times AC + AC \times DC$
- $\Rightarrow AB^2 + BC^2 = AC (AD + DC)$
- $\Rightarrow AB^2 + BC^2 = AC \times AC$

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

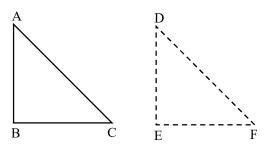
Hence,  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$ 

The converse of the above theorem is also true as proved below.

Theorem 2 : (Converse of Pythagoras Theorem).

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

Given : A triangle ABC such that  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$ 



**Construction :** Construct a triangle DEF such that DE = AB, EF = BC and  $\angle E = 90^{\circ}$ ,

**Proof** : In order to prove that  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ , it is sufficient to show that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ .

For this we proceed as follows :

Since  $\Delta DEF$  is a right angled triangle with right angle at E. Therefore, by Pythagoras theorem, we have

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

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

[:: DE = AB and EF = BC

(By construction)]

$$\Rightarrow DF^2 = AC^2 [:: AB^2 + BC^2 = AC^2 (Given)]$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 DF = AC ....(i)

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

AB = DE, BC = EF [By construction]

and,AC = DF [From equation (i)]

 $\therefore \quad \Delta ABC \cong \Delta DEF$ 

 $\Rightarrow \angle B = \angle E = 90^{\circ}$ 

Hence,  $\triangle ABC$  is a right triangle right angled at B.

# **\*** EXAMPLES **\***

**Ex.58** Side of a triangle is given, determine it is a right triangle.

(2a - 1) cm,  $2\sqrt{2a}$  cm and (2a + 1) cm

**Sol.** Let 
$$p = (2a - 1)$$
 cm,  $q = 2\sqrt{2a}$  cm and

r = (2a + 1) cm.

Then,

$$(p^{2} + q^{2}) = (2a - 1)^{2} \text{ cm}^{2} + (2\sqrt{2a})^{2} \text{ cm}^{2}$$
$$= \{(4a^{2} + 1 - 4a) + 8a\} \text{ cm}^{2}$$
$$= (4a^{2} + 4a + 1)\text{ cm}^{2}$$
$$= (2a + 1)^{2} \text{ cm}^{2} = r^{2}.$$
$$\therefore \quad (p^{2} + q^{2}) = r^{2}.$$

Hence, the given triangle is right angled.

- **Ex.59** A man goes 10 m due east and then 24 m due north. Find the distance from the starting point.
- Sol. Let the initial position of the man be O and his final position be B. Since the man goes 10 m due east and then 24 m due north. Therefore,  $\triangle AOB$  is a right triangle right-angled at A such that OA = 10 m and AB = 24 m.

$$W$$
  $O$   $10m$   $A$   $E$   $S$ 

By Phythagoras theorem, we have

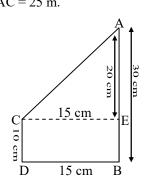
$$OB^2 = OA^2 + AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OB^2 = 10^2 + 24^2 = 100 + 576 = 676$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 OB =  $\sqrt{676}$  = 26 m

Hence, the man is at a distance of 26 m from the starting point.

- **Ex.60** Two towers of heights 10 m and 30 m stand on a plane ground. If the distance between their feet is 15 m, find the distance between their tops.
- Sol.  $AC^2 = (15)^2 + (20)^2 = 625$  $\Rightarrow AC = 25 \text{ m.}$



**Ex.61** In Fig.,  $\triangle ABC$  is an obtuse triangle, obtuse angled at B. If  $AD \perp CB$ , prove that

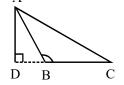
 $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 + 2BC \times BD$ 

**Sol.** Given : An obtuse triangle ABC, obtuseangled at B and AD is perpendicular to CB produced.

**To Prove :**  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 + 2BC \times BD$ 

**Proof :** Since  $\triangle$ ADB is a right triangle right angled at D. Therefore, by Pythagoras theorem, we have

$$AB^2 = AD^2 + DB^2 \qquad \dots (i)$$



Again  $\triangle$ ADC is a right triangle right angled at D.

Therefore, by Phythagoras theorem, we have

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

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AC<sup>2</sup> = AD<sup>2</sup> + (DB + BC)<sup>2</sup>

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AC<sup>2</sup> = AD<sup>2</sup> + DB<sup>2</sup> + BC<sup>2</sup> + 2BC · BD

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AC<sup>2</sup> = AB<sup>2</sup> + BC<sup>2</sup> + 2BC · BD

[Using (i)]

Hence,  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 + 2BC \cdot BD$ 

**Ex.62** In figure,  $\angle B$  of  $\triangle ABC$  is an acute angle and  $AD \perp BC$ , prove that

 $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 - 2BC \times BD$ 

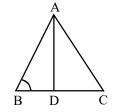
**Sol.** Given : A  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $\angle B$  is an acute angle and  $AD \perp BC$ .

To Prove :  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 - 2BC \times BD$ .

**Proof :** Since  $\triangle$ ADB is a right triangle rightangled at D. So, by Pythagoras theorem, we have

$$AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 \qquad \dots (i)$$

Again  $\triangle$ ADC is a right triangle right angled at D.



So, by Pythagoras theorem, we have

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

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = AD^2 + (BC - BD)^2$$

 $\Rightarrow AC^2 = AD^2 + (BC^2 + BD^2 - 2BC \cdot BD)$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AC<sup>2</sup> = (AD<sup>2</sup> + BD<sup>2</sup>) + BC<sup>2</sup> - 2BC · BD

 $\Rightarrow$  AC<sup>2</sup> = AB<sup>2</sup> + BC<sup>2</sup> - 2BC · BD

[Using (i)]

Hence,  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 - 2BC \cdot BD$ 

**Ex.63** If ABC is an equilateral triangle of side a, prove that its altitude =  $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$  a.

Sol.  $\triangle ABD$  is an equilateral triangle. We are given that AB = BC = CA = a.

AD is the altitude, i.e.,  $AD \perp BC$ .

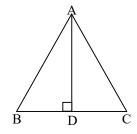
Now, in right angled triangles ABD and ACD, we have

$$AB = AC$$
 (Given)

and 
$$AD = AD$$
 (Common side)

 $\Rightarrow \Delta ABD \cong \Delta ACD$  (By RHS congruence)

$$\Rightarrow BD = CD \Rightarrow BD = DC = \frac{1}{2}BC = \frac{a}{2}$$



From right triangle ABD.

$$AB^{2} = AD^{2} + BD^{2} \Rightarrow a^{2} = AD^{2} + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{2}$$
$$\Rightarrow AD^{2} = a^{2} - \frac{a^{2}}{4} = \frac{3}{4}a^{2} \Rightarrow AD = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a.$$

**Ex.64** ABC is a right-angled triangle, right-angled at A. A circle is inscribed in it. The lengths of the two sides containing the right angle are 5 cm and 12 cm. Find the radius of the circle.

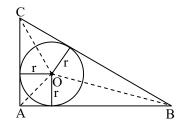
**Sol.** Given that  $\triangle ABC$  is right angled at A.

$$AC = 5$$
 cm and  $AB = 12$  cm

$$BC^2 = AC^2 + AB^2 = 25 + 144 = 169$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 BC = 13 cm

Join OA, OB, OC



Let the radius of the inscribed circle be r Area of  $\triangle ABC = Area \text{ of } \triangle OAB$ 

+ Area of  $\triangle OBC$  + Area of  $\triangle OCA$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times AC$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2}(12 \times r) + \frac{1}{2}(13 \times r) + \frac{1}{2}(5 \times r)$   
$$\Rightarrow 12 \times 5 = r \times \{12 + 13 + 5\}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow 60 = r \times 30 \Rightarrow r = 2 \text{ cm}$$

Ex.65 ABCD is a rhombus. Prove that

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

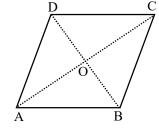
Sol. Let the diagonals AC and BD of rhombus ABCD intersect at O.

Since the diagonals of a rhombus bisect each other at right angles.

 $\therefore \angle AOB = \angle BOC = \angle COD = \angle DOA = 90^{\circ}$ 

and AO = CO, BO = OD.

Since  $\triangle AOB$  is a right triangle right-angle at O.



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

$$\Rightarrow AB^{2} = \left(\frac{1}{2}AC\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}BD\right)^{2} \begin{bmatrix} \because OA = OC\\ and OB = OD \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4AB^2 = AC^2 + BD^2 \qquad \dots (i)$$

Similarly, we have

$$4BC^2 = AC^2 + BD^2 \qquad \dots (ii)$$

$$4CD^2 = AC^2 + BD^2 \qquad \dots (iii)$$

and, 
$$4AD^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$$
 ....(iv)

Adding all these results, we get

$$4(AB^2 + BC^2 + AD^2) = 4(AC^2 + BD^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 + BC^2 + CD^2 + DA^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$$

**Ex.66** P and Q are the mid-points of the sides CA and CB respectively of a  $\triangle$ ABC, right angled at C. Prove that :

(i) 
$$4AQ^2 = 4AC^2 + BC^2$$

(ii) 
$$4BP^2 = 4BC^2 + AC^2$$

- $(iii) (4AQ^2 + BP^2) = 5AB^2$
- **Sol.** (i) Since  $\triangle AQC$  is a right triangle right-angled at C.

$$\therefore \quad AQ^2 = AC^2 + QC^2$$

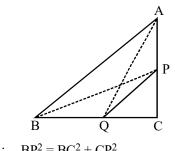
$$\Rightarrow$$
 4AQ<sup>2</sup> = 4AC<sup>2</sup> + 4QC<sup>2</sup>

[Multiplying both sides by 4]

$$\Rightarrow 4AQ^2 = 4AC^2 + (2QC)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 4AQ<sup>2</sup> = 4AC<sup>2</sup> + BC<sup>2</sup> [:: BC = 2QC]

(ii) Since  $\triangle$ BPC is a right triangle right-angled at C.



$$\Rightarrow 4BP^2 = 4BC^2 + 4CP^2$$

[Multiplying both sides by 4]

$$\Rightarrow$$
 4BP<sup>2</sup> = 4BC<sup>2</sup> + (2CP)<sup>2</sup>

$$\Rightarrow 4BP^2 = 4BC^2 + AC^2 \quad [\because AC = 2CP]$$

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

$$4AQ^{2} = 4AC^{2} + BC^{2} \text{ and, } 4BC^{2} = 4BC^{2} + AC^{2}$$
$$\therefore 4AQ^{2} + 4BP^{2} = (4AC^{2} + BC^{2}) + (4BC^{2} + AC^{2})$$
$$\Rightarrow 4(AQ^{2} + BP^{2}) = 5 (AC^{2} + BC^{2})$$
$$\Rightarrow 4(AQ^{2} + BP^{2}) = 5 AB^{2}$$

- [In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have  $AB^2 = AC^2 + BC^2$ ]
- Ex.67From a point O in the interior of a  $\triangle$ ABC,<br/>perpendicular OD, OE and OF are drawn to<br/>the sides BC, CA and AB respectively. Prove<br/>that : [NCERT]

(i)  $AF^2 + BD^2 + CE^2 = OA^2 + OB^2$ +  $OC^2 - OD^2 - OE^2 - OF^2$ (ii)  $AF^2 + BD^2 + CE^2 = AE^2 + CD^2 + BF^2$ 

- Sol. Let O be a point in the interior of  $\triangle ABC$  and let OD  $\perp$  BC, OE  $\perp$  CA and OF  $\perp$  AB.
  - (i) In right triangles  $\triangle OFA$ ,  $\triangle ODB$  and  $\triangle OEC$ , we have
    - $OA^2 = AF^2 + OF^2$

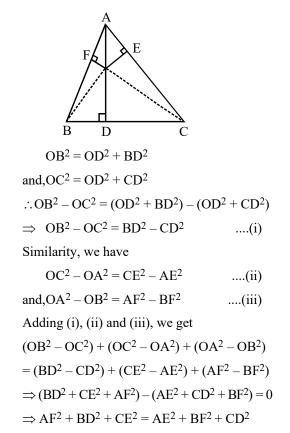
$$OB^2 = BD^2 + OD^2$$

and, 
$$OC^2 = CE^2 + OE^2$$

Adding all these results, we get

$$OA^{2} + OB^{2} + OC^{2} = AF^{2} + BD^{2} + CE^{2} + OF^{2}$$
$$+ OD^{2} + OE^{2}$$
$$\Rightarrow AF^{2} + BD^{2} + CE^{2} = OA^{2} + OB^{2}$$
$$+ OC^{2} - OD^{2} - OE^{2} - OF^{2}$$

(ii) In right triangles  $\triangle ODB$  and  $\triangle ODC$ , we have

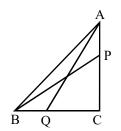


- **Ex.68** In a right triangle ABC right-angled at C, P and Q are the points on the sides CA and CB respectively, which divide these sides in the ratio 2 : 1. Prove that
  - (i)  $9 \text{ A}\text{Q}^2 = 9 \text{ A}\text{C}^2 + 4 \text{ B}\text{C}^2$
  - (ii)  $9 BP^2 = 9 BC^2 + 4 AC^2$
  - (iii) 9  $(AQ^2 + BP^2) = 13 AB^2$
- **Sol.** It is given that P divides CA in the ratio 2 : 1. Therefore,

$$CP = \frac{2}{3}AC \qquad \dots (i)$$

Also, Q divides CB in the ratio 2 : 1.

$$\therefore \quad QC = \frac{2}{3}BC \qquad \dots (ii)$$



(i) Applying pythagoras theorem in right-angled triangle ACQ, we have

$$AQ^{2} = QC^{2} + AC^{2}$$
  

$$\Rightarrow AQ^{2} = \frac{4}{9}BC^{2} + AC^{2} \quad [Using (ii)]$$
  

$$\Rightarrow 9 AQ^{2} = 4 BC^{2} + 9 AC^{2} \qquad \dots (iii)$$

(ii) Applying pythagoras theorem in right triangle BCP, we have

$$BP^{2} = BC^{2} + CP^{2}$$
  

$$\Rightarrow BP^{2} = BC^{2} + \frac{4}{9}AC^{2} \quad [Using (i)]$$
  

$$\Rightarrow 9 BP^{2} = 9 BC^{2} + 4 AC^{2} \qquad \dots (iv)$$
  
Adding (iii) and (iv), we get  

$$0 (AO^{2} + PP^{2}) = 13 (PC^{2} + AC^{2})$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 (AQ^{2} + BP^{2}) = 13 (BC^{2} + AC^{2})$$
$$\Rightarrow 9 (AQ^{2} + BP^{2}) = 13 AB^{2}$$
$$[\because BC^{2} = AC^{2} + AB^{2}]$$

**Ex.69** In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD \perp BC$  and  $AD^2 = BC \times CD$ . Prove that  $\triangle ABC$  is a right triangle.

....(i)

Sol. In right triangles ADB and ADC, we have

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

and,  $AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2$  ....(ii)

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2 AD^2 \times BD^2 + DC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 + AC^2 = 2BD \times CD + BD^2 + DC^2$$

[:: 
$$AD^2 = BD \times CD$$
 (Given)]

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

Thus, in  $\triangle$  ABC, we have

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

Hence,  $\Delta$  ABC, is a right triangle right-angled at A.

**Ex.70** The perpendicular AD on the base BC of a  $\triangle ABC$  intersects BC at D so that DB = 3 CD. Prove that  $2AB^2 = 2AC^2 + BC^2$ .

Sol. We have,

$$A$$

$$B$$

$$DB = 3CD$$

$$BC = BD + DC$$

$$BC = 3 CD + CD$$

$$BD = 4 CD \Rightarrow CD = \frac{1}{4}BC$$

$$\therefore$$
 CD =  $\frac{1}{4}$  BC and BD = 3CD =  $\frac{1}{4}$  BC ....(i)

Since  $\triangle ABD$  is a right triangle right-angled at D.

$$\therefore AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2 \qquad \dots (ii)$$

Similarly,  $\triangle ACD$  is a right triangle right angled at D.

$$\therefore \quad AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2 \qquad \dots (iii)$$

Subtracting equation (iii) from equation (ii) we get

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

$$\Rightarrow AB^{2} - AC^{2} = \left(\frac{3}{4}BC\right)^{2} - \left(\frac{1}{4}BC\right)^{2}$$

$$\left[From (i) CD = \frac{1}{4}BC, BD = \frac{3}{4}BC\right]$$

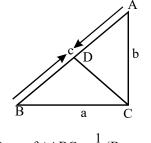
$$\Rightarrow AB^{2} - AC^{2} = \frac{9}{16}BC^{2} - \frac{1}{16}BC^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^{2} - AC^{2} = \frac{1}{2}BC^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(AB^{2} - AC^{2}) = BC^{2}$$

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

- **Ex.71** 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, prove that
  - (i) cp = ab
  - (ii)  $\frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2}$
- **Sol.**(i) Let  $CD \perp AB$ . Then, CD = p.



$$\therefore \text{ Area of } \Delta ABC = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Base} \times \text{Height})$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{ Area of } \Delta \text{ABC} = \frac{1}{2} (\text{AB} \times \text{CD}) = \frac{1}{2} \text{ cp}$$

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Area of 
$$\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} (BC \times AC) = \frac{1}{2} ab$$
  
 $\frac{1}{2} cp = \frac{1}{2} ab \Rightarrow cp = ab$ 

(ii) Since  $\triangle ABC$  is right triangle right-angled at C.

$$\therefore AB^{2} = BC^{2} + AC^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow c^{2} = a^{2} + b^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{ab}{p}\right)^{2} = a^{2} + b^{2} \left[\because cp = ab \therefore c = \frac{ab}{p}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a^{2}b^{2}}{p^{2}} = a^{2} + b^{2}$$

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

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# **IMPORTANT POINTS TO BE REMEMBERED**

- 1. Two figures having the same shape but not necessarily the same size are called similar figures.
- 2. All congruent figures are similar but the converse is not true.
- **3.** Two polygones having the same number of sides are similar, if
  - (a) Their corresponding angles are equal and
  - (b) Their corresponding sides are proportional

(i.e., in the same ratio)

**4.** If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle to intersect the other two sides in distinct points, then the other two sides are divided in the same ratio.

- 5. If a line divides any two sides of a triangle in the same ratio, then the line is parallel to the third side of the triangle.
- **6.** The internal bisector of an angle of a triangle divides the opposite side internally in the ratio of the sides containing the angle.
- 7. If a line through one vertex of a triangle divides the opposite side in the ratio of other two sides, then the line bisects the angle at the vertex.
- **8.** The external bisector of an angle of a triangle divides the opposite side externally in the ratio of the sides containing the angle.
- **9.** The line drawn from the mid-point of two sides of a triangle is parallel of another side bisects the third side.
- **10.** The line joining the mid-points of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side.

- **11.** The diagonals of a trapezium divide each other proportionally.
- **12.** If a diagonals of a quadrilateral divide each other proportionally, then it is a trapezium.
- **13.** Any line parallel to the parallel sides of a trapezium divides the non-parallel sides proportionally.
- 14. If three or more parallel lines are intersected by two transversals, then the intercepts made by them on the transversals are proportional.
- **15. AAA similarity criterion :** If in two triangles, corresponding angles are equal, then the triangles are similar.
- **16.** AA Similarity criterion : If in two triangles, two angles of one triangle are respectively equal the two angles of the other triangle, then the two triangles are similar.
- **17. SSS Similarity criterion :** If in two triangles, corresponding sides are in the same ratio, then the two triangles are similar.
- **18.** If one angle of a triangles is equal to one angle of another triangle and the sides including these angles are in the same ratio, then the triangles are similar.
- 19. If two triangles are equiangular, then
  - (i) The ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of corresponding median.
  - (ii) The ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of the corresponding angle bisector segments.
  - (iii) The ratio of the corresponding sides is same as the ratio of the corresponding altitudes.
- **20.** If one angle of a triangle is equal to one angle of another triangle and the bisectors of these equal angles divide the opposite side in the same ratio, then the triangles are similar.
- **21.** If two sides and a median bisecting one of these sides of a triangle are respectively proportional to the two sides and the corresponding median of another triangle, then the triangles are similar.
- **22.** If two sides and a median bisecting the third side of a triangle are respectively proportional to the two sides and the corresponding median of another triangle, then the triangles are similar.

- **23.** The ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of
  - (i) The squares of any two corresponding sides
  - (ii) The squares of the corresponding altitudes.
  - (iii) The squares of the corresponding medians.
  - (iv) The squares of the corresponding angle bisector segments.
- **24.** If the areas of two similar triangles are equal, then the triangles are congruent i.e., equal and similar triangles congruent.
- **25.** If a perpendicular is drawn from the vertex of the right angle of a right triangle to the hypotenuse, then the triangles on both sides of the perpendicular are similar to the whole triangle and also to each other.
- **26.** Pythagoras Theorem : In a right triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.
- **27.** Converse of Pythagoras Theorem : If in a triangle, square of one side is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides, then the angle opposite to first side is a right angle.
- **28.** In any triangle, the sum of the squares of any two sides is equal to twice the square of half of the third side together with the twice of the square of the median which bisects the third side.
- **29.** Three times the sum of the squares of the sides of a triangle is equal to four times the sum of the squares of the medians of the triangle.
- **30.** Three times the square of any side of an equilateral triangle is equal to four times the square of the altitude.