# 4. New Numbers

## **Questions Pg-64**

## 1. Question

In the picture, the square on the hypotenuse of the top most right triangle is drawn.

Calculate the area and the length of a side of the square .







Applying Pythagoras Theorem for right - angled triangle,

 $Base^2 + Perpendicular^2 = Hypoteneous^2$ 

Which gives us in following right - angled triangles: -

In  $\Delta$  BAD,

 $\mathsf{BA}\bot\mathsf{AD}$ 

 $\Rightarrow BA^2 + AD^2 = BD^2$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  BD =  $\sqrt{12 + 12}$ 

 $\Rightarrow = \sqrt{2}$  metre

In  $\Delta$  DBC, DB $\perp$  BC

 $\Rightarrow DB^2 + BC^2 = DC^2$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 DC =  $\sqrt{\left[\left(\sqrt{2}\right)^2 + 12\right]} = \sqrt{3}$  metre

In  $\triangle$  CDE, DC $\perp$  CE  $\Rightarrow$  DC<sup>2</sup> + CE<sup>2</sup> = DE<sup>2</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  DE =  $\sqrt{\left[\left(\sqrt{3}\right)^2 + 12\right]} = 2$  metre In  $\triangle$  DEF, DE $\perp$  EF  $\Rightarrow$  DE<sup>2</sup> + EF<sup>2</sup> = DF<sup>2</sup>  $\Rightarrow$  DF =  $\sqrt{2^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{5}$  metre....(Ans.) The area of the square = length of any of its side = DF<sup>2</sup>

 $= (\sqrt{5})^2 = 5 \text{ metre}^2$ 

### 2. Question

A square is drawn on the altitude of an equilateral triangle of side 2 metres.



i) What is the area of the square?

ii) What is the altitude of the triangle?

iii) What are the lengths of the other two sides of the triangle shown below?

#### Answer

(Avoid the very naming given in the following figures. As it was not there in the main problem, it is solver's own choice)





In  $\triangle$  ABC, AB = BC = CA = 2 metre.

CD is the altitude. As it is a equilateral triangle, CD is also a median.

(proof: In  $\Delta\text{ACD}$  and  $\Delta\text{BCD},$  –

 $\angle ADC = \angle BDC = 90^{\circ}$ 

AC = BC

AD is the common side

So,  $\triangle ACD \cong \triangle BCD(R - H - S)$ 

⇒ AD = BD...hence, CD is a median ,too. ) Thus, AD = BD = AB/2 = 2/2 = 1 metre In right - angled  $\triangle$  BCD, Using Pythagoras theorem , -  $CD^2 = BC^2 - BD^2$ =  $2^2 - 1^2$ =  $3 \text{ metre}^2$ ....(1) So, area of the square =  $CD^2 = 3 \text{ metre}^2$ (ii) altitude of the  $\triangle$  ABC = CD =  $\sqrt{3}$  metre [from (1)] (iii)



Let's name it  $\Delta$  ABC, where the angles and sides are shown in the figure.

As, we know, opposite side of  $60^{\circ}$  is twice than that of  $30^{\circ}$  (can be proved by trigonometry, to be learnt in future)

⇒AC = 2BC As  $\angle ACB = 90^{\circ}$ , using Pythagoras Theorem, – AC<sup>2</sup> + BC<sup>2</sup> = 4BC<sup>2</sup> + BC<sup>2</sup> = 5BC<sup>2</sup> = BA<sup>2</sup>

= 2<sup>2</sup>

= 4

 $\Rightarrow$  BC =  $\sqrt{(0.8)}$  metre

AC = 2 AC = 2 ×  $\sqrt{(0.8)}$  metre...

### 3. Question

We have seen in Class 7 that any odd number can be written as the difference of two perfect squares. (The lesson, **Identities**) Usingthis, draw lines of lengths  $\sqrt{7}$  and  $\sqrt{11}$  centimetres.

### Answer

 $\rightarrow$  Any odd number can be written in the form 2k – 1,k being a natural number.

Now,2k - 1 =  $k^2$  -  $(k - 1)^2$ ● For, 2k - 1 = 7 ⇒2k = 8

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⇒ k = 4
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So,  $\sqrt{7} = 4^2 - 3^2$ 

So, if we draw a line of 4 units, say CD, then,



Then,



Draw a random line and cut a length of 3c.m. s off it, to have AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Then draw a normal BA' on AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Draw a circular arc with A as the centre and CD as centre, which eventually intersects BA' at E.

 $\rightarrow$  Join B and E; and, A and E.

See, In  $\Delta$  ABE, –

 $\mathsf{AB}\bot \mathsf{BE}$ 

 $BE^2 = AE^2 - AB^2 = 4^2 - 3^2 = 7$ 

 $\Leftrightarrow E = \sqrt{7} \text{ c.m.}$ 

• And,

2k - 1 = 11

 $\Rightarrow 2k = 12$ 

⇒ k = 6

So,  $\sqrt{11} = \sqrt{6^2 - 5^2}$ 

Draw a random line and cut a length of 5 c.m. s off it, to have AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Then draw a normal BA' on AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Draw a circular arc with A as the centre and CD as centre, which eventually intersects BA' at E.

 $\rightarrow$  Join B and E; and,A and E.

See, In  $\Delta$  ABE, -

 $\mathsf{AB}\bot \mathsf{BE}$ 

 $BE^2 = AE^2 - AB^2 = 6^2 - 5^2 = 11$ 

 $\delta BE = \sqrt{11} \text{ c.m.}$ 



#### 4. Question

Explain two different methods of drawing a line of length  $\sqrt{13}\,$  centimetres.

### Answer

(i) As, any odd number,  $2k - 1 = k^2 - (k - 1)^2$ 

For,  $13 = 2k - 1 \Leftrightarrow 2k = 14 \Leftrightarrow k = 7$ 

So,

 $\sqrt{13} = \sqrt{7^2 - 6^2}$ 

(units are in c.m.)

Draw a random line and cut a length of 6 c.m. s off it, to have AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Then draw a normal BA' on AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Draw a circular arc with A as the centre and CD as centre, which eventually intersects BA' at E.

 $\rightarrow$  Join B and E; and, A and E.

See, In  $\Delta$  ABE, –

 $\mathsf{AB}\bot \mathsf{BE}$ 

 $BE^2 = AE^2 - AB^2 = 7^2 - 6^2 = 13$ 

 $\delta BE = \sqrt{13} \text{ c.m.}$ 



(ii) Also observe, $13 = 3^2 + 2^2$ 

$$6\sqrt{13} = \sqrt{(3^2 + 2^2)}$$

(units are in c.m.)

Draw a random line and cut a length of 3 c.m. off it, to have AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Then draw a normal BA' on AB.

 $\rightarrow$  Draw a circular arc with B as the centre and radius of CD (2 c.m.), which eventually intersects BA' at E.

 $\rightarrow$  Join B and E ; and , A and E.

See, In  $\Delta$  ABE, –

 $\mathsf{AB}\bot \mathsf{BE}$ 

$$BE^2 + AB^2 = AE^2 = 2^2 + 3^2 = 13$$

 $\dot{o}AE = \sqrt{13}$ 

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#### 5. Question

Find three fractions larger than  $\sqrt{2}$  and less than  $\sqrt{3}$ .

### Answer

 $\rightarrow$  Say, in general a is a fraction such that,

√2<a< √3[note, a>0] ⇒ 2 < a<sup>2</sup> < 3

 $\Rightarrow \frac{2k^2}{k^2} < a^2 < \frac{3k^2}{k^2}$ , for k being a natural number.

So, for a particular k, our job is to find a perfect square(of a fraction) between  $\frac{2k^2}{L^2}$  and  $\frac{3k^2}{L^2}$ .

Put, k = 2,3,5 (as three fractions are asked, three primes are chosen, else, like the case of k = 2 and k = 4 same fraction a may occur) – –

 $\begin{array}{l}
 \bullet \frac{8}{4} < a^{2} < \frac{12}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow a^{2} = \frac{9}{4} \\
 \Rightarrow a = \frac{3}{2} \\
 \left[ as, a > 0 \right] \\
 \bullet \frac{18}{9} < a^{2} < \frac{27}{9} \\
 \Rightarrow a^{2} = \frac{25}{9} \\
 \Rightarrow a^{2} = \frac{5}{3} \\
 \bullet, \frac{32}{16} < a^{2} < \frac{48}{16} \\
 \Rightarrow a = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \\
 \Rightarrow a = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2} \\
 \Rightarrow a^{2} = \frac{64}{25} \\
 \Rightarrow a = \frac{8}{5} \\
 \end{array}$ 

So, the three fractions are:

 $\sqrt{2} < \frac{3}{2}, \frac{5}{3}, \frac{8}{5} < \sqrt{3}$ 

## **Questions Pg-67**

### 1. Question



#### Answer



In the given figure, hypotenuse, BC = 1.5 m and AB = 0.5 m.

We know that in a right angled triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

⇒ In ∆ABC, BC<sup>2</sup> = AB<sup>2</sup> + AC<sup>2</sup> ⇒ 1.5<sup>2</sup> = 0.5<sup>2</sup> + AC<sup>2</sup> ⇒ 2.25 = 0.25 + AC<sup>2</sup> ⇒ AC<sup>2</sup> = 2.25 - 0.25 = 2 ∴ AC =  $\sqrt{2}$  m ⇒  $\sqrt{2} \approx 1.41$  m (correct to a centimetre) We know that perimeter of a polygon is the sum of all its sides. ⇒ Perimeter of given triangle = 1.5 + 0.5 +  $\sqrt{2}$ = 2 +  $\sqrt{2}$ 

 $\Rightarrow 2 + \sqrt{2} \approx 2 + 1.41 = 3.41 \text{ m}$ 

 $\therefore$  Perimeter = 3.41 metres (correct to a centimetre)

#### 2. Question

The picture shows an equilateral triangle cut into halves by a line through vertex.



i) What is the perimeter of a part?

ii) How much less than the perimeter of the whole triangle is this?

## Answer



Consider ∆ACD,

We know that in a right angled triangle, the square of tshe hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

 $\Rightarrow AC^{2} = AD^{2} + CD^{2}$   $\Rightarrow 2^{2} = 1^{2} + CD^{2}$   $\Rightarrow 4 = 1 + CD^{2}$   $\Rightarrow CD^{2} = 4 - 1 = 3$   $∴ AC = \sqrt{3} m$   $\Rightarrow \sqrt{3} \approx 1.73 m$ We know that perimeter of a polygon is the sum of all its sides. (i) Here, ΔACD is a part.  $\Rightarrow Perimeter = 2 + 1 + \sqrt{3}$   $= 3 + \sqrt{3}$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  3 +  $\sqrt{3}$  = 3 + 1.73 = 4.73 m

 $\therefore$  Perimeter of a part of the given equilateral triangle = 4.73 metres

(ii) Perimeter of the whole triangle = 2 + 2 + 2 = 6 metres

The perimeter of a part is less than the whole by,

⇒ 6 - 4.73 = 1.27 metres

### 3. Question

Calculate the perimeter of the triangle shown below.







We know that sum of angles of a triangle is 180°.

 $\Rightarrow \angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow 30^{\circ} + 105^{\circ} + \angle C = 180^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow \angle C = 180^{\circ} - 135^{\circ}$ 

 $\therefore \angle C = 45^{\circ}$ 

We know that the sine rule is  $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$ .

In the triangle above, we have

 $\Rightarrow$  c = 2 m; a, b =?  $Consider \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{c}{\sin C'}$  $\Rightarrow a = \frac{c \sin A}{\sin C}$  $=\frac{2\sin 30^\circ}{\sin 45^\circ}$  $=\frac{2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$  $=\frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$ ∴ a = √2 ≈ 1.41 m Now consider  $\frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$ ,  $\Rightarrow b = \frac{c \sin B}{\sin C}$  $=\frac{2\sin 105^\circ}{\sin 45^\circ}$  $=\frac{2\left(\sqrt{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{4}\right)\right)}{4}$ 

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}\right)}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$
$$= \sqrt{2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{2}\right) \times \sqrt{2}$$

 $= \sqrt{3} + 1$ 

 $\therefore$  b =  $\sqrt{3}$  + 1  $\approx$  1.73 + 1 = 2.73 m

We know that perimeter of a polygon is the sum of all its sides.

 $\therefore$  Perimeter = a + b + c

= 1.41 + 2.73 + 2

= 6.14 m

### 4. Question

We have seen how we can draw a series of right triangles as in the picture.



i) What are the lengths of the sides of the tenth triangle?

ii) How much more is the perimeter of the tenth triangle than the perimeter of the ninth triangle?

iii) How do we write in algebra, the difference in perimeter of the n<sup>th</sup> triangle and that of the triangle just before it?

#### Answer

We know that in a right angled triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

Consider the 1<sup>st</sup> triangle.

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⇒ Hypotenuse of 1^{st} triangle, x^2 = 1^2 + 1^2
= 2
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∴ Hypotenuse,  $x = \sqrt{2}$  m

Consider 2<sup>nd</sup> triangle.

⇒ Hypotenuse of 2<sup>nd</sup> triangle,  $y^2 = (\sqrt{2})^2 + 1^2$ 

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= 2 + 1
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= 3

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\therefore Hypotenuse, y = \sqrt{3} m
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Consider 3<sup>rd</sup> triangle.

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⇒ Hypotenuse of 3<sup>rd</sup> triangle, z^2 = (\sqrt{3})^2 + 1^2
= 3 + 1
= 4
\therefore Hypotenuse, y = \sqrt{4} m
And so on.
(i) The lengths of the 10^{\text{th}} triangle will be \sqrt{10} m, 1 m and hypotenuse.
Let hypotenuse be a.
\Rightarrow a^2 = (\sqrt{10})^2 + 1^2
= 10 + 1
= 11
⇒ a = √11 m
\therefore The lengths of the sides of the 10<sup>th</sup> triangle are \sqrt{10} m, 1 m and \sqrt{11} m.
(ii) We know that perimeter of a polygon is the sum of all its sides.
The perimeter of 10^{\text{th}} triangle = \sqrt{10} + 1 + \sqrt{11}
[\sqrt{10} \approx 3.16; \sqrt{11} \approx 3.31]
\therefore Perimeter = 3.16 + 1 + 3.31
= 7.47 \text{ m}
The perimeter of 9<sup>th</sup> triangle = \sqrt{9} + 1 + \sqrt{10}
= 3 + 1 + 3.16
= 7.16 m
Perimeter of 10^{\text{th}} triangle – Perimeter of 9^{\text{th}} triangle = 7.47 – 7.16 = 0.31
\therefore The perimeter of the 10<sup>th</sup> triangle is 0.31 m more than the perimeter of 9<sup>th</sup> triangle.
(iii) Perimeter of nth triangle = \sqrt{n} + 1 + \sqrt{(n+1)}
Perimeter of (n-1)th triangle = \sqrt{(n-1)} + 1 + \sqrt{(n-1+1)}
= \sqrt{(n - 1)} + 1 + \sqrt{n}
Difference between perimeters of nth triangle and (n - 1)th triangle = \sqrt{n} + 1 + \sqrt{(n+1)} - [\sqrt{(n-1)} + 1 + \sqrt{n}]
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 $= \sqrt{n} + 1 + \sqrt{(n+1)} - \sqrt{(n-1)} - 1 - \sqrt{n}$ 

 $= \sqrt{(n + 1)} - \sqrt{(n - 1)}$ 

#### 5. Question

What is the hypotenuse of the right triangle with perpendicular sides  $\sqrt{2}$  centimetres and  $\sqrt{3}$  centimetres? How much larger than the hypotenuse is the sum of the perpendicular side?

#### Answer



We know that in a right angled triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.

⇒ In ∆ABC, BC<sup>2</sup> = AB<sup>2</sup> + AC<sup>2</sup> ⇒ BC<sup>2</sup> =  $(\sqrt{3})^2 + (\sqrt{2})^2$ ⇒ BC<sup>2</sup> = 3 + 2 ⇒ BC<sup>2</sup> = 5 ∴ BC =  $\sqrt{5}$  cm (Hypotenuse) ⇒  $\sqrt{5} \approx 2.23$  cm,  $\sqrt{2} \approx 1.41$ , and  $\sqrt{3} \approx 1.73$ Sum of perpendicular sides = 1.41 + 1.73 = 3.14 cm ⇒ 3.14 - 2.23 = 0.91 cm

 $\therefore$  The sum of perpendicular sides is 0.91 cm more than the hypotenuse.

## **Questions Pg-72**

### 1. Question

Of four equal equilateral triangles, two are cut vertically into halves and two whole are put together to make a rectangle:



If a side of a triangle is 1 metre, what is the area and perimeter of the rectangle?

#### Answer

First we find the sides of the equally cut triangles formed from the original equilateral triangle.



Breadth of the rectangle = Side of equilateral triangle = 1m

Length of rectangle =  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \sqrt{3}$ 

Perimeter of rectangle =  $1 + \sqrt{3} + 1 + \sqrt{3} = (2 + 2\sqrt{3})$  m

Area of rectangle = Length  $\times$  Breadth

 $\Rightarrow$  Area of rectangle =  $\sqrt{3} \times 1 = \sqrt{3} \text{ m}^2$ 

#### 2. Question

A square and an equilateral triangle of sides twice as long are cut and the pieces are rearranged to form a trapezium, as shown below:



If a side of a square is 2 centimetres, what are the area and perimeter of the trapezium?

#### Answer

First we find the sides of the equally cut triangles formed from the original equilateral triangle.



Slant height of trapezium = Diagonal of square =  $2\sqrt{2}$  cm Smaller side of trapezium =  $2\sqrt{3}$  cm Perimeter of trapezium =  $2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{2} + (2 + 2\sqrt{3} + 2)$   $\Rightarrow$  Perimeter of trapezium =  $(4\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{3} + 4)$  cm Area of trapezium =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Sum of parallel sides)(Height)  $\Rightarrow$  Area of trapezium =  $\frac{1}{2}(2\sqrt{3} + 2 + 2\sqrt{3} + 2)(2)$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  Area of trapezium =  $(4\sqrt{3} + 4)$  cm<sup>2</sup>

#### 3. Question

Calculate the perimeter and area of the triangle in the picture.



#### Answer

We name the vertices of the triangle as A, B and C. We draw a perpendicular from B on AC as BD.



A In ΔABD,  $\Rightarrow \angle A + \angle ABD + \angle ADB = 180^{\circ}$  (Sum of all angles of a triangle)  $\Rightarrow 60 + \angle ABD + 90 = 180^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow \angle ABD + 150 = 180^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow \angle ABD = 30^{\circ}$ AD = cos 60° AB  $\Rightarrow AD = AB \cos 60^{\circ}$  $\frac{BD}{AB} = \sin 60^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow$  BD = AB sin60°  $\Rightarrow$  BD = 4×( $\sqrt{3}/2$ ) = 2 $\sqrt{3}$  cm .....(2)  $\angle B = \angle ABD + \angle CBD$ ⇒ 75 = 30 + ∠CBD  $\Rightarrow 45 = \angle CBD$ In Δ BCD,  $\angle BCD = \angle CBD = 45^{\circ}$ CD = BD (Sides opposite to equal angles are equal)  $\Rightarrow$  CD = 2 $\sqrt{3}$  cm (From eq(2)) ....(3) BC =  $\sqrt{2}$  BD ( $\Delta$ BCD is a right isosceles triangle)  $\Rightarrow BC = \sqrt{2}(2\sqrt{3}) = 2\sqrt{6} \dots (4)$ 

AC = AD + DC ⇒ AC = (2 + 2√3) cm Perimeter = AB + BC + CA ⇒ Perimeter = 4 + 2√6 + (2 + 2√3) ⇒ Perimeter = 6 + 2√6 + 2√3 Area =  $\frac{1}{2}$ (Base)(Height) ⇒ Area =  $\frac{1}{2}$ (AC)(BD) ⇒ Area =  $\frac{1}{2}$ (2 + 2√3)(2√3) ⇒ Area = (2 + 2√3)(√3) ⇒ Area = (6 + 2√3) cm<sup>2</sup>

### 4. Question

All red triangles in the picture are equilateral. What is the ratio of the sides of the outer and inner squares?



#### Answer

Let the side of red equilateral triangles be 1m.



In such rectangles, breadth = 1m

And length =  $(\sqrt{3}/2) + (\sqrt{3}/2) = \sqrt{3}$  m (Sum of height of red triangle)

Side of outer square =  $(\sqrt{3} + 1)$  m

Side of inner square =  $(\sqrt{3} - 1)$  m

 $\therefore$  Ratio of side of outer to inner squares  $=\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1}$ 

### 5. Question

From the pair of numbers given below, pick out those whose product is a natural number or a fraction:

- (i) √3, √12
- (ii) √3, √1.2
- (iii) √5, √8

(iv) √0.5, √8

(v) 
$$\sqrt{7} \frac{1}{2}$$
 ,  $\sqrt{3} \frac{1}{3}$ 

Answer

We know that  $\sqrt{x} \times \sqrt{y} = \sqrt{xy}$ 

(i)  $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{12} = \sqrt{3} \times 12 = \sqrt{36} = 6$  Natural number

(ii)  $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{1.2} = \sqrt{3} \times 1.2 = \sqrt{3.6} = 6\sqrt{0.1}$  Not a natural number or fraction

(iii )  $\sqrt{5} \times \sqrt{8} = \sqrt{5} \times 8 = \sqrt{40} = 4\sqrt{10}$  Not a natural number or fraction

(iv)  $\sqrt{0.5} \times \sqrt{8} = \sqrt{0.5 \times 8} = \sqrt{4} = 2$  Natural number

(v)  $\sqrt{7\frac{1}{2}} \times \sqrt{3\frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{15}{2} \times \frac{10}{3}} = \sqrt{25} = 5$  Natural number

## **Questions Pg-75**

#### 1. Question

Calculate the length of the sides of the equilateral triangle on the right, correct to a millimetre.



#### Answer

The figure is attached below:



An equilateral triangle has all sides of equal length,

i.e.,

AB = BC = AC

AD is perpendicular to BC,

 $\therefore$  D is the midpoint of BC

 $\Rightarrow$  BD = DC = 1/2 BC = 1/2 AB =1/2 AC

Now using Pythagoras theorem,

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

 $\Rightarrow 4^2 + (1/2 \text{ AB})^2 = \text{AB}^2$ 

 $\Rightarrow AB^2 + 1/4 AB^2 = 4^2$ 

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{4}AB^2 = 4^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^{2} = \frac{16 \times 4}{5}$$
$$\Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{\frac{16 \times 4}{5}}$$
$$\Rightarrow AB = \frac{8}{\sqrt{5}}$$
$$\Rightarrow AB = \frac{8}{2.23} = 3.6 \text{ cm}$$

Hence, sides of triangle are 3.6 cm

### 2. Question

The picture shows the vertices of a regular hexagon connected by lines.



i) Prove that the inner red hexagon is also regular.

ii) How much of a side of the large hexagon is a side of the small hexagon?

iii) How much of the area of the large hexagon is the area of the small hexagon?

#### Answer

i) A regular hexagon is made up of 6 equilateral triangles.

Therefore, the green coloured triangles inside the yellow hexagon are equilateral triangles, that is all their sides are equal.

 $\Rightarrow$  All the sides that comprises the hexagon are equal.

Hence, the inner red hexagon is also regular.

ii) Let the side of the inner red hexagon be  $\boldsymbol{x}$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  the sides of the triangle will also be x

Let the side of outer yellow hexagon be y

Using Pythagoras theorem,

$$x^{2} + y^{2} = (2x)^{2}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow y^{2} = (2x)^{2} - x^{2}$$
  
$$\Rightarrow y^{2} = 4x^{2} - x^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 y<sup>2</sup> = 3x<sup>2</sup>

⇒ y= x√3

Hence, the outer hexagon's side is  $\sqrt{3}$  times the inner hexagon's side.

iii) Now

Area of larger hexagon  $=\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}(x\sqrt{3})^2$ 

 $\Rightarrow$  Area of larger hexagon  $= 3 \times \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2} x^2$ 

And,

Area of smaller hexagon  $=\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}x^2$ 

Hence, the outer hexagon's area is 3 times the inner hexagon's area.

### 3. Question

Prove that  $(\sqrt{2}+1)(\sqrt{2}-1)=1$ . Use this to compute  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1}$  correct to two decimal places.

### Answer

 $\begin{aligned} (\sqrt{2} + 1) (\sqrt{2} - 1) &= (\sqrt{2})^2 - (1)^2 [\because (a+b)(a-b) = a^2 - b^2] \\ \Rightarrow (\sqrt{2} + 1) (\sqrt{2} - 1) &= 2 - 1 \\ \Rightarrow (\sqrt{2} + 1) (\sqrt{2} - 1) &= 1 \\ \end{aligned}$ Hence,  $(\sqrt{2} + 1) (\sqrt{2} - 1) &= 1$ Now,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{(\sqrt{2}-1)(\sqrt{2}+1)}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{1}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = 1.41+1$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = 2.41$$

#### 4. Question

Compute  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1}$  correct to two decimal places.

#### Answer

Now,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}-1}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{(\sqrt{2}+1)(\sqrt{2}-1)}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{1}$$
$$[\because (\sqrt{2}+1)(\sqrt{2}-1) = 1]$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = 1.41 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} - 1} = 0.41$$

#### 5. Question

Prove that  $\sqrt{2\frac{2}{3}} = 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$  and  $\sqrt{3\frac{3}{8}} = 3\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}}$ . Can you find other numbers like this?

#### Answer

$$\sqrt{2\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 3 + 2}{3}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{6 + 2}{3}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{8}{3}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 2 \times 2}{3}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{2\frac{2}{3}} = 2\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$$

Similarly,

$$\sqrt{3\frac{3}{8}} = \sqrt{\frac{3 \times 8 + 3}{8}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3\frac{3}{8}} = \sqrt{\frac{24 + 3}{8}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3\frac{3}{8}} = \sqrt{\frac{27}{8}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3\frac{3}{8}} = \sqrt{\frac{3 \times 3 \times 3}{8}}$$
$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3\frac{3}{8}} = 3\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}}$$

#### 6. Question

The picture shows a tan gram of 7 pieces made by cutting a square of side 4 centimetres. Calculate the length of the sides of each piece.



#### Answer



- : D is midpoint of AC
- CD = DE = 1/2 CE
- $\Rightarrow$  CD = DE = 1/2 × 4 cm
- $\Rightarrow$  CD = DE = 2 cm

AE is diagonal of ACEF,

- ∴ By Pythagoras theorem,
- $\mathsf{AF}^2 + \mathsf{EF}^2 = \mathsf{AE}^2$
- $\Rightarrow 4^2 + 4^2 = \mathsf{A}\mathsf{E}^2$
- $\Rightarrow AE^2 = 16 + 16$
- $\Rightarrow AE^2 = 32$
- $\Rightarrow AE = \sqrt{32}$
- $\Rightarrow$  AE= 4 $\sqrt{2}$  cm
- : J is midpoint of AE,
- $\therefore$  AJ = JE = 1/2 AE
- $\Rightarrow AJ = JE = 1/2 \times 4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$

 $\Rightarrow AJ = JE = 2\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$ 

G is midpoint of AJ,∴ AG = JG = 1/2 AJ⇒ AG = JG = 1/2 × 2√2 cm⇒ AG = JG = √2 cm∴ BGJH is a squareBG = JH = HB = JG = √2 cmAlso,HD = HB = √2 cmAnd,IE = IJ = GJ = √2 cm∴ HD and IE are equal and parallel∴ HDEI is a parallelogram⇒ HI = DE = 2 cm