

# Triangles

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33. ABCD is a trapezium, in which AB is parallel to DC and its diagonals intersect each other at point O. show that  $\frac{AO}{BO} = \frac{CO}{DO}$ .

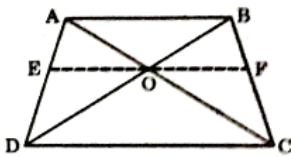
2014/2016 (2 Marks)

In the figure, ABCD is a trapezium with  $AB \parallel DC$ .

Construction: Through O, draw  $EF \parallel DC$  (see figure).

Now, in  $\triangle ADC$ ,  $EO \parallel DC$ , by BPT, we get:

$$\frac{AE}{DE} = \frac{AO}{OC} \text{-----(1)}$$



Also, since  $AB \parallel DC$  and  $EO \parallel DC$ , we have:

$$EO \parallel AB.$$

So, in  $\triangle DAB$ , we have:

$$\frac{DE}{AE} = \frac{DO}{BO} \quad (\text{By BPT})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AE}{DE} = \frac{BO}{DO} \text{-----(2)}$$

From (1) and (2) we get:

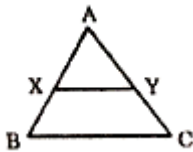
$$\frac{AO}{OC} = \frac{BO}{DO} \Rightarrow \frac{AO}{BO} = \frac{OC}{DO} \quad (\text{Proved})$$


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34. In  $\triangle ABC$ , X is the middle point of AB. If  $XY \parallel BC$ , then prove that Y is the middle point of AC.

2015/2016 (3 Marks)

In figure, X is the mid-point of AB and  $XY \parallel BC$ .



$$\text{From BPT, } \frac{AX}{XB} = \frac{AY}{YC}$$

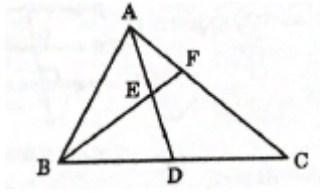
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AX}{AX} = \frac{AY}{YC} \quad (\text{X is the mid-point of AB})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AY}{YC} = 1 \Rightarrow AY = YC.$$

So, Y is the mid-point of AC.

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35. In the figure, AD is median of  $\triangle ABC$  and E is the mid-point of AD. If BE is produced to meet AC at F, then prove that  $AF = \frac{1}{3} AC$ .



2015/2016(3 Marks)

In the figure,

Draw  $DG \parallel BF$ .

In  $\triangle ADG$ , we have:

$$AE = ED \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$EF \parallel DG \quad (DG \parallel BF)$$

$$\text{So, by BPT,} \quad \frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AF}{FG}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AE}{AE} = \frac{AF}{FG} \quad (AE = ED)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad AF = FG \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

Similarly, in  $\triangle CBF$ , we have:

$$BD = DC$$

$$\text{And} \quad DG \parallel BF$$

So, by BPT,

$$\frac{CG}{FG} = \frac{CD}{BD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CG}{FG} = \frac{CD}{CD} \quad (CD = BD)$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad CG = FG \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

From (1) and (2),

$$AF = FG = CG$$

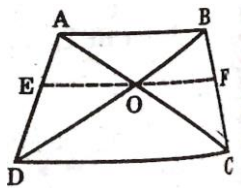
$$\text{Also,} \quad AC = AF + FG + GC$$

$$\text{So,} \quad AF = \frac{1}{3} AC.$$

36. The diagonals of a quadrilateral ABCD intersect each other at the point O, such that  $\frac{AO}{BO} = \frac{CO}{DO}$ . Show that ABCD is a trapezium.

2014/2016 (3 Marks)

Through O, draw a parallel EF to DC. (See figure)



So, in  $\triangle ADC$ , we get

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AO}{OC} \quad (\text{By BPT}) \quad \text{-----(1)}$$

$$\text{Again,} \quad \frac{AO}{BO} = \frac{CO}{DO} \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\text{So,} \quad \frac{AO}{OC} = \frac{BO}{DO} \quad \text{-----(2)}$$

From (1) and (2), we get

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BO}{DO}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ED}{AE} = \frac{DO}{BO}$$

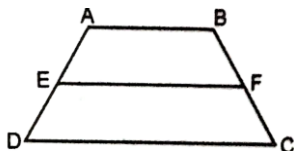
$$\text{Hence,} \quad OE \parallel AB \quad (\text{By converse of BPT}) \quad \text{----- (3)}$$

$$\text{Also,} \quad OE \parallel DC \quad (\text{By construction}) \quad \text{----- (4)}$$

$$\text{From (3) and (4), } AB \parallel DC$$

Hence ABCD is a trapezium.

37. In the given figure, ABCD is a trapezium with  $AB \parallel DC$ , E and F are the points on non-parallel sides AD and BC respectively such that  $EF \parallel AB$ . Prove that  $\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$ .

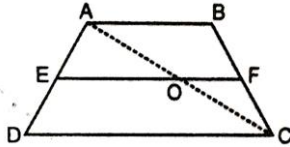


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$$\text{Given} \quad AB \parallel CD \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\text{And} \quad EF \parallel AB \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad AB \parallel DC \parallel EF.$$



Join AC. It intersects EF at O.

In  $\triangle ADC$ ,  $OE \parallel CD$  as  $EF \parallel CD$ .

Therefore,  $\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AO}{OC}$  (By BPT) .....(1)

In  $\triangle ACB$ ,  $OF \parallel AB$  as  $EF \parallel AB$ .

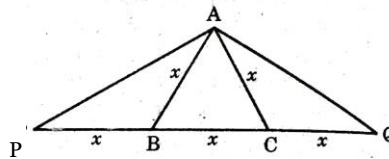
Therefore,  $\frac{AO}{OC} = \frac{BF}{FC}$  (By BPT) .....(2)

From (1) and (2), we have:

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


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38. In the given figure  $\triangle ABC$  is an equilateral Triangle, whose each side measures  $x$  units. P and Q are two points on BC produced such that  $PB = BC = CQ$ .



Prove that:

$$(a) \frac{PQ}{PA} = \frac{PA}{PB} \quad (b) PA^2 = 3x^2$$

2015/2016 (3 Marks)

In  $\triangle PAB$ ,  $PB = AB$

So,  $\angle APB = \angle PAB$

Also,  $\angle ABP = 180^\circ - 60^\circ = 120^\circ$

So,  $\angle APB = \angle PAB = \frac{1}{2}(180^\circ - 120^\circ) = 30^\circ$

Similarly,  $\angle QAC = \angle QCA = 30^\circ$

So,  $\angle PAQ = \angle PAB + \angle BAC + \angle QAC$   
 $= 30^\circ + 60^\circ + 30^\circ = 120^\circ.$

Now, in  $\triangle PQA$  and  $\triangle PAB$ , we have:

$\angle APQ = \angle APB$  (Each  $30^\circ$ )

$\angle PAQ = \angle PBA$  (Each  $120^\circ$ )

And  $\angle PQA = \angle PAB$  (Each  $30^\circ$ )

So,  $\triangle PQA \sim \triangle PAB$  (By AAA similarity criterion)

Hence,  $\frac{PQ}{PA} = \frac{PA}{PB}$  (Proved)

(b)

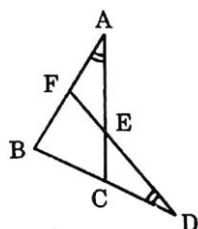
$$PQ = 3x$$

So, from  $\frac{PQ}{PA} = \frac{PA}{PB}$ , we have

$$PA^2 = PQ \times PB$$

$$PA^2 = 3x \times x = 3x^2. \quad (\text{Proved})$$

39. In the figure, if  $\angle A = \angle D$ , then prove that  $AE \times DC = DE \times AF$ .



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In  $\triangle AEC$  and  $\triangle DEC$ , we have:

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

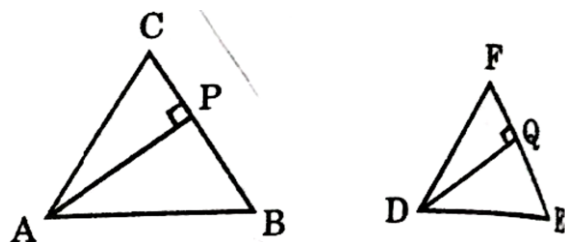
And  $\angle AEF = \angle DEC$  (Vertically opposite angles)

So,  $\triangle AEF \sim \triangle DEC$  (By AA similarity criterion)

$$\text{Therefore, } \frac{AE}{DE} = \frac{AF}{DC}$$

$$\Rightarrow AE \times DC = DE \times AF, \quad \text{Proved.}$$

40. In the given figure,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ , AP bisects  $\angle CAB$  and DQ bisects  $\angle FDE$ .



Prove that:

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

(b)  $\triangle CAP \sim \triangle FDQ$

2015/2016 (3 Marks)

(a)  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  (Given)

So,  $\angle CAB = \angle FDE$  and  $\angle B = \angle E$  .....(1)

Now,  $\angle CAB = \angle FDE \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}\angle CAB = \frac{1}{2}\angle FDE$ .

$\Rightarrow \angle PAB = \angle QDE$  .....(2)

So,  $\triangle APB \sim \triangle DQE$  [From (1) and (2), AA similarity criterion]

$\Rightarrow \frac{AP}{DQ} = \frac{AB}{DE}$

(b)

Now,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

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

So,  $\frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{AP}{DQ}$  (Because  $\frac{AP}{DQ} = \frac{AB}{DE}$ , Proved above) ....(1)

Also, since  $\angle CAB = \angle FDE$ , so  $\frac{1}{2}\angle CAB = \frac{1}{2}\angle FDE$ .

$\Rightarrow \angle CAP = \angle FDQ$  .....(2)

From (1) and (2),

$\triangle CAP \sim \triangle FDQ$  (By SAS similarity criterion)

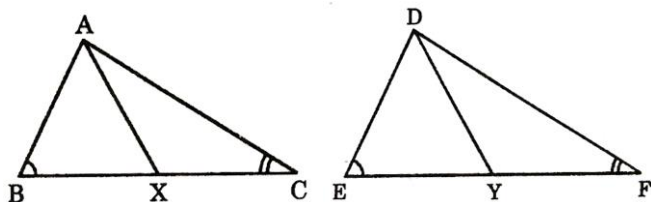
41. If  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  and AX, DY are respectively the medians of  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$ . Then prove that:

(i)  $\triangle ABX \sim \triangle DEY$

(ii)  $\triangle ACX \sim \triangle DFY$

(iii)  $\frac{AX}{DY} = \frac{BC}{EF}$

2014/2015 (4 Marks)



$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  (Given)

So,  $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{CA}{FD}$

And  $\left. \begin{matrix} \angle B = \angle E \\ \angle C = \angle F \end{matrix} \right\}$

(Corresponding sides are proportional and corresponding angles are equal)

From  $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF}$ , we get

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{2BX}{2EY} \quad (\text{X and Y are mid points of BC and EF})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BX}{EY} \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

(i)

Now, in  $\triangle ABX$  and  $\triangle DEY$ , we have:

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BX}{EY} \quad [\text{From (2)}]$$

$$\text{And} \quad \angle B = \angle E \quad [\text{From (1)}]$$

$$\text{So,} \quad \triangle ABX \sim \triangle DEY \quad (\text{By SAS similarity criterion}), \text{ proved.}$$

(ii)

$$\text{Again,} \quad \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{BC}{EF}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{2XC}{2YF} \Rightarrow \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{XC}{YF} \quad \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$\text{And} \quad \angle C = \angle F \quad [\text{From (1)}]$$

$$\text{So,} \quad \triangle ACX \sim \triangle DFY \quad (\text{By SAS}), \text{ Proved.}$$

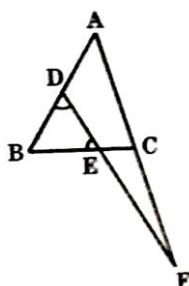
(iii)

From (i) above,

$$\frac{AX}{DY} = \frac{BX}{EY} \Rightarrow \frac{AX}{DY} = \frac{2BX}{2EY}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AX}{DY} = \frac{BC}{EF}, \quad \text{Proved.}$$

42. In the figure,  $\angle BED = \angle BDE$  and E is the middle point of BC. Prove that  $\frac{AF}{CF} = \frac{AD}{BE}$ .

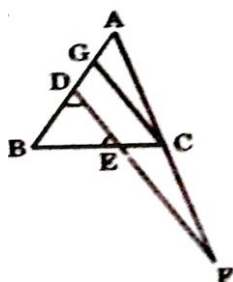


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Construction: On AB, take a point G such that  $CG \parallel DF$ .

$$\text{In } \triangle BDE, \angle E = \angle D \quad (\text{Given}) \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{So,} \quad BD = BE \quad \dots\dots\dots(2)$$



From  $\triangle BCG$ , we have:

$$DE \parallel GC$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{BE}{EC} = \frac{BD}{DG}$$

$$\text{But } BD = BE \quad [\text{From (2)}]$$

$$\text{So, } EC = DG$$

$$\Rightarrow BE = DG \quad (\text{E is mid-point of BC}) \dots\dots(3)$$

$$\text{Now, } CG \parallel FD \quad (\text{By construction})$$

$$\text{So, } \triangle ACG \sim \triangle AFD$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AF} = \frac{AG}{AD}$$

$$\text{So, } 1 - \frac{AC}{AF} = 1 - \frac{AG}{AD}$$

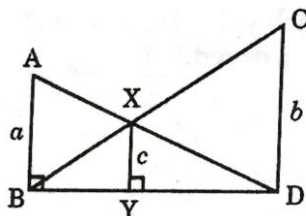
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AF-AC}{AF} = \frac{AD-AG}{AD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CF}{AF} = \frac{DG}{AD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AF}{CF} = \frac{AD}{DG}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AF}{CF} = \frac{AD}{BE} \quad [\text{From (3)}], \text{ Proved.}$$

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



2014/2015/2016 (4 Marks)

$$AB \perp BD \text{ and } XY \perp BD (\angle ABD = 90^\circ, \angle XYD = 90^\circ)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB \parallel XY$$

$$\text{So, } \angle BAX = \angle YXD$$



Hence,  $\triangle DXY \sim \triangle DAB$  (By AA similarity criterion)

So,  $\frac{DY}{DB} = \frac{c}{a} = \frac{DX}{DA}$  .....(1)

Also, by AA similarity criterion,

$$\triangle BXY \sim \triangle BCD$$

So,  $\frac{BY}{DB} = \frac{c}{b} = \frac{BX}{BC}$  .....(2)

From (1),  $\frac{DY}{BD} = \frac{c}{a} \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{DY}{DB} = 1 - \frac{c}{a}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DB-DY}{DB} = \frac{a-c}{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BY}{DB} = \frac{a-c}{a}$$

So, from (2), we have:

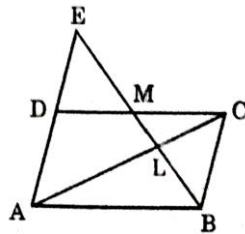
$$\frac{a-c}{a} = \frac{c}{b}$$

$$\Rightarrow cb - bc = ac$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = ac + bc$$

$$\Rightarrow ab = c(a + b), \text{ proved}$$

44. In the parallelogram ABCD, middle point of CD is M. A line segment BM is drawn which cuts AC at L and meets AD extended at E. Prove that  $EL = 2BL$ .



2014/2015/2016 (4 Marks)

In  $\triangle EDM$  and  $\triangle BCM$ , we have

$$DM = CM \quad (\text{Given})$$

$$\angle DME = \angle BME \quad (\text{Vertically opposite angles})$$

$$\angle DEM = \angle CBM \quad (\text{Alternate interior angles, } DE \parallel BC)$$

So,  $\triangle EDM = \triangle BCM$  (By AAS congruence criterion)

$$\Rightarrow DE = BC \quad (\text{CPCT})$$

So,  $DE = AD$  (Because  $BC = AD$ )

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

$$\angle ELA = \angle BLC \quad (\text{Vertically opposite angles})$$

$$\angle DEL = \angle CBL \quad (\text{Vertically interior angles})$$

So,  $\triangle AEL \sim \triangle CBL$  (By AA similarity criterion)

$$\frac{AE}{EL} = \frac{CB}{BL} \quad (\text{Corresponding sides are proportional})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2AD}{EL} = \frac{BC}{BL} \quad (\text{Since } AD = DE)$$

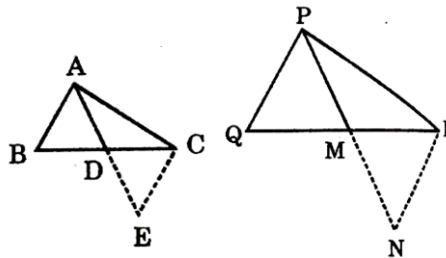
$$\Rightarrow \frac{2AD}{EL} = \frac{AD}{BL} \quad (BC = AD)$$

$$2BL = EL \Rightarrow EL = 2BL, \text{ proved.}$$

45. Prove that 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.

2012/2013/2014/2016 ( 4 Marks)

Produce AD to E such that AD = DE and PM to N such that PM = MN.



Join CE and RN.

Now,  $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ECD$  (SAS)

And  $\triangle PQM \cong \triangle NRM$  (SAS)

So,  $AB = CE$  and  $PQ = RN$  (By CPCT)

Now, in  $\triangle ACE$  and  $\triangle PRN$ ,  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{2AD}{2PM}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{CE}{RN} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AE}{PN} \quad (\because AB = CE \text{ and } PQ = RN)$$

So,  $\triangle ACE \sim \triangle PRN$  (By SSS similarity criterion)

So,  $\angle CAD = \angle RPM$  .....(1)

Again, in  $\triangle BAD$  and  $\triangle QPM$ ,

$$\angle BAD = \angle CED \quad (\because \triangle ABD \cong \triangle ECD)$$

$$\angle QPM = \angle RNM \quad (\because \triangle PQM \cong \triangle NRM)$$

$$\angle AEC = \angle PNR \quad (\because \triangle AEC \sim \triangle PNR)$$

Therefore,  $\angle BAD = \angle QPM$  .....(2)

Adding (1) and (2),  $\angle A = \angle P$ .

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

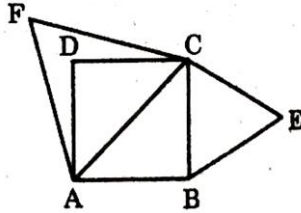
$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} \text{ and } \angle A = \angle P$$

So,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$  (By SAS similarity criterion)

46. Prove that the area of the equilateral triangle described on the side of a square is half the area of the equilateral triangle described on its diagonal.

2010/2011/2015/2016 (3 Marks)

**Given:** A square ABCD. Equilateral  $\Delta$ s BCE and ACF have been drawn on side BC and diagonal AC respectively.



**To prove:**  $ar(\Delta BCE) = \frac{1}{2} \times ar(\Delta ACF)$

**Proof:**  $\Delta BCE \sim \Delta ACF$  [Being equilateral, so similar by AAA criterion of similarity]

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar(\Delta BCE)}{ar(\Delta ACF)} = \frac{BC^2}{AC^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar(\Delta BCE)}{ar(\Delta ACF)} = \frac{BC^2}{(\sqrt{2}BC)^2} \quad [\text{Diagonal} = \sqrt{2} \text{ side} \Rightarrow AC = \sqrt{2} BC]$$

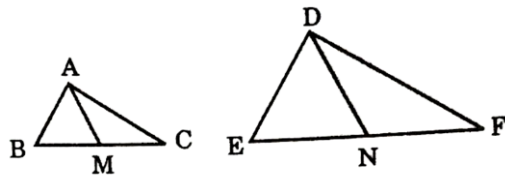
$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar(\Delta BCE)}{ar(\Delta ACF)} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow ar(\Delta BCE) = \frac{1}{2} ar(\Delta ACF).$$


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47. Prove that the ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the square of the ratio of their corresponding medians

2012/2013/2015/2016 (3 Marks)

**Given:**  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$  and AM and DN are medians of two triangles.



**To prove:**  $\frac{ar(\Delta ABC)}{ar(\Delta DEF)} = \left(\frac{AM}{DN}\right)^2$

**Proof:**  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$  (Given)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar(\Delta ABC)}{ar(\Delta DEF)} = \left(\frac{AB}{DE}\right)^2 \quad \dots(1)$$

And  $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF}$

Also,  $\angle B = \angle E$ .

Now,  $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{2BM}{2EN} = \frac{BM}{EN}$

So, we have:

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BM}{EN} \text{ and } \angle B = \angle E.$$

So,  $\triangle ABM \sim \triangle DEN$  (By SAS similarity criterion)

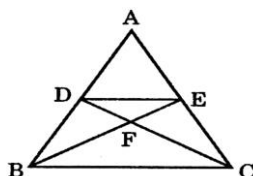
$$\Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AM}{DN} \dots\dots(2)$$

So, from (1) and (2),

$$\frac{ar(\triangle ABC)}{ar(\triangle DEF)} = \left(\frac{AM}{DN}\right)^2$$


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48. In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $DE \parallel BC$ . If  $AD:DB = 3:5$ , then find  $\frac{ar(\triangle DFE)}{ar(\triangle CFB)}$ .



2014/2015/2016 (4 Marks)

In the figure,  $DE \parallel BC$

So,  $\begin{cases} \angle FDE = \angle FCB \\ \angle FED = \angle FBC \end{cases}$  (Alternate angles)

So,  $\triangle DFE \sim \triangle CFB$  (AA similarity creation)

$$\text{So, } \frac{ar(\triangle DFE)}{ar(\triangle CFB)} = \left(\frac{DE}{BC}\right)^2 \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Now, we are given

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{3}{5} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{AD}{DB} = 1 + \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DB+AD}{DB} = \frac{8}{5} \Rightarrow \frac{AB}{DB} = \frac{8}{5} \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

So, from (2) and (3),

$$\frac{AD}{DB} \times \frac{DB}{AB} = \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{5}{8} = \frac{3}{8} \Rightarrow \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{3}{8} \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

Now, from  $DE \parallel BC$ , we also have:

$\angle D = \angle B$  and  $\angle E = \angle C$  (Corresponding angles)

So,  $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle ABC$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{DE}{BC}$$

So, from (4), we get

$$\frac{DE}{BC} = \frac{3}{8}$$

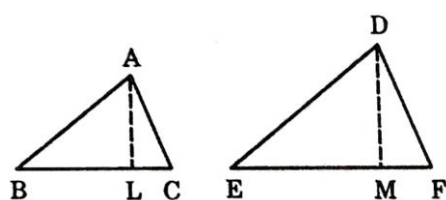
Putting  $\frac{DE}{BC} = \frac{3}{8}$  in (1), we get

$$\frac{\text{ar}(\triangle DFE)}{\text{ar}(\triangle CFB)} = \left(\frac{3}{8}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{64}.$$

49. Prove that the ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the square of the ratio of their corresponding sides. 2012/2013/2015/2016 (4 Marks)

Given: Two  $\Delta$ s ABC and DEF such that  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta DEF$ .

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



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

Proof: Since similar triangles are equiangular and their corresponding sides are proportional, therefore

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

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

$$\text{And } \frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF} \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

Now, in  $\Delta$ s ALB and DME, we have:

$$\angle ALB = \angle DME \quad [\because \text{Each} = 90^\circ]$$

$$\text{And } \angle B = \angle E \quad [\text{From (1)}]$$

$\therefore$  By AA criterion of similarity, we have:

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

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AL}{DM} = \frac{AB}{DE} \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

From (1) and (2), we get

$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{AL}{DM} \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{\text{ar}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{ar}(\triangle DEF)} &= \frac{\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AL}{\frac{1}{2} \times EF \times DM} = \frac{BC}{EF} \times \frac{AL}{DM} \\ &= \frac{BC}{EF} \times \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2} \quad [\text{From (3), } \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AL}{DM}] \end{aligned}$$

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

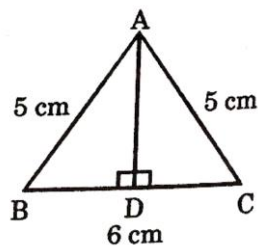
Hence, 
$$\frac{ar(\triangle ABC)}{ar(\triangle DEF)} = \frac{AB^2}{DE^2} = \frac{BC^2}{EF^2} = \frac{AC^2}{DF^2}$$

50. In an isosceles triangle, if the length of its sides are  $AB = 5\text{cm}$ ,  $AC = 5\text{cm}$  and  $BC = 6\text{cm}$ , then find the length of its altitude drawn from A on BC.

2014/2015/2016 (1 Mark)

$AD \perp BC$

So,  $\triangle ABD \cong \triangle ACD$  (RHS)



$\Rightarrow BD = CD = \frac{6}{2} = 3\text{ cm}$

From right triangle ABD, we have:

$$AB^2 = BD^2 + AD^2 \Rightarrow 25 = 9 + AD^2$$

$\Rightarrow AD^2 = 16 \Rightarrow AD = 4$

Thus,  $AD = 4\text{ cm}$ .

51. Prove that in an equilateral triangle, three times of the square of one of the sides is equal to four times of the square of one of its altitudes.

2013/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

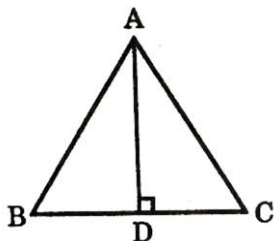
$\triangle ABC$  is an equilateral triangle.

So,  $AB = BC = CA$

Also,  $AD \perp BC$

So, AD divides BC into two equal parts,

i.e.  $BD = DC$



Now, in rt.  $\triangle ADC$ ,

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

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

$$\text{Or } AC^2 - \frac{BC^2}{4} = AD^2$$

$$\text{Or } AB^2 - \frac{AB^2}{4} = AD^2 \quad (\because AB = BC = AC)$$

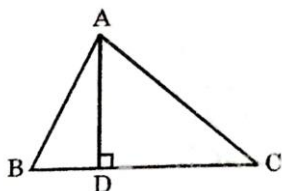
$$\text{Or } \frac{4AB^2 - AB^2}{4} = AD^2$$

$$\text{Or } \frac{3AB^2}{4} = AD^2$$

$$\text{Or } 3AB^2 = 4AD^2$$

i.e. three times the square of a side of an equilateral triangle is equal to four times the square of its altitude.

52. In the figure, in  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD \perp BC$ . Prove that  $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 - 2BC \cdot BD$ .



2013/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

$$\text{In rt. } \triangle ADB, AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AB^2 - BD^2 \quad \dots\dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{In rt. } \triangle ADC, AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow AD^2 &= AC^2 - DC^2 \\ &= AC^2 - (BC - BD)^2 \\ &= AC^2 - (BC^2 + BD^2 - 2BC \cdot BD) \quad \dots\dots\dots(2) \end{aligned}$$

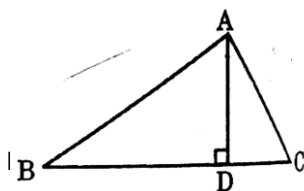
From (1) and (2),

$$\begin{aligned} AB^2 - BD^2 &= AC^2 - (BC^2 + BD^2 - 2BC \cdot BD) \\ \Rightarrow AC^2 &= AB^2 - BD^2 + BC^2 + BD^2 - 2BC \cdot BD \\ \Rightarrow AC^2 &= AB^2 + BC^2 - 2BC \cdot BD \end{aligned}$$

53. The perpendicular from A on the side BC of a  $\triangle ABC$  intersects BC at D such that  $DB = 3CD$ . Prove that  $2AB^2 = 2AC^2 + BC^2$ .

2013/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

$$BD = 3CD \Rightarrow BD - CD = 2CD$$



Now,  $AB^2 = AD^2 + BD^2$  and  $AC^2 = AD^2 + CD^2$

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

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

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

$$\Rightarrow 2(AB^2) - 2(AC^2) = 2BC \times 2CD = 2BC \times 2\left(\frac{BC}{4}\right) \quad [\because BC = 4CD \text{ from (1)}]$$

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


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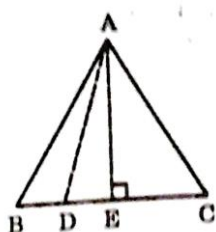
54. In an equilateral triangle ABC, D is a point on side BC such that  $3BD = BC$ .  
Prove that  $9AD^2 = 7AB^2$ .

2010/2011/2013/2016 (2 Marks)

Let ABC be an equilateral triangle and let D be a point on BC such that

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

Draw  $AE \perp BC$ . Join AD.



In  $\Delta$ s AEB and AEC, we have:

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

$$\text{And } AE = AE \quad (\text{common})$$

$\therefore$  By RHS congruence criterion, we have:

$$\Delta AEB \cong \Delta AEC$$

$$\Rightarrow BE = EC \quad (\text{CPCT})$$

Now, we have:

$$BD = \frac{1}{3}BC, DC = BC - BD \Rightarrow BC - \frac{1}{3}BC = \frac{3BC - BC}{3} = \frac{2}{3}BC$$

$$\text{So, } DE = DC - EC = \frac{2}{3}BC - \frac{BC}{2} = \frac{4BC - 3BC}{6} = \frac{BC}{6} \dots\dots(1)$$

$$\text{And } BE = EC = \frac{1}{2}BC \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

In rt.  $\Delta AED$ ,

$$AD^2 = AE^2 + DE^2 \quad \dots\dots(3)$$



And in rt.  $\triangle AEB$ ,

$$AE^2 = AB^2 - BE^2 \quad \dots\dots\dots(4)$$

From (3) and (4),

$$\begin{aligned} AD^2 &= AB^2 - BE^2 + DE^2 \\ &= BC^2 - \left(\frac{BC}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{BC}{6}\right)^2 \quad [\text{Using (1) and (2)}] \\ &= BC^2 - \frac{BC^2}{4} + \frac{BC^2}{36} \\ &= \frac{36BC^2 - 9BC^2 + BC^2}{36} = \frac{28BC^2}{36} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{7BC^2}{9} \Rightarrow AD^2 = \frac{7AB^2}{9} \quad (\because AB = BC)$$

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

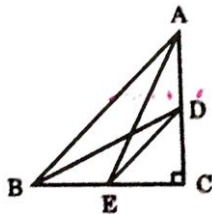

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55. D and E are points on the sides CA and CB respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ , right angled at C. Prove that  $AE^2 + BD^2 = AB^2 + DE^2$ .

2012/2013/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

We have:  $AE^2 = AC^2 + CE^2$

And  $BD^2 = BC^2 + CD^2$



$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow AE^2 + BD^2 &= AC^2 + CE^2 + BC^2 + CD^2 \\ &= (AC^2 + BC^2) + (CE^2 + CD^2) \\ &= AB^2 + DE^2 \end{aligned}$$


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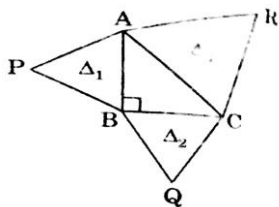
56. Prove that the equilateral triangles described on the two sides of a right angled triangle are together equal to the equilateral triangle described on the hypotenuse in terms of their areas.

2010/2011/2012/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

**Given:** A right angled  $\triangle ABC$  with right angle at B. Equilateral  $\triangle$ s PAB, QBC and RAC are described on the sides AB, BC and CA respectively.

**To prove:**  $\text{ar}(\triangle PAB) + \text{ar}(\triangle QBC) = \text{ar}(\triangle RAC)$ .

**Proof:** Since  $\Delta$ s PAB, QBC and RAC are equilateral, therefore they are equiangular and hence similar.



$$\therefore \frac{ar(\Delta PAB)}{ar(\Delta RAC)} + \frac{ar(\Delta QBC)}{ar(\Delta RAC)} = \frac{AB^2}{AC^2} + \frac{BC^2}{AC^2}$$

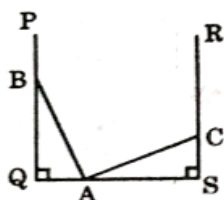
$$= \frac{AB^2 + BC^2}{AC^2} = \frac{AC^2}{AC^2} = 1$$

$$[\because \Delta ABC \text{ is right angled with } \angle B = 90^\circ \therefore AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ar(\Delta PAB) + ar(\Delta QBC)}{ar(\Delta RAC)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow ar(\Delta PAB) + ar(\Delta QBC) = ar(\Delta RAC)$$

57. As shown in the figure, a 26m long ladder is placed at A. If it is placed along wall PQ, it reaches a height of 24m, whereas it reaches a height of 10m, if it is placed against wall RS. Find the distance between the walls.



2014/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

$$\text{From } \Delta ABQ, AB^2 = AQ^2 + BQ^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (26)^2 = AQ^2 + (24)^2 \Rightarrow 676 = AQ^2 + 576$$

$$\Rightarrow AQ^2 = 100 \Rightarrow AQ = \sqrt{100} \text{ m} = 10 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{From } \Delta ASC, AC^2 = AS^2 + CS^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (26)^2 = AS^2 + (10)^2 \Rightarrow 676 = AS^2 + 100$$

$$\Rightarrow AS^2 = 676 - 100 = 576 \Rightarrow AS = \sqrt{576} = 24 \text{ m}$$

So, distance between the walls

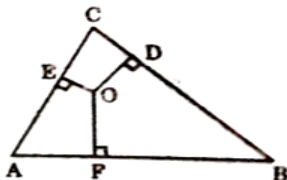
$$= QS$$

$$= AQ + AS = 10 + 24 = 34 \text{ m.}$$

58. In  $\triangle ABC$ , from any interior point  $O$ ,  $OD \perp BC$ ,  $OE \perp AC$  and  $OF \perp AB$  are drawn. Prove that:

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

(ii)  $AE^2 + CD^2 + BF^2 = AF^2 + BD^2 + CE^2$



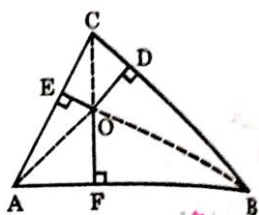
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Join  $OA$ ,  $OB$  and  $OC$ .

(i)  $OA^2 = AE^2 + OE^2$  .....(1)

$OB^2 = BF^2 + OF^2$  .....(2)

and  $OC^2 = CD^2 + OD^2$  .....(3)



Adding (1), (2) and (3), we get:

$$OA^2 + OB^2 + OC^2 = AE^2 + BF^2 + CD^2 + OE^2 + OF^2 + OD^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OA^2 + OB^2 + OC^2 - OD^2 - OE^2 - OF^2 = AE^2 + BF^2 + CD^2 \quad \text{.....(4)}$$

(ii) Similarly, we can find that:

$$OA^2 + OB^2 + OC^2 - OD^2 - OE^2 - OF^2 = AF^2 + BD^2 + CE^2 \quad \text{.....(5)}$$

So, from (4) and (5), we get:

$$AE^2 + BF^2 + CD^2 = AF^2 + BD^2 + CE^2$$

59.  $\triangle ABC$  is right angled at  $C$ . If  $BC = a$ ,  $CA = b$ ,  $AB = c$  and  $p$  is length of perpendicular drawn from  $C$  on  $AB$ , then prove that:

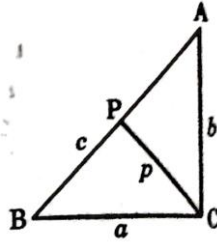
(i)  $cp = ab$

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

2014/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

In the figure, we have:

$$CP \perp PB \text{ and } CP = p$$



$$(i) \quad \text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AC = \frac{1}{2} ab$$

$$\text{Also, Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times CP = \frac{1}{2} cp$$

So, we have:

$$\frac{1}{2} cp = \frac{1}{2} ab \quad \Rightarrow \quad cp = ab \quad \text{Proved.}$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \quad c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \left(\frac{ab}{p}\right)^2 = a^2 + b^2 \quad [\text{From } cp = ab]$$

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

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

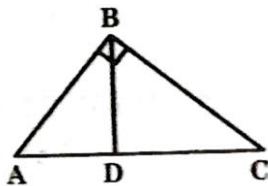
60. Prove that in a right triangle, the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides or state and prove Pythagoras theorem.

2010/2011/2012/2013/2014/2016 (2 Marks)

**Given:** A right angled  $\triangle ABC$ , in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$

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

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



**Proof:** In  $\triangle s$  ADB and ABC, we have:

$$\angle ADB = \angle ABC \quad [ \because \text{Each } = 90^\circ ]$$

And  $\angle A = \angle A$  [Common]

$\therefore$  By AA similarity criterion, we have:

$\triangle ADB \sim \triangle ABC$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{AB}{AC} \quad [\because \text{Corresponding sides are proportional}]$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = AD \times AC \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

In  $\triangle$ s BDC and ABC, we have:

$$\angle CDB = \angle ABC \quad [\because \text{Each} = 90^\circ]$$

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

So, by AA similarity criterion, we have:

$\triangle BDC \sim \triangle ABC$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{DC}{BC} = \frac{BC}{AC} \quad [\because \text{Corresponding sides are proportional}]$$

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

Adding (1) and (2) we get

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

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

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

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

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

61. In the figure, BL and CM are the medians of a triangle right angled at A. Prove that:

$$4(BL^2 + CM^2) = 5BC^2.$$



2010/2011/2013/2015/2016 (2 Marks)

Given that M is the mid-point of AB and L is the mid-point of AC.

In rt.  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$BC^2 = AB^2 + AC^2 \quad \dots\dots(1)$$

In rt.  $\triangle ABL$ ,

$$BL^2 = AB^2 + AL^2 \quad \dots\dots(2)$$

In rt.  $\triangle AMC$ ,

$$MC^2 = AM^2 + AC^2 \quad \dots\dots(3)$$

Adding (2) and (3) and subtracting (1) from the result, we get

$$\begin{aligned} BL^2 + MC^2 - BC^2 &= AL^2 + AM^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{AC}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{AB}{2}\right)^2 \quad (\because AM = MB \text{ and } AL = LC) \end{aligned}$$

$$BL^2 + MC^2 - BC^2 = \frac{AC^2}{4} + \frac{AB^2}{4} = \frac{AC^2 + AB^2}{4} = \frac{BC^2}{4} \quad [\text{From (1)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow 4(BL^2 + MC^2) - 4BC^2 = BC^2$$

$$\text{Or} \quad 4(BL^2 + MC^2) = 5BC^2$$

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