

Class – 9th

Topic – Pythagoras theorem

1. In $\triangle ABC$, obtuse angled at B, if AD is perpendicular to CB produced, prove that: $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 + 2BC \times BD$

Solution:

In $\triangle ADB$, $\angle D = 90^\circ$

$$\therefore AD^2 + DB^2 = AB^2 \quad \dots (i) \quad [\text{By Pythagoras theorem}]$$

In $\triangle ADC$, $\angle D = 90^\circ$

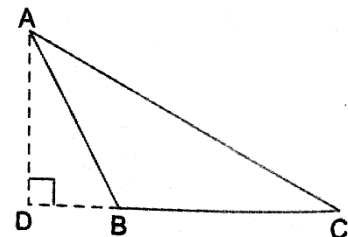
$$\therefore AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 \quad [\text{By Pythagoras theorem}]$$

$$= AD^2 + (DB + BC)^2$$

$$= AD^2 + DB^2 + BC^2 + 2DB \times BC$$

$$= AB^2 + BC^2 + 2BC \times BD \quad [\text{Using (i)}]$$

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



2. In $\triangle ABC$, if AD is the median, then prove that $AB^2 + AC^2 = 2AD^2 + \frac{1}{2} BC^2$

Solution:

Draw $AE \perp BC$. Then, $\angle AED = 90^\circ$

$$\therefore \angle ADE < 90^\circ$$

$\Rightarrow \angle ADB$ is an obtuse angle

thus, $\angle ADB$ is obtuse and $\angle ADE$ is acute.

now, $\triangle ABD$ is obtuse-angled at D and $AE \perp BD$ produced.

$$\therefore AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 - 2DC \times DE \quad \dots (i)$$

Also, $\triangle ADC$ is acute-angled at D and $AE \perp DC$

$$\therefore AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 - 2DC \times DE$$

$$= AD^2 + BD^2 - 2BD \times DE \quad \dots (ii) \quad [\because DC = BD]$$

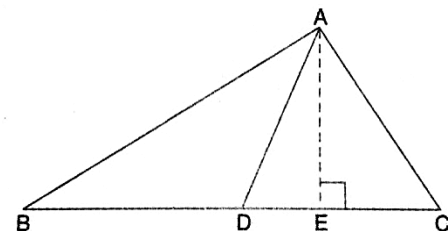
Adding (i) and (ii), we get

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

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

$$= 2AD^2 + \frac{1}{2} BC^2$$

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



3. A ladder reached a window which is 15 metres above the ground on one side of the street. Keeping its foot at the same point, the ladder is turned to the other side of the street to reach a window 8 metre high. Find the width of the street, if the length of the ladder is 17 metres.

Solution:

According to the given statement, the figure will be as shown alongside. In the figure, PQ is the width of the street, PM and QN are two building, A is the foot of the ladder, AB is the first position of the ladder and AB' is its second position.

Clearly, $AB = AB' = 17$ m, $PB = 15$ m and $QB' = 8$ m

$$\text{In } \triangle PAB, PA^2 + PB^2 = AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow PA^2 + 15^2 = 17^2$$

$$\text{i. e. } PA^2 = 17^2 - 15^2 = 289 - 225 = 64 \Rightarrow PA = \sqrt{64} \text{ m} = 8 \text{ m}$$

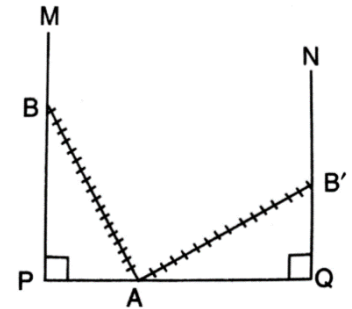
$$\text{In } \triangle QAB', QA^2 + (QB')^2 = (AB')^2$$

$$\Rightarrow QA^2 + 8^2 = 17^2$$

$$\text{i. e. } QA^2 = 17^2 - 8^2 = 289 - 64 = 225 \Rightarrow QA = \sqrt{225} \text{ m} = 15 \text{ m}$$

\therefore The width of the street = PQ

$$= PA + QA = 8 \text{ m} + 15 \text{ m} = 23 \text{ m}$$



4. ABC is an equilateral triangle; P is a point in BC such that BP: PC = 2:1.

Prove that : $9AP^2 = 7AB^2$

Solution:

According to the given statement, the figure will be as shown alongside.

Draw AD perpendicular to BC. In order to find AP, which is a side of right $\triangle ADP$;

find DP and AD.

To find DP:

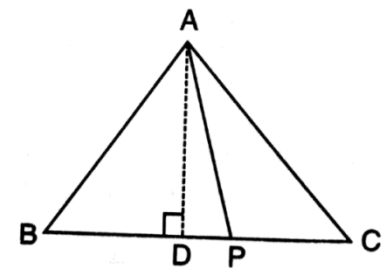
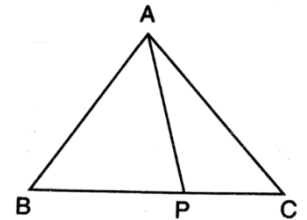
$$\text{Given: } BP: PC = 2: 1$$

$$\Rightarrow BP = \frac{2}{3} BC = \frac{2}{3} AB \quad [\because AB = BC = AC]$$

$$AD \perp BC \Rightarrow BD = \frac{1}{2} BC = \frac{1}{2} AB$$

$$\therefore DP = BP - BD$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} AB - \frac{1}{2} AB = \frac{4AB - 3AB}{6} = \frac{AB}{6}$$



To find AD: In right $\triangle ABD$,

$$AD^2 + BD^2 = AB^2 \Rightarrow AD^2 + \left(\frac{AB}{2}\right)^2 = AB^2 \quad \left[\because BD = \frac{1}{2}BC = \frac{1}{2}AB\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow AD^2 = AB^2 - \frac{AB^2}{4} = \frac{3AB^2}{4}$$

Now, in right $\triangle ADP$,

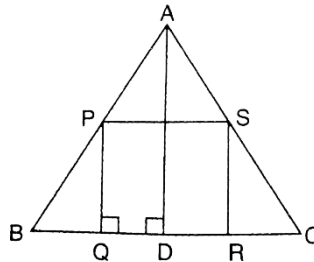
$$AP^2 = AD^2 + DP^2 \Rightarrow AP^2 = \frac{3AB^2}{4} + \left(\frac{AB}{6}\right)^2$$

$$\text{i. e. } AP^2 = \frac{3AB^2}{4} + \frac{AB^2}{36} = \frac{27AB^2 + AB^2}{36}$$

$$\text{i. e. } AP^2 = \frac{28AB^2}{36} = \frac{7AB^2}{9} \Rightarrow 9AP^2 = 7AB^2$$

5. ABC is an isosceles triangle in which $AB = AC = 20$ cm and $BC = 24$ cm. $PQRS$ is a rectangle drawn inside the isosceles triangle. Given $PQ = SR = y$ cm and $PS = QR = 2x$ cm.

Prove that: $y = 16 - \frac{4x}{3}$



Solution:

In an isosceles triangle, the perpendicular from vertex bisects the base.

$$\therefore BD = CD = \frac{24}{2} \text{ cm} = 12 \text{ cm}$$

By ASA, $\triangle PBQ \cong \triangle SCR$

$$\Rightarrow BQ = CR$$

$$\therefore BD - BQ = CD - CR \Rightarrow DQ = DR = \frac{2x}{2} \text{ cm} = x \text{ cm and,}$$

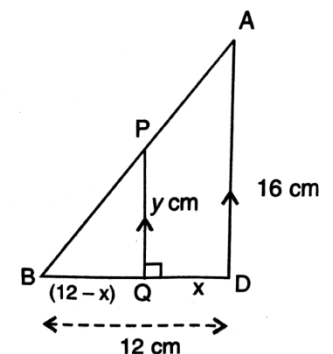
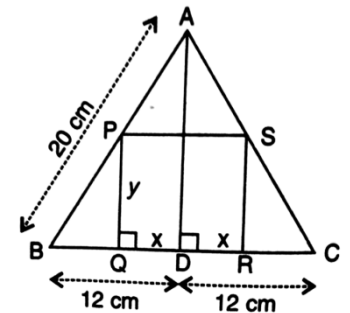
$$BQ = CR = (12 - x) \text{ cm}$$

In right $\triangle ABD$, $AD^2 = AB^2 - BD^2$ [Using Pythagoras theorem]

$$= 20^2 - 12^2 = 256$$

$$\Rightarrow AD = 16 \text{ cm}$$

Since, PQ and AD both are perpendicular to the same line BD ;



therefore, PQ is parallel to AD.

In $\triangle ABD$, $PQ \parallel AD$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{PQ}{AD} = \frac{BQ}{BD} \Rightarrow \frac{y}{16} = \frac{12-x}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 16 - \frac{4x}{3}$$

Hence proved

6. Prove that the sum of the squares on the diagonals of a parallelogram is equal to the sum of the squares on its sides.

Solution:

According to the given statement, the figure will be as shown alongside.

Required to prove:

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

Draw $AN \perp CD$ (Produced) and $DM \perp AB$

In right triangle ANC ,

$$AC^2 = AN^2 + NC^2$$

$$= AN^2 + (CD + DN)^2$$

$$= AN^2 + CD^2 + DN^2 + 2CD \times DN$$

$$= (AN^2 + DN^2) + CD^2 + 2CD \times DN$$

$$= AD^2 + CD^2 + 2CD \times DN \quad \dots (i)$$

In right $\triangle DMB$,

$$BD^2 = DM^2 + MB^2$$

$$= DM^2 + (AB - AM)^2$$

$$= DM^2 + AB^2 + AM^2 - 2AB \times AM$$

$$= (DM^2 + AM^2) + AB^2 - 2CD \times DN$$

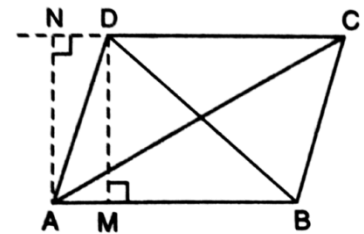
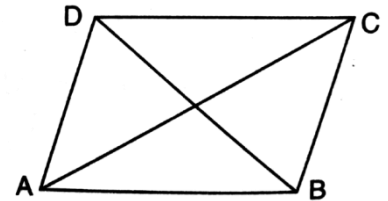
$$= AD^2 + AB^2 - 2CD \times DN \quad \dots (ii)$$

On adding equations (i) and (ii) we get

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

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

Hence proved



7. A point O in the interior of a rectangle ABCD is joined with each of the vertices A, B, C and D.
 prove that: $OA^2 + OC^2 = OB^2 + OD^2$.

Solution:

Through O, draw EOF || AB. Then, ABFE is a rhombus.

In right triangles OEA and OFC, we have:

$$OA^2 = OE^2 + AE^2$$

$$OC^2 = OF^2 + CF^2$$

$$\therefore OA^2 + OC^2 = OE^2 + OF^2 + AE^2 + CF^2 \quad \dots (i)$$

Again, in right triangles OFB and OED, we have: $OB^2 = OF^2 + BF^2$

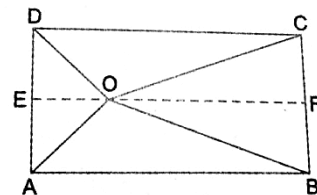
$$OD^2 = OE^2 + DE^2$$

$$\therefore OB^2 + OD^2 = OF^2 + OE^2 + BF^2 + DE^2$$

$$= OE^2 + OF^2 + AE^2 + CF^2 \quad \dots (ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$OA^2 + OC^2 = OB^2 + OD^2$$



8. In a rhombus ABCD, prove that: $AB^2 + BC^2 + CD^2 + AD^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$

Solution:

Let ABCD be a rhombus, whose diagonals AC and BD intersect at O. we know that the diagonals of a rhombus bisect each other at right angles.

$$\therefore \angle AOB = \angle BOC = \angle COD = \angle AOD = 90^\circ \text{ and } AO = OC, BO = OD$$

From right $\triangle AOB$, we have $AB^2 = OA^2 + OB^2$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}AC\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}BD\right)^2 = \frac{1}{4}AC^2 + \frac{1}{4}BD^2$$

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

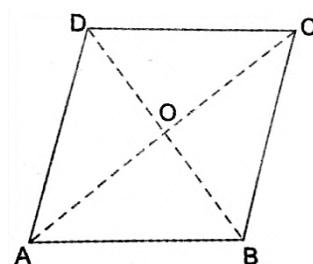
Similarly, $4BC^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$

$$4CD^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$$

$$4AD^2 = AC^2 + BD^2$$

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

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

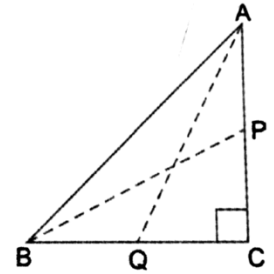


9. In a $\triangle ABC$, right angled at C, if P and Q be the mid-points of CA and CB respectively, prove that:

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

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

(iii) $4(AQ^2 + BP^2) = 5AB^2$



Solution:

(i) From right $\triangle ACQ$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} AQ^2 &= AC^2 + QC^2 \\ &= AC^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} BC\right)^2 = AC^2 + \frac{1}{4} AC^2 \\ \Rightarrow 4AQ^2 &= 4AC^2 + BC^2 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) From right $\triangle PCB$, we have $BP^2 = BC^2 + PC^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= BC^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2} AC\right)^2 = BC^2 + \frac{1}{4} AC^2 \\ \Rightarrow 4BP^2 &= 4BC^2 + AC^2 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Adding (i) and (ii) we get

$$\begin{aligned} 4(AQ^2 + BP^2) &= 5(AC^2 + BC^2) \\ &= 5AB^2 \quad [\because AC^2 + BC^2 = AB^2] \end{aligned}$$

Hence, $4(AQ^2 + BP^2) = 5AB^2$

10. In $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A = 90^\circ$ and $AD \perp BC$. Prove that: $AD^2 = BD \times DC$.

Solution:

From right $\triangle ADB$, we have,

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

From right $\triangle ADC$, we have

$$AC^2 = AD^2 + DC^2 \quad \dots (ii)$$

From right $\triangle BAX$, we have

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

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$\begin{aligned} AB^2 + AC^2 &= 2AD^2 + BD^2 + DC^2 \\ \Rightarrow BC^2 &= 2AD^2 + BD^2 + DC^2 \\ \Rightarrow (BD + DC)^2 &= 2AD^2 + BD^2 + DC^2 \\ \Rightarrow BD^2 + DC^2 + 2BD \times DC &= 2AD^2 + BD^2 + DC^2 \\ \Rightarrow AD^2 &= BD \times DC \end{aligned}$$

