

Practice set 1.1

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1. Base of a triangle is 9 and height is 5. Base of another triangle is 10 and height is 6. Find the ratio of areas of these triangles.

Solution:

Let base of the first triangle is b_1 and height is h_1 . Let base of second triangle is b_2 and height is h_2 . Ratio of areas of two triangles is equal to the ratio of the products of their bases and corresponding heights.

Here $b_1 = 9$

$h_1 = 5$

$b_2 = 10$

$h_2 = 6$

Then ratio of their areas = $b_1 \times h_1 / b_2 \times h_2$
 $= 9 \times 5 / 10 \times 6$
 $= 3/4$

Hence the ratio of the areas of these triangles is 3:4

2. In figure 1.13 $BC \perp AB$, $AD \perp AB$, $BC = 4$, $AD = 8$, then find $A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle ADB)$.

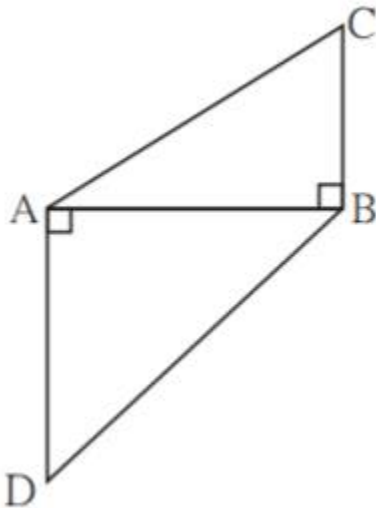


Fig. 1.13

Solution:

Here $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ADB$ have the same base AB.

Areas of triangles with equal bases are proportional to their corresponding heights.

Since bases are equal, areas are proportional to heights.

Given $BC = 4$ and $AD = 8$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle ADB) &= BC/AD \\ &= 4/8 \\ &= 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

Hence ratio of areas of $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ADB$ is 1:2.

3. In adjoining figure 1.14 seg $PS \perp$ seg RQ , seg $QT \perp$ seg PR . If $RQ = 6$, $PS = 6$ and $PR = 12$, then find QT .

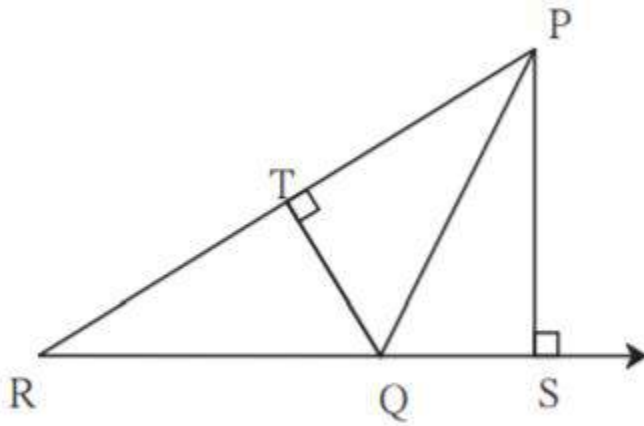


Fig. 1.14

Solution:

Given $PS \perp RQ$ and $QT \perp PR$.

$$RQ = 6$$

$$PS = 6$$

$$PR = 12$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle PQR \text{ with base } PR \text{ and height } QT = (1/2) \times PR \times QT$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle PQR \text{ with base } QR \text{ and height } PS = (1/2) \times QR \times PS$$

$$A(\triangle PQR) / A(\triangle PQR) = (1/2) \times PR \times QT / (1/2) \times QR \times PS$$

$$1 = PR \times QT / QR \times PS$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = 12 \times QT / 6 \times 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 6 \times 6 = QT \times 12$$

$$\Rightarrow QT = 36 / 12$$

$$\Rightarrow QT = 3$$

Hence measure of side QT is 3 units.

4. In adjoining figure, $AP \perp BC$, $AD \parallel BC$, then find $A(\triangle ABC) : A(\triangle BCD)$.

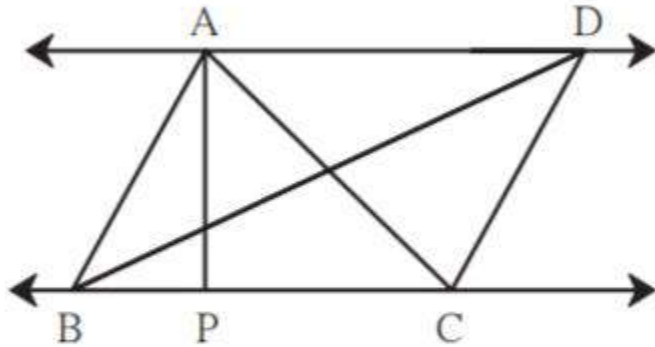


Fig. 1.15

Solution:

Given, $AP \perp BC$, and $AD \parallel BC$. $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle BCD$ has same base BC.

Areas of triangles with equal bases are proportional to their corresponding heights.

Since AP is the perpendicular distance between parallel lines AD and BC, height of $\triangle ABC$ and height of $\triangle BCD$ are same.

$$\therefore A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle BCD) = AP/AP = 1$$

$$\text{Hence } A(\triangle ABC) : A(\triangle BCD) = 1:1$$

5. In adjoining figure $PQ \perp BC$, $AD \perp BC$ then find following ratios.

(i) $A(\triangle PQB) / A(\triangle PBC)$

(ii) $A(\triangle PBC) / A(\triangle ABC)$

(iii) $A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle ADC)$

(iv) $A(\triangle ADC) / A(\triangle PQC)$

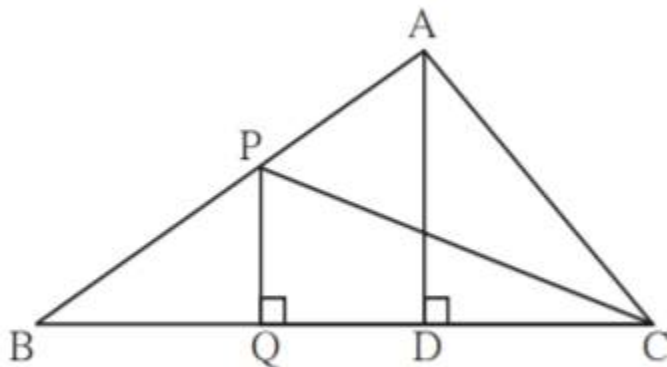


Fig. 1.16

Solution:

(i) $\triangle PQB$ and $\triangle PBC$ have same height PQ.

Ratio of areas of triangles with equal heights are proportional to their corresponding bases.

$$\therefore A(\triangle PQB) / A(\triangle PBC) = BQ/BC$$

(ii) $\triangle PBC$ and $\triangle ABC$ have same base BC.

Ratio of areas of triangles with equal bases are proportional to their corresponding heights.

$$\therefore A(\triangle PBC) / A(\triangle ABC) = PQ/AD$$

(iii) $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle ADC$ have equal heights AD.

Ratio of areas of triangles with equal heights are proportional to their corresponding bases.

$$\therefore A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle ADC) = BC/DC$$

(iv) Ratio of areas of two triangles is equal to the ratio of the products of their bases and corresponding heights.

$$\therefore A(\triangle ADC) / A(\triangle PQC) = DC \times AD / QC \times PQ$$



Practice set 1.2

1. Given below are some triangles and lengths of line segments. Identify in which figures, ray PM is the bisector of $\angle QPR$.

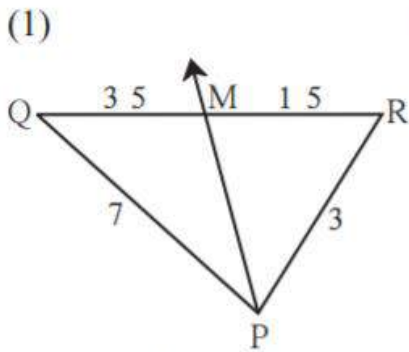


Fig. 1.33

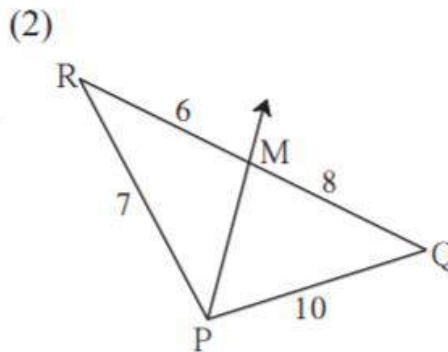


Fig. 1.34

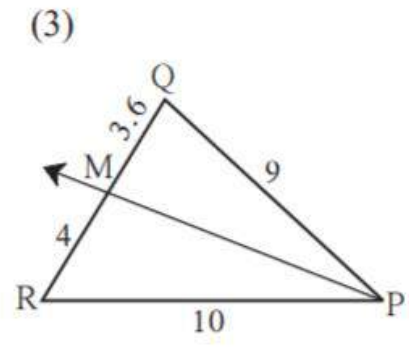


Fig. 1.35

Solution:

(i) In $\triangle PQR$

$$QM/RM = 3.5/1.5 = 7/3 \dots\dots(i)$$

$$PQ/PR = 7/3 \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{From (i) and (ii) } QM/RM = PQ/PR$$

\therefore By Converse of angle bisector theorem, Ray PM is the bisector of $\angle QPR$.

(ii) In $\triangle PQR$

$$PR/PQ = 7/10 \dots\dots(i)$$

$$RM/QM = 6/8 \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{From (i) and (ii) } PR/PQ \neq RM/QM$$

\therefore Ray PM is not the bisector of $\angle QPR$

(iii) In $\triangle PQR$

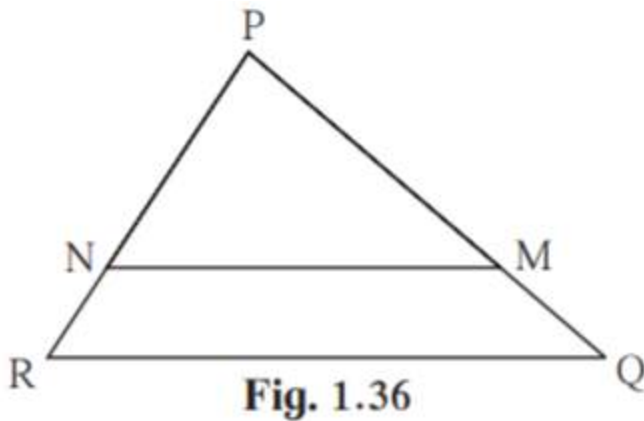
$$PR/PQ = 4/10 \dots\dots(i)$$

$$RM/QM = 3.6/9 = 40/36 = 10/9 \dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\text{From (i) and (ii) } PR/PQ = RM/QM$$

\therefore By Converse of angle bisector theorem, Ray PM is the bisector of $\angle QPR$.

2. In $\triangle PQR$, $PM = 15$, $PQ = 25$, $PR = 20$, $NR = 8$. State whether line NM is parallel to side RQ. Give reason.



Solution:

Given $PM = 15$, $PQ = 25$, $PR = 20$, $NR = 8$

$$PQ = PM + MQ$$

$$25 = 15 + MQ$$

$$\Rightarrow MQ = 25 - 15$$

$$\Rightarrow MQ = 10$$

$$PR = PN + NR$$

$$20 = PN + 8$$

$$\Rightarrow PN = 20 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow PN = 12$$

$$\frac{PM}{MQ} = \frac{15}{10} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\frac{PN}{NR} = \frac{12}{8} = \frac{3}{2}$$

In $\triangle PQR$, $\frac{PM}{MQ} = \frac{PN}{NR}$.

\therefore By Converse of basic proportionality theorem, line $NM \parallel$ side RQ .

3. In $\triangle MNP$, NQ is a bisector of $\angle N$. If $MN = 5$, $PN = 7$ $MQ = 2.5$ then find QP .

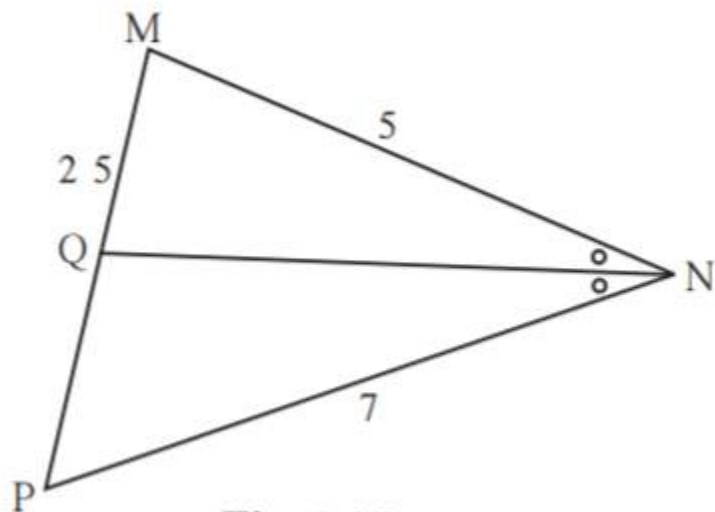


Fig. 1.37

Solution:

Given $MN = 5$, $PN = 7$, $MQ = 2.5$

Since NQ is a bisector of $\angle N$, $PN/MN = QP/MQ$ [Angle bisector theorem]

$$7/5 = QP/2.5$$

$$\Rightarrow QP = 7 \times 2.5 / 5$$

$$\Rightarrow QP = 3.5$$

Hence measure of QP is 3.5 units.

4. Measures of some angles in the figure are given. Prove that $AP/PB = AQ/QC$

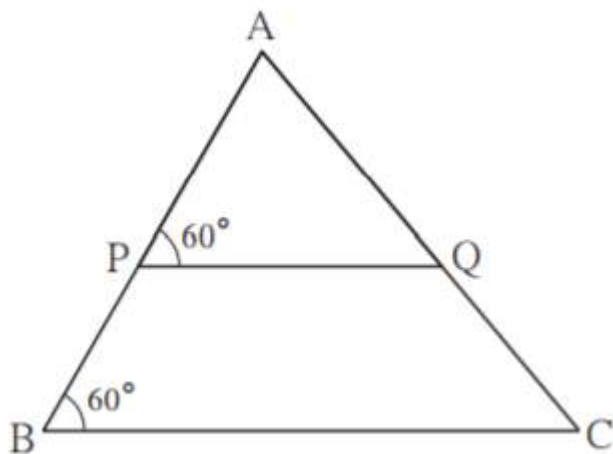


Fig. 1.38

Solution:

$\angle ABC = 60^\circ$ [Given]

$\angle APQ = 60^\circ$ [Given]

Since the corresponding angles are equal, line $PQ \parallel BC$.

In $\triangle ABC$, $PQ \parallel BC$.

\therefore By basic proportionality theorem, $AP/PB = AQ/QC$

Hence proved.

5. In trapezium ABCD, side $AB \parallel PQ \parallel DC$, $AP = 15$, $PD = 12$, $QC = 14$, find BQ .

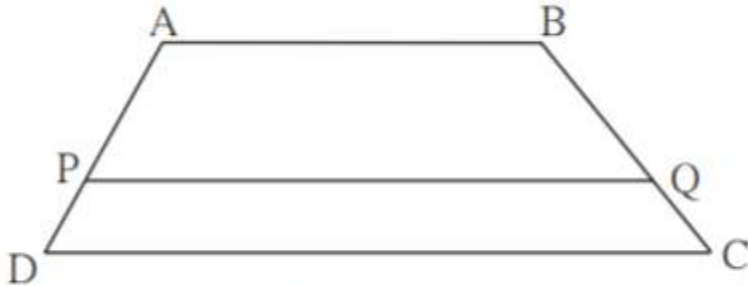


Fig. 1.39

Solution:

Given $AB \parallel PQ \parallel DC$.

$AP = 15$

$PD = 12$

$QC = 14$

$AP/PD = BQ/QC$ [Property of three parallel lines and their transversals]

$15/12 = BQ/14$

$\Rightarrow BQ = 15 \times 14 / 12$

$\Rightarrow BQ = 17.5$ units.

Hence measure of BQ is 17.5 units.

6. Find QP using given information in the figure.

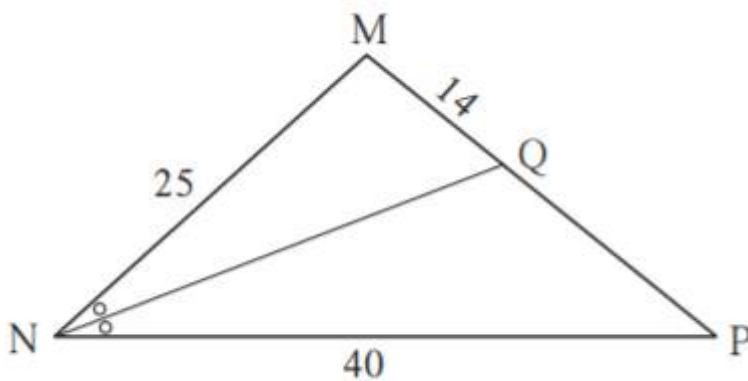


Fig. 1.40

Solution:

From figure $MN = 25$, $NP = 40$, $MQ = 14$

Given NQ bisects $\angle MNP$.

$\therefore MN/NP = MQ/QP$ [Angle bisector theorem]

$$25/40 = 14/QP$$

$$\Rightarrow QP = 40 \times 14 / 25$$

$$\Rightarrow QP = 22.5$$

Hence measure of QP is 22.5 units.

7. In figure 1.41, if $AB \parallel CD \parallel FE$ then find x and AE .

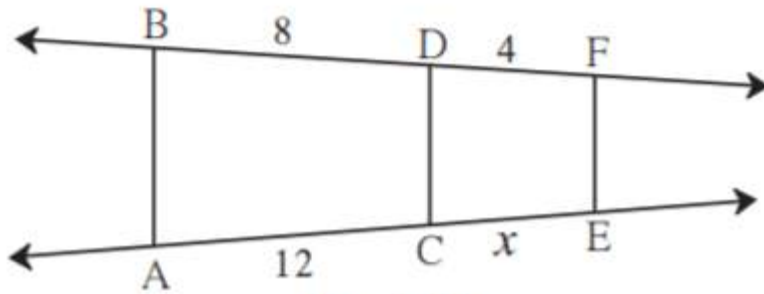


Fig. 1.41

Solution:

From figure $BD = 8$, $DF = 4$, $AC = 12$ and $CE = x$

Given $AB \parallel CD \parallel FE$

$\therefore BD/DF = AC/CE$ [Property of three parallel lines and their transversals]

$$8/4 = 12/x$$

$$x = 12 \times 4 / 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6$$

$$\therefore CE = 6$$

$$AE = AC + CE$$

$$\therefore AE = 12 + 6$$

$$\therefore AE = 18$$

Hence measure of x is 6 units and AE is 18 units.

8. In $\triangle LMN$, ray MT bisects $\angle LMN$. If $LM = 6$, $MN = 10$, $TN = 8$, then find LT .

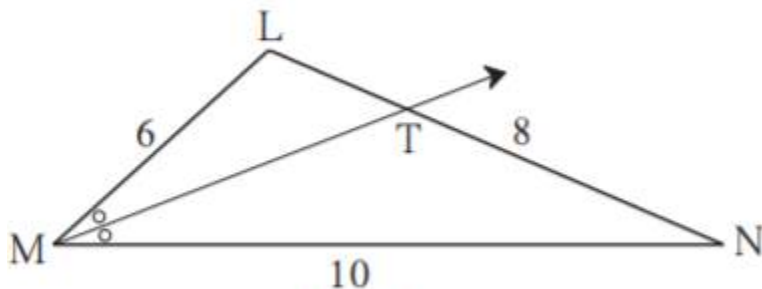


Fig. 1.42

Solution:

Given ray MT bisects $\angle LMN$.

$$LM = 6$$

$$MN = 10$$

$$TN = 8$$

Since ray MT bisects $\angle LMN$, $LM/MN = LT/TN$ [Angle bisector theorem]

$$6/10 = LT/8$$

$$\Rightarrow LT = 6 \times 8 / 10$$

$$\Rightarrow LT = 4.8$$

Hence measure of LT is 4.8 units.

9. In $\triangle ABC$, seg BD bisects $\angle ABC$. If $AB = x$, $BC = x+5$, $AD = x-2$, $DC = x+2$, then find the value of x .

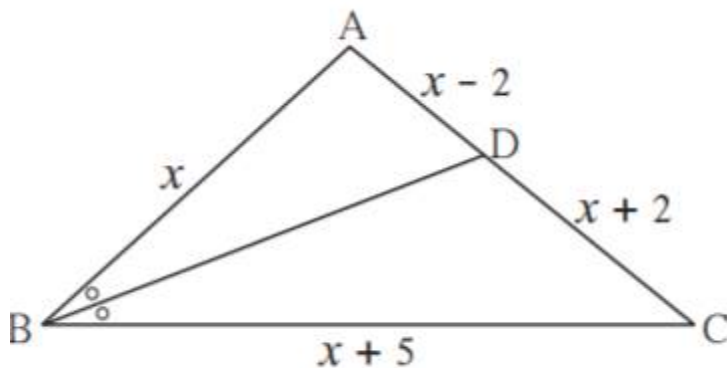


Fig. 1.43

Solution:

Given BD bisects $\angle ABC$.

Also $AB = x$, $BC = x+5$

$AD = x-2$, $DC = x+2$

Since BD bisects $\angle ABC$, $AB/BC = AD/DC$ [Angle bisector theorem]

$$x/(x+5) = (x-2)/(x+2)$$

Cross multiplying, we get

$$x(x+2) = (x+5)(x-2)$$

$$x^2+2x = x^2+5x-2x-10$$

$$x^2+2x = x^2+3x-10$$

$$x = 10$$

\therefore the value of x is 10 .

10. In the figure 1.44, X is any point in the interior of triangle. Point X is joined to vertices of triangle. Seg PQ \parallel seg DE, seg QR \parallel seg EF. Fill in the blanks to prove that, seg PR \parallel seg DF.

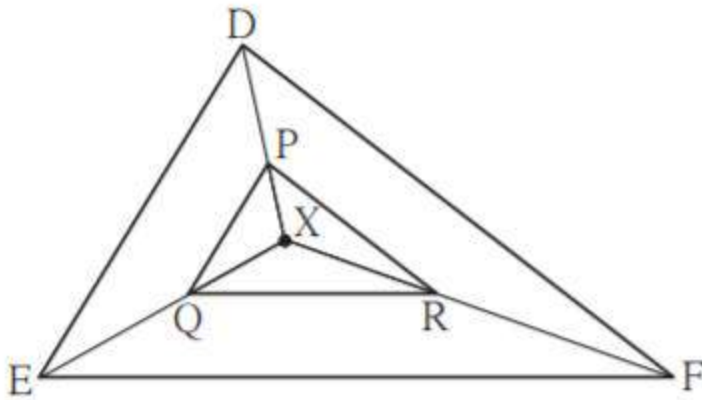


Fig. 1.44

Proof : In $\triangle XDE$, $PQ \parallel DE$

$\therefore XP/PD = XQ/QE$ (I) (Basic proportionality theorem)

In $\triangle XEF$, $QR \parallel EF$

$\therefore XR/RF = XQ/QE$ (II)

$\therefore XP/PD = XR/RF$ from (I) and (II)

seg $PR \parallel$ seg DE (converse of basic proportionality theorem)

Solution:

In $\triangle XDE$, $PQ \parallel DE$ **Given**

$\therefore XP/PD = XQ/QE$ (I) (Basic proportionality theorem)

In $\triangle XEF$, $QR \parallel EF$ **Given**

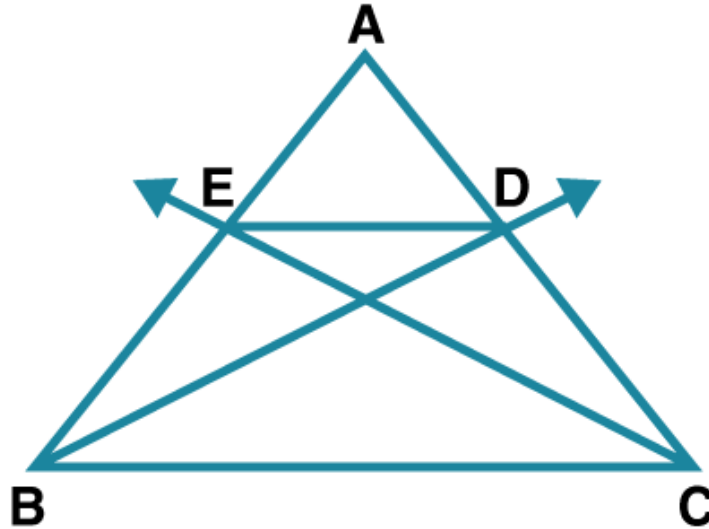
$\therefore XR/RF = XQ/QE$(II) (Basic proportionality theorem)

$\therefore XP/PD = XR/RF$ from (I) and (II)

\therefore seg $PR \parallel$ seg DE (converse of basic proportionality theorem)

11*. In $\triangle ABC$, ray BD bisects $\angle ABC$ and ray CE bisects $\angle ACB$. If seg $AB \cong$ seg AC then prove that $ED \parallel BC$.

Solution:



Given , In $\triangle ABC$ ray BD bisects $\angle ABC$.

$\therefore AB/BC = AD/CD$ (i) [Angle bisector theorem]

Since ray CE bisects $\angle ACB$

$AC/BC = AE/BE$ (ii) [Angle bisector theorem]

Given seg $AB = \text{seg } AC$.

Substitute AB in (ii)

$AB/BC = AE/BE$(iii)

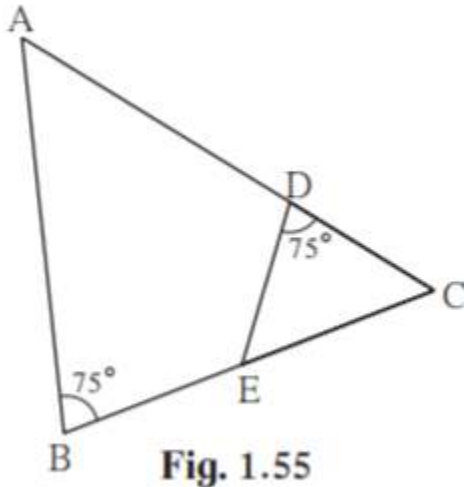
From (i) $AD/CD = AE/BE$ [in (i) $AB/BC = AD/CD$]

$\therefore ED \parallel BC$ [converse of basic proportionality theorem]

Hence proved.

Practice set 1.3

1. In figure 1.55, $\angle ABC = 75^\circ$, $\angle EDC = 75^\circ$ state which two triangles are similar and by which test? Also write the similarity of these two triangles by a proper one to one correspondence.



Solution:

Given $\angle ABC = 75^\circ$, $\angle EDC = 75^\circ$

Consider $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle EDC$

$\angle ABC = \angle EDC$ [Given $\angle ABC = 75^\circ$, $\angle EDC = 75^\circ$]

$\angle ACB = \angle DCE$ [Common angle]

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle EDC$ [AA test of similarity]

One to one correspondence is $ABC \leftrightarrow EDC$

2. Are the triangles in figure 1.56 similar? If yes, by which test ?

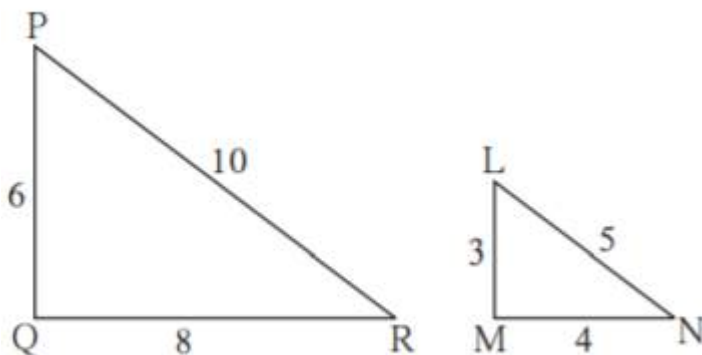


Fig. 1.56

Solution:

Consider $\triangle PQR$ and $\triangle LMN$,

$PQ/LM = 6/3 = 2/1$ (i)

$$QR/MN = 8/4 = 2/1 \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$PR/LN = 10/5 = 2/1 \dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

$$\therefore PQ/LM = QR/MN = PR/LN$$

$\therefore \triangle PQR \sim \triangle LMN$ [SSS test of similarity]

3. As shown in figure 1.57, two poles of height 8 m and 4 m are perpendicular to the ground. If the length of shadow of smaller pole due to sunlight is 6 m then how long will be the shadow of the bigger pole at the same time ?

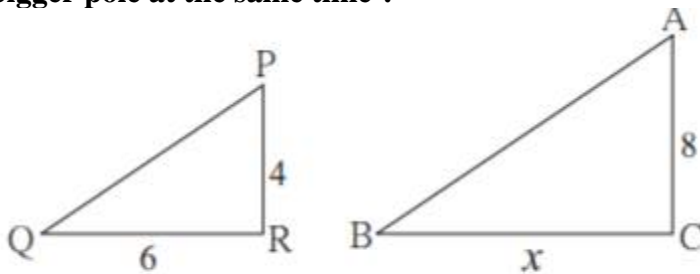


Fig. 1.57

Solution:

Here PR and AC represents the smaller and bigger poles, and QR and BC represents their shadows respectively.

Given PR = 4m, QR = 6m , AC = 8m, BC = x

$\triangle PRQ \sim \triangle ACB$ [\because Vertical poles and their shadows form similar figures]

$\therefore PR/AC = QR/BC$ [Corresponding sides of similar triangles]

$$4/8 = 6/x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6 \times 8/4$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 12$$

Hence the length of shadow of the bigger pole is 12 m.

4. In $\triangle ABC$, $AP \perp BC$, $BQ \perp AC$ B- P-C, A-Q - C then prove that, $\triangle CPA \sim \triangle CQB$. If AP = 7, BQ = 8, BC = 12 then find AC.

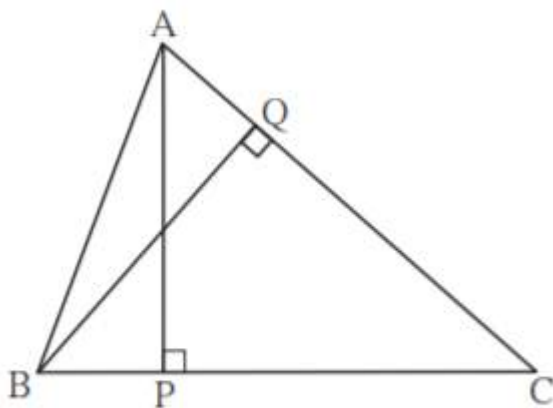


Fig. 1.58

Solution:

Consider $\triangle CPA$ and $\triangle CQB$,

$\angle CPA \cong \angle CQB$ [From figure, angle is equal to 90°]

$\angle PCA \cong \angle QCB$ [Common angle]

$\therefore \triangle CPA \sim \triangle CQB$, [AA test of similarity]

Hence proved.

$AC/BC = AP/BQ$ [corresponding sides of similar triangles]

Given $AP = 7$, $BQ = 8$, $BC = 12$

$$AC/12 = 7/8$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = 12 \times 7/8$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = 10.5$$

Hence measure of AC is 10.5 units.

5. Given : In trapezium PQRS, side PQ || side SR, AR = 5AP, AS = 5AQ then prove that, SR = 5PQ

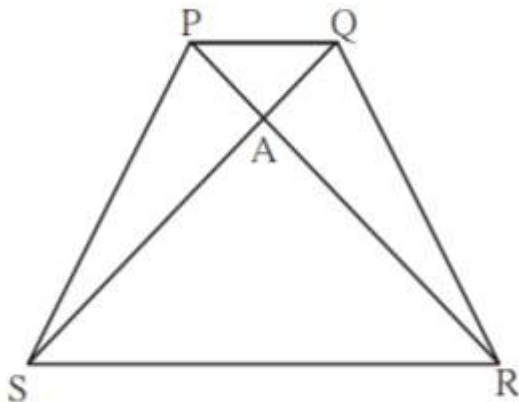


Fig. 1.59

Solution:

Given side $PQ \parallel$ side SR .

Also $AR = 5AP$, $AS = 5AQ$

SQ is the transversal of parallel sides PQ and SR .

$\angle QSR = \angle PQS$ [Alternate interior angles]

$\angle ASR = \angle AQP \dots (i)$ [Alternate interior angles]

Consider $\triangle ASR$ and $\triangle AQP$

$\angle ASR = \angle AQP$ From (i)

$\angle SAR = \angle QAP$ [vertical opposite angles]

$\triangle ASR \sim \triangle AQP$ [AA test of similarity]

$AS/AQ = SR/PQ$ [Corresponding sides of similar triangles]

$AS = 5AQ$ [Given]

$$AS/AQ = 5/1$$

$$SR/PQ = 5/1$$

$$\therefore SR = 5PQ$$

Hence proved.

Practice set 1.4

1. The ratio of corresponding sides of similar triangles is 3:5; then find the ratio of their areas

Solution:

When two triangles are similar, the ratio of areas of those triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides.

Given , the ratio of corresponding sides of the triangle is 3:5.

$$\therefore \text{Ratio of their areas} = 3^2/5^2 \text{ [Theorem of areas of similar triangles]} \\ = 9/25$$

Hence ratio of their areas = 9:25

2. If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$ and $AB: PQ = 2:3$, then fill in the blanks.

$$A(\triangle ABC)/ A(\triangle PQR) = AB^2/ \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = 2^2/3^2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} / \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

Solution:

$$A(\triangle ABC)/ A(\triangle PQR) = AB^2/PQ^2 \\ = 2^2/3^2 = 4/9 \text{ [Theorem of areas of similar triangles]}$$

3. If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$, $A(\triangle ABC) = 80$, $A(\triangle PQR) = 125$, then fill in the blanks.

$$A(\triangle ABC) /A(\triangle \dots) = 80/125 \therefore AB/PQ = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} / \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

Solution:

Given $A(\triangle ABC) = 80$, $A(\triangle PQR) = 125$

$$A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle PQR) = 80/125 = 16/25$$

$$A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle PQR) = AB^2/PQ^2 \text{ [Theorem of areas of similar triangles]}$$

$$\therefore AB^2/PQ^2 = 16/25$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$\therefore AB/PQ = 4/5$$

Hence $AB/PQ = 4/5$

4. $\triangle LMN \sim \triangle PQR$, $9 \times A(\triangle PQR) = 16 \times A(\triangle LMN)$. If $QR = 20$ then find MN .

Solution:

Given $9 \times A(\triangle PQR) = 16 \times A(\triangle LMN)$

$$\therefore A(\triangle PQR) / A(\triangle LMN) = 16/9 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$\triangle LMN \sim \triangle PQR$

$$\therefore A(\triangle PQR) / A(\triangle LMN) = QR^2/MN^2 \dots\dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii)

$$QR^2/MN^2 = 16/9$$

Given $QR = 20$

$$\therefore 20^2/MN^2 = 16/9$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$20/MN = 4/3$$

$$MN = 20 \times 3/4$$

$$MN = 15$$

Hence the measure of MN is 15 units.



Problem Set 1

1. Select the appropriate alternative.

(1) In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$, in a one to one correspondence $AB/QR = BC/PR = CA/PQ$ then

- (A) $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle ABC$
- (B) $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle CAB$
- (C) $\triangle CBA \sim \triangle PQR$
- (D) $\triangle BCA \sim \triangle PQR$

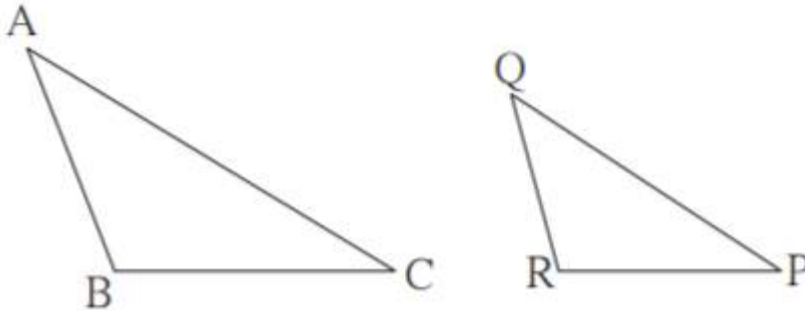


Fig. 1.67

Solution:

Given $AB/QR = BC/PR = CA/PQ$

By SSS test of similarity, $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle CAB$.

\therefore Correct option is (B).

(2) If in $\triangle DEF$ and $\triangle PQR$, $\angle D \cong \angle Q$, $\angle R \cong \angle E$ then which of the following statements is false?

- (A) $EF/PR = DF/PQ$
- (B) $DE/PQ = EF/RP$
- (C) $DE/QR = DF/PQ$
- (D) $EF/RP = DE/QR$

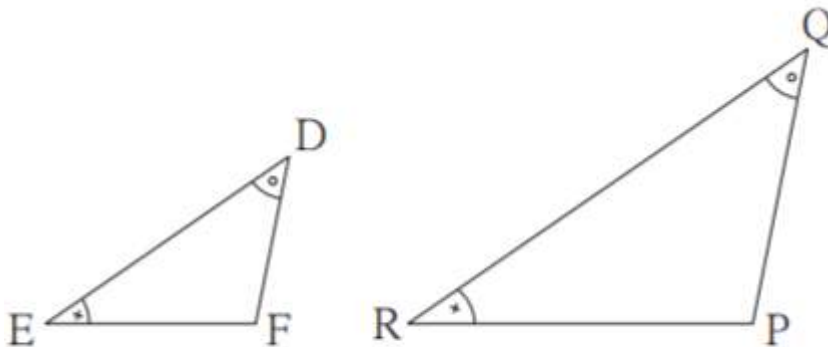


Fig. 1.68

Solution:

Given $\angle D \cong \angle Q, \angle R \cong \angle E$

$\therefore \triangle DEF \sim \triangle QRP \dots$

[AA test of similarity]

$\therefore DE/QR = EF/RP = DF/QP$

[Corresponding sides of similar triangles]

$\therefore DE/PQ \neq EF/RP$

Hence option (B) is false.

(3) In $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ $\angle B = \angle E, \angle F = \angle C$ and $AB = 3DE$ then which of the statements regarding the two triangles is true?

- (A) The triangles are not congruent and not similar
- (B) The triangles are similar but not congruent.
- (C) The triangles are congruent and similar.
- (D) None of the statements above is true.

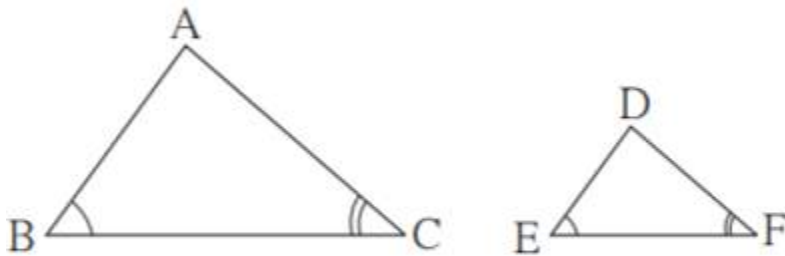


Fig. 1.69

Solution:

Given $\angle B = \angle E$

$\angle F = \angle C$

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

[AA test of similarity]

Hence option B is the true statement.

(4) $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ are equilateral triangles, $A(\triangle ABC):A(\triangle DEF)=1:2$

If $AB = 4$ then what is length of DE ?

- (A) $2\sqrt{2}$
- (B) 4
- (C) 8
- (D) $4\sqrt{2}$

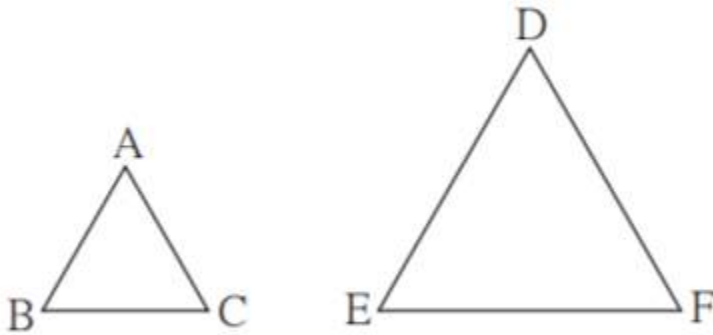


Fig. 1.70

Solution:

Given $A(\triangle ABC):A(\triangle DEF) = 1:2$

$\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ are equilateral triangles.

$\angle A = \angle D$ [Angle equals 60°]

$\angle B = \angle E$ [Angle equals 60°]

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ [AA test of similarity]

$\therefore A(\triangle ABC):A(\triangle DEF) = AB^2/DE^2$ [Theorem of areas of similar triangles]

$$1/2 = 4^2/DE^2$$

Taking square root on both sides

$$1/\sqrt{2} = 4/DE$$

$$\therefore DE = 4\sqrt{2}$$

Hence option (D) is the correct answer.

(5) In figure 1.71, seg XY \parallel seg BC, then which of the following statements is true?

(A) $AB / AC = AX / AY$

(B) $AX / XB = AY / AC$

(C) $AX / YC = AY / XB$

(D) $AB / YC = AC / XB$

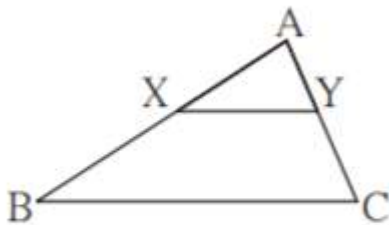


Fig. 1.71

Solution:

Given seg XY \parallel seg BC

$$AX/BX = AY/YC$$

[Basic proportionality theorem]

$\Rightarrow (BX/AX) + 1 = (YC/AY) + 1$
 $\Rightarrow (BX+AX)/AX = (YC+AY)/AY$
 $\Rightarrow AB/AX = AC/AY$
 $\Rightarrow AB/AC = AX/AY$
 Hence correct option is (A).

2. In $\triangle ABC$, $B - D - C$ and $BD = 7$, $BC = 20$ then find following ratios.

- (1) $A(\triangle ABD) / A(\triangle ADC)$
- (2) $A(\triangle ABD) / A(\triangle ABC)$
- (3) $A(\triangle ADC) / A(\triangle ABC)$

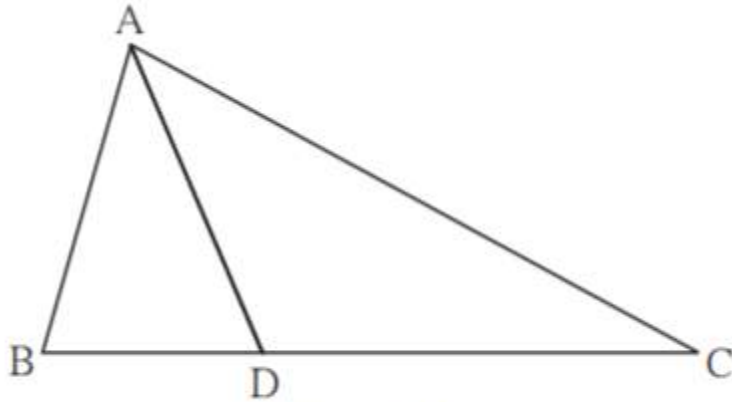
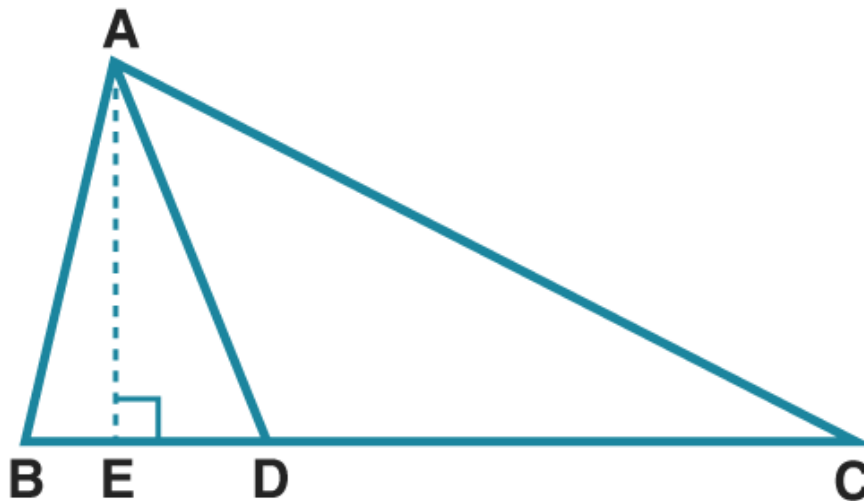


Fig. 1.72

Solution:



Given $BD = 7$, $BC = 20$

Construction:

Draw a perpendicular from A to BC meeting at E.

$$\begin{aligned} BC &= BD+DC \\ 20 &= 7+DC \\ \therefore DC &= 13 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) A(\triangle ABD) / A(\triangle ADC) &= BD/DC && \text{[Triangles having same height]} \\ \therefore A(\triangle ABD) / A(\triangle ADC) &= 7/13 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (2) A(\triangle ABD) / A(\triangle ABC) &= BD/BC && \text{[Triangles having same height]} \\ \therefore A(\triangle ABD) / A(\triangle ABC) &= 7/20 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) A(\triangle ADC) / A(\triangle ABC) &= DC/BC && \text{[Triangles having same height]} \\ \therefore A(\triangle ADC) / A(\triangle ABC) &= 13/20 \end{aligned}$$

3. Ratio of areas of two triangles with equal heights is 2:3. If the base of the smaller triangle is 6cm then what is the corresponding base of the bigger triangle ?

Solution:

Given ratio of two triangles with equal height is 2:3

Let b_1 be base of smaller triangle and b_2 be base of bigger triangle.

$$b_1 = 6 \text{ cm}$$

Let a_1 and a_2 be areas of the triangles.

Since triangles have equal height , $a_1/a_2 = b_1/b_2$

$$\therefore 2/3 = 6/b_2$$

$$\therefore b_2 = 3 \times 6/2$$

$$\therefore b_2 = 9$$

Hence base of bigger triangle is 9 cm.

4. In figure 1.73, $\angle ABC = \angle DCB = 90^\circ$ $AB = 6$, $DC = 8$ then $A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle DCB) = ?$

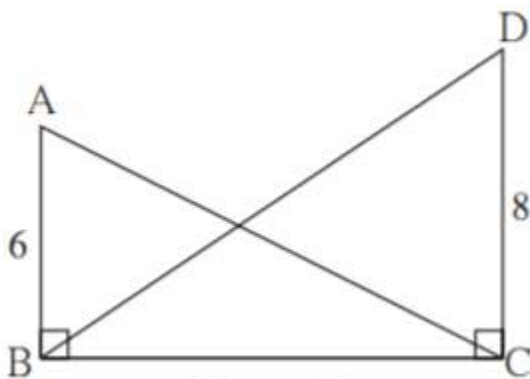


Fig. 1.73

Solution:

Given $\angle ABC = \angle DCB = 90^\circ$ $AB = 6$, $DC = 8$

BC is the common base of $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DCB$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A(\triangle ABC) / A(\triangle DCB) &= AB/DC \\ &= 6/8 \\ &= 3/4 \end{aligned}$$

5. In figure 1.74, $PM = 10$ cm $A(\triangle PQS) = 100$ sq.cm $A(\triangle QRS) = 110$ sq.cm then find NR.

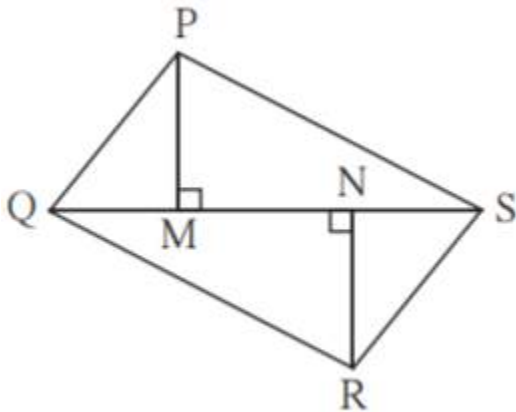


Fig. 1.74

Solution:

Given $PM = 10$ cm

$A(\triangle PQS) = 100$ sq.cm

$A(\triangle QRS) = 110$ sq.cm

$\triangle PQS$ and $\triangle QRS$ have common base QS

$$\therefore A(\triangle PQS) / A(\triangle QRS) = PM / NR$$

$$\therefore 100 / 110 = 10 / NR$$

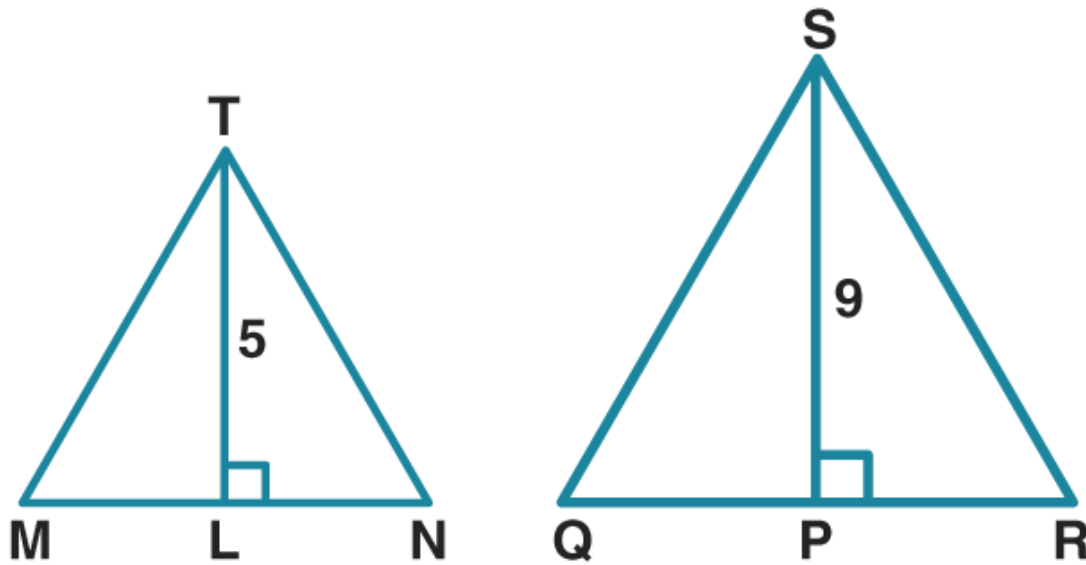
$$\Rightarrow NR = 110 \times 10 / 100$$

$$\Rightarrow NR = 11$$

Hence $NR = 11$ cm.

6. $\triangle MNT \sim \triangle QRS$. Length of altitude drawn from point T is 5 and length of altitude drawn from point S is 9. Find the ratio $A(\triangle MNT) / A(\triangle QRS)$.

Solution:



Given $\triangle MNT \sim \triangle QRS$

$\therefore \angle TMN \cong \angle SQR$ [corresponding angles of similar triangles]

Construction:

Draw altitude from T to MN meeting at L.

Draw altitude from S to QR meeting at P.

$\angle TLM = \angle SPQ = 90^\circ$

In $\triangle MLT$ and $\triangle QPS$

$\angle TMN \cong \angle SQR$

$\angle TLM \cong \angle SPQ$

$\therefore \triangle MLT \sim \triangle QPS$ [AA test of similarity]

$\therefore MT/QS = TL/SP$

$\therefore MT/QS = 5/9$

$\triangle MNT \sim \triangle QRS$ [Given]

$\therefore A(\triangle MNT)/A(\triangle QRS) = MT^2/QS^2$ [Theorem of areas of similar triangles]

$\therefore A(\triangle MNT)/A(\triangle QRS) = 5^2/9^2$

$\therefore A(\triangle MNT)/A(\triangle QRS) = 25/81$

Hence $A(\triangle MNT):A(\triangle QRS) = 25:81$

7. In figure 1.75, A – D – C and B – E – C seg DE || side AB If AD = 5, DC = 3, BC = 6.4 then find BE.

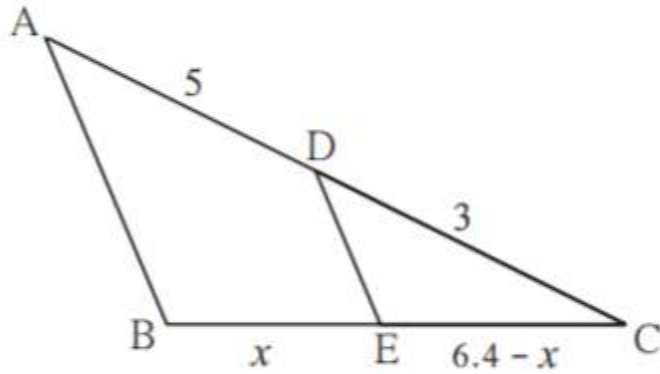


Fig. 1.75

Solution:

Given $DE \parallel AB$.

$\therefore AD/DC = BE/EC$ [Basic proportionality theorem]

$AD = 5, DC = 3, BC = 6.4$ [Given]

$BE = x, EC = 6.4 - x$ [Given]

$\therefore 5/3 = x/(6.4 - x)$

Cross multiplying we get

$5 \times (6.4 - x) = 3 \times x$

$32 - 5x = 3x$

$32 = 8x$

$\therefore x = 32/8 = 4$

Hence $BE = 4$ units.