

Exercise 14.4

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**Question 1:** In a  $\triangle ABC$ , D, E and F are, respectively, the mid points of BC, CA and AB. If the lengths of sides AB, BC and CA are 7 cm, 8 cm and 9 cm, respectively, find the perimeter of  $\triangle DEF$ .

**Solution:**

Given: AB = 7 cm, BC = 8 cm, AC = 9 cm

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

In a  $\triangle ABC$ , D, E and F are, respectively, the mid points of BC, CA and AB.

According to Midpoint Theorem:

$$EF = \frac{1}{2}BC, DF = \frac{1}{2}AC \text{ and } DE = \frac{1}{2}AB$$

Now, Perimeter of  $\triangle DEF = DE + EF + DF$

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

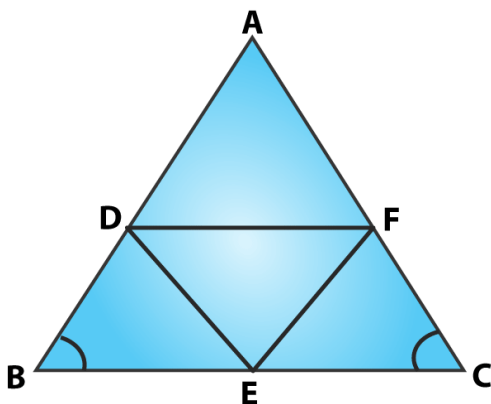
$$= \frac{1}{2}(7 + 8 + 9)$$

$$= 12$$

Perimeter of  $\triangle DEF = 12\text{cm}$

**Question 2:** In a  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A = 50^\circ$ ,  $\angle B = 60^\circ$  and  $\angle C = 70^\circ$ . Find the measures of the angles of the triangle formed by joining the mid-points of the sides of this triangle.

**Solution:**



In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

D, E and F are mid points of AB, BC and AC respectively.

In a Quadrilateral DECF:

By Mid-point theorem,

$$DE \parallel AC \Rightarrow DE = AC/2$$

$$\text{And } CF = AC/2$$

$$\Rightarrow DE = CF$$

Therefore, DECF is a parallelogram.

$$\angle C = \angle D = 70^\circ$$

[Opposite sides of a parallelogram]

Similarly,

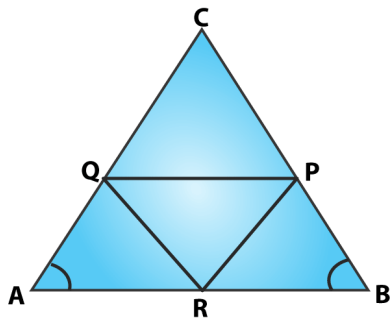
$$\text{ADEF is a parallelogram, } \angle A = \angle E = 50^\circ$$

$$\text{BEFD is a parallelogram, } \angle B = \angle F = 60^\circ$$

Hence, Angles of  $\triangle DEF$  are:  $\angle D = 70^\circ$ ,  $\angle E = 50^\circ$ ,  $\angle F = 60^\circ$ .

**Question 3:** In a triangle, P, Q and R are the mid points of sides BC, CA and AB respectively. If AC = 21 cm, BC = 29 cm and AB = 30 cm, find the perimeter of the quadrilateral ARPQ.

**Solution:**



In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

R and P are mid points of AB and BC

By Mid-point Theorem

$$RP \parallel AC \Rightarrow RP = AC/2$$

In a quadrilateral, ARPQ

$$RP \parallel AQ \Rightarrow RP = AQ$$

[A pair of side is parallel and equal]

Therefore, ARPQ is a parallelogram.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } AR &= AB/2 = 30/2 = 15 \text{ cm} \\ [AB &= 30 \text{ cm (Given)}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} AR &= QP = 15 \text{ cm} \\ [ \text{Opposite sides are equal} ] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{And } RP &= AC/2 = 21/2 = 10.5 \text{ cm} \\ [AC &= 21 \text{ cm (Given)}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} RP &= AQ = 10.5 \text{ cm} \\ [ \text{Opposite sides are equal} ] \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\text{Perimeter of ARPQ} = AR + QP + RP + AQ$$

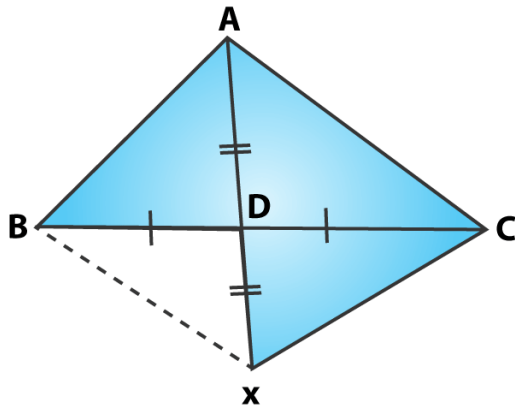
$$= 15 + 15 + 10.5 + 10.5$$

$$= 51$$

Perimeter of quadrilateral ARPQ is 51 cm.

**Question 4:** In a  $\Delta ABC$  median  $AD$  is produced to  $X$  such that  $AD = DX$ . Prove that  $ABXC$  is a parallelogram.

**Solution:**



In a quadrilateral ABXC,

$$AD = DX \text{ [Given]}$$

$$BD = DC \text{ [Given]}$$

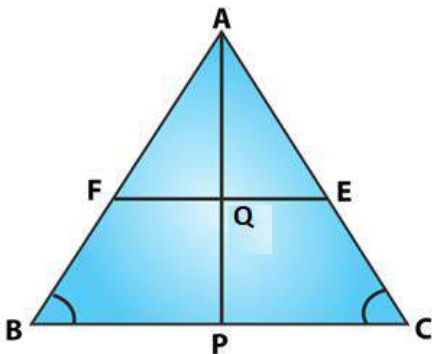
From figure, Diagonals AX and BC bisect each other.

ABXC is a parallelogram.

Hence Proved.

**Question 5:** In a  $\Delta ABC$ , E and F are the mid-points of AC and AB respectively. The altitude AP to BC intersects FE at Q. Prove that  $AQ = QP$ .

**Solution:**



In a  $\Delta ABC$

E and F are mid points of AC and AB (Given)

$$EF \parallel BC \Rightarrow EF = BC/2 \text{ and}$$

[By mid-point theorem]

In  $\Delta ABP$

F is the mid-point of AB, again by mid-point theorem

$$FQ \parallel BP$$

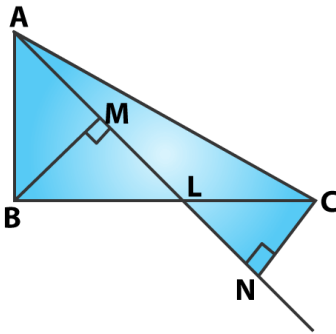
Q is the mid-point of AP

AQ = QP

Hence Proved.

**Question 6:** In a  $\Delta ABC$ , BM and CN are perpendiculars from B and C respectively on any line passing through A. If L is the mid-point of BC, prove that  $ML = NL$ .

**Solution:**



Given that,

In  $\Delta BLM$  and  $\Delta CLN$

$\angle BML = \angle CNL = 90^\circ$

$BL = CL$  [L is the mid-point of BC]

$\angle MLB = \angle NLC$  [Vertically opposite angle]

By ASA criterion:

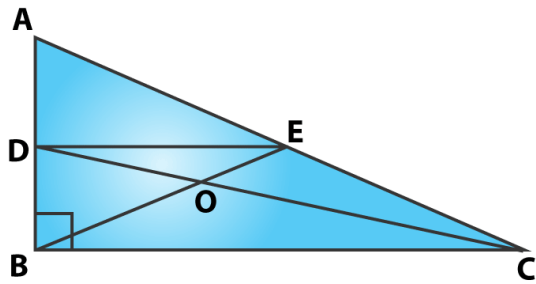
$\Delta BLM \cong \Delta CLN$

So,  $LM = LN$  [By CPCT]

**Question 7:** In figure, triangle ABC is a right-angled triangle at B. Given that  $AB = 9$  cm,  $AC = 15$  cm and D, E are the mid-points of the sides AB and AC respectively, calculate

(i) The length of BC

(ii) The area of  $\Delta ADE$ .



**Solution:**

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  
 $\angle B = 90^\circ$  (Given)  
 $AB = 9$  cm,  $AC = 15$  cm (Given)

By using Pythagoras theorem

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

$$\Rightarrow 15^2 = 9^2 + BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow BC^2 = 225 - 81 = 144$$

or  $BC = 12$

Again,

$$AD = DB = AB/2 = 9/2 = 4.5 \text{ cm} \quad [D \text{ is the mid-point of } AB]$$

D and E are mid-points of AB and AC

$$DE \parallel BC \Rightarrow DE = BC/2 \quad [\text{By mid-point theorem}]$$

Now,

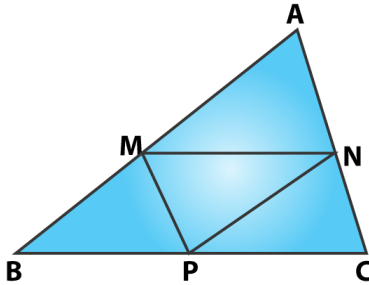
$$\text{Area of } \triangle ADE = \frac{1}{2} \times AD \times DE$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4.5 \times 6$$

$$= 13.5$$

Area of  $\triangle ADE$  is  $13.5 \text{ cm}^2$

**Question 8:** In figure, M, N and P are mid-points of AB, AC and BC respectively. If  $MN = 3$  cm,  $NP = 3.5$  cm and  $MP = 2.5$  cm, calculate BC, AB and AC.



**Solution:**

Given:  $MN = 3$  cm,  $NP = 3.5$  cm and  $MP = 2.5$  cm.

M and N are mid-points of AB and AC

By mid-point theorem, we have

$$MN \parallel BC \Rightarrow MN = BC/2$$

$$\text{or } BC = 2MN$$

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

[ $MN = 3$  cm given]

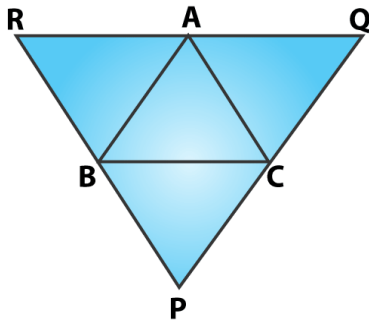
Similarly,

$$AC = 2MP = 2(2.5) = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$AB = 2NP = 2(3.5) = 7 \text{ cm}$$

**Question 9:** ABC is a triangle and through A, B, C lines are drawn parallel to BC, CA and AB respectively intersecting at P, Q and R. Prove that the perimeter of  $\Delta PQR$  is double the perimeter of  $\Delta ABC$ .

**Solution:**



ABCQ and ARBC are parallelograms.

Therefore,  $BC = AQ$  and  $BC = AR$

$\Rightarrow AQ = AR$

$\Rightarrow A$  is the mid-point of  $QR$

Similarly  $B$  and  $C$  are the mid points of  $PR$  and  $PQ$  respectively.

By mid-point theorem, we have

$AB = PQ/2$ ,  $BC = QR/2$  and  $CA = PR/2$

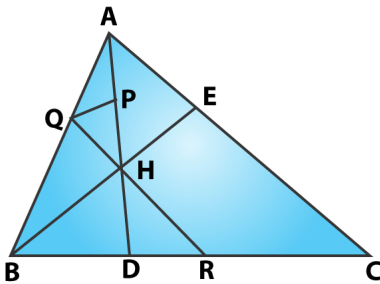
or  $PQ = 2AB$ ,  $QR = 2BC$  and  $PR = 2CA$

$\Rightarrow PQ + QR + RP = 2 (AB + BC + CA)$

$\Rightarrow$  Perimeter of  $\Delta PQR = 2$  (Perimeter of  $\Delta ABC$ )

Hence proved.

**Question 10:** In figure,  $BE \perp AC$ ,  $AD$  is any line from  $A$  to  $BC$  intersecting  $BE$  in  $H$ .  $P$ ,  $Q$  and  $R$  are respectively the mid-points of  $AH$ ,  $AB$  and  $BC$ . Prove that  $\angle PQR = 90^\circ$ .





**Solution:**

$BE \perp AC$  and P, Q and R are respectively mid-point of AH, AB and BC. (Given)

In  $\triangle ABC$ , Q and R are mid-points of AB and BC respectively.

By Mid-point theorem:

$$QR \parallel AC \quad \dots(i)$$

In  $\triangle ABH$ , Q and P are the mid-points of AB and AH respectively

$$QP \parallel BH \quad \dots(ii)$$

But,  $BE \perp AC$

From (i) and (ii) we have,

$$QP \perp QR$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PQR = 90^\circ$$

Hence Proved.