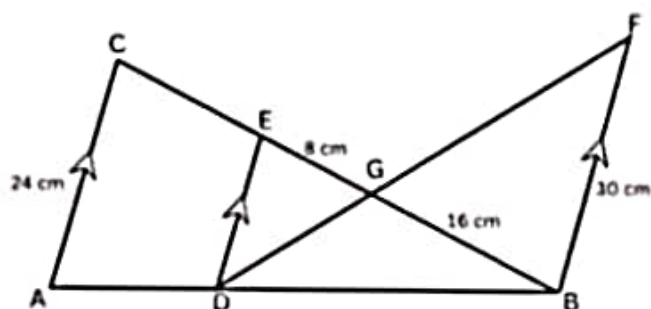


# Similarity

1. In the given figure,  $AC \parallel DE \parallel BF$ . If  $AC = 24$  cm,  $EG = 8$  cm,  $GB = 16$  cm,  $BF = 30$  cm,



(a) prove  $\triangle GED \sim \triangle GBF$

(b) find DE.

(c)  $DB : AB$

**Solution:** (b) 15 cm (c) 5 : 8

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(a) In  $\triangle GED$  and  $\triangle GBF$ ,

$\angle EGD = \angle BGF$  (vertically opposite angles)

$\angle GED = \angle GBF$  (alternate interior angles)

$\therefore \triangle GED \sim \triangle GBF$  (by A-A axiom of similarity)

(b) as  $\triangle GED \sim \triangle GBF$

$\therefore GE/BG = DE/BF = DG/GF$

$GE/BG = DE/BF$

$8/16 = DE/30$

$$DE = 8 \times 30 / 16$$

$$DE = 15 \text{ cm}$$

(c) In  $\triangle DBE$  and  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\angle B = \angle B \text{ (common)}$$

$$\angle EDB = \angle CAB \text{ (corresponding angles)}$$

$\therefore \triangle DBE \sim \triangle ABC$  (by A-A condition of similarity)

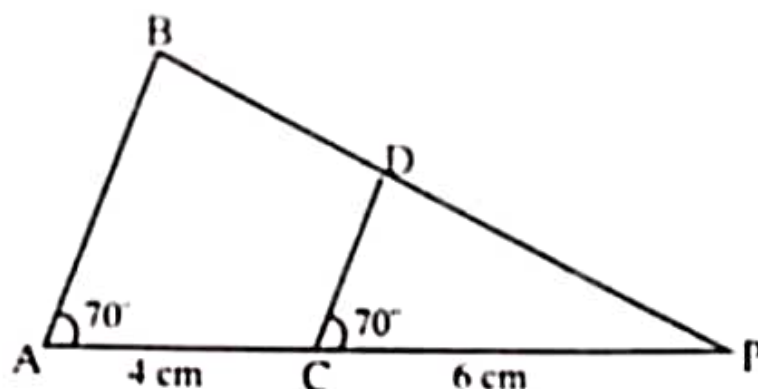
$$\therefore DB/AB = BE/BC = DE/AC$$

$$DB/AB = DE/AC$$

$$DB/AB = 15/24 = 5/8$$

$$DB : AB = 5 : 8$$

2. In the given figure,  $\angle BAP = \angle DCP = 70^\circ$ ,  $PC = 6 \text{ cm}$  and  $CA = 4 \text{ cm}$ , then  $PD : DB$  is



(a) 5 : 3

(b) 3 : 5

(c) 3 : 2

(d) 2 : 3 [2023]

**Solution:** (c) 3 : 2

### Step-by-step Explanation:

In  $\triangle PCD$  and  $\triangle PAB$ ,

$$\angle PCD = \angle BAP = 70^\circ, \text{ (given)}$$

$$\angle DPC = \angle BPA \text{ (common)}$$

$$\therefore \triangle PCD \sim \triangle PAB \text{ (by A-A condition of similarity)}$$

$$\therefore PC/PA = PD/PB = CD/AB$$

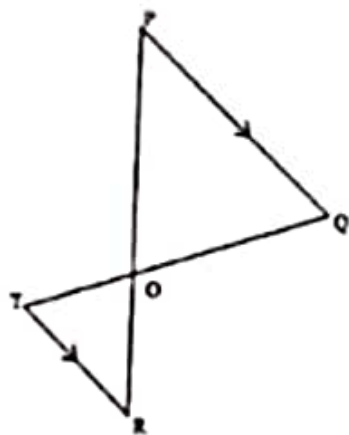
$$PC/PA = PD/PB$$

$$6/6+4 = 6/10 = 3/5 = PD/PB$$

$$\text{As } PD : PB = 3 : 5, \text{ therefore } PD : DB = 3 : (5-3) = 3 : 2$$

option (c) is correct.

3. In the given figure, PQ is parallel to TR, then by using condition of similarity:



(a)  $PQ/RT = OP/OT = OQ/OR$

(b)  $PQ/RT = OP/OR = OQ/OT$

(c)  $PQ/RT = OR/OP = OQ/OT$

(d)  $PQ/RT = OP/OR = OT/OQ$

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Solution: (b)  $PQ/RT = OP/OR = OQ/OT$

### Step-by-step Explanation:

In  $\Delta POQ$  and  $\Delta ROT$ ,

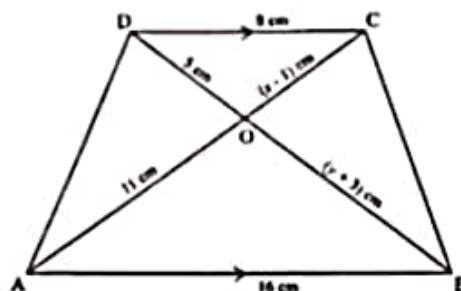
$\angle POQ = \angle ROT$  (vertically opposite angles)

$\angle OPQ = \angle ORT$  (alternate interior angles)

$\therefore \Delta POQ \sim \Delta ROT$  (by A-A condition of similarity)

so,  $PQ/RT = OP/OR = OQ/OT$

4. In the given figure ABCD is a trapezium in which DC is parallel to AB.  $AB = 16$  cm and  $DC = 8$  cm.  $OD = 5$  cm,  $OB = (y + 3)$  cm,  $OA = 11$  cm and  $OC = (x - 1)$  cm. Using the given information answer the following questions. [2021 Semester-I]



(i.) From the given figure name the pair of similar triangles:

(a)  $\Delta OAB$ ,  $\Delta OBC$  (b)  $\Delta COD$ ,  $\Delta AOB$  (c)  $\Delta ADB$ ,  $\Delta ACB$  (d)  $\Delta COD$ ,  $\Delta COB$

(ii.) The corresponding proportional sides with respect to the pair of similar triangles obtained in (i):

(a)  $CD/AB = OC/OA = OD/OB$  (b)  $AD/BC = OC/OA = OD/OB$

(c)  $AD/BC = BD/AC = AB/DC$  (d)  $OD/OB = CD/CB = OC/OA$

(iii.) The ratio of the sides of the pair of similar triangles is:

(a)  $1 : 3$  (b)  $1 : 2$  (c)  $2 : 3$  (d)  $3 : 1$

(iv.) Using the ratio of sides of the pair of similar triangles values of  $x$  and  $y$  are respectively:

(a)  $x = 4.6$ ,  $y = 7$  (b)  $x = 7$ ,  $y = 7$  (c)  $x = 6.5$ ,  $y = 7$  (d)  $x = 6.5$ ,  $y = 2$

**Solution:** (i) (b) (ii) (a) (iii) (b) (iv) (c)

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

In  $\triangle COD$  and  $\triangle AOB$ ,

$\angle COD = \angle AOB$  (vertically opposite angles)

$\angle OCD = \angle OAB$  (alternate interior angles)

$\angle POQ = \angle ROT$  (vertically opposite angles)

$\therefore \triangle COD \sim \triangle AOB$  (by A-A condition of similarity)

Option (b) is correct.

(ii) Therefore,  $CD/AB = OC/OA = OD/OB$

option (a) is correct.

(iii)  $CD/AB = 8/16 = 1 : 2$

option (b) is correct.

(iv) We know,  $CD/AB = OC/OA = OD/OB$

$$CD/AB = OC/OA$$

$$1/2 = x-1/11$$

$$2(x-1) = 11$$

$$2x-2 = 11$$

$$2x = 11+2$$

$$x = 13/2 = 6.5 \text{ cm}$$

Now,  $CD/AB = OD/OB$

$$1/2 = 5/y+3$$

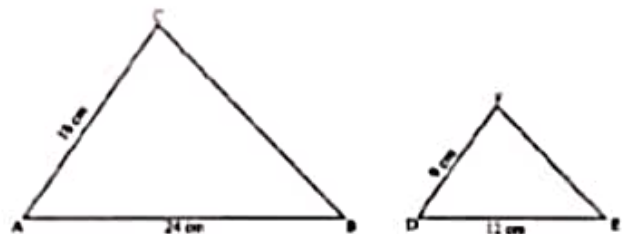
$$y+3 = 10$$

$$y = 7$$

option (c) is correct.

5. In the given figure,  $AB = 24$  cm,  $AC = 18$  cm,  $DE = 12$  cm,  $DF = 9$  cm and  $\angle BAC = \angle EDF$ . Then  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  by the condition:

- (a) AAA
- (b) SAS
- (c) SSS
- (d) AAS [2021 Semester-1]



Solution: (b)

Step-by-step Explanation:

In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$ ,

$$AC/DF = 18/9 = 2/1$$

$$\angle BAC = \angle EDF \text{ (given)}$$

$$AB/DE = 24/12 = 2/1$$

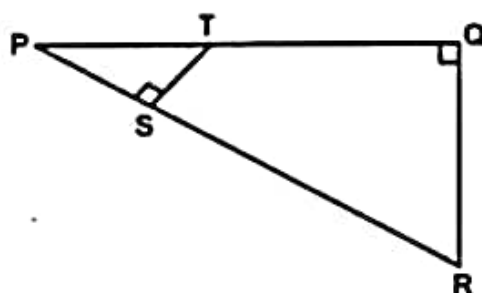
$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  (by S-A-S condition of similarity)

option (b) is correct.



6. In the given figure,  $\angle PQR = \angle PST = 90^\circ$ ,  $PQ = 5$  cm and  $PS = 2$  cm.

- (i) Prove that  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$ .
- (ii) Find Area of  $\triangle PQR$ : Area of quadrilateral SRQT. [2019]



**Solution: (ii) 25 : 21**

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(i) In  $\triangle PQR$  and  $\triangle PST$ ,

$\angle P$  is common.

$\angle PQR = \angle PST = 90^\circ$  (given)

$\therefore \triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore PQ/PS = QR/ST = PR/PT$

As  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$ , therefore

Area of  $\triangle PQR$  / Area of  $\triangle PST = (PQ/PS)^2 = (5/2)^2 = 25 : 4$

$\therefore$  Area of  $\triangle PQR$  / Area of quadrilateral SRQT = Area of  $\triangle PQR$  / Area of  $\triangle PQR$  - area of  $\triangle PST$

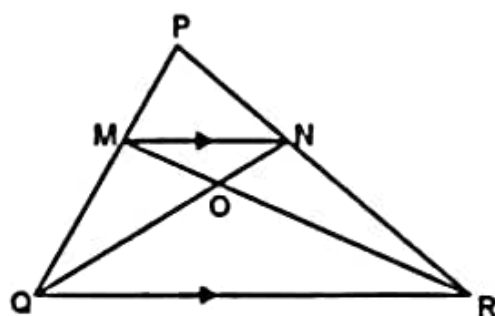
$= 25 / (25 - 4) = 25 / 21 = 25 : 21$

7. In  $\triangle PQR$ , MN is parallel to QR and  $PM/MQ = 2/3$  [3]

(i) Find MN / QR

(ii) Prove that  $\triangle OMN$  and  $\triangle ORQ$  are similar.

(iii) Find, Area of  $\triangle OMN$ : Area of  $\triangle ORQ$  [2018]



**Solution:** (i)  $2/5$  (iii)  $4 : 25$

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(i) In  $\triangle PMN$  and  $\triangle PQR$ ,

$\angle P$  is common.

$\angle PMN = \angle PQR$  (corresponding angles)

$\therefore \triangle PMN \sim \triangle PQR$  (A-A condition of similarity)

We know,  $PM/MQ = 2/3$

$\therefore PM/PQ = PM/PM + MQ = 2/2+3 = 2/5$

$\therefore PM/PQ = MN/QR = PN/PR = 2/5$

$\therefore MN/QR = 2/5$

(ii) In  $\triangle OMN$  and  $\triangle ORQ$ ,

$\angle MON = \angle ROQ$  (vertically opposite angles)

$\angle OMN = \angle ORQ$  (alternate interior angles)

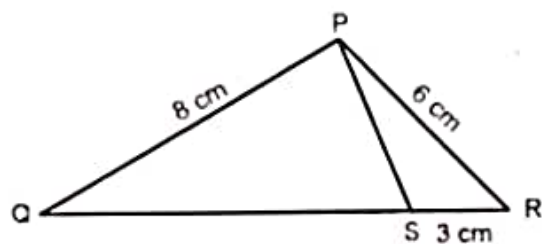
$\therefore \triangle OMN \sim \triangle ORQ$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(iii) Area of  $\triangle OMN$  / Area of  $\triangle ORQ = (MN/QR)^2 = (2/5)^2 = 4 : 25$

8. PQR is a triangle. S is a point on the side QR of  $\triangle PQR$  such that  $\angle PSR = \angle QPR$ . Given  $QP = 8$  cm,  $PR = 6$  cm and  $SR = 3$  cm.



- (i) Prove  $\Delta PQR \sim \Delta SPR$   
 (ii) Find the length of QR and PS  
 (iii) area of  $\Delta PQR$  / area of  $\Delta SPR$   
 [2017]



**Solution:** (ii)  $QR = 12\text{ cm}$ ,  $PS = 4\text{ cm}$  (iii)  $4 : 1$

### Step-by-step Explanation:

(i) In  $\Delta PQR$  and  $\Delta SPR$ ,

$\angle R$  is common.

$\angle PSR = \angle QPR$  (given)

$\therefore \Delta PQR \sim \Delta SPR$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore PQ/PS = QR/PR = PR/SR$

$PQ/PS = PR/SR$

$8/PS = 6/3$

$PS = 4\text{ cm}$

$QR/PR = PR/SR$

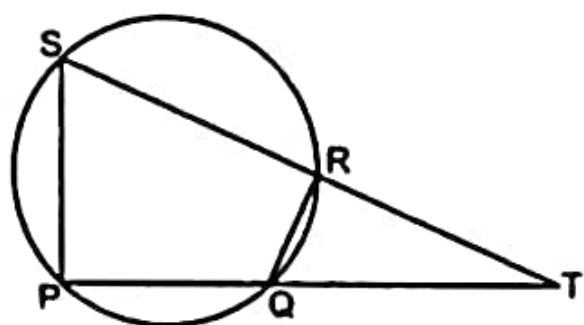
$QR/6 = 6/3$

$QR = 12\text{ cm}$

(iii) Area of  $\Delta PQR$  / Area of  $\Delta SPR = (PR/SR)^2 = (6/3)^2 = 4 : 1$

9. In the given figure PQRS is a cyclic quadrilateral PQ and SR produced meet at T.

- (i) Prove  $\Delta TPS \sim \Delta TRQ$ .  
 (ii) Find SP if TP = 18cm, RQ = 4cm and TR = 6cm.  
 (iii) Find area of quadrilateral PQRS if area of  $\Delta PTS = 27 \text{ cm}^2$  [2016]



**Solution:** (ii) 12 cm (iii)  $24 \text{ cm}^2$

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(i) In  $\Delta TPS$  and  $\Delta TRQ$ ,

$\angle T$  is common.

$\angle TPS = \angle TRQ$  (exterior angle of a cyclic quadrilateral is equal to opposite interior angle)

$\therefore \Delta TPS \sim \Delta TRQ$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore TP/TR = SP/RQ = TS/TQ$

$$TP/TR = SP/RQ$$

$$18/6 = SP/4$$

$$SP = 12 \text{ cm}$$

(iii) As  $\Delta TPS \sim \Delta TRQ$ , therefore

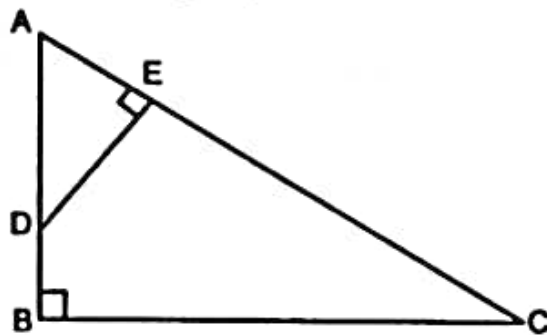
$$\text{Area of } \Delta TPS / \text{Area of } \Delta TRQ = (TP/TR)^2 = (18/6)^2 = 9/1$$

$$27 / \text{Area of } \Delta TRQ = 9/1$$

$$\text{Area of } \Delta TRQ = 3 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\therefore \text{area of quadrilateral PQRS} = 27 - 3 = 24 \text{ cm}^2$$

10. ABC is a right angled triangle with  $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$ . D is any point on AB and DE is perpendicular to AC.



Prove that:

(i)  $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle ACB$ .

(ii) If  $AC = 13$  cm,  $BC = 5$  cm and  $AE = 4$  cm. Find DE and AD.

(iii) Find, area of  $\triangle ADE$ : area of quadrilateral BCED. [2015]

Solution: (ii)  $DE = 1 \frac{2}{3}$  cm,  $AD = 4 \frac{1}{3}$  cm (iii) 1 : 8

Step-by-step Explanation:

(i) In  $\triangle ADE$  and  $\triangle ACB$ ,

$\angle A$  is common.

$\angle AED = \angle ABC = 90^\circ$  (given)

$\therefore \triangle ADE \sim \triangle ACB$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore AD/AC = DE/BC = AE/AB$

In right-angled  $\triangle ACB$ , by pythagoras theorem,

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

$$13^2 = AB^2 + 5^2$$

$$AB = \sqrt{169 - 25} = \sqrt{144} = 12 \text{ cm}$$

Now,  $AD/AC = AE/AB$

$$AD/13 = 4/12$$

$$AD = 13/3 = 4 \frac{1}{3} \text{ cm}$$

$$DE/BC = AE/AB$$

$$DE/5 = 4/12$$

$$DE = 5/3 = 1 \frac{2}{3} \text{ cm}$$

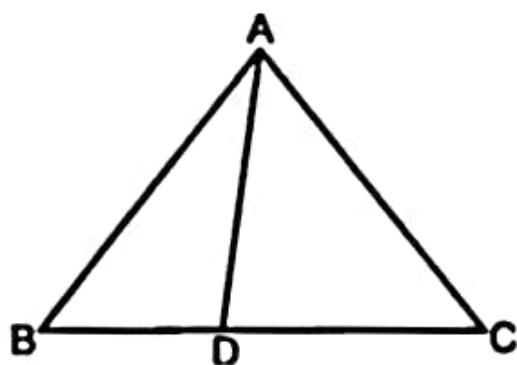
(iii) As  $\triangle ADE \sim \triangle ACB$ , therefore

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ADE / \text{Area of } \triangle ACB = (AE/AB)^2 = (4/12)^2 = 1 : 9$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \triangle ADE / \text{Area of quadrilateral BCED} = \text{Area of } \triangle ADE / \text{Area of } \triangle ABC - \text{area of } \triangle ADE$$

$$= 1/9 - 1 = 1/8 = 1 : 8$$

11. In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle ABC = \angle DAC$ ,  $AB = 8 \text{ cm}$ ,  $AC = 4 \text{ cm}$ ,  $AD = 5 \text{ cm}$ .



(i) Prove that  $\triangle ACD$  is similar to  $\triangle BCA$ .

(ii) Find  $BC$  and  $CD$

(iii) Find area of  $\triangle ACD$  : area of  $\triangle ABC$ .

Solution: (ii)  $BC = 6.4 \text{ cm}$ ,  $CD = 2.5 \text{ cm}$  (iii)  $25 : 64$

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(i) In  $\triangle ACD$  and  $\triangle BCA$ ,

$\angle C$  is common.

$\angle DAC = \angle ABC$  (given)

$\therefore \triangle ACD \sim \triangle BCA$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore AC/BC = CD/AC = AD/AB$

$$CD/AC = AD/AB$$

$$CD/4 = 5/8$$

$$CD = 5/2 = 2.5 \text{ cm}$$

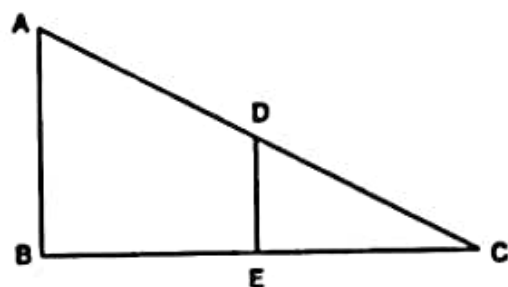
$$AC/BC = AD/AB$$

$$4/BC = 5/8$$

$$BC = 32/5 = 6.4 \text{ cm}$$

(iii) Area of  $\triangle ACD$  / Area of  $\triangle ABC = (AD/AB)^2 = (5/8)^2 = 25 : 64$

**12. In the given figure, AB and DE are perpendiculars to BC.**



**(i) Prove that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEC$**

**(ii) If  $AB = 6 \text{ cm}$ ,  $DE = 4 \text{ cm}$  and  $AC = 15 \text{ cm}$ . Calculate  $CD$ .**

**(iii) Find the ratio of the area of  $\triangle ABC$  : area of  $\triangle DEC$**

**Solution:** (ii)  $CD = 10 \text{ cm}$  (iii)  $9 : 4$

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(i) In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEC$ ,

$\angle C$  is common.

$\angle ABC = \angle DEC = 90^\circ$  (given)

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEC$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore AB/DE = BC/EC = AC/CD$

$$AB/DE = AC/CD$$

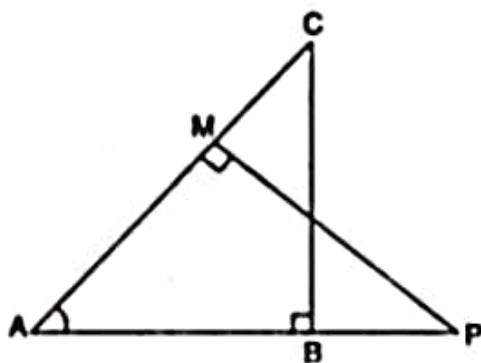
$$6/4 = 15/CD$$

$$CD = 10 \text{ cm}$$

(iii) Area of  $\triangle ABC$  / Area of  $\triangle DEC = (AB/DE)^2 = (6/4)^2 = 9 : 4$

13. In the given figure  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle AMP$  are right angled at B and M respectively.

Given,  $AB = 10 \text{ cm}$ ,  $AP = 15 \text{ cm}$  and  $PM = 12 \text{ cm}$



(i) Prove that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AMP$

(ii) Find AC and BC. [2012]

Solution: (ii)  $AC = 16 \frac{2}{3} \text{ cm}$   $BC = 13 \frac{1}{3} \text{ cm}$

Step-by-step Explanation:

(i) In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle AMP$ ,

$\angle A$  is common.

$$\angle ABC = \angle AMP = 90^\circ \text{ (given)}$$

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle AMP$  (A-A condition of similarity)



(ii) In right-angled  $\triangle AMP$ , by pythagoras theorem,

$$AP^2 = AM^2 + PM^2$$

$$15^2 = AM^2 + 12^2$$

$$AM = \sqrt{225 - 144} = \sqrt{81} = 9 \text{ cm}$$

now, as  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AMP$

$$\therefore AB/AM = BC/PM = AC/AP$$

$$AB/AM = BC/PM$$

$$10/9 = BC/12$$

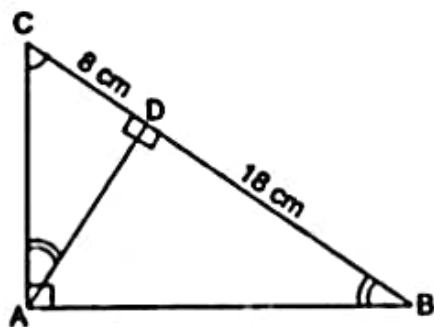
$$BC = 40/3 = 13 \frac{1}{3} \text{ cm}$$

$$AB/AM = AC/AP$$

$$10/9 = AC/15$$

$$AC = 50/3 = 16 \frac{2}{3} \text{ cm}$$

14. In the adjoining figure ABC is a right-angled triangle with  $\angle BAC = 90^\circ$ ,



(i) Prove  $\triangle ADB \sim \triangle CDA$

(ii) If  $BD = 18 \text{ cm}$  and  $CD = 8 \text{ cm}$ , find  $AD$ .

(iii) Find the ratio of area of  $\triangle ADB$  is to area of  $\triangle CDA$ . [2011]

Solution: (ii)  $AD = 12 \text{ cm}$  (iii)  $9 : 4$

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

(i) In  $\triangle ADB$ ,  $\angle ABD = 180^\circ - (\angle ADB + \angle DAB) = 90^\circ - \angle DAB$

In  $\triangle CDA$ ,  $\angle CAD = 90^\circ - \angle DAB$

Hence,  $\angle CAD = \angle ABD$

In  $\triangle ADB$  and  $\triangle CDA$ ,

$\angle ADB = \angle CDA = 90^\circ$  (given)

$\angle CAD = \angle ABD$  (proved above)

$\therefore \triangle ADB \sim \triangle CDA$  (A-A condition of similarity)

(ii)  $\therefore AD/CD = BD/AD = AB/AC$

$AD/CD = BD/AD$

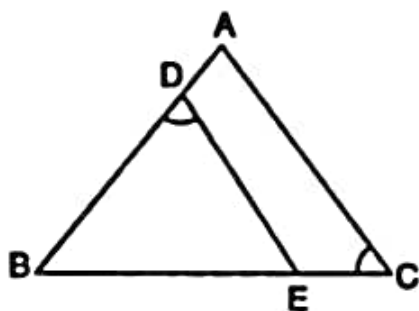
$AD/8 = 18/AD$

$AD^2 = 18 \times 8$

$AD = \sqrt{144} = 12 \text{ cm}$

(iii) Area of  $\triangle ADB$  / Area of  $\triangle CDA = (AD/CD)^2 = (12/8)^2 = 9 : 4$

**15. In the figure ABC is a triangle with  $\angle EDB = \angle ACB$ .**



Prove that  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle EBD$

If  $BE = 6 \text{ cm}$ ,  $EC = 4 \text{ cm}$   $BD = 5 \text{ cm}$  and area of  $\triangle BED = 9 \text{ cm}^2$ ,

Calculate the (i) length of  $AB$

(ii) area of  $\triangle ABC$  [2010]

**Solution: (i) 12 cm (ii) 36 cm<sup>2</sup>**

**Step-by-step Explanation:**

In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle EBD$ ,

$\angle B$  is common.

$\angle ACB = \angle BDE$  (given)

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle EBD$  (A-A condition of similarity)

$\therefore AB/BE = BC/BD = AC/ED$

(i) so,  $AB/BE = BC/BD$

$$AB/6 = 6+4/5$$

$$AB/6 = 10/5$$

$$AB = 12 \text{ cm}$$

(iii)  $\text{Area of } \triangle ABC / \text{Area of } \triangle EBD = (AB/BE)^2 = (12/6)^2$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ABC / 9 = 4/1$$

Hence,  $\text{Area of } \triangle ABC = 36 \text{ cm}^2$