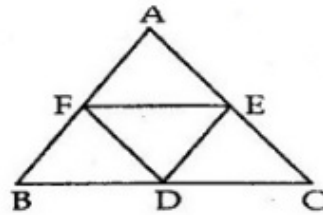




Question 7:

Given : A  $\triangle ABC$  in which D, E and F are the mid points of BC, AC and AB respectively.  
DE, EF and FD are joined to get four triangles.



To Prove : Four triangle AFE, BFD, FDE and EDC are Congruent.

Proof : Since F, E are mid point of AB and AC

So,  $EF = \frac{1}{2} BC$  [By Mid point Theorem]

Similarly  $FD = \frac{1}{2} AC$

and  $ED = \frac{1}{2} AB$

Now, in  $\triangle AFE$  and  $\triangle BFD$ , we have

$$AF = FB$$

$$FE = \frac{1}{2} BC = BD$$

$$FD = \frac{1}{2} AC = AE$$

Thus by Side-Side-Side criterion of congruence, we have

$$\therefore \triangle AFE \cong \triangle BFD \quad [\text{By SSS}]$$

Again, in  $\triangle BFD$  and  $\triangle FED$ , we have

$$FE \parallel BC$$

$$\text{i.e. } FE \parallel BD \text{ and } AB \parallel ED$$

$$\text{i.e. } FB \parallel ED, \text{ by Mid point Theorem.}$$

So, BDEF is a parallelogram.

$\therefore$  FD being a diagonal divides the parallelogram into two congruent triangles

$$\therefore \triangle BFD \cong \triangle FDE$$

Similarly we can prove FECD is a parallelogram.

$$\text{So, } \triangle FED \cong \triangle EDC$$

Thus, all the four triangles

$\triangle BFD, \triangle FDE, \triangle FED$  and  $\triangle EDC$

are congruent to each other.

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