

Assignment-5

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Abstract—In this work, we estimate the area of triangle with vector representation.

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https://github.com/poojah15/EE5609_AI20MTECH14003/tree/master/Assignment_5

1 PROBLEM STATEMENT

Prove that the triangles on the same base (or equal bases) and between the same parallels are equal in area.

2 SOLUTION

Let ABC and ABD are the given triangles with the same base AB and between the same parallel lines AB and CD.

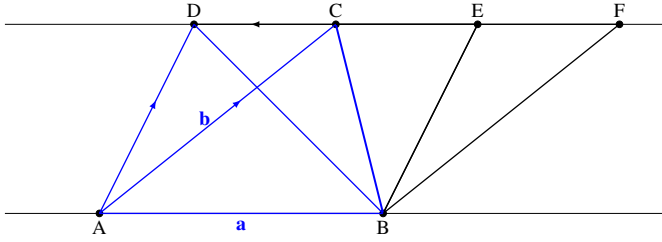


Fig. 1: Triangles on same base

Form a parallelogram, say ABFC, by extending the triangle ABC and ABED by extending the triangle ABD. The parallelograms lie on the same base AB and between the same parallel lines AB and CD.

Let $AB = \mathbf{a}$ and $AC = \mathbf{b}$.

Hence, the area of $\square ABFC$ is given by

$$(AB \times AC) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} \quad (2.0.1)$$

Similarly, the area of $\square ABED$ is given by

$$(AB \times AD) = (\mathbf{a} \times (AC + CD)) \quad (2.0.2)$$

$$= (\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} + k\mathbf{a})) \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$= (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) + (\mathbf{a} \times k\mathbf{a}) \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$= (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) + k(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a}) \quad (2.0.5)$$

$$= (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \quad [\because \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a} = 0] \quad (2.0.6)$$

From (2.0.1) and (2.0.6), we can infer that the area of $\square ABFC = \text{area of } \square ABED$. We know that the area of triangle is half the area of the parallelogram. Therefore,

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Area of } \square ABFC)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \quad (2.0.7)$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle ABD = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Area of } \square ABED)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}). \quad (2.0.8)$$

From (2.0.7) and (2.0.8), it is proved that the triangles on the same base and between the same parallels are equal in area.