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Question: P and Q are any two points lying on the sides DC and AD respectively of a parallelogram $ABCD$. Show that, $ar(\triangle APB) = ar(\triangle BQC)$.
Figure:

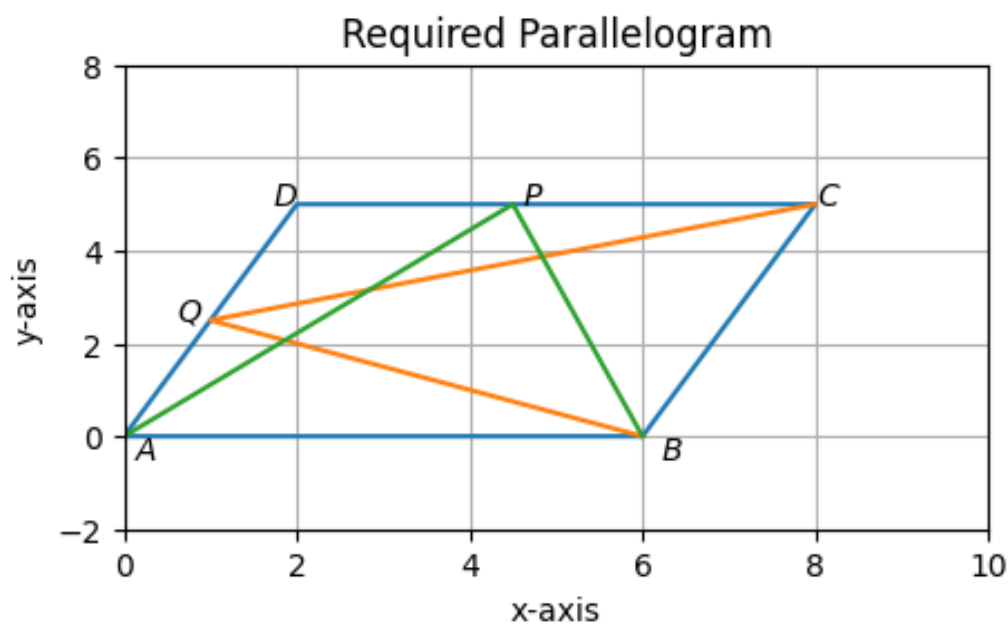


Figure 1

Solution:
 Using formulas:

1. Area of a parallelogram with sides \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} is $= \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|$ square units
 $= \frac{1}{2} |a.b \sin \theta|$

2. Area of a triangle with vertices $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3)$ is $= \frac{1}{2} \times \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ y_1 & y_2 & y_3 \end{vmatrix}$
square units . (only positive values will be taken as negative value of area is not possible)
3. If a triangle and a parallelogram are on the same base and between the same parallels, then area of the triangle is equal to half the area of the parallelogram.

From figure 1 , considering $\triangle BQC$ and parallelogram $ABCD$, having same base BC and, AD is parallel to BC .

$$\implies \triangle BQC = \frac{1}{2} \times arABCD. \quad (1)$$

Considering $\triangle APB$ and parallelogram $ABCD$, having same base AB and, DC is parallel to AB .

$$\implies \triangle APB = \frac{1}{2} \times arABCD. \quad (2)$$

By comparing equation (1) and equation (2) we obtain that,

$$ar(\triangle APB) = ar(\triangle BQC). \quad (3)$$

Hence proved.

Proof by the help of diagram :(figure 1,table 1,table 2)

Let the points **Q** and **P** divide AD and CD by $k_1 : 1$ and $k_2 : 1$ ratio respectively.

Symbols	Description	Value
$AB = DC$	Sides of parallelogram	$a = 6(\text{unit})$
$AD = BC$	Sides of parallelogram	$b = \sqrt{29}$
θ	$\angle BAD$	$\sin^{-1}(\frac{5}{\sqrt{29}})$
A	vertex (at origin)	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
Q	Divides AD	$k_1 : 1$ ratio
P	Divides CD	$k_2 : 1$ ratio

Table 1: Table of input parameters

Symbols	Description	Value
\mathbf{B}	vertex	$a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
\mathbf{D}	vertex	$b \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$
\mathbf{C}	vertex	$\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{D}$
\mathbf{Q}	Vertex($\triangle BQC$)	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{2k_1}{k_1+1} \\ \frac{5k_1}{k_1+1} \end{pmatrix}$
\mathbf{P}	Vertex($\triangle APB$)	$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{8k_2+2}{k_2+1} \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$

Table 2: Table of output parameters

For the $\triangle BQC$, the vertices of the triangle are

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2k_1}{k_1+1} \\ \frac{5k_1}{k_1+1} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \triangle BQC = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 6 & \frac{2k_1}{k_1+1} & 8 \\ 0 & \frac{5k_1}{k_1+1} & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \left| 1 \left(\frac{2k_1}{k_1+1} \cdot 5 - \frac{5k_1}{k_1+1} \cdot 8 \right) - 6 \left(5 \cdot 1 - \frac{5k_1}{k_1+1} \cdot 1 \right) + 0 \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \left| \frac{-40k_1 + 10k_1 - 30}{k_1+1} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 30$$

$$= 15 \text{ square units.}$$

For the $\triangle APB$, the vertices of the triangle are

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{8k_2+2}{k_2+1} \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \triangle APB = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{8k_2+2}{k_2+1} & 6 \\ 0 & 5 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \left| 1 \left(\frac{8k_2+2}{k_2+1} \cdot 0 - 6 \cdot 5 \right) + 0 + 0 \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times \left| -30 \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 30$$

$$= 15 \text{ square units.}$$

For parallelogram $ABCD$, the vertices are

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\implies arABCD = a.b. \sin \theta \\
&= 6.\sqrt{29}. \sin(\sin^{-1} \frac{5}{\sqrt{29}}) \\
&= 6.\sqrt{29}. \frac{5}{\sqrt{29}} \\
&= 30 \text{ square units.}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $arABCD = 2 \times ar\triangle APB = 2 \times ar\triangle BQC$ (proved).