

Activity 41



OBJECTIVE

To multiply two decimals (say 0.3 and 0.4) using a grid

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Cardboard, white chart paper, ruler, pencil, eraser, adhesive, sketch pens of different colours.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Take a cardboard of convenient size and paste a white paper on it.
2. Make a 10×10 grid on it and label the corners of the grid as A, B, C and D as shown in Fig. 1.

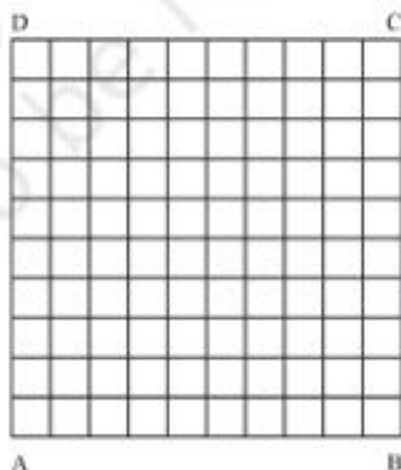


Fig. 1

- Shade three horizontal strips using a sketch pen of say, red colour starting from the bottom as shown in Fig. 2.

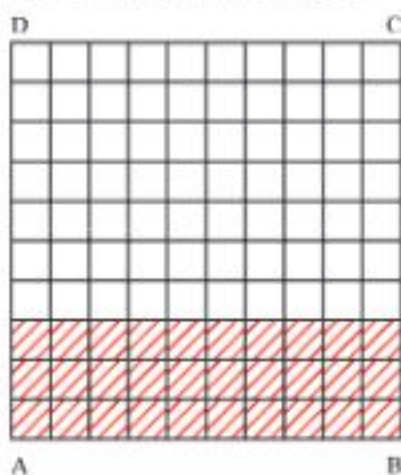


Fig 2

- Shade four vertical strips using a sketch pen of say blue colour starting from right most corner as shown in Fig. 3.

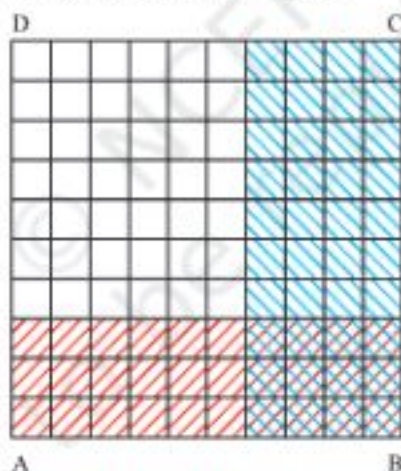


Fig 3

DEMONSTRATION

- In Fig. 2, portion shaded in red colour (horizontal strips) represents $\frac{3}{10}$ or 0.3.

2. In Fig. 3, portion shaded in blue colour (vertical strips) represents $\frac{4}{10}$ or 0.4.
3. In Fig. 3, portion shaded both in red and blue colours represents $\frac{12}{100}$ or 0.12.

Thus, $0.3 \times 0.4 = 0.12$

4. Repeat this activity by taking different numbers of horizontal and vertical strips to represent the product of the pairs of decimals such as 0.5×0.6 , 0.2×0.8 , 0.6×0.3 , 0.5×0.5 etc.

OBSERVATION

In Fig. 2, total number of horizontal strips = _____.

Number of horizontal strips shaded in red = _____.

Therefore, decimal represented by the shaded horizontal strips = _____.

In Fig. 3, total number of vertical strips = _____.

Number of vertical strips shaded in blue = _____.

Decimal represented by the shaded vertical strips = _____.

Total number of small squares in the grid = _____.

Number of squares shaded in both blue and red colour = _____.

Decimal represented by double shaded region = _____.

Hence, $0.3 \times 0.4 =$ _____.

APPLICATION

This activity may be used to explain the concept of multiplication of two decimals.

NOTE

1. In Figures 2 and 3, the student may shade the horizontal and vertical strips in any manner not necessarily from bottom.

Activity 42



OBJECTIVE

To find the value of a^n (where a and n are natural numbers) using paper folding

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Coloured thin sheets, ruler, pencil, scissors.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Draw a square of convenient size on a coloured thin sheet and cut it out.
2. Fold this sheet one time so that one part exactly covers the other (Fig. 1). This fold divides the sheet into two equal parts.
3. Fold the sheet again as in Step 2 (Fig. 2). This will divide the sheet into 4 equal parts.
4. Continue folding the sheet again and again 4 or 5 times as done in steps 2 and 3.
5. Unfold the sheet.



Fig. 1

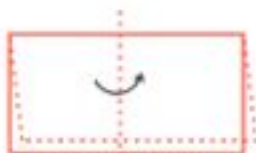


Fig. 2

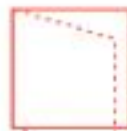


Fig. 3

6. Take another sheet and fold it to divide it into 3 equal parts.

7. Again fold the folded sheet into 3 equal parts and so on for 3 or 4 times (Fig. 4).

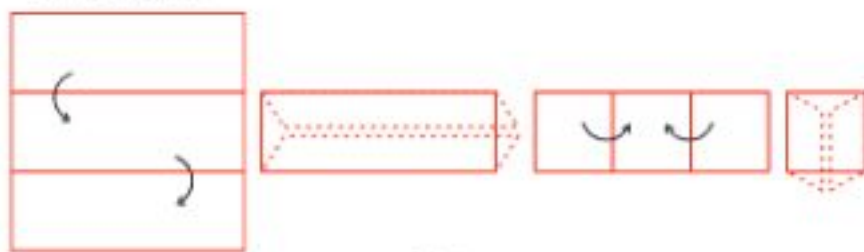


Fig 4

DEMONSTRATION

Base (Number of equal parts in which sheet is divided each time)	Number of times sheet is divided	Exponent	Total Number of equal parts (power)
2	0	0	1 (2^0)
2	1	1	2 (2^1)
2	2	2	4 (2^2)
2	3	3	8 (2^3)
3	0	0	1 (3^0)
3	1	1	3 (3^1)
3	2	2	9 (3^2)

OBSERVATION

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 2^0 = 1, & 3^0 = \underline{\quad}, & 4^0 = \underline{\quad}, & 5^0 = \underline{\quad}, \\
 2^1 = \underline{\quad}, & 3^1 = \underline{\quad}, & 4^1 = \underline{\quad}, & 5^1 = \underline{\quad}, \\
 2^2 = \underline{\quad}, & 3^2 = \underline{\quad}, & 4^2 = \underline{\quad}, & 5^2 = \underline{\quad}, \\
 2^3 = \underline{\quad}, & 3^3 = \underline{\quad}, & 4^3 = \underline{\quad}, & 5^3 = \underline{\quad}, \\
 2^4 = \underline{\quad}, & 3^4 = \underline{\quad}, & 3^5 = \underline{\quad}, &
 \end{array}$$

2^4 is called fourth power of 2. 3^3 is called $\underline{\quad}$ power of $\underline{\quad}$.

APPLICATION

1. This activity can be used to find the power of the base if the number of folds and number of parts the paper is divided is given.
2. This activity can be used to explain the meaning of base, exponent and power.

Activity 43



OBJECTIVE

To verify exterior angle property of a triangle

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Drawing sheet, colours, adhesive, scissors, pen/pencil, cardboard, white paper.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Take a cardboard of convenient size and paste a white paper on it.
2. Make two identical triangles ABC.
3. Colour the angles of the triangles as shown in Fig. 1.
4. Paste one of the triangles on the cardboard and produce its one side say BC as shown in Fig. 2.

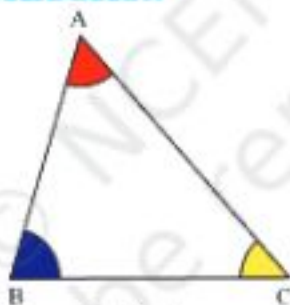


Fig. 1

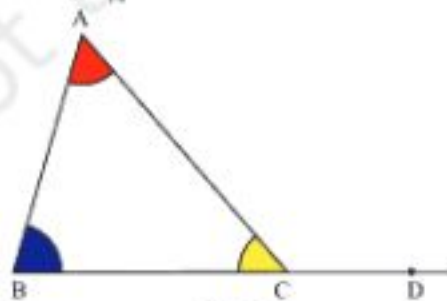


Fig. 2

5. Now cut out the angles A and B from the other triangle (Fig. 3).

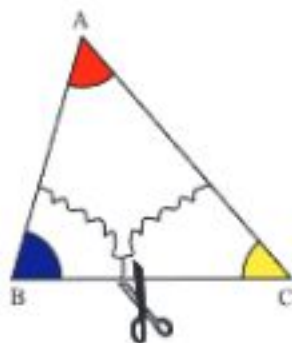


Fig 3

6. Place the cutouts of $\angle A$ and $\angle B$ on the exterior angle ACD (formed in Fig. 2) as shown in Fig. 4, without leaving any gap between the two angles.

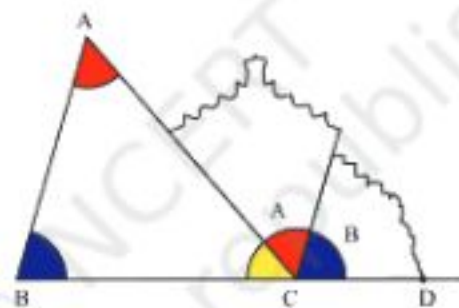


Fig 4

DEMONSTRATION

1. $\angle ACD$ is an exterior angle of $\triangle ABC$.
2. $\angle A$ and $\angle B$ are its two interior opposite angles. These together cover $\angle ACD$ exactly as in Fig. 4.
3. So in Fig. 4, $\angle ACD = \angle A + \angle B$.

Thus, the exterior angle of a triangle = sum of its two interior angles.

This activity may also be repeated for exterior angles at other vertices.

OBSERVATION

On actual measurement

Measure of $\angle A$ = ____.

Measure of $\angle B$ = ____.

Measure of $\angle ACD$ = ____.

$\angle ACD = \angle A + \angle$ ____.

So, the exterior angle of a triangle is the ____ of its two ____ angles.

APPLICATION

This activity can be used to explain:

1. The relationship between an exterior angle and its interior angles.
2. Exterior angle of a triangle if interior angles are given.
3. Unknown interior angle of a triangle if exterior angle is given.

Activity 44



OBJECTIVE

To verify that the sum of any two sides of a triangle is always greater than the third side

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Thick sheet, coloured straws, adhesive, a pair of scissors, cardboard, white sheet.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Take a cardboard of convenient size and paste a white sheet on it.
2. Draw a triangle ABC of any dimension as shown in Fig. 1.



Fig. 1

3. Cut straws of three different colours (say pink, green and red) of the same size as the three sides of the triangle.

4. Paste any two coloured straws in a line leaving no space between them on the cardboard as shown in Fig. 2.

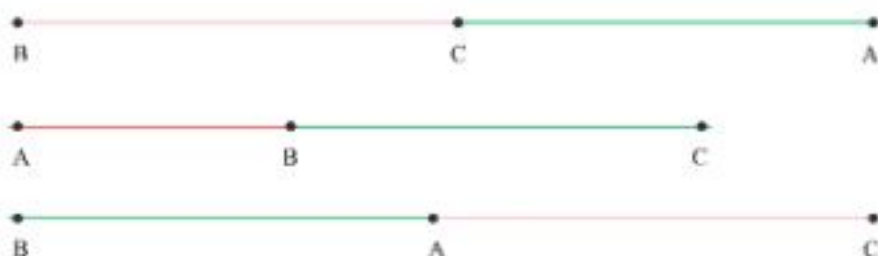


Fig 2

5. Now paste the left out third straw in each colour on the above two joined straws as shown in Fig. 3.



Fig 3

DEMONSTRATION

1. The third straw is always shorter than the two straws combined together in a line in each of the above three cases.

i.e. $BC + AC > AB$, $AB + BC > AC$, $AB + AC > BC$.

Sum of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the third side.

OBSERVATION

On actual measurement

$AB = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ cm, $BC = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ cm, $CA = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ cm.

$CA + CB = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ cm, $CA + AB = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ cm, $AB + BC = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ cm.

$CA + BC \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ AB .

$CA + AB > \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

$AB + BC \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ AC .

APPLICATION

1. This result can be used to know whether a triangle can be constructed with given sides or not.
2. This activity can also be used to verify that the difference of any two sides of a triangle is less than the third side.

Activity 45



OBJECTIVE

To verify that in a triangle sides opposite equal angles are equal

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Cardboard, drawing sheet, colours, tracing paper, scissors, pen/pencil, geometry box.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Take a cardboard of convenient size and paste a white sheet on it.
2. Construct a triangle ABC on a drawing sheet with two of its equal angles say $\angle B$ and $\angle C$.
3. Colour $\angle B$ as green and $\angle C$ as red [Fig. 1].



Fig. 1

4. Paste this triangle on the cardboard.
5. Make a trace copy of this triangle using a tracing paper.

DEMONSTRATION

Fold the triangle about a line through vertex A such that side BC falls along itself. Vertex B falls on vertex C.

So, side AB covers exactly side AC.

Thus, $AB = AC$ i.e. sides opposite equal angles of a triangle are equal.

OBSERVATION

1. Vertex B falls on Vertex _____.
2. Side AB falls on side _____.
3. Side AB covers exactly side _____.
4. On actual measurement, $AC =$ _____, $AB =$ _____, $BC =$ _____.

$AB =$ _____.

$AC =$ _____.

$AC =$ _____.

Thus, in a triangle sides opposite equal angles are _____.

APPLICATION

This result is used in solving many geometrical problems.

Activity 46



OBJECTIVE

To draw altitudes of a triangle using paper folding

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Transparents/white sheet, coloured paper, scissors, adhesive, pencil.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Make a triangle using paper folding or draw a triangle. It can be of any type, acute angled, right angled or obtuse angled triangle as in Fig. 1.

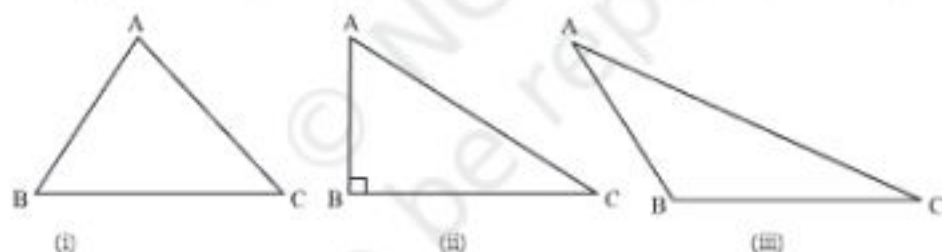


Fig. 1

2. Fold the triangle through A in such a way that BC falls along itself. Unfold and mark the point D where the crease meets BC. Draw a line AD (Fig. 2).

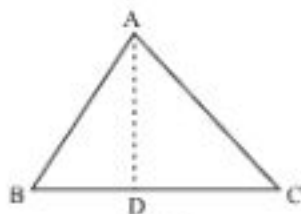


Fig. 2

3. Draw the other two altitudes i.e. from B on AC and from C on AB. Name them as BE and CF, respectively (Fig. 3).

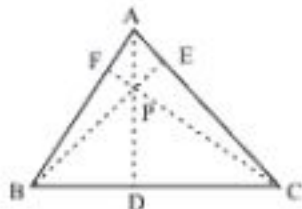


Fig. 3

4. In case of a right triangle, two of its altitudes are the two perpendicular sides AB and BC. The third altitude from B on AC will also pass through the point P.

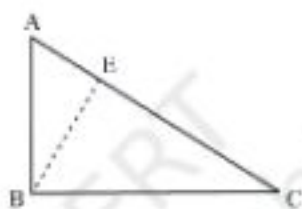


Fig. 4

5. In case of an obtuse angled triangle extend the crease of CB so that altitude from A can be drawn as shown in Fig. 5. Similarly, draw perpendicular from B on AC and from C on AB produced.

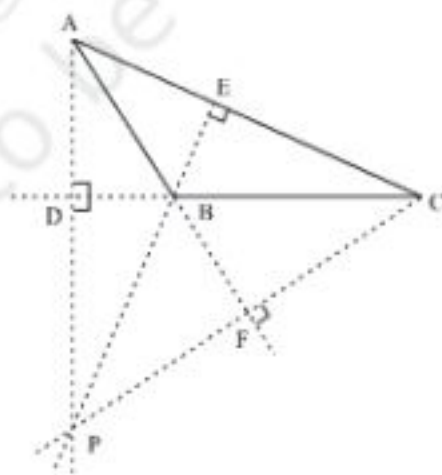


Fig. 5

DEMONSTRATION

1. For each triangle, there are 3 altitudes.
2. The altitude of every triangle does not always lie wholly in the interior of the triangle.
3. In an acute angle triangle, the point at which the three altitudes meet, lie in the interior of the triangle.
4. The altitudes of a right angle triangle lie on the triangle and they meet at the vertex of the right angle.
5. The three altitudes of an obtuse angled triangle meet at a point that lies to the exterior of the triangle.

OBSERVATION

$$\angle ADC = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

$$\angle BEC = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

$$\angle CFA = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}.$$

AD is the altitude to side $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

BE is the $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ of side AC.

$\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ is the altitude of side AB.

All the altitudes of a triangle meet at a $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

APPLICATION

This activity can be used to explain the concept of altitude of a triangle and in solving many problems related to geometry and mensuration.

Activity 47



OBJECTIVE

To find the ratio of circumference and diameter of a circle

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Geometry box, thick paper, scissors, eraser, pen/pencil.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Draw a circle on a thick paper and cut it out.
2. Fold it into two halves and obtain a crease. Name the line of folding as AB [Fig. 1].



Fig. 1

3. Draw a ray on a paper and mark its initial point as P [Fig. 2].



Fig. 2

4. Hold the circular disc such that point A on the circle coincides with the point P on the ray [Fig. 3].

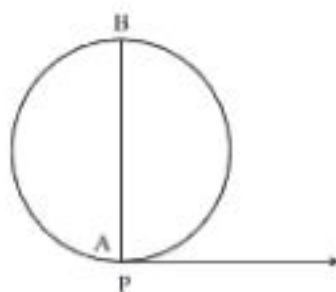


Fig. 3

- Rotate the circular disc along the ray till the point A again touches the ray. Mark that point on the ray as Q [Fig. 4 (a), 4 (b)].

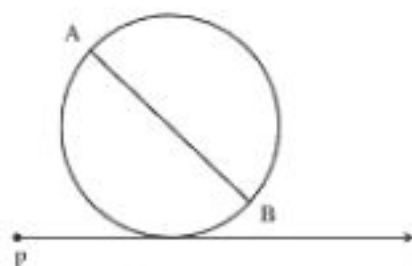


Fig. 4 (a)

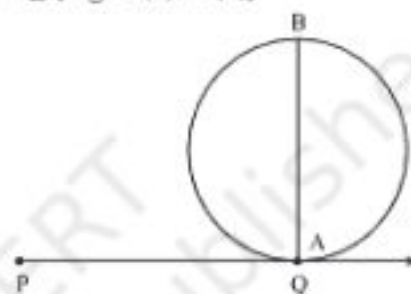


Fig. 4 (b)

- Repeat the above Steps 4 and 5 for circles of different radii.

DEMONSTRATION

- Line segment AB in Fig. 1 is the diameter (d) of the circle.
- Measure AB.
- Length PQ is the circumference (c) of the circle.
- Measure PQ.
- Find the ratio $\frac{c}{d}$.
- Repeat the above process for circles of different radii. Each time, the ratio $\frac{c}{d}$ is constant.

This constant is denoted by the symbol π . Its value is close to 3.14.

OBSERVATION

Complete the following table:

Circle	Diameter d	Circumference c	Ratio = $\frac{\text{Circumference}}{\text{Diameter}} = \frac{c}{d}$
1			
2			
3			
4			
:			
:			

Value of $\pi = \frac{c}{d} = \rule{1cm}{0.4pt}$ approximately.



Activity 48



OBJECTIVE

To understand the meaning of less likely and more likely of the outcomes of an experiment

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Bag, balls of the same size but of different colours, pen/pencil.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

Take a bag and put say 19 balls of red colour and 6 balls of blue colour in the bag.

DEMONSTRATION

1. Draw one ball at a time from the bag without looking into the bag. Note the colour of the ball and put it back into the bag.
2. Let the other students come one by one and repeat this activity as in Step 1.
3. Record the colour of the ball each time in the following table:

Student Name	Colour (Red/Blue)
Rita	—
Arun	—
Vinayak	—
:	—

: _____
Savita _____

- Count the number of times a red colour ball is drawn and also the number of times, a blue colour ball is drawn. Compare the two numbers so obtained.
- The number of red balls drawn is more than the number of blue balls drawn. So drawing of a red ball is more likely than a blue ball.

OBSERVATION

- Number of times, a red ball is drawn = ____.
- Number of times, a blue ball is drawn = ____.

The number in (1) _____ the number in (2).

So, a red ball is more likely than a _____ or a blue ball is _____ than a red ball.

APPLICATION

This activity explains the concept of 'less likely' and 'more likely' of outcomes of a random experiment which is useful in the study of probability.

NOTE

- This activity may be repeated by placing an equal number of balls of each colour. In this case the chance of drawing a ball of any colour is equally likely when the balls are drawn at random by a sufficient number of students.



Activity 49



OBJECTIVE

To verify that congruent triangles have equal area but two triangles with equal areas may not be congruent

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Graph paper, colours, pen/pencil, scissors.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Take a squared graph paper and make two triangles ABC and PQR each of sides 3 cm, 4 cm and 5 cm as shown in Fig. 1.

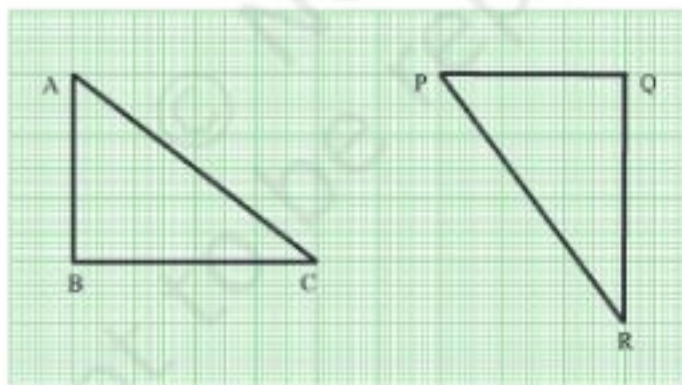


Fig. 1

2. Draw two triangles RST and XYZ (of the same area) as shown in Fig. 2.
3. Make the trace copy of both the triangles of Fig. 1 and Fig. 2 and make their cutouts.

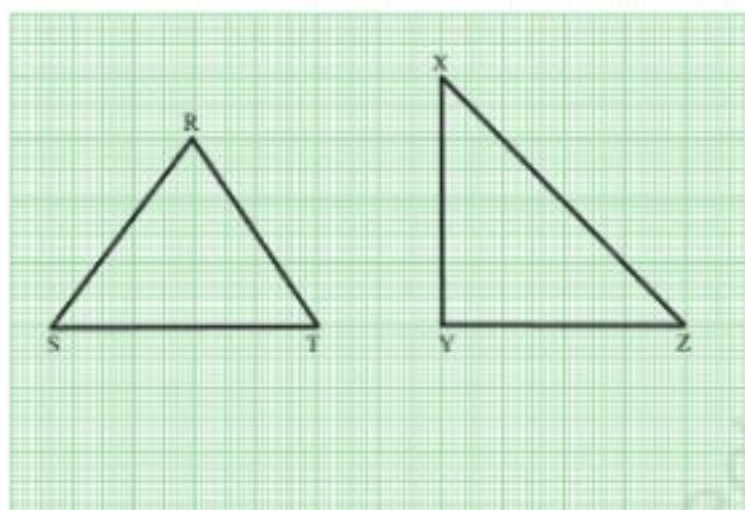


Fig 2

DEMONSTRATION

1. Place the cut out of ΔPQR over ΔABC . Cut out of ΔPQR covers the cut out of ΔABC exactly.
2. So, $\Delta ABC \cong \Delta PQR$.
3. Find the areas of ΔPQR and ΔABC by counting the number of squares enclosed by them.

4. Area of $\Delta ABC = \text{Area of } \Delta PQR = 7 \text{ sq. units.}$

Thus, congruent triangles have equal areas.

5. Area of $\Delta RST = 8 \text{ sq. units. (By counting the squares).}$

Area of $\Delta XYZ = 8 \text{ sq. units (By counting the squares).}$

So, the two triangles RST and XYZ are equal in area.

6. Now place the cut out of ΔXYZ over the cut out ΔRST and see if both the cutouts cover each other exactly.

You can see that they do not cover each other.

So, the two triangles XYZ and RST are not congruent.

Thus, two congruent triangles have equal area but two triangles having equal area may not be congruent.

OBSERVATION

1. ΔPQR and ΔABC are _____ triangles.
2. Area of ΔPQR = _____ squares.
Area of ΔABC = _____ squares.
Area of ΔPQR = Area of Δ _____.
So, congruent triangles have _____ area.
3. Area of ΔRST = _____ squares.
Area of ΔXYZ = _____ squares.
So, area of ΔRST = area of Δ _____.
4. ΔRST and ΔXYZ do not cover each other _____.
 ΔRST and ΔXYZ are not _____.

Thus, triangles having equal area may not be congruent.

APPLICATION

This activity can be used to explain relationship between congruency and areas of different geometric shapes.

Activity 50



OBJECTIVE

To verify that when two lines intersect, vertically opposite angles are equal

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Drawing sheet, thumb pins, colour pencil, tracing paper, adhesive, cardboard.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Take a cardboard of convenient size and paste a white sheet on it.
2. Draw a pair of intersecting lines AB and CD as shown in Fig. 1.

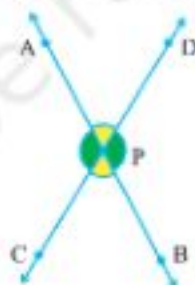


Fig. 1

3. Mark the point of intersection P of these lines.
4. Colour $\angle BPC$ and $\angle APD$ with the same colour, say yellow.
5. Colour $\angle BPD$ and $\angle APC$ with the same colour, say green.

- Trace Fig.1 on a tracing paper and colour the angles of the figure in the same way as done in Steps 4 and 5.
- Fix the trace copy on Fig.1 using a thumb pin at the point P, so that the tracing copy can be freely rotated.

DEMONSTRATION

- $\angle APD$ and $\angle BPC$ are vertically opposite angles, in Fig.1.
- $\angle APC$ and $\angle DPB$ are vertically opposite angles, Fig.1.
- Rotate the trace copy about the point P through an angle of 180° .
- $\angle BPC$ covers $\angle APD$ exactly.

So, $\angle BPC = \angle APD$.

- $\angle APC$ covers $\angle BPD$ exactly. So, $\angle APC = \angle BPD$.

Thus, vertically opposite angles are equal.

OBSERVATION

On actual measurement

$$\angle APC = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, \quad \angle BPD = \underline{\hspace{2cm}},$$

$$\angle BPC = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, \quad \angle APD = \underline{\hspace{2cm}},$$

$$\angle APC = \angle \underline{\hspace{2cm}},$$

$$\angle \underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \angle APD.$$

So, vertically opposite angles are $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$.

APPLICATION

This activity can be used to explain the meaning of vertically opposite angles. The result is useful in solving many geometrical problems.

Activity 51



OBJECTIVE

To find the order of rotational symmetry of a given figure

MATERIAL REQUIRED

White sheets of paper, geometry box, tracing paper, sketch pen, pencil, adhesive, scissors, board pins.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

1. Let the given figure be of the shape as shown in Fig. 1.
2. Make two copies of the given figure and join the diagonals of the central square in each of the figures. Mark the point of intersection of diagonals as O (Fig. 2). For identification, mark a point P as shown in Fig. 2.

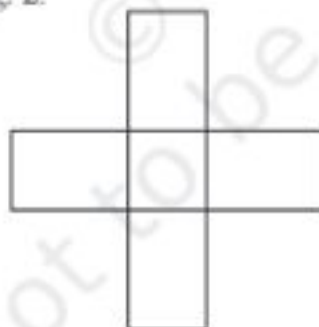


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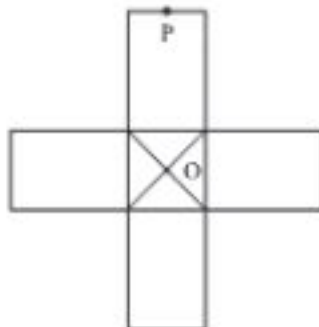


Fig. 2

3. Paste one of them on a cardboard.
4. Place the other figure on the figure pasted on cardboard with the help of a board pin at the point O as shown in Fig. 3.

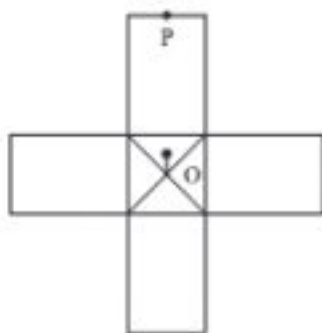


Fig. 3

DEMONSTRATION

1. Rotate the upper figure in a clockwise direction about the point O through an angle of 90° (Fig. 4).
2. After a rotation of 90° the upper figure coincides with the original figure.
3. On subsequent rotations of 90° , we obtain Fig. 5, Fig. 6 and Fig. 7, respectively. Each of these figures coincide with the original figure.
4. Thus, the given figure has a rotational symmetry of angles 90° , 180° , 270° and 360° .
5. The figure has a rotational symmetry of order 4.

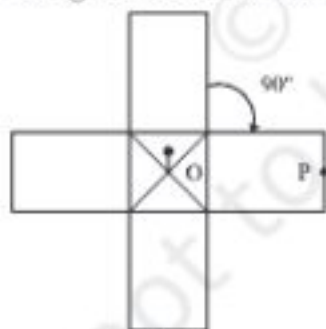


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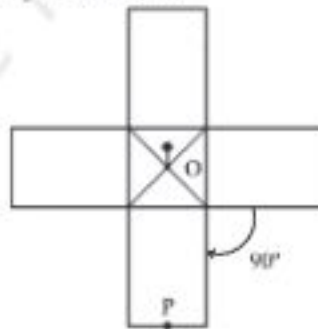


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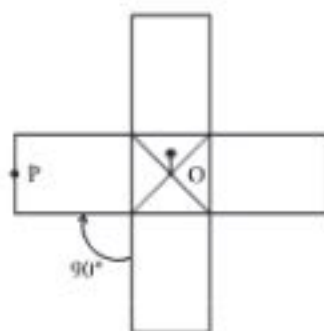


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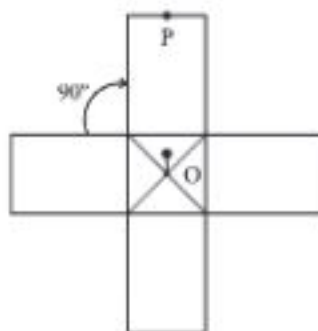


Fig. 1

OBSERVATION

1. The upper figure coincides with the original figure after a rotation of ____, ____, ____ and ____. The angles of rotation are ____, ____, ____, ____.
2. Number of times the upper figure coincides with the original figure is = ____.

Order of rotational symmetry = ____.

APPLICATION

This activity can be used to determine the order of symmetry of different figures such as equilateral triangles, parallelograms, squares, rectangles etc.

