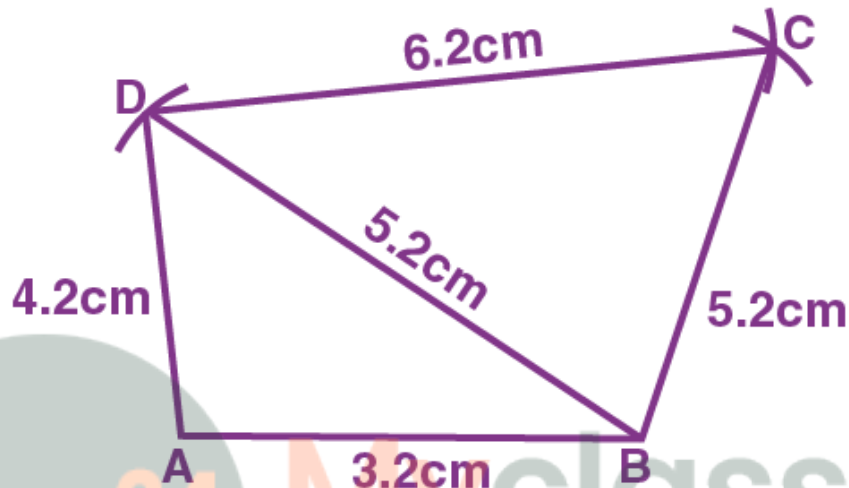


Exercise 15

Construct a quadrilateral ABCD, when:

1. $AB = 3.2$ cm, $BC = 5.2$ cm, $CD = 6.2$ cm, $DA = 4.2$ cm and $BD = 5.2$ cm.

Solution:



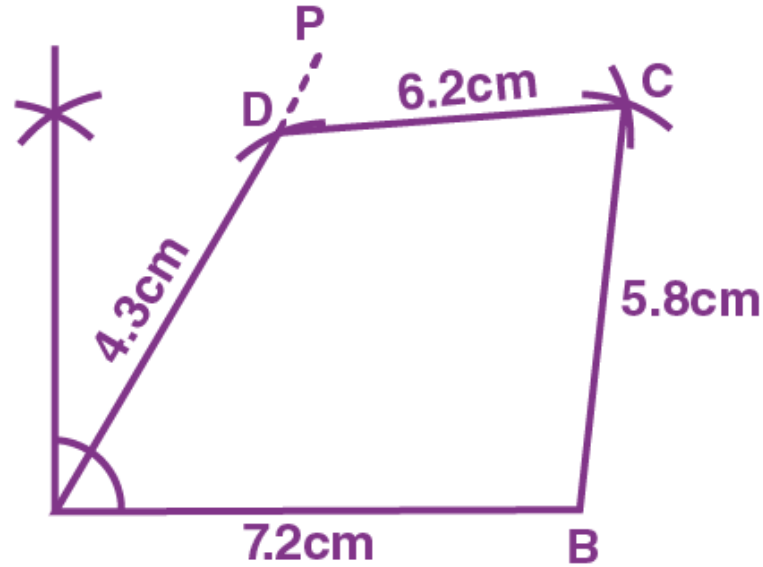
Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 3.2$ cm.
2. With A as the centre and radius 4.2 cm, draw an arc at D and with B as the centre and radius 5.2 cm draw an arc to intersect at D.
3. Now, join AD and DB.
4. With D and B as centres and radii 6.2 cm and 5.2 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
5. Lastly, join BC and DC.

Thus, ABCD is the required quadrilateral.

2. $AB = 7.2$ cm, $BC = 5.8$ cm, $CD = 6.2$ cm, $AD = 4.3$ cm and angle A = 75° .

Solution:



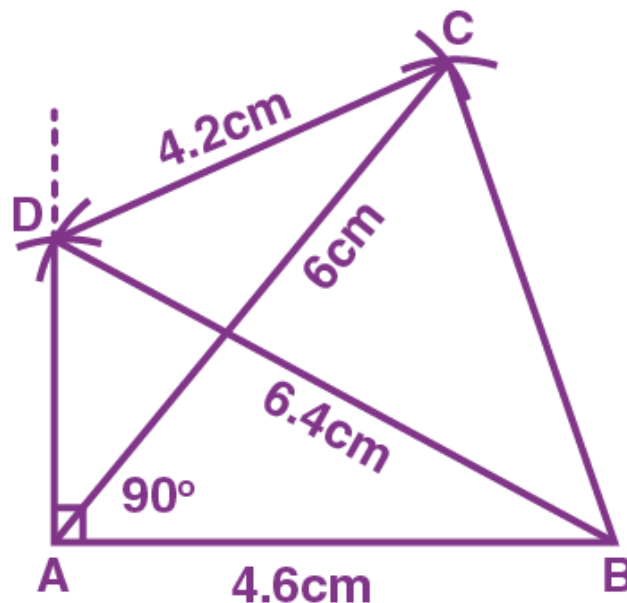
Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 7.2$ cm.
 2. At A construct AP such that $\angle A = 75^\circ$.
 3. Cut off $AD = 4.3$ cm from AP.
 4. With D and B as centres and radii 6.2 cm and 5.8 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 5. Now, join DC and BC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required quadrilateral.

3.

4. Angle A = 90° , AB = 4.6 cm, BD = 6.4 cm, AC = 6.0 cm and CD = 4.2 cm.

Solution:



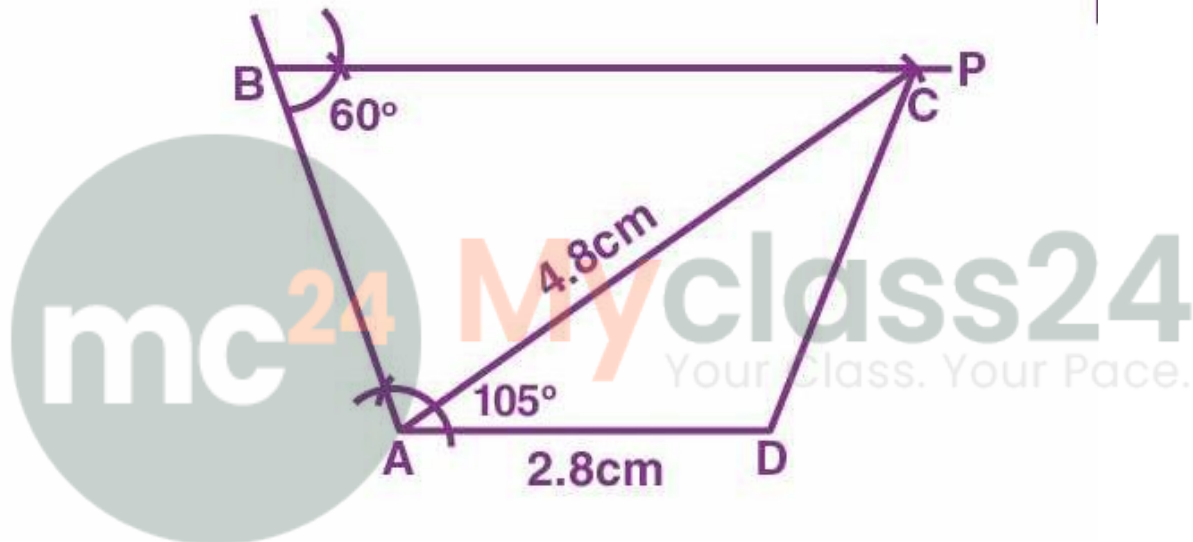
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Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 4.6$ cm.
 2. At A, construct AP such that $\angle A = 90^\circ$.
 3. With B as the centre and radius 6.4 cm, draw an arc intersecting AP at D.
 4. Taking D and A as centres and radii 4.2 cm and 6 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 5. Now, join BD , AC and CB .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required quadrilateral.

5. $AB = 3.8$ cm, $AC = 4.8$ cm, $AD = 2.8$ cm, angle $A = 105^\circ$ and angle $B = 60^\circ$.

Solution:

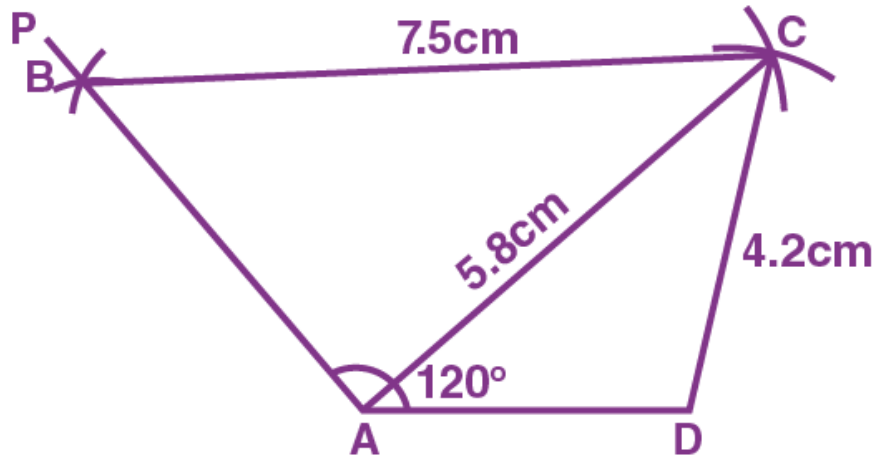


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AD = 2.8$ cm.
 2. Construct $AB = 3.8$ cm such that $\angle A = 105^\circ$.
 3. Draw BP such that $\angle B = 60^\circ$.
 4. Now, taking A as the centre and radius 4.8 cm, draw an arc cutting BP at C.
 5. Join AC and AD .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required quadrilateral.

6. $BC = 7.5$ cm $AC = 5.8$ cm, $AD = 3.6$ cm, $CD = 4.2$ cm and angle $A = 120^\circ$.

Solution:

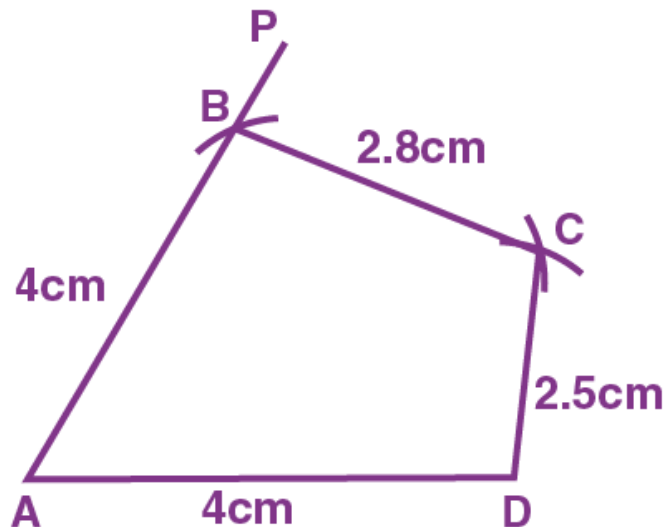


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AD = 3.6$ cm.
 2. Construct AP such that $\angle A = 120^\circ$.
 3. Taking A and D as the centres and radii 5.8 cm and 4.2 cm, draw arcs cutting each other at C .
 4. Join AC and CD .
 5. Now, taking C as the centre and radius 7.5 cm, draw an arc to intersect AP at B .
 6. Join CB .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required quadrilateral.

7. $AD = AB = 4$ cm, $BC = 2.8$ cm, $CD = 2.5$ cm and angle $BAD = 45^\circ$.

Solution:



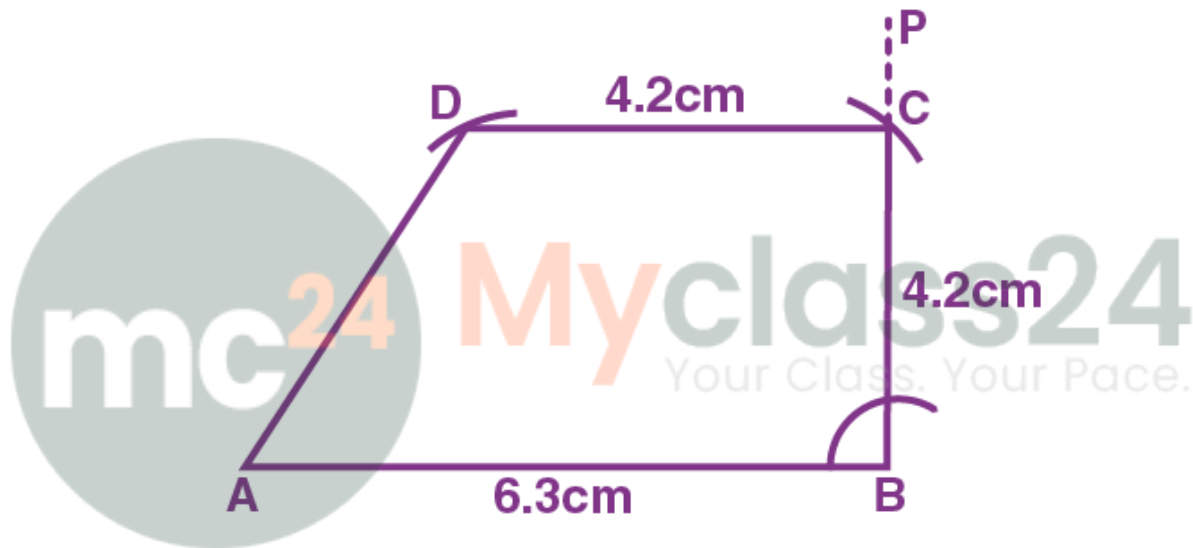
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Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AD = 4$ cm.
 2. Construct AP such that $\angle A = 45^\circ$.
 3. Taking A as the centre with radius 4 cm, draw an arc cutting AP at B .
 4. Now, with B and D as a centres and radii 2.8 cm and 2.8 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C .
 5. Join BC and CD .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required quadrilateral.

8. $AB = 6.3$ cm, $BC = CD = 4.2$ cm and $\angle ABC = \angle BCD = 90^\circ$.

Solution:



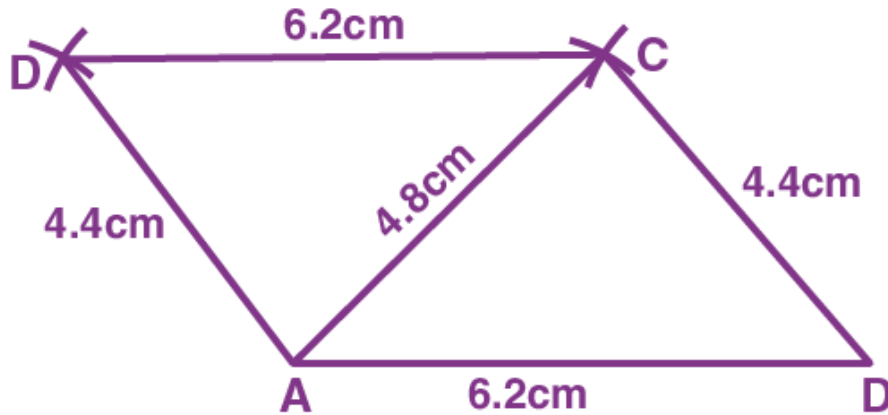
Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 6.3$ cm.
 2. Construct BP such that $\angle ABP = 90^\circ$.
 3. Taking B as the centre and radius 4.2 cm, draw an arc to cut AP at C .
 4. Now, with C as the centre and radii 4.2 cm, construct CD such that $\angle BCD = 90^\circ$.
 5. Join AD .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required quadrilateral.

Construct a parallelogram $ABCD$, when:

9. $AB = 4.4$ cm, $AD = 6.2$ cm and $AC = 4.8$ cm.

Solution:

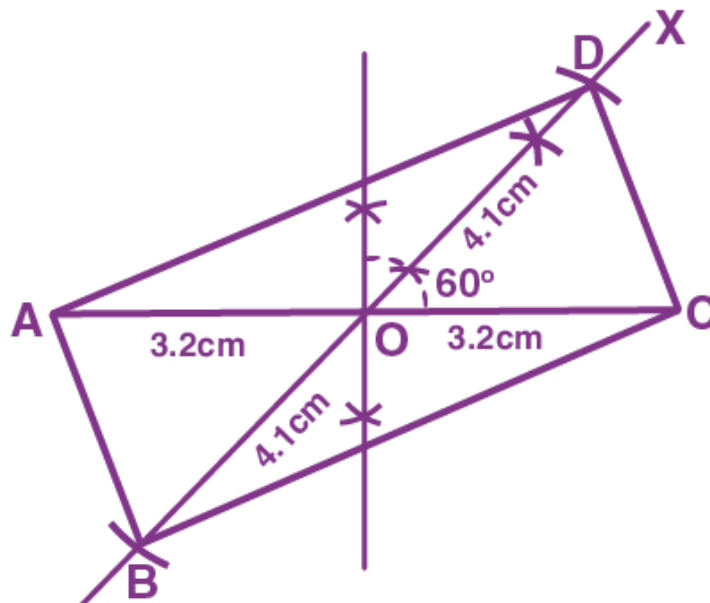


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AD = 6.2$ cm.
 2. Taking A and D as a centres and radii 4.8 cm and 4.4 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 3. Join AC and CD.
 4. Now, with A and C as centres and radii 4.4 cm and 6.2 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at B.
 5. Join AB and BC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required parallelogram.

10.

11. Diagonal $AC = 6.4$ cm, diagonals $BD = 8.2$ cm and angle between the diagonals = 60° . Solution:



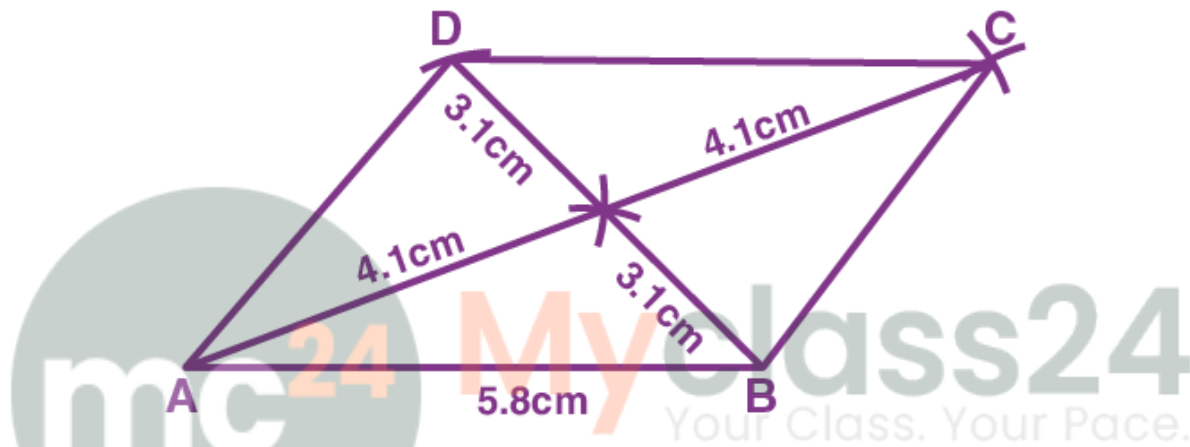
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Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AC = 6.4$ cm.
 2. Construct BOD such that $\angle DOC = 60^\circ$ and $OB = OD = \frac{1}{2} BD = \frac{1}{2} \times 8.2 = 4.1$ cm.
 3. Now, join AB, BC, CD and DA .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required parallelogram.

12. $AB = 5.8$ cm, diagonal $AC = 8.2$ cm and diagonal $BD = 6.2$ cm.

Solution:

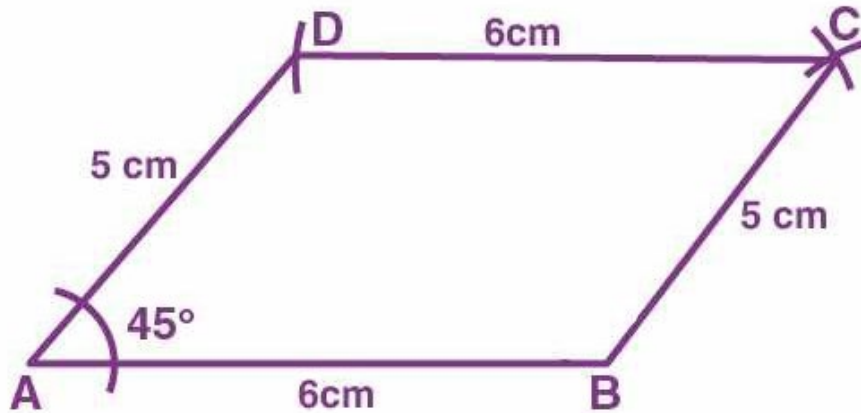


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 5.8$ cm.
 2. As the diagonals of a parallelogram bisect each other.
Construct OAB such that:
 $OA = \frac{1}{2} AC = \frac{1}{2} \times 8.2$ cm = 4.1 cm
 $OB = \frac{1}{2} BD = \frac{1}{2} \times 6.2$ cm = 3.1 cm
 2. Produce AO up to C , such that $OC = OA = 4.1$ cm and BO up to D , such that $DO = OB = 3.1$ cm.
 3. Now, join AD, DC and CB .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required parallelogram.

13. $AB = 6.0$ cm, $AD = 5.0$ cm and $\angle A = 45^\circ$.

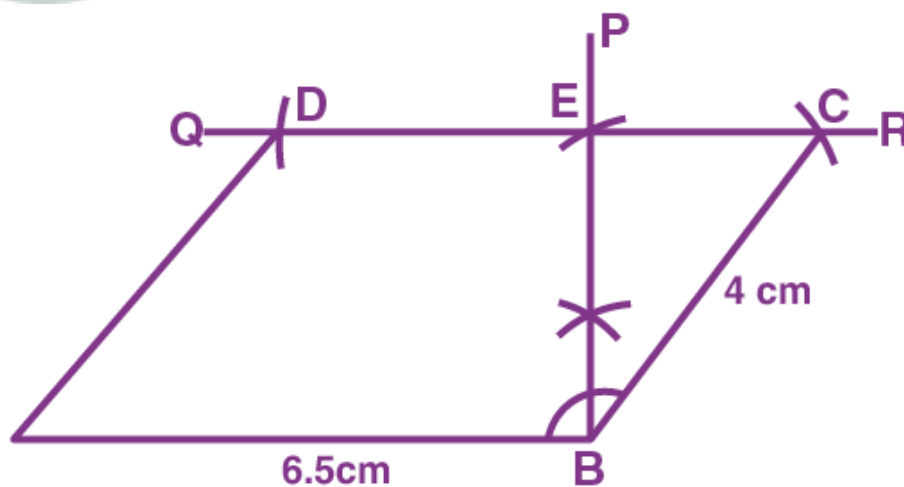
Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 6$ cm.
 2. Construct $AD = 5$ cm such that $\angle BAD = 45^\circ$.
 3. Taking D and B as the centres and radii 6 cm and 5 cm, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 4. Now, join DC and BC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required parallelogram.

14. Base $AB = 6.5$ cm, $BC = 4$ cm and the altitude corresponding to $AB = 3.1$ cm.
Solution:

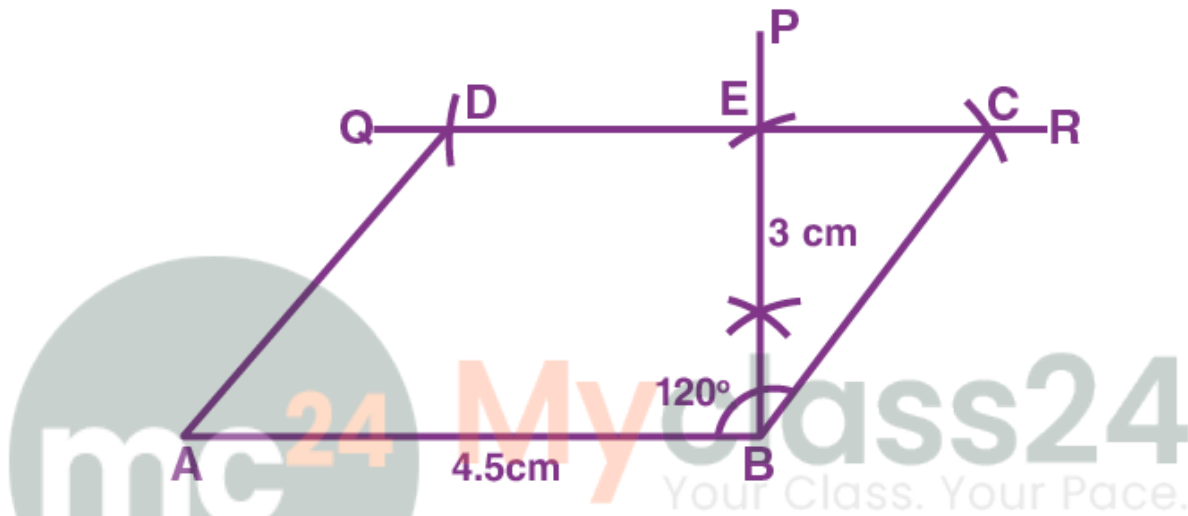


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 6.5$ cm.
2. At B, construct $BP \perp AB$.

3. Cut off $BE = 3.1$ cm from BP
 4. At E , construct a perpendicular to BP to obtain QR parallel to AB .
 5. Now, taking B as the centre and radius 4 cm, draw an arc which cuts QR at C .
 6. With A as a centre and radius 4 cm, draw an arc which cuts QR at D .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required parallelogram.

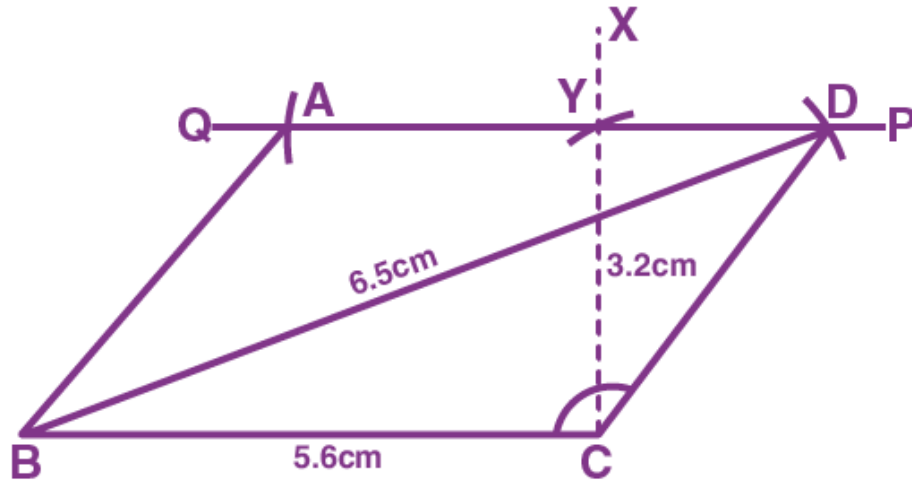
15. $AB = 4.5$ cm, $\angle B = 120^\circ$ and the distance between AB and $DC = 3.0$ cm.
Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 4.5$ cm.
 2. At B , construct $BP \perp AB$.
 3. Cut off $BE = 3$ cm, from BP .
 4. At E , draw a perpendicular to BP to obtain QR parallel to AB .
 5. Now, taking B as the centre draw an arc which cuts QR at C such that $\angle B = 120^\circ$.
 6. With A as a centre and radius BC , draw an arc which cuts QR at D .
 7. Join AD and BC .
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required parallelogram.

16. Base $BC = 5.6$ cm, diagonal $BD = 6.5$ cm and altitude = 3.2 cm.
Solution:



Steps of construction:

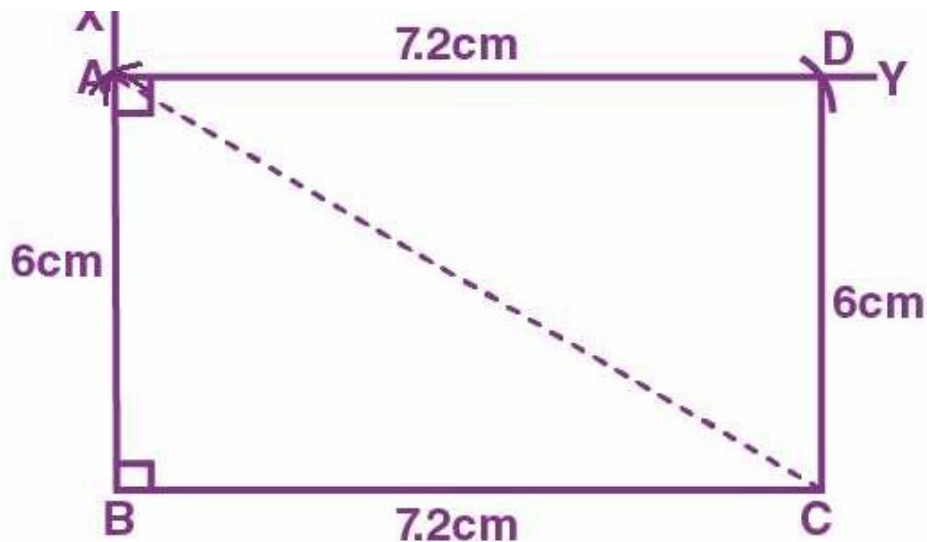
1. Draw $BC = 5.6$ cm.
2. At C, construct $CX \perp BC$.
3. Taking C as the centre and radius 3.2 cm draw an arc to cut CX at Y.
4. At Y, draw a straight-line PQ parallel to BC.
5. Now, taking B as the centre and radius 6.5 cm, draw an arc to meet PQ at D.
6. With D as a centre and radius to 5.6 cm, draw an arc to meet PQ at A.
7. Join BA, BD and CD.

Thus, ABCD is the required parallelogram.

**Construct a rectangle ABCD, when
17. Its sides are 6.0 cm and 7.2 cm.**

Solution:

We know that, each angle of a rectangle is 90° and opposite sides are equal.



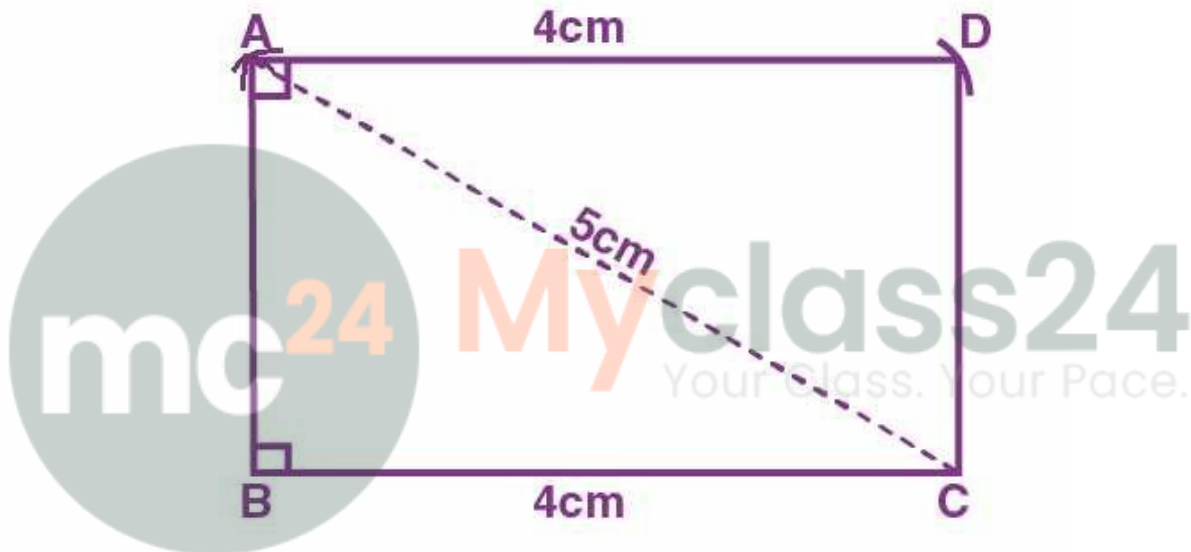
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Steps of construction:

1. Draw $BC = 7.2$ cm.
 2. Taking B as the centre, draw a line BX such that $\angle B = 90^\circ$.
 3. Now, with B as the centre and radius 6 cm draw an arc to cut BX at A.
 4. At A, construct a line AY parallel to BC.
 5. Taking A as the centre and radius 7.2 cm draw an arc to cut AY at D.
 6. Join CD.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rectangle.

18. One side = 4 cm and one diagonal is 5 cm. Measure the length of other side.

Solution:

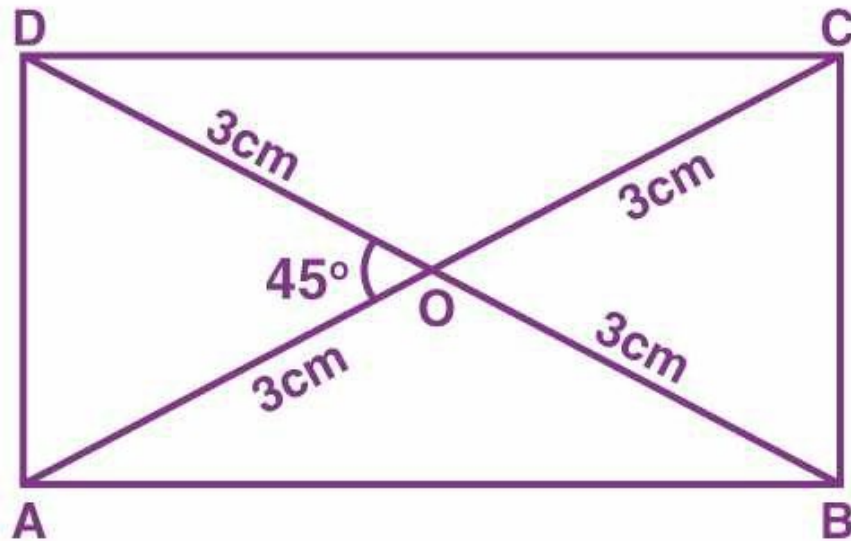


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $BC = 4$ cm.
 2. Taking C as the centre and radius 5 cm, draw an arc at A such that $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$.
 3. Join AB and AC.
 4. Now, with A as a centre and radius 4 cm, draw an arc at D such that $\angle ADC = 90^\circ$.
 5. Join AD and CD.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rectangle.

19. One diagonal = 6.0 cm and the acute angle between the diagonals = 45° .

Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw AC = 6 cm.
2. Now, bisect AC at O.
3. At O, construct $\angle XOC = 45^\circ$ and produce XO to Y.
4. Cut OB = OD = 3 cm (i.e., half the diagonal 6 cm)
5. Join AB, CB, AD and CD.

Thus, ABCD is the required rectangle

20. Area = 24 cm^2 and base = 4.8 cm.

Solution:

Given,

Base = 4.8 cm and area = 24 cm^2

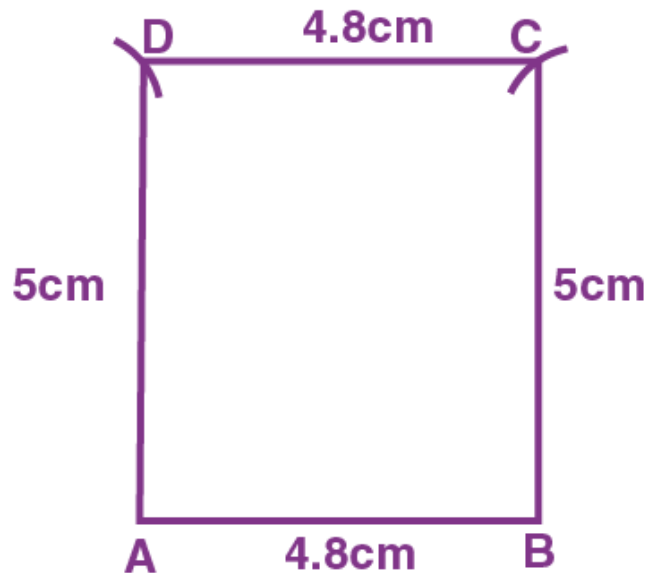
We know that, area of rectangle = base x height

So,

$$24 = 4.8 \times \text{height}$$

$$\text{Height} = 24/4.8 = 5 \text{ cm}$$

The rectangle with base = 4.8 cm and height = 5 cm is constructed as below.



Steps of construction:

1. Draw base, $AB = 4.8$ cm.
 2. Taking A and B as centres and radii 5 cm each, draw arcs at D and C.
 3. Now, join AD, BC and DC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rectangle.

21. Area = 36 cm^2 and height = 4.5 cm.

Solution:

Given,

Height = 4.5 cm and area = 36 cm^2

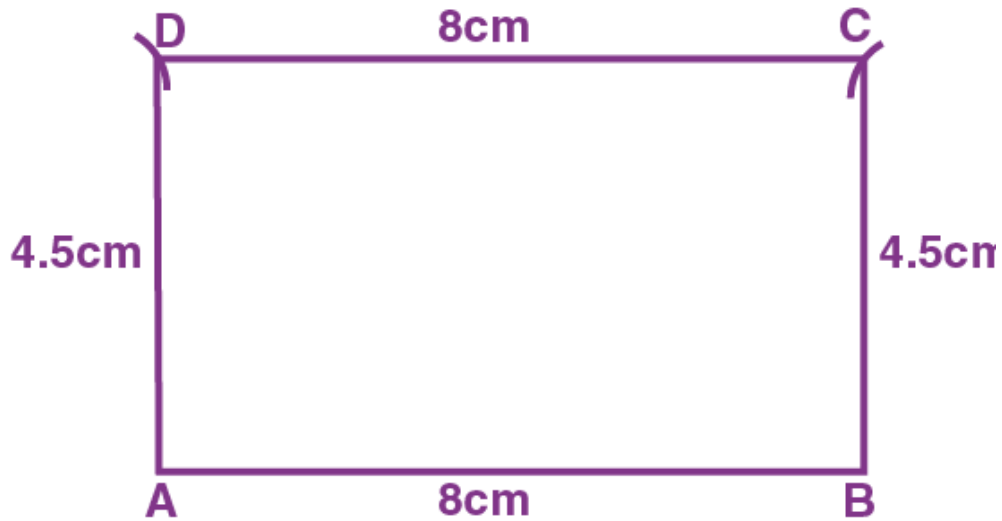
We know that, area of rectangle = base x height

So,

$$36 = \text{base} \times 4.5$$

$$\text{Base} = 36/4.5 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

The rectangle with base = 8 cm and height = 4.5 cm is constructed as below.



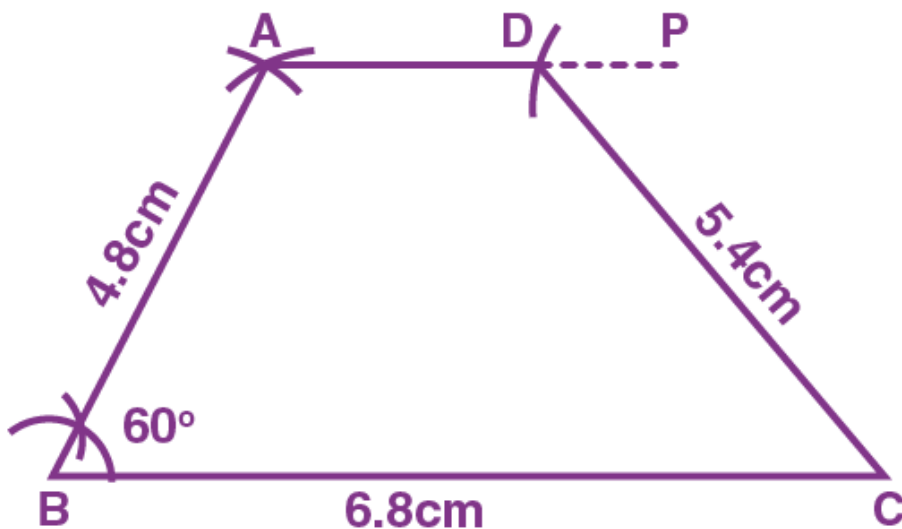
Steps of construction:

1. Draw base, $AB = 8$ cm.
 2. Taking A and B as a centres and radii 4.5 cm each, draw arcs at D and C.
 3. Join AD, BC and DC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rectangle.

Construct a trapezium ABCD, when:

22. $AB = 4.8$ cm, $BC = 6.8$ cm, $CD = 5.4$ cm, angle $B = 60^\circ$ and $AD \parallel BC$.

Solution:



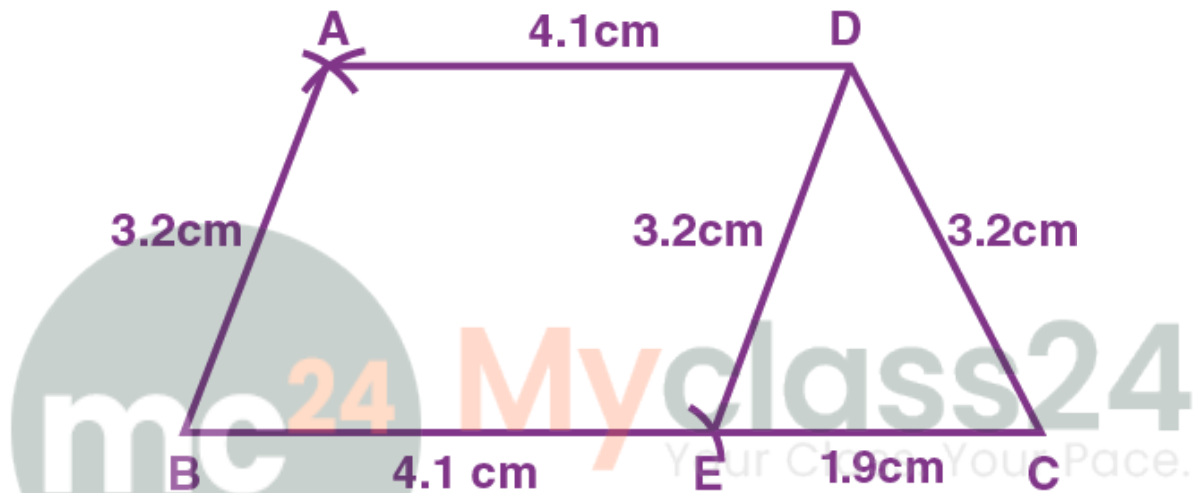
Steps of construction:

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1. Draw $BC = 6.8$ cm.
 2. Taking B as the centre and radius 4.8 cm, draw an arc at A such that $\angle B = 60^\circ$.
 3. At A, draw a line AP such that $AP \parallel BC$.
 4. With C as the centre and radius 5.4 cm, draw an arc AP to cut at D.
 5. Now, join AB and CD.
- Thus, ABCD is the required trapezium.

23. $AB = CD = 3.2$ cm, $BC = 6.0$ cm, $AD = 4.1$ cm and $AD \parallel BC$.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

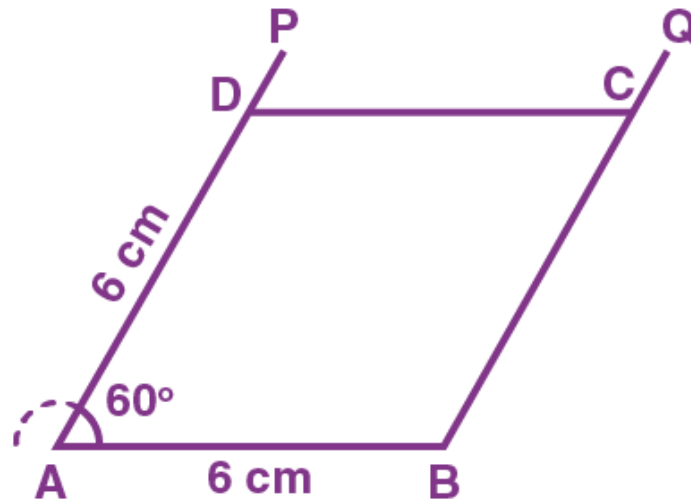
1. Draw $BC = 6$ cm.
2. Cut off $BE = AD = 4.1$ cm from BC.
3. Construct triangle DEC such that $DE = AB = 3.2$ cm and $CD = 3.2$ cm.
4. Taking B and D as the centres and radii 3.2 cm and 4.1 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at A.
5. Join AB and AD.

Thus, ABCD is the required trapezium.

Construct a rhombus ABCD, when:

24. It's one side = 6 cm and $\angle A = 60^\circ$.

Solution:

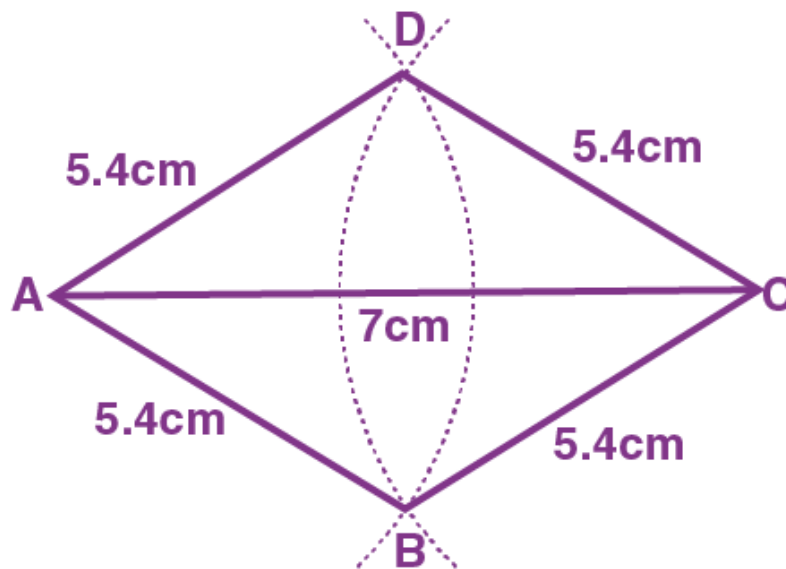


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 6 \text{ cm}$.
 2. At A, construct $\angle BAP = 60^\circ$.
 3. From AP, cut off D such that $AD = 6 \text{ cm}$.
 4. At B, construct $BQ \parallel AD$.
 5. At D, construct $DC \parallel AB$ to cut BQ at C.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

25. One side = 5.4 cm and one diagonals is 7.0 cm.

Solution:



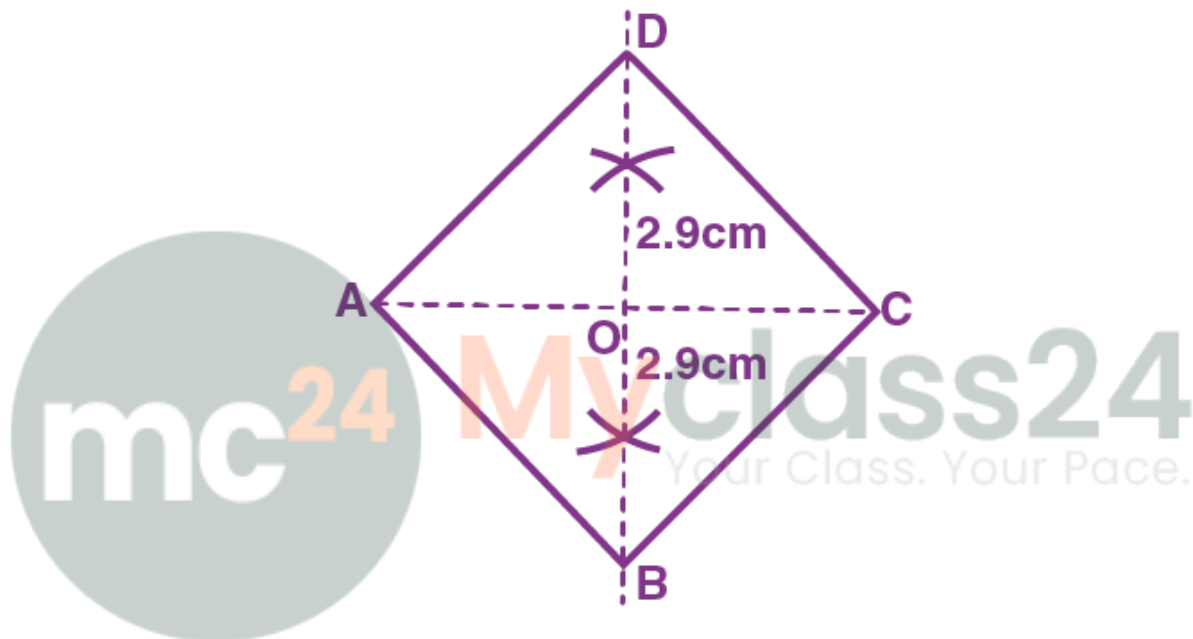
Steps of construction:

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1. Draw $AC = 7$ cm.
 2. Taking A as the centre and radius 5.4 cm, draw an arc extending on both sides of AC.
 3. Taking C as the centre and radius 5.4 cm, draw an arc extending on both sides of AC to cut the first arc at B and D.
 4. Now, join AB, BC, CD and DA.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

26. Diagonal AC = 6.3 cm and diagonal BD = 5.8 cm.

Solution:



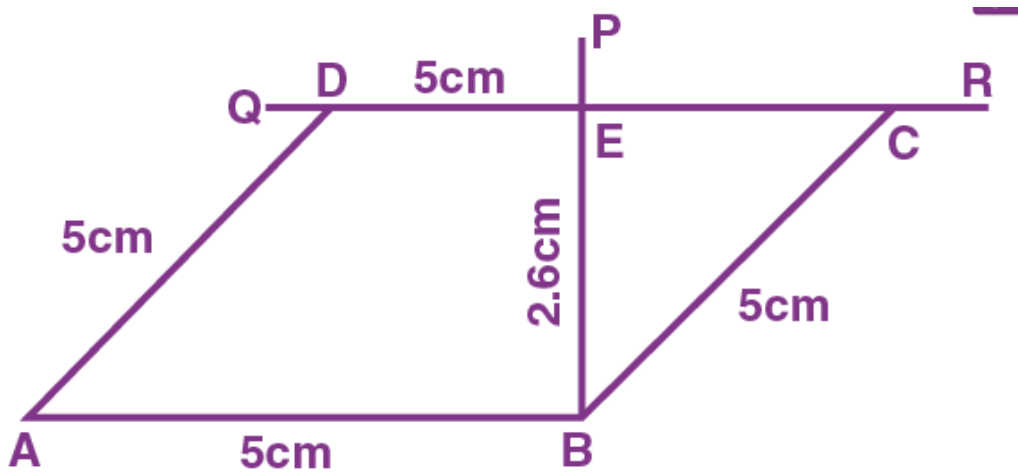
Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AC = 6.3$ cm.
 2. Construct the perpendicular bisector of AC which cuts AC at O.
 3. Cut off OD and OB on the perpendicular bisector such that,
 $OD = OB = \frac{1}{2} BD = \frac{1}{2} \times 5.8 = 2.9$ cm
 4. Join AB, BC, CD and DA.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

27. One side = 5.0 cm and height = 2.6 cm.

Solution:

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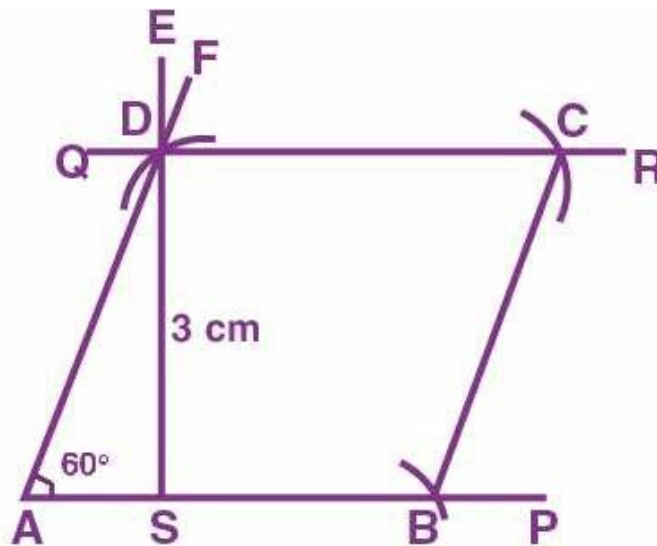


Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 5 \text{ cm}$.
2. At B, construct $BP \perp AB$.
3. Cut off $BE = 2.6 \text{ cm}$ from BP.
4. At E, draw perpendicular to CP so that $QR \parallel AB$.
5. Taking A and B as the centres and radii 5 cm each, draw arcs cutting QR at D and C. Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

28. $\angle A = 60^\circ$ and height = 3.0 cm.

Solution:



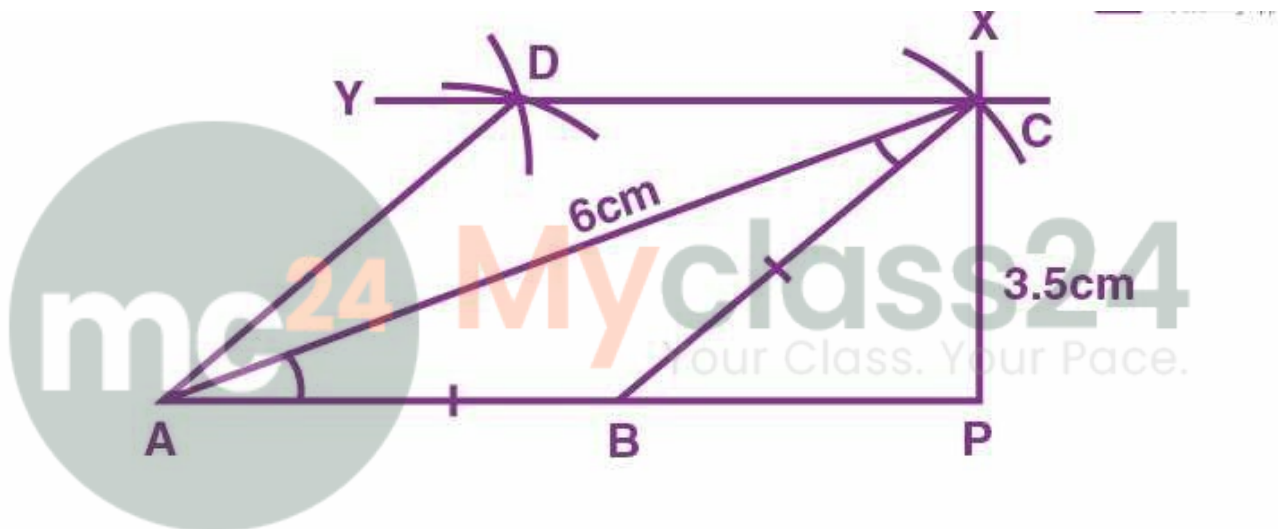
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Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line AP.
 2. Now, draw AF such that $\angle A = 60^\circ$.
 3. At S, construct a perpendicular SE = 3 cm such that it cuts AF at D.
 4. Through D draw a line QR parallel to AP.
 5. Taking the radius same as AD, draw an arc at B on AP.
 6. Now, at B taking radius same as AD and AB, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 7. Join BC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

29. Diagonal AC = 6.0 cm and height = 3.5 cm.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

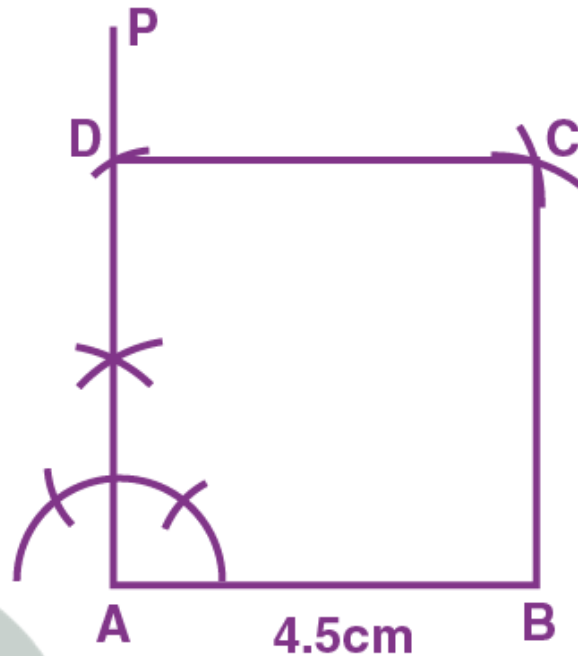
1. Draw a line AP.
2. Taking A and P as the centres and radii 6 cm and 3.5 cm respectively, draw arcs to intersect each other at C.
3. Now, draw BC such that AB = BC.
4. At C, draw a line CY parallel to AP.
5. At points C and A, taking radius same as AB, draw arcs cutting each other at D.
6. Join AD.

Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

Construct a square ABCD, when:

30. One side = 4.5 cm.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

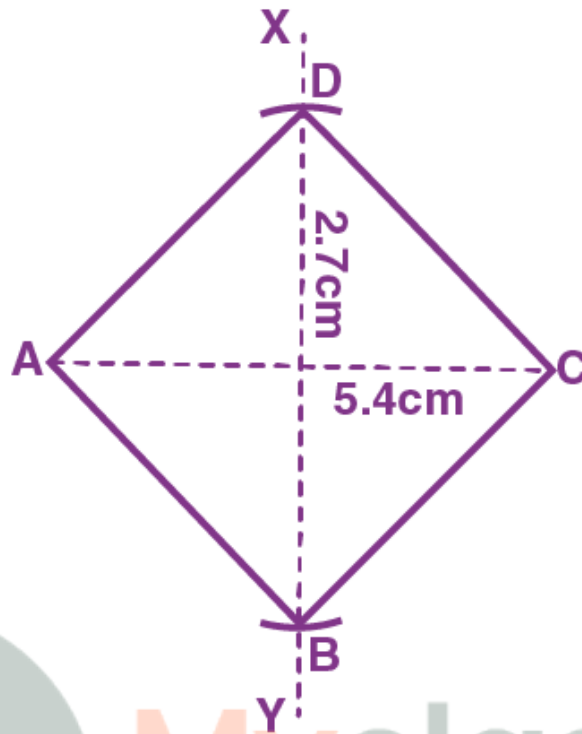
1. Draw $AB = 4.5$ cm.
2. Construct $AP \perp AB$.
3. Cut off $AD = 4.5$ cm, from AP .
4. Taking B as the centre and radius 4.5 cm, draw an arc.
5. Now, with D as the centre and radius 4.5 cm, draw another arc cutting the previous arc at C .
6. Join BC and CD .

Thus, $ABCD$ is the required square.

31. One diagonal = 5.4 cm.

Solution:

We know that, the diagonals of a square are equal and bisect each other at right angles.



Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AC = 5.4$ cm.
2. Construct the right bisector XY of AC , meeting AC at O .
3. Now, from O , set off $OB = \frac{1}{2}(5.4) = 2.7$ cm along OY and $OD = 2.7$ cm along OX .
4. Join AB , BC , CD and DA .

Thus, $ABCD$ is the required square.

32. Construct a square $ABCD$, when perimeter = 24 cm.

Solution:

Given, perimeter of the square = 24 cm

We know that,

Perimeter of square, $P = 4a$

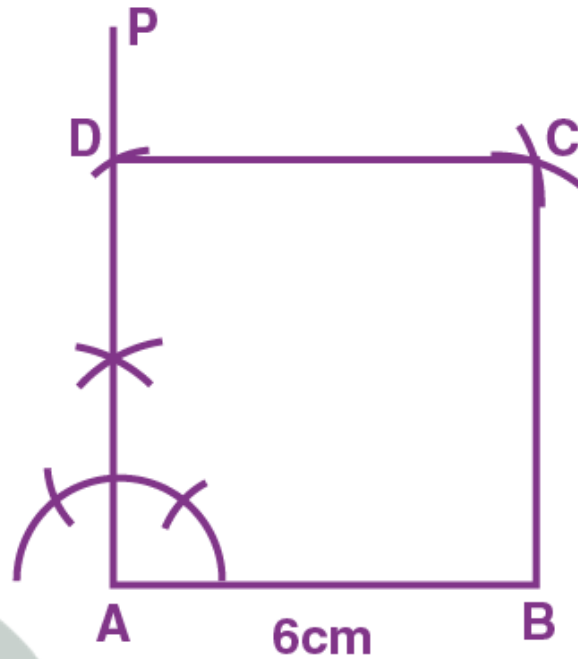
Where, a is the length of each side.

So,

$$24 = 4a$$

$$a = 24/4 = 6 \text{ cm}$$

Therefore, the sides of the squares are of length 6 cm.



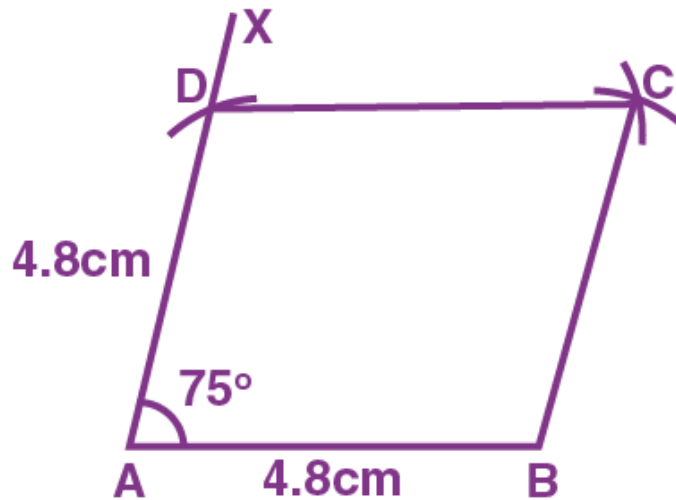
Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 6\text{ cm}$.
2. Construct $AP \perp AB$.
3. Cut off $AD = 6\text{ cm}$ from AP .
4. Taking B as the centre and radius 6 cm , draw an arc.
5. Now, with D as the centre and radius 6 cm , draw another arc cutting the previous arc at C .
6. Join BC and CD .

Thus, $ABCD$ is the required square.

33. Construct a rhombus, having given one side = 4.8 cm and one angle = 75° .

Solution:



Steps of construction:

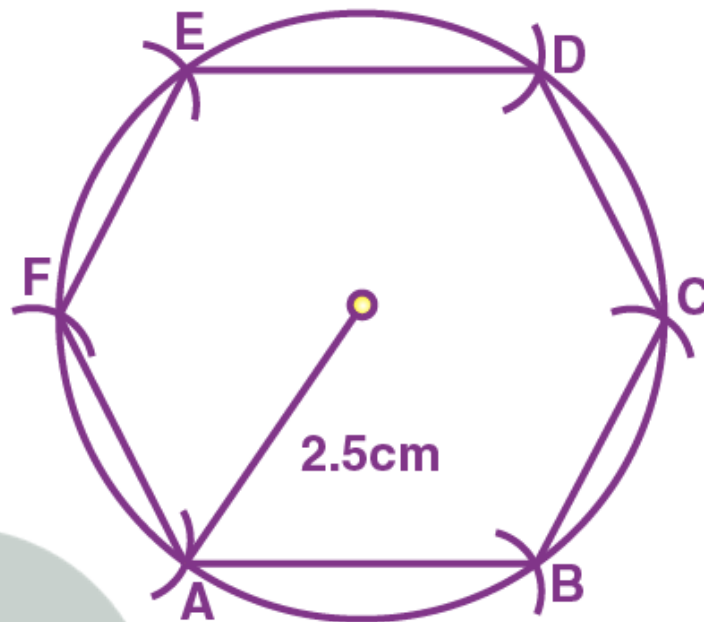
1. Draw a line $AB = 4.8$ cm.
 2. At A, draw AX such that $\angle BAX = 75^\circ$.
 3. Taking A as the centre and radius = AB, cut off an arc at D on AX.
 4. Now, taking D and B as centers and radius same as AB, cut off arcs which will intersect at C.
 5. Join CD and CB.
- Thus, ABCD is the required rhombus.

34. (i) Construct a regular hexagon of side 2.5 cm.

(ii) Construct a regular hexagon of side 3.2 cm.

Solution:

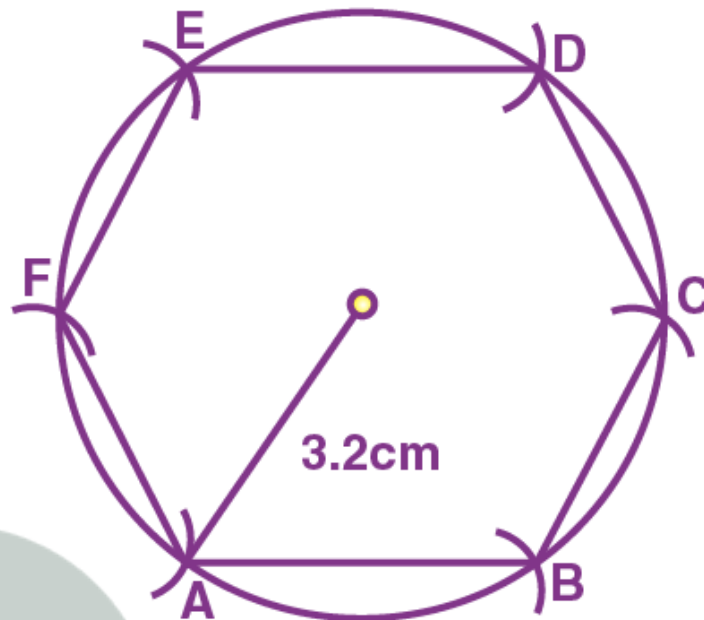
The length of side of regular hexagon is equal to the radius of its circumcircle.



(i) Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle of radius 2.5 cm.
 2. Taking any point A as the centre and radii 2.5 cm on the circumference of the circle, draw arcs which cut the circumference at B and F.
 3. With B and F as centres, again draw two arcs of same radii = 2.5 which cut the circumference at C and E respectively.
 4. Now, taking C or E as centre, draw one more arc of the same radius = 2.5 cm that cuts the circumference at point D.
- By this way, the circumference of the circle is divided into six equal parts.
5. Join AB, BC, CD, DE, EF and FA.
- Thus, ABCDEF is the required hexagon.

(ii)



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle of radius 3.2 cm
2. Taking any point A as the centre and radii 3.2 cm on the circumference of the circle, draw arcs which cut the circumference at B and F.
3. With B and F as centres, again draw two arcs of same radii = 3.5 cm which cut the circumference at C and E respectively.
4. Now, taking C or E as the centre, draw one more arc of the same radius = 3.5 cm which cuts the circumference at point D.

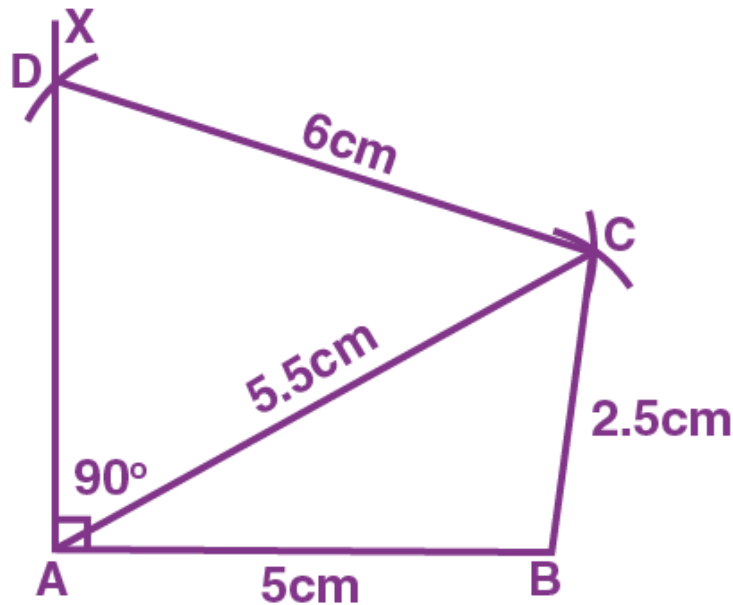
By this way, the circumference of the circle is divided into six equal parts.

5. Join AB, BC, CD, DE, EF and FA.

Thus, ABCDEF is the required hexagon.

35. Using ruler and compasses only, construct the quadrilateral ABCD, having given AB = 5 cm, BC = 2.5 cm, CD = 6 cm. angle BAD = 90° and the diagonal AC = 5.5 cm.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 5$ cm.
 2. Now, construct $\angle XAB = 90^\circ$.
 3. Taking A and B as the centres and radius 2.5 cm and 5.5 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 4. Join BC and AC.
 5. Now, taking C as the centre and radius 6 cm, draw arcs at D on AX.
- Thus, ABCD is the required quadrilateral.

36. Using ruler and compasses only, construct a trapezium ABCD, in which the parallel sides AB and DC are 3.3 cm apart; $AB = 4.5$ cm, angle A = 120° BC = 3.6 cm and angle B is obtuse.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

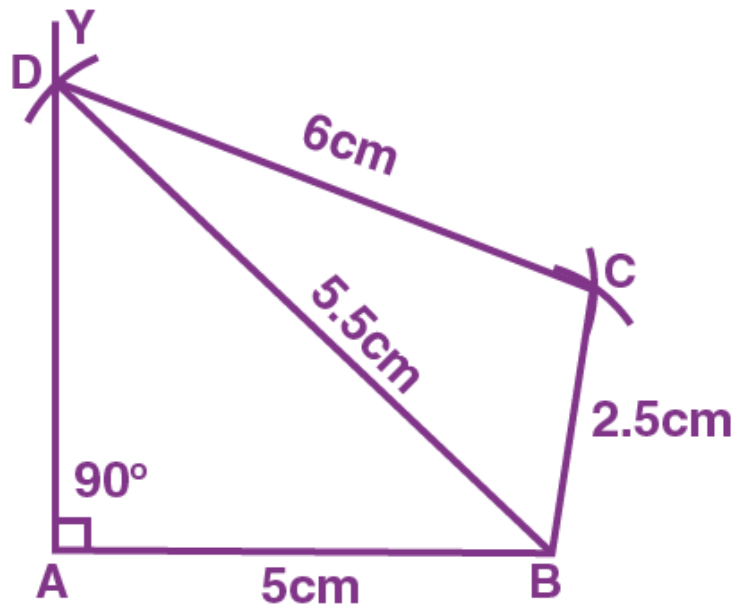
1. Draw $AB = 4.5$ cm.
2. Construct $\angle BAS = 120^\circ$ and draw $EA \perp AB$ such that $AX = 3.3$ cm.
3. At X , draw a line QR which is parallel to AB that cuts AS at D .
4. At B , draw an arc of radius 3.6 cm to cut PQ at C .
5. Now, join CB .

Thus, $ABCD$ is the required trapezium.

37. Using ruler and compasses only, construct the quadrilateral $ABCD$, having given AB

$= 5$ cm, $BC = 2.5$ cm $CD = 6$ cm, $\angle BAD = 90^\circ$ and diagonal $BD = 5.5$ cm.

Solution:



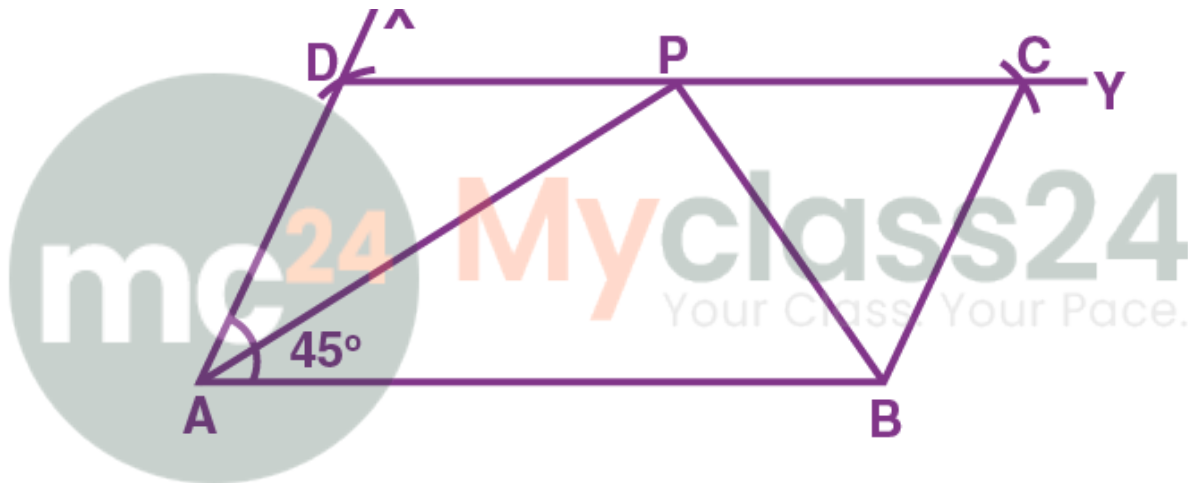
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Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 5\text{cm}$.
 2. At A, draw a line AY such that $\angle A = 90^\circ$.
 3. With B as the centre and radius 5.5 cm, draw an arc at D on AY.
 4. taking D and B as the centre and radii 6 cm and 2.5 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 5. Now, join DC and BC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required quadrilateral.

38. Using ruler and compasses only, construct a parallelogram ABCD using the following data: $AB = 6\text{ cm}$, $AD = 3\text{ cm}$ and $\angle DAB = 45^\circ$. If the bisector of $\angle DAB$ meets DC at P, prove that $\angle APB$ is a right angle.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw $AB = 6\text{ cm}$.
 2. Taking A as the centre and radius draw a line AX such that $\angle BAX = 45^\circ$.
 3. With A as the centre and radius 3 cm, draw an arc on AD.
 4. Now, taking D and B as a centres and radii 6 cm and 3 cm respectively, draw arcs cutting each other at C.
 5. Join DC and BC.
- Thus, ABCD is the required parallelogram.

Here, we have

$$\angle PAB = \angle APD \dots \text{[Alternate angles]}$$

$$\angle CPB = \angle PBA \dots \text{[Alternate angles]}$$

Now,

$$\angle DPA + \angle APB + \angle CPB = 180^\circ \dots\dots (i)$$

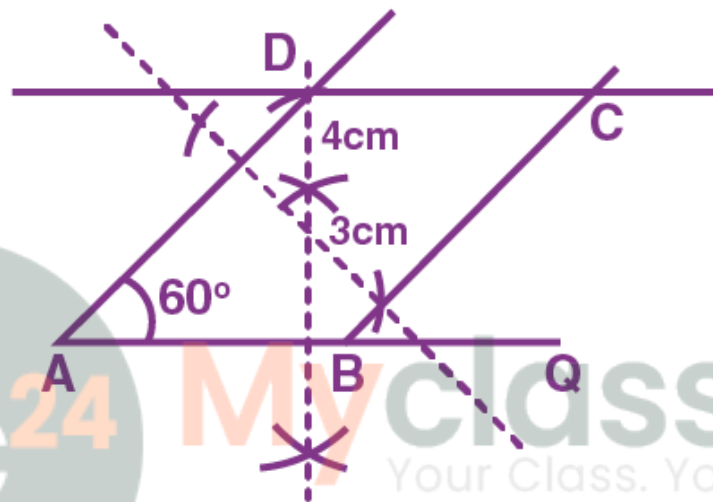
Also, considering $\triangle APB$,

$$\angle PAB + \angle PBA + \angle APB = 180^\circ \dots\dots (ii)$$

Hence, from (i) and (ii)
 $\angle APB = 90^\circ$
 - Hence proved.

39. The perpendicular distance between the pair of opposite sides of a parallelogram are 3 cm and 4 cm, and one of its angles measures 60° . Using ruler and compasses only, construct the parallelogram.

Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a base line AQ of some random measurement.
 2. Construct a perpendicular to the line AQ cutting it at P.
 3. Taking P as the centre and radius = 4 cm in compass and cut an arc on the perpendicular bisector above the line. Draw a line parallel to line AQ passing through this arc.
 4. At A, construct an angle of 60° and draw the line which intersect above drawn line at D.
 5. Now, construct a perpendicular to line AD.
 6. Take distance of 3 cm in compass and mark an arc on the perpendicular above the line. Draw a line parallel to line AD passing through this arc which intersect the line AQ at some point label it as B and to other line at point C.
- Thus, ABCD is the required parallelogram.

40. Draw parallelogram ABCD with the following data:

AB = 6 cm, AD = 5 cm and $\angle DAB = 45^\circ$.

Let AC and DB meet in O and let E be the mid-point of BC. Join OE. Prove that:

(i) $OE \parallel AB$ (ii) $OE = \frac{1}{2} AB$.

Solution:

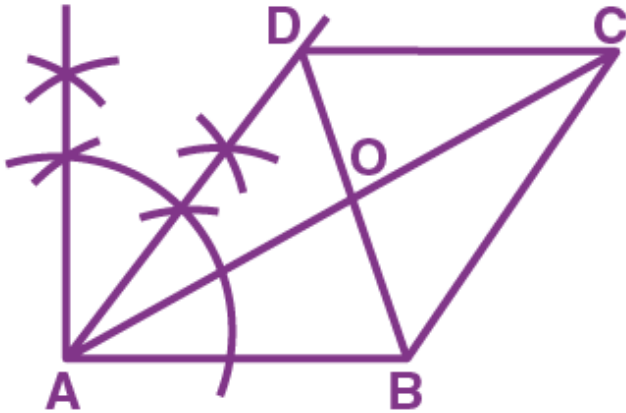
Steps of construction:

1. First draw a line AB = 6 cm. Then draw an angle of measure 45° at point A such that $\angle DAB$

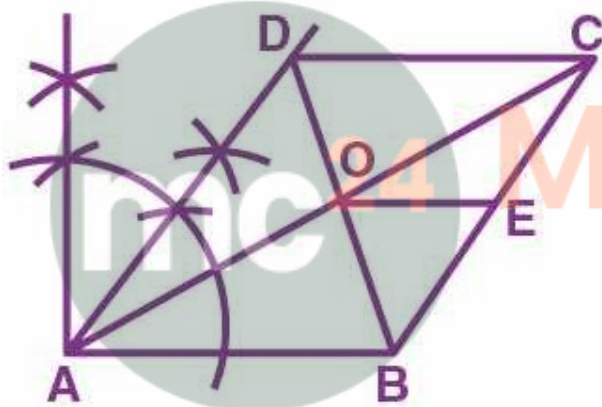
$\angle A = 45^\circ$ and $AD = 5$ cm.

2. Now, draw a line $CD = 6$ cm parallel to the line AB .

3. Join BC to construct the parallelogram as shown below:



It is given that E is the midpoint of BC . So, let's join OE .



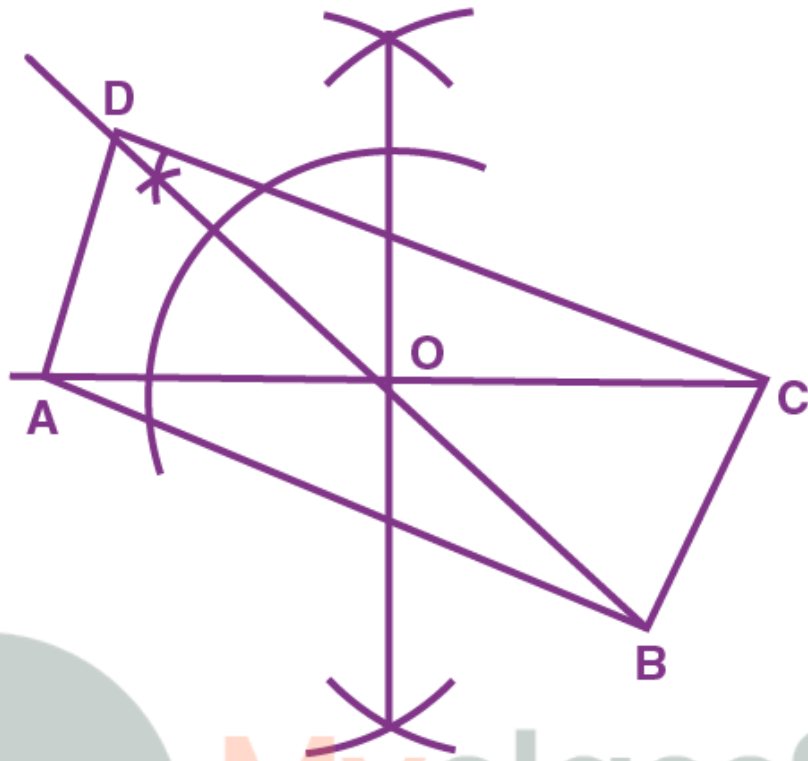
Now, we are to prove that $OE \parallel AB$ and $OE = \frac{1}{2} AB$.

Since, O is the midpoint of AC and E is the midpoint of BC .

Hence, the line is parallel to AB and $OE = \frac{1}{2} AB$.

41. Using ruler and compasses only, construct a rectangle each of whose diagonals measure 6 cm and the diagonals intersect at an angle of 45° .

Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. First, draw a line $AC = 6$ cm.
 2. Then draw the perpendicular bisector of AC through O .
 3. At O , draw an angle of measure 45° . Then produce $OD = 3$ cm and $OB = 3$ cm.
 4. Join AD , AB , BC and CD to form the rectangle.
- Thus, $ABCD$ is the required rectangle.