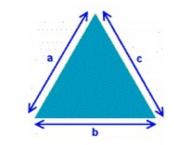
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## NCERT Class 9 Solutions: Heron's Formula (Chapter 12) Exercise 12.2 Part 1

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## Heron's Triangle & Formulas



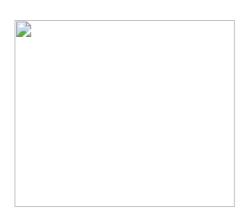
semiperimeter 
$$s = \frac{(a+b+c)}{2}$$

area 
$$A = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

Q-1 A park, in the shape of a quadrilateral ABCD, has

 $\angle B = 90^{\circ}, CA = 9m, AB = 12m, BD = 5m$  and CD = 8m. How much area does it occupy?

Solution:



Given a quadrilateral ABCD with,  $\angle B = 90^{\circ}$ , CA = 9m, AB = 12m, BD = 5m and CD = 8m.

Construction: Join diagonal AD

To find the area of quadrilateral we can add the areas of two trianlges. In  $\Delta ABD$ , by applying Pythagoras theorem,

- $\bullet \quad AD^2 = AB^2 + BD^2$
- $AD^2 = 122 + 52$
- $AD^2 = 169$
- AD = 13m

Also since triangle  $\triangle ABD$  is right triangle, Area of  $\triangle ABD = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 5 = 30m^2$  Now, semi perimeter of  $\triangle CAD = \frac{8+9+13}{2}m = \frac{30}{2}m = 15m$ 

Using heron's formula, area of ACAD

- $\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$
- $\sqrt{15(15-13)(15-9)(15-8)m^2}$
- $6\sqrt{35}m^2$
- $35.49m^2$  (approx.)

Area of quadrilateral ABCD = Area of  $\Delta ABD$  + Area of  $\Delta CAD$  =  $30m2 + 35.49m^2 = 65.49m^2$ 

Q-2 Find the area of a quadrilateral ABCD in which

CD = 3 cm, CB = 4 cm, CD = 4 cm, AD = 5 cm and BD = 5 cm.

Solution:



Given a quadrilateral ABCD, CD = 3 cm, CB = 4 cm, CD = 4 cm, AD = 5cm and BD = 5 cm.

We can calculate the area of the two triangles by using heroes' formula on the two triangles. However we can make things simple by first proving that that  $\Delta DCB$  is a right triangle. let's see if it satisfies Pythagoras theorem,

- $\bullet \quad BD^2 = DC^2 + CB^2$
- $5^2 = 3^2 + 4^2$
- 25 = 9 + 16
- 25 = 25

Thus,  $\Delta DCB$  is a right angled at C. Area of  $\Delta CBA$ 

$$\bullet \quad \frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 4 = 6cm^2$$

Now, semi perimeter of  $\Delta DBA = \frac{5+5+4}{2}cm = \frac{14}{2}cm = 7m$ 

Using heron's formula, area of *ADCA* 

• = 
$$\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

• = 
$$\sqrt{7(7-5)(7-5)(7-4)cm^2}$$

• = 
$$\sqrt{7 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 cm^2}$$

$$\bullet = 2\sqrt{21}cm^2$$

•  $\approx 9.17cm^2$  (approx.)

Finally, area of quadrilateral

• ABCD = Area of  $\Delta DCB$  + Area of  $\Delta DCA$  =  $6cm^2 + 9.17cm^2 = 15.17cm^2$