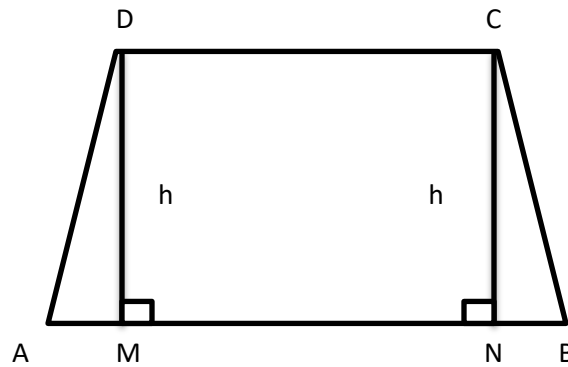


Introduction

Trapezium: A trapezium is a quadrilateral in which only one pair of opposite sides are parallel and the other pair of opposite sides is not parallel.



ABCD is a trapezium with $AB \parallel CD$

Here, AB and CD are two bases of trap. ABCD

DM and CN are height or altitude of trap. ABCD

Area of trapezium can be computed using the formula:

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \times (AB + CD) \times h \right\} \text{ sq. units}$$

Examples

Example 1 – Two parallel sides of a trapezium are of lengths 27 cm and 19 cm respectively, and the distance between them is 14 cm. Find the area of the trapezium.

Solution - It is given that length of two parallel sides is 27 cm and 19 cm respectively

Distance between them (h) = 14 cm

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (27+19) \times 14 = \frac{46 \times 14}{2} = 322 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 2 – The area of a trapezium is 352 cm^2 and the difference between its parallel sides is 16 cm. If one of the parallel sides is of length 25 cm, find the length of the other.

Solution - Let the length of required side be x cm

It is given that Area of a trapezium = 352 cm^2

One parallel side = 25 cm

Distance between two parallel sides = 16 cm

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$352 = \frac{1}{2} \times (25 + x) \times 16$$

$$\Rightarrow 704/16 = 25+x$$

$$\Rightarrow 44 = 25+x$$

$$\Rightarrow 44-25 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 19 \text{ cm}$$

Example 3 – The area of a trapezium is 168 cm^2 and its height is 8 cm. If one of the parallel sides is longer than the other by 6 cm, find the length of each of the parallel sides.

Solution - Let length of one parallel side be x cm

Then, length of other parallel side = (x+6) cm

Height = 8 cm

Area of trapezium = 168 cm^2

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$168 = \frac{1}{2} \times (x + x+6) \times 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 336/8 = 6+2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 42 = 6+2x$$

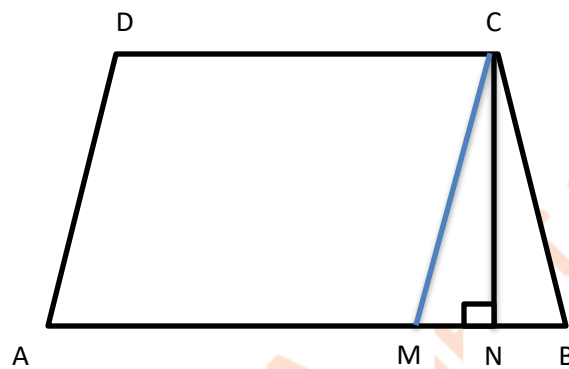
$$\Rightarrow 42-6 = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 36/2 = 18 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, lengths of parallel sides are 18 cm and 24 cm

Example 4 – The parallel sides of a trapezium are 25 cm and 13 cm; its nonparallel sides are equal, each being 10 cm. Find the area of the trapezium.

Solution -



ABCD is a trapezium with $AB \parallel CD$

It is given that $AB = 25 \text{ cm}$, $CD = 13 \text{ cm}$, $AD = BC = 10 \text{ cm}$

We construct $CM \parallel AD$ and CN perpendicular to AB

So, we see that $AMCD$ is a parallelogram.

Since, opposite sides of parallelogram are equal

Thus, $AM = CD = 13 \text{ cm}$

$MB = AB - AM = 25 - 13 = 12 \text{ cm}$

Also, $AD = CM = 10 \text{ cm}$

Now we have $CM = 10 \text{ cm}$, $BC = 10 \text{ cm}$

So, $\triangle CMB$ is an isosceles triangle and CN is perpendicular on MB

Thus, N is the midpoint of MB

$$\Rightarrow MN = NB = MB/2 = 12/2 = 6 \text{ cm}$$

Now, in $\triangle CMN$, by Pythagoras theorem,

$$CM^2 = CN^2 + MN^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^2 = CN^2 + 6^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 = CN^2 + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 64 = CN^2$$

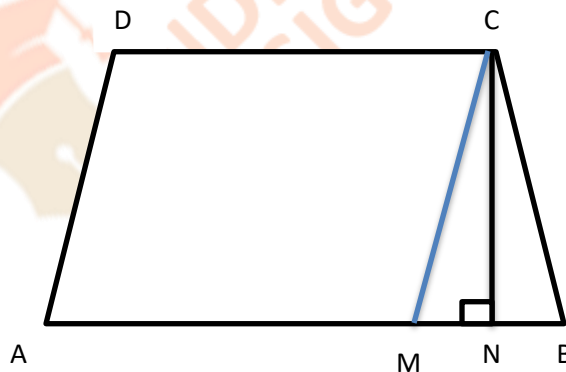
$$\Rightarrow CN = 8 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (25+13) \times 8 = \frac{38 \times 8}{2} = 152 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 5 – ABCD is a trapezium in which $AB \parallel DC$, $AB = 78 \text{ cm}$, $CD = 52 \text{ cm}$, $AD = 28 \text{ cm}$ and $BC = 30 \text{ cm}$. Find the area of the trapezium.

Solution -



ABCD is a trapezium with $AB \parallel CD$

It is given that $AB = 78 \text{ cm}$, $CD = 52 \text{ cm}$, $AD = 28 \text{ cm}$ and $BC = 30 \text{ cm}$

We construct $CM \parallel AD$ and CN perpendicular to AB

So, we see that $AMCD$ is a parallelogram.

Since opposite sides of parallelogram are equal

Thus, $AM = CD = 52$ cm and $AD = CM = 28$ cm

$$MB = AB - AM = 78 - 52 = 26 \text{ cm}$$

Now, in ΔCMB , $CM = 28$ cm, $MB = 26$ cm and $BC = 30$ cm

$$\text{Area of } \Delta CMB = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

$$\text{Where } s = (28+26+30)/2 = 84/2 = 42 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of } \Delta CMB = \sqrt{42(42-28)(42-26)(42-30)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of } \Delta CMB &= \sqrt{42 \times 16 \times 14 \times 12} \\ &= \sqrt{2 \times 7 \times 3 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 7 \times 3 \times 4} \\ &= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 7 = 336 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Also, Area of } \Delta CMB = \frac{1}{2} \times MB \times CN$$

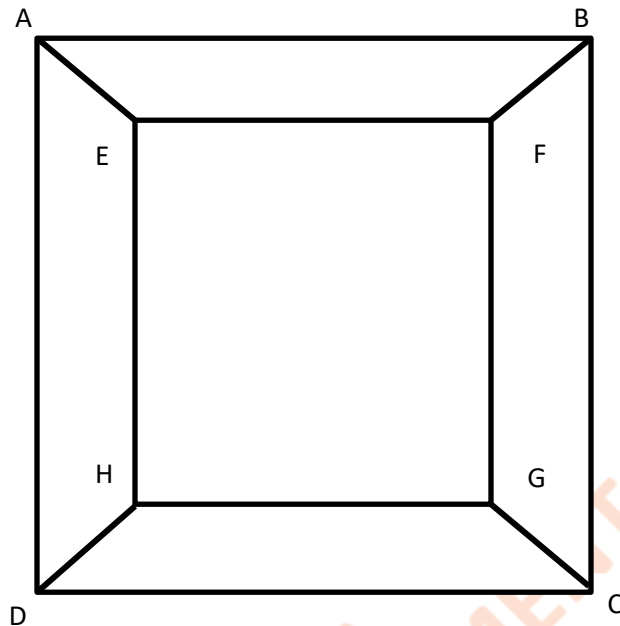
$$\Rightarrow 336 = \frac{1}{2} \times 26 \times CN$$

$$\Rightarrow CN = 336/13 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2 \times 13} \times (78+52) \times 336 = \frac{130 \times 336}{26} = 1680 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 6 – The adjacent figure shows the diagram of a picture frame having outer dimensions $28\text{ cm} \times 32\text{ cm}$ and inner dimensions $20\text{ cm} \times 24\text{ cm}$. If the width of each section is the same, find the area of each section of the frame.



Solution - It is given that Outer dimensions = $28\text{cm} \times 32\text{cm} = CD \times BC$

And inner dimensions = $20\text{cm} \times 24\text{cm} = GH \times FG$

Also, given that width of each section is same

Width of AEHD = Width of BFGC = $\frac{1}{2} (CD - GH) = \frac{1}{2} (28 - 20) = \frac{8}{2} = 4\text{ cm}$

Width of ABFE = Width of DCGH = $\frac{1}{2} (BC - FG) = \frac{1}{2} (32 - 24) = \frac{8}{2} = 4\text{ cm}$

We can see that each section is a trapezium.

Area of AEHD = Area of BFGC = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times (24+32) \times 4 = 224/2 = 112\text{ cm}^2$$

Also, Area of ABFE = Area of DCGH = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$\frac{1}{2} \times (20+28) \times 4 = 192/2 = 96 \text{ cm}^2$$

Exercise 18A

Question 1 – Find the area of a trapezium whose parallel sides are 24 cm and 20 cm and the distance between them is 15 cm.

Solution - It is given that length of two parallel sides is 24 cm and 20 cm respectively

Distance between them (h) = 15 cm

Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (24+20) \times 15 = \frac{44 \times 15}{2} = 330 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 2 – Find the area of a trapezium whose parallel sides are 38.7 cm and 22.3 cm, and the distance between them is 16 cm.

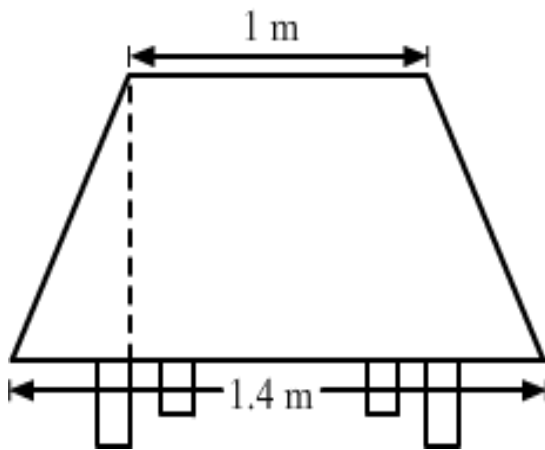
Solution - It is given that length of two parallel sides is 38.7 cm and 22.3 cm respectively

Distance between them (h) = 16 cm

Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (38.7+22.3) \times 16 = \frac{61 \times 16}{2} = 488 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 3 – The shape of the top surface of a table is trapezium. Its parallel sides are 1 m and 1.4 m and the perpendicular distance between them is 0.9 m. Find its area.



Solution - It is given that length of two parallel sides is 1 m and 1.4 m respectively

Distance between them (h) = 0.9 m

Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (1+1.4) \times 0.9 = \frac{2.4 \times 0.9}{2} = 1.08m^2$$

Question 4 – The area of a trapezium is 1080 cm^2 . If the lengths of its parallel sides be 55 cm and 35 cm, find the distance between them.

Solution - Let distance between parallel sides be x cm

It is given that Area of a trapezium = 1080 cm^2

One parallel side = 55 cm

Other parallel side = 35 cm

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$1080 = \frac{1}{2} \times (55 + 35) \times x$$

$$\Rightarrow 2160 = 90 \times$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2160/90 = 24$$

Thus, distance between parallel sides = 24 cm

Question 5 – A field is in the form of a trapezium. Its area is 1586 m^2 and the distance between its parallel sides is 26 m. If one of the parallel sides is 84 m, find the other.

Solution - Let the length of required side be x cm

It is given that Area of a trapezium = 1586 m^2

One parallel side = 84 m

Distance between two parallel sides = 26 m

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$1586 = \frac{1}{2} \times (84 + x) \times 26$$

$$\Rightarrow 3172/26 = 84+x$$

$$\Rightarrow 122 = 84+x$$

$$\Rightarrow 122-84 = x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 38 \text{ m}$$

Question 6 – The area of a trapezium is 405 cm^2 . Its parallel sides are in the ratio 4:5 and the distance between them is 18 cm. Find the length of each of the parallel sides.

Solution - Let length of one parallel side be 4x cm

Then, length of other parallel side = 5x cm

Distance between them = 18 cm

Area of trapezium = 405 cm^2

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$405 = \frac{1}{2} \times (4x + 5x) \times 18$$

$$\Rightarrow 810/18 = 9x$$

$$\Rightarrow 45 = 9x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 45/9 = 5 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, lengths of parallel sides are $4(5) = 20 \text{ cm}$ and $5(5) = 25 \text{ cm}$

Question 7 – The area of a trapezium is 180 cm^2 and its height is 9 cm. If one of the parallel sides is longer than the other by 6 cm, find the two parallel sides.

Solution - Let length of one parallel side be $x \text{ cm}$

Then, length of other parallel side = $(x+6) \text{ cm}$

Height = 9 cm

Area of trapezium = 180 cm^2

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$180 = \frac{1}{2} \times (x + x+6) \times 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 360/9 = 6+2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 40 = 6+2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 40-6 = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 34/2 = 17 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, lengths of parallel sides are 17 cm and 23 cm

Question 8 – In a trapezium- shaped field, one of the parallel sides is twice the other. If the area of the field is 9450 m^2 and the perpendicular distance between the two parallel sides is 84 m, find the length of the longer of the parallel sides.

Solution - Let length of one parallel side be $x \text{ cm}$

Then, length of other parallel side = $2x \text{ cm}$

Distance between them = 84 m

Area of trapezium = 9450 m^2

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$9450 = \frac{1}{2} \times (x + 2x) \times 84$$

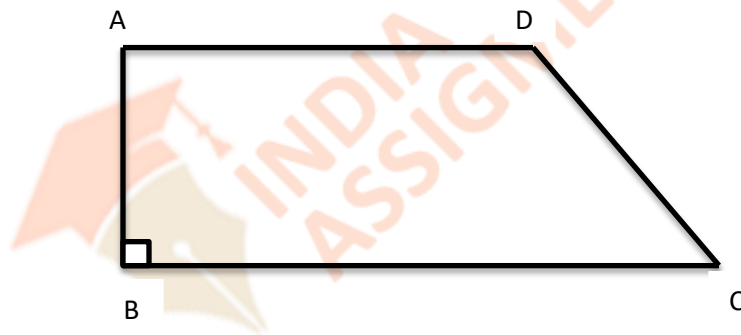
$$\Rightarrow 18900/84 = 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow 225 = 3x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 225/3 = 75 \text{ m}$$

Thus, the length of longer parallel side is $2(75) = 150 \text{ m}$

Question 9 – The length of the fence of a trapezium-shaped field ABCD is 130 m and side AB is perpendicular to each of the parallel sides AD and BC. If BC = 54 m, CD = 19 m and AD = 42 m, find the area of the field.



Solution - It is given that ABCD is a trapezium and length of fence = 130 m

BC = 54 m, CD = 19 m and AD = 42 m

We know that Length of fence = 130 m

$$\Rightarrow \text{Perimeter} = 130 \text{ m}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + BC + CD + AD = 130$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + 54 + 19 + 42 = 130$$

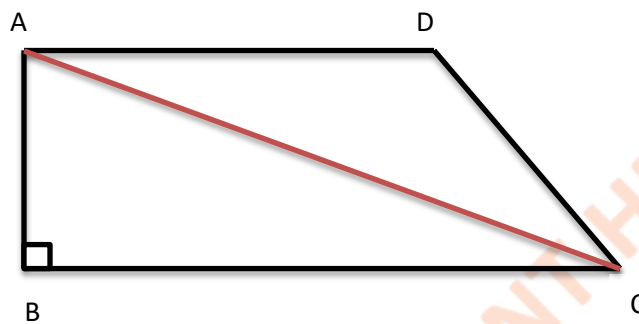
$$\Rightarrow AB + 115 = 130$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = 130 - 115 = 15 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (54 + 42) \times 15 = \frac{96 \times 15}{2} = 720 \text{ m}^2$$

Question 10 – In the given figure, ABCD is a trapezium in which AD//BC, $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$, AD = 16 cm, AC = 41 cm and BC = 40 cm. Find the area of the trapezium.



Solution - It is given that ABCD is a trapezium with AD//BC

$\angle ABC = 90^\circ$, AD = 16 cm, AC = 41 cm, BC = 40 cm

In triangle ABC, by Pythagoras theorem,

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 41^2 = AB^2 + 40^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 1681 = AB^2 + 1600$$

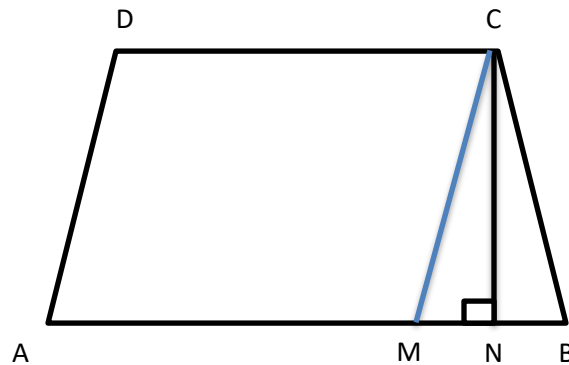
$$\Rightarrow 1681 - 1600 = AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = 81 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = 9 \text{ cm}$$

Question 11 – The parallel sides of a trapezium are 20 cm and 10 cm. Its nonparallel sides are both equal, each being 13 cm. Find the area of the trapezium.

Solution -



ABCD is a trapezium with $AB \parallel CD$

It is given that $AB = 20$ cm, $CD = 10$ cm, $AD = BC = 13$ cm

We construct $CM \parallel AD$ and CN perpendicular to AB

So, we see that $AMCD$ is a parallelogram.

Since, opposite sides of parallelogram are equal

Thus, $AM = CD = 10$ cm

$MB = AB - AM = 20 - 10 = 10$ cm

Also, $AD = CM = 13$ cm

Now, we have $CM = 13$ cm, $BC = 13$ cm

So, $\triangle CMB$ is an isosceles triangle and CN is perpendicular on MB

Thus, N is the midpoint of MB

$\Rightarrow MN = NB = MB/2 = 10/2 = 5$ cm

Now, in $\triangle CMN$, by Pythagoras theorem,

$$CM^2 = CN^2 + MN^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 13^2 = CN^2 + 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 169 = CN^2 + 25$$

$$\Rightarrow 144 = CN^2$$

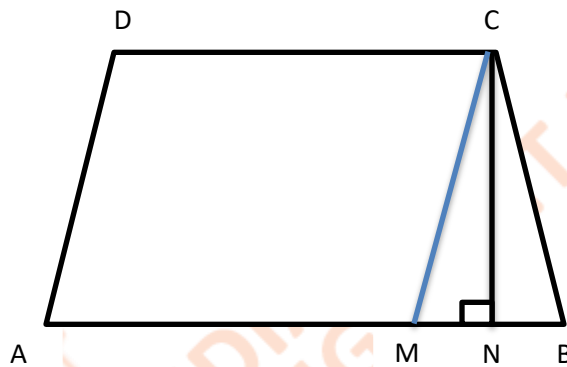
$$\Rightarrow CN = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (20+10) \times 12 = \frac{30 \times 12}{2} = 180 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 12 – The parallel sides of a trapezium are 25 cm and 11 cm, while its nonparallel sides are 15 cm and 13 cm. Find the area of the trapezium.

Solution -



ABCD is a trapezium with $AB \parallel CD$

It is given that $AB = 25 \text{ cm}$, $CD = 11 \text{ cm}$, $AD = 15 \text{ cm}$ and $BC = 13 \text{ cm}$

We construct $CM \parallel AD$ and CN perpendicular to AB

So, we see that $AMCD$ is a parallelogram.

Since, opposite sides of parallelogram are equal

Thus, $AM = CD = 11 \text{ cm}$

$MB = AB - AM = 25 - 11 = 14 \text{ cm}$

Also, $AD = CM = 15 \text{ cm}$

Now, in $\triangle CMB$, we have $CM = 15 \text{ cm}$, $BC = 13 \text{ cm}$ and $MB = 14 \text{ cm}$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle CMB = \sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$$

Where $s = (15+13+14)/2 = 42/2 = 21$ cm

$$\text{Area of } \Delta CMB = \sqrt{21(21-15)(21-14)(21-13)}$$

$$\text{Area of } \Delta CMB = \sqrt{21 \times 6 \times 7 \times 8}$$

$$= \sqrt{7 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 \times 7 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2}$$

$$= 2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 7 = 84 \text{ cm}^2$$

Also, Area of $\Delta CMB = \frac{1}{2} \times MB \times CN$

$$\Rightarrow 84 = \frac{1}{2} \times 14 \times CN$$

$$\Rightarrow CN = 84/7 = 12 \text{ cm}$$

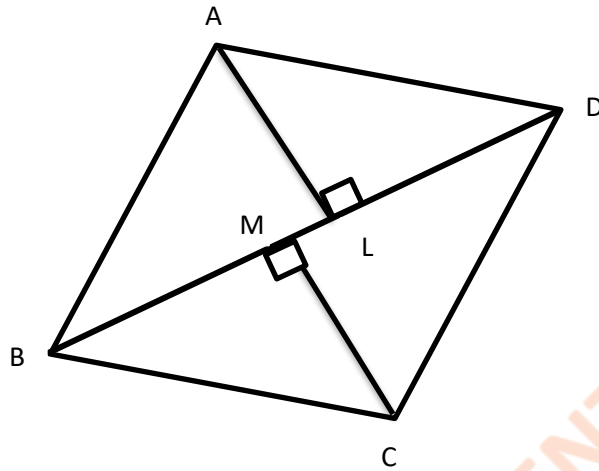
Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (25+11) \times 12 = \frac{36 \times 12}{2} = 216 \text{ cm}^2$$



Area of a polygon:

For a polygon whether regular or irregular, we calculate their areas by dividing them into rectangles, parallelograms, triangles, and trapezium.



Suppose ABCD is a quadrilateral and BD is a diagonal

We draw perpendicular AL and CM on BD

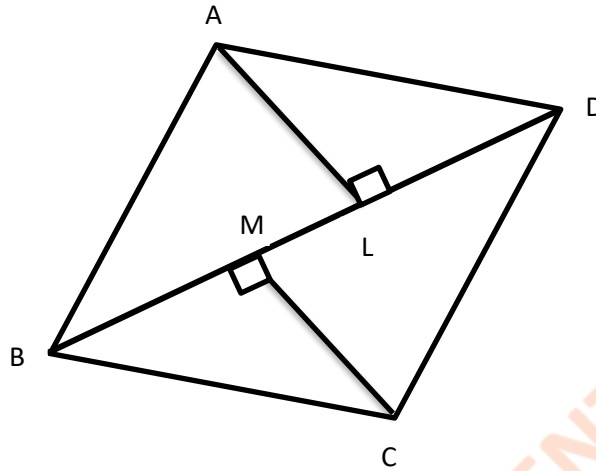
Area of Quadrilateral ABCD = Area of $\triangle ABD$ + Area of $\triangle CBD$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD \times AL\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD \times CM\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD\right) (AL+CM)$$

Examples:

Example 1 – In the given figure, ABCD is a quadrilateral in which $BD = 14$ cm, $AL \perp BD$, $CM \perp BD$ such that $AL = 6$ cm and $CM = 8$ cm. Find the area of quad. ABCD



Solution - Given that ABCD is a quadrilateral, AL and CM are perpendiculars on BD

$BD = 14$ cm, $AL = 6$ cm and $CM = 8$ cm

Since Area of Quadrilateral ABCD = Area of $\triangle ABD$ + Area of $\triangle CBD$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD \times AL\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD \times CM\right)$$

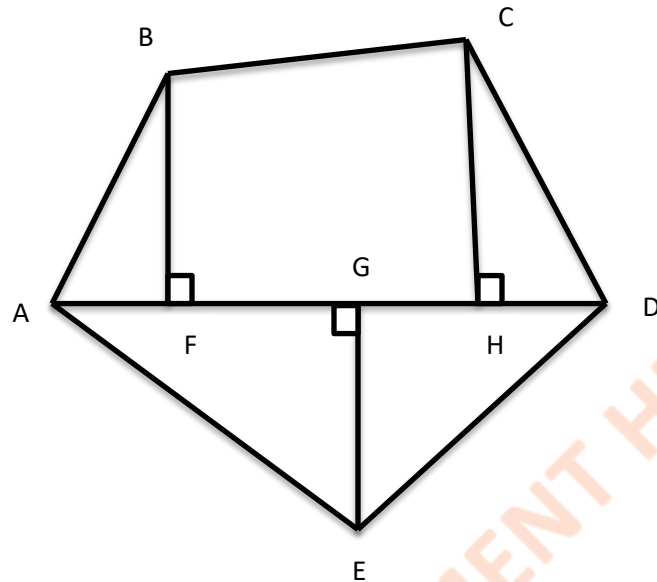
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD\right) (AL+CM)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 14\right) (6+8)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 14 \times 14$$

$$= 98 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 2 – Find the area of the given pentagon ABCDE in which each one of BF, CH and EG is perpendicular to AD such that AF = 9 cm, AG = 13 cm, AH = 19 cm, AD = 24 cm, BF = 6 cm, CH = 8 cm and EG = 9 cm.



Solution - Given that ABCDE is a pentagon in which BF, CH and EG are perpendicular to AD

AF = 9 cm, AG = 13cm, AH = 19 cm, AD = 24 cm, BF = 6 cm, CH = 8 cm and EG = 9 cm

$$HD = AD - AH = 24 - 19 = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$FH = AH - AF = 19 - 9 = 10 \text{ cm}$$

We can see that pentagon ABCDE is divided into 4 parts

Thus, Area of given pentagon ABCDE = area ($\triangle ABF$) + area ($\triangle CHD$) + area ($\triangle AED$) + area (trap. BCHF)

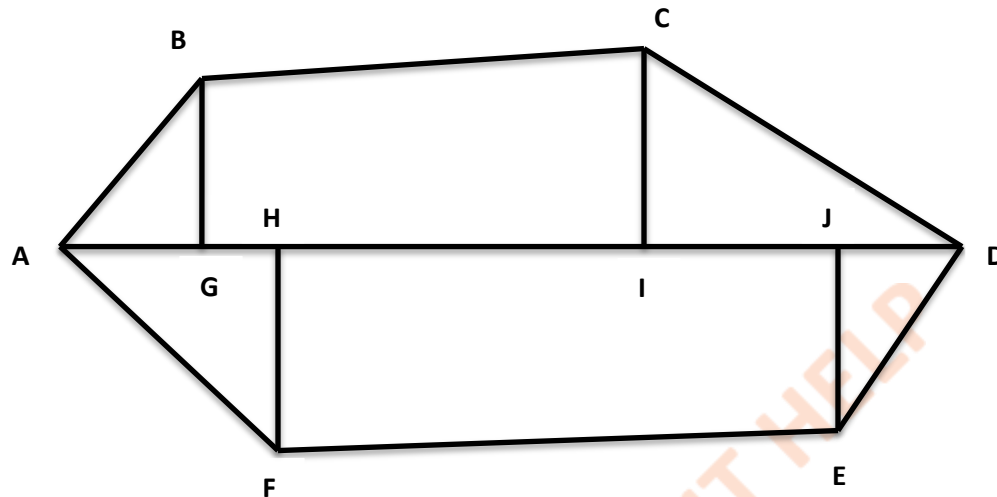
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AF \times BF\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times CH \times HD\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AD \times EG\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (BF+CH) \times FH\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 9 \times 6\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 5\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 24 \times 9\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (6+8) \times 10\right)$$

$$= (27 + 20 + 108 + 70)$$

$$= 225 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 3 – Find the area of the given hexagon ABCDEF in which each one of BG, CI, EJ and FH is perpendicular to AD and it is being given that AG = 6 cm, AH = 10 cm, AI = 18 cm, AJ = 21 cm, AD = 27 cm, BG = 5 cm, CI = 6 cm, EJ = 4 cm and FH = 6 cm.



Solution - Given that ABCDEF is a hexagon in which BG, CI, EJ and FH are perpendicular to AD

AG = 6 cm, AH = 10 cm, AI = 18 cm, AJ = 21 cm, AD = 27 cm, BG = 5 cm, CI = 6 cm, EJ = 4 cm and FH = 6 cm

$$DI = AD - AI = 27 - 18 = 9 \text{ cm}$$

$$DJ = AD - AJ = 27 - 21 = 6 \text{ cm}$$

$$GI = AI - AG = 18 - 6 = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$HJ = AJ - AH = 21 - 10 = 11 \text{ cm}$$

We can see that hexagon ABCDEF is divided into 6 parts

Thus, Area of given hexagon ABCDEF = area (ΔAGB) + area (ΔCID) + area (ΔJDE) + area (ΔAHF) + area (trap. BCIG) + area (trap. HJEF)

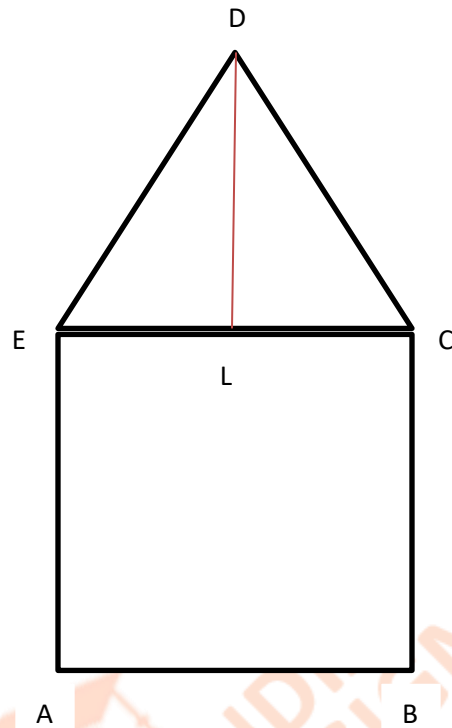
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AG \times BG\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times ID \times CI\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times DJ \times EJ\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AH \times HF\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (BG + CI) \times GI\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (HF + JE) \times HJ\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 5\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 9 \times 6\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 4\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 6\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (5 + 6) \times 12\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (6 + 4) \times 11\right)$$

$$= (15+27+12+30+66+55)$$

$$= 205 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 4 – In the given figure ABCDE is a pentagonal park in which $DE = DC$, $AB = BC = CE = EA = 25$ m and its total height is 41 m. Find the area of the park.



Solution - It is given that ABCDE is a pentagonal park

$$DE = DC, AB = BC = CE = EA = 25 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Total height} = 41 \text{ m}$$

$$DL = \text{total height} - BC = 41 - 25 = 16 \text{ m}$$

We draw DL perpendicular on EC

$$\text{Area of pentagonal park} = \text{area } (\triangle DCE) + \text{area (square ABCE)}$$

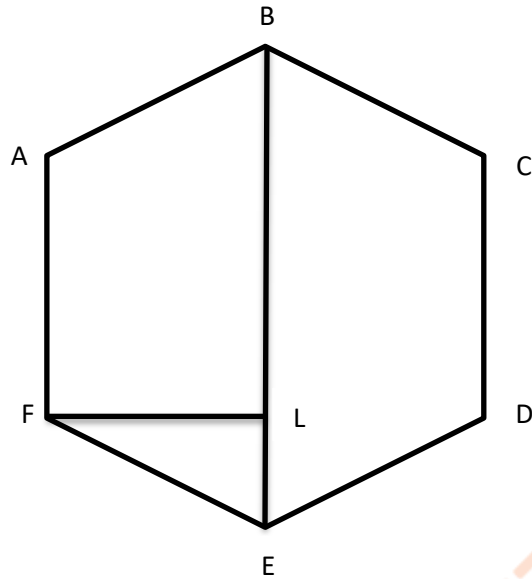
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times CE \times DL\right) + (AB \times AB)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 25 \times 16\right) + (25 \times 25)$$

$$= 200 + 625$$

$$= 825 \text{ m}^2$$

Example 5 – Find the area of the given hexagon ABCDEF in which each side measures 5 cm, height BE = 11 cm and width FD = 8 cm



Solution - It is given that ABCDEF is a hexagon in which each side is 5 cm

BE = 11 cm and FD = 8 cm

FL = $8/2 = 4$ cm

We join BE

Area of hexagon ABCDEF = area (trap. ABEF) + area (trap. BCDE)

= $2 \times \text{area (trap. ABEF)}$

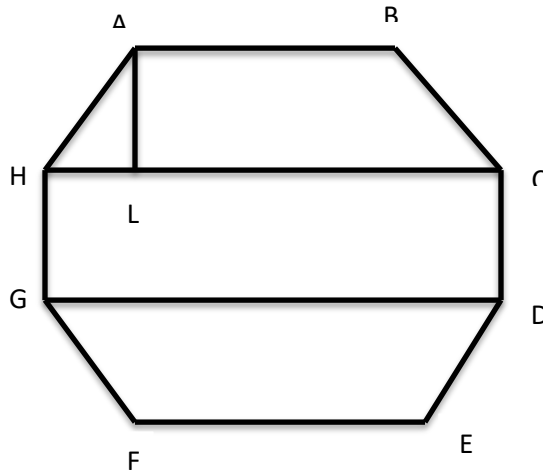
= $2 \times (\frac{1}{2} \times (AF+BE) \times FL)$

= $2 \times (\frac{1}{2} \times (5+11) \times 4)$

= 16×4

= 64 cm^2

Example 6 – Find the area of an octagon ABCDEFGH having each side equal to 5 cm, HC = 11 cm and $AL \perp HC$ such that $AL = 4$ cm



Solution - It is given that ABCDEFGH is an octagon

Each side = 5 cm, HC = 11 cm, AL = 4 cm

We draw $AL \perp HC$

Area of octagon ABCDEFGH = area (trap. ABCD) + area (trap. DEFG) + area (rect. HCDG)

$$= 2 \times \text{area (trap. ABCD)} + \text{area (rect. HCDG)}$$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (AB + HC) \times AL \right) + (GD \times CD)$$

$$= ((AB + HC) \times AL) + (GD \times CD)$$

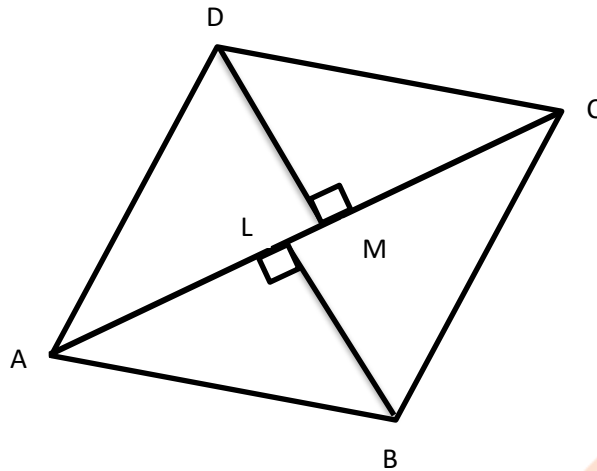
$$= ((5 + 11) \times 4) + (11 \times 5)$$

$$= (16 \times 4) + (55)$$

$$= 64 + 55 = 119 \text{ cm}^2$$

Exercise 18B

Question 1 – In the given figure, ABCD is a quadrilateral in which $AC = 24$ cm, $BL \perp AC$ and $DM \perp AC$ such that $BL = 8$ cm and $DM = 7$ cm. Find the area of quad. ABCD



Solution - Given that ABCD is a quadrilateral, BL and DM are perpendiculars on AC

$AC = 24$ cm, $BL = 8$ cm and $DM = 7$ cm

Since, Area of Quadrilateral ABCD = Area of $\triangle ADC$ + Area of $\triangle ABC$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AC \times DM\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AC \times BL\right)$$

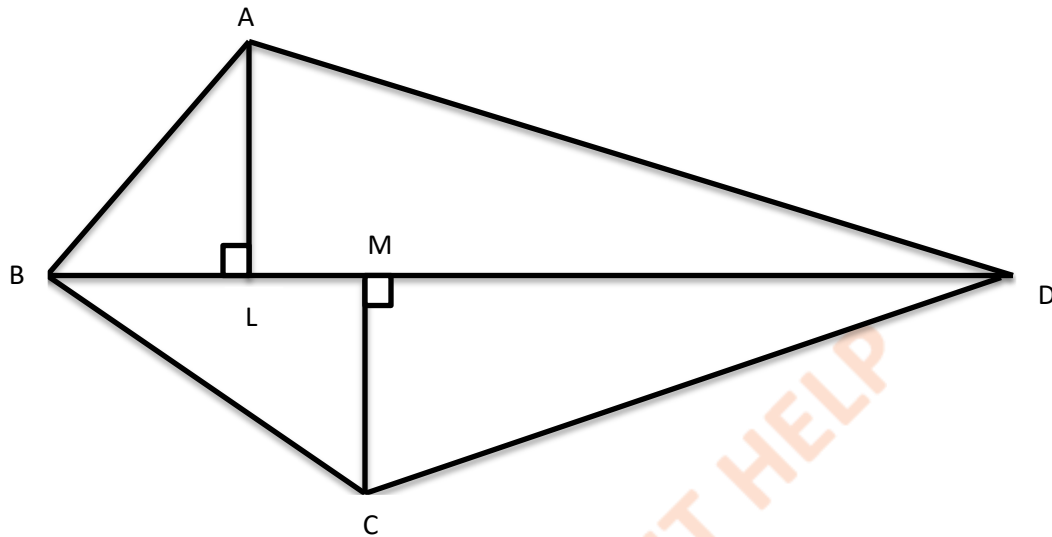
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AC\right) (DM+BL)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 24\right) (7+8)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 24 \times 15$$

$$= 180 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 2 – In the given figure, ABCD is a quadrilateral-shaped field in which diagonal BD is 36 m, $AL \perp BD$ and $CM \perp BD$ such that $AL = 19$ m and $CM = 11$ m. Find the area of the field.



Solution - It is given that ABCD is a quadrilateral

AL and CM are perpendiculars on BD

BD = 36 m, AL = 19 m and CM = 11 m

Since, Area of Quadrilateral ABCD = Area of $\triangle ABD$ + Area of $\triangle BCD$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD \times AL\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD \times CM\right)$$

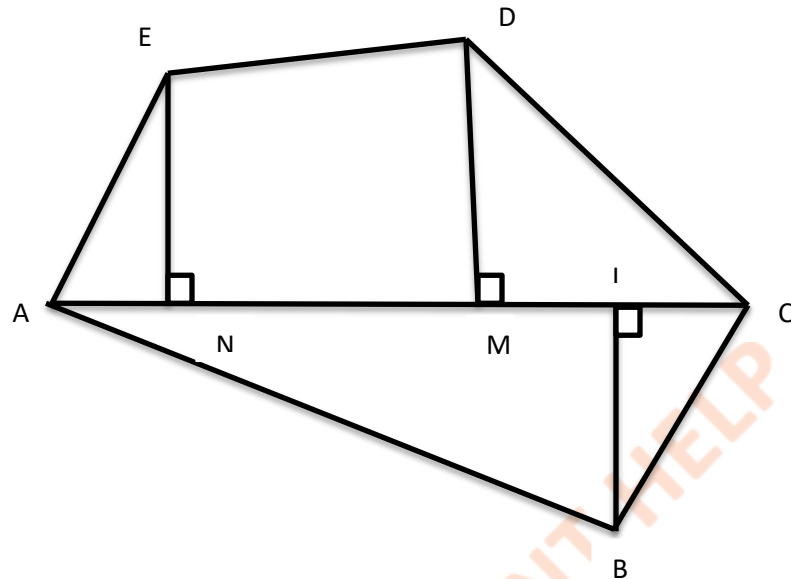
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BD\right) (AL+CM)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 36\right) (19+11)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 36 \times 30$$

$$= 540 \text{ m}^2$$

Question 3 – Find the area of pentagon ABCDE in which $BL \perp AC$, $DM \perp AC$ and $EN \perp AC$ such that $AC = 18$ cm, $AM = 14$ cm, $AN = 6$ cm, $BL = 4$ cm, $DM = 12$ cm and $EN = 9$ cm.



Solution - Given that ABCDE is a pentagon in which BL , DM and EN are perpendicular on AC

$AC = 18$ cm, $AM = 14$ cm, $AN = 6$ cm, $BL = 4$ cm, $DM = 12$ cm and $EN = 9$ cm

$$CM = AC - AM = 18 - 14 = 4 \text{ cm}$$

$$NM = AM - AN = 14 - 6 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

We can see that pentagon ABCDE is divided into 4 parts

Thus, Area of given pentagon ABCDE = area ($\triangle AEN$) + area ($\triangle DMC$) + area ($\triangle ABC$) + area (trap. EDMN)

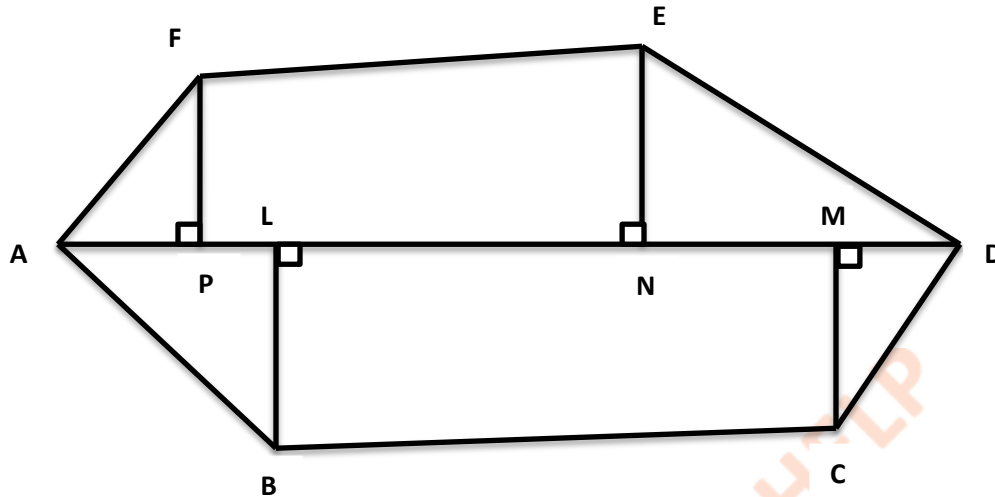
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AN \times EN\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times CM \times DM\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AC \times BL\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (EN+DM) \times NM\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 9\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 12\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 18 \times 4\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (9+12) \times 8\right)$$

$$= (27 + 24 + 36 + 84)$$

$$= 171 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 4 – Find the area of hexagon ABCDEF in which $BL \perp AD$, $CM \perp AD$, $EN \perp AD$ and $FP \perp AD$ such that $AP = 6$ cm, $PL = 2$ cm, $LN = 8$ cm, $NM = 2$ cm, $MD = 3$ cm, $FP = 8$ cm, $EN = 12$ cm, $BL = 8$ cm and $CM = 6$ cm.



Solution - Given that ABCDEF is a hexagon in which BL, CM, EN and FP are perpendicular on AD

$AP = 6$ cm, $PL = 2$ cm, $LN = 8$ cm, $NM = 2$ cm, $MD = 3$ cm, $FP = 8$ cm, $EN = 12$ cm, $BL = 8$ cm and $CM = 6$ cm

$$DN = NM + MD = 2 + 3 = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$AL = AP + PL = 6 + 2 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

$$PN = PL + LN = 2 + 8 = 10 \text{ cm}$$

$$LM = LN + NM = 8 + 2 = 10 \text{ cm}$$

We can see that hexagon ABCDEF is divided into 6 parts

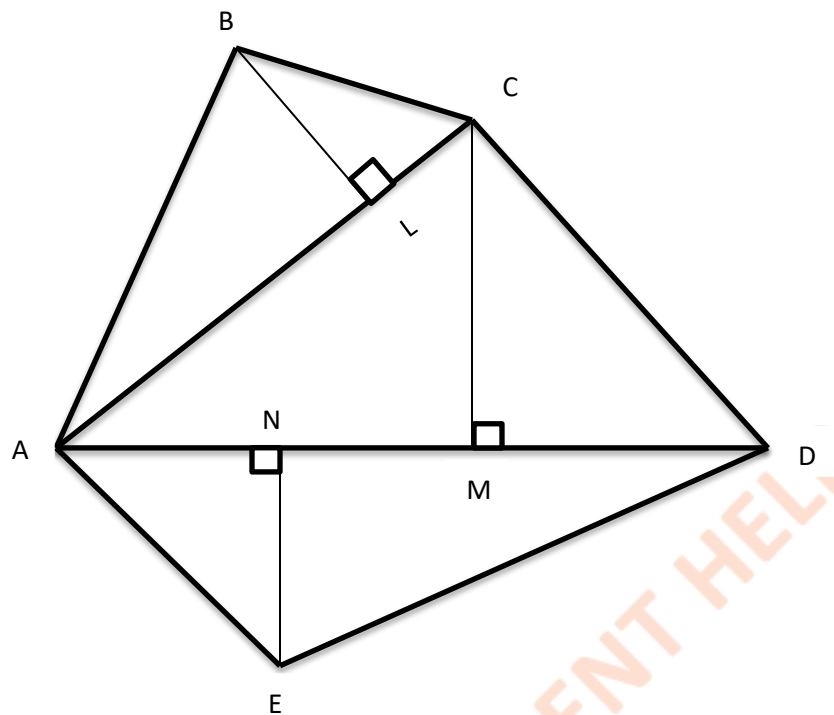
Thus, Area of given hexagon ABCDEF = area ($\triangle AFP$) + area ($\triangle FND$) + area ($\triangle DMC$) + area ($\triangle ABL$) + area (trap. FENP) + area (trap. LMCB)

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AP \times FP\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times ND \times EN\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times DM \times CM\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AL \times BL\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (FP + EN) \times PN\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (BL + CM) \times LM\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 8\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 5 \times 12\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 6\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 8\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (8 + 12) \times 10\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (8 + 6) \times 10\right)$$

$$= (24 + 30 + 9 + 32 + 100 + 70) = 256 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 5 – Find the area of pentagon ABCDE in which $BL \perp AC$, $CM \perp AD$ and $EN \perp AD$ such that $AC = 10$ cm, $AD = 12$ cm, $BL = 3$ cm, $CM = 7$ cm and $EN = 5$ cm.



Solution - It is given that ABCDE is a pentagon in which BL, CM and EN are perpendicular on AD

$AC = 10$ cm, $AD = 12$ cm, $BL = 3$ cm, $CM = 7$ cm and $EN = 5$ cm

We can see that pentagon ABCDE is divided into 3 triangles

Area of pentagon ABCDE = area ($\triangle ABC$) + area ($\triangle ADC$) + area ($\triangle AED$)

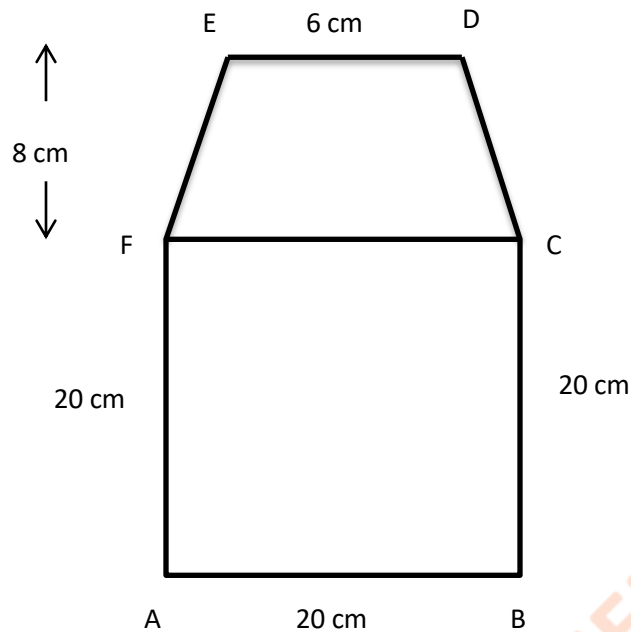
$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AC \times BL\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AD \times CM\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times AD \times EN\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times 3\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 7\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 5\right)$$

$$= 15 + 42 + 30$$

$$= 87 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 6 – Find the area enclosed by the given figure ABCDEF as per dimensions given herewith.



Solution - From the figure we can see that side of square is 20 cm

And, parallel sides of trapezium are 6 cm and 20 cm respectively and height is 8 cm

Thus, Area of given figure ABCDEF = area (square ABCD) + area (trap. EDCF)

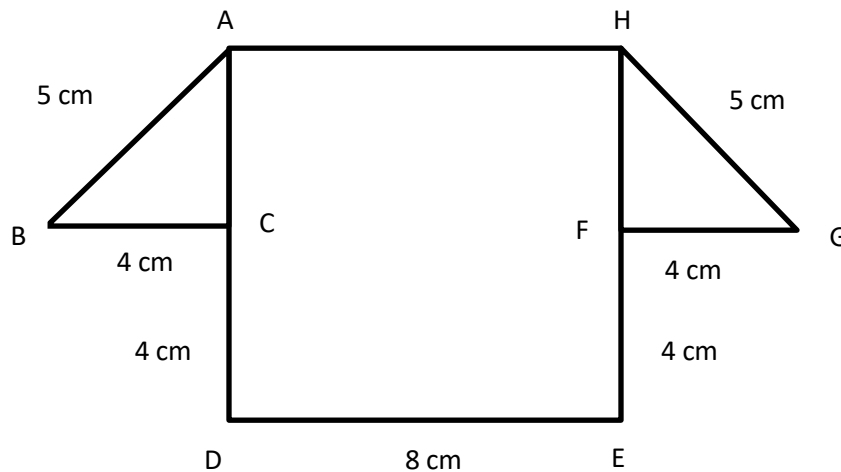
$$= (AB \times AB) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (ED + FC) \times \text{height} \right)$$

$$= (20 \times 20) + \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (6 + 20) \times 8 \right)$$

$$= 400 + 104$$

$$= 504 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 7 – Find the area of given figure ABCDEFGH as per dimensions given in it.



Solution - From the given figure, we can see that figure ABCDEFGH is divided into 2 triangles and a rectangle

In $\triangle ABC$, by Pythagoras theorem,

$$AB^2 = AC^2 + BC^2$$

$$5^2 = AC^2 + 4^2$$

$$25 = AC^2 + 16$$

$$25 - 16 = AC^2$$

$$AC^2 = 9$$

$$AC = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{So, } AC = HF = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$AD = AC + CD = 3 + 4 = 7 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, area of given figure ABCDEFGH = $2 \times \text{area}(\triangle ABC) + \text{area}(\text{rectangle AHED})$

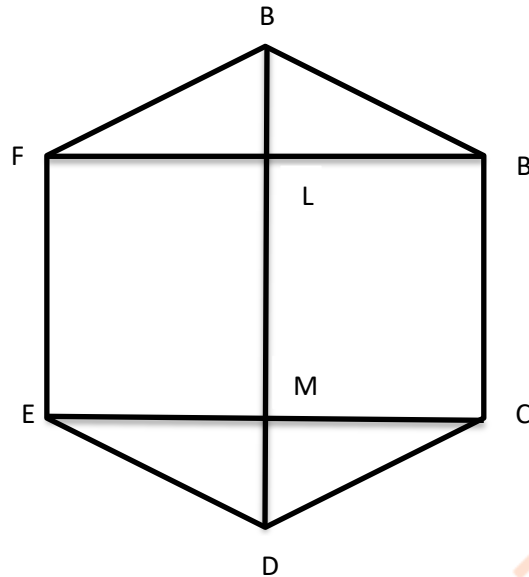
$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times BC \times AC\right) + (DE \times AD)$$

$$= (4 \times 3) + (8 \times 7)$$

$$= 12 + 56$$

$$= 68 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 8 – Find the area of a regular hexagon ABCDEF in which each side measures 13 cm and whose height is 23 cm, as shown in the given figure.



Solution - It is given that ABCDEF is a hexagon in which each side is 13 cm

Height = 23 cm

Let us take $BL = DM = x$ cm

$LM = 13$ cm

Since, height = 23 cm

$BD = 23$ cm

$x + x + 13 = 23$

$2x + 13 = 23$

$2x = 23 - 13 = 10$

$x = 5$

Thus, $BL = DM = 5$ cm

Now, in $\triangle BFL$, by Pythagoras theorem,

$$BF^2 = BL^2 + FL^2$$

$$13^2 = 5^2 + FL^2$$

$$169 = 25 + FL^2$$

$$169 - 25 = FL^2$$

$$FL^2 = 144$$

$$FL = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area of hexagon ABCDEF} = 2 \times \text{Area (trap. AFED)}$$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2} \times (FE + BD) \times FL \right)$$

$$= (13 + 23) \times 12$$

$$= 36 \times 12$$

$$= 432 \text{ cm}^2$$

Exercise 18C

Question 1 – The parallel sides of a trapezium measure 14 cm and 18 cm and the distance between them is 9 cm. The area of the trapezium is?

Solution - It is given that length of two parallel sides is 14 cm and 18 cm respectively

Distance between them (h) = 9 cm

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times (14 + 18) \times 9 = \frac{32 \times 9}{2} = 144 \text{ cm}^2$$

Question 2 – The lengths of the parallel sides of a trapezium are 19 cm and 13 cm and its area is 128 cm^2 . The distance between the parallel sides is?

Solution - It is given that length of two parallel sides is 19 cm and 13 cm respectively

Distance between them (h) = ?

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = 128 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of trapezium} = \frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$$

$$128 = \frac{1}{2} \times (19+13) \times h$$

$$256 = 32h$$

$$h = 256/32 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

Question 3 – The parallel sides of a trapezium are in the ratio 3:4 and the perpendicular distance between them is 12 cm. If the area of the trapezium is 630 cm^2 , then its shorter of the parallel sides is?

Solution - Let length of one parallel side be $3x$ cm

Then, length of other parallel side = $4x$ cm

Distance between them = 12 cm

Area of trapezium = 630 cm^2

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$630 = \frac{1}{2} \times (3x + 4x) \times 12$$

$$\Rightarrow 1260/12 = 7x$$

$$\Rightarrow 105 = 7x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 105/7 = 15 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, lengths of shorter parallel side is $3(15) = 45$

Question 4 – The area of a trapezium is 180 cm^2 and its height is 9 cm. If one of the parallel sides is longer than the other by 6 cm, the length of the longer of the parallel sides is?

Solution - Let length of one parallel side be x cm

Then, length of other parallel side = $(x+6)$ cm

Height = 9 cm

Area of trapezium = 180 cm^2

We know that Area of trapezium = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$180 = \frac{1}{2} \times (x + x + 6) \times 9$$

$$\Rightarrow 360/9 = 6 + 2x$$

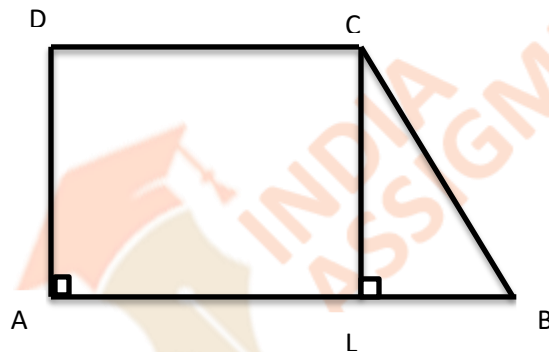
$$\Rightarrow 40 = 6 + 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow 40 - 6 = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 34/2 = 17 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, lengths of longer parallel side $(17 + 6) = 23 \text{ cm}$

Question 5 – In the given figure, $AB \parallel DC$ and $DA \perp AB$. If $DC = 7 \text{ cm}$, $BC = 10 \text{ cm}$, $AB = 13 \text{ cm}$ and $CL \perp AB$, the area of trap. ABCD is?



Solution - It is given that $AB \parallel DC$ and DA and CL are perpendicular on AB

$DC = 7 \text{ cm}$, $BC = 10 \text{ cm}$, $AB = 13 \text{ cm}$

Now, $CD = AL = 7 \text{ cm}$

Thus, $LB = AB - AL = 13 - 7 = 6 \text{ cm}$

In $\triangle CLB$, by Pythagoras theorem,

$$CB^2 = CL^2 + BL^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^2 = CL^2 + 6^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 100 = CL^2 + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 64 = CL^2$$

$$\Rightarrow CL = 8 \text{ cm}$$

Area of trapezium ABCD = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{Sum of parallel sides} \times \text{Distance between them}$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times (CD + AB) \times CL$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times (7+13) \times 8$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 20 \times 8$$

$$= 80 \text{ cm}^2$$

