

GRADE - 9

LESSON – 11 [CONSTRUCTIONS]

Objective Type Questions

I. Multiple choice questions

1. With the help of a ruler and a compass it is not possible to construct an angle of :

a) 37.5° b) 40° c) 22.5° d) 67.5°

Sol. As $40^\circ = \frac{1}{2} \times 80^\circ$ and 80° cannot be constructed with the help of a ruler and a compass.

$\therefore$ Correct option is (b)

2. The construction of a triangle ABC in which $AB = 4\text{cm}$, $\angle A = 45^\circ$ is not possible when difference of BC and AC is equal to :

Sol. a) 3.5cm b) 4.5cm c) 3cm d) 2.5cm

$\therefore$ Correct option is (b)

3. Is it possible to construct the angle of 37.5° with the help of ruler and compass?

Sol. Yes it is possible because by constructing 75° angle and bisecting it, we can obtain 37.5° angle.

4. Do you agree with the statement, ' $\triangle XYZ$ can be constructed, if $\angle Y = 90^\circ$, $\angle Z = 75^\circ$ and $XY + YZ + ZX = 11.5\text{cm}$ '?

Sol: yes, because two base angles and perimeter is given and

$$\angle Y + \angle Z = 90^\circ + 75^\circ = 165^\circ < 180^\circ$$

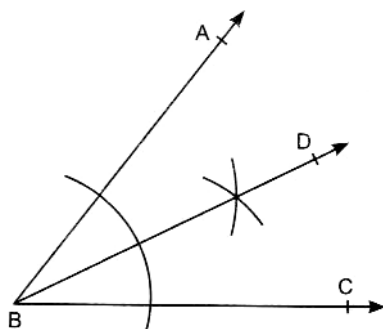
5. Can you construct a $\triangle ABC$, if $AB = 6.5\text{cm}$, $\angle A = 60^\circ$ and $BC + AC = 11\text{cm}$

Sol : Yes, with the given dimensions, we can construct $\triangle ABC$ because $BC + AC > AB$

I. Short answer type question

1. Using protractor, draw an angle of 52° can you divide this angle into two equal parts. Show

Sol. Yes, we can divide $\angle ABC = 52^\circ$ into two equal parts by bisecting it as shown in the figure.



2. Construct a triangle whose sides are in the ratio $1 : 3 : 5$ and whose perimeter is 18cm [CBSE 2016]

Sol. Given ratio of sides of a triangle = $1 : 3 : 5$

Let the length of sides of a triangle be x , $3x$ and $5x$ respectively

Perimeter of triangle = 18cm

$$\Rightarrow x + 3x + 5x = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow 9x = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 2\text{cm}$$

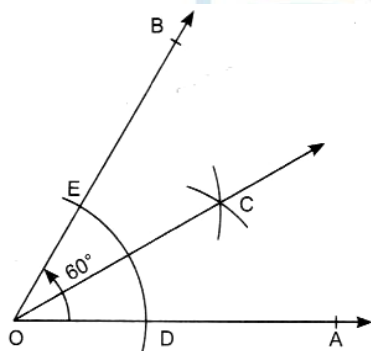
$\therefore$ Sides of triangle are 2cm, 6cm and 10cm

Here, we find that $2\text{cm} + 6\text{cm} < 10\text{cm}$

So, construction of given triangle would not be possible

3. Draw an angle of an equilateral triangle, using protractor. Bisect it using compass [CBSE2016]

Sol.



Each angle of an equilateral triangle is 60°

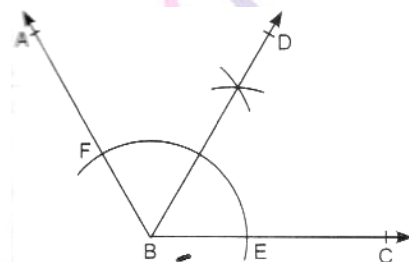
$\therefore$ According to questions $\angle AOB = 60^\circ$

$\Rightarrow$ OC is the bisector of $\angle AOB$.

4. Draw any obtuse angle. Bisect it using compass.

[CBSE 2016]

Draw the bisector BD of $\angle ABC$ as shown in the figure.



5. Is it possible to construct a triangle of given sides as 44mm, 9.5cm and 46mm? Justify your answer.

Sol. Let $AB = 44\text{mm} = 4.4\text{cm}$

$BC = 9.5\text{cm}$

$AC = 46\text{mm} = 4.6\text{cm}$

Here $AB + AC = 4.4\text{cm} + 4.6\text{cm} = 9\text{cm}$

$\Rightarrow AB + AC < BC$

$\therefore$ No such triangle would be constructed because sum of two sides of a triangle is never less than the third side.

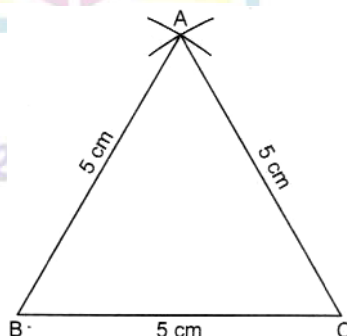
6. Construct an equilateral triangle, given its one side is 5cm

[CBSE 2012]

Sol. We know that all sides of an equilateral triangle are equal

$\therefore$ In $\triangle ABC$, $AB = BC = CA = 5\text{cm}$

Steps of construction:



- (i) Draw a line segment , $BC = 5\text{cm}$
- (ii) Taking B and C as centres and radius equal to 5cm , draw arcs which intersect each other at A
- (iii) Join AB and AC.

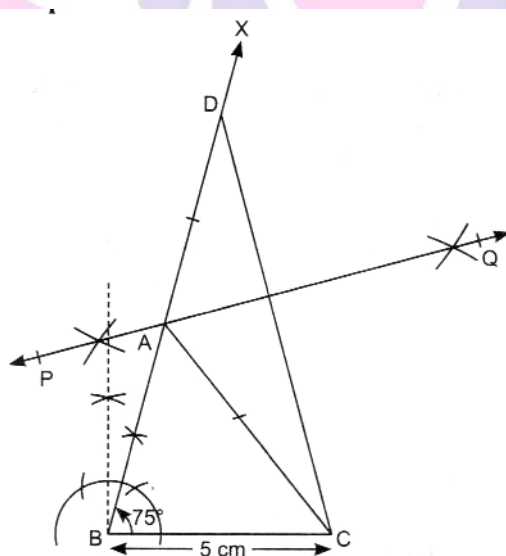
Thus $\triangle ABC$ is the required equilateral triangle.

II. Short answer type questions

7. Construct a triangle ABC in which $BC = 5\text{cm}$, $\angle B = 75^\circ$ and $AB + AC = 9\text{cm}$.

[CBSE2012]

Sol. Steps of construction:



- (i) Draw a line segment , $BC = 5\text{cm}$, At point B, construct as $\angle XBC = 75^\circ$
- (ii) Cut a line segment $BD = AB + AC = 9\text{cm}$ from the ray BX
- (iii) Join CD
- (iv) Draw the perpendicular bisector PQ of CD which intersects BD at A
- (v) Join AC.
- (vi) Then, $\triangle ABC$ is the required triangle. This is because point A lies on the perpendicular bisector of CD

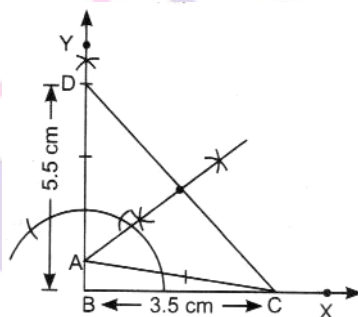
$$\therefore AD = AC$$

$$\Rightarrow BD = AB + AD = AB + AC$$

8. Construct a right triangle in which one side is 3.5cm and sum of the other side and hypotenuse is 5.5cm

Sol. We are given one side = 3.5cm and sum of other side and hypotenuse = 5.5cm

Steps of Construction:



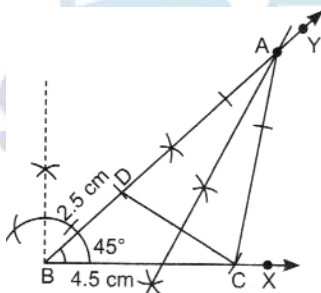
1. Draw a ray BX and cut off a line segment $BC = 3.5\text{cm}$ from it.
2. Construct $\angle XBY = 90^\circ$
3. From BY, cut off a line segment $BD = 5.5\text{cm}$
4. Join CD
5. Draw the perpendicular bisector of CD intersecting BD at a point A
6. Join AC

So $\triangle ABC$ is the required triangle

9. Construct a triangle ABC in which $BC = 4.5\text{cm}$, $\angle B = 45^\circ$ and $AB - AC = 2.5\text{cm}$

Sol. We are given $BC = 4.5\text{cm}$, $\angle B = 45^\circ$ and $AB - AC = 2.5\text{cm}$

Steps of Construction:

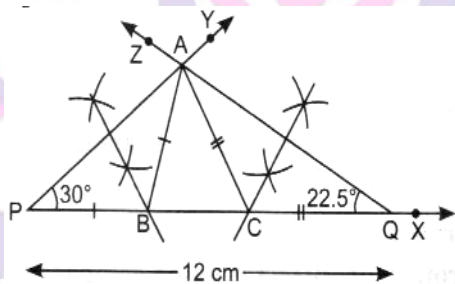


1. Draw a ray BX and cut off a line segment $BC = 4.5\text{cm}$ from it
2. Construct $\angle XBY = 45^\circ$
3. Cut off a line segment $BD = 2.5\text{cm}$ from BY.
4. Join CD
5. Draw the perpendicular bisector of CD cutting BY at a point A
6. Join AC

So $\triangle ABC$ is the required triangle

10. Construct a triangle ABC whose perimeter is 12cm, $\angle B = 60^\circ$ and $\angle C = 45^\circ$

Steps of Construction:



1. Draw a ray PX and cut off a line segment $PQ = 12\text{cm}$ from it
2. At P, Construct $\angle YPQ = 30^\circ \left(= \frac{1}{2} \times 60^\circ \right)$
3. At Q, construct $\angle ZQP = 22.5^\circ \left(= \frac{1}{2} \times 45^\circ \right)$
4. Let the ray PY and QZ intersect at A
5. Draw the perpendicular bisector of AP intersecting PQ at a point B.
6. Draw the perpendicular bisector of AQ intersecting PQ at a point C.
7. Join AB and AC

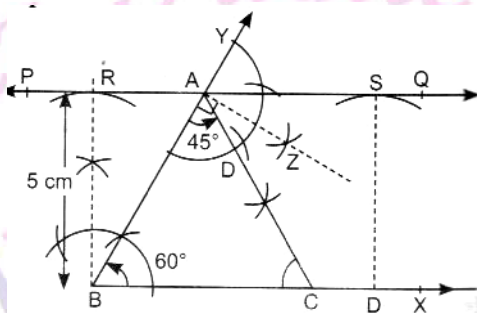
So $\triangle ABC$ is the required triangle

11. Construct a triangle ABC in which $\angle B = 60^\circ$, $\angle C = 75^\circ$ and perpendicular from the vertex A to the base BC is 5cm.

Sol. $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^\circ$ [Angle sum property of a triangle]

$$\Rightarrow \angle A + 60^\circ + 75^\circ = 180^\circ \Rightarrow \angle A + 180^\circ - 135^\circ = 45^\circ$$

Step of construction

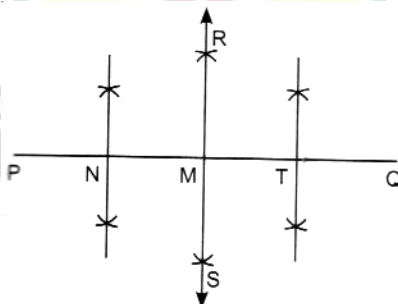


- Draw a line BX
- At point B, construct $\angle B = 60^\circ$ i.e., $\angle XBY = 60^\circ$
- Draw two arcs R and S with radius equal to 5cm from point B and from any other point D on BX as shown.
- Draw a ray PQ touches the R and S in such a way that, $RS \parallel BX$ and distance between them is $BR = DS = 5\text{cm}$
- Let BY intersect PQ at A
- At point A, construct $\angle ZAB = 90^\circ$
- Bisect $\angle ZAB$ to get $\angle BAC = 45^\circ$. Bisector line intersects BX at point C
- Join AC, then $\triangle ABC$ is the required triangle.

12. Draw a line segment $PQ = 8.4\text{cm}$. Divide it into four equal parts using a ruler and a compass.

[CBSE 2014, 2015, HOTS]

Sol. Steps of construction





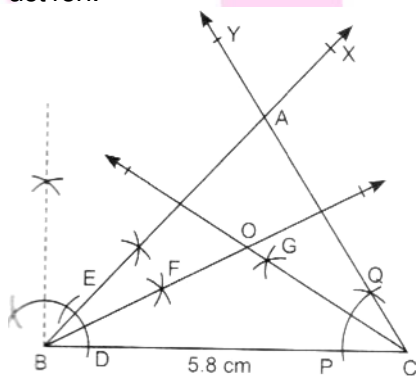
- (i) Draw a line segment $PQ = 8.4\text{cm}$
- (ii) Taking P and Q as centres and radius more than $\frac{1}{2}PQ$ draw arcs above and below the line segment PQ intersecting at R and S respectively as shown.
- (iii) Join RS. Let it intersect PQ at M. The ray RS divides the line segment PQ into two equal parts PM and QM
- (iv) In a similar way, draw perpendicular bisectors of PM and QM which divides each PM and QM into two equal parts again as shown.

So, the four equal parts of line segment PQ are $PN = NM = MT = TQ$, On measuring them. They all are equal to 2.1cm

I. Long answer type questions

1. Construct a triangle ABC in which $BC = 5.8\text{cm}$ $\angle B = 45^\circ$ and $\angle C = 60^\circ$. Construct angle bisectors of $\angle B$ and $\angle C$ and intersect them at point O, Measure $\angle BOC$ [CBSE2016]

Sol. Steps of construction:



- (i) Draw a line segment $BC = 5.8\text{cm}$
- (ii) At B and C, draw $\angle XBC = 45^\circ$ and $\angle YCB = 60^\circ$
- (iii) The rays XB and YC intersect at A, Therefore, $\triangle ABC$ is the required triangle
- (iv) Taking B as centre, and with some radius, draw arcs intersecting XB and BC at E and D respectively
- (v) Taking D and E as centres with radius greater than $\frac{1}{2}DE$ draw arcs intersecting each other at F.



(vi) Draw the ray BF. It is the angle bisector of $\angle B$

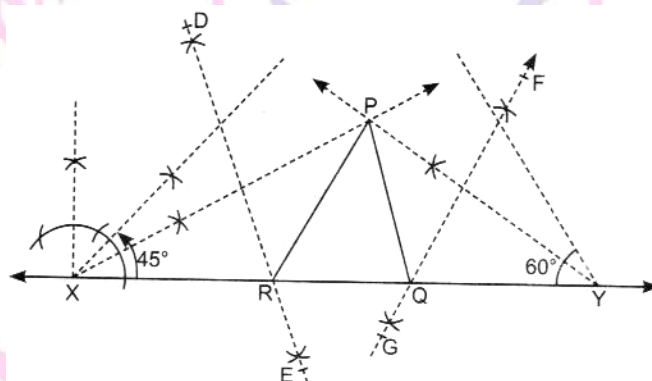
(vii) Similarly, construct angle bisector CG of $\angle C$

(viii) Let BF and CG intersect each other at O.

(ix) On measuring $\angle BOC$, we get $\angle BOC = 127^\circ$.

2. Construct a triangle PQR in which $\angle R = 45^\circ$, $\angle Q = 60^\circ$ and $PQ + QR + RP = 11\text{cm}$

Sol. Steps of construction:



(i) Draw a line segment $XY = PQ + QR + RP = 11\text{cm}$

(ii) At X, construct an angle of 45° and Y, construct an angle of 60°

(iii) Bisect these angles. Let the bisectors of $\angle X$ and $\angle Y$ intersect each other at a point P

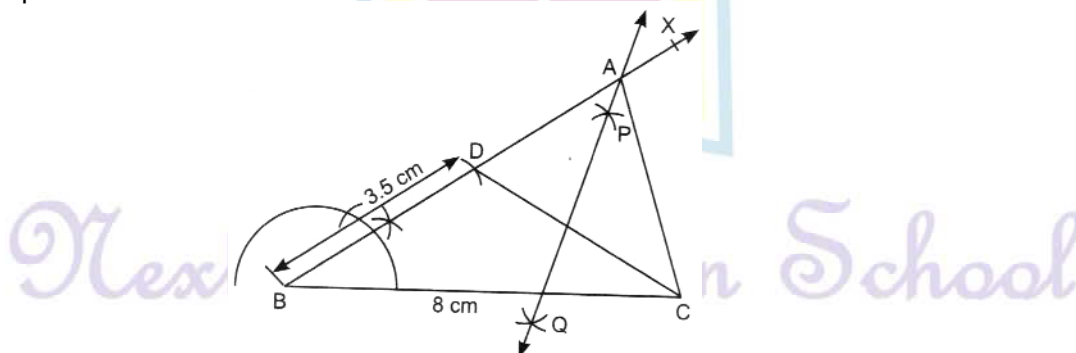
(iv) Draw perpendicular bisector DE, of PX to intersect XY at R. Now, draw perpendicular bisector FG of PY to intersect XY at Q.

(v) Join PQ and PR as shown in the figure. Then, $\triangle PQR$ is the required triangle.

3. Construct a triangle ABC in which $BC = 8\text{cm}$, $\angle B = 30^\circ$ and $AB - AC = 3.5\text{cm}$

Sol. Here $AB > AC$, i.e., $AB - AC$ is given

Steps of construction:

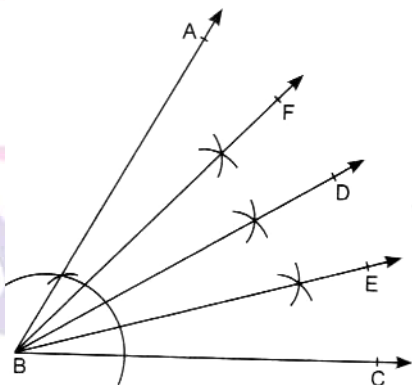


(i) Draw the base $BC = 8\text{cm}$ and at point B, make an angle $\angle XBC = 30^\circ$

- (ii) Cut a line segment $BD = AB - AC = 3.5\text{cm}$ from the ray BX
- (iii) Join DC and draw the perpendicular bisector PQ of DC
- (iv) Let PQ intersect BX at a point A . Join AC as shown in the figure.

4. Draw any acute angle. Divide it into four equal parts using a ruler and a compass. Measure them using protractor. [CBSE 2014]

Sol. Steps of construction:



- (i) Draw an angle $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$ (say)
- (ii) Bisect $\angle ABC$. Join BD . Then

$$\angle ABD = \angle CBD = \frac{1}{2} \angle ABC = \frac{1}{2} \times 60^\circ = 30^\circ$$
- (iii) Again bisect $\angle ABD$ join BF as shown then.

$$\angle ABF = \angle FBD = \frac{1}{2} \angle ABD = \frac{1}{2} \times 30^\circ = 15^\circ$$
- (iv) Again bisect $\angle CBD$. Join BE . Then

$$\angle DBE = \angle EBC = \frac{1}{2} \angle CBD = \frac{1}{2} \times 30^\circ = 15^\circ$$

Thus $\angle ABC$ has been divided into four equal parts

$$\therefore \angle ABF = \angle FBD = \angle DBE = \angle EBC$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \angle ABC = \frac{1}{4} \times 60^\circ = 15^\circ$$

On measuring them, we also got each angle equals to 15°