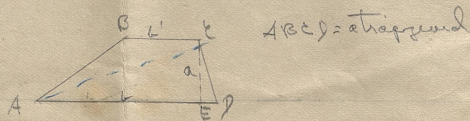


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I



ABCD = trapezium

To prove $Area = \frac{1}{2} a(b+b')$

Proof Draw altitude a and diagonal AC .

$\Delta ABE = \frac{1}{2} a \times b$ (the area of a $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}$ the product of its base \times its alt)

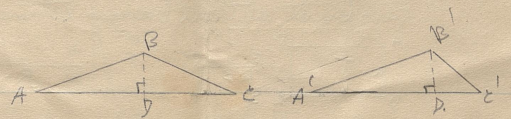
$\Delta ACD = \frac{1}{2} a \times b'$ (same ")

$\Delta ABE + \Delta ACD = \frac{1}{2} a(b+b')$ adding the wholes the sum of all its parts
 or $Area = \frac{1}{2} a(b+b')$

Q.E.D.

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II



Given $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta A'B'C'$ with $\angle A = \angle A'$

To prove $\frac{Area \Delta ABC}{Area \Delta A'B'C'} = \frac{AB \cdot AC}{A'B' \cdot A'C'}$

Proof. Draw alts. BD and $B'D'$

$\Delta ABD \sim \Delta A'B'D'$ (2 Δ are similar if they have 2 sides of one Δ respectively to 2 sides of another)

$\therefore \frac{AB}{A'B'} = \frac{BD}{B'D'}$ (Corresponding sides of similar Δ are proportional)

$\frac{Area \Delta ABC}{Area \Delta A'B'C'} = \frac{BD \cdot AC}{B'D' \cdot A'C'}$ (2 Δ are to each other as their base \times their alt)

Subst. $\frac{BD}{B'D'}$ for $\frac{AB}{A'B'}$

thus $\frac{Area \Delta ABC}{Area \Delta A'B'C'} = \frac{BD}{B'D'} \times \frac{AC}{A'C'} = \frac{AB}{A'B'} \times \frac{AC}{A'C'} = \frac{AB \cdot AC}{A'B' \cdot A'C'}$

Q.E.D.

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III

2 rectangles are to each other as the product of their bases & their alt.



Given rect. T with base a and alt b

Prove $\frac{T}{S} = \frac{a \cdot b}{a' \cdot b'}$

Proof Draw rect R with a' alt of S and base b of rect T.

Then $\frac{T}{R} = \frac{a}{a'}$
 $\frac{R}{S} = \frac{b}{b'}$
 (2 rectangles having same alt. & 2 rectangles having same base, set one to each other)

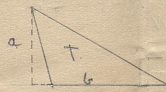
multiplying the results

$\frac{T}{S} = \frac{a \cdot b}{a' \cdot b'}$ (Q.E.D.)

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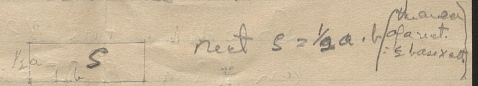
IV

Construct a square $\frac{1}{3}$ of given Δ



required a square = to $\frac{1}{3} T$.
 $T = \frac{1}{2} a \times b$ (the area of $\Delta = \frac{1}{2}$ the product of its base & its alt.)

take base & div. \rightarrow to base b and on its extremity, erect a line \rightarrow to $\frac{1}{3} a$.



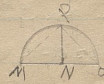
rect $S = \frac{1}{3} a \cdot b$ (the area of $S = \frac{1}{3}$ the area of T)



The area of $U = \frac{1}{2} a \cdot b = \frac{1}{3} a \cdot b = \frac{1}{3}$ area of T

Draw $MN = \frac{1}{3} b$
 $NO = \frac{1}{3} a$

with NO as diameter, erect a semicircle.



PN is the mean proportional between MN and NO

for by drawing PM and PO , a rt Δ is form. (if alt drawn to the hypot. and PN is the alt to the hypot. PN is the mean proportional to the segments of the hypot.)



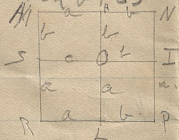
R is a square for PN is drawn as one side a PN is drawn as another side. The area of $R = PN \cdot PN$ (the area of $R = PN \cdot PN$)

15 feet given

$\therefore R = \frac{1}{3} T$

VI

Prove geometrically that $(a+b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$
 and $a(b+c) = ab + ac$.

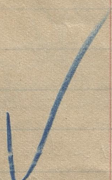


$$\frac{a}{b}$$

Draw $RL = a$. Draw $MR = RP \perp$ to RP .
 " $LP = b$.

Draw $MN \parallel RP$ and $NP \parallel MR$.
 on MR draw $RS = a$. Draw $SI \parallel RP$.
 at L draw $LH \parallel MR$.

$\therefore MO, ON, RO, OP$ are parallelograms
 and rectangles for (the sides are \parallel and they
 have one \perp at the angle of 90°).
 RO is the sq. on a for $SR = RL$.
 $RP = a+b$ const. $MN = a+b$ const.
 $RS = a$ const. $MS = b$ (the whole is the
 sum of all its parts).
 $HO = b, NI = b$ (the complements between the sides)
 $OI = b, HN = b$ " " " " " " " " " " " "



$\therefore MO, ON, RO, OP$ are squares and rectangles
 const. and it is a sq. by above proof.
 $OP = ab$ $MO = ab$.

$\therefore MO, ON, RO, OP$ are sq. $(a+b)^2 = a^2 + a^2 + ab + b^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$

