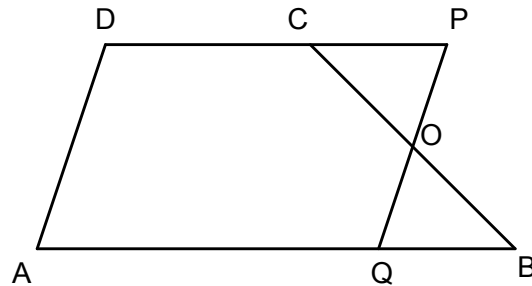


ABCD is a trapezium in which AB is parallel to CD. O is mid point of BC. Through the point O, a line PQ parallel to AD has been drawn which intersects AB at Q and DC produced at P. Prove that $\text{ar}(ABCD) = \text{ar}(AQP)$.

Solution:



$$\text{Area}ABCD = \text{Area}AQOCD + \text{Area}\Delta QOB$$

$$\text{Area}AQP = \text{Area}AQOCD + \text{Area}\Delta POC$$

$$OC = OB \text{ (given)}$$

$$\angle COP = \angle BOQ \text{ (vertically opposite angles are equal)}$$

$$\angle CPO = \angle BQO \text{ (} AB \parallel CD \text{ – given. If the lines are parallel, then the alternate angles are equal)}$$

$$\text{So } \Delta QOB = \Delta POC \text{ and so } \text{Area}ABCD = \text{Area}AQP.$$