

Question. ABCD is a trapezium such that AB and CD are parallel and $BC \perp CD$. If $\angle ADB = \theta$, $BC = p$ and $CD = q$, then AB is equal to:→

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(a) $\frac{p^2 + q^2 \cos \theta}{p \cos \theta + q \sin \theta}$

(b) $\frac{p^2 + q^2}{p^2 \cos \theta + q^2 \sin \theta}$

(c) $\frac{(p^2 + q^2) \sin \theta}{(p \cos \theta + q \sin \theta)^2}$

(d) $\frac{(p^2 + q^2) \sin \theta}{p \cos \theta + q \sin \theta}$

Solution.

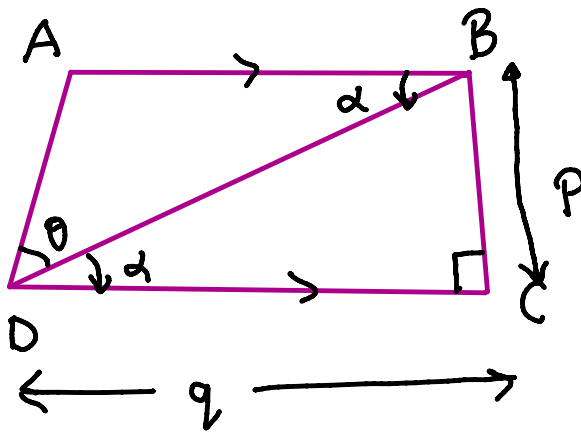
Let $\angle BDC = \alpha$

In ΔBCD ,

$$BD = \sqrt{BC^2 + CD^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{p^2 + q^2} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

also, In ΔABD , $\angle DAB = \pi - (\theta + \alpha)$



also, In $\triangle ABD$, $\angle DAB = \pi - (\theta + \alpha)$
Now, using Sine rule in $\triangle ABD$,

$$\frac{AB}{\sin \theta} = \frac{BD}{\sin \{\pi - (\theta + \alpha)\}}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin (\theta + \alpha)} \cdot BD$$

$$= \frac{\sin \theta}{\sin \theta \cdot \cos \alpha + \cos \theta \cdot \sin \alpha} \cdot \sqrt{p^2 + q^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sin \theta}{\frac{\sin \theta \cdot q}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2}} + \frac{\cos \theta \cdot p}{\sqrt{p^2 + q^2}}} \times \sqrt{p^2 + q^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \frac{(p^2 + q^2) \sin \theta}{p \cos \theta + q \sin \theta}$$

Ans:
Option (d)