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Some diagrams in continuation of those presented by
Mr. R. F. DAVIS at the preliminary meeting.

A $B_1 C$ is an acute angled triangle, sides a , b , c , angle C and
A $B_2 C$ is an obtuse angled triangle sides a_2 , b , c , angle $180^\circ - C$

Fig. I. consists of two rhombi, side $a + b$, angles C and $180^\circ - C$.

Fig. II. consists of two parallelograms, sides $a + b$ and $a_2 + b$,
angles C and $180^\circ - C$.

Removing the coloured areas the remainders are equal—
so

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 + ax &= a^2 + b^2 \\ c^2 &= a^2 + b^2 - 2a CM \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{I}$$

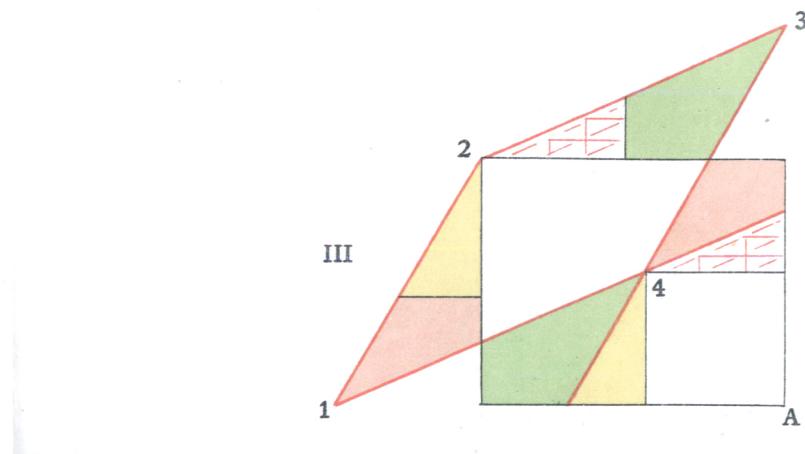
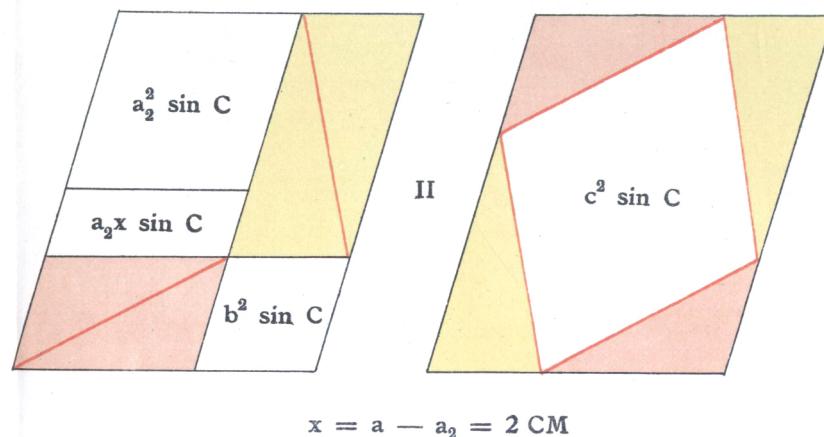
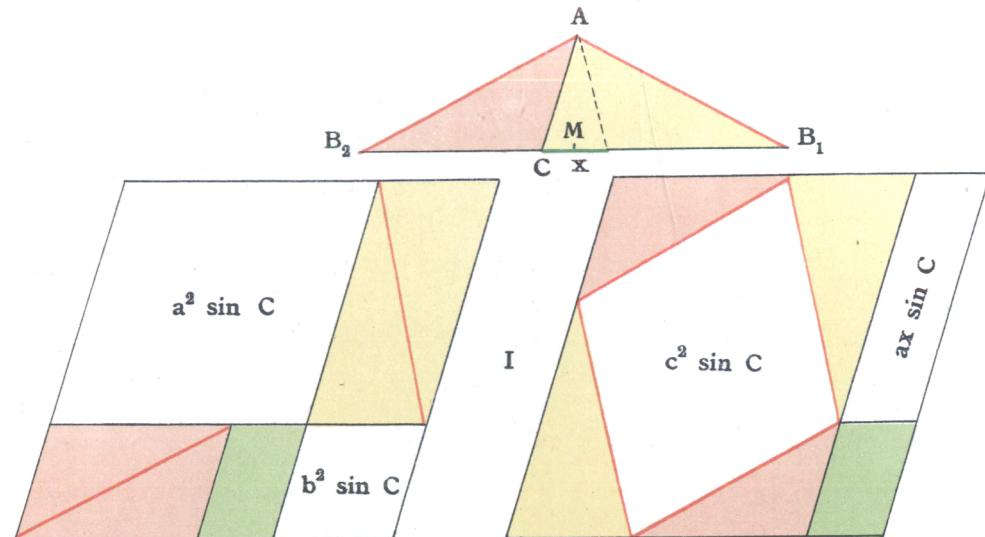
$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= a_2^2 + b^2 + a_2 x \\ &= a_2^2 + b^2 + 2 a_2 CM \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{II}$$

Fig. II shows also how to inscribe in a parallelogram a rhombus whose angles are equal to the angles of the parallelogram (when possible).

Fig. III shows that the area of the parallelogram 1 2 3 4 is equal to the difference of the rectangles A2 and A4

so
Area of parallelogram = $(x_3 - x_2)(y_2 - y_1) - (x_3 - x_4)(y_4 - y_1)$

C. S. Jackson.



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