Activity 1

OBJECTIVE

To construct a square-root spiral.

MATERIAL REQUIRED

Coloured threads, adhesive, drawing pins, nails, geometry box, sketch pens, marker, a piece of plywood.

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

- 1. Take a piece of plywood with dimensions $30 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm}$.
- 2. Taking 2 cm = 1 unit, draw a line segment AB of length one unit.
- 3. Construct a perpendicular BX at the line segment AB using set squares (or compasses).
- 4. From BX, cut off BC = 1 unit. Join AC.
- 5. Using blue coloured thread (of length equal to AC) and adhesive, fix the thread along AC.
- 6. With AC as base and using set squares (or compasses), draw CY perpendicular to AC.
- 7. From CY, cut-off CD = 1 unit and join AD.

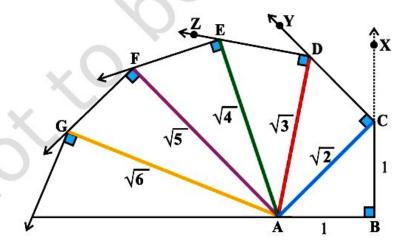


Fig. 1

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- 8. Fix orange coloured thread (of length equal to AD) along AD with adhesive.
- 9. With AD as base and using set squares (or compasses), draw DZ perpendicular to AD.
- 10. From DZ, cut off DE = 1 unit and join AE.
- 11. Fix green coloured thread (of length equal to AE) along AE with adhesive [see Fig. 1].

Repeat the above process for a sufficient number of times. This is called "a square root spiral".

DEMONSTRATION

1. From the figure, $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 = 12 + 12 = 2$ or $AC = \sqrt{2}$.

$$AD^2 = AC^2 + CD^2 = 2 + 1 = 3 \text{ or } AD = \sqrt{3}$$
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2. Similarly, we get the other lengths AE, AF, AG, ... as $\sqrt{4}$ or 2, $\sqrt{5}$, $\sqrt{6}$

OBSERVATION

On actual measurement

APPLICATION

Through this activity, existence of irrational numbers can be illustrated.

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SATISH CHANDRA MEMORIAL SCHOOL

CLASS: IX MATHEMATICS Session: 2025-26

ACTIVITY-I (Square root Spiral) (Ch: Number System)

Theme: Make an art form by applying the concept of square root spiral

These are some examples below. Students can apply their own creative idea to create the art form.

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Instruction

- Complete the colourful activity in Math Lab copy.
- Write your experience about this activity
- Last date of submission: on or before 25.04.25(Friday)