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Apply the Pythagorean Theorem

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Goal • Find side lengths in right triangles.

Your Notes

Rewrite the Goal as an "I can" statement!

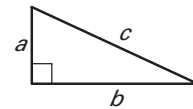
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VOCABULARY

Pythagorean triple

THEOREM 7.1: PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM

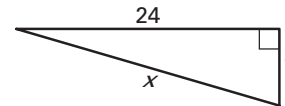
In a right triangle, the square of the length of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the legs.



$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$$

Example 1 Find the length of a hypotenuse

Find the length of the hypotenuse of the right triangle.



Solution

$$(\text{hypotenuse})^2 = (\text{leg})^2 + (\text{leg})^2$$

$$x^2 = \underline{\quad}^2 + \underline{\quad}^2$$

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Pythagorean Theorem

Substitute.

Multiply.

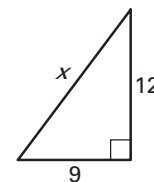
Add.

Find the positive square root.

In the equation for the Pythagorean Theorem, "length of hypotenuse" and "length of leg" was shortened to "hypotenuse" and "leg".

Checkpoint Complete the following exercise.

1. Find the length of the hypotenuse of the right triangle.

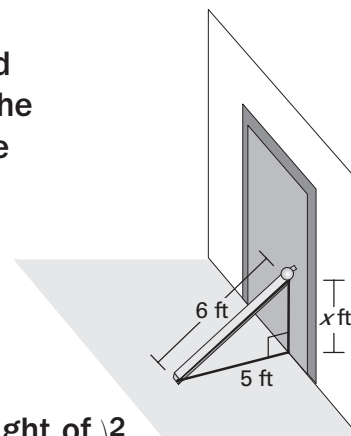


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Your Notes

Example 2 Find the length of a leg

Door A 6 foot board rests under a doorknob and the base of the board is 5 feet away from the bottom of the door. Approximately how high above the ground is the doorknob?



Solution

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Length} \\ \text{of board} \end{array} \right)^2 = \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Distance} \\ \text{from door} \end{array} \right)^2 + \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Height of} \\ \text{doorknob} \end{array} \right)^2$$

$$\underline{\quad}^2 = \underline{\quad}^2 + x^2 \quad \text{Substitute.}$$

$$\underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad} + x^2 \quad \text{Multiply.}$$

$$\underline{\quad} = x^2 \quad \text{Subtract } \underline{\quad} \text{ from each side.}$$

$$\underline{\quad} = x \quad \text{Find positive square root.}$$

$$\underline{\quad} \approx x \quad \text{Approximate with a calculator.}$$

The board is resting against the doorknob at about feet above the ground.

In real-world applications, it is usually appropriate to use a calculator to approximate the square root of a number. Round your answer to the nearest tenth.

✓ Checkpoint Complete the following exercise.

2. A 5 foot board rests under a doorknob and the base of the board is 3.5 feet away from the bottom of the door. Approximately how high above the ground is the doorknob?

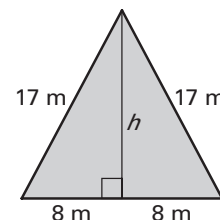
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Example 3 Find the area of an isosceles triangle

Find the area of the isosceles triangle with side lengths 16 meters, 17 meters, and 17 meters.

Solution

Step 1 Draw a sketch. By definition, the length of an altitude is the _____ of the triangle. In an isosceles triangle, the altitude to the base is also a perpendicular bisector. So, the altitude divides the triangle into two _____ triangles with the dimensions shown.



Step 2 Use the Pythagorean Theorem to find the height of the triangle.

$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$	Pythagorean Theorem
_____ $^2 =$ _____ $^2 + h^2$	Substitute.
_____ $=$ _____ $+ h^2$	Multiply.
_____ $= h^2$	Subtract _____ from each side.
_____ $= h$	Find the positive square root.

Step 3 Find the area.

Area = $\frac{1}{2}$ (base)(height) = $\frac{1}{2}$ (_____)(_____) = _____

The area of the triangle is _____ square meters.

You may find it helpful to memorize the basic Pythagorean triples, shown in **bold**, for standardized tests.

COMMON PYTHAGOREAN TRIPLES AND SOME OF THEIR MULTIPLES

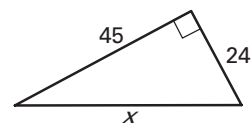
3, 4, 5	5, 12, 13	8, 15, 17	7, 24, 25
6, 8, 10	10, 24, 26	16, 30, 34	14, 48, 50
9, 12, 15	15, 36, 39	24, 45, 51	21, 72, 75
30, 40, 50	50, 120, 130	80, 150, 170	70, 240, 250
3x, 4x, 5x	5x, 12x, 13x	8x, 15x, 17x	7x, 24x, 25x

The most common Pythagorean triples are in bold. The other triples are the result of multiplying each integer in a bold face triple by the same factor.

Your Notes

Example 4 Find length of a hypotenuse using two methods

Find the length of the hypotenuse of the right triangle.



Solution

Method 1: Use a Pythagorean triple.

A common Pythagorean triple is 8, 15, _____. Notice that if you multiply the lengths of the legs of the Pythagorean triple by ____, you get the lengths of the legs of this triangle:
 $8 \cdot \underline{\quad} = 24$ and $15 \cdot \underline{\quad} = 45$. So, the length of the hypotenuse is $\underline{\quad} \cdot \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$.

Method 2: Use the Pythagorean Theorem.

$$x^2 = 24^2 + 45^2 \quad \text{Pythagorean Theorem}$$

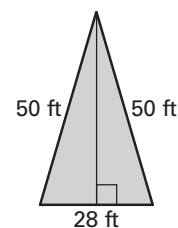
$$x^2 = \underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad} \quad \text{Multiply.}$$

$$x^2 = \underline{\quad} \quad \text{Add.}$$

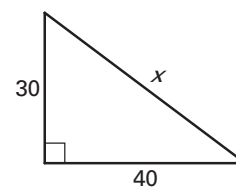
$$x = \underline{\quad} \quad \text{Find the positive square root.}$$

✓ **Checkpoint** Complete the following exercises.

3. Find the area of the triangle.



4. Use a Pythagorean triple to find the unknown side length of the right triangle.



Homework

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7.2

Use the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem

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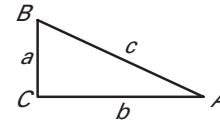
- Goal** • Use the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem to determine if a triangle is a right triangle.

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THEOREM 7.2: CONVERSE OF THE PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM

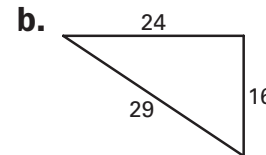
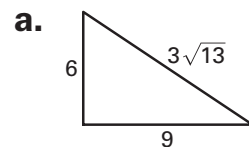
If the square of the length of the longest side of a triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the other two sides, then the triangle is a _____ triangle.



If $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$, then $\triangle ABC$ is a _____ triangle.

Example 1 Verify right triangles

Tell whether the given triangle is a right triangle.



Solution

Let c represent the length of the longest side of the triangle. Check to see whether the side lengths satisfy the equation $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$.

a. $(\underline{\hspace{1cm}})^2 \stackrel{?}{=} \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^2$
 $\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \cdot \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \stackrel{?}{=} \underline{\hspace{1cm}} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$
 $\underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \checkmark$

The triangle _____ a right triangle.

b. $\underline{\hspace{1cm}}^2 \stackrel{?}{=} \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^2 + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}^2$
 $\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \stackrel{?}{=} \underline{\hspace{1cm}} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$
 $\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \neq \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

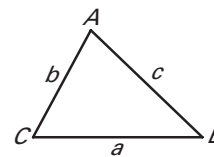
The triangle _____ a right triangle.

Your Notes

THEOREM 7.3

If the square of the length of the longest side of a triangle is less than the sum of the squares of the lengths of the other two sides, then the triangle ABC is an _____ triangle.

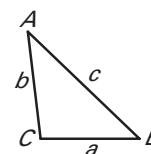
If $c^2 < a^2 + b^2$, then the triangle ABC is _____.



THEOREM 7.4

If the square of the length of the longest side of a triangle is greater than the sum of the squares of the lengths of the other two sides, then the triangle ABC is an _____ triangle.

If $c^2 > a^2 + b^2$, then the triangle ABC is _____.



Example 2 Classify triangles

Can segments with lengths of 2.8 feet, 3.2 feet, and 4.2 feet form a triangle? If so, would the triangle be *acute*, *right*, or *obtuse*?

Solution

Step 1 Use the Triangle Inequality Theorem to check that the segments can make a triangle.

$$\begin{array}{l|l|l} 2.8 + 3.2 = \underline{\quad} & 2.8 + 4.2 = \underline{\quad} & 3.2 + 4.2 = \underline{\quad} \\ \underline{\quad} > 4.2 & \underline{\quad} > 3.2 & \underline{\quad} > 2.8 \end{array}$$

Step 2 Classify the triangle by comparing the square of the length of the longest side with the sum of squares of the lengths of the shorter sides.

$$c^2 \underline{\quad} a^2 + b^2$$

Compare c^2 with $a^2 + b^2$.

$$\underline{\quad}^2 \underline{\quad} \underline{\quad}^2 + \underline{\quad}^2$$

Substitute.

$$\underline{\quad} \underline{\quad} \underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad}$$

Simplify.

$$\underline{\quad} \underline{\quad} \underline{\quad}$$

c^2 is _____ than $a^2 + b^2$.

The side lengths 2.8 feet, 3.2 feet, and 4.2 feet form an _____ triangle.

The Triangle Inequality Theorem states that the sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the length of the third side.

Example 3 Use the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem

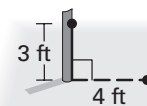
Lights You are helping install a light pole in a parking lot. When the pole is positioned properly, it is perpendicular to the pavement. How can you check that the pole is perpendicular using a tape measure?

Solution

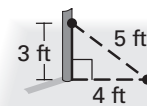
To show a line is perpendicular to a plane you must show that the line is perpendicular to _____ in the plane.

Think of the pole as a line and the pavement as a plane. Use a 3-4-5 right triangle and the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem to show that the pole is perpendicular to different lines on the pavement.

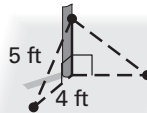
First mark 3 feet up the pole and mark on the pavement 4 feet from the pole.



Use the tape measure to check that the distance between the two marks is _____ feet. The pole makes _____ angle with the line on the pavement.

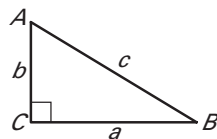


Finally, repeat the procedure to show that the pole is _____ to another line on the pavement.



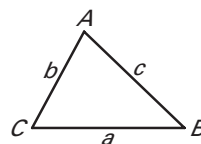
METHODS FOR CLASSIFYING A TRIANGLE BY ANGLES USING ITS SIDE LENGTHS

Theorem 7.2



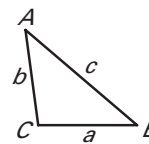
If $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$,
then $m\angle C = 90^\circ$
and $\triangle ABC$ is a
_____ triangle.

Theorem 7.3



If $c^2 < a^2 + b^2$,
then $m\angle C < 90^\circ$
and $\triangle ABC$ is an
_____ triangle.

Theorem 7.4

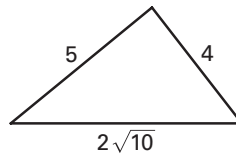


If $c^2 > a^2 + b^2$,
then $m\angle C > 90^\circ$
and $\triangle ABC$ is an
_____ triangle.

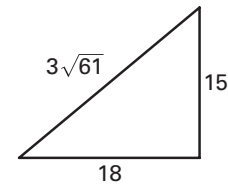
Your Notes

- ✔ **Checkpoint** In Exercises 1 and 2, tell whether the triangle is a right triangle.

1.



2.



3. Can segments with lengths of 6.1 inches, 9.4 inches, and 11.3 inches form a triangle? If so, would the triangle be *acute*, *right*, or *obtuse*?

4. In Example 3, could you use triangles with side lengths 50 inches, 120 inches, and 130 inches to verify that you have perpendicular lines? *Explain*.

Homework

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7.3

Use Similar Right Triangles

Goal • Use properties of the altitude of a right triangle.

Your Notes

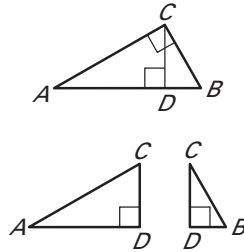
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THEOREM 7.5

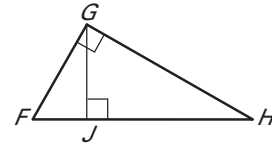
If the altitude is drawn to the hypotenuse of a right triangle, then the two triangles formed are _____ to the original triangle and to each other.

$\triangle CBD$ _____ $\triangle ABC$, $\triangle ACD$ _____ $\triangle ABC$,
and $\triangle CBD$ _____ $\triangle ACD$.



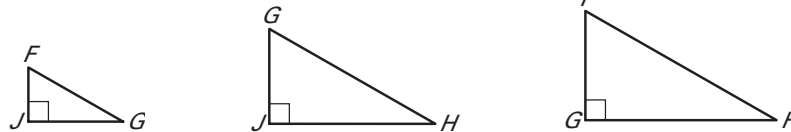
Example 1 Identify similar triangles

Identify the similar triangles in the diagram.



Solution

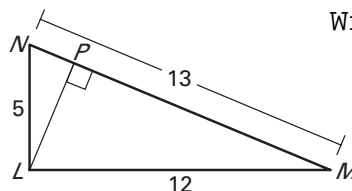
Sketch the three similar right triangles so that the corresponding angles and sides have the same orientation.



\triangle _____ \sim \triangle _____ \sim \triangle _____

Checkpoint Complete the following exercise.

1. Identify the similar triangles in the diagram.



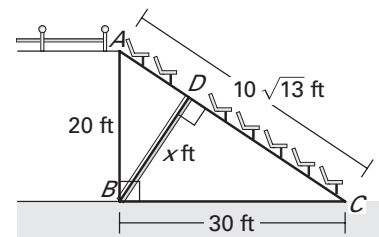
Write a similarity statement.

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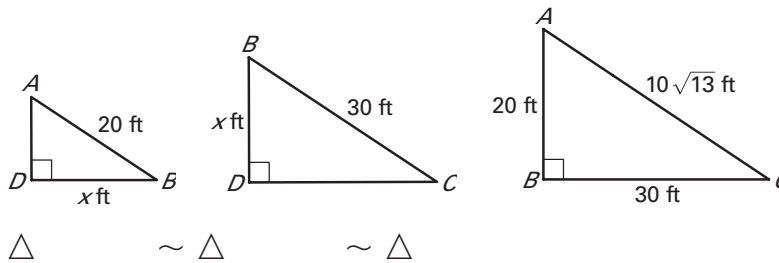
Example 2 Find the length of the altitude to the hypotenuse

Stadium A cross section of a group of seats at a stadium shows a drainage pipe \overline{BD} that leads from the seats to the inside of the stadium. What is the length of the pipe?



Solution

Step 1 Identify the similar triangles and sketch them.



Notice that if you tried to write a proportion using $\triangle ADB$ and $\triangle BDC$, there would be two unknowns, so you would not be able to solve for x .

Step 2 Find the value of x . Use the fact that $\triangle BDC \sim \triangle ABC$ to write a proportion.

$$\frac{BD}{\square} = \frac{\square}{AC}$$

Corresponding side lengths of similar triangles are in proportion.

$$\frac{x}{\square} = \frac{\square}{\square}$$

Substitute.

$$\square x = \square$$

Cross Products Property

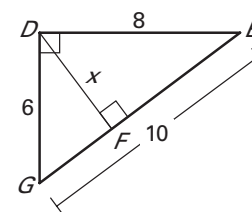
$$x \approx \square$$

Approximate.

The length of the pipe is about _____ feet.

Checkpoint Complete the following exercise.

2. Identify the similar triangles. Then find the value of x .



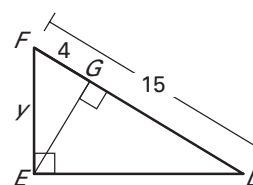
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Your Notes

Notice that $\triangle FEG$ and $\triangle FDE$ both contain the side with length y , so these are the similar pair of triangles to use to solve for y .

Example 3 Use a geometric mean

Find the value of y . Write your answer in simplest radical form.



Solution

Write a proportion.

$$\frac{\boxed{}}{\text{length of hyp. of } \triangle FEG} = \frac{\text{length of shorter leg of } \triangle FDE}{\boxed{}}$$

$$\frac{\boxed{}}{y} = \frac{y}{\boxed{}}$$

Substitute.

$$\boxed{} = y^2$$

Cross Products Property

$$\sqrt{\boxed{}} = y$$

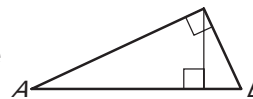
Take positive square roots.

$$\sqrt{\boxed{}} = y$$

Simplify.

THEOREM 7.6: GEOMETRIC MEAN (ALTITUDE) THEOREM

In a right triangle, the altitude from the right angle to the hypotenuse divides the hypotenuse into two segments.

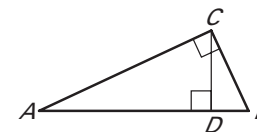


The length of the altitude is the _____ of the lengths of the two segments.

$$\frac{BD}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{AD}$$

THEOREM 7.7: GEOMETRIC MEAN (LEG) THEOREM

In a right triangle, the altitude from the right angle to the hypotenuse divides the hypotenuse into two segments.



The length of each leg of the right triangle is the geometric mean of the lengths of the hypotenuse and the segment of the hypotenuse that is _____ to the leg.

$$\frac{AB}{CB} = \frac{CB}{\boxed{}} \text{ and}$$

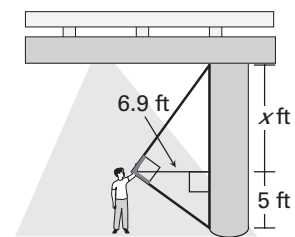
$$\frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{AC}{\boxed{}}$$

Your Notes

Example 4 Find a height using indirect measurement

Overpass To find the clearance under an overpass, you need to find the height of a concrete support beam.

You use a cardboard square to line up the top and bottom of the beam. Your friend measures the vertical distance from the ground to your eye and the distance from you to the beam. Approximate the height of the beam.



Solution

By Theorem 7.6, you know that _____ is the geometric mean of ____ and ____.

_____ = _____ Write a proportion.

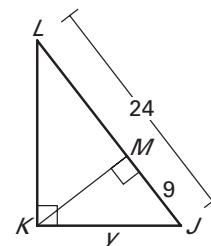
$x \approx$ _____ Solve for x .

So, the clearance under the overpass is

$5 + x \approx 5 +$ _____ $=$ _____ feet.

✓ Checkpoint Complete the following exercises.

3. Find the value of y . Write your answer in simplest radical form.



4. The distance from the ground to Larry's eyes is 4.5 feet. How far from the beam in Example 4 would he have to stand in order to measure its height?

Homework

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7.4

Special Right Triangles

Goal • Use the relationships among the sides in special right triangles.

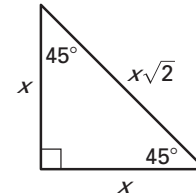
Your Notes

The extended ratio of the side lengths of a 45° - 45° - 90° triangle is $1:1:\sqrt{2}$.

THEOREM 7.8: 45° - 45° - 90° TRIANGLE THEOREM

In a 45° - 45° - 90° triangle, the hypotenuse is _____ times as long as each leg.

hypotenuse = leg \cdot _____

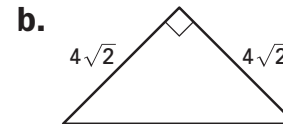
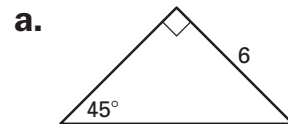


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Example 1 Find hypotenuse length in a 45° - 45° - 90° triangle

Find the length of the hypotenuse.



Solution

a. By the Triangle Sum Theorem, the measure of the third angle must be _____. Then the triangle is a _____-_____ - 90° triangle, so by Theorem 7.8, the hypotenuse is _____ times as long as each leg.

hypotenuse = leg \cdot _____ 45° - 45° - 90° Triangle Theorem

= _____ Substitute.

b. By the Base Angles Theorem and the Corollary to the Triangle Sum Theorem, the triangle is a 45° - 45° - 90° triangle.

hypotenuse = leg \cdot _____ 45° - 45° - 90° Triangle Theorem

= _____ \cdot _____ Substitute.

= _____ \cdot _____ Product of square roots

= _____ Simplify.

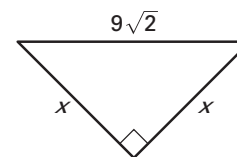
Remember the following properties of radicals:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{a} \cdot \sqrt{b} &= \sqrt{a \cdot b}; \\ \sqrt{a \cdot a} &= a \end{aligned}$$

Your Notes

Example 2 Find leg lengths in a $45^\circ\text{-}45^\circ\text{-}90^\circ$ triangle

Find the lengths of the legs in the triangle.



Solution

By the Base Angles Theorem and the Corollary to the Triangle Sum Theorem, the triangle is a $45^\circ\text{-}45^\circ\text{-}90^\circ$ triangle.

hypotenuse = leg \cdot _____ **$45^\circ\text{-}45^\circ\text{-}90^\circ$ Triangle Theorem**

_____ = $x \cdot$ _____

Substitute.

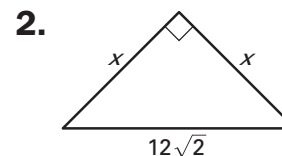
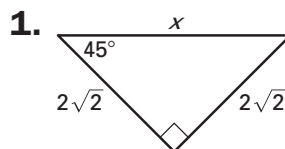
_____ = $\frac{x}{\square}$ _____

Divide each side by _____.

_____ = x

Simplify.

✓ Checkpoint Find the value of the variable.



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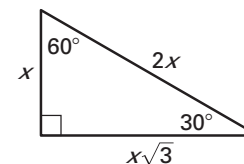
The extended ratio of the side lengths of a $30^\circ\text{-}60^\circ\text{-}90^\circ$ triangle is $1:\sqrt{3}:2$.

THEOREM 7.9: $30^\circ\text{-}60^\circ\text{-}90^\circ$ TRIANGLE THEOREM

In a $30^\circ\text{-}60^\circ\text{-}90^\circ$ triangle, the hypotenuse is _____ as long as the shorter leg, and the longer leg is _____ times as long as the shorter leg.

hypotenuse = _____ \cdot shorter leg

longer leg = shorter leg \cdot _____



Your Notes

Remember that in an equilateral triangle, the altitude to a side is also the median to that side. So, altitude \overline{BD}

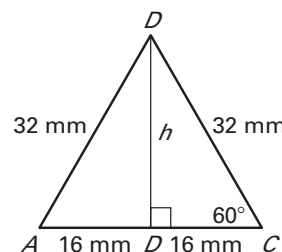
_____ \overline{AC} .

Example 3 Find the height of an equilateral triangle

Music You make a guitar pick that resembles an equilateral triangle with side lengths of 32 millimeters. What is the approximate height of the pick?

Solution

Draw the equilateral triangle described. Its altitude forms the longer leg of two _____ - _____ - 90° triangles. The length h of the altitude is approximately the height of the pick.

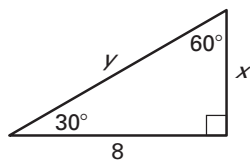


longer leg = shorter leg \cdot _____

$$h = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \cdot \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \approx \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \text{ mm}$$

Example 4 Find lengths in a 30° - 60° - 90° triangle

Find the values of x and y . Write your answer in simplest radical form.



Solution

Step 1 Find the value of x .

longer leg = shorter leg \cdot _____

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} = x \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \quad \text{Substitute.}$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} = x \quad \text{Divide each side by } \underline{\hspace{1cm}}.$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \cdot \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = x \quad \text{Multiply numerator and denominator by } \underline{\hspace{1cm}}.$$

$$\underline{\hspace{1cm}} = x \quad \text{Multiply fractions.}$$

Step 2 Find the value of y .

hypotenuse = _____ \cdot shorter leg

$$y = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} \cdot \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

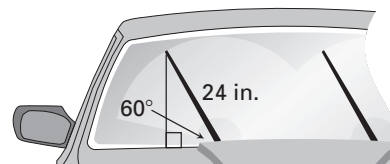
Your Notes

Example 5 Find a height

Windshield wipers A car is turned off while the windshield wipers are moving. The 24 inch wipers stop, making a 60° angle with the bottom of the windshield. How far from the bottom of the windshield are the ends of the wipers?

Solution

The distance d is the length of the longer leg of a _____ - _____ -90° triangle.



The length of the hypotenuse is _____ inches.

hypotenuse = _____ \cdot shorter leg

_____ - _____ -90°
Triangle Theorem

_____ = _____ \cdot s

Substitute.

_____ = s

Divide each side by _____.

longer leg = shorter leg \cdot _____

_____ - _____ -90°
Triangle Theorem

d = _____

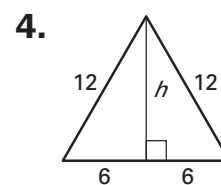
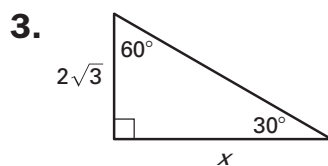
Substitute.

$d \approx$ _____

Approximate.

The ends of the wipers are about _____ inches from the bottom of the windshield.

Checkpoint In Exercises 3 and 4, find the value of the variable.



Homework

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5. In Example 5, how far from the bottom of the windshield are the ends of the wipers if they make a 30° angle with the bottom of the windshield?

7.5

Apply the Tangent Ratio

Complete the vocab. with definitions or pictures that make sense to you.

Goal • Use the tangent ratio for indirect measurement.

Your Notes

Rewrite the Goal as an "I can" statement!

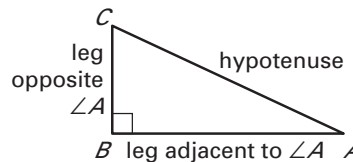
VOCABULARY

Trigonometric ratio

Tangent

TANGENT RATIO

Let $\triangle ABC$ be a right triangle with acute $\angle A$. The tangent of $\angle A$ (written as $\tan A$) is defined as follows:

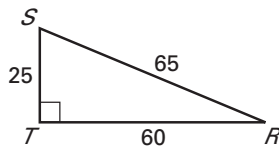


$$\tan A = \frac{\text{length of leg opposite } \angle A}{\text{length of leg adjacent to } \angle A} = \frac{\square}{\square}$$

Remember these abbreviations:
tangent \rightarrow tan
opposite \rightarrow opp.
adjacent \rightarrow adj.

Example 1 Find tangent ratios

Find $\tan S$ and $\tan R$. Write each answer as a fraction and as a decimal rounded to four places, if necessary.



Solution

$$\tan S = \frac{\text{opp. } \angle S}{\text{adj. to } \angle S} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

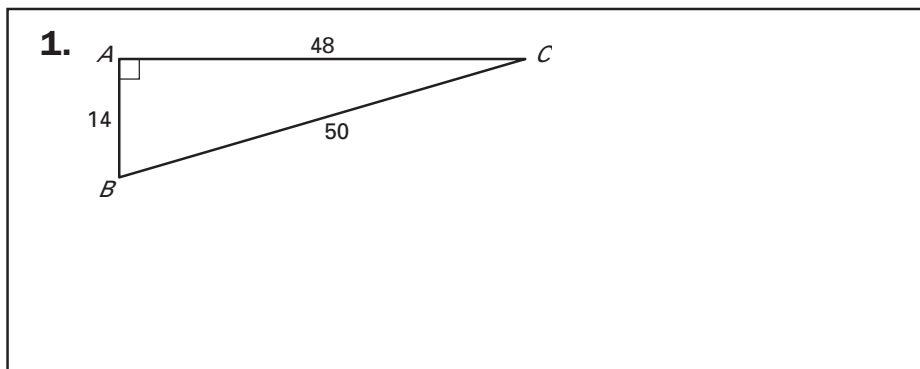
$$\tan R = \frac{\text{opp. } \angle R}{\text{adj. to } \angle R} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \frac{\square}{\square} = \frac{\square}{\square} \approx \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Unless told otherwise, round values of trigonometric ratios to the ten-thousandths' place and round lengths to the tenths' place.

Your Notes

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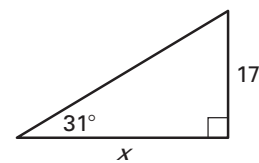
✓ **Checkpoint** Find $\tan B$ and $\tan C$. Write each answer as a fraction and as a decimal rounded to four places.



Example 2 Find a leg length

Find the value of x .

Use the tangent of an acute angle to find a leg length.



$\tan 31^\circ =$ _____

Write ratio for tangent of 31° .

$\tan 31^\circ =$ _____

Substitute.

_____ $\cdot \tan 31^\circ =$ _____

Multiply each side by _____.

$x =$ _____

Divide each side by _____.

$x \approx$ _____

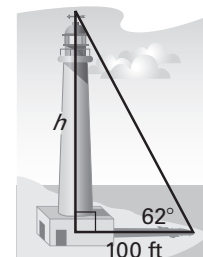
Use a calculator to find _____.

$x \approx$ _____

Simplify.

Example 3 Estimate height using tangent

Lighthouse Find the height h of the lighthouse to the nearest foot.



_____ = $\frac{\text{opp.}}{\text{adj.}}$

Write ratio for _____.

_____ = _____

Substitute.

_____ \cdot _____ = h

Multiply each side by _____.

_____ $\approx h$

Use a calculator and simplify.

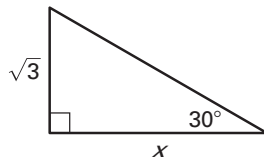
Your Notes

Example 4 Use a special right triangle to find a tangent

Use a special right triangle to find the tangent of a 30° angle.

Solution

Step 1 Choose ____ as the length of the shorter leg to simplify calculations. Use the 30° - 60° - 90° Triangle Theorem to find the length of the longer leg.



longer leg = _____

$x = \underline{\hspace{1cm}} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Step 2 Find $\tan 30^\circ$.

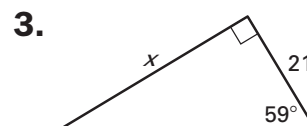
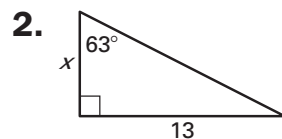
$\tan 30^\circ = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ Write ratio for tangent of 30° .

$\tan 30^\circ = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ Substitute.

The tangent of any 30° angle is $\underline{\hspace{1cm}} \approx \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$.

The tangents of all 30° angles are the same constant ratio. Any right triangle with a 30° angle can be used to determine this value.

Checkpoint In Exercises 2 and 3, find the value of x . Round to the nearest tenth.



4. In Example 4, suppose the length of the shorter leg is 1 instead of $\sqrt{3}$. Show that the tangent of 30° is still equal to $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$.

Homework

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7.6 Apply the Sine and Cosine Ratios

Complete the vocab. with definitions or pictures that make sense to you.

Goal • Use the sine and cosine ratios.

Your Notes

Rewrite the Goal as an "I can" statement!

VOCABULARY

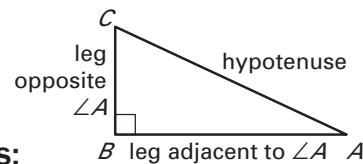
Sine, cosine

Angle of elevation

Angle of depression

SINE AND COSINE RATIOS

Let $\triangle ABC$ be a right triangle with acute $\angle A$. The sine of $\angle A$ and cosine of $\angle A$ (written $\sin A$ and $\cos A$) are defined as follows:



$$\sin A = \frac{\text{length of leg opposite } \angle A}{\text{length of hypotenuse}} = \frac{\square}{\square}$$

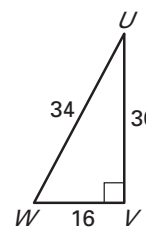
$$\cos A = \frac{\text{length of leg adjacent to } \angle A}{\text{length of hypotenuse}} = \frac{\square}{\square}$$

Remember these abbreviations:
sine \rightarrow sin
cosine \rightarrow cos
hypotenuse \rightarrow hyp

Your Notes

Example 1 Find sine ratios

Find $\sin U$ and $\sin W$. Write each answer as a fraction and as a decimal rounded to four places.



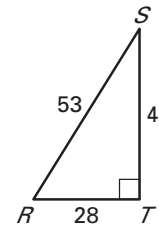
Solution

$$\sin U = \frac{\text{opp. } \angle U}{\text{hyp.}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} \approx \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\sin W = \frac{\text{opp. } \angle W}{\text{hyp.}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} \approx \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Example 2 Find cosine ratios

Find $\cos S$ and $\cos R$. Write each answer as a fraction and as a decimal rounded to four places.

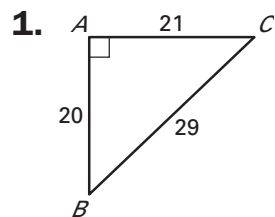


Solution

$$\cos S = \frac{\text{adj. to } \angle S}{\text{hyp.}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} \approx \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\cos R = \frac{\text{adj. to } \angle R}{\text{hyp.}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} = \frac{\boxed{}}{\boxed{}} \approx \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

✓ **Checkpoint** Find $\sin B$, $\sin C$, $\cos B$, and $\cos C$. Write each answer as a fraction and as a decimal rounded to four places.

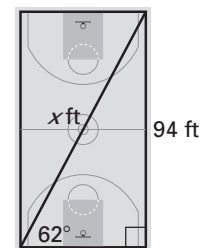


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Your Notes

Example 3 Use a trigonometric ratio to find a hypotenuse

Basketball You walk from one corner of a basketball court to the opposite corner. Write and solve a proportion using a trigonometric ratio to approximate the distance of the walk.



Solution

$\sin 62^\circ =$ _____ Write ratio for sine of 62° .

$\sin 62^\circ =$ _____ Substitute.

_____ \cdot _____ = _____ Multiply each side by _____.

$x =$ _____ Divide each side by _____.

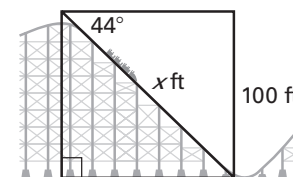
$x \approx$ _____ Use a calculator to find _____.

$x \approx$ _____ Simplify.

The distance of the walk is about _____ feet.

Example 4 Find a hypotenuse using an angle of depression

Roller Coaster You are at the top of a roller coaster 100 feet above the ground. The angle of depression is 44° . About how far do you ride down the hill?



$\sin 44^\circ =$ _____ Write ratio for sine of 44° .

$\sin 44^\circ =$ _____ Substitute.

$x \cdot$ _____ = _____ Multiply each side by _____.

$x =$ _____ Divide each side by _____.

$x \approx$ _____ Use a calculator to find _____.

$x \approx$ _____ Simplify.

You ride about _____ feet down the hill.

Your Notes

✓ Checkpoint Complete the following exercises.

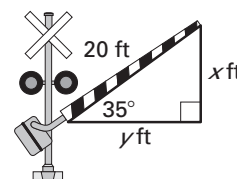
2. In Example 3, use the cosine ratio to approximate the width of the basketball court.

3. Suppose the angle of depression in Example 4 is 72° . About how far would you ride down the hill?

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Example 5 Find leg lengths using an angle of elevation

Railroad A railroad crossing arm that is 20 feet long is stuck with an angle of elevation of 35° . Find the lengths x and y .



Solution

Step 1 Find x .

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \frac{\text{opp.}}{\text{hyp.}}$$

Write ratio for _____ of _____.

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Substitute.

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = x$$

Multiply each side by _____.

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} \approx x$$

Use a calculator to simplify.

Step 2 Find y .

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \frac{\text{adj.}}{\text{hyp.}}$$

Write ratio for _____ of _____.

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Substitute.

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} = y$$

Multiply each side by _____.

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} \approx y$$

Use a calculator to simplify.

Your Notes

Example 6 Use a special right triangle to find a sin and cos

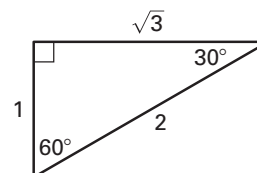
Use a special right triangle to find the sine and cosine of a 30° angle.

Solution

Use the 30° - 60° - 90° Triangle Theorem to draw a right triangle with side lengths of 1, $\sqrt{3}$, and _____. Then set up sine and cosine ratios for the 30° angle.

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{\quad}{\quad} = \frac{\quad}{\quad} = \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

$$\cos 30^\circ = \frac{\quad}{\quad} = \frac{\quad}{\quad} \approx \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$



✔ **Checkpoint** Complete the following exercises.

4. In Example 5, suppose the angle of elevation is 40° . What are the new lengths x and y ?

5. Use a special right triangle to find the sine and cosine of a 60° angle.

Homework

Stop and get the teacher's signature before you move on.

7.7

Solve Right Triangles

Complete the vocab. with definitions or pictures that make sense to you.

Goal • Use inverse tangent, sine, and cosine ratios.

Your Notes

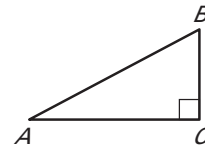
VOCABULARY

Solve a right triangle

The expression " $\tan^{-1} x$ " is read as "the inverse tangent of x ."

INVERSE TRIGONOMETRIC RATIOS

Let $\angle A$ be an acute angle.



Inverse Tangent If $\tan A = x$, then
 $\tan^{-1} x = m\angle A$.

$$\tan^{-1} \frac{BC}{AC} = m\angle A$$

Inverse Sine If $\sin A = y$, then
 $\sin^{-1} y = m\angle A$.

$$\sin^{-1} \frac{BC}{AB} = m\angle A$$

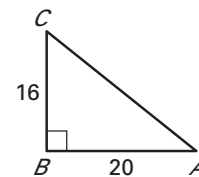
Inverse Cosine If $\cos A = z$, then
 $\cos^{-1} z = m\angle A$.

$$\cos^{-1} \frac{AC}{AB} = m\angle A$$

Rewrite the Goal as an "I can" statement!

Example 1 Use an inverse tangent to find an angle measure

Use a calculator to approximate the measure of $\angle A$ to the nearest tenth of a degree.



Because $\tan A = \frac{16}{20} = \frac{4}{5} = 0.8$,

$\tan^{-1} 0.8 = m\angle A$. Using a calculator,
 $\tan^{-1} 0.8 \approx 38.7^\circ$.

So, the measure of $\angle A$ is approximately 38.7° .

Checkpoint Complete the following exercise.

- In Example 1, use a calculator and an inverse tangent to approximate $m\angle C$ to the nearest tenth of a degree.

Stop and get the teacher's signature before you move on.

Your Notes

Example 2 Use an inverse sine and an inverse cosine

Let $\angle A$ and $\angle B$ be acute angles in two right triangles. Use a calculator to approximate the measures of $\angle A$ and $\angle B$ to the nearest tenth of a degree.

a. $\sin A = 0.76$

b. $\cos B = 0.17$

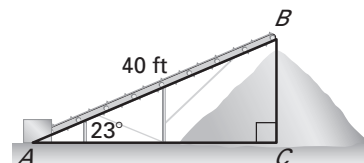
Solution

a. $m\angle A =$ _____
 \approx _____

b. $m\angle B =$ _____
 \approx _____

Example 3 Solve a right triangle

Solve the right triangle. Round decimal answers to the nearest tenth.



Solution

Step 1 Find $m\angle B$ by using the Triangle Sum Theorem.

_____ $= 90^\circ + 23^\circ + m\angle B$
 _____ $= m\angle B$

Step 2 Approximate BC using a _____ ratio.

_____ $= \frac{BC}{40}$ Write ratio for _____.
 _____ $= BC$ Multiply each side by _____.
 _____ $\approx BC$ Approximate _____.
 _____ $\approx BC$ Simplify and round answer.

Step 3 Approximate AC using a _____ ratio.

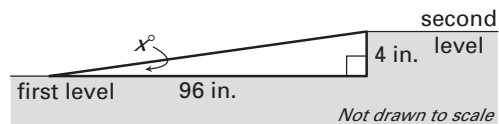
_____ $= \frac{AC}{40}$ Write ratio for _____.
 _____ $= AC$ Multiply each side by _____.
 _____ $\approx AC$ Approximate _____.
 _____ $\approx AC$ Simplify and round answer.

The angle measures are _____, _____, and _____. The side lengths are _____ feet, about _____ feet, and about _____ feet.

Your Notes

Example 4 Solve a real-world problem

Model Train You are building a track for a model train. You want the track to incline from the first level to the second level, 4 inches higher, in 96 inches. Is the angle of elevation less than 3° ?



Solution

Use the tangent and inverse tangent ratios to find the degree measure x of the incline.

$$\tan x^\circ = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}} = \frac{4}{96} \approx \frac{1}{24}$$

$$x \approx \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{24}\right) \approx 2.3^\circ$$

The incline is about 2.3° , so it is less than 3° .

✓ Checkpoint Complete the following exercises.

2. Find $m\angle D$ to the nearest tenth of a degree if $\sin D = 0.48$.

3. Solve a right triangle that has a 50° angle and a 15 inch hypotenuse.

4. In Example 4, suppose another incline rises 8 inches in 120 inches. Is the incline less than 3° ?

Homework

Stop and get the teacher's signature before you move on.