

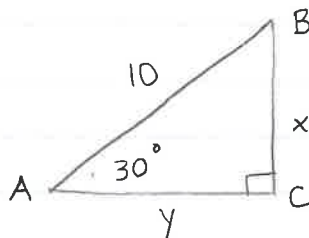
Trigonometric Ratios

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Q: When can you use the three trigonometric ratios to solve for an unknown angle in right triangles?

How would I solve for angle θ in a Δ ?

Interior Angles $\Delta: 180^\circ$



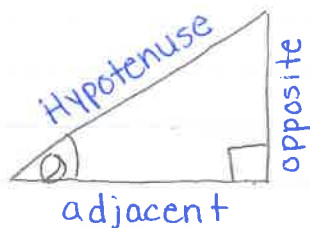
Why do the trig ratios work?

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$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{\text{OPP}}{\text{hyp}}$$

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{\text{OPP}}{\text{adj}}$$



θ : Theta

(θ) : angle

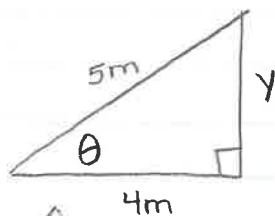
$\frac{x}{y}$: side-lengths

α : alpha

β : beta

γ : gamma

When do we use Law of Sin and Cos?



$\theta = ?$

hyp = 5m

a = 4m

opp = y

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{4m}{5m} \cos^{-1}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)$$

$$\theta = 36.9^\circ$$

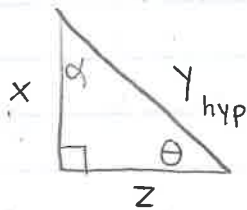
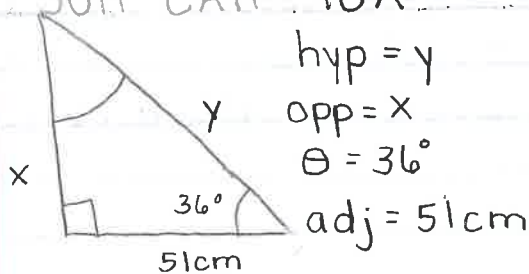
✓ Law of Sin: $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$

✓ Law of Cosine: $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2(ab)\cos C$

✓ $A = \frac{1}{2}(b)(h)$ or $A = \frac{1}{2}(a)(b)\sin C$

Trig ratios help determine the degree or a missing angle of a right triangle. Trig ratios are also helpful in the sense of proving they work well with the Pythagorean theorem.

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$$\sin(\alpha) = \frac{y}{z} \quad \cos(\theta) = \frac{z}{y}$$

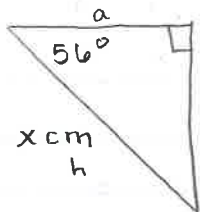
$$\cos(\alpha) = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$\tan(\alpha) = \frac{z}{x}$$

$$y \cdot \cos(36^\circ) = \frac{51\text{cm} \cdot y}{y}$$

$$y \cdot \frac{\cos(36^\circ)}{\cos(36^\circ)} = \frac{51\text{cm}}{\cos(36^\circ)}$$

$$y = 63.04\text{cm}$$

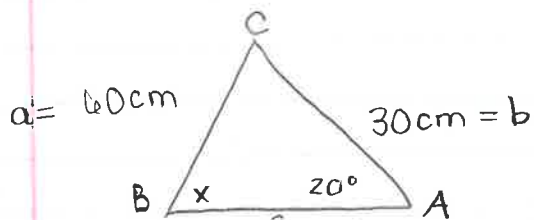


$$x \cdot \sin(56^\circ) = \frac{4}{x} \cdot x$$

$$\frac{\sin(56^\circ)}{\sin(56^\circ)} = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$x = 4.82\text{cm}$$

Law of Sine



$$\frac{\sin(A)}{a} = \frac{\sin(B)}{b} = \frac{\sin(C)}{c} \leftarrow \text{angles}$$

$c \leftarrow \text{side lengths}$

- * angle will always be opposite of side length
- * only use 2 out of 3 equations

$$\frac{\sin(20^\circ)}{60\text{cm}} = \frac{\sin(B)}{30\text{cm}}$$

$$\frac{\sin(20^\circ)}{60\text{cm}} = \sin(B) \cdot \sin^{-1}$$

$$\left(\frac{30 \cdot \sin(20^\circ)}{60\text{cm}} \right) = B$$

$$9.85^\circ = B$$