

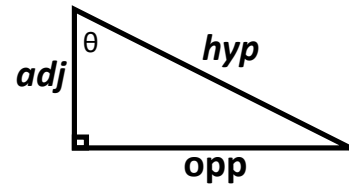
Lesson 4.0: Review of Trigonometry

Recall: In a right triangle, the primary trig ratios are:

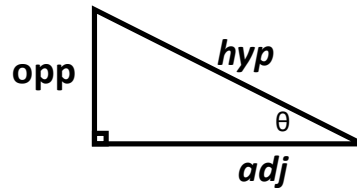
sine $\sin \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$

cosine $\cos \theta = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$

tangent $\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$

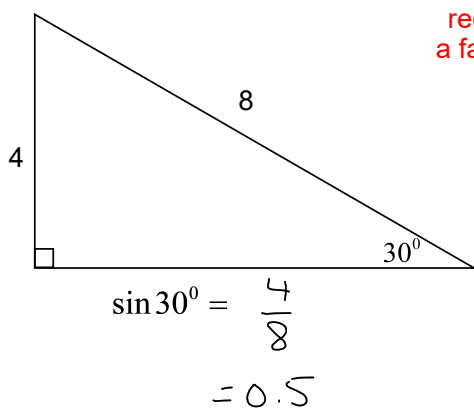


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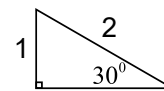


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These ratios compare the lengths of the sides of a triangle. Trig stems from similar triangles. Any right triangle with a 30° angle (for example), whatever its size, will have the same ratio of sides lengths because the angles are the same!



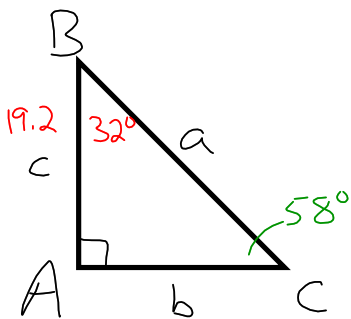
reduce by a factor of 4
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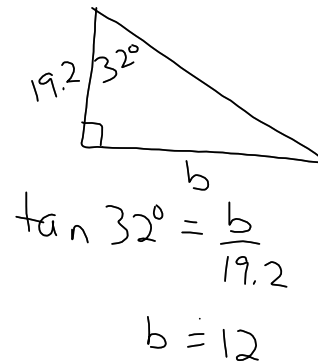
$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5$

Recall: To "solve a triangle" means to find the measures of all 3 sides and all 3 angles.

Ex. 1 In $\triangle ABC$, $\angle A = 90^\circ$, $\angle B = 32^\circ$, and $c = 19.2$ cm. Solve the triangle. Include a well-labelled diagram.

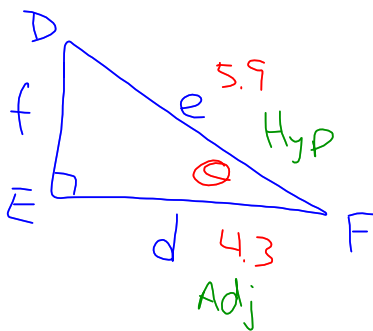


All angles add to 180°
 $\angle C = 180^\circ - 90^\circ - 32^\circ$
 $= 58^\circ$
 $a^2 = b^2 + c^2$
 $= 12^2 + 19.2^2$
 $a = 22.6$



$\angle C = 58^\circ$
 $a = 22.6$
 $b = 12$

Ex. 2 In $\triangle DEF$, $\angle E = 90^\circ$, $d = 4.3$ m, and $e = 5.9$ m. Solve for $\angle F$.



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$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{Adj}}{\text{Hyp}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{4.3}{5.9}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{4.3}{5.9}\right)$$

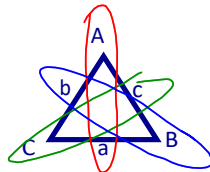
$$= 43^\circ$$

But what if the triangle is not right-angled?

Recall:

The Sine Law

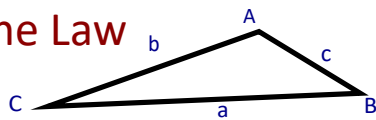
In $\triangle ABC$,



$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$$

The Cosine Law

In $\triangle ABC$,

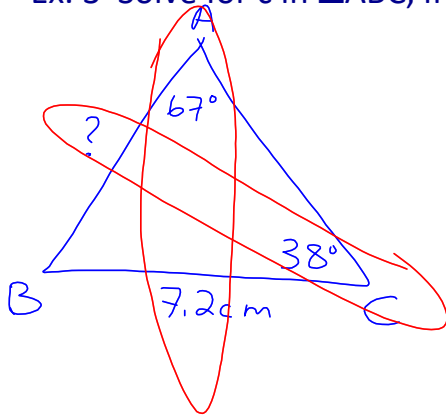


$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C \quad \text{rearrange -->} \quad \cos C = \frac{a^2 + b^2 - c^2}{2ab}$$

(Used when finding a side). (Used when finding an angle).

We will derive these formulas in lesson 4.4 A

Ex. 3 Solve for c in $\triangle ABC$, if $\angle A = 67^\circ$, $\angle C = 38^\circ$, and $a = 7.2$ cm.



$$\frac{c}{\sin C} = \frac{a}{\sin A}$$

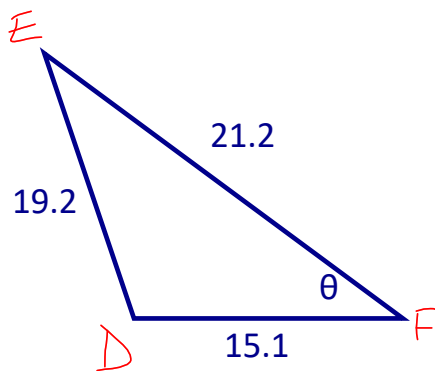
$$\frac{c}{\sin 38^\circ} = \frac{7.2}{\sin 67^\circ}$$

$$c = \sin 38^\circ \left(\frac{7.2}{\sin 67^\circ} \right)$$

$$= 4.8$$

\therefore Side c is 4.8 cm

Ex. 4 Solve for the unknown angle θ .



$$f^2 = d^2 + e^2 - 2de \cos F$$

$$19.2^2 = 21.2^2 + 15.1^2 - 2(21.2)(15.1) \cos \theta$$

$$19.2^2 - 21.2^2 - 15.1^2 = -2(21.2)(15.1) \cos \theta$$

$$\frac{19.2^2 - 21.2^2 - 15.1^2}{-2(21.2)(15.1)} = \cos \theta$$

$$0.4823 = \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = 61^\circ$$

p. 274 # 1, 2a, 4a, 5a, 6, 7

p. 281 # 7, 8, 12, 16ab

