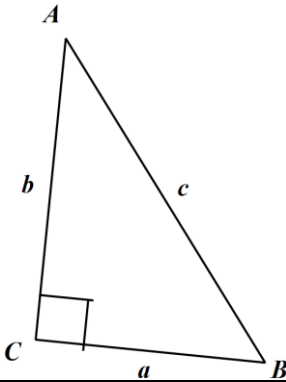


# 7.6

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Objective: I can use right triangle trig, law of sines and law of cosines in real-world situations

## A. Right Triangle Reminders



1. Right triangle trigonometric functions:

to find side

$$\sin \theta = \frac{o}{h} \quad \text{SOH}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{a}{h} \quad \text{CAH}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{o}{a} \quad \text{TOA}$$

2. How to solve for a side if given 2 sides:

Pythag thm

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

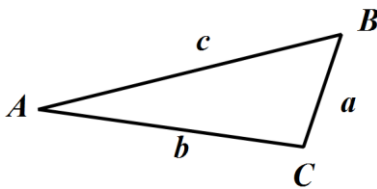
3. How to find an angle: inverse trig

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{o}{h}\right) = \theta$$

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{a}{h}\right) = \theta$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{o}{a}\right) = \theta$$

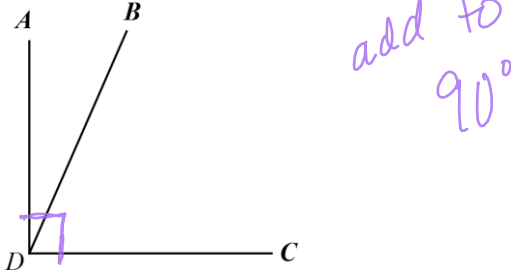
## B. Information on all triangles



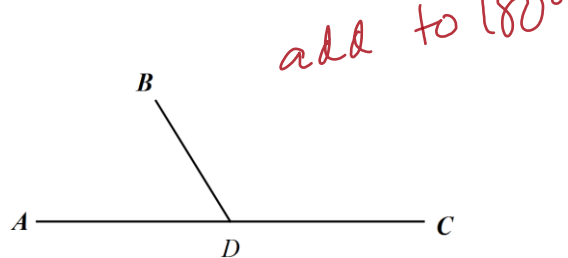
1. Triangle Sum Theorem:

angles add to  $180^\circ$

2. Complementary Angles:



3. Supplementary Angles:



4. How to solve if given AAS, ASA, ASS:

law of sines

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

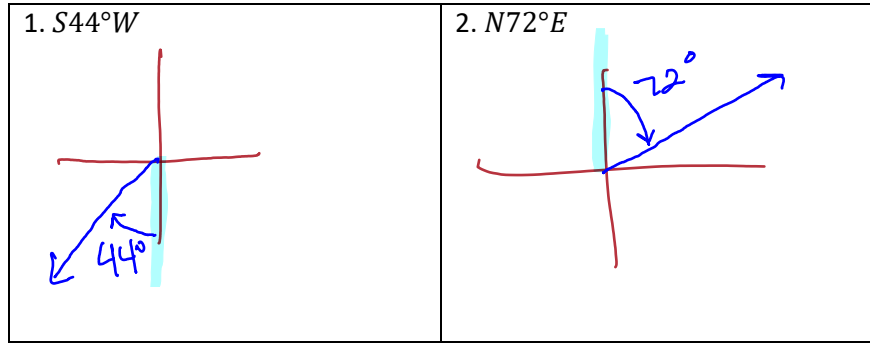
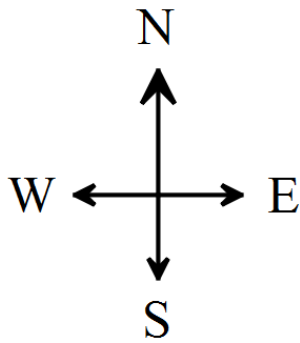
5. How to solve if given SAS, SSS:

law of cosines

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

C. Directions

Vocabulary: Bearing, heading, in the direction of



D. Descriptions of angles and variables

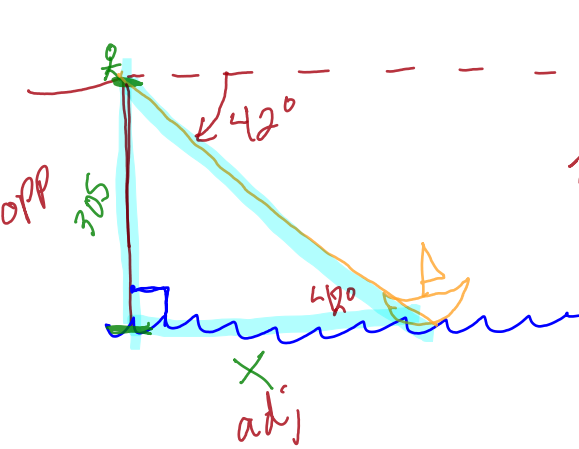
<p>1. Define your variables:</p> <p><math>x = \text{question}</math></p>	<p>2. Line of sight:</p>
<p>3. Angle of Elevation: <i>ground up</i></p>	<p>4. Angle of depression: <i>horizon down</i></p>

E. DRAW pictures!!!!!!!

Example 1

You are standing on top of a cliff 305 feet above a lake after a hike. The measurement of the angle of depression to a boat on the lake is  $42^\circ$ . How far is the boat from the base of the cliff?  $= x$

$x =$  distance of cliff to boat



$$\tan 42^\circ = \frac{305}{x}$$

$$305 \left( \frac{1}{\tan 42^\circ} = \frac{x}{305} \right)$$

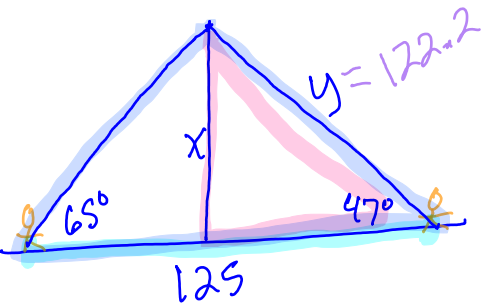
calc  
 $305 \div \tan(42)$

$x \approx 338.7 \text{ ft}$

Example 2

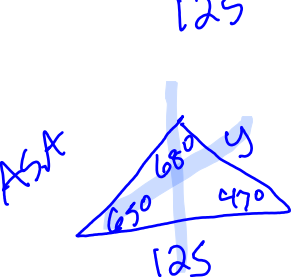
Two tourists are 125 feet apart on opposite sides of a monument. The angles of elevation from the tourists to the top of the monument are  $47^\circ$  and  $65^\circ$ . Find the height of the monument to the nearest foot.  $= x$

$y =$  distance from top of monument to  $47^\circ$  tourist



$$\left( \sin 47^\circ = \frac{x}{122.2} \right)^{122.2}$$

$x \approx 89 \text{ ft}$



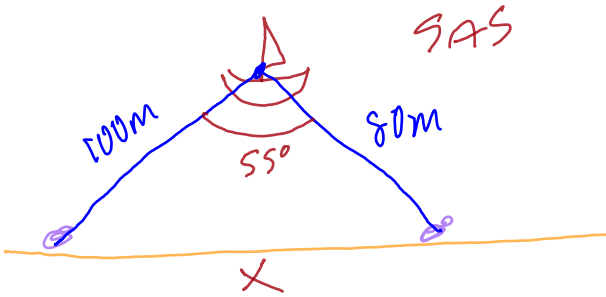
$$\left( \frac{125}{\sin 68^\circ} = \frac{y}{\sin 65^\circ} \right)^{\sin 65^\circ}$$

$y \approx 122.2 \text{ ft}$

### Example 3

The distances from a boat to two seagulls on the shore are 100m and 80m respectively. If the angle between the two lines of sight is  $55^\circ$ , how far would one seagull have to walk to meet the other seagull?

$x$  = distance between seagulls

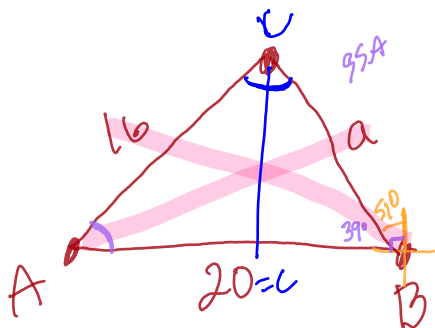


$$x = \sqrt{100^2 + 80^2 - 2(100)(80)\cos 55^\circ}$$

$$x \approx 85.0 \text{ m}$$

### Example 4

Observatory B is 20 miles east of observatory A in the middle of the desert. A car leaves A and drives 16 miles towards a meteor sighting. At this time, it is sighted from B. If the car is  $N51^\circ W$  from observatory B, how far from observatory B is the car? Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a mile.



$$180^\circ - 39^\circ = 51.9^\circ = A = 89.1^\circ$$

$$\left( \frac{\sin C}{20} = \frac{\sin 39^\circ}{16} \right) 20$$
$$\sin^{-1} \left( \frac{20 \sin 39^\circ}{16} \right) = C$$

$$C = 51.9^\circ$$

$$\left( \frac{a}{\sin 89.1^\circ} = \frac{16}{\sin 39^\circ} \right) \sin 89.1^\circ$$
$$a \approx 25.4 \text{ mi}$$