Problem 3.3.14.

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Question

Question: Construct a right triangle in which the sides, (other than the hypotenuse) are of length 6 cm and 8 cm.

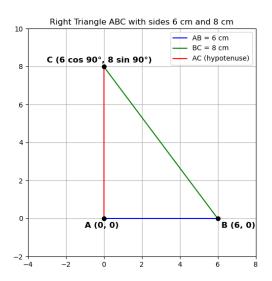
Solution

Let the two perpendicular sides have lengths 6 cm and 8 cm respectively. Assume vertices:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 6\cos 90^{\circ} \\ 8\sin 90^{\circ} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

This forms a right angle at vertex B.





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#include <stdio.h>
#include "trianglefun.h"
int main() {
   Point A, B, C;
   construct_right_triangle(&A, &B, &C);
   printf("Coordinates of triangle vertices:\n");
   printf("A: (\%.2f, \%.2f)\n", A.x, A.y);
   printf("B: (\%.2f, \%.2f)\n", B.x, B.y);
   // Print symbolic expression alongside evaluated coordinate
       for C
   printf("C: (6 * cos(90) = \%.2f, 8 * sin(90) = \%.2f) \n", C.x,
       C.y);
   return 0;
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
 import numpy as np
 # Define vertices A, B, C
 A = np.array([0, 0])
 B = np.array([6, 0])
 C = np.array([6 * np.cos(np.radians(90)), 8 * np.sin(np.radians
     (90)))) # (0, 8)
 # Create plot
 plt.figure(figsize=(6,6))
 # Draw triangle sides
 plt.plot([A[0], B[0]], [A[1], B[1]], 'b-', label='AB = 6 cm')
plt.plot([B[0], C[0]], [B[1], C[1]], 'g-', label='BC = 8 cm')
 |plt.plot([C[0], A[0]], [C[1], A[1]], 'r-', label='AC (hypotenuse)
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# Mark points with labels and coordinates
 plt.plot(A[0], A[1], 'ko')
 |plt.text(A[0]-1, A[1]-0.5, 'A(0, 0)', fontsize=12, fontweight='
     bold')
 |plt.plot(B[0], B[1], 'ko')
 plt.text(B[0]+0.2, B[1]-0.5, 'B(6, 0)', fontsize=12, fontweight=
     'bold')
 plt.plot(C[0], C[1], 'ko')
 plt.text(C[0]-3, C[1]+0.2, 'C (6 cos 90, 8 sin 90)', fontsize=12,
      fontweight='bold')
 # Set axes limits and grid
 plt.xlim(-4, 8)
plt.ylim(-2, 10)
plt.grid(True)
 plt.gca().set aspect('equal', adjustable='box')
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Python Code for Plotting

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# Title and legend
plt.title('Right Triangle ABC with sides 6 cm and 8 cm')
plt.legend()

# Save plot as PNG file
plt.savefig('triangle_abc_with_expr_coords.png')

# Close plot
plt.close()
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