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Question

Draw an Right angle triangle $\triangle ABC$ in which $BC = 12$ cm, $AB = 5$ cm, and $\angle B = 90^\circ$.

Table

Variable	Value
<i>BC</i>	12 cm
<i>AB</i>	5 cm
$\angle B$	90°

Table:

$$AB^2 = 5^2 = 25, \quad (1)$$

$$BC^2 = 12^2 = 144. \quad (2)$$

The squared length of AC is just the vector AC dotted with itself. In matrix form, that means multiplying the row vector (transpose) of AC with the column vector AC.

Theoretical Solution

$$AC^2 = (\mathbf{AC})^T (\mathbf{AC}) \quad (3)$$

$$= (12 - 5) \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$= (12 \times 12) + (-5 \times -5) \quad (5)$$

$$= 144 + 25 = 169 \quad (6)$$

Thus, the length of AC is:

$$AC = \sqrt{169} = 13 \text{ cm.} \quad (7)$$

Theoretical Solution

Let's put the triangle on the coordinate plane. Since $\angle B$ is a right angle, we put B at the origin.

$$\mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ because } AB = 5 \text{ cm on the } y\text{-axis}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ because } BC = 12 \text{ cm on the } x\text{-axis}$$

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
double calculateHypotenuse(double side1, double side2) {
    return sqrt((side1 * side1) + (side2 * side2));
}
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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# --- Problem Definition ---
# Draw a line segment of length 7.6 cm and divide it in the ratio
# 5:8.
# Measure the two parts.

# --- Calculations ---
total_length = 7.6
ratio_a = 5
ratio_b = 8
total_ratio_parts = ratio_a + ratio_b
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# Calculate the length of each part
length_part1 = (ratio_a / total_ratio_parts) * total_length
length_part2 = (ratio_b / total_ratio_parts) * total_length

# Print the calculated measurements to the console
print(fTotal length of the line segment: {total_length} cm)
print(fRatio of division: {ratio_a}:{ratio_b})
print(- * 30)
print(fCalculated length of the first part (5 parts): {
    length_part1:.2f} cm)
print(fCalculated length of the second part (8 parts): {
    length_part2:.2f} cm)
print(fVerification (Sum of parts): {length_part1 + length_part2
    :.2f} cm)
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Python Code

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# --- Visualization Setup ---
# Define the coordinates for the line segment and the division
point
# Let's place the line segment on the x-axis for simplicity
A = np.array([0, 0])
B = np.array([total_length, 0])
P = np.array([length_part1, 0]) # The point of division

# Create a figure and axis for the plot
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 4))
ax = plt.gca()

# --- Plot the Line and Points ---
# Plot the main line segment from A to B
plt.plot([A[0], B[0]], [A[1], B[1]], 'b-', lw=2, label=f'Total
Length = {total_length} cm')
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# Mark the start, end, and division points with red dots
points = {'A': A, 'P': P, 'B': B}
for label, point in points.items():
    plt.scatter(point[0], point[1], color='red', zorder=5)
    # Add labels below the points
    plt.text(point[0], point[1] - 0.2, f'{label}', ha='center',
             fontsize=12)

# --- Add Annotations and Labels ---
# Add labels for the two measured parts above the line segments
plt.text((A[0] + P[0]) / 2, 0.2, f'{length_part1:.2f} cm', ha='
    center', va='bottom', fontsize=10, color='darkgreen')
plt.text((P[0] + B[0]) / 2, 0.2, f'{length_part2:.2f} cm', ha='
    center', va='bottom', fontsize=10, color='purple')
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# --- Set Plot Properties ---
plt.xlabel('Length (cm)')
plt.ylabel('')
plt.title('Line Segment of Length 7.6 cm Divided in the Ratio 5:8
')
plt.legend(loc='best')
plt.grid(True, linestyle='--', alpha=0.6)

# Set axis limits for better viewing and remove y-axis ticks
plt.xlim(-0.5, 8.5)
plt.ylim(-1, 1)
ax.yaxis.set_major_locator(plt.NullLocator()) # Hide y-axis ticks
as they are not needed
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# Ensure the aspect ratio is not distorted
ax.set_aspect('equal', adjustable='box')

# Save the plot to a file
plt.savefig('divided_line_segment.png', bbox_inches='tight')

# Display the plot
plt.show()
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Plot

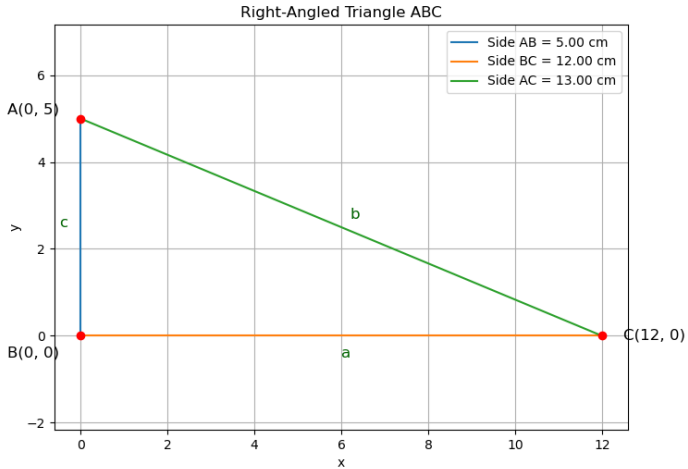


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