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Question: The construction of a $\triangle ABC$, given that BC = 6cm, $\angle B = 45^\circ$ is not possible when difference of **AB** and **AC** is equal to

1) 6.9cm
2) 5.2cm
3) 5.0cm
4) 4.0cm

Solution: Using the cosine formula in $\triangle ABC$,

Variable	Description
a	Length of side **BC** = 6cm
b	Length of side **AC**
c	Length of side **AB**
k	$k = b - c$
$\angle B$	45°

TABLE 4: Variables and given data

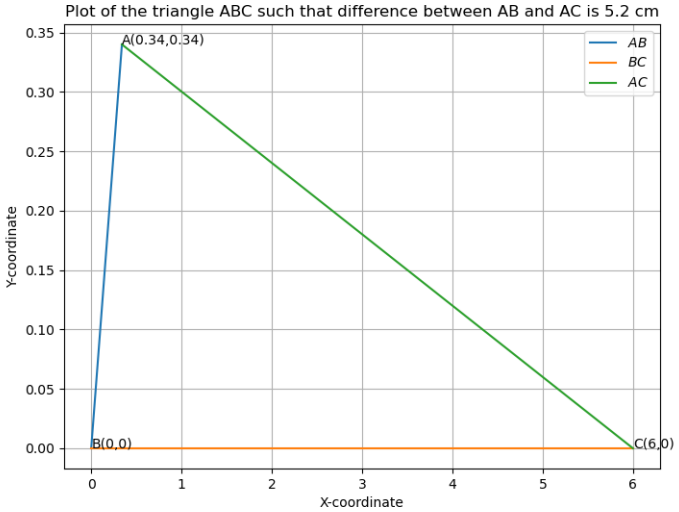
$$b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac\cos B \tag{4.1}$$

$$(k+c)^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac\cos B \tag{4.2}$$

$$\implies c = \frac{a^2 - k^2}{2\left(k + a\cos B\right)} \tag{4.3}$$

$$c = \frac{36 - k^2}{2\left(k + 3\sqrt{2}\right)} \tag{4.4}$$

Therefore, $k \leq$ 6cm .


Plot of the triangle ABC such that difference between AB and AC is 5.2 cm
A(0.34,0.34)
B(0,0)
C(6,0)
AB
BC
AC
Y-coordinate
X-coordinate
0.35
0.30
0.25
0.20
0.15
0.10
0.05
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2
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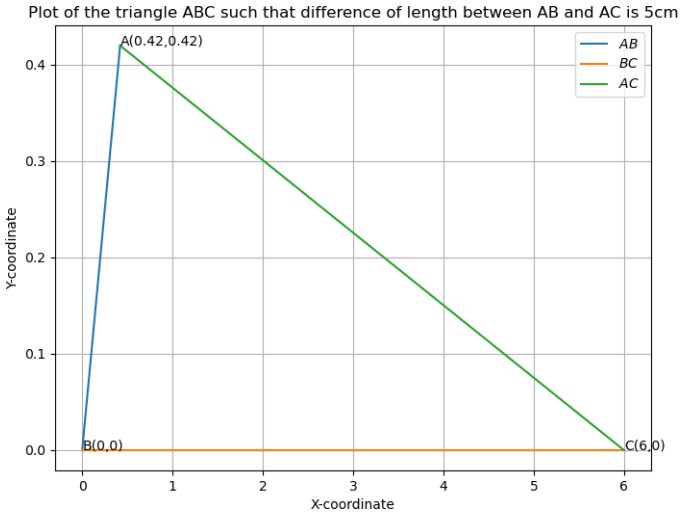
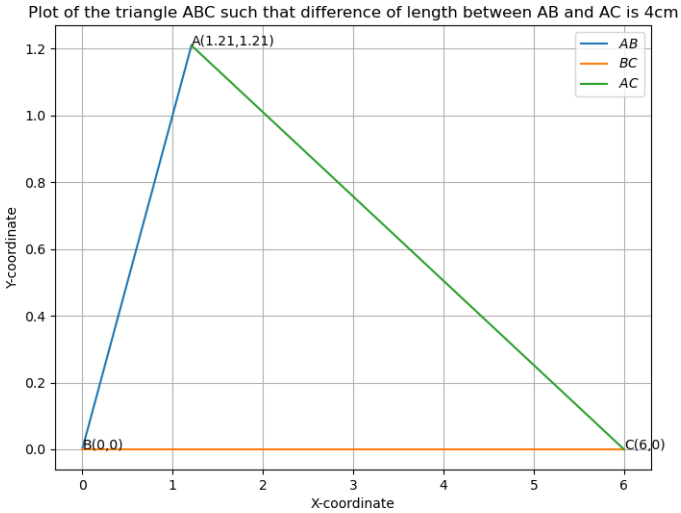

Plot of the triangle ABC such that difference of length between AB and AC is 5cm
A(0.42,0.42)
B(0,0)
C(6,0)
AB
BC
AC
Y-coordinate
X-coordinate
0.4
0.3
0.2
0.1
0.0
0
1
2
3
4
5
6


Plot of the triangle ABC such that difference of length between AB and AC is 4cm
A(1.21,1.21)
B(0,0)
C(6,0)
AB
BC
AC
Y-coordinate
X-coordinate
0.0
0.2
0.4
0.6
0.8
1.0
1.2
0
1
2
3
4
5
6