

Construction of triangle

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Question

Construct a right triangle when one side is 3.5 cm, and the sum of the other side and the hypotenuse is 5.5 cm.

Solution: Parameters

Segment	Norm	Angles
$ AB $	3.5	$\angle C$
$ BC $	Distance between B and C	$\angle A = 90^\circ$
$ AC $	Distance between C and A	$\angle B$

Table: Input parameters

Solution:

Given:

$$c = 3.5 \text{ cm}, \quad a + b = 5.5 \text{ cm}, \quad \angle A = 90^\circ$$

Using the cosine formula in $\triangle ABC$

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

$$\implies (5.5 - b)^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

Solution: Further Calculations

Expanding and solving the equation :

$$\implies b \approx 2.5cm$$

The coordinates of $\triangle ABC$ can then be expressed as:

$$C = b \begin{bmatrix} \sin A \\ \cos A \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = 0 \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

C-Code

```
1      #include <stdio.h>
2      #include <math.h>
3
4      int main() {
5          // Given values
6          double a = 3.5;           // One side of the triangle
7          double sum_bc = 5.5;      // Sum of the other side and
          ↪   the hypotenuse
8
9          // Variables to hold the lengths of the other side
          ↪   and the hypotenuse
10         double b, c;
11
12         // Calculate the other side (b) and the hypotenuse
          ↪   (c)
13         b = (pow(sum_bc, 2) - pow(a, 2)) / (2 * sum_bc);
14         c = sum_bc - b;
15
16
17
```

C-Code

```
1  // Calculate the endpoints
2  double Ax = 0.0, Ay = 0.0;           // Vertex A
3  double Bx = 0.0, By = a;             // Vertex B
4  double Cx = b, Cy = 0.0;             // Vertex C
5
6  // Open a file for writing
7  FILE *file = fopen("data.txt", "w");
8  if (file == NULL) {
9      printf("Error opening file!\n");
10     return 1;
11 }
12
13 // Write the endpoints to the file
14 fprintf(file, "Endpoints of the triangle:\n");
15 fprintf(file, "A (0.00, 0.00)\n");
16 fprintf(file, "B (0.00, %.2f)\n", By);
17 fprintf(file, "C (0.3f, 0.00)\n", Cx);
```

C-Code

```
1  // Close the file
2  fclose(file);
3
4  // Output to console (optional)
5  printf("Endpoints saved to data.txt\n");
6  printf("A (%.2f, %.2f)\n", Ax, Ay);
7  printf("B (%.2f, %.2f)\n", Bx, By);
8  printf("C (%.3f, %.2f)\n", Cx, Cy);
9
10 return 0;
11 }
```


Python Code

```
1     import numpy as np
2     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3
4     # Function to read coordinates from 'data.txt'
5     def read_coordinates(filename='data.txt'):
6         coordinates = {}
7         with open(filename, 'r') as file:
8             for line in file:
9                 line = line.strip() # Remove any
10                  ↪ leading/trailing whitespace
11                 if line: # Skip empty lines
12                     try:
13                         point, coords = line.split(' ', 1) #
14                         ↪ Split into point and coordinates
15                         coords = coords.strip('()') # Remove
16                         ↪ parentheses
17                         x, y = map(float, coords.split(','))
18                         ↪ # Split by ',' and convert to
19                         ↪ floats
```

Python Code

```
1
2             coordinates[point] = np.array([x,
3             ↪ y]).reshape(-1, 1)
4         except ValueError as e:
5             print(f"Error processing line:
6             ↪ {line}. Error: {e}")
7
8         return coordinates
9
10    # Read triangle vertices from 'data.txt'
11    vertices = read_coordinates()
12
13    # Check if vertices were read correctly
14    if not vertices:
15        print("No vertices found. Exiting.")
16        exit()
17
18    # Extract points A, B, and C from the vertices
19    A = vertices['A']
20    B = vertices['B']
```

Python Code

```
1
2 C = vertices['C']
3
4 # Function to generate the line between two points
5 def line_gen(P, Q):
6     return np.hstack((P, Q))
7
8 # Generate lines for the triangle sides
9 x_AB = line_gen(A, B)
10 x_BC = line_gen(B, C)
11 x_CA = line_gen(C, A)
12
13 # Plotting the triangle sides
14 plt.plot(x_AB[0, :], x_AB[1, :], label='AB')
15 plt.plot(x_BC[0, :], x_BC[1, :], label='BC')
16 plt.plot(x_CA[0, :], x_CA[1, :], label='CA')
17
```

Python Code

```
1  # Scatter plot of the vertices
2  plt.scatter(A[0], A[1], color='red', zorder=5)
3  plt.scatter(B[0], B[1], color='red', zorder=5)
4  plt.scatter(C[0], C[1], color='red', zorder=5)
5  # Label the vertices with coordinates
6  plt.text(A[0] + 0.1, A[1], f'A {A.flatten()}',
   ↪  fontsize=12, ha='center')
7  plt.text(B[0] + 0.1, B[1], f'B {B.flatten()}',
   ↪  fontsize=12, ha='center')
8  plt.text(C[0] + 0.1, C[1], f'C {C.flatten()}',
   ↪  fontsize=12, ha='center')
9  # Set equal scaling and labels
10 plt.axis('equal')
11 plt.xlabel('x')
12 plt.ylabel('y')
13 plt.grid(True)
14 plt.legend()
15 plt.title('Triangle ABC with Coordinates')
16 # Show the plot
17 plt.show()
```

Diagram

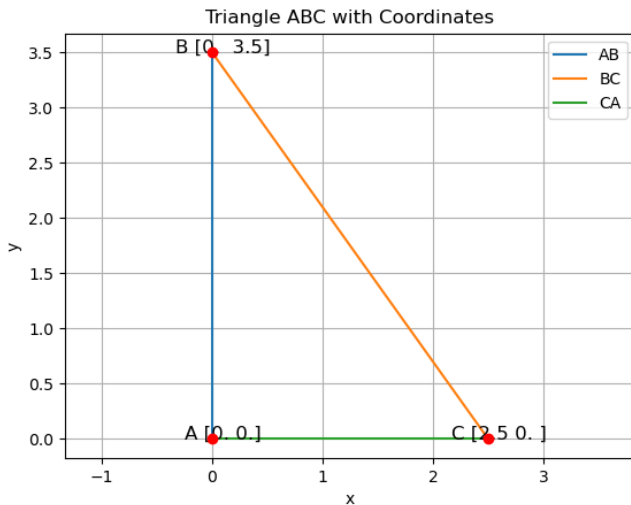


Figure: Right triangle with $c = 3.5$ cm, $a+b = 5.5$ cm and $\angle A = 90^\circ$.