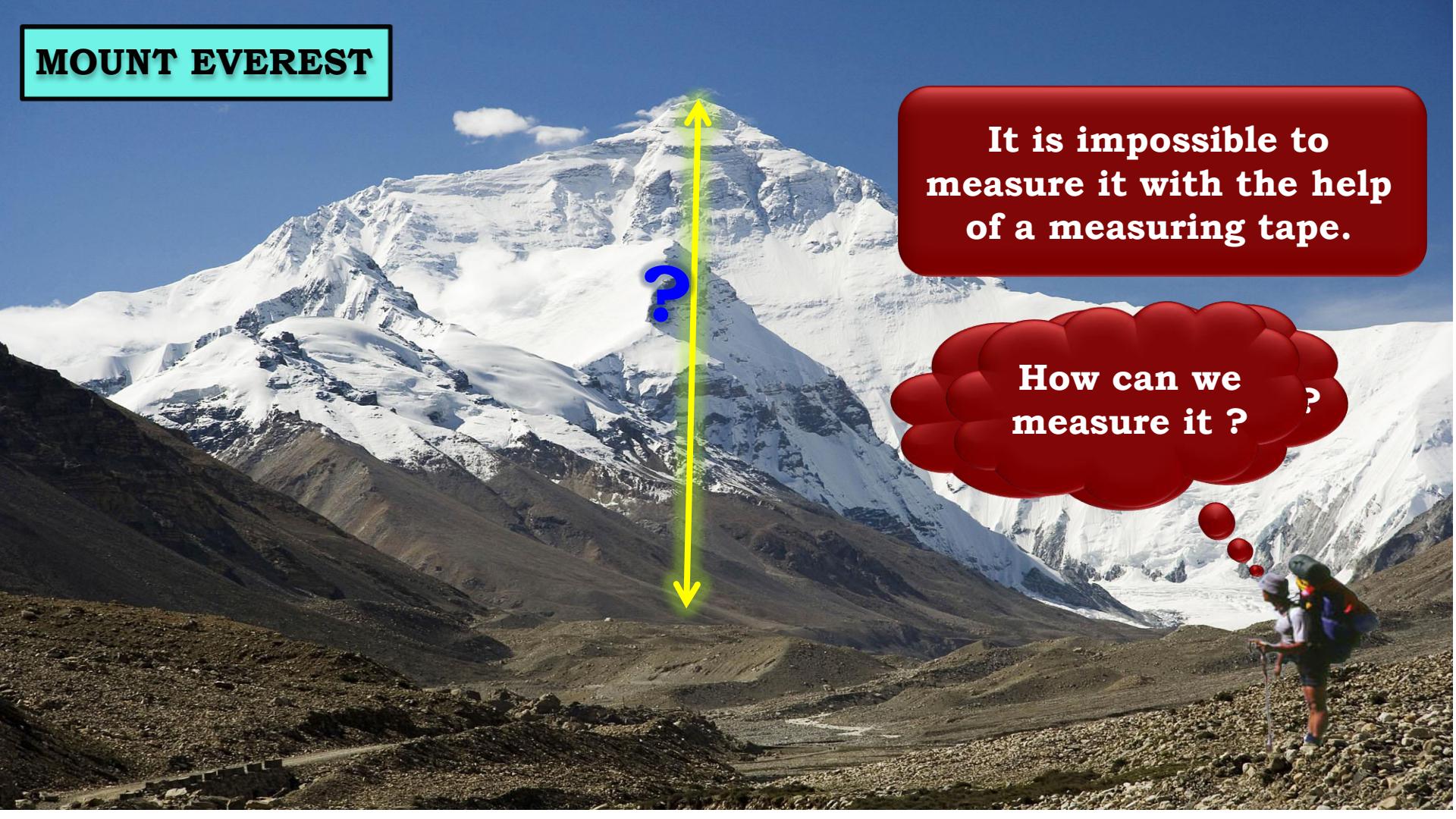


SOME APPLICATIONS OF TRIGONOMETRY

- **Introduction**

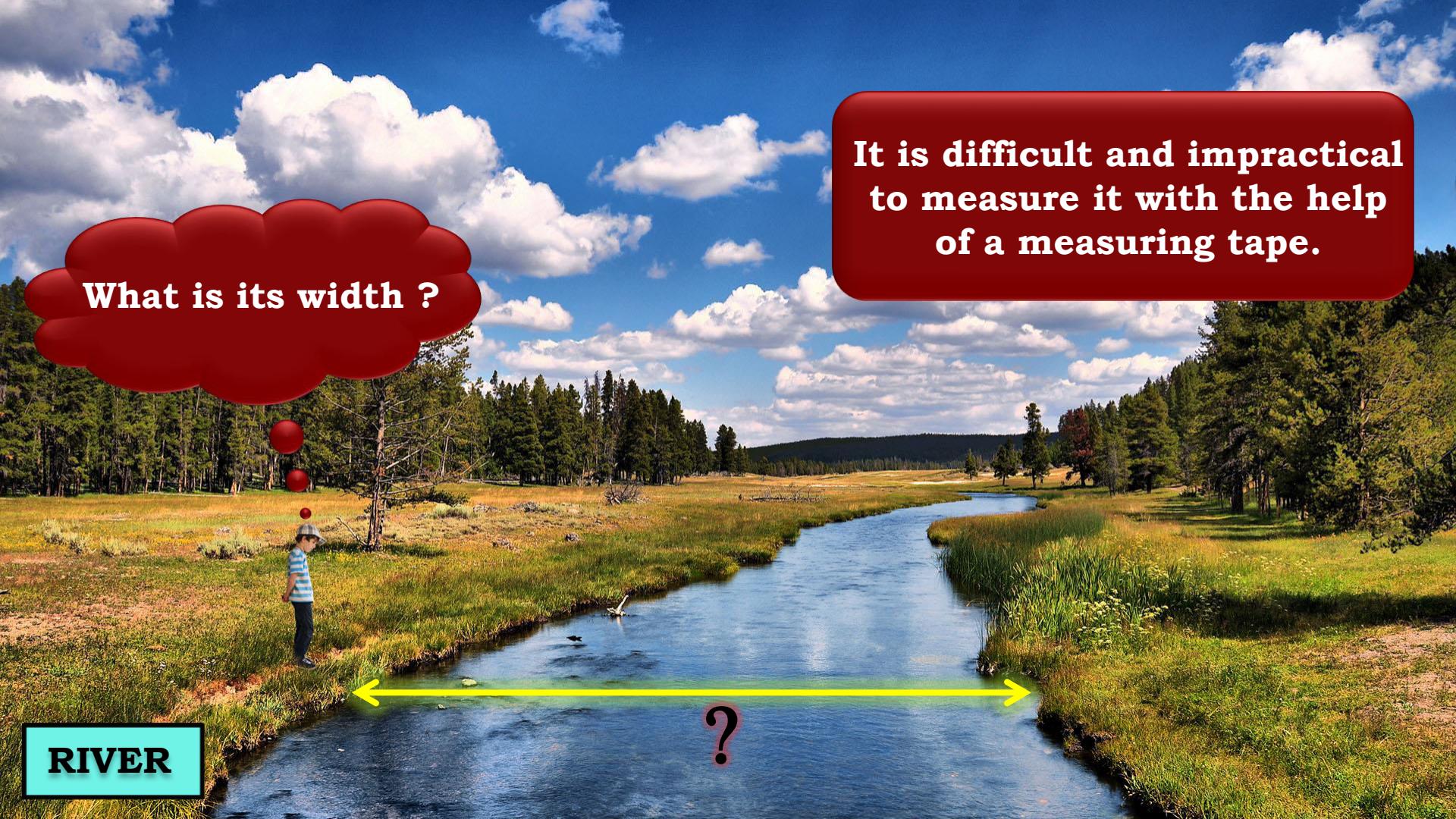
Module 1

MOUNT EVEREST



It is impossible to
measure it with the help
of a measuring tape.

How can we
measure it ?



RIVER

It is difficult and impractical
to measure it with the help
of a measuring tape.

What is its width ?

EIFFEL TOWER

It is impossible to measure it with the help of a measuring tape.

Hey...Its looking beautiful. What is its height ?

Yes





Such **Heights** and **Distances** can be found
by Applying **TRIGONOMETRY**.

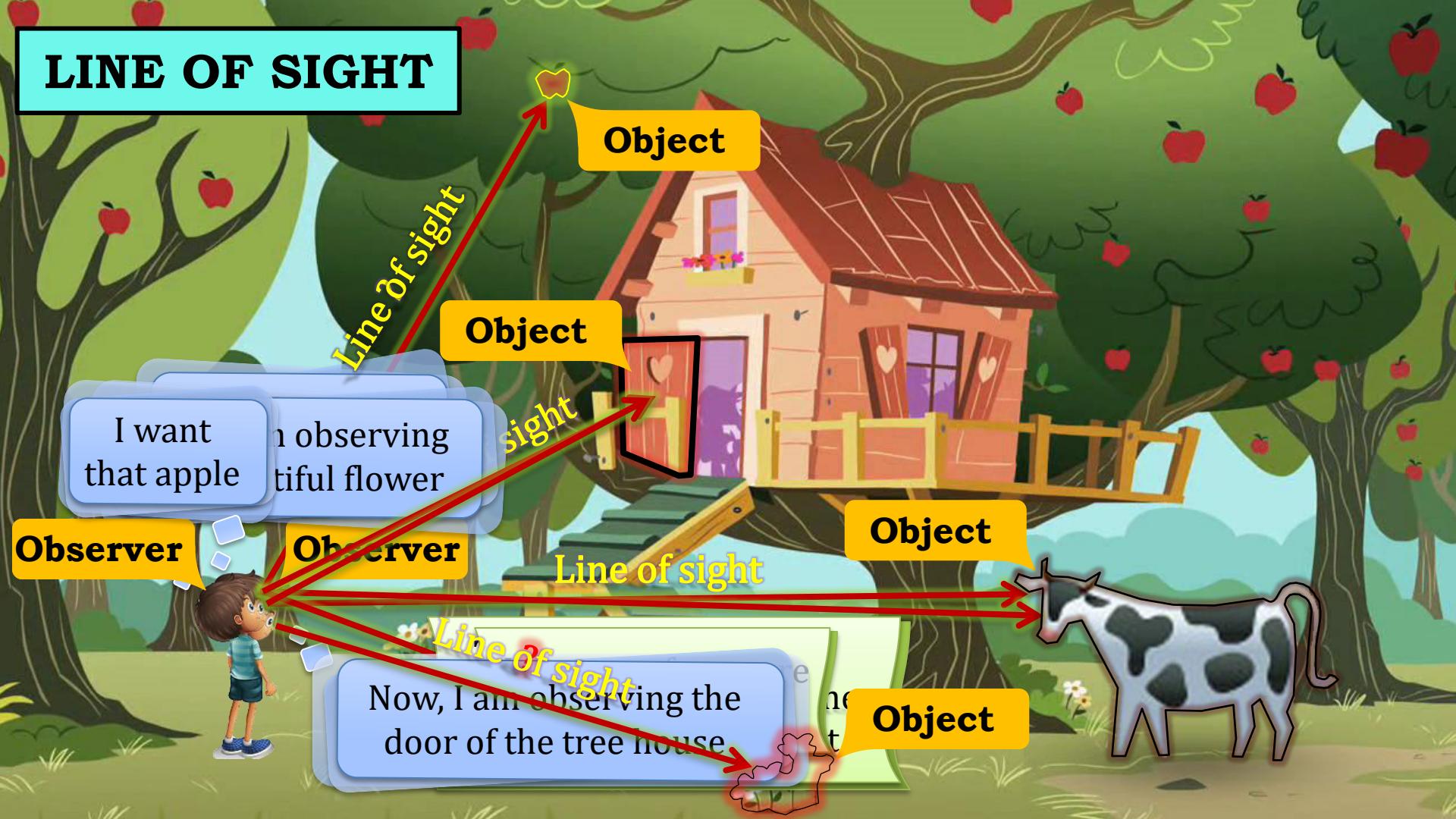
We need to learn few important terms :

- 1. Line of sight**
- 2. Horizontal line**
- 3. Angle of Elevation**
- 4. Angle of Depression**

I am going to
explain you all
the important
terms.



LINE OF SIGHT



ANGLE OF ELEVATION

: Remember :

Angle of Elevation is formed, when the object is above the horizontal line.

I am observing the top of the tree.

Observer



Line of sight

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Horizontal line

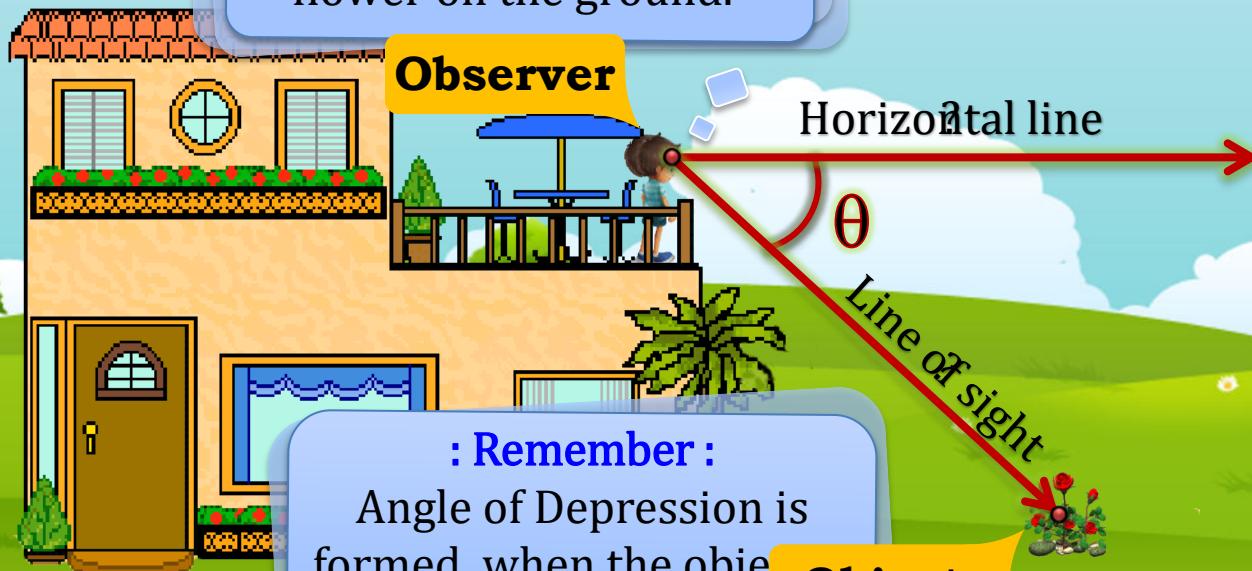
This line is called the 'Horizontal line'.
and is parallel to the ground.

Object



ANGLE OF DEPRESSION

I am observing the flower on the ground.



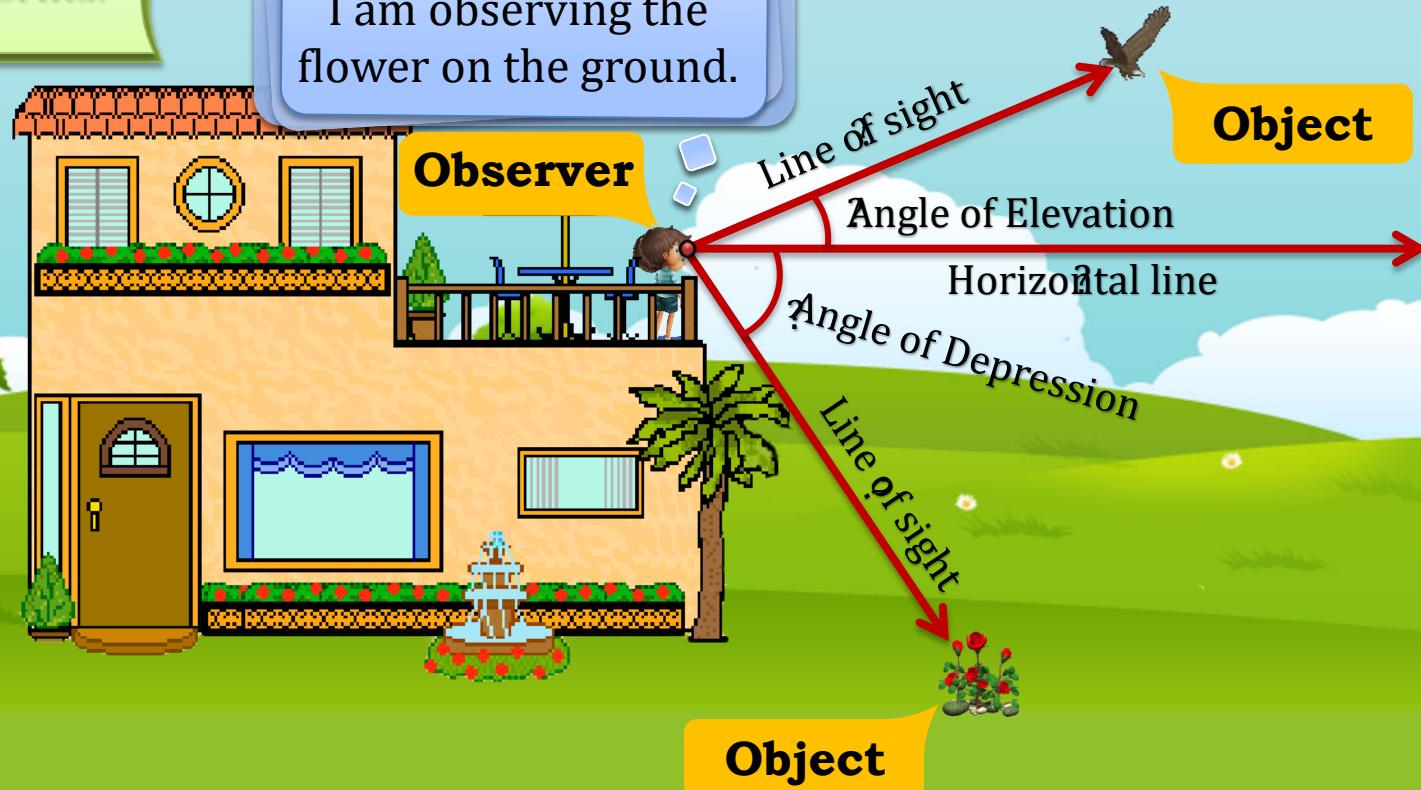
: Remember :

Angle of Depression is formed, when the object is below the horizontal line.

This angle is called as
'Angle of Depression'.

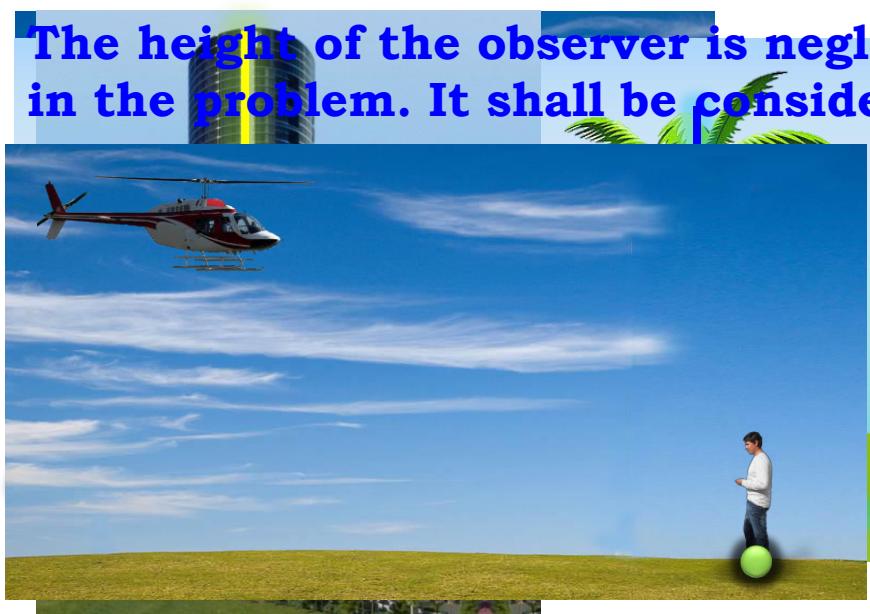
Let us revise all
the four terms.

I am observing the
flower on the ground.



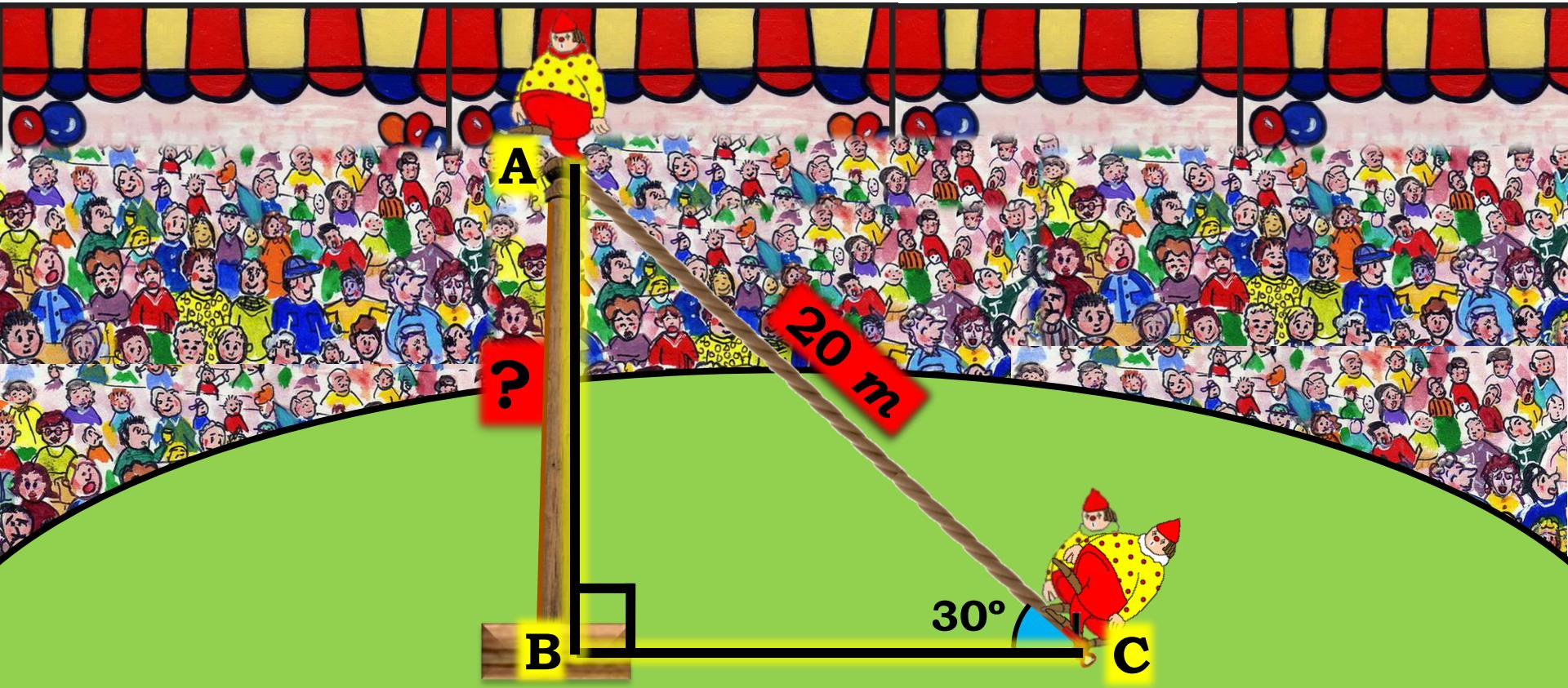
Points to be remembered while drawing the figures to solve the problems :

1. All the heights of objects such as towers, trees, buildings, etc. shall be considered as a 'line segment perpendicular to the ground'.
2. The height of the observer is neglected, if it is not given in the problem. It shall be considered as a 'point'.



Module 2

Q. A circus artist is climbing a 20m long rope, which is tightly stretched and tied from the top of a vertical pole to the ground. Find the height of the pole, if the angle made by the rope with the ground level is 30° .



Q. A circus tent is in the shape of a triangle. The angle at the top of the tent is 30° . Find the height of the tent if the distance from the base to the top of the tent is 20 m . (use $\sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$)

Sol. Let the height of the pole (AB) be ' h ' m.

$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$

In right $\triangle ABC$,

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

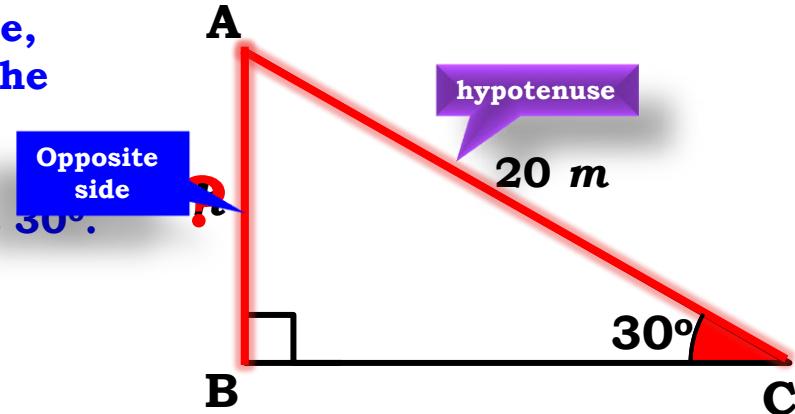
$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} = \frac{h}{20}$$

$$\therefore 2h = 20$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{20}{2}$$

$$\therefore h = 10$$

∴ Height of the pole is 10 m

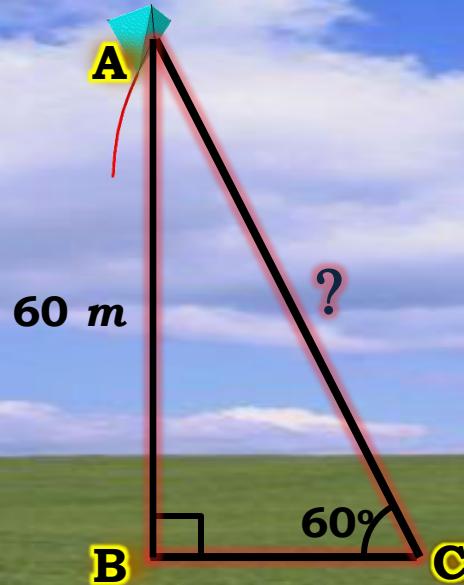


Module 3

Q. A kite is flying at a height of 60m above the ground.

The string attached to the kite is temporarily tied to the ground.

The inclination of the string with the ground is 60° . Find the length of the string, assuming that there is no slack in the string.



Q. A kite is flying at a height of 120 m from the ground. The string is 60 m long. Find the length of the string.

The string is 60 m long.
Ratio of the string to the ground = $\frac{120}{60}$ = 2
Hypo rationalise the denominator

Now, let us find the ratio of the sides of the triangle with the string, assuming the string is tied firmly to the ground.

Sol.

AB represents the distance of the kite from ground.

$$AB = 60 \text{ m}$$

AC represents the length of the string.

$$\angle ACB = 60^\circ \quad \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

In right angled triangle ABC,

$$\sin 60^\circ = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{60}{AC}$$

$$\therefore AC = \frac{60 \times 2}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore AC = \frac{120}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore AC = \frac{120}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

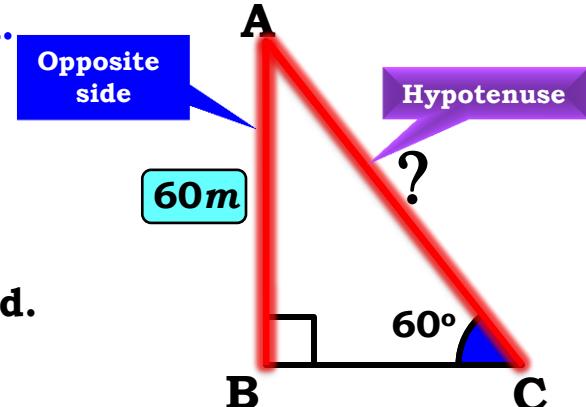
$$\therefore AC = \frac{120 \sqrt{3}}{3} \quad \sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

$$\therefore AC = 40 \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore AC = 40 \times 1.73$$

$$\therefore AC = 69.2 \text{ m}$$

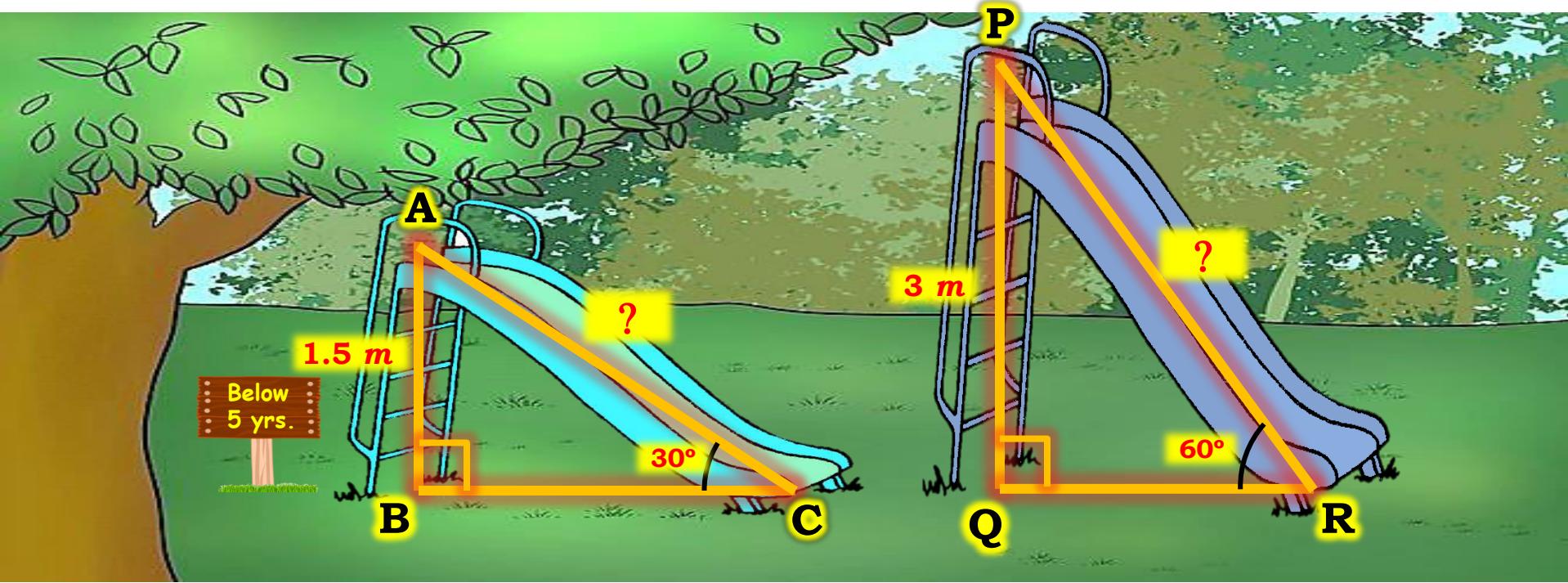
The length of the string is 69.2 m



Module 4

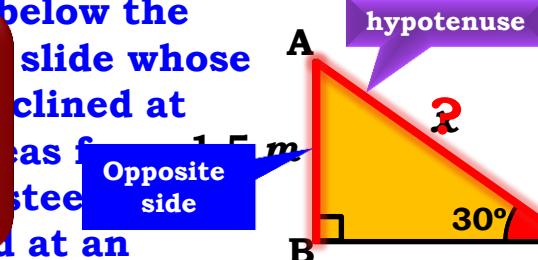
Q. A contractor plans to install two slides for the children to play in a park.

For the children below the age of 5 years, she prefers to have a slide whose top is at a height of 1.5 m, and is inclined at an angle of 30° to the ground, whereas for elder children, she wants to have a steep slide at a height of 3m, and inclined at an angle of 60° to the ground. What should be the length of the slide in each case?



Q. A contractor plans to install two slides for the children

For ' $\angle C$ '
Opposite side $\rightarrow AB$ and
Hypotenuse $\rightarrow AC$



angle of 60° to the ground.

What should be the length of the slide in each?

Sol.

Let the length of slide for the children below 5 years (AC) be ' x ' m

Length of slide for the elder children (PR) be ' y ' m

Height of 1st slide (AB) = 1.5 m

Height of 2nd slide (PQ) = 3 m

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$$

For children :

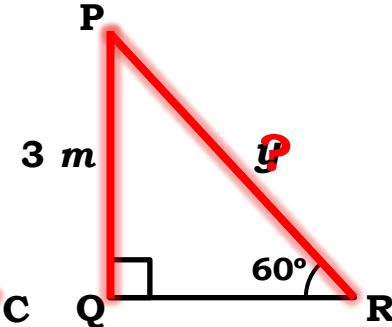
In right $\triangle ABC$,

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1.5}{x}$$

$$\therefore x = 1.5 \times 2$$

$$\therefore x = 3$$



Q. A contractor plans to install two slides for the children to play. One slide is for the younger children and whose top is at an angle of 30° to the ground. The other slide is for the elder children and is inclined at an angle of 60° to the ground. Both slides are to be made of wood of thickness 1 cm and height of 3 m , and inclined at an angle of 60° to the ground.

What is the length of the slide in each case?

Sol.

$$\sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

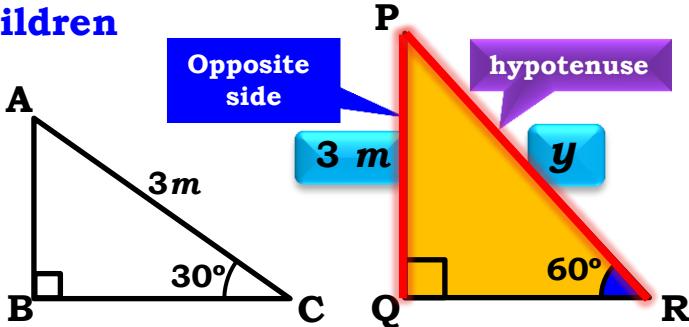
$$\sin 60^\circ = \frac{PQ}{PR}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{3}{y}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3}y = 3 \times 2$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Ratio of opposite side and Hypotenuse reminds us of
'sin'



$$\therefore y = \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore y = \sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

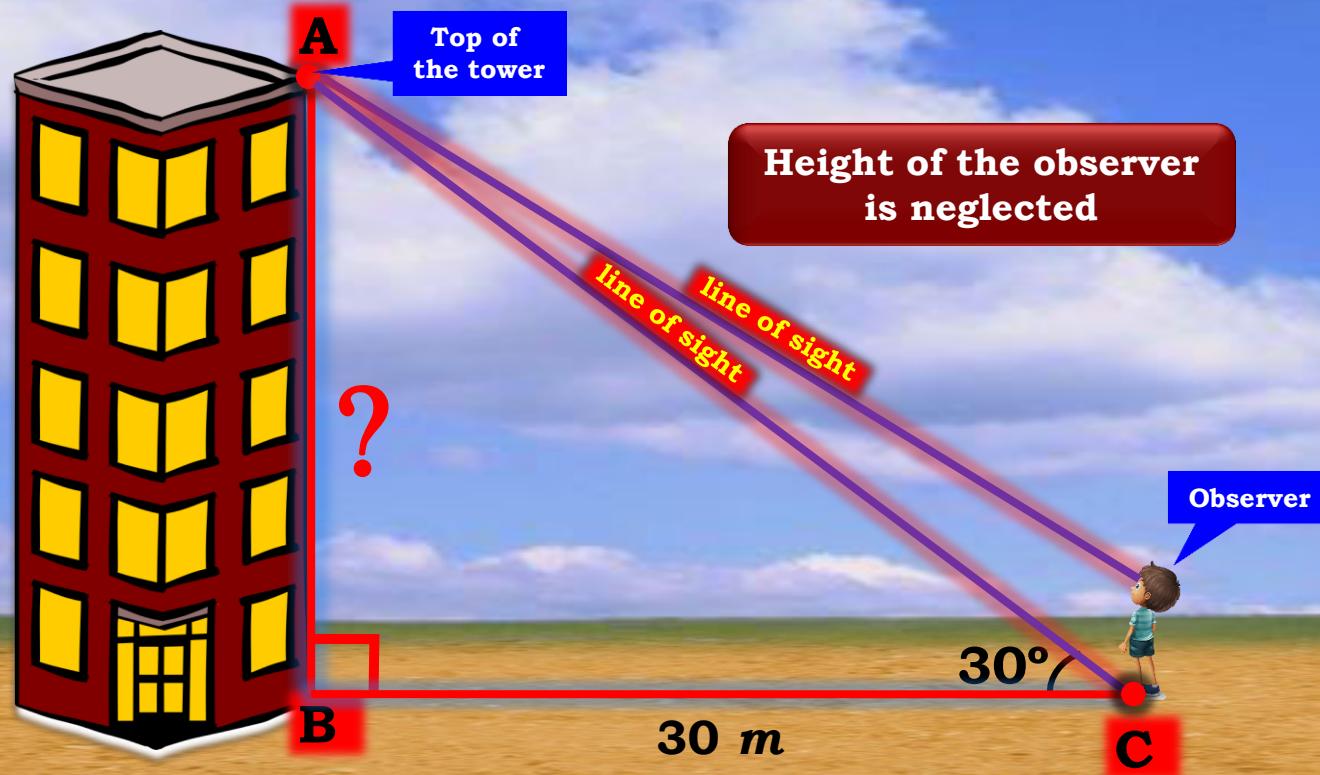
$$\therefore y = 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore y = 2 \times 1.73 = 3.46$$

Length of slide for children below 5 years is 3 m and length of slide for elder children is 3.46 m

Module 5

Q. The angle of elevation of the top of a tower from a point on the ground, which is 30 m away from the foot of the tower, is 30° . Find the height of the tower.



Q. The angle of elevation of the top of a tower from a point on the ground at a distance of 30 m from the foot of the tower is 30° . Find the height of the tower.

Sol. Distance between the eye and the foot of the tower

Given $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
Let the height of the tower (AB) be 'h' m

In right $\triangle ABC$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{30}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} \times h = 30$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{30}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{30}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Now, let us rationalise the denominator

and multiply from the foot of the tower

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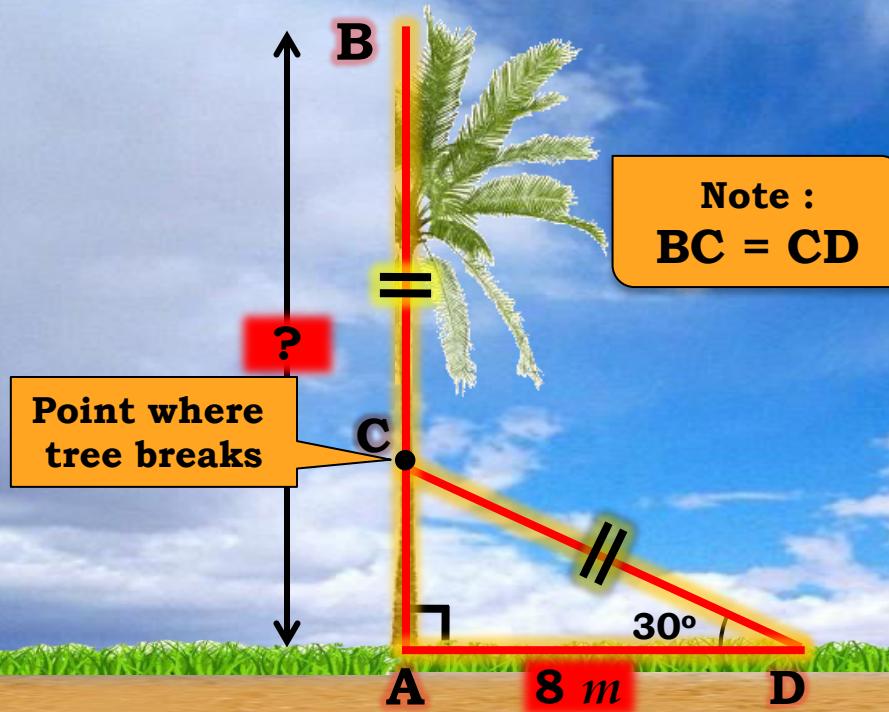
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Thank You

Module 6

Q. A tree breaks due to storm and the broken part bends so that the top of the tree touches the ground making an angle 30° with it.

The distance between the foot of the tree to the point where the top touches the ground is 8 m. Find the height of the tree.



Q. A tree breaks at point C and falls down making an angle of 30° with the ground. The distance between the foot of the tree and the top touches the ground is 8 m. Find the height of the tree.

Sol. AB represents the height of the tree which breaks at point C.

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

In right $\triangle CAD$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AC}{AD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{AC}{8}$$

$$\therefore AC = \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}$$

length of the broken part
length of the broken part

In right $\triangle CAD$,

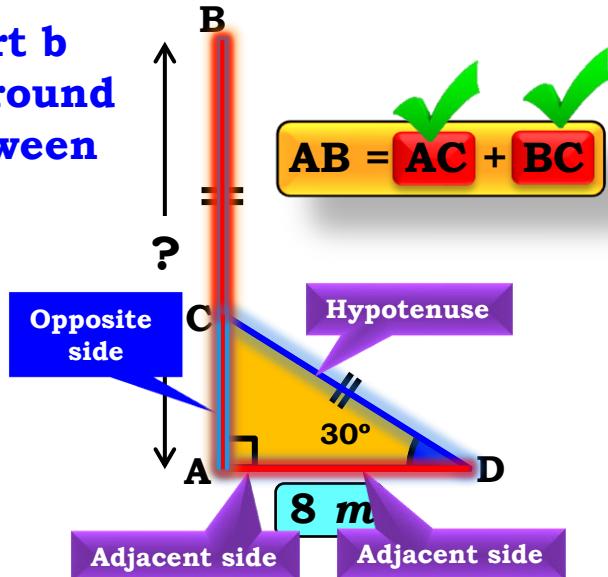
$$\cos 30^\circ = \frac{AD}{CD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{8}{BC}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} BC = 16$$

$$\therefore BC = \frac{16}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Observe AB + CD = BC
∴ The total height of the tree is $AB + BC$



$$AB = AC + BC$$

Q. A tree breaks due to storm and the broken part b ends so that the top of the tree touches the ground making an angle of 30° with the horizontal distance between the foot of the tree and the point where the top touches the ground is 8 m. Find the height of the tree.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Height of tree} &= AC + BC \\
 &= \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{16}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{8 + 16}{\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{24}{\sqrt{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, let us rationalise the denominator

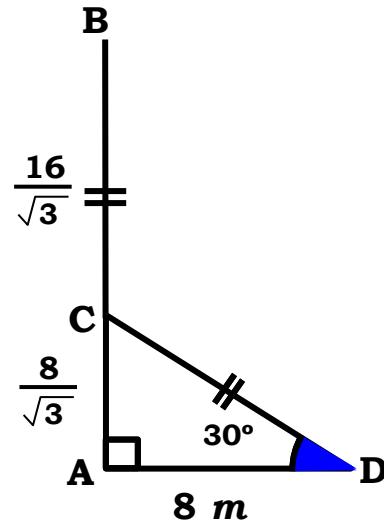
Distance between the foot of the tree and the point where the top touches the ground is 8 m.

$$\sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

$$BC = \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}} \times \sqrt{3}$$

$$= 8 (1.73)$$

$$= 13.84 \text{ m}$$



$$\therefore \text{Height of tree} = \frac{24}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Height of the tree is 13.84 m

Module 7

New sum to be added.
Question is in R+ book

Module 8



B

C

Q. From a point on the ground, the angles of elevation of the bottom and the top of a transmission tower fixed at the top of a 20m high building are 45° and 60° respectively. Find the height of tower.

line of sight
line of sight

Height of the observer
is neglected

60°
 45°

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Q. From a point on the ground, the angle of elevation of the top of a transmission tower is 60° . From another point 20 m vertically above the first point, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 45° . Find the height of the tower.

Now, Consider

Right angled triangles

Let us find AC and BC

Let AB = x m and BC = y m

respectively. Find the height of tower.

Sol. AB represents the height of the building

$$AB = 20 \text{ m}$$

BC represents the height of the transmission tower.

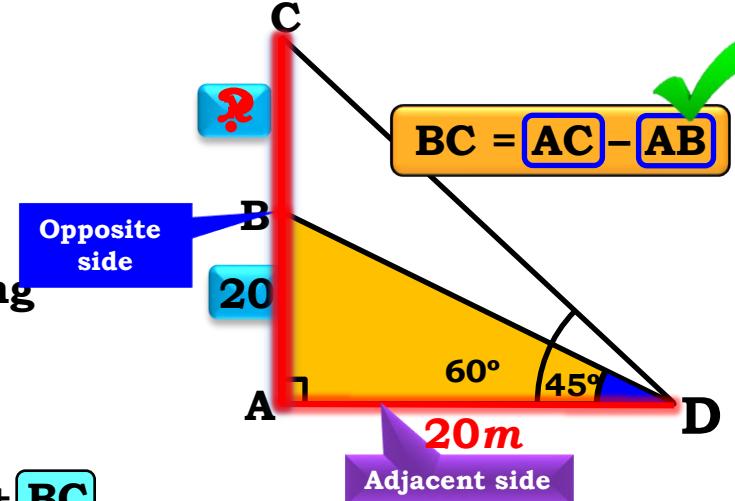
Let $\tan 45^\circ = 1$

In right angled triangle ABD,

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{AB}{AD}$$

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{20}{AD}$$

$$\therefore AD = 20 \text{ m}$$



$$AC = AB + BC$$

$$\therefore AC = 20 + x$$

$$\therefore AC = (20 + x) \text{ m}$$

Q. From a point on the ground, the angle of elevation of the top of a transmission tower is 60° . Adjacent side reminds us of 'tan' respectively. $\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$ height of tower.

Sol. In right angled $\triangle CAD$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AC}{AD}$$

$$AC = (20 + x) \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{20 + x}{20}$$

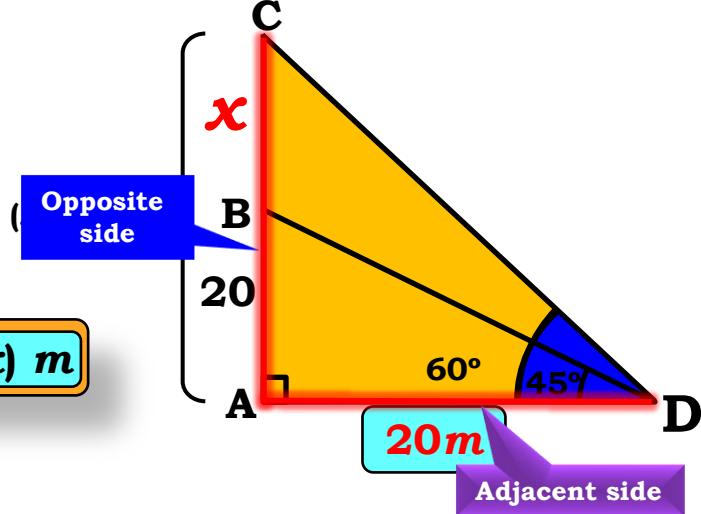
$$\therefore 20\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

$$\therefore x = 20(\sqrt{3} - 1)$$

$$\therefore x = 20(1.73 - 1)$$

$$\therefore x = 20 \times 0.73$$

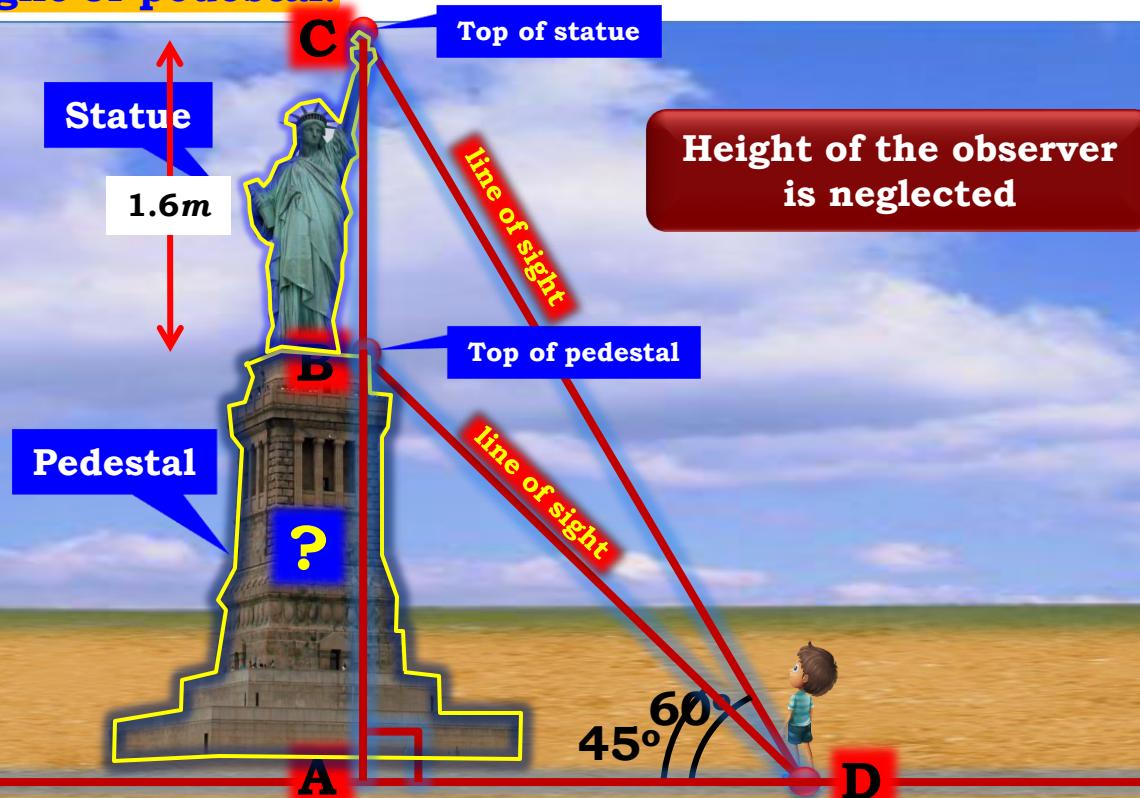
$$\therefore x = 14.6$$



∴ Height of the transmission tower is 14.6 m

Module 9

Q. A statue 1.6m tall, stands on the top of a pedestal. From a point on the ground, the angle of elevation of the top of the statue is 60° and from the same point angle of elevation of the top of pedestal is 45° . Find the height of pedestal.



Q. A statue 1.6m tall stands on top of a pedestal.
From a point R on the ground, the angle of elevation of the top of the statue is 60° and the angle of elevation of the top of the pedestal is 45°. From the same point R, the angle of elevation of the top of the pedestal is 45°.
Find the height of the pedestal.

Sol. Let the height of pedestal (AB) be ' h ' m

Height of statue (DC) = 1.6 m

$$\text{Let } \tan 45^\circ = P$$

In right $\triangle BAD$,

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{AB}{AD}$$

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{h}{x}$$

$$\therefore \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

In right $\triangle CAD$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AC}{AD}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{h + 1.6}{x}$$

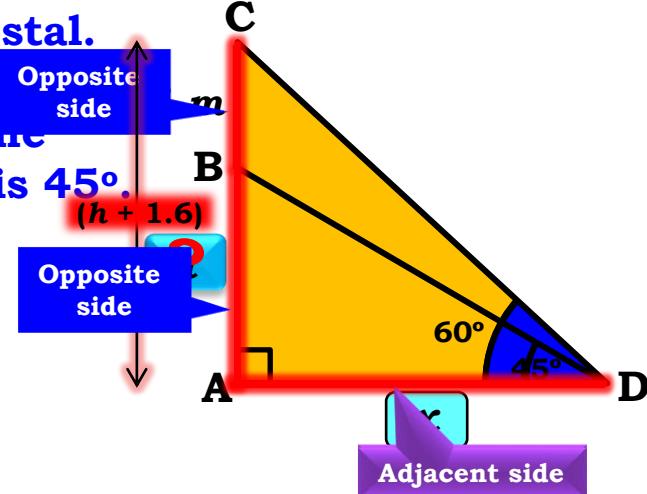
$$\sqrt{3}x = h + 1.6$$

$$\sqrt{3}h = h + 1.6 \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$\sqrt{3}h - h = 1.6$$

$$h(\sqrt{3} - 1) = 1.6$$

$$h = \frac{1.6}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$$



Q. A statue 1.6m tall stands on the top of a pedestal. From a point on the ground level, the angle of elevation of the top of the statue is 60° . From a point x m away from the base of the pedestal, the angle of elevation of the top of the statue is 45° . Now, let us rationalise the denominator by taking its conjugate. Find the height of pedestal.

Sol.

$$h = \frac{1.6}{\sqrt{3} - 1}$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{1.6}{\sqrt{3} - 1} \times \frac{\sqrt{3} + 1}{\sqrt{3} + 1}$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{1.6 \times (\sqrt{3} + 1)}{(\sqrt{3})^2 - (1)^2}$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{1.6 \times (\sqrt{3} + 1)}{3 - 1}$$

$$\therefore h = \frac{0.8}{2} \times (\sqrt{3} + 1)$$

$$\sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

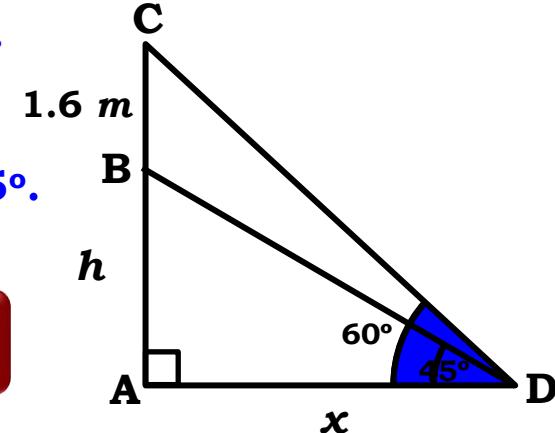
$$\therefore h = 0.8 (\sqrt{3} + 1)$$

$$\therefore h = 0.8 (1.73 + 1)$$

$$\therefore h = 0.8 (2.73)$$

$$\therefore h = 2.184$$

∴ Height of the pedestal is 2.184 m



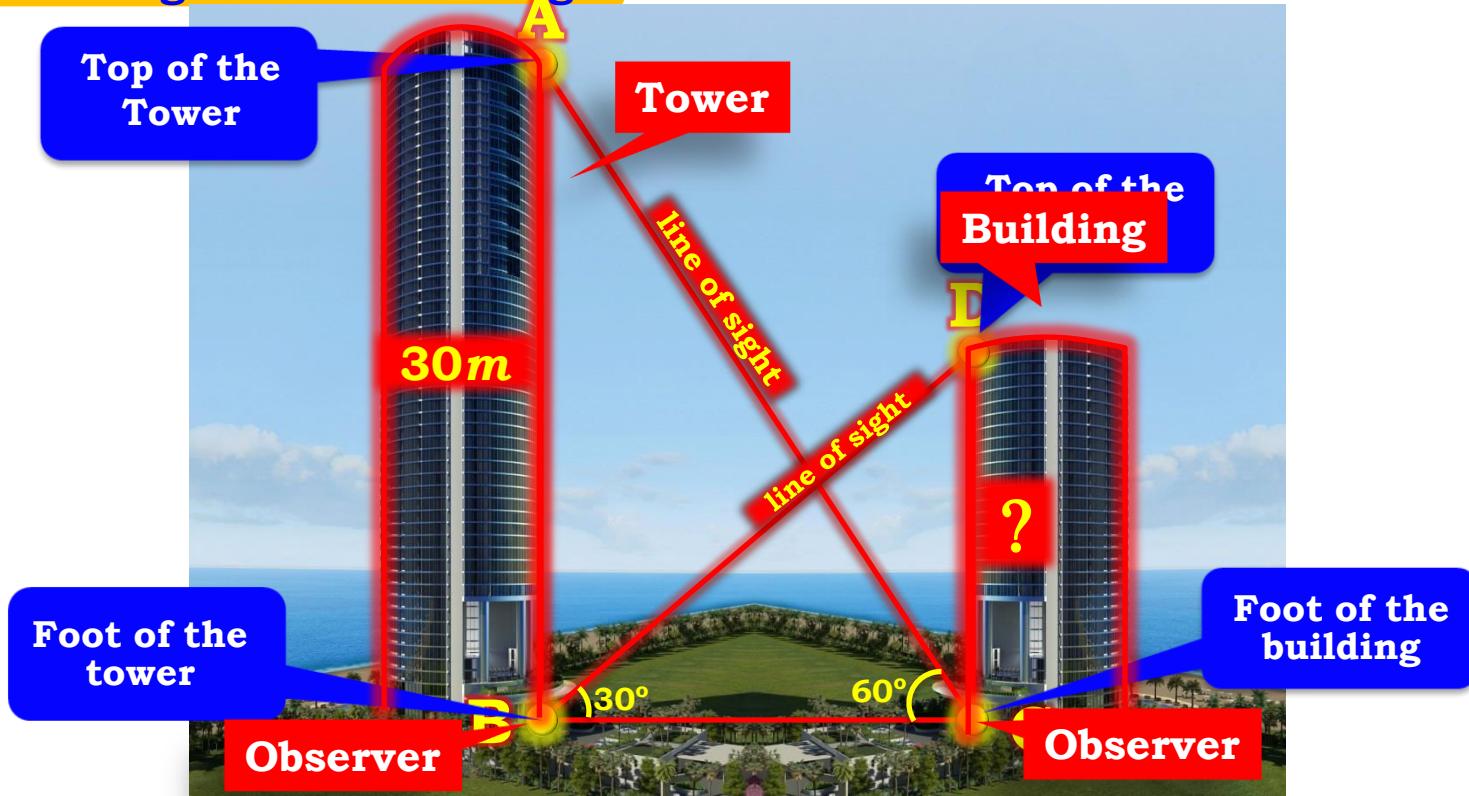
Module 10

Solved Example 4

Thank You

Module 11

Q. The angle of elevation of the top of a building from the foot of the tower is 30° and the angle of elevation of the top of tower from the foot of the building is 60° . If the tower is 30m high, find the height of the building ?



Q. The angle of elevation of the top of a building from the foot of a tower of height 30m is 60° . Find the height of the building.

Now, let us rationalise the denominator

Sol. AB represents the height of the tower.

$$AB = 30\text{m}$$

CD represents the height of the building.

$$\angle DBC = 30^\circ$$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

In right angled $\triangle BDC$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

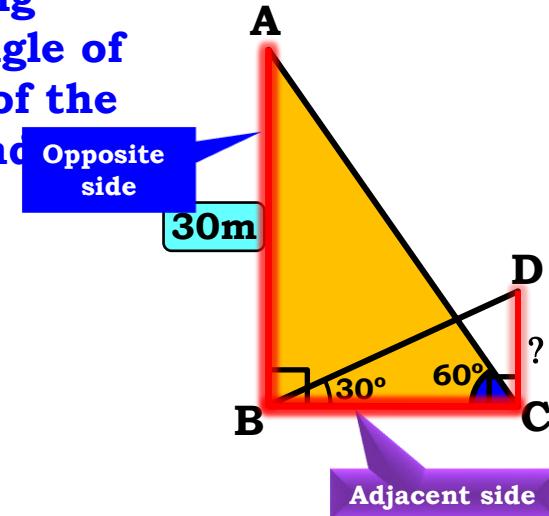
$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{30}{BC}$$

$$\therefore BC = \frac{30}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore BC = \frac{30}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore BC = \frac{30\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\therefore BC = 10\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$



Q. The angle of elevation of the top of a building from the foot of the building is 30° . The angle of elevation of the top of the building from the point on the ground at a distance of $10\sqrt{3}$ m from the foot of the building is 60° . Find the height of the building.

Sol.

In right angled $\triangle DBC$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{DC}{BC}$$

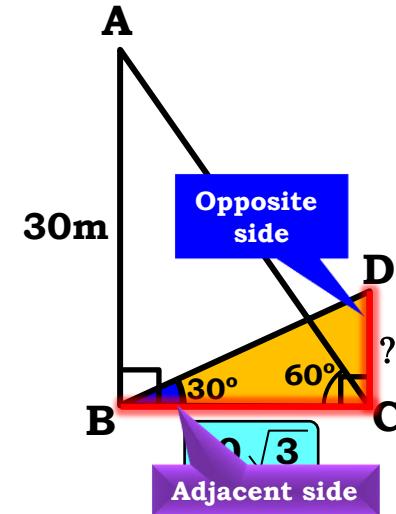
$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{DC}{10\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore DC = \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore DC = 10 m$$

Height of the building is $10m$

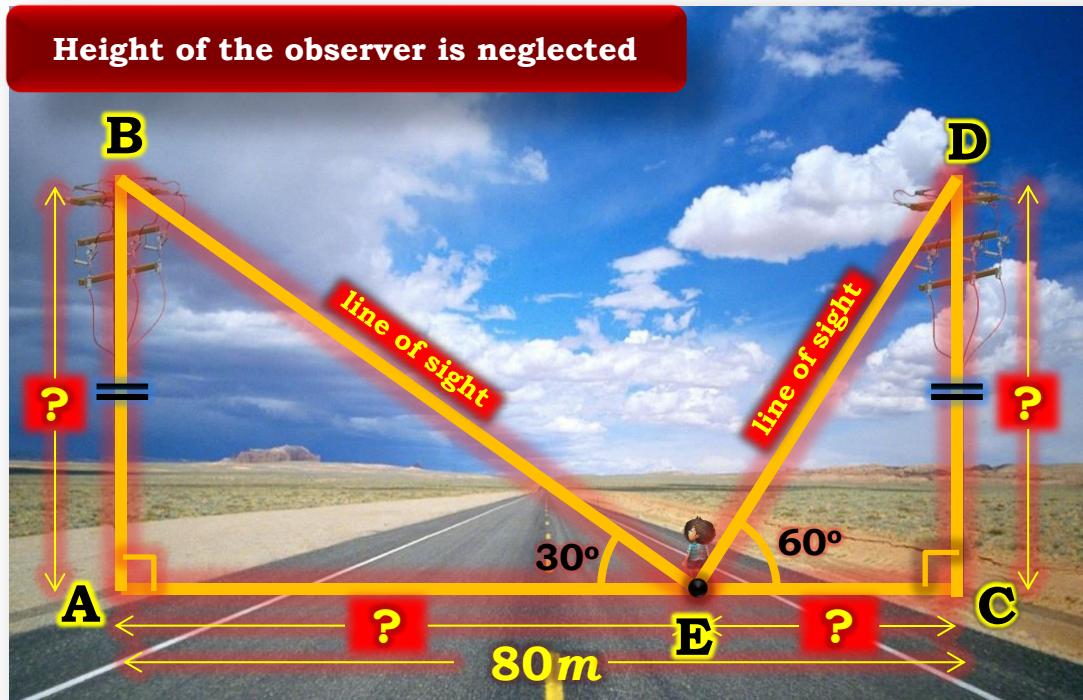
Ratio of opposite side and
Adjacent side reminds us of
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Module 12

Q. Two poles of equal heights are standing opposite each other on either side of the road, which is 80 m wide. From a point between them on the road, the angles of elevation of the top of the poles are 60° and 30° respectively. Find the height of the poles and the distances of the point from the poles.

Height of the observer is neglected



Q. Two poles of equal heights are standing opposite each other on either side of the road. If the height of each pole is h m and the width of the road is 80 m, find the distance between the two poles.

Given: Height of each pole = h m
 Width of the road = 80 m
 Let the distance of the point E from pole AB be x m
 Then, distance of point E from pole CD = $(80 - x)$ m

For $\angle AEB$:
 Opposite side → AB of angle AEB is h m.
 Adjacent side → AE of angle AEB is x m.

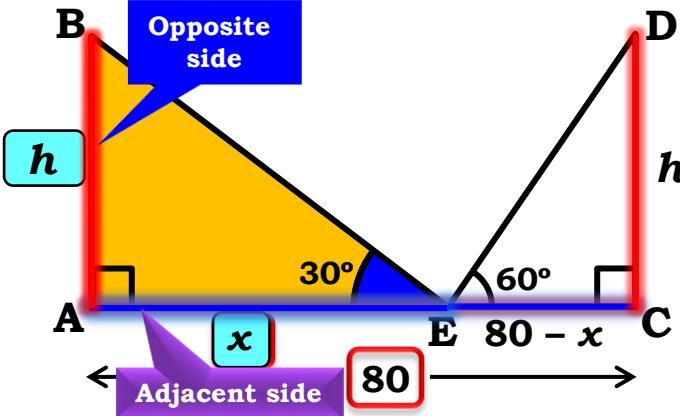
For $\angle CED$:
 Opposite side → CD of angle CED is h m.
 Adjacent side → EC of angle CED is $(80 - x)$ m.

Sol. Let the height of poles be ' h ' m
 Width of the road (AC) = 80 m

Let the distance of the point E from pole AB i.e AE be ' x ' m
 Then, distance of point E from pole CD = $(80 - x)$ m

∴ The distance of the point E from the pole AB = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(80 - x)$ m
 In right $\triangle AEB$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{AE}$$

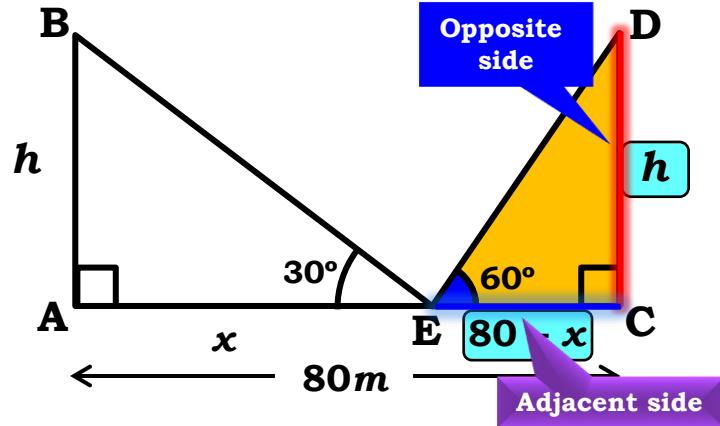


$$\begin{aligned} AE + EC &= AC \\ \therefore x + EC &= 80 \\ \therefore EC &= (80 - x) \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} &= \frac{h}{x} \\ \therefore x &= \sqrt{3}h \quad \dots(i) \end{aligned}$$

- Q. Two poles of equal heights are standing opposite ends of a road of width 80m. From a point on the road between the poles, the angles of elevation of the tops of the poles are 30° and 60° . Find the height of the poles.
- Ratio of opposite side and Adjacent side reminds us of '**tan**'
 $\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$
- Sol.** In right $\triangle DCE$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tan 60^\circ &= \frac{CD}{EC} \\ \therefore \sqrt{3} &= \frac{h}{80-x} \\ \therefore \sqrt{3}(80-x) &= h \\ \therefore h &= \sqrt{3}(80 - \sqrt{3}h) \quad [\text{From (i)}] \\ \therefore h &= 80\sqrt{3} - 3h \\ \therefore h + 3h &= 80\sqrt{3} \\ \therefore 4h &= 80\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sqrt{3} &= 1.73 \\ \therefore h &= 20\sqrt{3} \\ &= 20 \times 1.73 \\ &= 34.6m \end{aligned}$$

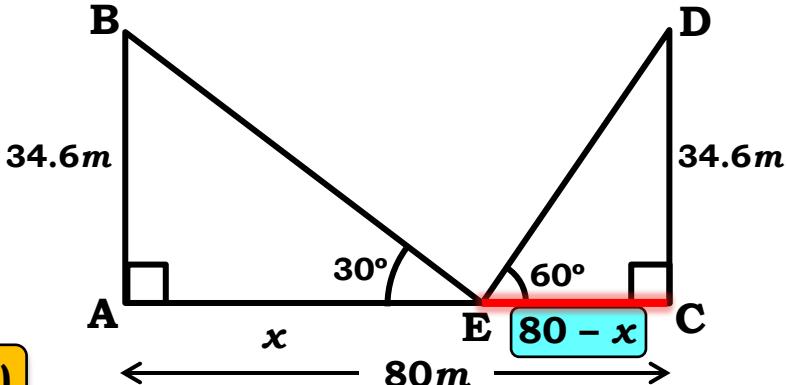
Q. Two poles of equal heights are standing opposite each other on either side of the road, which is 80 m wide. From a point between them on the road, the angles of elevation of the top of the poles are 60° and 30° respectively. Find the height of the poles and the distances of the point from the poles.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned} AE &= x = \sqrt{3} h \\ &= \sqrt{3} \times 20\sqrt{3} \\ &= 20 \times 3 \\ x &= 60 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sqrt{3} h \dots(i) \\ h &= 20\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

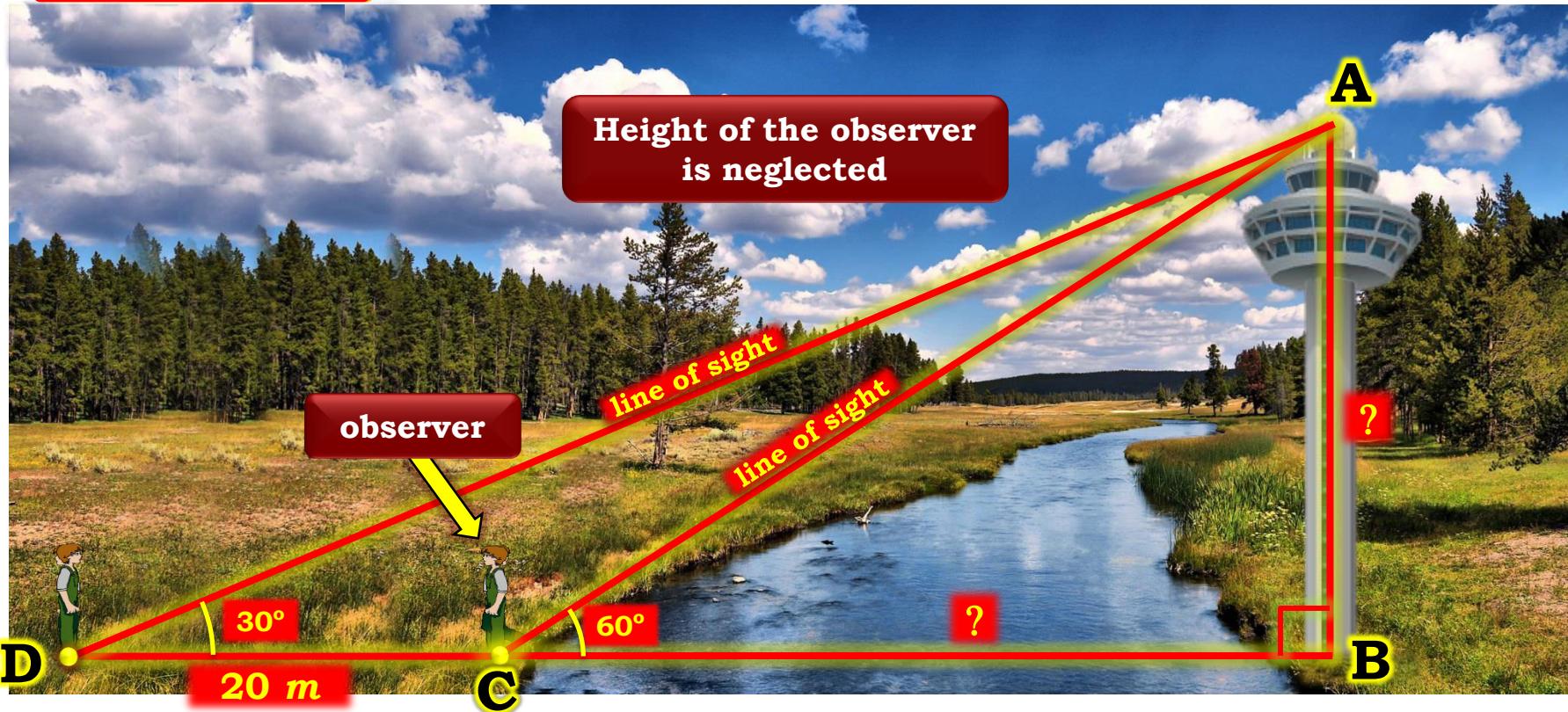
$$EC = 80 - x = 80 - 60 = 20m$$



\therefore Height of the poles are 34.6 m each
 Distance of the point from pole AB is 60 m and
 Distance of the point from pole CD is 20 m

Module 13

Q. A TV tower stands vertically on a bank of a canal. From a point on the other bank directly opposite the tower, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 60° . From another point 20 m away from this point on the line joining this point to the foot of the tower, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 30° . Find the height of the tower and the width of the canal.



Q. A TV tower stands vertically on a bank of a canal. From a point on the bank directly opposite the tower, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 60° . From this point on the bank, the angle of depression of the foot of the tower is 30° . Find the height of the tower and the width of the canal.

Sol. Let the height of tower be ' h ' m

Let the width of the canal be ' x ' m

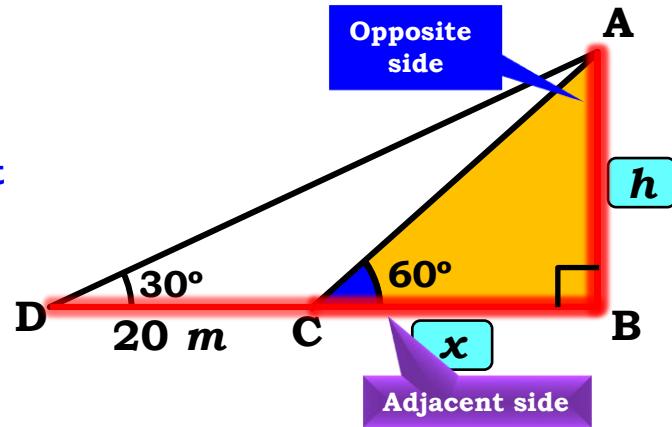
$$\text{D: } \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

In $\triangle ABC$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{h}{x}$$

$$\therefore h = \sqrt{3} x$$



Q. A TV tower stands vertically on a bank of a canal. From a point on the bank, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 30° . From another point on the bank 20 m away from the first point, the angle of elevation of the top of the tower is 60° . Find the height of the tower and the width of the canal.

Ratio of opposite side and Adjacent side reminds us of ‘tan’

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

Sol. In right

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{BD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{x + 20}$$

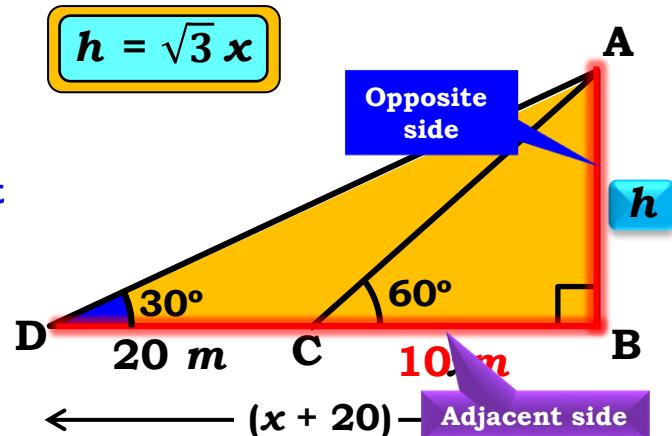
$$\therefore x + 20 = h\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x + 20 = \sqrt{3}x \times \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x + 20 = 3x$$

$$\therefore 20 = 2x$$

$$\therefore x = 10$$



$$\sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

$$h = 10\sqrt{3}$$

$$h = 10 \times 1.73 = 17.3$$

Width of the canal is 10 m
and Height of the tower is 17.3 m

Module 14

Solved Example 5

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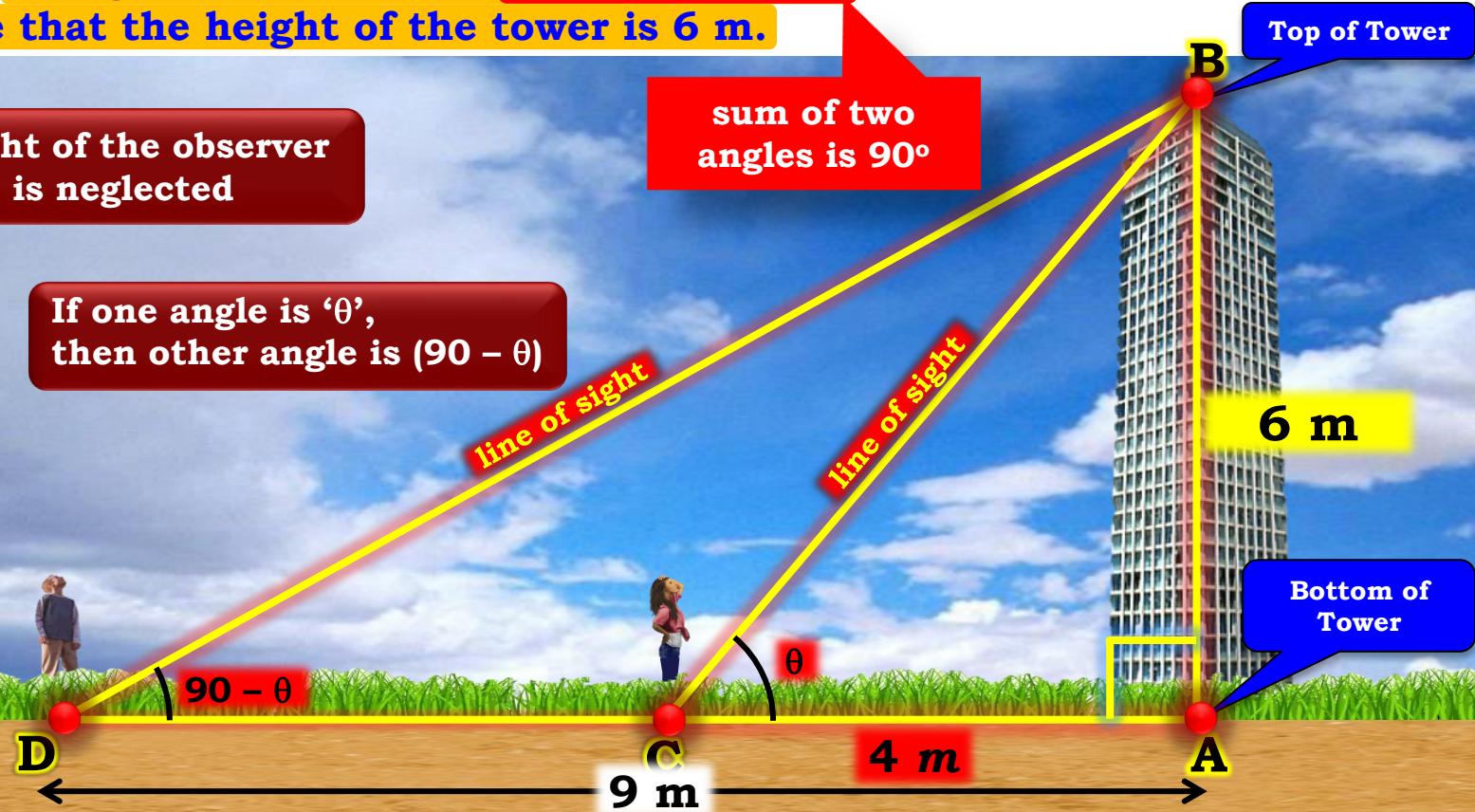
Module 15

Q. The angles of elevation of the top of a tower from two points at a distance of 4 m and 9 m from the base of the tower and in the same straight line with it are complementary. Prove that the height of the tower is 6 m.

Height of the observer
is neglected

sum of two
angles is 90°

If one angle is ' θ ',
then other angle is $(90 - \theta)$



Q. The angle of elevation of the top of a tower from the point 4 m away from the base of tower is 30° . If the distance of the point from the base of tower is 9 m, find the height of the tower.

Now, consider $\triangle BAD$

Opposite side = $AB = h$
Adjacent side = $AD = 9 \text{ m}$
Tan = $\frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Adjacent}}$

Prove that $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{h}{9}$

Sol. Let the height of tower (AB) be ' h ' m

Distance of point C from the base of tower = 4 m

Distance of point D from the base of tower = 9 m

Let $\angle ACB = \theta$

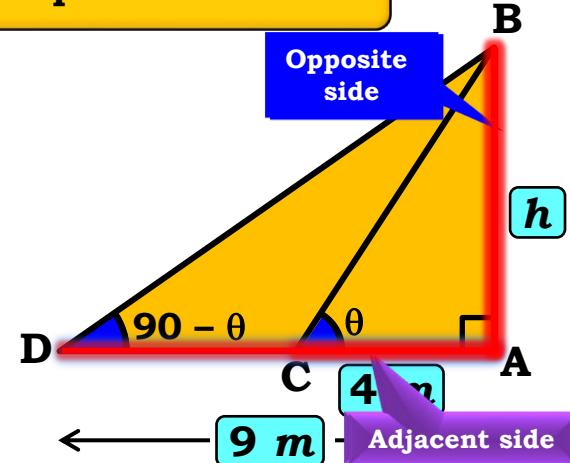
So, $\angle ADB = (90 - \theta)$

In right $\triangle BAC$,

$$\tan \theta = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{h}{4} \dots(i)$$

To prove : $h = 6 \text{ m}$



We know that,
 $\tan (90 - \theta) = \cot \theta$

$$\therefore \tan (90 - \theta) = \frac{AB}{AD}$$

$$\therefore \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\therefore \cot \theta = \frac{h}{9}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \frac{h}{9}$$

Q. The angles of elevation of the top of a tower from two points at a distance of 4 m and 9 m from the base of the tower and in the same straight line with it are complementary. Prove that the height of the tower is 6 m.

Sol.

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \frac{h}{9}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{h}{4} \quad \dots(i)$$

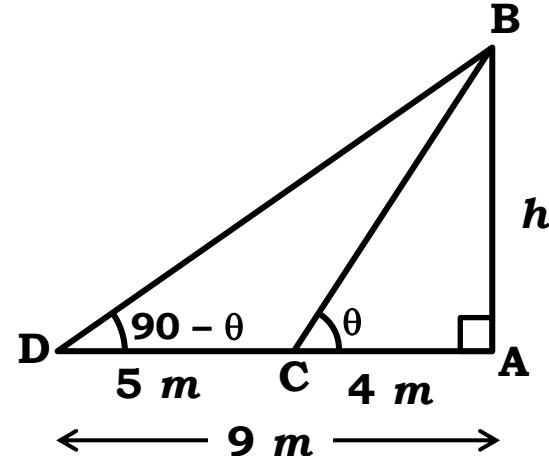
$$\therefore \frac{9}{h} = \tan \theta$$

$$\therefore \frac{9}{h} = \frac{h}{4}$$

$$\therefore 36 = h^2$$

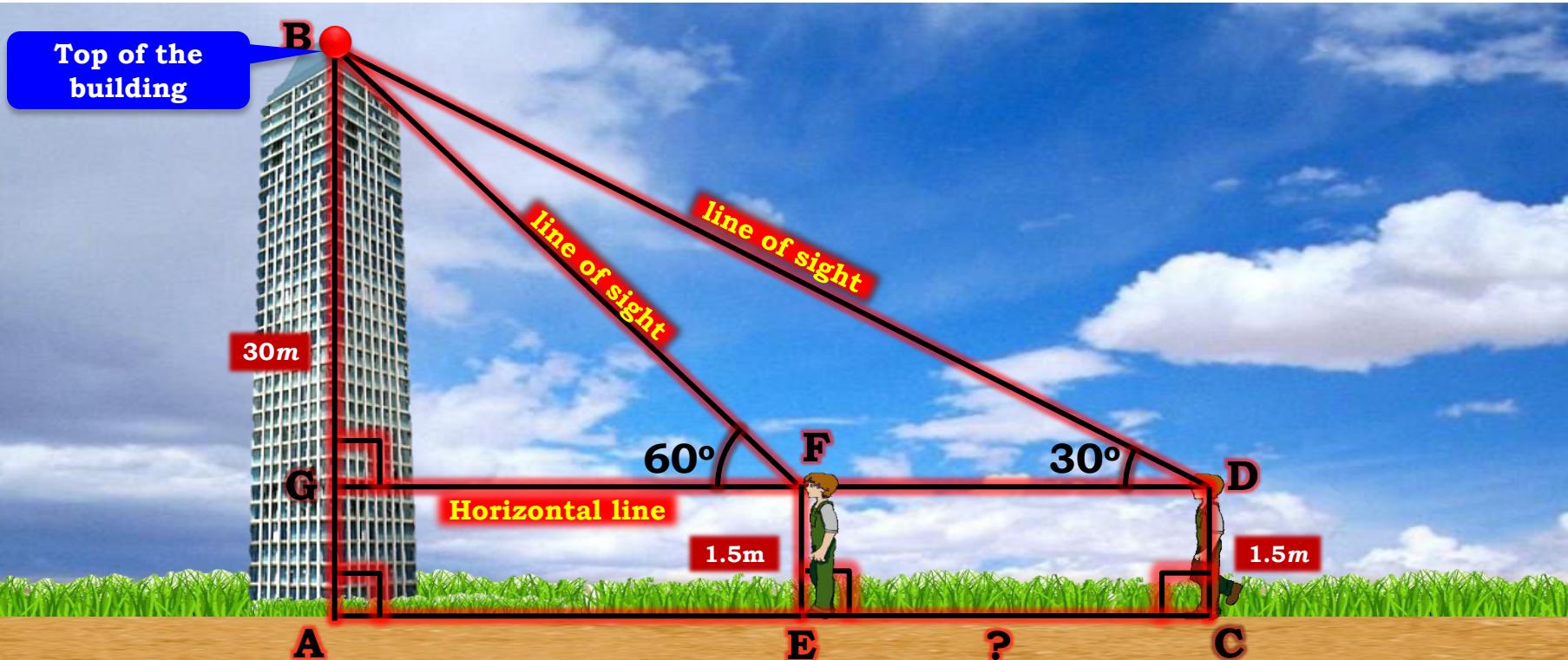
$$\therefore h = 6$$

∴ Height of the tower is 6 m



Module 16

Q. A 1.5 m tall boy is standing at some distance from a 30 m tall building. The angle of elevation from his eyes to the top of building increases from 30° to 60° as he walks towards the building. Find the distance he walked towards the building.



Q. A 1.5 m tall boy is standing at some distance from a 30 m tall building. The angle of elevation of building increases as he walks towards the building. BG is a part of BA towards the building.

Sol. Height of tower (AB) = 30 m

Height of boy (CD) = 1.5 m

But, CD = EF = AG = 1.5 m

$$BG = AB - AG$$

$$\therefore BG = 30 - 1.5$$

$$\therefore BG = 28.5 \text{ m}$$

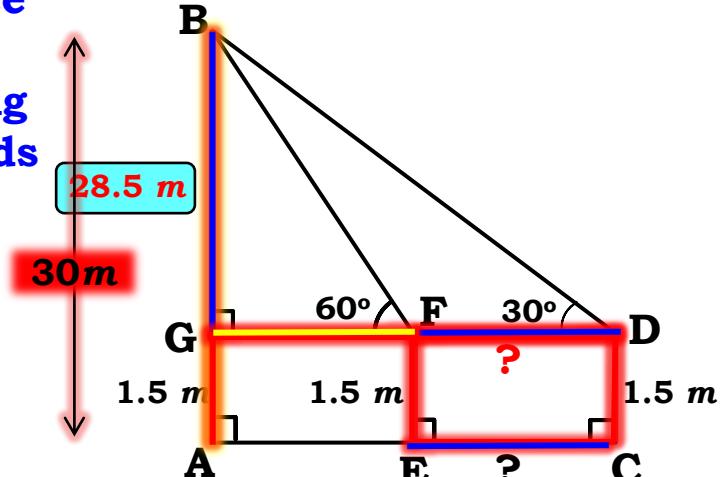
□FECD is a rectangle

$$EC = FD$$

$$GD = GF + FD$$

$$FD = GD - GF$$

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Q. A 1.5 m tall boy is standing at some distance from a 30 m tall building. If the boy walks towards the building, the angle of elevation increases. Ratio of opposite side and adjacent side reminds us of increase in elevation towards the building.

Ratio of opposite side and adjacent side reminds us of increase in elevation towards the building.

Sol.

In right $\triangle BGF$, $\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

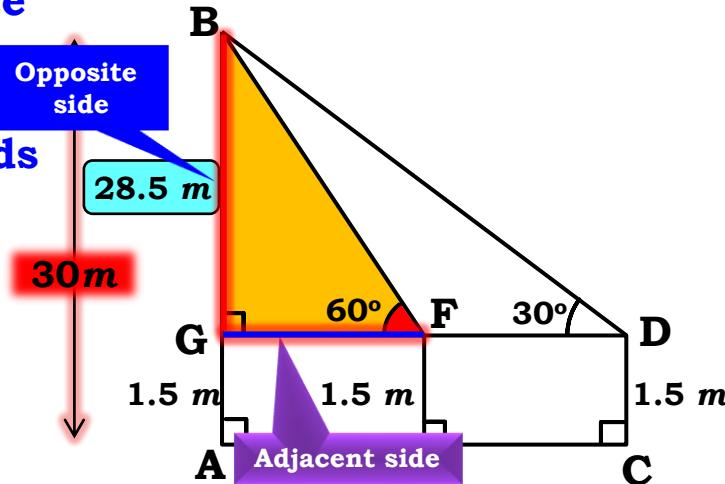
$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{BG}{GF}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{28.5}{GF}$$

$$\therefore GF = \frac{28.5}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$FD = GD - GF$$

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$$\therefore GF = \frac{28.5 \times \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore GF = \frac{28.5 \times \sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\therefore GF = 9.5\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

Q. A 1.5

Ratio of opposite side and adjacent side reminds us of 'tan'

Sol.

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$FD = GD - GF$$

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{BG}{GD}$$

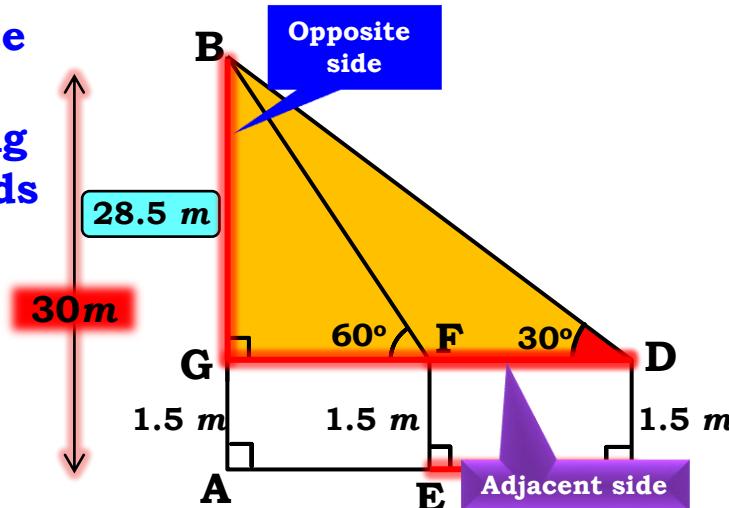
$$GF = 9.5\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{28.5}{GD}$$

$$GD = 28.5\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

$$\begin{aligned} FD &= 28.5\sqrt{3} - 9.5\sqrt{3} \\ &= 19\sqrt{3} \text{ m} \\ &= 19 \times 1.73 \end{aligned}$$



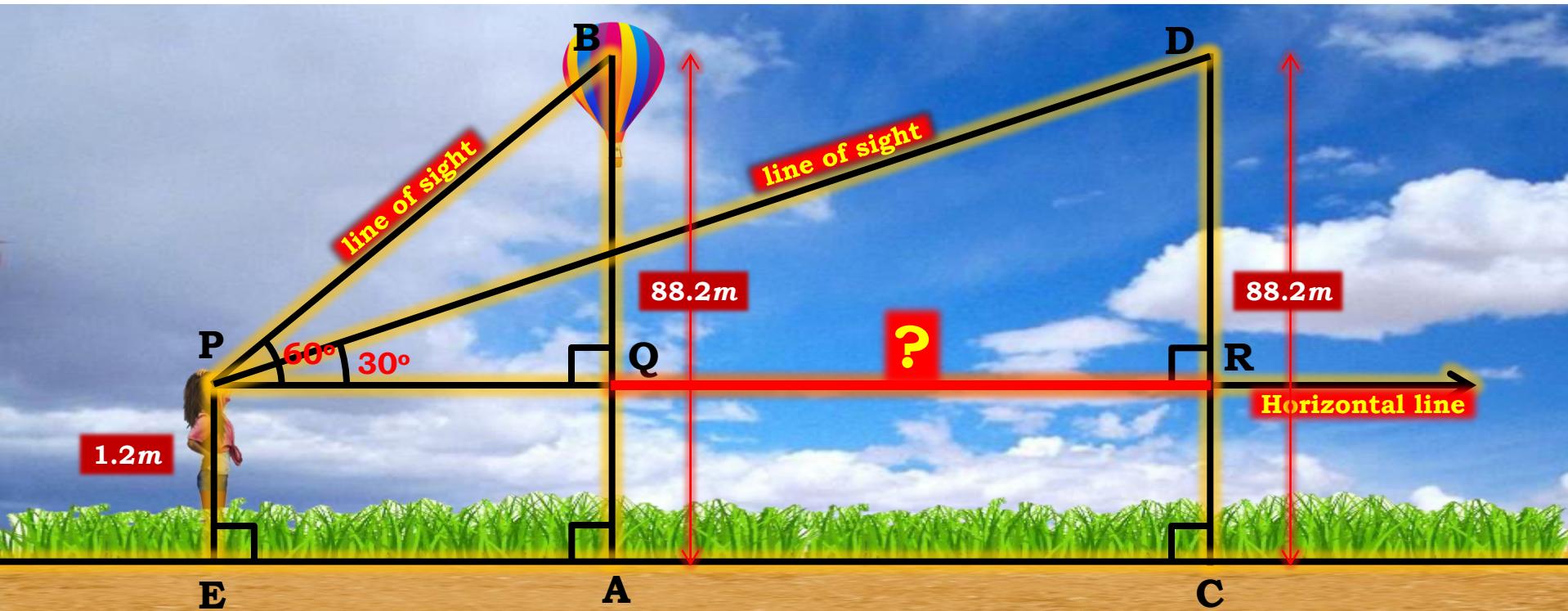
$$\therefore FD = 32.87 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore FD = EC = 32.87 \text{ m}$$

Distance walked towards the building is 32.87 m

Module 17

Q. A 1.2 m tall girl spots a balloon moving with the wind in a horizontal line at a height of 88.2 m from the ground. The angle of elevation of the balloon from the eye of girl is 60° . After some time, angle of elevation reduces to 30° . Find the distance travelled by the balloon during the interval.



Q. A 1.2 m tall girl spots a balloon moving with the wind in front of her at an elevation of 88.2 m from the ground level. For rationalising the denominator, reduce the fraction by the balloon during the interval.

Sol. Height of balloon from the ground

$$(AB) = 88.2 \text{ m}$$

Height of the girl (PE) = 1.2 m

$$PE = QA = RC = 1.2 \text{ m}$$

$$BQ = BA - QA$$

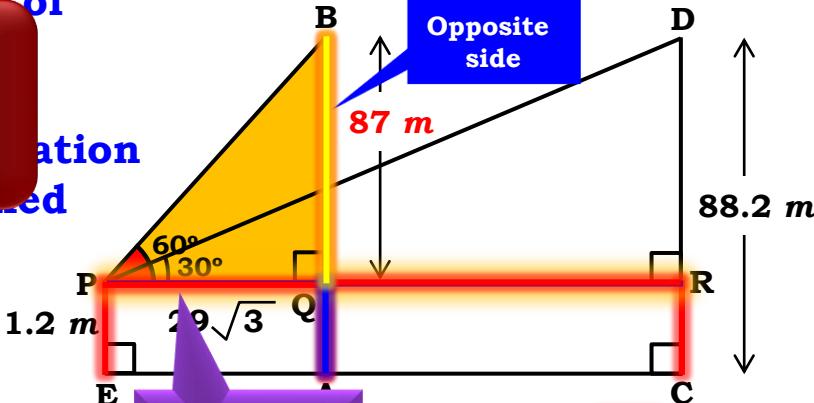
$$\therefore BQ \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

In $\triangle ABQF$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{BQ}{PQ}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{87}{PQ}$$

Find : QR



$$QR = PR - PQ$$

$$\therefore PQ = \frac{87}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore PQ = \frac{87}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore PQ = \frac{87\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\therefore PQ = 29\sqrt{3}$$

Q. A 1.2 m tall girl spots a balloon moving with

the wind at an angle of elevation of 88.2 m.

Opposite side → DR

Adjacent side → PR

tan 30° = $\frac{DR}{PR}$

tan 30° = $\frac{29\sqrt{3}}{87}$

Sol. In right $\triangle PRD$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{DR}{PR}$$

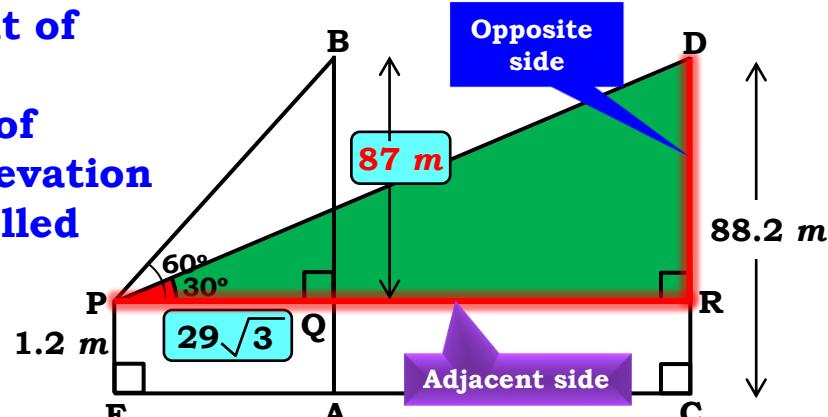
$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{87}{PR}$$

$$PR = 87\sqrt{3}$$

$$QR = PR - PQ$$

$$\therefore QR = 87\sqrt{3} - 1.2\sqrt{3} = 85.73\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore QR = 58\sqrt{3}$$



$$QR = PR - PQ$$

$$\therefore QR = 58 \times 1.73$$

$$\therefore QR = 100.34 \text{ m}$$

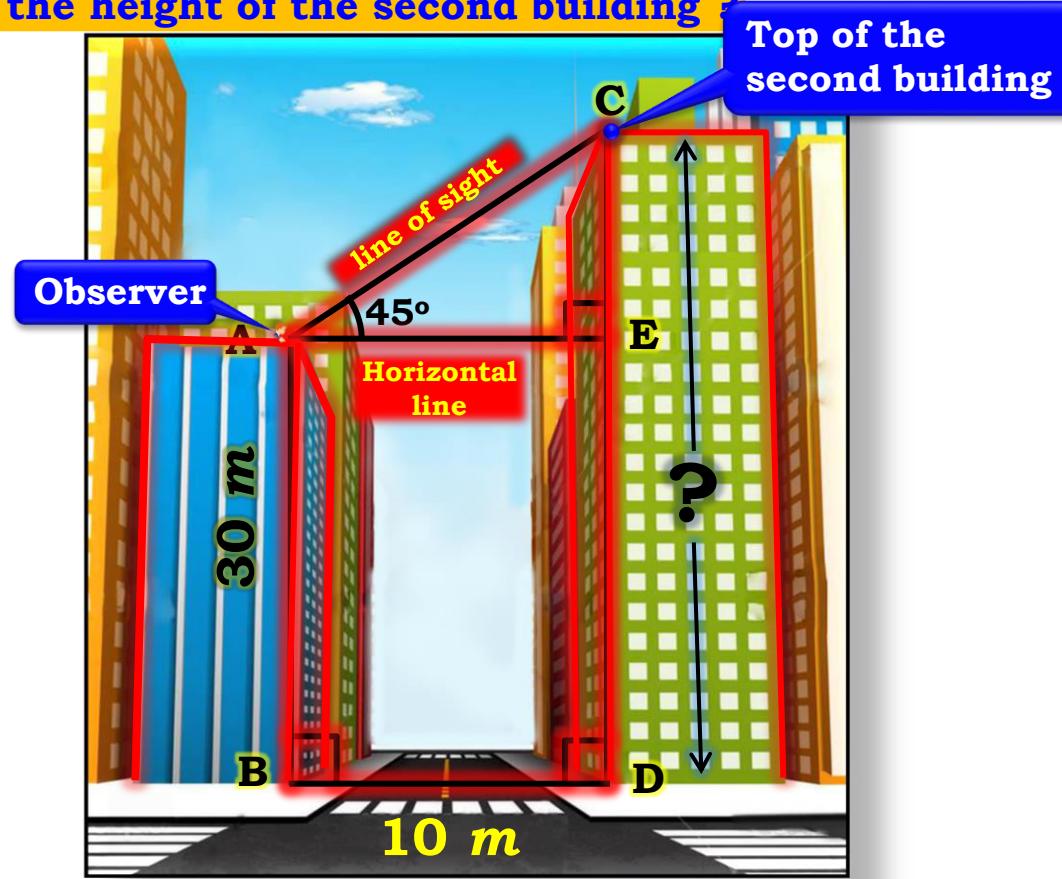
**Distance travelled by the balloon is
100.34 m**

Module 18

Solved Example 3

Module 19

Q. Two buildings are in front of each other on either side of a road of width 10 metres. From the top of the first building, which is 30 metres high, the angle of elevation of top of the second is 45° . What is the height of the second building?



Q. Two buildings are in front of each other on either side of a road. The height of the first building is 30 m. The angle of elevation of the top of the second building from the point A is 45° . The width of the road is 10 m. CD is made up of CE and ED. Ratios of the adjacent sides of the triangle ACE are 1 : 1. What is the height of the second building?

Sol. AB and CD represents the heights of two buildings.

$$AB = 30 \text{ m}$$

BD represents the width of the road.

$$BD = 10 \text{ m}$$

A represents the position of the observer.

$\angle CAE$ is the angle of elevation.

$$\angle CAE = 45^\circ$$

$\square ABDE$ is a rectangle.

$$\tan 45^\circ = 1$$

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{CE}{AE}$$

In right angled $\triangle ACE$,

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{CE}{AE}$$

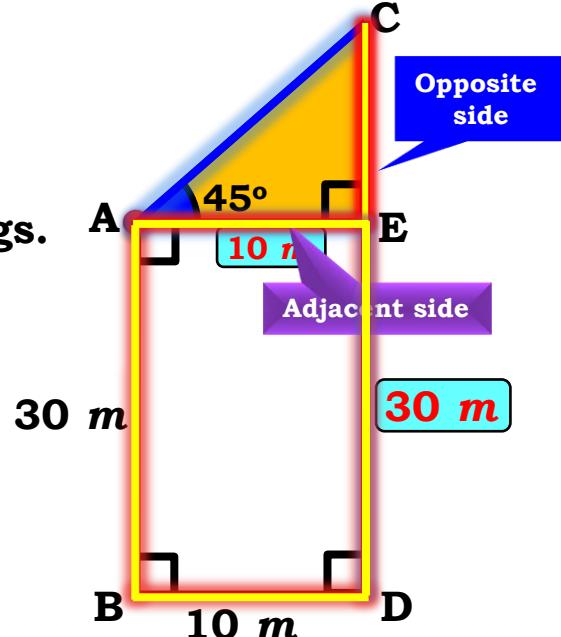
$$\therefore 1 = \frac{CE}{10}$$

$$\therefore CE = 10 \text{ m}$$

$$CD = CE + ED$$

$$\therefore CD = 10 + 30$$

$$\therefore CD = 40 \text{ m}$$



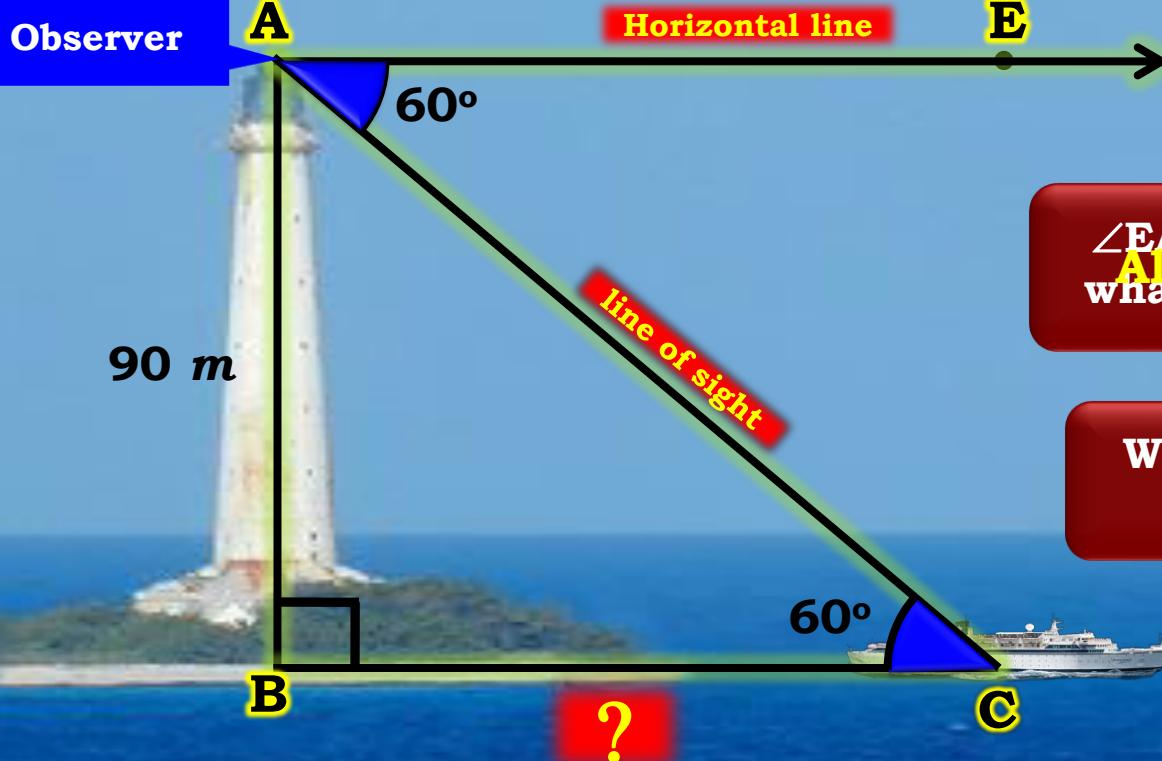
\therefore The height of the second building is 40 m

Thank You

Module 20

Q. From the top of a light house, an observer looks at a ship and finds the angle of depression to be 60° . If the height of the light house is 90 m then find how far is that ship from the light house.

$$(\sqrt{3} = 1.73)$$



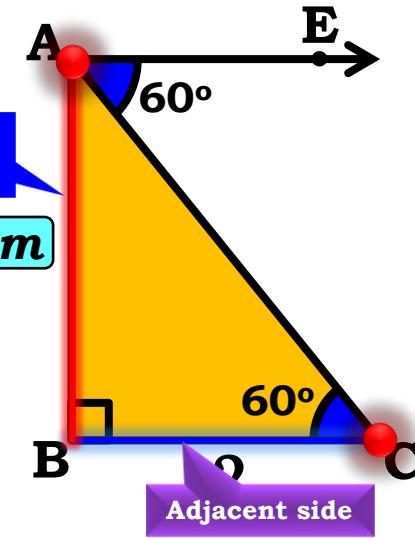
$\angle EAC$ and $\angle ACB$ are
Alternate angles.
what type of angles?

What can we say about
They are equal
these two angles ?

Q. From the top of a lighthouse 90 m high, an observer looks at a ship at sea. The angle of depression of the ship is 60° . Adjacent side reminds us of light house. How far is that ship from the light house?

Ratio of opposite side and adjacent side reminds us of light house.

'tan'



Sol. AB represents the height of the lighthouse.

C represents the position of ship.

A represents the position of observer.

$$\angle EAC = 60^\circ$$

$$\angle EAC = \angle ACD \quad [\text{Alternate angles}]$$

$$\therefore \angle ACD = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

In the triangle $\triangle ABC$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{90}{BC}$$

Q. From the top of a light house, an observer looks at a ship and finds the angle of depression to be 60° . If the height of the light house is 90 m then find how far is that ship from the light house.

Sol.

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{90}{BC}$$

$$\therefore BC = \frac{90}{\sqrt{3}}$$

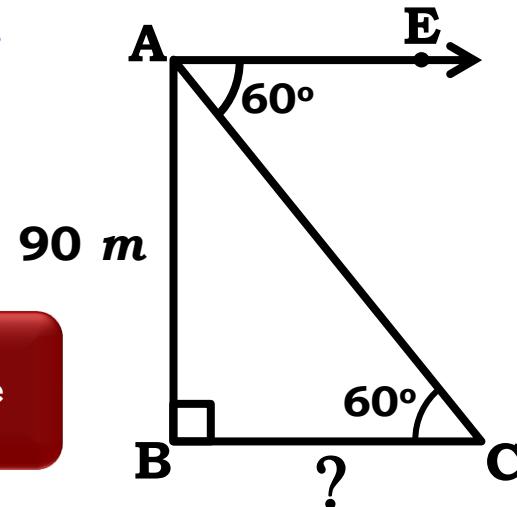
$$\therefore BC = \frac{90}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$BC \sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

~~$$BC = 30 \times 1.73$$~~

$$\therefore BC = 30 \sqrt{3}$$

Now, let us rationalise the denominator



$$\therefore BC = 30 \times 1.73$$

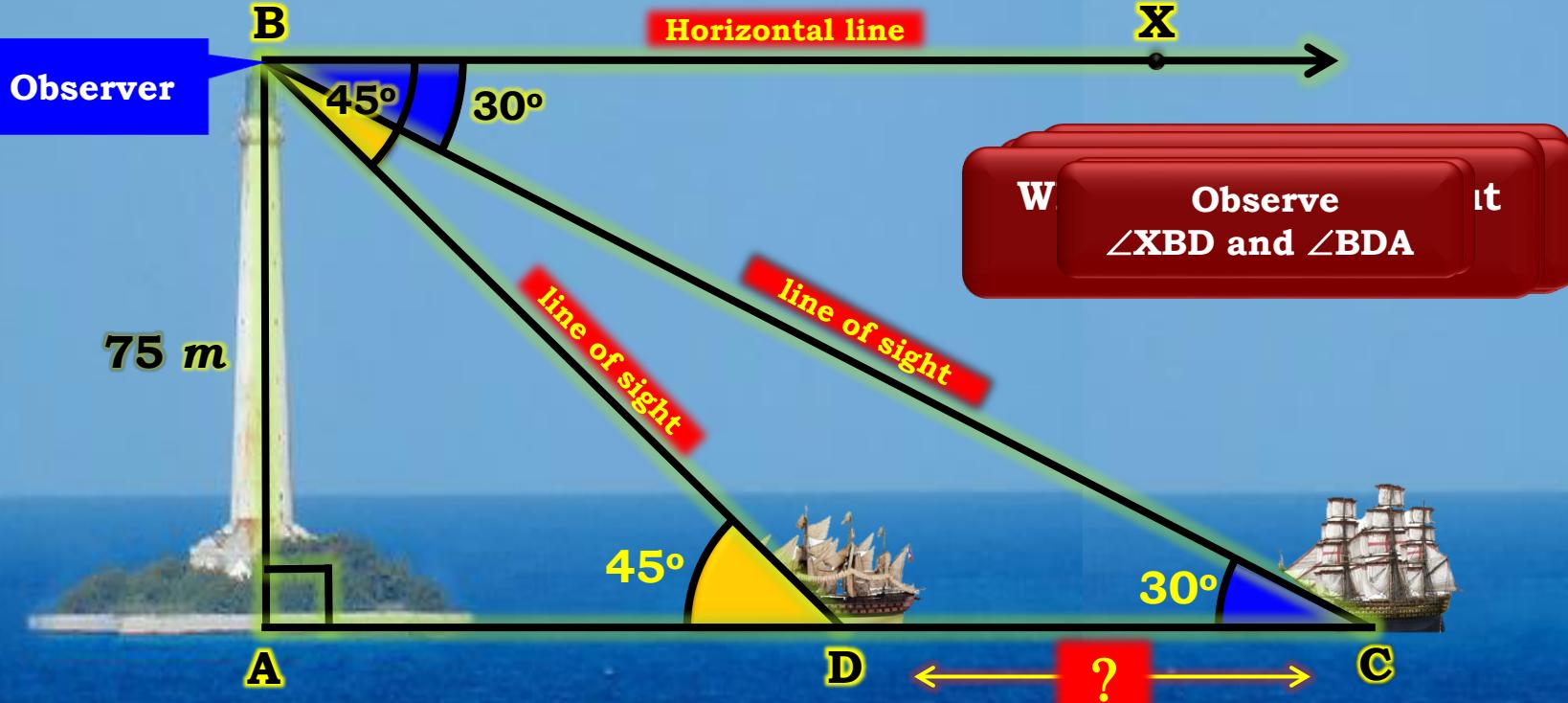
$$\therefore BC = 51.9 \text{ m}$$

The ship is 51.9 m far from the lighthouse.

Module 21

Q. As observed from the top of a 75 m high lighthouse from the sea-level, the angles of depression of two ships are 30° and 45° .

If one ship is exactly behind the other on the same side of the lighthouse, find the distance between the two ships.



Q. As observed from the top of a 75 m high light house, the angles of depression of two ships are 45° and 30° . If one ship is at a distance of 75 m from the base of the light house, find the distance between the two ships.

Sol. Height of light house (AB) = 75 m

AD is the distance of one ship from the foot of light house (AB)

Let the distance between

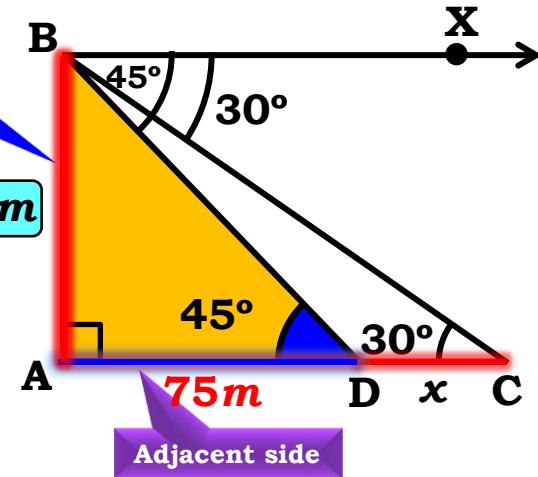
$$\text{two ships} = \tan 45^\circ = P \text{ m}$$

In $\triangle ABD$,

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{AB}{AD}$$

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{75}{AD}$$

$$\therefore AD = 75m \dots(i)$$



Q. As observed from the top of a 75 m high light house, the angles of elevation of the angles of other two ships are 45° and 30° . If the ratio of adjacent sides of triangle ABC is $\sqrt{3}$, find the distance between the two ships.

Sol. In right $\triangle ABD$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

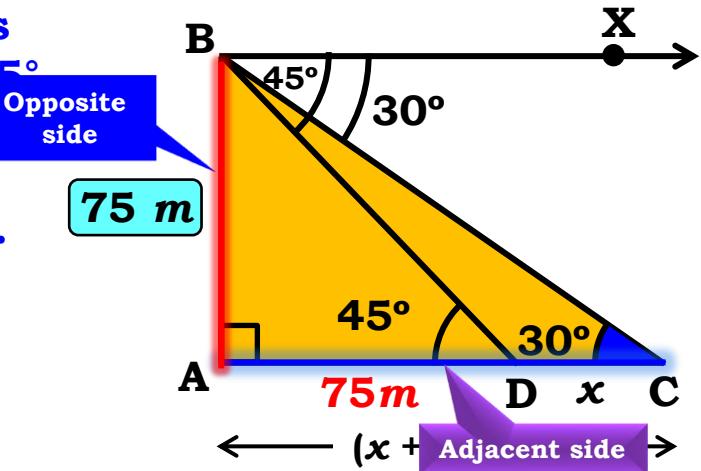
$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{75}{x + 75}$$

$$\therefore x + 75 = 75\sqrt{3} = 1.73$$

$$\therefore x = 75\sqrt{3} - 75$$

$$\therefore x = 75(\sqrt{3} - 1)$$

$$\therefore x = 75(1.73 - 1)$$



$$\therefore x = 75 \times 0.73$$

$$\therefore x = 54.75$$

Distance between the two ships is 54.75 m

Module 22

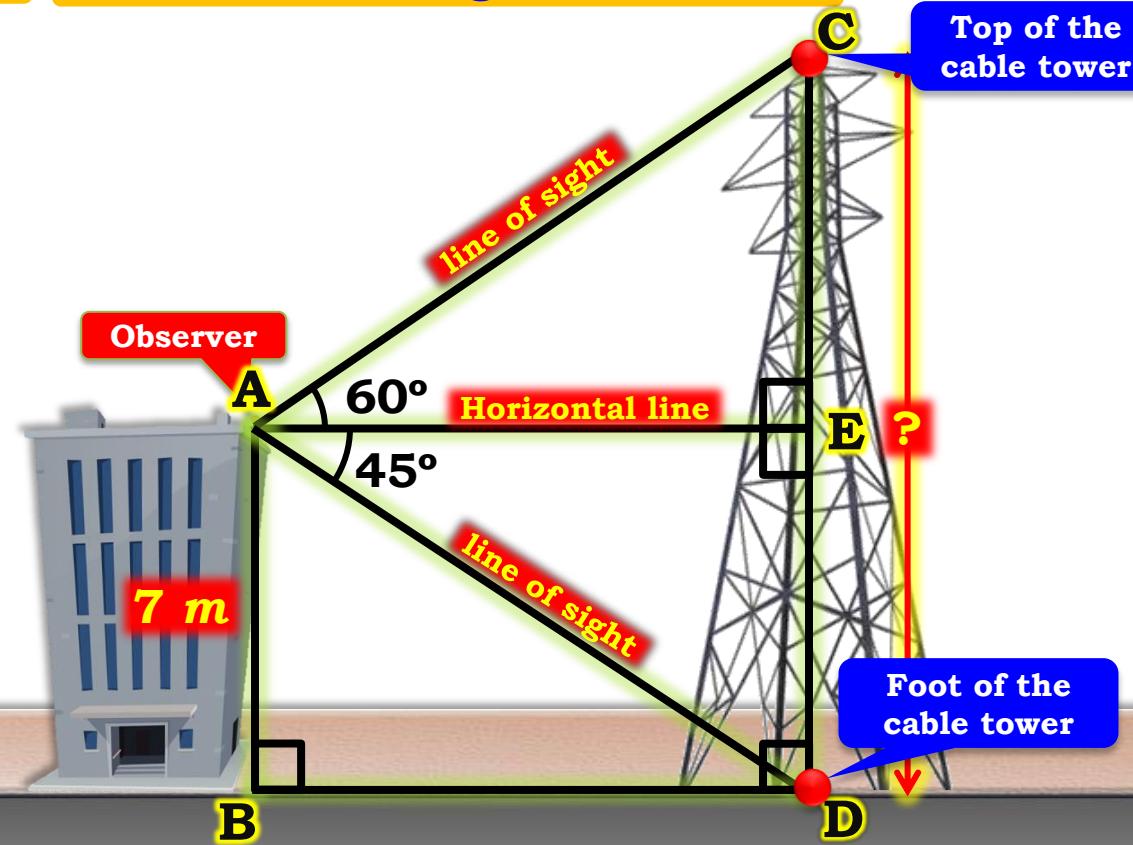
Solved Example 7

Module 23

Solved Example 6

Module 24

Q. From the top of a 7 m high building, the angle of elevation of the top of a cable tower is 60° and the angle of depression of its foot is 45° . Determine the height of the tower.



Q. From the top of a 7 m high building, the angle of elevation of the top of a cable to its end is 60° . Ratio of opposite side and adjacent side reminds us of \tan .

Sol. Let the length of the cable (CD) be 'h' m

Height of the building (AB) = 7 m

$\square ABDE$ is rectangle [By definition]

$$\therefore AB = ED = 7 \text{ m}$$

$$CE + ED = CD$$

$$\therefore CE = h - 7$$

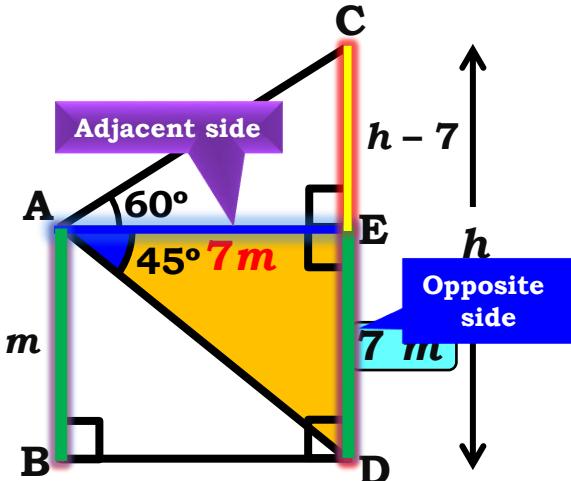
$$\therefore CE : \tan 45^\circ = P$$

In right $\triangle AED$,

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{ED}{AE}$$

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{7}{AE}$$

$$\therefore AE = 7 \text{ m}$$



Q. From the top of a 7 m high building, the angle of elevation of the top of a cable tower is 60° . Ratio of its Opposite side to Adjacent side is $\sqrt{3}$. Observe $\angle A$ and $\angle C$ of $\triangle AEC$. Determine the height of the cable tower.

Sol. In $\triangle AEC$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{CE}{AE}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{h - 7}{7}$$

$$\therefore 7\sqrt{3}$$

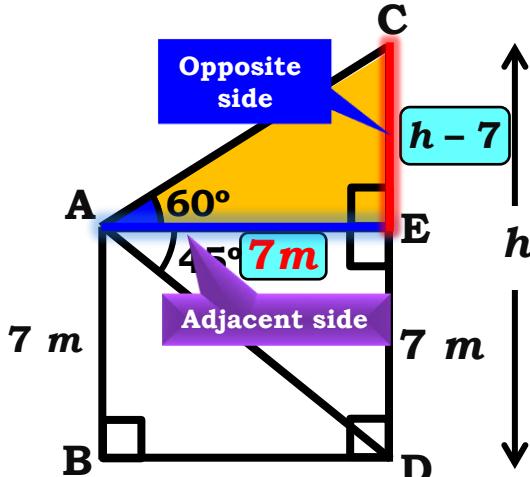
$$\therefore 7\sqrt{3} + 7$$

$$\therefore h = 7(\sqrt{3} + 1)$$

$$\therefore h = 7(1.73 + 1)$$

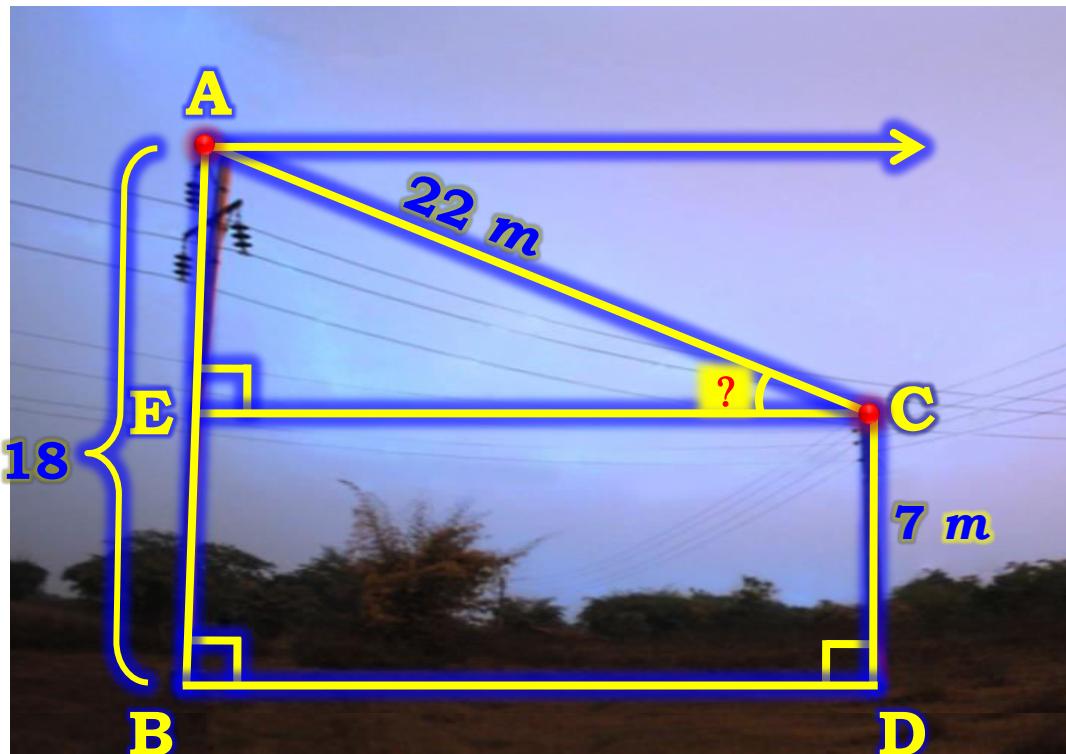
$$\therefore h = 7 \times 2.73 = 19.11$$

∴ Height of the cable tower is 19.11 m



Module 25

Q. Two poles of height 18 metres and 7 metres are erected on the ground. A wire of length 22 metres is tied to the top of the poles. Find angle made by wire with the horizontal.



Consider $CE \perp AB$

Q. Two poles of heights 7 m and 11 m stand on a horizontal ground. A wire is tied from the top of one pole to the top of the other. If the angle made by the wire with the horizontal is 30° , find the length of the wire.

Ratio of heights = $\frac{11}{7}$

But we know that, in a right angled triangle, ratio of opposite side to hypotenuse is equal to ratio of heights.

Observe AB

Sol. AB and CD represent the heights of two poles.
 AC represents the length of wire.
 $\angle ACE$ is the angle made by the wire with the horizontal.

$\square EBDC$ is a rectangle

$$CD = EB = 7 \text{ m}$$

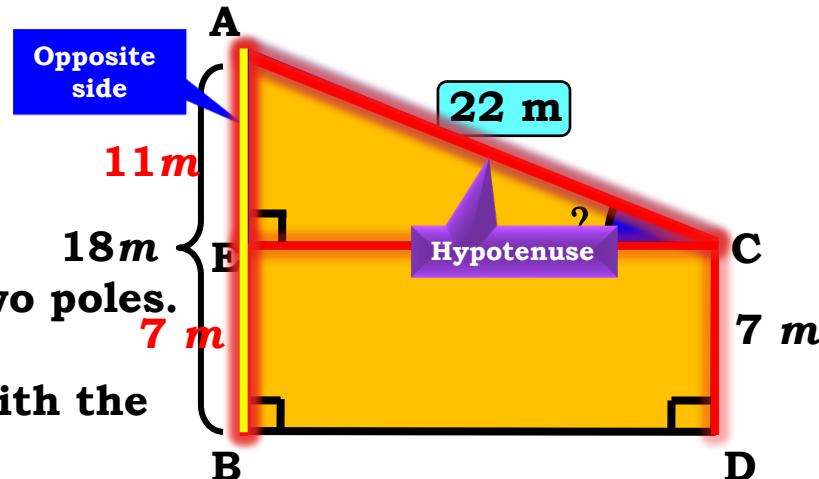
$$AE + EB = AB$$

$$\therefore AE + 7 = 18$$

$$\therefore AE = 11 \text{ m}$$

In right angled $\triangle AEC$,

$$\sin C = \frac{AE}{AC}$$



$$\therefore \sin C = \frac{11}{22}$$

$$\therefore \sin C = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{But, } \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\sin C = \sin 30^\circ$$

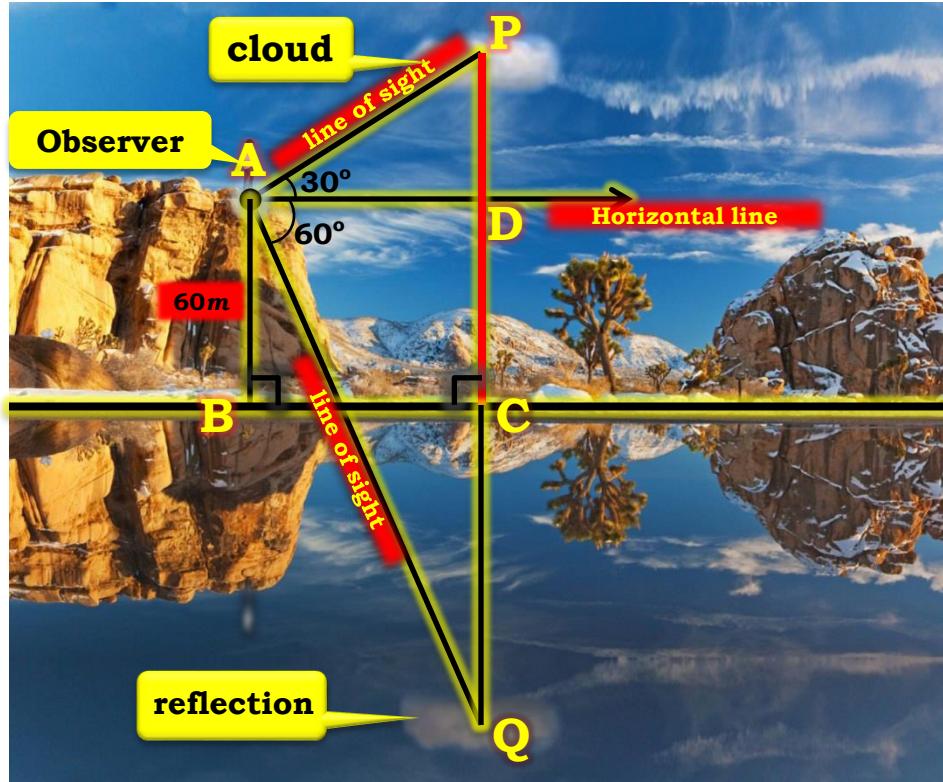
$$\therefore \angle C = 30^\circ$$

The angle made by wire with the horizontal is 30°

Thank You

Module 26

Q. The angle of elevation of a cloud from a point 60m above a lake is 30° and the angle of depression of the reflection of cloud in the lake is 60° . Find the height of the cloud from lake surface.



Height of the person
is neglected

C Distance of
cloud from
lake surface = Distance of its
reflection from lake
surface

Q. The angle of elevation of a cloud from a point on the bank of a lake is 30° . The angle of depression of the cloud is 60° . Find the height of the cloud.

Consider $\triangle ADP$

Sol. : A represents observer above the lake.

$$AB = 60 \text{ m}$$

P represents the cloud.

$\angle PAD$ is the angle of elevation.

$$\angle PAD = 30^\circ$$

Q represents the reflection of cloud.

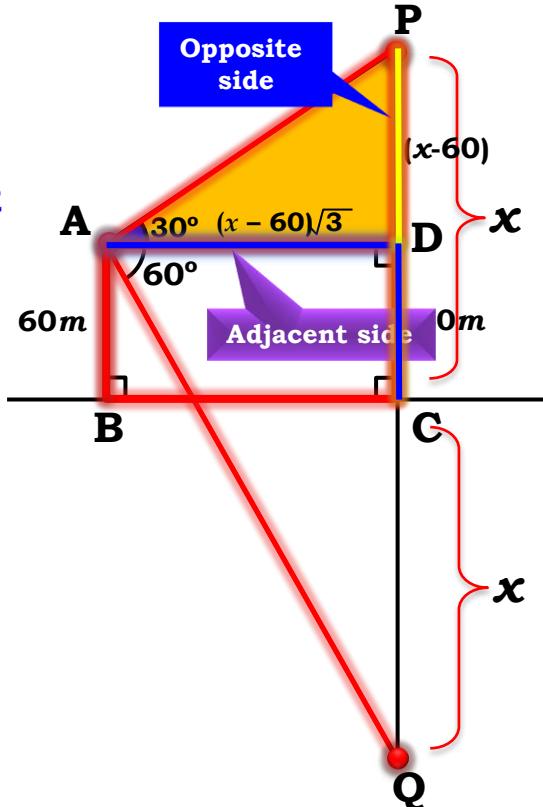
$$\angle DAQ = 60^\circ \quad (\text{angle of depression})$$

In right angled $\triangle ADP$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{PD}{AD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{x - 60}{AD}$$

$$\therefore AD = (x - 60)\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$



Q. The angle of elevation of a cloud from a point A on the ground is 60° . If the angle of elevation of the same cloud from a point B, 60 m above A, is 30° , find the height of the cloud.

Ratio
Adj.

F
O

Consider $\triangle AQD$

Adjacent side $\rightarrow AD$

Sol. : In right angled $\triangle AQD$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{DQ}{AD}$$

$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{x + 60}{\sqrt{3}(x - 60)}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3}(x - 60) = x + 60$$

$$\therefore 3x - 180 = x + 60$$

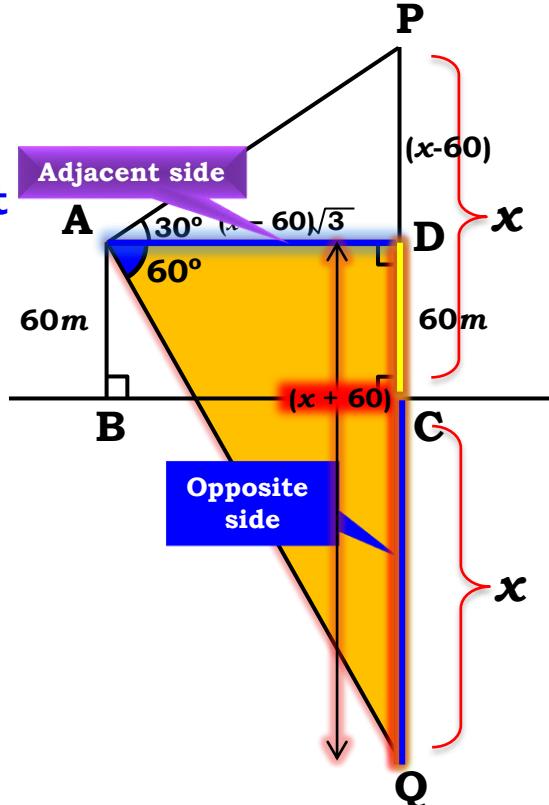
$$\therefore 3x - x = 60 + 180$$

$$\therefore 2x = 240$$

$$\therefore x = 120$$

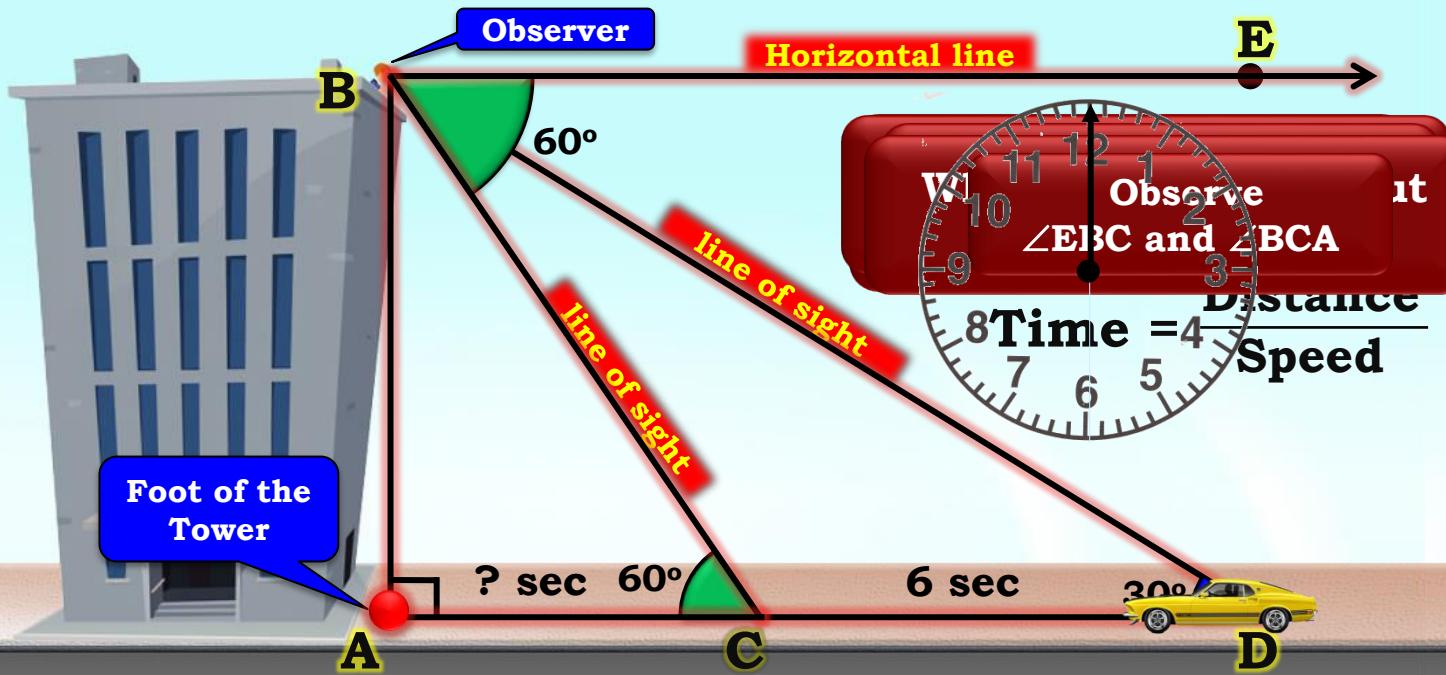
$$\therefore PC = 120 \text{ m}$$

\therefore The height of cloud above the lake is 120 m



Module 27

Q. A straight highway leads to the foot of tower. A man standing at the top of tower observes a car at an angle of depression of 30° , which is approaching the foot of the tower with uniform speed. Six seconds later, the angle of depression of the car is found to be 60° . Find the time taken by the car to reach the foot of the tower from this point.



Q. A straight highway leads to the foot of tower.

A man standing at the top of tower observes

a car approaching him at an angle of depression of 60° , the tower being $10\sqrt{3}$ m high. After some time he found the angle of depression of the car to be 30° . At what time did the car start moving towards the car to reach the foot of the tower from this point.

Sol. Let the height of tower (AB) be ' h ' m

Let the distance of the foot of tower to the car at C(x m) be ' y ' m

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{h}{y} \quad \text{car in } 6 \text{ sec}$$

In right $\triangle BAC$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

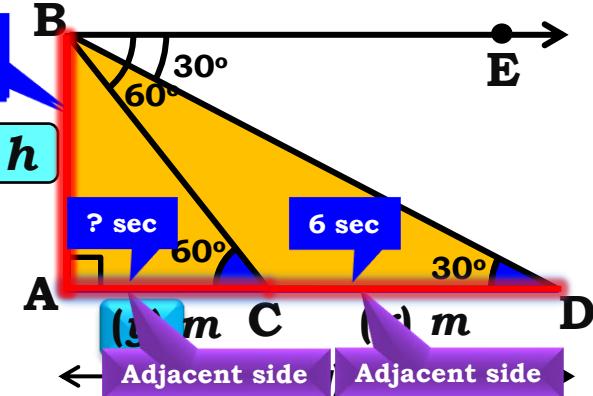
$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{h}{y}$$

$$h = \sqrt{3}y \dots(i)$$

In right $\triangle BAD$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{AD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{x+y}$$



$$\therefore x + y = h\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore x + y = \sqrt{3}y \times \sqrt{3} \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$\therefore x + y = 3y$$

$$\therefore x = 2y \dots(ii)$$

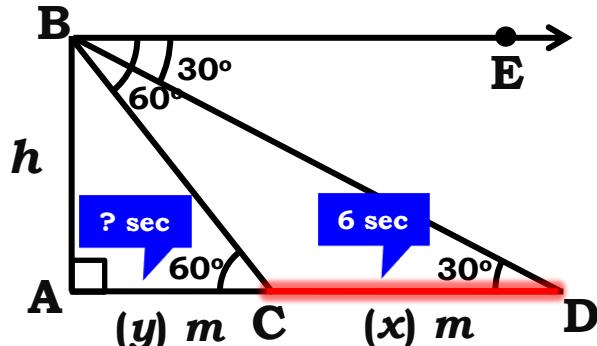
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Sol. Distance covered by car in
6 seconds = x m

$$x = 2y \dots \text{(ii)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Speed of the car} &= \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}} \\ &= \frac{x}{6} \\ &= \frac{2y}{6} \quad [\text{From (ii)}] \\ &= \frac{y}{3}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Speed of the car} = \frac{y}{3} \text{ m/sec}$$



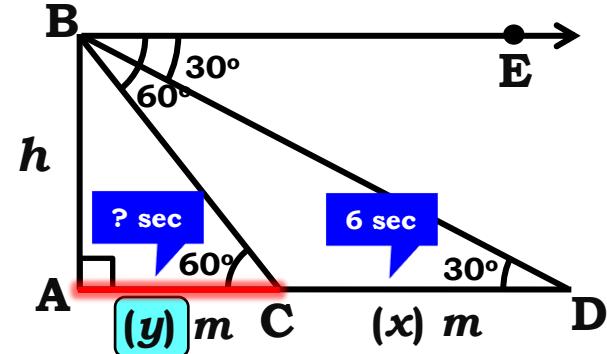
∴ Time taken by car to reach the foot of tower from point C,

$$\text{Time} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}}$$

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with uniform speed. Six seconds later,
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to be 60° . Find the time taken by the car to
reach the foot of the tower from this point.

Sol. Time taken by car to reach the foot of tower from point C,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Time} &= \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}} \\ &= \frac{y}{\frac{y}{3}} \\ &= \cancel{y} \times \frac{3}{\cancel{y}} = 3 \text{ sec.}\end{aligned}$$

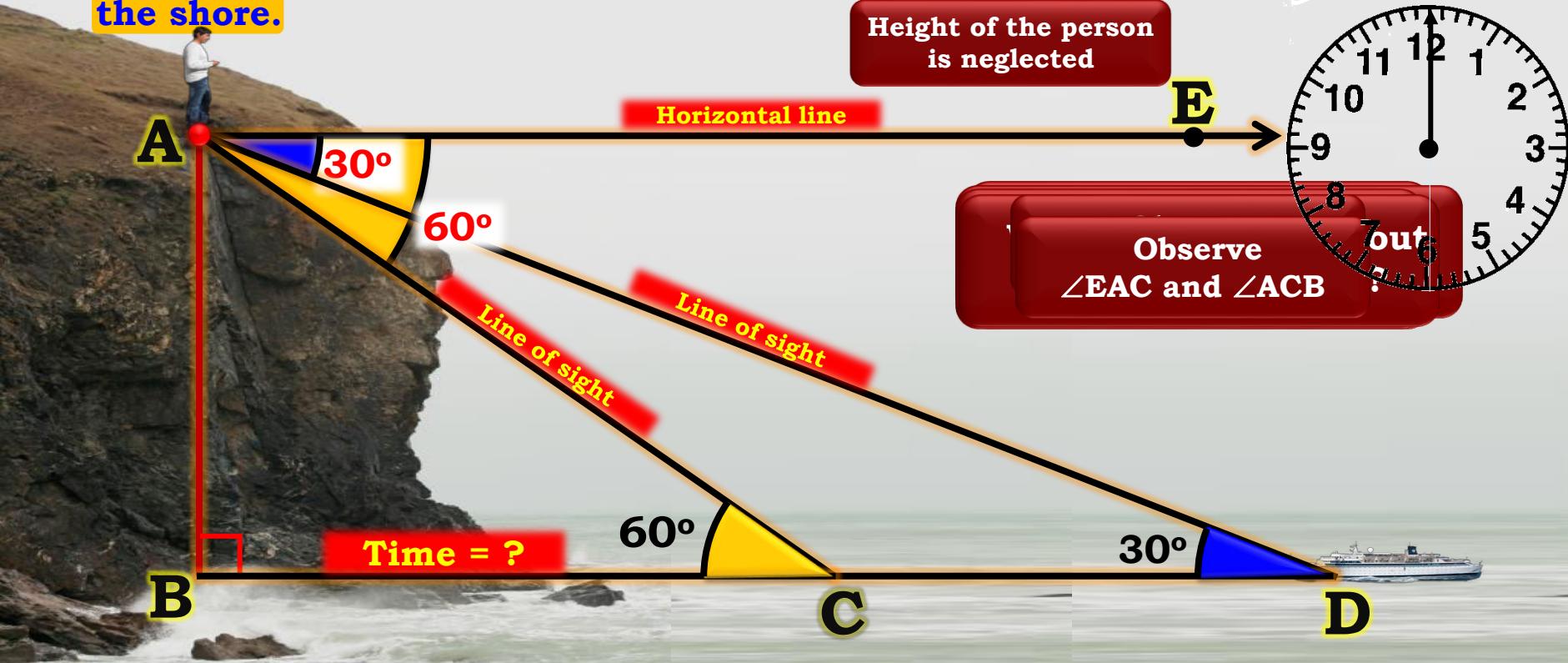


Speed of the car = $\frac{y}{3}$ m/sec

Time taken by the car to reach the foot of tower from this point is 3 sec.

Module 28

Q. A man on cliff observes a boat at an angle of depression 30° , which is sailing towards the point of the shore immediately beneath him. Three minutes later the angle of depression of boat is found to be 60° . Assuming that the boat sails at uniform speed, determine how much more time it will take to reach the shore.



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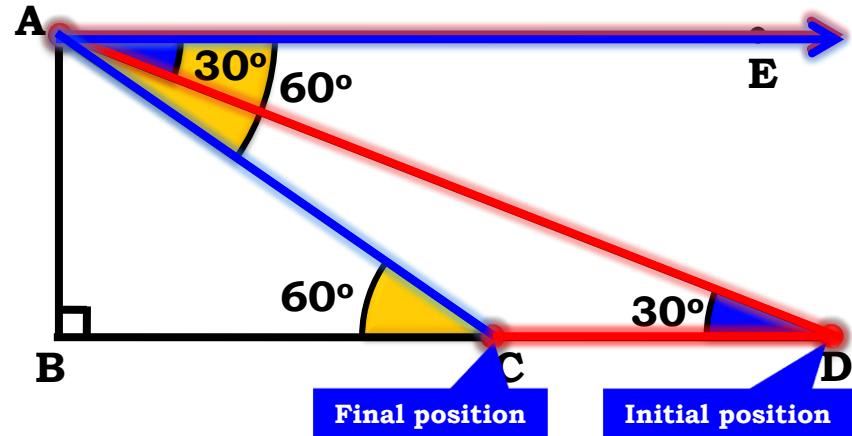
Sol. D and C are the initial and final positions of the ship.

A represents the position of observer.

$\angle EAD$ and $\angle EAC$ are the angles of depression.

$$\angle EAD = 30^\circ, \quad \angle EAC = 60^\circ,$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \angle EAD = \angle ADB = 30^\circ \\ \angle EAC = \angle ACB = 60^\circ \end{array} \right\} \text{[Alternate angles]}$$



The ship took 3 mins to travel from D to C

Q. A man on cliff observes a boat at an angle of depression 30° , which is sailing towards the angle of elevation 60° of the cliff. Find how much more time it will take to reach the shore.

Sol.

Ratio Adj BC belongs to $\triangle ABC$

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Let the uniform speed be x

Opposite side

Time taken from C to D = 3 minutes

\therefore Distance from C to D = Speed \times Time

$$\therefore CD = x \times 3$$

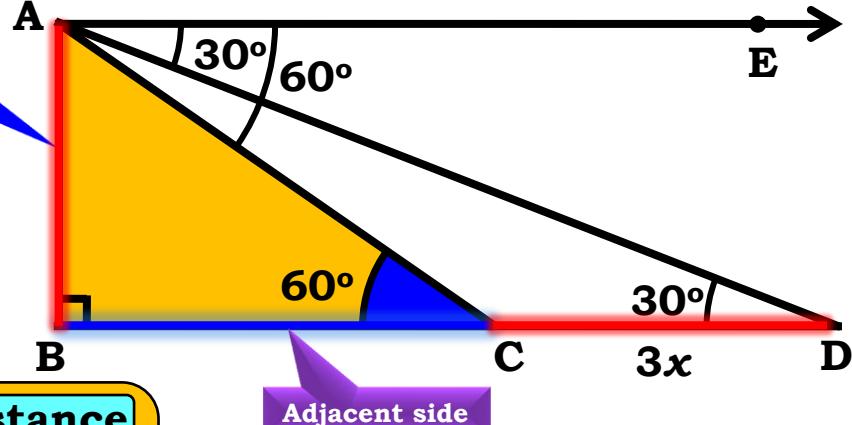
$$\therefore CD = \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$$

In right angled $\triangle ABC$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{AB}{BC}$$

$$\therefore AB = \sqrt{3} BC$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Time} &= \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{speed}} \\ &= \frac{BC}{x} \end{aligned}$$

Q. A man is sailing towards a straight vertical shore. When he sails $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$, BD is made up of BC and CD. The angle of depression 30° , which is sailing directly beneath him. Three minutes later the angle of depression to be 60° . Assuming that the boat sails at a constant speed, how much more time it will take to reach the shore?

Sol. In right angled $\triangle ABD$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{AB}{BD}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{AB}{BD}$$

$$\therefore AB = \frac{BD}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} BC = \frac{BD}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore 3BC = BD$$

$$\therefore 3BC = BC + CD$$

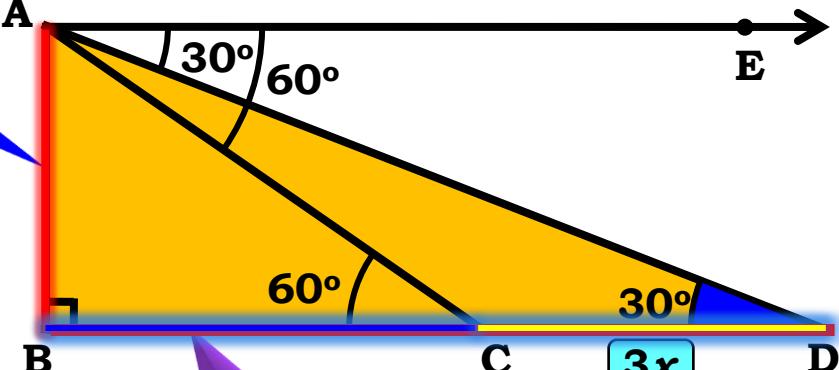
$$\therefore 2BC = CD$$

Ratio of sides
BD is made up of
BC and CD

Opposite side

$$AB = \sqrt{3} BC$$

$$\text{Time} = \frac{BC}{x}$$



$$\therefore BC = \frac{CD}{2}$$

$$\therefore BC = \frac{3x}{2}$$

$$\therefore BC = 1.5x \text{ units}$$

Adjacent side

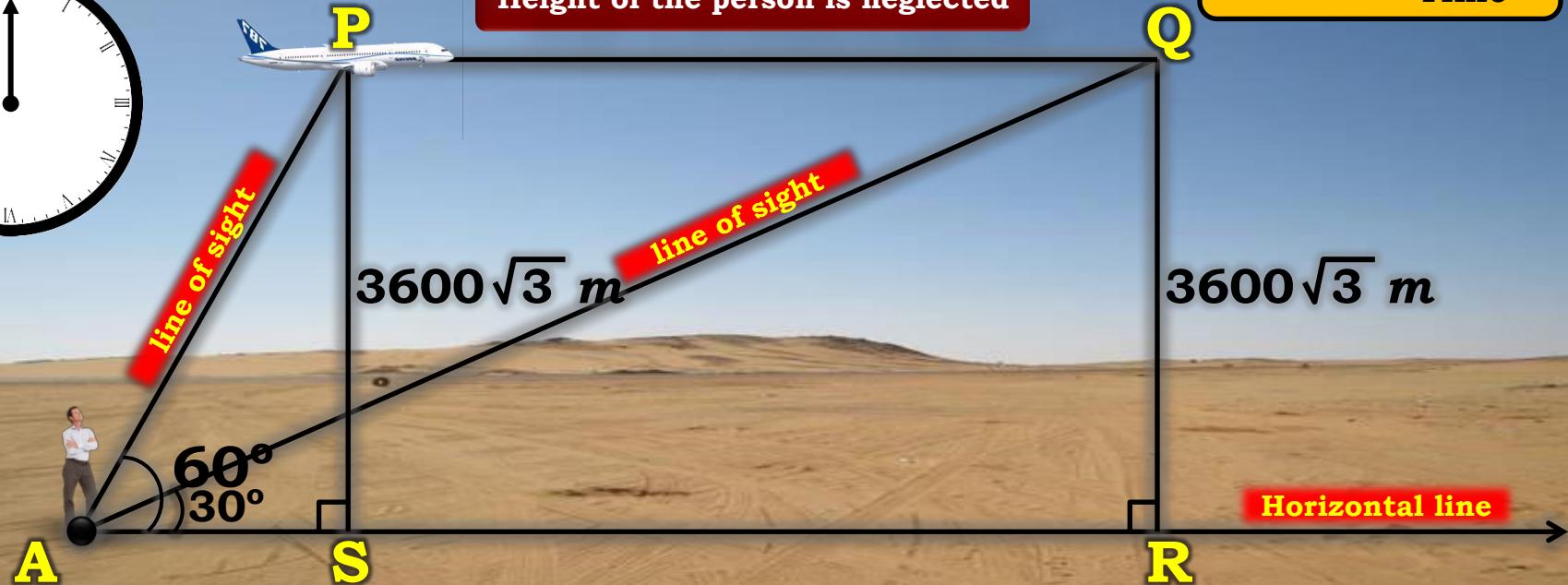
$$\text{Time} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{BC}{x}$$

$$= \frac{1.5x}{x} = 1.5 \text{ min}$$

The time taken to reach the shore is 1.5 min

Module 29

Q. The angle of elevation of a jet plane from a point A on the ground is 60° . After a flight of 30 seconds, the angle of elevation changes to 30° . If the jet plane is flying at a constant height of $3600\sqrt{3}$ meter, Find the speed of the jet plane ($\sqrt{3} = 1.732$)



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 $3600\sqrt{3}$ meter,

Sol. Let P and Q be the first and second position of a jet plane.

A represents the point on the ground.

$\angle PAS$ and $\angle QAR$ are the angles of elevation.

$\angle PAS = 60^\circ$, $\angle QAR = 30^\circ$

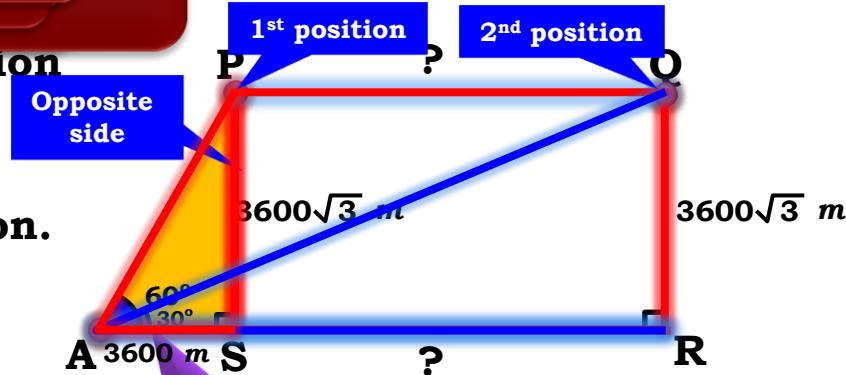
PS and QR represents constant height at which the jet plane is flying.

$$PS \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3} AS$$

In right angled $\triangle PSA$,

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{PS}{AS}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{3600\sqrt{3}}{AS}$$



$$SR = AR - AS$$

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\therefore AS = 3600 m$$

Q. The angle of elevation of a point A on the ground is 60° . After a flight of 30 sec. If the jet plane changes to 30° . Find the distance of the jet plane from point A.

$$\tan 30^\circ$$

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$600\sqrt{3}$ meter,

Sol. In right-angled ΔQRA ,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{QR}{AR}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3600\sqrt{3}}{AR}$$

$$\therefore AR = 3600\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore AR = 3600 \times 3$$

$$\therefore AR = 10800 \text{ m}$$

$$AS + SR = AR$$

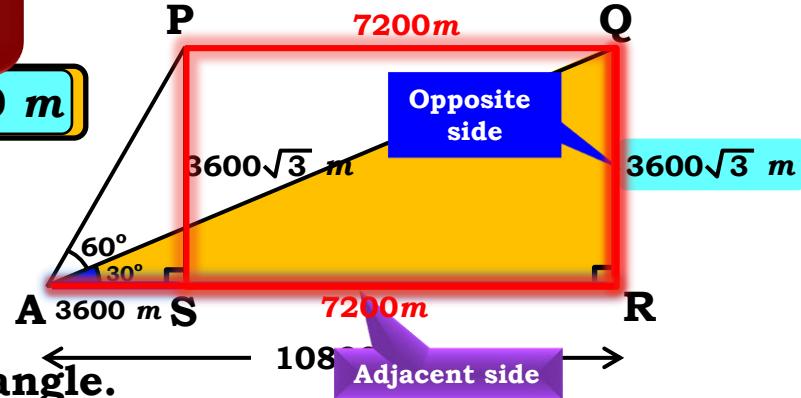
$$\therefore 3600 + SR = 10800$$

$$\therefore SR = 10800 - 3600$$

$$\therefore SR = 7200 \text{ m}$$

$$AS = 3600 \text{ m}$$

$$SR = AR - AS$$



\square PQRS is a rectangle.

$$PQ = SR = 7200 \text{ m}$$

Distance covered

in 30 sec. = 7200 m

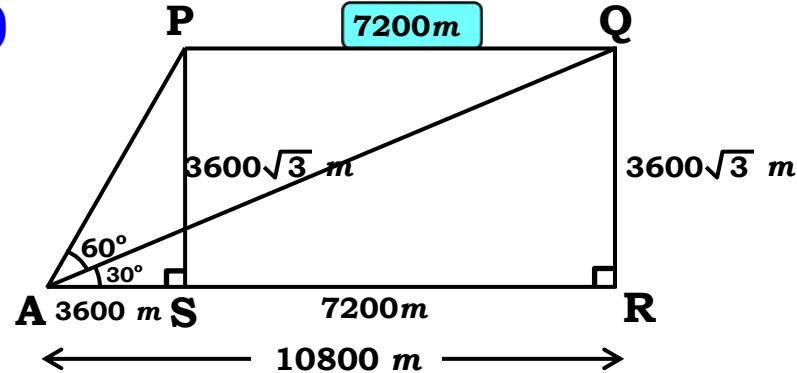
$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$$

$$= \frac{PQ}{30 \text{ sec.}}$$

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 After a flight of 30 seconds, the angle of elevation changes to 30° .
 If the jet plane is flying at a constant height of $3600\sqrt{3}$ meter,
 Find the speed of the jet plane. ($\sqrt{3} = 1.732$)

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Speed} &= \frac{\text{PQ}}{30 \text{ sec.}} & 1 \text{ hr.} &= 3600 \text{ sec.} \\ &= \frac{7200 \text{ m}}{30 \text{ sec.}} \\ &= \frac{7200}{1000} \div \frac{30}{3600} \text{ km/hr.} \\ &= \frac{7200}{1000} \times \frac{3600}{30} & 120 \\ &= 72 \times 12 \\ &= 864 \text{ km/hr.}\end{aligned}$$



The speed of the jet plane is 864 km/hr.

Thank You