

Exercises

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Triangle exercise

1. $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle AMP$ are two right triangles, right angled at B and M respectively. M lies on AC and AB is extended to meet P . Prove that:
 - 1.1 $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AMP$
 - 1.2 $\frac{CA}{PA} = \frac{BC}{MP}$

Solution:

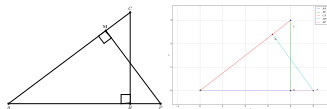


Figure 0-1: right angled triangles

From the above figure

$$\angle CAB = \angle MAP \quad (1)$$

$$\angle ABC = \angle AMP \quad (2)$$

From 1 and 2

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AMP \quad (3)$$

► As corresponding sides are proportional $\frac{CA}{PA} = \frac{BC}{MP} = \frac{AB}{AM}$

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Triangle construction

2. In $\triangle ABC$, $a=8$, $\angle B = 45^\circ$ and $c-b=3.5$. Sketch $\triangle ABC$

Solution:

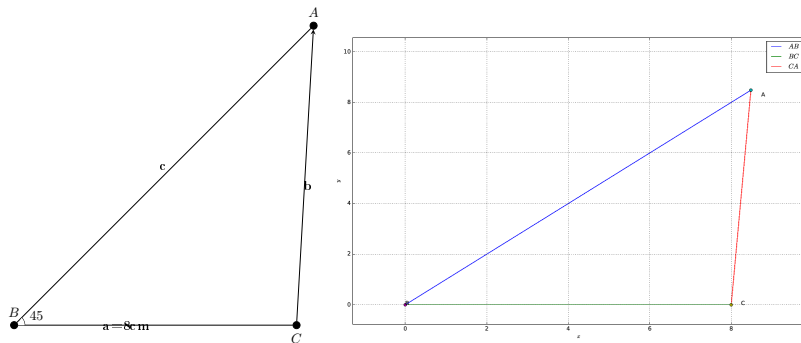


Figure 0-2: Triangle with tikz and python

Given $a=8\text{cm}$, $c-b=k$ ($k=3.5\text{cm}$) Apply cosine rule

$$\cos(B) = \frac{a^2 + c^2 - b^2}{2ac}$$

$$\cos(B) = \frac{a^2 + (b+k)^2 - b^2}{2a(b+k)}$$

$$2ab \cos B + 2ak \cos B = a^2 + k + 2bk$$

$$b = \frac{a^2 + k^2 - 2ak \cos B}{2a \cos B - 2k}$$

$$b=8.49, c=11.99$$

- ▶ tikz code for above figure: <https://github.com/d-DP/Assignments/blob/master/figs/2.tex>
- ▶ Python code for Figure 0-2: <https://github.com/d-DP/Assignments/blob/master/codes/2.py>