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Template

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1 Objective

This experiment serves as a template for a report in the advanced lab course.

2 Theory

The Pythagorean theorem describes aspect ratios.

2.1 General

We can always write

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2 \quad (1a)$$

$$a^2 = c^2 - b^2 \quad (1b)$$

for any right triangle.

2.2 Specific

With $a = b$ follows from the general case (1a) that

$$2a^2 = c^2 \quad (2)$$

must hold.

3 Procedure

A *Geodreieck* is used.

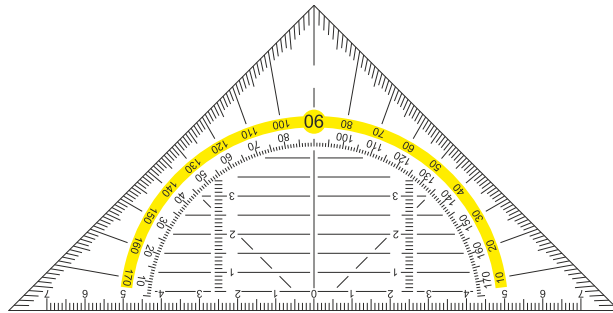


Figure 1: Schematic depiction of a *Geodreieck*.

4 Results

Table 1: General measurements.

a / mm	b / mm	c / mm
1	2	2.25
2	3	3.60
3	4	5.00
4	5	6.40

Table 2: Specific measurements.

a / mm	c / mm
1	1.4
2	2.8
3	4.2
4	5.7
5	7.1

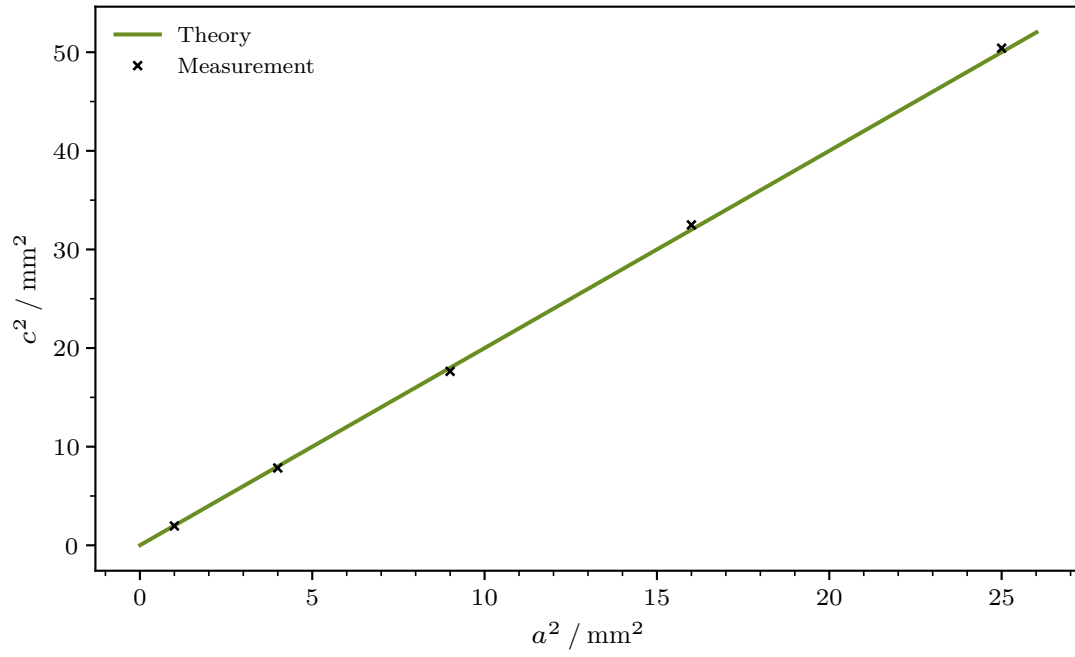


Figure 2: Measurements and theory prediction.

For $c^2 = ma^2 + n$ and using `numpy.polyfit` [1] we find

$$m = 2.03 \pm 0.01 \qquad n = (-0.24 \pm 0.21) \text{ mm}^2$$

as parameters.

5 Discussion

The measurements are in good agreement with predictions derived from theory.

References

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Appendix

