

Algebra II

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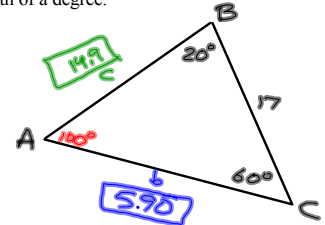
Solving General Triangles

Solve each triangle. Give lengths to three significant digits and angle measures to the nearest tenth of a degree. (pg 594)

1) (6 on orals)

$a = 17$
 $\angle B = 20^\circ$
 $\angle C = 60^\circ$

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 Law of Sines



$$\angle A = 180 - 20 - 60 = 100^\circ$$

$$\frac{b}{\sin 20^\circ} = \frac{17}{\sin 100^\circ} \Rightarrow b = 5.90$$

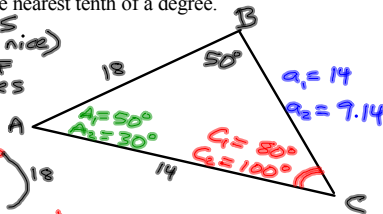
$$\frac{c}{\sin 60^\circ} = \frac{17}{\sin 100^\circ} \Rightarrow c = 14.949$$

Solve each triangle. Give lengths to three significant digits and angle measures to the nearest tenth of a degree.

11) (16 on orals)

$b = 14$
 $c = 18$
 $\angle B = 50^\circ$

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 Law of Sines



$$\frac{\sin C}{18} = \frac{\sin 50^\circ}{14} \Rightarrow \sin C = 0.984914284$$

$$C = \sin^{-1}(0.984914284)$$

$$C_1 = 80.03 \approx 80.0$$

$$C_2 = 100^\circ$$

$$\leftarrow \frac{180 - 80}{100}$$

$$\frac{a_1}{\sin 50^\circ} = \frac{14}{\sin 50^\circ} \Rightarrow a_1 = 14$$

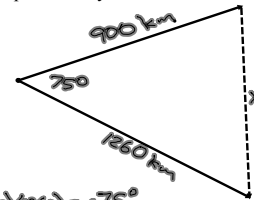
$$a_1 = 14$$

$$\frac{a_2}{\sin 30^\circ} = \frac{14}{\sin 50^\circ} \Rightarrow a_2 = 9.14$$

Give lengths to three significant digits and angle measures to the nearest tenth of a degree.

1) Two planes leave an airport at the same time, one flying at 300 km/h and the other at 420 km/h. The angle between their flight paths is 75° . After 3 hours, how far apart are they?

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 Law of Cosines



$$X^2 = 900^2 + 1260^2 - 2(900)(1260)\cos 75^\circ$$

$$X = 1345.58 \approx 1350 \text{ km}$$

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1-12 all (6-17 orals)

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1-13 all