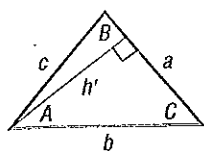
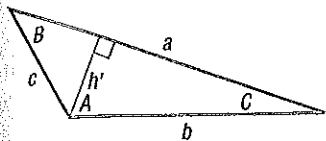


Figure 34



(a)



(b)

from which

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin C}{c} \quad (5)$$

In a similar manner, by constructing the altitude h' from the vertex of angle A as shown in Figure 34, it follows that

$$\sin B = \frac{h'}{c} \quad \text{and} \quad \sin C = \frac{h'}{b}$$

Equating the expressions for h' gives

$$h' = c \sin B = b \sin C$$

from which

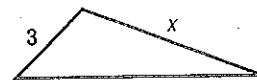
$$\frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c} \quad (6)$$

When equations (5) and (6) are combined, the result is equation (1), the Law of Sines. ■

7.2 Assess Your Understanding

'Are You Prepared?' Answers are given at the end of these exercises. If you get a wrong answer, read the pages listed in red.

- The difference formula for the sine function is $\sin(A - B) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. (p. 502)
- If θ is an acute angle, solve the equation $\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$. (pp. 482–485)
- The two triangles shown are similar. Find the missing length. (pp. A17–A18)

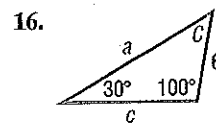
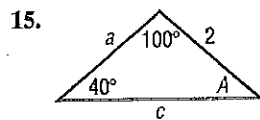
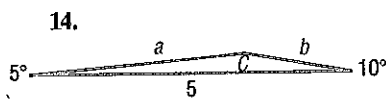
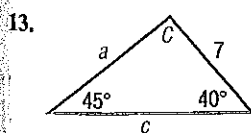
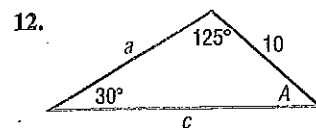
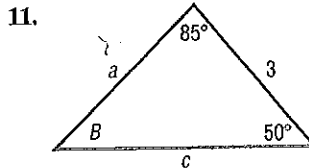
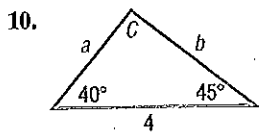
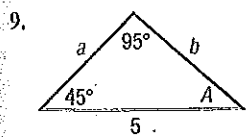


Concepts and Vocabulary

- If none of the angles of a triangle is a right angle, the triangle is called .
- For a triangle with sides a, b, c and opposite angles A, B, C , the Law of Sines states that .
- True or False** An oblique triangle in which two sides and an angle are given always results in at least one triangle.
- True or False** The Law of Sines can be used to solve triangles where three sides are known.
- Triangles for which two sides and the angle opposite one of them are known (SSA) are referred to as the .

Skill Building

In Problems 9–16, solve each triangle.



In Problems 17–24, solve each triangle.

17. $A = 40^\circ, B = 20^\circ, a = 2$

18. $A = 50^\circ, C = 20^\circ, a = 3$

19. $B = 70^\circ, C = 10^\circ, b = 5$

20. $A = 70^\circ, B = 60^\circ, c = 4$

21. $A = 110^\circ, C = 30^\circ, c = 3$

22. $B = 10^\circ, C = 100^\circ, b = 2$

23. $A = 40^\circ, B = 40^\circ, c = 2$

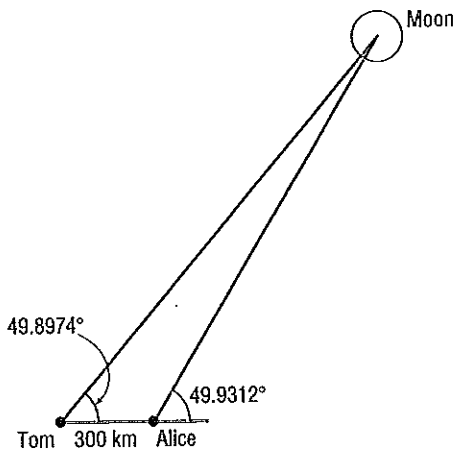
24. $B = 20^\circ, C = 70^\circ, a = 1$

In Problems 25–36, two sides and an angle are given. Determine whether the given information results in one triangle, two triangles, or no triangle at all. Solve each triangle that results.

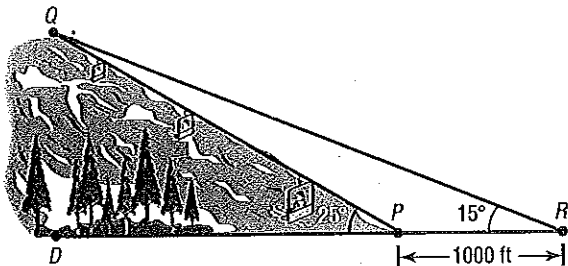
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| 25. $a = 3, b = 2, A = 50^\circ$ | 26. $b = 4, c = 3, B = 40^\circ$ | 27. $b = 5, c = 3, B = 100^\circ$ |
| 28. $a = 2, c = 1, A = 120^\circ$ | 29. $a = 4, b = 5, A = 60^\circ$ | 30. $b = 2, c = 3, B = 40^\circ$ |
| 31. $b = 4, c = 6, B = 20^\circ$ | 32. $a = 3, b = 7, A = 70^\circ$ | 33. $a = 2, c = 1, C = 100^\circ$ |
| 34. $b = 4, c = 5, B = 95^\circ$ | 35. $a = 2, c = 1, C = 25^\circ$ | 36. $b = 4, c = 5, B = 40^\circ$ |

Applications and Extensions

37. **Rescue at Sea** Coast Guard Station Able is located 150 miles due south of Station Baker. A ship at sea sends an SOS call that is received by each station. The call to Station Able indicates that the ship is located N55°E; the call to Station Baker indicates that the ship is located S60°E.
- How far is each station from the ship?
 - If a helicopter capable of flying 200 miles per hour is dispatched from the station nearest the ship, how long will it take to reach the ship?
38. **Distance to the Moon** At exactly the same time, Tom and Alice measured the angle of elevation to the moon while standing exactly 300 km apart. The angle of elevation to the moon for Tom was 49.8974° and the angle of elevation to the moon for Alice was 49.9312° . See the figure. To the nearest 1000 km, how far was the moon from Earth when the measurement was obtained?

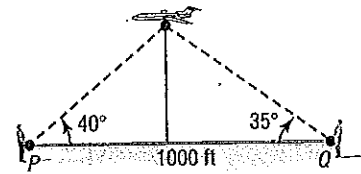


39. **Finding the Length of a Ski Lift** Consult the figure. To find the length of the span of a proposed ski lift from P to Q , a surveyor measures $\angle DPQ$ to be 25° and then walks off a distance of 1000 feet to R and measures $\angle PRQ$ to be 15° . What is the distance from P to Q ?



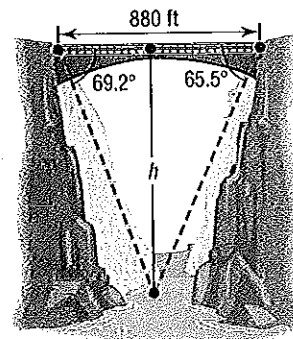
40. **Finding the Height of a Mountain** Use the illustration in Problem 39 to find the height QD of the mountain.

41. **Finding the Height of an Airplane** An aircraft is spotted by two observers who are 1000 feet apart. As the airplane passes over the line joining them, each observer takes a sighting of the angle of elevation to the plane, as indicated in the figure. How high is the airplane?



42. **Finding the Height of the Bridge over the Royal Gorge** The highest bridge in the world is the bridge over the Royal Gorge of the Arkansas River in Colorado. Sightings to the same point at water level directly under the bridge are taken from each side of the 880-foot-long bridge, as indicated in the figure. How high is the bridge?

Source: Guinness Book of World Records

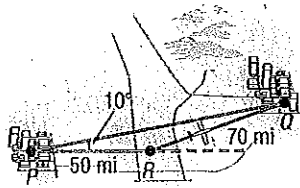


43. **Landscaping** Pat needs to determine the height of a tree before cutting it down to be sure that it will not fall on a nearby fence. The angle of elevation of the tree from one position on a flat path from the tree is 30° , and from a second position 40 feet farther along this path it is 20° . What is the height of the tree?
44. **Construction** A loading ramp 10 feet long that makes an angle of 18° with the horizontal is to be replaced by a ramp that makes an angle of 12° with the horizontal. How long is the new ramp?
45. **Commercial Navigation** Adam must fly home to St. Louis from a business meeting in Oklahoma City. One flight option flies directly to St. Louis, a distance of about 461.1 miles. A second flight option first flies to Kansas City and then connects to St. Louis. The bearing from Oklahoma City to Kansas City is N29.6°E, and the bearing from Oklahoma City to St. Louis is N57.7°E. The bearing from St. Louis to

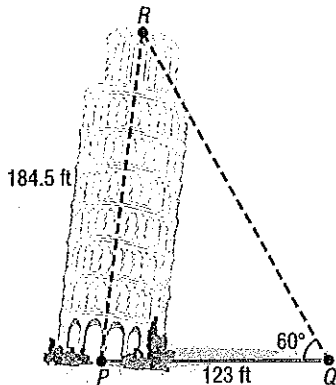
Oklahoma City is $S57.7^\circ W$, and the bearing from St. Louis to Kansas City is $N79.4^\circ W$. How many more frequent flyer miles will Adam receive if he takes the connecting flight rather than the direct flight?

Source: www.landings.com

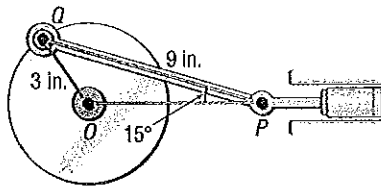
46. **Time Lost due to a Navigation Error** In attempting to fly from city P to city Q , an aircraft followed a course that was 10° in error, as indicated in the figure. After flying a distance of 50 miles, the pilot corrected the course by turning at point R and flying 70 miles farther. If the constant speed of the aircraft was 250 miles per hour, how much time was lost due to the error?



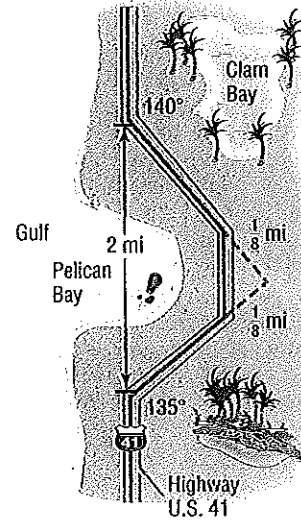
47. **Finding the Lean of the Leaning Tower of Pisa** The famous Leaning Tower of Pisa was originally 184.5 feet high.* At a distance of 123 feet from the base of the tower, the angle of elevation to the top of the tower is found to be 60° . Find $\angle RPQ$ indicated in the figure. Also, find the perpendicular distance from R to PQ .



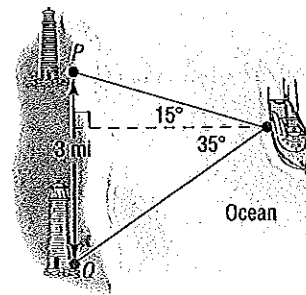
48. **Crankshafts on Cars** On a certain automobile, the crankshaft is 3 inches long and the connecting rod is 9 inches long (see the figure). At the time when $\angle OPQ$ is 15° , how far is the piston (P) from the center (O) of the crankshaft?



49. **Constructing a Highway** U.S. 41, a highway whose primary directions are north-south, is being constructed along the west coast of Florida. Near Naples, a bay obstructs the straight path of the road. Since the cost of a bridge is prohibitive, engineers decide to go around the bay. The illustration shows the path that they decide on and the measurements taken. What is the length of highway needed to go around the bay?



50. **Calculating Distances at Sea** The navigator of a ship at sea spots two lighthouses that she knows to be 3 miles apart along a straight seashore. She determines that the angles formed between two line-of-sight observations of the lighthouses and the line from the ship directly to shore are 15° and 35° . See the illustration.
- How far is the ship from lighthouse P ?
 - How far is the ship from lighthouse Q ?
 - How far is the ship from shore?

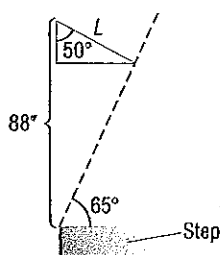


51. **Designing an Awning** An awning that covers a sliding glass door that is 88 inches tall forms an angle of 50° with the wall. The purpose of the awning is to prevent sunlight from

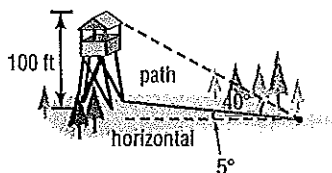
*On February 27, 1964, the government of Italy requested aid in preventing the tower from toppling. A multinational task force of engineers, mathematicians, and historians was assigned and met on the Azores islands to discuss stabilization methods. After over two decades of work on the subject, the tower was closed to the public in January 1990. During the time that the tower was closed, the bells were removed to relieve it of some weight, and cables were cinched around the third level and anchored several hundred meters away. Apartments and houses in the path of the tower were vacated for safety concerns. After a decade of corrective reconstruction and stabilization efforts, the tower was reopened to the public on December 15, 2001. Many methods were proposed to stabilize the tower, including the addition of 800 metric tons of lead counterweights to the raised end of the base. The final solution was to remove 38 cubic meters of soil from underneath the raised end. The tower has been declared stable for at least another 300 years.

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaning_Tower_of_Pisa

entering the house when the angle of elevation of the Sun is more than 65° . See the figure. Find the length L of the awning.

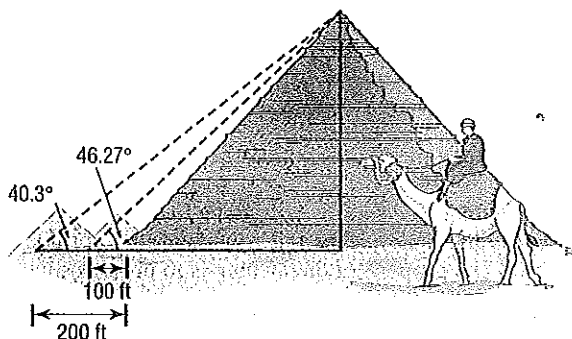


52. **Finding Distances** A forest ranger is walking on a path inclined at 5° to the horizontal directly toward a 100-foot-tall fire observation tower. The angle of elevation from the path to the top of the tower is 40° . How far is the ranger from the tower at this time?



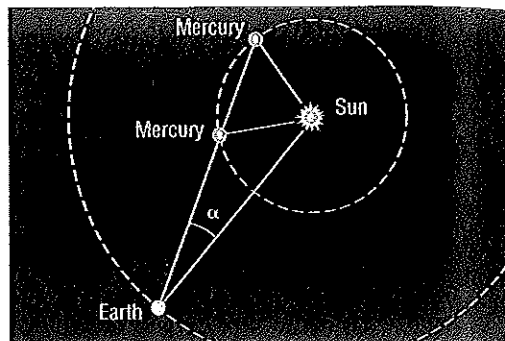
53. **Great Pyramid of Cheops** One of the original Seven Wonders of the World, the Great Pyramid of Cheops was built about 2580 BC. Its original height was 480 feet 11 inches, but owing to the loss of its topmost stones, it is now shorter. Find the current height of the Great Pyramid using the information given in the illustration.

Source: *Guinness Book of World Records*



54. **Determining the Height of an Aircraft** Two sensors are spaced 700 feet apart along the approach to a small airport. When an aircraft is nearing the airport, the angle of elevation from the first sensor to the aircraft is 20° , and that from the second sensor to the aircraft it is 15° . Determine how high the aircraft is at this time.
55. **Mercury** The distance from the Sun to Earth is approximately 149,600,000 kilometers (km). The distance

from the Sun to Mercury is approximately 57,910,000 km. The **elongation angle** α is the angle formed between the line of sight from Earth to the Sun and the line of sight from Earth to Mercury. See the figure. Suppose that the elongation angle for Mercury is 15° . Use this information to find the possible distances between Earth and Mercury.



56. **Venus** The distance from the Sun to Earth is approximately 149,600,000 km. The distance from the Sun to Venus is approximately 108,200,000 km. The elongation angle α is the angle formed between the line of sight from Earth to the Sun and the line of sight from Earth to Venus. Suppose that the elongation angle for Venus is 10° . Use this information to find the possible distances between Earth and Venus.
57. **The Original Ferris Wheel** George Washington Gale Ferris, Jr., designed the original Ferris wheel for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, Illinois. The wheel had 36 equally spaced cars each the size of a school bus. The distance between adjacent cars was approximately 22 feet. Determine the diameter of the wheel to the nearest foot.

Source: *Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh*, www.clpg.org

58. **Mollweide's Formula** For any triangle, Mollweide's Formula (named after Karl Mollweide, 1774–1825) states that

$$\frac{a+b}{c} = \frac{\cos\left[\frac{1}{2}(A-B)\right]}{\sin\left(\frac{1}{2}C\right)}$$

Derive it.

[Hint: Use the Law of Sines and then a Sum-to-Product Formula. Notice that this formula involves all six parts of a triangle. As a result, it is sometimes used to check the solution of a triangle.]

59. **Mollweide's Formula** Another form of Mollweide's Formula is

$$\frac{a-b}{c} = \frac{\sin\left[\frac{1}{2}(A-B)\right]}{\cos\left(\frac{1}{2}C\right)}$$

Derive it.

60. For any triangle, derive the formula

$$a = b \cos C + c \cos B$$

[Hint: Use the fact that $\sin A = \sin(180^\circ - B - C)$.]

61. **Law of Tangents:** For any triangle, derive the Law of Tangents:

$$\frac{a-b}{a+b} = \frac{\tan\left[\frac{1}{2}(A-B)\right]}{\tan\left[\frac{1}{2}(A+B)\right]}$$

[Hint: Use Mollweide's Formula.]

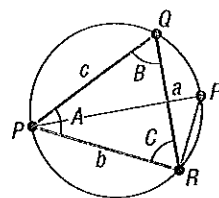
62. **Circumscribing a Triangle** Show that

$$\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c} = \frac{1}{2r}$$

where r is the radius of the circle circumscribing the triangle PQR whose sides are a , b , and c , as shown in the figure.

[Hint: Draw the diameter PP' . Then

$B = \angle PQR = \angle PP'R$, and angle $\angle PRP' = 90^\circ$.]



Discussion and Writing

63. Make up three problems involving oblique triangles. One should result in one triangle, the second in two triangles, and the third in no triangle.
64. What do you do first if you are asked to solve a triangle and are given one side and two angles?
65. What do you do first if you are asked to solve a triangle and are given two sides and the angle opposite one of them?

Retain Your Knowledge

Problems 66–69 are based on material learned earlier in the course. The purpose of these problems is to keep the material fresh in your mind so that you are better prepared for the final exam.

66. Solve: $3x^3 + 4x^2 - 27x - 36 = 0$

67. Find the exact distance between $P_1 = (-1, -7)$ and $P_2 = (2, -1)$. Then approximate the distance to two decimal places.

68. Find the exact value of $\tan\left[\cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{7}{8}\right)\right]$.

69. Graph $y = 4 \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$. Show at least two periods.

'Are You Prepared?' Answers

1. $\sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$

2. 30° or $\frac{\pi}{6}$

3. $\frac{15}{2}$

7.3 The Law of Cosines

PREPARING FOR THIS SECTION Before getting started, review the following:

- Trigonometric Equations (Section 6.3, pp. 482–485)
- Distance Formula (Foundations, Section 1, pp. 3–4)

Now Work the 'Are You Prepared?' problems on page 558.

- OBJECTIVES**
- 1 Solve SAS Triangles (p. 556)
 - 2 Solve SSS Triangles (p. 557)
 - 3 Solve Applied Problems (p. 557)

In the previous section, the Law of Sines was used to solve Case 1 (SAA or ASA) and Case 2 (SSA) of an oblique triangle. In this section, the Law of Cosines is derived and used to solve Cases 3 and 4.

CASE 3: Two sides and the included angle are known (SAS).

CASE 4: Three sides are known (SSS).

THEOREM

Law of Cosines

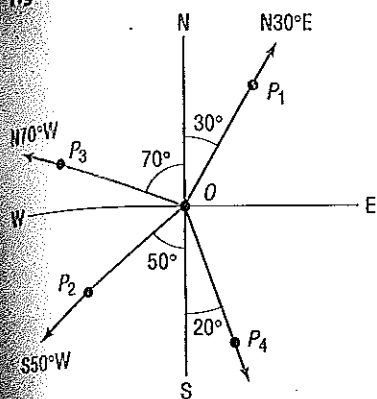
For a triangle with sides a , b , c and opposite angles A , B , C , respectively,

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C \quad (1)$$

$$b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos B \quad (2)$$

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A \quad (3)$$

Figure 16



this means that

$$s = r\theta \approx (3960)(0.00588) \approx 23.3 \text{ miles}$$

In either case, it would seem that the brochure overstated the distance somewhat.

In navigation and surveying, the **direction** or **bearing** from a point O to a point P equals the acute angle θ between the ray OP and the vertical line through O , the north-south line.

Figure 16 illustrates some bearings. Notice that the bearing from O to P_1 is denoted by $N30^\circ E$, indicating that the bearing is 30° east of north. In writing the bearing from O to P , the direction north or south always appears first, followed by an acute angle, followed by east or west. In Figure 16, the bearing from O to P_2 is $S50^\circ W$, and the bearing from O to P_3 is $N70^\circ W$.

EXAMPLE 11**Finding the Bearing of an Object**

In Figure 16, what is the bearing from O to an object at P_4 ?

Solution

The acute angle between the ray OP_4 and the north-south line through O is given as 20° . The bearing from O to P_4 is $S20^\circ E$.

EXAMPLE 12**Finding the Bearing of an Airplane**

A Boeing 777 aircraft takes off from O'Hare Airport on runway 2 LEFT, which has a bearing of $N20^\circ E$.* After flying for 1 mile, the pilot of the aircraft requests permission to turn 90° and head toward the northwest. The request is granted. After the plane goes 2 miles in this direction, what bearing should the control tower use to locate the aircraft?

Solution

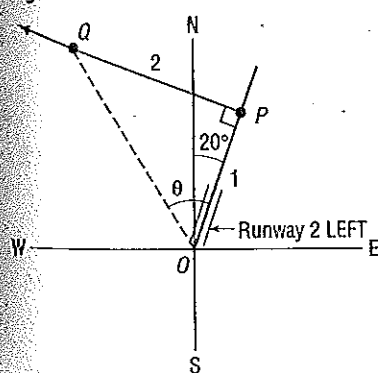
Figure 17 illustrates the situation. After flying 1 mile from the airport O (the control tower), the aircraft is at P . After turning 90° toward the northwest and flying 2 miles, the aircraft is at the point Q . In triangle OPQ , the angle θ obeys the equation

$$\tan \theta = \frac{2}{1} = 2 \quad \text{so} \quad \theta = \tan^{-1} 2 \approx 63.4^\circ$$

The acute angle between north and the ray OQ is $63.4^\circ - 20^\circ = 43.4^\circ$. The bearing of the aircraft from O to Q is $N43.4^\circ W$.

Now Work PROBLEM 63

Figure 17



7.1 Assess Your Understanding

'Are You Prepared?' Answers are given at the end of these exercises. If you get a wrong answer, read the pages listed in red.

- In a right triangle, if the length of the hypotenuse is 5 and the length of one of the other sides is 3, what is the length of the third side? (pp. A13–A15)
- If θ is an acute angle, solve the equation $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$. Express your answer in degrees, rounded to one decimal place. (pp. 482–485)

- If θ is an acute angle, solve the equation $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$. (pp. 482–485)

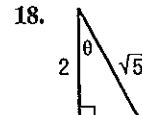
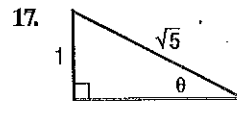
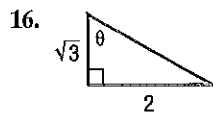
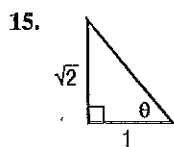
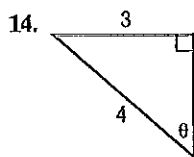
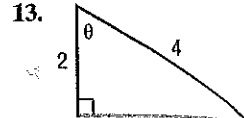
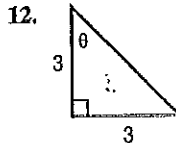
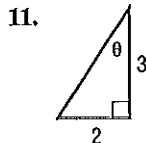
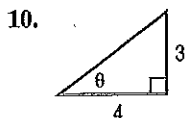
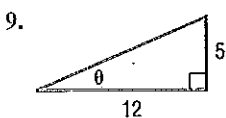
*In air navigation, the term **azimuth** denotes the positive angle measured clockwise from the north (N) to a ray OP . In Figure 16, the azimuth from O to P_1 is 30° ; the azimuth from O to P_2 is 230° ; and the azimuth from O to P_3 is 290° . In naming runways, the units digit is left off the azimuth. Runway 2 LEFT means the left runway with a direction of azimuth 20° (bearing $N20^\circ E$). Runway 23 is the runway with azimuth 230° and bearing $S50^\circ W$.

Concepts and Vocabulary

- True or False** $\sin 52^\circ = \cos 48^\circ$.
- True or False** In a right triangle, one of the angles is 90° and the sum of the other two angles is 90° .
- When you look up at an object, the acute angle measured from the horizontal to a line-of-sight observation of the object is called the _____.
- True or False** In a right triangle, if two sides are known, then the triangle can be solved.
- True or False** In a right triangle, if the two acute angles are known, then the triangle can be solved.

Skill Building

In Problems 9–18, find the exact value of the six trigonometric functions of the angle θ in each figure.



In Problems 19–28, find the exact value of each expression. Do not use a calculator.

19. $\sin 38^\circ - \cos 52^\circ$

20. $\tan 12^\circ - \cot 78^\circ$

21. $\frac{\cos 10^\circ}{\sin 80^\circ}$

22. $\frac{\cos 40^\circ}{\sin 50^\circ}$

23. $1 - \cos^2 20^\circ - \cos^2 70^\circ$

24. $1 + \tan^2 5^\circ - \csc^2 85^\circ$

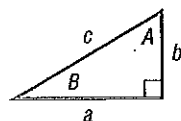
25. $\tan 20^\circ - \frac{\cos 70^\circ}{\cos 20^\circ}$

26. $\cot 40^\circ - \frac{\sin 50^\circ}{\sin 40^\circ}$

27. $\cos 35^\circ \sin 55^\circ + \sin 35^\circ \cos 55^\circ$

28. $\sec 35^\circ \csc 55^\circ - \tan 35^\circ \cot 55^\circ$

In Problems 29–42, use the right triangle shown below. Then, using the given information, solve the triangle.



29. $b = 5$, $B = 20^\circ$; find a , c , and A

31. $a = 6$, $B = 40^\circ$; find b , c , and A

33. $b = 4$, $A = 10^\circ$; find a , c , and B

35. $a = 5$, $A = 25^\circ$; find b , c , and B

37. $c = 9$, $B = 20^\circ$; find b , a , and A

39. $a = 5$, $b = 3$; find c , A , and B

41. $a = 2$, $c = 5$; find b , A , and B

30. $b = 4$, $B = 10^\circ$; find a , c , and A

32. $a = 7$, $B = 50^\circ$; find b , c , and A

34. $b = 6$, $A = 20^\circ$; find a , c , and B

36. $a = 6$, $A = 40^\circ$; find b , c , and B

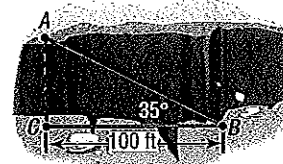
38. $c = 10$, $A = 40^\circ$; find b , a , and B

40. $a = 2$, $b = 8$; find c , A , and B

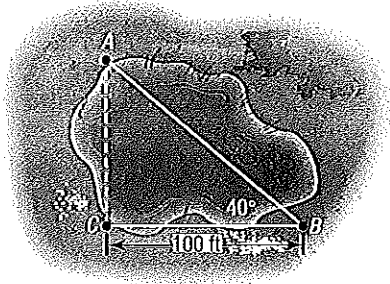
42. $b = 4$, $c = 6$; find a , A , and B

Applications and Extensions

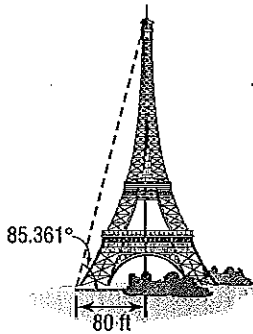
- Geometry** The hypotenuse of a right triangle is 5 inches. If one leg is 2 inches, find the degree measure of each angle.
- Geometry** The hypotenuse of a right triangle is 3 feet. If one leg is 1 foot, find the degree measure of each angle.
- Geometry** A right triangle has a hypotenuse of length 8 inches. If one angle is 35° , find the length of each leg.
- Geometry** A right triangle has a hypotenuse of length 10 centimeters. If one angle is 40° , find the length of each leg.
- Geometry** A right triangle contains a 25° angle.
 - If one leg is of length 5 inches, what is the length of the hypotenuse?
 - There are two answers. How is this possible?
- Geometry** A right triangle contains an angle of $\frac{\pi}{8}$ radian.
 - If one leg is of length 3 meters, what is the length of the hypotenuse?
 - There are two answers. How is this possible?
- Finding the Width of a Gorge** Find the distance from A to C across the gorge illustrated in the figure.



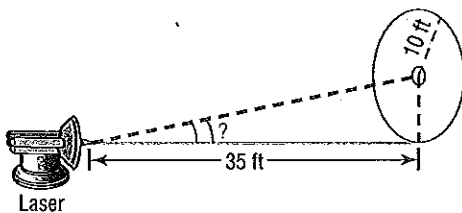
50. **Finding the Distance across a Pond** Find the distance from A to C across the pond illustrated in the figure.



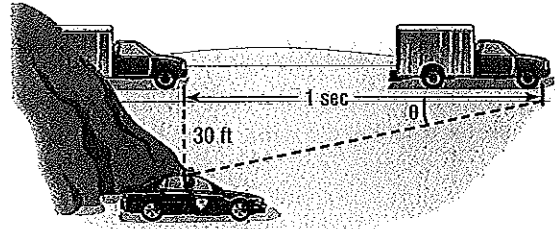
51. **The Eiffel Tower** The tallest tower built before the era of television masts, the Eiffel Tower was completed on March 31, 1889. Find the height of the Eiffel Tower (before a television mast was added to the top) using the information given in the illustration.



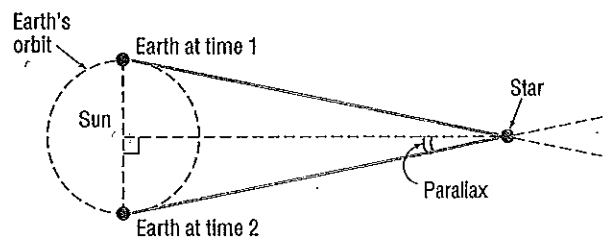
52. **Finding the Distance of a Ship from Shore** A person in a small boat, offshore from a vertical cliff known to be 100 feet in height, takes a sighting of the top of the cliff. If the angle of elevation is found to be 25° , how far offshore is the boat?
53. **Finding the Distance to a Plateau** Suppose that you are headed toward a plateau 50 meters high. If the angle of elevation to the top of the plateau is 20° , how far are you from the base of the plateau?
54. **Finding the Reach of a Ladder** A 22-foot extension ladder leaning against a building makes a 70° angle with the ground. How far up the building does the ladder touch?
55. **Finding the Angle of Elevation of the Sun** At 10 AM on May 21, 2013 a building 300 feet high cast a shadow 182 feet long. What was the angle of elevation of the Sun?
56. **Directing a Laser Beam** A laser beam is to be directed through a small hole in the center of a circle of radius 10 feet. The origin of the beam is 35 feet from the circle (see the figure). At what angle of elevation should the beam be aimed to ensure that it goes through the hole?



57. **Finding the Speed of a Truck** A state trooper is hidden 30 feet from a highway. One second after a truck passes, the angle θ between the highway and the line of observation from the patrol car to the truck is measured. See the illustration.



- (a) If the angle measures 15° , how fast is the truck traveling? Express the answer in feet per second and in miles per hour.
- (b) If the angle measures 20° , how fast is the truck traveling? Express the answer in feet per second and in miles per hour.
- (c) If the speed limit is 55 miles per hour and a speeding ticket is issued for speeds of 5 miles per hour or more over the limit, for what angles should the trooper issue a ticket?
58. **Security** A security camera in a neighborhood bank is mounted on a wall 9 feet above the floor. What angle of depression should be used if the camera is to be directed to a spot 6 feet above the floor and 12 feet from the wall?
59. **Parallax** One method of measuring the distance from Earth to a star is the parallax method. The idea behind computing this distance is to measure the angle formed between Earth and the star at two different points in time. Typically, the measurements are taken so that the side opposite the angle is as large as possible. Therefore, the optimal approach is to measure the angle when Earth is on opposite sides of the Sun, as shown in the figure.



- (a) Proxima Centauri is 4.22 light-years from Earth. If 1 light-year is about 5.9 trillion miles, how many miles is Proxima Centauri from Earth?
- (b) The mean distance from Earth to the Sun is 93,000,000 miles. What is the parallax of Proxima Centauri?
60. **Parallax** See Problem 59. 61 Cygni, sometimes called Bessel's Star (after Friedrich Bessel, who measured the distance from Earth to the star in 1838), is a star in the constellation Cygnus.

- (a) 61 Cygni is 11.14 light-years from Earth. If 1 light-year is about 5.9 trillion miles, how many miles is 61 Cygni from Earth?
- (b) The mean distance from Earth to the Sun is 93,000,000 miles. What is the parallax of 61 Cygni?

61. **Washington Monument** The angle of elevation of the Sun is 35.1° at the instant the shadow cast by the Washington Monument is 789 feet long. Use this information to calculate the height of the monument.

62. **Finding the Length of a Mountain Trail** A straight trail with an inclination of 17° leads from a hotel at an elevation of 9000 feet to a mountain lake at an elevation of 11,200 feet. What is the length of the trail?

63. **Finding the Bearing of an Aircraft** A DC-9 aircraft leaves Midway Airport from runway 4 RIGHT, whose bearing is $N40^\circ E$. After flying for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, the pilot requests permission to turn 90° and head toward the southeast. The permission is granted. After the airplane goes 1 mile in this direction, what bearing should the control tower use to locate the aircraft?

64. **Finding the Bearing of a Ship** A ship leaves the port of Miami with a bearing of $S80^\circ E$ and a speed of 15 knots. After 1 hour, the ship turns 90° toward the south. After 2 hours, maintaining the same speed, what is the bearing to the ship from port?

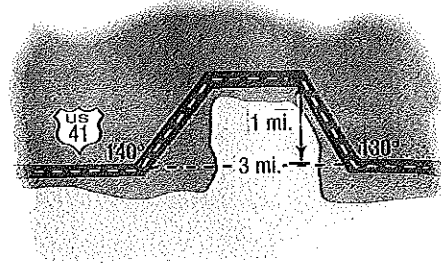
65. **Niagara Falls Incline Railway** Situated between Portage Road and the Niagara Parkway directly across from the Canadian Horseshoe Falls, the Falls Incline Railway is a funicular that carries passengers up an embankment to Table Rock Observation Point. If the length of the track is 51.8 meters and the angle of inclination is $36^\circ 2'$, determine the height of the embankment.

Source: www.niagaraparks.com

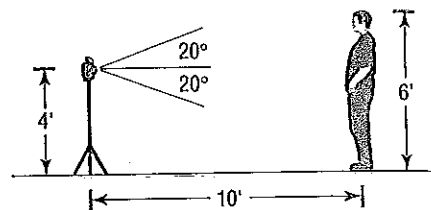
66. **Willis Tower** Willis Tower in Chicago is the tenth tallest building in the world and is topped by a high antenna. A surveyor on the ground makes the following measurement:
- The angle of elevation from his position to the top of the building is 34° .
 - The distance from his position to the top of the building is 2593 feet.
 - The distance from his position to the top of the antenna is 2743 feet.
 - How far away from the (base of the) building is the surveyor located?
 - How tall is the building?
 - What is the angle of elevation from the surveyor to the top of the antenna?
 - How tall is the antenna?

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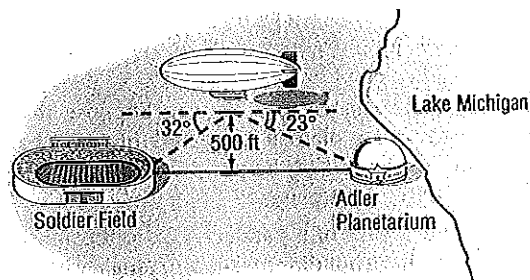
67. **Constructing a Highway** A highway whose primary directions are north-south is being constructed along the west coast of Florida. Near Naples, a bay obstructs the straight path of the road. Since the cost of a bridge is prohibitive, engineers decide to go around the bay. The illustration shows the path that they decide on and the measurements taken. What is the length of highway needed to go around the bay?



68. **Photography** A camera is mounted on a tripod 4 feet high at a distance of 10 feet from George, who is 6 feet tall. See the illustration. If the camera lens has angles of depression and elevation of 20° , will George's feet and head be seen by the lens? If not, how far back will the camera need to be moved to include George's feet and head?



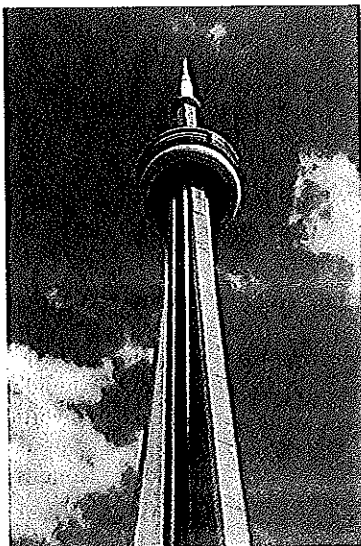
69. **Finding the Distance between Two Objects** A blimp, suspended in the air at a height of 500 feet, lies directly over a line from Soldier Field to the Adler Planetarium on Lake Michigan (see the figure). If the angle of depression from the blimp to the stadium is 32° and that from the blimp to the planetarium is 23° , find the distance between Soldier Field and the Adler Planetarium.



70. **Hot-Air Balloon** While taking a ride in a hot-air balloon in Napa Valley, Francisco wonders how high he is. To find out, he chooses a landmark that is to the east of the balloon and measures the angle of depression to be 54° . A few minutes later, after traveling 100 feet east, the angle of depression to the same landmark is determined to be 61° . Use this information to determine the height of the balloon.

71. **Mt. Rushmore** To measure the height of Lincoln's caricature on Mt. Rushmore, two sightings 800 feet from the base of the mountain are taken. If the angle of elevation to the bottom of Lincoln's face is 32° and the angle of elevation to the top is 35° , what is the height of Lincoln's face?

72. **The CN Tower** The CN Tower, located in Toronto, Canada, is the tallest structure in the Americas. While visiting Toronto, a tourist wondered what the height of the tower above the top of the Sky Pod is. While standing 4000 feet from the tower, she measured the angle to the top of the Sky Pod to be 20.1° . At this same distance, the angle of elevation to the top of the tower was found to be 24.4° . Use this information to determine the height of the tower above the Sky Pod.

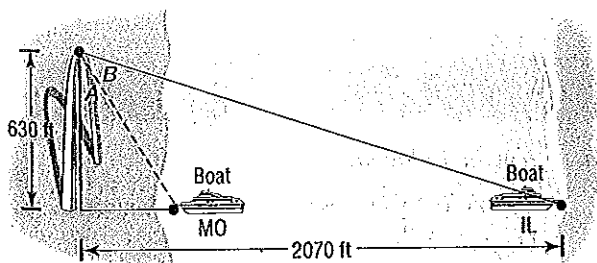


73. **Chicago Skyscrapers** The angle of inclination from the base of the John Hancock Center to the top of the main structure of the Willis Tower is approximately 10.3° . If the main structure of the Willis Tower is 1450 feet tall, how far apart are the two skyscrapers? Assume the bases of the two buildings are at the same elevation.

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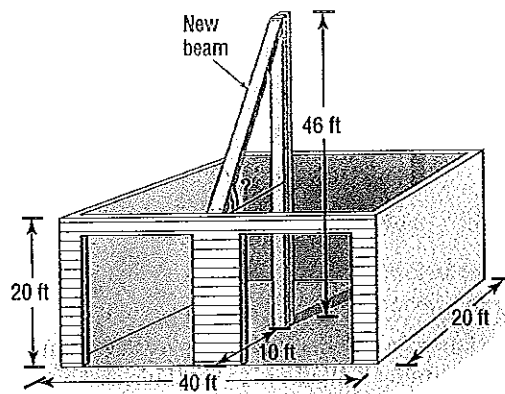
74. **Estimating the Width of the Mississippi River** A tourist at the top of the Gateway Arch (height, 630 feet) in St. Louis, Missouri, observes a boat moored on the Illinois side of the Mississippi River 2070 feet directly across from the Arch. She also observes a boat moored on the Missouri side directly across from the first boat (see diagram). Given that $B = \cot^{-1} \frac{67}{55}$, estimate the width of the Mississippi River at the St. Louis riverfront.

Source: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

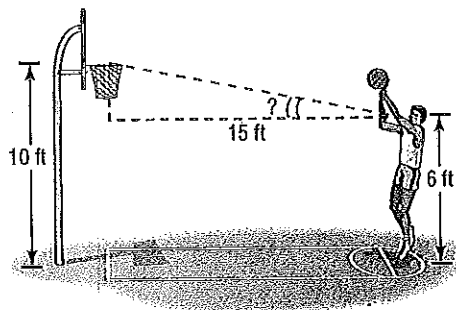


75. **Finding the Pitch of a Roof** A carpenter is preparing to put a roof on a garage that is 20 feet by 40 feet by 20 feet. A steel support beam 46 feet in length is positioned in the center of the garage. To support the roof, another beam will be attached to the top of the center beam (see the figure).

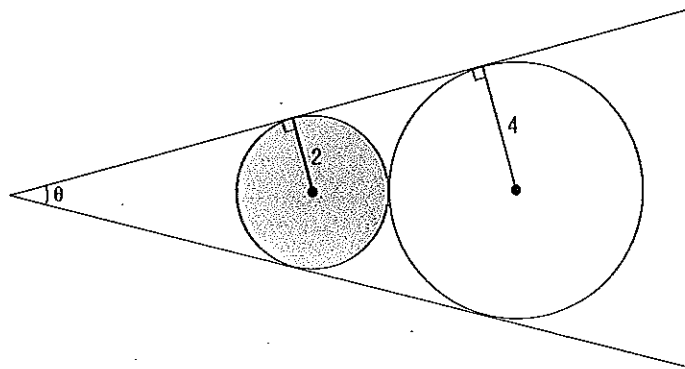
At what angle of elevation is the new beam? In other words, what is the pitch of the roof?



76. **Shooting Free Throws in Basketball** The eyes of a basketball player are 6 feet above the floor. The player is at the free-throw line, which is 15 feet from the center of the basket rim (see the figure). What is the angle of elevation from the player's eyes to the center of the rim? [Hint: The rim is 10 feet above the floor.]



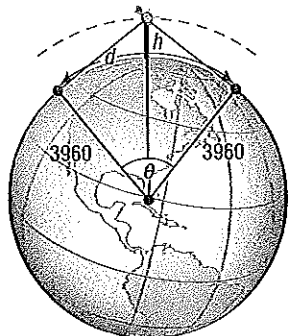
77. **Geometry** Find the value of the angle θ in degrees rounded to the nearest tenth of a degree.



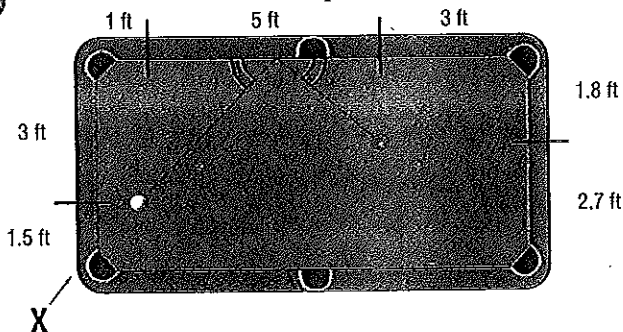
78. **Surveillance Satellites** A surveillance satellite circles Earth at a height of h miles above the surface. Suppose that d is the distance, in miles, on the surface of Earth that can be observed from the satellite. See the illustration on the following page.

- Find an equation that relates the central angle θ to the height h .
- Find an equation that relates the observable distance d and θ .
- Find an equation that relates d and h .
- If d is to be 2500 miles, how high must the satellite orbit above Earth?

- (e) If the satellite orbits at a height of 300 miles, what distance d on the surface can be observed?



79. **Calculating Pool Shots** A pool player located at X wants to shoot the white ball off the top cushion and hit the red ball

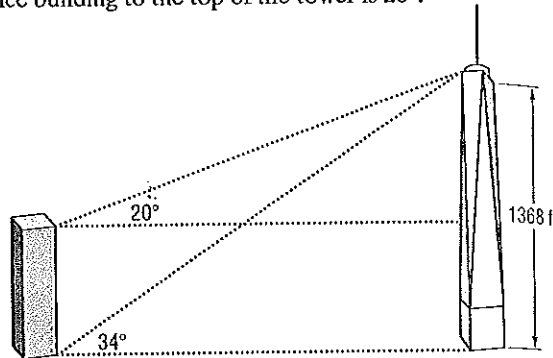


Discussion and Writing

81. Explain how you would measure the width of the Grand Canyon from a point on its ridge.
82. Explain how you would measure the height of a TV tower that is on the roof of a tall building.

dead center. He knows from physics that the white ball will come off a cushion at the same angle as it hits a cushion. Where on the top cushion should he hit the white ball?

80. **One World Trade Center** One World Trade Center (1WTC) is the centerpiece of the rebuilding of the World Trade Center in New York City. The tower is 1368 feet tall (not including a broadcast antenna). The angle of elevation from the base of an office building to the top of the tower is 34° . The angle of elevation from the helipad on the roof of the office building to the top of the tower is 20° .



- (a) How far away is the office building from 1WTC? Assume the side of the tower is vertical. Round to the nearest foot.
(b) How tall is the office building? Round to the nearest foot.

Retain Your Knowledge

Problems 84–87 are based on material learned earlier in the course. The purpose of these problems is to keep the material fresh in your mind so that you are better prepared for the final exam.

84. Determine whether $x - 3$ is a factor of $x^4 + 2x^3 - 21x^2 + 19x - 3$.

85. Find the exact value of $\sin 15^\circ$.

Hint: $15^\circ = 45^\circ - 30^\circ$

86. Evaluate $\frac{f(x) - f(4)}{x - 4}$, where $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$ for $x = 5, 4.5,$ and 4.1 . Round results to three decimal places.
87. Solve $2 \sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta - 1 = 0$ for $0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$.

'Are You Prepared?' Answers

1. 4 2. 26.6° 3. 30°

7.2 The Law of Sines

PREPARING FOR THIS SECTION Before getting started, review the following:

- Trigonometric Equations (Section 6.3, pp. 482–485)
- Difference Formula for the Sine Function (Section 6.5, p. 502)
- Geometry Essentials (Appendix A, Section A.2, pp. A13–A19)

Now Work the 'Are You Prepared?' problems on page 551.

- OBJECTIVES**
- 1 Solve SAA or ASA Triangles (p. 546)
 - 2 Solve SSA Triangles (p. 546)
 - 3 Solve Applied Problems (p. 549)