

Trigonometry

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Question 1

Complete the table.

Degrees	Radians	sin	cos	tan
30°	$\frac{\pi}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$
45°	$\frac{\pi}{4}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	1
60°	$\frac{\pi}{3}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\sqrt{3}$
120°	$\frac{2\pi}{3}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	$-\sqrt{3}$
270°	$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	-1	0	X

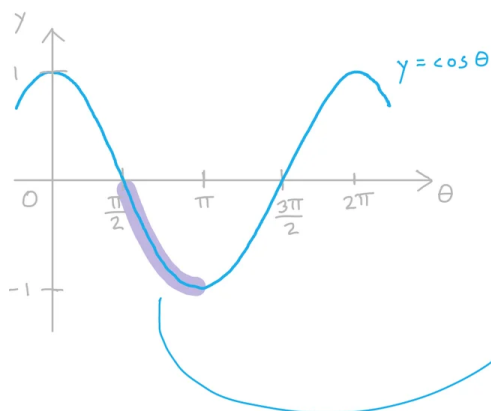
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Notes

- ① $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$
- ② The tangent of 270° (like the tangent of every multiple of 90°) is undefined. Sometimes '∞' or '±∞' is used to indicate this.

Question 2

Given that $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$, where $\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi$, find the possible values of $\cos \theta$ and $\tan \theta$.



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$$\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1 \quad \left. \vphantom{\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1} \right\} \text{Pythagorean identity}$$

$$\cos^2 \theta + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^2 = \cos^2 \theta + \frac{9}{25} = 1$$

$$\cos^2 \theta = 1 - \frac{9}{25} = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$\cos \theta = \pm \sqrt{\frac{16}{25}} = \pm \frac{4}{5}$$

But for $\frac{\pi}{2} < \theta < \pi$, $\cos \theta$ is negative so

$$\boxed{\cos \theta = -\frac{4}{5}}$$

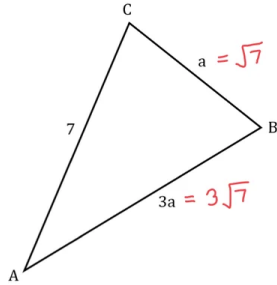
$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \quad \left. \vphantom{\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}} \right\} \text{Identity for } \tan \theta$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{3/5}{-4/5} = \frac{3}{5} \times \left(-\frac{5}{4}\right)$$

$$\boxed{\tan \theta = -\frac{3}{4}}$$

Question 3

The following triangle shows triangle ABC, with $AB = 3a$, $BC = a$ and $AC = 7$.



Given that $\cos \hat{A}BC = \frac{1}{2}$, find the area of the triangle. Give your answer in the form $\frac{p\sqrt{3}}{r}$, where $p, q \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C \quad \left. \vphantom{c^2} \right\} \text{Cosine rule}$$

$$\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1 \quad \left. \vphantom{\cos^2 \theta} \right\} \text{Pythagorean identity}$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C \quad \left. \vphantom{\text{Area}} \right\} \text{area of a triangle}$$

Use cosine rule to find value of a

$$7^2 = (a)^2 + (3a)^2 - 2(a)(3a)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$49 = a^2 + 9a^2 - 3a^2$$

$$7a^2 = 49 \Rightarrow a^2 = 7 \Rightarrow a = \sqrt{7}$$

Use identity to find $\sin \hat{A}BC$

$$\sin \hat{A}BC = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Now use formula to find area of triangle

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} (\sqrt{7})(3\sqrt{7}) \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (21) \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) = \frac{21\sqrt{3}}{4}$$

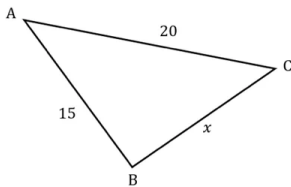
$$\text{Area} = \frac{21\sqrt{3}}{4} \text{ units}^2$$

$p = 21$
 $r = 4$

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Question 4

The following triangle shows triangle ABC, with $AB = 15$, $AC = 20$, $BC = x$.



(a) Given that $\cos \hat{A}BC = \frac{2}{3}$, find the value of $\sin \hat{A}BC$.

(b) Find the exact area of triangle ABC.

(c) By finding the value of x , show that triangle ABC is isosceles.

a) $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1 \quad \left. \vphantom{\cos^2 \theta} \right\} \text{Pythagorean identity}$

Use identity to find $\sin \hat{A}BC$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \sin^2 \hat{A}BC = 1$$

$$\sin^2 \hat{A}BC + \frac{4}{9} = 1$$

$$\sin^2 \hat{A}BC = 1 - \frac{4}{9} = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\sin \hat{A}BC = \sqrt{\frac{5}{9}}$$

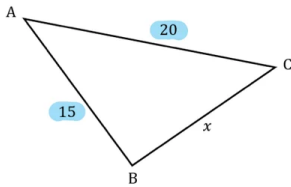
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The following triangle shows triangle ABC, with $AB = 15$, $AC = 20$, $BC = x$.



(a) Given that $\cos \hat{BAC} = \frac{2}{3}$, find the value of $\sin \hat{BAC}$.

$$\sin \hat{BAC} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

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(c) By finding the value of x , show that triangle ABC is isosceles.

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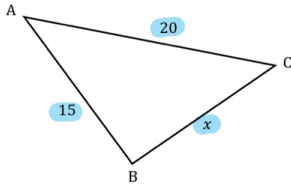
$$b) \text{ Area} = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin C \quad \left. \vphantom{\text{Area}} \right\} \text{ area of a triangle}$$

Use formula to find area of triangle

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2} (15)(20) \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (300) \left(\frac{\sqrt{5}}{3} \right) \\ &= \frac{300\sqrt{5}}{6} = 50\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Area} = 50\sqrt{5} \text{ units}^2$$

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$$c) \quad c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C \quad \left. \vphantom{c^2} \right\} \text{ Cosine rule}$$

Use cosine rule to find value of x

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 &= (15)^2 + (20)^2 - 2(15)(20) \left(\frac{2}{3} \right) \\ &= 225 + 400 - 600 \left(\frac{2}{3} \right) \\ &= 225 + 400 - 400 = 225 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \sqrt{225} = 15$$

$$x = 15, \text{ so } AB = BC = 15.$$

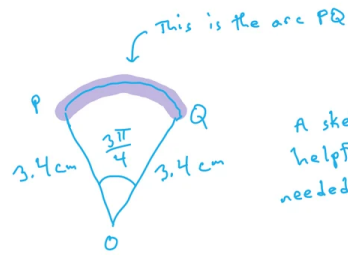
Two sides are equal, therefore triangle ABC is isosceles.

Question 5

A sector of a circle, OPQ , is such that it has radius 3.4 cm and the angle at its centre, O , is $\frac{3\pi}{4}$ radians.

- (i) Find the length of the arc PQ .
- (ii) Find the area of the sector OPQ .

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A sketch can be helpful, but isn't needed to get the marks

Arc length: $l = r\theta$
Area of sector: $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$

} θ must be in radians!

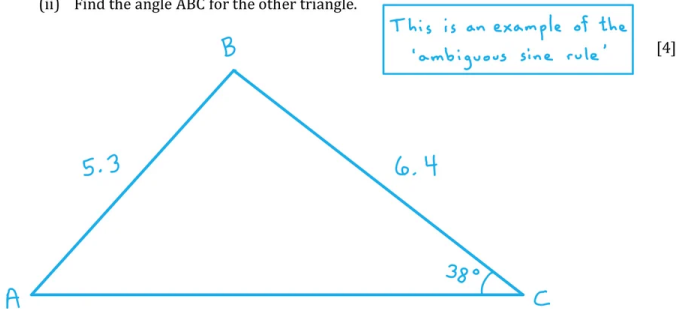
(i) $l = r\theta = (3.4)\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{51\pi}{20} \text{ cm}$
 $(\approx 8.0 \text{ cm})$

(ii) $A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta = \frac{1}{2}(3.4)^2\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{867\pi}{200} \text{ cm}^2$
 $(\approx 13.6 \text{ cm}^2)$

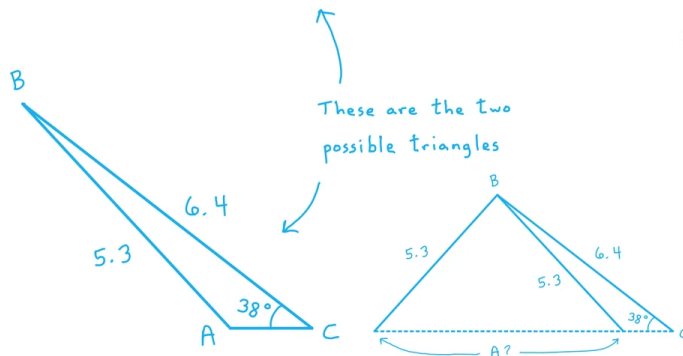
Question 6

Two non-congruent triangles both have sides $AB = 5.3 \text{ cm}$, $BC = 6.4 \text{ cm}$ and $\angle C = 38^\circ$.

- (i) Show that the angle \hat{BAC} for one of the triangles is 132° , to 3 significant figures.
- (ii) Find the angle \hat{ABC} for the other triangle.



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(i) $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$ } Sine rule

$\frac{6.4}{\sin \hat{BAC}} = \frac{5.3}{\sin 38^\circ} \Rightarrow \sin \hat{BAC} = \frac{6.4}{5.3} \sin 38^\circ$
 $\hat{BAC} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{6.4}{5.3} \sin 38^\circ\right) = 48.025304\dots^\circ$
 $\sin \theta = \sin(180^\circ - \theta)$ [Property of sine function]*
 or $\hat{BAC} = 180 - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{6.4}{5.3} \sin 38^\circ\right) = 131.974695\dots^\circ$
 $\hat{BAC} = 132^\circ$ (3 s.f.)

* This can be seen in the symmetry of the sine graph.

(ii) In the other triangle,

$\hat{BAC} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{6.4}{5.3} \sin 38^\circ\right) = 48.025304\dots^\circ$

Therefore

$\hat{ABC} = 180 - 38 - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{6.4}{5.3} \sin 38^\circ\right) = 93.974695\dots^\circ$

$\hat{ABC} = 94.0^\circ$ (3 s.f.)

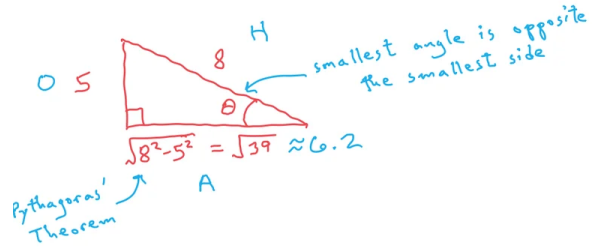
Question 7

A right-angled triangle has hypotenuse 8 cm. One of its other sides is 5 cm.

Find exact values for $\sin \theta$, $\cos \theta$ and $\tan \theta$, where θ is the smallest angle in the triangle.

Be sure to use surd form for the third side!

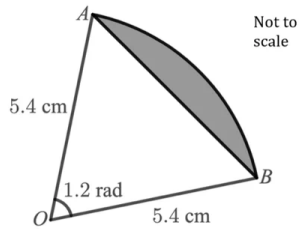
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$\sin \theta = \frac{5}{8}$	SOH
$\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{8}$	CAH
$\tan \theta = \frac{5}{\sqrt{39}}$	TOA

Question 8

The diagram below shows the sector of a circle OAB .



Arc length: $l = r\theta$
Area of sector: $A = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$ } θ must be in radians!

$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin \theta$

- (a) (i) Find the area of the sector OAB , giving your answer to 3 significant figures.
 (ii) Find the area of the triangle OAB , giving your answer to 3 significant figures.
 (iii) Find the area of the shaded segment, giving your answer to 3 significant figures.
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- (b) (i) Find the length of the arc AB .
 (ii) Find the perimeter of the sector OAB .
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a) (i) $\text{area} = \frac{1}{2} (5.4)^2 (1.2) = 17.496 \text{ cm}^2$

$= 17.5 \text{ cm}^2$ (3 s.f.)

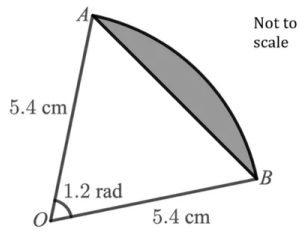
(ii) $\text{area} = \frac{1}{2} (5.4)(5.4) \sin(1.2) = 13.589... \text{ cm}^2$

$= 13.6 \text{ cm}^2$ (3 s.f.)

(iii) $\text{area} = 17.496 - 13.589... = 3.906... \text{ cm}^2$

$= 3.91 \text{ cm}^2$ (3 s.f.)

The diagram below shows the sector of a circle OAB .



$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Arc length: } l = r\theta \\ \text{Area of sector: } A = \frac{1}{2} r^2\theta \end{array} \right\} \theta \text{ must be in radians!}$

b) (i) $l = (5.4)(1.2) = \boxed{6.48 \text{ cm}}$

(ii) Perimeter = $5.4 + 5.4 + 6.48$
 $= \boxed{17.28 \text{ cm}}$

- (a) (i) Find the area of the sector OAB , giving your answer to 3 significant figures.
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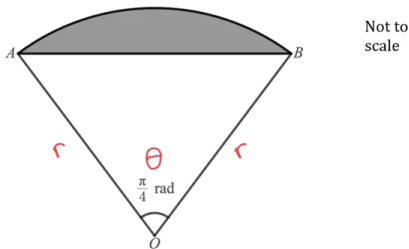
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- (b) (i) Find the length of the arc AB .
 (ii) Find the perimeter of the sector OAB .

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Question 9

The canopy of a parachute and the outermost connecting cords form a sector of a circle as shown in the diagram below, with the parachutist modelled as a particle at point O .



$\text{area} = \frac{81\pi}{200} = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$

$\frac{\pi}{8} r^2 = \frac{81\pi}{200}$

$\frac{1}{8} r^2 = \frac{81}{200}$

$r^2 = \frac{81}{25}$

$\text{radius} = \sqrt{\frac{81}{25}} = \frac{9}{5} \text{ m}$

The area of the sector OAB is $\frac{81\pi}{200} \text{ m}^2$.
 Find the length of one of the connecting cords on the parachute.

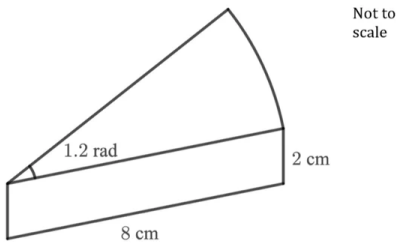
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length of connecting cord
 is $\frac{9}{5} \text{ m}$ (1.8 m)

Question 10

A plastic puzzle piece is in the form of a prism with a cross-section that is the sector of a circle, as shown in the diagram below. The radius of the sector is 8 cm, and the angle at the centre is 1.2 radians. The height of the puzzle piece is 2 cm.



- (i) Work out the area of the cross-section.
 (ii) Hence, or otherwise, work out the volume of the puzzle piece.

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$$\text{Area of sector: } A = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$$
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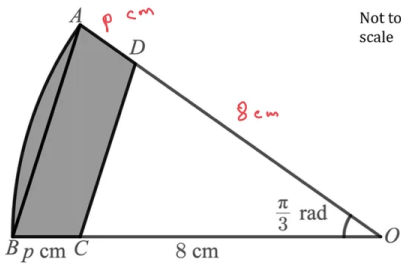
(i)
$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} (8)^2 (1.2) = 38.4 \text{ cm}^2$$

(ii)
$$\text{Volume} = 38.4 \times 2 = 76.8 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{Volume of Prism} = \text{Area of Cross-section} \times \text{Height}$$

Question 11

The circle sector OAB is shown in the diagram below. The angle at the centre is $\frac{\pi}{3}$ radians, and the line segments OC and BC have lengths of 8 cm and p cm respectively. Additionally, CD is parallel to AB , so that $AD = BC$ and $OD = OC$.



- (a) Show that the area of the sector OAB is $\frac{\pi}{6}(p+8)^2 \text{ cm}^2$.
 (b) Show that the area of the triangle OCD is $16\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$.
 (c) Given that the area of the shaded shape $ABCD$ is $\left(\frac{50\pi}{3} - 16\sqrt{3}\right) \text{ cm}^2$, find the value of p .

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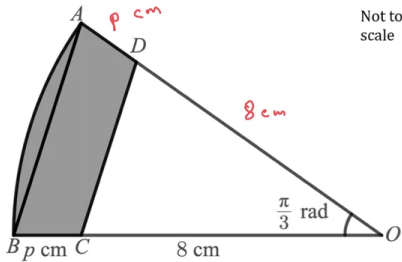
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$$\text{Arc length: } l = r\theta$$

$$\text{Area of sector: } A = \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$$
} θ must be in radians!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) radius of sector } OAB &= (p+8) \text{ cm} \\ \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2} (p+8)^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{6} (p+8)^2 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

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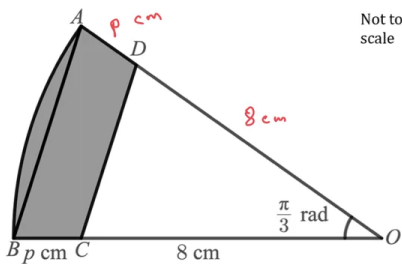
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$a \quad \theta \quad b \quad \text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin \theta$

b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2} (8)(8) \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= 32 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= 32 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \\ &= 16\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

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c) area of shape $ABCD = \text{area of sector } OAB - \text{area of triangle } OCD$

$$= \frac{\pi}{6}(p+8)^2 - 16\sqrt{3}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\pi}{6}(p+8)^2 - 16\sqrt{3} = \frac{50\pi}{3} - 16\sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6}(p+8)^2 = \frac{50\pi}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{6}(p+8)^2 = \frac{50}{3}$$

$$(p+8)^2 = 100$$

$$p+8 = \pm 10$$

$$p = 2 \text{ or } -18$$

But p can't be negative

because it is the length of a line segment!

$$\text{So } p = 2 \text{ cm}$$