

## Today's Learning Goal(s):

By the end of the class, I will be able to:

- a) Identify the primary trig ratios.
- b) Use the primary trig ratios to determine the measure of missing lengths and angles in right triangles.

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## Primary Trigonometric Ratios

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**Recall:** A ratio compares 2 or more quantities measured in the same units.

For example, the ratio 6:5 may refer to 6 boys for every 5 girls in a math class, or the legs of a right triangle are in the ratio 6 cm to 5 cm.

**Recall:** In right triangles, there are 3 primary trigonometric ratios.

They are the tangent ratio, sine ratio and cosine ratio.

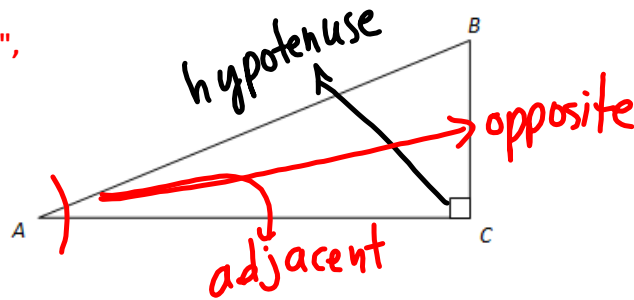
The **tangent of an angle** is the ratio of the side opposite to an angle, to the adjacent side to the angle.

The **sine of an angle** is the ratio of the side opposite to an angle, to the hypotenuse.

The **cosine of an angle** is the ratio of the side adjacent to an angle, to the hypotenuse.

We need to know the "reference angle",  
before we can label the sides.

Let's use angle A.



Here is an acronym that may help you remember the 3 primary trigonometric ratios:

☞ **SOH**

$$\sin = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$$

☞ **CAH**

$$\cos = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$$

☞ **TOA**

$$\tan = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$$



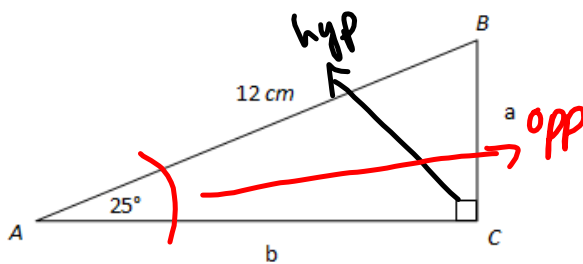
Is your scientific calculator in DEGREE mode for angles?

Check for the following at the top of the display screen: D or DRG or DEG

You can always check using:  $\sin 30^\circ = 0.5$

**Ex1:** Solve for "a" to the nearest tenth.

All diagrams are not drawn to scale.



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$$\sin 25^\circ = \frac{a}{12}$$

$$12 \sin 25^\circ = a$$

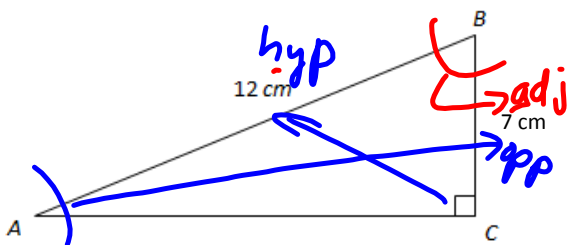
$$a \approx 5.07$$

$$\approx 5.1 \text{ cm}$$

$12 \times 25 \sin$

**NOTICE:** Proper labelling has side length "like a" is across from angle "big A".

**Ex. 2:** Determine the measure of  $\angle A$  and  $\angle B$  to the nearest tenth of a degree.



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$$\sin A = \frac{7}{12}$$

$$A = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{12}\right)$$

$$\approx 35.68$$

$$\approx 35.7^\circ$$

CAH

$$\cos B = \frac{7}{12}$$

$$B = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{12}\right)$$

$$\approx 54.31$$

$$\approx 54.3^\circ$$

**Ex. 3:** Determine the measure of each angle to the nearest tenth of a degree.

a)  $\tan G = \frac{6}{11}$

$\rightarrow G = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{6}{11}\right)$

$\rightarrow G \doteq 28.61$

$\rightarrow G \doteq 28.6^\circ$

b)  $\sin F = 0.7692$

$\rightarrow F = \sin^{-1}(0.7692)$

$\rightarrow F \doteq 50.28$

$\rightarrow F \doteq 50.3^\circ$

**Review the learning goals. Were we successful today?**

**Homework:** p. 14 # 2, 3, 5b, 6 – 8, 11, 12