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Learning Goal - I will be able to use The Sine Law to solve problems and I will understand 'The Ambiguous Case'

L.G.L.

Prove the identity below.

$$\frac{\sin^2 \phi}{1 - \cos \phi} = 1 + \cos \phi$$

L.H.

$$\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{1 - \cos \theta}$$

R.H.

$$1 + \cos \theta$$

$$1 - \cos \theta$$

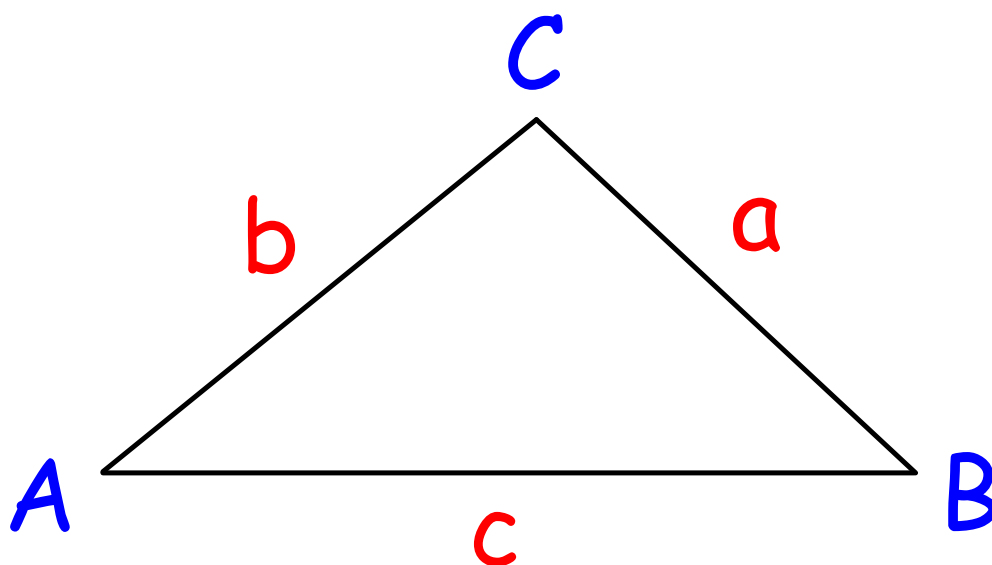
$$= \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta}{1 - \cos \theta} \text{ by Pythagorean Identity}$$

$$= \frac{(1 + \cos \theta)(\cancel{1 - \cos \theta})}{\cancel{1 - \cos \theta}}$$

$$= 1 + \cos \theta$$

Minds on

The Sine Law



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

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

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The Sine Law

Used for NON-right triangles when we know

- two sides and an angle
- two angles and a side

***You must have one complete ratio.**

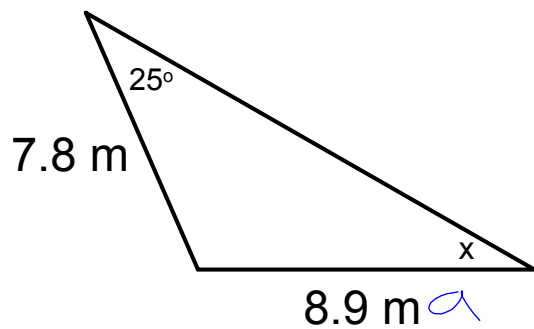
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The Sine Law

Determine the measure of angle x .



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

$$\frac{8.9}{\sin 25^\circ} = \frac{7.8}{\sin x}$$

$$7.8 \cdot \frac{\sin 25^\circ}{8.9} = \frac{\sin x}{\cancel{7.8}}$$

$$\sin x = \frac{7.8 \times \sin 25^\circ}{8.9}$$

$$x = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{7.8 \times \sin 25^\circ}{8.9} \right)$$

$$\sin x = 0.3704$$

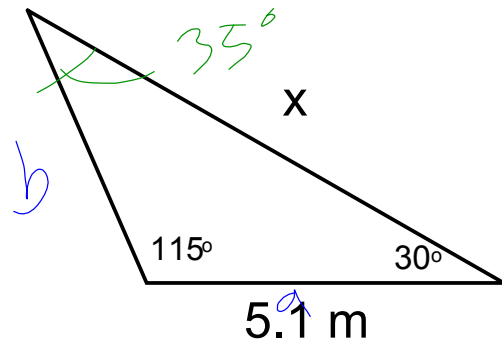
$$x = \sin^{-1}(0.3704)$$

$$x = 22^\circ$$

Minds on

The Sine Law

Determine the measure of side x.



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

$$\frac{5.1}{\sin 35} = \frac{b}{\sin 30} = \frac{x}{\sin 115}$$

$$\frac{x}{\sin 115} = \frac{5.1}{\sin 35}$$

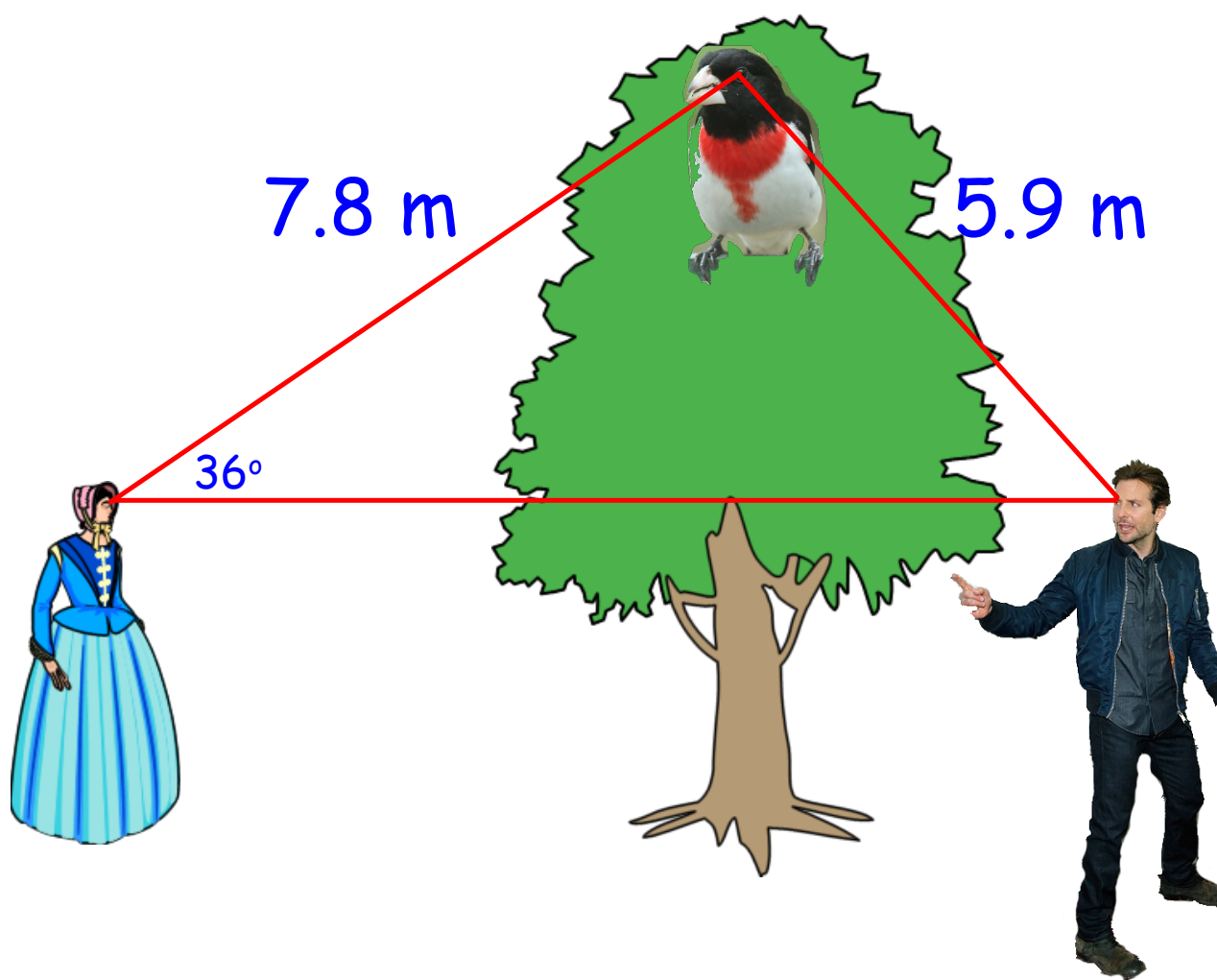
$$x = 8.1\text{ m}$$

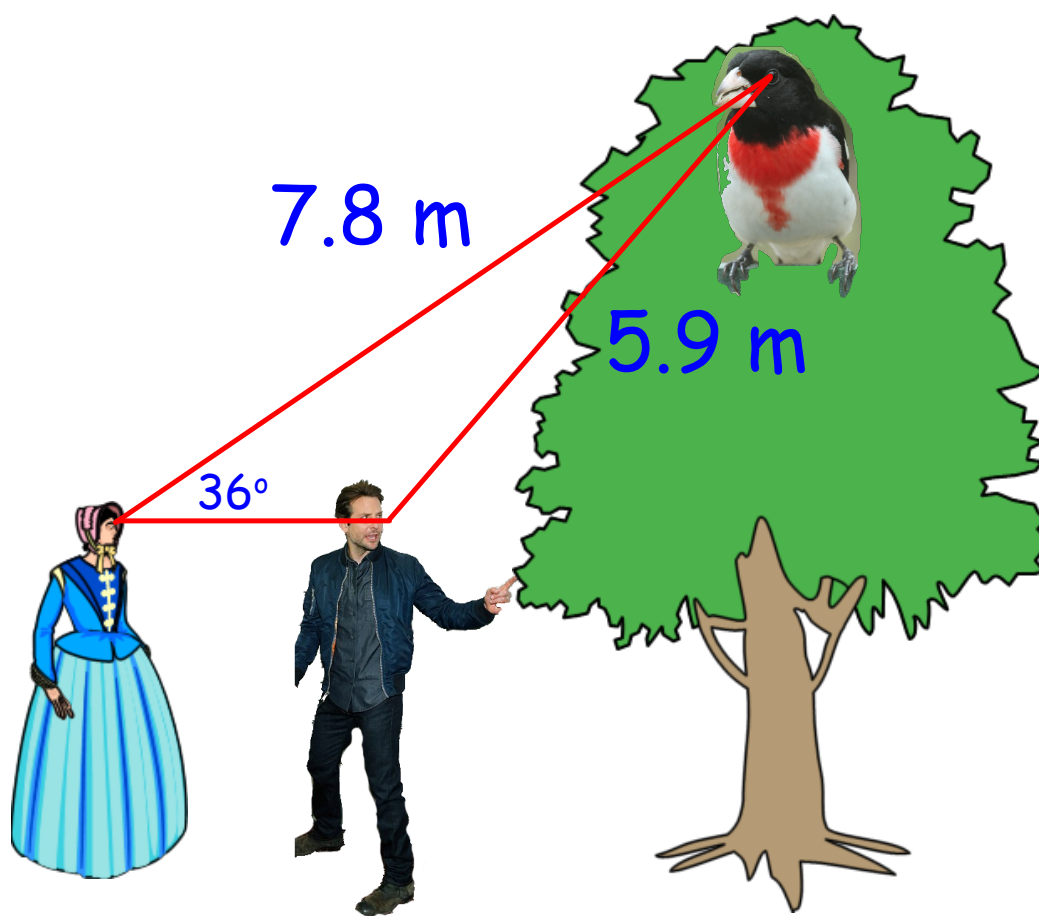
Action!

Bird Watching

Miss. Humphries and Mr. Gilbert have spotted a Rose-breasted Grosbeak up in a tree.

The distance from Miss. Humphries to the bird is 7.8 m and the distance from Mr. Gilbert to the bird is 5.9 m. If the angle of elevation from Miss. Humphries to the bird is 36° , what is the distance between Miss. Humphries and Mr. Gilbert?

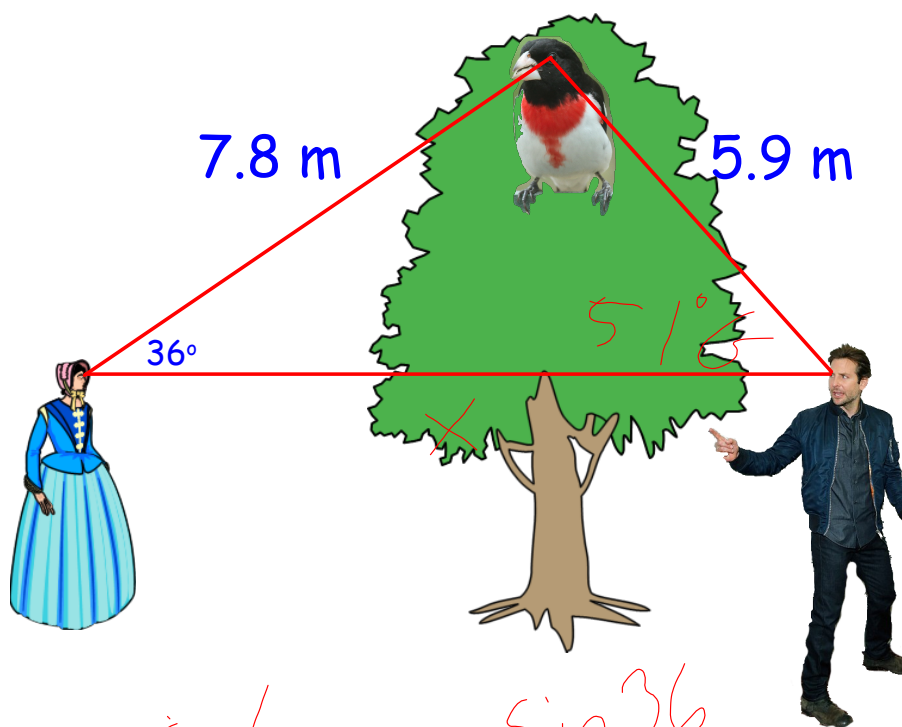




They are

2.6 m / 10.0 m

apart!...?



$$\frac{\sin 6}{7.8} = \frac{\sin 36}{5.9}$$

$$G = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{7.8 \times \sin 36}{5.9} \right)$$

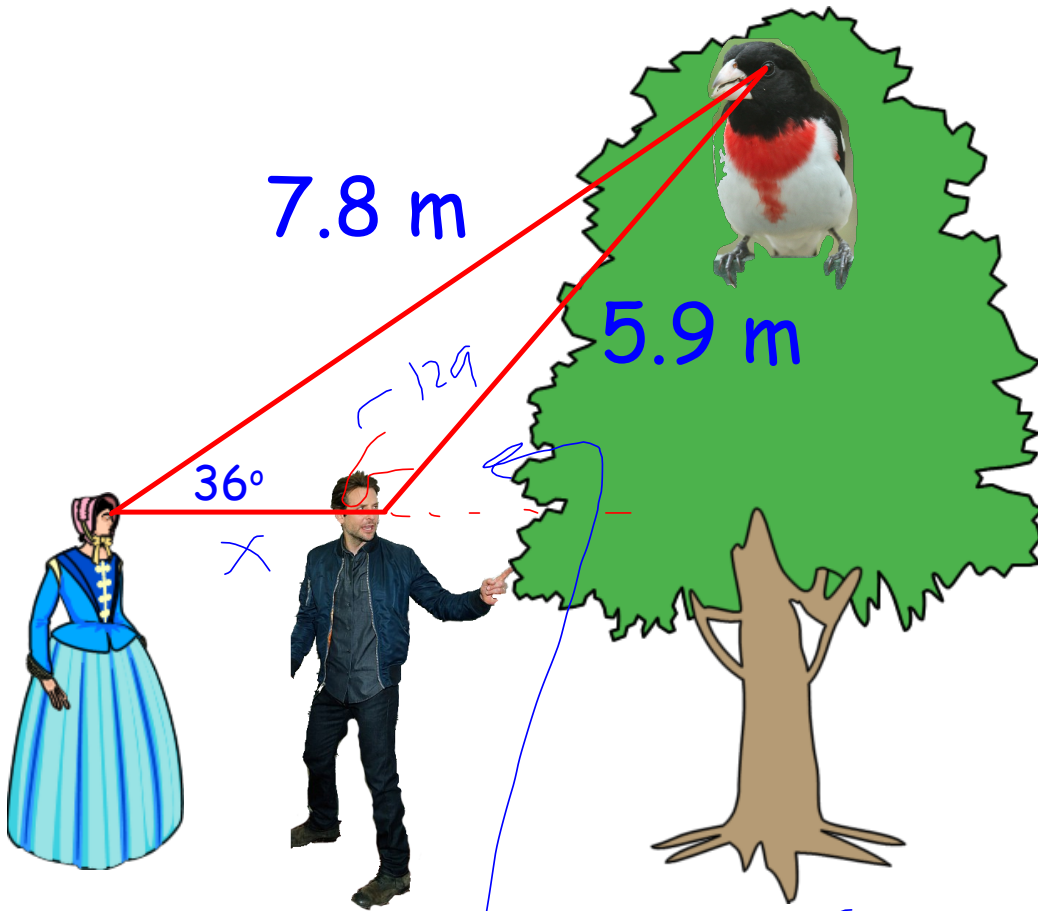
$$G = 51^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned}\angle B_{\text{ind}} &= 180 - 36 - 51 \\ &= 93^\circ\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{x}{\sin 93^\circ} = \frac{5.1}{\sin 36}$$

$$x = \frac{5.1 \times \sin 93}{\sin 36}$$

$$x = 10.0\text{m}$$



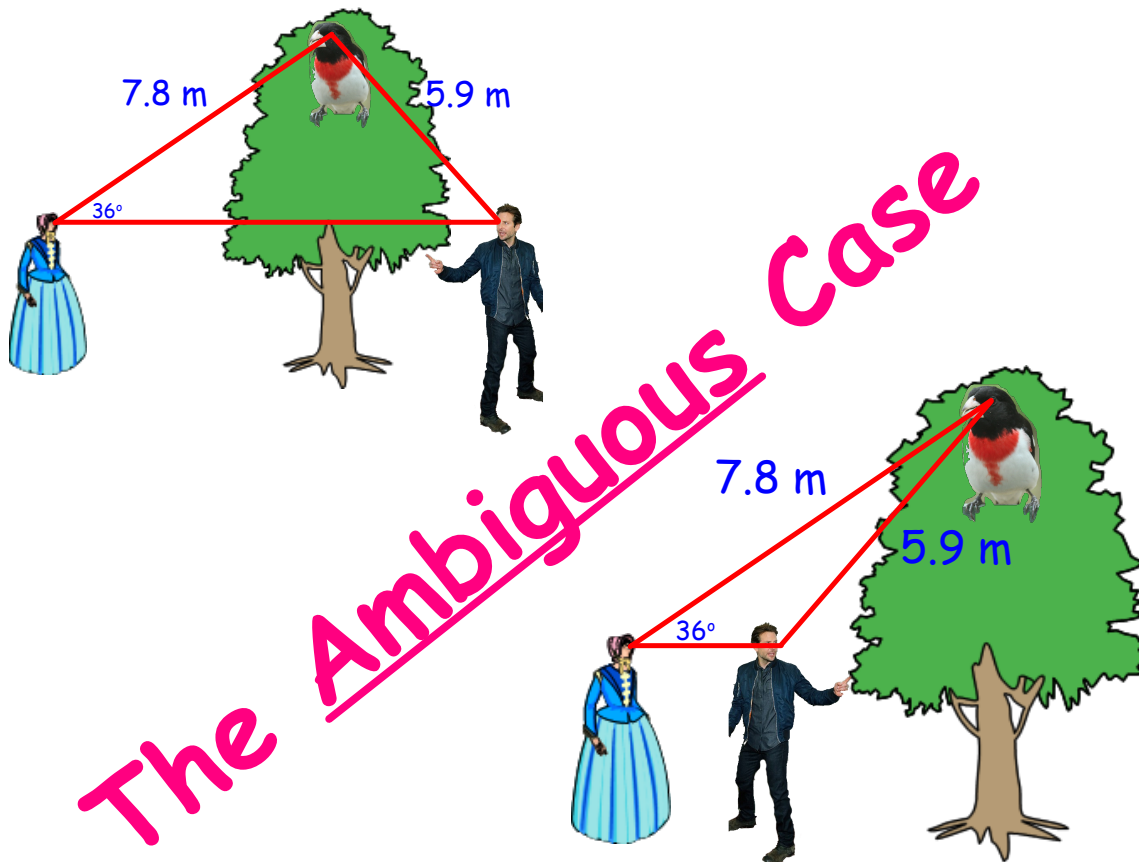
$$\frac{\sin 6}{7.8} = \frac{\sin 36}{5.9}$$

$$6 = 51^\circ$$

$$G = |140 - 51| \\ = 129^\circ$$

$$\frac{x}{\sin 15^\circ} = \frac{5.9}{\sin 36^\circ}$$

$$x = 2.6 \text{ m}$$



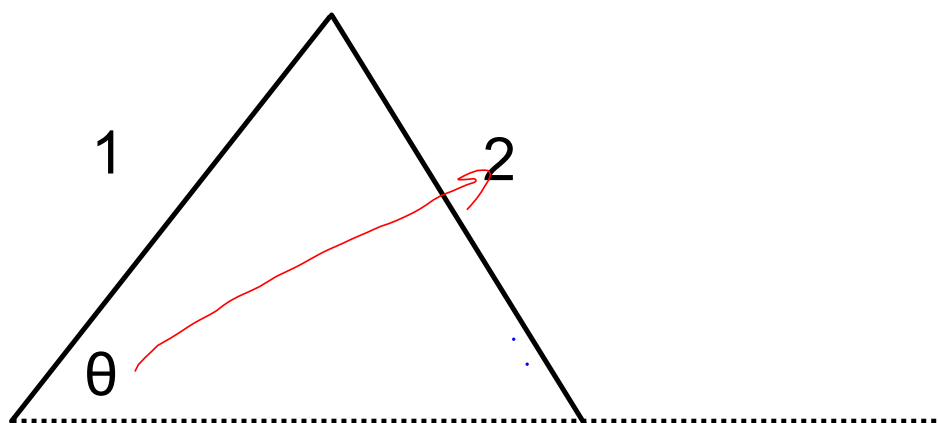
The Ambiguous Case

A situation in which 0, 1 or 2 triangles can be drawn given the information in a problem.

This occurs when you know two side lengths and an angle opposite one of the sides.

If the angle is acute, 0, 1 or 2 triangles are possible. If the given angle is obtuse, 0 or 1 triangles are possible.

Acute - 2 Possibilities

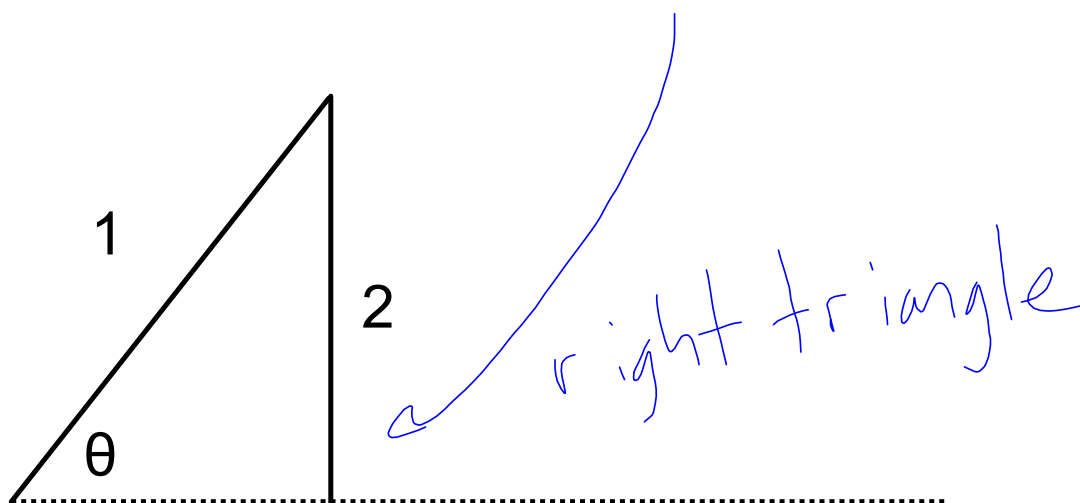


OR

**2 is shorter than 1**

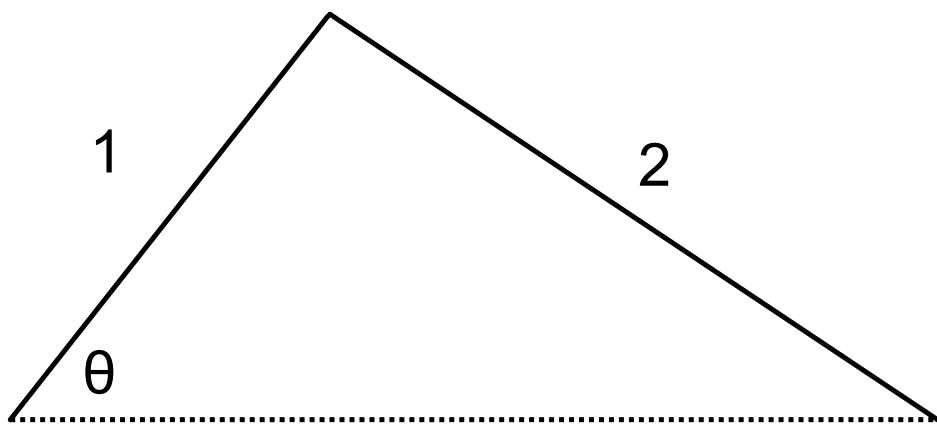
*must be greater than height of triangle

Acute - 1 Possibility



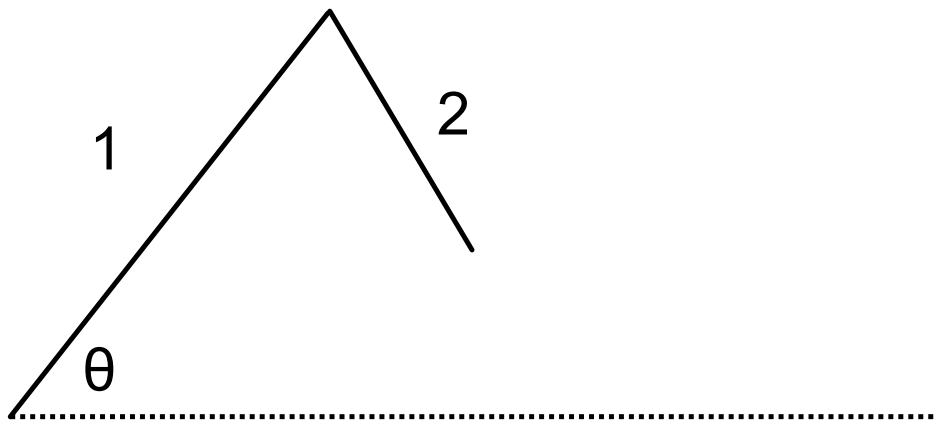
2 is equal to the height

Acute - 1 Possibility



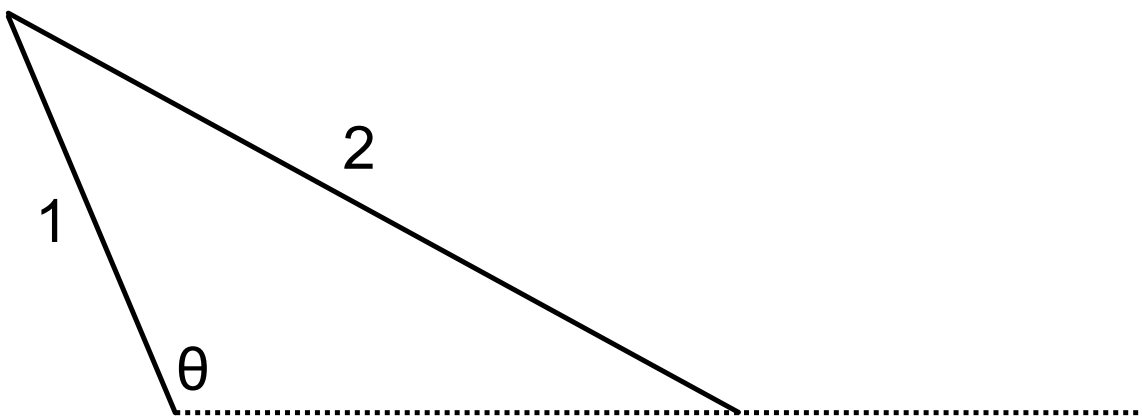
2 is longer than 1

Acute - 0 Possibilities



2 is too short
(less than height of triangle)

Obtuse - 1 Possibility



2 is longer than 1

Obtuse - 0 Possibilities



2 is shorter than 1
or equal to 1

Consolidation

A Few Examples