

## HOMEWORK 10 - MATH 140

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Read each problem very carefully before starting to solve it. One part of each homework problem will be chosen at random and graded. Each question is worth 1 point. It is necessary to show your work. Correct answers without explanations are worth 0 points.

GOOD LUCK!!

- Suppose that  $C$  is the right angle of a right triangle  $\triangle ABC$ . Using the following information, solve the triangle:
  - If  $b = 4, \beta = 10^\circ$ , find  $a, c$  and  $\alpha$ .
  - If  $a = 2, b = 8$ , find  $c, \alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
- To measure the height of a building, two sightings are taken a distance of 50 feet apart. If the first angle of elevation is  $40^\circ$  and the second is  $32^\circ$ , what is the height of the building?
- Solve each of the following triangles. Be alert in case any of the data result in no triangles or more than one triangle:
  - If  $\beta = 20^\circ, \gamma = 70^\circ$  and  $a = 1$ , find  $\alpha, b$  and  $c$ .
  - If  $b = 4, c = 3$  and  $\beta = 40^\circ$ , find  $a, \alpha$  and  $\gamma$ .
  - If  $a = 3, b = 7$  and  $\alpha = 70^\circ$ , find  $c, \beta$  and  $\gamma$ .
- A loading ramp 10 feet long that makes an angle of  $18^\circ$  with the horizontal is to be replaced by one that makes an angle of  $12^\circ$  with the horizontal. How long is the new ramp?
- Solve the following triangles:
  - If  $\alpha = 30^\circ, b = 3$  and  $c = 4$ , find  $a, \beta$  and  $\gamma$ .
  - If  $a = 4, b = 3$  and  $c = 4$ , find  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$ .
- For any triangle show that  $\cos \frac{\gamma}{2} = \sqrt{\frac{s(s-c)}{ab}}$ , where  $s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c)$ .  
**Hint:** Use a Half-Angle Formula and the Law of Cosines.
- Find the area of each of the following triangles:
  - $a = 4, b = 5$  and  $c = 3$ .
  - $a = 2, c = 1$  and  $\beta = 10^\circ$ .
- Show that a formula for the altitude  $h$  from a vertex to the opposite side  $a$  of a triangle is  $h = \frac{a \sin \beta \sin \gamma}{\sin \alpha}$ .  
**Hint:** Use two different area formulas to create a relation between  $h$  and sines.