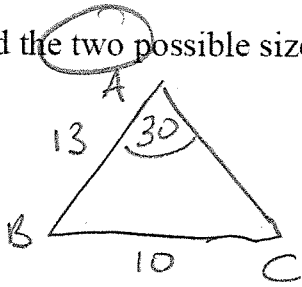
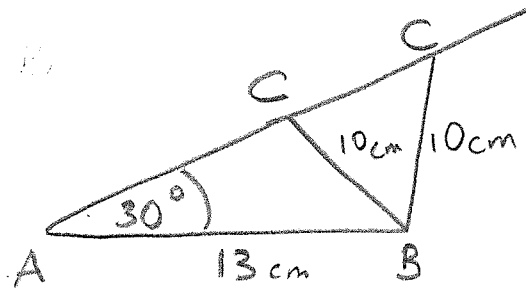


In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $AB = 13\text{cm}$ ,  $BC = 10\text{cm}$  and angle  $BAC = 30^\circ$

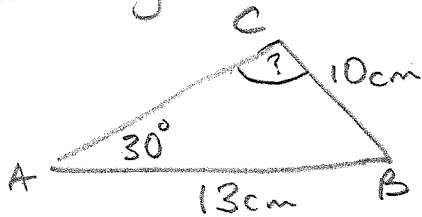
Find the two possible sizes of angle  $ABC$ , giving your answers to two decimal places.



Now draw more carefully.



This is the ambiguous case.



Sine Rule

$$\frac{\sin C}{13} = \frac{\sin 30}{10}$$

$$\sin C = \frac{13 \sin 30}{10}$$

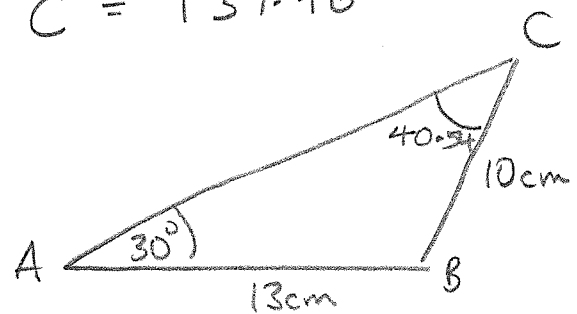
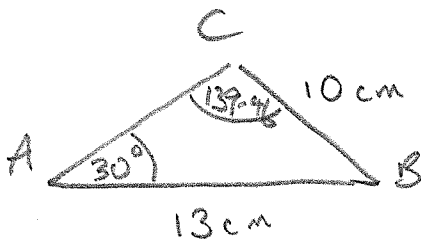
$$\sin C = \frac{13}{20}$$

$$C = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{13}{20}\right)$$

$$C = 40.54^\circ$$

But also

$$C = 139.46^\circ$$



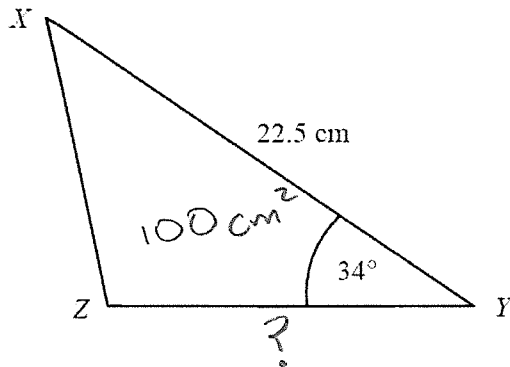
Ans

$$ABC = 10.54^\circ$$

Ans

$$ABC = 109.46^\circ$$

Check it



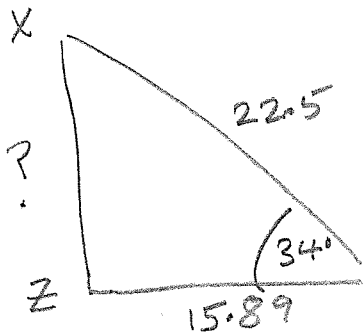
The diagram shows triangle  $XYZ$  in which  $XY = 22.5$  cm and  $\angle XYZ = 34^\circ$ .  
Given that the area of the triangle is  $100 \text{ cm}^2$ , find the length  $XZ$ .

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

$$100 = \frac{1}{2} \times 22.5 \times ? \times \sin 34$$

Find ZY first

$$15.89 = ?$$



Use Cosine Rule

because you know  
3 sides and 1 angle

$$XZ^2 = 22.5^2 + 15.89^2 - 2 \times 22.5 \times 15.89 \cos 34$$

$$XZ^2 = 166.13$$

$$XZ = \sqrt{166.13}$$

$$XZ = 12.89$$

Ans 12.9

ALWAYS GIVE  
FINAL ANSWER  
TO 3 SIG. FIG.

But use more  
accurate in your working

$$f(x) = x^3 + 6x^2 + px + q$$

Given that  $f(4) = 0$  and  $f(-5) = 36$

(a) Find the values of  $p$  and  $q$

simultaneous equations will be important

(b) Factorise  $f(x)$  completely.

$$f(4) = 4^3 + 6(4)^2 + 4p + q = 0$$

$$160 + 4p + q = 0$$

$$f(-5) = (-5)^3 + 6(-5)^2 + (-5)p + q = 36$$

$$25 - 5p + q = 36$$

$$\boxed{160 + 4p + q = 0}$$

$$\boxed{q - 5p = 11}$$

solve simultaneous eq

$$160 + 4p + 11 + 5p = 0$$

$$9p = -171$$

$$p = -19$$

$$q = -84$$

Ans  $p = -19$  and  $q = -84$

Factorise

$$x^3 + 6x^2 - 19x - 84$$

$(x-4)$  is a factor

long division

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + 10x + 21 \\ x-4 \overline{) x^3 + 6x^2 - 19x - 84} \\ \underline{- (x^3 - 4x^2)} \phantom{- 84} \\ 10x^2 - 19x \phantom{- 84} \\ \underline{- (10x^2 - 40x)} \phantom{- 84} \\ 21x - 84 \end{array}$$

$$x^2 + 10x + 21$$

$$(x+7)(x+3)$$

You can check with

EQUATIONS SOLVER

Ans

$$(x-4)(x+7)(x+3)$$

because of Factor Theorem

Perhaps long

division instead

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 48$$

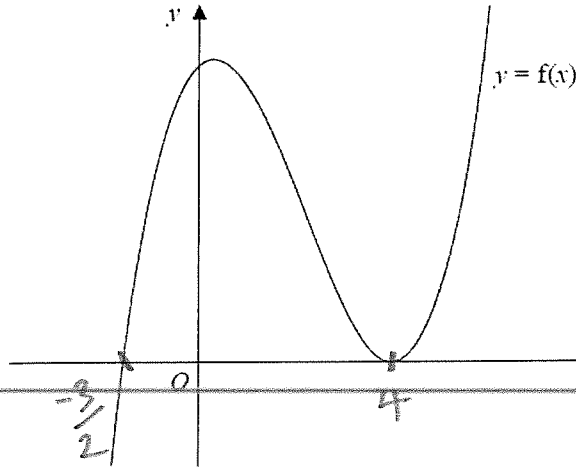
(a) Prove that  $(x - 4)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ .

FACTOR THEOREM

$$\begin{aligned} f(4) &= 2 \times (4)^3 - 13 \times 4^2 + 8(4) + 48 \\ &= 128 - 208 + 32 + 48 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(2) so  $(x-4)$  is factor.

(b) Hence, using algebra, show that the equation  $f(x) = 0$  has only two distinct roots.



Just use fancy calculator  
EQUATION SOLVER  
POLYNOMIAL  
DEGREE 3

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -\frac{3}{2} \\ x &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation  $y = f(x)$ .

(c) Deduce, giving reasons for your answer, the number of real roots of the equation

$$2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 46 = 0$$

(2)

Given that  $k$  is a constant and the curve with equation  $y = f(x + k)$  passes through the origin,

(d) find the two possible values of  $k$ .

(2)

(b) Long division

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x^2 - 5x - 12 \\ x-4 \overline{) 2x^3 - 13x^2 + 8x + 48} \\ \underline{2x^3 - 8x^2} \phantom{+ 48} \\ -5x^2 + 8x \phantom{+ 48} \\ \underline{-5x^2 + 20x} \phantom{+ 48} \\ -12x + 48 \\ \underline{-12x + 48} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (x-4)(2x^2 - 5x - 12) \\ (x-4)^2(2x-3) \end{aligned}$$

↑ one solution      ↑ other solution

(c) Using sketch  $x=4$  repeated root

(d)  $f(x+k)$  moves  $k$  units left  
TRANSFORMATION

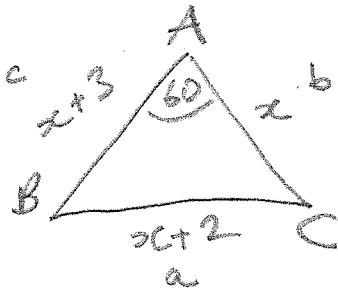
$$f(x+4) \quad \text{and} \quad f(x - \frac{3}{2})$$

Beyoncé "to the left"

Ans  $k=4$  &  $-\frac{3}{2}$

In the triangle  $ABC$ ,  $AB = (x + 3)$  cm,  $BC = (x + 2)$  cm,  $AC = x$  cm and angle  $BAC = 60^\circ$

Find the value of  $x$ .



Looks like Cosine Rule  
because you know  
3 sides & 1 angle

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$(x+2)^2 = x^2 + (x+3)^2 - 2(x)(x+3) \cos 60^\circ \leftarrow$$

$$(x+2)^2 = x^2 + (x+3)^2 - x(x+3)$$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 = x^2 + x^2 + 6x + 9 - x^2 - 3x$$

$$0 = 2x^2 - 2x^2 + 6x - 3x - 4x + 9 - 4$$

$$0 = 5 - x$$

$$\text{Ans } x = 5$$

You should check:

Put  $x = 5$  back into this

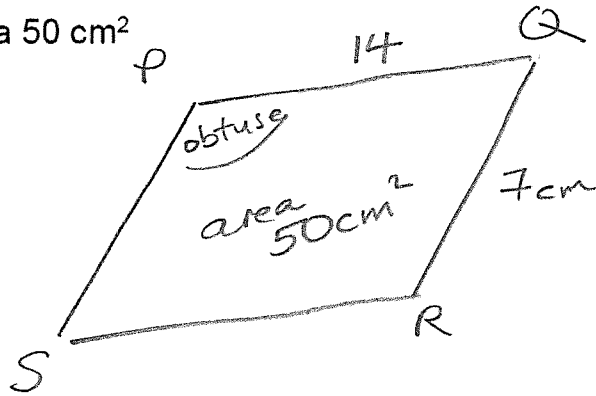
$$7^2 = 5^2 + 8^2 - 2(5)(8) \cos 60^\circ$$

$$\text{Answer } x = 5$$

A parallelogram PQRS has area  $50 \text{ cm}^2$

Given

- PQ has length 14 cm
- QR has length 7 cm
- angle SPQ is obtuse

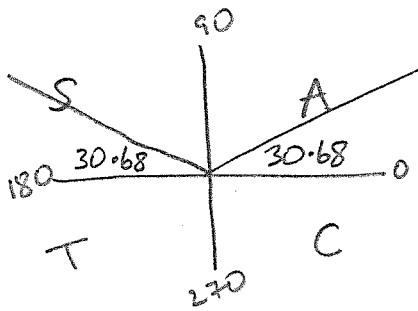
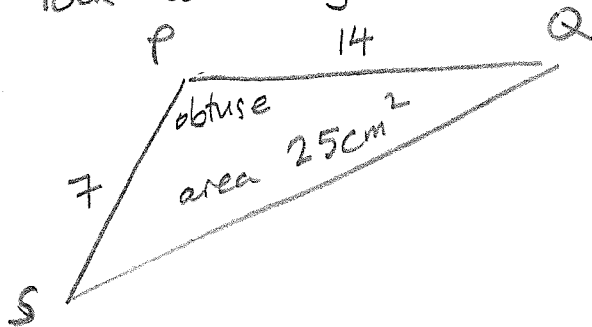


find

(a) the size of angle SPQ, in degrees, to 2 decimal places,

(b) the length of the diagonal SQ, in cm, to one decimal place.

look at only



" Area =  $\frac{1}{2} ab \sin C$  "

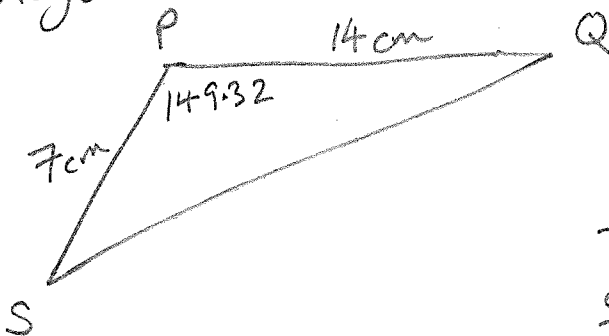
$$25 = \frac{1}{2} \times 7 \times 14 \times \sin \hat{P}$$

$$\frac{50}{98} = \sin \hat{P}$$

$$\frac{25}{49} = \sin \hat{P}$$

Angle  $\hat{SPQ}$  is obtuse  
 $\hat{SPQ} = 149.32^\circ$

Diagonal



Cosine Rule

$$SQ^2 = 7^2 + 14^2 - 2 \times 7 \times 14 \times \cos 149.32$$

$$SQ^2 = 413.57$$

$$SQ = 20.34$$

Ans  $SQ = 20.3 \text{ cm}$

$$f(x) \equiv px^3 + qx^2 + qx + 3.$$

Given that  $(x + 1)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ ,

a find the value of the constant  $p$ .

Given also that when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x - 2)$  the remainder is 15,

b find the value of the constant  $q$ .

$(x+1)$  is a factor so  $f(-1) = 0$  Remainder/  
Factor  
Theorem

$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= p(-1)^3 + q(-1)^2 + (-1)q + 3 \\ &= -p + q - q + 3 \\ &= 3 - p \end{aligned}$$

so  $3 - p = f(-1) = 0$

Ans  $\boxed{p = 3}$

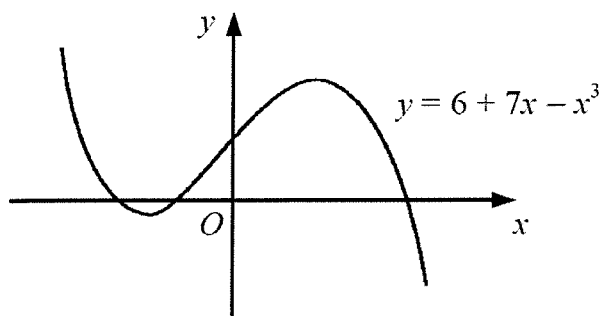
$$f(x) = 3x^3 + qx^2 + qx + 3$$

$(x-2)$  has remainder 15

so  $f(2) = 15$

$$\begin{aligned} f(2) &= 24 + 4q + 2q + 3 = 15 \\ &6q = 15 - 27 \\ &6q = -12 \\ &q = -2 \end{aligned}$$

Answer  $\boxed{q = -2}$



The diagram shows the curve with the equation  $y = 6 + 7x - x^3$ .

Find the coordinates of the points where the curve crosses the x-axis.

REALLY EASY WITH FANCY CALCULATOR  
 [EQUATION SOLVER] [POLYNOMIAL] [DEGREE = 3]

gives really quickly  $x = 3$   $x = -1$   $x = -2$

BUT we need method

Try Remainder/Factor Theorem

$$f(1) = 6 + 7(1) - (1)^3 = 12 \quad (x-1) \text{ not a factor}$$

$$f(-1) = 6 + 7(-1) - (-1)^3 = 6 - 7 + 1 = 0$$

so  $(x+1)$  is a factor

you could try others like

$$(x+2) \quad \text{so} \quad f(-2)$$

$$(x-3) \quad \text{so} \quad f(3)$$

you know these work

or long division

$$\begin{aligned} 6 + 7x - x^3 &= -(x^3 - 7x - 6) \\ &= -(x+1)(x+2)(x-3) \end{aligned}$$

These gives co-ordinates

$$(-1, 0) \quad (-2, 0) \quad \text{and} \quad (3, 0)$$



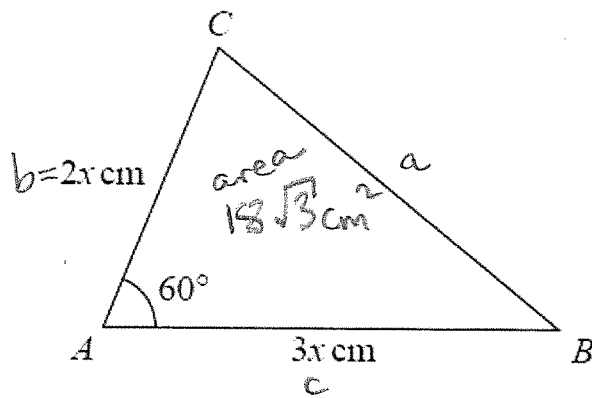


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of a triangle  $ABC$  with  $AB = 3x$  cm,  $AC = 2x$  cm and angle  $CAB = 60^\circ$

Given that the area of triangle  $ABC$  is  $18\sqrt{3}$  cm<sup>2</sup>

(a) show that  $x = 2\sqrt{3}$

(b) Hence find the exact length of  $BC$ , giving your answer as a simplified surd.

(a) Area =  $\frac{1}{2} bc \sin A$

$$18\sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{2} \times (2x) \times (3x) \sin 60$$

$$18\sqrt{3} = 3x^2 \left( \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$18 = \frac{3x^2}{2}$$

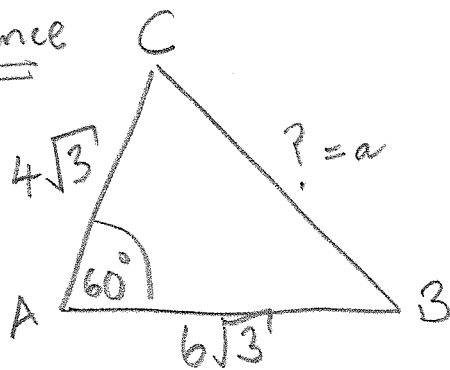
$$12 = x^2$$

$$x = \sqrt{12}$$

$$x = \sqrt{4} \sqrt{3}$$

$$x = 2\sqrt{3}$$

(b) Hence



$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

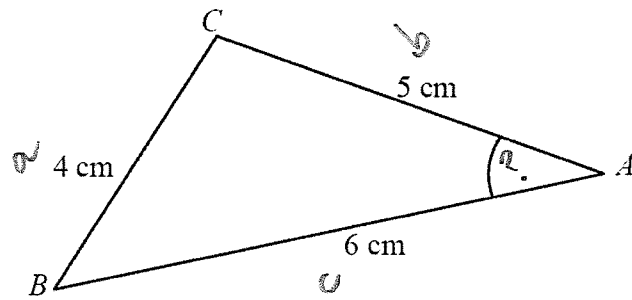
$$a^2 = (4\sqrt{3})^2 + (6\sqrt{3})^2 - 2(4\sqrt{3})(6\sqrt{3}) \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a^2 = 48 + 108 - 72$$

$$a^2 = 84$$

$$a = \sqrt{84}$$

$$a = 2\sqrt{21}$$



The diagram above shows the triangle  $ABC$ , with  $AB = 6$  cm,  $BC = 4$  cm and  $CA = 5$  cm.

(a) Show that  $\cos A = \frac{3}{4}$ .

3 sides & 1 angle  
means Cosine Rule

(b) Hence, or otherwise, find the exact value of  $\sin A$ .

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$$

$$4^2 = 5^2 + 6^2 - 2 \times 5 \times 6 \cos A$$

$$16 = 25 + 36 - 60 \cos A$$

$$60 \cos A = 25 + 36 - 16$$

$$60 \cos A = 45$$

$$\cos A = \frac{45}{60}$$

$$\cos A = \frac{3}{4}$$

must be acute ... think



$$\sin A = ?$$

What links  $\sin A$  and  $\cos A$  together?

$$\sin^2 A + \cos^2 A = 1$$

$$\sin^2 A = 1 - \cos^2 A$$

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

$$\sin^2 A = 1 - \frac{9}{16}$$

$$\sin^2 A = \frac{7}{16}$$

$$\sin A = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{4}$$

$$g(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 - 15x + 50$$

(a) Use the factor theorem to show that  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $g(x)$ .

(2)

(b) Hence show that  $g(x)$  can be written in the form  $g(x) = (x + 2)(ax + b)^2$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers to be found.

(4)

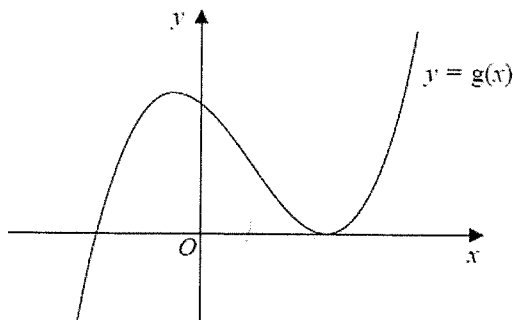


Figure 2

Figure 2 shows a sketch of part of the curve with equation  $y = g(x)$

$(x+2)$  means try  $g(-2)$

$$g(-2) = 4(-2)^3 - 12(-2)^2 - 15(-2) + 50$$

$$= -32 - 48 + 30 + 50$$

$$g(-2) = 0$$

Long Division by  $(x+2)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 - 20x + 25 \\ x+2 \overline{) 4x^3 - 12x^2 - 15x + 50} \\ \underline{4x^3 + 8x^2} \phantom{- 15x + 50} \\ -20x^2 - 15x \phantom{+ 50} \\ \underline{-20x^2 - 40x} \phantom{+ 50} \\ 25x + 50 \\ \underline{25x + 50} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$(x+2)(4x^2 - 20x + 25)$$

$$(x+2)(2x-5)(2x-5)$$

$$(x+2)(2x-5)^2$$

Ans  $a=2$  &  $b=-5$

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 5x^2 + ax + a$$

Given that  $(x + 2)$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ , find the value of the constant  $a$ .

Factor Theorem

$(x+2)$  is a factor means  $f(-2) = 0$

$$f(-2) = 2(-2)^3 - 5(-2)^2 + a(-2) + a$$

$$= -16 - 20 - 2a + a$$

$$= -36 - a$$

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$$\text{so } -36 - a = 0$$

$$a = 36$$

You SHOULD check on your  
NEW AMAZING CALCULATOR

solve

Polynomial

Degree 3