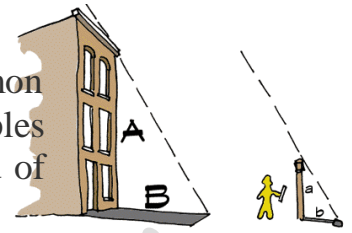


Introduction:

The building of the Egyptian pyramids may seem to have little in common with modern sciences like *geophysics & seismology*. But certain principles of mathematics enter into all such activities. Many are used in the field of mathematics called *Trigonometry*.



A. What does Trigonometry do?

Trigonometry finds *relationships* between the *sides* and *angles* of a right triangle.

1- Find length of a side, establish identities

B. Goals: 2- Determine the value of an acute angle between any two segments.

3- Find the area of a triangle using an angle enclosed between two given sides.

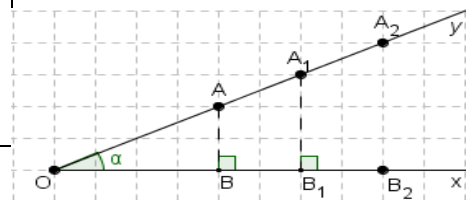
Focusing events:

Figures			
Questions	Label the sides of the above right triangle with respect to α	Find the exact height of the balloon from ground.	Do you know why it is better to step away from a TV screen?
Possible answers	a: b:		

C. Defining the three main trigonometric ratios: $\sin \alpha$; $\cos \alpha$; and $\tan \alpha$.

Let B be the orthogonal projection of a variable point A , that belongs to ray $[Oy)$, on $[Ox)$. Where $\hat{xOy} = \alpha$, if $[AB]$ varies in a way that it remains perpendicular to $[Ox)$, then prove that

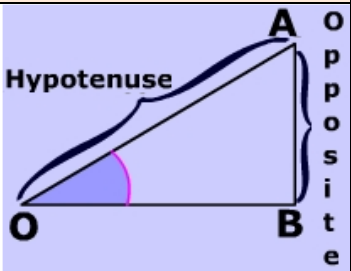
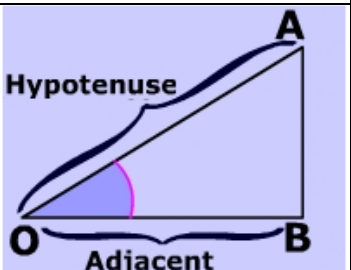
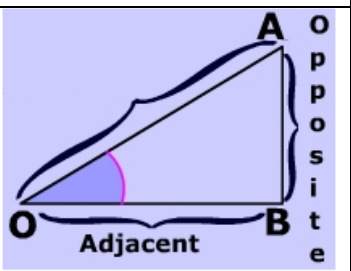
1) $\frac{OB}{OA} = \frac{OB_1}{OA_1} = \frac{OB_2}{OA_2} = cst$	
2) $\frac{AB}{OA} = \frac{AB_1}{OA_1} = \frac{AB_2}{OA_2} = cst$	



- ✓ If points A & B move again, will the ratios remain the same?
- ✓ What do sides OA & OB represent for ΔOAB ?
- ✓ When will these ratios alter?

Conclusions: If α is constant then, the ratio of:

- ❖ Adjacent to hypotenuse
- ❖ to hypotenuse remains

Trigonometric line	Figure	Formula	How to remember
Sine		$\sin \hat{A}OB = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{AB}{OA}$ <p>IN SHORT</p> $\sin \alpha = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{hyp}}$	Soh
Cosine		$\cos \hat{A}OB = \frac{\text{Adjacent}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \frac{OB}{OA}$ <p>IN SHORT</p> $\cos \alpha = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$	Cah
Tangent		$\tan \hat{A}OB = \frac{\text{Opposite}}{\text{Adjacent}} = \frac{AB}{OB}$ <p>IN SHORT</p> $\tan \alpha = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{Adj}} \text{ or } \tan \alpha = \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha}$	Toa OR tsc

D. Fundamental trigonometric identities relating:

1) Sine and Cosine: The Pythagorean identity:

a- Find $\sin \alpha$ & $\cos \alpha$

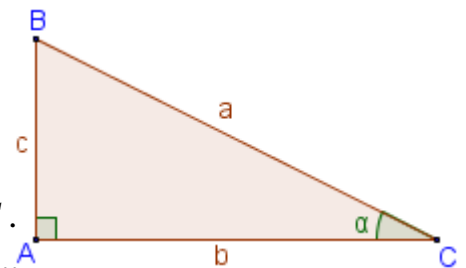
$\sin \alpha = \dots\dots\dots$ $\cos \alpha = \dots\dots\dots$

b- Write the Pythagoras theorem in the right triangle ABC.

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c- Use parts a & b to verify that: $\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1$

.....



Therefore,

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

2) Cosine and tangent: Use the Pythagorean identity, $\sin^2 \alpha + \cos^2 \alpha = 1$ to find:

a) $\tan \alpha$ in terms of $\cos \alpha$:

b) $\cos \alpha$ as a function of $\tan \alpha$:

Therefore,

$$\tan^2 \alpha = \frac{1 - \cos^2 \alpha}{\cos^2 \alpha}$$

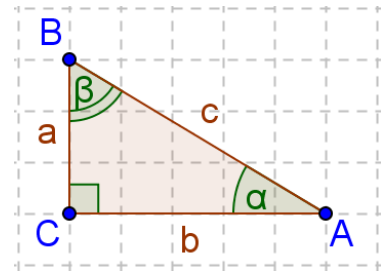
and

$$\cos^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{1 + \tan^2 \alpha}$$

Consider the right triangle ABC of hypotenuse $[AC]$

- 1) Indicate the sum of α & β :
- 2) What do we call α & β :
- 3) Determine in terms of sides:

$\sin \alpha =$	$\cos \beta =$
$\sin \beta =$	$\cos \alpha =$



- 4) Compare obtained results:

Conclusions: If α & β are complementary angles, then

E. Remarkable angles:

a) Use your calculator to complete:

Angle (α) Ratios	0°	30°	45°	60°	90°
$\sin \alpha$			$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{4}}{2} = 1$
$\cos \alpha$				$\frac{\sqrt{1}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{\sqrt{0}}{2} = 0$
$\tan \alpha$	0	$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$	1	$\sqrt{3}$	∞
$\cot \alpha$					

b) Can you devise a method to memorize the above values in ease? Try.

c) Use the above table to complete if α & β are two angles ($\alpha + \beta = 90^\circ$) then,

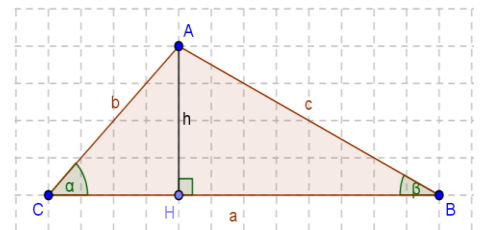
$\cot \alpha \times \cot \beta = \dots$

$\tan \alpha = \cot \beta$

$\tan \alpha \times \dots = 1$

F. Area of a triangle in a different way. (Using sine of the angle enclosed between two sides):

- 1) Indicate the area of the triangle ABC
- 2) Find $\sin \alpha$
- 3) Determine the area of ABC independent of h .
.....
- 4) Can you find the area of ABC as a function of a, c & β .
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- 5) Compare obtained results:

Conclusions: The area of a triangle is equal to one-half the product of two sides and the sine of the contained angle.

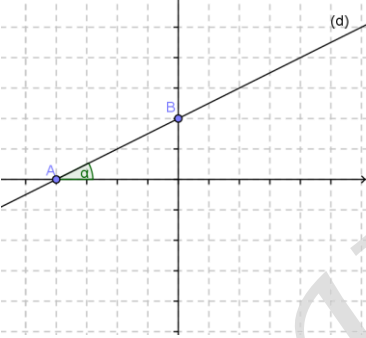
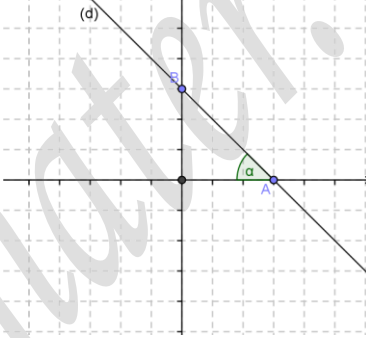
In symbols:

$$Area = \frac{ab \sin \alpha}{2} = \frac{ac \sin \beta}{2}$$

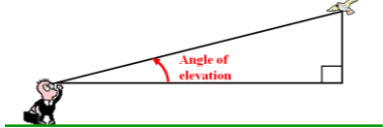

G. Bounding (Framing) trigonometric ratios:

In words	<i>sine</i> and <i>cosine</i> ratios of an <i>acute angle</i> are bounded between 0 and 1	<i>tangent</i> and <i>cotangent</i> ratios of an <i>acute angle</i> are greater than zero	
In symbols	$0 \leq \sin \alpha \leq 1$	$0 \leq \cos \alpha \leq 1$	$\tan \alpha \geq 0$ $\cot \alpha \geq 0$

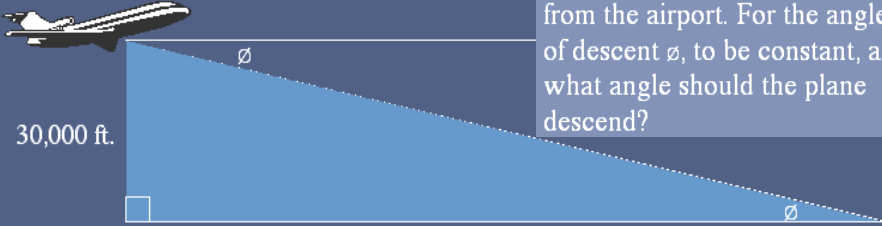
H. Trigonometry and coordinate system:

Sense of the straight line	Increasing	Decreasing
Graphical representation		
Form of the slope	$slope = \tan \alpha$	$slope = -\tan \alpha$
Condition on the angle α	where α is the acute angle between the given line and the positive x -axis	α is the acute angle between the given line and negative the x -axis

I. Real life situations:

Angle of	Definition	Figure
Elevation	Is the acute angle formed above the horizontal to inspect an object.	
Depression	Is the acute angle formed below the horizontal to inspect an object.	

APPLICATION



30,000 ft.

130 Miles

To avoid a steep descent, a plane flying at 30,000 ft. starts its descent 130 miles away from the airport. For the angle of descent ϕ , to be constant, at what angle should the plane descend?