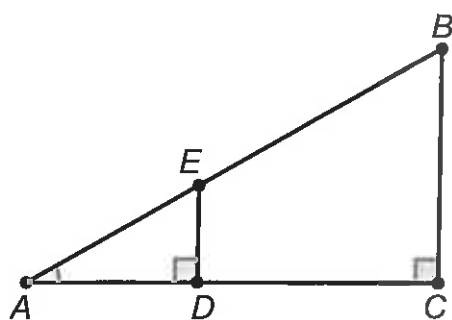


## Trigonometry & Sides of a Right Triangle



1a. Explain why  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AED$ .

Since  $\angle A \cong \angle A$  and  $\angle ADE \cong \angle ACB$   
the  $\Delta$ 's are similar by AA-similarity.

b. Explain why  $\frac{ED}{BC} = \frac{AE}{AB}$ .

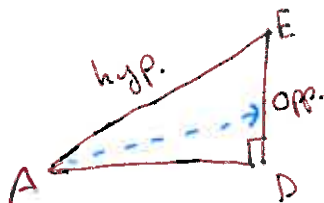
Since, the  $\Delta$ 's are similar, the ratios of corr. sides must be =.

c. Explain why  $\frac{ED}{AE} = \frac{BC}{AB}$  must also be true.

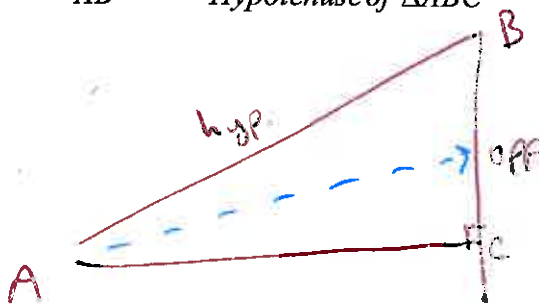
In the proportion in b, we could cross multiply because the prod. of the means = prod. of the extremes. Switching AE and BC in the proportion maintains the same products.

d. Look closer at each of the ratios  $\frac{ED}{AE}$  and  $\frac{BC}{AB}$ :

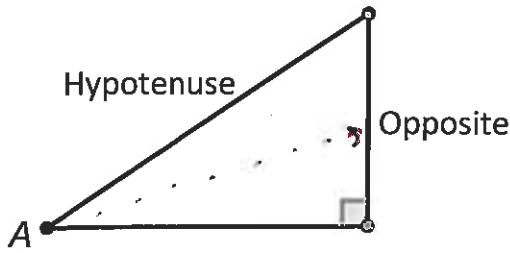
$$\frac{ED}{AE} = \frac{\text{the side of } \triangle AED \text{ opposite } \angle A}{\text{Hypotenuse of } \triangle AED}$$



$$\frac{BC}{AB} = \frac{\text{the side of } \triangle ABC \text{ opposite } \angle A}{\text{Hypotenuse of } \triangle ABC}$$



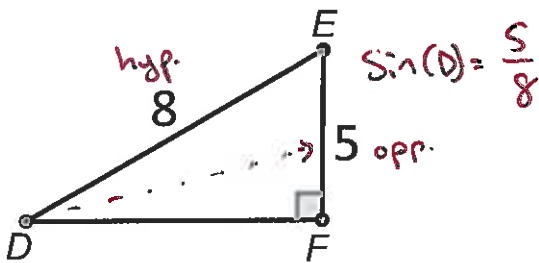
**The Sine Ratio:** If  $\angle A$  is an *acute angle* of a *right triangle* then the ratio  $\frac{\text{the side opposite } \angle A}{\text{the Hypotenuse of } \Delta}$  is called the "Sine of  $\angle A$ ".



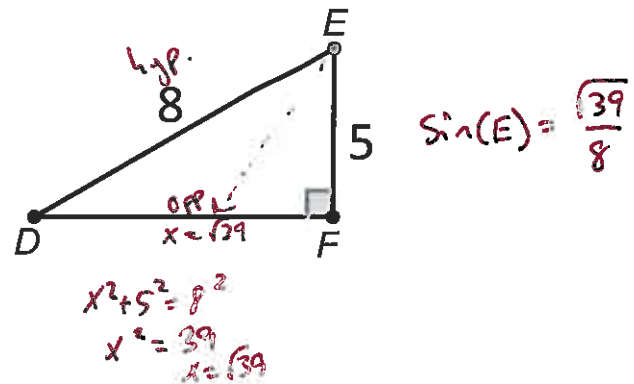
We write:  $\sin(A) = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{Hypotenuse}}$

2. Determine each ratio:

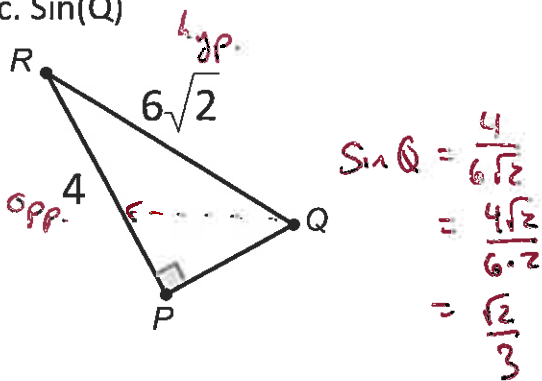
a.  $\sin(D)$



b.  $\sin(E)$

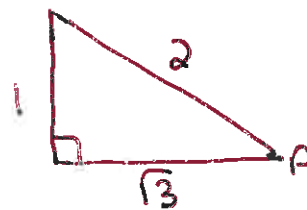
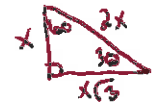


c.  $\sin(Q)$



d.  $\sin(A) = \frac{1}{2}$ . What must  $m\angle A$  be and why?

$\sin(A) = \frac{1}{2}$  (opp. = 1, hyp. = 2)



Since hyp = 2 (short leg)  
 then  $\angle A$  must be  $30^\circ$

**Using a Calculator:**

Your calculator has a "SIN" button, but in order to use it, you must first change your "MODE" to degrees.

3. Use your calculator to compute each value. Round your answers to the nearest hundredth.

a.  $\sin(30^\circ) = .5$

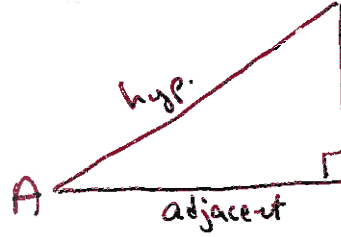
b.  $\sin(60^\circ) = 0.87$

c.  $\sin(52^\circ) = 0.79$

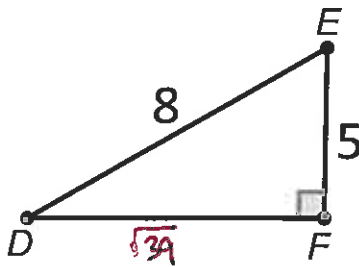
x what is the largest value  $\sin(A)$  could be?

**The Cosine Ratio:** If  $\angle A$  is an acute angle of a right triangle then the ratio  $\frac{\text{the side adjacent } \angle A}{\text{the Hypotenuse of } \Delta}$  is called the "Cosine of  $\angle A$ ".

We write:  $\cos(A) = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{Hypotenuse}}$

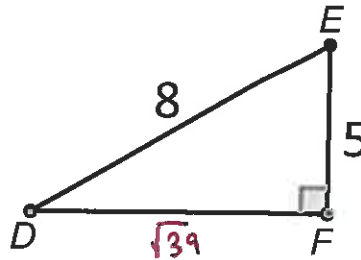


4. Determine each ratio:  
a.  $\cos(E)$  and  $\sin(D)$



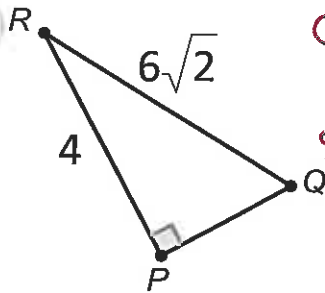
$\cos(E) = \frac{5}{8}$   
 $\sin(D) = \frac{5}{8}$

b.  $\cos(D)$  and  $\sin(E)$



$\cos(D) = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{8}$   
 $\sin(E) = \frac{\sqrt{39}}{8}$

c.  $\cos(R)$  and  $\sin(Q)$

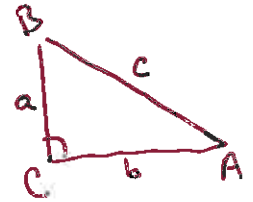


$\cos(R) = \frac{4}{6\sqrt{2}} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{6 \cdot 2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$

$\sin(Q) = \frac{4}{6\sqrt{2}} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{6 \cdot 2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$

d. If  $\triangle ABC$  has right angle C, then which two must always be equal?

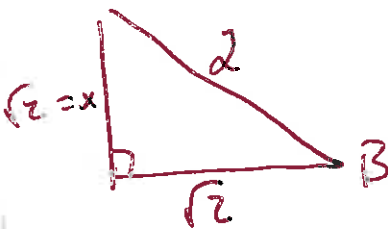
$\cos(A) = \frac{b}{c}$      $\sin(B) = \frac{b}{c}$      $\sin(A) = \frac{a}{c}$



$\cos(A) = \sin(B)$  always!

e. If  $\cos(B) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$ , then what must be the measure of angle B?

$\cos(B) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$  ← adj. / hyp.



$(\sqrt{2})^2 + x^2 = 2^2$

$2 + x^2 = 4$

$x^2 = 2$

$x = \sqrt{2}$

Since the legs are equal,  $\triangle ABC$  must be  $45-45-90$ . So  $\angle B$  must be  $45^\circ$ .

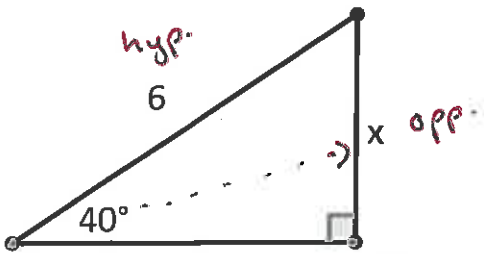
f. Find to the nearest hundredth:  $\cos(56^\circ)$

$\cos(56^\circ) = 0.56$

# Finding Side Lengths Using Sine & Cosine

5. Solve for x and round to the nearest tenth.

a.



$$\sin(40^\circ) = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$$

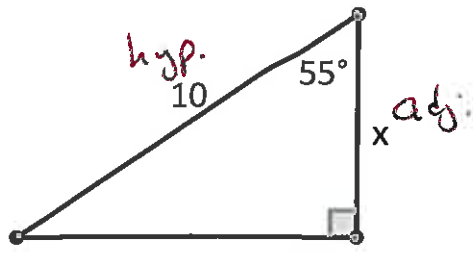
$$\sin(40^\circ) = \frac{x}{6}$$

$$6 \sin(40^\circ) = x$$

$$x = 3.9$$

Cross multiply!

b.



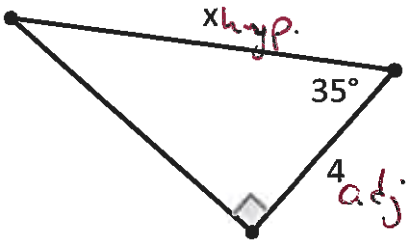
$$\cos(55^\circ) = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$$

$$\cos(55^\circ) = \frac{x}{10}$$

$$10 \cos(55^\circ) = x$$

$$x = 5.7$$

c.



$$\cos(35^\circ) = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}}$$

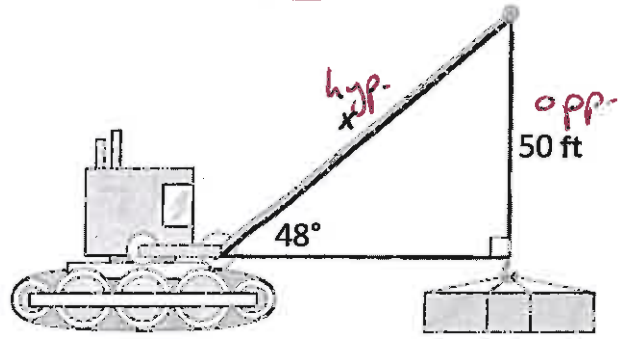
$$\cos(35^\circ) = \frac{4}{x}$$

$$x \cos(35^\circ) = 4$$

$$x = \frac{4}{\cos(35^\circ)}$$

$$= 4.9$$

d.



$$\sin(48^\circ) = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{hyp}}$$

$$\sin(48^\circ) = \frac{50}{x}$$

$$x \sin(48^\circ) = 50$$

$$x = \frac{50}{\sin(48^\circ)}$$

$$= 67.3 \text{ ft.}$$