

## 1.4 Seam of gold

### 1.4.1 Pythagoras' Theorem

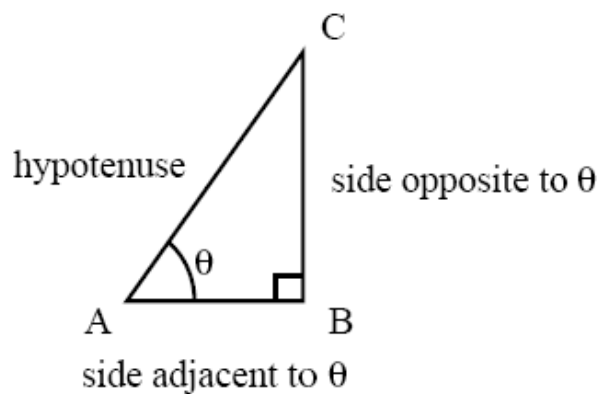
1. A right angled triangle has two perpendicular sides equal to 4 and 3 cm. What is the length of the hypotenuse?
2. A right angled triangle has a hypotenuse of length 10 cm and one other side of length 2 cm. What is the length of the 3rd side?
3. A right angled triangle has a height of length 15 cm. If its area is  $50 \text{ cm}^2$  what is the length of the two other sides? (note the area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} \text{base} \times \text{height}$ ).

### 1.4.2 Similar triangles

1. A right angled triangle has two perpendicular sides of length 10 and 15 cm. If a similar triangle has a hypotenuse of length 1 cm, how long are its two other sides?
2. A triangle has lengths 10, 20 and 5 cm. If a similar triangle has shortest side equal to 1 cm, what are the lengths of the two other sides?

### 1.4.3 Trigonometric ratios

The questions below are about triangles labelled as in the Figure below:



1. A right angled triangle, ABC, has  $AB= 10$  and  $BC= 25$ , what is the angle  $\theta$ ?
2. A right angled triangle, ABC, has  $\theta = 40^\circ$  and  $AB= 5$ , what is the length of the hypotenuse?
3. A right angled triangle, ABC, has  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{8}$  radians and  $BC= 10$ , what is the length of the hypotenuse?
4. A right angled triangle, ABC, has a hypotenuse of length 50 and  $BC= 10$ , what is the angle  $\theta$  in radians?

Answers to Pythagoras' Theorem:

1. 5 cm.
2. 9.8 cm.
3. 6.6 and 16.41 cm.

Answers to Similar triangles:

1. 0.56 cm and 0.83 cm.
2. 4 and 2 cm.

Answers to Trigonometric ratios:

1.  $68.2^\circ$
2. 6.53
3. 26.13
4. 0.20 radians