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## IGCSE Maths

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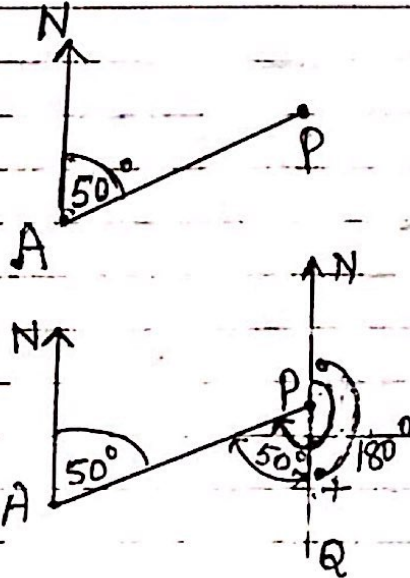
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Three-Figure Bearings:

( $000^\circ$  to  $360^\circ$  in clockwise

direction) Compass indicates the 'North' direction.

If AP is inclined at an angle of  $50^\circ$  from North 'AN' in the clockwise direction. We say 'Bearing of P from A' is  $050^\circ$

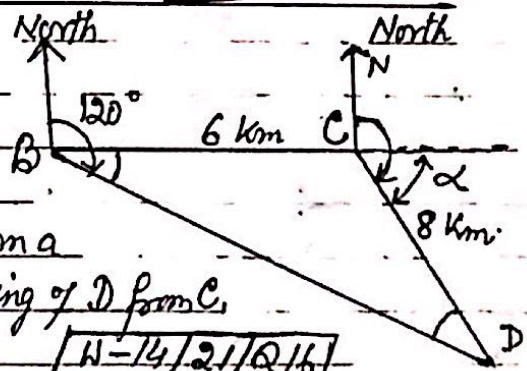


Back Bearing:

Given Bearing of P from A is  $050^\circ$ .

Then Bearing (Back Bearing) of A from P =  $180 + \text{angle APR}$   
 $= 180 + 50^\circ$  (= Alt angle)  
 $= 230^\circ$  NAP

Example 1: A helicopter flies its base B to deliver supplies to two oil rigs at C and D. --- [5]  
 C is 6 km due east of B and the distance C to D is 8 km. D is on a bearing of  $120^\circ$  from B. Find the bearing of D from C.



Solution: angle CBD =  $120 - 90 = 30^\circ$  [H-14/21/Q16]

Using Sine rule in  $\Delta BCD$

$$\frac{\sin D}{6} = \frac{\sin B}{8}$$

$$\sin D = \frac{6 \times \sin 30}{8} = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$\angle D = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{8}\right) = 22^\circ$$

Now Bearing of D from C = angle NCD  
 $= (90 + \alpha) \rightarrow \text{D}$

$$\alpha = \angle CBD + \angle D = 30 + 22 = 52^\circ$$

(Ext. angle)

$\therefore$  Bearing of D from C =  $90 + 52 = 142^\circ$



Example 2: The bearing of A from B is  $227^\circ$ .  
Find the bearing of B from A.

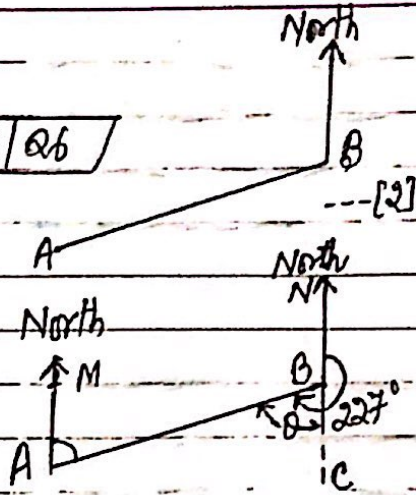
[W-18/21/Q6]

Solution: Let angle  $ABC = \theta$

Bearing A from B =  $180 + \theta = 227^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \theta = 47^\circ$  --- (1)

Bearing of B from A = angle MAB  
=  $\theta$  (Alt. angle)  
=  $047^\circ$  ✓ from (1)



Example 3: The bearing of Alexandria from Paris is  $128^\circ$ . --- [2]

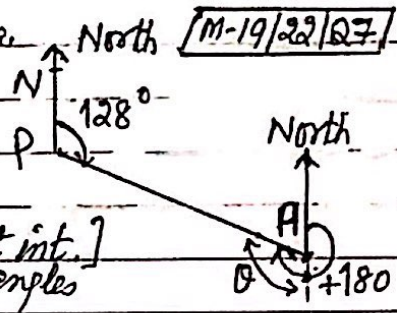
Calculate the bearing of Paris from Alexandria. [M-19/22/Q7]

A → Alexandria P → Paris

Solution: Bearing of A from P = angle NPA =  $128^\circ$

Bearing of P from A =  $180 + \theta$

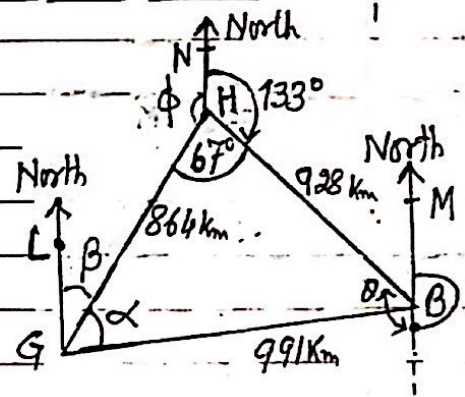
=  $180 + 128^\circ$  [ $\theta = 128^\circ$  Alt int. angles]  
=  $308^\circ$



Example 4: The diagram shows positions of three cities, Geneva (G), Budapest (B) and Hamburg (H).

The bearing of Budapest from Hamburg is  $133^\circ$ .

- (i) Find the bearing of Hamburg from Budapest.
- (ii) Calculate the bearing of Budapest from G.



Solution: (i)  $\angle NHB = 133^\circ$  (Given) --- (1)

[W-18/42/Q8] --- [2+4]

The bearing of Hamburg from Budapest =  $180 + \theta$  ( $\theta = 133^\circ$  Alt angle)  
=  $180 + 133^\circ = 313^\circ$  ✓ from (1)

(ii) In  $\Delta HGB$  Using cosine rule.

(ii)  $\cos \alpha = \frac{864^2 + 991^2 - 928^2}{2 \times 864 \times 991} = 0.5065$

$\alpha = \cos^{-1}(0.5065) = 59.5^\circ$  --- (2)

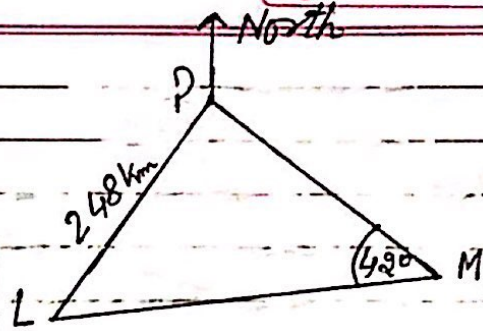
$\beta = 180 - \phi = 180 - [360 - (133 + 67)] = 20^\circ$  --- (3)

(i) Bearing Budapest from Geneva =  $\beta + \alpha$  from (2) & (3)  
=  $20 + 59.5$  and (3)  
=  $079.5^\circ$  ✓



Bearings:

Example 5: The diagram shows two ports, L and P and buoy, M. The bearing of L from P is  $201^\circ$  and  $LP = 248 \text{ km}$ . The bearing of M from P is  $127^\circ$ . Angle  $PML = 42^\circ$



- (a) Use sine rule to calculate LM. --- [4]  
 (b) A ship sails directly from L to P,  
 (i) Calculate the shortest distance from M to LP. -- [3]  
 (ii) The ship leaves 'L' at 2045 and travels at a speed of 40 km/h. Calculate the time the next day, that the ship arrives at P. -- [3]

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Solution: In  $\Delta LPM$

(a)  $\angle LPM = 201 - 127 = 74^\circ$

Using Sine rule in Triangle LPM,

$$\frac{LM}{\sin P} = \frac{LP}{\sin 42^\circ}$$

$$\therefore LM = \frac{248 \times \sin 74^\circ}{\sin 42^\circ} = 356 \text{ km}$$

(b) (i)  $\angle PLM = 180 - (74 + 42) = 64^\circ$

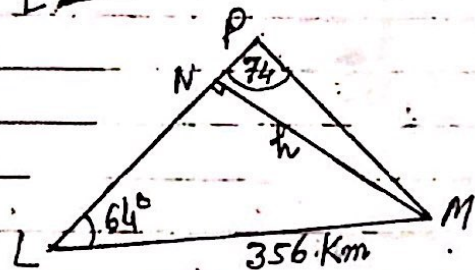
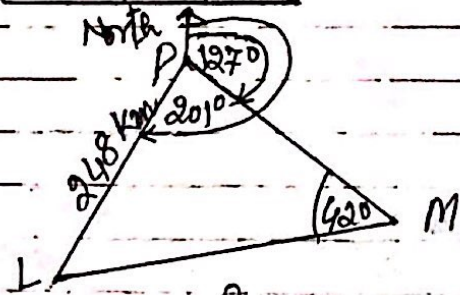
Draw  $MN \perp PL$

$\therefore MN$  is the req. shortest distance

In  $\Delta MNL$ :  $\frac{MN}{LM} = \sin L$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow MN &= LM \cdot \sin L \\ &= 356 \times \sin 64^\circ \\ &= 320 \text{ km} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Time of Travel from L to P =  $\frac{248}{40}$   
 $= 6.2 \text{ h}$   
 $= 6 \text{ h } 12 \text{ min}$



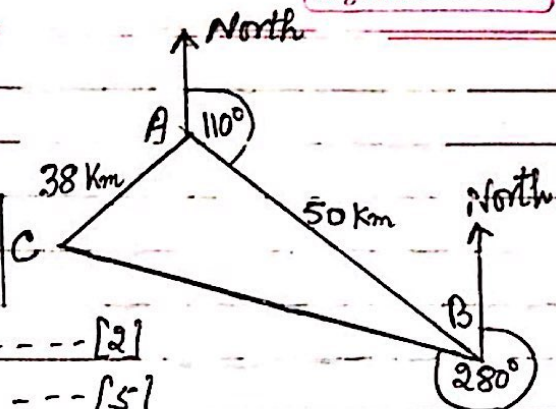
$\therefore$  Time of arrival the next day =  $2045 + 6 \text{ h } 12 \text{ min}$   
 $= 0257 \checkmark$



Bearings:

Example 6(a): A, B and C are three towns. The bearing of B from A is  $110^\circ$ . The bearing of C from B is  $280^\circ$ .

$AC = 38 \text{ km}$  and  $AB = 50 \text{ km}$

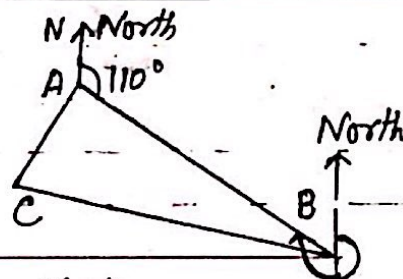


- (i) Find the bearing of A from B. --- [2]
- (ii) Calculate angle BAC. --- [5]
- (iii) A road is built from A to join the straight road BC. Calculate the shortest possible length of this new road. --- [3]

[S-17/41/Q 8]

Solution: (i) Bearing of A from B

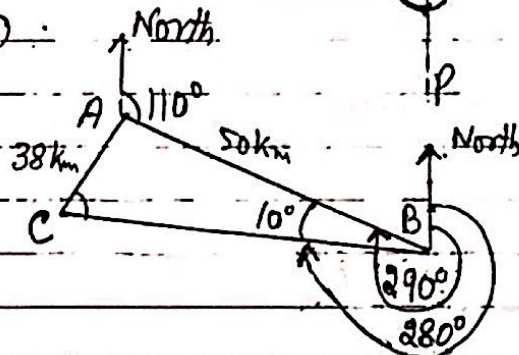
$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 180 + \text{angle } ABP \\
 &= 180 + 110 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{angle } ABP \\ = \text{angle } NAB \end{array} \right. \\
 &= 290^\circ \checkmark \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Alt angle} \end{array} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$



(ii) angle ABC =  $290 - 280 = 10^\circ \checkmark$  --- ①

In Triangle ABC, using sine rule,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\sin C}{50} &= \frac{\sin 10^\circ}{38} \\
 \text{or } \sin C &= \frac{50 \times \sin 10^\circ}{38} = 0.2285
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\therefore \text{angle } C = \sin^{-1}(0.2285) = 13.2^\circ \checkmark \text{ --- ②}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{angle } BAC &= 180 - (10 + 13.2) \text{ fn ① \& ②} \\
 &= 156.8^\circ \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

(iii) Draw  $AN \perp BC$ .

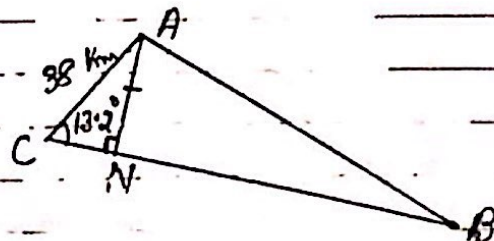
Shortest distance from A to BC = AN.

In  $\Delta ANC$

$$\frac{AN}{AC} = \sin C$$

$$\Rightarrow AN = AC \times \sin C$$

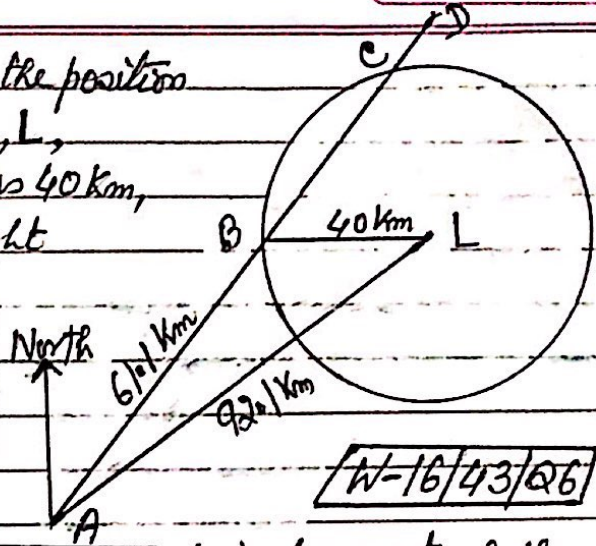
$$= 38 \times \sin 13.2 = 8.68 \text{ km } \checkmark$$





Bearings:

Example 7: The diagram shows the position of a port, A, and a lighthouse, L. The circle, centre L and radius 40 km, shows the region, where the light from the lighthouse can be seen. The straight line ABCD, represents the course taken by a ship after leaving the port.



When the ship reaches position B, it is due west of the lighthouse.  $AL = 92.1$  km,  $AB = 61.1$  km and  $BL = 40$  km.

- (a) Use cosine rule to show that angle  $ABL = 130.1^\circ$ , correct to one decimal place. ---[4]
- (b) Calculate the bearing of lighthouse, 'L', from the port, A. ---[4]
- (c) The ship sails at a speed of 28 km/h. Calculate the length of time for which the light from the lighthouse can be seen from the ship. Give your answer correct to the nearest minute. ---[5]

Solution: (a) Using Cosine Rule:

$$\cos(ABL) = \frac{AB^2 + BL^2 - AL^2}{2 \times AB \times BL}$$

$$= \frac{(61.1)^2 + 40^2 - (92.1)^2}{2 \times 61.1 \times 40}$$

$$= -0.6443$$

$$\therefore \text{angle } ABL = \cos^{-1}(-0.6443)$$

$$= 130.11^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

(b) In right  $\triangle ANL$ .

The bearing of L from A =  $90 - \text{angle } ALB$  --- ①

In  $\triangle ABL$ ,  $\frac{\sin ALB}{61.1} = \frac{\sin 130.11}{92.1}$

$$\Rightarrow \sin ALB = \frac{61.1 \times \sin 130.11}{92.1} = 0.507$$

$$\therefore \text{angle } ALB = \sin^{-1}(0.507) = 30.49^\circ$$

(c)  $\angle CBL = (180 - 130.11)$

$LM \perp BC$

$BC = 2BM$  --- ②

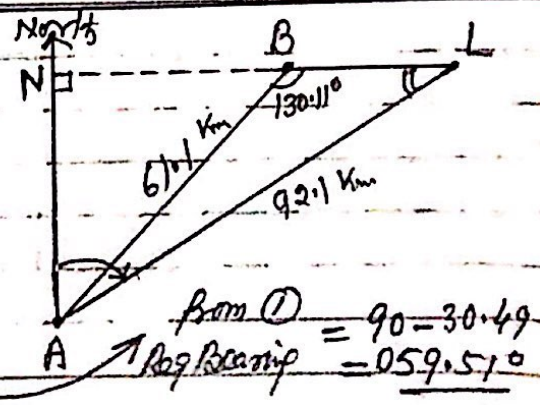
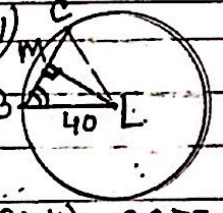
In  $\triangle LMB$ ,

$$BM = 40 \cos(180 - 130.11) = 25.77$$

$$\therefore BC = 2 \times BM = 2 \times 25.77 = 51.54$$

$$\therefore \text{Time} = \frac{51.54}{28} = 1.84 \text{ hours}$$

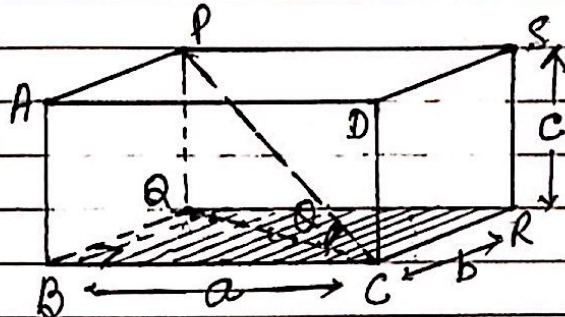
$$= 1 \text{ hr } 50 \text{ min.}$$





Application of Trig in three dimensions:

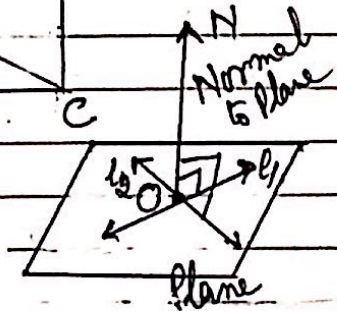
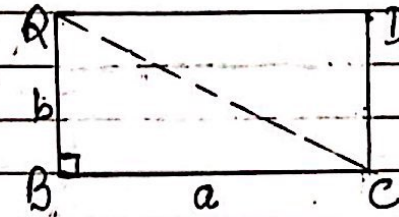
Given a cuboid, the lengths of sides  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .



(i) Length of the diagonal of the base QBCR

$$QC = \sqrt{BC^2 + QB^2}$$

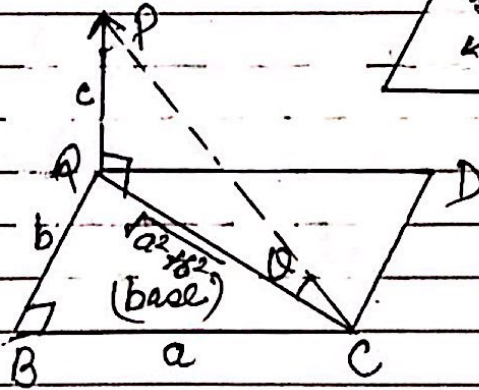
$\therefore QC = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$  ✓  
(Using Pythagoras Theorem in right  $\Delta QBC$ )



(ii) Length of the diagonal of the cuboid.

$$PC = \sqrt{QC^2 + PQ^2}$$

(In  $\Delta PAC$ )



$$\therefore PC = \sqrt{(a^2 + b^2) + c^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$$
 ✓

(iii) Angle between line (diagonal of the cuboid) and the plane (base ABCD).

Here  $PQ \perp$  Base (ABCD)

$\therefore$  In right triangle PAC.  $[\angle PQC = 90^\circ]$

$$\tan D = \tan(\angle PCA) = \frac{PQ}{QC} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$\text{or angle } PCA = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{c}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)$$



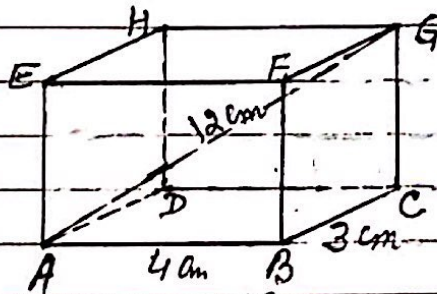
Application of Trigonometry in 3D.

Example 8: ABCDEFGH is

a cuboid.  $AB = 4\text{cm}$ ,  $BC = 3\text{cm}$ ,  
and  $AG = 12\text{cm}$ ,

Calculate the angle that AG makes  
with the base ABCD. --- [4]

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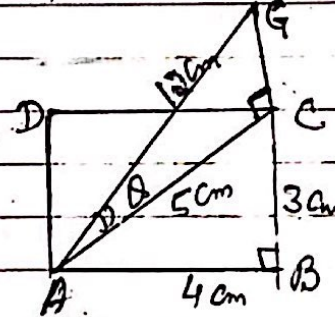


Solution: In  $\Delta ABC$

$$AC = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5 \text{ --- (1)}$$

Now GC is perp. to base ABCD

$$\therefore \text{Angle } ACG = 90^\circ$$



Let Required angle  $GAC = \theta$

In  $\Delta GCA$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{5}{12}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{5}{12} = 65.4^\circ \checkmark$$

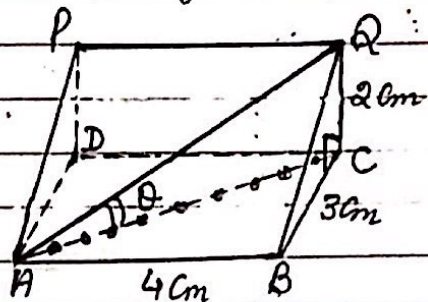
Example 9:

The diagram shows a prism of length 4 cm. --- [4]

The cross-section is a right-angled  
triangle,  $BC = 3\text{cm}$  and  $CQ = 2\text{cm}$

Calculate the angle between the line AQ and  
the base, ABCD of the prism.

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Solution: In  $\Delta ABC$ , using Pythagoras theorem.

$$AC = \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} = 5 \text{ --- (1)}$$

Let angle between AQ and Plane ABCD =  $\theta = \angle RAC$ .

In  $\Delta QCA$  ( $QC \perp$  Plane ABCD)  $\angle QCA = 90^\circ$

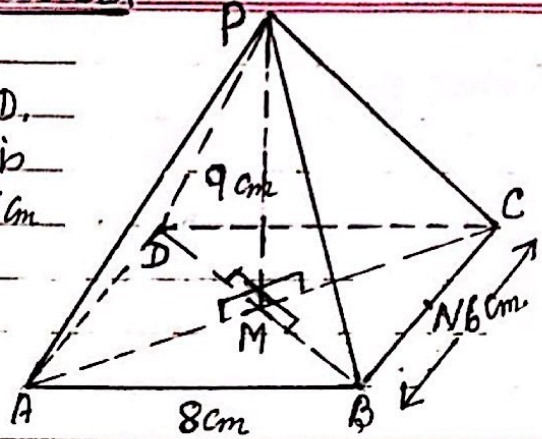
$$\tan \theta = \frac{QC}{AC} = \frac{2}{5} \quad (AC = 5 \text{ fm (1)})$$

$$\therefore \theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2}{5} \right) = 21.8^\circ \checkmark$$



Application of Trigonometry in 3D.

Example 10. The diagram shows a pyramid on a rectangular base ABCD. AC and BD intersect at M and P is vertically above M. AB = 8cm, BC = 6cm and PM = 9cm.



- (a) N is the mid point of BC. Calculate angle PNM. --- [2]  
 (b) Show that BM = 5cm. --- [1]  
 (c) Calculate the angle between the edge PB and base ABCD. --- [2]  
 (d) A point X is on PC, so that PX = 7.5cm. Calculate BX. --- [6]

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Solution:

(a)  $MN = \frac{1}{2} AB$   
 $MN = \frac{1}{2} \times 8 = 4 \text{ cm}$

Let angle PNM =  $\theta$

In  $\Delta PMN$

$\tan \theta = \frac{PM}{MN} = \frac{9}{4}$

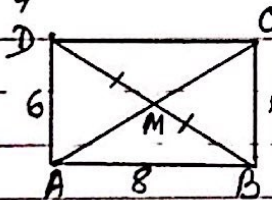
$\therefore \text{angle } \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{9}{4} = 66^\circ$

(b)  $BM = \frac{1}{2} BD$

$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{AB^2 + AD^2}$

$= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2}$

$= \frac{1}{2} \times 10 = 5 \text{ cm}$



(c)  $PB^2 = PM^2 + MB^2$

$= 9^2 + 5^2$

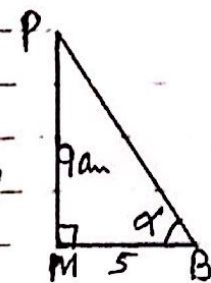
$= 106$

$PB = \sqrt{106}$

Let angle between PB and base ABCD =  $\angle PBM = \alpha$

$\tan \alpha = \frac{PM}{MB} = \frac{9}{5}$

$\therefore \alpha = \tan^{-1} \frac{9}{5} = 60.9^\circ$



PM is perp to Plane ABCD, hence PM is perp to every line in the plane ABCD, passing through M

(d)  $PC = PB = \sqrt{106} = 10.3$   
 $PX = 7.5 \text{ cm}$

Let angle BPN =  $\alpha$

In  $\Delta PNB$

$\sin \alpha = \frac{BN}{PB} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{106}}$

$\therefore \alpha = \sin^{-1} \frac{3}{\sqrt{106}} = 16.94^\circ$

Now angle BPC =  $\theta = 2\alpha = 2 \times 16.94^\circ$

or  $\theta = 33.88^\circ$

In  $\Delta BPX$  using Cosine Rule,

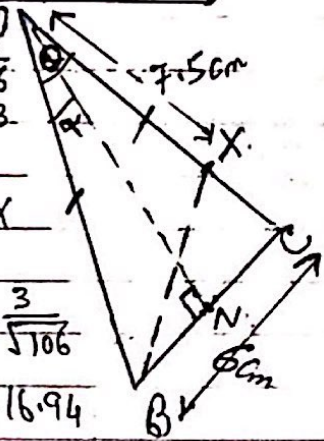
$BX^2 = PB^2 + PX^2 - 2 \cdot PB \cdot PX \cdot \cos \theta$

$= (\sqrt{106})^2 + 7.5^2 - 2 \times \sqrt{106} \times 7.5 \times \cos 33.88^\circ$

$= 34.04$

$\therefore$  Req Distance  $BX = \sqrt{34.04}$

$= 5.83 \text{ cm}$

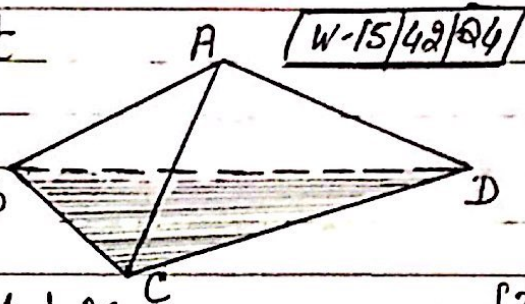




Application of Trig in 3D.

Example 11: The diagram shows a tent

ABCD. The front of the tent is an isosceles triangle ABC, with  $AB = AC$ . The sides of the tent are congruent triangles ABD and ACD.



(a)  $BC = 1.2m$  and angle  $ABC = 68^\circ$  find AC. --- [3]

(b)  $CD = 2.3m$  and  $AD = 1.9m$  find angle ADC. --- [4]

(c) The floor of the tent, triangle BCD, is also an isosceles triangle with  $BD = DC$ . Calculate the area of the floor of the tent. --- [4]

(d) When the tent is on horizontal ground, A is vertical distance  $1.25m$  above the ground. Calculate the angle between AD and the ground. --- [3]

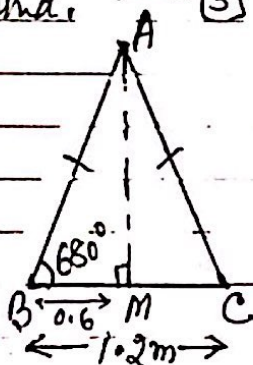
Solution:

(a)  $AB = AC$

Draw  $AM \perp BC$

M is mid point of BC,

$BM = \frac{BC}{2} = \frac{1.2}{2} = 0.6m$



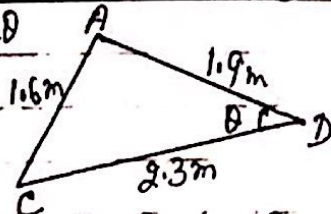
In  $\triangle AMB$ ,  $\cos B = \frac{BM}{AB}$

or  $\cos 68^\circ = \frac{0.6}{AB}$

or  $AB = \frac{0.6}{\cos 68^\circ} = 1.6m$

$\therefore$  Required  $AC = AB = 1.6m$  ✓

(b) Let angle  $ADC = \theta$

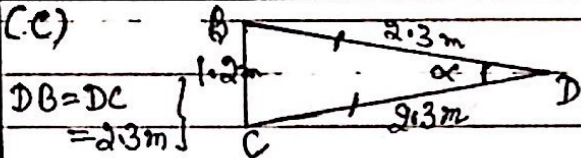


Use cosine rule

in  $\triangle ADC$ ,

$\cos \theta = \frac{(2.3)^2 + (1.9)^2 - (1.6)^2}{2 \times 2.3 \times 1.9} = 0.7254 \Rightarrow$  angle  $ADC = \theta = \cos^{-1} 0.7254 = 43.50^\circ$  ✓

(c)



Let  $\angle BDC = \alpha$ , Using cosine in  $\triangle BDC$ ,

$\cos \alpha = \frac{(2.3)^2 + (2.3)^2 - (1.2)^2}{2 \times 2.3 \times 2.3}$

$= 0.8624$

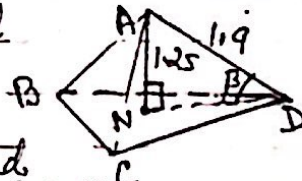
$\therefore \alpha = \cos^{-1} 0.8624 = 30.24^\circ$

$\therefore$  Area  $\triangle BDC = \frac{1}{2} \times BD \times DC \times \sin \alpha$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times 2.3 \times 2.3 \times \sin 30.24^\circ$   
 $= 1.33 \text{ m}^2$  ✓

(d)

Let  $AN \perp$  ground BCD.

$AN = 1.25m$



Angle between AD and ground  $\angle ADN = \beta$  (let)

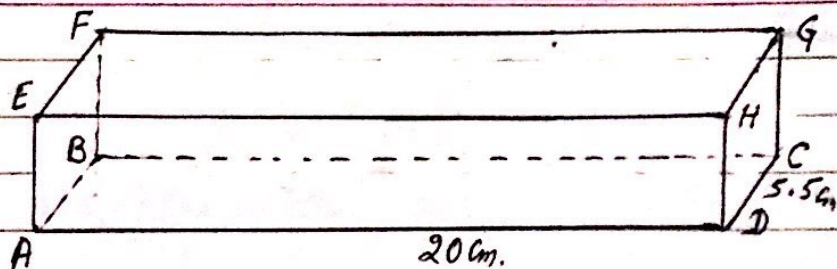
$\sin \beta = \frac{AN}{AD} = \frac{1.25}{1.9} = 0.6579$

$\therefore \beta = \sin^{-1} (0.6579) = 41.1^\circ$  ✓



Three dimensions problems.

12.



The diagram shows cuboid ABCDEFGH of length 20 cm and width 5.5 cm. The volume of the cuboid is  $495 \text{ cm}^3$ .

Find the angle between the line AG and the base of the cuboid ABCD.

[5-20/21/Q19]

Solution: Volume of cuboid =  $l \times b \times h$  [let GC = h, a.]

$$= 20 \times 5.5 \times h = 495 \text{ (Given)}$$

$$\Rightarrow h = \frac{495}{20 \times 5.5} = 4.5 \text{ cm.} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Now In rectangular base ABCD,  $AC^2 = 20^2 + 5.5^2 = 430.25$

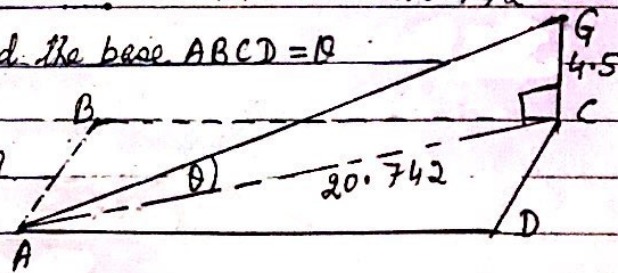
$$AC = \sqrt{430.25} = 20.742$$

Let the angle between AG and the base ABCD =  $\theta$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{GC}{AC} = \frac{4.5}{20.742} = 0.2169$$

$$\therefore \theta = \tan^{-1} 0.2169$$

$$\text{Angle GAC} = 12.24^\circ \checkmark$$



13.

The diagram shows a cuboid,  $AB = 8 \text{ cm}$ ,  $AD = 6 \text{ cm}$ ,  $BE = 6 \text{ cm}$ . Calculate angle HAF.

Solution: Using Cosine Rule:

$$AF = \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2} = 10$$

$$FH = \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2} = 10$$

$$AH = \sqrt{6^2 + 6^2} = 6\sqrt{2}$$

$$\cos \text{HAF} = \frac{10^2 + 72 - 100}{2 \times 10 \times 6\sqrt{2}} = \frac{72}{170} = 0.4235$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Angle HAF} = \cos^{-1}(0.4235) = 64.9^\circ \checkmark$$

$$\cos \text{HAF} = \frac{AF^2 + AH^2 - FH^2}{2 \times AF \times AH}$$

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