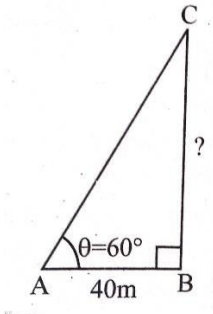


9th Math Exercise No.6.6

Q. 1 The angle of elevation of the top of a flag post from a point on the ground level 40 m away from the flag post is 60° . Find the height of the post.

Solution



Height of flag post = $m\overline{BC} = ?$

Distance of point from flag post = $m\overline{AB} = 40m$

Angle of elevation = $\theta = 60^\circ$

In right-angled $\triangle ABC$,

$$\tan \theta = \frac{m\overline{BC}}{m\overline{AB}}$$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{BC}}{40}$$

$$\Rightarrow m\overline{BC} = 40 \times \tan 60^\circ$$

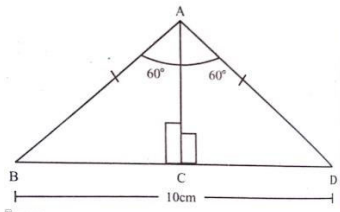
$$m\overline{BC} = 40 \times \sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

$$= 69.28 \text{ m}$$

So, height of flag post is 69.28 m

Q. 2 An isosceles triangle has a vertical angle of 120° and a base 10 cm long. Find the length of its altitude.

Solution:



$\triangle ABD$ is an isosceles triangle with vertical angle 120° and base

$$m\overline{BD} = 10 \text{ cm.}$$

$\overline{AC}$ is the altitude which bisects vertical angle, as well as base so

$$m\overline{BC} = m\overline{CD} = 5 \text{ cm } m\overline{AC} = ?$$

In right angle $\triangle ABC$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{BC}}{m\overline{AC}} (\because \tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3})$$

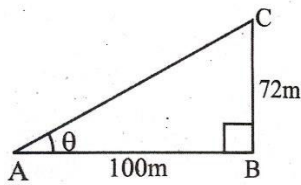
$$\sqrt{3} = \frac{5}{m\overline{AC}}$$

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$$m\overline{AC} = 2.89 \text{ cm}$$

Q. 3 A tree is 72 m high. Find the angle of elevation of its top 100 m away on the ground level.

Solution



Height of tree = $m\overline{BC} = 72\text{m}$

Distance of point from tree = $m\overline{AB} = 100\text{m}$

Angle of elevation = $\theta = ?$

$$\text{As } \tan \theta = \frac{m\overline{BC}}{m\overline{AB}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{72}{100}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{72}{100} \right)$$

$$\theta = 35.75^\circ$$

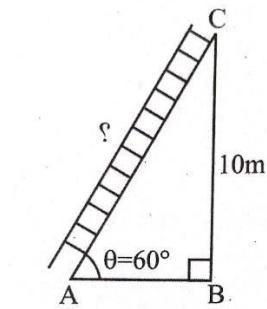
So angle of elevation is 35.75°

Q. 4 A ladder makes an angle of 60° with the ground and reaches a height of 10 m along the wall. Find the length of the ladder.

Solution:

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Length of ladder = $m\overline{AC} = ?$

Height of wall = $\overline{BC} = 10 \text{ m}$

Angle made by ladder with ground
 $= 60^\circ$

$$\text{As } \sin \theta = \frac{m\overline{BC}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

$$\sin 60^\circ = \frac{10}{m\overline{AC}}$$

$$m\overline{AC} \times \sin 60^\circ = 10 \text{ m}$$

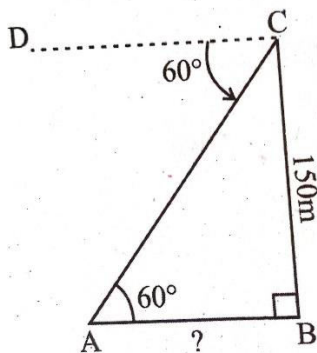
$$\Rightarrow m\overline{AC} = \frac{10}{\sin 60^\circ}$$

$$= 11.55 \text{ m}$$

So, Length of ladder is 11.55 m

Q. 5 A light house tower is 150 m high from the sea level. The angle of depression from the top of the tower to a ship is 60° . Find the distance between the ship and the tower.

Solution



Height of light house tower = $m\overline{BC} = 150 \text{ m}$

Angle of depression to boat = 60°

Distance of boat from tower = $m\overline{AB} =$

As alternate angles of parallel lines are equal, so $m\angle A = 60^\circ$

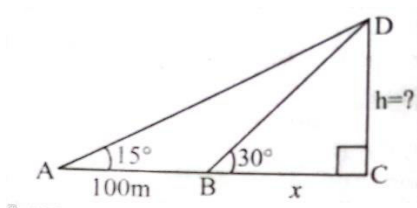
$$\text{Now } \tan 60^\circ = \frac{m\overline{BC}}{m\overline{AB}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{3} &= \frac{150}{m\overline{AB}} \\ \Rightarrow &= \sqrt{3} \times m\overline{AB} = 150 \\ m\overline{AB} &= \frac{150}{\sqrt{3}} \\ &= 86.60 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

So, required distance is 86.60 m

Q. 6 Measure of an angle of elevation of the top of a pole is 15° from a point on the ground, in walking 100 m towards the pole the measure of angle is found to be 30° . Find the height of the pole.

Solution:



Height of pole = $\overline{CD} = h = ?$

Angles of elevation are

$m\angle A = 15^\circ$ and $m\angle B = 30^\circ$

$m\overline{AB} = 100 \text{ m}$

Let $m\overline{BC} = x$

$$m\overline{AC} = (x + 100)\text{m}$$

In right angle $\triangle BCD$

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{m\overline{CD}}{m\overline{BC}}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{h}{x}$$

$$x = \sqrt{3} h \dots \dots (i)$$

In right angle $\triangle ACD$

$$\tan 15^\circ = \frac{m\overline{CD}}{m\overline{AC}}$$

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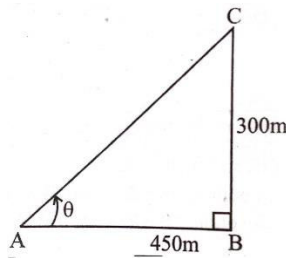
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$$\begin{aligned}\tan 15^\circ &= \frac{h}{100 + x} \\ 0.268 &= \frac{h}{100 + \sqrt{3}h} \dots\dots \text{from (i)} \\ 0.268(100 + \sqrt{3}h) &= h \\ 26.8 + 0.464h &= h \\ 26.8 &= h - 0.464h \\ 26.8 &= (1 - 0.464)h \\ 26.8 &= 0.536h \\ h &= \frac{26.8}{0.536} \\ h &= 50\text{m}\end{aligned}$$

So, height of tower is 50 m .

Q. 7 Find the measure of an angle of elevation of the Sun, if a tower 300 m high casts a shadow 450 m long.

Solution



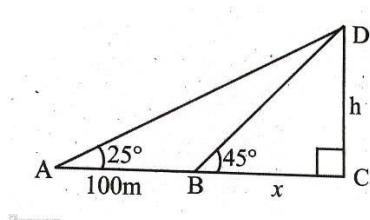
Height of tower = $m\overline{BC} = 300\text{ m}$

$$\begin{aligned}\tan \theta &= \frac{m\overline{BC}}{m\overline{AB}} = \frac{300}{450} \\ \theta &= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{300}{450} \right) \\ \theta &= 33.69^\circ\end{aligned}$$

So, angle of elevation of sun is 33.69°

Q. 8 Measure of angle of elevation of the top of a cliff is 25° , on walking 100 metres towards the cliff, measure of angle of elevation of the top is 45° . Find the height of the cliff.

Solution



From the figure

Height of cliff = $\overline{CD} = h = ?$

Angles of elevation are:

$$m\angle A = 25^\circ$$

$$m\angle B = 45^\circ$$

Let $m\overline{BC} = x$

$$m\overline{AC} = 100 + x$$

In right angle $\triangle BCD$

$$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{\overline{CD}}{\overline{BC}}$$

$$1 = \frac{h}{x}$$

$$x = h \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

In right angle $\triangle ACD$

$$\tan 25^\circ = \frac{\overline{CD}}{\overline{AC}}$$

$$\tan 25^\circ = \frac{h}{100 + x}$$

$$0.466 = \frac{h}{100 + h} \text{ from (i)}$$

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$$0.466(100 + h) = h$$

$$46.6 + 0.466h = h$$

$$46.6 = h - 0.466h$$

$$46.6 = (1 - 0.466)h$$

$$46.6 = 0.534h$$

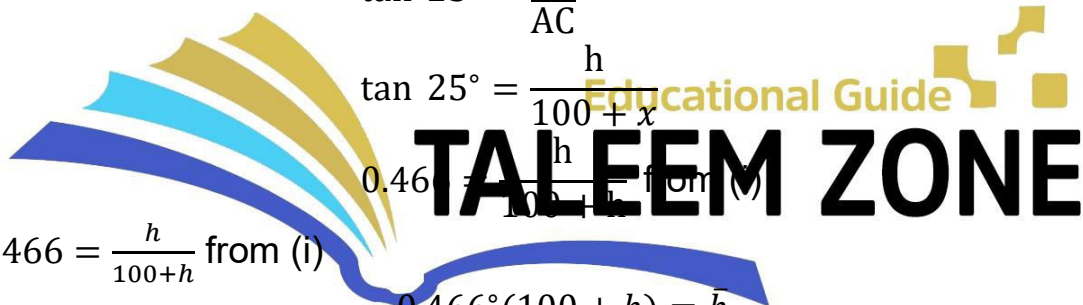
$$h = \frac{46.6}{0.534}$$

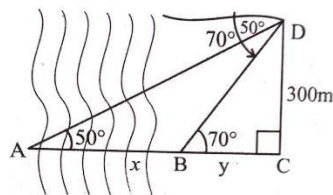
$$h = 87.27m$$

So, height of cliff is 87.27 m .

Q. 9 From the top of a hill 300 m high, the measure of the angle of depression of a point on the nearer shore of the river is 70° and measure of the angle of depression of a point, directly across the river is 50° . Find the width of the river How far is the river from the foot of the hill?

Solution:





Height of hill = $CD = 300$ m

Angles of depression of two shores from top of hill are 70° and 50° respectively.

As alternate angles of parallel lines are equal so $m\angle A = 50^\circ$ and $m\angle B = 70^\circ$

Width of river = $\overline{AB} = x$

Let distance of river from cliff = $\overline{BC} = y = ?$

In right angle $\triangle BCD$

$$\tan 70^\circ = \frac{\overline{CD}}{\overline{BC}}$$

$$\tan 70^\circ = \frac{300}{y}$$

$$y = \frac{300}{\tan 70^\circ}$$

$$y = 109.19 \text{ m}$$

In right angle $\triangle ACD$

$$\tan 50^\circ = \frac{\overline{CD}}{\overline{AC}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan 50^\circ = \frac{300}{x + y}$$

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$$(x + y)\tan 50^\circ = 300$$

$$x + y = \frac{300}{\tan 50^\circ}$$

$$x + y = 251.7$$

$$x = 251.7 - y$$

$$x = 251.7 - 109.19$$

$$x = 142.51$$

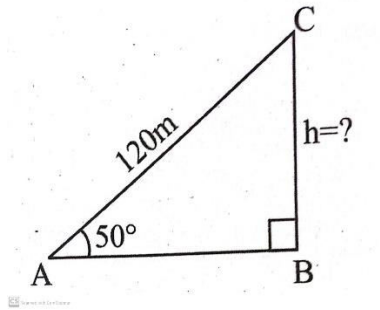
$$\Rightarrow \overline{AB} = 142.51$$

So, width of river is 142.5 m and distance of river from cliff is 109.19 m

Q. 10 A kite has 120 m of string attached to it when at an elevation of

50°. How far is it above the hand holding it? (Assume that the string is tight.)

Solution



Length of string = $\overline{AC} = 120$ m

Angle of elevation = $\theta = 50^\circ$

Height above = $\overline{BC} = h = ?$

As $\sin 50^\circ = \frac{BC}{AC}$

$$\sin 50^\circ = \frac{h}{120}$$

$$120 \times \sin 50^\circ = h$$

$$120 \times 0.766 = h$$

$$91.92 = h$$

$$\Rightarrow h = 91.92 \text{ m}$$

$$= 91.92 \text{ m}$$

So, required altitude is 91.92 m .

