More problems for section 4.13 of Essentials of Precalculus with Calculus Previews by Zill and Dewar, 6e.

In all of these problems, a, b, and c are the three sides of a triangle. The angle opposite side a is  $\alpha$ , the angle opposite side b is  $\beta$ , and the angle opposite side c is  $\gamma$ :



Hint: identify each group of problems as either SAS, SSA, AAS, or SSS.

1. Find c, given a, b, and  $\gamma$ .

a.	$a = 15, \ b = 12, \ \gamma = 70^{\circ}$	b.	$a = 10, \ b = 5, \ \gamma = 13^{\circ}$	с.	$a = 3, \ b = 4, \ \gamma = 105^{\circ}$
d.	$a = 3, \ b = 4, \ \gamma = 25^{\circ}$	e.	$a = 14, \ b = 2, \ \gamma = 35^{\circ}$	f.	$a = 13, \ b = 13, \ \gamma = 175^{\circ}$

2. Find  $\gamma$ , given a, b, and c.

a.	$a = 12, \ b = 3, \ c = 10$	b.	$a = 3, \ b = 4, \ c = 6$	с.	$a = 3, \ b = 4, \ c = 8$
d.	$a = 9, \ b = 5, \ c = 7$	e.	$a = 15, \ b = 9, \ c = 8$	f.	a = 13, b = 13, c = 13

3. Points A and B are on opposite sides of Lake Jake. From a third point C, the angle between the lines of sight to A and to B is 46°. If AC is 350 meters long and BC is 286 meters long, find AB.

4. The sides of a parallelogram are 4 cm and 6 cm. On angle is  $58^{\circ}$  while the other is  $122^{\circ}$ . Find the lengths of the diagonals of the parallelogram.

5. Two ships leave a harbor at the same time, each traveling in a straight line. If their courses have an angle of  $130^{\circ}$  between them and if they each travel 402 miles, how far apart are they?

6. Two ships leave a harbor at the same time, each traveling in a straight line. One ship travels 36 km/hr, while the other ship travels 45 km/hr. If the angle between their courses is  $54^{\circ}$ , find the distance between them after 3 hours.

7. Three boards measuring 13 ft, 16 ft, and 20 ft are nailed together to form a triangle. Find the angle between the 16 ft and the 20 ft long board.

8. A balloonist is directly above a straight and level road 1.5 miles long between two towns. She find that her angle of depression to the nearer town is  $35^{\circ}$ , while her angle of depression to the farther town is  $31^{\circ}$ . What is the altitude of the balloon?

9. The town of Bryan lies 7 miles directly south of the town of West Jefferson. A balloonist is floating directly south of Bryan. If the angle of depression from the balloon to Bryan is  $60^{\circ}$ , and if the angle of depression from the balloon to West Jefferson is  $17^{\circ}$ , find the distance from the balloon to West Jefferson.

10. Find the altitude of the balloon in Problem 9.

11. Surveyors use a tool called a **theodolite** to measure angles of elevation and depression. A surveyor standing 50 meters from the base of a building finds that the angle of elevation from her theodolite to the top of the building is  $37^{\circ}$ , and the angle of elevation from her theodolite to the top of an antenna on top of the building is  $39^{\circ}$ . If the theodolite is 2 meters above the ground, find the length of the antenna.

12. A building stands on the side of a hill that slopes downward at an angle of  $12^{\circ}$ . The sun is uphill from the building with a  $50^{\circ}$  angle of elevation. If the building casts a shadow 35 m long down the slope of the hill, find the building's height.

## Answers

1a. c = 15.680 1b. c = 5.250 1c. c = 5.586 1d. c = 1.802 1e. c = 12.414 1f. c = 25.975 2a.  $\gamma = 42.598^{\circ}$  2b.  $\gamma = 117.279^{\circ}$  2c. no such triangle exists. 2d.  $\gamma = 50.703^{\circ}$  2e.  $\gamma = 26.324^{\circ}$  2f.  $\gamma = 60^{\circ}$  3. 255.392 m 4. 5.154 cm and 8.799 cm 5. 728.671 miles 6. 112.912 km 7. 40.453^{\circ} 8. 4.851 miles 9. 8.889 miles 10. 2.599 miles 11. 2.811 m 12. 33.523 m