

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$



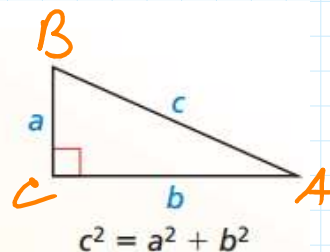
## What You Will Learn

- ▶ Use the Pythagorean Theorem.
- ▶ Use the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem.
- ▶ Classify triangles.

### Theorem 9.1 Pythagorean Theorem

In a right triangle, the square of the length of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the legs.

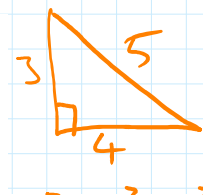
*Proof* Explorations 1 and 2, p. 463; Ex. 39, p. 484



A **Pythagorean triple** is a set of three positive integers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  that satisfy the equation  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ .

### Common Pythagorean Triples and Some of Their Multiples

3, 4, 5	5, 12, 13	8, 15, 17	7, 24, 25
6, 8, 10	10, 24, 26	16, 30, 34	14, 48, 50
9, 12, 15	15, 36, 39	24, 45, 51	21, 72, 75

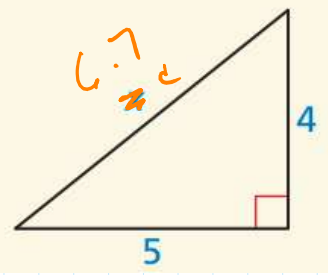


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9, 12, 15	15, 36, 39	24, 45, 51	21, 72, 75
3x, 4x, 5x	5x, 12x, 13x	8x, 15x, 17x	7x, 24x, 25x

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \square \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \\ 4 \end{array} \\
 & 3^2 + 4^2 = 5^2 \\
 & 9 + 16 = 25 \\
 & 25 = 25
 \end{aligned}$$

The most common Pythagorean triples are in bold. The other triples are the result of multiplying each integer in a bold-faced triple by the same factor.

Find the value of x. Then tell whether the side lengths form a Pythagorean triple.

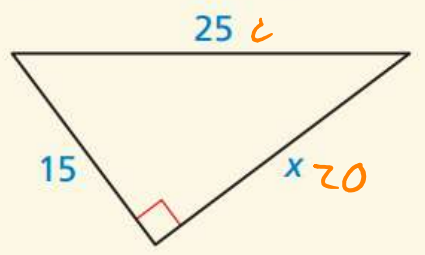


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$$\begin{aligned}
 a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\
 4^2 + 5^2 &= c^2 \\
 16 + 25 &= c^2 \\
 \sqrt{41} &= c \\
 \sqrt{41} &= c \\
 6.7 &\approx c
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sqrt{4^2 + 5^2} &= c \\
 \sqrt{16 + 25} &= c \\
 \sqrt{41} &= c
 \end{aligned}$$

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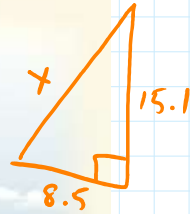
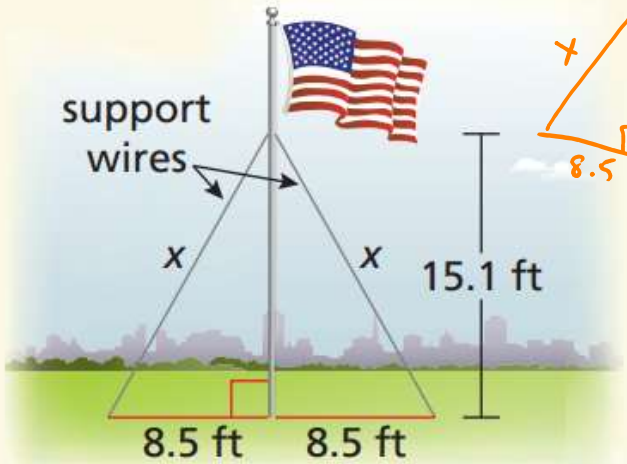
$$\begin{aligned}
 15^2 + x^2 &= 25^2 \\
 225 + x^2 &= 625 \\
 x^2 &= 400 \\
 x &= 20
 \end{aligned}$$

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 a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\
 15^2 + x^2 &= 25^2 \\
 225 + x^2 &= 625 \\
 -225 & \quad -225 \\
 \sqrt{x^2} &= \sqrt{400} \\
 x &= \sqrt{400} \\
 x &= 20
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{15^2 + x^2} = \sqrt{25^2}$$

$$625 = 625$$

The flagpole shown is supported by two wires. Use the Pythagorean Theorem to approximate the length of each wire.



$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

$$15.1^2 + 8.5^2 = x^2$$

$$228.01 + 72.25 = x^2$$

$$\sqrt{300.26} = x$$

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$$17.33 \approx x$$

$$\underline{17 \approx x}$$

$$17.3289999$$

$$17.328$$

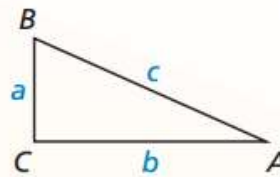
$$17.33$$

$$17.3$$

### Theorem 9.2 Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem

If the square of the length of the longest side of a triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the other two sides, then the triangle is a right triangle.

If  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$ , then  $\triangle ABC$  is a right triangle.

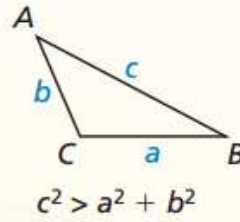
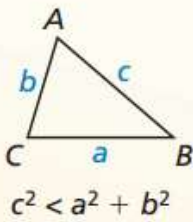


### Theorem 9.3 Pythagorean Inequalities Theorem

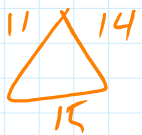
For any  $\triangle ABC$ , where  $c$  is the length of the longest side, the following statements are true.

If  $c^2 < a^2 + b^2$ , then  $\triangle ABC$  is acute.

If  $c^2 > a^2 + b^2$ , then  $\triangle ABC$  is obtuse.



Verify that segments with lengths of 14 meters, 15 meters, and 11 meters form a triangle. Is the triangle *acute*, *right*, or *obtuse*?



$$11 + 14 > 15$$

$$25 > 15$$

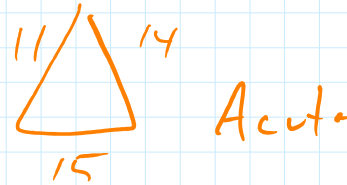
$$15 + 11 > 14$$

$$26 > 14$$

$$14 + 15 > 11$$

$$29 > 11$$

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$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

$$11^2 + 14^2 = 15^2$$

$$121 + 196 = 225$$

$$\rightarrow 317 \neq 225$$

$$317 > 225$$

$$a^2 + b^2 > c^2$$

$\therefore$  Acute

Practice sec 9.1 pg. 468:  
1-3A, 5-9EO, 15-27EOO

