

5.4 The Ambiguous Case

5. The answers can be determined as follows:

$$a. a < b \sin A \rightarrow \frac{a}{b} < \sin A \rightarrow \frac{22}{31} < \sin A \rightarrow A > 45.2^\circ$$

$$b. a = b \sin A \rightarrow \frac{a}{b} = \sin A \rightarrow \frac{22}{31} = \sin A \rightarrow A = 45.2^\circ$$

$$c. a > b \sin A \rightarrow \frac{a}{b} > \sin A \rightarrow \frac{22}{31} > \sin A \rightarrow A < 45.2^\circ$$

6. This problem can be done entirely with right triangle trig, but there are several different ways to solve this particular problem.

$$BD = \sqrt{13.7^2 - 9.8^2} = 9.6$$

$$\tan 42.6^\circ = \frac{9.8}{DC} \rightarrow DC = 10.7$$

$$\sin 42.6^\circ = \frac{9.8}{AC} \rightarrow AC = 14.5$$

$$BC = 9.6 + 10.7 = 20.3$$

$$\sin B = \frac{9.8}{13.7} \rightarrow \angle B = 45.7^\circ$$

$$\angle A = 180^\circ - 45.7^\circ - 42.6^\circ = 91.7^\circ$$

7. Answers:

$$a. \angle EBD \Rightarrow 7.6^2 = 9.9^2 + 10.2^2 - 2 \cdot 9.9 \cdot 10.2 \cos EBD \Rightarrow 44.4^\circ$$

$$b. \angle BDE \Rightarrow \frac{\sin BDE}{9.9} = \frac{\sin 44.4^\circ}{7.6} \Rightarrow 65.7^\circ$$

$$c. \angle DEB \Rightarrow 180^\circ - 65.7^\circ - 44.4^\circ \Rightarrow 69.9^\circ$$

$$d. \angle BDC \Rightarrow 180^\circ - 65.7^\circ \Rightarrow 114.3^\circ$$

$$e. \angle BEA \Rightarrow 180^\circ - 69.9^\circ \Rightarrow 110.1^\circ$$

$$f. \angle DBC \Rightarrow 180^\circ - 114.3^\circ - 21.8^\circ \Rightarrow 43.9^\circ$$

$$g. \angle ABE \Rightarrow 109.6^\circ - 43.9^\circ - 44.4^\circ \Rightarrow 21.3^\circ$$

$$h. \angle BAE \Rightarrow 180^\circ - 21.3^\circ - 110.1^\circ \Rightarrow 48.6^\circ$$

$$i. BC \Rightarrow \frac{\sin 114.3^\circ}{BC} = \frac{\sin 21.8^\circ}{10.2} \Rightarrow 25.0$$

$$j. AB \Rightarrow \frac{\sin 110.1^\circ}{AB} = \frac{\sin 48.6^\circ}{9.9} \Rightarrow 12.4$$

$$k. AE \Rightarrow \frac{\sin 21.3^\circ}{AE} = \frac{\sin 48.6^\circ}{9.9} \Rightarrow 4.8$$

$$l. DC \Rightarrow \frac{\sin 43.9^\circ}{DC} = \frac{\sin 21.8^\circ}{9.9} \Rightarrow 19.0$$

$$m. AC = 19 + 4.8 + 7.6 = 31.4$$

8. We need to find the distance between sensors 2 and 3. If it is less than 6000 ft, then the sensor will be able to detect all motion between the two. First, $4500 > 4000$, so there is going to be one solution.

$$\bullet \frac{\sin S_2}{4000} = \frac{\sin 56^\circ}{4500} \rightarrow S_2 = 47.47^\circ$$

$$\bullet S_1 + 47.47^\circ + 56^\circ = 180^\circ \rightarrow S_1 = 76.53^\circ$$

$$\bullet \frac{\sin 76.53^\circ}{x} = \frac{\sin 56^\circ}{4500} \rightarrow x = 5279$$

• Since $x < 6000$ ft., Sensor 3 will be able to pick up all movement from its location to the location of Sensor 2.

9. The length from S_3 to S_4 is x and from S_4 to S_2 is y . $180^\circ - 36^\circ - 49^\circ = 95^\circ$, which is the angle at S_4 .

$$\frac{\sin 95^\circ}{5279} = \frac{\sin 36^\circ}{x} = \frac{\sin 49^\circ}{y}$$

$$x = 3114.8, y = 3999.3$$