

Warm Up:

Ex. 1 Find the length of BC to the nearest tenth or a metre.

Have: Hyp = 12.2
angle 33°

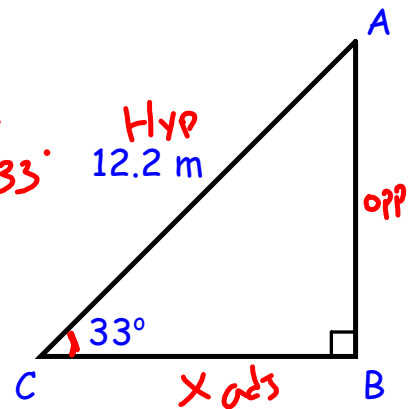
Need: adj

Use: $\cos \theta = \frac{A}{H}$

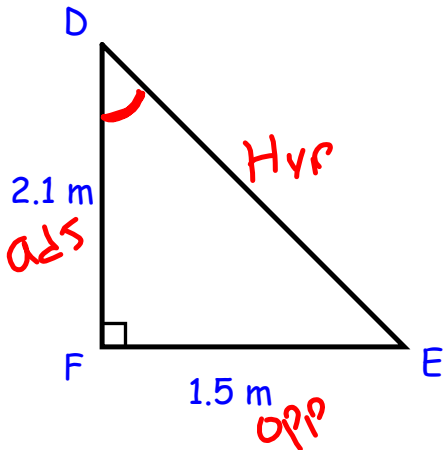
Solution: $\cos 33^\circ = \frac{x}{12.2}$

$$x = 12.2 \cos 33^\circ$$

$$x = 10.2 \text{ m}$$



Ex. 2 Find the measure of angle D, to the nearest degree.



Have: opp = 1.5
adj = 2.1

Need: angle D

Use: $\tan \theta = \frac{O}{A}$

Solution:

$$\tan D = \frac{1.5}{2.1}$$

$$\tan D = 0.7143$$

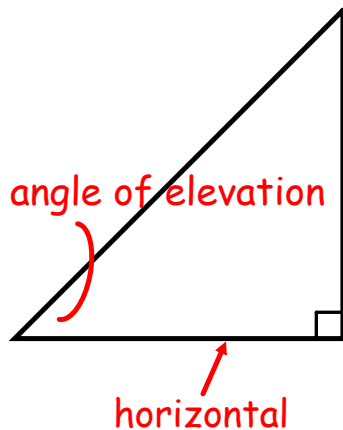
$$D = \tan^{-1} 0.7143$$

$$D = 35.5$$

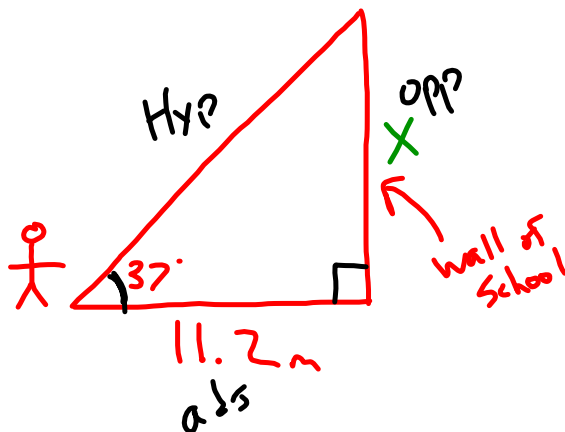
$$D = 36^\circ$$

To talk about angles we need to have a reference point. Sometimes we use an angle of elevation .

The **angle of elevation** is the angle of view from the horizontal up to the object being viewed.



Ex. 3 You are standing 11.2 m from the wall of the school. The angle of elevation from where you are standing to the top of the school is 37° . Find the height of the school.



Have: angle 37°
adj = 11.2

Need: opp

Use: $\tan \theta = \frac{o}{A}$

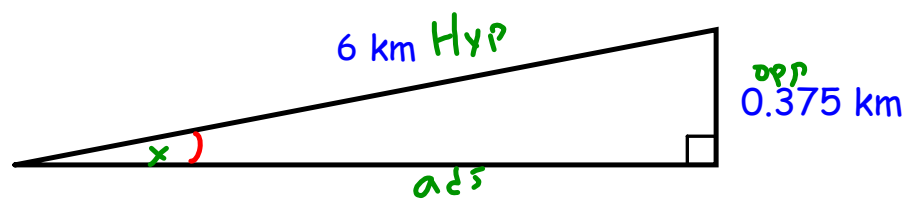
\therefore the height of the school is 8.4 m

$$\frac{\tan 37^\circ}{1} = \frac{x}{11.2}$$

$$x = 11.2 \tan 37^\circ$$

$$x = 8.4$$

Ex. 4 A truck travels 6 km up a mountain road. The change in height is 0.375 km. What is the measure of the angle of elevation?



Have: Hyp 6
opp 0.375

$$\sin x = \frac{0.375}{6}$$

Need: angle x

$$\sin x = .0625$$

Use: $\sin \theta = \frac{O}{H}$

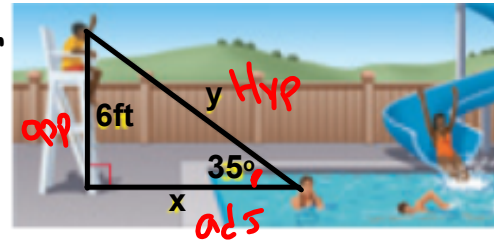
$$x = \sin^{-1} 0.0625$$

$$x = 3.5$$

∴ the angle of elevation is 4°

Ex. 5

The angle of elevation from the swimmer to the lifeguard is 35° and the lifeguard sits 6 ft off the ground.



a) Find the distance x from the swimmer to the base of the lifeguard chair.

Have: angle 35°

Opp = 6

Need: adj

$$\text{Use: } \tan \theta = \frac{O}{A}$$

$$\frac{\tan 35^\circ}{1} = \frac{6}{x}$$

$$\frac{x \tan 35^\circ}{\tan 35^\circ} = \frac{6}{\tan 35^\circ}$$

$$x = 8.6 \text{ ft}$$

b) Find the distance y from the swimmer to the lifeguard.

Have: angle 35°

Opp = 6

Need: Hyp

$$\text{Use: } \sin \theta = \frac{O}{H}$$

$$\frac{\sin 35^\circ}{1} = \frac{6}{y}$$

$$\frac{y \sin 35^\circ}{\sin 35^\circ} = \frac{6}{\sin 35^\circ}$$

$$y = \frac{6}{\sin 35^\circ}$$

$$y = \frac{6}{0.5735}$$

$$y = 10.5 \text{ ft}$$