Math 155 - Trigonometry Review Problems Find $cos(\alpha)$ for the triangle below:



 $\begin{aligned} \cos(\alpha) &= \frac{adjacent}{hypotenuse} = \frac{12}{13} \\ \text{Find the measure of the angle } \alpha. \\ \alpha &= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{12}{13}\right) \approx 22.6^{\circ} \\ \text{Find the measure of the missing side of the above triangle.} \\ \text{If we call the missing side } s \text{ then } \sin(22.6^{\circ}) = \frac{s}{13} \\ s &= \sin(22.6^{\circ}) \times 13 \approx 5 \\ \text{Find the } \tan(\alpha) \text{ and } \sin(\alpha). \\ \tan(\alpha) &= \frac{opposite}{adjacent} = \frac{5}{12} \text{ and } \sin(\alpha) = \frac{opposite}{hypotenuse} = \frac{5}{13} \end{aligned}$

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Find the measure of all the sides of the triangle.

On the one hand, we can compute $sin(40^{\circ}) \approx .64279$ On the other hand, $sin(40^{\circ}) = \frac{opposite}{10}$ Solving for the opposite by multiplying by 10 we get: $opposite = 10 \times sin(40^{\circ}) \approx .64279 \times 10 \approx 6.4$ Similarly, $cos(40^{\circ}) = \frac{adjacent}{10}$, so $adjacent = 10 \times cos(40^{\circ}) \approx 7.7$