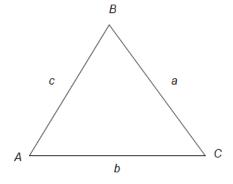
Notes Law of Cosines (Sides)

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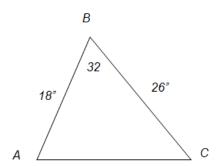
Law of Cosines: For any triangle



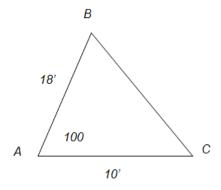
When using cosines, you will always have a choice of which angle to find first....

If you don't, your calculator will always do you wrong on an obtuse triangle.

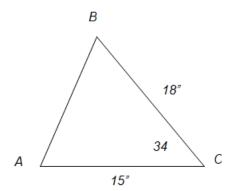
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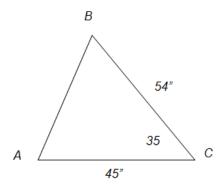
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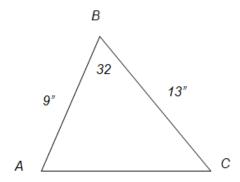
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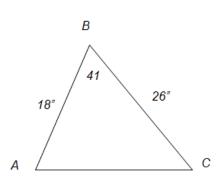
Practice 1: Find the missing side



Practice 2: Find the missing side



Practice 3: Find the missing side



Show me you know it!

- 1. How do you decide which of the three parts to use?
- 2. Why can't we use the ratio or the law of sines on these problems? ______