

## COUNT & ADD IN SPACE

Question	Answer
How to count plane and spatial properties of stacks and boxes and round objects?	By using a ruler, a protractor and a triangular shape. By the 3 recount-equations: $\sin A = a/c$ , $\cos A = b/c$ , $\tan A = a/b$ . By adding squares by the 3 Pythagoras', mini, midi & maxi.

### 1 COUNTING A LENGTH

**Question.** How can we count a one-way extension, i.e. length?

**Answer.** By a ruler constructed by parallel lines dividing the distances between two points in equal lengths.

**Example.** In a 4\*8 stack on quadratic paper connect the horizontal distances 2, 4, 6 and 8 with the vertical distances 1, 2, 3 and 4. The lines are called parallel.

**Exercise1.** Use parallel lines to divide 10cm in 2 equal lengths. Check by measuring.

**Exercise2.** Use parallel lines to divide 10cm in 5 equal lengths. Check by measuring.

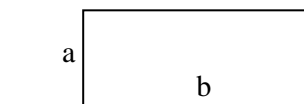
**Exercise3.** Use parallel lines to divide 12cm in 6 equal lengths. Check by measuring.

**Exercise4.** Use parallel lines to divide 15cm in 10 equal lengths. Check by measuring.

### 2 COUNTING A SURFACE

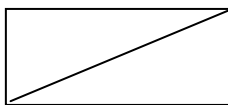
**Question.** How can we count a two-way extension, i.e. area?

**Answer1.** By dividing the surface in squares. Or by dividing the surface in triangles.

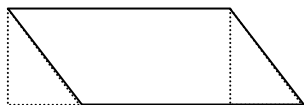


An  $a*b$  stack is called a rectangle; or a square if  $a = b$ .

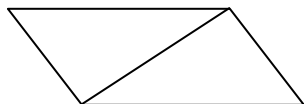
An  $a*b$  stack can be recounted as  $(a*b)$  1s, thus having the surface-number or area  $T = a*b = \text{altitude}*base$ .



A rectangle is divided in two equal right triangles by its diagonal. Thus the area of a right triangle is  $T = \frac{1}{2}*a*b = \frac{1}{2}*altitude*base$ .



By moving the two outside triangles in an skew stack (a parallelogram) it is transformed into an  $a*b$  stack with the same area, thus having the area  $T = \text{altitude}*base$ .



A triangle is half of a parallelogram thus having the area  $T = \frac{1}{2} * \text{altitude}*base$ .

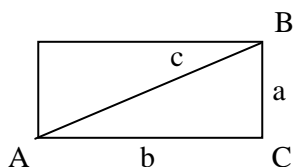
**Exercise1.** Cut out two similar triangles and find their area by transforming them into a stack.

**Exercise2.** Draw a triangle and find its area by transforming it into a stack.

### 3 COUNTING AN ANGLE

**Question.** How can we count the size of an angle?

**Answer1.** By counting with a protractor, or by recounting one side by another.



In an  $a*b$  stack  $a$  is turned  $\frac{1}{4}$  round or 90 degrees from  $b$ .

A full round is  $360$  (days) =  $(360/4)*4 = 90*4$ .

An acute angle is less than 90 degrees and an obtuse angle is greater than 90 degrees.

In an  $a*b$  stack the diagonal is called  $c$ . The corners or vertices are called angles A, B and C.

Recount  $a$  in  $bs$ :  $a = a/b*b = \tan A*b$

Recount  $a$  in  $cs$ :  $a = a/c*c = \sin A*c$

Recount  $b$  in  $cs$ :  $a = b/c*c = \cos A*c$

**Exercise1.** Draw a diagonal in a stack. Measure the angles A and B by a protractor. Predict the result by backward calculation.

$\tan A = a/b$	$(A = (\tan^{-1})(a/b))$	$\tan B = b/a$	$(B = (\tan^{-1})(b/a))$
$\sin A = a/c$	$(A = (\sin^{-1})(a/c))$	$\sin B = b/c$	$(B = (\sin^{-1})(b/c))$
$\cos A = b/c$	$(A = (\cos^{-1})(b/c))$	$\cos B = a/c$	$(B = (\cos^{-1})(a/c))$

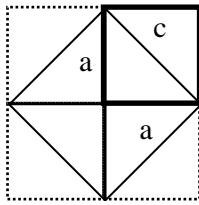
**Exercise2.** Test by calculating that  $B+A = 90$  and  $\tan A = (\sin A)/(\cos A)$  and  $(\sin A)^2 + (\cos A)^2 = 1$

**4 ADDING SQUARES**

**Question.** How can we add squares?

**Answer1.** By using one of the 3 Pythagorean theorems.

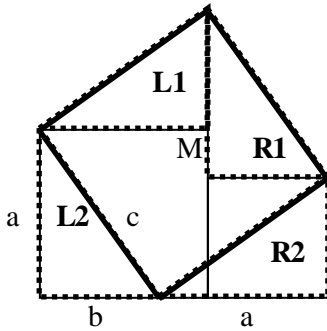
**Examples.**



**Mini-Pythagoras:**

c is the diagonal in an a\*a stack. Turning the stack around the diagonal's endpoints produces a c\*c stack. By rearranging the triangles inside and outside the c\*c stack we see that

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

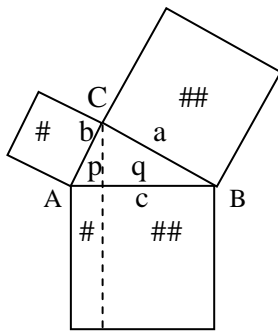


**Midi-Pythagoras:**

c is the diagonal cutting a paper sheet (an a\*b stack) in two, L & R. Turning L and R from position 1 to 2 changes the area from c^2 to a^2 + b^2. So

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2 \quad (\text{the Pythagoras' theorem})$$

Remark. c can also be calculated as  $c = a / (\sin(\tan^{-1}(a/b)))$



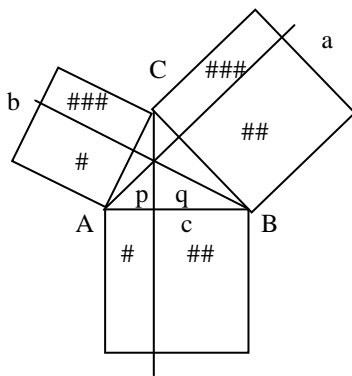
*Calculating I:*

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= M + 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} a \cdot b && \text{where } M = a-b \\ &= (a-b)^2 + 2 \cdot a \cdot b \\ &= a^2 + b^2 - 2 \cdot a \cdot b + 2 \cdot a \cdot b \\ &= a^2 + b^2 \end{aligned}$$

*Calculating II:*

$$\begin{aligned} b &= c \cdot \cos A \text{ and } p = b \cdot \cos A, \text{ so } \# = c \cdot p = (b \cdot \cos A) \cdot (b / \cos A) = b^2 \\ a &= c \cdot \cos B \text{ and } q = a \cdot \cos B, \text{ so } \#\# = c \cdot q = (a \cdot \cos B) \cdot (a / \cos B) = a^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$c^2 = q \cdot c + p \cdot c = a^2 + b^2$$



**Maxi-Pythagoras:**

In an acute triangle the altitudes divide the outside squares in pieces corresponding pair wise:

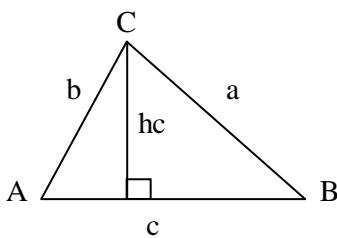
$$\begin{aligned} \# &= c \cdot p = c \cdot b \cdot \cos A = b \cdot c \cdot \cos A, \quad \#\# = a \cdot c \cdot \cos B, \quad \### = a \cdot b \cdot \cos C \\ c^2 &= \#\# + \# = (a^2 - \###) + (b^2 - \###) = a^2 + b^2 - 2 \cdot \### \end{aligned}$$

Or, expressed as the **Cosine-relations:**

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 &= a^2 + b^2 - 2 \cdot a \cdot b \cdot \cos C \\ b^2 &= a^2 + c^2 - 2 \cdot a \cdot c \cdot \cos B \\ a^2 &= b^2 + c^2 - 2 \cdot b \cdot c \cdot \cos A \end{aligned}$$

The **Sine-relations** come from the altitudes:

$$\begin{aligned} hc &: a \cdot \sin B = b \cdot \sin A, \text{ so } a / \sin A = b / \sin B \\ hb &: a \cdot \sin C = c \cdot \sin A, \text{ so } a / \sin A = c / \sin C \\ ha &: b \cdot \sin C = c \cdot \sin B, \text{ so } b / \sin B = c / \sin C \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{Thus } \frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$$

**Exercise1.** Predict the length of the diagonal in a stack and test by measuring.

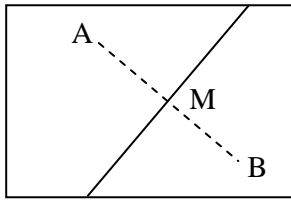
**Exercise2.** Predict the length of the three unknown sides or angles in a triangle and test by measuring. Try all kinds of triangles, SideSideSide, SideSideAngel, SideAngelSide, SideAngelAngel

**Exercise3.** Do the sine- and cosine-relations also hold for obtuse triangles?

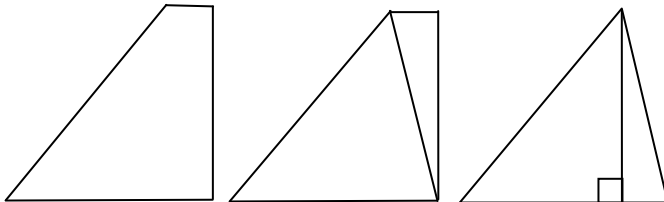
**5 DIVIDING THE LAND**

**Question.** How can we divide a piece of land between two persons?

**Answer.** By using perpendicular bisectors.



A piece of land is to be divided between two settlements A and B. They decide upon the dividing-principle 'equal distance to a border-point'. This makes the border-points form a perpendicular bisector, i.e. a straight line perpendicular to the midpoint M of the connecting line AB.



To measure it a piece of land can be divided into triangles (triangulation). And a triangle can be divided into two right triangles. Thus we are especially interested in right triangles.

Geo-metry means 'earth-measuring' in Greek.

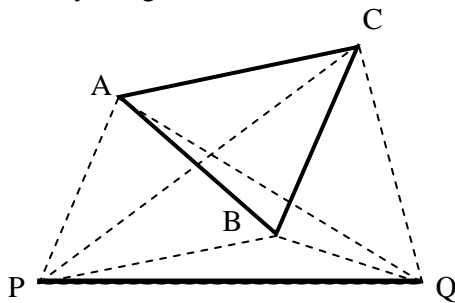
**Exercise1.** Draw a piece of land with two settlements. Divide it so  $AM/AB = 1/1$ . Divide it so  $AM/AB = 1/2$ .

**Exercise2.** Draw a piece of land with three settlements. Divide it so there is equal distance to a border-point.

**6 REESTABLISHING THE LAND**

**Question.** How can we re-establish a piece of land where the fences disappeared under a flooding?

**Answer.** By using a baseline to measure distances.



A piece of land is divided into triangles. From the endpoints P and Q on a permanent baseline the distances are measured to A B and C (triangular coordinates).

After the flood of the Nile the point A is re-established by laying out the triangle PAQ. Or by calculating the angle PAQ. Or as the intersection point between circles from P and Q having the distances as the radius.

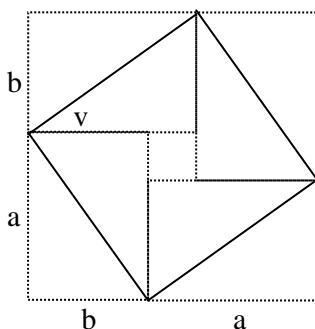
**Exercise1.** Draw a triangle on the floor or in the sand. Remove and re-establish the triangle from a base line.

**7 THE SLOPES OF STRAIGHT LINES**

**Question.** How can we count the steepness of a straight line?

**Answer1.** By the slope counting the rise over the run.

**Example.**



The four diagonals are parallel pair wise.

The slope is the rise recounted in runs.

The upward diagonals have the slope  $b/a$ .

The downward diagonals have the slope  $-a/b$ .

The slopes of two perpendicular lines are reciprocal with different signs:

Linie  $l \perp$  linie  $m$ : slope for  $l * \text{slope for } m = -1$

The steepness-angle  $v$  is determined by  $\tan v = \text{slope}$

**Exercise1.** What is the slope of a 20-degree line? What is the angle of a 10% slope?

**8 DIMENSIONS**

**Question.** What is the difference between the line, the plane and the space?

**Answer.** The line has one direction, the plane has two and space has three directions or dimensions.

**Examples.**

A line segment is part of a line having 1 dimension. It's points are identified by 1 number, the out-number  $x$ .

A stack is part of a plane having 2 dimensions. It's points are identified by 2 numbers, the out-number x and the up-number y.

A box is part of a space having 3 dimensions. It's points are identified by 3 numbers, the out-number x and the up-number y, and the back-number z.

**Exercise1.** Take a random walk at a line by throwing a dice where odd means – and even means +.

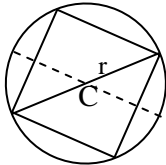
**Exercise2.** Take a random walk at a plane by throwing 2 dices where odd means – and even means +.

**Exercise3.** Take a random walk in a space by throwing 3 dices where odd means – and even means +.

**9 CIRCUMFERENCE AND AREA OF A CIRCLE**

**Question.** How can we count the length and the area of a circle?

**Answer1.** By approximating the circle with a regular polygon to develop formulas.



A circle has a centre C, a width or diameter d and a radius  $r = d/2$ .

A square is wrapped in a circle with radius 1.

The length of the side (the cord) is  $k_4 = 2 * \sin(180/4)$ .

The circumference of the square is  $C_4 = 4 * 2 \sin(180/4)$ .

The area of the square is  $A_4 = 8 * \frac{1}{2} * \text{alt.} * \text{base} = 4 * \sin(180/4) * \cos(180/4)$ .

Pulling the midpoints to the circle transforms the square from a regular 4sided polygon to a regular 8sided polygon.

The length of the side (the cord) is  $k_8 = 2 * \sin(180/8)$ .

The circumference of the polygon is  $C_8 = 8 * 2 * \sin(180/8)$ .

The area of the polygon is  $A_8 = 8 * \sin(180/8) * \cos(180/8)$ .

Continuing to pull the midpoints we get approximate formulas:

Circle circumference  $\approx C_n = n * 2 * \sin(180/n)$ .

Circle area  $\approx A_n = n * \sin(180/n) * \cos(180/n)$ .

For  $n = 1000$  we get:

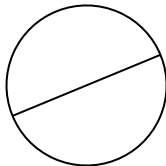
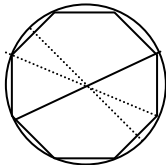
Circle circumference =  $C \approx 1000 * 2 * \sin(180/1000) = 6,28317 \approx 2 * \pi$

Circle area  $\approx 1000 * \sin(180/1000) * \cos(180/1000) = 3,14157 \approx \pi$

We see that the circumference and the area of a circle can be described by a special number  $\pi = 3,141592654$ ; and that this number can be calculated as a limit-number

$$n * \sin(180/n) \rightarrow \pi \text{ for } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ or } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (n * \sin(180/n)) = \pi.$$

With the radius r the formulas become  $C = 2 * \pi * r$  and  $A = \pi * r^2$



**Exercise.** Predict the circumference of a bottle and test by measuring.

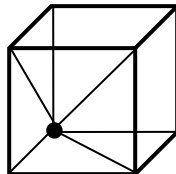
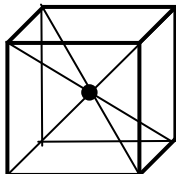
**10 SHAPES IN SPACE**

**Question.** How can spatial shapes be counted?

**Answer.** A shape has a 1dimensional extension, a 2dimensional area and a 3dimensional volume.

**Example1.** Bundling 5 1s gives 1 5-bundle having the length 5 cm. Stacking 4 5s gives a 4\*5 stack having the breadth  $\sqrt{4^2+5^2}$  and having the area  $4*5=20 \text{ cm}^2$ . Stacking 3 4\*5 stacks gives a 3\*4\*5 box having the breath  $3\sqrt{3^2+4^2+5^2}$  and having the surface area  $2*(3*4+3*5+4*5) = 94 \text{ cm}^2$ ; and having the volume  $3*4*5 = 60 \text{ cm}^3$ .

**Example2.** From the centre point an a\*a box can be divided into 6 pyramids each having the volume  $V = 1/6 * a * a * a = 1/3 * (1/2a) * (a * a) = 1/3 * \text{height} * \text{base-area}$ . If the centre point is drawn to a corner, 3 pyramids disappear giving each of the 3 remaining pyramids the volume  $V = 1/3 * a * a * a = 1/3 * \text{height} * \text{base-area}$



**Example3.** A circle has two 1dimensional extensions, its diameter  $d = 2 * r$ , and its circumference  $C = 2 * \pi * r$ . A circle has one 2dimensional extension, its area  $A = \pi * r^2$ . A circular-disk is called a cylinder having two 2dimensional extensions and one 3dimensional extension, its volume  $V = \pi * r^2 * \text{altitude}$ . Constricted in the one end a cylinder becomes a cone having the volume  $V = 1/3 * \pi * r^2 * \text{altitude}$ . Constricted in both ends a cylinder becomes a ball having the volume  $V = 4/3 * \pi * r^3$  and the surface  $S = 4 * \pi * r^2$ .

**Exercise1.** The volume of a liquid can be measured in a measuring glass. Pour water or sand from different shapes into a measuring glass to measure the volume. Predict the result from a formula.