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# HP42S TRIANGLE SOLUTIONS

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# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The program material, instructions and procedures contained in this book assume that the user has a working knowledge of both surveying and the general operation of the HP-42S calculator.

Technical assistance is limited to verification of the results shown in the various examples used in the book.

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# the operations index

To find a function for the first time, HP has provided an "Operations Index" on pages 310 through 335 of the instruction manual, which tells you exactly what keystrokes to use to type in the function you want.

Even better, this index gives you the page number that you can refer to if you want to know more about the function you are using. If, while typing in a program, you aren't sure how to input a particular function, simply refer to the Operations Index.

### the softkey menus

All of the programs in this booklet take advantage of the "softkey" menu system built into this calculator. When you want to start a program you stroke **XEQ** and then the softkey corresponding to the program you want, from the menu displayed in the bottom half of the screen.

### the programs

The purpose of this booklet is to provide the user with the most flexible system for solving triangles possible.

The use of this program is simplicity itself. You need three known parts of the triangle being solved, and there are only three keys used for input. Because of the way the HP-42 works, those keys are labeled "SIDE", "ANGLE" and "AREA" by the menu. Another key is used, but only to return quickly to the program to solve another triangle.

# learning while programming

We have tried to write this series of booklets in such a way that you quickly become aquainted with the calculator and its functions while you are programming it. Because the program is long, you might not want to do the whole job at one sitting. The use of a printer is not required, but does make the whole job easier, Hewlett-Packard has the InfraRed Printer available for the 42S, and one feature of this calculator is that it already has the InfraRed transmitter built in.

# subroutines

Because of the way the calculator works, we will start by input of some subroutines.

Once the subroutine has been input, its name appears in the menu when you stroke  $\mathbf{x}$ , and all you have to do to add it as a step in the program you are typing in is stroke GTO or XEQ followed by keystroking the key corresponding to the subroutine to input the program step GTO XXX or XEQ XXX.

# getting started

Begin by stroking the shift key, then the **XEQ** key. The display will show a menu which will be blank (if you haven't yet input any programs) except for .END. on the left. The keys just below each of the menu portions will correspond to the menu instruction above it. Stroke the key just below the .END. in the display.

01)LBL "CL" 02 IREG 00 03 CLZ 04 EREG 11 05 CLI 06 0 07 STO 24 08 RTN 09)LBL "FCL" 10 0.013 11DLBL "FN" 12 CF IND ST X 13 ISG ST X 14 GTO "FN" 15 ENTER 16 END

Next, go into **program mode** by stroking the shifted **vs** key. Scroll up once with the **vs** key.

Your display should be Similar to the one shown to the left. Begin typing in the program steps shown above. Proof read the program. If you scroll to 00 it should now say "45-Byte Prgm" . . . the byte count is one quick check on the program, but you still need to check every step. Look, in particular, for steps that are **alpha** (with " " marks) but **shouldn't** be. Or should be but aren't.

#### "DMS"

This program puts the output of angles into the form ° ' ", and gives all answers to the nearest tenth of a second. Repeat the procedure of going to the permanent .END., scroll up to 00, and input the program below.

01	▶LBL "DMS"	14	ABS	27	XEQ 01
02	FS?C 19	15	STO 18	28	ARCL ST X
03	CLA	16	IP	29	F
04	ENTER	17	XEQ 01	30	CLX
05	STO 19	18	ARCL ST X	31	FIX 04
96	IP	19	⊢"'"	32	SF 29
07	CF 29	20	RCL 18	33	RCL 19
08	FIX 00	21	FP	341	LBL 01
09	ARCL ST X	22	100	35	10
10	<u> </u>	23	х	36	X<>Y
11	-	24	FIX 02	37	XKY?
12	100	25	RND	38	⊢"0"
13	х	26	FIX 01	39	END

The byte count on this one should be 78 bytes, as a check that everything is alright. Read through it to check for typos, and as a final check, input a number (try 25.25252) and execute the function. Your display **should** show  $25^{\circ}25'25.2"$  if the program is working correctly. If it doesn't, check it again.

#### the main program

The next two pages contain the main program. Take your time typing it in, to avoid errors.

Don't type an END on this one, the permanent end will work just as well, and it removes it from your XEQ/GTO menu.

119 LBL 120 REEQ 1223 RCLLE 1223 RCLLE 1224 RAK 1225 RCL 1226 STCL 1226 STCL 1226 RAK 1227 RCL 1226 RAK 1230 RAK 13312 STK 1332 STCL 1339 ANTO 1349 ANTO 1440 ANTO 144 "TRI<" "CL "FCL" 60 RTN 03 61) 62 63 LBL 01 00 11 04 03 05 09 R+ RCL RCL →REC X<>Y STO 666678901234567777890 STO 02 Ř∔ STO 09 R+ R+ 08 Ŧ 03 1 →REC + 2 5TO 0 X+2 LASTX 07 STO 02 RCLX 02 09 04 RCL Ō1 RCEX **0**4 SQRT ACOS 2 13 81 82 83 141 142 143 144 145 146 147 03 84 85 86 87 88 x STO 05 SIN RCL× 0 STO 08 STO 01 R↓ STO 09 09 RCL RCL RCL RCL RCL RCL RCL GTO 08 07 03 RCL Ø X+2 LASTX 148 RCLQ 149 XELQ 150 RCLQ 151 RCLQ 152 GTO 152 GTO 153 HLBL 155 R+HRO 155 R+HRO 155 ST+ 156 RCLL 156 RCL 166 RCLC 166 RCLCL 166 RCLCL 166 RCLCL 177 ST+ 0 177 ST+ 177 89 90 Õī 00 09 91 92 93 RCLX 01 04 09 92 RCL× 09 93 -94 RCL÷ 02 95 RCL÷ 04 96 SQRT 97 ACOS 98 2 99 X 100 STO 03 101 RCL 05 102 XEQ 00 103 STO 01 104 GTO 01 104 GTO 01 105 RTN 106▶LBL 12 107 " 2nd Solution" 108 FS? 20 109 AVIEW 110 FS?C 20 111 STOP 112 → HR 113 STO 01 114 R↓ 115 STO 09 116 R↓ 117 → HR 118 STO 05 ŌЗ 14 02 01 09 Ōī 02 →REC RCL-→POL STO 09 04 õ9 49 GTO 50 FS? 512 GTO 553 RTN 554 LBL 55 FS? 556 FS? 558 GTO 559 GTO 0Ż 04 ĩi 15 07 01 03 14 03 12 13 02 **5**9 118 ĞŤŌ STO 05 09

237 ⊢"'' 238 RCL 05 239 → HMS 240 ⊢ Angle 3 = " 241 XEQ "DMS" 242 AVIEW 243 ADV 243 ADV 243 RCL 08 245 RCL× 04 246 2 247 ÷ 248 "AREA = " 249 ARCL ST X 250 AVIEW 251 ADV 252 FS? 10 253 XEQ 08 254 RTN 255 LBL 08 256 " 2nd Solution" 257 FS?C 10 258 AVIEW 259 STOP 260 180 261 RCL- 01 262 RCL 02 266 GTO 14 267 LBL 09 263 X<\Y 264 → HMS 270 RTN 271 LBL 04 273 R+ 274 STO 09 273 R+ 276 STO 05 277 RTN 278 LBL 16 279 → HR 280 STO 01 281 SIN 282 YEQ 02 296 297 298 299 STO X<>Y ≁HR 03 RCL SIN 178 03 179 180 RCL× 02 RCL× 0 RCL÷ 0 ASIN STO 05 RCL 03 XEQ 00 STO 01 STO 01 Ő9 181 зóó 182 183 184 185 + 301 302 303 304 305 306 307 180 X<>Y STO 05 SIN 187 ŘĊĹ ē5 2 RCL 188 09 x 189 RCL 01 308 190 190 191 192 193 х XEQ XEQ 180 04 03 309 310 311 312 313 RCL SIN RCL SIN 01 03 ŘČĽ-RCL+ 05 194 йă 195 196 197 198 199 x +7-314 ÷ 314 ÷ 315 SQRT 316 STO 02 317 RCL 01 318 ÷HMS 319 X(>Y 320 RCL 03 321 ÷HMS 322 XEQ 12 323 RTN 324 ↓LBL 02 325 X(>Y 326 STO 09 327 × 328 ÷ 329 2 331 RTN 05 332 ↓LBL 02 333 RCL 09 333 RCL 09 333 RCL 09 334 RCL 01 335 ÷HMS 336 RCL 01 335 ÷HMS 337 XEQ 14 338 RTN 339 ↓LBL 20 341 CLMENU 342 "SIDE" GTO : 344 "ANGL" 345 KEY 1 GTO : 348 "MORE" 348 "MORE" 349 KEY 1 348 "MORE" 349 KEY 1 180 + . HMS RCL 02 RCL 03 200 201 202 →HMS 201 →HMS 202 SF 20 203 GTO 12 204 DLBL 00 205 + 206 COS 207 +/-208 ACOS 209 RTN 212 DLBL 01 209 RIN 2100 LBL 01 211 FS? 10 212 CF 02 213 FS? 20 214 CF 02 215 FS? 02 FS? 02 CLA "Side 1 = ARCL 09 F"%" RCL 01 HMS F"Angle 1 XEQ "DMS" AUTE 279 +HR 280 STO 01 281 SIN 282 XEQ 02 283 STO 02 284 XEQ 05 285 RTN 286 LBL 17 286 LBL 17 287 SF 10 288 STO 02 290 ASIN 291 STO 01 292 XEQ 05 293 RTN 294 LBL 18 01 = AVIEW 21 ADV "Side 2 = ARCL 02 F", 02 н 22 23 RCĽ 03 RCL →HMS ⊢"Angle 2 =9 "DMS" 24 .. = 350 MENU 351 RTN 3520LBL 2 353 GTO 354 .END. XEQ AVIEW ADV Side ARCL 2**4** "TRI<" 294€LBL 295 →HR ..... 3 18 = **0**4 236

The triangle shown to the right will be used for the examples. It should be noted that the output will vary slightly, depending on the number of places input, particularly in the input of the angles.



The notations for angles and sides is familiar to HP users, but is not the standard, or 'textbook', notation which you have learned in trigonometry (side  $\mathbf{a}$  opposite angle  $\mathbf{A}$ , side **b** opposite angle **B** and side **c** opposite angle **C**). The sides and angles are numbered, in order, going around the triangle.



The example triangle (above) shows this style of labeling, compared to the standard notation for sides and angles. **Side 1** may be assigned to any side that is convenient to use, depending upon the available information about the triangle. It should be located at a side where the known information then falls into position for solution by one of the routines.



In the example, the assigned designations go clockwise. If it will better fit the information available, it may go counterclockwise instead, as shown to the left.







# Side 1, Side 2, Angle TWO SIDES AND THE FOLLOWING ANGLE KNOWN has two possible solutions. When this configuration is used, both solutions are output. The second solution will not necessarily show the parts in the same order as the input. The other two angles are calculated with the equations below, and the remaining side is calculated as an Angle, Side, Angle configuration. $A_3 = \sin^{-1} \left| \frac{S_2}{S_1} \sin A_2 \right|$ $A_1 = \cos^{-1} [-\cos (A_2 + A_3)]$ side 2 83.6400 4492 side j 36°12'30" anglè 2 output: Side 1 = 57.4492 Angle 1 = 84\*28'17.9\* Side 2 = 83.6400 Angle 2 = 36°12'30.0° The prompt, 2nd Solution Side 3 = 96.8000 Angle 3 = 59°19'12.1" appears in the display after output of the first solution. AREA = 2,391.3505 If you want output of the 2nd Solution Side 1 = 83.6400 Angle 1 = 36°12'30.0" second solution, stroke Ms. If not, stroke EXIT to leave the program, or MORE to Side 2 = 38.1740 Angle 2 = 120°40'47.9° solve another triangle. 4 Side 3 = 57.4492 Angle 3 = 23°06'42.1" 4 9 2 C) 1 () 1 AREA = 943.05108 4 3 6 Et di 1 6

# Angle 3, Side 1, Angle 1

TWO ANGLES AND THE INCLUDED SIDE ARE KNOWN.

$$S_2 = S_1 \frac{\sin A_3}{\sin A_2}$$

 $S_3 = S_1 \cos A_3 + S_2 \cos A_2$ 

$$A_2 = \cos^{-1}(-\cos(A_3 + A_1))$$

This configuration is solved by using the equations shown to the left.

The Angle, Side, Angle routine has also been used as a secondary solution to some of the other routines, after the problem has first been reduced to these three known parts.



output:
Side 1 = 57.4492 Angle 1 = 84°28'18.0"
Side 2 = 83.6400 Angle 2 = 36°12'30.0°
Side 3 = 96.8000 Angle 3 = 59"19'12.0"
AREA = 2,391.3500







# Area, Side 1, Side 2

**AREA AND TWO SIDES KNOWN** is another problem which has two possible solutions.

We first find Angle 1 with the equation

$$A_1 = \sin^{-1} \left\lfloor \frac{2\pi i R C R}{S_1 S_2} \right\rfloor$$
 and then solve as Side, Angle, Side.  
The second solution is possible where angle 1 may also  
be equal to 180° - angle 1. This value is substituted,  
and the second solution is output.



keystrokes:



The prompt, 2nd Solution appears in the display after output of the first solution. If you want output of the second solution, stroke **PS**.

If not, stroke EXIT to leave the program, or MORE to solve another triangle.

# output:

Side 1 = 96.8000 Angle 1 = 59 19 12.0" Side 2 = 57.4492 Angle 2 = 84 28 18.0" Side 3 = 83.6400 Angle 3 = 36 12 30.0" AREA = 2,391.3500 2nd Solution Side 1 = 96.8000 Angle 1 = 120 40 48.0" Side 2 = 57.4492 Angle 2 = 37 55 33.4" Side 3 = 135.4461 Angle 3 = 21 23 38.6" AREA = 2,391.3500

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