

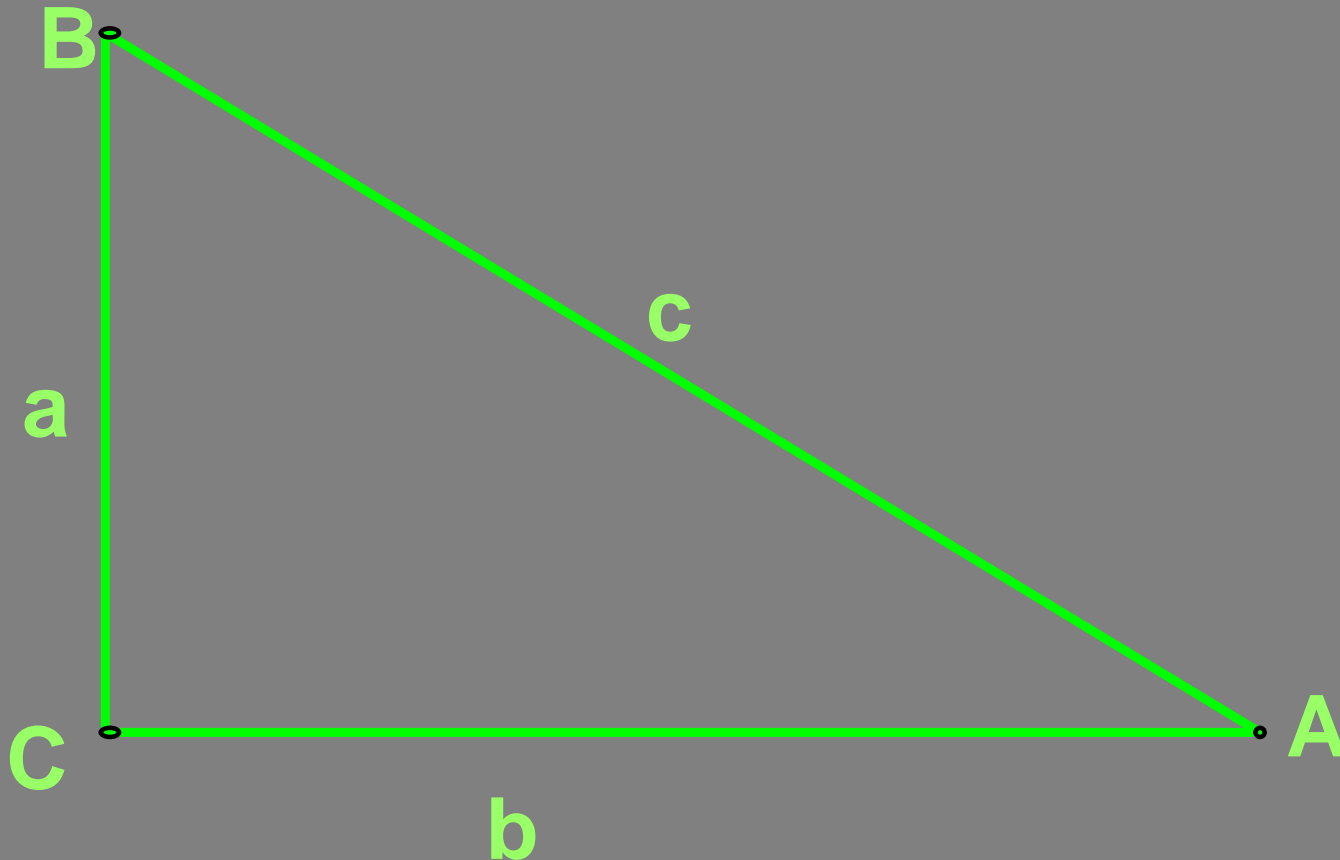
9.3 The converse of the Pythagorean thm

How do I use the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem to solve problems? How do I use side lengths to classify triangles by their angle measures?

Thm 9.5

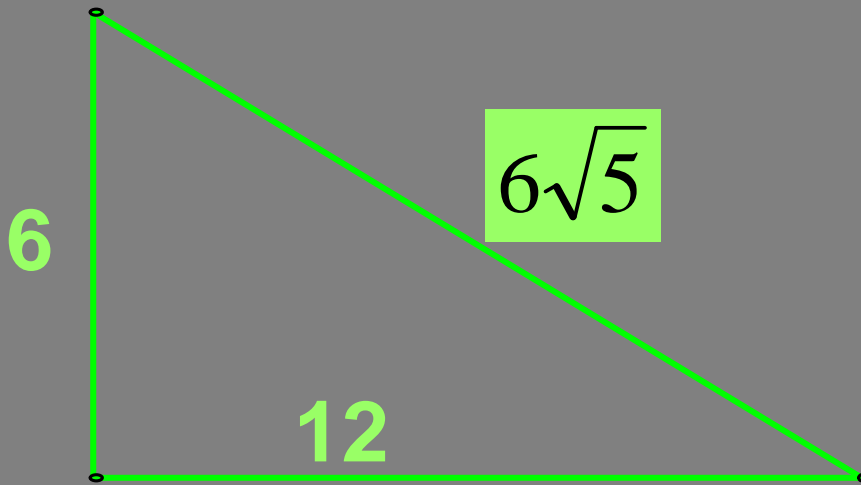
converse of the Pythagorean thm

- If $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$, then $\triangle ABC$ is a right \triangle .



Example

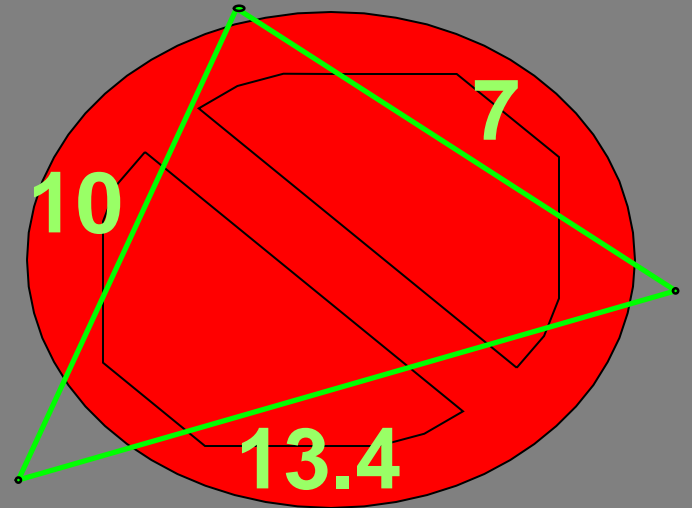
Are the triangles right triangles?



$$(6\sqrt{5})^2 = 6^2 + 12^2$$

$$36 \cdot 5 = 36 + 144$$

$$180 = 180$$



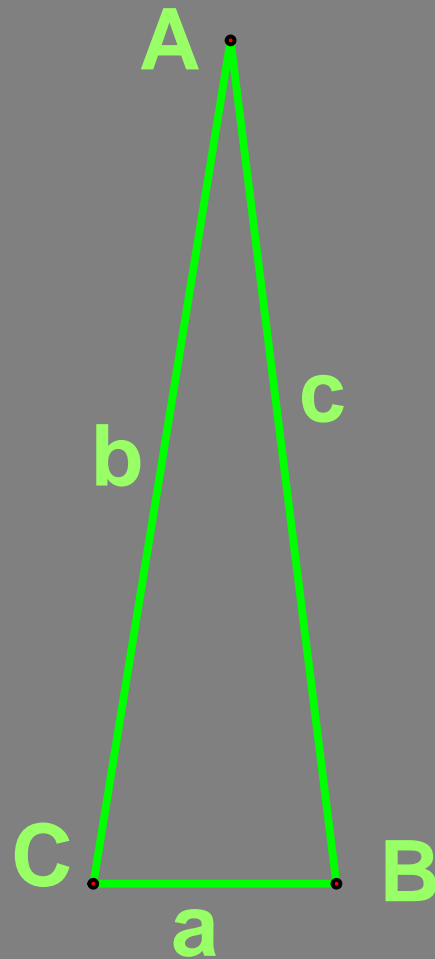
$$13.4^2 = 10^2 + 7^2$$

$$179.56 = 100 + 49$$

$$179.56 = 149$$

Thm 9.6

- If $c^2 < a^2 + b^2$, then the $\angle C$ is acute.



Thm 9.7

- If $c^2 > a^2 + b^2$, then the $\angle C$ is obtuse.

A

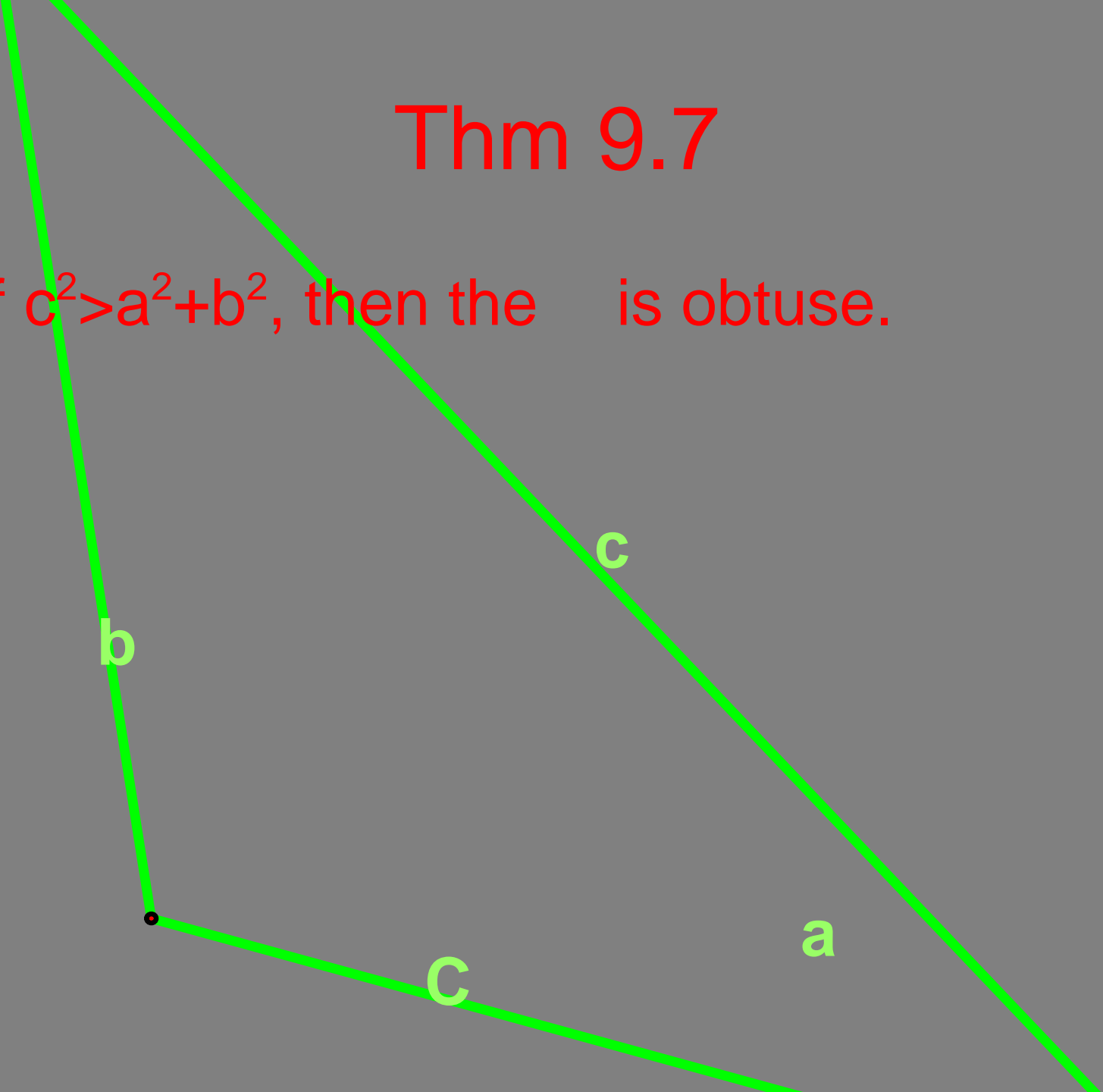
b

c

B

a

C



Example

Can the given side lengths form a triangle and if so, what kind of triangle would it be?

3.2, 4.8, 5.1

Yes, they form a triangle (by the triangle inequality Thm)

$3.2+4.8>5.1$; $4.8+5.1>3.2$; and $3.2+5.1>4.8$

What kind of triangle?

$$5.1^2 \text{ ___ } 4.8^2 + 3.2^2$$

$$26.01 \text{ ___ } 23.04 + 10.24$$

$$26.01 \text{ < } 33.28$$

acute

Assignment

WS 9.3B #2-16 even, 17,18