

Review:

Robots usually use the metric system for measurements

- Meters for measuring distance
- Radians for measuring angles
- Seconds for measuring time

Standard Prefixes:

| Smaller | | | Larger | | |
|---------|-----------|------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| centi- | 10^{-2} | hundredth | kilo- | 10^3 | thousands |
| milli- | 10^{-3} | thousandth | mega- | 10^6 | millions |
| micro- | 10^{-6} | millionth | giga- | 10^9 | billions |
| nano- | 10^{-9} | billionth | tera- | 10^{12} | trillions |

Examples: $1 \times 10^3 = 1000$

$1 \times 10^{-3} = .001$

Formulas:

$$speed = \frac{distance}{time}$$

$$\sin(\theta) = \frac{opposite}{hypotenuse}$$

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{adjacent}{hypotenuse}$$

$$\tan(\theta) = \frac{opposite}{adjacent}$$

$$360^\circ = \frac{2\pi}{radians}$$

$$1^\circ = \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ Radians}$$

Conversions/Values:

- 1 meter = 3.28 feet
- Light speed = 3×10^8 meters per second (186,000 miles per second!)
- Sound speed = 343 meters per second
- Theta (Greek letter) (abbreviation used for angle) = θ

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Video Activity:

Using LIDAR, a robot sends out a pulse of light that bounces off of a tree and returns after **30 nanoseconds**. Remember that the speed of light is 3×10^8 meters per second.
How far away is the tree?

$$\left(\frac{\text{_____ m/s}}{\text{speed}} \right) \times \left(\frac{\text{_____ sec}}{\text{time}} \right) = \text{_____ m} \quad = \quad \text{distance}$$

convert from nanoseconds to seconds

Total distance light traveled = 2 x distance to tree

$$\text{_____ m} = 2 \times \text{distance to tree}$$

* answer from above*

$$\text{_____ m} = \text{distance to tree}$$

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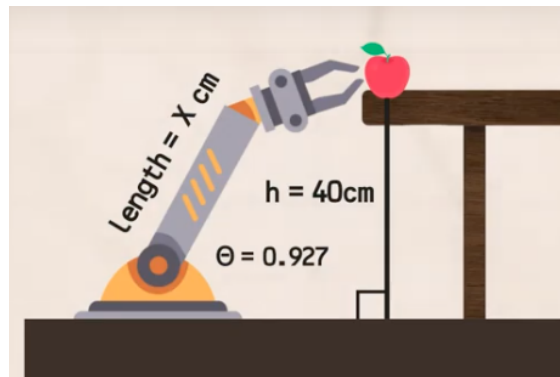
$$\text{_____ m} = \text{distance to tree (answer)}$$

We have a table that is **40cm** from the floor and the arm of the robot is at an angle of **0.927 radians** (about 53°).
How long does the arm have to be to reach the table?

$$\text{hypotenuse} = \frac{\textit{opposite}}{\sin(\theta)}$$

$$\text{hypotenuse} = \frac{\text{_____ cm}}{\sin(\text{_____})}$$

$$\text{hypotenuse} = \text{_____ cm}$$



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