

The second solution does not exist.

A, a, b given
to find B .

Ex. (5). Given $A = 163^\circ 24'$, $a = 42$, $b = 53.004$.

$$L \sin B = \log b + \text{colog } a + L \sin A - 10.$$

$$b = 53.004; \quad \log b, 1.72431$$

$$a = 42; \quad \text{colog } a, 8.37675$$

$$A = 163^\circ 24'; \quad L \sin A, 9.45589$$

$$\begin{cases} B_1 = 21^\circ 08'; & L \sin B, 9.55695 \\ B_2 = 158^\circ 52'; \end{cases}$$

$$c. \quad C_1 = 180^\circ - (A + B_1) \quad C_2 = 180^\circ - (A + B_2)$$

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No solu-
tion.

$$C_1 = 180^\circ - 184^\circ 32'$$

$$C_2 = 180^\circ - 322^\circ 16'$$

No solution exists.

42. Expressions for the area of a triangle.

The area of
a triangle.

It is proved by Euclid (*B I. prop. 41*) that the area of a triangle is half that of a rectangle having the same base and height. Now the number of square units in the area of a rectangle is equal to the product of the numbers of linear units in the base and height respectively, which is briefly expressed by saying that the area of a rectangle is the product of the base and height. Hence the area of a triangle is half the product of its base and height.

Fig. 6, 7. In fig. 6, 7, area of triangle ABC

$$= \frac{1}{2} AB \cdot CD,$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} c b \sin A$$

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Again

$$\sin A = 2 \sin \frac{1}{2} A \cos \frac{1}{2} A \dots \dots \dots \text{from (7)}$$