Practice

The Law of Cosines

Solve each triangle. Round to the nearest tenth.

1.
$$a = 20, b = 12, c = 28$$

3.
$$c = 49, b = 40, A = 53^{\circ}$$

2.
$$a = 10, c = 8, B = 100^{\circ}$$

4.
$$a = 5, b = 7, c = 10$$

Find the area of each triangle. Round to the nearest tenth.

5.
$$a = 5, b = 12, c = 13$$

6.
$$a = 11, b = 13, c = 16$$

7.
$$a = 14$$
, $b = 9$, $c = 8$

8.
$$a = 8, b = 7, c = 3$$

9. The sides of a triangle measure 13.4 centimeters, 18.7 centimeters, and 26.5 centimeters. Find the measure of the angle with the least measure.

about 28.3°

10. Orienteering During an orienteering hike, two hikers start at point A and head in a direction 30° west of south to point B. They hike 6 miles from point A to point B. From point B, they hike to point C and then from point C back to point A, which is 8 miles directly north of point C. How many miles did they hike from point B to point C?

4.1 miles

