Example 14

Three points A, B and C are on level ground such that B is due north of A, the bearing of C from A is 046° and the bearing of C from B is 125°. If the distance between A and B is 200 m, calculate the distance of C from A. Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

Solution

Since the bearing of C from B is 125° ,

$$A\hat{B}C = 55^{\circ}$$

$$A\hat{C}B = 180^{\circ} - 46^{\circ} - 55^{\circ}$$

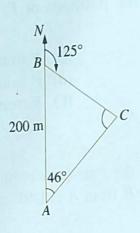
$$= 79^{\circ}$$

Using the Sine Rule, we have

$$\frac{200}{\sin 79^{\circ}} = \frac{AC}{\sin 55^{\circ}}$$

$$\therefore AC = \frac{200 \sin 55^{\circ}}{\sin 79^{\circ}} = 166.9 \text{ m}.$$

i.e. the distance of C from A is 166.9 m.



Example 15

A boat sailed 20 km from a point P to an island Q, on a bearing of 150°. It then sailed another 30 km on a bearing of 50° to a lighthouse R. Calculate the distance of the lighthouse from P. Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

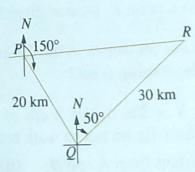
$$P\hat{Q}R = 30^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} = 80^{\circ}$$

Using the Cosine Rule, we have

$$PR^2 = 20^2 + 30^2 - 2 \times 20 \times 30 \times \cos 80^\circ$$

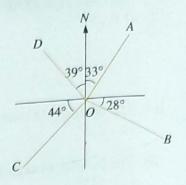
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: $PR = 33.04 \text{ km}$.

i.e. the distance of the lighthouse from P is 33.04 km.

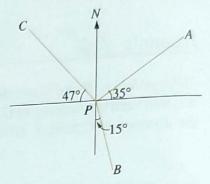


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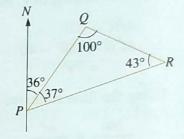
- 1. The figure shows the positions of O, A, B, C and D. State the bearing of
 - (a) A from *O*;
 - **(b)** *B* from *O*;
 - (c) C from 0;
 - (d) *D* from *O*.



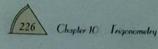
- 2. The figure shows the positions of P, A, B and C. State the bearing of
 - (a) A from P;
 - **(b)** *B* from *P*:
 - (c) C from P;
 - (d) *P* from *A*;
 - (e) P from B;
 - (f) P from C.



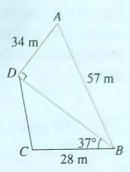
- 3. The figure shows the positions of P, Q and R. State the bearing of
 - (a) O from P;
- (**b**) P from Q;
- (c) R from P;
- (d) P from R;
- (e) Q from R;
- (f) R from Q.



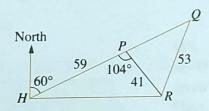
- 4. A, B, C and D are the four corners of a rectangular plot marked out on level ground. Given that the bearing of B from A is 040° and that the bearing of C from A is 090° , calculate the bearing of
 - (a) B from C;
- (**b**) A from C;
- (c) D from C.
- 5. A, B and C are three points on level ground. Given that the bearing of B from A is 122°, $C\widehat{AB} = 32^{\circ}$ and $A\widehat{B}C = 86^{\circ}$, calculate the possible bearing of C from B.
- 6. P, Q and R are three points on level ground. Given that the bearing of R from P is 135° , $P\hat{Q}R = 55^{\circ}$ and $P\hat{R}Q = 48^{\circ}$, calculate the bearing of
 - (a) P from R;
- (b) Q from R;
- (c) P from Q.
- 7. A point Q is 24 km away and at a bearing of 072° from P. From Q, a man walks, at a bearing of 320°, to a point R, located directly north of P. Calculate the distance of PR and QR.
- 8. A man swims 50 metres in the direction 045°, then 60 metres in the direction 145°. How far is he from the starting point?
- **9.** The point B is 280 m due north of the point A. A man walks from A in the direction 050° . Calculate how far he has to walk before he is
 - (a) equidistant from A and B; (b) as close as possible to B; (c) due east of B.



- 10. A point P is 12 kilometres due north of another point Q. The bearing of a lighthouse, R, from P is 135° and, from Q, it is 120° . Calculate the distance of PR.
- 11. Two ships P and Q leave a point at the same time. P sails at 10 km/h on a bearing of 030° and Q sails at 12 km/h on a bearing of 300°. Calculate their distance apart and the bearing of P from Q after 2 hours.
- 12. A man sails 30 km from a port P to a lighthouse, Q, on a bearing of 128° and then another 25 km to R on a bearing of 295°. Calculate the distance of PR.
- 13. A, B, C and D are four points on a field. A is due north of D, B is due east of D and $D\hat{B}C = 37^{\circ}$. Given that AD = 34 m, BA = 57 m and BC = 28 m, calculate
 - (a) $B\hat{A}D$;
 - (b) the bearing of B from A;
 - (c) the area of $\triangle BCD$;
 - (d) CD.



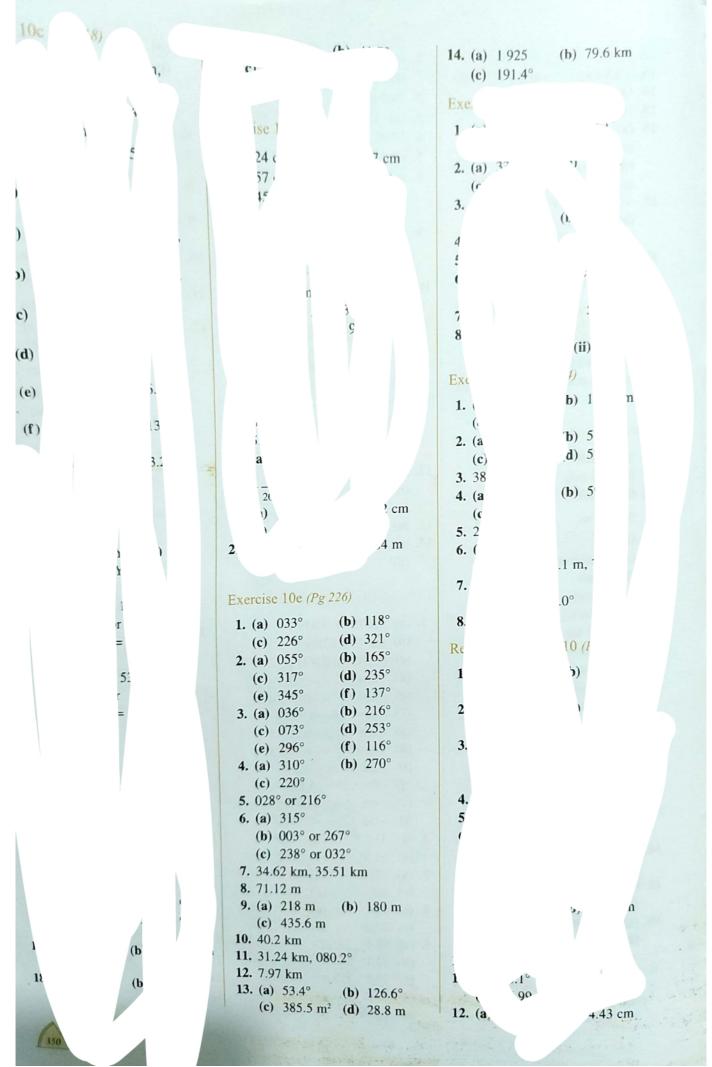
14. The diagram represents a map showing a harbour H and three oil rigs, P, Q and R, where R is due east of H. HPQ is a straight line which lies on a bearing of 060° and the angle $HPR = 104^{\circ}$.



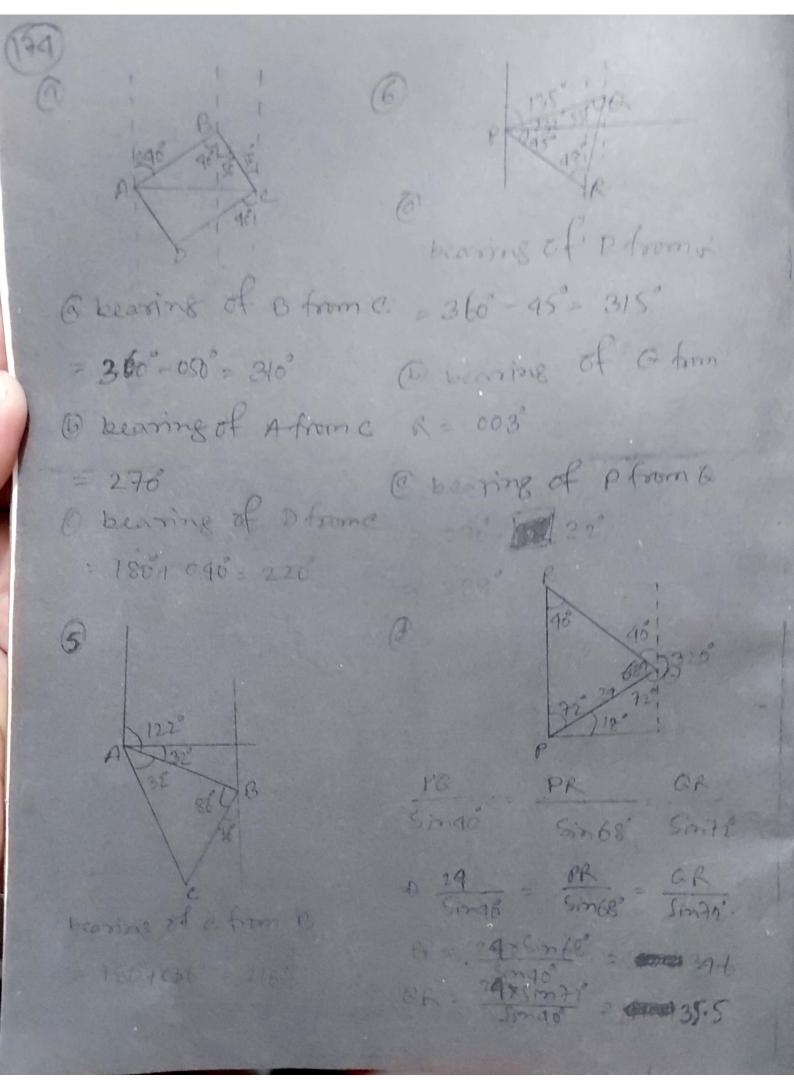
It is given that HP = 59 km, PR = 41 km and RQ = 53 km.

- (a) A supply ship leaves P at 10 45. It sails directly to R, where it stays for 50 minutes, then goes on to Q. When moving, it may be assumed that the ship travels at a constant speed of 12 km/h. At what time does it arrive at Q?
- (b) Calculate the distance HR.
- (c) Calculate the bearing of R from Q.

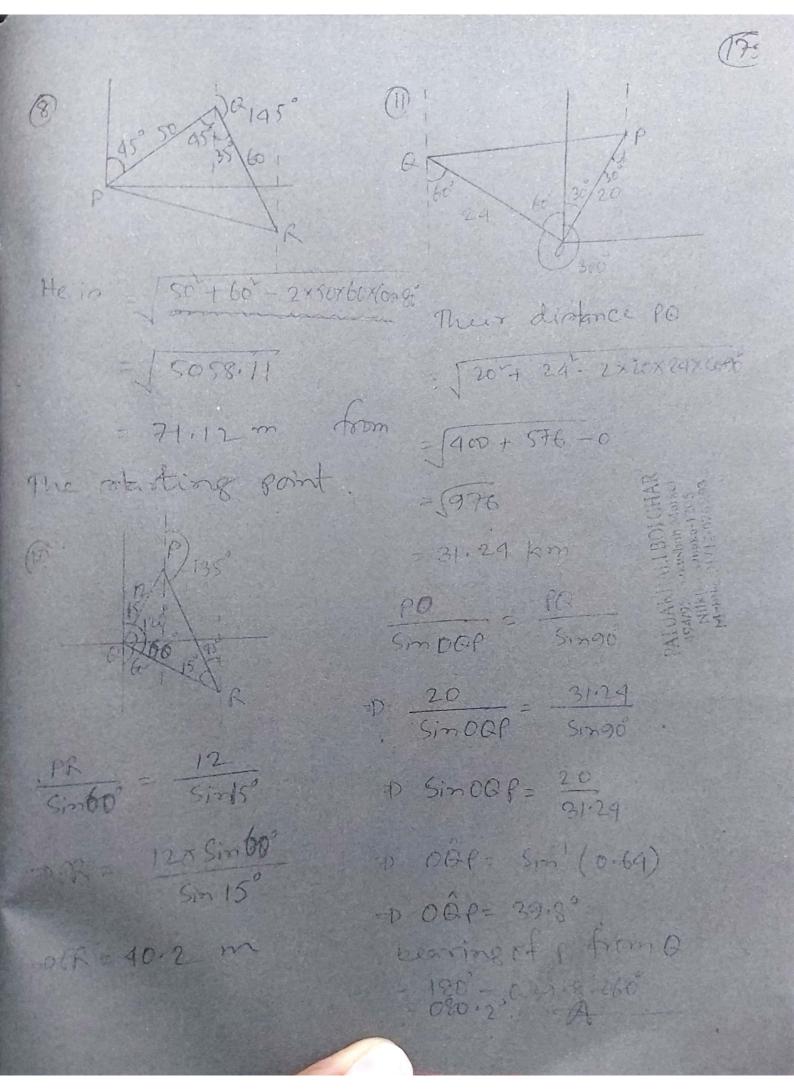
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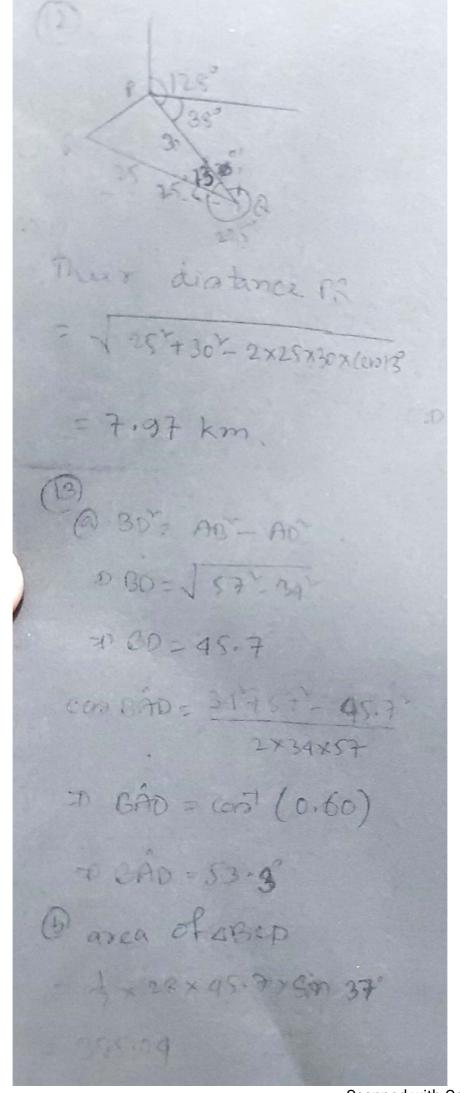


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