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Section 3.1 – Examples

3.1: Applications of the Pythagorean Theorem

- A. I can find the hypotenuse in a right triangle
- B. I can find the length of the leg in a right triangles
- C. I can use the Pythagorean Theorem to solve practical application problems

Example 1

Use the Pythagorean Theorem to calculate the length of the diagonal top plate for the wall. Hint: you have to add a right triangle to the picture to use the Pythagorean Theorem.



Example 2

Calculate the volume of gravel in a conical pile in cubic yards.

The volume of a cone formula requires the measurement of the height and radius of the cone. Unfortunately, the gravel pile itself is in the way of these measurements.

The slant-height and circumference of the base can be measured, however, and the height and radius can be calculated using formulas.



Use the formula for the circumference of a circle to calculate the radius. Then use the Pythagorean Theorem to calculate the height.



Cone	h	circumference since it is the measure of a curve $SA = \pi r^2 + \pi r \sqrt{r^2 + h^2} \qquad V = 0$	diameter (d) is known instead of the radius = $\frac{1}{3}\pi r^2h$
Circle	r	$C = 2\pi r$ **for a circle, perimeter is renamed	$A = \pi r^{2}$ $A = \frac{\pi d^{2}}{4}$ this formula can be used if the