If a base angle of an isosceles triangle measures 50, what is the number of degrees in the measure of the vertex angle?

Solution:



We know that $\angle A = 50^{\circ}$. Because $\triangle ABC$ is the isosceles triangle then

 $\angle A = \angle B = 50^{\circ}$.

The sum of the interior angles of a triangle is $180^{\circ}\mbox{.}$ So

$$\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^{\circ},$$

$$50^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} + \angle C = 180^{\circ},$$

$$\angle C = 80^{\circ}.$$

Answer:

80 (degrees)