Answer on Question #61238 – Math – Trigonometry

Question

Triangle PQR has a right angle at R. The length of side PR is 9.8 cm, and the length of side QR is 6 cm. Sketch triangle PQR, and find \angle PQR, giving your answer correct to the nearest degree.





Given:

 $\angle PRQ = 90^{\circ}, |PR| = 9.8 \text{ cm}, |QR| = 6 \text{ cm}$

Find $\angle PQR$

PQ =
$$\sqrt{|PR|^2 + |QR|^2} = \sqrt{9.8^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{132.04} \approx 11.49$$
 (cm),
sin ∠PQR = |PR|/|PQ| = 9.8/ $\sqrt{132.04} \approx 0.853$,
PQR = $sin^{(-1)} 0.853 \approx 58.52^\circ \approx 59^\circ$.

Answer: 59°.