

Angles

ANGLE Topics

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Definition: Angle

An angle is created when a half-ray (the initial side of the angle) is drawn out of a single point (the vertex of the angle) and the ray is rotated around the point to another location (becoming the terminal side of the angle).

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is drawn out of a single point (vertex)	AB: Initial side of angle.
and the ray is rotated around the point to another location (becoming the terminal	AC: Terminal side of angle



STANDARD POSITION

An angle is in "standard position" when the vertex is at the origin and the initial side of the angle is along the *positive* x-axis.

Recall: polynomials in algebra have a *standard form* (all the terms have to be listed with the term having the highest exponent first). In trigonometry, there is a *standard position* for angles. In this way, we are all talking about the same thing and are not trying to guess if your math solution and my math solution are the same.

°° ^A ^β ^P ····∘ ^X	A° C B C B C X	····· B A°×
Not standard position.	Not standard position.	This IS standard position.
Initial side not along	Initial side along negative	Initial side IS along the
positive x-axis.	x-axis	positive x-axis

ANGLE MEASURE

Angles are measured with two different units: They are measured in Degrees, minutes, and seconds or in Radians.

a). Degrees, minutes, and seconds.

For example, 65° 37' 15"

Degrees, Seconds, Minutes changed to Decimal Degree

To change minutes and seconds to a decimal:

There are 60 minutes in 1 degree, so divide minutes by 60.

There are 60 seconds in 1 minute (60 times 60 seconds in 1 degree), so divide seconds by 3600.

Add the results together to become the decimal part of the degrees.

For example, $65^{\circ} 37^{\circ} 15''$ $= 65^{\circ} + 37/60 + 15/3600$ $= 65^{\circ} + .616666... + .00416666...$ $= 65^{\circ} + .62083333...$ $= 65.62083333...^{\circ}$ $= 65.62083^{\circ}$ rounded to five decimal places.

Calculator Steps to change minutes and seconds to a decimal:

To do the same conversion on a TI-83 Plus

Enter 65° 37' 15" as follows:

Type 65 and press the Yellow 2nd. Key and Apps/Angle; Select 1: ^o

followed by 37 and the Yellow 2nd. Key and Apps/Angle; Select 2: '

followed by 15 and the Green alpha key and MEM/"

Now press ENTER.

The result will be an un-rounded decimal: 65.62083333...

On a **TI-82**, to separate the degrees, minutes, and seconds as 65'37'15' use the Blue 2^{nd} . Key and Matrix/Angle Select 2: '

Decimal Degrees to Degrees, Minutes, Seconds

To change any decimal degrees into degrees, minutes, seconds .

For example, change 37.25125° into degrees, minutes, and seconds

Set aside the digits to the left of the decimal;

these are the degrees: 37 in our example. The decimal .25125 remains.

Multiply the resulting decimal by 60 and again set aside the digits to the left of the decimal;

these are the minutes:

in our example, .25125 * 60 = 15.075

15 minutes is set aside, and the decimal .075 remains.

Multiply the remaining decimal again by 60.

The result will be the number of seconds.

in our example, .075 * 60 = 4.5

so we have 4.5 seconds.

Thus, 37.25125° is the same as 37° 15' 4.5"

Calculator Steps to change decimal degrees into degrees, minutes, seconds using the TI-82 or the TI-83 plus:

First type the decimal expression, but do not use the degree symbol.

For example, 37.25125

Next press the 2nd. Key (blue on TI-82 and yellow on TI-83)

followed by the Angle button (MATRIX/Angle on the TI-82 or APPS/Angle on the TI-83)

And choose 4:DMS (the same on both calculators).

The screen should read 37.25125>DMS

Now press ENTER.

The result will be displayed in degrees, minutes, seconds.

For our example, 37°15'4.5" should be displayed on the screen.

Positive and Negative Angles

When a ray is rotated from the initial side in a counter-clockwise direction, the angle's measure is positive.

When a ray is rotated in a clockwise direction from the initial side, the angle's measure is negative.



Coterminal Angles

Two angles that have the same initial side and share the same terminal side are called coterminal angles. The idea is that you start at the same initial side and end at the same terminal side, but the ray creating the angle may rotate once or even several times either in a positive or a negative direction.

A 45 degree angle and a -675 degree angle are coterminal angles.



45 degree angle

-675 degree angle

A 150 degree angle and a -210 degree angle are coterminal angles





150 degree angle

-210 degree angle