4.4 The Pythagorean Theorem and the Distance Formula

In a right triangle, the sides that form the right angle are called legs.

The side opposite the right angle is called the hypotenuse.

The Pythagorean Theorem: In a right triangle, the square of the length of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the lengths of the legs.


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# The Distance Formula: Finds the distance between two points in a coordinate plane. 

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