

**Answer on Question #45216 – Math – Other**

if  $x$  and  $b$  are complementary angles such that  $\cos(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ . Find the value of  $2 \sin b \sin x$

**Solution**

If  $\cos(x) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ , then  $x = 30^\circ$  or  $\pi/6$ .

Two angles are complementary when they add up to  $90^\circ$ , i.e.  $x+b=90^\circ$ .

Knowing that  $b$  and  $x$  are complementary, we can find that  $b = 90^\circ - x = 90^\circ - 30^\circ = 60^\circ$  or  $\pi/3$ .

Recall  $\sin b = \sin 60^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ ,  $\sin x = \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Then  $2 \sin b \sin x = 2 * \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} * \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ .