# Circles Sections 6.1 & 6.2

The many practical uses of the circle range from the wheel to the near-circular orbits of some communication satellites. The mechanical uses of the circle have been known for thousands of years, and the ancient Greeks contributed significantly to our understanding of the circle's mathematical properties. The full moon, ripples in a pond when a stone is dropped in, and the shape of some bird's nests show some of the circles that appear in nature.

Our study of circles begins with some definitions, an explanation of the standard symbols used, and certain figures related to circles.

**Definition** A circle is the set of all points in a plane that are at a given distance from a given point in the plane.

	The given distance = $(a clive OA = 0C = 0B = C)$		
	The given point = $\underline{center O}$		
	Notation: <u>O</u> - the circle with center O C		
Note:	A circle divides the plane into three distinct subsets:		
	- the interior $\underbrace{0 \in int 00}_{B}$ D. B - the circle itself $\underbrace{A, B, C \in 0}_{A}$		
	- the circle itself $\underline{A}, \underline{B}, \underline{C} \in \mathcal{O}$		
	- the exterior $\underline{\supset} \in e \times \pm \odot O$		
Note:	The radius of a circle is defined above as a number. It is standard practice, however, for "radius" to also mean a line segment, as in the following definition. You can usually determine which meaning of the word "radius" is intended by the context in which it is used.		
<b>Definition</b>	A radius of a circle is a segment that joins the center of the circle to a point on the circle. $\overline{OA}$		
<b>Definition</b>	A diameter of a circle is a segment whose endpoints are points of the circle and it contains the $\overline{AB}$		
<u>Theorem</u>	In any given circle all radii are congruent and all diameters are congruent. (radii $\bigcirc \cong$ and diams $\odot \cong$ )		
Definition	Two or more circles are congruent if they have congruent radii $(\odot s \cong \text{ iff radii} \cong)$ .		



- obtuse (measure less than  $180^{\circ}) \leq 10^{\circ}$ 

These angles "cut off" portions of the circle called arcs.



(corresponding to < EOj) Example: The intercepted arc of an angle is the minor arc associated with the central angle.

A minor arc is the set of points of a circle that are on a

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Example: What is the intercepted arc of  $\angle SOJ$ ?

A major arc is the set of points of a circle that are on a central angle or in its exferiorDefinition

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A semicircle is the set of points of a circle that are on, or are on one side of, a line containing a **Definition** diameter

Example: 
$$SKE, SjE$$

**Definition** The degree measure of

a) a minor arc is the measure of its central angle (also known as The Central Angle Postulate),

- a semicircle is 180°, b)
- a circle is 360°, c)
- d) a major arc is 360° minus the measure of its associated minor arc.



Given: $\bigcirc O$				
	$m \angle EOS = 41$	o		
Find:	$\widehat{mES}$	$m ES = m < EOS = 41^{\circ}$		
	mÊSJ	m ESj = 180°		
	m∠SOJ	mcsoj = 180°-41° = 139°		
	mŜĴ	$m\hat{s}j = w < soj = 139^{\circ}$		
	mÊKS	MEKS = 360° - 41° = 319°		

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Note: The degree measure of an arc is not a measure of the arc's length.

For the concentric circles in the figure,

 $\widehat{mAB} = \widehat{mCD}$  because the arcs have the same central angle, but certainly  $\widehat{AB}$  is not as long as  $\widehat{CD}$ .





An angle is an **inscribed angle** of a circle if its vertex is a point on the circle and its sides are chords of the circle.

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### Central Angles, Arcs, and Chords

There are some important properties about central angles, arcs, and chords that are associated with a given circle or with two circles that are the same size. But what is meant by "the same size"?

**Definition** Two arcs of a circle or of congruent circles are congruent iff their degree measures are equal.

Note: Since congruent arcs are defined in terms of numbers (degree measures), the addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division properties of congruence may be easily extended to include congruence between arcs.

Theorems relating central angles, arcs, and chords in the same or congruent circles

Theorem 1<br/>(6.1-T 6.1.3)If two minor arcs of a circle or of congruent circles are congruent, then their central angles are<br/>congruent (if  $s \cong$ , central  $\angle s \cong$ ).Given  $\bigcirc O$ StatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsStatementsProofReasonsOStatementsProofReasonsStatementsProofReasonsStatementsProofProofStatementsStatementsStatementsProof<th colspan=

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The above six theorems are summarized in the following diagram:

 $\frac{\text{Theorem 4}}{(6.1 - T. 6.1.7)}$ and T. 6.1.8) Chords are at the same distance from the center of a circle if and only if they are congruent.  $d(0,\overline{AB}) = d(0,\overline{CB}) <= 7 \overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ В Note that d(0, FB) = the distourn from 0 to FB А 0 D

## **Inscribed Angles**

There are three different types of inscribed angles when considered in relation to the center of the circle.



The measure of an inscribed angle is equal to one-half the degree measure of its intercepted arc. Theorem 1 (inscr  $\angle = \frac{1}{2}$ ) (6.1 – T 6.1.2)

Example:

$$m < Fj \leq = \frac{1}{2} m Fs$$
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 $ABC = 1 m \widehat{AC}$ 

Theorem 2

If two inscribed angles in a circle intercept the same arc or congruent arcs, then the angles are (6.1 - T 6.1.10)congruent (inscr  $\angle s$  intercept same or  $\cong$  s are  $\cong$ ).



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Theorem 3 (6.1 – T 6.1.9) If an inscribed angle intercepts a semicircle, then it is a  $\underline{nsh}$  angle (inser  $\angle$  interest semi  $\odot$  is rt $\angle$ ).

$$W < ABC = \frac{1}{2} W CDA = \frac{1}{2} 180^{\circ} = 90^{\circ}$$



#### Polygons inscribed in a circle

<u>Definition</u> Any polygon is inscribed in a circle if and only if all its vertices are points of the circle; the circle is said to be circumscribed about the polygon.

Also, a circle is inscribed in a polygon if and only if it is tangent to each of the polygon's sides.





<u>Theorem</u> (6.2 – T 6.2.8) If two parallel lines intersect a circle, then the arcs of the circle between the parallel lines are congruent (if || lines intersect  $\odot$ ,  $s \cong$ ).



# Chords, Tangents, and Secants

Theorem 1  
(62-T6.2.2)  
The measure of an angle formed by two chords that intersect within a circle is  
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(62-T6.2.3)  
If a line is tangent to a circle, then it is perpendicular to the radius drawn to the point of contact  
(62-T6.2.4)  
The measure of an angle formed by a tangent to a circle and a chord drawn  
(62-T6.2.5)  
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Problem 5

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Use the figure to answer the questions.

#### Given $\bigcirc O$ tan $\overleftarrow{ES}$

a) Name two angles congruent to  $\angle KJE$ . < KCj and < jMK

- b) Name two angles congruent to  $\angle JCM$ .  $< MK_1 ~ and ~ < S_1M$
- c) Name three angles supplementary to  $\angle KJS$ .  $\langle k_j \epsilon \rangle \langle K c_j \rangle \langle j M k_j \rangle$
- d) Name one angle supplementary to  $\angle \mathbf{k} CM$ .



