


9.0 Circle Definitions and Arcs Day 2

Learning Targets:

- a. I can use central angles of a circle to find major and minor arcs of a circle.
- b. I can use major and minor arcs of a circle to find central angles of a circle.

Use the link below to make conjectures about the following:

- What is the difference between a major and minor arc?
- How do you name a minor arc? Major arc?
- What relationship does the central angle have with the minor arc? Major arc?

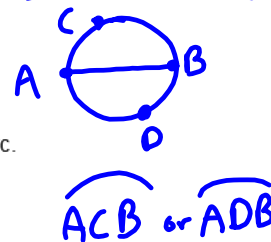
 <https://www.geogebra.org/m/xr8EQMYs>

Any two points A and B on a circle C determine a **MINOR ARC** and a **MAJOR ARC**.

MINOR ARC - The shorter arc connecting two points on a circle.

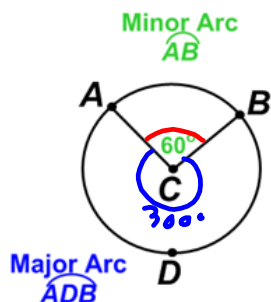
- A minor arc is less than 180°.
- The minor arc is denoted using two letters.
- The minor arc is equal to the measure of its central angle.

Arc that is exactly 180° - semicircle



MAJOR ARC - The longer arc connecting two points on a circle.

- A major arc is between 180° and 360°.
- The major arc is denoted using three letters.
- The major arc is equal to the difference of 360° and the measure of the related minor arc.



$$m\widehat{AB} = 60^\circ$$

$$m\widehat{ADB} = 360^\circ - 60^\circ = 300^\circ$$

Examples

For #1 and 2 identify a major and minor arc and then find their measures.

1. $360 - 100$

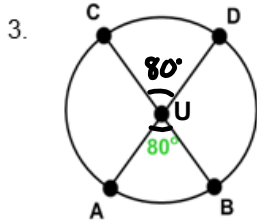
Major: \widehat{BDC}
260°

Minor: \widehat{BC}
100°

2. Major: \widehat{ADC}
289°

Minor: \widehat{AC}
71°

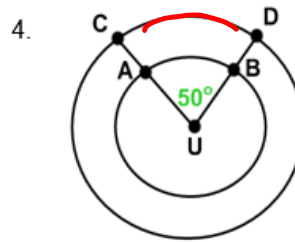
For #3 and 4, find the measures of \widehat{AB} and \widehat{CD} in circle U. Are the arcs congruent?



$$m\widehat{AB} = 80^\circ$$

$$m\widehat{CD} = 80^\circ$$

Yes, $\widehat{AB} \cong \widehat{CD}$

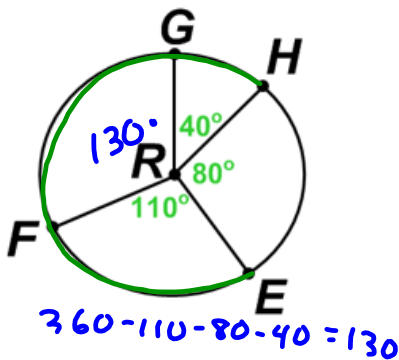


$$m\widehat{AB} = 50^\circ$$

$$m\widehat{CD} = 50^\circ$$

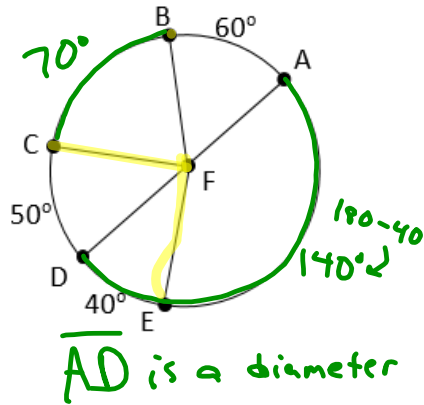
No, since the circles have different radii.

5. Given the circle R below, find the measure of the following arcs.



- a. $m\widehat{GE} = 120^\circ$ b. $m\widehat{HF} = 170^\circ$ (minor arc)
- c. $m\widehat{HEF} = 190^\circ$ d. $m\widehat{HFE} = 280^\circ$
- e. $m\widehat{GFE} = 240^\circ$ f. $m\widehat{FEG} = 230^\circ$
- $130 + 110$

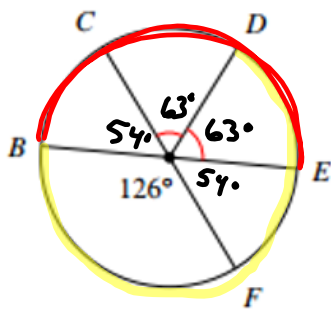
6. Find the measure of each angle.



a. $m\angle DFB = 120^\circ$ b. $m\angle CFB = 70^\circ$

c. $m\angle CFE = 90^\circ$ d. $m\angle EFA = 140^\circ$

7. Given the circle below, find each of the following arcs.



a. $m\widehat{CD} = 63^\circ$ b. $m\widehat{BD} = 117^\circ$

c. $m\widehat{BED} = 243^\circ$ d. $m\widehat{BDE} = 180^\circ$

\overline{BE} is a diameter

\overline{CF} is a diameter