LESSON 9.3

Arcs and Angles

Objectives

- Discover relationships between an inscribed angle of the circle and its intercepted arc

Please choose a compass and a protractor from the front.

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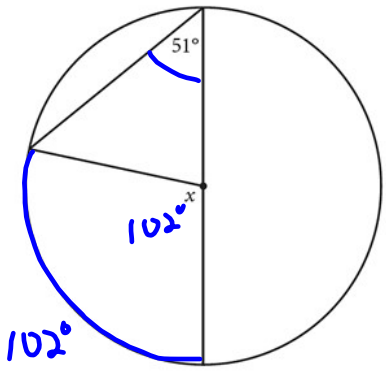

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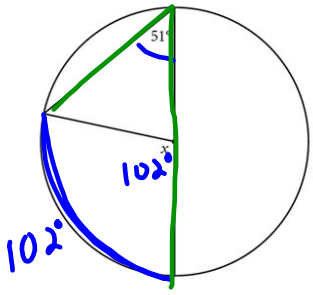
Find x.

$x = 102°$



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Many arches that you see in structures are semicircular, but Chinese builders long ago discovered that arches don't have to have this shape. The Zhaozhou bridge, shown below, was completed in 605 c.e. It is the world's first stone arched bridge in the shape of a minor arc, predating other minor-arc arches by about 800 years.

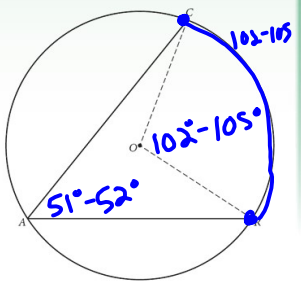
In this lesson you'll discover properties of arcs and the angles associated with them.

INVESTIGATION 1

Inscribed Angle Properties

YOU WILL NEED:
compass,
straightedge,
protractor

In this investigation you will compare an inscribed angle and a central angle, both inscribed in the same arc. Refer to the diagram of circle O, with central angle COR and inscribed angle CAR.



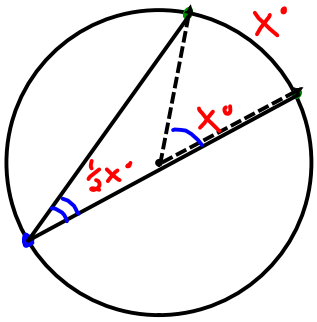
Step 1 Measure $\angle COR$ with your protractor to find $m\overset{\frown}{CR}$, the intercepted arc. Measure $\angle CAR$. How does $m\angle CAR$ compare with $m\overset{\frown}{CR}$?

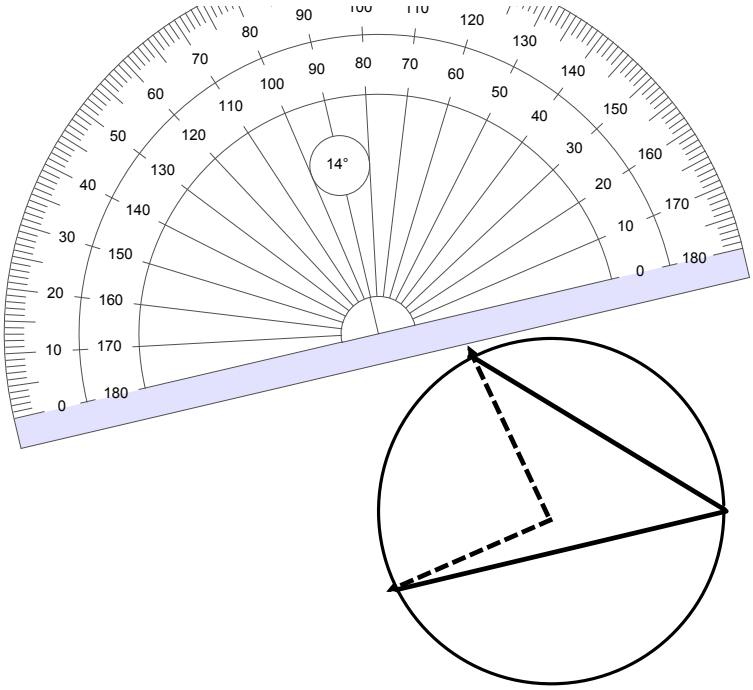
Step 2 Construct a circle of your own with an inscribed angle. Draw and measure the central angle that intercepts the same arc. What is the measure of the inscribed angle? How do the two measures compare?

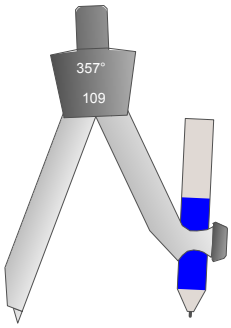
Step 3 Share your results with others near you. Copy and complete the conjecture.

Inscribed Angle Conjecture C-81

The measure of an angle inscribed in a circle _____.



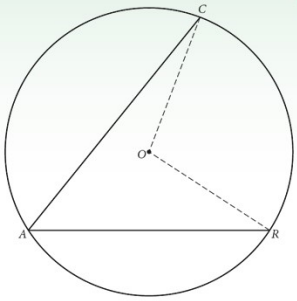




INVESTIGATION 1
SOLUTION

Step 1 Measure $\angle COR$ with your protractor to find $m\widehat{CR}$, the intercepted arc. Measure $\angle CAR$. How does $m\angle CAR$ compare with $m\widehat{CR}$?

100°; 50°; $m\angle CAR = \frac{1}{2}m\angle COR$

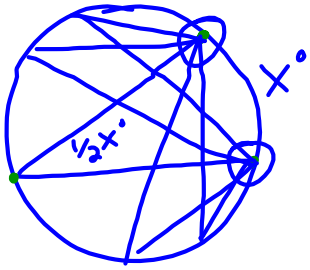


Step 2 Construct a circle of your own with an inscribed angle. Draw and measure the central angle that intercepts the same arc. What is the measure of the inscribed angle? How do the two measures compare?

Step 3 Share your results with others near you. Copy and complete the conjecture.

Inscribed Angle Conjecture **C-81**

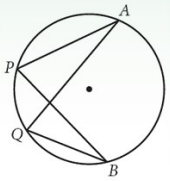
The measure of an angle inscribed in a circle is one-half the measure of the intercepted arc.



INVESTIGATION 2
Inscribed Angles Intercepting the Same Arc

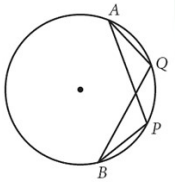
YOU WILL NEED:
compass,
straightedge,
protractor

Next, let's consider two inscribed angles that intercept the same arc. In the figure at right, $\angle AQB$ and $\angle APB$ both intercept $\widehat{AB}$. Angles AQB and APB are both inscribed in $\widehat{APB}$.



Step 1 Construct a large circle. Select two points on the circle. Label them A and B. Select a point P on the major arc and construct inscribed angle APB. With your protractor, measure $\angle APB$.

Step 2 Select another point Q on $\widehat{APB}$ and construct inscribed angle AQB. Measure $\angle AQB$.

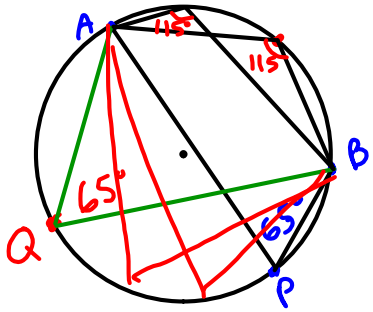


Step 3 How does $m\angle AQB$ compare with $m\angle APB$?

Step 4 Repeat Steps 1–3 with points P and Q selected on minor arc AB. Compare results with your group. Then copy and complete the conjecture.

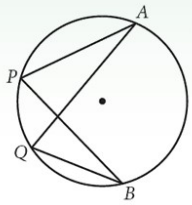
Inscribed Angles Intercepting Arcs Conjecture **C-82**

Inscribed angles that intercept the same arc _____.



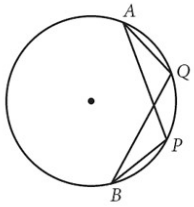
INVESTIGATION 2
SOLUTION

Step 1 Construct a large circle. Select two points on the circle. Label them A and B. Select a point P on the major arc and construct inscribed angle APB. With your protractor, measure $\angle APB$.



Step 2 Select another point Q on $\overset{\frown}{APB}$ and construct inscribed angle AQB. Measure $\angle AQB$.

Step 3 How does $m\angle AQB$ compare with $m\angle APB$? equal



Step 4 Repeat Steps 1–3 with points P and Q selected on minor arc AB. Compare results with your group. Then copy and complete the conjecture.

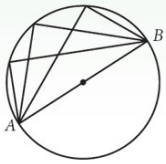
Inscribed Angles Intercepting Arcs Conjecture **C-82**

Inscribed angles that intercept the same arc are congruent.

INVESTIGATION 3
Angles Inscribed in a Semicircle

YOU WILL NEED:
compass,
straightedge,
protractor

Next, you will investigate a property of angles inscribed in semicircles. This will lead you to a third important conjecture about inscribed angles.

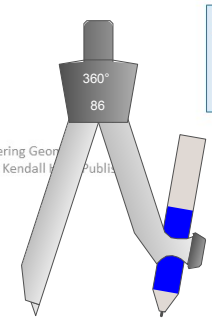


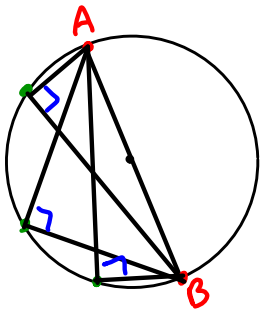
Step 1 Construct a large circle. Construct a diameter $\overline{AB}$. Inscribe three angles in the same semicircle. Make sure the sides of each angle pass through A and B.

Step 2 Measure each angle with your protractor. What do you notice? Compare your results with the results of others and make a conjecture.

Angles Inscribed in a Semicircle Conjecture **C-83**

Angles inscribed in a semicircle _____.





INVESTIGATION 3
SOLUTION

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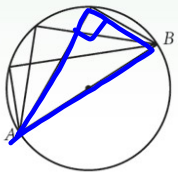
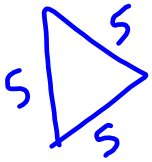


Step 2 Measure each angle with your protractor. What do you notice? Compare your results with the results of others and make a conjecture.

Angles Inscribed in a Semicircle Conjecture C-83

Angles inscribed in a semicircle are right angles.

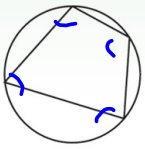


Now you will discover a property of the angles of a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle.

INVESTIGATION 4
Cyclic Quadrilaterals

YOU WILL NEED:
compass, straightedge, protractor

A quadrilateral inscribed in a circle is called a **cyclic quadrilateral**. Each of its angles is inscribed in the circle, and each of its sides is a chord of the circle.

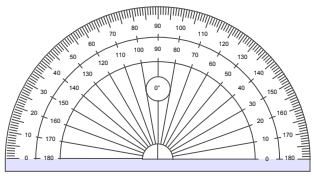


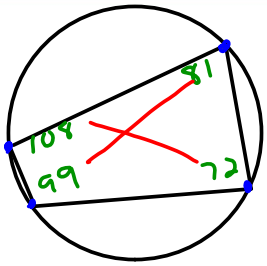
Step 1 Construct a large circle. Construct a cyclic quadrilateral by connecting four points anywhere on the circle.

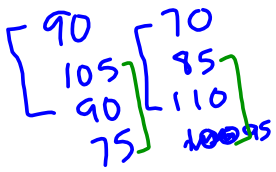
Step 2 Measure each of the four inscribed angles. Write the measure in each angle. Look carefully at the sums of various angles. Share your observations with students near you. Then copy and complete the conjecture.

Cyclic Quadrilateral Conjecture C-84

The _____ angles of a cyclic quadrilateral are _____.

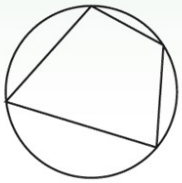






INVESTIGATION 4
SOLUTION

A quadrilateral inscribed in a circle is called a **cyclic quadrilateral**. Each of its angles is inscribed in the circle, and each of its sides is a chord of the circle.



Step 1 Construct a large circle. Construct a cyclic quadrilateral by connecting four points anywhere on the circle.

Step 2 Measure each of the four inscribed angles. Write the measure in each angle. Look carefully at the sums of various angles. Share your observations with students near you. Then copy and complete the conjecture.

Cyclic Quadrilateral Conjecture C-84

The opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral are supplementary.

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Review these conjectures and ask yourself which quadrilaterals can be inscribed in a circle. Can any parallelogram be a cyclic quadrilateral? If two sides of a cyclic quadrilateral are parallel, then what kind of quadrilateral will it be?

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- How can the Inscribed Angle Conjecture be used to explain *why* the other conjectures are true?
- If the inscribed angle is obtuse, what is the measure of the intercepted arc?
- Which quadrilaterals are cyclic?
- Can a parallelogram be a cyclic quadrilateral?
- If two sides of a cyclic quadrilateral are parallel, what kind of quadrilateral can it be?

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Summarize

- How can the Inscribed Angle Conjecture be used to explain *why* the other conjectures are true?

  An angle inscribed in a semicircle intercepts a 180° arc, so its measure will be 90°. Opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral intercept arcs whose measures sum to 360°, so the sum of the angle measures will be half that, or 180°. And if a diagonal is drawn across the quadrilateral-like shape formed by two parallel lines and their intercepted arcs, the two inscribed angles will be congruent by the Parallel Lines Conjecture, so the intercepted arcs will be congruent.

- If the inscribed angle is obtuse, what is the measure of the intercepted arc?

  More than 180°.

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Summarize

- Which quadrilaterals are cyclic?

  All squares and rectangles and some kites, trapezoids, and nonspecial quadrilaterals.

- Can a parallelogram be a cyclic quadrilateral?

  Only if it's a rectangle.

- If two sides of a cyclic quadrilateral are parallel, what kind of quadrilateral can it be?

  Rectangle, square, or isosceles trapezoid.