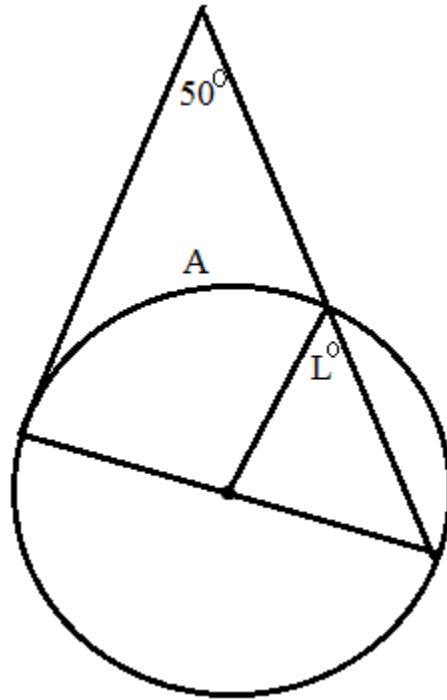


Geometry Circles Review (Honors)

Questions and Answers



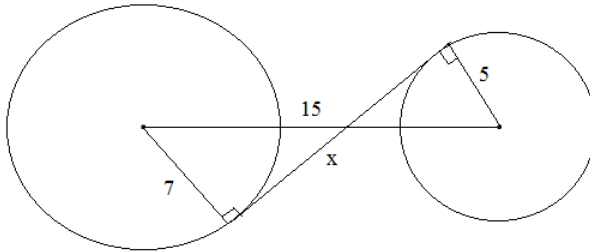
Topics include arc length, common internal tangent length, secant-tangent theorems, chords, area, standard form of circle, and more.

Examples: Two coplaner circles -- with centers 15 units apart -- have radii 7 and 5.

A) Find the length of the common internal tangent.

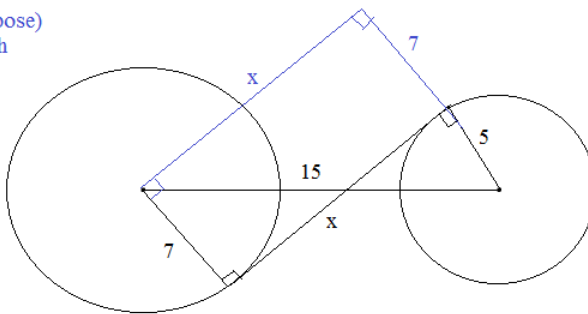
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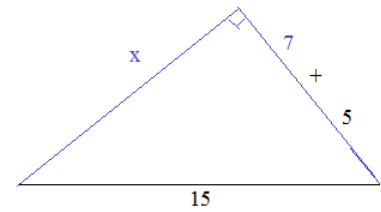


Step 2: Duplicate (transpose) the missing length

By drawing a parallel segment of equal length, a rectangle is created!



Step 3: Extract and solve the right triangle



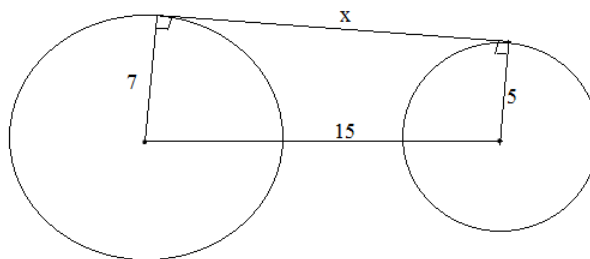
Pythagorean Theorem:

$$x = 9$$

B) Find the length of the common external tangent.

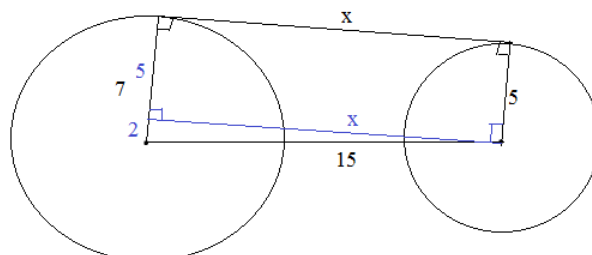
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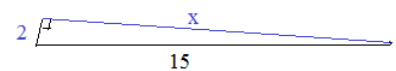


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The segment creates a rectangle and right triangle...



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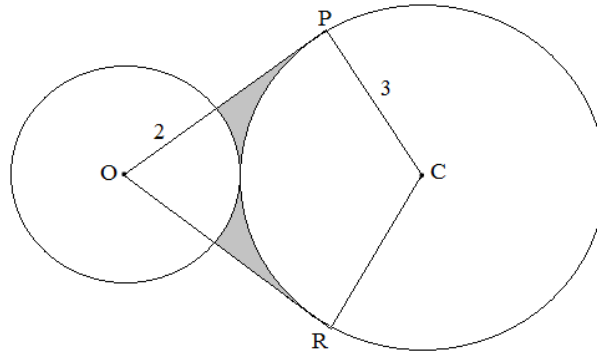


Pythagorean Theorem:

$$x = \sqrt{221} = 14.87$$

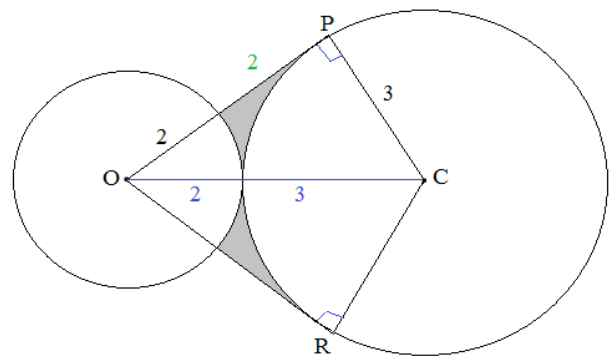
Example: OP and OR are external tangents

- a) find $m\angle POR$
 $m\angle PCR$
- b) find the shaded area



Tangents and radii form right angles...
 OP and OR are congruent (because they are external tangents that meet at a common point)
 $\triangle POC$ and $\triangle ROC$ are congruent right triangles...

Pythagorean Theorem: 3-4-5 right triangles



- a) $\sin(\angle POC) = \frac{3}{5}$
 $\angle POC = 36.87^\circ$
 then, $\angle POR = 2 \times \angle POC = 73.74^\circ$
- $\cos(\angle PCO) = \frac{3}{5}$
 $\angle PCO = 53.13^\circ$
 then, $\angle PCR = 2 \times \angle PCO = 106.26^\circ$

b) To find the shaded area:

1) area of each right triangle: $\frac{1}{2} (\text{base})(\text{height}) = \frac{1}{2} (4)(3) = 6$

so, area of the triangles is 12

2) area of each sector

Sector in circle O: $\frac{\ominus}{360} \pi (\text{radius})^2$
 $\frac{73.74}{360} \pi (2)^2 = 2.57$

Sector in circle C: $\frac{\ominus}{360} \pi (\text{radius})^2$
 $\frac{106.26}{360} \pi (3)^2 = 8.35$

3) Calculate the shaded area

Shaded = total triangles - sectors

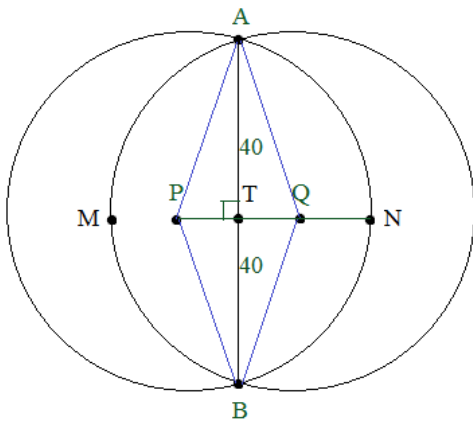
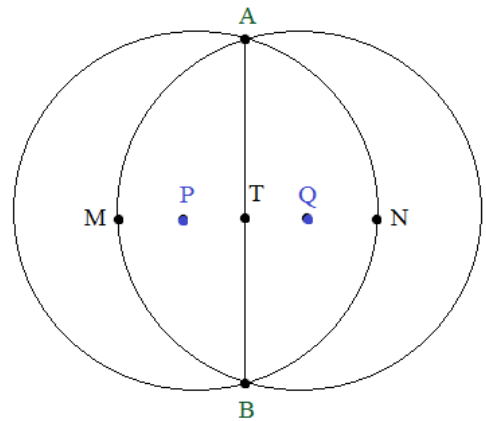
$= (12) - (2.57 + 8.35) = 1.08 \text{ square units}$

Example: Given: Circle P and Circle Q are congruent

$$\overline{MP} = \overline{NQ} = 10$$

$$\overline{AB} = 80$$

What is the distance between P and Q?



Since circles P and Q are congruent,
the radii are all congruent...

(Angle Bisector Theorem)

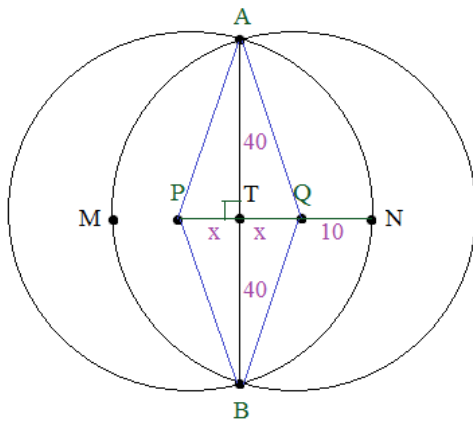
We know PQ is a perpendicular bisector of AB..

Therefore, $\overline{AT} = \overline{TB} = 40$
and $\triangle PAT$ is a right triangle

$$x^2 + 40^2 = (\overline{PA})^2$$

\overline{PA} and \overline{PN} are congruent radii
(in circle P)

$$x + x + 10 = \overline{PN}$$



$$x^2 + 1600 = (2x + 10)^2$$

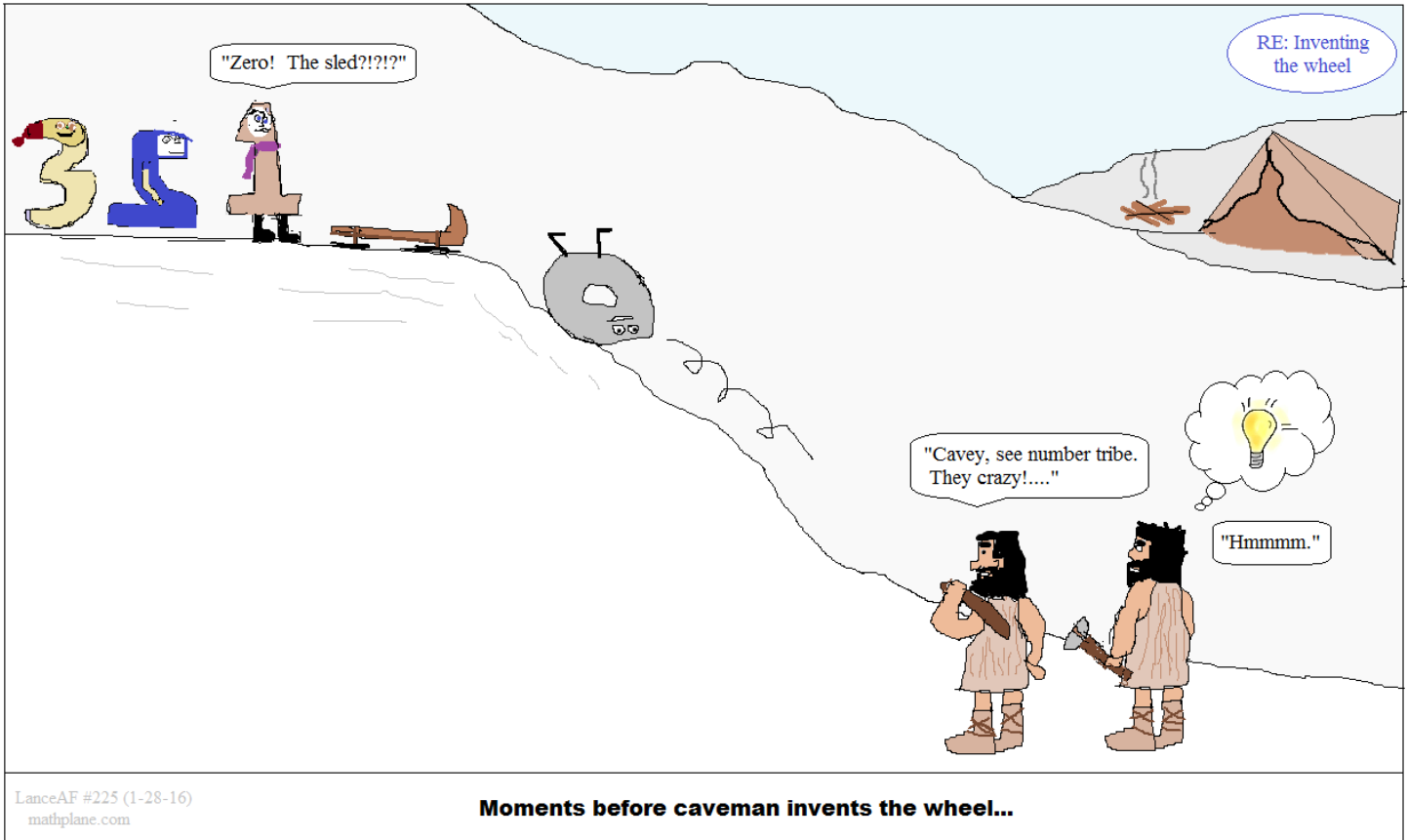
$$x^2 + 1600 = 4x^2 + 40x + 100$$

$$3x^2 + 40x - 1500 = 0$$

$$(3x - 50)(x + 30) = 0$$

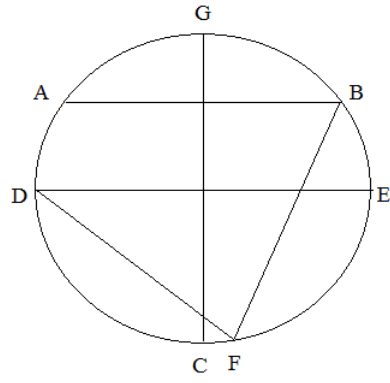
since length x cannot be negative, $x = 50/3$

therefore, $\overline{PQ} = 100/3$

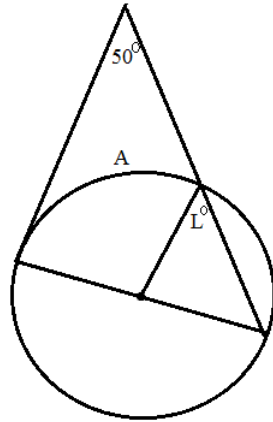


Exercises ->

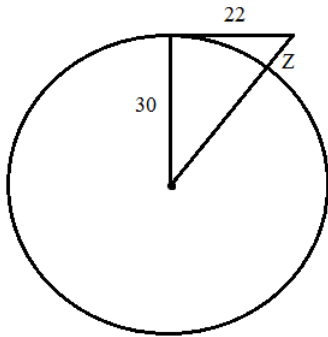
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2) Find L and A

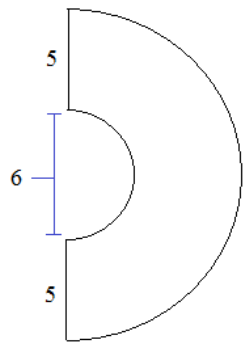


3) Find Z:

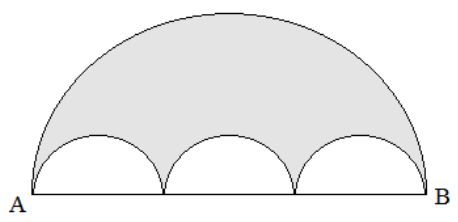


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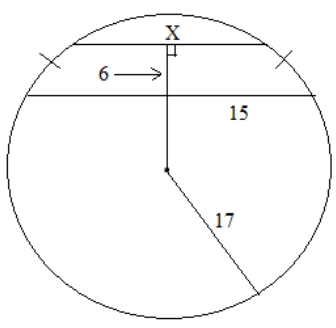
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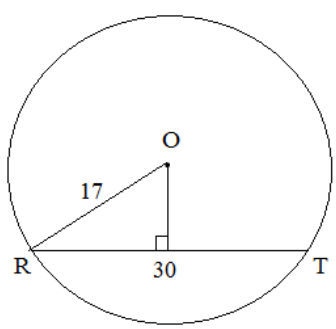
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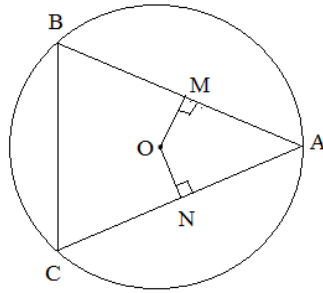
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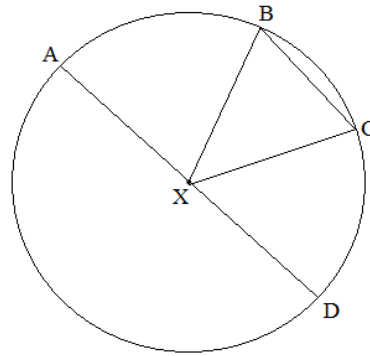


Find: the area of circle O

10) Given: $\angle BXA = \angle CXD$

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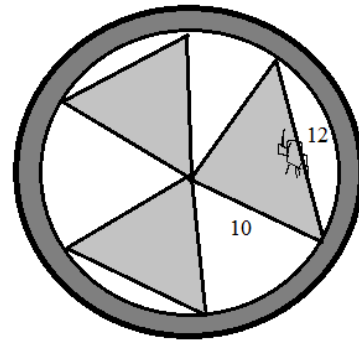
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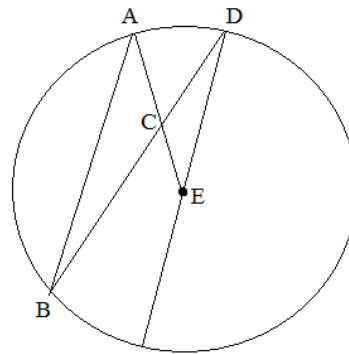
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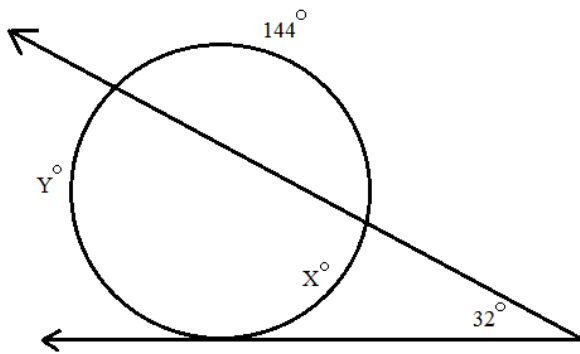
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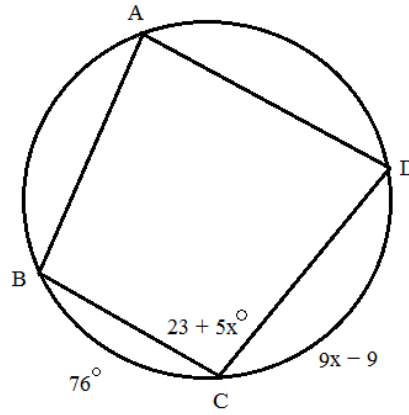
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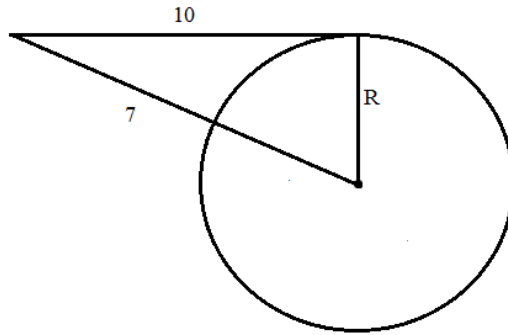
15) Find X and Y



- 16) Quadrilateral ABCD is inscribed in the circle.
Find $\angle BCD$

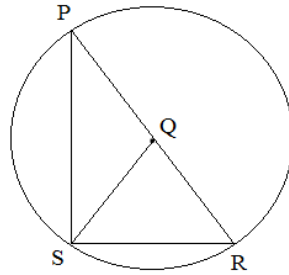


- 17) What is radius R?



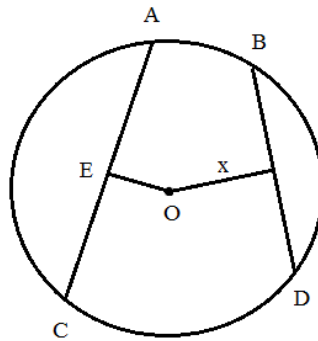
- 18) Given: Circle Q
 $P = 36^\circ$
 $\overline{PS} \perp \overline{SR}$

- Find: a) $\angle PSQ$
b) $\angle R$



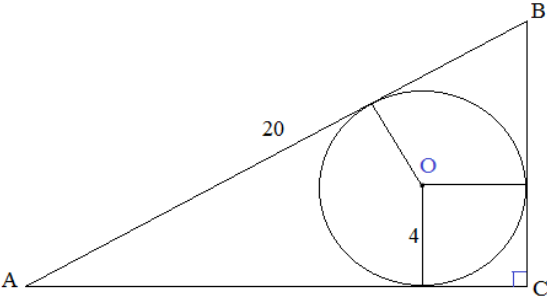
- 19) $\overline{AC} = 30$
 $\overline{BD} = 20$
 $\overline{OE} = 8$

What is x?



20) A circle is inscribed in a 21-28-35 right triangle.
What is the radius of the circle?

21) Circle O is inscribed in right triangle ABC.
If the radius is 4 and AB is 20,
what is the perimeter?



22) The radii of two circles are 3 and 8.
If the external tangent is 20, what is the distance between the circles?

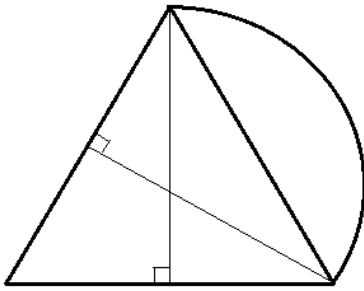
23) A circle with diameter of 40 has a chord with endpoints $(-3, 2)$ and $(2, 14)$.
What is the distance of the chord from the center of the circle?

Below are 3 identical equilateral triangles -- each having side lengths 6.

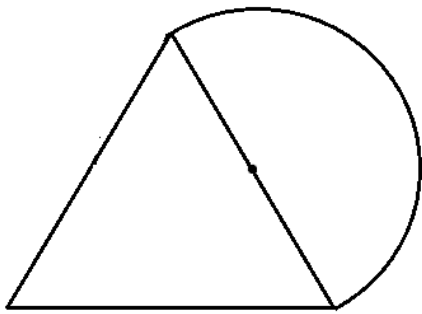
Determine each a) arc angle measure

b) arc length

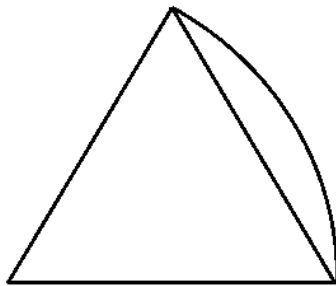
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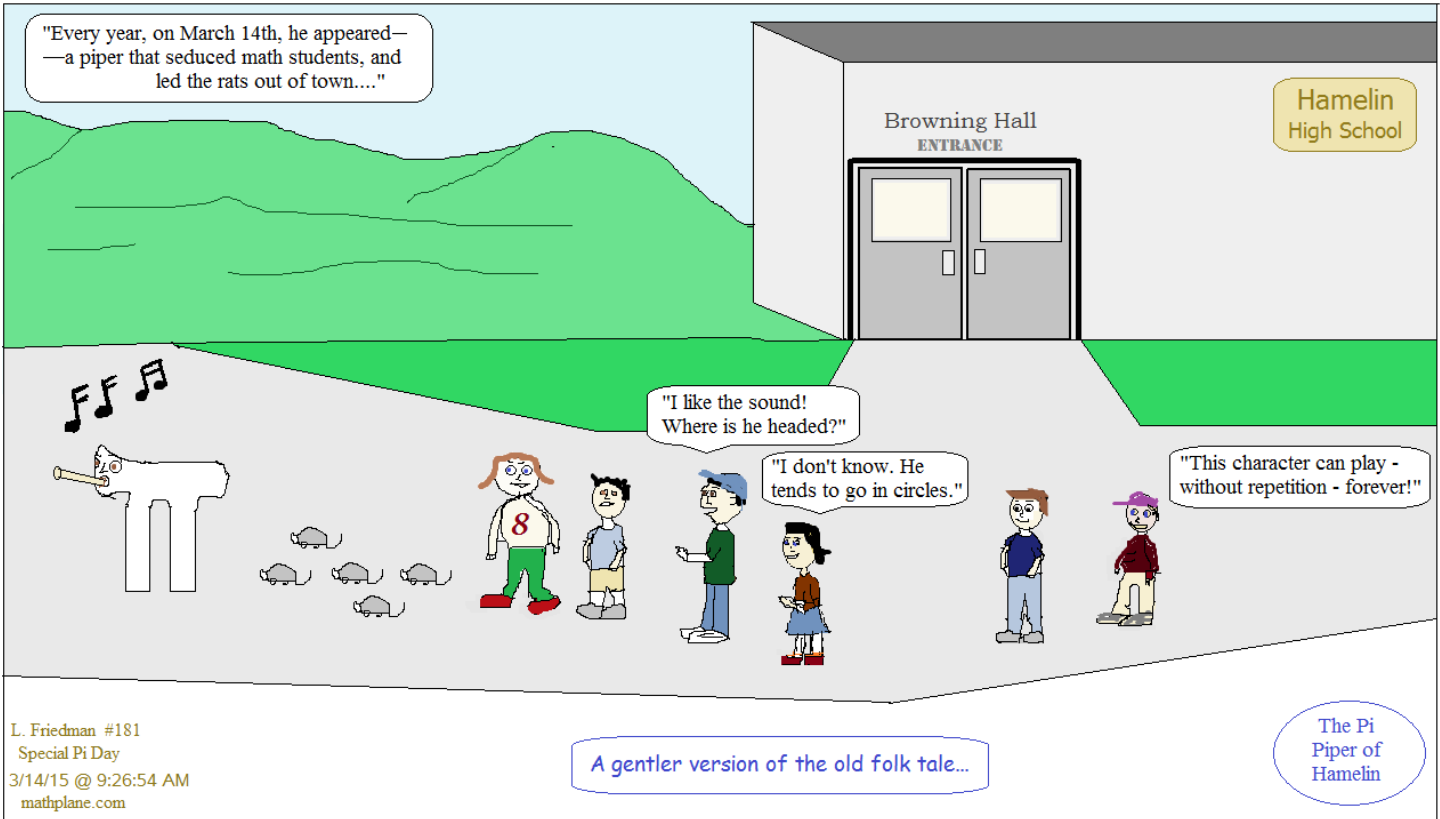


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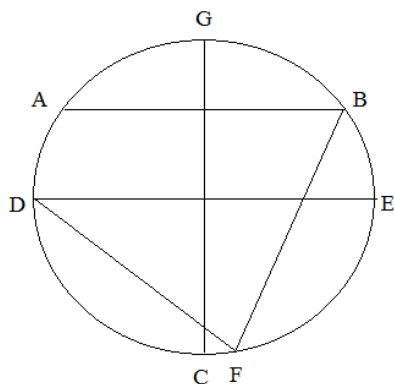
C)





Solutions-→

1) Which chords are congruent?



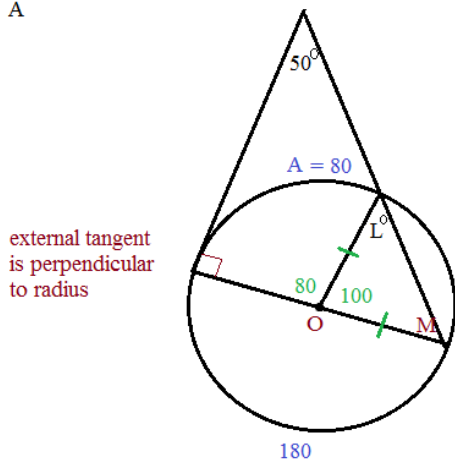
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$DE = GC$

the diameters are the same!
(and, a diameter is a chord-- the longest possible chord in a circle)

while the other chords MIGHT be congruent, we don't KNOW...

2) Find L and A



external tangent is perpendicular to radius

Angle-Arc relationship: $\frac{1}{2} (180 - A) = 50$ $A = 80$

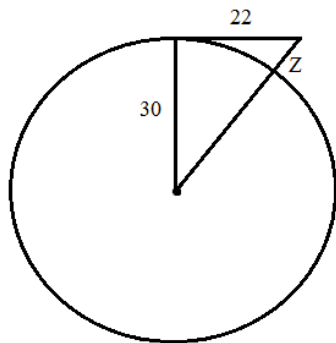
Since $A = 80$, the central angle is 80, and it's supplement is 100

Triangle LMO is isosceles (because the radii are congruent)... Therefore, L and M are congruent angles... 40 and 40

$L = 40$

Also, the large triangle has angles 40, 50 and 90... (sum is 180) ✓

3) Find Z:



Quick check:

$22^2 + 30^2 = 37.20^2$

$484 + 900 = 1383.84$ ✓

(Pythagorean Theorem)

Since a radius is perpendicular to a tangent line, the diagram is a right triangle:

$22^2 + 30^2 = (\text{radius} + Z)^2$

$484 + 900 = (\text{radius} + Z)^2$

$\text{radius} + Z = 37.20$

Since radius is 30,
 $Z = 7.20$

Also, using tangent-secant power theorem:

$(\text{radius} + \text{radius} + Z)(Z) = 22^2$

whole external part tangent squared secant

$(30 + 30 + Z)(Z) = 484$

$Z^2 + 60Z - 484 = 0$

(Quadratic formula)

$Z = 7.20$ or -67.20

Z must be positive, so the answer is 7.20

4) What is the equation of a circle containing points (1, 1) (5, 9) and (13, 4)?

Since we cannot assume that 2 of these points are endpoints of a diameter, we must solve the system..

Standard form of a circle: $(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$

Using Geometry: the perpendicular bisectors will intersect at the circumcenter (i.e the center of a circle that circumscribes the triangle)

The perpendicular bisector of (1, 1) and (5, 9)

midpoint: (3, 5)

slope of line: 2 slope of perpendicular bisector: $-1/2$

$$y - 5 = (-1/2)(x - 3)$$

$$y = \frac{-1}{2}x + \frac{13}{2}$$

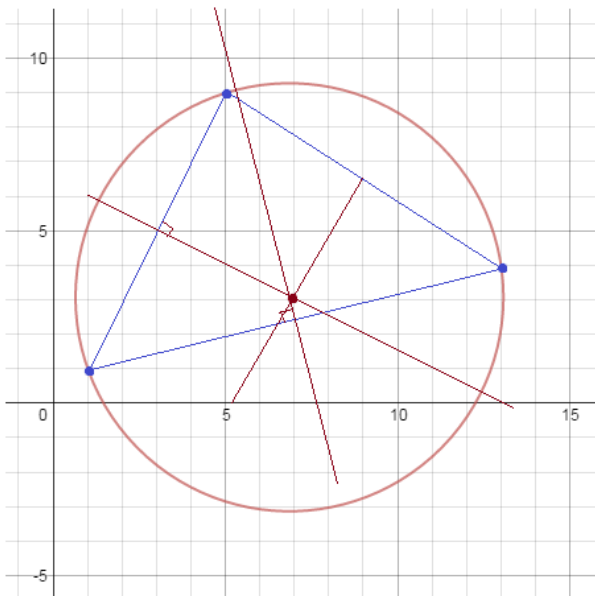
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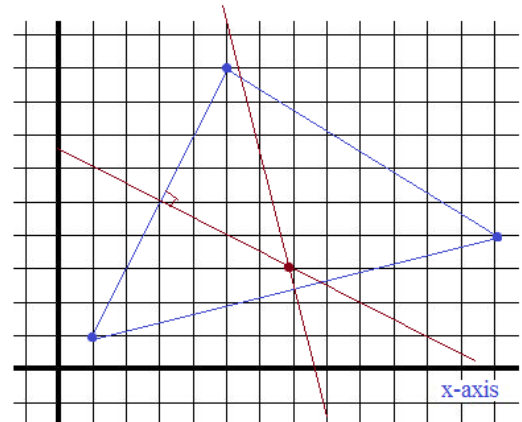
slope of line: 1/4 slope of perpendicular bisector: -4

$$y - 5/2 = (-4)(x - 7)$$

$$y = -4x + 30.5$$



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the intersection of the perpendicular bisectors:

$$\frac{-1}{2}x + \frac{13}{2} = -4x + 30.5$$

$$3.5x = 24 \quad \text{then, } y = 3.07$$

$$x = 6.86$$

center: (6.86, 3.07)

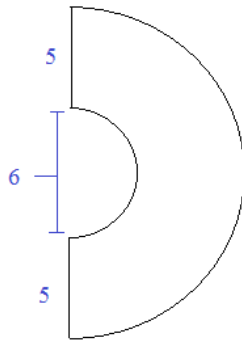
Finally, what is the distance from (6.86, 3.07) to each of the 3 points?

$$\text{distance} = \sqrt{(6.86 - 1)^2 + (3.07 - 1)^2} = 6.21$$

radius

circle: $(x - 6.86)^2 + (y - 3.07)^2 = 38.56$

5) Find the perimeter.



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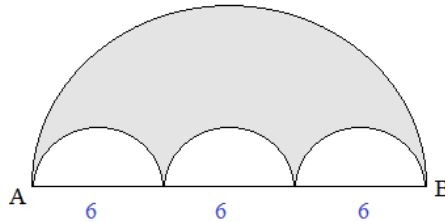
arc length of semicircle: $(1/2)\pi(\text{diameter})$

diameter of inner semicircle is 6
diameter of outer semicircle is 16

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)16\pi + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)6\pi + 5 + 5$$

$$11\pi + 10$$

6) Length of \overline{AB} is 18.
The 3 semicircles are congruent.
What is the shaded area?



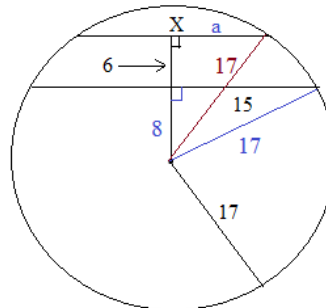
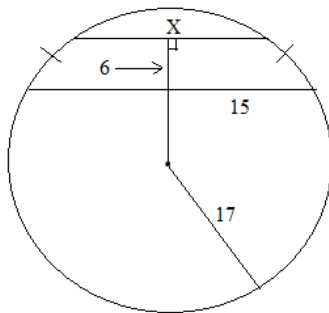
Area of semicircle = $(1/2)\pi(\text{radius})^2$

Large semicircle: $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)81\pi = 40.5\pi$

Small semicircle: $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)9\pi = 4.5\pi$

Shaded area: $40.5\pi - 3(4.5\pi) = 27\pi$

7) Find X:



all radii are congruent...
Pythagorean Theorem..

$$(a)^2 + (6 + 8)^2 = 17^2$$

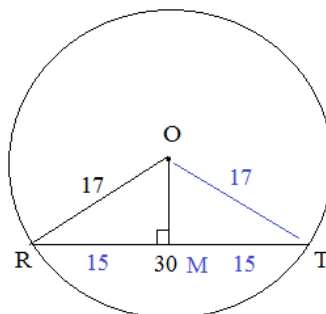
$$a^2 = 93$$

$$a = \sqrt{93}$$

$$X = 2\sqrt{93}$$

8) What is $m\widehat{RT}$?

What is the arc length of \widehat{RT} ?



Using trig ratios, determine central angle O...

$$\sin(O) = \frac{15}{17} \quad \text{angle } O = 61.9^\circ$$

Then, since OM is a perpendicular bisector,

angle ROT is $2 \times 61.9 = 123.8^\circ$

Then, the arc length is $\frac{123.8}{360} \cdot (34\pi) = 36.7$

9) Given: $\triangle ABC$ is isosceles with base \overline{BC}

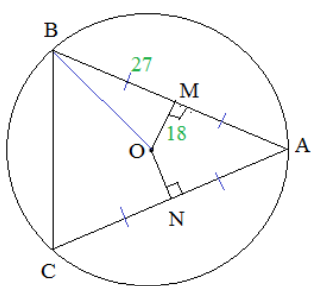
$\overline{OM} \perp \overline{AB}$ $\overline{ON} \perp \overline{AC}$

$\overline{OM} = 7x - 10$

$\overline{AB} = 8x + 22$

$\overline{ON} = 3x + 6$

Find: the area of circle O



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Step 1: Find x
Since ABC is isosceles, $AB \cong AC$...
If 2 chords are congruent, then the distance to the center is the same!

Therefore, $\overline{OM} = \overline{ON}$
 $7x - 10 = 3x + 6$ $x = 4$
 $OM = ON = 18$

Step 2: Find radius
Since $x = 4$, $AB = 8(4) + 22 = 54$
Therefore, BM is 27
(note: the radius to chord is a perpendicular bisector.)

Pythagorean Theorem: $18^2 + 27^2 = OB^2$

$OB = 32.45$

Step 3: Find area
 $\pi(\text{radius})^2 = \boxed{1053\pi}$

10) Given: $\angle BXA = \angle CXD$

$\angle XBC = 68^\circ$

Find: $m\widehat{CDA}$

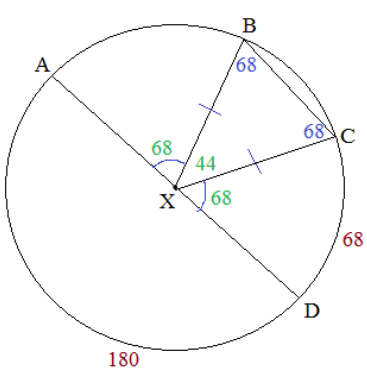
Step 1: Label the diagram
Since all radii are congruent, $BX \cong CX$...
Therefore, angle B = angle C
(If \cong sides, then \cong angles)

Step 2: Find angles and arcs

If B and C are 68, then $\angle BXC = 44$
and, angles BXA and CXD are 68° (because sum of angles between A and D must be 180)

Step 3: calculate major arc

$\widehat{CD} + \widehat{AD} = \widehat{CDA}$
 $68 + 180 = \boxed{248}$

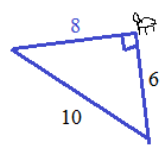


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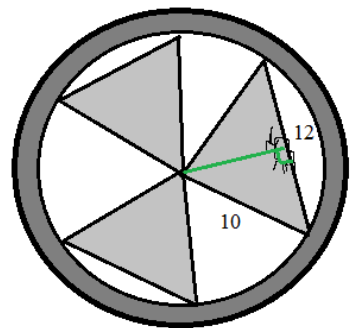
To find the distance the bug travels, we need to find the circumference of the "radius" from the bug to the center of the wheel...

The chord is 12", so the semi-chord is 6"...
And, the spokes are 10"



Using Pythagorean Theorem, we find the distance of the chord (ie bug) to the center is 8" --- radius = 8"

Therefore, the bug will travel $2\pi(\text{radius}) = \boxed{16\pi}$

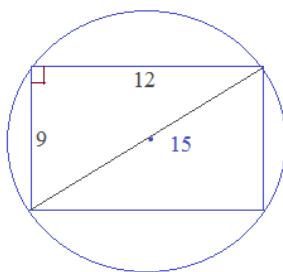


12) A 9 x 12 rectangle is inscribed in a circle.

What is the circumference of the circle?

Circumference = 15π

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Note: the inscribed rectangle is divided into 2 right triangles, where the diameter is the hypotenuse...

Using Pythagorean Theorem, the diameter is 15

13) What is the center and radius of the circle?

$$x^2 - 8x + y^2 + 14y = -6$$

Complete the square to change equation into standard form

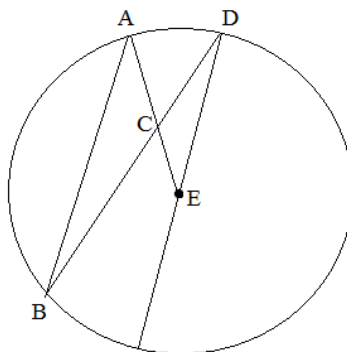
$$x^2 - 8x + 16 + y^2 + 14y + 49 = -6 + 16 + 49$$

$$(x - 4)^2 + (y + 7)^2 = 59$$

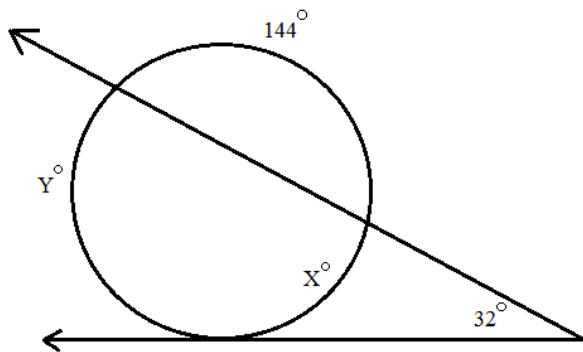
center: $(4, -7)$
radius: $\sqrt{59}$

14) Is $\angle AED$ $<$, $>$, or $=$ to $\angle ABD$?

Since $\angle ABD$ is inscribed angle that intercepts arc AD and $\angle AED$ is a central angle that intercepts arc AD , then $\angle ABD$ must be $1/2$ of $\angle AED$!



15) Find X and Y



$$X + Y + 144 = 360$$

Sum of arcs in a circle is 360

$$\hookrightarrow X + Y = 216$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(Y - X) = 32$$

"Tangent-Secant" Power Theorem

$$\hookrightarrow Y - X = 64$$

Then, solve the system of equations:

$$X + Y = 216$$

$$Y - X = 64$$

$$2Y = 280$$

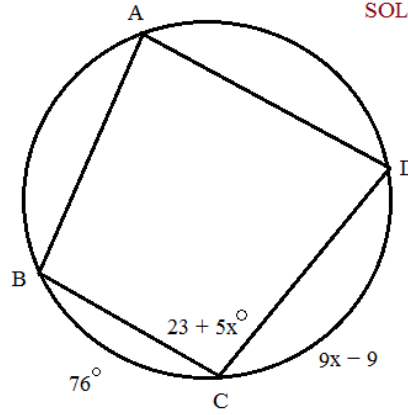
$Y = 140$ and $X = 76$

- 16) Quadrilateral ABCD is inscribed in the circle.
Find $\angle BCD$

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$$\widehat{AB} + \widehat{AD} + \widehat{BC} + \widehat{CD} = 360$$

And arc $\widehat{BAD} = 2(23 + 5x)$
(inscribed angle)



$$76 + (9x - 9) + 2(23 + 5x) = 360$$

$$76 + 9x - 9 + 46 + 10x = 360$$

$$19x = 247$$

$$x = 13$$

$$\angle BCD = 23 + 5(13) = 88 \text{ degrees..}$$

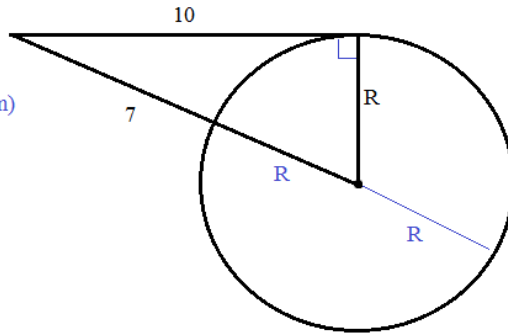
- 17) What is radius R?

(Using Secant-Tangent Theorem)

$$(10)^2 = (7)(R + R + 7)$$

$$100 = 14R + 49$$

$$R = 51/14$$



(Using Pythagorean Theorem)

$$R^2 + (10)^2 = (R + 7)^2$$

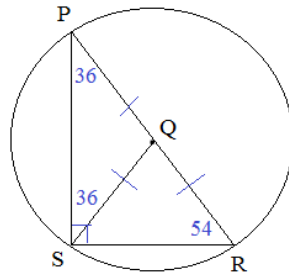
$$R^2 + 100 = R^2 + 14R + 49$$

$$51 = 14R$$

$$R = 51/14$$

- 18) Given: Circle Q
 $P = 36^\circ$
 $\overline{PS} \perp \overline{SR}$

Find: a) $\angle PSQ = 36^\circ$
b) $\angle R = 54^\circ$

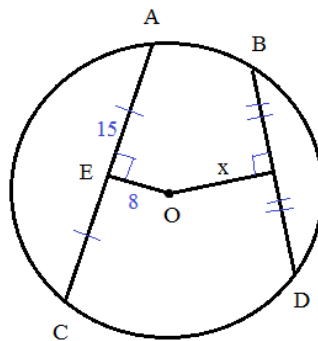


we know that "all radii are congruent"...

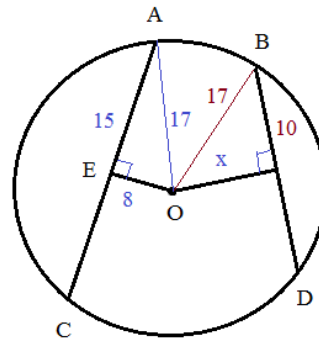
then, "if congruent sides, then congruent angles" for each isosceles triangle

- 19) $\overline{AC} = 30$
 $\overline{BD} = 20$
 $\overline{OE} = 8$

What is x?



Important: since $BD \neq AC$, the distances to the center are not equal

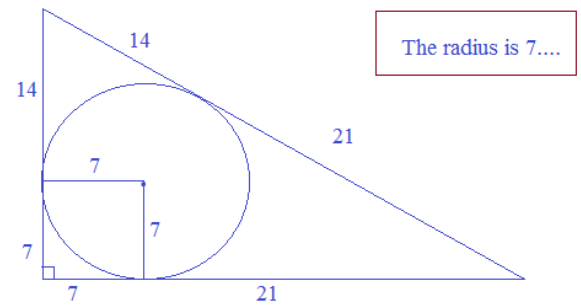
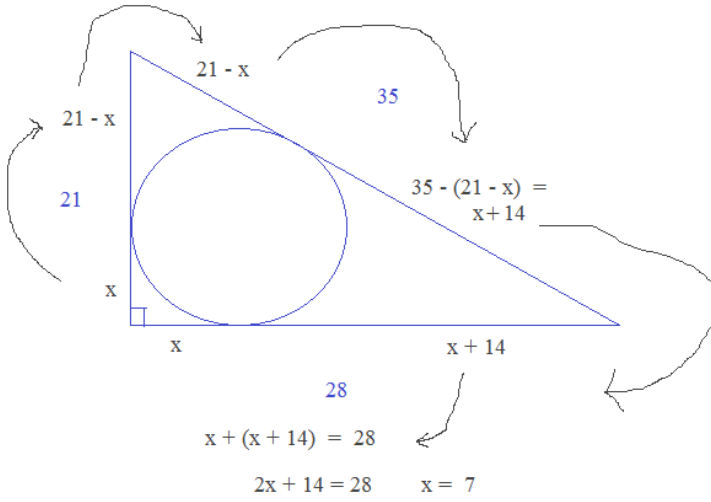


$$289 - 100 = 189$$

$$x = \sqrt{189} \text{ or } 13.75 \text{ (approx)}$$

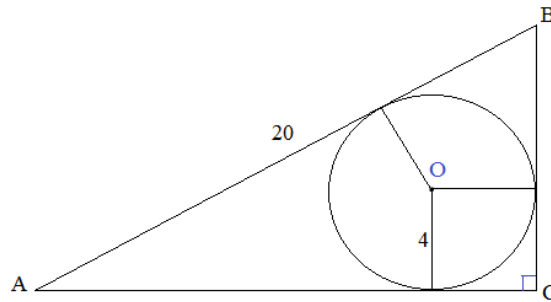
- 20) A circle is inscribed in a 21-28-35 right triangle. What is the radius of the circle?

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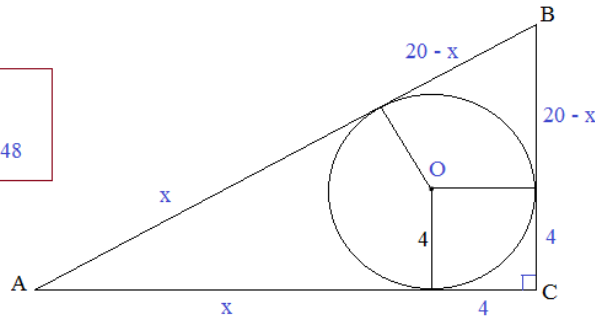


"Walk-around" or "Travel" problems...

- 21) Circle O is inscribed in right triangle ABC. If the radius is 4 and AB is 20, what is the perimeter?



perimeter is
 $12 + 16 + 20 = 48$



$$(x + 4)^2 + (24 - x)^2 = 20^2$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 + 576 - 48x + x^2 = 400$$

$$2x^2 - 40x + 192 = 0$$

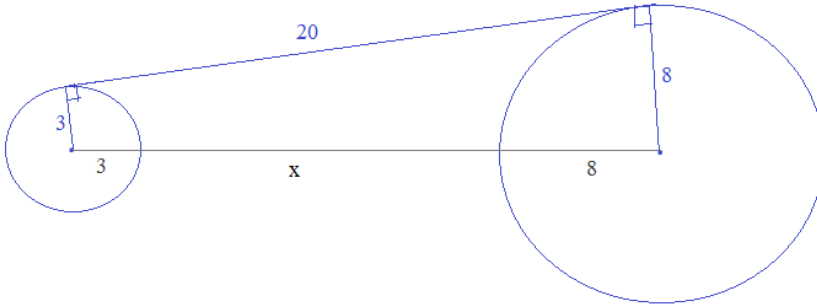
$$2(x^2 - 20x + 96) = 0$$

$$(x - 8)(x - 12) = 0$$

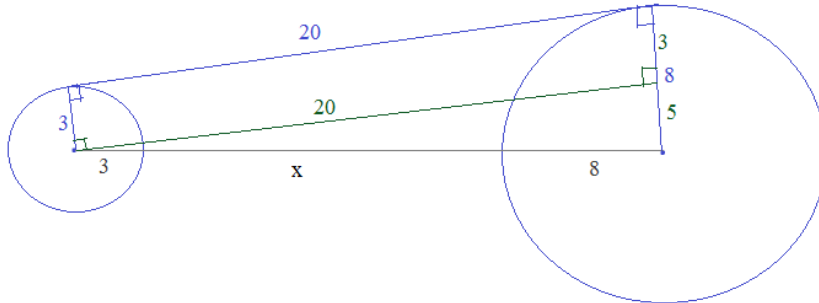
$$x = 8 \text{ or } 12$$

- 22) The radii of two circles are 3 and 8.
If the external tangent is 20, what is the distance between the circles?

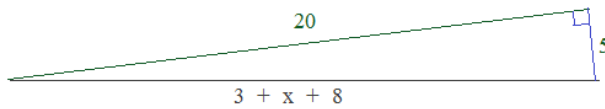
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All radii are congruent...
Tangents are perpendicular to radii and point of tangency..



"transpose" the external tangent to create a rectangle and right triangle...



Solve the right triangle to answer the question!

$$(20)^2 + (5)^2 = (3 + x + 8)^2$$

$$425 = (3 + x + 8)^2$$

$$20.6 = 11 + x$$

$$x = 9.6$$

- 23) A circle with diameter of 40 has a chord with endpoints $(-3, 2)$ and $(2, 14)$.
What is the distance of the chord from the center of the circle?

Using the distance formula, we find the length of the chord:

$$\text{distance} = \sqrt{(-3 - 2)^2 + (2 - 14)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{25 + 144} = 13$$

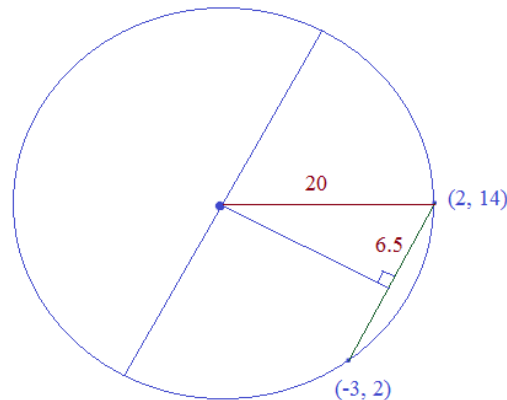
And, the distance from chord to the center is a perpendicular bisector...

So, we know the radius is 20 and the 1/2 chord is 6.5...

Then, Pythagorean Theorem will get the distance from chord to center...

$$d^2 = (20)^2 - (6.5)^2$$

$$d = \sqrt{357.75} \text{ approx. } 18.91$$

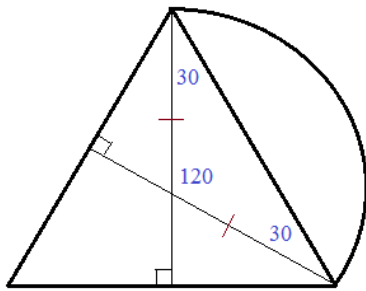


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Below are 3 identical equilateral triangles -- each having side lengths 6.

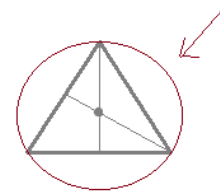
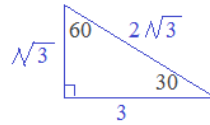
- Determine each
- a) arc angle measure
- b) arc length

A)

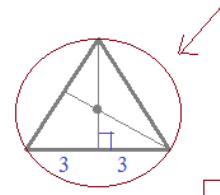


The altitudes are also angle bisectors (and medians...)

then, the congruent sides form the radii of a full circle...



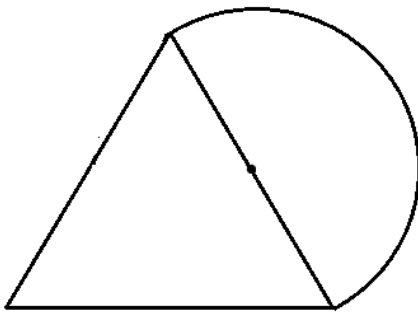
120 degrees



$(1/3) \cdot 4\sqrt{3}\pi$
diameter of circle

$\frac{4}{3}\sqrt{3}\pi$

B)



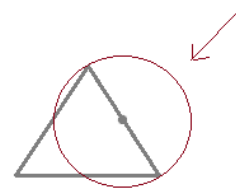
This arc is a semicircle where the diameter is the side of the triangle...

180 degrees

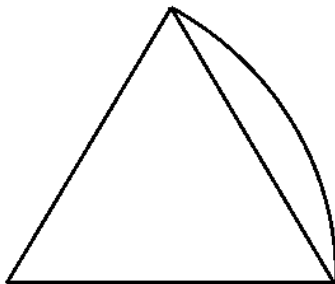
arc length of semicircle:

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2\pi(3) = 3\pi$$

radius



C)



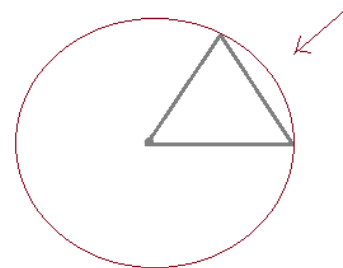
In this case, 2 sides of the triangle are also the radii of the "full circle"

60 degrees

circumference of full circle is 12π

And, this arc is 1/6 of the circle..

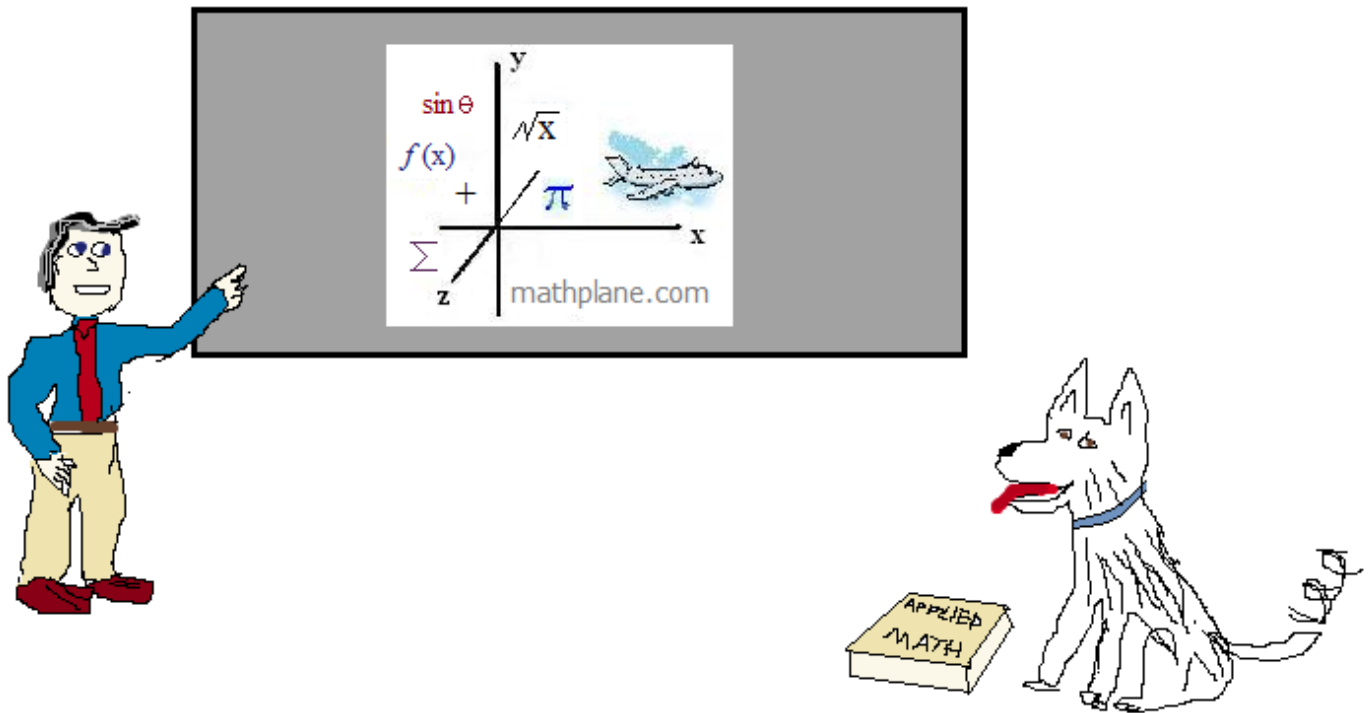
2π



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Cheers.



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One more challenge question:

Given: 2 concentric circles

The chord of the outer circle is tangent to the inner circle

If the length of the chord is 70, what is the area between the circles (i.e. the ring)?

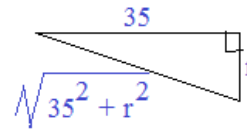
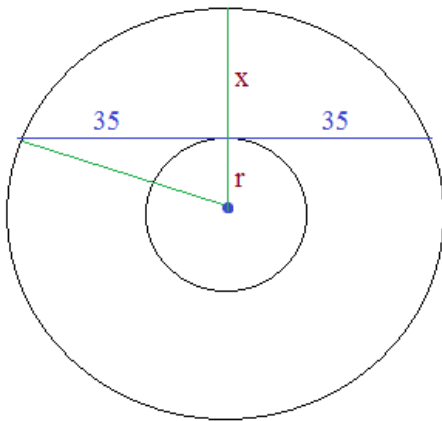
SOLUTION-→

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi (\text{radius})^2$$

Note: All radii are congruent

tangent line is perpendicular to radius

Pythagorean Theorem



$$r + x = \sqrt{35^2 + r^2}$$

$$(r + x)^2 = 35^2 + r^2$$

Area of big circle - Area of small circle

$$\pi (r + x)^2 - \pi (r)^2$$

$$\pi (35^2 + r^2) - \pi (r)^2$$

$$1225\pi + \pi r^2 - \pi (r)^2$$

$$1225\pi$$