

CIRCLE PROPERTIES

Part I

CIRCUMFERENCE

Length of the outer edge of a circle

DIAMETER

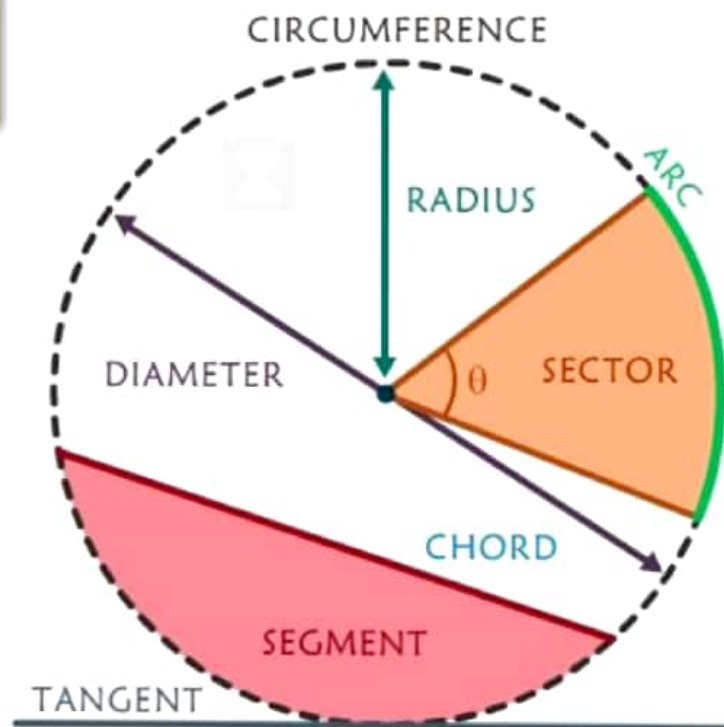
The distance from edge to edge passing through the center

CHORD

A straight line joining any two points on the circumference

SEGMENT

The area inside a circle enclosed by an arc and a chord



RADIUS
The distance from the center to the edge; half the diameter.

SECTOR
The area enclosed by an arc and two radii

ARC
A part of the circumference

TANGENT
A straight line that touches a circle at two coincident points

$$\text{Area} = \pi r^2$$

$$\text{Area of Sector} = \pi r^2 \cdot \frac{\theta}{360^\circ}$$

$$\text{Circumference} = 2\pi r$$

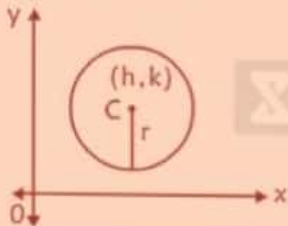
$$\text{Length of Arc} = 2\pi r \cdot \frac{\theta}{360^\circ}$$

$\theta \rightarrow$ in degrees

STANDARD EQUATION OF THE CIRCLE

1. Central Form:

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$$



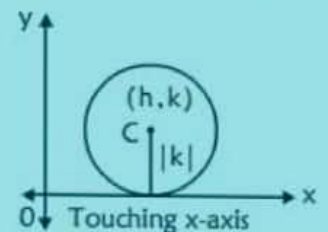
2. General equation of circle:

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$



3. When circle touches x-axis

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = k^2$$



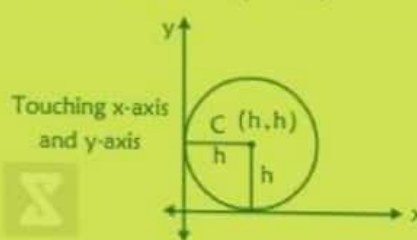
4. When circle touches y-axis

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = h^2$$



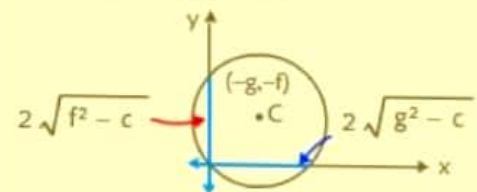
5. When circle touches both the axis

$$(x - h)^2 + (y - h)^2 = h^2$$



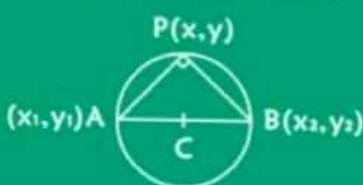
6. Intercepts cut by the circle on axes:

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$$



7. Diametrical form of circle:

$$(x - x_1)(x - x_2) + (y - y_1)(y - y_2) = 0$$



8. The parametric forms of the circle:

Circle	Parametric forms
$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$	$x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$
$(x - h)^2 + (y - k)^2 = r^2$	$x = h + r \cos \theta, y = k + r \sin \theta$

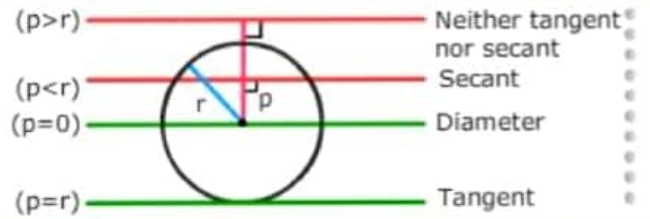
where θ is the parameter $\theta \in [0, 2\pi)$

CIRCLE'S TANGENTS



Condition of Tangency :

p = perpendicular distance from center to line
 r = radius to circle



Common tangents of two circles

1 If two circles are separated

$d > r_1 + r_2$
 d = distance between centers
 \Rightarrow 4 common tangents (2DCT, 2TCT)

2 If two circles touch externally

$d = r_1 + r_2$
 \Rightarrow 3 common tangents (2DCT, 1TCT)

3 If two circles intersect each other

$|r_1 - r_2| < d < r_1 + r_2$
 \Rightarrow 2 common tangents (2DCT)

4 If two circles touch internally

$d = |r_1 - r_2|$
 \Rightarrow 1 common tangent (1DCT)

5 If one circle is completely contained in another circle

$d < |r_1 - r_2|$
 \Rightarrow No common tangent

6 Orthogonality of two circles

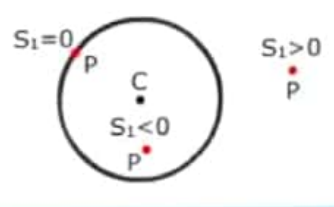
Intersect at 90°
 $S_1: x^2 + y^2 + 2g_1x + 2f_1y + d_1 = 0$
 $S_2: x^2 + y^2 + 2g_2x + 2f_2y + d_2 = 0$
Condition : $2g_1g_2 + 2f_1f_2 = d_1 + d_2$

* DCT = Direct Common Tangent, TCT = Transverse Common Tangent



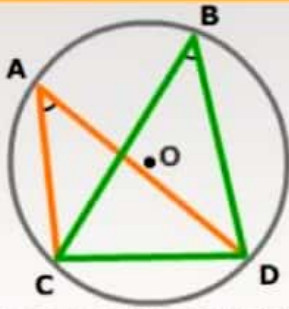
Position of a point $P(x_1, y_1)$ w.r.t. circle :

$x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$
 depends on
 $S_1 = x_1^2 + y_1^2 + 2gx_1 + 2fy_1 + c$



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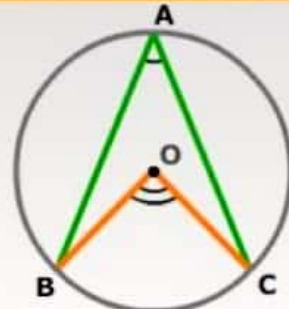
$$\angle CAD = \angle CBD$$



Angle in the same segment and standing on the same chord are always equal.

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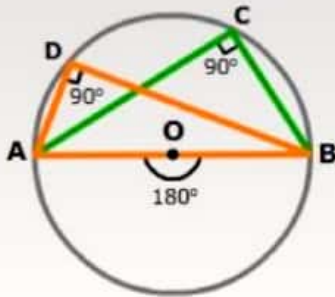
$$\angle BOC = 2 \angle BAC$$



The angle at the centre of a circle is twice the angle at the circumference.

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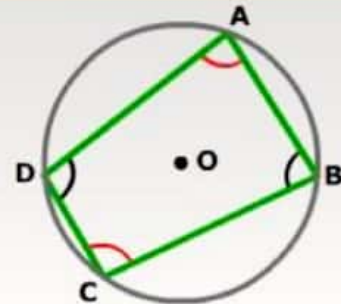
$$\angle BCA = \angle BDA = 90^\circ$$



The angle in a semi-circle is always 90° .

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$$\angle B + \angle D = 180^\circ, \quad \angle A + \angle C = 180^\circ$$

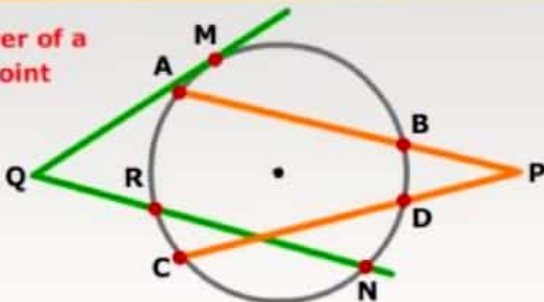


ABCD is a cyclic Quadrilateral, Diagonally opposite angles add up to 180° .

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$$QR \cdot QN = (QM)^2, \quad PA \cdot PB = PC \cdot PD$$

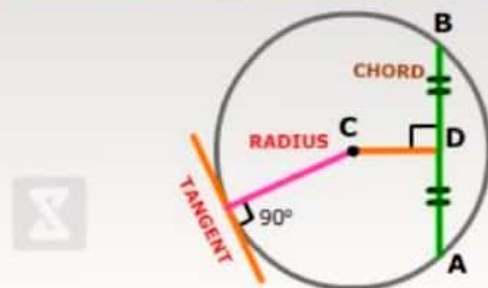
Power of a Point



If QRN is a secant & QM is tangent then $QR \cdot QN = (QM)^2$
If PBA & PDC are secant to circle then $PA \cdot PB = PC \cdot PD$

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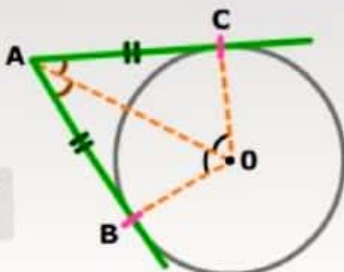
$$CD \perp AB, \quad BD = DA, \quad \angle BDC = 90^\circ$$



Angle between tangent and radius is always 90° .
Perpendicular bisector of any chord, pass through center.

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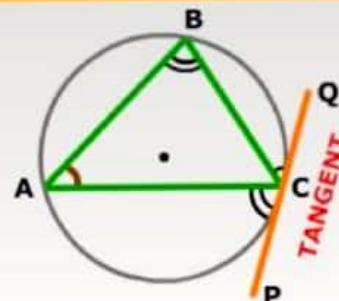
$$AB = AC, \quad \angle AOB = \angle AOC$$



Tangents from a common point (A) to a circle are always equal.

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$$\angle PCA = \angle ABC, \quad \angle QCB = \angle BAC$$



The angle between the tangent and the side of the triangle is equal to the interior opposite angle.

