

Circle

Question1

If in two circles, arcs of the same length subtend angles 30° and 78° at the centre, then the ratio of their radii is

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Options:

A. $\frac{5}{13}$

B. $\frac{13}{5}$

C. $\frac{13}{4}$

D. $\frac{4}{13}$

Answer: B

Solution:

Let the radii of the two circles be r_1 and r_2 . Let an arc of length l subtend an angle of 30° at the centre of the circle of radius r_1 , while let an arc of length l subtend an angle of 78° at the centre of the circle of radius r_2 .

Now, $30^\circ = \frac{\pi}{6}$ radian and $78^\circ = \frac{13\pi}{30}$ radian

We know that in a circle of radius r unit, if an arc of length l unit subtend an angle θ radian at the centre, then

$$\theta = \frac{l}{r} \text{ or } l = r\theta$$

$$\therefore l = \frac{r_1\pi}{6} \text{ and } l = \frac{r_2 13\pi}{30}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r_1\pi}{6} = \frac{r_2 13\pi}{30}$$

$$\Rightarrow r_1 = r_2 \frac{13}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{13}{5}$$



Question2

The maximum area of a rectangle inscribed in the circle

$$(x + 1)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 64 \text{ is}$$

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Options:

- A. 64 sq units
- B. 72 sq units
- C. 128 sq units
- D. 8 sq units

Answer: C

Solution:

To determine the maximum area of a rectangle inscribed in the circle given by the equation $(x + 1)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 64$, we can use the known fact that for any rectangle inscribed in a circle, the maximum area is achieved when the rectangle is a square. This maximum area is given by the formula $2r^2$, where r is the radius of the circle.

Looking at the provided circle equation:

$$(x + 1)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 64$$

We can identify that the circle's center is at $(-1, 3)$ and its radius is $\sqrt{64} = 8$.

Therefore, the maximum area of a rectangle inscribed in this circle is:

$$2 \times (8)^2 = 2 \times 64 = 128 \text{ square units}$$

