The parts of a circle

centre - the point within the circle where the distance to points on the circumference is the same.
radius - the distance from the centre to any point on the circle. The diameter is twice the radius.
circumference(perimeter) - the distance around a circle.
chord is a straight line joining two points on the circumference.
diameter - a chord( of max. length) passing through the centre
sector - a region enclosed by two radii and an arc.
segment - the region enclosed by a chord and an arc of the circle.
tangent - a straight line making contact at one point on the circumference, such that the radius from the centre is at right angles to the line.

Subtended angles

When a chord subtends an angle on the circumference of a circle, the angle subtended at the centre of the circle is twice the angle.


A diameter subtends a right-angle at the circumference

angle $X P Z=90$ deg.

Angles subtended by a chord onto the circumference of a circle are equal.

angle $A D B=$ angle $A C B$

## Chords



The line joining the centre of a circle and the mid-point of a chord is perpendicular to the chord. The chord is bisected into two equal halves.

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XP = PY
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Tangents


The tangents to a circle from a point are equal in length.

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\mathbf{A P}=\mathbf{B P}
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also,
the tangents subtend equal angles at the centre of the circle

## angle $\mathrm{POA}=$ angle POB

and,
the angles between the tangents and the line joining the centre of the circle and the point are equal.

## angle APO = angle BPO

note : Triangle APO and triangle BPO are congruent.

## The angle between a tangent and a chord

The angle between a tangent and a chord is equal to the angle subtended by the chord in the opposite segment.

angle $Z P Y=$ angle $P X Y$

Cyclic quadrilaterals

Opposite angles in a cyclic quadrilateral add up to $\mathbf{1 8 0}$ deg.


As with all quadrilaterals, the sum of the interior angles $\mathbf{=} \mathbf{3 6 0} \mathbf{~ d e g}$.
Any exterior angle of a cyclic quadrilateral equals the interior opposite angle.

