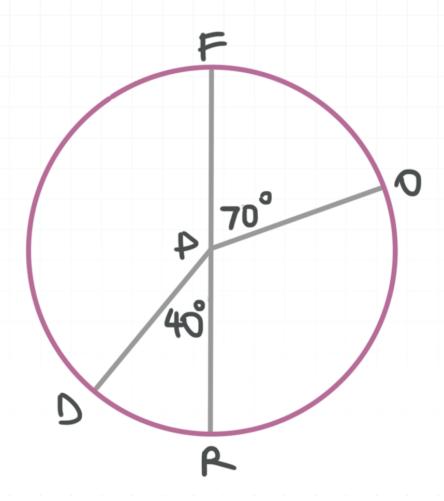
**Topic**: Degree measure of an arc

**Question**:  $\overline{FR}$  is a diameter of the circle (with center at P). What is the sum of the measures of  $\stackrel{\frown}{RO}$  and  $\stackrel{\frown}{FD}$ ?



## **Answer choices:**

- **A** 110°
- B 140°
- C 250°
- D 360°

### Solution: C

 $\overline{FR}$  is a diameter, so the sum of the measures of  $\widehat{RO}$  and  $\widehat{OF}$  is  $180^\circ$ .

$$\widehat{mRO} + \widehat{mOF} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\widehat{mRO} + 70^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\widehat{mRO} = 110^{\circ}$$

Likewise, the sum of the measures of  $\widehat{FD}$  and  $\widehat{DR}$  is  $180^{\circ}$ .

$$\widehat{mFD} + \widehat{mDR} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\widehat{mFD} + 40^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$

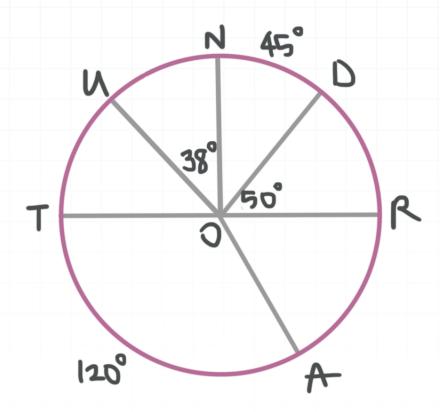
$$\widehat{mFD} = 140^{\circ}$$

The sum of the measures of arcs  $\stackrel{\frown}{RO}$  and  $\stackrel{\frown}{FD}$  is

$$110^{\circ} + 140^{\circ} = 250^{\circ}$$

**Topic**: Degree measure of an arc

**Question**:  $\overline{TR}$  is a diameter of the circle (with center at O) in the figure. What is the difference between the measures of  $\widehat{AR}$  and  $\widehat{UT}$ ?



# **Answer choices**:

- **A** 82°
- B 38°
- **C** 22°
- D 13°

#### Solution: D

 $\overline{TR}$  is a diameter, so the sum of the measures of  $\widehat{TA}$  and  $\widehat{AR}$  is  $180^\circ$ .

$$\widehat{mTA} + \widehat{mAR} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$120^{\circ} + \widehat{mAR} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$\widehat{mAR} = 60^{\circ}$$

Likewise, the sum of the measures of  $\widehat{RU}$  and  $\widehat{UT}$  is  $180^\circ$ , and the measure of  $\widehat{RU}$  can be written as the sum of the measures of arcs  $\widehat{RD}$ ,  $\widehat{DN}$ , and  $\widehat{NU}$ . Therefore,

$$\widehat{mRU} + \widehat{mUT} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$(m\widehat{RD} + m\widehat{DN} + m\widehat{NU}) + m\widehat{UT} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$(50^{\circ} + 45^{\circ} + 38^{\circ}) + m\widehat{UT} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$133^{\circ} + m\widehat{UT} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$m\widehat{UT} = 47^{\circ}$$

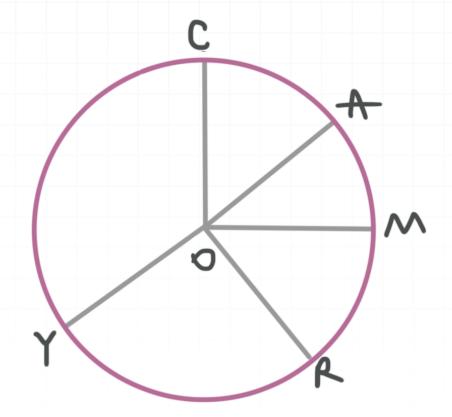
The difference between the measures of  $\widehat{AR}$  and  $\widehat{UT}$  is

$$60^{\circ} - 47^{\circ} = 13^{\circ}$$



**Topic**: Degree measure of an arc

**Question**: Angles  $\angle MOC$  and  $\angle ROA$  are right angles.  $m\angle MOA = 40^\circ$  and  $m\angle YOR = 100^\circ$ . Which arc has the largest measure?



## **Answer choices:**

 $\widehat{RC}$ 

B  $\widehat{YRC}$ 

C  $\widehat{YMA}$ 

 $D \qquad \widehat{MCY}$ 

Solution: B

Use the fact that  $\angle MOA = 40^\circ$ , and that  $\angle MOC$  and  $\angle ROA$  each have measure  $90^\circ$ , to figure out that  $\angle AOC$  and  $\angle ROM$  each have measure  $50^\circ$ .

Now you know the measures of the following four central angles:  $\angle YOR$ ,  $\angle ROM$ ,  $\angle MOA$ , and  $\angle AOC$ .

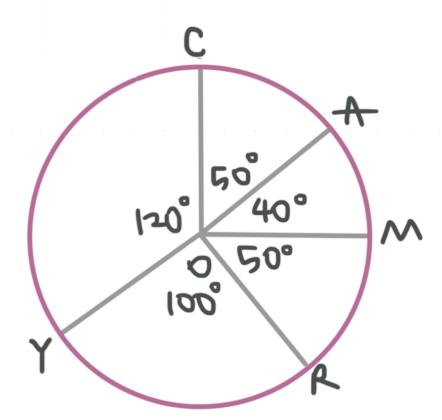
$$m \angle YOR = 100^{\circ}$$

$$m \angle ROM = 50^{\circ}$$

$$m \angle MOA = 40^{\circ}$$

$$m \angle AOC = 50^{\circ}$$

Subtract their total (240°) from 360° to get  $m \angle COY = 120$ °.



Knowing the measures of those five central angles, you can figure out the measures of the arcs given as the answer choices.

$$\widehat{mRC} = 50^{\circ} + 40^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} = 140^{\circ}$$

$$mYRC = 100^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} + 40^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} = 240^{\circ}$$

$$mYMA = 100^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} + 40^{\circ} = 190^{\circ}$$

$$m\widehat{MCY} = 40^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} + 120^{\circ} = 210^{\circ}$$

Of these,  $\widehat{YRC}$  has the largest measure.

