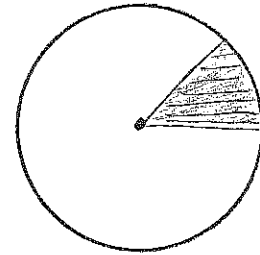


Key

7.2 CLASS NOTES SECTOR OF A CIRCLE



- 1) A sector represents a portion of the circle.
- 2) The arc measure represents part of circumference.
- 3) The area of the sector represents part of the area.
- 4) We can be given θ in terms of degrees or radians.
- 5) Circumference of a circle is $2\pi r$.
- 6) Area of a circle is πr^2 .

Given: Arc Length: s

Area of a Sector: K

Find formulas for the measure of the intercepted arc in terms of degrees and radians. Keep in mind that the sector will be proportional to the circle.

7) Degrees $s = \frac{\theta}{360} \cdot 2\pi r$

8) Radians $s = \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \cdot 2\pi r = r\theta$

Find Formulas for the Area of the sector in terms of degrees and radians.

9) Degrees $K = \frac{\theta}{360} \cdot \pi r^2$

10) Radians $K = \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \cdot \pi r^2 = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta}$ or $\theta = \frac{s}{r}$ so $\frac{1}{2} r^2 \cdot \frac{s}{r} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} r s}$

(** Note 360° is equivalent to 2π)

7.2 CLASS WORK EXAMPLES

Key

- 1) A sector of a circle has a radius of 4 cm and a central angle of 6 radians. Find its arc length and area.



$$r = 4$$

$$\theta = 6$$

$$Q = \frac{s}{r}$$

$$s = r\theta$$

$$s = 24$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}rs$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}(4)(24)$$

$$K = 48 \text{ cm}^2$$

- 2) A sector of a circle has arc length 3 cm and central angle 0.5 radians. Find its radius and area.

$$s = 3$$

$$\theta = 50^\circ$$

$$\frac{50^\circ}{360^\circ} = \frac{3}{2\pi r}$$

$$50 \cdot 2\pi r = 3 \cdot 360$$

$$r = \frac{3 \cdot 360}{100\pi}$$

$$r = 3.43 \text{ cm}$$

$$K = \frac{\theta}{360} \cdot \pi r^2$$

$$K = \frac{50}{360} \pi (3.43)^2$$

$$K = 5.13 \text{ cm}^2$$

- 3) A sector of a circle has area 90 cm^2 and central angle 0.2 radians. Find its radius and arc length.

$$K = 90$$

$$\theta = 0.2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$$

$$90 = \frac{1}{2}r^2(0.2)$$

$$r^2 = 180 / 0.2$$

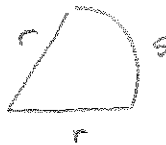
$$r = 30 \text{ cm}$$

$$s = r\theta$$

$$s = 30(0.2)$$

$$s = 6 \text{ cm}$$

- 4) A sector of a circle has perimeter 14 cm and area 6 cm^2 . Find all possible radii.



$$2r + s = 14 \rightarrow s = 14 - 2r$$

$$K = 6$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}rs$$

$$6 = \frac{1}{2}r(14 - 2r)$$

$$6 = 7r - r^2$$

$$r^2 - 7r + 6 = 0$$

$$(r - 6)(r - 1) = 0$$

$$r = 6 \text{ or } 1 \text{ cm}$$

(Handout: Apparent Size Lab #5)

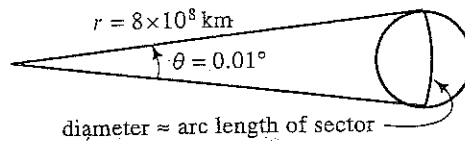
Apparent Size

Objects appear smaller when they are further away and based upon the angle with which we are looking at them.

Apparent Size: The measure of the angle when looking at the object

Example

Jupiter has an apparent size of 0.01° when it is 8×10^8 km from Earth. Find the approximate diameter of Jupiter.

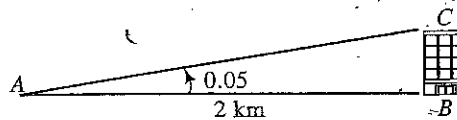


$$\frac{\theta}{360} = \frac{s}{2\pi r} \quad \frac{0.01}{360} = \frac{s}{2\pi (8 \times 10^8)}$$

$$\frac{360 s}{360} = \frac{(0.01 \cdot 2\pi \cdot 8 \times 10^8)}{360}$$

$$s = 139626.34 \text{ km}$$

The apparent size of a tall building 2 km away is 0.05 radians. What is the building's approximate height?



$$\theta = \frac{s}{r}$$

$$s = r\theta$$

$$s = 2(0.05)$$

$$s = 0.1 \text{ km}$$