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radius

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The *radius* of a circle or sphere is the distance from the center of the figure to the outer edge (or surface.)

This definition actually holds in n dimensions; so 4th and 5th and k -dimensional “spheres” have radii. Since a circle is really a 2-dimensional sphere, its “radius” is merely an instance of the general definition.