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Last Time : • Converse of Thales' theorem

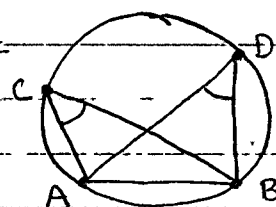
• Impossibility of trisection of angles - sketch of proof

Today : • Angles in a circle

• Construction of square root

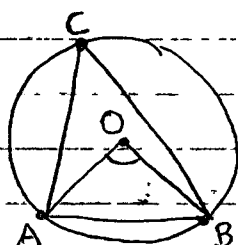
(The regular pentagon is constructible) - didn't get to it

Theorem 1



• $\angle ACB = \angle ADB$

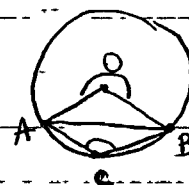
Theorem 2



• O = center of circle

• $\angle AOB = 2\angle ACB$

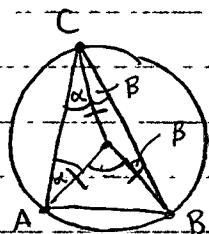
Aside:



$\angle AOB = 2\angle ACB$

Proof

(of Thm 2)



• Draw OC

• Note $|OA| = |OB| = |OC|$ = radius of circle

• $\triangle AOC, \triangle BOC, \triangle AOB$ isosceles

$\angle ACB = \alpha + \beta$, $\angle AOC = \pi - 2\alpha$, $\angle BOC = \pi - 2\beta$

• $\angle AOB = 2\pi - (\pi - 2\alpha) - (\pi - 2\beta)$

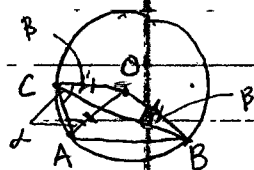
$= 2\pi - \pi + 2\alpha - \pi + 2\beta$

$= 2\pi - 2\pi + 2\alpha + 2\beta$

$= 2\alpha + 2\beta = 2(\alpha + \beta)$

• Thus $\angle AOB = 2\angle ACB$

To convince ourselves:



$\angle ACB = \alpha + \beta$

$\angle AOB = (\pi - 2\beta)$

$- (\pi - 2\alpha)$

$= 2\alpha - 2\beta$

$= 2(\alpha - \beta)$

Theorem 2 \Rightarrow Theorem 1

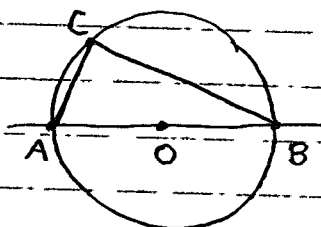
• O = center of circle, draw AO, BO

• $\angle ACB = \frac{1}{2}\angle AOB = \angle ADB$ \square

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Theorem 3



• Circle center O

• $\angle ACB = \pi/2$

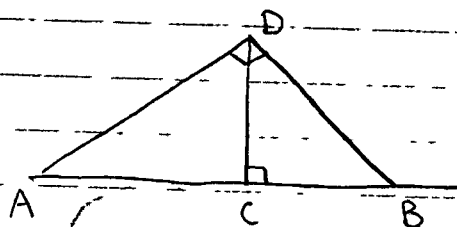
Proof (Thm 3)

$$\angle ACB = \frac{1}{2} \angle AOB = \pi/2 \quad \square$$

(by Thm 2.)

Application

Construction of square root : Given length a , construct (w/ ruler + compass) \sqrt{a} .



Q: Similar triangles?

$$\triangle ADC \sim \triangle ABD$$

by equal corresponding angles

$$\angle DAB = \angle DAC \quad \checkmark$$

$$\angle ADB = \angle ACD = \pi/2$$

$$\angle ABD = \angle ADC \text{ by angle sum of } \triangle$$

and $\triangle ADC \sim \triangle ABD \sim \triangle DBC$ by same argument.

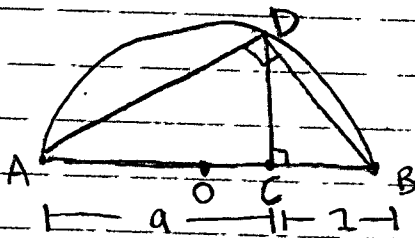
$$\triangle ADC \sim \triangle DBC$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|AC|}{|DC|} = \frac{|DC|}{|BC|}$$

$$\Rightarrow |AC| \cdot |BC| = |DC|^2$$

in other words $|DC| = \sqrt{|AB| |BC|}$

Construction of square root of a



Ruler & compass construction

1. Draw length $a+1$ with $|AC| = a$ and $|CB| = 1$.

2. Bisect AB, let O be the midpoint.

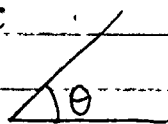
3. Draw circle center O, radius $|OA| = |OB|$.

4. Construct perp. line to AB crossing thru C, intersecting circle at D.

5. Draw $\triangle ADB$. By Thm 3, $\angle ADB = \pi/2$, & $|DC| = \sqrt{a}$. \square

Recap: We can perform $+$, $-$, \times , \div & $\sqrt{\quad}$ using ruler & compass.
(Later, we'll show this is everything, using coordinates)

Aside:



approximately trisect?

can bisect an angle

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots$$

$$= 0.0101\dots$$

(base 2)

$$\text{e.g. } \frac{1}{3} \approx \frac{5}{16}$$