

9.10.4.3

Question : If two equal chords of a circle intersect within the circle, prove that the line joining the point of intersection to the centre makes equal angles with the chords.

Solution :

| Input Parameters | Description | Value |
|------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| O | Center(at origin) | 0 |
| d | Length of the chords | 2 |
| r | Radius | 1 |
| θ_1 | - | 180° |
| θ_2 | - | -47.9° |
| θ_3 | - | 0° |
| θ_4 | - | -132° |

Table 1: Table of input parameters

| Output Parameters | Description | Value |
|-------------------|-------------|--|
| P | Point | $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_1 \\ \sin \theta_1 \end{pmatrix}$ |
| Q | Point | $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_2 \\ \sin \theta_2 \end{pmatrix}$ |
| R | Point | $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_3 \\ \sin \theta_3 \end{pmatrix}$ |
| S | Point | $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_4 \\ \sin \theta_4 \end{pmatrix}$ |

Table 2: Table of output parameters

The equation of PQ and RS is obtained by

$$\mathbf{n}_1^\top (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{P}) = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{n}_2^\top (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{R}) = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$or, \mathbf{n}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_2 - \sin \theta_1 \\ \cos \theta_1 - \cos \theta_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

$$or, \mathbf{n}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta_4 - \sin \theta_3 \\ \cos \theta_3 - \cos \theta_4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$(5)$$

The value of the point of the intersection is

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -0.45 \end{pmatrix} \quad (6)$$

$$\cos \angle OTP = \frac{(\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{P})^\top (\mathbf{O} - \mathbf{T})}{\|\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{P}\| \|\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{O}\|} \quad (7)$$

$$or, \angle OTP = 65.8^\circ \quad (8)$$

Similarly,

$$\cos \angle OTR = \frac{(\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{R})^\top (\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{O})}{\|\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{R}\| \|\mathbf{T} - \mathbf{O}\|} \quad (9)$$

$$or, \angle OTR = 65.8^\circ \quad (10)$$

$$So, \angle OTP = \angle OTR (proved) \quad (11)$$

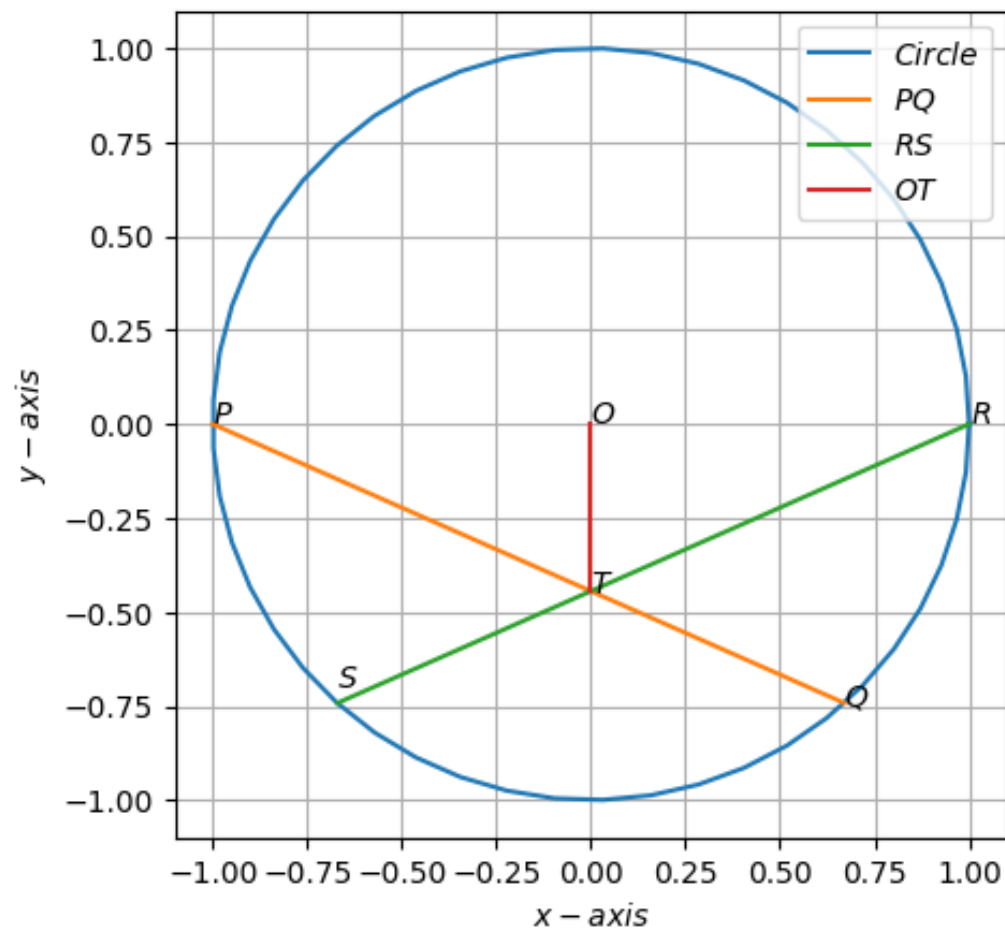


Figure 1: