

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	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
Q	Point	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.67 \\ -0.75 \end{pmatrix}$
R	Point	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$
S	Point	$\begin{pmatrix} -0.67 \\ -0.75 \end{pmatrix}$

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,

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

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

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

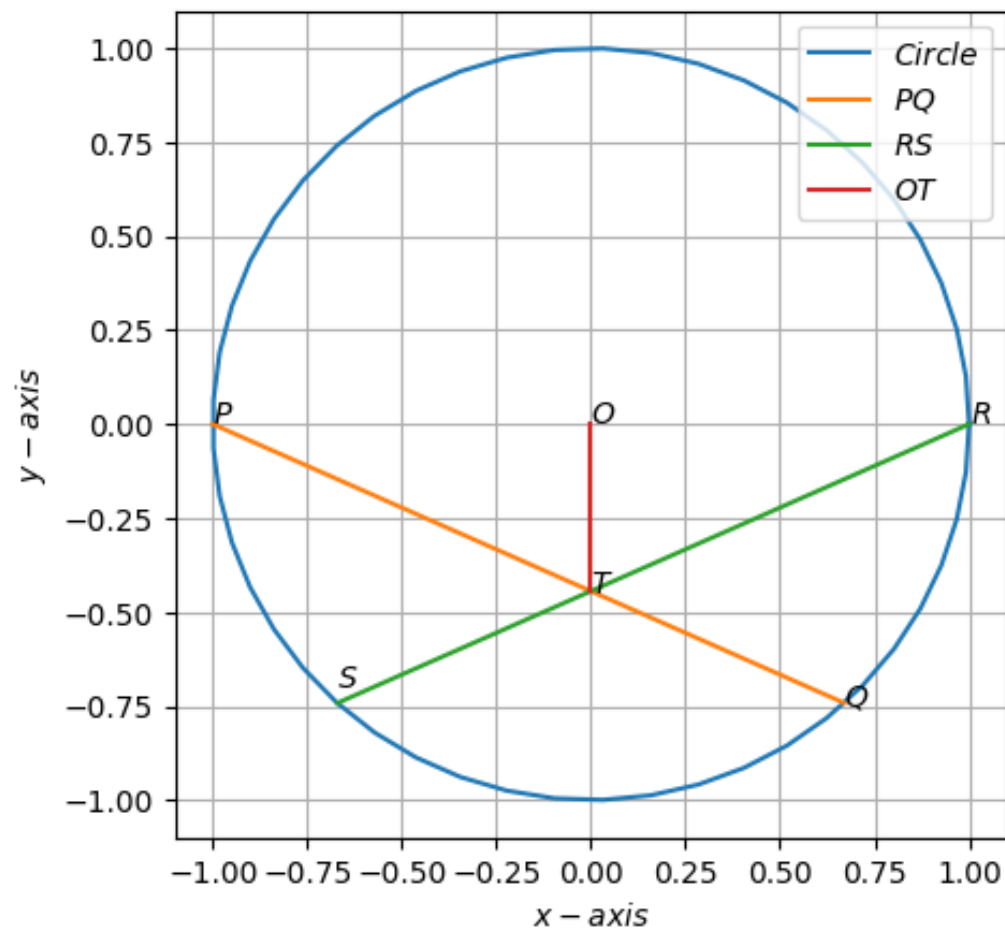


Figure 1: