# ORMC AMC 10/12 Group (More) Circles

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# 1 Warmup: Review

- (2020 AMC 12B # 10) In unit square ABCD, the inscribed circle ω intersects CD at M, and AM intersects ω at a point P different from M. What is AP?
  Note: Last week we did this using the Inscribed Angle Theorem- this time, use Power of a Point.
- 2. Find the measure of  $\angle BAC$  in terms of  $\theta$ , where  $\theta = mAC$ :



- 3. In unit square ABCD, point P is chosen at random. What is the probability that  $\triangle APB$  is an obtuse triangle?
- 4. Square ABCD of side length 10 has a circle inscribed in it. Let M be the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ . Find the length of that portion of the segment  $\overline{MC}$  that lies outside of the circle.

# 2 Triangle Incircles and Circumcircles

The *incircle* of a triangle is the circle that sits inside the triangle and is tangent to all three sides. Its center is called the *incenter*, and is the point of intersection of the angle bisectors of the triangle. Its radius is called the *inradius* of the triangle, and is usually denoted by a lowercase r.

Consider the following figure:



Since each side is tangent to the incircle, the inradius is perpendicular to each of the sides. So, each of the triangles  $\triangle AIB$ ,  $\triangle AIC$ ,  $\triangle BIC$  has a base equal to one of the sides, and a height equal to the inradius. The sum of their areas is the total area, K. So, we have

$$K = \frac{1}{2}r \cdot AB + \frac{1}{2}r \cdot AC + \frac{1}{2}r \cdot BC = s \cdot r \implies r = \frac{K}{s}$$

The *circumcircle* of a triangle is the circle which passes through all three vertices. Its center and radius are called the *circumcenter* and *circumradius* (R), respectively. The circumcenter is the point of intersection of the perpendicular bisectors of the triangle, and it may lie in, on, or outside the triangle

- acute triangle  $\iff$  circumcenter is inside triangle
- obtuse triangle  $\iff$  circumcenter is outside triangle
- right triangle  $\iff$  circumcenter is the midpoint of the hypotenuse

Consider  $\triangle ABC$  in the diagram below:



We draw the diameter  $\overline{BD}$  through the circumcenter O, and we also draw the auxiliary line  $\overline{AD}$  to create inscribed angle  $\angle D$ . Since  $\angle C$  and  $\angle D$  both intercept arc AB, we have  $\angle C \cong \angle D$  by the inscribed angle theorem. Also note that  $\angle DAB$  is a right angle, so  $c = AB = BD \sin(D) = 2R \sin(C)$ .

This gives us a very familiar form:  $2R = \frac{c}{\sin(C)}$ . If we recall the (extended) law of sines:

$$\frac{c}{\sin(C)} = \frac{b}{\sin(B)} = \frac{a}{\sin(A)} = \frac{abc}{2K} \implies \boxed{R = \frac{abc}{4K}}.$$

## 2.1 Examples

- 1. (2004 AMC 10B #22) A triangle with sides of 5, 12, and 13 has both an inscribed and a circumscribed circle. What is the distance between the centers of those circles?
- 2. (2006 AMC 10A #16) A circle of radius 1 is tangent to a circle of radius 2. The sides of  $\triangle ABC$  are tangent to the circles as shown, and the sides  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{AC}$  are congruent. What is the area of  $\triangle ABC$ ?



# 2.2 Exercises

- 1. (2010 AIME I #15) In  $\triangle ABC$  with AB = 12, BC = 13, and AC = 15, let M be a point on  $\overline{AC}$  such that the incircles of  $\triangle ABM$  and  $\triangle BCM$  have equal radii. Then  $\frac{AM}{CM} = \frac{p}{q}$ , where p and q are relatively prime positive integers. Find p + q.
- 2. (2011 AIME II #13) Point P lies on the diagonal AC of square ABCD with AP > CP. Let  $O_1$  and  $O_2$  be the circumcenters of triangles ABP and CDP respectively. Given that AB = 12 and  $\angle O_1 PO_2 = 120^\circ$ , then  $AP = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$ , where a and b are positive integers. Find a + b.

# 3 Cyclic Quadrilaterals

A quadrilateral that can be inscribed in a circle is called a *cyclic quadrilateral*. Note that, unlike triangles, not every quadrilateral is cyclic. This is because a circle is defined by 3 points (along its circumference), so there are relatively few places for the 4th vertex, if a quadrilateral is cyclic.

## 3.1 Important Properties



There are a few important properties that cyclic quadrilaterals have:

• Opposite angles are supplementary. That is, in the diagram above,  $\angle A + \angle C = \angle B + \angle D = 180^{\circ}$ . This is because their corresponding arcs must add up to 360°, so by the inscribed angle theorem, they are supplementary.

The converse is true as well: if opposite angles are supplementary, then the quadrilateral is cyclic.

- The diagonals create congruent angles. Again, the key here is the inscribed angle theorem. If we include the diagonals  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{BD}$ , then the following are all true:
  - $\ \angle ABD = \angle ACD$
  - $\angle BCA = \angle BDA$
  - $\angle BAC = \angle BDC$
  - $\angle CAD = \angle CBD$
- The perpendicular bisectors of all the sides intersect at the circumcenter, just like in a triangle. The reason for this is the same as for triangles: every pair of vertices must be equidistant from the circumcenter, so the perpendicular bisector of any side must pass through the circumcenter.

Note that the converse is also true: if all the perpendicular bisectors intersect in the same point, then the quadrilateral is cyclic.

#### 3.2 Examples

- 1. (2021 Fall AMC 10A #15) Isosceles triangle ABC has  $AB = AC = 3\sqrt{6}$ , and a circle with radius  $5\sqrt{2}$  is tangent to line AB at B and to line AC at C. What is the area of the circle that passes through vertices A, B, and C?
- 2. (2015 AMC 12B #19) In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle C = 90^{\circ}$  and AB = 12. Squares ABXY and CBWZ are constructed outside of the triangle. The points X, Y, Z, and W lie on a circle. What is the perimeter of the triangle?

#### 3.3 Exercises

- 1. (AHSME 1972) Inscribed in a circle is a quadrilateral having sides of lengths 25, 39, 52, and 60 taken consecutively. What is the diameter of this circle?
- 2. (2021 AMC 12B #24) Let *ABCD* be a parallelogram with area 15. Points *P* and *Q* are the projections of *A* and *C*, respectively, onto the line *BD*; and points *R* and *S* are the projections of *B* and *D*, respectively, onto the line *AC*. See the figure, which also shows the relative locations of these points.



Suppose PQ = 6 and RS = 8, and let *d* denote the length of  $\overline{BD}$ , the longer diagonal of *ABCD*. Then  $d^2$  can be written in the form  $m + n\sqrt{p}$ , where m, n, and p are positive integers and p is not divisible by the square of any prime. What is m + n + p?

- 3. (2016 AIME I #6) In  $\triangle ABC$  let *I* be the center of the inscribed circle, and let the bisector of  $\angle ACB$  intersect  $\overline{AB}$  at *L*. The line through *C* and *L* intersects the circumscribed circle of  $\triangle ABC$  at the two points *C* and *D*. If LI = 2 and LD = 3, then  $IC = \frac{p}{q}$ , where *p* and *q* are relatively prime positive integers. Find p + q.
- 4. (2013 AMC 12B #19) In triangle ABC, AB = 13, BC = 14, and CA = 15. Distinct points D, E, and F lie on segments  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{CA}$ , and  $\overline{DE}$ , respectively, such that  $\overline{AD} \perp \overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{DE} \perp \overline{AC}$ , and  $\overline{AF} \perp \overline{BF}$ . The length of segment  $\overline{DF}$  can be written as  $\frac{m}{n}$ , where m and n are relatively prime positive integers. What is m + n?

# 4 Cyclic Quadrilateral Theorems

#### 4.1 Ptolemy's Theorem



As shown in the diagram above, begin by drawing the segment  $\overline{DK}$  such that  $\angle CDK \cong \angle BDA$ . Note that we then also have  $\angle CDB \cong \angle KDA$ .

Also, by the inscribed angle theorem, we have  $\angle DCK \cong \angle DBA$ , and  $\angle DBC \cong \angle DAK$ . So, we have 2 pairs of similar triangles:  $\triangle DKC \sim \triangle DAB$  and  $\triangle DBC \sim \triangle DAK$ These give us the following:

$$\frac{CD}{KC} = \frac{BD}{AB} \implies AB \cdot CD = BD \cdot KC, \quad \frac{BC}{BD} = \frac{AK}{AD} \implies BC \cdot AD = BD \cdot AK$$

Adding these together gives us ptolemy's theorem:

$$AB \cdot CD + BC \cdot AD = BD \cdot AC.$$

## 4.2 Brahmagupta's Formula



We prove the case where some pair of opposite sides is not parallel. The other case is left as an exercise. Extend the non-parallel sides to meet at a point E, as shown above. Then, let x = DE and y = CE. By Heron's Formula,  $\triangle CDE$  has area  $\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{(x+y+c)(x+y-c)(x-y+c)(-x+y+c)}$ .

The area of triangle ABE is  $\frac{a^2}{c^2}$  of this, so the cyclic quadrilateral's area is  $1 - \frac{a^2}{c^2}$  of it. So, all we have to do is rewrite each of the terms in Heron's formula in terms of a, b, c, d, using the fact that  $\frac{b}{x} = \frac{d}{y} = \frac{c-a}{c}$ . This follows from the similarity of ABE and CDE, which we showed when proving power of a point. We get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + c &= c\frac{b+d}{c-a} + c = c\frac{b+d+c-a}{c-a} = 2c\frac{s-a}{c-a} \\ x + y - c &= c\frac{b+d}{c-a} - c = c\frac{b+d-c+a}{c-a} = 2c\frac{s-c}{c-a} \\ x - y + c &= c\frac{b-d}{c+a} + c = c\frac{b-d+c+a}{c+a} = 2c\frac{s-d}{c+a} \\ x + y + c &= c\frac{-b+d}{c+a} + c = c\frac{-b+d+c+a}{c+a} = 2c\frac{s-d}{c+a} \end{aligned}$$

Plugging in, we find that the area of the quadrilateral is:

$$[ABCD] = \frac{c^2 - a^2}{c^2} \frac{1}{4} \frac{4c^2}{c^2 - a^2} \sqrt{(s - a)(s - c)(s - b)(s - d)} = \boxed{\sqrt{(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)(s - d)}}.$$

## 4.3 Examples

- 1. (2022 AMC 10A #15) Quadrilateral ABCD with sides AB = 7, BC = 24, CD = 20, DA = 15 is inscribed in a circle. The area interior to the circle but exterior to the quadrilateral can be written in the form  $\frac{a\pi-b}{c}$ , where a, b, and c are positive integers such that a and c have no common prime factor. What is a + b + c?
- 2. (2016 AMC 10A #24) A quadrilateral is inscribed in a circle of radius  $200\sqrt{2}$ . Three of the sides of this quadrilateral have length 200. What is the length of the fourth side?

## 4.4 Exercises

- 1. (Brahmagupta's Formula, Case 2) Show that Brahmagupta's formula still holds when both pairs of opposite sides are parallel. (This is very simple– don't overthink it!)
- 2. (2018 AMC 12A #20) Triangle ABC is an isosceles right triangle with AB = AC = 3. Let M be the midpoint of hypotenuse  $\overline{BC}$ . Points I and E lie on sides  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{AB}$ , respectively, so that AI > AE and AIME is a cyclic quadrilateral. Given that triangle EMI has area 2, the length CI can be written as  $\frac{a-\sqrt{b}}{c}$ , where a, b, and c are positive integers and b is not divisible by the square of any prime. What is the value of a + b + c?
- 3. (1991 AIME #14) A hexagon is inscribed in a circle. Five of the sides have length 81 and the sixth, denoted by  $\overline{AB}$ , has length 31. Find the sum of the lengths of the three diagonals that can be drawn from A.
- 4. (Pre-2005 Mock AIME 3 #7) *ABCD* is a cyclic quadrilateral that has an inscribed circle. The diagonals of *ABCD* intersect at *P*. If AB = 1, CD = 4, and BP : DP = 3 : 8, then the area of the inscribed circle of *ABCD* can be expressed as  $\frac{p\pi}{q}$ , where *p* and *q* are relatively prime positive integers. Determine p + q.