

6.8 Chords & Arcs of Circles

SWBAT solve for unknown variables using theorems about chords and arcs of circles.

Any segment with **endpoints** that are the center and a point on the circle is a **radius**.

The given point is called the **center**.

This point names the circle.

A **segment** that passes through the center is a **diameter** of a circle.

Any segment with **endpoints** that are on a circle is called a **chord**.

Example 1: Name the circle, a radius, a chord, and a diameter of the circle.

Circle: $\odot O$

Radius: $\overline{OC}, \overline{OB}, \overline{OE}$

Chord: \overline{AB}

Diameter: \overline{ED}

Circle: $\odot O$

Radius: $\overline{AO}, \overline{OB}, \overline{OC}$

Chord: \overline{ED}

Diameter: \overline{AC}

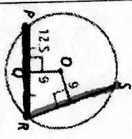
Since a **diameter** is composed of two radii, then $d = 2r$ and $r = d/2$

	Theorem 1:	Converse Theorem 1:
Within a circle or in congruent circles, chords equidistant from the center or centers are congruent .	If $OE = OF$, then $AB = CD$.	Within a circle or in congruent circles, congruent chords are equidistant from the center (or centers).
Within a circle or in congruent circles, congruent central angles have congruent arcs.	If $\angle AOB = \angle COD$, then $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$.	Converse Theorem 2: If $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$, then $OE = OF$.
Within a circle or in congruent circles, congruent central angles have congruent chords.	If $\angle AOB = \angle COD$, then $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$.	Converse Theorem 3: If $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$, then $\angle AOB = \angle COD$.
Within a circle or in congruent circles, congruent central angles have congruent arcs.	If $\angle AOB = \angle COD$, then $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$.	Converse Theorem 4: If $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$, then $\overline{AB} = \overline{CD}$.

Example 2: The following chords are equidistant from the center of the circle.

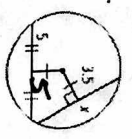
a) What is the length of RS?

$PR = 12.5 + 12.5$
 $= 25$
 $SR = 25$ b/c of Thm. 1



b) Solve for x.

$X = 5 + 5$
 $= 10$



Theorem 5: In a circle, if a diameter is perpendicular to a chord, then it bisects the chord and its arc.

Theorem 6: In a circle, if a diameter bisects a chord that is not a diameter, then it is perpendicular to the chord.

Theorem 7: In a circle, the perpendicular bisector of a chord contains the center of the circle.

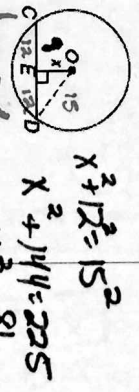
If...
 AB is a diameter and $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{CD}$

Then...
 $\overline{CE} = \overline{ED}$ and $\overline{CA} = \overline{AD}$

If...
 \overline{AB} is a diameter and $\overline{CE} = \overline{ED}$

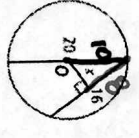
Then...
 $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{CD}$

Example 3: In $\odot O$, $\overline{CD} \perp \overline{OE}$, $OD = 15$, and $CD = 24$. Find x.



$x^2 + 12^2 = 15^2$
 $x^2 + 144 = 225$
 $x^2 = 81$
 $x = 9$

Example 4: Find the value of x to the nearest tenth.



$x^2 + 8^2 = 10^2$
 $x^2 + 64 = 100$
 $x^2 = 36$
 $x = 6$



$(\frac{1}{2}x)^2 + 6^2 = 12^2$
 $\frac{1}{4}x^2 + 36 = 144$
 $\frac{1}{4}x^2 = 108$
 $x^2 = 432$
 $x = \sqrt{432} = 20.8$

a) $(3.6)^2 + 4^2 = x^2$
 $x = 5.381$
 Jose can't round!

