1 Fundamentals of Circles

A circle is defined as the set of all those points which are at a constant distance from a fixed point. Centre: The fixed point is called the centre. Radius: The constant distance from the centre to any point on the circle is called the radius. Diameter: The longest chord passing through the centre and touching two points on the circle.

Concentric Circles: Circles having the same centre are called concentric circles.

2 Circumference of a Circle

The circumference of a circle is the perimeter of the circle. It is given by:

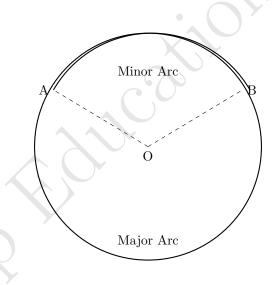
 $\text{Circumference} = \pi \times \text{Diameter} = 2\pi r$

3 Area of a Circle

The area of a circle is given by:

Area =
$$\pi r^2$$

4 Arc, Chord, Segment, and Sector of a Circle



Definitions:

- Arc: Any portion of the circumference of the circle.
- Chord: A straight line joining any two points on the circle.
- Segment: The region enclosed between an arc and a chord.
- Sector: The region enclosed by two radii and an arc.

5 Formulas for Length of Arc and Area of Sector

Let $\angle AOB = \theta$ (central angle), where *O* is the centre. Length of Arc:

Length of Arc =
$$\frac{\theta}{360^{\circ}} \times 2\pi r$$

Area of Sector:

Area of Sector = $\frac{\theta}{360^{\circ}} \times \pi r^2$

6 Area of a Segment of a Circle

The area of a segment of a circle is calculated as:

Area of Segment = Area of Sector - Area of Triangle

For $\theta \leq 90^{\circ}$:

Area of Segment
$$=$$
 $\frac{\theta}{360^{\circ}}\pi r^2 - \frac{1}{2}r^2\sin\theta$

Example: Calculate the area of a segment when r = 7 cm and $\theta = 60^{\circ}$.

Area =
$$\frac{60}{360} \times \pi \times 7^2 - \frac{1}{2} \times 7^2 \times \sin 60$$

7 Perimeter of a Segment

The perimeter of a segment consists of the length of the chord and the arc:

Perimeter = Chord Length + Arc Length

For $\theta \leq 90^{\circ}$:

Perimeter =
$$2r\sin\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) + \frac{\theta}{360^{\circ}} \times 2\pi r$$

8 Conclusion

- The circumference of a circle is $2\pi r$.
- The area of a circle is πr^2 .
- A sector is a part of a circle enclosed by two radii and an arc.
- A segment is the region enclosed between an arc and a chord.