

LESSON
10.3

Study Guide

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GOAL Use relationships of arcs and chords in a circle.
Vocabulary

A **chord** is a segment with endpoints on a circle.

Theorem 10.3: In the same circle, or in congruent circles, two minor arcs are congruent if and only if their corresponding chords are congruent.

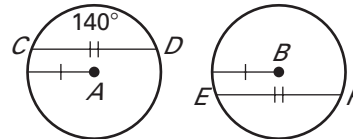
Theorem 10.4: If one chord is a perpendicular bisector of another chord, then the first chord is a diameter.

Theorem 10.5: If a diameter of a circle is perpendicular to a chord, then the diameter bisects the chord and its arc.

Theorem 10.6: In the same circle, or in congruent circles, two chords are congruent if and only if they are equidistant from the center.

EXAMPLE 1 Use congruent chords to find an arc measure

In the diagram, $\odot A \cong \odot B$, $\overline{CD} \cong \overline{EF}$ and $m\widehat{CD} = 140^\circ$. Find $m\widehat{EF}$.

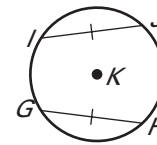

Solution

Because \overline{CD} and \overline{EF} are congruent chords in congruent circles, the corresponding minor arcs \widehat{CD} and \widehat{EF} are congruent. So, $m\widehat{CD} = m\widehat{EF} = 140^\circ$.

Exercises for Example 1

Use the diagram of $\odot K$.

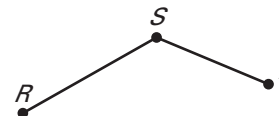
- If $m\widehat{GH} = 100^\circ$, find $m\widehat{IJ}$.
- If $m\widehat{GI} = 55^\circ$ and $m\widehat{HJ} = 115^\circ$, find $m\widehat{GH}$.
- If $m\widehat{IJ} = 85^\circ$ and $m\widehat{HJ} = 120^\circ$, find $m\widehat{GI}$.


EXAMPLE 2 Use perpendicular bisectors

Three baseball players stand in a field as shown. Where should a fourth player, Player X, stand if he wanted to throw the ball the same distance to each player?

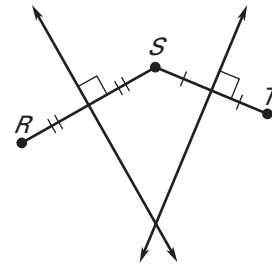
Solution

STEP 1 Draw segments \overline{RS} and \overline{ST} as shown.

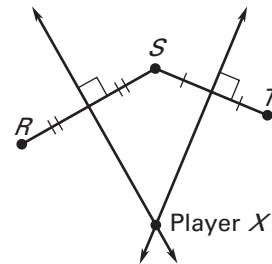


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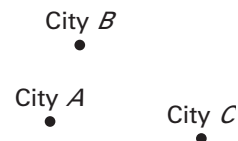
STEP 2 Draw the perpendicular bisectors of \overline{RS} and \overline{ST} . By Theorem 10.4, these are diameters of the circle containing R , S , and T .



STEP 3 Find the point where these bisectors intersect. This is the center of the circle containing points R , S , and T , so it is equidistant from each point. This is where Player X should stand.

**Exercise for Example 2**

4. Three cities are located on a map as shown. A wireless communications company plans to build a relay tower to provide cell phone service to each of the cities. In order to provide the cities with a signal of equal strength, the tower must be placed equidistant from each. Show and explain how this location can be determined.

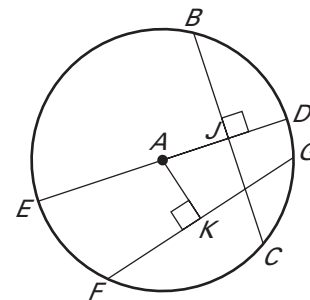
**EXAMPLE 3** Use a diameter

In $\odot A$, find the lengths of \overline{CJ} and \overline{AK} given $BC = FG = 16$ and $AJ = 5$.

Solution

Diameter \overline{DE} is perpendicular to \overline{BC} . So, by Theorem 10.5, \overline{DE} bisects \overline{BC} and $BJ = CJ$.

Therefore, $CJ = \frac{1}{2}BC = \frac{1}{2}(16) = 8$. Chords \overline{BC} and \overline{FG} are congruent, so by Theorem 10.6, they are equidistant from A . Therefore, $AK = 5$.

**Exercises for Example 3**

Use the diagram from Example 3.

- Find $m\widehat{BD}$ if $m\widehat{CD} = 4x^\circ$ and $m\widehat{BD} = (2x + 40)^\circ$.
- Find GK if $BC = FG = 20$.