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## Arcs of a Circle \& Central Angles

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Definitions: A central angle of a circle is an angle whose vertex is the center of the circle. An arc consists of two points on a circle and all points on the circle needed to connect those points by a single path. If $\mathrm{m} \angle A C B$ is less than $180^{\circ}$, then the points on the circle that lie in the interior of $\angle A C B$ form a minor arc, $A B$ (also denoted as $A C B$ ), with endpoints $A$ and $B$. The points on circle $C$ that do not lie on minor arc $A B$ form a major arc, $A D B$, also with endpoints $A$ and $B$. The
 measure of a minor arc is the measure of its central angle. The measure of a major arc is the difference between $360^{\circ}$ and the measure of its related minor arc. Adjacent arcs can be added and has a measure of the sum of the two arc measures. Congruent arcs are two arcs in the same circle or congruent circles that have the same measure.

A semicircle is an arc whose endpoints are $\qquad$
$\qquad$ , and which has a measure of $\qquad$
I. Determine whether the indicated arc is a minor arc, a major arc, or a semicircle of $\odot C .(\overline{A B}$ and $\overline{F E}$ are diameters of $\odot C$.)
1.) $A E$
2.) $A D B$
3.) $F D E$
4.) $D F B$
5.) FA
6.) BE
7.) BDA
8.) FB

II. $\overline{M Q}$ and $\overline{N R}$ are diameters of $\odot O$. Find each of the following indicated measures:
9.) mMN
10.) $m N Q$
11.) $m N Q R$
12.) $m M R P$
13.) $m Q R$
14.) $m M R$
15.) $m Q M R$
16.) $m P Q$
17.) $m P R N$
18.) $m M Q N$

III. Find the measure of $M N$ in each of the following circles.
19.)

20.)

21.)


Some (common sense) theorems to consider:
Theorem 79: If two central angles of a circle (or of congruent circles) are congruent, then their intercepted arcs are congruent.

Theorem 80: If two arcs of a circle (or of congruent circles) are congruent, then their corresponding central angles are congruent.


Theorem 81: If two central angles of a circle (or of congruent circles) are congruent, then the corresponding chords are congruent.

Theorem 82: If two chords of a circle (or of congruent circles) are congruent, then the corresponding central angles are congruent.


Theorem 83: If two arcs of a circle (or of congruent circles) are congruent, then the corresponding chords are congruent.

Theorem 84: If two chords of a circle (or of congruent circles) are congruent, then the corresponding arcs are congruent.

IV. Match each item in the left column with the correct term in the right column.

| 22.) | QRS | A) Radius |
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| 23.) | $\overline{Q S}$ | B) Diameter |
| 24.) | RQS | C) Chord |
| 25.) | $R S$ | D) Minor arc |
| 26.) | $\overline{R S}$ | E) Major arc |
| 27.) | $\angle R P Q$ | F) Semicircle |
| 28.) | $\overline{P S}$ | G) Central angle |


29.) What fractional part of a circle is an arc that measures
a) $8^{\circ}$
b) $240^{\circ}$
c) $144^{\circ}$
d) $315^{\circ}$
30.) Given: $\overline{A D}$ is a diameter of $\odot E$.
$C$ is the midpoint of $B D$.
$m A B=9 x+30$.
$m C D=54-x$.
Find: $m \angle A E C$


