

## Topic: Circular Measure

### Measuring angles in radians

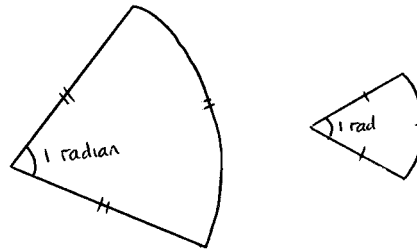
“A radian is the angle subtended at the centre of a circle by an arc length whose length is equal to that of the radius of the circle”. This means a radian is the angle formed when the arc length and the radius are the same.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{No. of Radians in a circle} &= \frac{\text{length of circumference}}{\text{radius}} \\ &= \frac{2\pi r}{r} \\ &= 2\pi \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore 360^\circ = 2\pi \text{ rads}$$

$$180^\circ = \pi \text{ rads}$$

$$1 \text{ rad} = \frac{180}{\pi} \approx 57.3^\circ$$



### Converting angles from Degrees to Radians

1. Convert  $45^\circ$  to radians

$$\begin{aligned} 45^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} &= \frac{45\pi}{180} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} \end{aligned} \quad \leftarrow \text{Leaving your answer in terms of } \pi \text{ (exact)}$$

2. Convert  $75^\circ$  to radians

$$\begin{aligned} 75^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} &= \frac{75\pi}{180} \\ &= 1.308... \\ &\approx 1.31 \end{aligned} \quad \leftarrow \text{Leaving your answer in 3 sig. fig. (approximated)}$$

### Converting angles from Radians to Degrees

1. Convert  $\frac{2\pi}{3}$  rads to degrees

$$\frac{2\pi}{3} \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 120^\circ$$

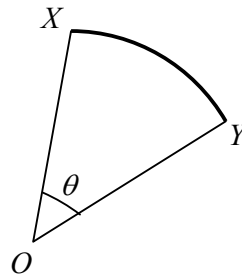
2. Convert 2.1 rads to degrees

$$2.1 \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 120.3^\circ$$

**Finding Arc Length**

When angles are measured in degrees:

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

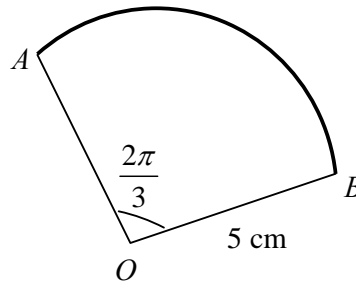


When angles are measured in radians:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Length of Arc } XY, s &= \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \times 2\pi r \\ &= r\theta \end{aligned}$$

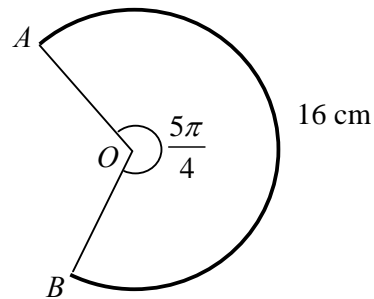
1. Find the length of the arc  $AB$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Length of Arc } AB &= r\theta \\ &= 5\left(\frac{2\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \frac{10\pi}{3} \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$



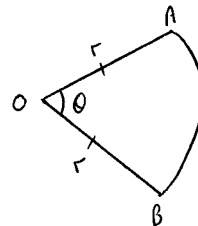
2. Find the radius of the sector  $ABC$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Length of Arc } AB &= r\theta \\ 16 &= r\left(\frac{5\pi}{4}\right) \\ r &= \frac{64}{5\pi} \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$



3. An arc  $AB$  of a circle, centre  $O$  and radius  $r$ , subtends an angle of  $\theta$  radians. Given that the perimeter of the sector  $AOB$  is  $P$  cm, express  $r$  in terms of  $P$  and  $\theta$ .

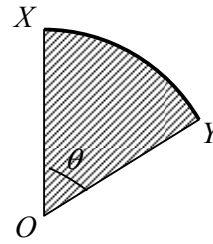
$$\begin{aligned} P &= 2r + r\theta \\ P &= r(2 + \theta) \\ r &= \frac{P}{2 + \theta} \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$



**Finding Area of Sector**

When angles are measured in degrees:

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

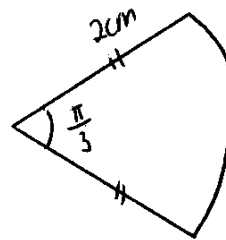


When angles are measured in radians:

Area of Sector  $OXY$ ,  $A = \frac{\theta}{2\pi} \times \pi r^2$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta$

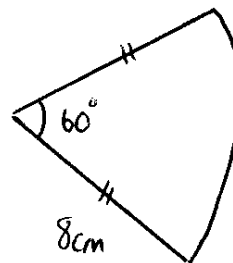
1. Find the area of the sector  $ABC$ , where  $\angle ABC = \frac{\pi}{3}$  and  $r = 2$  cm.

Area of Sector  $ABC = \frac{1}{2}(2)^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$   
 $= \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ cm}^2$



2. Find the area of the sector  $ABC$ , where  $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$  and  $r = 8$  cm.

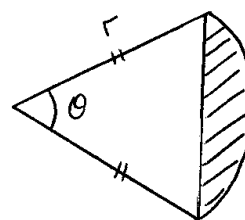
Area of Sector  $ABC = \frac{1}{2}(8)^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  ← Remember to convert the angle to radians first!  
 $= \frac{32\pi}{3} \text{ cm}^2$



**Finding the Area of Segment**

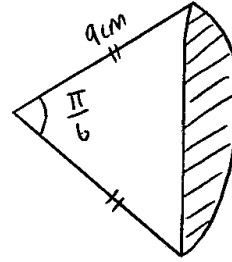
Area of segment = Area of sector – area of a triangle

Area of Segment  $= \frac{1}{2} r^2 \theta - \frac{1}{2} r^2 \sin \theta$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} r^2 (\theta - \sin \theta)$



1. Find the area of the shaded segment.

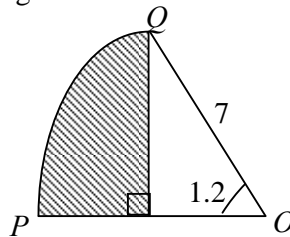
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of segment} &= \frac{1}{2}r^2(\theta - \sin \theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(9)^2\left(\frac{\pi}{6} - \sin \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \\ &= 0.95575\dots \\ &\approx 0.956 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$



**Exercise**

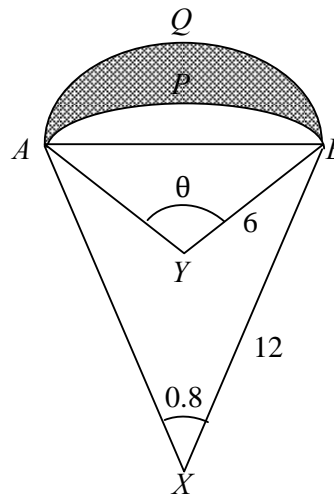
For all questions, give all answers for  $\theta$  in radians.

- Q1** The diagram shows part of a circle, centre  $O$  and radius 7 cm.  $\angle POQ$  is 1.2 radians. Find the area and perimeter of the shaded region.



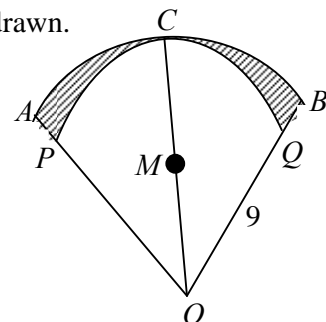
- Q2** In a sketch of a parachute below,  $APB$  is an arc centre  $X$ , radius 12 cm and  $\angle AXB = 0.8$  radians.  $AQB$  is an arc centre  $Y$ , radius 6 cm and  $\angle AYB = \theta$  radians. Calculate the

- (i) value of  $\theta$ ,
- (ii) area of the shaded region.

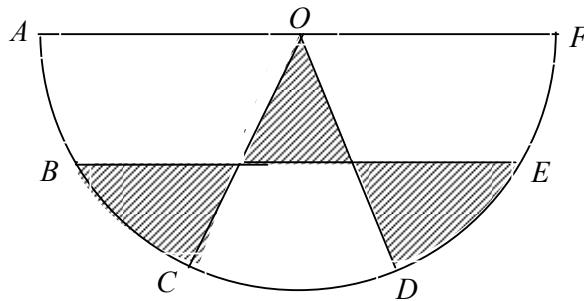


- Q3** In the diagram, the sector  $OAB$  has centre  $O$ , radius 9 cm and  $\angle AOB = \frac{\pi}{6}$  radians.  $OC$  bisects  $\angle AOB$  and  $M$  is the midpoint of  $OC$ . An arc  $PQ$  with centre  $M$  is drawn.

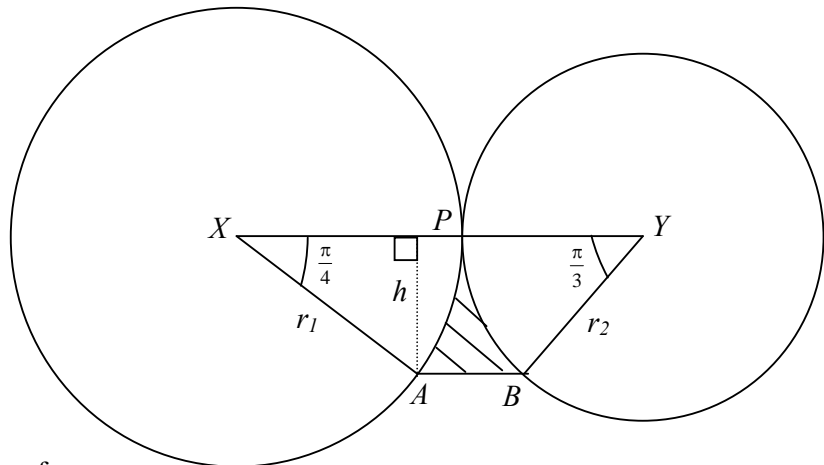
- (a) Find  $\angle OMP$ .
- (b) Calculate the perimeter of the shaded region.



- Q4** The diagram below shows a semi-circular school field, centre  $O$ . During National Day, the uniform groups assemble in the shaded regions of the field. Given that the radius is 30 m, arc  $AB = \text{arc } CD = \text{arc } EF = 15$  m, find  $\angle BOE$  and hence, the perimeter of the shaded region.



- Q5** The figure below shows two circles, centres  $X$  and  $Y$ , radii  $r_1$  cm and  $r_2$  cm which touches externally at  $P$ . Given that  $\angle AXP = \frac{\pi}{4}$  radians,  $\angle BYP = \frac{\pi}{3}$  radians and  $AB$  is parallel to  $XPY$ ,



- (a) (i) Express  $h$  in terms of  $r_1$ .  
 (ii) Express  $h$  in terms of  $r_2$ .  
 (iii) Hence, show that  $\frac{r_1}{r_2} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{6}$ ,
- (b) Given further that  $r_1 = 6$ ,
- (i) find the perimeter of the shaded region  
 (ii) find the area of the shaded region.
- Q6** The diagram shows a sector  $OPQRS$  with centre  $O$ . Arcs  $PQ$ ,  $QR$  and  $RS$  have the same length. Given that  $OP = 2$  m,  $MN = 0.728$  m and  $\angle POS = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ ,

