

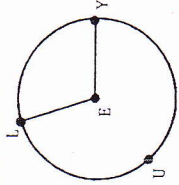
NOTES 10.2 – ARCS, SEMICIRCLES, & CENTRAL ANGLES
CENTRAL ANGLE:

An angle whose vertex is the center of the circle.

THEOREM: SUM OF CENTRAL ANGLES

The sum of the measures of the central angles of a circle with no interior points in common is 360° .

EXAMPLE 1: Name the following.



The central angle: $\angle LEY$

The two arcs: \widehat{LY} & \widehat{LUY}

MINOR ARC:

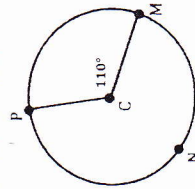
- An arc that measures less than 180°
- Named by its endpoints

MAJOR ARC:

- An arc that measures more than 180°
- Named by its endpoints and another point on the arc

Arcs are measured by their corresponding central angles.

EXAMPLE 2:

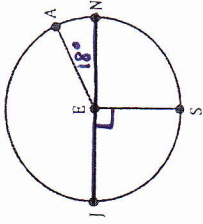


- $m\angle PCM = 110^\circ$
- $m\widehat{PM} = 110^\circ$
- $m\widehat{PNM} = 360 - 110 = 250^\circ$
- What kind of arc is \widehat{PM} ? How do you know? Minor - measure < 180°

SEMICIRCLES:

An arc that measures 180° .

EXAMPLE 3: In circle E, $m\angle AEN = 18^\circ$, \overline{JN} is a diameter, and $m\angle JES = 90^\circ$. Find each measure.

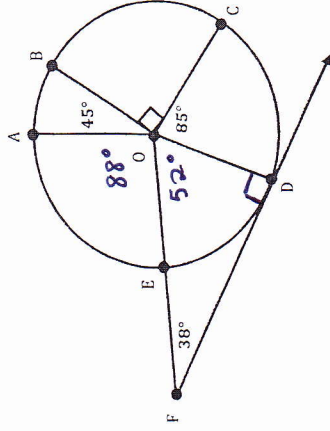


- a) $m\widehat{AN} = 18^\circ$
 b) $m\widehat{JA} = 180 - 18 = 162^\circ$
 c) $m\widehat{JAS} = 360 - 90 = 270^\circ$

EXAMPLE 4: \overline{FD} is a tangent to circle O. Based on the angle measures

given, find the measure of each of the following.

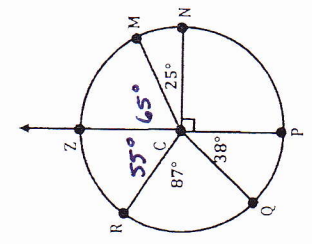
- a) $m\widehat{AB} = 45^\circ$
 b) $m\widehat{AD} = 140^\circ$
 c) $m\widehat{AC} = 135^\circ$
 d) $m\widehat{BC} = 90^\circ$
 e) $m\widehat{ADC} = 225^\circ$
 f) $m\widehat{ACD} = 220^\circ$
 g) $m\widehat{ED} = 52^\circ$
 h) $m\widehat{AE} = 88^\circ$
 i) $m\angle DOF = 52^\circ$
 j) $m\angle EOA = 88^\circ$



EXAMPLE 5: Find the measure of each of the following.

- $x + 4x + 2x + 15 + 3x + 15 = 360$
 $10x + 30 = 360$
 $10x = 330$
 $x = 33$
- a) $m\angle AOB = 33^\circ$
 b) $m\angle BOC = 132^\circ$
 c) $m\angle COD = 81^\circ$
 d) $m\angle AOD = 114^\circ$

EXAMPLE 6: Find the measure of each arc in circle C and classify it.
 In the figure PZ is a diameter.



- a) $m\widehat{PN} = 90^\circ$; Minor
- b) $m\widehat{ZQP} = 180^\circ$; Semicircle
- c) $m\widehat{RZ} = 55^\circ$; Minor
- d) $m\widehat{ZMP} = 180^\circ$; Semicircle
- e) $m\widehat{RM} = 120^\circ$; Minor
- f) $m\widehat{NQP} = 270^\circ$; Major
- g) $m\widehat{QN} = 128^\circ$; Minor
- h) $m\widehat{RP} = 125^\circ$; Minor

EXAMPLE 7: Find the indicated measures.

$$x + 3x + 6 + 3x - 4 + 6x - 6 = 360$$

$$13x - 4 = 360$$

$$13x = 364$$

$$x = 28$$

- $m\angle AEB = 28^\circ$
- $m\angle BEC = 90^\circ$
- $m\angle CED = 80^\circ$
- $m\angle DEA = 162^\circ$

