

**NOTES 10.2 – ARCS, SEMICIRCLES, & CENTRAL ANGLES**

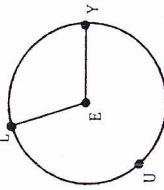
CENTRAL ANGLE:

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  $360^\circ$ .

**EXAMPLE 1:** Name the following.



The central angle:  $\angle LEY$

The two arcs:  $\overarc{LY}$  &  $\overarc{LYU}$

MINOR ARC:

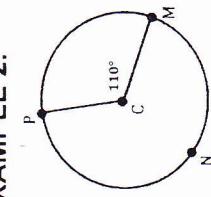
- An arc that measures less than  $180^\circ$
- Named by its endpoints

MAJOR ARC:

- An arc that measures more than  $180^\circ$
- Named by its endpoints and another point on the arc

Arcs are measured by their corresponding central angles.

**EXAMPLE 2:**



i)  $m\angle PCM =$  \_\_\_\_\_

ii)  $m\angle PNM =$  \_\_\_\_\_

iii)  $m\angle PNM =$  \_\_\_\_\_

- What kind of arc is  $\overarc{PM}$ ? How do you know? \_\_\_\_\_

SEMICIRCLES:

An arc that measures  $180^\circ$ .

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

- $m\widehat{AN} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{JA} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{JAS} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**EXAMPLE 4:**  $\overline{FD}$  is a tangent to circle O. Based on the angle measures given, find the measure of each of the following.

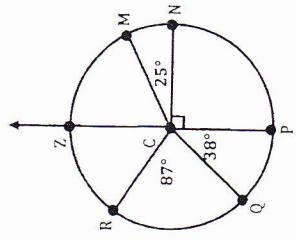
- $m\widehat{AB} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{AD} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{AC} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{BC} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{ADC} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{ACD} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{ED} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\widehat{AE} =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle DOF =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle EOA =$  \_\_\_\_\_

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

- $m\angle AOB =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle BOC =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle COD =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle AOD =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**EXAMPLE 6:** Find the measure of each arc in circle C and classify it.  
In the figure  $\overline{PZ}$  is a diameter.

- a)  $m \widehat{PN} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- b)  $m \widehat{ZQP} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- c)  $m \widehat{RZ} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- d)  $m \widehat{ZMP} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- e)  $m \widehat{RM} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- f)  $m \widehat{NQP} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- g)  $m \widehat{QN} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_
- h)  $m \widehat{RP} =$  \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_



**EXAMPLE 7:** Find the indicated measures.

- $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle AEB =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle BEC =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle CED =$  \_\_\_\_\_
- $m\angle DEA =$  \_\_\_\_\_

