Some Important Derivations of 2D Geometry

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Introduction: Here are some important formula in 2D-Geometry derived by the author using simple geometry & trigonometry. The formula, derived here, are related to the triangle, square, trapezium & tangent circles. These formula are very useful for case studies in 2D-Geometry to compute the important parameters of 2D-figures. The formula & their derivations are in the order as given below.

1. If P is a point lying inside the square ABCD such that $\angle PDC = \angle PCD = \alpha$ (as shown in the figure-1) then $\angle APB = \theta$ is given by the following formula

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2 - \tan \alpha} \right) \qquad (\forall \ 0 < \alpha < \tan^{-1}(2))$$



Figure 1: Given angle α

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Proof: Drop the perpendiculars PM & PN from the point P to the sides AB & CD respectively in the square ABCD (as shown in the figure-2) Let CN = DN = xthen in right ΔPND

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{PN}{DN} = \frac{PN}{x} \Rightarrow PN = x \tan \alpha$$
$$PM = MN - PN = CD - PN = 2x - x \tan \alpha$$

In right ΔPMA

$$\tan \checkmark APM = \frac{AM}{PM}$$
$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{x}{2x - x \tan \alpha} = \frac{1}{2 - \tan \alpha}$$
$$\theta = 2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2 - \tan \alpha}\right)$$



 $CD = 2x \& \checkmark APM = \checkmark BPM = \theta/2$

2. If P is a point lying inside the square ABCD such that AP = a & PC = b (as shown in the figure-3) then the area of $\triangle BPD$ is given by the following formula

Proved.





Figure 3: In square ABCD PA = a & PC = b

Proof: Drop the perpendiculars PM & PN from the point P to the sides AD & CD respectively in the square ABCD (as shown in the figure-4 below). Let x be the side of square ABCD & $\angle PCN = \theta$ then in right ΔPNC

$$PN = b\sin\theta \& NC = b\cos\theta$$

Now,

$$MP = DN = DC - NC = x - b\cos\theta$$

$$AM = AD - MD = AD - PN = x - b\sin\theta$$

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔAMP

$$(AP)^{2} = (AM)^{2} + (MP)^{2}$$

$$(a)^{2} = (x - b\sin\theta)^{2} + (x - b\cos\theta)^{2}$$

$$a^{2} = x^{2} + b^{2}\sin^{2}\theta - 2bx\sin\theta + x^{2} + b^{2}\cos^{2}\theta - 2bx\cos\theta$$
Figure 4: Let
$$a^{2} = 2x^{2} + b^{2} - 2bx(\sin\theta + \cos\theta)$$

$$2x^{2} - 2bx(\sin\theta + \cos\theta) = a^{2} - b^{2}$$

$$x^{2} - bx(\sin\theta + \cos\theta) = \frac{a^{2} - b^{2}}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(x^{2} - bx(\sin\theta + \cos\theta)) = \frac{a^{2} - b^{2}}{4}$$
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$$[\Delta BPD] = [\Delta BCD] - [\Delta BPC] - [\Delta CPD]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(BC)(CD) - \frac{1}{2}(BC)(NC) - \frac{1}{2}(CD)(PN) = \frac{1}{2}(x)(x) - \frac{1}{2}(x)(b\cos\theta) - \frac{1}{2}(x)(b\sin\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - bx\sin\theta - bx\cos\theta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - bx(\sin\theta + \cos\theta))$$

$$= \frac{a^2 - b^2}{4} \qquad (\text{from eq(1)})$$

Since, the area is positive hence taking absolute value of above result,

$$[\Delta BPD] = \frac{|a^2 - b^2|}{4}$$
 Proved.

3. The square ABCD has each side *a*. If two quarter circles each with radius *a* & centres at the vertices C & D are drawn then the radii $R_P \& R_Q$ of smaller inscribed circles with centres P & Q respectively (as shown in the figure-5) are given by the following formula

$$R_P = \frac{a}{16} \quad \& \quad R_Q = \frac{3a}{8}$$



Figure 5: Two inscribed circles have radii $R_P \& R_Q$



igure 4: Let x be side of square ABCD & $\angle PCN = \theta$

Proof: Let $R_P \& R_Q$ be the radii of smaller inscribed circles with the centres P & Q respectively. Join the centres P & Q to the vertex D and draw the line MN passing through the centres P & Q which is perpendicular to the sides AB & CD of the square ABCD (as shown in the figure-6).

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔPND

$$(PD)^{2} = (PN)^{2} + (DN)^{2}$$

$$(a + R_{P})^{2} = (a - R_{P})^{2} + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{2}$$

$$a^{2} + R_{P}^{2} + 2aR_{P} = a^{2} + R_{P}^{2} - 2aR_{P} + \frac{a^{2}}{4}$$

$$4aR_{P} = \frac{a^{2}}{4}$$

$$R_{P} = \frac{a}{16}$$

Now, applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔQND

$$(QD)^{2} = (QN)^{2} + (DN)^{2}$$
$$(a - R_{Q})^{2} = (R_{Q})^{2} + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{2}$$
$$a^{2} + R_{Q}^{2} - 2aR_{Q} = R_{Q}^{2} + \frac{a^{2}}{4}$$
$$2aR_{Q} = \frac{3a^{2}}{4}$$
$$R_{Q} = \frac{3a}{8}$$



Figure 6: $PM = R_P$, $QN = R_Q PD = a + R_P$, $PN = a - R_P$ & $DQ = a - R_Q$

Proved

Proved.

4. The square ABCD has each side a. If two quarter circles each with radius a & centres at the vertices C & D are drawn then the radius (r) of smaller inscribed circle (as shown in the figure-7) is given by the following formula





Figure 7: Small circle of radius *r* inscribed by two quarter circles & the side BC

Proof: Let r be the radius of smaller inscribed circle with the centre O. Join the centre O to the vertices C & D and drop the perpendiculars OM & ON from the centre O to the sides BC & CD respectively in the square ABCD (as shown in the figure-8).

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔOMC

$$MC = \sqrt{(OC)^2 - (OM)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{(a-r)^2 - r^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{a^2 - 2ar + r^2 - r^2}$$
$$MC = ON = \sqrt{a^2 - 2ar}$$

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔOND

$$(OD)^{2} = (ON)^{2} + (DN)^{2}$$

$$(a+r)^{2} = \left(\sqrt{a^{2}-2ar}\right)^{2} + (a-r)^{2}$$

$$a^{2} + 2ar + r^{2} = a^{2} - 2ar + a^{2} - 2ar + r^{2}$$

$$6ar = a^{2}$$

$$r = \frac{a}{6}$$
Proved.

5. Two squares ABCD & STUV having each side a & b respectively, are symmetrically drawn sharing a common edge coinciding with the chord PQ of a circle which inscribes the two squares (as shown in the figure-9) & passes through the vertices A, B, U & V. Then the radius (*R*) of inscribing circle & the length of common chord PQ are given by the following formula





Figure 8: In square ABCD, OC = a - r & OD = a + r



Figure 9: Two squares are drawn with a common edge inscribed in a circle

Proof: Let *R* be the radius of circle with the centre O inscribing two given squares. Join the centre O to the vertices A & V and the point P. Drop the perpendiculars OM & ON from the centre O to the sides AB & UV respectively (as shown in the figure-10).

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔOMA

$$OM = \sqrt{(OA)^2 - (AM)^2} = \sqrt{R^2 - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{4R^2 - a^2}}{2}$$

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔONV

$$ON = \sqrt{(OV)^2 - (VN)^2} = \sqrt{R^2 - \left(\frac{b}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{4R^2 - b^2}}{2}$$



Figure 10: Two squares ABCD & STUV sharing common edge on the chord PQ

From symmetry in the above figure 10, we have

$$OM + ON = MN$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{4R^2 - a^2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{4R^2 - b^2}}{2} = a + b$$

$$\sqrt{4R^2 - a^2} + \sqrt{4R^2 - b^2} = 2(a + b)$$

$$\left(\sqrt{4R^2 - a^2} + \sqrt{4R^2 - b^2}\right)^2 = \left(2(a + b)\right)^2$$

$$4R^2 - a^2 + 4R^2 - b^2 + 2\sqrt{(4R^2 - a^2)(4R^2 - b^2)} = 4(a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)$$

$$2\sqrt{(4R^2 - a^2)(4R^2 - b^2)} = 5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab - 8R^2$$

$$\left(2\sqrt{(4R^2 - a^2)(4R^2 - b^2)}\right)^2 = (5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab - 8R^2)^2$$

$$64R^4 - 16(a^2 + b^2)R^2 + 4a^2b^2 = (5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab)^2 + 64R^4 - 16(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab)R^2$$

$$16(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab - a^2 - b^2)R^2 = (5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab)^2 - 4a^2b^2$$

$$16(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab - a^2 - b^2)R^2 = (5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab + 2ab)(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 8ab - 2ab)$$

$$16(4a^2 + 4b^2 + 8ab)R^2 = (5a^2 + 5b^2 + 10ab)(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)$$

$$64(a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)R^2 = 5(a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)$$

$$64R^2 = 5(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)$$

$$R^2 = \frac{5(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)}{64}$$

$$R^2 = \frac{\sqrt{5(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)}}{8}$$
Proved.

Now, substituting the above value of radius (R) of circle in the above expression, we get

$$OM = \sqrt{R^2 - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{5(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)}}{8}\right)^2 - \frac{a^2}{4}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{25a^2 + 25b^2 + 30ab - 16a^2}{64}}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{9a^2 + 25b^2 + 30ab}}{8}$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{(3a + 5b)^2}}{8}$$
$$OM = \frac{3a + 5b}{8}$$

From the above figure-10, we have

$$\mathbf{0E} = OM - EM = \frac{3a + 5b}{8} - a = \frac{5(b - a)}{8}$$

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right $\triangle OEP$ (refer to figure -10 above)

$$PE = \sqrt{(OP)^2 - (OE)^2} = \sqrt{R^2 - (OE)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{5(5a^2 + 5b^2 + 6ab)}}{8}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{5(b-a)}{8}\right)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{25a^2 + 25b^2 + 30ab - 25a^2 - 25b^2 + 50ab}{64}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{80ab}{64}}$$
$$PE = \frac{\sqrt{5ab}}{2}$$

Hence, from the above figure-10, the length of common chord PQ,

$$PQ = 2PE = 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{5ab}}{2}\right) = \sqrt{5ab}$$
 Proved.

6. Two trapeziums ABCF & CDEF each having three equal sides a & b respectively, are symmetrically drawn

sharing a common edge coinciding with the chord FC of a circle which inscribes the two trapeziums (as shown in the figure-11) & passes through the vertices A, B, C, D, E & F. Then the radius (R) of inscribing circle & the length of common chord FC are given by the following formula





Figure 11: Two trapeziums drawn with a common edge are inscribed in a circle

Proof: Let *R* be the radius of circle with the centre O inscribing the two trapeziums ABCF & CDEF. Join the centre O to all the vertices A, B, C, D, E & F. Drop the perpendiculars OM & ON from the centre O to the sides AB & ED respectively (as shown in the figure-12). Let $2\alpha \& 2\beta$ be the angles exerted at the centre O by each of three equal sides a & b of trapeziums ABCF & CDEF respectively (see figure-12). Now, in right ΔOMA

$$\sin \alpha = \frac{AM}{OA} = \frac{a/2}{R} = \frac{a}{2R}$$

Similarly, in right ΔONE

$$\sin\beta = \frac{EN}{OE} = \frac{b/2}{R} = \frac{b}{2R}$$



Figure 12: Two trapeziums ABCF & CDEF, each has three equal sides a & b exerting angles $2a \& 2\beta$ respectively at the centre O of circle inscribing them

Now, the sum of the angles exerted at the centre O by all the six sides of hexagon ABCDEF (see fig-12 above)

$$3(2\alpha) + 3(2\beta) = 360^{\circ}$$

$$\alpha + \beta = 60^{\circ}$$

$$\alpha = 60^{\circ} - \beta$$

$$\sin \alpha = \sin(60^{\circ} - \beta) \qquad \text{(taking sine on both sides)}$$

$$\sin \alpha = \sin 60^{\circ} \cos \beta - \cos 60^{\circ} \sin \beta$$

$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{\sin \beta} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos \beta - \frac{1}{2} \sin \beta \qquad \text{(diving both sides by sin }\beta)$$

$$\frac{\frac{a}{2R}}{\frac{b}{2R}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cot \beta - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cot \beta - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\cot \beta = \frac{2a + b}{b\sqrt{3}}$$

$$Now, \qquad \sin \beta = \frac{1}{\cos ec\beta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \cot^2 \beta}} \qquad (0 < \beta < \pi)$$

$$\sin \beta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + (\frac{2a + b}{b\sqrt{3}})^2}} = \frac{b\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{4a^2 + 4b^2 + 4ab}} = \frac{b\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + ab}}$$

But in right ΔONE (see figure -12 above)

$$\sin \beta = \frac{EN}{OE} = \frac{b/2}{R} = \frac{b}{2R}$$
$$\therefore \frac{b\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + ab}} = \frac{b}{2R}$$
$$\frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + ab}} = \frac{1}{R}$$
$$R = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2 + ab}{3}}$$
Proved

Now in right ΔOQF (see figure-12 above)

$$\sin \checkmark FOQ = \frac{FQ}{OF}$$
$$\sin 3\beta = \frac{FQ}{R}$$

$$FQ = R \sin 3\beta$$

= $R(3 \sin \beta - 4 \sin^3 \beta)$
= $R \sin \beta (3 - 4 \sin^2 \beta)$
= $\sqrt{\frac{a^2 + b^2 + ab}{3}} \left(\frac{b\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + ab}}\right) \left(3 - 4\left(\frac{b\sqrt{3}}{2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + ab}}\right)^2\right)$
= $\frac{b}{2} \left(\frac{3a^2 + 3b^2 + 3ab - 3b^2}{a^2 + b^2 + ab}\right)$
= $\frac{b}{2} \left(\frac{3a(a + b)}{a^2 + b^2 + ab}\right)$
 $FQ = \frac{3ab(a + b)}{2(a^2 + b^2 + ab)}$

Now, the length of common chord FC (see figure-12 above) is given as

$$FC = 2FQ = 2\left(\frac{3ab(a+b)}{2(a^2+b^2+ab)}\right) = \frac{3ab(a+b)}{a^2+b^2+ab}$$
 Proved.

7. A small circle with radius r & centre at D is inscribed in a large semi-circle of radius R & centre at O such that it touches the semi-circle internally at the periphery & the diameter AB. Now, a tangent BC is drawn from end B to the small circle & extended such that it intersects semi-circle at C (As shown in the figure-13). Then the length of extended tangent BC is given by the following formula

$$BC = 2R\cos\left\{2\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{r}{R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}}\right)\right\} \qquad \forall r < R/2$$

Proof: Join the centre D of small circle to the centre O of semi-circle & the point B by dotted straight lines. Drop the perpendiculars OM & DN from the centres O & D to the diameter AB & tangent BC respectively (as shown in the figure-14). Let 2α be the angle between diameter AB & tangent BC which is bisected by line BD (see figure-14).

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔDNO

$$NO = \sqrt{(OD)^2 - (DN)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{(R-r)^2 - (r)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr - r^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}$$

Now, in right ΔDNB



Figure 13: Small circle touches the periphery & diameter of semi-circle internally



Figure 14: Perpendicular OM drawn from the centre O bisects extended tangent line BC. BD bisects $\checkmark ABC$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{DN}{BN} = \frac{r}{NO + OB} = \frac{r}{\sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr} + R} = \frac{r}{R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}}$$
$$\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{r}{R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}}\right)$$

Now, in right $\triangle OMB$ (see figure 14 above)

$$\cos \checkmark OBM = \frac{BM}{OB}$$
$$\cos 2\alpha = \frac{BM}{R}$$
$$BM = R\cos 2\alpha$$

Hence, setting the value of the angle α , the **length of extended tangent line BC**,

$$BC = 2BM = 2R\cos 2\alpha$$
$$BC = 2R\cos\left\{2\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{r}{R + \sqrt{R^2 - 2Rr}}\right)\right\}$$
Proved

8. Two small semi-circles of radii a & b and centres at C & D are drawn inside a large semi-circle of radius a + b & centre at O such that the small semi-circles completely share the diameter AB of large one. Now two identical (twins) small circles with centres $C_1 \& C_2$ are inscribed by three semi-circles & a perpendicular line EF such that these twins are tangent to the vertical line EF, internally tangent to big semicircle & externally tangent to small semi-circles. (as shown in the figure-15). Then the radius (r) of each of identical (twins) circles is given by the following formula





Figure 15: small identical (twins) circles with centres $C_1 \& C_2$ are tangent to three semi-circles & perpendicular EF

Proof: Join the centres $C_1 \& C_2$ of small identical circles to the centres C, O & O, D respectively by the dotted straight lines. Drop the perpendiculars from the centres $C_1 \& C_2$ to the perpendicular EF & the diameter AB. (as shown in the figure-16). Let *r* be the radius of each of small identical circles, $\angle C_1 CO = \alpha \& \angle C_2 DO = \beta$.

Now in $\Delta C_1 CO$, applying cosine rule,

$$\cos \sim C_1 CO = \frac{(C_1 C)^2 + (CO)^2 - (C_1 O)^2}{2(C_1 C)(CO)}$$
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{(a+r)^2 + (b)^2 - (a+b-r)^2}{2(a+r)(b)}$$
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{a^2 + r^2 + 2ar + b^2 - a^2 - b^2 - r^2 - 2ab + 2br + 2ar}{2b(a+r)}$$
$$\cos \alpha = \frac{2ar + br - ab}{b(a+r)}$$



Figure 16: $OC = b \& C C_1 = a + r, O C_1 = a + b - r$ and $OD = a \& C_2D = b + r, O C_2 = a + b - r$

Now, in right $\Delta \mathcal{C}_1 M \mathcal{C}$ (see figure 16 above)

Now, in $\Delta \mathcal{C}_2 DO$, applying cosine rule,

$$\cos \swarrow C_2 DO = \frac{(C_2 D)^2 + (OD)^2 - (C_2 O)^2}{2(C_2 D)(OD)}$$
$$\cos \beta = \frac{(b+r)^2 + (a)^2 - (a+b-r)^2}{2(b+r)(a)}$$
$$\cos \beta = \frac{b^2 + r^2 + 2br + a^2 - a^2 - b^2 - r^2 - 2ab + 2br + 2ar}{2a(b+r)}$$
$$\cos \beta = \frac{2br + ar - ab}{a(b+r)}$$

Now, in right $\Delta \mathcal{C}_2 \textit{ND}$ (see figure 16 above)

$$\cos \swarrow C_2 DN = \frac{ND}{C_2 D}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{ND}{b+r}$$

$$ND = (b+r)\cos\beta = (b+r)\frac{2br+ar-ab}{a(b+r)} = \frac{2br+ar-ab}{a} \qquad \dots \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

Now, from the figure 16 above, we have

$$MN = CD - CM - ND$$

$$2r = a + b - \frac{2ar + br - ab}{b} - \frac{2br + ar - ab}{a}$$
(Setting values of CM & ND from eq1 & eq2)
$$2r = \frac{a^2b + ab^2 - 2a^2r - abr + a^2b - 2b^2r - abr + ab^2}{ab}$$

$$2abr = 2(a^2b + ab^2 - a^2r - b^2r - abr)$$

$$abr = a^2b + ab^2 - a^2r - b^2r - abr$$

$$(a^2 + b^2 + 2ab)r = a^2b + ab^2$$

$$(a + b)^2r = ab(a + b)$$

$$r = \frac{ab}{a + b}$$
Proved.

9. A right $\triangle ABC$ with orthogonal sides a & b is divided into two small right triangles $\triangle BDA \& \triangle BDC$ by drawing a perpendicular BD from right-angled vertex B to the hypotenuse AC. If $O_1 \& O_2$ are the centres of the inscribed circles of right $\triangle BDA \& \triangle BDC$ respectively (as shown in the figure-17) then the distance between the inscribed centres $O_1 \& O_2$ is given by the following formula

$$\boldsymbol{0}_1 \boldsymbol{0}_2 = \frac{\boldsymbol{a} + \boldsymbol{b} - \sqrt{\boldsymbol{a}^2 + \boldsymbol{b}^2}}{\sqrt{2}}$$



Figure 17: $O_1 \& O_2$ are the centres of inscribed circles of right $\triangle BDA \& \triangle BDC$

Proof: Join the centres $O_1 \& O_2$ of inscribed circles respectively by the dotted straight lines. Drop the perpendiculars $O_1 P \& O_2 Q$ from the centres $O_1 \& O_2$ respectively to the hypotenuse AC (as shown in the figure-18).

Area of right
$$\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2}(AB)(BC) = \frac{1}{2}(AC)(BD)$$

 $\frac{1}{2}(a)(b) = \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{a^2 + b^2})(BD)$

$$BD = \frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

Now, applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔBDA ,

$$AD = \sqrt{(AB)^2 - (BD)^2} = \sqrt{a^2 - \left(\frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{a^4 + a^2b^2 - a^2b^2}{a^2 + b^2}} = \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

Similarly,

$$CD = \frac{b^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

Now, the radius $O_1 P$ of inscribed circle of right ΔBDA is given as

$$O_{1}P = \frac{\text{Area of } \Delta \text{BDA}}{\text{semi perimeter}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(BD)(AD)}{\frac{1}{2}(AB + BD + AD)}$$
$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}\right)\left(\frac{a^{2}}{\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}\right)}{\frac{1}{2}\left(a + \frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}} + \frac{a^{2}}{\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{a^{3}b}{a^{3} + ab^{2} + (a^{2} + ab)\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}$$
$$= \frac{a^{2}b}{a^{2} + b^{2} + (a + b)\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}$$

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Figure 18: A perpendicular O_1M is drawn to the line O_2Q such that $O_1M = PQ$

Similarly, the radius ${\cal O}_2 Q$ of inscribed circle of right ΔBDC is given as

Now, in right ΔBDA , using **property of the inscribed circle** (refer to the figure-18 above),

$$AP = \frac{AB + AD - BD}{2}$$

= $\frac{a + \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} - \frac{ab}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}}{2}$
$$AP = \frac{a^2 - ab + a\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \qquad \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots (3)$$

Similarly, in right ΔBDC

$$QC = \frac{b^2 - ab + b\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}{2\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} \qquad \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

Now, in right $\triangle ABC$ (see figure-18 above)

$$PQ = AC - AP - QC$$

$$= \sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}} - \frac{a^{2} - ab + a\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}{2\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}} - \frac{b^{2} - ab + b\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}{2\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}} \quad (\text{setting values from (3)}\&(4))$$

$$= \frac{2a^{2} + 2b^{2} - a^{2} + ab - a\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}} - b^{2} + ab - b\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}{2\sqrt{a^{2} + b^{2}}}$$

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right $\Delta O_1 M O_2$ (see figure-18 above)

$$O_1 O_2 = \sqrt{(O_1 M)^2 + (O_2 M)^2}$$
$$O_1 O_2 = \sqrt{(O_1 M)^2 + (O_2 Q - O_1 P)^2}$$

Setting the corresponding values of O_1P , $O_2Q \& O_1M$ from eq(1), (2) & (5) in above expression, we get

$$\begin{split} & O_1 O_2 = \sqrt{\left(\frac{(a+b)(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{b(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}} - \frac{a(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\right)^2} \\ & = \sqrt{\left(\frac{(a+b)(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{(b-a)(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\right)^2} \\ & = \frac{(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\sqrt{(a+b)^2 + (b-a)^2} \\ & = \frac{(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\sqrt{a^2+b^2+2ab+a^2+b^2-2ab} \\ & = \frac{(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{2\sqrt{a^2+b^2}}\sqrt{2(a^2+b^2)} \\ & O_1 O_2 = \frac{(a+b-\sqrt{a^2+b^2})}{\sqrt{2}} \end{aligned}$$

10. If P is a point lying inside the $\triangle ABC$ such that $\angle PAB = \angle PBC = \angle PCA = \theta$ then the angle θ is given by the following formula

 $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin A \sin B \sin C}{1 + \cos A \cos B \cos C}$

Proof: Consider any point P lying inside the $\triangle ABC$ having its sides BC = a, AC = b, AB = c such that $\angle PAB = \angle PBC = \angle PCA = \theta$. Join the point P to the vertices A, B & C by the dotted straight lines. Drop the perpendiculars PM & PN from the point P to the sides AB & AC respectively. (as shown in the figure-19 below).

Now, in right ΔPMA ,

$$\tan \swarrow PAM = \frac{PM}{AM} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{PM}{AM}$$
$$AM = \frac{PM}{\tan \theta}$$

Similarly, in right ΔPMB

$$MB = \frac{PM}{\tan(B-\theta)}$$

But we have, AM + MB = AB = c

$$\frac{PM}{\tan\theta} + \frac{PM}{\tan(B-\theta)} = c$$
$$PM = \frac{c\tan\theta\tan(B-\theta)}{\tan\theta + \tan(B-\theta)}$$

Again, in right ΔPMA ,

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Now, in right ΔPNC (see figure 19 above),

$$\tan \swarrow PCN = \frac{PN}{NC} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{PN}{NC}$$
$$NC = \frac{PN}{\tan \theta}$$

Similarly, in right ΔPNA

$$AN = \frac{PN}{\tan(A - \theta)}$$

But we have,

$$\therefore \frac{PN}{\tan(A-\theta)} + \frac{PN}{\tan\theta} = b$$
$$PN = \frac{b\tan\theta\tan(A-\theta)}{\tan\theta + \tan(A-\theta)}$$

AN + NC = AC = b

Again, in right ΔPNA (see figure 19 above)

$$\sin(A - \theta) = \frac{PN}{PA} \Rightarrow PA = \frac{PN}{\sin(A - \theta)}$$



Figure 19: Point P is lying inside $\triangle ABC$ having sides a, b, c such that $\angle PAB = \angle PBC = \angle PCA = \theta$

Now, equating the values of PA from (1) & (2), we get

$$\frac{c \sec \theta \tan(B - \theta)}{\tan \theta + \tan(B - \theta)} = \frac{b \sec(A - \theta) \tan \theta}{\tan \theta + \tan(A - \theta)}$$

$$\frac{c \cos \theta \cos(B - \theta)}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\sin(B - \theta)}{\cos(B - \theta)}} = \frac{b - \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos(A - \theta)} \cos \theta}{\frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} + \frac{\sin(A - \theta)}{\cos(A - \theta)}}$$

$$\frac{c \sin(B - \theta)}{\sin \theta \cos(B - \theta) + \cos \theta \sin(B - \theta)} = \frac{c \sin \theta}{\sin \theta \cos(A - \theta) + \cos \theta \sin(A - \theta)}$$

$$\frac{c \sin(B - \theta)}{\sin(\theta + B - \theta)} = \frac{b \sin \theta}{\sin(\theta + A - \theta)}$$

$$\frac{c \sin(B - \theta)}{\sin \theta} = \frac{b \sin \theta}{\sin A}$$

$$\frac{\sin B \cos \theta - \cos B \sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \left(\frac{b}{c}\right) \frac{\sin B}{\sin A}$$
(from sine rule, $\frac{b}{c} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin C}$)
sin $\beta \cot \theta - \cos B = \left(\frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \sin B\right)$
(from sine rule, $\frac{b}{c} = \frac{\sin B}{\sin C}$)
sin $\beta \cot \theta - \cos B = \left(\frac{\sin B}{\sin A} \sin C + \cos B\right)$

$$\frac{\sin B \cot \theta - \cos B = \frac{\sin^2 B}{\sin A \sin B \sin C}}{\sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

$$= \frac{1 + \cos B (\sin A \sin B \sin C)}{\sin A \sin B \sin C}$$

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$$\cot \theta = \frac{1 + \cos B (\cos A \cos C)}{\sin A \sin B \sin C}$$
$$\cot \theta = \frac{1 + \cos A \cos B \cos C}{\sin A \sin B \sin C}$$
$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin A \sin B \sin C}{1 + \cos A \cos B \cos C}$$

Proved.

11. If the rhombus MBND is formed by joining the vertices B & D to the mid-points P, Q, R & S of the sides each of length a of a square ABCD (as shown in the figure-20) then each side, acute interior angle & the area of rhombus *MBND* are given by the following formula

$$MB = BN = ND = DM = \frac{a\sqrt{5}}{2}$$
, $\swarrow MDN = 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ & Area of rhombus $MBND = \frac{a^2}{2}$



Figure 20: P, Q, R & S are the mid-points of sides of square ABCD. MBND is a rhombus

Proof: Draw the diagonals AC & BD of square ABCD by dotted straight lines which intersect each other at right angle at the point O. (as shown in the figure-21). Let $\angle OBN = \angle ODN = \theta$

Using Pythagorean theorem in right ΔQCD

$$DQ = \sqrt{(QC)^2 + (CD)^2} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + (a)^2} = \frac{a\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Now, in ΔBDQ , applying cosine rule,

$$\cos \swarrow BDQ = \frac{(BD)^2 + (DQ)^2 - (BQ)^2}{2(BD)(DQ)}$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\left(a\sqrt{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{a\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2}{2\left(a\sqrt{2}\right)\left(\frac{a\sqrt{5}}{2}\right)}$$
$$= \frac{3a^2}{a^2\sqrt{10}}$$
$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$$
$$\therefore \ \tan\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{\cos\theta} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \cos^2\theta}}{\cos\theta}$$



Figure 21: Rhombus MBND is obtained by joining the vertex B to the mid-points R & S & vertex D to the mid-points P & Q of sides of square ABCD



$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}\right)^2}}{\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}} \qquad \left(\text{setting value of } \cos \theta = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}\right)$$
$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{3}$$
$$\Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

Hence, acute interior angle of rhombus MBND is given as

$$\swarrow MDN = \checkmark MBN = 2\theta = 2 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$
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In right ΔDON (see above figure-21)

$$\cos \theta = \frac{OD}{DN}$$
$$\Rightarrow DN = \frac{OD}{DN} = \frac{a}{D}$$

$$\Rightarrow DN = \frac{OD}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\frac{a\sqrt{2}}{2}}{\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}} = \frac{a\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

Hence, each side of rhombus MBND

$$MB = BN = ND = DM = \frac{a\sqrt{5}}{3}$$
 Proved.

Again, in right ΔDON (see above figure-21)

$$\tan \theta = \frac{ON}{OD}$$
$$\Rightarrow ON = OD \tan \theta = \left(\frac{a\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)\frac{1}{3} = \frac{a}{3\sqrt{2}}$$

Now, using symmetry in above figure-21, the area of rhombus MBND is given as

Area of rhombus MBND = 2(Area of Δ BDN)

$$= 2\left(\frac{1}{2}(BD)(ON)\right)$$
$$= 2\left(\frac{1}{2}(a\sqrt{2})\left(\frac{a}{3\sqrt{2}}\right)\right)$$
$$= \frac{a^2}{3}$$
Proved.
$$\therefore \text{ Area of rhombus MBND} = \frac{1}{3}(\text{Area of square ABCD})$$

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12. The square ABCD has each side a. If two quarter circles each with radius a & centres at the vertices C & D and a semicircle with diameter AB are drawn then the radius (r) of smaller inscribed circle with centre O (as shown in the figure-22) is given by the following formula





Figure 22: Small circle of radius *r* inscribed by two quarter circles & a semicircle

Proof: Let r be the radius of smaller inscribed circle with the centre O. Join the centre O to the vertex D & extend it to intersect quarter circle at point E. Drop the perpendicular OM from the centre O to the side CD in the square ABCD (as shown in the figure-23).

Now, in right ΔOMD , we have

 $OM = OF + FM = r + \frac{a}{2} = \frac{a}{2} + r$ $OD = DE - OE = a - r, \qquad DM = \frac{CD}{2} = \frac{a}{2}$

Applying Pythagorean theorem in right ΔOMD

$$(OD)^{2} = (OM)^{2} + (DM)^{2}$$

$$(a-r)^{2} = \left(\frac{a}{2}+r\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{2}$$

$$a^{2} + r^{2} - 2ar = \frac{a^{2}}{4} + r^{2} + ar + \frac{a^{2}}{4}$$

$$3ar = \frac{a^{2}}{2}$$

$$r = \frac{a^{2}}{6a}$$

$$r = \frac{a}{6}$$
Pr

Proved.

13. Two circles of radii $r_1 \& r_2$ and centres A & B respectively intersect each other at two distinct points C & D such that the distance between their centres is d then the length (l) of common chord CD & angle (θ) of intersection of circles are given by following formula

$$l = \frac{\sqrt{((r_1 + r_2)^2 - d^2)(d^2 - (r_1 - r_2)^2)}}{d} \& \theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_1}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_2}\right)$$

Where, $|r_1 - r_2| < d < (r_1 + r_2)$



Figure-23: DE = CD = a, OE = OF = r

& OD = DE - OE = a - r

Proof: Consider two intersecting circles with centres A & B and radii $r_1 \& r_2$ respectively. Join the centres A & B to each other & to the point of intersection C. The straight line AB bisects the common chord CD perpendicularly. Draw two tangents CP & CQ at the point of intersection C which when extended meet line AB at the points P & Q. (as shown in the figure-24).

Let
$$CD = l$$
, $\swarrow PCQ = \theta$

Now, using Pythagorean theorem in right ΔAMC

$$AM = \sqrt{(AC)^2 - (CM)^2} = \sqrt{r_1^2 - \left(\frac{l}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}}$$



Figure-24: The common chord CD is bisected by line AB perpendicularly & angle of intersection of circles is $\angle PCQ = \theta$ between tangents CP & CQ. $\angle ACP = \angle BCQ = 90^{\circ} - \theta$

Now, using Pythagorean theorem in right ΔBMC

$$MB = \sqrt{(BC)^2 - (CM)^2} = \sqrt{r_2^2 - \left(\frac{l}{2}\right)^2} = \sqrt{r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}}$$

But AM + MB = AB = d

$$\therefore \sqrt{r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}} + \sqrt{r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}} = d$$

$$\left(\sqrt{r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}} + \sqrt{r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}} \right)^2 = d^2$$

$$r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4} + r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4} + 2\sqrt{\left(r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)\left(r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)} = d^2$$

$$d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2 + \frac{l^2}{2} = 2\sqrt{\left(r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)\left(r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)}$$

$$\left(d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2 + \frac{l^2}{2} \right)^2 = \left(2\sqrt{\left(r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)\left(r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)} \right)^2$$

$$(d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2)^2 + \left(\frac{l^2}{2}\right)^2 + 2\left(\frac{l^2}{2}\right)(d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2) = 4\left(r_1^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)\left(r_2^2 - \frac{l^2}{4}\right)$$

$$(d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2)^2 + \frac{l^4}{4} + l^2(d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2) = 4r_1^2r_2^2 - l^2(r_1^2 + r_2^2) + \frac{l^4}{4}$$

$$l^2(d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2 + r_1^2 + r_2^2) = 4r_1^2r_2^2 - (d^2 - r_1^2 - r_2^2)^2$$

$$l^{2}d^{2} = (2r_{1}r_{2} - d^{2} + r_{1}^{2} + r_{2}^{2})(2r_{1}r_{2} + d^{2} - r_{1}^{2} - r_{2}^{2})$$

$$l^{2} = \frac{(r_{1}^{2} + r_{2}^{2} + 2r_{1}r_{2} - d^{2})(d^{2} - (r_{1}^{2} + r_{2}^{2} - 2r_{1}r_{2}))}{d^{2}}$$

$$l^{2} = \frac{((r_{1} + r_{2})^{2} - d^{2})(d^{2} - (r_{1} - r_{2})^{2})}{d^{2}}$$

$$l = \frac{\sqrt{((r_{1} + r_{2})^{2} - d^{2})(d^{2} - (r_{1} - r_{2})^{2})}}{d}$$
Proved.

Now, in right ΔAMC , (see above figure 24) we have

$$\sin \checkmark CAM = \frac{CM}{AC}$$
$$\sin \alpha = \frac{l/2}{r_1} = \frac{l}{2r_1} \Rightarrow \alpha = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_1}\right)$$

Similarly, in right ΔBMC , we have

$$\sin \swarrow CBM = \frac{CM}{BC}$$

$$\sin \beta = \frac{l/2}{r_2} = \frac{l}{2r_2} \implies \beta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_2}\right)$$
In right ΔACQ , we have
$$\measuredangle ACP + \measuredangle PCQ = \measuredangle ACQ$$

$$\measuredangle ACP + \theta = 90^{\circ}$$

$$\measuredangle ACP = 90^{\circ} - \theta$$
In right ΔBCP , we have
$$\measuredangle BCQ + \measuredangle PCQ = \measuredangle BCP$$

$$\measuredangle BCQ + \theta = 90^{\circ}$$

 $\angle CPQ$ is an exterior angle of $\triangle ACP$, we have $\angle CPQ = \angle CAP + \angle ACP$

$$\checkmark CPQ = \alpha + 90^{\circ} - \theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_1}\right) + 90^{\circ} - \theta$$

Similarly, $\angle CQP$ is an exterior angle of $\triangle BCQ$, we have $\angle CQP = \angle CBQ + \angle BCQ$

$$\checkmark CQP = \beta + 90^{\circ} - \theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_2}\right) + 90^{\circ} - \theta$$

Now, in ΔCPQ the sum of all interior angles is 180^o hence we have

$$\mathcal{P}CQ + \mathcal{C}PQ + \mathcal{C}QP = 180^{\circ}$$
$$\theta + \left(\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_1}\right) + 90^{\circ} - \theta\right) + \left(\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_2}\right) + 90^{\circ} - \theta\right) = 180^{\circ}$$
$$\theta = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_1}\right) + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{l}{2r_2}\right) \qquad \text{Proved.}$$

14. In right $\triangle ABC$, a perpendicular BD is drawn from the right angled vertex B to the hypotenuse AC (as shown in the figure-25) then the length of perpendicular BD is given by the following formula

 $BD = \frac{AB \times BC}{AC} = \sqrt{AD \times DC}$



Figure 25: A perpendicular BD is drawn from right angled vertex B to the hypotenuse AC

Figure-26: The perpendicular BD divides right $\triangle ABC$ into two similar right triangles $\triangle ADB \& \triangle BDC$

Proof: Let $\angle BAC = A \& \angle ACB = C$ be two acute angles of right $\triangle ABC$. Drop a perpendicular BD from right angled vertex B to the hypotenuse AC (as shown in the figure-26).

Now, the area of right $\triangle ABC$ is given as follows

Area of
$$\triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2}AB \times BC = \frac{1}{2}AC \times BD$$

$$\frac{1}{2}AB \times BC = \frac{1}{2}AC \times BD$$
$$AB \times BC = AC \times BD$$
$$BD = \frac{AB \times BC}{AC}$$

Now, in right triangles $\triangle ADB \& \triangle BDC$, we have

 $\angle BAD = \angle CBD = A$, $\angle ABD = \angle BCD = C$, $\angle BDA = \angle BDC = 90^{\circ}$

Now, from Angle-angle (A-A-A) similarity, right triangles $\Delta ADB \& \Delta BDC$ are similar triangles

Taking the ratio of corresponding sides in similar right triangles $\Delta ADB \& \Delta BDC$ (see above figure-26)

From (1) & (2), we have

$$BD = \frac{AB \times BC}{AC} = \sqrt{AD \times DC}$$
 Proved.

15. In $\triangle ABC$, three straight lines are drawn from the vertices A, B & C at an equal angle θ which intersect each other at the point O. (as shown in the figure-27) then the angle θ is given by the following formula

 $\cot \theta = \cot A + \cot B + \cot C$



Figure 27: Three straight lines are drawn from vertices at an equal angle θ which intersect at point O

Proof: Let AB = c, BC = a & AC = b in $\triangle ABC$. (as shown in the figure-28).

Now, applying Sine rule in $\triangle ABC$ as follows

$$\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{c}{\sin C} \implies \frac{a}{c} = \frac{\sin A}{\sin C}$$

In $\triangle AOB$, we have

$$\angle AOB = \pi - \angle ABO - \angle BAO = \pi - \theta - (A - \theta) = \pi - A$$

Now, applying Sine rule in In ΔAOB

In $\triangle BOC$, we have

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ \theta \\ \pi - A \\ \theta \\ \pi - B \\ \theta \\ \theta \\ c \end{bmatrix}$$

Figure-28: Three straight lines drawn at an equal angle θ from vertices of $\triangle ABC$ meet at the point O

$$\angle BOC = \pi - \angle OBC - \angle OCB = \pi - (B - \theta) - \theta = \pi - B$$

Now, applying Sine rule in In ΔBOC

Now, dividing (2) by (1) as follows

$$\frac{\partial B}{\sin \theta} = \frac{a}{\sin B}$$

$$\frac{\partial B}{\sin(A - \theta)} = \frac{a}{\sin A}$$

$$\frac{\sin(A - \theta)}{\sin \theta} = \left(\frac{a}{c}\right)\frac{\sin A}{\sin B}$$

$$\frac{\sin A \cos \theta - \cos A \sin \theta}{\sin \theta} = \left(\frac{\sin A}{\sin C}\right)\frac{\sin A}{\sin B}$$

$$\sin A \cot \theta - \cos A = \frac{\sin^2 A}{\sin B \sin C}$$

$$\frac{\sin A \cot \theta - \cos A}{\sin A} = \frac{\frac{\sin^2 A}{\sin B \sin C}}{\sin A} \qquad (\text{diving by sin } A \text{ on both sides})$$

$$\cot \theta - \cot A = \frac{\sin A}{\sin B \sin C}$$

$$\cot \theta = \cot A + \frac{\sin(\pi - B - C)}{\sin B \sin C} \qquad (\text{since } A + B + C = \pi)$$

$$\cot \theta = \cot A + \frac{\sin(B + C)}{\sin B \sin C}$$

$$\cot \theta = \cot A + \frac{\sin B \cos C + \cos B \sin C}{\sin B \sin C}$$
$$\cot \theta = \cot A + \frac{\sin B \cos C}{\sin B \sin C} + \frac{\cos B \sin C}{\sin B \sin C}$$
$$\cot \theta = \cot A + \cot C + \cot B$$
$$\cot \theta = \cot A + \cot B + \cot C$$

16. A $\triangle ABC$ is circumscribed by a circle & three altitudes AD, BE & CF are drawn from the vertices A, B & C respectively which intersect each other at the point P (orthocentre). Now, a straight line, drawn from the orthocentre P passing through the mid-point H of side BC, when extended intersects the circumscribed circle at the point G (as shown in the figure-29) then prove that straight line AG is always the diameter of circumscribed circle of $\triangle ABC$



Proved.

Figure 29: Straight line PH when extended intersects the circumscribed circle at point G (BH = HC)

Proof: Consider any $\triangle ABC$ with the vertices A(a, b), B(0, 0) & C(c, 0). Draw the altitudes AD & BE from the

vertices A & B respectively to get orthocentre P. Draw a straight line from orthocentre P passing through the mid-point H of side BC which when extended intersects the circumscribed circle at the point G. (as shown in the figure-30). Now, let the centre $M(x_1, y_1)$ & radius r of circumscribed circle hence its equation is given as follows

$$(x - x_1)^2 + (y - y_1)^2 = r^2$$

Above circumscribed circle passes through the vertices A(a, b), B(0, 0) & C(c, 0) hence satisfying the above equation by coordinates of the vertices as follows

$$(a - x_1)^2 + (b - y_1)^2 = r^2$$
(1)

Substracting (3) from (2) we get

$$x_1^2 + y_1^2 - (c - x_1)^2 - y_1^2 = r^2 - r^2$$



Figure 30: Straight line PH when extended intersects the circumscribed circle at point G (BH = HC)

$$2cx_1 - c^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{c}{2}$$

Substracting (1) from (2) we get

$$x_{1}^{2} + y_{1}^{2} - (a - x_{1})^{2} - (b - y_{1})^{2} = r^{2} - r^{2}$$

$$-a^{2} + 2ax_{1} - b^{2} + 2by_{1} = 0$$

$$y_{1} = \frac{a^{2} + b^{2} - 2ax_{1}}{2b}$$

$$y_{1} = \frac{a^{2} + b^{2} - 2a\left(\frac{c}{2}\right)}{2b} = \frac{a^{2} + b^{2} - ac}{2b}$$

$$\therefore M \equiv (x_{1}, y_{1}) \equiv \left(\frac{c}{2}, \frac{a^{2} + b^{2} - ac}{2b}\right)$$

Equation of altitude AD: x = a (since, BD = a) (see above figure-30)

Equation of altitude BE passing through the origin O(0,0) & perpendicular to the side AC by using slope-point form of straight line

$$y - 0 = \frac{-1}{\frac{b-0}{a-c}}(x - 0)$$
$$y = \frac{(c-a)}{b}x$$

Setting x = a in above equation, we get the coordinates of orthocentre P of $\triangle ABC$ as follows

$$y = \frac{(c-a)}{b}a = \frac{a(c-a)}{b}$$
$$\therefore P \equiv \left(a, \frac{a(c-a)}{b}\right)$$

Now, the equation straight line PH passing through the points $P\left(a, \frac{a(c-a)}{b}\right) \& H\left(\frac{c}{2}, 0\right)$ is given as follows

$$y - 0 = \frac{\frac{a(c-a)}{b} - 0}{a - \frac{c}{2}} \left(x - \frac{c}{2}\right)$$
$$y = \frac{a(c-a)}{b(2a-c)} (2x - c)$$

Now, assume that AG is the diameter of circumscribed circle. Since the centre $M\left(\frac{c}{2}, \frac{a^2+b^2-ac}{2b}\right)$ is the midpoint of the diameter AG passing through end-points A(a, b) & G hence the coordinates of end point G are given from mid-point formula

$$G \equiv \left(2\left(\frac{c}{2}\right) - a, 2\left(\frac{a^2 + b^2 - ac}{2b}\right) - b\right) \equiv \left(c - a, \frac{a(a - c)}{b}\right)$$

Now, substituting the coordinates of point $G\left(c-a, \frac{a(a-c)}{b}\right)$ into the equation of line PH: $y = \frac{a(c-a)}{b(2a-c)}(2x-c)$ as follows

$$\frac{a(a-c)}{b} = \frac{a(c-a)}{b(2a-c)}(2(c-a)-c)$$
$$\frac{a(a-c)}{b} = \frac{a(c-a)}{b(2a-c)}(c-2a)$$
$$\frac{a(a-c)}{b} = \frac{a(a-c)}{b}$$
$$LHS = RHS$$

Above result shows that the point G satisfies the equaion of line PH i.e. the point G lies on the line PH when we assume the line AG to be the diameter of circumscribed circle. Therefore our assumption that AG is diameter of circumscribed circle is correct. Hence, the line AG is always the diameter of circumscribed circle. Proved.

17. A semi-circle of radius r & centre O is inscribed by a right $\triangle ABC$ such that its diameter coincides with the leg BC & it touches hypotenuse AC (as shown in the fig-31). If the length of short leg AB is a then the length of other leg BC (>AB) is given by the following formula

$$BC = \frac{2a^2r}{a^2 - r^2} \qquad (\forall \ a > r > 0)$$



Fig-31: Semi-circle of radius r and centre O at BC, touches hypotenuse AC

Proof: Consider a right $\triangle ABC$ with short leg AB = a inscribing a semicircle of radius r & centre O lying at leg BC such that semicircle touches the hypotenuse AC at point E. Join the point E to the centre O by a dotted straight line (As shown in the fig-32). Let CD = x

Using Pythagoras theorem in right $\triangle OEC$,

$$OE^2 + CE^2 = OC^2$$
$$r^2 + CE^2 = (r + x)^2$$

Fig-32: A semi-circle with radius r touches the hypotenuse AC at point E such that AE = AB = a

 $CE = \sqrt{(r+x)^2 - r^2}$

$$CE = \sqrt{x^2 + 2rz}$$

Since, the straight lines AB & AE are two tangents to the semi-circle from the external point A hence these are equal in length i.e. AE = AB = a hence in right $\triangle ABC$, we have

$$AC = AE + CE$$

 $AC = a + \sqrt{x^2 + 2rx}$ (setting value of CE from (1))

Using Pythagoras theorem in right $\triangle ABC$,

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$$AB^{2} + BC^{2} = AC^{2}$$

$$a^{2} + (2r + x)^{2} = \left(a + \sqrt{x^{2} + 2rx}\right)^{2}$$

$$a^{2} + 4r^{2} + x^{2} + 4rx = a^{2} + x^{2} + 2rx + 2a\sqrt{x^{2} + 2rx}$$

$$4r^{2} + 2rx = 2a\sqrt{x^{2} + 2rx}$$

$$(2r^{2} + rx)^{2} = \left(a\sqrt{x^{2} + 2rx}\right)^{2}$$

$$4r^{4} + r^{2}x^{2} + 4r^{3}x = a^{2}x^{2} + 2a^{2}rx$$

$$(a^{2} - r^{2})x^{2} + 2r(a^{2} - 2r^{2})x - 4r^{4} = 0$$

Solving above quadratic equation for *x* as follows

$$x = \frac{-2r(a^2 - 2r^2) \pm \sqrt{(2r(a^2 - 2r^2))^2 - 4(a^2 - r^2)(-4r^4)}}{2(a^2 - r^2)}$$
$$= \frac{-2r(a^2 - 2r^2) \pm 2r\sqrt{(a^2 - 2r^2)^2 + 4r^2(a^2 - r^2)}}{2(a^2 - r^2)}$$
$$= \frac{2r^3 - a^2r \pm r\sqrt{a^4 + 4r^4 - 4a^2r^2 + 4a^2r^2 - 4r^4}}{a^2 - r^2}$$
$$= \frac{2r^3 - a^2r \pm r\sqrt{a^4}}{a^2 - r^2}$$
$$= \frac{2r^3 - a^2r \pm r\sqrt{a^4}}{a^2 - r^2}$$

Case 1: Taking positive sign, we get

$$x = \frac{2r^3 - a^2r + a^2r}{a^2 - r^2} = \frac{2r^3}{a^2 - r^2}$$

Case 1: Taking negative sign, we get

$$x = \frac{2r^3 - a^2r - a^2r}{a^2 - r^2} = \frac{2r^3 - 2a^2r}{a^2 - r^2} = -2r$$

But, the distance x can't be negative i.e. x > 0 hence this value is discarded. Thus we get

$$x = \frac{2r^3}{a^2 - r^2}$$

Hence the length of other leg BC of right $\triangle ABC$ is given as

$$BC = BD + DC = 2r + x$$
$$BC = 2r + \frac{2r^3}{a^2 - r^2}$$
$$BC = \frac{2a^2r - 2r^3 + 2r^3}{a^2 - r^2}$$

$$BC = \frac{2a^2r}{a^2 - r^2}$$

Proved

18. In a square ABCD of each side *a*, all the vertices are joined to the mid-points of their opposite sides to obtain a small square PQRS (as shown in the fig-33). The length of each side & the area of square PQRS, are given by the following formula

$$PQ = \frac{a}{\sqrt{5}}$$
 & Area of Square PQRS $= \frac{1}{5}$ (Area of Square ABCD)



Fig-33: A square PQRS is obtained by joining vertices to mid-points of opposite sides of square ABCD

D

Proof: Consider a square *ABCD* with each side *a*. Now join the vertices A, B, C & D to the respective mid-points G, H, E & F of their opposite sides to obain small square PQRS . (As shown in the fig-34). Let PQ = x be each side of square PQRS.

Since, in right ΔAQD , the straight lines HP & DQ are parallel hence from **Thales Theorem**, we have

AP _ AH

AP = x

$$\frac{\overline{PQ} - \overline{HD}}{x} = \frac{HD}{HD}$$
 (Since, $AH = HD$)

Fig-34: In right $\triangle AQD$, the lines PH & DQ are parallel since the lines BH & DF are parallel to each other. PQ = QR = RS = PS = x

Similarly, in right ΔDRC , the straight lines GQ & CR are parallel hence from **Thales Theorem**, we have

 $\Rightarrow AQ = AP + PQ = x + x = 2x$

$$\frac{DQ}{QR} = \frac{DG}{GC}$$

$$\frac{DQ}{x} = \frac{GC}{GC}$$
(Since, $DG = GC$)
$$DO = x$$

Using Pythagoras theorem in right ΔAQD (See above fig-34),

$$AQ2 + DQ2 = AD2$$
$$(2x)2 + x2 = a2$$
$$4x2 + x2 = a2$$
$$x2 = \frac{a2}{5}$$

 $x = \frac{a}{\sqrt{5}}$

Proved

Hence, the **area of square PQRS** of each side PQ = x, is

$$= x^{2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^{2}$$

$$= \frac{a^{2}}{5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} (\text{Area of square ABCD})$$

Proved

19. Four quarter-circles each with a radius a & centre at vertex of a square ABCD of each side a, are drawn which intersect one another at four distinct points P, Q, R & S (as shown in the fig-35). The length of each side of square PQRS, the angle exerted by side PQ at the vertex D & the area A bounded by four quarter-circles are given by the following formula

Proof: Consider a square ABCD of each side *a* such that its vetrex D is at the origin O in XY-plane & the sides CD & AD coincide with X & Y axes respectively. Now, draw four identical quarter-circles each with a radius *a* & center at a vertex of square *ABCD* which intersect one another at four distinct points P, Q, R & S. Now join the vertices P, Q, R & S by dotted lines & drop a perpendicuar OM to the side PQ. (As shown in the fig-36).

Equation of circle with center at the origin O i.e. D(0,0) & radius a is given as

Similarly, equation of circle with center at vertex A(0, a) & radius a is given as

Similarly, equation of circle with center at vertex C(a, 0) & radius *a* is given as







Fig-36: Square ABCD of each side a is drawn in XY-plane such that its vertex D is at origin O and sides CD & AD coincide with x & y axes

Now, solve (1) & (2) by subtituting value of $x^2 + y^2$ from (1) into (2) as follows

$$a^2 - 2ay = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{a}{2}$$

Substituting $y = \frac{a}{2}$ in (1) as follows

$$x^{2} + \left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^{2} = a^{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Thus, we get coordinates of point of intersection Q as follows

$$Q \equiv \left(\frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{a}{2}\right)$$

Similarly, solve (1) & (3) by subtituting value of $x^2 + y^2$ from (1) into (3) as follows

$$a^2 - 2ax = 0 \implies x = \frac{a}{2}$$

Substituting $x = \frac{a}{2}$ in (1) as follows

$$\left(\frac{a}{2}\right)^2 + y^2 = a^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Thus, we get coordinates of point of intersection P as follows

$$P \equiv \left(\frac{a}{2}, \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

Now, using distance formula, the length of line PQ with end points $P \equiv \left(\frac{a}{2}, \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}\right) \& Q \equiv \left(\frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{a}{2}\right)$ is given as

$$PQ = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2} - \frac{a}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{a}{2} - \frac{a\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^{2}}$$

$$PQ = \frac{a}{2}\sqrt{\left(\sqrt{3} - 1\right)^{2} + \left(\sqrt{3} - 1\right)^{2}}$$

$$PQ = \frac{a(\sqrt{3} - 1)\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$PQ = \frac{a}{2}(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2})$$
Prove

Proved

Now, in right ΔDMP (see above fig-36)

$$\sin \swarrow PDM = \frac{PM}{DP} = \frac{PQ/2}{a} = \frac{PQ}{2a} = \frac{\frac{a}{2}(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2})}{2a} = \frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}$$
$$\Rightarrow \cos \measuredangle PDM = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \measuredangle PDM} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2 + \sqrt{3}}}{2}$$
$$\therefore \sin \measuredangle PDQ = \sin 2 \measuredangle PDM \qquad (since, \measuredangle PDQ = 2 \measuredangle PDM)$$

$$\sin \swarrow PDQ = 2 \sin \measuredangle PDM \cos \measuredangle PDM$$

$$\sin \measuredangle PDQ = 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}}{4}\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3}}{2}\right)$$

$$\sin \measuredangle PDQ = \frac{\sqrt{(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2})^2 (2 + \sqrt{3})}}{4}$$

$$\sin \measuredangle PDQ = \frac{\sqrt{(6 + 2 - 4\sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{3})}}{4}$$

$$\sin \measuredangle PDQ = \frac{\sqrt{4(2 - \sqrt{3})(2 + \sqrt{3})}}{4}$$

$$\sin \measuredangle PDQ = \frac{2\sqrt{4 - 3}}{4}$$

$$\sin \measuredangle PDQ = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\measuredangle PDQ = \frac{\pi}{6}$$
proved

Now, the area of segment of circle bounded by the arc PQ & chord PQ (See above fig-36) is

= Area of sector DPQD – Area of isosceles Δ PDQ

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\swarrow PDQ) a^{2} - \frac{1}{2} a^{2} \sin \checkmark PDQ$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} (\frac{\pi}{6}) a^{2} - \frac{1}{2} a^{2} \sin \frac{\pi}{6}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} (\frac{\pi}{6}) a^{2} - \frac{1}{2} a^{2} (\frac{1}{2})$$
$$= \frac{1}{4} (\frac{\pi}{3} - 1) a^{2}$$

Hence, the area of region bounded by four intersecting quarter-circles (see above fig-36) is

= 4(Area of segment bounded by arc PQ & *chord* PQ) + Area of square PQRS

$$= 4\left(\frac{1}{4}\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 1\right)a^2\right) + \left(\frac{a}{2}\left(\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{2}\right)\right)^2$$
$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 1\right)a^2 + \frac{1}{4}\left(6 + 2 - 4\sqrt{3}\right)a^2$$
$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 1\right)a^2 + (2 - \sqrt{3})a^2$$
$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - 1 + 2 - \sqrt{3}\right)a^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{\pi}{3} + 1 - \sqrt{3}\right)a^2$$

proved

20. A quarter-circle with a radius a & centre at vertex A & a semi-circle with a radius a/2 & centre at mid-point of side CD of square ABCD of each side a, are drawn which intersect each other at two distinct points (as shown in the fig-37). The area A (as shaded in fig-37) bounded by quarter-circle, semicircle & diagonal BD is given by the following formula

$$A = \frac{a^2}{8} \left(2\pi - 3 - 3\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) \right)$$



Fig-37: The shaded region is bounded by a quarter-circle, a semi-circle & diagonal BD

Proof: Consider a square ABCD of each side *a* such that its vetrex D is at the origin O in XY-plane & the sides CD & AD coincide with X & Y axes respectively. Now, draw a quarter-circle with a radius *a* & center at a vertex A & a semi-circle with a radius $a^{a}/_{2}$ & centre at mid-point M of side CD of square *ABCD* which intersect each other at two distinct points O & Q. Now drop a perpendicuar PM from P to the side CD which divides the bounded area into two parts. (As shown in the fig-38).

Equation of circle with center at the mid-point $M\left(\frac{a}{2},0\right)$ & radius $\frac{a}{2}$ is given as

Similarly, equation of circle with center at vertex A(0, a) & radius a is given as

Substituting $x^2 + y^2 = ax$ from (1) into (2) as follows

$$ax - 2ay = 0 \implies y = \frac{x}{2}$$

Now, substituting y = x/2 into (1) as follows

$$x^{2} + \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2} - ax = 0$$

$$5x^{2} - 4ax = 0 \implies x = 0, \frac{4a}{5} \implies y = 0, \frac{2a}{5}$$

$$\therefore P \equiv \left(\frac{a}{2}, \frac{a}{2}\right) \quad \& \ Q \equiv \left(\frac{4a}{5}, \frac{2a}{5}\right)$$

Now, divide the bounded region into two parts out of which (See above fig-38 above)



Fig-38: Two elementary rectangular slabs sweep the area bounded by a semicircle, a quarter circle & diagonal BD in square ABCD of each side *a*

1. One part is bounded by the diagonal BD: y = x ($\forall 0 \le x, y \le a$) & the quarter circle: $y = a - \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ ($\forall 0 \le x, y \le a$) from eq(2) &

2. Other part is bounded by semi-circle: $y = \sqrt{ax - x^2}$ ($\forall 0 \le x \le a, 0 \le y \le a/2$) from eq(1) & the quarter circle: $y = a - \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ ($\forall 0 \le x, y \le a$) from eq(2)

Consider two vertical elementary rectangular slabs to compute the area bounded by a semi-circle, a quartercircle & diagonal BD (as shown in the fig-38 above). Using integration with proper limits, the bounded area A is given as follows

$$\begin{split} A &= \int_{0}^{a/2} \left(x - \left(a - \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} \right) \right) dx + \int_{a/2}^{4a/5} \left(\sqrt{ax - x^{2}} - \left(a - \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} \right) \right) dx \\ &= \int_{0}^{a/2} (x - a) dx + \int_{0}^{4a/5} \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} dx + \int_{a/2}^{4a/5} \left(\sqrt{ax - x^{2}} - a \right) dx + \int_{a/2}^{4a/5} \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} dx \\ &= \int_{0}^{a/2} (x - a) dx + \int_{a/2}^{4a/5} \left(\sqrt{ax - x^{2}} - a \right) dx + \int_{0}^{4a/5} \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{x^{2}}{2} - ax \right]_{0}^{a/2} + \int_{a/2}^{4a/5} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2} \right)^{2} - \left(x - \frac{a}{2} \right)^{2}} - a \right) dx + \int_{0}^{4a/5} \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{a^{2}}{2} - ax \right]_{0}^{a/2} + \int_{a/2}^{4a/5} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2} \right)^{2} - \left(x - \frac{a}{2} \right)^{2}} - a \right) dx + \int_{0}^{4a/5} \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{a^{2}}{8} - \frac{a^{2}}{2} \right] + \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(x - \frac{a}{2} \right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2} \right)^{2} - \left(x - \frac{a}{2} \right)^{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{a}{2} \right)^{2} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x - \frac{a}{2}}{\frac{a}{2}} \right) - ax \right]_{a/2}^{4a/5} \\ &+ \left[\frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}} + \frac{1}{2} a^{2} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) \right]_{0}^{4a/5} \\ &= \frac{-3a^{2}}{8} + \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4a}{5} - \frac{a}{2} \right) \sqrt{\left(\frac{a}{2} \right)^{2} - \left(\frac{4a}{5} - \frac{a}{2} \right)^{2}} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{a}{2} \right)^{2} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4a}{5} - \frac{a}{2} \right) - a \left(\frac{4a}{5} \right) + a \left(\frac{a}{2} \right) \right] \\ &+ \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4a}{5} \right) \sqrt{a^{2} - \left(\frac{4a}{5} \right)^{2}} + \frac{1}{2} a^{2} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{45}{5} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{-3a^{2}}{8} + \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3a}{10} \right) \left(\frac{2a}{5} \right) + \frac{a^{2}}{8} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) - \frac{3a^{2}}{10} \right] + \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{4a}{5} \right) \left(\frac{3a}{5} \right) + \frac{a^{2}}{2} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{-3a^{2}}{8} - \frac{6a^{2}}{25} + \frac{a^{2}}{8} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) - \frac{3a^{2}}{3} \\ &= \frac{a^{2}}{2} \left(4 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) - 3 \right) \\ &= \frac{a^{2}}{8} \left(4 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) - 3 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) - 3 \\ &= \frac{a^{2}}{8} \left(4 \left(\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \right) - 3 - 3 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \right) \end{split}$$

$$= \frac{a^{2}}{8} \left(4 \left(\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) \right) - 3 - 3 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \right) \qquad \left(\text{since, } \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) \right)$$
$$= \frac{a^{2}}{8} \left(4 \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) - 3 - 3 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \right) \qquad \left(\text{since, } \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) + \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) = \frac{\pi}{2} \right)$$
$$= \frac{a^{2}}{8} \left(2\pi - 3 - 3 \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \right) \qquad \text{proved}$$

21. If *d* is the distance between the centres A & B of two circles having radii $r_1 \& r_2$ respectively (as shown in the fig-39) then the lengths of open common tangent PQ & cross common tangent RS are given by the following formula

$$PQ = \sqrt{d^2 - (r_1 - r_2)^2} \quad \forall \ d > |r_1 - r_2| \&$$

$$RS = \sqrt{d^2 - (r_1 + r_2)^2} \quad \forall \ d > (r_1 + r_2)$$

Both open & cross common tangents can be simultaneously drawn only if $d > (r_1 + r_2)$

Proof: Consider two circles with centres A & B and radii $r_1 \& r_2$ respectively at a distance *d* between their centres A & B. Now, draw the open common tangent PQ to the circles & join the points P and Q to the centres A & B respectively by dotted straight lines. Join the centres A & B by a dotted straight line & drop the perpendicular BM from centre B to the radial line PA (As shown in the fig-40). Thus we get a rectangle PQBM in which

$$BM = PQ$$
, $PM = QB = r_2$

$$\therefore AM = PA - PM = r_1 - r_2$$

Now, using Pythagoras Theorem in right ΔAMB as follows

$$AM^{2} + BM^{2} = AB^{2}$$

 $(r_{1} - r_{2})^{2} + PQ^{2} = d^{2}$ (since, BM = PQ)
 $PQ^{2} = d^{2} - (r_{1} - r_{2})^{2}$

$$PQ = \sqrt{d^2 - (r_1 - r_2)^2}$$
 proved

Similarly, consider two circles with centres A & B and radii $r_1 \& r_2$ respectively at a distance d between their centres A & B. Now, draw the cross common tangent RS to the circles & join the points R and S to the centres A & B respectively by dotted straight lines. Join the centres A & B by a dotted straight line & drop the perpendicular BM from centre B to the extended radial line AR (As shown in the fig-41). Thus we get a rectangle RSBM in which

$$BM = RS$$
, $RM = SB = r_2$

$$\therefore AM = AR + RM = r_1 + r_2$$



Fig-39: Open tangent PQ & cross tangent RS are drawn on two circles with radii r_1 & r_2 at a distance d b/w their centres



Fig-40: A Perpendicular BM is drawn from B to radial line AP such that $PM = QB = r_2 \& AM = r_1 - r_2$



Fig-41: A Perpendicular BM is drawn from centre B to the extended radial line AR such that $RM = SB = r_2 \& AM = r_1 + r_2$

Now, using Pythagoras Theorem in right ΔAMB (see fig-41 above) as follows

$$AM^{2} + BM^{2} = AB^{2}$$

 $(r_{1} + r_{2})^{2} + RS^{2} = d^{2}$ (since, BM = RS)
 $RS^{2} = d^{2} - (r_{1} + r_{2})^{2}$
 $RS = \sqrt{d^{2} - (r_{1} + r_{2})^{2}}$ proved

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