

W3 – Equation of a Circle

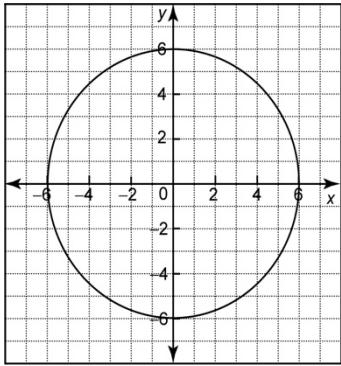
Unit 2

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1) Determine the equation of each circle.

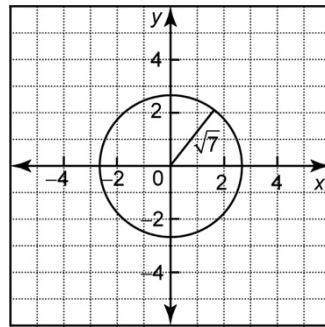
a)



$$x^2 + y^2 = 6^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 36$$

b)



$$x^2 + y^2 = (\sqrt{7})^2$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 7$$

2) State the radius of each of the following circles.

a) $x^2 + y^2 = 49$

$$r^2 = 49$$

$$r = \sqrt{49}$$

$$r = 7$$

b) $x^2 + y^2 = 16$

$$r^2 = 16$$

$$r = \sqrt{16}$$

$$r = 4$$

c) $x^2 + y^2 = 64$

$$r^2 = 64$$

$$r = \sqrt{64}$$

$$r = 8$$

d) $x^2 + y^2 = 1.44$

$$r^2 = 1.44$$

$$r = \sqrt{1.44}$$

$$r = 1.2$$

3) Find an equation for the circle centred at the origin that passes through each point.

a) (3, -4)

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

$$(3)^2 + (-4)^2 = r^2$$

$$9 + 16 = r^2$$

$$r^2 = 25$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 25$$

b) (-5, 2)

$$x^2 + y^2 = r^2$$

$$(-5)^2 + (2)^2 = r^2$$

$$25 + 4 = r^2$$

$$r^2 = 29$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 29$$

4) Determine whether each point is on, inside, or outside the circle defined by $x^2 + y^2 = 26$.

a) (1, 3)

$$(1)^2 + (3)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 26$$

$$10 < 26$$

(1, 3) is inside the circle.

b) (-4, 6)

$$(-4)^2 + (6)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 26$$

$$52 > 26$$

(-4, 6) is outside the circle

c) (1, 5)

$$(1)^2 + (5)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 26$$

$$26 = 26$$

(1, 5) is on the circle

5) The point $A(4, b)$ lies on the circle defined by $x^2 + y^2 = 25$.

a) Find the possible value(s) of b .

$$4^2 + b^2 = 25$$

$$16 + b^2 = 25$$

$$b^2 = 25 - 16$$

$$b^2 = 9$$

$$b = \pm \sqrt{9}$$

$$b = \pm 3$$

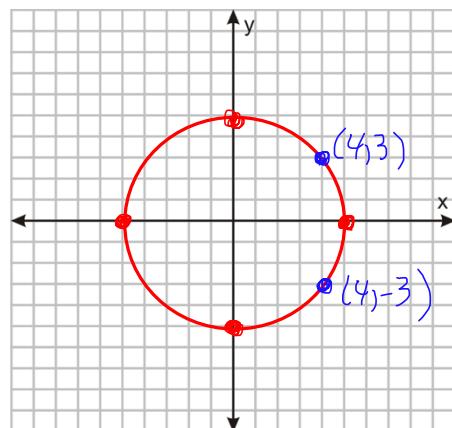
(4, 3) and (4, -3) are on the circle.

b) Use a graph to show that the point(s) corresponding to the possible value(s) of b are on the circle.

$$r^2 = 25$$

$$r = \sqrt{25}$$

$$r = 5$$



6) a) Graph the circle defined by $x^2 + y^2 = 45$.

b) Verify algebraically that the line segment joining $P(-3, 6)$ and $Q(6, -3)$ is a chord of this circle. (In other words, verify that P and Q are points on the circle)

$$\text{a)} \quad r^2 = 45 \\ r \approx 6.7$$

$$\text{b)} \quad P(-3, 6) \quad Q(6, -3) \\ x^2 + y^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 45 \\ (-3)^2 + (6)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 45 \\ 9 + 36 \stackrel{?}{=} 45 \\ 45 = 45$$

Point Q is on the circle.

Point P is on the circle. $\therefore PQ$ is a chord of the circle.

c) Find an equation in the form $y = mx + b$ for the right bisector of chord PQ.

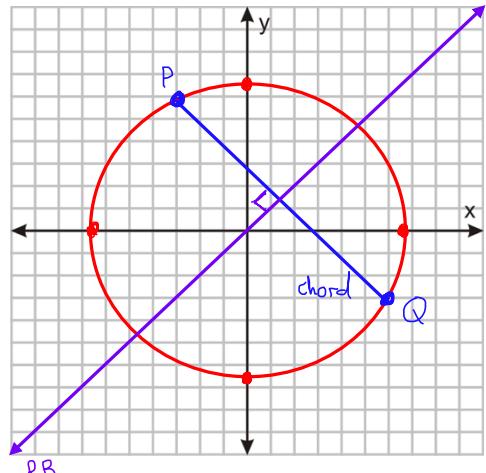
$$\text{slope}_{PQ} = \frac{-3-6}{6-(-3)} = -\frac{9}{9} = -1$$

slope of right bisector = 1

$$\text{mid}_{PQ} = \left(\frac{6+(-3)}{2}, \frac{-3+6}{2} \right) = \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{3}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{Eq}^n: \quad y = mx + b \\ \frac{3}{2} = 1 \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) + b \\ b = 0$$

$$y = x$$

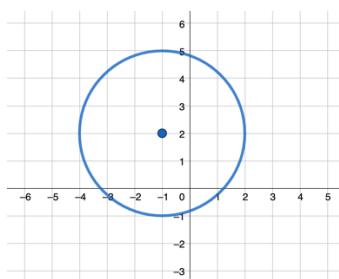


7) Determine an equation for each of the following circles.

a) centered at (4,3) with a radius of 5

$$(x-4)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 5^2 \\ (x-4)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 25$$

b)



$$(x+1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 3^2 \\ (x+1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 9$$

center: $(-1, 2)$

radius = 3

8) An equation for the small circle in this diagram is $x^2 + y^2 = 4$. Determine the equation for the larger circle.

$$\text{radius small circle} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$\text{diameter small circle} = 2(2) = 4$$

$$\text{diameter of large circle: } x^2 - 4^2 + y^2$$

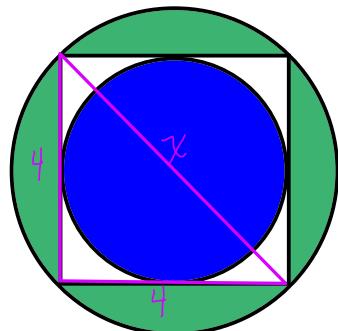
$$x^2 = 32$$

$$x = \sqrt{32}$$

$$x = 4\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{radius of large circle} = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{2} = 2\sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{Eqn: } x^2 + y^2 = (2\sqrt{2})^2 \rightarrow \boxed{x^2 + y^2 = 8}$$



9a) Graph the circle defined by $x^2 + y^2 = 41$.

b) Verify algebraically that the line segment joining $U(-4, 5)$ and $V(-5, -4)$ is a chord of this circle.

$$a) r^2 = 41$$

$$r = \sqrt{41}$$

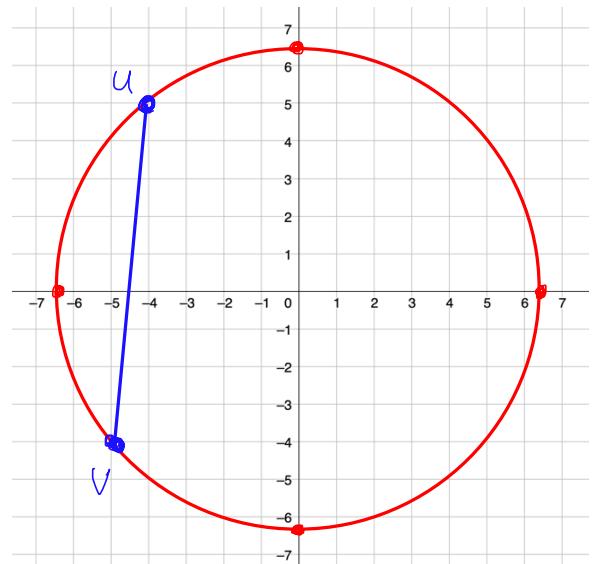
$$r \approx 6.4$$

$$b) U(-4, 5)$$

$$(-4)^2 + (5)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 41 \\ 41 = 41$$

$$V(-5, -4)$$

$$(-5)^2 + (-4)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 41 \\ 41 = 41$$



U and V are on the circle; $\therefore UV$ is a chord of the circle.

c) Determine an equation for the line that passes through the origin and is perpendicular to the chord UV .

$$\text{slope}_{uv} = \frac{-4-5}{-5-(-4)} = \frac{-9}{-1} = 9$$

$$\underline{m} = -\frac{1}{9}$$

$$\text{Eqn: } y = mx + b \\ 0 = -\frac{1}{9}(0) + b \\ b = 0$$

$$\boxed{y = -\frac{1}{9}x}$$

d) Verify that this line passes through the midpoint of the chord.

$$\text{mid}_{uv} = \left(\frac{-4+(-5)}{2}, \frac{5+(-4)}{2} \right) = \left(\frac{-9}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

check if $(\frac{-9}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ is on $y = -\frac{1}{9}x$:

$$\underline{L.S}$$

$$= y$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

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$$\underline{R.S}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{9}x$$

$$= -\frac{1}{9}(\frac{-9}{2})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}$$

Answers

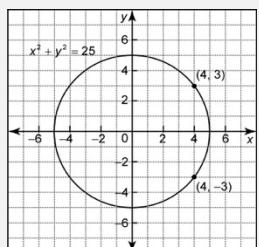
1)a) $x^2 + y^2 = 36$ b) $x^2 + y^2 = 7$

2)a) 7 b) 4 c) 8 d) 1.2

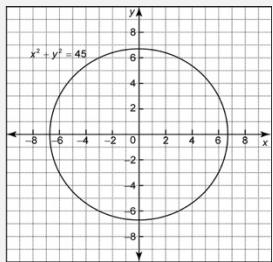
3)a) $x^2 + y^2 = 25$ b) $x^2 + y^2 = 29$

4)a) inside b) outside c) on

5)a) $(3, -3)$ b)



6)a)

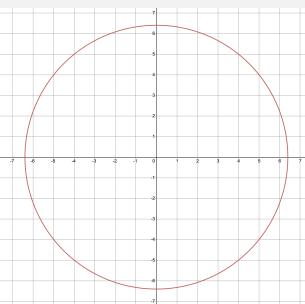


b) see solution for steps c) $y = x$

7)a) $(x - 4)^2 + (y - 3)^2 = 25$ b) $(x + 1)^2 + (y - 2)^2 = 9$

8) $x^2 + y^2 = 8$

9a)



b) see solutions c) $y = -\frac{1}{9}x$ d) The line passes through the midpoint $\left(-\frac{9}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$