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Circle theorems

(9 – 1) Topic booklet

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These questions have been collated from previous years GCSE Mathematics papers.

You must have: Ruler graduated in centimetres and millimetres, protractor, pair of compasses, pen, HB pencil, eraser.

Total Marks

Instructions

- Use black ink or ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer all questions.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
 - there may be more space than you need.
- Diagrams are NOT accurately drawn, unless otherwise indicated.
- You must show all your working out.
- If the question is a 1H question you are not allowed to use a calculator.
- If the question is a 2H or a 3H question, you may use a calculator to help you answer.

Information

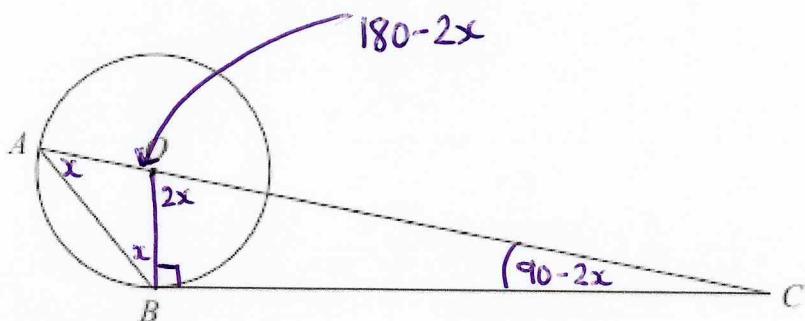
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets
 - use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Keep an eye on the time.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

Answer ALL questions
Write your answers in the space provided.
You must write down all the stages in your working.

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A and B are points on a circle, centre O .

BC is a tangent to the circle.

AOC is a straight line.

$\text{Angle } ABO = x^\circ$.

Find the size of angle ACB , in terms of x .

Give your answer in its simplest form.

Give reasons for each stage of your working.

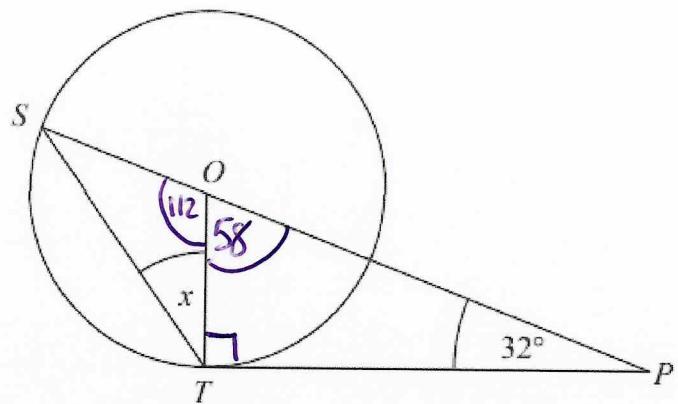
$\text{OBC} = 90^\circ$ tangent meets a radius at 90°

$\text{BAO} = ABO = x$ Base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal

$\text{AOB} = 180 - 2x$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

$\text{BOC} = 2x$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

$\text{ACB} = 90 - 2x$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°



S and T are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O .

PT is a tangent to the circle.

SOP is a straight line.

Angle $OPT = 32^\circ$

Work out the size of the angle marked x .

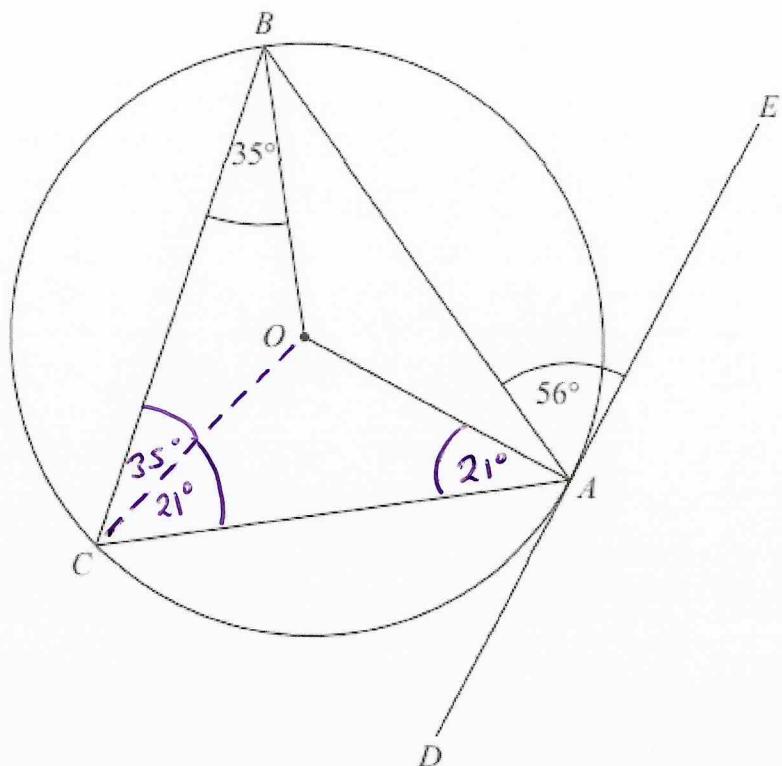
You must give a reason for each stage of your working.

$\text{OTP} = 90^\circ$ tangent meets a radius at 90°

$\text{TOP} = 58^\circ$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

$\text{SOT} = 122^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

$x = 29^\circ$ base angles of an isosceles triangle
are equal.



A, B and C are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O .
 DAE is the tangent to the circle at A .

Angle $BAE = 56^\circ$

Angle $CBO = 35^\circ$

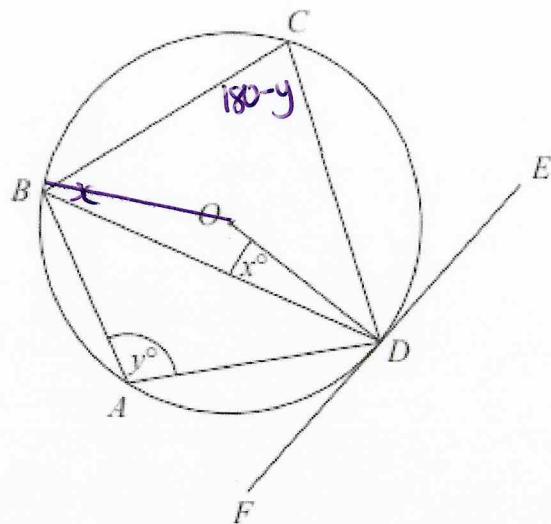
Work out the size of angle CAO .
 You must show all your working.

$BCA = 56^\circ$ Angles that lie between a tangent and a chord, are equal to the angle subtended by the same chord in the alternate segment.

$OCB = 35^\circ$ base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal

$OCA = 21^\circ$ because $56^\circ - 35^\circ$

$CAO = 21^\circ$ base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal 21.



A, B, C and D are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O .
 FDE is a tangent to the circle.

(a) Show that $y - x = 90$

You must give a reason for each stage of your working.

$$\angle OBD = x$$

Base angles of an isosceles triangle
are equal

$$\angle BCD = 180 - y$$

opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral
add to 180°

$$\angle BOD = 360 - 2y$$

Angles at the centre, are double the
size of angles at the circumference.

$$x + x + 360 - 2y = 180$$

$$2x + 180 - 2y = 0$$

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Dylan was asked to give some possible values for x and y .

He said,

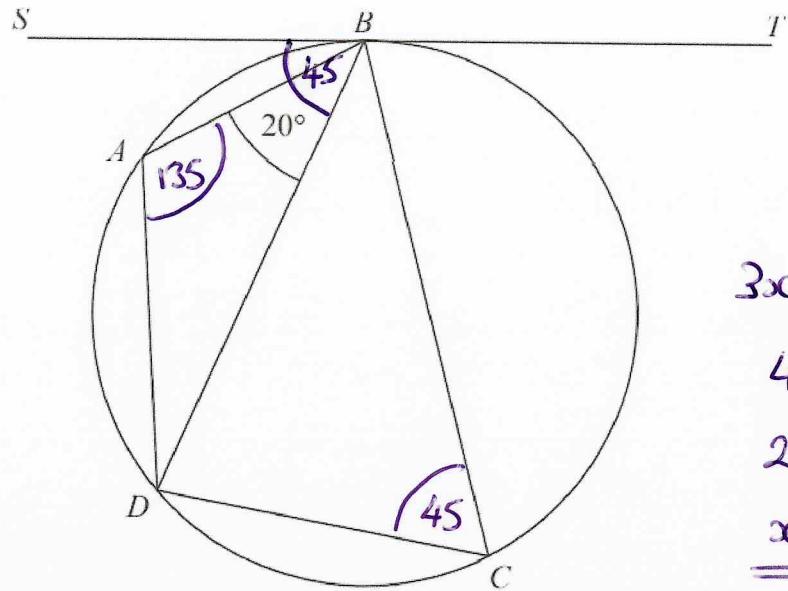
" y could be 200 and x could be 110, because $200 - 110 = 90$ "

(b) Is Dylan correct?

You must give a reason for your answer.

No y must be less than 180° as it is
an angle inside a triangle

(1)



$$3x + x = 180$$

$$4x = 180$$

$$2x = 90$$

$$\underline{\underline{x = 45^\circ}}$$

A, B, C and D are four points on a circle.

SBT is a tangent to the circle.

$\text{Angle } ABD = 20^\circ$

the size of angle BAD : the size of angle $BCD = 3 : 1$

Find the size of angle SBA .

Give a reason for each stage of your working.

BAD and $DCB = 180$

Opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral add to 180°

$SBD = 45^\circ$

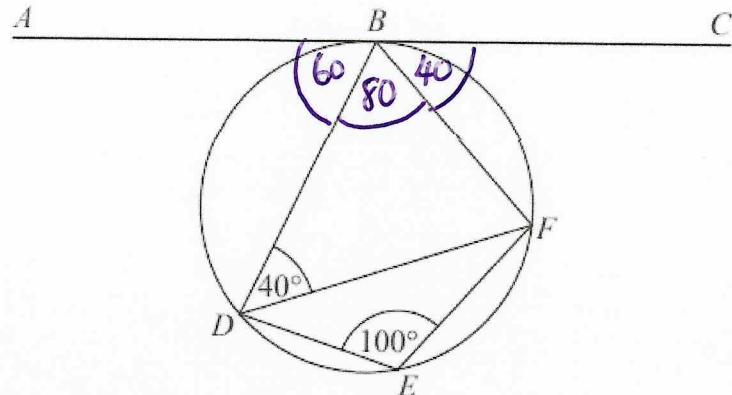
The angle that lies between a tangent and a chord is equal to the angle subtended by the same chord in the alternate segment.

$SBA = 25^\circ$

$$45 - 20 = 25$$

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Points B, D, E and F lie on a circle.
 ABC is the tangent to the circle at B .

Find the size of angle ABD .

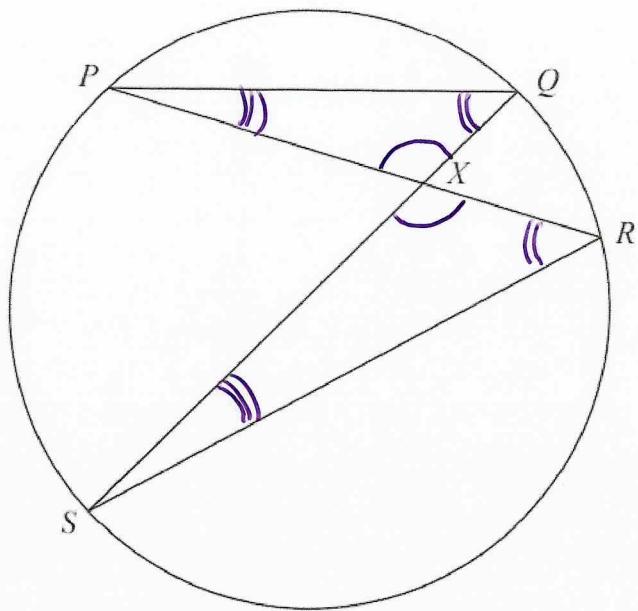
You must give a reason for each stage of your working.

$\angle DBF = 80^\circ$ Opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral
 add to 180°

$\angle CBF = 40^\circ$ The angle that lies between a tangent
 and a chord, is equal to the angle
 subtended by the same chord in the
 alternate segment.

$\angle ABD = 60^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

15 P, Q, R and S are four points on a circle.



PXR and SXQ are straight lines.

Prove that triangle PQX and triangle SRX are similar.

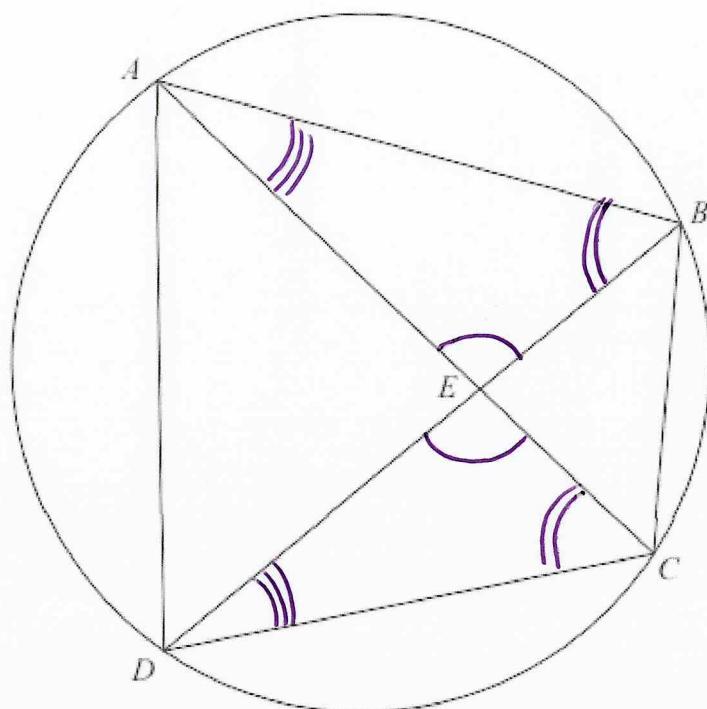
$PXQ = SXR$ vertically opposite angles are equal.

$PQS = PRS$ Angles in the same segment are equal.

$RSQ = RPQ$ Angles in the same segment are equal

Both triangles are similar as they have three identical angles (AAA)

15 A, B, C and D are four points on the circumference of a circle.



AEC and BED are straight lines.

Prove that triangle ABE and triangle DCE are similar.
You must give reasons for each stage of your working.

$$\angle AEB = \angle DEC$$

Vertically opposite angles are equal

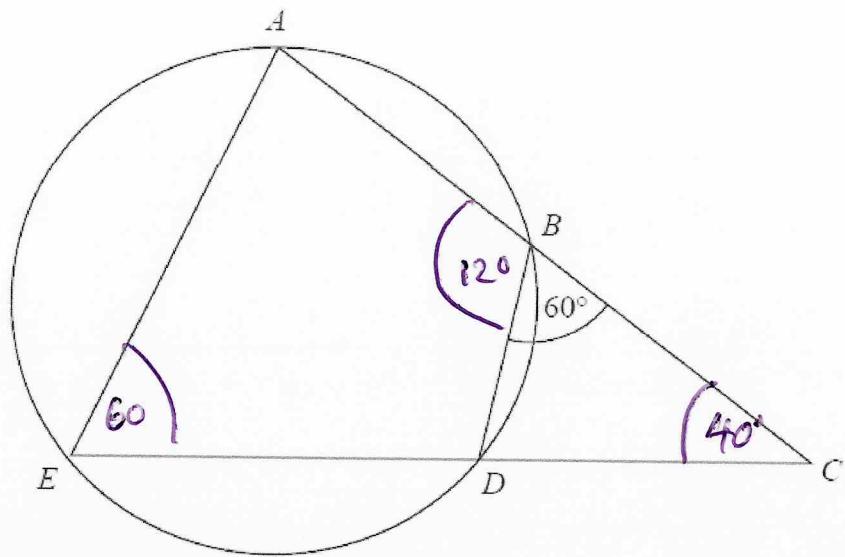
$$\angle ABE = \angle ECD$$

Angles from the same chord are equal

$$\angle BAE = \angle BDC$$

Angles from the same chord are equal

Both triangles are similar as they have
three identical angles (AAA)



$ABDE$ is a cyclic quadrilateral.

ABC and EDC are straight lines.

$\text{Angle } BDC = 60^\circ$

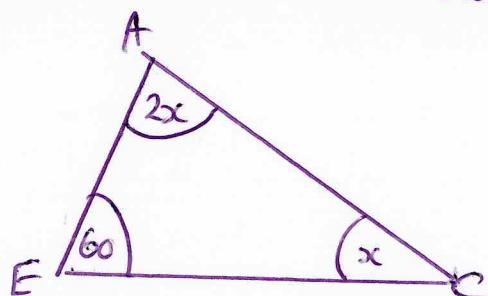
Given that

size of angle EAB : size of angle BCD = 2 : 1

work out the size of angle BCD .

You must show all your working.

$\text{ABD} = 120^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°
 $\text{AED} = 60^\circ$ opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral
add to 180°



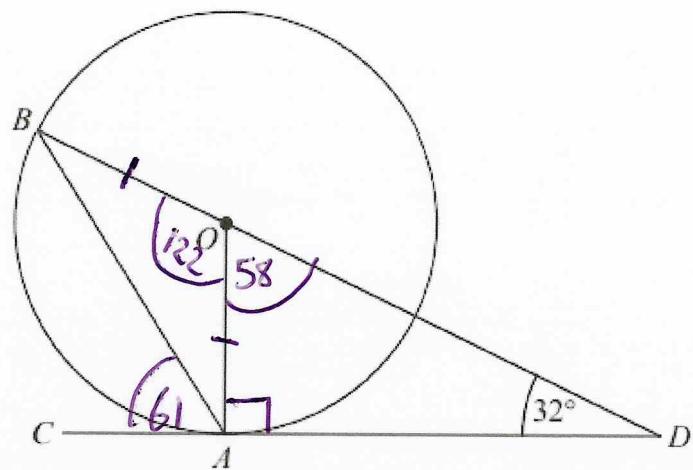
$$60 + 2x + x = 180$$

$$60 + 3x = 180$$

$$3x = 120$$

$$x = 40$$

40



A and B are points on a circle with centre O .
 CAD is the tangent to the circle at A .
 BOD is a straight line.

Angle $ODA = 32^\circ$

Work out the size of angle CAB .
You must show all your working.

$OAD = 90^\circ$ tangent meets a radius at 90°

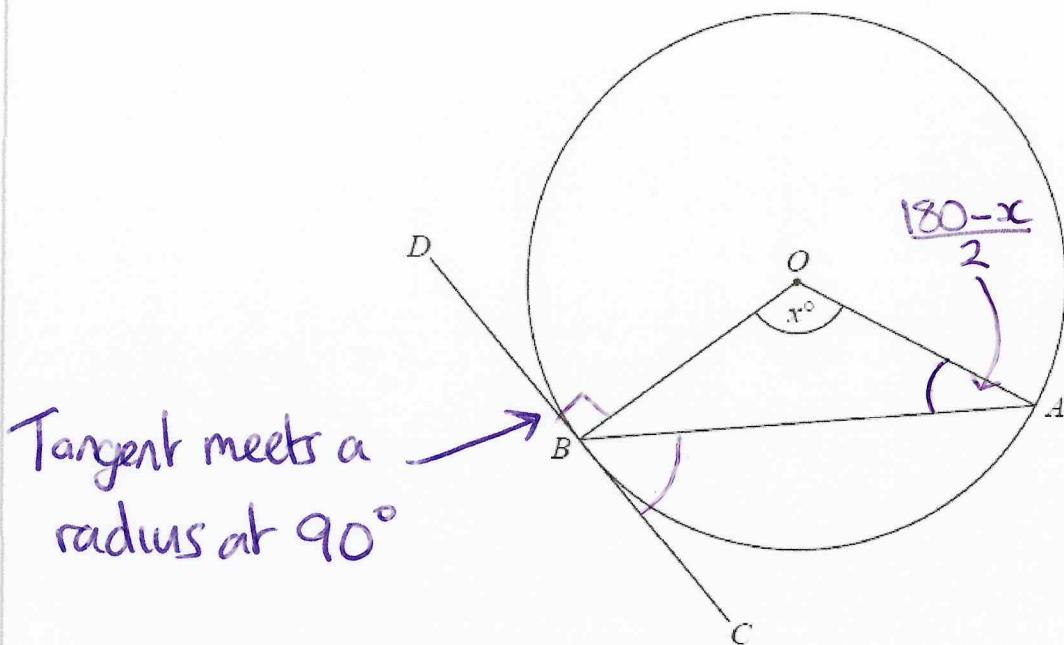
$DOA = 58^\circ$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

$BOA = 122^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

OAB and $OB\bar{A} = 29^\circ$ base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal.

$CAB = 61^\circ$ $90 - 29 = 61$

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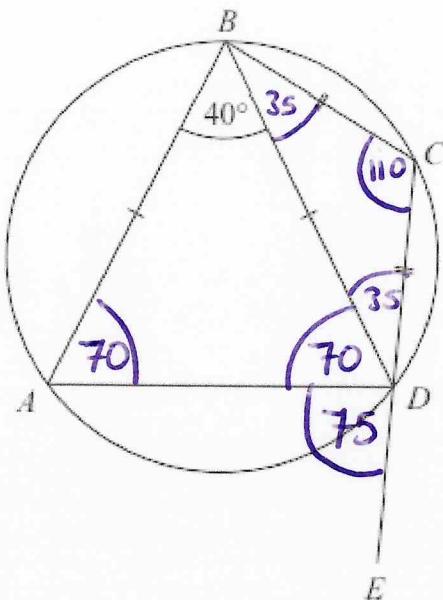
A and B are points on a circle, centre O .
 DBC is the tangent to the circle at B .
Angle $AOB = x^\circ$

Show that angle $ABC = \frac{1}{2}x^\circ$

You must give a reason for each stage of your working.

$$\begin{aligned}
ABC &= 180 - 90 - \left(\frac{180-x}{2}\right) \\
&= 90 - 90 + \frac{x}{2} \\
&= \frac{x}{2} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}x
\end{aligned}$$

18 The points A , B , C and D lie on a circle.
 CDE is a straight line.



$$BA = BD$$

$$CB = CD$$

$$\text{Angle } ABD = 40^\circ$$

Work out the size of angle ADE .

You must give a reason for each stage of your working.

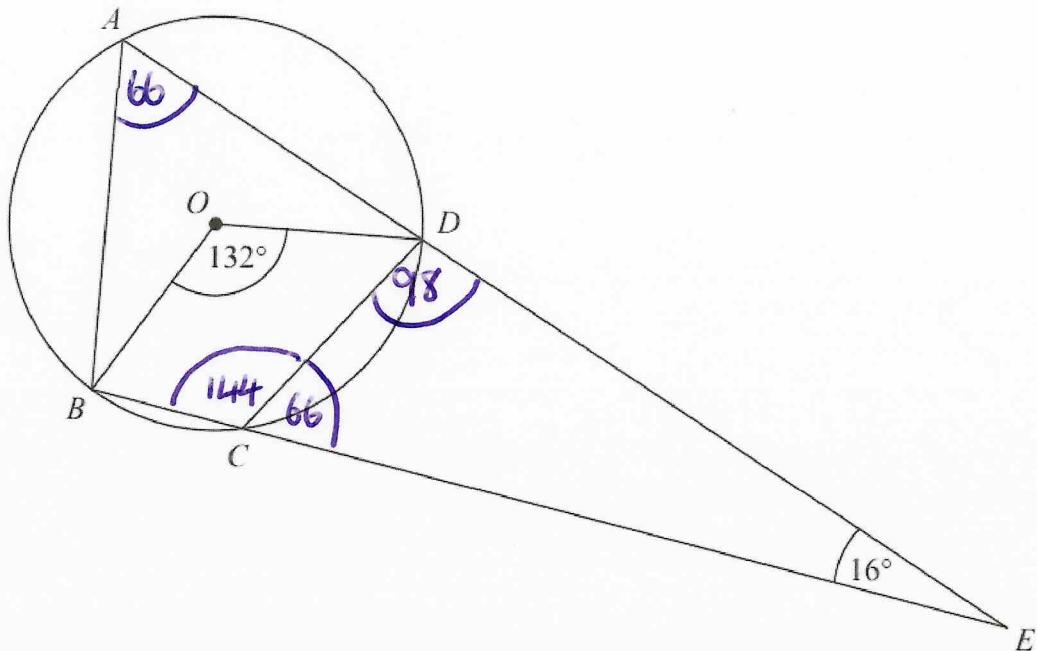
$\text{BAD} = \text{BDA} = 70^\circ$ base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal

$\text{BCD} = 110^\circ$ opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral add to 180°

$\text{CDB} = \text{CBD} = 35^\circ$ base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal.

$\text{ADE} = 75^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

20 A, B, C and D are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O .
 ADE and BCE are straight lines.



Work out the size of angle CDE .

Give a reason for each stage of your working.

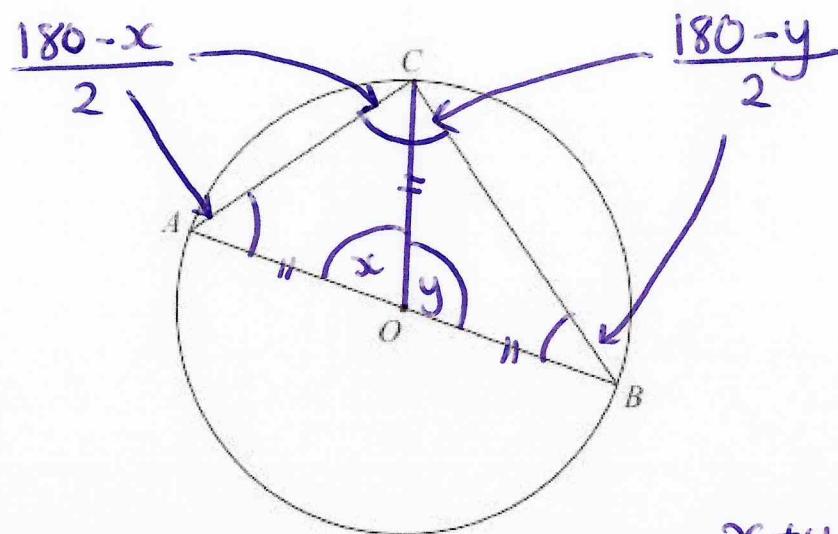
$BAD = 66^\circ$ Angles at the centre are double the size of an angle at the circumference.

$BCD = 144^\circ$ opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral add to 180°

$DCE = 66^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

$CDE = 98^\circ$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

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$$x+y = 180$$

A, B and C are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O .
 AOB is a diameter of the circle.

Prove that angle ACB is 90°

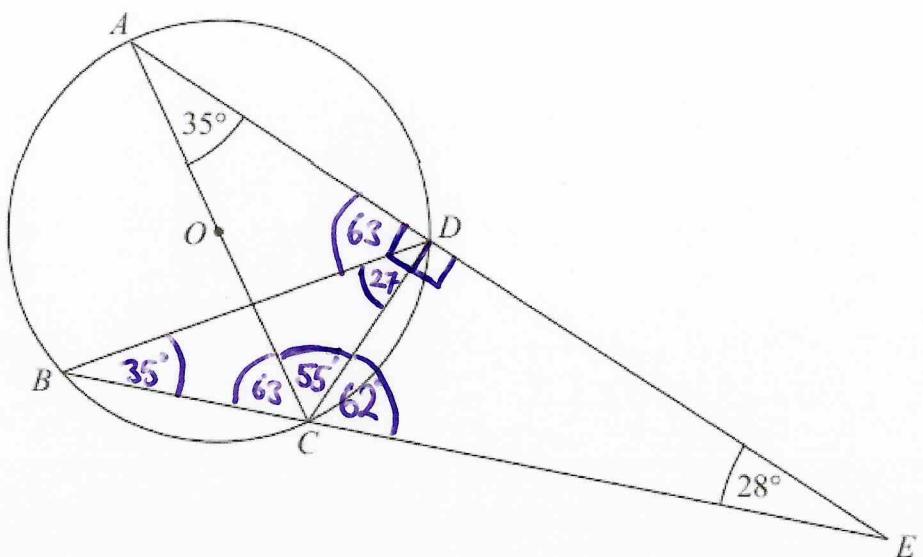
You must **not** use any circle theorems in your proof.

$$\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}y = 90.$$

$$\angle OAC = \angle OCA = \frac{180-x}{2} = 90 - \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$\angle OBC = \angle OCB = \frac{180-y}{2} = 90 - \frac{1}{2}y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \angle ACB &= 90 - \frac{1}{2}x + 90 - \frac{1}{2}y \\ &= 180 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}y \\ &= 180 - \underline{\left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}y\right)} \\ &= 180 - 90 \end{aligned}$$



A, B, C and D are points on the circumference of a circle, centre O .
 AC is a diameter of the circle.

ADE and BCE are straight lines.

Work out the size of angle BDC .

Write down any circle theorems that you use.

$DBC = 35^\circ$ Angles in the same segment are equal
 $ADC = 90^\circ$ Angle in a semi circle is a right angle

$DCE = 62^\circ$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

$ACD = 55^\circ$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

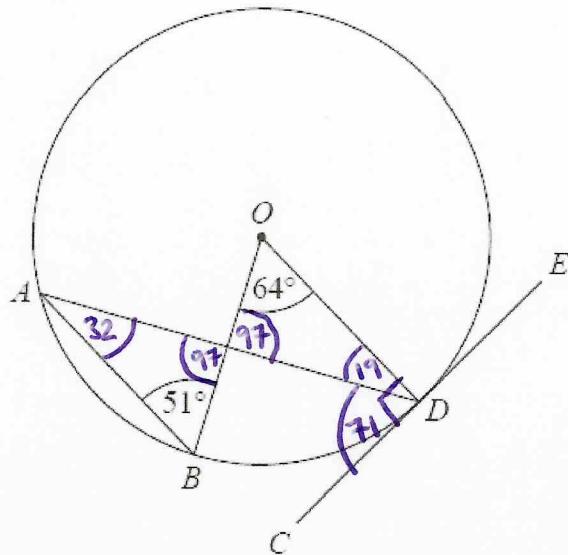
$BCA = 63^\circ$ Angles on a straight line add to 180°

$ADB = 63^\circ$ Angles in the same segment

$BDC = 27^\circ$ $90 - 63 = 27$

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21 A, B and D are points on a circle with centre O .
 CDE is the tangent to the circle at D .



Work out the size of angle ADC .
 Write down any circle theorems you use.

$BAD = 32^\circ$ Angles at the centre are double the size of angle at the circumference.

Angle in the middle = 97° because angles in a triangle add to 180°

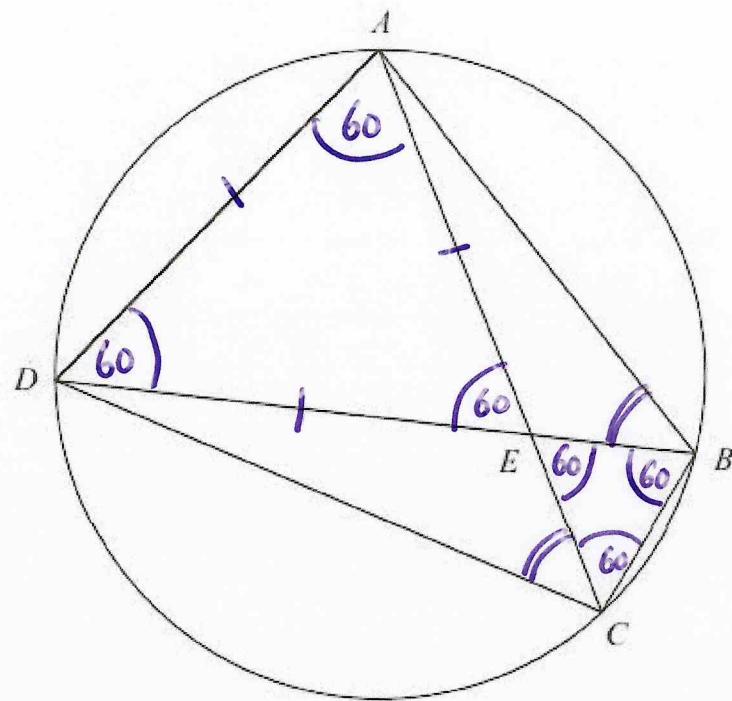
$ODA = 19^\circ$ Angles in a triangle add to 180°

$ADC = 71^\circ$ When a tangent meets a radius you get 90°

$$90 - 19 = 71$$

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22 A, B, C and D are four points on a circle.



AEC and *DEB* are straight lines.

Triangle AED is an equilateral triangle.

Prove that triangle ABC is congruent to triangle DCB .

BC is common to both triangles

$\angle DBC = 60^\circ$ Angles that subtend the same chord are equal

$$ACB = ADB \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad "$$

$$ACD = ABD \quad \text{“} \quad \text{“} \quad \text{“} \quad \text{“}$$

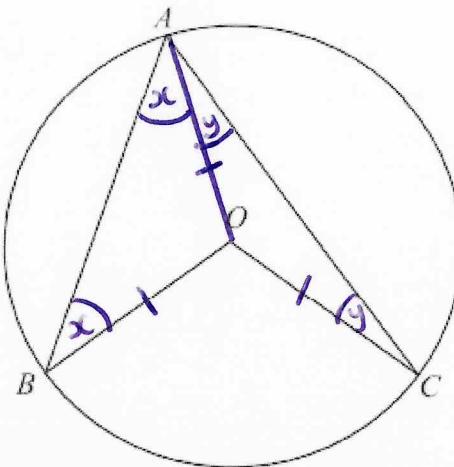
Triangle ABC is congruent to DCB

$$DBC = ACB = 60^\circ$$

$$ABC = BCD$$

Angle side Angle.

24 A, B and C are points on the circumference of a circle centre O .



Prove that angle BOC is twice the size of angle BAC .

$$\angle AOB = 180 - 2x$$

$$\angle AOC = 180 - 2y$$

Angles in a triangle add to 180°

$$\angle BOC = 360 - (180 - 2x) - (180 - 2y)$$

$$= 360 - 180 + 2x - 180 + 2y$$

$$= 2x + 2y$$

Angles around a point add to 360°

$$\angle BAC = x + y$$

$$\angle BOC = 2x + 2y$$

$$= 2(x + y)$$