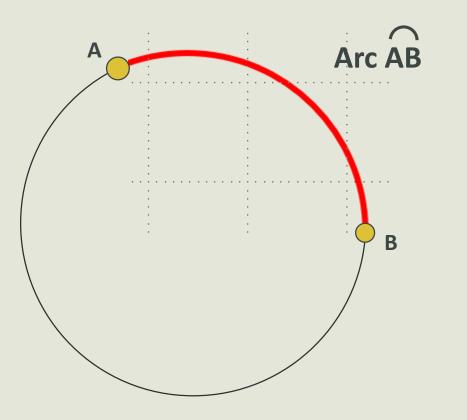
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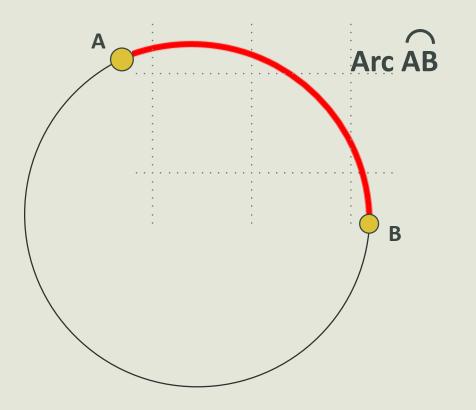
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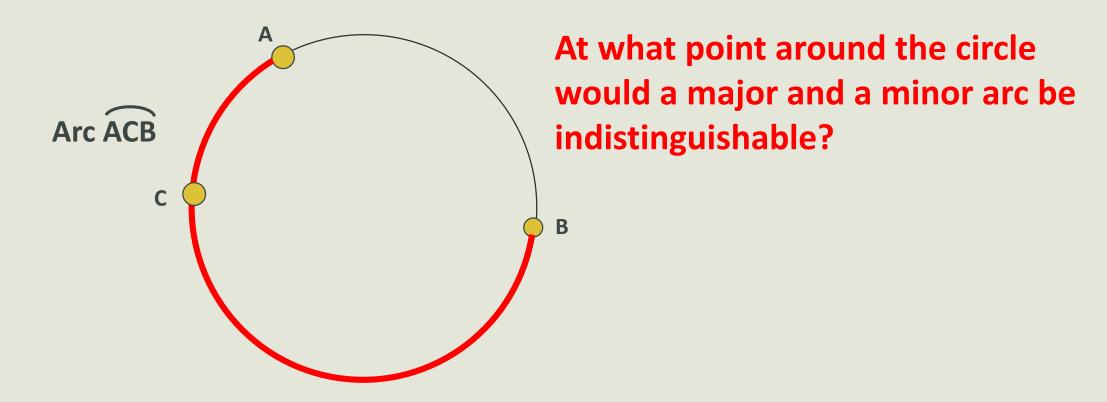
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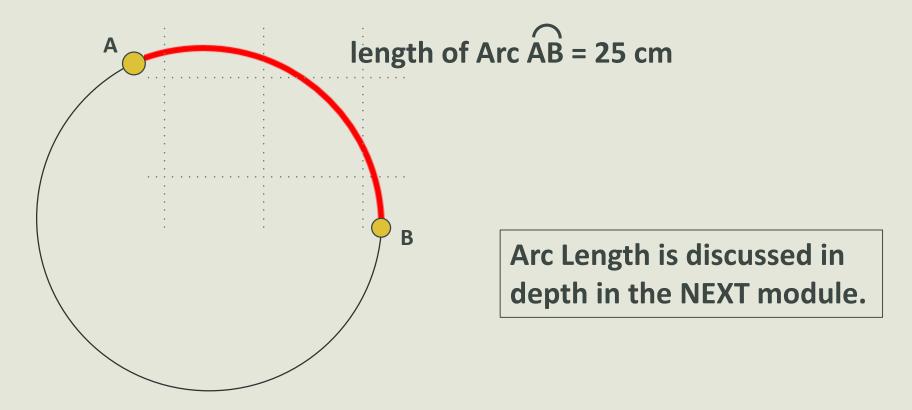
#### Arcs – Minor Arcs and Major Arcs

Major Arc – An arc that is MORE than ½ the circumference of a circle. Defined by 3 points: 2 endpoints and a point in between.



#### Arcs – <u>Lengths</u> and Measures

**Arc Length** – How long an arc is in linear units (such as centimeters). How far a distance would we travel if we walked along the arc.

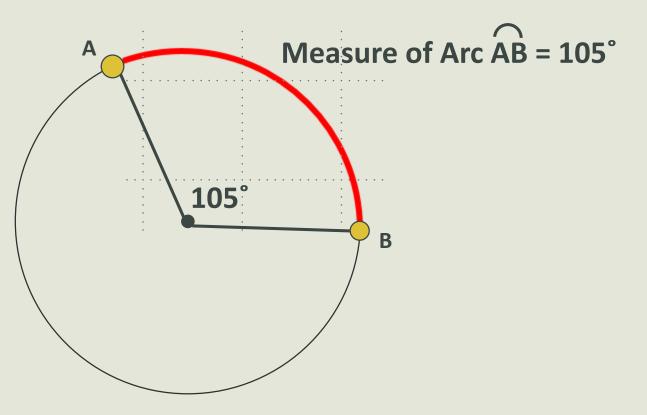


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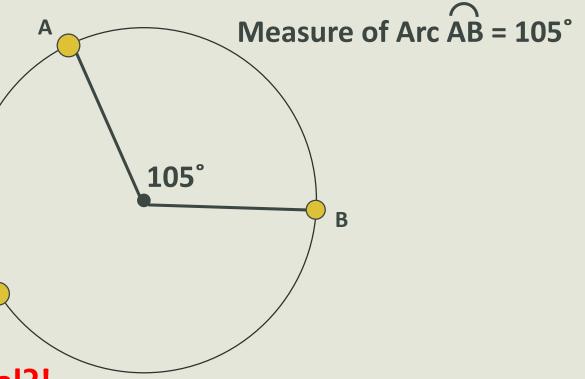


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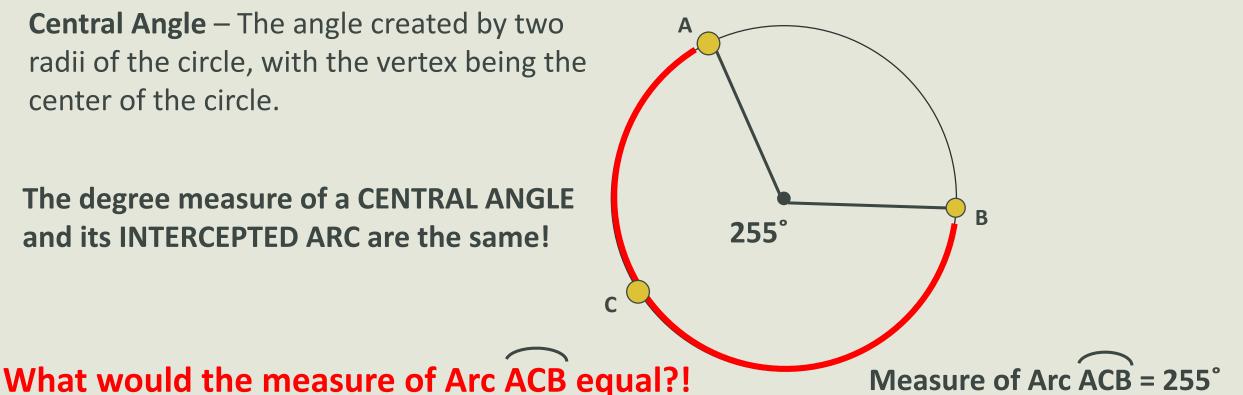
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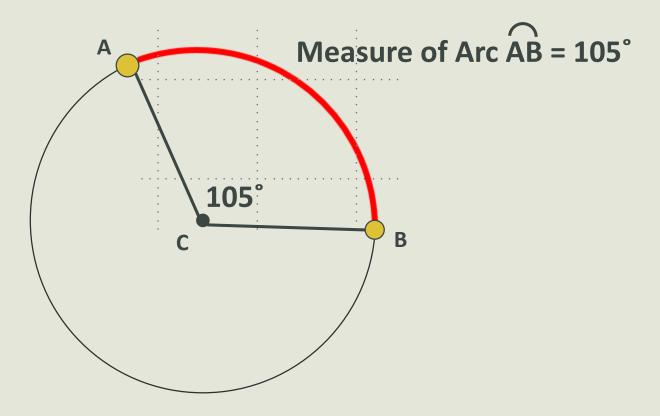
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**Intercepted Arc** 

**Intercepted Arc** – The arc created by legs on an angle formed within a circle (or without!)

Arc AB is the intercepted arc of angle ACB



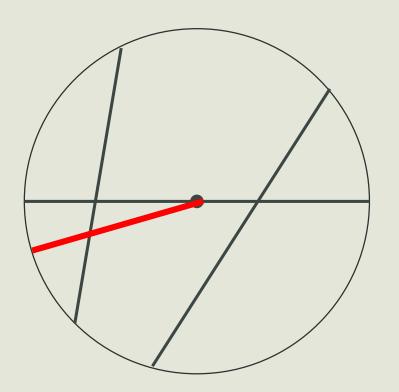
**Vocabulary - Chords** 

**Chords** – A segment whose endpoints lie on the outside of a circle.

Each of the segments in the diagram are chords.

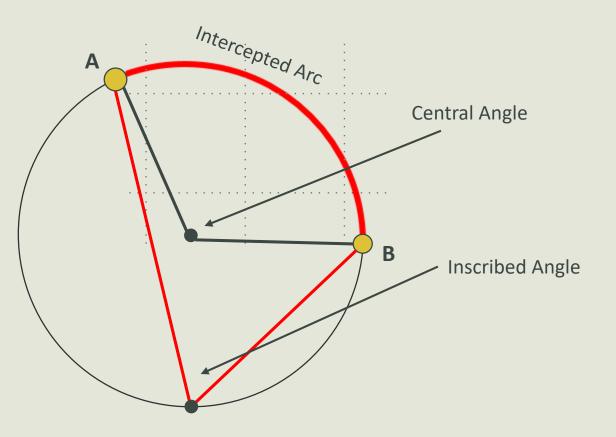
Notice that even a diameter is a chord!

(A radius, however, is not a chord as it only intersects the outside of the circle at one point.)



Inscribed Angle

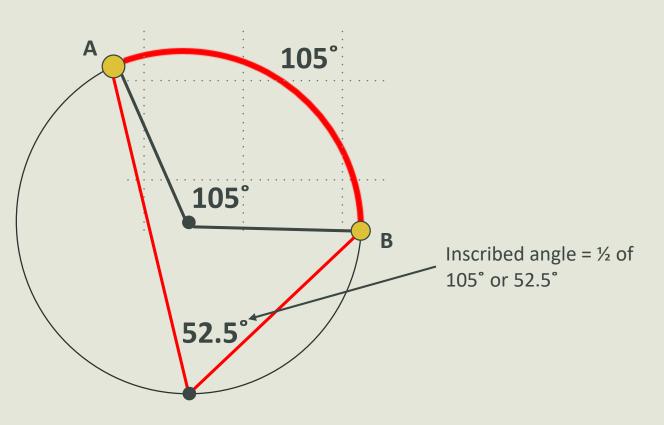
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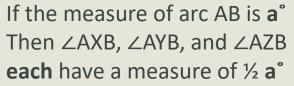
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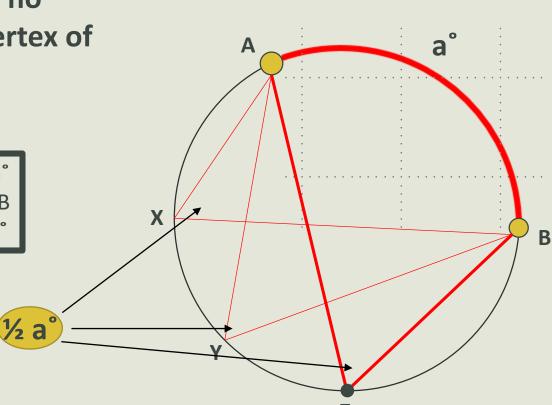
**IMPORTANT PROPERTY TO MEMORIZE:** The degree measure of an INSCRIBED ANGLE is ½ the measure of its intercepted arc. Note that this means an inscribed angle is also ½ the measure of its corresponding central angle!



**Inscribed Angles** 

Inscribed Angles will always be ½ the measure of their intercepted arc, no matter where on the circle the vertex of the intercepted angle is!

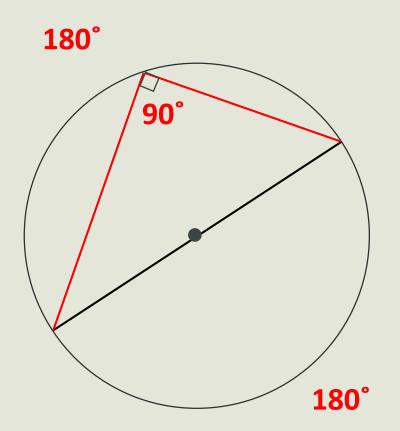




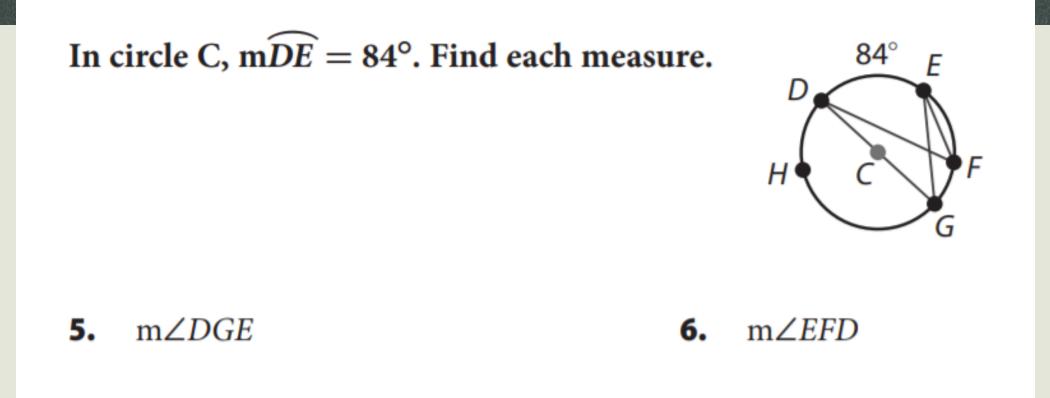
## A NOTE ABOUT DIAMETERS

Notice that a diameter cuts a circle in half, creating two 180° arcs. There will be times when this fact alone will be needed to solve a problem (you will not have enough angle measure information given without this knowledge.)

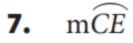
If one were to create an inscribe angle that intersected the circle at both ends of the diameter, the measure of that angle would be equal to what measure?

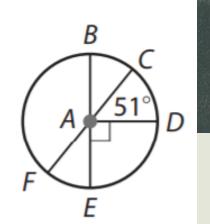


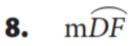
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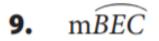


The center of the circle is *A*. Find each measure using the appropriate theorems and postulates.



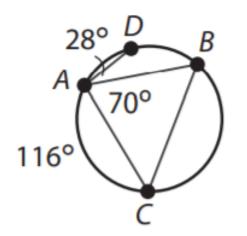


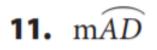




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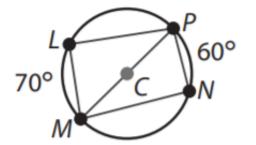
**10.** m $\widehat{BC}$ 





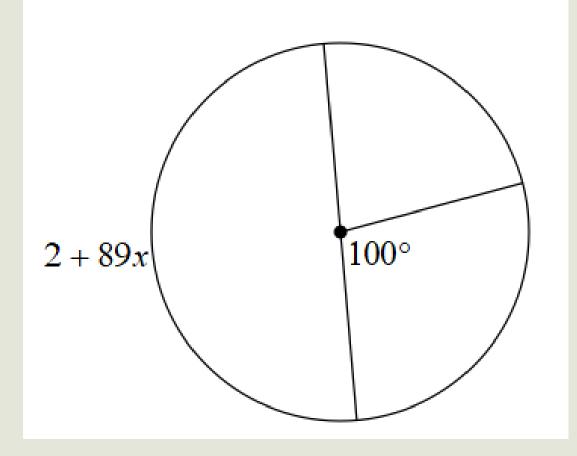
The center of the circle is C. Find each measure using the appropriate theorems and postulates.  $\widehat{mLM} = 70^{\circ}$  and  $\widehat{mNP} = 60^{\circ}$ .

**12.** m∠*MNP* 



**13.** m∠*LMN* 

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