

## AREAS RELATED TO CIRCLES

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Area Related to Circles deals with finding areas and perimeters of plane figures that are combinations of circles, sectors, segments, and other shapes.

### 2. BASIC FORMULAS - CIRCLE

#### Circle - Definitions

**Circle:** The collection of all points in a plane which are at a fixed distance from a fixed point.

#### Key Terms:

- **Centre:** The fixed point (O)
- **Radius:** Fixed distance from centre to any point on circle (r)
- **Diameter:** Line segment passing through centre with endpoints on circle ( $d = 2r$ )
- **Circumference:** Perimeter/boundary of the circle
- **Chord:** Line segment joining any two points on the circle
- **Arc:** A piece of the circumference
- **Semicircle:** Half of a circle
- **Quadrant:** One-fourth of a circle

#### Fundamental Formulas

##### 1. Circumference (Perimeter) of Circle:

$$C = 2\pi r \text{ or } C = \pi d$$

##### Where:

- $r$  = radius
- $d$  = diameter =  $2r$
- $\pi$  =  $22/7$  or  $3.14$  (approx)

##### 2. Area of Circle:

$$A = \pi r^2$$

**Example:** Find the circumference and area of a circle with radius 7 cm.

##### Solution:

- Circumference =  $2\pi r = 2 \times (22/7) \times 7 = 44$  cm
- Area =  $\pi r^2 = (22/7) \times 7^2 = (22/7) \times 49 = 154$  cm<sup>2</sup>

### 3. SECTOR OF A CIRCLE

#### Definition

**Sector:** The region enclosed by two radii and the corresponding arc.

**Types:**

- **Minor Sector:** Smaller region (angle  $< 180^\circ$ )
- **Major Sector:** Larger region (angle  $> 180^\circ$ )
- **Semicircle:** When angle =  $180^\circ$

**Central Angle ( $\theta$ ):** Angle subtended by the arc at the centre.

#### Sector Formulas

When angle  $\theta$  is in degrees:

1. Length of Arc:

$$l = (\theta/360^\circ) \times 2\pi r$$

2. Area of Sector:

$$A = (\theta/360^\circ) \times \pi r^2$$

3. Perimeter of Sector:

$$P = 2r + l = 2r + (\theta/360^\circ) \times 2\pi r$$

When angle  $\theta$  is in radians:

1. Length of Arc:

$$l = r\theta$$

2. Area of Sector:

$$A = (1/2) \times r^2\theta$$

**Note:** In Class 10 CBSE, primarily degree measure is used.

#### Special Cases

**Semicircle ( $\theta = 180^\circ$ ):**

- Area =  $(1/2)\pi r^2$

- $\text{Perimeter} = \pi r + 2r = r(\pi + 2)$

Quadrant ( $\theta = 90^\circ$ ):

- $\text{Area} = (1/4)\pi r^2$
- $\text{Perimeter} = 2r + (1/4) \times 2\pi r = r(2 + \pi/2)$

**Example 1:** Find the area and perimeter of a sector of a circle with radius 7 cm and central angle  $60^\circ$ .

**Solution:**

- $\text{Area of sector} = (\theta/360^\circ) \times \pi r^2$
- $= (60^\circ/360^\circ) \times (22/7) \times 7^2$
- $= (1/6) \times (22/7) \times 49$
- $= (22 \times 49)/(7 \times 6)$
- $= 1078/42$
- $= 77/3 \text{ cm}^2 = 25.67 \text{ cm}^2$
- $\text{Arc length} = (\theta/360^\circ) \times 2\pi r$
- $= (60^\circ/360^\circ) \times 2 \times (22/7) \times 7$
- $= (1/6) \times 44$
- $= 22/3 \text{ cm} = 7.33 \text{ cm}$
- $\text{Perimeter} = 2r + \text{arc length}$
- $= 2(7) + 22/3$
- $= 14 + 22/3$
- $= (42 + 22)/3$
- $= 64/3 \text{ cm} = 21.33 \text{ cm}$

## 4. SEGMENT OF A CIRCLE

**Definition**

**Segment:** The region enclosed by a chord and the corresponding arc.

**Types:**

- **Minor Segment:** Smaller region
- **Major Segment:** Larger region
- **Semicircular region:** When chord is a diameter

**Segment Formulas**

**Area of Minor Segment:**

$A = \text{Area of sector} - \text{Area of triangle}$

$$A = (\theta/360^\circ) \times \pi r^2 - (1/2) \times r^2 \times \sin \theta$$

OR

$$A = \pi r^2(\theta/360^\circ) - r^2 \sin(\theta/2) \cos(\theta/2)$$

Simplified for common angles:

$$\text{For } \theta \text{ in degrees: } A = r^2[\pi\theta/360^\circ - \sin \theta/2]$$

**Area of Major Segment:**

A = Area of circle – Area of minor segment

$$A = \pi r^2 - [\text{Area of minor segment}]$$

**Special Cases:**

Semicircular segment ( $\theta = 180^\circ$ ): Area =  $(1/2)\pi r^2$

For  $\theta = 90^\circ$ : Area of segment =  $(\pi r^2/4) - (r^2/2) = r^2(\pi/4 - 1/2) = r^2(\pi - 2)/4$

For  $\theta = 60^\circ$ : Area of segment =  $r^2(\pi/6 - \sqrt{3}/4)$

For  $\theta = 120^\circ$ : Area of segment =  $r^2(\pi/3 + \sqrt{3}/4)$

**Example 2:** Find the area of the segment of a circle of radius 14 cm, if the angle of the sector is  $60^\circ$ .

**Solution:** Area of sector =  $(60^\circ/360^\circ) \times \pi r^2 = (1/6) \times (22/7) \times 14^2 = (1/6) \times (22/7) \times 196 = (22 \times 196)/(6 \times 7) = 4312/42 = 308/3 \text{ cm}^2$

For  $\triangle AOB$  where  $\angle AOB = 60^\circ$ : Area of triangle =  $(1/2) \times r \times r \times \sin 60^\circ = (1/2) \times 14 \times 14 \times (\sqrt{3}/2) = (196\sqrt{3})/4 = 49\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2 = 49 \times 1.732 = 84.87 \text{ cm}^2$

Area of segment = Area of sector – Area of triangle =  $308/3 - 49\sqrt{3} = 102.67 - 84.87 = 17.8 \text{ cm}^2$  (approx)

## 5. ANNULUS (CIRCULAR RING)

**Definition**

**Annulus:** The region between two concentric circles (circles with the same centre).

**Annulus Formulas**

Let:

- R = radius of outer circle
- r = radius of inner circle

**Area of Annulus:**

$$A = \pi R^2 - \pi r^2$$

$$A = \pi(R^2 - r^2)$$

$$A = \pi(R + r)(R - r)$$

**Width of Ring:** If width  $w = R - r$ , and if inner radius  $r$  is known:  $A = \pi[(r + w)^2 - r^2]$   $A = \pi[r^2 + 2rw + w^2 - r^2]$   $A = \pi(2rw + w^2)$   $A = \pi w(2r + w)$

**Example 3:** A circular park has a path 7 m wide running around it on the outside. If the radius of the park is 70 m, find the area of the path.

**Solution:** Inner radius ( $r$ ) = 70 m Outer radius ( $R$ ) = 70 + 7 = 77 m

$$\text{Area of path} = \pi(R^2 - r^2) = (22/7) \times (77^2 - 70^2) = (22/7) \times (5929 - 4900) = (22/7) \times 1029 = (22 \times 1029)/7 = 22638/7 = 3234 \text{ m}^2$$

## 6. COMBINATIONS OF PLANE FIGURES

**Common Combinations:**

1. Circle inscribed in a square
2. Circle circumscribed about a square
3. Square inscribed in a circle
4. Triangle inscribed in a circle
5. Circle inscribed in a triangle
6. Circles and rectangles
7. Semicircles and quarters on sides of figures

**Important Relationships**

1. Circle inscribed in a Square: If side of square =  $a$ , then:

- Radius of circle =  $a/2$
- Area of circle =  $\pi(a/2)^2 = \pi a^2/4$
- Area of square =  $a^2$
- Area of shaded region =  $a^2 - \pi a^2/4 = a^2(1 - \pi/4) = a^2(4 - \pi)/4$

2. Circle circumscribed about a Square: If side of square =  $a$ , then:

- Diagonal of square =  $a\sqrt{2}$
- Radius of circle =  $a\sqrt{2}/2 = a/\sqrt{2}$
- Area of circle =  $\pi(a/\sqrt{2})^2 = \pi a^2/2$
- Area of shaded region =  $\pi a^2/2 - a^2 = a^2(\pi/2 - 1) = a^2(\pi - 2)/2$

3. Square inscribed in a Circle: If radius of circle =  $r$ , then:

- Diagonal of square = diameter =  $2r$
- Side of square =  $2r/\sqrt{2} = r\sqrt{2}$
- Area of square =  $(r\sqrt{2})^2 = 2r^2$
- Area of circle =  $\pi r^2$

- Area of shaded region =  $\pi r^2 - 2r^2 = r^2(\pi - 2)$

4. Circle inscribed in an Equilateral Triangle: If side of triangle = a, then:

- Radius of inscribed circle (inradius) =  $a/(2\sqrt{3})$
- Area of circle =  $\pi \times [a/(2\sqrt{3})]^2 = \pi a^2/12$

5. Circle circumscribed about an Equilateral Triangle: If side of triangle = a, then:

- Radius of circumscribed circle (circumradius) =  $a/\sqrt{3}$
- Area of circle =  $\pi \times (a/\sqrt{3})^2 = \pi a^2/3$

6. Semicircles on sides of a Right Triangle: If right triangle has sides a, b, and hypotenuse c:

Sum of areas of semicircles on two legs = Area of semicircle on hypotenuse

$$(1/2)\pi(a/2)^2 + (1/2)\pi(b/2)^2 = (1/2)\pi(c/2)^2$$

This follows from Pythagoras theorem:  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

## 7. WORKED EXAMPLES

Example 4: A horse is tied to a peg at one corner of a square-shaped grass field of side 15 m by means of a 7 m long rope. Find the area of that part of the field in which the horse can graze.

Solution: The horse can graze a quadrant (quarter circle) of radius 7 m.

$$\text{Area that horse can graze} = (1/4)\pi r^2 = (1/4) \times (22/7) \times 7^2 = (1/4) \times (22/7) \times 49 = (22 \times 49)/(4 \times 7) = 1078/28 = 38.5 \text{ m}^2$$

Example 5: A copper wire when bent in the form of a square encloses an area of 121 cm<sup>2</sup>. If the same wire is bent into the form of a circle, find the area of the circle.

Solution: Area of square = 121 cm<sup>2</sup> Side of square =  $\sqrt{121} = 11$  cm Perimeter of square =  $4 \times 11 = 44$  cm

This perimeter becomes the circumference of circle:  $2\pi r = 44$   $r = 44/(2\pi) = 44/(2 \times 22/7) = 44 \times 7/44 = 7$  cm

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi r^2 = (22/7) \times 7^2 = (22/7) \times 49 = 154 \text{ cm}^2$$

Example 6: In a circular table cover of radius 32 cm, a design is formed leaving an equilateral triangle ABC in the middle as shown in the figure. Find the area of the design (shaded region).

Solution: For equilateral triangle inscribed in a circle: Side of triangle =  $r\sqrt{3}$  (where r is circumradius) =  $32\sqrt{3}$  cm

$$\text{Area of equilateral triangle} = (\sqrt{3}/4) \times \text{side}^2 = (\sqrt{3}/4) \times (32\sqrt{3})^2 = (\sqrt{3}/4) \times 1024 \times 3 = (\sqrt{3}/4) \times 3072 = 768\sqrt{3} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi r^2 = (22/7) \times 32^2 = (22/7) \times 1024 = 22528/7 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of design} = \text{Area of circle} - \text{Area of triangle} = 22528/7 - 768\sqrt{3} = 3218.29 - 1330.18 = 1888.11 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ (approx)}$$

**Example 7:** A chord of a circle of radius 10 cm subtends a right angle at the centre. Find the area of the corresponding: (i) Minor segment (ii) Major segment

$$\text{Solution: } r = 10 \text{ cm, } \theta = 90^\circ$$

(i) Minor segment:

$$\text{Area of sector} = (90^\circ/360^\circ) \times \pi r^2 = (1/4) \times (22/7) \times 10^2 = (1/4) \times (22/7) \times 100 = 2200/28 = 550/7 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of triangle AOB (right-angled at O):} = (1/2) \times 10 \times 10 = 50 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of minor segment} = 550/7 - 50 = (550 - 350)/7 = 200/7 = 28.57 \text{ cm}^2$$

(ii) Major segment:

$$\text{Area of circle} = \pi \times 10^2 = (22/7) \times 100 = 2200/7 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of major segment} = 2200/7 - 200/7 = 2000/7 = 285.71 \text{ cm}^2$$

**Example 8:** The wheels of a car are of diameter 80 cm each. How many complete revolutions does each wheel make in 10 minutes when the car is traveling at a speed of 66 km/h?

$$\text{Solution: Diameter} = 80 \text{ cm, Radius} = 40 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Circumference of wheel} = 2\pi r = 2 \times (22/7) \times 40 = 1760/7 \text{ cm} = 251.43 \text{ cm} = 2.5143 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Speed} = 66 \text{ km/h} = 66000 \text{ m/h}$$

$$\text{Distance covered in 10 minutes} = 66000 \times (10/60) = 66000 \times (1/6) = 11000 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Number of revolutions} = \text{Distance/Circumference} = 11000/2.5143 = 4375 \text{ revolutions}$$

**Example 9:** The minute hand of a clock is 14 cm long. Find the area on the face of the clock described by the minute hand between 9 AM and 9:35 AM.

$$\text{Solution: In 60 minutes, minute hand completes } 360^\circ \text{ In 35 minutes, angle} = (35/60) \times 360^\circ = 210^\circ$$

$$\text{Area swept} = (\theta/360^\circ) \times \pi r^2 = (210^\circ/360^\circ) \times (22/7) \times 14^2 = (7/12) \times (22/7) \times 196 = (7 \times 22 \times 196)/(12 \times 7) = (22 \times 196)/12 = 4312/12 = 359.33 \text{ cm}^2$$

**Example 10:** Four equal circles are described about the four corners of a square so that each touches two of the others. If a side of the square is 14 cm, find the area enclosed between the circumferences of the circles.

**Solution:** Side of square = 14 cm Radius of each circle =  $14/2 = 7$  cm

Area of square =  $14^2 = 196$  cm<sup>2</sup>

Each circle contributes a quadrant inside the square. Area of 4 quadrants =  $4 \times (1/4)\pi r^2 = \pi r^2 = (22/7) \times 7^2 = (22/7) \times 49 = 154$  cm<sup>2</sup>

Area enclosed = Area of square - Area of 4 quadrants =  $196 - 154 = 42$  cm<sup>2</sup>

## 8. IMPORTANT FORMULAS AT A GLANCE

Figure	Area Formula	Perimeter/Circumference
Circle	$\pi r^2$	$2\pi r$
Semicircle	$(1/2)\pi r^2$	$\pi r + 2r$
Quadrant	$(1/4)\pi r^2$	$(\pi r/2) + 2r$
Sector	$(\theta/360^\circ)\pi r^2$	$2r + (\theta/360^\circ)2\pi r$
Segment	$(\theta/360^\circ)\pi r^2 - (1/2)r^2 \sin \theta$	Arc + Chord
Annulus	$\pi(R^2 - r^2)$	$2\pi R + 2\pi r$ (both circles)

## 9. TYPES OF PROBLEMS

### Type 1: Basic Circle Problems

- Finding area and circumference given radius/diameter
- Finding radius given area/circumference

### Type 2: Sector Problems

- Finding area of sector given angle and radius
- Finding arc length
- Finding perimeter of sector

### Type 3: Segment Problems

- Finding area of minor/major segment
- Problems involving chords

#### Type 4: Annulus Problems

- Circular paths and rings
- Concentric circles

#### Type 5: Combination Problems

- Figures inside/outside circles
- Shaded regions
- Multiple circles

#### Type 6: Application Problems

- Wheels and revolutions
- Clock problems
- Grazing problems
- Design problems

## 10. SPECIAL TIPS FOR BOARD EXAMS

#### For 2-3 Mark Questions:

- Write formula clearly
- Show all steps
- Write units in answer
- Use  $\pi = 22/7$  unless specified

#### For 4-5 Mark Questions:

- Draw neat labeled diagram
- Break problem into parts
- Show area of each part
- Final answer highlighted

#### Time Saving Tips:

- Memorize all formulas
- Practice standard angle calculations
- Learn to identify figure type quickly
- Use shortcuts for common problems

## 11. IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER

✓ Learn all basic formulas by heart

✓ For sector: angle is at the centre, not at circumference

- ✓ Segment = Sector - Triangle
- ✓ Perimeter of sector includes two radii
- ✓ In annulus, area =  $\pi(R^2 - r^2) = \pi(R+r)(R-r)$
- ✓ Semicircle perimeter =  $\pi r + 2r$  (not just  $\pi r$ )
- ✓ For shaded regions, identify what to add/subtract
- ✓ Always draw diagram for combination problems
- ✓  $\pi = 22/7$
- ✓ Units must be consistent and mentioned

## 12. QUICK REVISION CHECKLIST

- Area and circumference of circle
- Area of semicircle and quadrant
- Area and perimeter of sector (all formulas)
- Area of segment (minor and major)
- Area of annulus/circular ring
- Circle in square and square in circle
- Combinations involving semicircles
- Application problems (wheels, clocks, paths)
- All worked examples practiced
- Previous year questions solved

## 13. VALUE OF $\pi$

Standard Values:

- Exact:  $\pi$  (leave in terms of  $\pi$ )
- Fractional:  $22/7$  (preferred in exams)
- Decimal: 3.14 or 3.1416

When to use which:

- Use  $22/7$  when radius is multiple of 7
- Use 3.14 when specified in question

- Leave in terms of  $\pi$  when asked for exact value

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