

# Chapter 12: Circles

## SECTION 1: LINES THAT INTERSECT CIRCLES

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## Circles

REMEMBER: A circle is the set of all points in a plane that are equidistant from a given point, called the center of the circle.

A circle with center  $C$  is called circle  $C$ , or  $\odot C$ .

The **interior of a circle** is the set of all points inside the circle. The **exterior of a circle** is the set of all points outside the circle.

## I Can

- Identify tangents, secants and chords
- Use properties of tangents to solve problems

## Lines & Segments

### Lines and Segments That Intersect Circles

TERM	DIAGRAM
A <b>chord</b> is a segment whose endpoints lie on a circle.	
A <b>secant</b> is a line that intersects a circle at two points.	
A <b>tangent</b> is a line in the same plane as a circle that intersects it at exactly one point.	
The point where the tangent and a circle intersect is called the <b>point of tangency</b> .	

## Identifying Lines & Segments

Identify each line or segment that intersects  $\odot L$ .

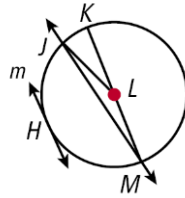
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secant:

tangent:

diameter:

radii:

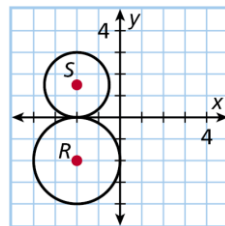


## Pairs of Circles

TERM	DIAGRAM
Two circles are <b>congruent circles</b> if and only if they have congruent radii.	<p><math>\odot A \cong \odot B</math> if <math>\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}</math>.  <math>\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}</math> if <math>\odot A \cong \odot B</math>.</p>
<b>Concentric circles</b> are coplanar circles with the same center.	
Two coplanar circles that intersect at exactly one point are called <b>tangent circles</b> .	<p>Internally tangent circles      Externally tangent circles</p>

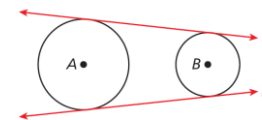
## Example

Find the length of each radius. Identify the point of tangency and write the equation of the tangent line at this point.

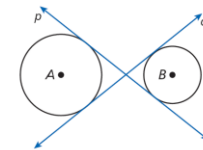


## More Lines

A **common tangent** is a line that is tangent to two circles.



Lines  $l$  and  $m$  are common external tangents to  $\odot A$  and  $\odot B$ .



Lines  $p$  and  $q$  are common internal tangents to  $\odot A$  and  $\odot B$ .

## Theorems

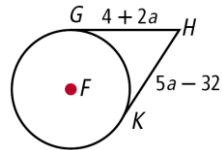
Theorems		
THEOREM	HYPOTHESIS	CONCLUSION
<b>11-1-1</b> If a line is tangent to a circle, then it is perpendicular to the radius drawn to the point of tangency. (line tangent to $\odot$ $\rightarrow$ line $\perp$ to radius)	<p><math>l</math> is tangent to <math>\odot A</math></p>	$l \perp \overline{AB}$
<b>11-1-2</b> If a line is perpendicular to a radius of a circle at a point on the circle, then the line is tangent to the circle. (line $\perp$ to radius $\rightarrow$ line tangent to $\odot$ )	<p><math>m</math> is <math>\perp</math> to <math>\overline{CD}</math> at <math>D</math></p>	$m$ is tangent to $\odot C$ .

## Theorems

Theorem 11-1-3		
THEOREM	HYPOTHESIS	CONCLUSION
If two segments are tangent to a circle from the same external point, then the segments are congruent. (2 segs. tangent to $\odot$ from same ext. pt. $\rightarrow$ segs. $\cong$ )	<p><math>\overline{AB}</math> and <math>\overline{AC}</math> are tangent to <math>\odot P</math>.</p>	$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$

## Example

$\overline{HK}$  and  $\overline{HG}$  are tangent to  $\odot F$ . Find  $HG$ .



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