

Theorem Discovery amongst Cyclic Polygons

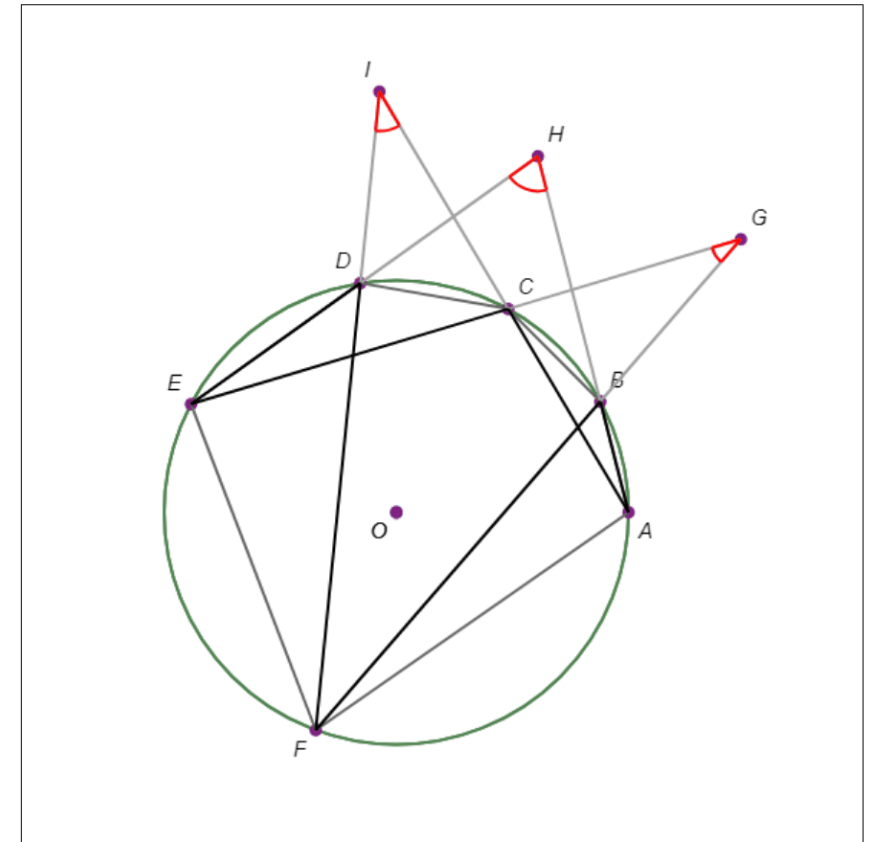
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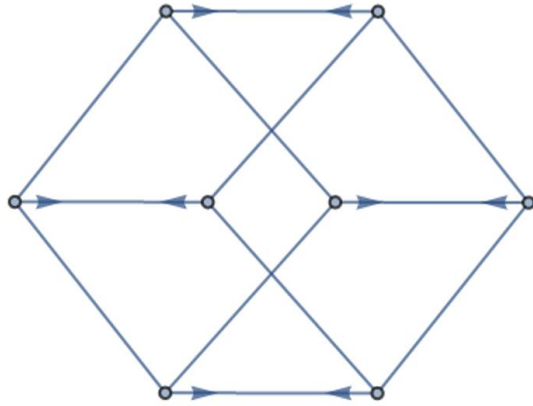
Problem Generator



Let $ABCDEF$ be a cyclic hexagon with center O . Let G be the intersection of CE and FB . Let H be the intersection of ED and BA . Let I be the intersection of DF and AC . Angle $DHB = x$. Angle $CGB = y$. Find angle DIC . .
(difficulty 22)

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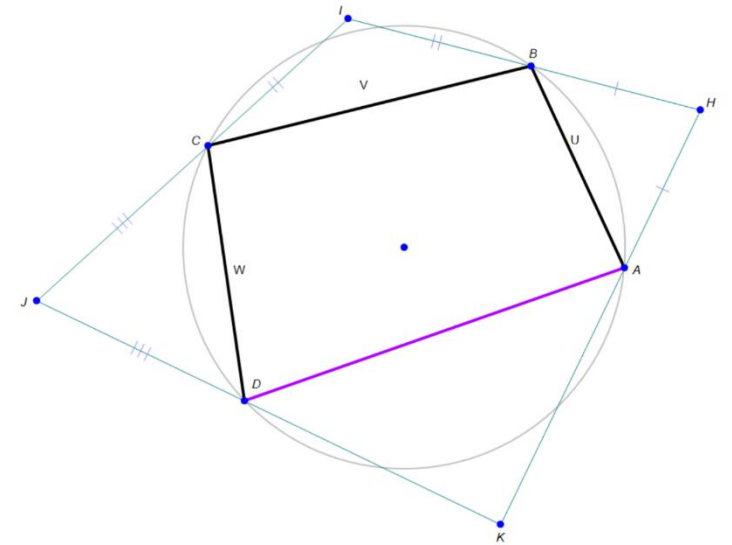
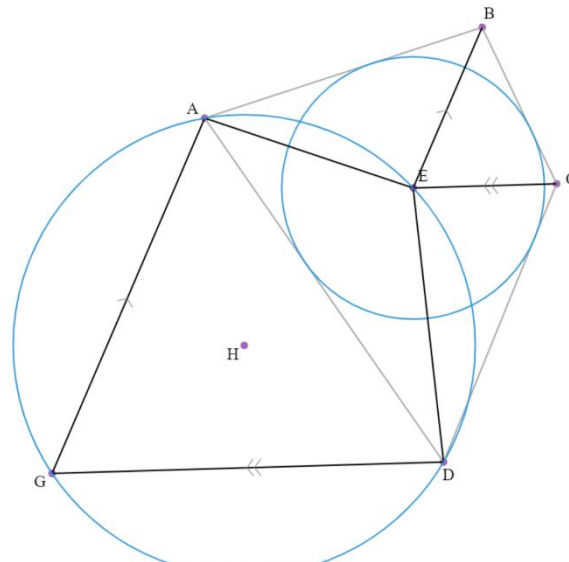
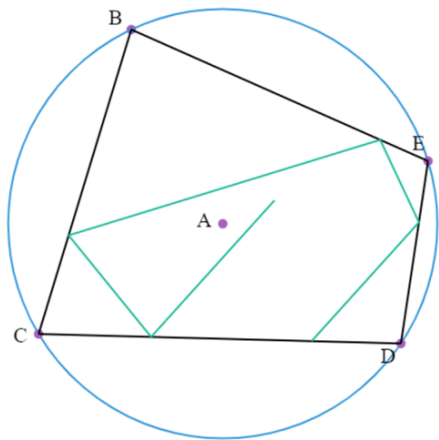
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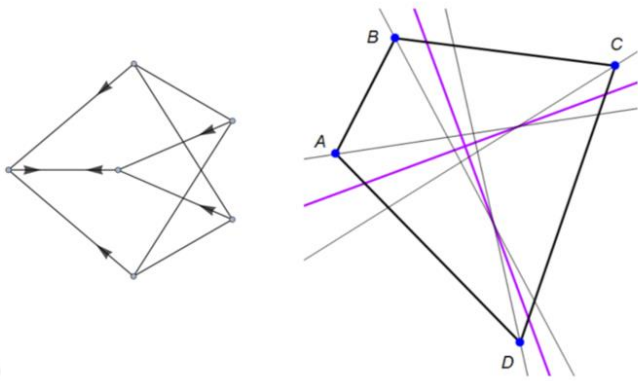
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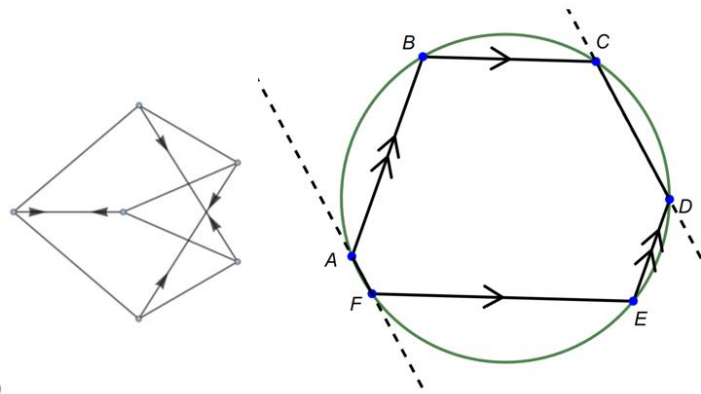


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(a)



Cyclic polygons have clean diagrams as radial lines need not be explicit

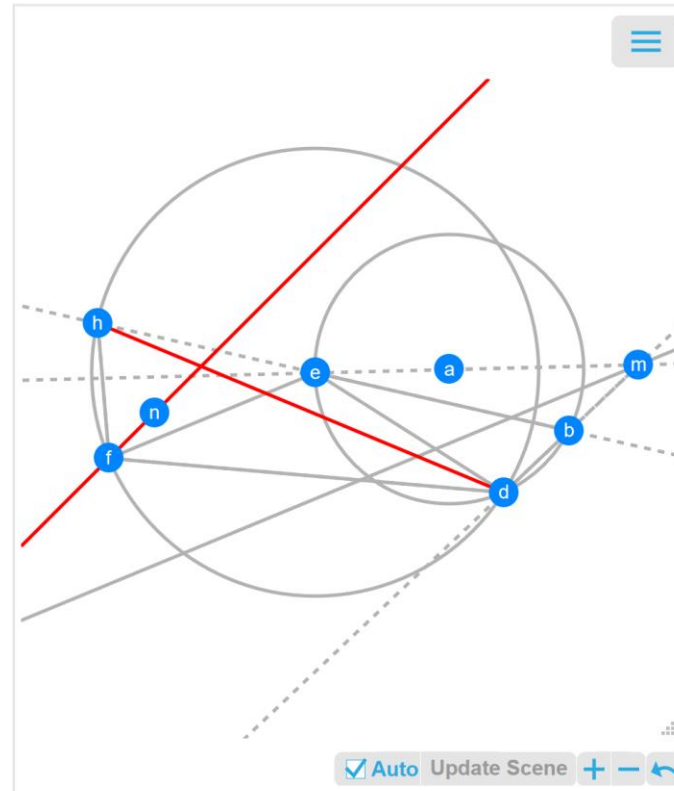
(b)

A Program to Create new Geometry Proof Problems

Automatically creates proof problems (theorems) from randomly chosen graphs.

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Biased in favor of cyclic polygons

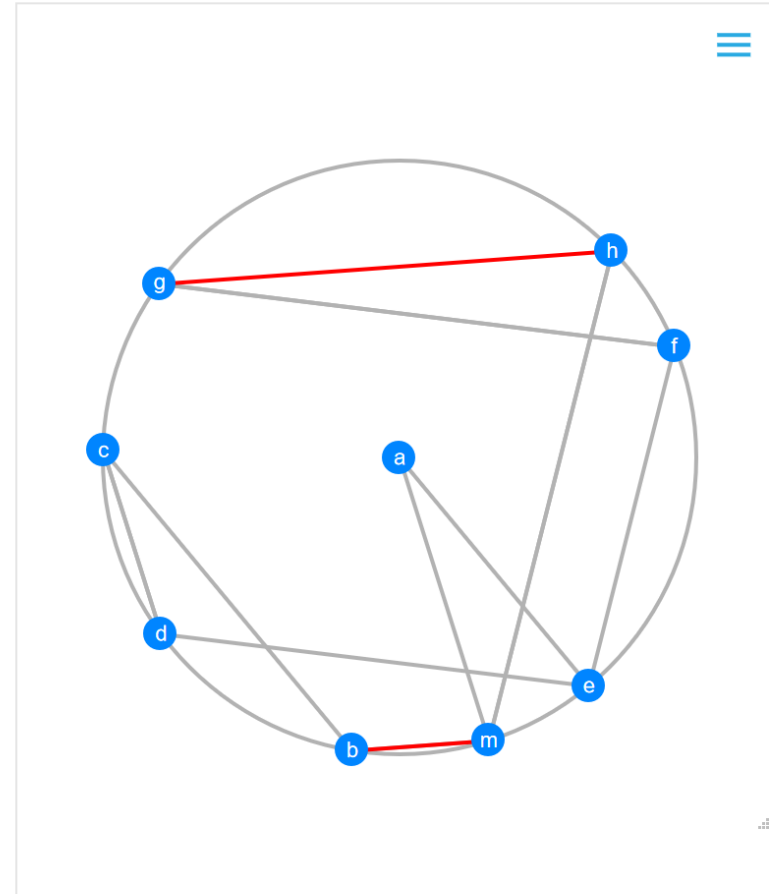


Let bed be a triangle with circumcentre a . Let fdh be a triangle with circumcentre e . Let ebh be collinear. Let $L1$ be the angle bisector of dfh . Let $L2$ be the angle bisector of bd and ae . Let ef be parallel to $L2$. Prove $L1$ is 67.5 degrees to dh .

A Program to Create new Geometry Proof Problems

Some problems involve single cyclic polygons and parallel pairs.

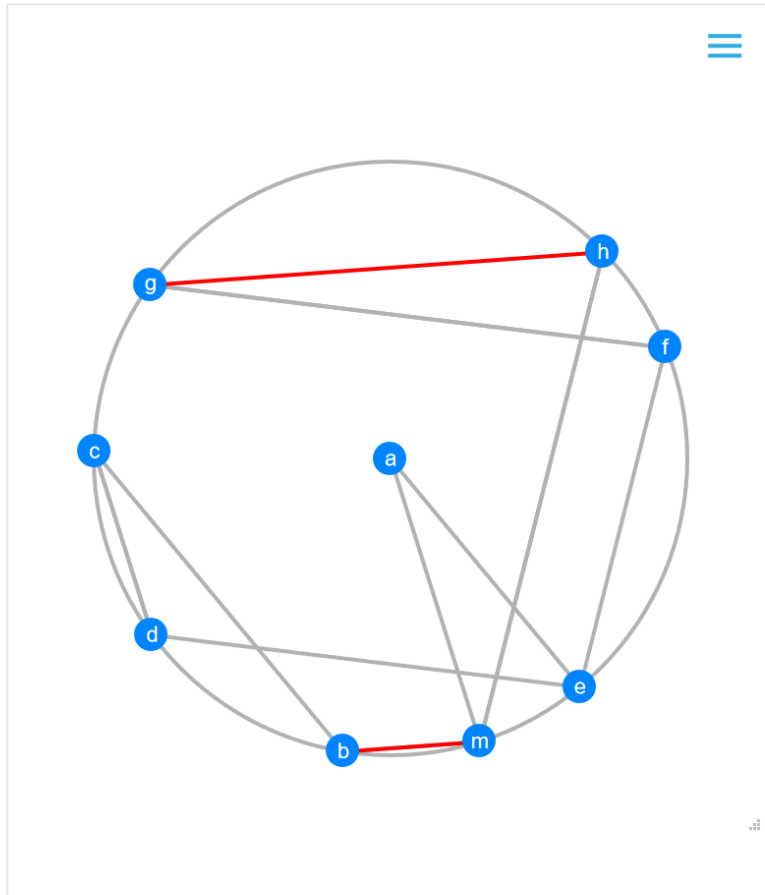
We note that these parallel pairs could be replaced by specified non-zero angles.



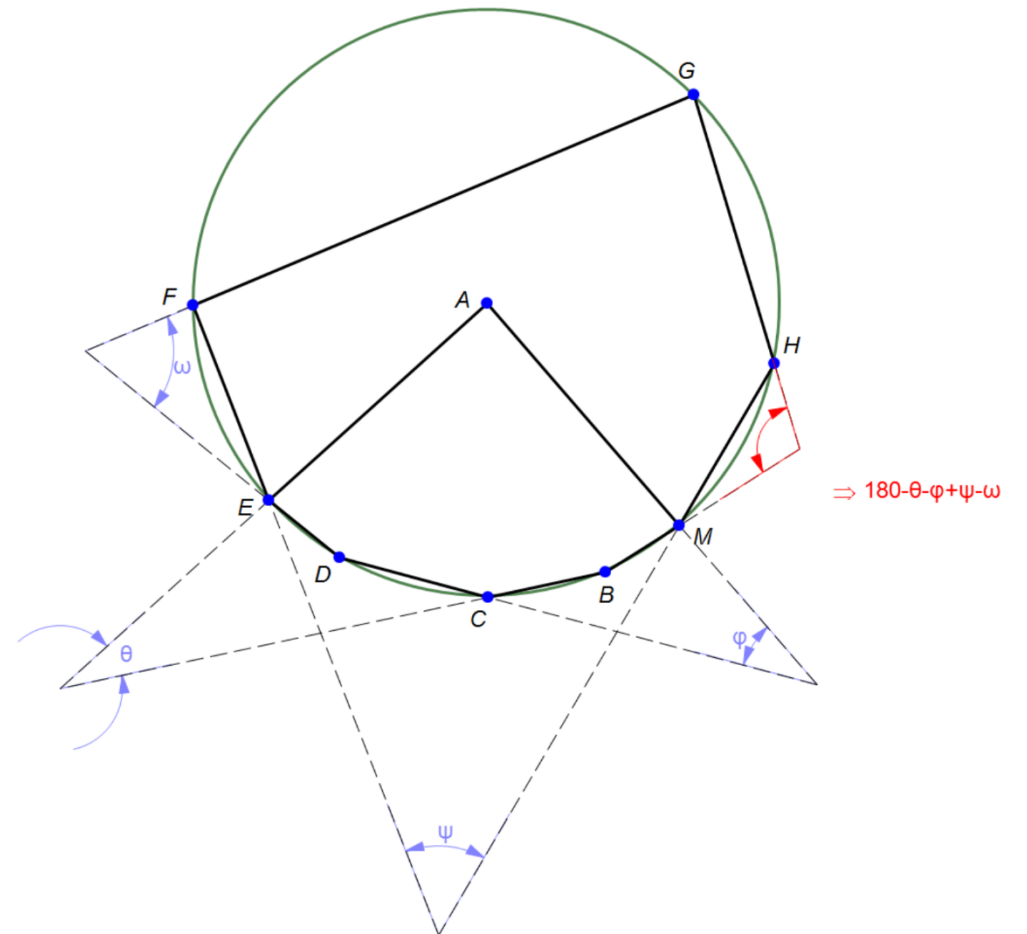
Let $bcdefghm$ be a cyclic octagon with centre a . Let ae be parallel to bc . Let am be parallel to dc . Let de be parallel to gf . Let ef be parallel to mh . Prove bm is parallel to gh .

Replace parallelism by specified angles

(cleaner diagram)



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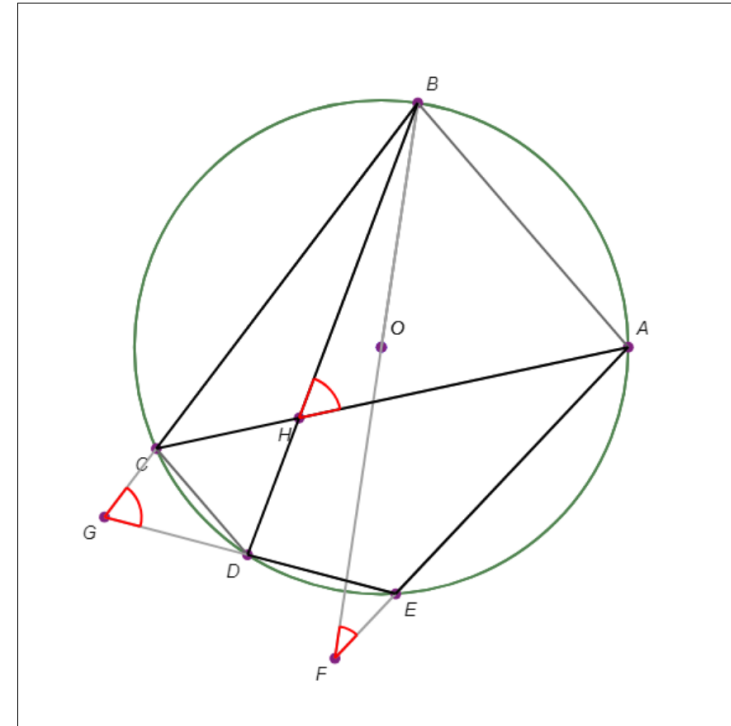
In this presentation, we limit ourselves to theorems involving a single cyclic polygon (perhaps self-intersecting)

However, we allow non-zero angles in the premise and conclusion

This provides a simple context to illustrate the general approach

We develop the method from first principles

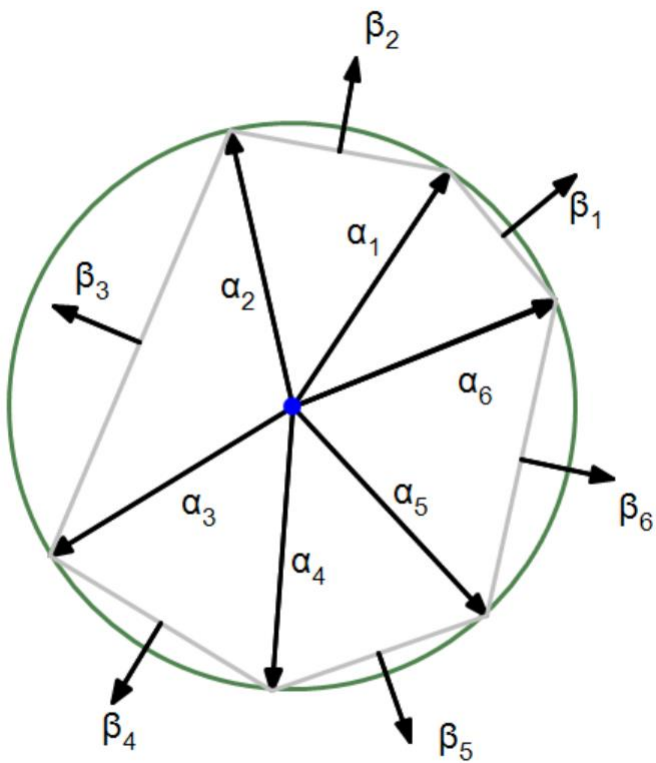
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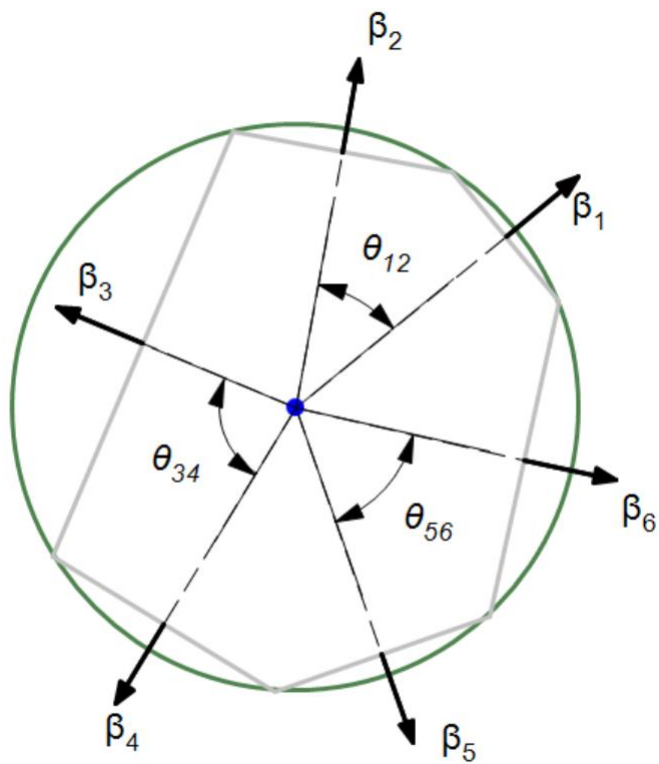
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Let $ABCDE$ be a cyclic pentagon with center O . Let F be the intersection of OB and AE . Let G be the intersection of BC and ED . Let H be the intersection of CA and DB . Angle $BFE = x$. Angle $CGD = y$. Find angle AHB . .
(difficulty 27)

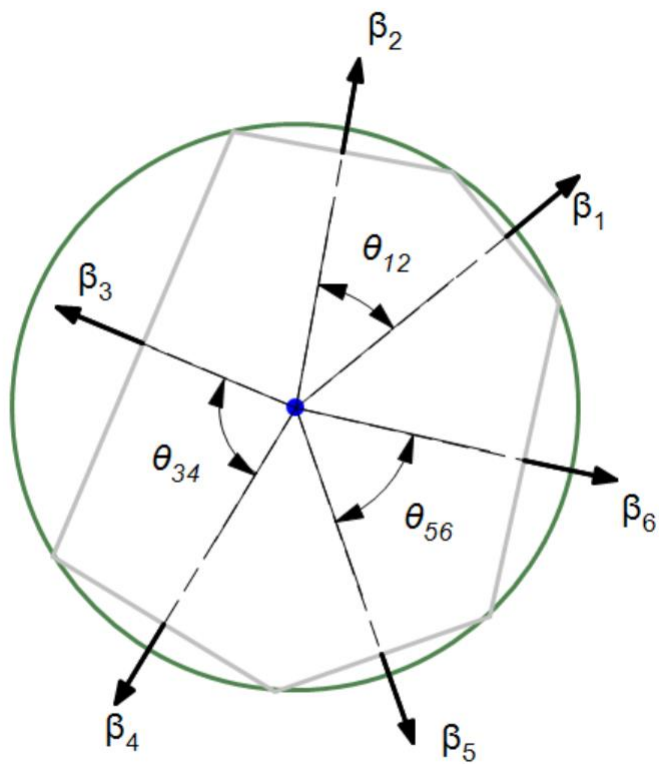
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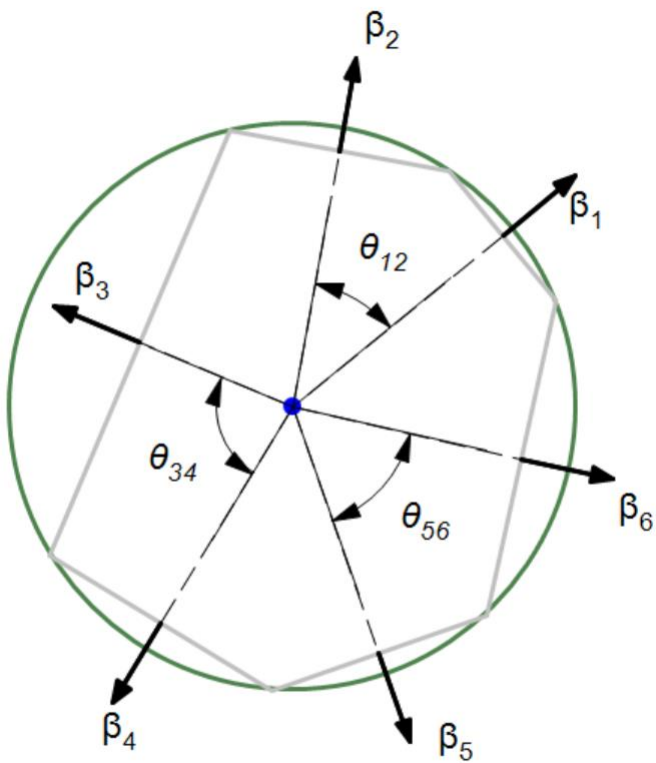
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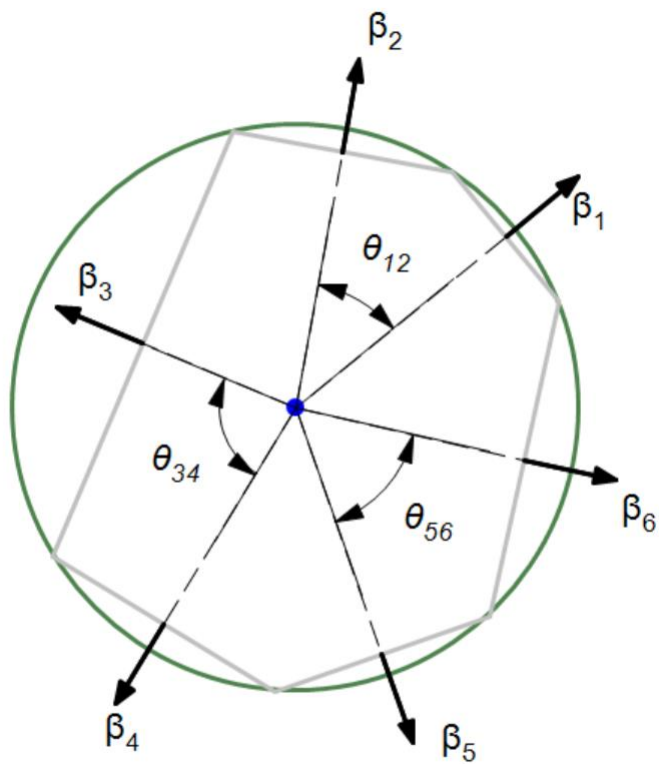
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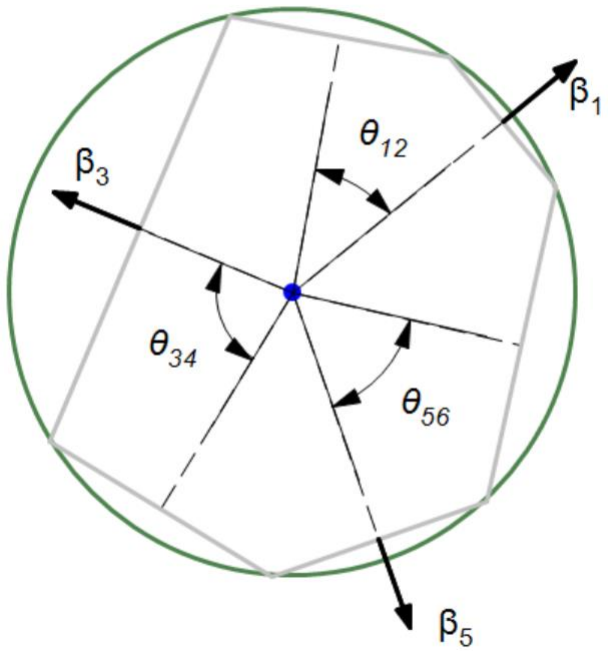
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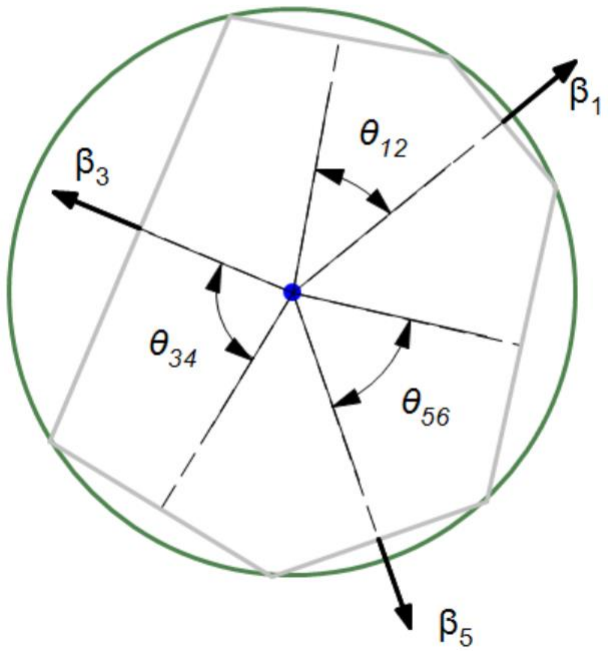
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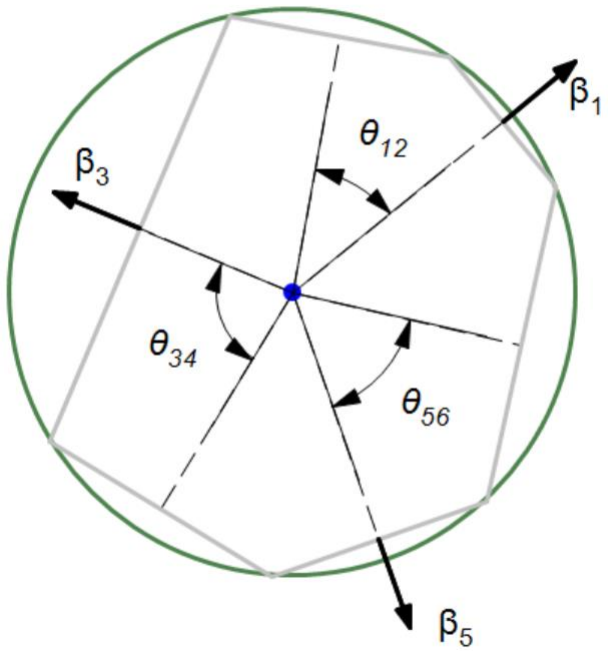
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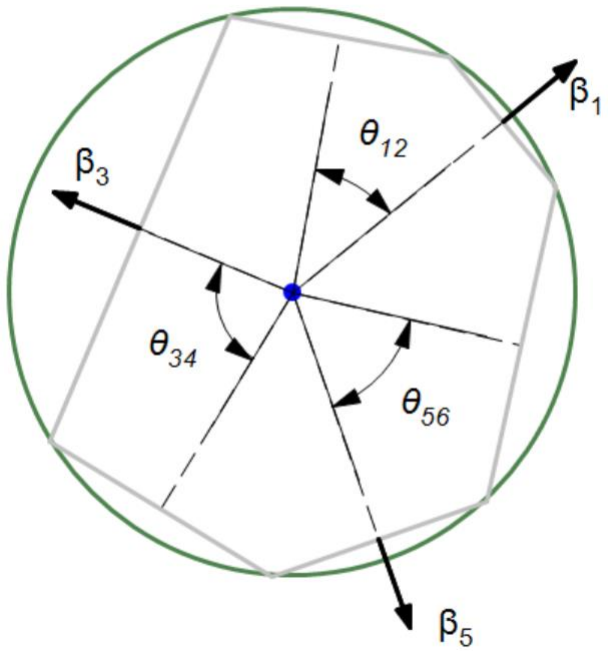
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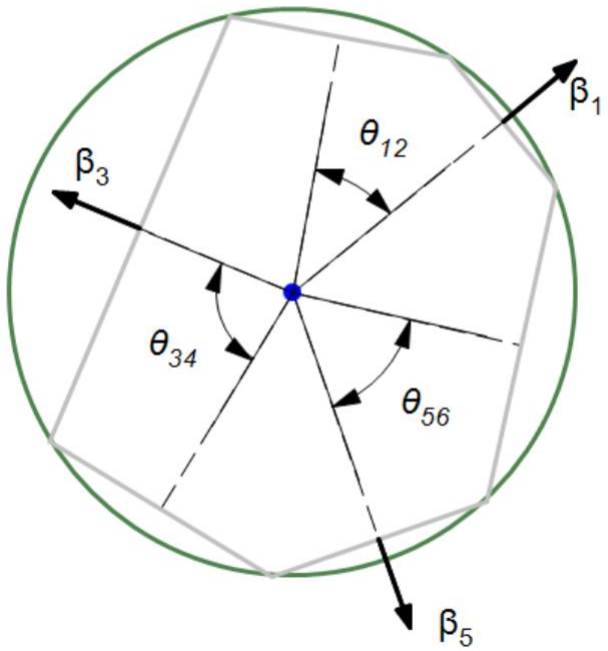
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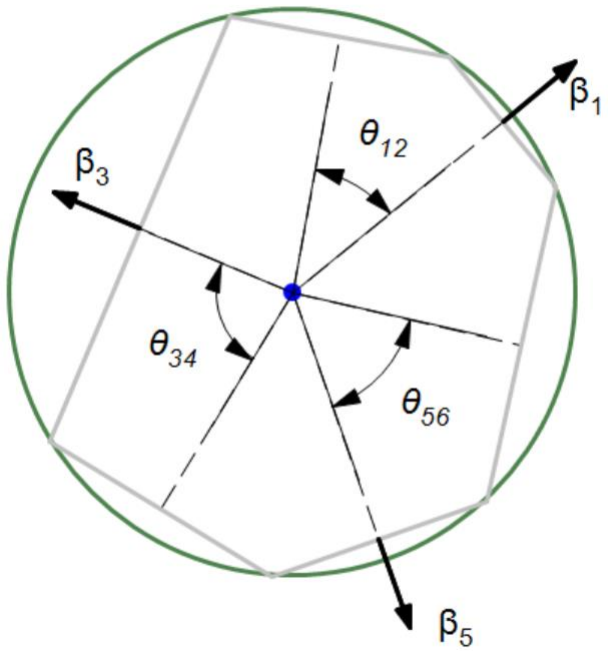
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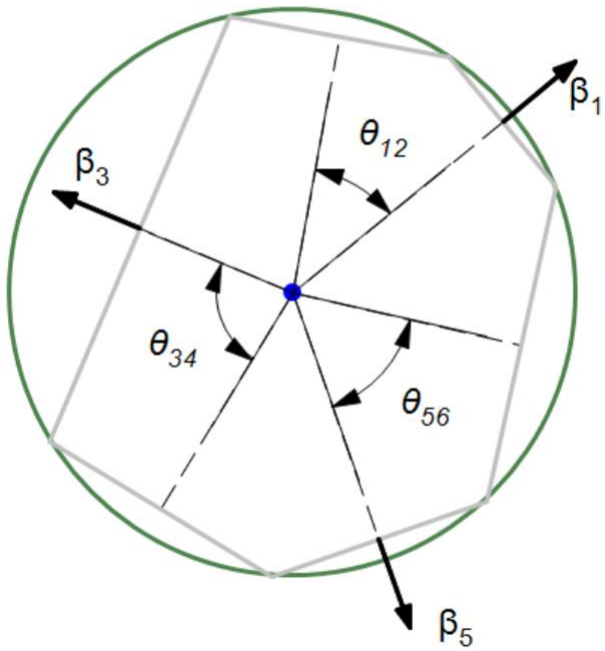
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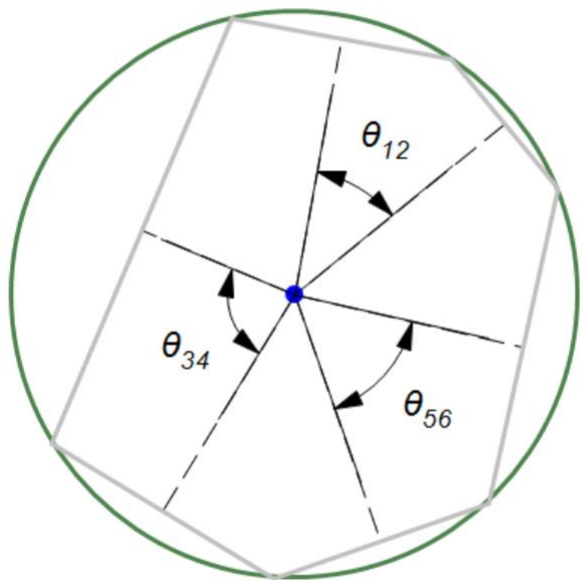


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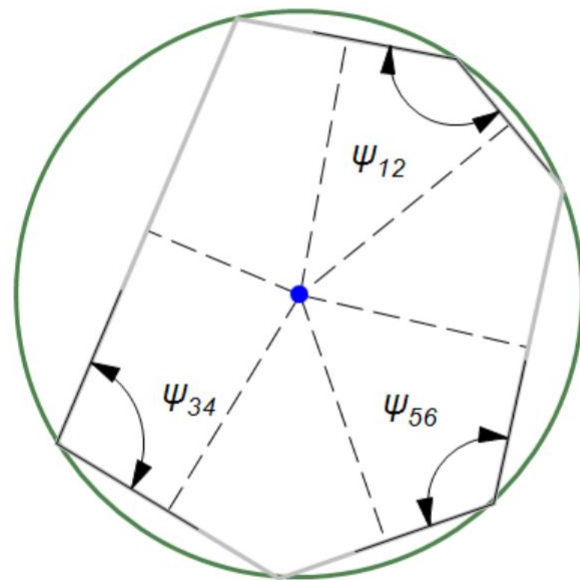


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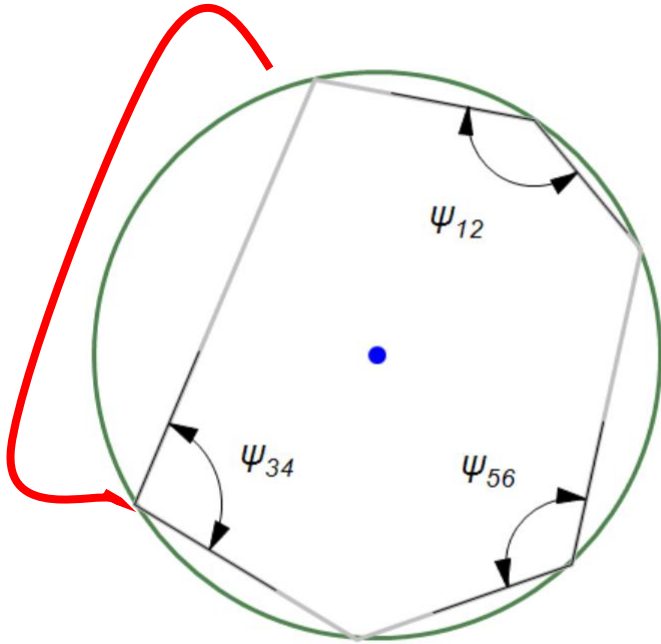


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Many theorems from one

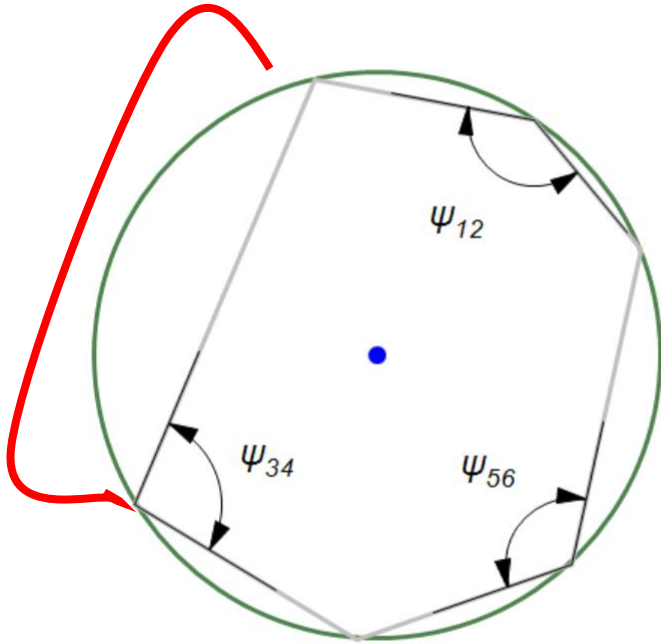
- Permute vertices
- Merge Vertices

Permute vertices

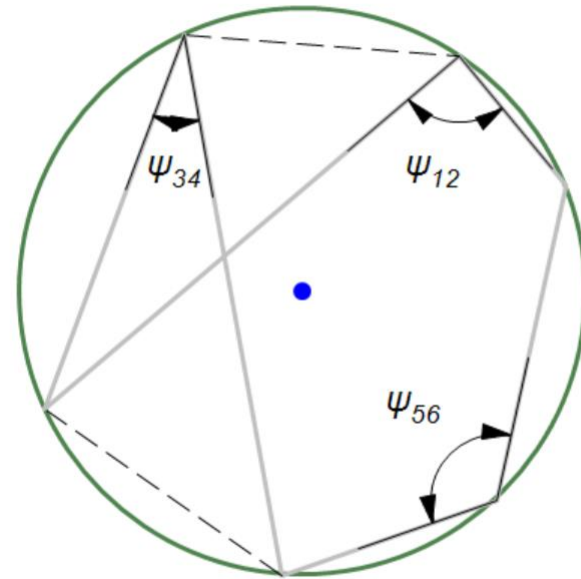


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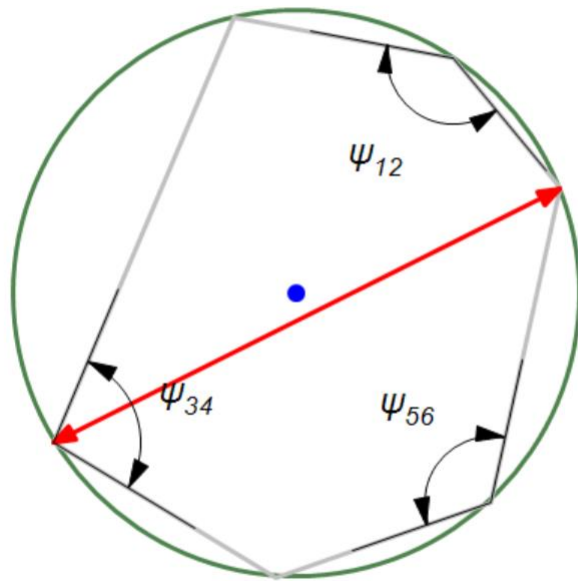


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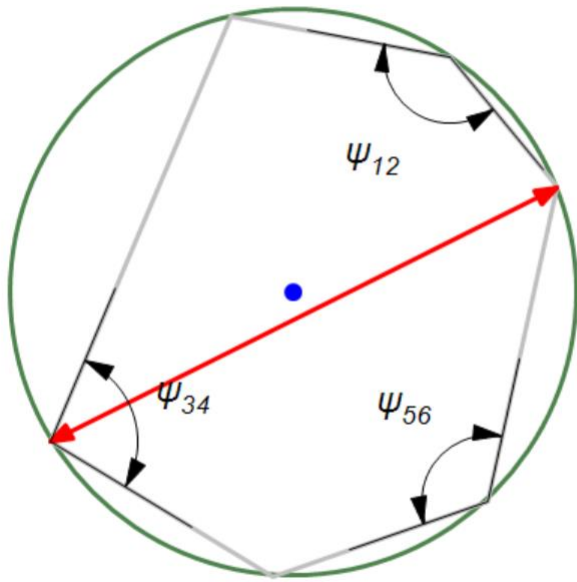
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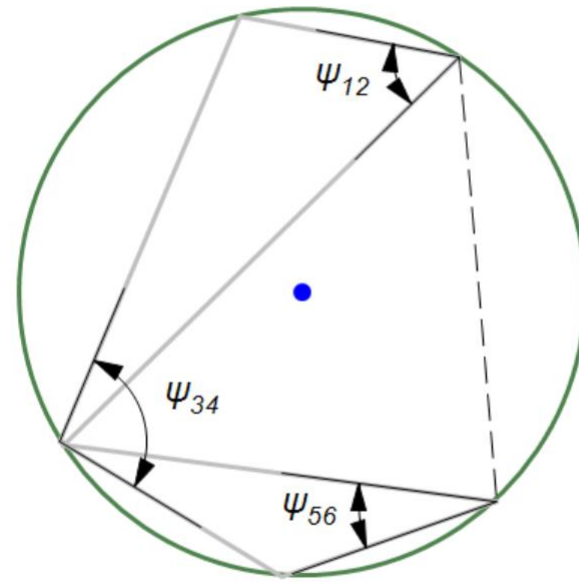


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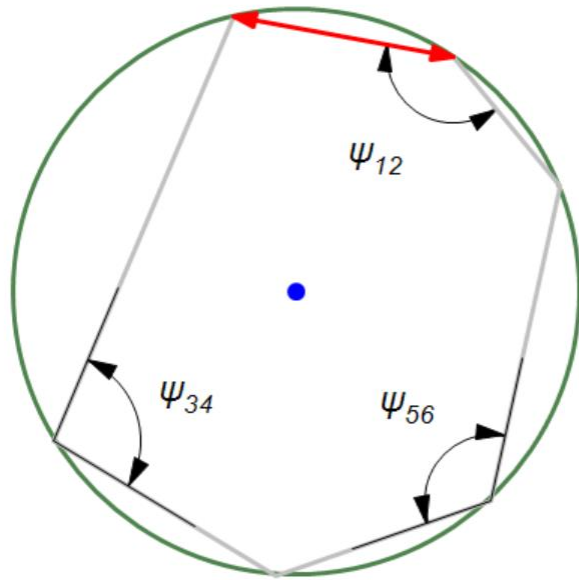


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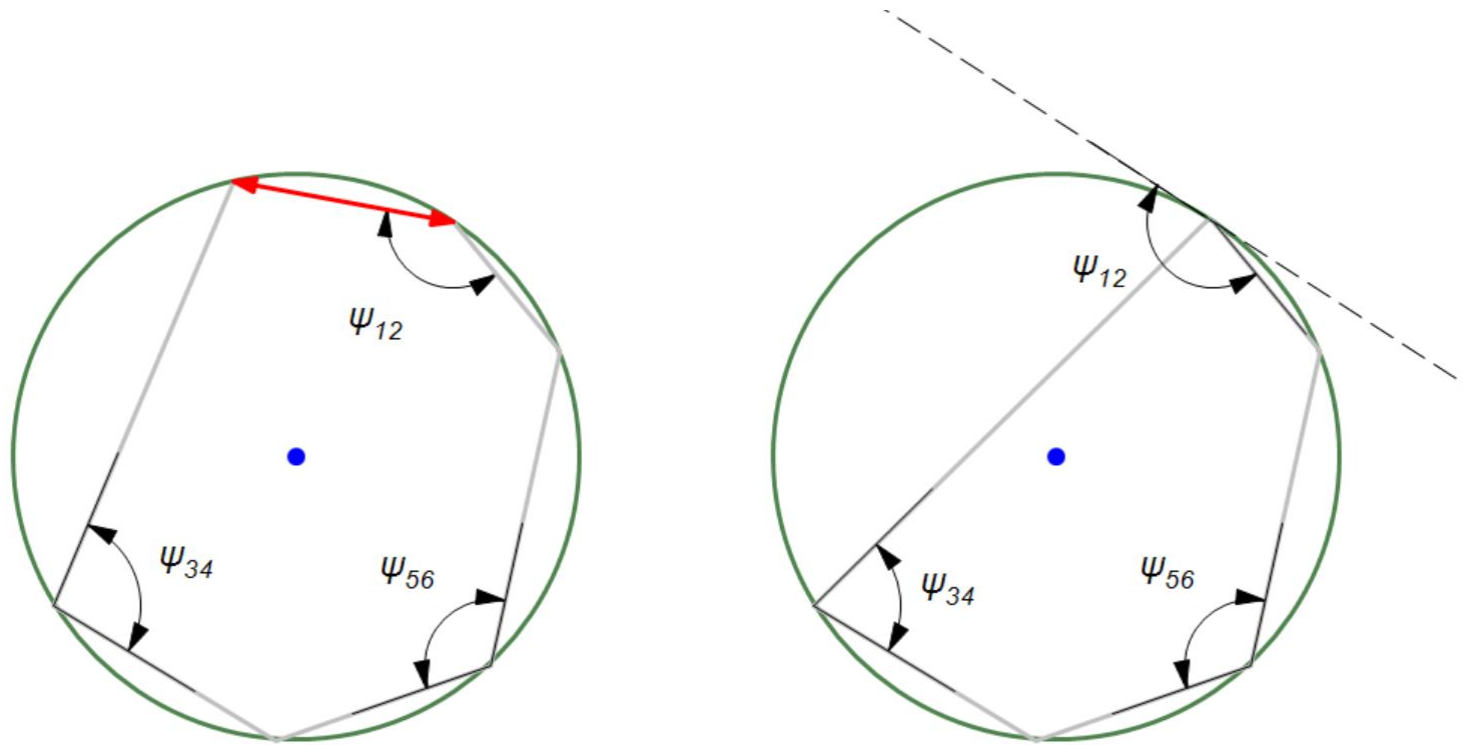
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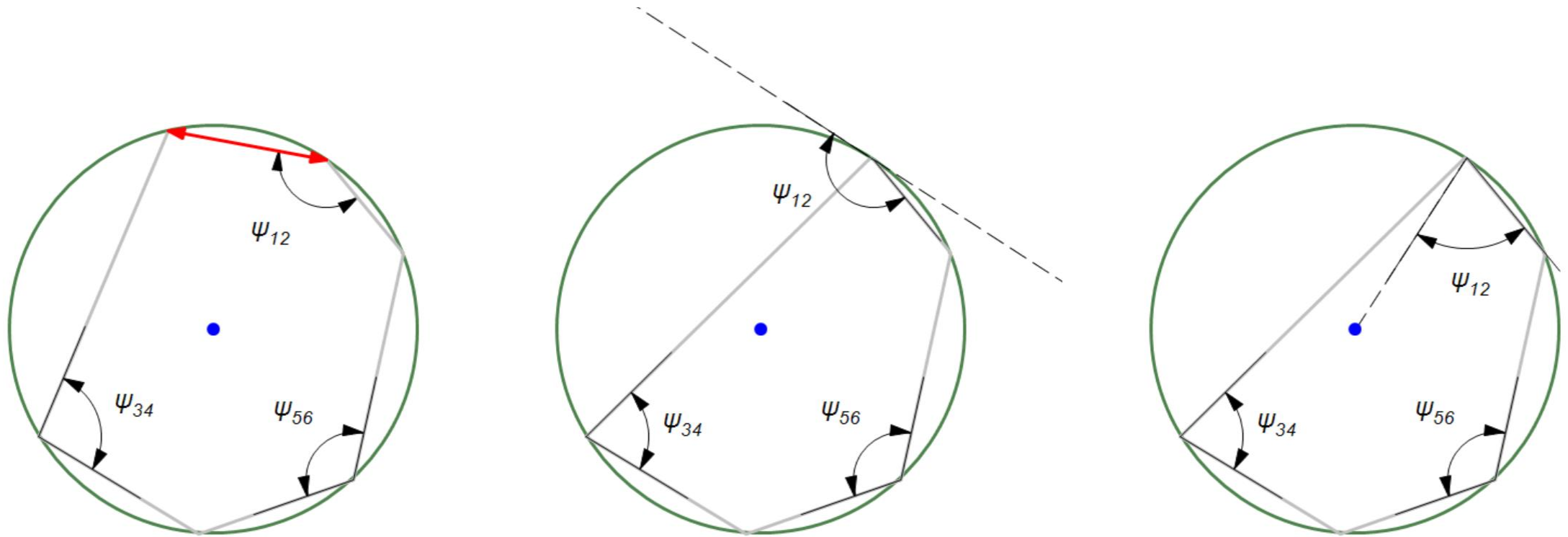
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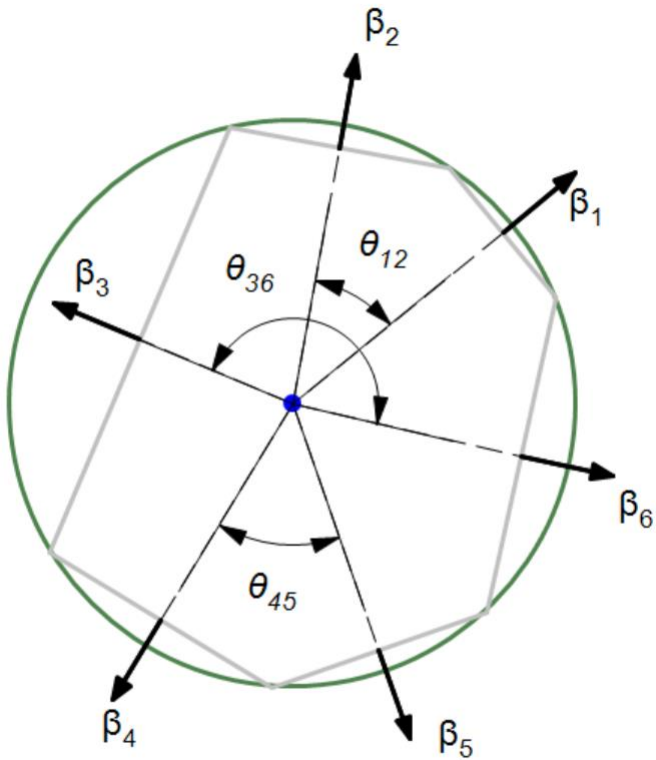
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$$\psi_{56} + \psi_{34} + \psi_{12} = 2\pi$$

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Another Angle Combination



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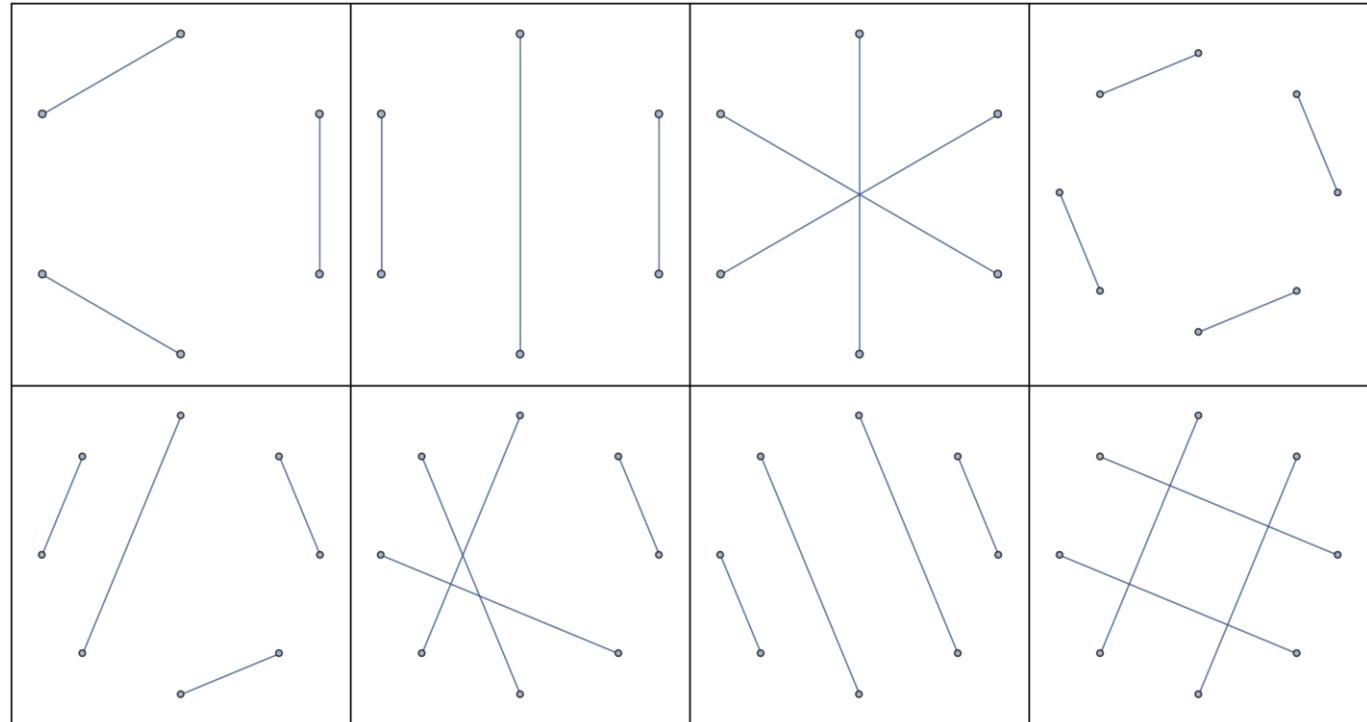
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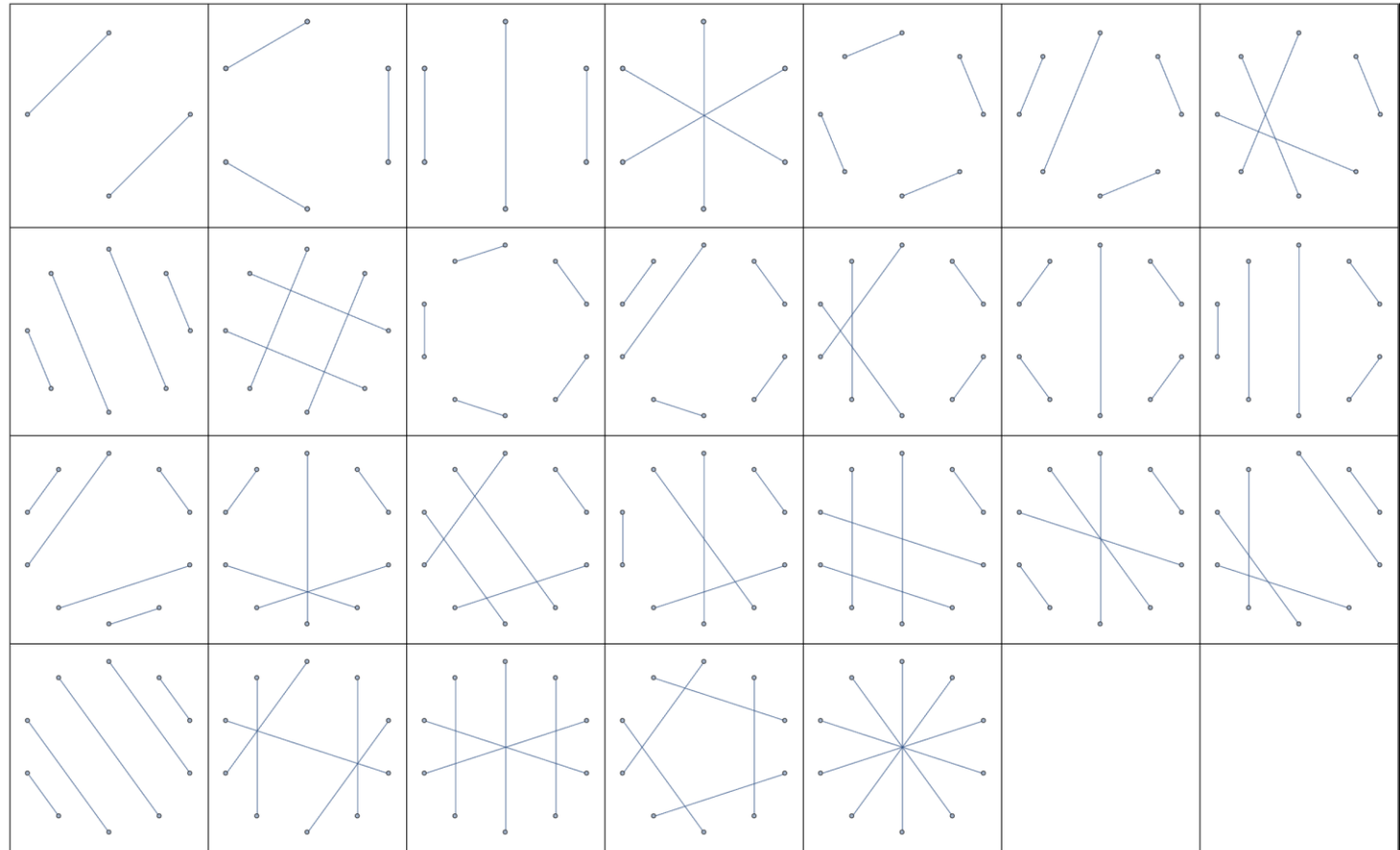
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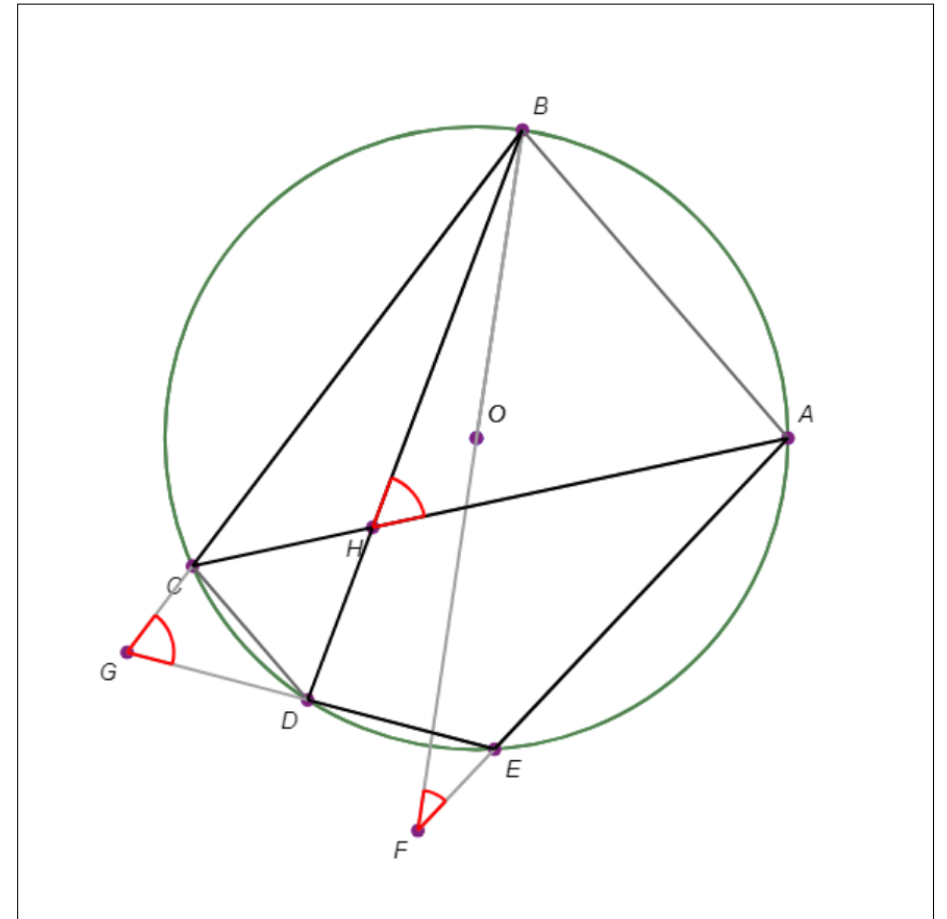
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Problem Generator

1. Choose angle pattern
2. Select vertex permutation
3. Choose vertices to merge
4. Find good instance of the problem
5. Create step by step solution
6. Estimate difficulty of problem

Problem Generator



Let $ABCDE$ be a cyclic pentagon with center O . Let F be the intersection of OB and AE . Let G be the intersection of BC and ED . Let H be the intersection of CA and DB . Angle $BFE = x$. Angle $CGD = y$. Find angle AHB . .
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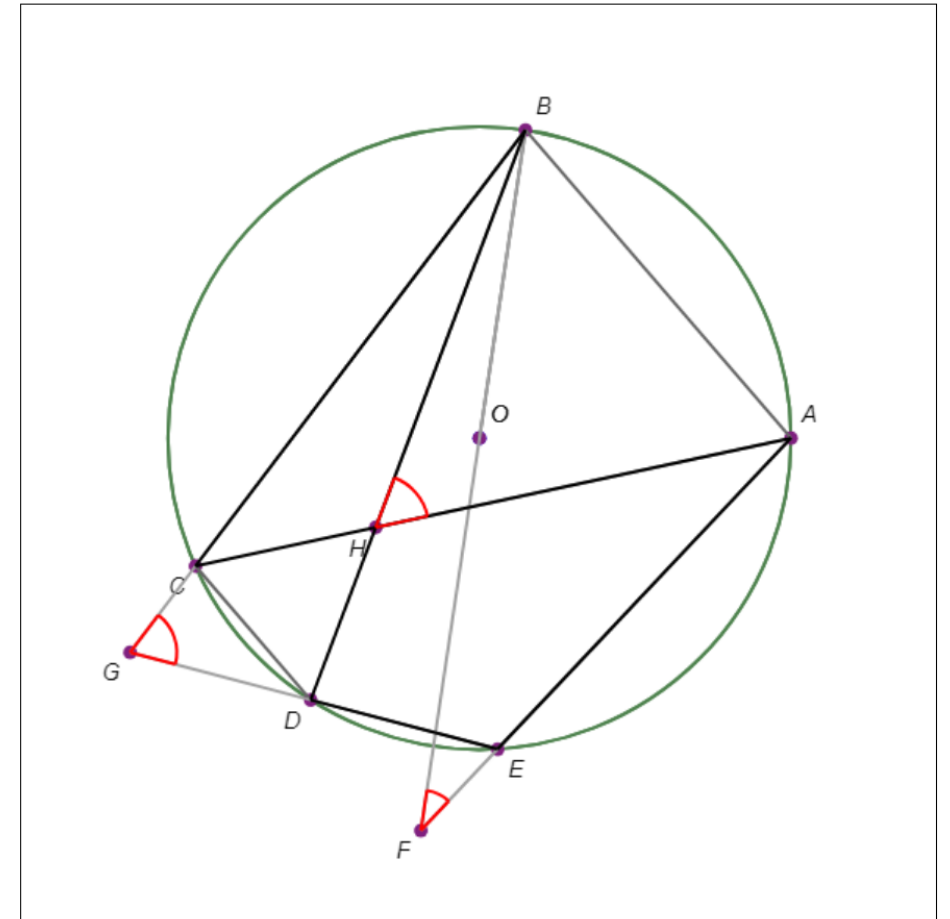
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Good Problem Instance

1. None of the angles too close to 0 or 180
2. Intersection points not too far outside the circle
3. No lines look like they pass through a point unless they really do

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Step by step solution

1. Breadth first find all angles determined by known angles

$$AHB = x-y+90$$

Let $DBG=w$.

As $BGD=y$, $BDG=180-y-w$.

As $BDG=180-y-w$, $BDE=y+w$.

As $BDEA$ is a cyclic quadrilateral, $BAE=180-BDE$, so $BAE=180-y-w$.

As $BAF=180-y-w$, $ABF=y+w-x$.

As triangle ABO is isosceles, $AOB=2x-2y-2w+180$.

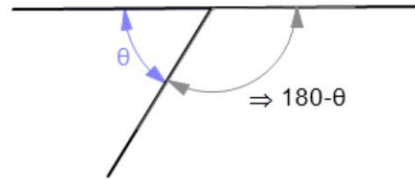
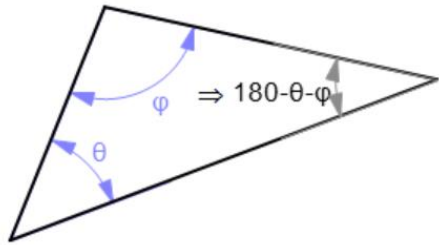
As AOB is at the center of a circle on the same chord as ACB , $AOB=2ACB$, so $ACB=x-y-w+90$.

As $BCH=x-y-w+90$, $BHC=y-x+90$.

As $BHC=y-x+90$, $BHA=x-y+90$.

Step by step solution

1. Breadth first find all angles determined by known angles using these rules



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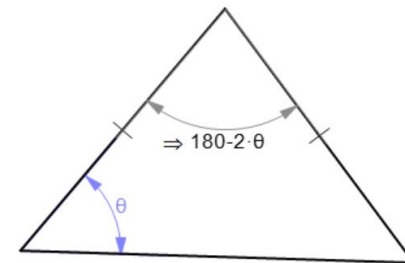
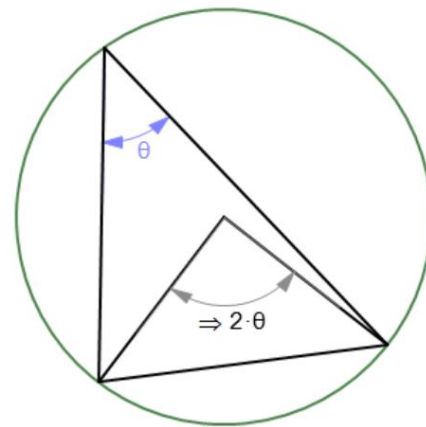
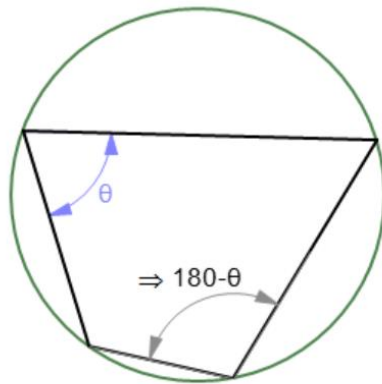
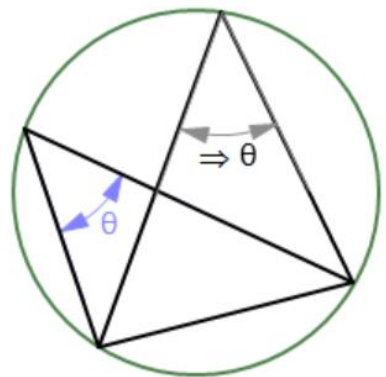
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As AOB is at the center of a circle on the same chord as ACB , $AOB = 2ACB$, so $ACB = x - y - w + 90$.

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Step by step solution

1. Breadth first find all angles determined by known angles
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Step by step solution

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3. If not, go back to 1

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Estimate difficulty

1. Assign a difficulty value to each step of a solution
2. Sum up the difficulties of the steps

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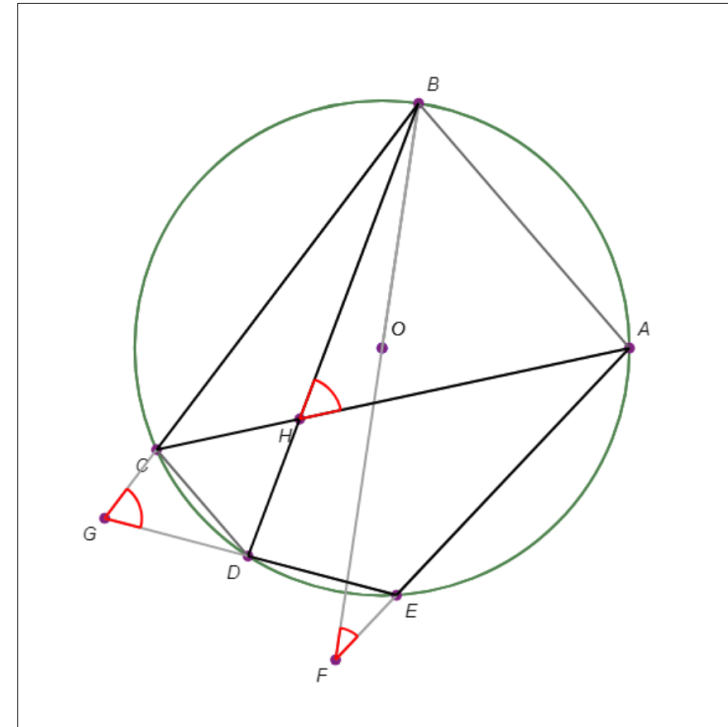
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Problem Set Generator

- Generate problems with step by step solutions and difficulty
- Ensure that no two are isomorphic
- Sort by difficulty



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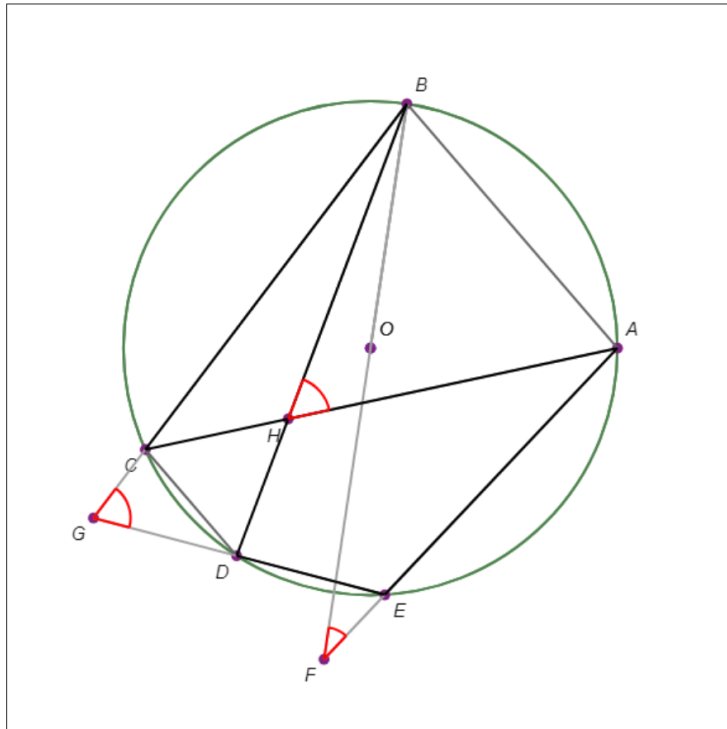
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Application

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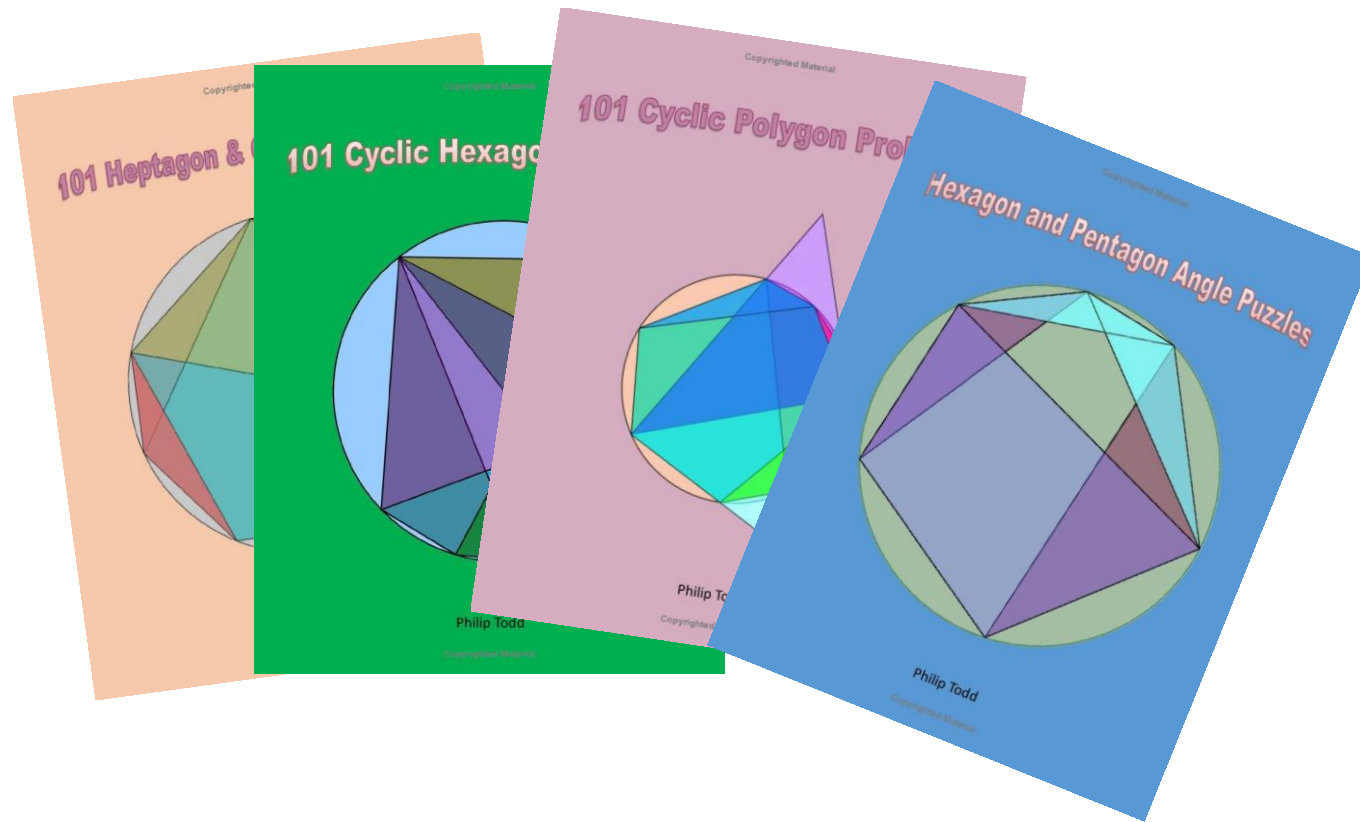
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angle(B,H,C) $\frac{\pi}{2} + x - y$

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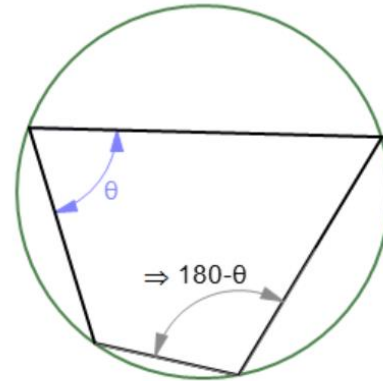
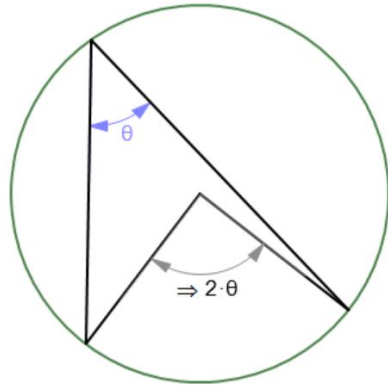
- Problem books



Conclusion

I'd claim these types of naïve angle problems have these benefits for automated problem generation

- Only linear algebra is required in the course of their solution.
- Permuting vertices on a polygon yields problems which are different when solved using the tools of elementary geometry.



- All problems may be solved by the application of a small number of basic theorems.
- The application is not purely rote, and requires some ingenuity.