

6.1: Angles and their Measure

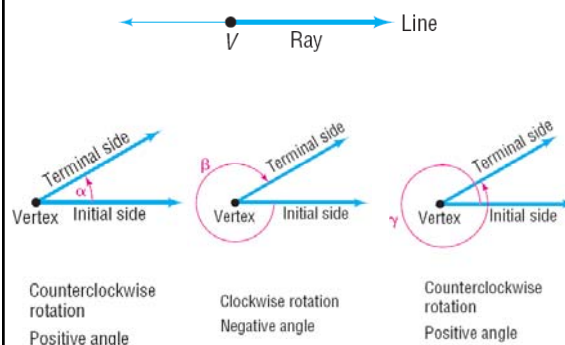
Terms You Need to Know

- **Revolution** – a complete circular motion (360°).
- **Degree** – a common unit for measuring small angles.
- **Radian measure** – the number of radian units in the length of an arc. $2\pi = 360^{\circ}$
- **Standard position** – an angle's position where the vertex is at the origin and its initial ray (side) is along the x -axis.
- **Quadrantal Angle** – the terminal ray of an angle lies along an axis (multiples of 90° or $\frac{\pi}{2}$).

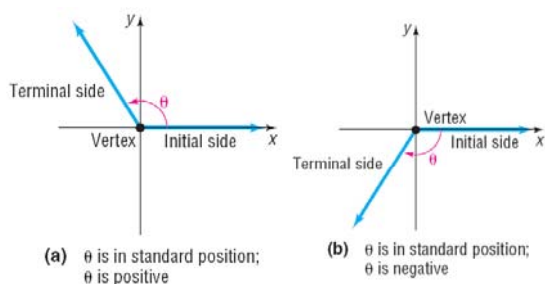
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- **Central Angle** – a positive angle whose vertex is at the center of a circle.
- **Co-terminal Angles** – two angles in an extended angle-measurement system that have the same initial side and the same terminal side, yet have different measures.
- **Sector** – the region bounded by a central angle and the intercepted arc.

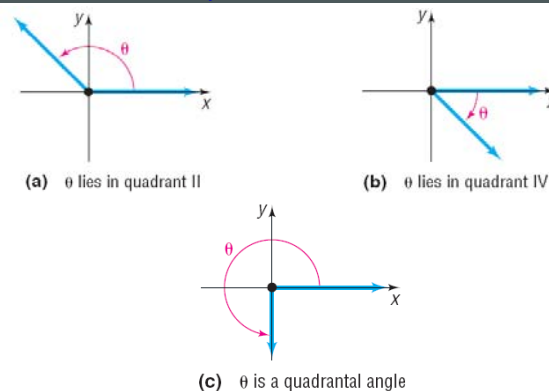
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Degrees

Terminal side
Initial side
Vertex

(a) 1 revolution counter-clockwise, 360°

Terminal side
Initial side
Vertex

(b) right angle, $\frac{1}{4}$ revolution counter-clockwise, 90°

Terminal side
Vertex
Initial side

(c) straight angle, $\frac{1}{2}$ revolution counter-clockwise, 180°

EXAMPLE

Draw each angle.

(a) 45° (b) -90° (c) 225° (d) 405°

1 counterclockwise revolution = 360°
 $1^\circ = 60'$ $1' = 60''$

(a) Convert $50^\circ 6' 21''$ to decimal in degrees.
 Round the answer to four decimal places.

$50^\circ 6' 21''$
 50.10583333
2nd Angle, ALPHA +

(b) Convert 21.256° to the D°M'S" form.
 Round the answer to the nearest second.

21.256° DMS
 $21^\circ 15' 21.6''$
2nd Angle 4

Radians

Terminal side
Initial side
Vertex

1 radian

Terminal side
Initial side
Vertex

1 radian

Arc Length of a Circle

θ

s

r

θ_1

s_1

$$\frac{\theta}{\theta_1} = \frac{s}{s_1}$$

Arc Length of a Circle

Arc Length

For a circle of radius r , a central angle of θ radians subtends an arc whose length s is

$$s = r\theta$$

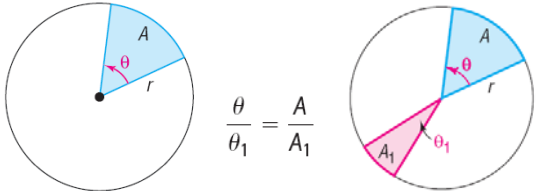
Arc Length of a Circle

EXAMPLE

Find the length of the arc of a circle of radius 4 meters subtended by a central angle of 0.5 radian.

$$s = r\theta$$

Area of a Sector



The area A of the sector of a circle of radius r formed by a central angle of θ radians is

$$A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$$

Arc Length and Area of a Sector

Let s be an arc length and A be the area of a sector with central angle θ

- If θ is in degrees, then

$$s = \frac{\theta}{360} \cdot 2\pi r, \quad A = \frac{\theta}{360} \cdot \pi r^2$$
- If θ is in radians, then

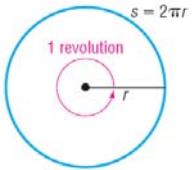
$$s = r\theta, \quad A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$$

EXAMPLE

Finding the Area of a Sector of a Circle

Find the area of the sector of a circle of radius 5 feet formed by an angle of 40° . Round the answer to two decimal places.

$$A = \frac{1}{2}r^2\theta$$



1 revolution = 2π radians

$180^\circ = \pi$ radians

$$1 \text{ degree} = \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radian} \quad 1 \text{ radian} = \frac{180}{\pi} \text{ degrees}$$

EXAMPLE **Converting from Degrees to Radians**

Convert each angle in degrees to radians.

(a) 60° (b) 150° (c) -45° (d) 90° (e) 107°

$$1 \text{ degree} = \frac{\pi}{180} \text{ radian} \quad 1 \text{ radian} = \frac{180}{\pi} \text{ degrees}$$

EXAMPLE **Converting Radians to Degrees**

Convert each angle in radians to degrees.

(a) $\frac{\pi}{6}$ radian (b) $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ radians (c) $-\frac{3\pi}{4}$ radians
 (d) $\frac{7\pi}{3}$ radians (e) 3 radians

Degrees	0°	30°	45°	60°	90°	120°	135°	150°	180°
Radians	0	$\frac{\pi}{6}$	$\frac{\pi}{4}$	$\frac{\pi}{3}$	$\frac{\pi}{2}$	$\frac{2\pi}{3}$	$\frac{3\pi}{4}$	$\frac{5\pi}{6}$	π
Degrees	210°	225°	240°	270°	300°	315°	330°	360°	
Radians	$\frac{7\pi}{6}$	$\frac{5\pi}{4}$	$\frac{4\pi}{3}$	$\frac{3\pi}{2}$	$\frac{5\pi}{3}$	$\frac{7\pi}{4}$	$\frac{11\pi}{6}$	2π	

EXAMPLE
Finding the Distance between Two Cities

See Figure 15(a). The latitude of a location L is the angle formed by a ray drawn from the center of Earth to the Equator and a ray drawn from the center of Earth to L . See Figure 15(b). Glasgow, Montana, is due north of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Find the distance between Glasgow ($48^{\circ}9'$ north latitude) and Albuquerque ($35^{\circ}5'$ north latitude). Assume that the radius of Earth is 3960 miles.

Angular and Linear Motion

- **Angular speed** is measured in units like revolutions per minute.
- **Linear speed** is measured in units like miles per hour.

Suppose an object moves along a circle of radius r at a constant speed. If s is the distance traveled in time t along this circle, then the **linear speed** v of the object is defined as

$$v = \frac{s}{t}$$

As the object travels along the circle, suppose that θ (measured in radians) is the central angle swept out in time t . Then the **angular speed** ω of this object is the angle (measured in radians) swept out divided by the elapsed time.

$$\omega = \frac{\theta}{t}$$

$$s = r\theta$$

$$\frac{s}{t} = \frac{r\theta}{t}$$

$$v = r\omega$$

