

# PRINCIPLES OF GEOMETRY



G-MA 153 A

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Note: Please remember we will not have class on Monday September 7. Have a great Labor Day!

#### Assignment #5 – First Lab: Intro to Geometer's SKETCHPAD Software

Due Friday, Sept. 11

You will generally be given one week to do lab assignments. If you are not able to attend a lab session please contact Mark Hunter, hunterm@mcpherson.edu, before the lab or as soon as possible after the lab so arrangements can be made to provide you with the materials required to complete the lab on time.

For this lab you will use this set of instructions and the program CD provided to create two geometric drawings in the Geometer's SKETCHPAD software. You will copy these drawings to Microsoft Word and print them out with your name at the top of the page to turn in.

## Starting SKETCHPAD:



Place the CD in the computer's CD Drive and open the folder to view the files on the CD. Start the SKETCHPAD program by double-clicking on the Sketchpad directory and then the "GSP 4.07S" file with the left mouse button.

If you are not familiar with using a CD drive or starting a program by clicking on it then ask a neighbor for assistance.

You will see this screen as the program opens. Click anywhere in the white area of the document "untitled 1" to begin. You will find a set of buttons on the left side of the program window. The top button is used to select objects in the drawing. The second button is used to place single points. The third button is used to draw circles. The fourth button is used to draw line segments, lines, and rays. The fifth button is used to create text and labels.

The bottom button is used for custom tools which we will not use in this lab.

There are menu selections across the top <u>File Edit Display Construct Transform Measure Graph Window Help</u> which we will also use during this exercise.

You should maximize the program to your screen and maximize the drawing to the program window by pressing the maximize button in the upper right corners

You are now ready to begin drawing. Press CTRL-Z (hold down the Ctrl key and press Z) at any time to undo what you just did so you can retry it.

We will begin by drawing a square within a circle and calculate the ratio of their areas:

Click on the button at the left to draw a circle then click in the center of the drawing area and move the mouse to the right while holding down the mouse button. When the circle reaches nearly from the top to the bottom of the drawing area release the mouse. This will draw a circle.

You now need to change from drawing a line segment to drawing a line. Click the mouse on the line segment tool and hold





select the Line option. Then draw a line between the red dot on the circle to the red dot in the center of the circle. This will draw a diameter.

Next select the single point tool and click on the point where the line you just drew intersects with the left side of the

circle. Both the line and the circle should turn to a cyan color indicating that both are selected. ( The Geometer's Sketchpad - [Untitled 1]

Click on that point where they are both selected to place a point there.

Now be sure to click on the selection button ight click on the diameter line to bring up the attributes settings. Select the **Hide Line** option in the list and watch the line disappear.

Click and hold the mouse button on the line tool again to change it



back to the line segment option.

Once the line segment is selected, draw a line segment between the two points on the circle by clicking on one and then the other.

After the line is drawn click on the selection

button it then click on some open white space to de-select everything.

It will often be important to click on open white space with the selection tool chosen to make sure that nothing is selected.

Once nothing is selected, click on the center point of the circle so it is shown as selected then click on the line so that it is also selected. When both of them are selected, click on the **Construct** menu item and select **Perpendicular Line**. This will draw a line that is perpendicular to the first diameter at the center point of the circle.

Select the point tool in now and place points at the top and bottom intersections of this second diameter line with the circle.









Label Line.

Trace Line Animate Lin Click on the selection button then click on some open white space to de-select everything. Now click on the circle center point to select it, then click on the horizontal diameter line segment to select it,

and finally click on the vertical diameter line segment to select it. When all three, and only those three are selected, click on the **Display** menu item and select **Hide Objects**.

After the center point and diameters are hidden, select the line

segment tool in and draw line segments between the four points on the circle to form a square as shown here:





We now want to shade the interior of this square. To do this you must deselect the sides (Click on the selection

button is then click on some open white space to de-select everything) then select the four points at the

corners of the square. IMPORTANT: Select the points in a clockwise or counter-clockwise rotation around the square. If you do not select them in the proper order then you will not properly shade in the square.

Once all four corners are selected you should click on the **Construct** menu and select **Quadrilateral Interior**.

This will shade the interior of the square.

We now want to measure some areas and calculate the ratio of the area of the square to the area of the circle.

Click on the selection button then click on some open white space to de-select everything then click on the circle. Next

Click on the **Measure** menu item and select **Area**. This will display the area of the selected circle on the drawing.



Next de-select everything and then click on the yellow shaded area of the square to select it. It will show up with a mesh pattern on it.

Click on the **Measure** menu item and select **Area** again to display the area of the square on the drawing.



We now have the area of the circle and the area of the square. Your areas will not match the areas shown here.

Select the Measure menu item and select Calculate:





With the calculator displayed, click on Area CBDE =  $93.26 \text{ cm}^2$ 

Then press the "/" key

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Which will show up in the calculator as:

Click the **OK** button and the final result will be placed on the drawing panel.



Use the Edit menu and click Select All to select all of the visible object on the drawing.

Then use the Edit menu and click Copy to copy the drawing to the clipboard (or use Ctrl-c).



Create a Microsoft Word document with your name at the top then paste your work into that document (press Ctrl-v in Word).





Now that the drawing and measurements are complete and copied to Word you can try and move some of the

points with the **b** tool selected. You will notice that the areas change as the sizes change but the ratio does not.

You are hopefully at least a little familiar with SKETCHPAD now so we will move on to the next exercise with a little less detail.

# **Drawing Euler's Line:**

In SKETCHPAD you should create a new drawing by selecting **New Sketch** from the **File** menu.



Use the line segment tool to draw a triangle. You will draw a line on the drawing by clicking on one spot then clicking on another spot. You then click on the point you just drew again and click elsewhere. Finally you click on the point you just drew and click on the initial point.

We will now find the middle of each side. Make sure nothing is selected then select all three sides. Select **Midpoint** from the **Construct** menu (or just press Ctrl-m) to place a point at the midpoint of all three sides.

**<u>Circumcenter</u>**: Intersection of  $\perp$  (perpendicular) bisectors

De-select everything then select a single side and its midpoint. Select

**Perpendicular Line** from the **Construct** menu to draw a  $\perp$  line at the midpoint. Repeat

that for the other two sides. Select the point tool 📩 and place a point where these lines intersect.

This is the circumcenter of a triangle and it is the center of the circle that passes through all three vertices of the triangle.

Use the circle tool  $\bigcirc$  to draw this circle. Begin by clicking on the center you found then drag the mouse out to one of the triangle vertices. It should pass through all three points of the triangle.

Be sure to click on the select tool so as you are done drawing the circle or else you will end up with extra circles all over your drawing (Ctrl-z to undo extra one.)

**<u>Centroid</u>**: Intersection of medians.

Draw line segments from each triangle vertex (each point) to the midpoint of the opposite side. These lines are called medians.

Select the point tool • and place a point where these lines intersect.

**Incenter:** Intersection of  $\measuredangle$  bisectors.

You may want to hide the perpendicular bisector and median lines. Select the lines, press the right mouse button and select hide. It will now be easier to see and draw the Incenter which is the intersection of the angle bisectors.

Make sure everything is de-selected then select the topmost point of the triangle. Then select the next point of the triangle in a clockwise rotation. Finally select the third point. Select **Angle Bisector** from the **Construct** menu. Repeat this beginning with second point and then repeat it again beginning with the original final point.

Select the point tool • and place a point where these lines intersect.

Select the incenter point you just made and any side of the triangle. With only these two objects selected use the **Perpendicular Line** from the **Construct** menu to draw a  $\perp$  line from the incenter to the side of the

triangle. Select the point tool  $\square$  and place a point at the intersection of the  $\bot$  line and the side of the triangle.

Use the circle tool  $\bigcirc$  to draw a second circle. Begin by clicking on the center you found then drag the mouse out to point you just placed on the triangle. There should now be a circle that always stays inside the triangle.

Go ahead and hide the  $\perp$  line you just drew and the  $\neq$  bisectors.

Orthocenter: Intersection of the triangle's altitudes.

Select any side of the triangle and the point (vertex) opposite of it. With only these two objects selected use the **Perpendicular Line** from the **Construct** menu. Repeat this for the other two sides and you should end up

with a new intersection. Select the point tool 📩 and place a point at this new intersection.

Now hide the points that are on the triangle's edges (midpoints and a few others but not the vertices.) You should have just three vertices and four floating points.

# Euler's Line:

Using the select tool  $\$ , move the vertices to see how those four floating points move around. You will notice that there are two that are sometimes outside the triangle. Use the line segment tool to draw a line between these two points. These points are the Circumcenter and Orthocenter. You will now notice that as you move the vertices around now that one of the points, the Centroid, is always between those points on the line. The Incenter does not lie on this line but it is always inside the triangle. What is shown here is actually Euler's Segment (Euler's Line extends to infinity in both directions.) We will discuss Euler's line more in class.

## **Completing the Assignment:**

Copy and Paste a copy of your drawing of the triangle, centers, circles, and Euler's Segment into your Word file then print that file and turn it in at lab this week or next week.

# The CD:

Please make sure you remove the CD from the lab computer. Return the CD if you have completed the assignment. You may take a CD with you and turn it in next week if you need additional time or assistance completing the assignment.

I will be back on campus Friday afternoon.

