



NEW184ANS

Construct The circumcircle of triangle A-B-D. Extend A-C to intersect the circle at Q. Draw D-Q. Label the parts as shown: A-B = a, A-D = b, A-C = w, C-Q = x, B-C = u, and C-D = v.

Angle B-A-C = angle Q-A-D, (that's a given), angle A-B-D = n = angle A-Q-D because they subtend the same chord from a point on the circumference, and $w \cdot x = u \cdot v$, because the product of internal chord segments are equal.

Triangles D-A-Q and C-A-B are similar, so $\frac{a}{w} = \frac{w+x}{b}$,

$$\text{or } a \cdot b = w(w + x) = w^2 + w \cdot x$$

$$4,577.490^2 = (5,052.418)(6,576.717) - u \cdot v, \text{ and } u \cdot v = 12,274,908.65 \dots \dots \dots [1]$$

By the Law of Cosines, $v^2 = w^2 + b^2 - 2 \cdot w \cdot b \cdot \cos m$ and $u^2 = a^2 + w^2 - 2 \cdot a \cdot w \cdot \cos m$

$$\frac{w^2 + b^2 - v^2}{2 \cdot w \cdot b} = \frac{a^2 + w^2 - u^2}{2 \cdot w \cdot a} = \cos m$$

Multiplying both sides by $2 \cdot w \cdot a \cdot b$, $a \cdot (w^2 + b^2 - v^2) = b \cdot (a^2 + w^2 - u^2)$, expanding, rearranging and substituting from [1] above:

$$u^2 = w^2 + a^2 - a \cdot b - \frac{a \cdot w^2}{b} + \frac{12,274,908.65^2 \cdot a}{b \cdot u^2}, \text{ then multiplying by } u^2,$$

$$u^4 = u^2(w^2 + a^2 - a \cdot b - \frac{a \cdot w^2}{b}) + \frac{12,274,908.65^2 \cdot a}{b \cdot u^2} \text{ and solving for } u^2 \text{ by the quadratic equation}$$

$$u^2 = \frac{w^2 + a^2 - a \cdot b - \frac{a \cdot w^2}{b} \pm \sqrt{\left(w^2 + a^2 - a \cdot b - \frac{a \cdot w^2}{b}\right)^2 + 4 \cdot \frac{12274908.65^2 \cdot 5052.418}{6576.717}}}{2}$$

with all the quantities on the right side known

$$u^2 = \frac{-2,844,980.40 \pm \sqrt{2,844,980.40^2 - 4 \cdot 115,751,507,809,455.23}}{2}$$

$$u^2 = \frac{-2,844,980.40 \pm 21,704,836.897}{2} = 9,429,928.248 \text{ and } u = 3,070.819$$

from [1] above: $3,070.819 \cdot v = 12,274,908.65$ and $v = 3,997.275$

$$B-D = u + v = 3,070.819 + 3,997.275 = 7.068.094$$