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Section 10.2 Arc Measures Notes
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- I can identify minor and major arcs.
- I can use angle measures to find arc measures.


## Arcs and Their Measure

## - A central angle is

- An arc is an unbroken part of a circle consisting of two points on a circle and all the points on the circle between them.


## $\widehat{A D C}$ is a major arc.

 $\mathrm{m} \overline{A D C}=$

- If the endpoints of an arc lie on a diameter, the arc is a
and its measure is



## Naming Arcs

Minor arcs are named by their endpoints like this:

- $A B$ is a minor arc associated with $\angle A C B$.

Major arcs and semicirlces are named by their endpoints and a point on the arc. For example, $\qquad$ is the major arc associated with $\angle \mathrm{ACB}$.

major arc $\widehat{A D B}$

## Measuring Arcs

The measure of a minor arc is the measure of its central angle. The expression $m A B$ is read as the measure of arc $A B$.

An entire circle has $360^{\circ}$. The measure of a major arc is the difference between $360^{\circ}$ and the measure of the related minor arc.

The measure of a semicircle is $180^{\circ}$.

$m \widehat{A D B}=360^{\circ}-50^{\circ}=310^{\circ}$

## Example 1: Identify congruent arcs

Remember that two circles are congruent if they have the same radius. When two circles are congruent we can write $\odot L \cong \odot F$.

Two arcs are congruent if they have the same measure AND they are arcs of the same circle or congruent circles.

Tell whether the given arcs are congruent. Explain why or why not.

c. $V X$ and $Y Z$

d. MN and PQ



## Example 2: Finding measures of arcs

a) Two diameters of $\odot T$ are $\overline{P Q}$ and $\overline{R S}$. Find the given arc measure if $m \widehat{P R}=35^{\circ}$.
$m \widehat{P S}=$ $\qquad$

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m \widehat{P S R}=
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$m \widehat{P R Q}=$ $\qquad$ $m \widehat{P R S}=$ $\qquad$
b) Find $m \widehat{A C}$

c) $\overline{A C}$ and $\overline{B E}$ are diameters of $\odot F$. Identify the arc as a major arc, minor arc, or semicircle, and find the measure of the arc.

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\begin{aligned}
& m \widehat{B C}= \\
& m \widehat{D C}= \\
& m \widehat{D B}= \\
& m \widehat{A E}= \\
& m \widehat{A D}= \\
& m \widehat{A B C}= \\
& m \widehat{A C D}= \\
& m \widehat{E A C}=
\end{aligned}
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