

A circle with centre  $(0, 0)$  has the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 100$ .

- Determine the radius of the circle.
- The points  $A(0, \_)$ ,  $B(\_, 0)$  and  $C(\_, \_)$  are on the circle. Determine a possible value for each blank. The point  $C$  must not contain any zeros in its coordinates. Provide calculation to prove that the points lie on the circle.
- Determine the equations of the perpendicular bisectors of the chords  $AB$  and  $AC$ .
- Show that the perpendicular bisectors from part (c) intersect at the point  $(0, 0)$ .

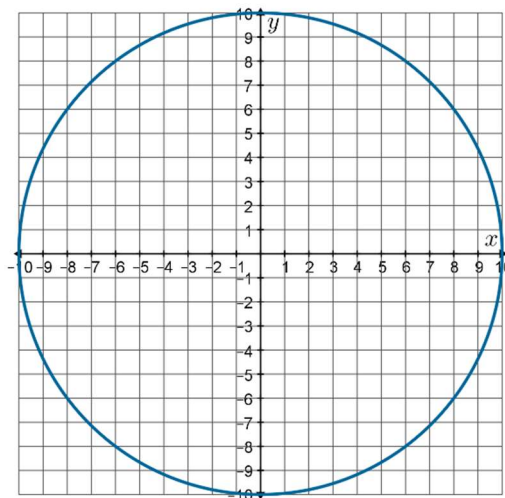
- a) The equation of a circle centred at the origin is  $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$ , where  $r$  is the radius of the circle. For the given equation, we have

$$x^2 + y^2 = 100$$

$\therefore$  the radius of the circle is 10.

$$x^2 + y^2 = 10^2$$

- b) A graph of the circle with centre  $(0, 0)$  and radius 10 is shown on the right. Based on the graph, we see that  $(0, 10)$  and  $(10, 0)$  are points on the circle. It also appears that the point  $(8, 6)$  is on the circle. We can confirm algebraically by checking that these points satisfy the circle's equation (check that the left and right sides are equal).



For the point  $(0, 10)$ :

| <u>Left Side</u>   | <u>Right Side</u>                     |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| $x^2 + y^2$        | 100                                   |
| $= x^2 + y^2$      |                                       |
| $= (0)^2 + (10)^2$ | $\therefore$ left side = right side   |
| $= 100$            | $\therefore (0, 10)$ is on the circle |

For the point  $(10, 0)$ :

| <u>Left Side</u>   | <u>Right Side</u>                     |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| $x^2 + y^2$        | 100                                   |
| $= x^2 + y^2$      |                                       |
| $= (10)^2 + (0)^2$ | $\therefore$ left side = right side   |
| $= 100$            | $\therefore (10, 0)$ is on the circle |

For the point  $(8, 6)$ :

| <u>Left Side</u>  | <u>Right Side</u>                    |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| $x^2 + y^2$       | 100                                  |
| $= x^2 + y^2$     |                                      |
| $= (8)^2 + (6)^2$ | $\therefore$ left side = right side  |
| $= 100$           | $\therefore (8, 6)$ is on the circle |

$\therefore$  possible points are  $A(0, 10)$ ,  $B(10, 0)$  and  $C(8, 6)$ .

*NOTE: Other correct answers are possible.*

c) Chord  $AB$  is shown on the right.

Find the midpoint of  $AB$ :

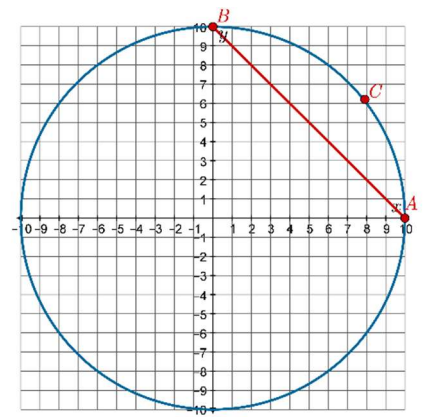
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Midpoint}_{AB} &= \left( \frac{10+0}{2}, \frac{0+10}{2} \right) \\ &= (5, 5) \end{aligned}$$

Find the slope of  $AB$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope}_{AB} &= \frac{10-0}{0-10} \\ &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the perpendicular slope is

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{1}{-1} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$



So, the perpendicular bisector has a slope of 1 and passes through the point (5, 5). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - 5 &= 1(x - 5) \\ y - 5 &= x - 5 \\ y &= x - 5 + 5 \\ y &= x \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the equation of the perpendicular bisector of  $AB$  is  $y = x$ .

Chord  $AC$  is shown on the right.

Find the midpoint of  $AC$ :

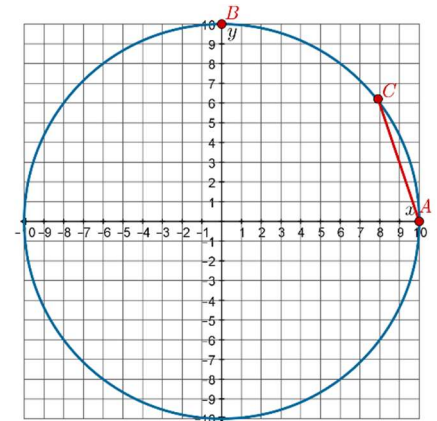
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Midpoint}_{AC} &= \left( \frac{10+8}{2}, \frac{0+6}{2} \right) \\ &= (9, 3) \end{aligned}$$

Find the slope of  $AC$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope}_{AC} &= \frac{6-0}{8-10} \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the perpendicular slope is

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{1}{-3} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$



So, the perpendicular bisector has a slope of  $\frac{1}{3}$  and passes through the point (9, 3). Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - 3 &= \frac{1}{3}(x - 9) \\ y - 3 &= \frac{1}{3}x - 3 \\ y &= \frac{1}{3}x - 3 + 3 \\ y &= \frac{1}{3}x \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  the equation of the perpendicular bisector of  $AC$  is  $y = \frac{1}{3}x$ .

c) Use the method of substitution (or elimination) to find where the lines  $y = x$  and  $y = \frac{1}{3}x$  intersect.

①  $y = x$

②  $y = \frac{1}{3}x$

Substitute ① into ②:  $y = \frac{1}{3}x$

$$(x) = \frac{1}{3}x$$

$$3x = x$$

$$3x - x = 0$$

$$2x = 0$$

$$x = \frac{0}{2}$$

$$x = 0$$



*multiply by 3*

Substitute  $x = 0$  into ① (or ②):  $y = x$

$$y = (0)$$

$$y = 0$$

$\therefore$  the perpendicular bisectors intersect at the point  $(0, 0)$ .