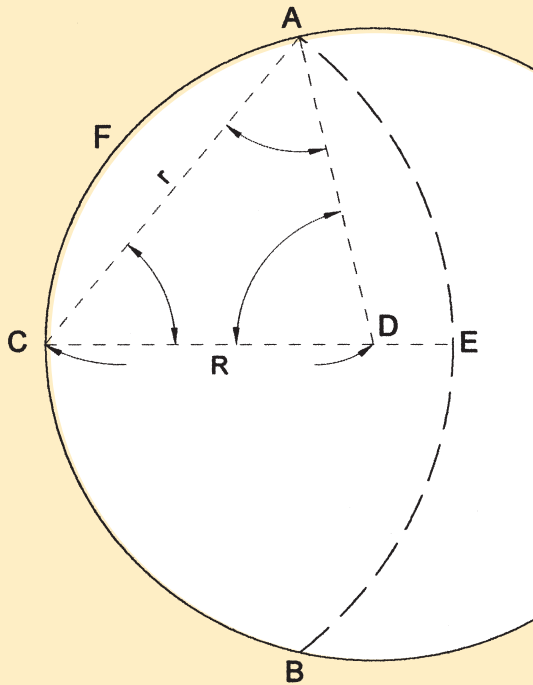




Solution to Problem 32



To simplify the problem, let $R = AD = CD = 1$. Let angle ADC be ϕ .

Angle $ACD = \text{angle } CAD = \frac{1}{2}(\pi - \phi)$, with all angles expressed in radians.

The area of sector $A-C-E$ equals $\frac{1}{2}r^2(\pi/2 - \phi/2)$.

The area of segment $A-F-C$ equals $\frac{1}{2}R^2(\phi - \sin \phi)$, with $R = 1$.

The area of the sector plus the area of the segment must equal $\pi/4$.

$$\text{so, } \frac{r^2}{2} \frac{(\pi - \phi)}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(\phi - \sin \phi) = \frac{\pi}{4},$$

$$\text{or, } \pi r^2 - \phi r^2 + 2\phi - 2\sin \phi - \pi = 0$$

$$\text{since } 2R \sin(\phi/2) = r, \text{ with } R = 1, r^2 = 4 \sin^2(\phi/2) = 2(1 - \cos \phi)$$

substituting for r^2 ,

$$\pi(2 - 2\cos \phi) - \phi(2 - 2\cos \phi) + 2\phi - 2\sin \phi - \pi = 0$$

$$\text{which reduces to } (\phi - \pi - \tan \phi - \frac{\pi}{2\cos \phi}) = 0, \text{ after collecting terms and}$$

dividing by $2\cos \phi$.

Knowing that the value of ϕ has to be greater than zero and less than $\pi/2$ (that would make ADB a straight line), plotting a few values such as $\phi = 0, 0.5, 1,$ and 1.5 shows the value to be near 1.25 (There is an asymptotic line at $\phi = 1.5708 \pm$ where $\phi = 90^\circ$). Further refinement yields $\phi = 1.235896924$ and

$$r = 1.158728414 R$$

($\phi = 1.2359$ is within 1 second of arc for ϕ and within $0.0000025R$ for r)