

MATHEMATICS ENRICHMENT CLUB.
Solution Sheet 9, July 30, 2018

1. The angles in the triangle are, in ascending order $2x$, $3x$, $4x$ for some value of x . By the angle sum of the triangle,

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3x + 4x &= 180^\circ \\ 9x &= 180 \\ x &= 20 \end{aligned}$$

Thus the largest angle is 80° .

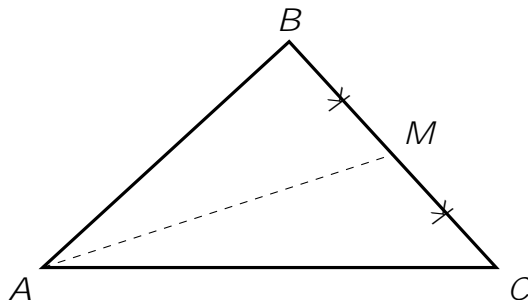
2. You can work this out on your calculator using the \log_{10} button.

$$\begin{aligned} \log_{10}(125)^{100} &= 100 \log_{10}(125) \\ &= 209.69 \dots \end{aligned}$$

Now we can tell the number of digits of a number n by considering the integer part of $\log_{10}(n)$. If $\log_{10}(n) = k$, then n has $k + 1$ digits, so we can see that 100^{125} has 210 digits.

3. Applying the triangle inequality to $\triangle AMB$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} AM &< AB + BM \\ \Rightarrow AM &< AB + \frac{1}{2}BC \end{aligned}$$



Similarly, applying the triangle inequality to $\triangle AMC$, we have

$$AM < AC + \frac{1}{2}BC:$$

If we add these two inequalities, we have

$$2AM < AB + BC + AC:$$

Thus

$$AM < \frac{1}{2}(AB + BC + AC):$$

4. We can write x as

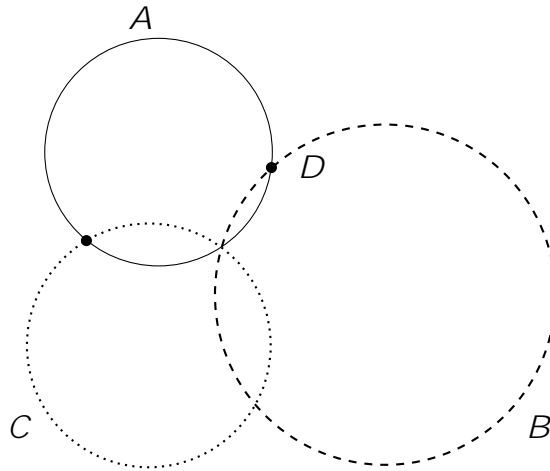
$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{1}{1 + \sqrt{5}} \\ (1 + \sqrt{5})x &= 1 \\ x^2 + 1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

This is just a quadratic in x , so

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4(1)}}{2} \\ &= \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{-3}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Senior Questions

1. We do this by letting the circles ADE and BDF intersect at a point G . We will then prove that $ECFG$ is a cyclic quadrilateral.



and solve simultaneously to obtain $A = \frac{(n+m)}{2}$ and $B = \frac{(n-m)}{2}$.
Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(n+m)}{2} &= \frac{(4k+1)}{4} \\ &= \frac{(4k+1)}{2(n+m)}; \text{ if } n \neq m.\end{aligned}$$

Or

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{(n-m)}{2} &= \frac{(4k+1)}{4} \\ &= \frac{(4k+1)}{2(n-m)}; \text{ if } n \neq m.\end{aligned}$$