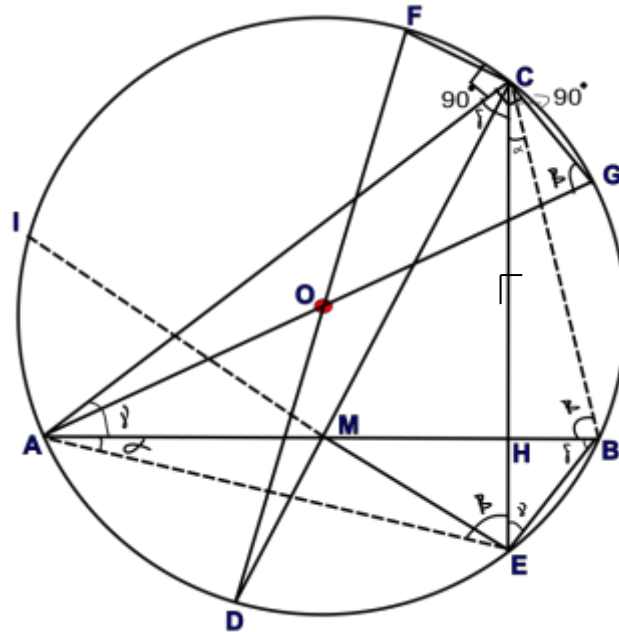


**II PRIZE WINNER MRS.A.MADHUMITHA'S SOLUTION FOR 01.01.2023**  
**GEOMETRIC PROBLEM**



Given

AB & CE are two chords perpendicular to each other. Let it intersect at H

Let us prove  $EB^2 + AC^2 = d^2$

Construct AG as diameter. Join AC, AE, BC, AC.

To show  $EB^2 + AC^2 = d^2$  [ $\because$  In  $\Delta AGC, AG^2 = AC^2 + CG^2, d^2 = AC^2 + CG^2$ ]

It's enough to prove  $EB = CG$

$\because$  AEBC is cyclic quadrilateral

Let  $\angle AEC = \angle ABC = \beta, \angle CEB = \angle BAC = \gamma$

$\angle EAB = \angle ECB = \alpha, \angle ABE = \angle ACE = \delta$

In  $\Delta AHE, \alpha + \beta = 90^\circ$ , In  $\Delta AHC, \gamma + \delta = 90^\circ$

$\alpha + \beta = \gamma + \delta = 90^\circ$

$\because \angle ABC = \angle AGC = \beta$  ----- (a) ( $\because$

same chord subtend equal angles at circumference)

$\therefore$  In  $\Delta AGC, \angle ACG = 90^\circ, \angle AGC = \beta$  by (a)

$\angle GAC = \alpha = \angle EAB$

$\therefore EB=CG$

$\Rightarrow EB^2 + AC^2 = d^2$  ----- (I)

Similarly  $AE^2 + BC^2 = d^2$

Also  $AH^2 + HB^2 + HE^2 + HC^2 = d^2$  ----- (II)

(by I as  $\Delta AHE$  &  $\Delta CHB$  are right angle by Pythagoras theorem)

$$\text{In } \triangle DCF \quad DF^2 = DC^2 + CF^2 \Rightarrow CF^2 = d^2 - DC^2 \text{ -----(1)}$$

$$DM^2 = (DC - MC)^2$$

$$= DC^2 - 2DC \times MC + MC^2$$

$$\text{In } \triangle DFC, \quad d^2 = DC^2 + FC^2$$

$$\text{In } \triangle ACG, \quad d^2 = AC^2 + CG^2 \text{ (or)}$$

$$AC^2 + EB^2 \quad \{\because CG = EB\}$$

$$DC^2 + FC^2 = AC^2 + EB^2 = d^2 \text{ ----- (a)}$$

AB & DC intersect at M.

$$AM \times MB = DM \times MC \quad \{\because AM = MB \text{ as } M \text{ mid point}\}$$

$$MC \times DM = MB^2 \text{ ----- (b)}$$

Consider,

$$DM^2 + FC^2 = (DC - MC)^2 + d^2 - DC^2$$

$$= DC^2 + MC^2 - 2DC \times MC + d^2 - DC^2$$

$$= MC^2 + d^2 - 2(DM + MC) \times MC$$

$$= MC^2 + d^2 - 2DM \times MC - 2MC^2$$

$$= MC^2 + d^2 - 2MB^2 - 2MC^2 \text{ [by (b)]}$$

$$= d^2 - 2MB^2 - MC^2$$

$$= d^2 - 2[MH + HB]^2 - MC^2$$

$$= d^2 - 2MH^2 - 2HB^2 - 4MH \times HB - MC^2$$

$$= d^2 - 2MH^2 - 2HB^2 - 4MH \times HB - [HM^2 + HC^2]$$

$$= d^2 - 3MH^2 - 2HB^2 - 4MH \times HB - HC^2$$

$$= d^2 - 3MH^2 - 2HB^2 - 4MH \times HB - [BC^2 - HB^2]$$

$$= d^2 - 3MH^2 - 2HB^2 - 4MH \times HB - BC^2 + HB^2$$

$$= d^2 - 3MH^2 - 2HB^2 - 4MH \times HB - BC^2$$

$$= AE^2 - 3MH^2 - HB^2 - 4MH \times HB$$

$$= AE^2 - [3MH^2 + HB^2 + 4MH \times HB] \quad \{\because d^2 = BC^2 + AE^2\}$$

$$= AE^2 - (HB + MH)(3MH + HB)$$

$$= AE^2 - MB(2MH + MB)$$

$$= AE^2 - MB^2 - 2MB \times MH$$

$$= AH^2 + HE^2 - MB^2 - 2MB \times MH$$

$$= (MB + MH)^2 + HE^2 - MB^2 - 2MB \times MH$$

$$= \cancel{MB^2} + MH^2 + \cancel{2MB \times MH} + HE^2 - \cancel{MB^2} - \cancel{2MB \times MH}$$

$$= MH^2 + HE^2$$

$$= ME^2$$

Hence  $DM^2 + FC^2 = ME^2 \Rightarrow DM, FC \text{ \& } ME \text{ are sides of right triangle.}$