

Propositions of Geometry

Proposition I

One of the relative properties between straight lines and a perfect curve or **circle** is such, that all regular shapes formed of straight lines and equal sides, have their areas equal to half the **circumference** multiplied by the least radius which the shape contains (which is always the radius of an inscribed **circle**) than which every other radius contained in the shape is greater, and the **circle** has its area equal to half the **circumference** multiplied by the radius, to which every other radius contained in the **circle** is equal.

Proposition II

The **circumference** of any **circle** being given, if that **circumference** be brought into the form of a **square**, the area of that **square** is equal to the area of another **circle**, the circumscribed **square** of which is equal in **area** to the **area** of the **circle** whose **circumference** is first given.

Proposition III

The **circle** is the natural basis or beginning of all **area**, and the **square** being made so in mathematical science, is artificial and arbitrary.

Proposition IV

The **circumference** of any **circle** being given, if that **circumference** be brought into any other shape formed of straight lines and of equal sides and angles, the area of that shape is equal to the ((area of another **circle**, which **circle** being circumscribed by another and similar shape, the **area** of such shape circumscribing the last named **circle** is equal to the **area** of the **circle** whose **circumference** is given.

Proposition V

The **circumference** of a **circle** by the measure of which the **circle** and the **square** are made equal, and by which the properties of straight lines and curved lines are made equal, is a line outside of the **circle**, wholly circumscribing it, and thoroughly enclosing the whole **area** of the **circle**, and hence, whether it shall have breadth or not, forms no part of the **circle**.

Proposition VI

The **circumference** of a **circle**, such that its half being multiplied by radius, to which all other radii are equal, shall express the whole **area** of the **circle**, by the properties of straight lines, is greater in value in the sixth decimal place of figures than the same **circumference** in any polygon of 6144 sides, and greater also than the **approximation** of geometers at the same decimal place in any line of figures.

Proposition VII

Because the **circle** is the primary shape in nature, and hence the basis of **area**; and because the **circle** is measured by, and is equal to the **square** only in **ratio** of half its **circumference** by the radius, therefore, **circumference** and radius, and not the **square** of **diameter**, are the only natural and legitimate elements of **area**, by which all regular shapes are made equal to the square, and equal to the circle.

Proposition VIII

The equilateral **triangle** is the primary of all shapes in nature formed of straight lines, and of equal sides and angles, and it has the least radius, the least **area**, and the greatest **circumference** of any possible shape of equal sides and angles.

Proposition IX

The **circle** and the **triangle** are opposite to one another in all the elements of their construction, and hence the fractional diameter of one **circle**, which is equal to the diameter of one **square**, is in the opposite duplicate **ratio** to the diameter of an equilateral **triangle** whose **area** is one.

Proposition X

The fractional **diameter** of one **circle** which is equal to the **diameter** of one **square** being in the opposite **ratio** to the diameter of the equilateral **triangle** whose area is one, equals 81.

Proposition XI

The fractional area of one **square** which is equal to the **area** of one **circle**, equals, 6561; and the area of the **circle** inscribed in one **square** equals 5153.

Proposition XII

The true **ratio** of **circumference** to **diameter** of all circles, is four times the **area** of one **circle** inscribed in one **square** for the **ratio** of **circumference**, to the area of the circumscribed **square** for the **ratio** of **diameter**. And hence the true and primary **ratio** of **circumference** to **diameter** of all circles is 20612 parts of **circumference** to 6561 parts of **diameter**.

Proposition XIII

The line approximated by geometers as the **circumference** of a **circle** is a line coinciding with the greatest limit of the **area** of the **circle**, but not enclosing or containing it.

Proposition XIV

An **infinity** in minuteness is always such, that it is capable of increase; therefore, in material things, an **infinity** equals one ultimate **particle** of **matter**, such, that in the nature of the material or thing under consideration, it cannot be less.

Axioms as proven herein and self evident:

First: The **circumference** of a **circle** is a line outside of the **circle** thoroughly enclosing it, and of itself forms no part of the **area** of the **circle**. (Proposition V)

Second: The line approximated by geometers, if it could be correctly determined, is a line coinciding with the greatest limit of the **area** of the **circle**, but not enclosing it. (Proposition I)

Third: The line approximated by geometers is consequently the **circumference** of a **circle** whose diameter is less than one in its relative value to the **area** of a **circle**. (Proposition I, III, IV & XIII)

Fourth: The difference between a line coinciding with the greatest limit of the **area** of any **circle** and a line enclosing the same **circle**, is an **infinity**, such that it cannot be less. (Proposition XIV)

Fifth: In material things an **infinity** equals one ultimate **particle** of whatever material or thing is under consideration, such that it cannot be less. (Proposition XIV)

Sixth: An **infinity** is a value, such that it is always capable of increase. (Proposition XIV)

Proposition XV

The value of the **infinity** which is the difference between the inscribed and circumscribed lines (axiom 4th), and which is omitted by geometers, is increased in the process of bisection of a **circumference**, so that at some great number of sides of a polygon it will always equal one or more in the sixth decimal place, and may be increased, until it shall equal **circumference** itself.

Axioms as proven herein and self evident::

First: **Space** is infinitely divisible. (Proposition XIV)

Second: Any imaginary line (not a material line), which shall have breadth, is equal to the same portion of **space**.

Third: Any such imaginary line is, therefore, infinitely divisible.

Fourth: Any such imaginary line may, therefore, be divided, until each part or division is less than any **magnitude** which is, or can be, developed to our senses.

Fifth: At whatever point the division of such a line may be arrested, because the sum of all parts is equal to the whole; therefore, each part must have **breadth**, though the **breadth** of each part may be such, that no conceivable number of them form a developed **magnitude**.

Sixth: One line cannot occupy two places at the same time; neither can two lines be in one and the same place,

at the same time.

Seventh: Two lines without [breadth](#), cannot exist with no [breadth](#) between them.

Eighth: The existence of shape signifies limit; hence, no shape can exist without a boundary line definitely located, which forms no part of the shape itself, which boundary is its [circumference](#).

Proposition XVI

No two lines lying in the same [plane](#), parallel to each other, and between two other straight lines, which are at an angle to each other, can possibly coincide, and be equal, except they shall become one and the same line.

Proposition XVII

All lines which have a fixed and definite locality must have [breadth](#), whether they be lines of [circumference](#), or lines of division.

Proposition XVIII

The [circle](#) inscribed and circumscribed about an equilateral [triangle](#), is in duplicate [ratio](#) to the [circle](#) inscribed and circumscribed about a [square](#).

Axioms as proven herein and self evident::

First: [Circumference](#) and radius (and not the [square](#) of [diameter](#)) are the only natural and legitimate elements of [area](#) by which all regular shapes may be measured.

Second: The equilateral [triangle](#) and the [circle](#) are exactly opposite to one another in the elements of their construction, which are [circumference](#) and radius. (Proposition VIII & IX)

Third: The equilateral [triangle](#) is the primary of all shapes in nature formed of straight lines and of equal sides and angles.

(Proposition III), and has the least number of sides of any shape in nature formed of straight lines, and the [circle](#) is the ultimum of nature in the extension of the number of sides.

Proposition XIX

In all the elements of their construction which serve to increase or diminish [area](#), the equilateral [triangle](#) and the [circle](#) are exactly opposite one another in respect to the greatest and the least of any shapes in nature, and hence they are opposite to one another in [ratio](#) of the squares of their diameters, or in duplicate [ratio](#).

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