



INSCRIBED CIRCLE OF GENERAL SEMI-REGULAR POLYGON AND SOME OF ITS FEATURES

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Abstract.

If above each side of a regular polygon with n sides, we construct an isosceles polygon with $k-1$ equal sides we get an equilateral polygon with $N = (k-1)n$ equal sides and different interior angles-semi regular polygons. Some metrical features and relations relating to the inscribed circle of the general semi-regular equilateral polygon with $N = (k-1)n$ sides, and with $n, k \geq 3, k, n \in \mathbf{N}$ are dealt with in this paper. Furthermore, the paper contains a proof to the theorem on geometrical construction of the semi-regular polygon with $N = (k-1)n$ sides, given a radius of an inscribed circle.

1. INTRODUCTION

Given the set of points $A_j \in E^2, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ in Euclidian plane E^2 , such that any three successive points do not lie on a line p and for which we have a rule: if $A_j \in p$ and $A_{j+1} \in p$ for each j point A_{j+2} does not belong to the line p .

1. Polygon P_n or closed polygonal line is the union along $A_1A_2, A_2A_3, \dots, A_nA_{n+1}$, and write short

$$(1) \quad P_n = \bigcup_{j+1}^n A_j A_{j+1}, (n+1 \equiv 1 \pmod{n})$$

Points A_j are vertices, and lines A_jA_{j+1} are sides of polygon P_n .

2. The angles on the inside of a polygon formed by each pair of adjacent sides are angles of the polygon.

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3. If no pair of polygon's sides, apart from the vertex, has no common points, that is, if $A_j A_{j+1} \cap A_{j+l} A_{j+l+1} = \emptyset$, $l \neq 1$ polygon is simple, otherwise it is complex. This paper deals with simple polygons only.

4. Simple polygons can be convex and non-convex. Polygon is convex if it all lies on the same side of any of the lines $A_j A_{j+1}$, otherwise it is non-convex. Polygon P_n divides plane E^2 into two disjoint subsets, U and V . Subset U is called interior, and subset V is exterior area of the polygon. Union of polygon P_n and its interior area U_n makes *polygonal area* S_n , which is:

$$(2) \quad S_n = P_n \cup U_n$$

5. Given polygon P_n with vertices A_j , $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, ($n+1 \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$) lines of which $A_j A_i$ are called polygonal diagonals if indices are not consecutive natural numbers, that is, $j \neq i$. We can draw $n-3$ diagonals from each vertex of the polygon with n number of vertices.

6. Exterior angle of the polygon P_n with vertex A_j is the angle $\angle A_{v,j}$ with one side $A_{j+1} A_j$, and vertex A_j , and the other one is extension of the side $A_j A_{j-1}$ through vertex A_j .

7. Sum of all exterior angles of the given polygon P_n is equal to multiplied number or product of tracing around the polygons in a certain direction and 2π , that is, the rule is

$$(3) \quad \sum_{j=1}^n (\angle A_{v,j}) = 2k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

In which k is number of turning around the polygon in certain direction.

8. The interior angle of the polygon with vertex A_j is the angle $\angle A_{u,j}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ for which $\angle A_{u,j} + \angle A_{v,j} = \pi$. That is the angle with one side $A_{j-1} A_j$, and the other side $A_j A_{j+1}$. Sum of all interior angles of the polygon is defined by equation

$$(4) \quad \sum_{j=1}^n \angle A_{u,j} = (n-2k)\pi, n \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

In which k is number of turning around the polygon in certain direction.

9. A regular polygon is a polygon that is equiangular (all angles are equal in measure) and equilateral (all sides have the same length). Regular polygon with n sides of b length is marked as P_n^b . The formula for interior angles γ of the regular polygon P_n^b with n sides is $\gamma = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n}$. A non-convex regular polygon is a regular star polygon. For more about polygons in [4,5,6].

10. Polygon that is either equiangular or equilateral is called *semi-regular polygon*. Equilateral polygon with different angles within those sides are called *equilateral semi-regular* polygons, whereas polygons that are *equiangular* and with sides different in length are called *equiangular semi-regular* polygons. For more about polygons in [1,2,3].

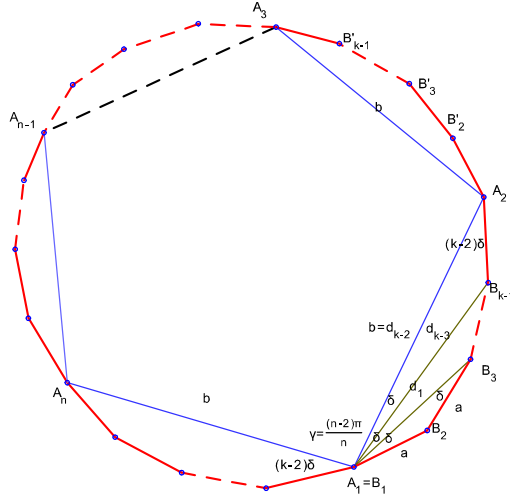


FIGURE 1. Convex semi-regular polygon P_N with $N = (k - 1)n$ sides constructed above the regular polygon P_n^b

11. If we construct a polygon P_k with $(k - 1)$ sides, $k \geq 3, k \in \mathbb{N}$ with vertices $B_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ over each side of the convex polygon $P_n, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$ with vertices $A_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n, (n + 1) \equiv 1 \pmod{n}$, that is $A_j = B_1, A_{j+1} = B_k$, we get new polygon with $N = (k - 1)n$ sides, (Figure 1) marked as P_N .

Here are the most important elements and terms related to constructed polygons:

- (1) Polygon P_k with vertices $B_1B_2 \dots B_{k-1}B_k, B_1 = A_j, B_k = A_{j+1}$ constructed over each side $A_jA_{j+1}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ of polygon P_n with which it has one side in common is called edge polygon for polygon P_n .
- (2) $A_jB_2, B_2B_3, \dots, B_{k-1}A_{j+1}, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ are the sides polygon P_k .
- (3) $A_jB_2A_jB_3, \dots, A_jB_{k-1}$ are diagonals $d_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, k - 2$, of the polygon P_k^a drawn from the top A_j and that implies

$$d_{k-2} = A_jA_{j+1} = b.$$

- (4) Angles $\angle B_{u,i}$ are interior angles of vertices $B_{u,i}$ of the polygon P_N and are denoted as β_i . Interior angle $\angle A_{u,j}$ of the polygon of the vertices A_j are denoted as α_j .
 - (5) Polygon P_k of the side a constructed over the side b of the polygon P_n is isosceles, with $(k - 1)$ equal sides, is denoted as P_k^a .
 - (6) $\delta = \angle(d_i, d_{i+1}), i = 1, 2, \dots, k - 2$ denotes the angle between its two consecutive diagonals drawn from the vertices $A_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ for which it is true
- (5) $\delta = \angle(a, d_1) = \angle(d_i d_{i+1}), i = 1, 2, \dots, k - 3, d_{k-2} = b$
- (7) If the isosceles polygon P_k^a is constructed over each side of the b regular polygon P_n^b with n sides, then the constructed polygon with $N = (k - 1)n$ of equal sides is called equilateral *semi-regular polygon* which is denoted as P_N^a .

12. We analyzed here some metric characteristics of the general equilateral semi-regular polygons, if side a is given, and angle is $\delta = \angle(d_i, d_{i+1})$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, (k-2)$, in between the consecutive diagonals of the polygon P_k^a drawn from the vertex P_k^a of the regular polygon P_n^b . Such semi-regular polygon with $N = (k-1)n$ sides of a length and angle δ defined in (5) we denote as $P_N^{a,\delta}$.

13. Regular polygon P_n^b polygon is called corresponding regular polygon of the semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$.

14. Interior angles of the semi-regular equilateral polygon is divided into two groups

- angles at vertices B_i , $i = 2, \dots, k-1$ we denote as β ,
- angles at vertices A_j , $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ we denote as α .

15. K_N stands for the sum of the interior angles of the semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$.

16. $S_{A_j}^\gamma$ stands for the sum of diagonals comprised by angle γ and drawn from the vertex A_j , and with $\varepsilon_{A_j}^\gamma$ we denote the angle between the diagonals drawn from vertex A_j comprised by angle γ .

17. We denote the radius of the inscribed circle of the semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$, with r_N .

2. MAIN RESULT

Let on each side of the regular polygon P_n^b , be constructed polygon P_k^a , with $(k-1)$ equal sides, and let $d_l = A_j B_i$, $l = 1, 2, \dots, k-2$, $d_{k-2} = A_j A_{j+1} = b$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$; $i = 3, 4, \dots, k$; $B_k = A_{j+1}$ diagonals drawn from the vertex A_j , $A_j A_{j+1} = b$ to the vertices B_i of the polygon P_k^a . The following lemma is valid for interior angles at vertices B_i , $B_k = A_{j+1}$ of triangle $\triangle A_j B_{i-1} B_i$ determined by diagonals d_i . For more about in [7].

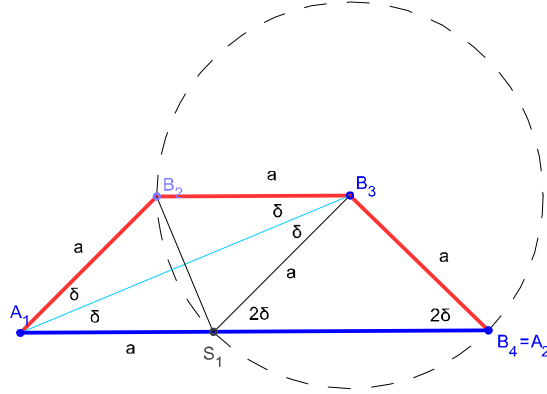
Lemma 2.1. *Ratio of values of interior angles $\triangle A_j B_{i-1} B_i$; $i = 3, 4, \dots, k$ at vertex B_i of the base $A_j B_i = d_{i-2}$ from the given angle $A_j B_i = d_{i-2}$ δ is defined by relation $\angle B_i = (i-2)\delta$.*

Proof. The proof is done by induction on i , ($i \geq 3$), $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Let us check this assertion for $i = 4$ because for $i = 3$ the claim is obvious because the triangle erected on the sides of the regular polygon is isosceles and angles at the base b are equal as angle δ . If $i = 4$ and isosceles rectangle is constructed on side b of the regular polygon P_n^b (Figure 2) with vertices $A_1 B_2 B_3 B_4$, and $B_4 = A_2$ where $A_1 A_2 = b$ side of the regular polygon.

Diagonals constructed from the vertex A_1 divide polygon $A_1 B_2 B_3 B_4$, into triangles $\triangle A_1 B_2 B_3$ and $\triangle A_1 B_3 B_4$. According to the definition of the angle δ we have:

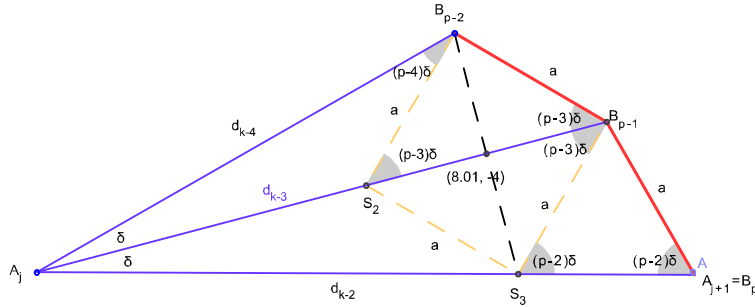
$$\angle B_2 A_1 B_3 = \angle B_2 B_3 A_1 = \angle B_3 A_1 B_4 = \delta$$

Intersection of the centerline of the triangle's base $\triangle A_1 B_2 B_3$ i $A_1 B_4 = b$ is point S_1 . Since $A_1 B_2 = B_2 B_3 = a$, a and construction of the point S_1 leads to conclusion that $\square A_1 S_1 B_2 B_3$ is a rhombus with side a .


 FIGURE 2. Rectangle $A_1B_2B_3B_4$

Since $B_3S_1 = B_3B_4 = a$ a triangle $\triangle B_3S_1B_4$ is isosceles, and its interior angle at vertex S_1 is exterior angle of the triangle $\triangle A_1B_3S_1$, thus $\angle S_1 = 2\delta$, as well as $\angle B_4 = 2\delta$. Let us presume that the claim is valid for an arbitrary integer $(p-1)$, $(p \geq 4)$, $p \in \mathbb{N}$, that is $i = (p-1)$ interior angle of the triangle $\triangle A_jB_{p-2}B_{p-1}$ at the vertex B_{p-1} has value $\angle B_{p-1} = (p-3)\delta$.

Let us show now that this ascertain is true for integer p , that is for $i = p$. Also, interior angle of the triangle $\triangle A_jB_{p-1}B_p$ at vertex B_p has value $\angle B_p = (p-2)\delta$. Let us note $\square A_jB_{p-2}B_{p-1}B_p$ which is split into triangles $\triangle A_jB_{p-2}B_{p-1}$ and $\triangle A_jB_{p-1}B_p$ by diagonal d_{p-3} , and that $\angle B_{u,p-1} = (p-3)\delta$ according to presumption (Figure 3).


 FIGURE 3. Rectangle $A_jB_{p-2}B_{p-1}B_p$

Since interior angles of triangles are congruent at vertex A_j , by definition of angle δ , and $B_{p-2}B_{p-1} = B_{p-1}B_p = a$, it is easily proven that there is point S such that triangle $\triangle SB_{p-1}B_p$ is isosceles triangle (Figure 3.), and rectangle $\square A_jB_{p-2}B_{p-1}S$ is rectangle with perpendicular diagonals.

Congruence of triangles $\triangle A_jB_{p-2}B_{p-1} \simeq \triangle A_jB_{p-1}S$ leads us to conclusion that

$$\angle A_jB_{p-1}S = (p-3)\delta.$$

Angle at vertex S is the exterior angle of triangle $\triangle A_j B_{p-2} B_{p-1}$. And thus we have

$$\angle S = \delta + (p-3)\delta = (p-2)\delta.$$

Since triangle $SB_{p-1}B_p$ is isosceles, $\angle B_p = (p-2)\delta$ which we were supposed to prove. So, for each $i \in \mathbb{N}, i \geq 3$ interior angle of triangle $\triangle A_j B_{i-1} B_i$ at vertex B_i is $\angle B_i = (i-2)\delta$. \square

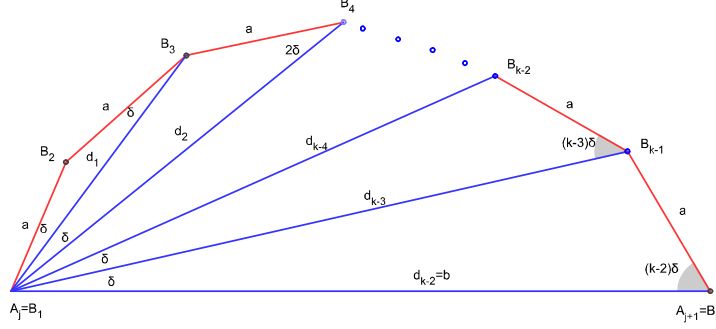


FIGURE 4. Isosceles polygon P_k^a constructed on side b of the regular polygon P_n^b

Lemma 2.2. *Semi regular equilateral polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ with given side a and angle δ defined with (5), has n interior angles equal to an that angle*

$$(6) \quad \alpha = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2(k-2)\delta$$

and $(k-2)n$ interior angles equal to an that angle

$$(7) \quad \beta = \pi - 2\delta, \delta > 0, k \geq 3, n \geq 3, k, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proof. Using figure 4 and results of lemma 2.1 it is easily proven that polygon P_k^a constructed on side b of the regular polygon P_n^b has $(k-2)$ interior angles with value $\pi - 2\delta$, and which are at the same time interior angles of the semi-regular polygon P_N^a , $N = (k-1)n$. So indeed, for $k=3$ the constructed polygon P_k is isosceles triangle with interior angle at vertex $B_2 = \pi - 2\delta$, and for $k=4$ constructed polygon is isosceles rectangle (Figure 2). That rectangle is drawn by diagonal d_1 from vertex $A_j, j=1, 2, \dots, n$, $B_1 \equiv A_1, B_4 \equiv A_{j+1}$ and $A_j A_{j+1} = b$ split into triangles $A_j B_2 B_3$ and $A_j B_3 A_{j+1}$ with interior angles at vertices $\angle B_2 = \angle B_3 = \pi - 2\delta$. Similarly it is proven that for every rectangle $A_j B_{i-2} B_{i-1} B_i$, $i=4, 5, \dots, k$; ($B_1 = A_j$, $B_k = A_{j+1}$, $A_j A_{j+1} = b$) and the value of its vertex B_{i-1} ,

$$\angle B_{i-1} = (i-3)\delta + \pi - [(i-2)\delta + \delta] = \pi - 2\delta.$$

So, in every isosceles polygon P_k^a there $k-2$ interior angles with measure $\pi - 2\delta$ (Figure 4). \square

Since isosceles polygon P_k^a , is constructed on each side of regular polygon P_n^b , it follows that equilateral semi-regular polygon P_N^a has total of $(k-2)n$ angles, which we were supposed to prove.

When interior angle of the semi-regular equilateral polygon at vertex A_j , $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ is equal to sum of interior angle of the regular polygon P_n^b and double value of the interior angle of the polygon P_k^a at vertex B_k , (Lemma 2.1) is valid

$$\angle A_{u,j} = \alpha = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2(k-2)\delta$$

which we were supposed to prove.

Condition of convexity of the semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$ and the values of its angle δ is given in the theorem.

Theorem 2.1. *Equilateral semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$, $N = (k-1)n$ is convex if the following is true for the angle δ*

$$(8) \quad \delta \in \left(0; \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}\right) \quad k, n \in \mathbb{N}, n, k \geq 3.$$

Proof. Let us write values of the interior angles of the semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$ defined by relations(6),(7) in the form of linear functions

$$(9) \quad f(\delta) = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2(k-2)\delta, g(\delta) = \pi - 2\delta, k, n \in \mathbb{N}, k, n \geq 3.$$

Since the polygon is convex if all its interior angles are smaller than π , to prove the theorem it is enough to show that for $\forall \delta \in \left(0; \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}\right)$ all interior angles of the semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$ are smaller than π .

Indeed, from this relation $\beta = g(\delta) = \pi - 2\delta$ follows that $\beta = 0$ for $\delta = \frac{\pi}{2}$, (Figure 5). On the basis of this and demands $\beta > 0$ and $\delta > 0$, we find that $\beta \in (0, \pi)$ and $0 < \delta < \frac{\pi}{2}$, and thus we have

$$\delta \in \left(0; \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}\right), k \geq 3.$$

It is similar for interior angles equal to angle α , (Figure 5). If we multiply the inequality $0 < \delta < \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}$ with $2(k-2)$, and $\frac{(n-2)\pi}{n}$ then add to the left and right side, we get the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} &< \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2(k-2)\delta < \frac{2\pi}{n} + \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} \Leftrightarrow \\ \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} &< \alpha < \pi, \Rightarrow \alpha \in \left(\frac{(n-2)\pi}{n}, \pi\right) \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta \in \left(0; \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}\right), k \geq 3.$

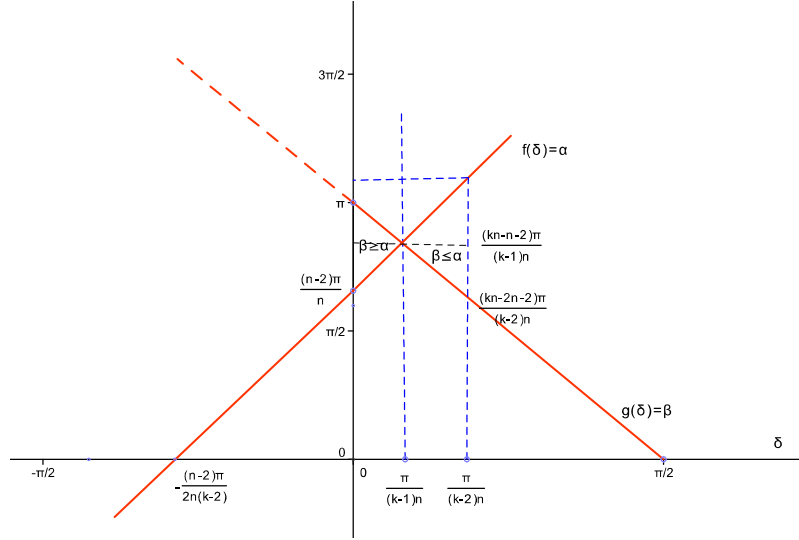


FIGURE 5. Semi-regular polygon and convexity

So, for every $\delta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}\right)$ interior angles of the semi-regular polygon $P_N^{\alpha, \delta}$ are smaller than π . That is, semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_N^{\alpha, \delta}$ is convex for $\delta \in \left(0, \frac{\pi}{(k-2)n}\right)$. \square

Values of the interior angles of the convex semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_N^{\alpha, \delta}$ depend on the interior angle of the corresponding regular polygon $\gamma = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n}$ as well as the angle δ . Which means that the following theorem is true:

Corollary 2.1. *Convex semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_N^{\alpha, \delta}$ is regular for $\delta = \frac{\pi}{(k-1)n}; k, n \in \mathbb{N}, n, k \geq 3, \delta > 0$ and the values of its interior angles are given in the relation*

$$(10) \quad \alpha = \beta = \frac{(nk - n - 2)\pi}{n(k-1)}.$$

Proof. According to the definition of the regular polygon, its every angle has to be equal, thus from $\alpha = \beta$ and the relation (6),(7) we have the equation

$$\frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2(k-2)\delta = \pi - 2\delta$$

out of which we find out that the sought value of the angle is $\delta = \frac{\pi}{(k-1)n}$ for which the semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_N^{\alpha, \delta}$ is regular. On this basis we find that the value of the interior angles is

$$\alpha = \beta = \frac{(nk - n - 2)\pi}{n(k-1)}.$$

\square

The text further continues with the presentation of some of the results regarding the inscribed circle of the semi-regular polygon and the geometrical construction of a convex semi-regular polygon with a given radius of the inscribed circle.

Theorem 2.2. *Out of all convex equilateral semi-regular polygons with $P_N^{a,\delta}$, $N = (k-1)n$ sides constructed above the regular polygon P_n^b with n sides, a circle may be inscribed only if $k = 3, \forall n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Proof. The proof is given through two stages. Firstly, let us prove that a circle may be inscribed for $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ for $k = 3$ while it may not be possible for $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ with $k > 3, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$, to have an inscribed circle.

1. Let us presume that a semi-regular polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ if $k = 3, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$ has an inscribed circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ (Figure.6). Let us prove that each side of the semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$, optional sides a and angle $\delta = \angle(a, b)$ to which it is convex, and b side of the regular polygon above which it is constructed are all tangent to such a circle. Let $A_1B_1A_2B_2 \dots A_nB_n$ be vertices, and $\angle A_i = \alpha = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2\delta, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ interior angles to vertices A_i , and $\angle B_i = \beta = \pi - 2\delta, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ interior angles to vertices B_i of semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$. Let us mark the center of inscribed circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ with the mark O . If each vertex of the semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$ is joined with the center of the inscribed circle O there can be observed the following triangles:

$$\triangle A_1OB_1, \triangle B_1OA_2, \dots, \triangle A_nOB_n, \triangle B_nOA_1$$

for which the following is applicable:

- a) $A_1B_1 = A_2B_2 = \dots = A_nB_n = B_nA_1 = a$ side of the semi-regular polygon,
- b) $\angle OA_1B_1 = \angle OA_2B_2 = \dots = \angle OA_nB_n = \frac{\alpha}{2}$
- c) $\angle OB_1A_2 = \angle OB_2A_3 = \dots = \angle OB_nA_1 = \frac{\beta}{2}$.

Thus, we may conclude that they are mutually congruent. Let us observe one of those triangles, e.g. $\triangle A_1OB_1$. Let us mark its height from the point O to side $a = A_1B_1$ with h_1 while observing the said height to be equal to the radius of the inscribed circle $h_1 = r$.

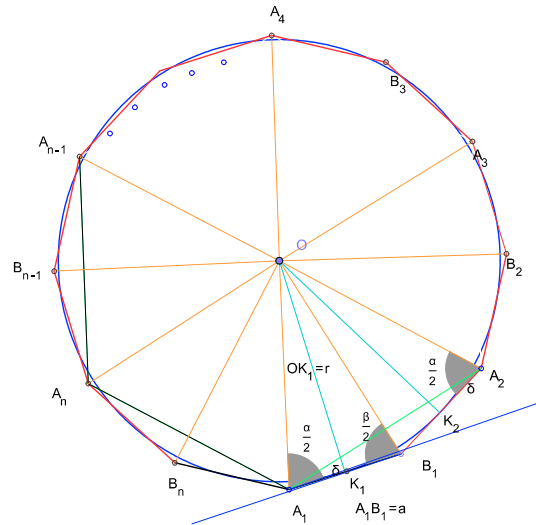


FIGURE 6. The Radius of the Inscribed Circle - Apothem

The congruency of the said triangles implies the congruency in their surfaces. If we take that $P_i = \frac{ah_i}{2}$ is surface of triangles $\triangle A_i O B_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ that is, of triangle $\triangle B_i O A_{i+1}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ $n + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod n$ with h_i being the height from vertex O to side a , then, from the equality in their surfaces, and after shortening the equation it follows that

$$(11) \quad h_1 = h_2 = \dots = h_n = r$$

From this equation we may conclude that circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ is tangent to each side of the semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a, \delta}$ i.e. it is inscribed to that semi-regular polygon (Figure 6).

2. Given that for $k > 3, k \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$ for semi-regular polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a, \delta}$ constructed above regular polygon P_n^b with n sides, there is circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ inscribed with its center at point O and with radius r . By the definition of the construction of a semi-regular polygon there is an isosceles polygon P_k^a of side a constructed above each side b of regular polygon P_n^b . If the vertices of the semi-regular polygon side a become joined with point O the polygon shall become divided into two classes of mutually congruent triangles in reference to the interior angles along the base side equal to side a .

To one class of triangles belong the following:

$$\triangle O A_i B_1^j, \triangle O B_{k-1}^j A_{i+1}; i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n; n + 1 \equiv 1 \pmod n$$

which have their interior angle along vertex $\angle A_i = \frac{\alpha}{2}$, and interior angle with vertex $\angle B_j = \frac{\beta}{2}$, and base $A_i B_j$ equal to side a of the semi-regular polygon (Figure 6).

To the other class of triangles belong the isosceles triangles $\triangle O B_p^j B_{p+1}^j, p = 1, 2, \dots, k - 3$, which have their angles along $B_p B_{p+1} = a$ equal to $\frac{\beta}{2}$.

From the congruence of the first class triangles follows the equality in their heights $h_m^a, m = 1, 2, \dots, 2n$ to base a , i.e. the following is applicable:

$$h_1^a = h_2^a = \dots = h_{2n}^a = r_1$$

with r_1 being the inscribed circle radius.

Similarly, from the congruence of the second class triangles follows the equality in their heights $H_t^a, t = 1, 2, \dots, n(k-3)$ to base a , i.e. the following is applicable:

$$(12) \quad H_1^a = H_2^a = \dots = H_{n(k-3)}^a = r_2$$

with r_2 being the inscribed circle radius. Since pursuant to presumption $r_1 = r_2 = r$ what would only be possible if the first class triangles were congruent to the second class triangles, and in that case this would be applicable: $\frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{\beta}{2} \Rightarrow \alpha = \beta$, i.e. meaning that polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a, \delta}$ is regular, what in turn is opposite to the presumption that it is semi-regular. Therefore, circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ is not an inscribed one to the semi-regular polygon, i.e. it is tangent either to base a of the first class triangle or base a of the second class triangle.

Based on the presented proof it follows that there may not be inscribed a circle to a semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a, \delta}$ with $k > 3, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

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Theorem 2.3. *Radius of the inscribed circle of the equilateral semi-regular polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ $k, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$, which does not have three consecutive vertices each with its corresponding interior angle equal to angle $\pi - 2\delta$ is determined through a relation*

$$(13) \quad r_{(k-1)n} = a \frac{\cos \delta \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-2)\delta\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-3)\delta\right)}$$

Proof. Let there be vertex A_1 between the verticals constructed from center O of the inscribed circle to two neighbouring sides of the semi-regular polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$, and let there be an interior angle α as defined in a relation (6) corresponding to this vertex A_1 , and let there be neighbouring vertices B_1 and B_2 with their corresponding interior angles $\beta = \pi - 2\delta$.

Now, let us observe the equiangular triangles $\triangle OB_1M, \triangle OA_1M$ with $OM = r$ (Figure 7).

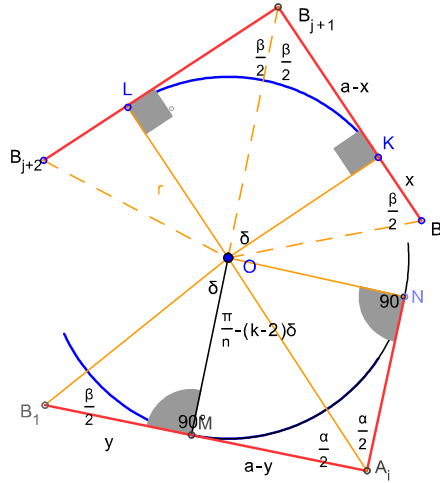


FIGURE 7. Radius of the Inscribed Circle

It is obvious from the equiangular triangle $\triangle OA_1M$ that $tg \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{r}{a-y}$, giving $r = (a-y)tg \frac{\alpha}{2}$.

Similarly, from equiangular triangle $\triangle OB_1M$ $tg \frac{\beta}{2} = \frac{r}{y}$, giving $y = \frac{r}{tg \frac{\beta}{2}}$. If we replace this and insert it into the first equation we get the following:

$$\frac{r}{tg \frac{\alpha}{2}} + \frac{r}{tg \frac{\beta}{2}} = a$$

and out of which we find the following:

$$r \left(\frac{1}{tg \frac{\alpha}{2}} + \frac{1}{tg \frac{\beta}{2}} \right) = a \Leftrightarrow r = \frac{a}{cot \frac{\alpha}{2} + cot \frac{\beta}{2}}$$

Since $\cot \frac{\alpha}{2} = \operatorname{tg}(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-2)\delta)$ and $\cot \frac{\beta}{2} = \operatorname{tg} \delta$ from the previous equation, after the processing and shortening of the equation we get sought equation:

$$r_{(k-1)n} = \frac{a \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-2)\delta)}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-3)\delta)}$$

Š which needed to be proven in the first place. \square

Corrolary 2.2. *The radius of the inscribed circle of the semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$ is given in relation.*

$$(14) \quad r_{2n} = a \frac{\cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - \delta)}{\sin \frac{\pi}{n}}$$

Proof. From the relation (13) for $k = 3$ we get the sought relation. \square

Theorem 2.4. *There is no convex equilateral semi-regular polygon $P_N^{a,\delta}$ with three consecutive vertices each with their corresponding interior angles equal to angle $\beta = \pi - 2\delta$, which may have a circle inscribed.*

Proof. Let us presume quite the opposite to this, i.e., that there is a semi-regular polygon $P_{n(k-1)}^{a,\delta}$ with the inscribed circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ and that there is a vertex B_{j+1} with its corresponding interior angle $\beta = \pi - 2\delta$, between the verticals constructed from the center O of the inscribed circle onto the two neighboring sides. Let its neighboring vertices B_j and B_{j+2} correspond the interior angles β (Figure 7.). Then, from the equiangular triangles $\triangle OB_jK$, $\triangle OKB_{j+1}$ we find that the other relation for the radius of the inscribed circle would be as follows:

$$(15) \quad r_{(k-1)n} = \frac{a}{2} \cot \delta$$

Since the equations (13) and (15) represent the radius of inscribed circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$, with their processing, equaling and shortening with a , we get the following equation:

$$\frac{\cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-2)\delta)}{\sin(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-3)\delta)} = \frac{1}{2} \cot \delta$$

With a presumption that $\sin \delta \neq 0 \Rightarrow \delta \neq m\pi, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \sin(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-3)\delta) &\neq 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\pi}{n} - (k-3)\delta \neq l\pi, l \in \mathbb{Z} \Rightarrow \\ \delta &\neq \frac{(1-n \cdot l)\pi}{n(k-3)}, k > 3, n, k \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

as well as with the condition of convexity of the semi-regular polygon (Theorem 2.1), this equation is then transformed into the form

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sin \delta \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-2)\delta) &= \sin(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-3)\delta) \cos \delta \Leftrightarrow \\ \cos \delta &= 0 \vee 2 \sin \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k-2)\delta) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

From the equation $\cos \delta = 0$ we find that the $\delta = \frac{(2l+1)\pi}{2}$, $l \in \mathbb{Z}$ is the solution. This solution does not meet the condition of convexity of the semi-regular polygon, not even for one whole number $l \in \mathbb{Z}$.

From the second equation, being that

$$2 \sin \delta \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k - 2)\delta\right) = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k - 1)\delta\right) + \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k - 3)\delta\right)$$

we have the following

$$\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{n} - (k - 1)\delta\right) = 0.$$

Here we find that $\delta \neq \frac{(1-nl)\pi}{n(k-1)}$, $l \in \mathbb{Z}$, $k \geq 3$, $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$. The only value of the angle δ which meets the condition of convexity is the one with $l = 0$, and then $\delta = \frac{\pi}{n(k-1)}$. Since with such value of the angle δ polygon $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ is regular, it follows that there is no semi-regular polygon which has three consecutive vertices with their corresponding interior angles equal to the angle $\pi - 2\delta$ such that it can be inscribed a circle. \square

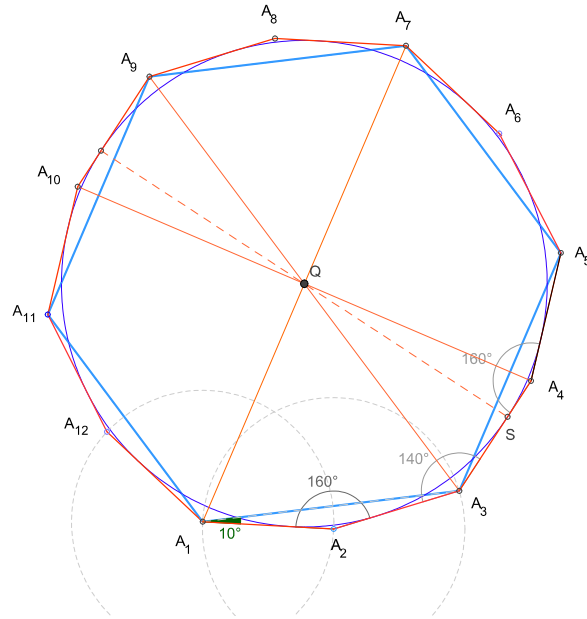


FIGURE 8. A circle may be inscribed to the equilateral semi-regular dodecagon if $k = 3, n = 6$.

Example 1. Examples of semi-regular polygon with inscribed circles;

a) For $k = 3, n = 6$ equilateral semi-regular dodecagon which may be inscribed a circle. (Figure 8).

b) For $k = 5, n = 3$ (Figure 9) and for $k = 4, n = 4$ (Figure 10), equilateral semi-regular dodecagon which may not be inscribed a circle. As an example, the angle value of $\delta = 10^\circ$ has been chosen.

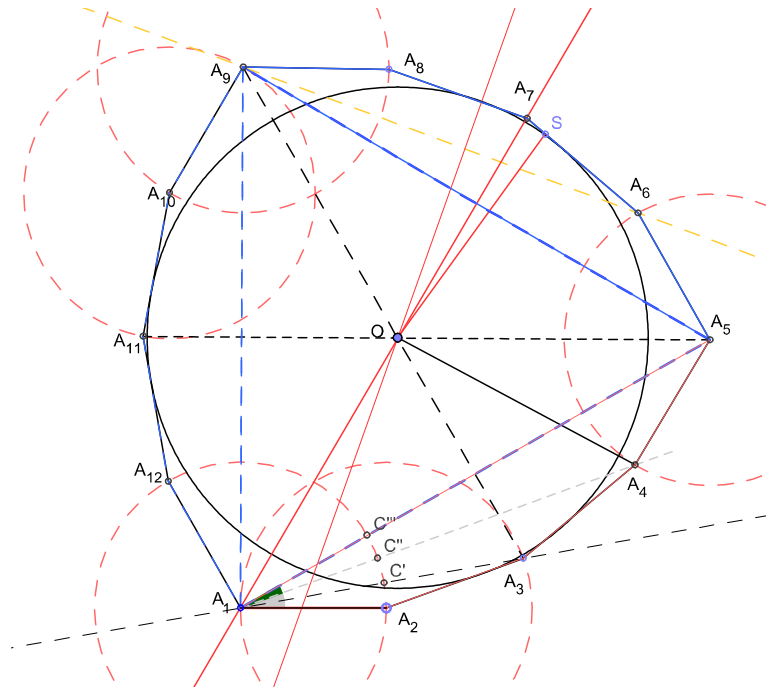


FIGURE 9. A circle may not be inscribed to the equilateral dodecagon with $k = 5, n = 3$

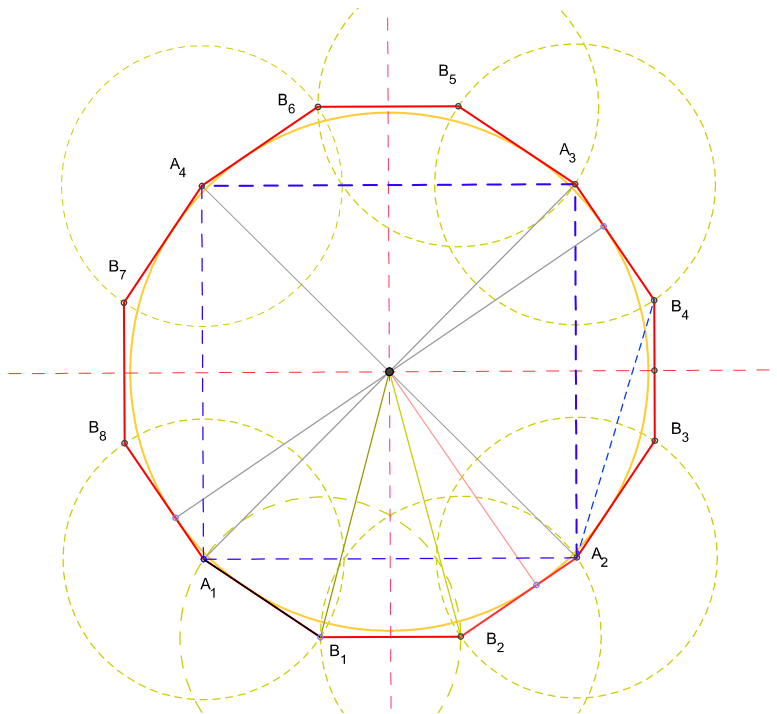


FIGURE 10. A circle may not be inscribed to the equilateral dodecagon with $k = 4, n = 4$.

Theorem 2.5. *The ratio of surface P_{2n} of the semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$ and the product of multiplication of its side a and the radius of inscribed circle r is equal to the number of sides n of the regular polygon above which it has been constructed, i.e.*

$$(16) \quad \frac{P_{2n}}{ar} = n$$

Proof. From the equation for surface of the semi-regular polygon P_{2n}^a

$$P_{2n} = \frac{na^2 \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - \delta)}{\sin \frac{\pi}{n}}$$

and the formula for the radius of the inscribed circle

$$r = r_{2n} = \frac{a \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - \delta)}{\sin \frac{\pi}{n}}$$

we have the following:

$$P_{2n} = na \left(\frac{a \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - \delta)}{\sin \frac{\pi}{n}} \right) = anr \Rightarrow \frac{P_{2n}}{ar} = n$$

with n being the number of sides to the regular polygon above which a semi-regular polygon P_{2n}^a has been constructed. \square

Proposition 2.1. *If the inscribed circle of semi-regular polygon P_{2n}^a is a unit circle, then the ratio of the numerical value of the polygon surface and polygon side is equal to the number of sides n of the corresponding regular polygon above which it has been constructed.*

Proof. It follows from (16), if $r=1$, i.e. $\frac{P_{2n}}{a} = n$. The following theorem deals with the equilateral semi-regular polygons with the inscribed unit circle. \square

Theorem 2.6. *There is no semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$ with the inscribed unit circle and the side a and the whole number length, i.e. such that $a \in \mathbb{Z}$*

Proof. We have shown (Corollary 2.2) that the radius of the inscribed circle is given through a relation

$$r_{2n} = a \frac{\cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - \delta)}{\sin \frac{\pi}{n}}$$

out of which, for $r = 1$, after the relation processing and shortening, we find that the length of a side of a semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{a,\delta}$ is determined with

$$(17) \quad a = \frac{\sin \frac{\pi}{n}}{\cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{n} - \delta)}.$$

If we use that what has been shown for the convex semi-regular equilateral polygons which may be inscribed a circle, that it is applicable that $k = 3, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\delta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{n})$ and that $\sin \alpha \in \mathbb{Q} \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \frac{m\pi}{2}, m \in \mathbb{Z}$ or $\alpha = \frac{\pi}{6}(6l \pm 1), l \in \mathbb{Z}$, as well as that for such values of angle α , $\sin \alpha \in (0, \pm 1, \pm \frac{1}{2})$ we have the following:

$$\sin \pi n \Leftrightarrow \frac{\pi}{n} = \frac{m\pi}{2}, m \in \mathbb{Z} \vee \frac{\pi}{n} = \frac{\pi}{6}(6l \pm 1), l \in \mathbb{Z}$$

From the first equation we get that $n = \frac{2}{m}$, wherefrom $n \in \mathbb{N}$, only for $m = 1$ and $m = 2$. These values do not meet the condition that $n \geq 3$.

From the second equation $\frac{\pi}{n} = \frac{\pi}{6}(6l \pm 1)$ we find that $n = \frac{6}{6l \pm 1}$ and that it represents a natural number $n = 6$ only for $l = 0$. For that value there is a $\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$. Should we replace that value in (17) we obtain the following:

$$a = \frac{1}{2 \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{6} - \delta)}.$$

Since $2 \cos \delta \cos(\frac{\pi}{6} - \delta) = \cos(2\delta - \frac{\pi}{6}) + \cos(\frac{\pi}{6})$ the following sequence of inequation is applicable:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{3} &< \cos(2\delta - \frac{\pi}{6}) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} < \frac{2 + \sqrt{3}}{2} \Rightarrow \\ \frac{2}{2 + \sqrt{3}} &< \frac{1}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \cos(2\delta - \frac{\pi}{6})} < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \Leftrightarrow \\ \frac{2}{2 + \sqrt{3}} &< a < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \Rightarrow \\ 4 - 2\sqrt{3} &< a < \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \end{aligned}$$

the length of side a is not a whole number, what is exactly that what needed to be proven. \square

A geometrical construction of the semi-regular polygon which may be inscribed a circle is given within the following theorem.

Theorem 2.7. *For a given radius r of the inscribed circle and angle δ as defined in (5) there is an equilateral semi-regular polygon $P_N^{r,\delta}$, with $N = (k-1)n$ sides for $k = 3, n \geq 3, n \in \mathbb{N}$ which which is defined with those elements and which may be geometrically constructed.*

Proof. Let us presume that the construction of a such semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{r,\delta}$ is possible, and that it is presented in Figure 11. Let $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ be the inscribed circle with its center at point O and with radius $\overline{OK} = r$. We have already shown (Theorem 2.2) that out of all semi-regular polygons $P_{(k-1)n}^{a,\delta}$ a circle may be inscribed only if $k = 3$. Let $A_1B_1A_2B_2 \dots A_nB_n$ be the vertices of a semi-regular polygon constructed above the sides of a regular polygon with vertices $A_1A_2 \dots A_n$, and let neighboring vertices A_i i $B_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ have their corresponding interior angles immediately to the vertices in the following sequence: to vertices A_i correspond angles $\alpha = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{n} + 2\delta$, and to vertices B_i correspond angles $\beta = \pi - 2\delta$. Let us take randomly two consecutive vertices of the semi-regular polygon. For the right-angled triangles the following is applicable:

1. For $\triangle OKA_1$ it is: $\angle A_1 = \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{(n-2)\pi}{2n} + \delta, \angle O = \frac{\pi}{n} - \delta, \angle K = \frac{\pi}{2}, \overline{OK} = r$
2. For triangle $\triangle OKB_1$ it is: $\overline{OK} = r, \angle K = \frac{\pi}{2}, \angle B_1 = \pi - 2\delta$ and $\angle O = \delta$ (Figure 11).

Based on the given elements r and δ we can construct the right-angled triangle $\triangle OKB_1$. The intersection of straight line p through points B_1, K with the angle side $\angle O = \frac{\pi}{n} - \delta$ (which may be constructed depending on the

number of n sides of the appropriate regular polygon) determines vertex A_1 of right-angled triangle $\triangle OKA_1$. It is with this that we have constructed the side $a = B_1A_1$ of the semi-regular polygon. If we intersect a tangent t_{A_1} from vertex A_1 constructed onto circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ with circle $\mathcal{C}(A_1, a)$ we get vertex B_2 . If in that vertex we construct a tangent onto an inscribed circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ the intersection of such tangent and circle $\mathcal{C}(B_2)$ determines vertex $\mathcal{C}(B_2)$. If we proceed further on in the same manner, we may get all the other vertices of the semi-regular equilateral polygon $P_{2n}^{r, \delta}$.

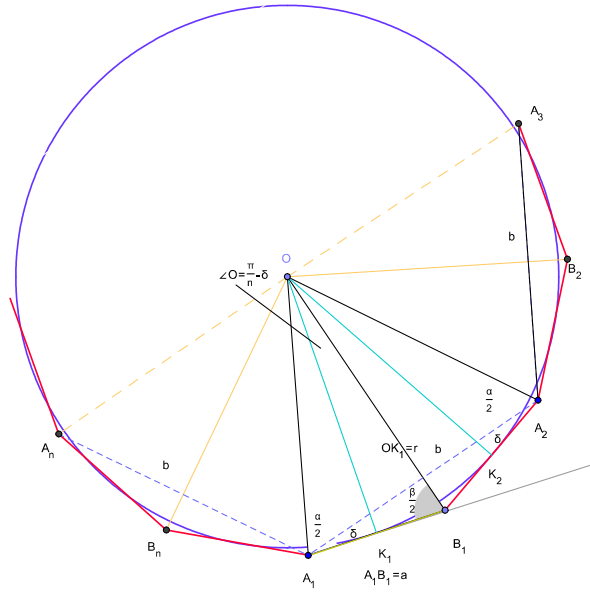


FIGURE 11. Construction of equilateral dodecagon with a given radius of inscribed circle r and angle δ

Construction description: Let there be given radius r and angle δ .

1. We construct a right-angled triangle $\triangle OKB_1$ with the following given elements:

$$\overline{OK} = r, \angle K = \frac{\pi}{2}, \angle O = \delta$$

2. We construct a circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r), \overline{OK} = r$ as an inscribed circle of a semi-regular polygon $P_{2n}^{r, \delta}$.

3. We construct an angle in center $O, \angle O = \frac{\pi}{n} - \delta$, and then construct a right-angled triangle $\triangle OKA_1$, the construction of which determines side $a = B_1A_1$ of the semi-regular polygon.

4. We construct a tangent from vertex A_1 to circle $\mathcal{C}(O, r)$ and then we construct vertex B_2 , in the following manner $\mathcal{C}(A_1, B_1A_1 = a) \cap \mathcal{C}(O, r)$.

5. If we repeat the previous procedure this time from vertex B_2 we then get vertex A_2 . We then proceed with the same procedure to construct all other vertices. The example above (Figure 12) presents a construction of the semi-regular $P_6^{\delta, r}$ with a given radius $r = 2cm$ of inscribed circle and $\delta = 15^\circ$.

