

6-1 Study Guide and Intervention

Angles of Polygons

Sum of Measures of Interior Angles The segments that connect the nonconsecutive sides of a polygon are called **diagonals**. Drawing all of the diagonals from one vertex of an **n -gon** separates the polygon into $n - 2$ triangles. The sum of the measures of the interior angles of the polygon can be found by adding the measures of the interior angles of those $n - 2$ triangles.

Interior Angle Sum Theorem	If a convex polygon has n sides, and S is the sum of the measures of its interior angles, then $S = 180(n - 2)$.
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Example 1 A convex polygon has 13 sides. Find the sum of the measures of the interior angles.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 180(n - 2) \\ &= 180(13 - 2) \\ &= 180(11) \\ &= 1980 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2 The measure of an interior angle of a regular polygon is 120. Find the number of sides.

The number of sides is n , so the sum of the measures of the interior angles is $120n$.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= 180(n - 2) \\ 120n &= 180(n - 2) \\ 120n &= 180n - 360 \\ -60n &= -360 \\ n &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

Exercises

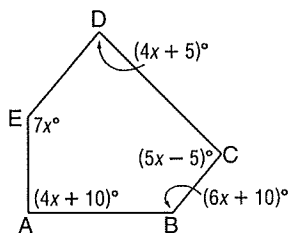
Find the sum of the measures of the interior angles of each convex polygon.

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| 1. 10-gon | 2. 16-gon | 3. 30-gon |
| 4. 8-gon | 5. 12-gon | 6. $3x$ -gon |

The measure of an interior angle of a regular polygon is given. Find the number of sides in each polygon.

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| 7. 150 | 8. 160 | 9. 175 |
| 10. 165 | 11. 168.75 | 12. 135 |

13. Find x .



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Sum of Measures of Exterior Angles There is a simple relationship among the exterior angles of a convex polygon.

Exterior Angle Sum Theorem	If a polygon is convex, then the sum of the measures of the exterior angles, one at each vertex, is 360.
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Example 1 Find the sum of the measures of the exterior angles, one at each vertex, of a convex 27-gon.

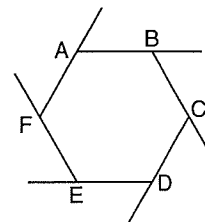
For *any* convex polygon, the sum of the measures of its exterior angles, one at each vertex, is 360.

Example 2 Find the measure of each exterior angle of regular hexagon *ABCDEF*.

The sum of the measures of the exterior angles is 360 and a hexagon has 6 angles. If n is the measure of each exterior angle, then

$$6n = 360$$

$$n = 60$$



Exercises

Find the sum of the measures of the exterior angles of each convex polygon.

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| 1. 10-gon | 2. 16-gon | 3. 36-gon |
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Find the measure of an exterior angle for each convex regular polygon.

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| 4. 12-gon | 5. 36-gon | 6. $2x$ -gon |
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Find the measure of an exterior angle given the number of sides of a regular polygon.

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| 7. 40 | 8. 18 | 9. 12 |
| 10. 24 | 11. 180 | 12. 8 |

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