

§5.1

Chapter Five

Concerning Quintuplication.

And as by trisection we found the subtended chord of the triple as well as of the third part of a subtended chord, so by quintuplication, and quinquisection we may find the subtended chord both of five times an arc and of the fifth part of an arc.

For Quinquisection.

1. If any right lines are in continued proportion, of which the first AB is the radius, with the second any subtended chord BC; of which five are subtended in the same way together with the sixth proportional, set equal to the subtended chord of the five-fold arc, and four of the same five proportionals are accepted.

Let BC, CD, DE, EF, FG, be equal to the subtended chords; and BE subtending the triple; BG, but the arc BC five-fold; they will be $AB, 1; BC,$

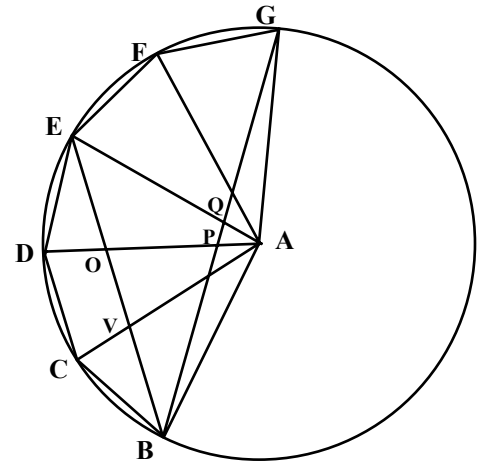
$1 \textcircled{1}; CV, 1 \textcircled{2}$, because of continued proportion, and $AV, 1 - 1 \textcircled{2}$; and by the rule of proportion $VO,$ will be $1 \textcircled{1} - 1 \textcircled{3}$, because this is evident also through that which was said for trisection.

<i>Proport- ionals</i>	{	AC	1
		CD	$1 \textcircled{1}$
		AV	$1 - 1 \textcircled{2}$
		VO	$1 \textcircled{1} - 1 \textcircled{3}$

[Table 5-1]

<i>Proport- ionals</i>	{	AB	1
		BC	$1 \textcircled{1}$
		BP	$2 \textcircled{1} - 1 \textcircled{3}$
		PO	$2 \textcircled{2} - 1 \textcircled{4}$
		AP	$1 - 3 \textcircled{2} + 1 \textcircled{4}$
		PQ	$1 \textcircled{1} - 3 \textcircled{3} + 1 \textcircled{5}$

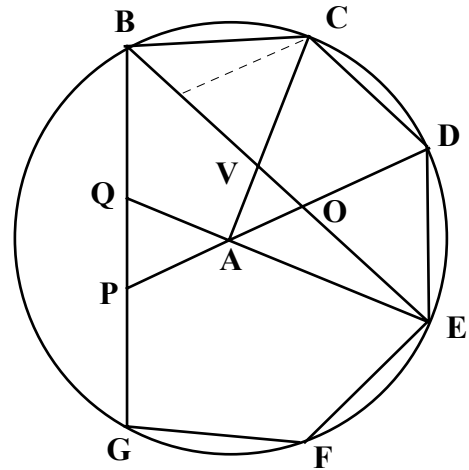
[Table 5-2]



[Figure 5-1]

But BO, BP are equal because PBO, OED are similar triangles: therefore $BP,$ not less than $BO,$ will be $2 \textcircled{1} - 1 \textcircled{3}$, and PO will be $2 \textcircled{2} - 1 \textcircled{4}$; And therefore $OD, 1 \textcircled{2}$, the total PD will be $3 \textcircled{2} - 1 \textcircled{4}$ which taken from the Radius $AD, 1,$ leaves $AP, 1 - 3 \textcircled{2} + 1 \textcircled{4}$, and by proportionality PQ will be $1 \textcircled{1} - 3 \textcircled{3} + 1 \textcircled{5}$. But BP is $2 \textcircled{1} - 1 \textcircled{3}$, and with this equal to $GQ:$ the total $BPQG$ is $5 \textcircled{1} - 5 \textcircled{3} + 1 \textcircled{5}$.

2. With the total Arc BCDEFG, if it is larger than a semicircle², nevertheless BG is equal to 5 ① - 5 ③ + 1 ⑤. For DO is 1 ② as before; and BO, 2 ① - 1 ③, and therefore OP, 2 ② - 1 ④; to which is added DO, 1 ②, the total DP is 3 ② - 1 ④: from which if AD, 1 is taken away, AP is 3 ② - 1 ④ - 1; and PQ ijs 3 ③ - 1 ⑤ - 1 ①. As either BO, BP, or GQ is 2 ① - 1 ③: therefore BP and GQ have the value 4 ① - 2 ③; from which if PQ, 3 ③ - 1 ⑤ - 1 ①, is taken away there remains 5 ① - 5 ③ + 1 ⑤ equal to the line BG.



[Figure 5 - 2]

<i>Proportions</i>	{	AD 1	DP 3 ② - 1 ④	BO	}
		DE 1 ①	AP 3 ② - 1 ④ - 1	BP	
		DE 1 ①	*PQ 3 ③ - 1 ⑤ - 1 ①	GQ	
		DO 1 ②		BP + GQ	
		BO 2 ① - 1 ③		*PQ	
		OP 2 ② - 1 ④		BG	

[Table 5 - 3]

CONCLUSIONS.

3. Given a subtended chord of any arc, we can find subtending chord of the quintuple arc; and conversely.

Let the given subtended chord of 10 Degrees be 17431148549.

This can be found by multiplication of the given subtending chord into itself, and in products by itself with itself, the square of the same, together with the cube, the biquadratic [Fourth power], and the whole [Fifth power]. If from five times the subtended chord and with one of the whole, should be taken away five of the cube; what has been left should be the subtended chord of 50 degrees.

087155742745	5 ①	<i>Continued Proportions</i>	{	① 017431148549	<i>Sub. Ch. 10⁰:0'</i>
000016092741	1 ⑤			② 00303844939793	
087171835486	<i>Sum</i>			③ 00052963662804	
002648183140	5 ③			④ 00009232174740	
084523652346	<i>Sub. Ch. 50⁰:0'</i>			⑤ 00001609274093	
				⑥ 00000280514957	
				⑦ 00000048896979	

[Table 5-4]

Let the given subtended chord of 50 degrees be 845236523481.

4226182617405	5 ①	<i>Continued Proport- ionals</i>	100000000000
0431411060500	1 ⑤		① 0845236523481
4657593677905			② 07144247806262
3019289589325	5 ③		③ 06038579178650
1638304088580	Sub. Ch. 250 ⁰ :0'		④ 05104027671726
77	110 ⁰ :0'	⑤ 04314110605000	

[Table 5-5]

4. For if the five-fold of the given arc should exceed the whole circle: the signs of the whole equation are changed, and 5 ① -5 ③ + 1 ⑤ is replaced with 5 ③ -5 ① - 1 ⑤, which is equal to the subtending chord of five times the given arc: or rather the excess of five times the subtending chord over the whole circle.

Let the arc with the given subtending chord be 140 degrees: 0': if 5 ① + 1 ⑤ is taken from 5 ③, the subtended chord of 20:0' or 340 degrees remains.

5 ① 9396926207859083840		10000000000000000000000000000000	<i>Continued proportions</i>
1 ⑤ 32446556060384306982	Sub. Ch. 140 ⁰ or 220 ⁰	① 187938524157181676810822	
32843482268243390822	Sum taken away	② 3532088886237959070404788	
5 ③ 33190778623577251520		③ 663815572471545030432466	
034729635533860698	Sub. Ch. 340 ⁰ 20 ⁰	④ 1247565190028568497932258	
		⑤ 2344655606038430698337877	
		A ⑥ 4406511142557256524229240	
		B ⑦ 8281532008143860592945789	
		C ⑧ 15564189033710182271025597	
		D ⑨ 29251107166988838303066607	

[Table 5-6]

With these continued proportionals, if from the three nearest the fourth is to be found ; with three times the second added to the first; the total is the fourth. The same subtended chord of 20 degrees can be found in the same way, if the subtended chord of 76 degrees has been given: the quintuple arc of which exceeds the circle by 20 degrees.

B <i>Tripled</i>	8281532008143860592945789
A	4406511142557256524229240
D	29251107166988838303066607

[Table 5-7]

5. For if the quintuple of the given arc exceeds two whole circles; the equation resumes that which was demonstrated from the first situation, and will be 5 ① -5 ③ + 1 ⑤ the equal of the subtending chord over two circles. For:

Let the given subtended chord of 157:2':40" be 19600039119128

$\begin{array}{r} 98000195595640 \text{ 5 } \textcircled{1} \\ 289257541566577 \text{ 1 } \textcircled{5} \\ \hline 289267541566577 \\ 376479054205137 \text{ 5 } \textcircled{3} \\ \hline 10778682957080 \end{array}$	<i>Sum taken away</i>	<i>Continued Proportions</i>	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 10000000 \\ 19600039119128 \text{ ①} \\ 38416153347635 \text{ ②} \\ 752958108410275 \text{ ③} \\ 1475800837990604 \text{ ④} \\ 289257541566577 \text{ ⑤} \\ 566945913020770 \text{ ⑥} \\ 1111216207363663 \text{ ⑦} \end{array} \right.$
	<i>Subtended degrees</i> 65:13':20"		
	<i>Five times given arc</i> 785:13':20"		
	<i>Two circles removed</i> $\frac{720:0':0''}{}$		
	<i>Remaining arc</i> 65:13':20"		

[Table 5-7]

And this method will be called 'Quintuplication ' [Latin: *Quintuplatio, times five*], as with any subtended chord, the subtended chord of the quintuple sought.

§5.2 Notes on Chapter Five.

¹ This beautiful piece of elementary geometry is based on the set of similar isosceles that Briggs has considered previously; see Chapter Three, Note 1. Thus, for the first set of proportionalities, [Table 5-1] becomes:

<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">AC</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">CD</td><td>p</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">AV</td><td>$1 - p^2$</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">VO</td><td>$p - p^3$</td></tr> </table> <p>[Table 5 - 1A]</p>	AC	1	CD	p	AV	$1 - p^2$	VO	$p - p^3$	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">AB</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">BC</td><td>p</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">BP</td><td>$2p - p^3$</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">PO</td><td>$2p^2 - p^4$</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">AP</td><td>$1 - 3p^2 + p^4$</td></tr> <tr><td style="padding-right: 10px;">PQ</td><td>$p - 3p^3 + p^5$</td></tr> </table> <p>[Table 5 - 2A]</p>	AB	1	BC	p	BP	$2p - p^3$	PO	$2p^2 - p^4$	AP	$1 - 3p^2 + p^4$	PQ	$p - 3p^3 + p^5$
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AP	$1 - 3p^2 + p^4$																				
PQ	$p - 3p^3 + p^5$																				

Hence, the total length of the subtending chord $BG = 2.BP + PQ = 5p - 5p^3 + p^5$.

This derivation is almost the same as Note 1. We will, however, set out the working for this case. Again, it is based on a number of similar isosceles triangles: $OE = BV = p$; $AO = 1 - p^2$; $AO/OV = 1/p$ gives $OV = p - p^3$. Then $BO = PV + VO = 2p - p^3 = BP$; $PO = 2p^2 - p^4$, and $AP = AO - PO = 1 - 3p^2 + p^4$. Again, $AP/l = PQ/p$ gives $PQ = p - 3p^3 + p^5$, and finally: $BG = 2BP + PQ = 5p - 5p^3 + p^5$ as before.

This may be an appropriate place to comment on Briggs' 5th power equation for finding the subtended chord of the 5-fold arc given the single arc, and the 5th part of a given subtended chord. The first is dealt with by Briggs in a straightforward manner: however, the second requires a few remarks. We note initially the customary relation:

$\sin 5\theta = 5\sin \theta - 20 \sin^3 \theta + 16 \sin^5 \theta$. Now for unit radius, the subtended chord has length $A = 2\sin 5\theta/2$; hence, $A = 2 \sin 5\theta/2 = 10\sin\theta/2 - 40 \sin^3 \theta/2 + 32 \sin^5 \theta/2 = 5(2\sin\theta/2) - 5(2\sin\theta/2)^3 + (2\sin\theta/2)^5$. This is the equation solved by Briggs in Chapter 6, where the variable is $(2\sin\theta/2)$, leading to very accurate values of the sine of the 5th part of the original angle. Four of the 5 real roots are determined by Briggs, by adding on multiples of 360, taking supplements, etc. He does not seem to know that the sum of the roots is zero, or in fact that the equation has 5 roots: his attention is focused on finding the sines of useful angles for his tables.