



Construct the circumcircle with center at Q by intersection of the perpendicular bisectors of the sides of ABC. Draw the two radii AQ & QC = R. Connect Q and C.

From Ptolemy's Theorem, AC·QO + AQ·OC = AO·QC. Because angle AQC = 120° (twice angle ABC),  $AC = 2 \cdot R \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ , and AQ = QC = R, so

$$2 \cdot R \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot QO + R \cdot OC = AO \cdot R, \text{ but } AO = 2 \cdot OC$$

$$\sqrt{3} \cdot QO + OC = 2 \cdot OC, \text{ and } OC = \sqrt{3} \cdot QO \dots \dots \dots [1]$$

[R may be computed using triangle AQC and the Law of Cosines:

$$99^2 = AQ^2 + QC^2 - AQ \cdot QC \cdot 2 \cdot \cos 120^\circ = R^2 + R^2 - 2 \cdot R \cdot R \cdot (-0.5) = 3 \cdot R^2$$

From which  $R = \sqrt{3}(99) = 57.1577$ , but it is not needed for this problem]

Extend AO to intersect BC at D. Draw QE parallel with AOD and QF perpendicular to AO. Let AB = m and QF = k.

BE = EC because QE is the perpendicular bisector of BC. ABD is a 30°-60°-90° triangle, so  $BD = \frac{m}{2}$ ,  $AD = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot m$ , and ED = QF = k.

$$DC = EC - k = BE - k = (BD - k) - k = BD - 2 \cdot k \text{ and } EC = \frac{m}{2} - 2 \cdot k$$

$$OD = \frac{\left(\frac{m}{2} - 2 \cdot k\right)}{\sqrt{3}}, OC = 2 \cdot \frac{\left(\frac{m}{2} - 2 \cdot k\right)}{\sqrt{3}}, \text{ or } OD = \frac{m - 4 \cdot k}{2 \cdot \sqrt{3}} \text{ and } OC = \frac{m - 4 \cdot k}{\sqrt{3}}$$

From [1]:  $\frac{m - 4 \cdot k}{\sqrt{3}} = \sqrt{3} \cdot OQ$ , but  $OQ = 2 \cdot k$ , so  $m - 4 \cdot k = 6 \cdot k$  and  $m = 10 \cdot k$

Now  $BD = 5 \cdot k$ ,  $BE = 4 \cdot k$ ,  $CD = 3 \cdot k$

In triangle ADC,  $AD^2 + DC^2 = 99^2$ , or  $\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot m\right)^2 + (3 \cdot k)^2 = 99^2$

$$\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cdot 10 \cdot k\right)^2 + 9 \cdot k^2 = 99^2 \text{ from which } k = 10.8018$$

$AB = 10 \cdot k = 108.0178$  and  $BC = 8 \cdot k = 86.4143$

$$\cos A = \frac{108.0178^2 + 99^2 - 86.4143^2}{2 \cdot 108.0178 \cdot 99} = 0.654653321 = \cos 49^\circ 06' 24''$$

$$\cos C = \frac{99^2 + 86.4143^2 - 108.0178^2}{2 \cdot 99 \cdot 86.4143} = 0.327327636 = \cos 70^\circ 53' 36''$$