

Landscape Block Circle Algorithm : Equations 1 to 4

Derivation of the following equations is given below

* R_1 is set to R_s

Eqn 1: $\beta = 2 * \arctan(W_f / (2 * R_1))$

Eqn 2: $\delta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (2 * (R_1 + D_m)))$

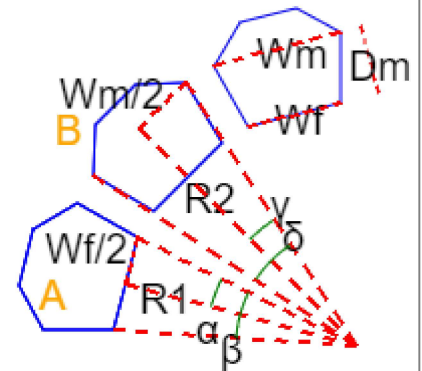
Eqn 3: $\epsilon = \text{maximum}(\beta, \delta)$

Eqn 4: $B_r = \text{floor}(360 / \epsilon)$... blocks per circle ring if ϵ is in degrees and floor is the maximum integer less than $360 / \epsilon$

Blocks per Diameter

This is about determining how many blocks can be placed in a circle of a given diameter. And that is determined by which angle is greater for the Dimension W_m or W_f .

Note: R_1 is the distance from the center face of the block to the center of a circle of a given diameter D with $R_1 = D/2$ or $D = 2 * R_1$.



For Block A the dimension R_1 is perpendicular (has a 90 degree angle) to dimension $W_f/2$

so $\tan(\alpha) = \text{opposite/adjacent} = (W_f/2) / R_1 = W_f / (2 * R_1)$

rearranging to solve for α gives $\alpha = \arctan(W_m / (2 * R_1))$

angle β is twice that of α so: **$\beta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (2 * R_1))$**

substituting $R_1 = D/2$ gives $\beta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (2 * D/2))$

which simplifies to $\beta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (D))$ **Eqn 1:** $\beta = 2 * \arctan(W_f / (2 * R_1))$

Eqn 2: $\delta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (2 * (R_1 + D_m)))$

For Block B the dimension R_2 is perpendicular (has a 90 degree angle) to dimension $W_m/2$

$R_2 = R_1 + D_m$

so $\tan(\gamma) = \text{opposite/adjacent} = (W_m/2) / R_2 = W_m / (2 * R_2) = W_m / (2 * (R_1 + D_m))$

rearranging to solve for γ gives $\gamma = \arctan(W_m / (2 * (R_1 + D_m)))$

angle δ is twice that of γ so: **$\delta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (2 * (R_1 + D_m)))$**

substituting $R_1 = D/2$ gives $\delta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (2 * (D/2 + D_m)))$

which simplifies to $\delta = 2 * \arctan(W_m / (D + 2 * D_m))$