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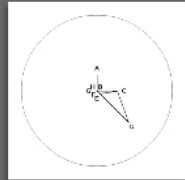
Jacob Edmond, University of Otago

Eight dimensions of a long poem

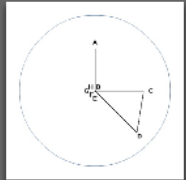
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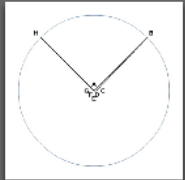
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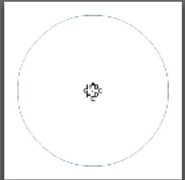
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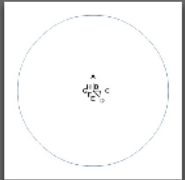
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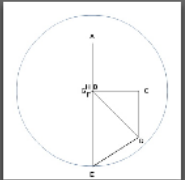
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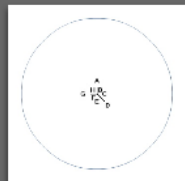
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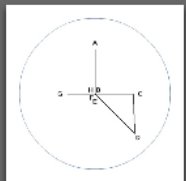
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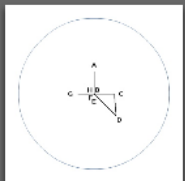
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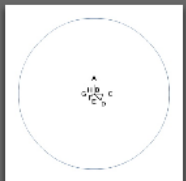
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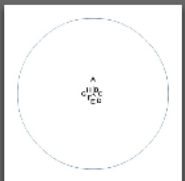
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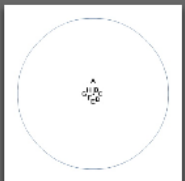
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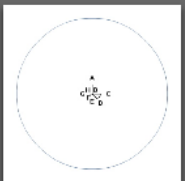
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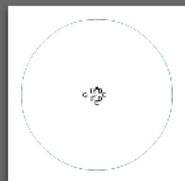
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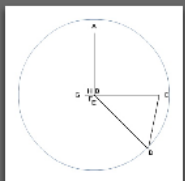
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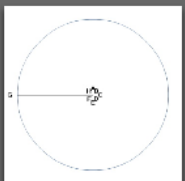
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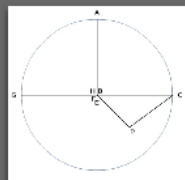
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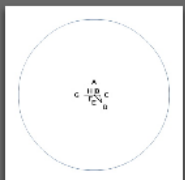
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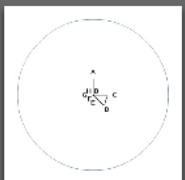
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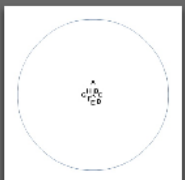
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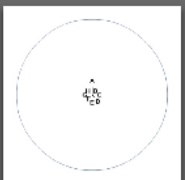
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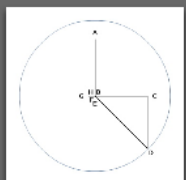
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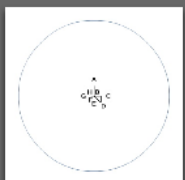
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TWL (031)



TW L 032



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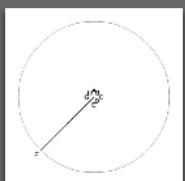
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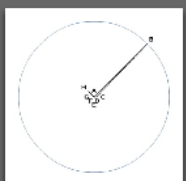
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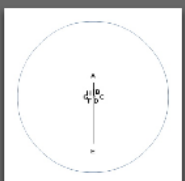
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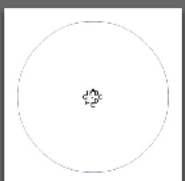
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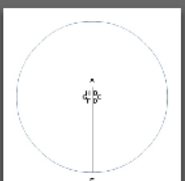
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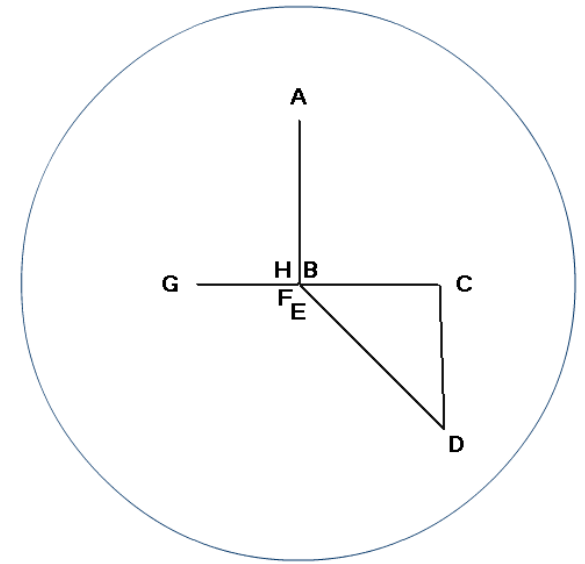
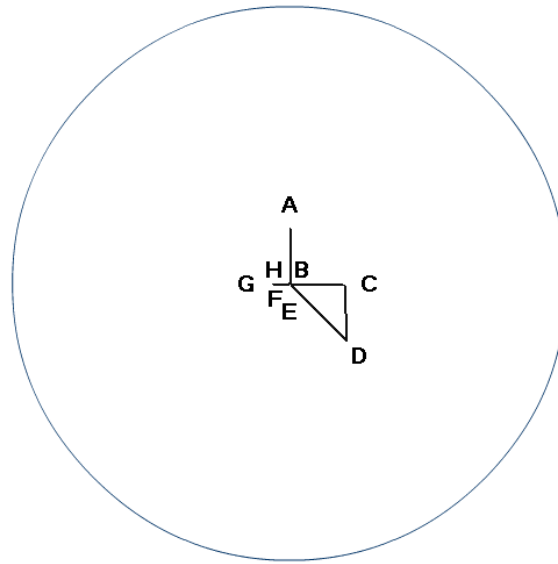
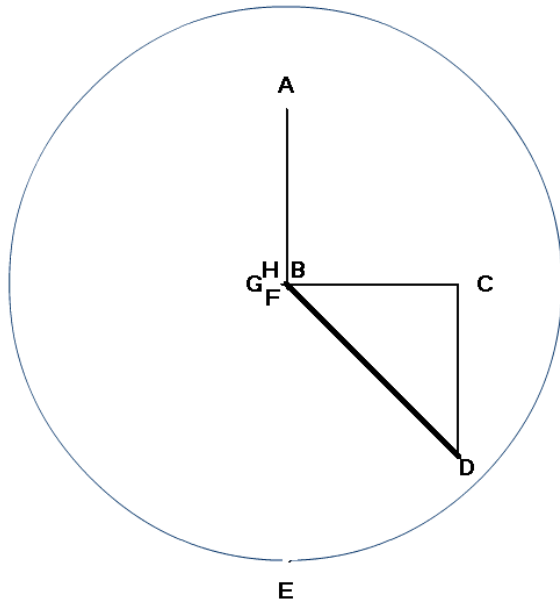


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Sports 011

Measuring modernist long poems

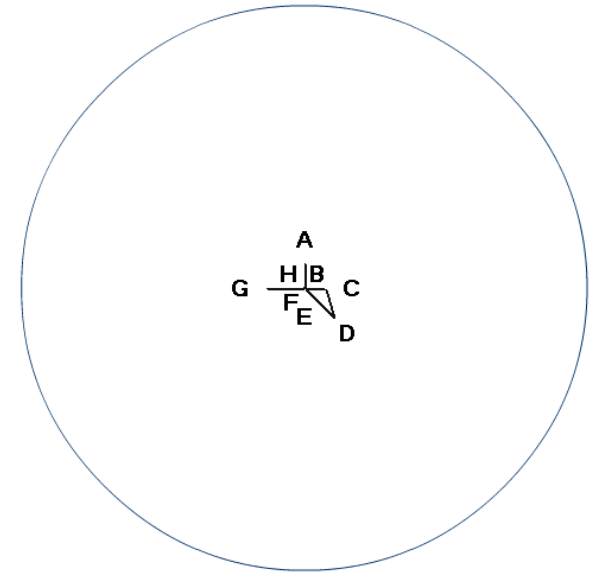
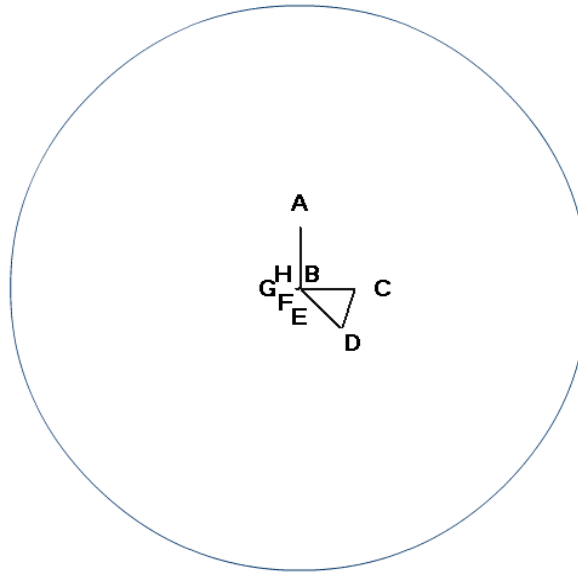
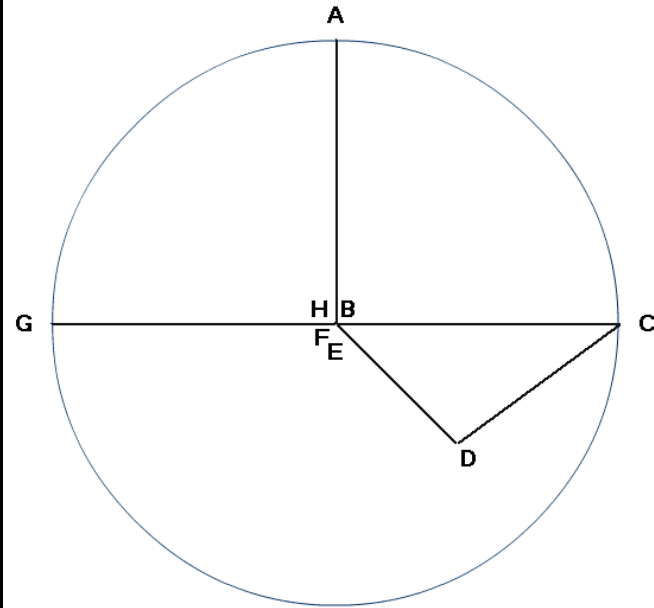


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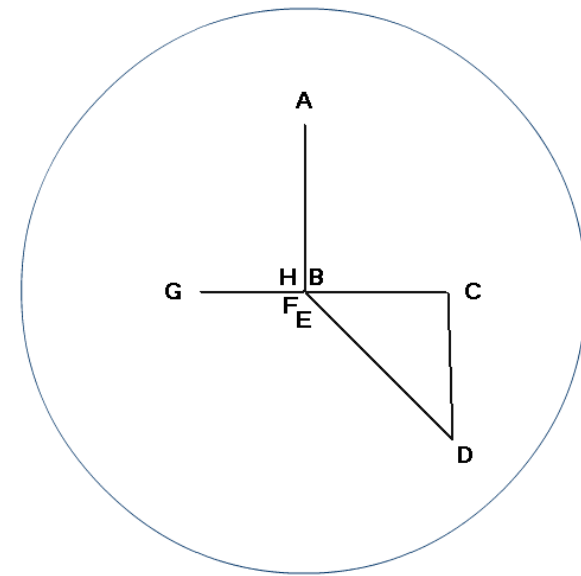
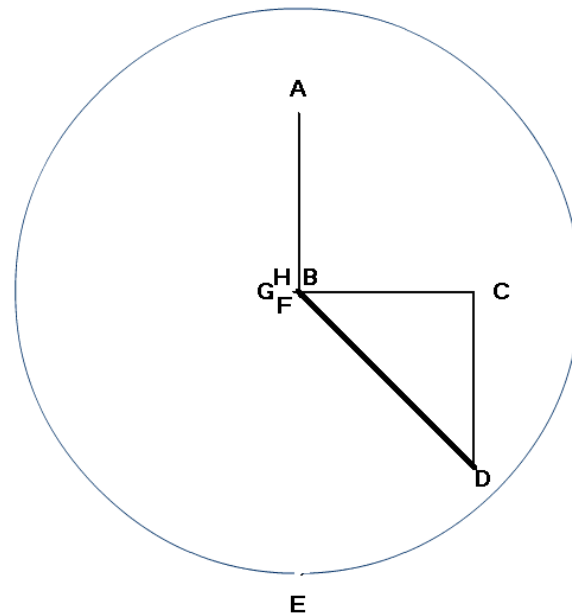
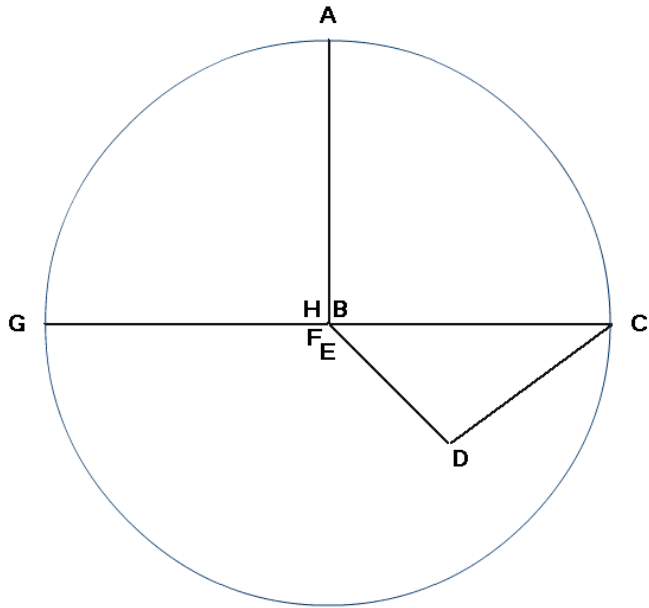


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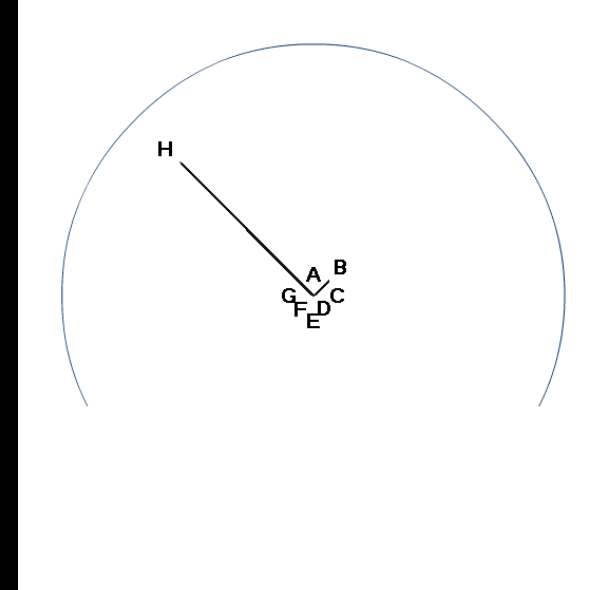
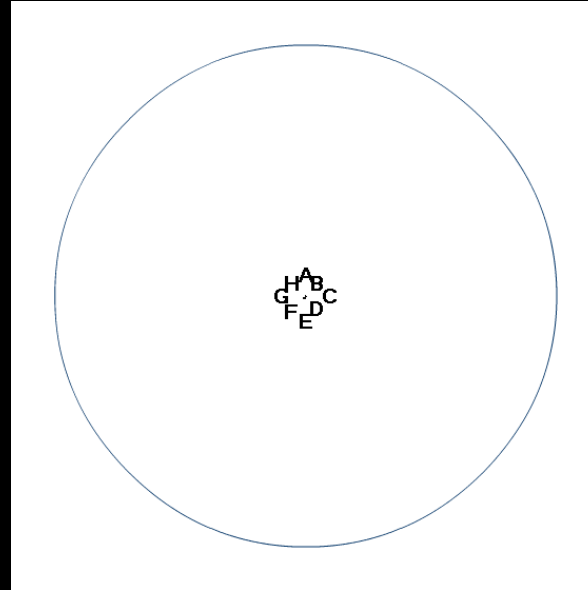
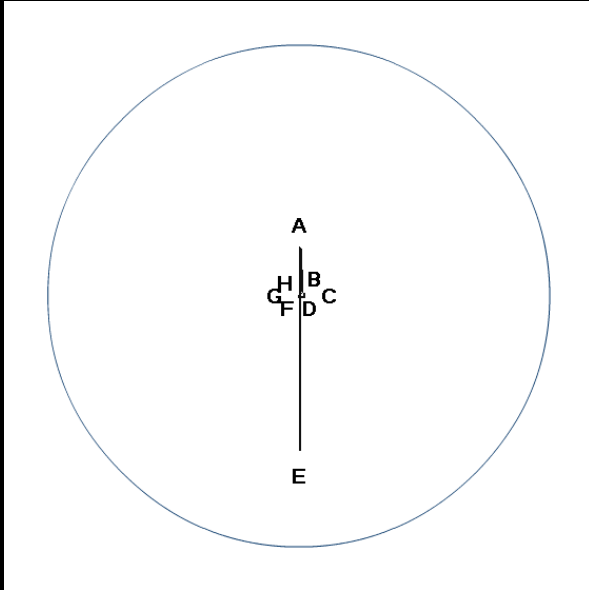


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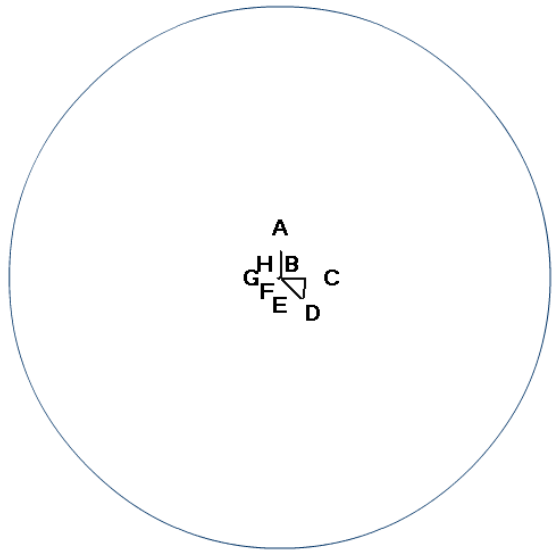


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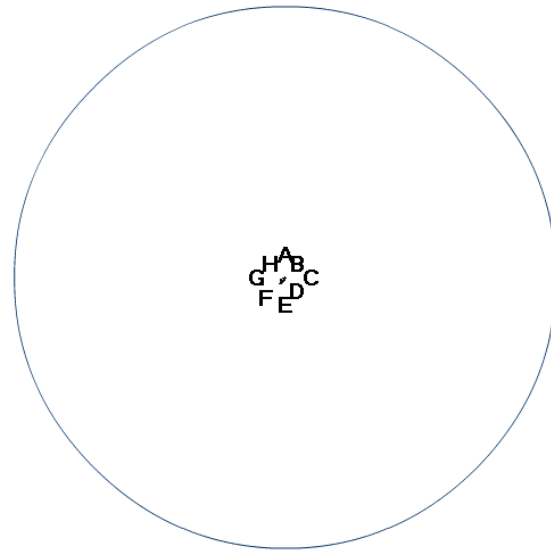
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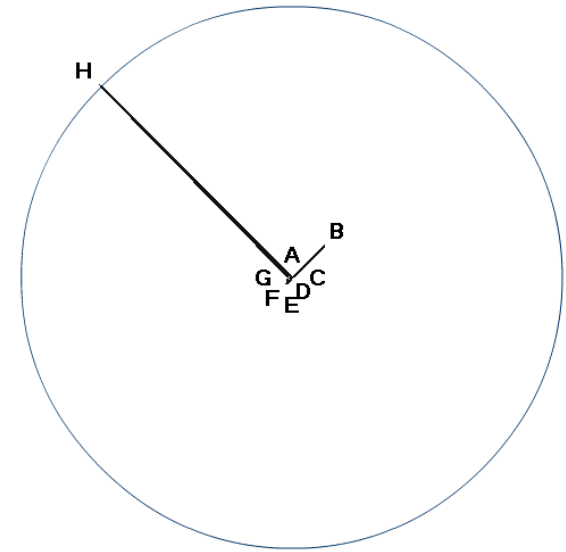
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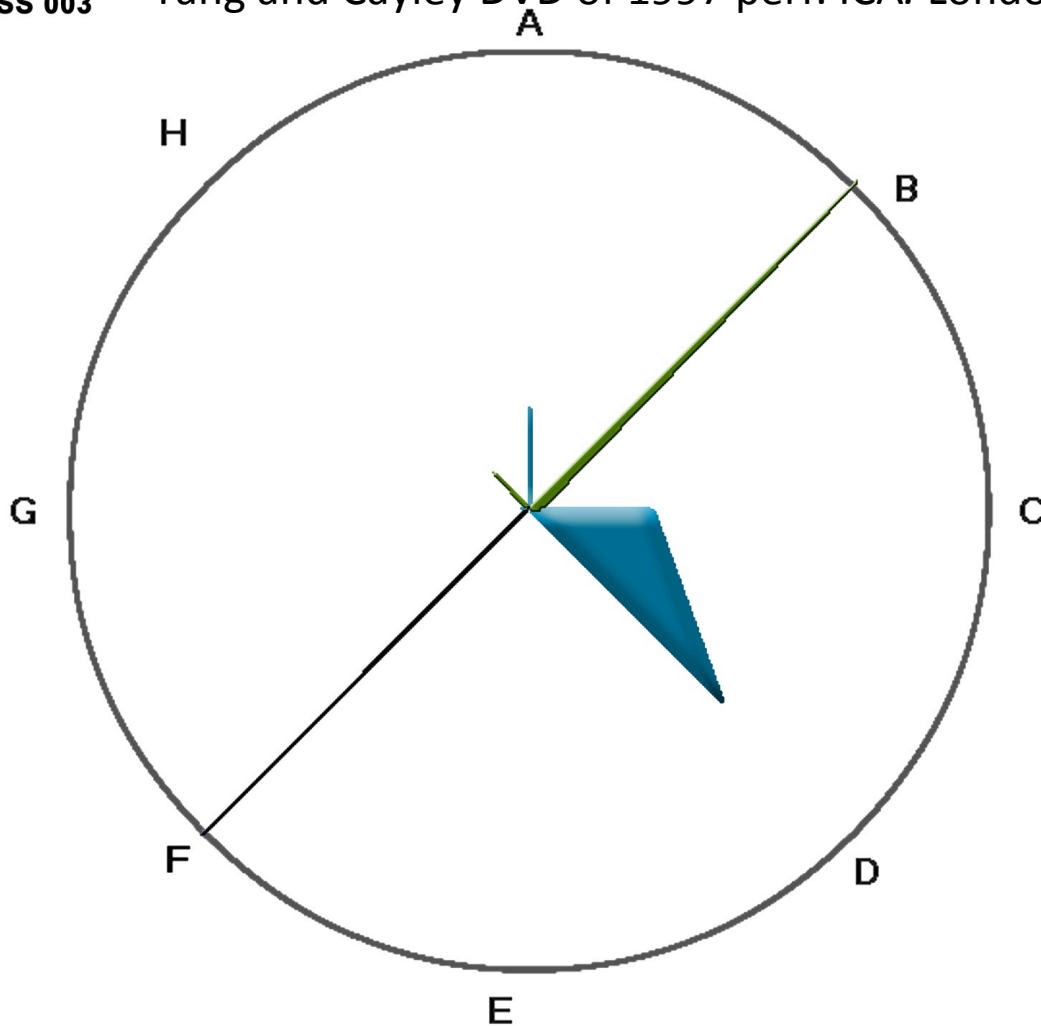
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