

On the Use of an Inverse Square to Solve for π with *Exactitude*

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Abstraction:

By way of *challenging* Archimedes' *basic underlying assumptions*, this paper *falsifies* any & all *assumed numerical integrity(s)* in & of the hitherto endorsed approximation of π as 3.14159...

This paper further hypothesizes the *unsolved status* of the *Riemann Hypothesis* "problem" to be owing to a *numerically deficient circle constant* following a discovery of a '***Blunder of Millennia***'.

Admittedly, since at least the time of Archimedes, mathematicians have been iteratively & exhaustively approximating the circumference of a circle by way of use of polygons (of ever-increasing sides n):

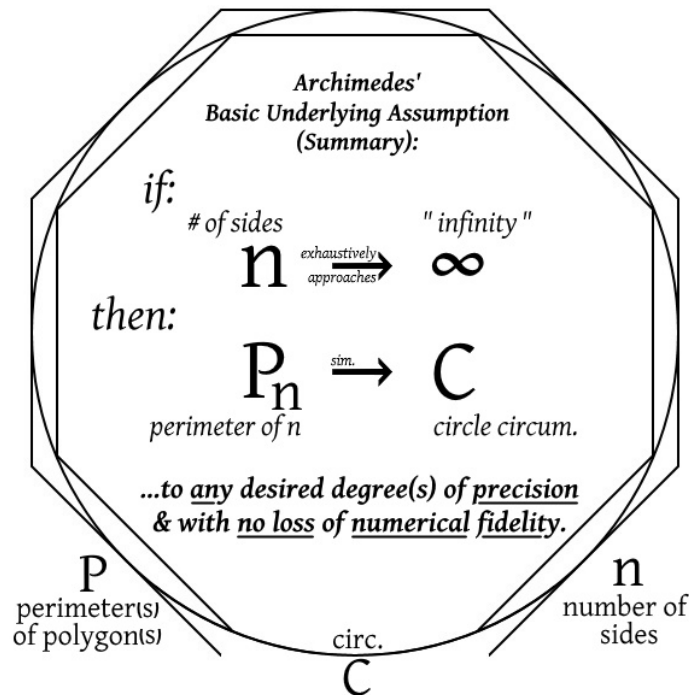


Figure 1.

...all while/as assuming such a comparison was & is ever a valid one in the first place.

Specifically, mathematicians have long assumed if & as these polygons' sides ever-approach "infinity", their perimeters practically describe a circumference of a circle to any desired degree(s) of precision & with no loss of numerical fidelity whatsoever.

Has this assumption ever been questioned by mathematicians? If not, why not? For should it be false: Archimedes' method would result in a mere ongoing belief the numeric approximation & decimation 3.14159265358979...etc. if even carried out to trillions of decimal places... is inerrantly describing a one-and-only curvature constant as it observes a constant radius of precisely 0.5000...etc. with 0.000...etc. margin of error. This, instead of it otherwise describing two relatively unlike polygons' mere approximation of one (& whose fidelity both begins & ends with the very same lack of fidelity Archimedes himself began with.)

Importantly, as a matter of principle: if such comparison(s) of a polygon(s) to a circle happens to be false one(s)... it would so follow that any/all upper- and lower-bounds calculated using them (incl. Archimedes') would likewise be... false ones.

As it happens, according to the recent use of an inverse square to precisely calculate pi, Archimedes' approach (& all subsequent polygonal folly following it) fundamentally underlies what can only be described as an ongoing "Blunder of Millennia". Unlike Archimedes' approach, this approach solves for pi with exactitude (& is herein, to follow.)

First, instead of beginning with Archimedes' initial assumption, we begin with an even more basic one: human beings (incl. Archimedes) are fallible & tend to err. It is therefore necessary (should that be the case here) to suspend (if even temporarily, though entirely) any & all hitherto taken-to-be-true notions concerning pi as a consequence of Archimedes' approach.

Specifically, these notions include (though are by no means limited to):

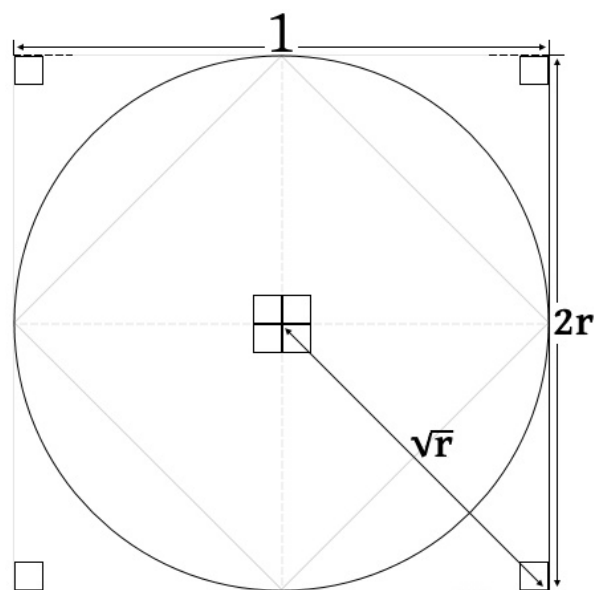
- i. the circumference of a circle whose radius is 0.5000... is (approx.) 3.14159...
- ii. the numerical value of pi is (therefore) approximately 3.14159..., and
- iii. pi is "transcendental" as was "proven" by von Lindemann *et. al.* in 1882.

These "proven" notions could *otherwise* be proven *false* should it ever be the case any *real* circumference of any *real* circle is *verifiably not* 3.14159... *If* so, it would follow this number could *not possibly be* pi. *And*, if *that* is so, it would follow Lindemann *et. al.* did *not really* prove pi is transcendental, but rather only proved the approximated decimation of 3.14159... *is*, and this part of the result could remain undisputed. *But*, if pi were *another number entirely*, such as an *algebraic* ratio expressible in an exact form(s)... in *that* case, pi would *not* be transcendental.

It is important to be *conscious* of any (& *ideally* all) conditions under which an *assumption(s)*, *belief(s)* and/or *conclusion(s)* hitherto-taken-to-be 'true' by *any* corpus of *consensus* can actually be proven to be 'false' for: the recognition of a *false basic underlying assumption(s)* is (as) a catalytic *spark* preceding any & all possible *explosion(s)* of scientific *discovery & progress*.

We begin our own process of discovery by *questioning* Archimedes' use of polygons, asking: "...on what foundation (if any) did Archimedes *assume* by iteratively & exhaustively increasing inscribed & circumscribed polygons' sides, their perimeters should reconcile the circumference of a circle without loss of *numerical fidelity*? *Moreover*, concerning a calculation of pi: is there *not a better way(s)?*"

We continue by allowing the possibility Archimedes *made a mistake(s)* owing to one or more of his assumptions, so we *reject* Archimedes' approach *entirely* & try a new one by both inscribing & circumscribing a circle of known radius with a *perfect square(s)* and comparing them on a foundation of *four common right angles*. In doing so, unlike Archimedes' approach, *this* approach satisfies the condition of a *like-for-like* comparison: both circle *and* square commonly observe one another's *four* commonly contained right angles *viz.*



$$\therefore \frac{\text{side}}{\text{diag.}} = \frac{2r}{2\sqrt{r}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{r} \text{ obs. } r = \frac{1}{2}$$

\therefore the ratio of a squared unit side/diagonal is EQUAL to a RECIPROCAL of the diagonal of the unit (itself).

Figure 2.

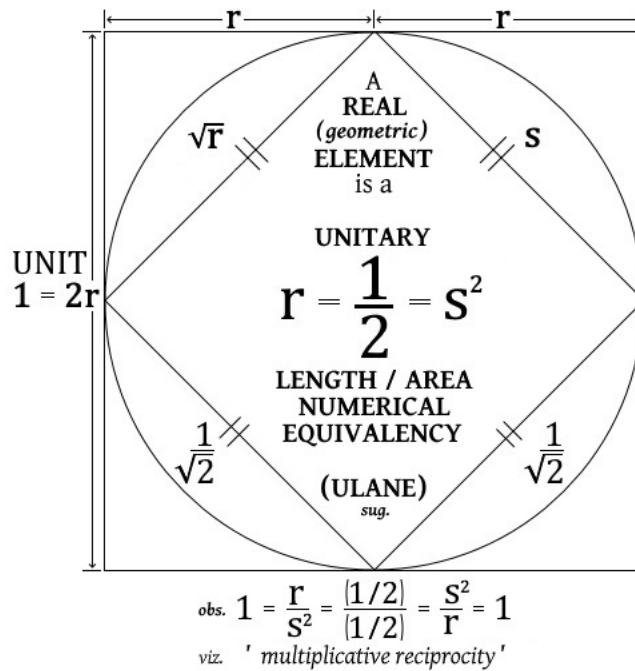


Figure 3.

In/at the unit square, an admittedly coined (though otherwise practically important) *numerical agreement(s)* is established: a **Unitary Length / Area Numerical Equivalency (ULANE)** permitting two offset dimensions $r = 1/2$ and $1/2 = s^2$ to be *simultaneously numerically equivalent*. Accordingly: the length of the radius is *numerically equivalent* to the area of the square inscribed therein. This important numerical agreement between two sequentially offset dimensions was/is overlooked by Archimedes' approach *entirely*. The equivalency implies the *numerical integrity* of the radius is bound to a real geometric area of a real geometric square the circle geometrically circumscribes & thus *areal truncation(s)* of the square cause *linear truncation(s)* of the radius (and/or vice versa.)

We otherwise observe an ordinary unit square whose perimeter is $4(2r) = 8r$ units and whose area is $(2r)^2 = 4r^2 = 1$ units squared while/as unitarily observing $r = 1/2$ as the radius of the circle inscribed therein (with the area of the circle relatively $a = \pi r^2 = \pi/4$ units squared.) We find the circle circumscribing square $s^2 = 1/2$ whose area is precisely *half* that of the larger unit square.

What we are looking for is a *better way(s)* to calculate the area and/or circumference of the circle *without* a priori *assumption(s), belief(s) and/or conclusion(s)* the number 3.14159... (as arrived at by Archimedean approximation methodologies) is numerically *correct* up-to any & all decimal places exhaustively generated by way of them.

The *scientific method* (incl. any & all practical applications of it) is *not* engineered to prove any theory true with any *absolutely certainty*, but rather *conversely*: it is meant to *falsify* any & all theories unsupported by *observed* phenomena. We therefore proceed with a *motive* of *real science*: to *explore & discover* new possibilities; a *new way(s)* of looking at things; a *new way(s)* to calculate without the many headaches & traumas induced by trigonometry, calculus, endless iteration(s), approximation(s) and/or invocation(s) of "infinity" etc. We progress by incessantly & unreservedly challenging basic underlying assumptions, beliefs & conclusions.

Recall the radius of the concerned circle is $r = 1/2$ units & find its area $a = \pi/4$ units squared to be contained by a relative circumference $4a = \pi$ unit length. These units are strictly *numerical*: they primarily precede any & all real-world units of measure, as example(s): 1 unit may be one inch, one yard, one light-second etc. The underlying numerical ratios themselves imply any & all circles are accordingly *self-referential*: circumferential length $4a$ units surrounds area a units squared viz.

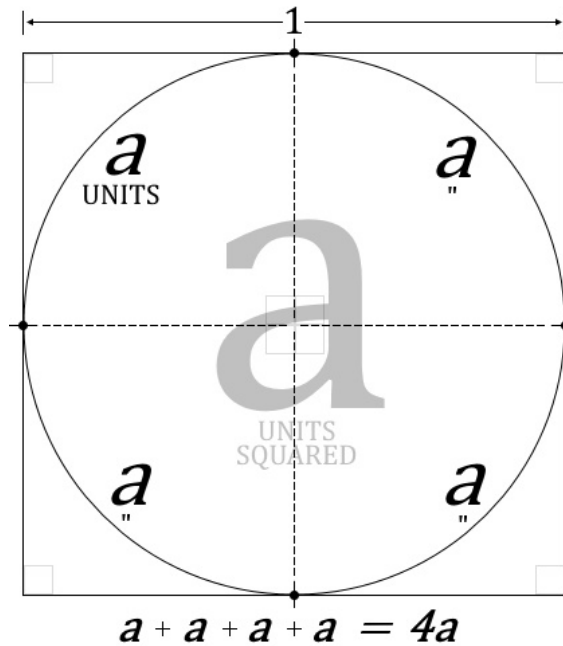


Figure 4.

Instead of inscribing & circumscribing the circle with polygons and risking a blunder of an *unlike* comparison(s), here we have a circular *squared area* a contained by a relative circumferential *length* of $4a$. Unlike the polygonal approach, the circumference of the circle *precisely* contains $a = \pi r^2 = \pi/4$ *units squared* (with *units* and *units squared* being *sequentially offset*.)

If not immediately obvious: a *quadrant symmetry* between an axially coincident concentric circle & square naturally occurs & this, too, is catastrophically *overlooked* by Archimedes' approach. This symmetry happens to be an important one as it can & *should* be used to calculate the only possible numerical value of (a) *permitting* such a self-referential relation *in the first place*.

Given the $r = 1/2$ circle, if we also surround it with *another* squared area equal to $4a = \pi$ *units squared* (thus constructing π 's *annulus*), we can then use an *inverse square* operation on the *width* of π 's *annulus* to calculate the *only possible* (a) *permitting* it to *simultaneously* be:

- i. a circular squared *area* a in *units squared*, while/as
- ii. relatively contained by *length* $4a$ in *units*, while/as
- iii. surrounded by an *annulus* of *area* $4a$ *units squared*, while/as
- iv. *unitarily* observing a radial length r of *precisely* $1/2 = 0.5000\dots$

We may recall the area equation of an annulus $\pi(R^2 - r^2)$ wherein R is the 'major' of two radii (hence *majora*) and r is the other 'minor' (hence *minora*). While/as we do not yet have a *numerical* value for π , we *do* know it must be $4a = \pi$ while/as observing $r = 1/2$ & we know the latter is the *minora* of the annulus:

$$4a(R^2 - r^2) = 4a$$

$$4a(R^2 - (1/2)^2) = 4a$$

To surround the $r = 1/2$ circle with an *annulus* containing $4a$ *units squared*, a second circle must uniformly expand from the first until capturing this $4a$ *between* the two circles *viz*.

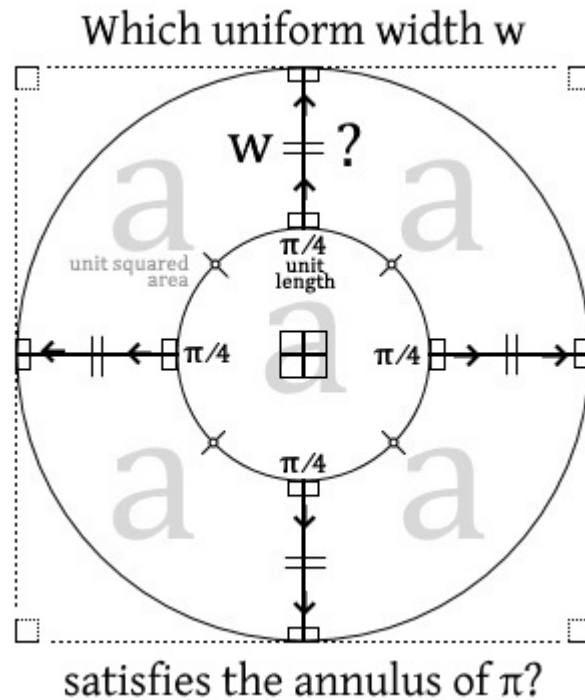


Figure 5.

What we do not yet know is the radial length of the other: the *majora* R , to contain $4a$ between it & the *minora*. We therefore substitute in the *knowns* and calculate the *unknown*.

Given:

$$4a(R^2 - r^2)$$

$$\text{obs. } r = 1/2$$

Equate to $4a$:

$$4a(R^2 - r^2) = 4a$$

Substitute r with the known ($1/2$):

$$4a(R^2 - (1/2)^2) = 4a$$

Solve for the unknown (R):

$$(R^2 - (1/2)^2) = 4a / 4a = 1$$

$$R^2 - 1/4 = 1$$

$$R^2 = (1 + 1/4) = 5/4$$

$$R = \sqrt{(1 + 1/4)}$$

$$R = \sqrt{5}/2$$

Verify:

$$4a((\sqrt{5}/2)^2 - (1/2)^2) = 4a$$

$$4a(5/4 - 1/4) = 4a$$

$$\therefore 4a = 4a$$

\therefore an annulus'

$$\text{majora } R = \sqrt{5}/2 \text{ \& minora } r = 1/2$$

contains an area of *precisely* $\pi = 4a$ units squared
whose radii sum to the (so-called) 'golden ratio' ϕ
(thus disc. a geometric relationship between ϕ and π .)

Archimedes' approach *catastrophically* overlooks an *extremely important* geometric relationship between the so-called golden ratio *phi* and *pi*. Suffice it to say: there is an entire landscape of scientifically *unexplored terrain* concerning such a communion of constants.

The circle equations of the Major and Minor radii circles $R = \sqrt{5}/2$ and $r = 1/2$ are *resp.*:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Majora} &= x^2 + y^2 = 5/4 \\ \text{Minora} &= x^2 + y^2 = 1/4 \\ \therefore \text{Majora} - \text{Minora} &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Each circle equation is numerically equal to the *square* of R and r resp. The difference between them is predictably *equal* to a difference of *sequential squares* whose *principle* (p) contains *both* the concerned minora & majora lengths:

$$\begin{aligned} p &= (r \pm R) \\ p &= (1/2 \pm \sqrt{5}/2) \\ \text{obs. } p^2 - p &= 1.000\dots \end{aligned}$$

We plot these two circles concentrically to compare their *relative areas*:

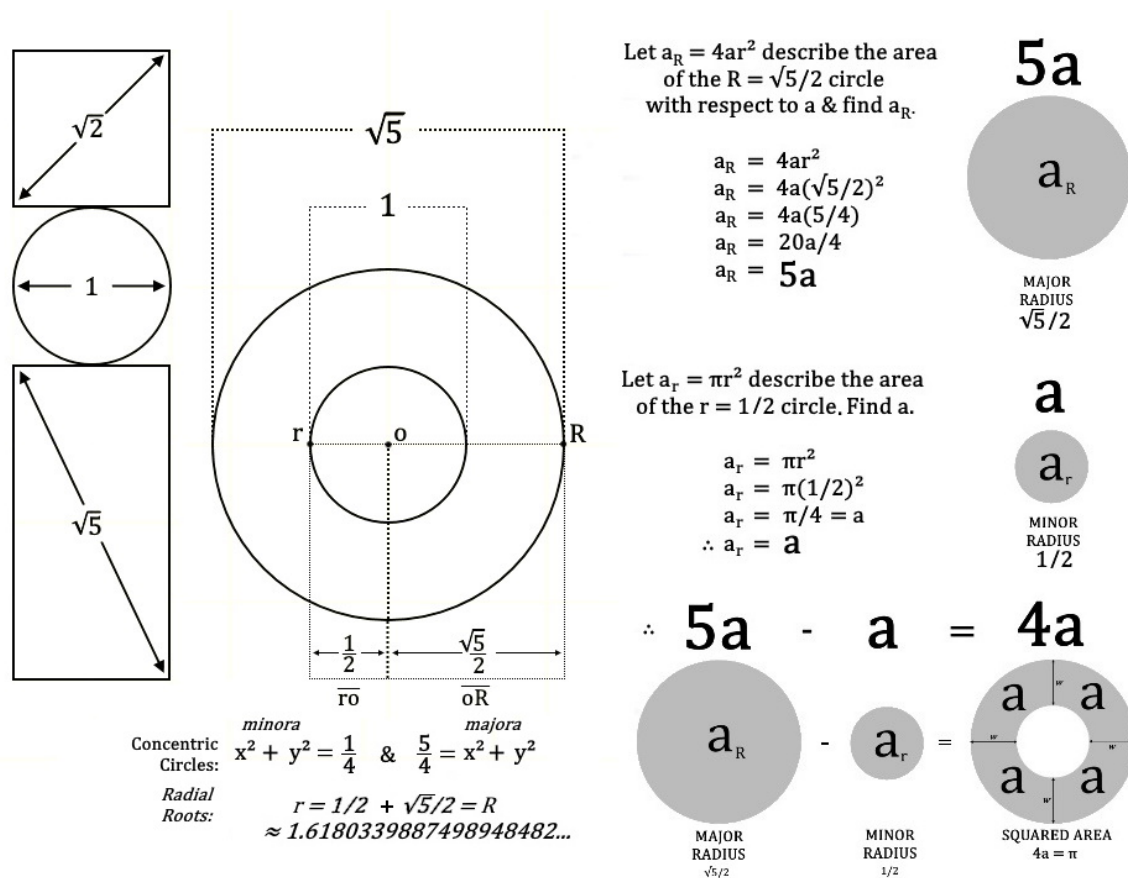


Figure 6.

If one begins with an $R = \sqrt{5}/2$ circle of area ($5a$) and removes a circular squared area (a) from its center ($5a - a$), one is left with a squared area *exactly* equal to $\pi = (4a)$ albeit in the form of an *annulus*. *Significantly*, the area of this π annulus is *equivalent* to the area of an ordinary *unit circle* as described by $\pi r^2 = \pi = 4a$ obs. $r = 1.000\dots$

We are now equipped to answer an important question viz.

While/as circumferential length $4a$ surrounds a units squared, for which uniform width w is the $4a = \pi$ annulus satisfied?

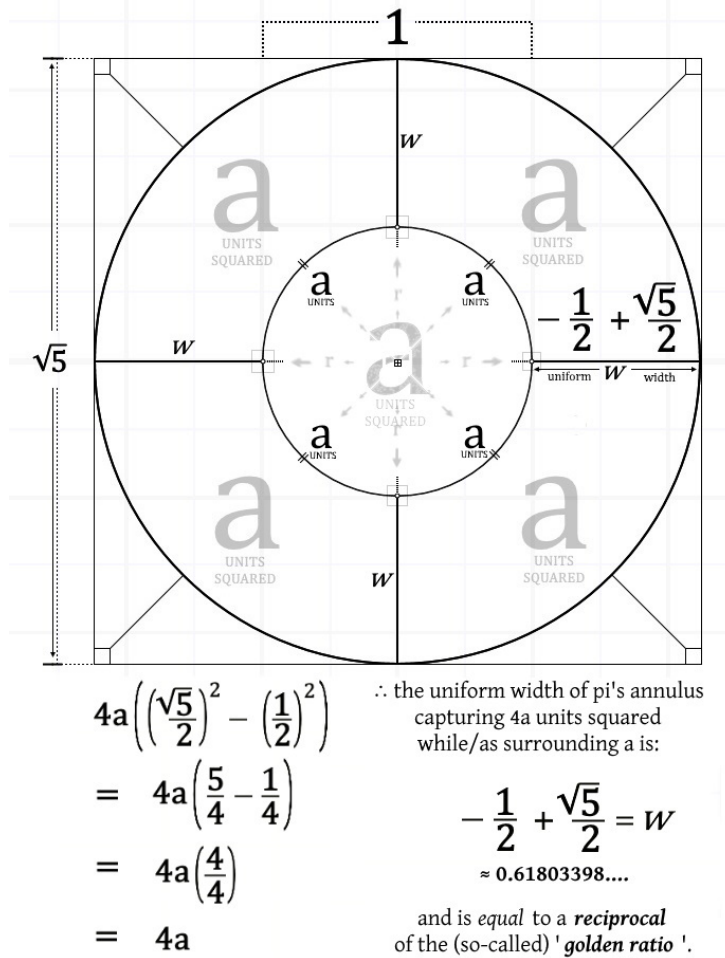


Figure 7.

As we've discovered, the reciprocal of the so-called golden ratio is the only uniform width satisfying pi's annulus. Given the surface area of a sphere is $4\pi r^2$, the presence of the so-called golden ratio *phi* within *pi* is nothing short of extremely significant (for implying 3D information is collapsable down to 2D and/or conversely 2D information is expandable up to 3D by way of.)

The question was/is important because four discrete circumferential lengths each $a = \pi/4$ units are radially squared outwards, thus allowing $4a = \pi$ unit length and unit squared area to both be plotted and observed simultaneously.

Unlike Archimedes' polygonal approach, here we've inscribed and circumscribed the circle with squared areas for the purpose of reversing $4a$ units squared back down to $4a$ units. With each of four lengths $\pi/4$ uniformly squared outwards summarily capturing an area of $\pi = 4a$ units squared, we not only practically circumvent Archimedes' initial assumption(s) entirely, we do so while/as diligently observing & preserving geometric integrity.

By equating four uniform widths of π 's annulus to four arithmetic squares of length a :

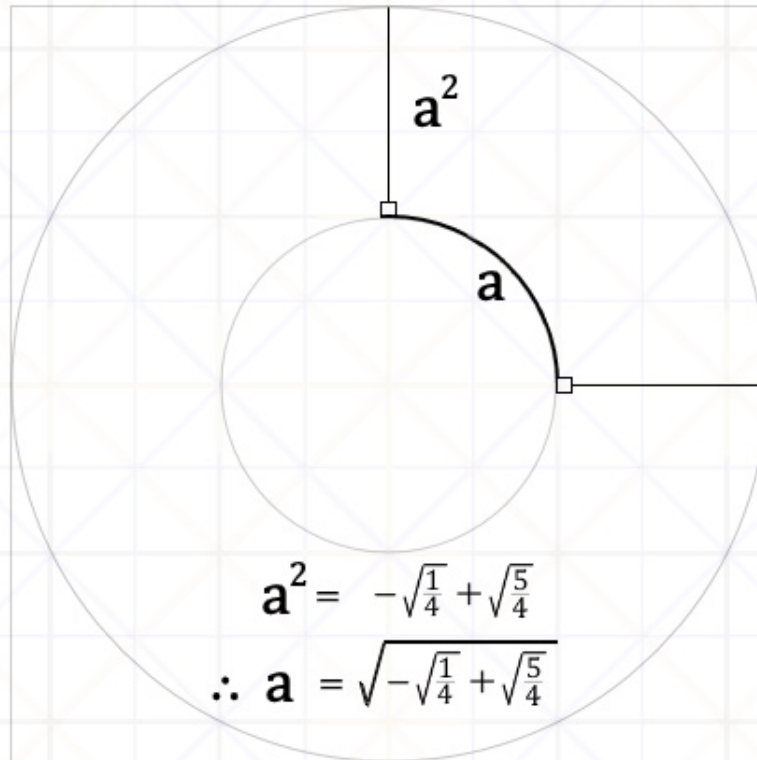
$$4(\sqrt{w})^2 = 4w = 4a^2$$

$$\therefore w = a^2 \therefore \sqrt{w} = a$$

we thereby take the **root of the width** of π 's annulus using an inverse square such to pose & answer one final crucial question viz.

For which a does its own square
equal the reciprocal of the
golden ratio?

Use an INVERSE SQUARE:



$$a^2 = -\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} + \sqrt{\frac{5}{4}}$$

$$\therefore a = \sqrt{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} + \sqrt{\frac{5}{4}}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{2(\sqrt{5}-1)}}{2} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2(\sqrt{5}+1)}}$$

in EXACT FORM(S).

Figure 8.

If:

$(r + r\sqrt{5}) = p$
for principle p
and $(-r + r\sqrt{5}/2) = 1/p$
while/as both obs. $r = 1/2$,

then simply:

$$a^2 = 1/p$$

$$p = 1/a^2$$

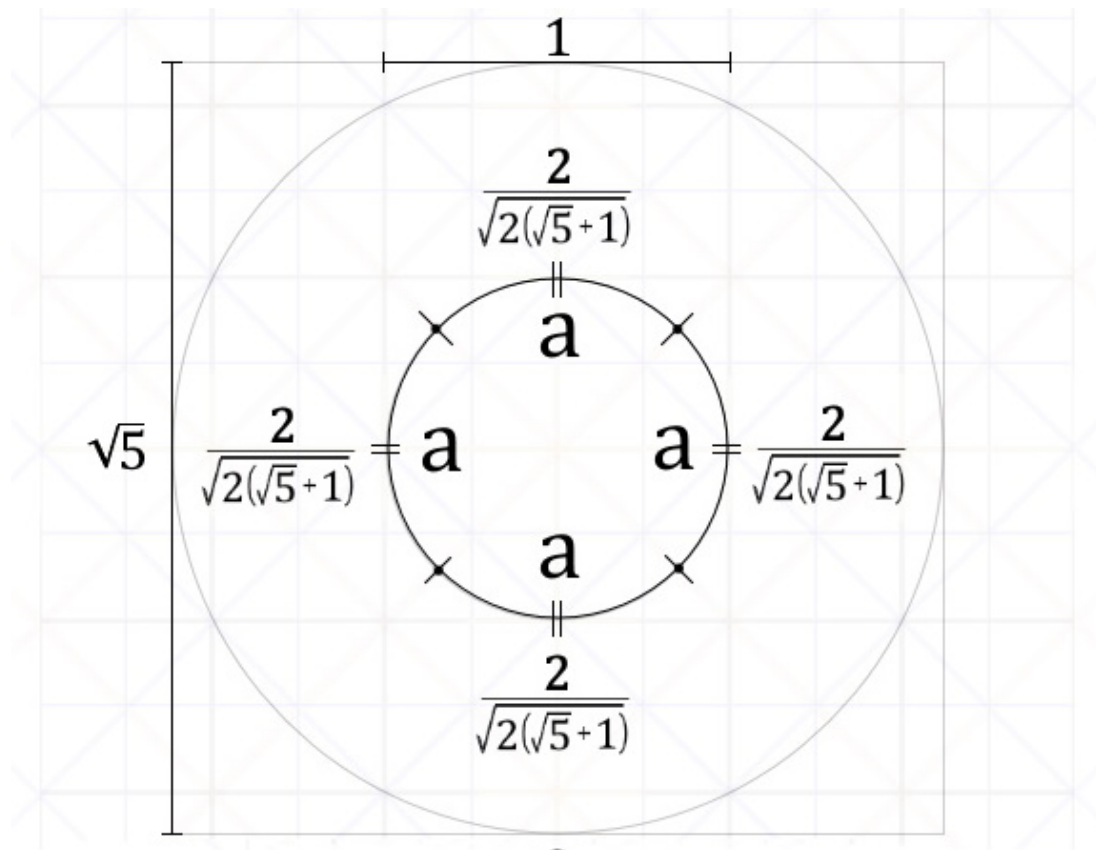
satisfying an *inverse square* \therefore

$$a^2 = 1/p = (\pi/4)^2$$

$$a = 1/\sqrt{p} = \pi/4$$

$$\therefore 4a = 4/\sqrt{p} = \pi$$

viz.



$$\begin{aligned}
 4a &= \frac{8}{\sqrt{2(\sqrt{5}+1)}} = \pi \\
 &= 4\sqrt{-\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} + \sqrt{\frac{5}{4}}} \\
 &= 2\sqrt{2(\sqrt{5}-1)} \\
 &= \sqrt{8\sqrt{5}-8}
 \end{aligned}$$

INVERSE SQUARE : 3.144605511029693144...

ARCHIMEDES'
APPROXIMATION : 3.141592653589793238...

'Blunder of Millennia' : 0.003012857439899905...

Figure 9.

$$\therefore \pi = 8ra = \sqrt{8\sqrt{5}-8}$$

obs. $r = 1/2 = 0.5000\dots$

for: $a = \sqrt{p/p}$

obs. $p = (r + r\sqrt{5})$

$$\therefore \pi = 4(\sqrt{p/p}) = 4/\sqrt{p}$$

& is a root of polynomial:

$$x^4 + 16x^2 - 256$$

$\therefore \pi$ is **not** transcendental (!)

Archimedes' over 2000-year-old "approximation" method & result for pi can be *falsified* by comparing the square of its own quarter ($\approx \pi/4$)² to the pi annulus' *actual* geometric width of $w = (-1/2 + \sqrt{5}/2)$:

**A Radial Square of (Approx.) Pi's Quarter
Falsification of $\pi = 3.14159...$ Method:**

Given the pi annulus' observable width $w = (-1/2 + \sqrt{5}/2) \approx 0.618...$
equate $w = (0.7853981633974483...etc.)^2$ and *compare* the latter to the former:
 $w \approx 0.61685027... \neq w$
 $w \approx 0.61803398... \neq w$
 $\therefore \pi \neq 3.14159...$ for failing to satisfy the pi annulus' uniform width of $(-1/2 + \sqrt{5}/2)$.

Further, we should predictably expect to find (& rather *immediately*) some enigmatic unsolved problem at the very root of mathematics concerning circle geometry. As it so happens, we *do*: in/as the notoriously *unsolved status* of the Riemann Hypothesis so-called "problem".

In 1859, Bernhard Riemann hypothesized the real part of *all* "non-trivial" zeros of his (importantly: pi-dependent) zeta function is $1/2 = 0.5000...$ The "problem" is: neither he nor anyone else *since* could conclusively *prove* it. *Why not? What was/is the impasse?* In the same way it is sometimes more effective to address a question with another question, in this case: it is perhaps more effective to address Riemann's unproven hypothesis with *another hypothesis* (albeit one *tacitly informative* of the real underlying "problem".)

A "Blunder of Millennia"
Hypothesis

The unsolved status of the Riemann Hypothesis problem is owing to an *unrecognized inexactitude* in & of the hitherto endorsed numerical approximation of the circle constant:

$\pi \approx 3.141592653589793238... etc.$

According to the use of an inverse square, $\pi \neq 3.14159...$
but rather $\pi = \sqrt{(8\sqrt{5}-8)}$ *with exactitude*
whose approximation is rather:

$\pi \approx 3.144605511029693144... etc.$

while/as strictly observing a
unitary length / area numerical equivalency

$r = 1/2 = s^2$

If true, in hindsight: the real "problem" would have *begun* in the very same *unsolvable* state it is in *now*, for the real root would be owing to a hitherto *unrecognized inexactitude* in & of the circle constant *pi itself*. If so, *clearly*: prior to the construction of his analysis, Bernhard Riemann would have *failed* to rigorously *verify* (or in this case: *falsify*) the geometric *integrity* of 3.14159... before ever allowing it into his zeta function. Riemann would have *assumed* the number is *without blemish* & so would have carried on with it *accordingly*. From Archimedes, to Riemann, to present: *all* would have commonly operated on a single *unrecognized false basic underlying assumption* (of a species one would have hoped to have realized *before* one expired.)

As for what the *real culprit* would be: a mere *matter of principle* - under no circumstance can any one prove *anything 'true'* so long as one *begins* with a *false assumption(s)*. For example, such a question as "...for which s does $\zeta(s) = 0$?" *naively assumes* there are no circumstances under which there are *none*. One such circumstance would be: the very integrity of the ζ function *itself* is upset due to a *deficient circle constant* (the integrity of which the function primarily *relies* on.) In such a case, above *all else*: one must first-and-foremost **fix the circle constant** (at which point the real underlying "problem" would *certainly cease to exist*.)

The *real lesson* in waiting would be: since at least the time of Archimedes over 2000 years ago, the *mere possibility* of this problem ever arising would have ceased to exist the moment any *one single* mathematician(s), scientist(s), physicist(s) etc. invested the necessary time & energy to scrupulously **check their answer(s)** for the circle constant by comparing them to an *actual* inverse square-based 'reality' (such to satisfy the '**real**' part in & of *the 'real element'*.)

Ultimately, in the end (or rather: *since the beginning*) our commonly suffered & prevailing '**crisis in science**' would immediately be *clarified* by only *one* corollary equality predicting only *one* culprit *categorical ignorance* of only *one* **universal constancy** of *one itself (!)* For if:

$$p = (r + r\sqrt{5})$$

while/as

$$1/p = (-r + r\sqrt{5})$$

obs. $r = 1/2 = 0.5000\dots$

and if:

$$\pi \neq 3.14159\dots$$

but rather:

$$\pi = \sqrt{(8\sqrt{5}-8)}$$

(with exactitude)

$$\approx 3.1446055\dots$$

it follows:

$$r = 1/2 = s^2$$

$$4r = 2 = 4s^2$$

$$4w = 4/p = 4a^2$$

$$w = 1/p = a^2$$

$$\sqrt{w} = 1/\sqrt{p} = a$$

$$\therefore 4\sqrt{w} = 4/\sqrt{p} = 4a = \pi$$

$$\therefore p = 16 / \pi^2$$

$$\therefore \pi^2 = 16 / p$$

$$\therefore 16 = p\pi^2$$

$$\therefore 1 = p(\pi/4)^2$$

one
is a product of a golden ratio & square of pi's quarter
(albeit *admittedly*: only a precise pi's quarter.)

Finally, should the preceding one be
the one-and-only unitarily correct one,
concerning it:

res ipsa loquitur

...the thing speaks for itself.