

## Half Angle $\neq$ Half of the Pitch or Rise $\div$ Run

$$\text{Pitch} = \text{Rise} \div \text{Run} = \tan \theta$$

$$\theta = \text{arc length} \div \text{radius.}$$

Arc length of the unit circle = value of angle  $\theta$  in radians

The radius of the circle can be any value; everything remains proportional. Bisecting the angle means bisecting the arc of the circle.

For *very* small angles, the angle bisector *nearly* bisects the rise  $\div$  run. As the value of the angle approaches  $90^\circ$ , the rise and therefore the rise  $\div$  run for  $\theta$  increase without limit.

The limiting value of the half-angle =  $45^\circ$ .

The value of the half-angle rise **cannot exceed the radius of the circle**;

hence the half-angle rise  $\div$  run = 1.

