

## EXERCISE 9.1

Choose the correct answer from the given four options:

**Q1.** If the radii of two concentric circles are 4 cm and 5 cm, then the length of each chord of one circle which is the tangent to the other circle is

- (a) 3 cm                      (b) 6 cm                      (c) 9 cm                      (d) 1 cm

**Sol.** (b):  $C_1, C_2$  are concentric circles with their centre C.

Chord AB of circle  $C_2$  touches  $C_1$  at P

AB is tangent at P and PC is radius at P.

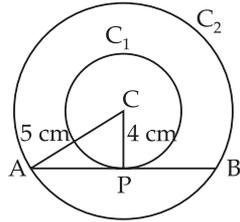
So,  $CP \perp AB$ .

$\Rightarrow \angle P = 90^\circ$ ,  $CP = 4$  cm and  $CA = 5$  cm (Given)

$\therefore$  In right angle  $\triangle PAC$ ,

$$AP^2 = AC^2 - PC^2 = 5^2 - 4^2 = 25 - 16 = 9$$

$\Rightarrow AP = 3$  cm



Perpendicular from centre to chord bisects the chord.

So,  $AB = 2AP = 2 \times 3 = 6$  cm. Hence, verifies option (b).

**Q2.** In the given figure, if  $\angle AOB = 125^\circ$ , then  $\angle COD$  is equal to

- (a)  $62.5^\circ$                       (b)  $45^\circ$   
(c)  $35^\circ$                       (d)  $55^\circ$

**Sol.** (d): We know that a quadrilateral circumscribing a circle subtends supplementary angles at the centre of the circle.

$\therefore \angle AOB + \angle COD = 180^\circ$

$$125^\circ + \angle COD = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle COD = 180^\circ - 125^\circ = 55^\circ.$$

Hence, verifies option (d).

**Q3.** In the given figure, AB is a chord of the circle and AOC is its diameter, such that  $\angle ACB = 50^\circ$ .

If AT is the tangent to the circle at the point A, then  $\angle BAT$  is equal to

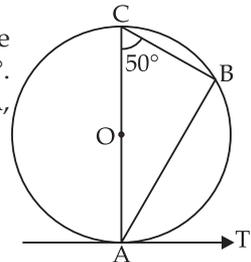
- (a)  $65^\circ$                       (b)  $60^\circ$   
(c)  $50^\circ$                       (d)  $40^\circ$

**Sol.** (c): AC is diameter.

$\Rightarrow \angle B = 90^\circ$  ( $\angle$  in a semi-circle)

$\therefore \angle BAC = 180^\circ - \angle C - \angle B$  [Angle sum property of a triangle]

$\Rightarrow \angle BAC = 180^\circ - 50^\circ - 90^\circ = 180^\circ - 140^\circ = 40^\circ$



Tangent AT at A and radius OA at A arc at  $90^\circ$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So,} & \quad \angle OAT = 90^\circ \\ \therefore & \quad \angle OAB + \angle BAT = 90^\circ \\ \Rightarrow & \quad 40^\circ + \angle BAT = 90^\circ \\ \Rightarrow & \quad \angle BAT = 90^\circ - 40^\circ \\ \Rightarrow & \quad \angle BAT = 50^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, verifies option (c).

**Q4.** From a point P which is at a distance of 13 cm from the centre O of a circle of radius 5 cm, the pair of tangents PQ and PR to the circle are drawn. Then the area of the quadrilateral PQOR is

- (a)  $60 \text{ cm}^2$       (b)  $65 \text{ cm}^2$       (c)  $30 \text{ cm}^2$       (d)  $32.5 \text{ cm}^2$

**Sol.** (a): PQ is tangent and QO is radius at contact point Q.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \angle PQO &= 90^\circ \\ \therefore \text{By Pythagoras theorem,} \\ PQ^2 &= OP^2 - OQ^2 \\ &= 13^2 - 5^2 = 169 - 25 = 144 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow PQ = 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \triangle OPQ \cong \triangle OPR \quad [\text{By SSS criterion of congruence}]$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \triangle OPQ = \text{ar } \triangle OPR$$

$$\text{Area of quadrilateral QORP} = 2 \text{ ar } (\triangle OPR)$$

$$= 2 \times \frac{1}{2} \text{ base} \times \text{altitude}$$

$$= RP \times OR = 12 \times 5 = 60 \text{ cm}^2$$

Hence, verifies the option (a).

**Q5.** At one end A of diameter AB of a circle of radius 5 cm, tangent XAY is drawn to the circle. The length of the chord CD parallel to XY and at a distance 8 cm from A is

- (a) 4 cm      (b) 5 cm      (c) 6 cm      (d) 8 cm

**Sol.** (d): XAY is tangent and AO is radius at contact point A of circle.

$$AO = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \angle OAY = 90^\circ$$

CD is another chord at distance (perpendicular) of 8 cm from A and  $CMD \parallel XAY$  meets AB at M.

Join OD.

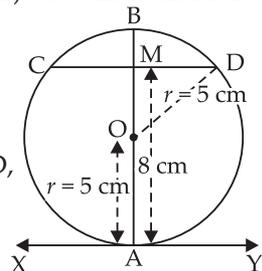
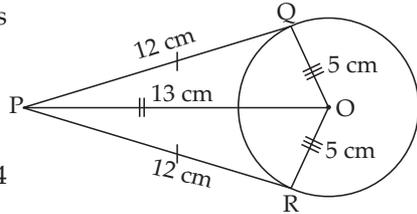
$$OD = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$OM = 8 - 5 = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$\angle OMD = \angle OAY = 90^\circ$  Now, in right angled  $\triangle OMD$ ,

$$MD^2 = OD^2 - MO^2 = 5^2 - 3^2 = 25 - 9 = 16$$

$$\Rightarrow MD = 4 \text{ cm}$$

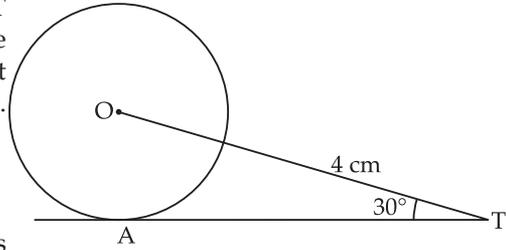


Perpendicular from centre O of circle bisect the chord. So  $CD = 2MD = 2 \times 4 = 8$  cm.

Hence, length of chord CD = 8 cm, which verifies option (d).

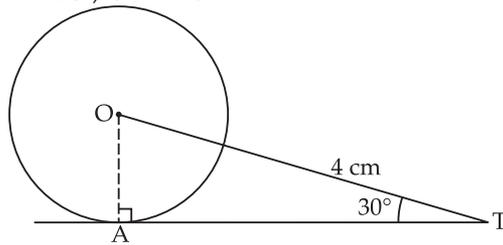
**Q6.** In the given figure, AT is a tangent to the circle with centre 'O' such that  $OT = 4$  cm and  $\angle OTA = 30^\circ$ . Then AT is equal to

- (a) 4 cm      (b) 2 cm  
(c)  $2\sqrt{3}$  cm      (d)  $4\sqrt{3}$  cm



**Sol.** (c): Join OA. OA is radius and AT is tangent at contact point A.

So,  $\angle OAT = 90^\circ$ ,  $OT = 4$  cm [Given]

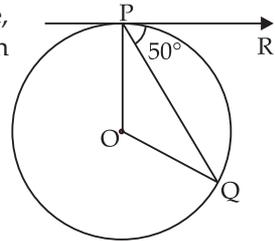


$$\text{Now, } \frac{AT}{4} = \frac{\text{Base}}{\text{Hypotenuse}} = \cos 30^\circ \Rightarrow AT = 4 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ cm.}$$

Hence, verifies the option (c).

**Q7.** In the given figure, 'O' is the centre of circle, PQ is a chord and the tangent PR at P makes an angle of  $50^\circ$  with PQ, then  $\angle POQ$  is equal to

- (a)  $100^\circ$       (b)  $80^\circ$   
(c)  $90^\circ$       (d)  $75^\circ$



**Sol.** (a): OP is radius and PR is tangent at P.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } & \angle OPR = 90^\circ \\ \Rightarrow & \angle OPQ + 50^\circ = 90^\circ \\ \Rightarrow & \angle OPQ = 90^\circ - 50^\circ \\ \Rightarrow & \angle OPQ = 40^\circ \end{aligned}$$

In  $\triangle OPQ$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore & \quad OP = OQ && \text{[Radii of same circle]} \\ & \quad \angle Q = \angle OPQ = 40^\circ && \text{[Angles opposite to equal sides are equal]} \end{aligned}$$

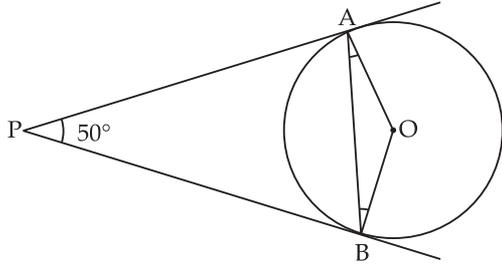
$$\begin{aligned} \text{But, } & \angle POQ = 180^\circ - \angle P - \angle Q \\ & \quad = 180^\circ - 40^\circ - 40^\circ = 180^\circ - 80^\circ = 100^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle POQ = 100^\circ.$$

Hence, verifies the option (a).

**Q8.** In the given figure, if PA and PB are tangents to the circle with centre O such that  $\angle APB = 50^\circ$ , then  $\angle OAB$  is equal to

- (a)  $25^\circ$     (b)  $30^\circ$   
 (c)  $40^\circ$     (d)  $50^\circ$



**Sol.** (a): In  $\triangle OAB$ , we have

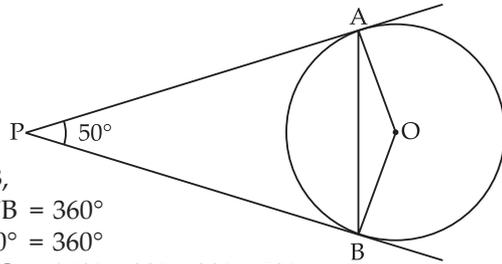
$$OA = OB$$

[Radii of same circle]

$\therefore \angle OAB = \angle OBA$  [Angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

As OA and PA are radius and tangent respectively at contact point A.

So,  $\angle OAP = 90^\circ$ . Similarly,  $\angle OBP = 90^\circ$



Now, in quadrilateral PAOB,

$$\angle P + \angle A + \angle O + \angle B = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 50^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle O + 90^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle O = 360^\circ - 90^\circ - 90^\circ - 50^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle O = 130^\circ$$

Again, in  $\triangle OAB$ ,

$$\angle O + \angle OAB + \angle OBA = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 130^\circ + \angle OAB + \angle OAB = 180^\circ \quad [ \because \angle OBA = \angle OAB ]$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle OAB = 180^\circ - 130^\circ = 50^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OAB = 25^\circ$$

Hence,  $\angle OAB = 25^\circ$  which verifies option (a).

**Q9.** If two tangents inclined at an angle  $60^\circ$  are drawn to a circle of radius 3 cm, then the length of each tangent is equal to

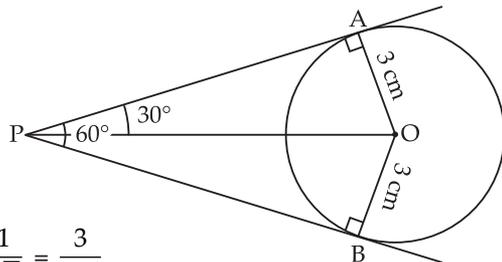
- (a)  $\frac{3}{2}\sqrt{3}$  cm    (b) 6 cm    (c) 3 cm    (d)  $3\sqrt{3}$  cm

**Sol.** (d):  $\because$  OA and PA are the radius and the tangent respectively at contact point A of a circle of radius OA = 3 cm. So,  $\angle PAO = 90^\circ$ .

In right angled  $\triangle POA$ ,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{OA}{PA} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{3}{PA}$$

$\Rightarrow PA = 3\sqrt{3}$  which verifies the option (d).



**Q10.** In the given figure, if PQR is the tangent to a circle at Q, whose centre is O, AB is a chord parallel to PR and  $\angle BQR = 70^\circ$ , then  $\angle AQB$  is equal to

- (a)  $20^\circ$                       (b)  $40^\circ$   
 (c)  $35^\circ$                       (d)  $45^\circ$

**Sol. (b):**  $AB \parallel PQR$

$$\angle B = \angle BQR = 70^\circ$$

[Alternate interior angles]

and  $\angle OQR = \angle AMQ$  [Alternate interior angles]

As PQR and OQ are tangent and radius at contact point Q

$$\therefore \angle OQR = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 + 70^\circ = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 = 90^\circ - 70^\circ = 20^\circ$$

$\therefore \angle AMO = 90^\circ$  and perpendicular from centre to chord bisect the chord

So,  $MA = MB$

$$\angle QMA = \angle QMB$$

[Each  $90^\circ$ ]

$$MQ = MQ$$

[Common]

$$\therefore \triangle QMA \cong \triangle QMB$$

[By SAS criterion of congruence]

$$\Rightarrow \angle A = \angle B$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle A = 70^\circ$$

[ $\because \angle B = 70^\circ$ ]

$$\therefore \angle A + \angle AMQ + \angle 2 = 180^\circ \text{ [Angle sum property of a triangle]}$$

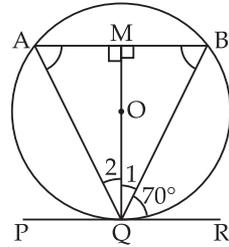
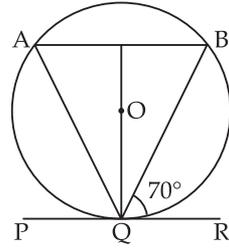
$$\Rightarrow 70^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle 2 = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 2 = 180^\circ - 160^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 2 = 20^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle AQB = \angle 1 + \angle 2 = 20^\circ + 20^\circ = 40^\circ$$

Hence, verifies option (b).



## EXERCISE 9.2

Write True or False and justify your answer in each of the following:

**Q1.** If a chord AB subtends an angle of  $60^\circ$  at the centre of a circle, then the angle between the tangents at A and B is also  $60^\circ$ .

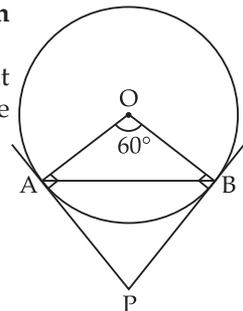
**Sol.** False: Chord AB subtends  $\angle 60^\circ$  at O.

$\therefore$  AP and OA are tangent and radius at A.

$\therefore \angle OAP = 90^\circ$

Similarly,  $\angle OBP = 90^\circ$

In quadrilateral OAPB,



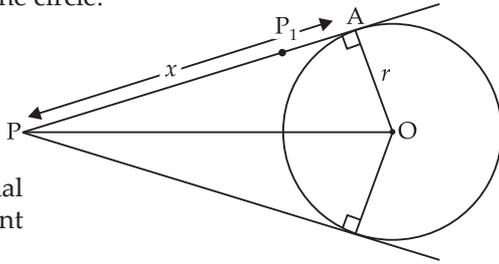
$$\begin{aligned} \angle O + \angle P + \angle OAP + \angle OBP &= 360^\circ \\ \Rightarrow 60^\circ + \angle P + 90^\circ + 90^\circ &= 360^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle P &= 360^\circ - 240^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle P &= 120^\circ \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the given statement is false.

**Q2.** The length of tangent from an external point on a circle is always greater than the radius of the circle.

**Sol.** False: Consider any point P external to a circle away from O.

Now, draw tangent PA on the circle. Clearly,  
 $PA > r$  [ $\because$  P is external to circle and P is at sufficient distance]



Now, again consider any point P<sub>1</sub> on the tangent AP very near to contact point A of tangent PA,  $P_1A < AO$

So, it is clear that the length of the tangent PA and P<sub>1</sub>A are greater and smaller respectively than radius OA.

Hence, the length of the tangent from an external point of a circle may or may not be greater than the radius of the circle. Hence, the given statement is false.

**Q3.** The length of the tangent from an external point P on a circle with centre O is always less than OP.

**Sol.** True:

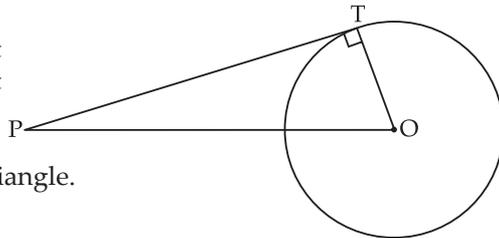
PT and OT are the tangent and radius respectively at contact point T.

So,  $\angle OTP = 90^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \Delta OPT$  is right angled triangle.

Again, in  $\Delta OPT$

$\therefore \angle T > \angle O$

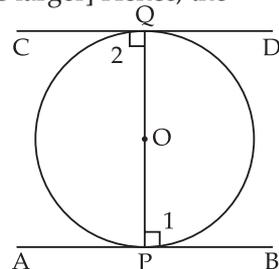


$OP > PT$  [Side opposite to greater angle is larger] Hence, the given statement is true.

**Q4.** The angle between two tangents to a circle may be  $0^\circ$ .

**Sol.** True:

Consider the diameter POQ of a circle with centre O. The tangent at P and Q are drawn, as we know the radius and tangent at contact point are perpendicular so  $\angle 1 = \angle 2 = 90^\circ$ . These



are alternate angles so the tangent  $APB \parallel CQD$  i.e., angle between two tangents to a circle may be zero.

Hence, the given statement is true.

**Q5.** If the angle between two tangents drawn from a point P to a circle of radius 'a' and centre O is  $90^\circ$ , then  $OP = a\sqrt{2}$ .

**Sol.** True.

Consider a tangent PT from an external point P on a circle with radius 'a'.

OT and PT are radius and tangent respectively at contact point T.

$$\therefore \angle T = 90^\circ$$

$$\text{As } \triangle OPT \cong \triangle OPR$$

[By SSS criterion of congruence]

$$\therefore \angle OPT = \angle OPR = \frac{90^\circ}{2} = 45^\circ$$

$\therefore$  In right angle  $\triangle OPT$ ,

$$\sin 45^\circ = \frac{OT}{OP}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{a}{OP}$$

$$\Rightarrow OP = \sqrt{2}a.$$

Hence, the given statement is true.

**Q6.** If the angle between two tangents drawn from a point P to a circle of radius 'a' and centre O is  $60^\circ$ , then  $OP = a\sqrt{3}$ .

**Sol.** False: PT and OT are tangent and radius respectively at contact point T.

$$\therefore \angle OTP = 90^\circ$$

$\Rightarrow \triangle OTP$  is right angle  $\Delta$  at T

$$\text{As } \triangle OPT \cong \triangle OPR$$

[By SSS criterion of congruence]

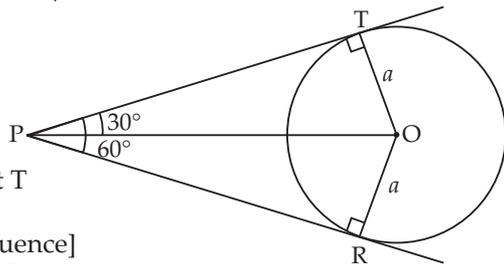
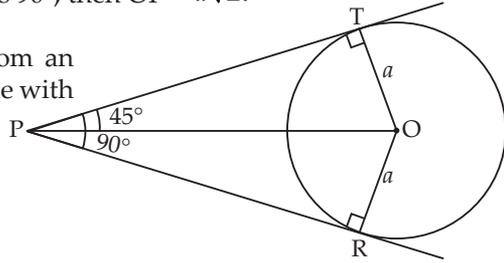
$$\Rightarrow \angle OPT = \angle OPR = \frac{1}{2} \times 60^\circ = 30^\circ$$

$\therefore$  In right angle  $\triangle OPT$ ,

$$\sin 30^\circ = \frac{OT}{OP} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{a}{OP} \Rightarrow OP = 2a$$

Hence, the given statement is false.

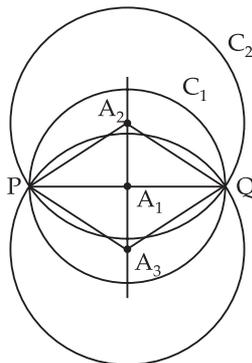
**Q7.** The tangent to the circumcircle of an isosceles  $\triangle ABC$  at A, in which  $AB = AC$ , is parallel to BC.





$$\begin{aligned} \therefore A_1P &= A_1Q \\ A_2P &= A_2Q \\ A_3P &= A_3Q \end{aligned}$$

as we know that any point on perpendicular bisector of a segment is equidistant from the end points of the segment. Hence,  $A_1, A_2, A_3$  points are the centres of circles passing through the end points  $P$  and  $Q$  of a segment  $PQ$  or the centres of circles lie on the perpendicular bisector of  $PQ$ .



**Q10.**  $AB$  is a diameter of a circle and  $AC$  is its chord such that  $\angle BAC = 30^\circ$ . If the tangent at  $C$  intersects  $AB$  extended at  $D$ , then  $BC = BD$ .

**Sol.** True:

$CD$  is a tangent at contact point  $C$ .  $AOB$  is diameter which meets tangent produced at  $D$ .

Chord  $AC$  makes  $\angle A = 30^\circ$  with diameter  $AB$ .

**To prove:**  $BD = BC$

**Proof:** In  $\triangle OAC$ ,

$$OA = OC = r \text{ [Radii of same circle]}$$

$$\angle 1 = \angle A \quad [\angle\text{s opp. to equal sides are equal}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 = 30^\circ \quad [\because \angle A = 30^\circ]$$

$$\text{Exterior } \angle BOC = \angle 2 = \angle 1 + \angle A = (30^\circ + 30^\circ) = 60^\circ$$

Now, in  $\triangle OCB$ ,

$$OC = OB \quad \text{[Radii of same circle]}$$

$$\therefore \angle 3 = \angle 4 \text{ [Angles opposite to equal sides are equal]}$$

$$\angle 3 + \angle 4 + \angle COB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 + \angle 3 + 60^\circ = 180^\circ \quad \text{[Angle sum property of triangle]}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle 3 = 180^\circ - 60^\circ = 120^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 = 60^\circ = \angle 4$$

$$\angle 6 + \angle 4 = 180^\circ \quad \text{[Linear pair axiom]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 6 = 180^\circ - \angle 4$$

$$= 180^\circ - 60^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 6 = 120^\circ$$

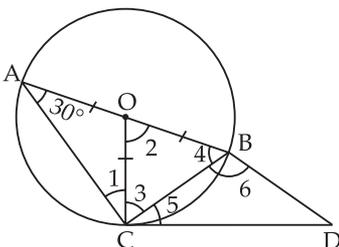
$\therefore$  Tangent  $CD$  and radius  $CO$  are at contact point  $C$ .

$$\therefore \angle OCD = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 + \angle 5 = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 60^\circ + \angle 5 = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 5 = 30^\circ$$



Now, in  $\triangle BCD$ , we have

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle D + \angle 5 + \angle 6 = 180^\circ \quad [\text{Angle sum property of a triangle}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} \angle D &= 180^\circ - \angle 5 - \angle 6 \\ &= 180^\circ - 30^\circ - 120^\circ = 180^\circ - 150^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \angle D = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \quad \angle D = \angle 5 = 30^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad BC = BD$$

[Sides opposite to equal  $\angle$ s of a triangle are equal]

Hence, verifies the given statement true.

## EXERCISE 9.3

**Q1.** Out of the two concentric circles, the radius of the outer circle is 5 cm and the chord AC of length 8 cm is a tangent to the inner circle. Find the radius of the inner circle.

**Sol.** Given: Two concentric circles  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  with centre O.

Chord AC of circle  $C_2$  is tangent of circle  $C_1$  at B.

We know that tangent AC and radius BO at point B are perpendicular.

$\therefore$  Perpendicular from centre to chord bisects the chord.

$$\therefore AB = CB = \frac{AC}{2} = \frac{8}{2} = 4 \text{ cm}$$

In right angle  $\triangle ABO$ ,

$$OB^2 = OA^2 - AB^2$$

[By Pythagoras theorem]

$$= 5^2 - 4^2 = 25 - 16 = 9$$

$$\Rightarrow OB = 3 \text{ cm}$$

Hence, radius of circle  $C_1$  is 3 cm.

**Q2.** Two tangents PQ and PR are drawn from an external point to a circle with centre O. Prove that QORP is a cyclic quadrilateral.

**Sol. Given:** Tangents PR and PQ from an external point P to a circle with centre O.

**To prove:** Quadrilateral QORP is cyclic.

**Proof:** RO and RP are the radius and tangent respectively at contact point R.

$$\therefore \angle PRO = 90^\circ$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \angle PQO = 90^\circ$$

In quadrilateral QORP, we have

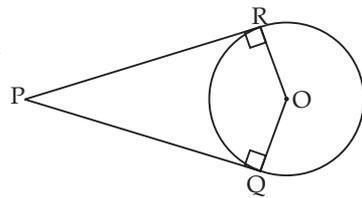
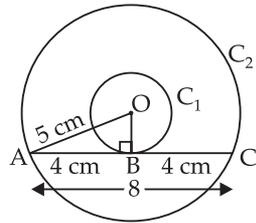
$$\angle P + \angle R + \angle O + \angle Q = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle P + \angle 90^\circ + \angle O + \angle 90^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle P + \angle O = 360^\circ - 180^\circ = 180^\circ$$

These are opposite angles of quadrilateral QORP and are supplementary.

$\therefore$  Quadrilateral QORP is cyclic. Hence, proved.



**Q3.** If from an external point B of a circle with centre 'O', two tangents BC, BD are drawn such that  $\angle DBC = 120^\circ$ , prove that

$$BC + BD = BO, \text{ i.e., } BO = 2BC$$

**Sol. Given:** A circle with centre O.

Tangents BC and BD are drawn from an external point B such that  $\angle DBC = 120^\circ$ .

**To prove:**  $BC + BD = BO, \text{ i.e., } BO = 2BC$

**Construction:** Join OB, OC and OD.

**Proof:** In  $\triangle OBC$  and  $\triangle OBD$ , we have

$$OB = OB \quad \text{[Common]}$$

$$OC = OD \quad \text{[Radii of same circle]}$$

$$BC = BD \quad \text{[Tangents from an external point are equal in length] \quad \dots(i)}$$

$$\therefore \triangle OBC \cong \triangle OBD \quad \text{[By SSS criterion of congruence]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OBC = \angle OBD \quad \text{(CPCT)}$$

$$\therefore \angle OBC = \frac{1}{2} \angle DBC = \frac{1}{2} \times 120^\circ \quad [\because \angle CBD = 120^\circ \text{ given}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OBC = 60^\circ$$

OC and BC are radius and tangent respectively at contact point C.

$$\text{So, } \angle OCB = 90^\circ$$

Now, in right angle  $\triangle OCB$ ,  $\angle OBC = 60^\circ$

$$\therefore \cos 60^\circ = \frac{BC}{BO}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = \frac{BC}{BO}$$

$$\Rightarrow OB = 2BC$$

Hence, proved (ii) part.

$$\Rightarrow OB = BC + BC$$

$$\Rightarrow OB = BC + BD \quad [\because BC = BD \text{ from (i)}]$$

Hence, proved.

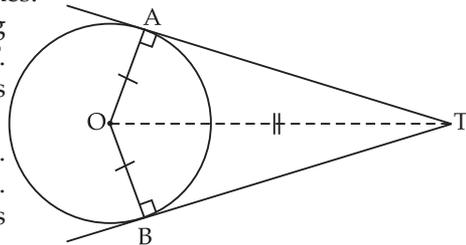
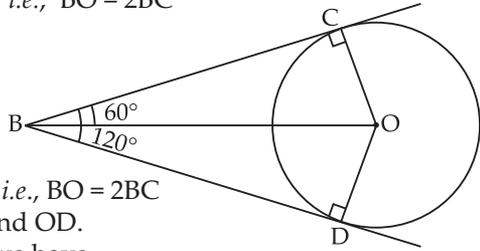
**Q4.** Prove that the centre of a circle touching two intersecting lines lies on the angle bisector of the lines.

**Sol. Given:** Two intersecting lines AT and BT intersect at T. A circle with centre O touches the above lines at A and B.

**To prove:** OT bisects the  $\angle ATB$ .

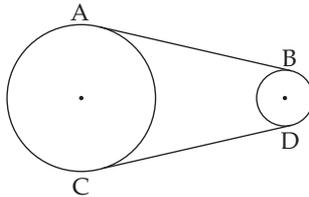
**Construction:** Join OA and OB.

**Proof:** OA is radius and AT is tangent at A.



$\therefore \angle OAT = 90^\circ$   
 Similarly,  $\angle OBT = 90^\circ$   
 In  $\triangle OTA$  and  $\triangle OTB$ , we have  
 $\angle OAT = \angle OBT = 90^\circ$   
 $OT = OT$  [Common]  
 $OA = OB$  [Radii of same circle]  
 $\therefore \triangle OTA \cong \triangle OTB$  [By RHS criterion of congruence]  
 $\Rightarrow \angle OTA = \angle OTB$  [CPCT]  
 $\Rightarrow$  Centre of circle 'O' lies on the angle bisector of  $\angle ATB$ .  
 Hence, proved.

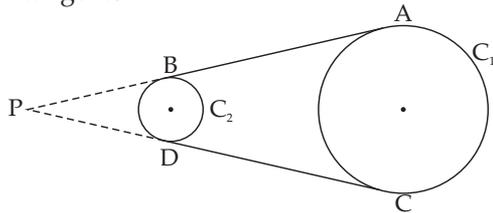
**Q5.** In the given figure, AB and CD are common tangents to two circles of unequal radii. Prove that  $AB = CD$ .



**Sol.** Given: Circles  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  of radii  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  respectively and  $r_1 < r_2$ .  
 AB and CD are two common tangents.

**To prove:**  $AB = CD$

**Construction:** Produce AB and CD upto point P where both tangents meet.



**Proof:** Tangents from an external point to a circle are equal.

For circle  $C_1$ ,  $PB = PD$  ...*(i)*

and for circle  $C_2$ ,  $PA = PC$  ...*(ii)*

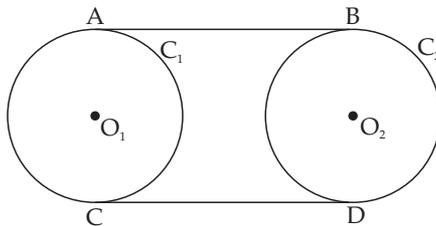
Subtracting *(i)* from *(ii)*, we have

$$PA - PB = PC - PD$$

$\Rightarrow AB = CD$ .

Hence, proved.

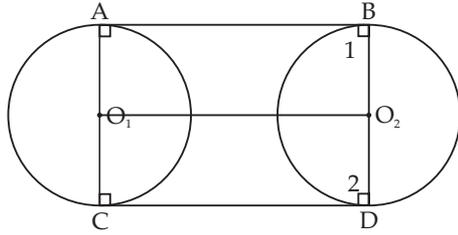
**Q6.** In Question 5 above, if radii of the two circles are equal, prove that  $AB = CD$ .



**Sol. Given:** Two circles of equal radii, two common tangents, AB and CD on circles  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

**To prove:**  $AB = CD$

**Construction:** Join  $O_1A$ ,  $O_1C$  and  $O_2B$  and  $O_2D$ . Also, join  $O_1O_2$ .



**Proof:** Since tangent at any point of a circle is perpendicular to the radius to the point of contact.

$$\therefore \angle O_1AB = \angle O_2BA = 90^\circ$$

As  $O_1A = O_2B$ , so  $O_1ABO_2$  is a rectangle.

Since opposite sides of a rectangle are equal,

$$\therefore AB = O_1O_2 \quad \dots(i)$$

Similarly, we can prove that  $O_1CDO_2$  is a rectangle.

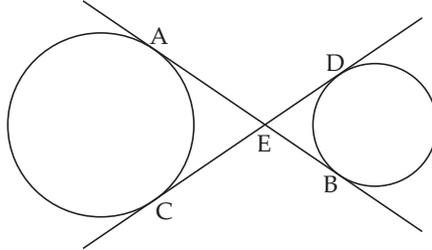
$$\therefore O_1O_2 = CD \quad \dots(ii)$$

From (i) and (ii), we get

$$AB = CD.$$

Hence, proved.

**Q7.** In the given figure, common tangents AB and CD to two circles intersect at E. Prove that  $AB = CD$ .



**Sol. Given:** Two non-intersecting circles are shown in the figure. Two intersecting tangents AB and CD intersect at E. E point is between the circles and outside also.

**To prove:**  $AB = CD$

**Proof:** We know that tangents drawn from an external point (E) to a circle are equal. Point E is outside of both the circles.

$$\text{So,} \quad EA = EC \quad \dots(i)$$

$$EB = ED \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\Rightarrow EA + EB = EC + ED \quad [\text{Adding (i) and (ii)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = CD$$

Hence, proved.

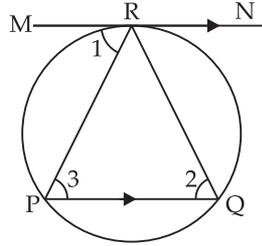
**Q8.** A chord PQ of a circle is parallel to the tangent drawn at a point R of the circle. Prove that R bisects the arc PRQ.

**Sol. Given:** In a circle a chord PQ and a tangent MRN at R such that QP  $\parallel$  MRN

**To prove:** R bisects the arc PRQ.

**Construction:** Join RP and RQ.

**Proof:** Chord RP subtends  $\angle 1$  with tangent MN and  $\angle 2$  in alternate segment of circle so  $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ .



MRN  $\parallel$  PQ

$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 3$  [Alternate interior angles]

$\Rightarrow \angle 2 = \angle 3$

$\Rightarrow PR = RQ$  [Sides opp. to equal  $\angle$ s in  $\Delta RPQ$ ]

$\therefore$  Equal chords subtend equal arcs in a circle so  
arc PR = arc RQ

or R bisect the arc PRQ. Hence, proved.

**Q9.** Prove that the tangents drawn at the ends of a chord of a circle make equal angles with the chord.

**Sol. Given:** A chord AB of a circle, tangents AP and BP at A and B respectively are drawn.

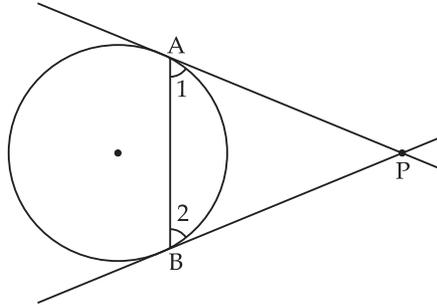
**To prove:**  $\angle PAB = \angle PBA$

**Proof:** We know that tangents drawn from an external point P to a circle are equal so PA = PB.

$\angle \Rightarrow 2 = \angle 1$

[Angles opposite to equal sides of a triangle are equal]

Hence, tangents PA and PB make equal angles with chord AB. Hence, proved.



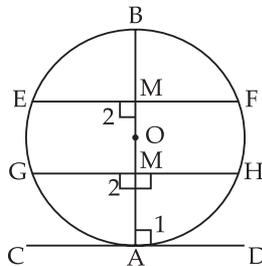
**Q10.** Prove that a diameter AB of a circle bisects all those chords which are parallel to the tangent at the point A.

**Sol. Given:** A circle with centre O and AOB is diameter.

CAD is a tangent at A. Chord EF  $\parallel$  tangent CAD

**To prove:** AB bisects any chord EF  $\parallel$  CAD.

**Proof:** OA radius is perpendicular to tangent CAD.



$\therefore \angle 1 = 90^\circ$

CAD  $\parallel$  EF

[Given]

$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 2 = 90^\circ$  [Alternate interior angles]

Point M is on diameter which passes through centre O.

$\therefore$  Perpendicular drawn from centre to chord bisect the chord. Hence, AB bisects any chord EF  $\parallel$  CAD.

**EXERCISE 9.4**

**Q1.** If a hexagon ABCDEF circumscribe a circle, then prove that

$$AB + CD + EF = BC + DE + FA$$

**Sol. Given:** A circle inscribed in a hexagon ABCDEF.

Sides, AB, BC, CD, DE and DF touches the circle at P, Q, R, S, T and U respectively.

**To prove:**  $AB + CD + EF = BC + DE + FA$

**Proof:** We know that tangents from an external point to a circle are equal.

Here, vertices of hexagon are outside the circle so

$$AP = AU$$

$$BP = BQ$$

$$CQ = CR$$

$$DR = DS$$

$$ES = ET$$

$$FT = FU$$

$$\text{LHS} = AB + CD + EF = (AP + PB) + (DR + CR) + (ET + TF)$$

By using above results, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= AB + CD + EF = AU + BQ + DS + CQ + ES + FU \\ &= AU + FU + BQ + CQ + DS + ES \\ &= AF + BC + DE. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, proved.

**Q2.** Let  $s$  denotes the semi-perimeter of a  $\Delta ABC$  in which  $BC = a$ ,  $CA = b$ ,  $AB = c$ . If a circle touches the sides BC, CA, AB at D, E, F respectively, prove that  $BD = s - b$ .

**Sol. Given:** A circle inscribed in  $\Delta ABC$  touches the sides BC, CA and AB at D, E, F respectively.

**To prove:**  $BD = s - b$

**Proof:** Tangents drawn from an external point to the circle are equal. Vertices of  $\Delta ABC$  are in the exterior of circle. So,

$$AF = AE = x$$

$$BF = BD = y$$

$$CD = CE = z$$

Now,

$$AB + BC + CA = c + a + b$$

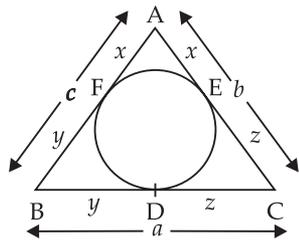
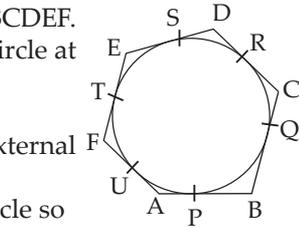
$$\Rightarrow AF + BF + BD + DC + AE + CE = a + b + c$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + y + z + x + z = a + b + c$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x + 2y + 2z = a + b + c$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(x + y + z) = a + b + c$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y + z = \frac{a + b + c}{2}$$

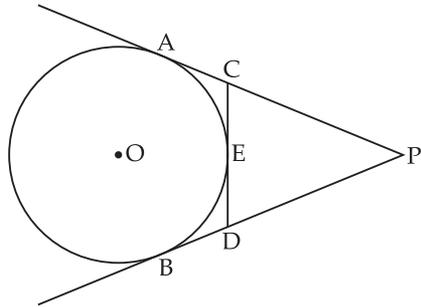


$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow & x + y + z = s && \text{[Given]} \\ \Rightarrow & y = s - (x + z) \Rightarrow y = s - x - z \\ \Rightarrow & y = s - (AE + EC) \\ \Rightarrow & = s - AC \\ \Rightarrow & BD = s - b \end{aligned}$$

Hence, proved.

**Q3.** From an external point P, two tangents PA and PB are drawn to a circle with centre O. At one point E on the circle tangent is drawn which intersects PA and PB at C and D respectively. If PA = 10 cm, find the perimeter of  $\Delta PCD$ .

**Sol. Given:** A circle with centre O. PA, PB are tangents from an external point P. A tangent CD at E intersect AP and PB at C and D respectively.



**To find:** Perimeter of  $\Delta PCD$ .

**Method:** Tangents drawn from an external point to a circle are equal.

$$\therefore PA = PB = 10 \text{ cm} \quad \text{[Given]}$$

$$CA = CE$$

$$DE = DB$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Perimeter of } \Delta PCD &= PC + PD + CD \\ &= PC + PD + CE + DE \\ &= PC + CE + PD + DE \\ &= PC + CA + PD + DB \\ &= PA + PB \\ &= 10 + 10 = 20 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Perimeter of } \Delta PCD = 20 \text{ cm.}$$

**Q4.** If AB is a chord of a circle with centre O. AOC is a diameter and AT is the tangent at A as shown in figure. Prove that  $\angle BAT = \angle ACB$ .

**Sol. Given:** Chord AB, diameter AOC and tangent at A of a circle with centre O.

**To prove:**  $\angle BAT = \angle ACB$

**Proof:** Radius OA and tangent AT at A are perpendicular.

$$\therefore \angle OAT = 90^\circ$$

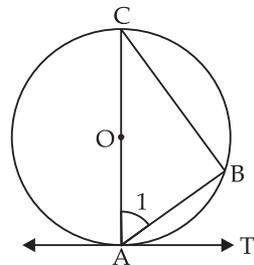
$$\Rightarrow \angle BAT = 90^\circ - \angle 1 \quad \dots(i)$$

AOC is diameter.

$$\therefore \angle B = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle C + \angle 1 = 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle C = 90^\circ - \angle 1 \quad \dots(ii)$$



From (i) and (ii), we get

$\angle BAT = \angle ACB$ . Hence, proved.

**Q5.** Two circles with centres O and O' of radii 3 cm and 4 cm, respectively intersect at two points P and Q, such that OP and O'P are tangents to the two circles. Find the length of common chord PQ.

**Sol.** PO' is tangent on circle  $C_1$  at P.  
OP is tangent on circle  $C_2$  at P. As radius OP and tangent PO' are at a point of contact P

$\therefore \angle P = 90^\circ$

So, by Pythagoras theorem in right angled  $\Delta OPO'$ ,

$$OO'^2 = OP^2 + PO'^2 = 3^2 + 4^2 = 9 + 16 = 25 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow OO' = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Delta OO'P \cong \Delta OO'Q$$

[By SSS criterion of congruence]

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 = \angle 2$$

$$\Delta O'NP \cong \Delta O'NQ$$

[By SAS criterion of congruence]

$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 = \angle O'NQ$$

[CPCT]

$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 = \angle O'NQ = 90^\circ$$

[Linear Pair axiom]

Let  $ON = y$ , then  $NO' = (5 - y)$

Let  $PN = x$

By Pythagoras theorem in  $\Delta PNO$  and  $\Delta PNO'$ , we have

$$x^2 + y^2 = 3^2 \quad \dots(i)$$

$$x^2 + (5 - y)^2 = 4^2 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$x^2 + 25 + y^2 - 10y = 16 \quad \dots(ii)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + y^2 = 9 \\ - \quad - \quad - \quad - \\ \hline 25 - 10y = 7 \end{array} \quad \text{[From (i)]}$$

$$25 - 10y = 7 \quad \text{[Subtract (i) from (ii)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow -10y = 7 - 25$$

$$\Rightarrow -10y = -18$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 1.8$$

$$\text{But, } x^2 + y^2 = 3^2 \quad \text{[From (i)]}$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + (1.8)^2 = 3^2$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 9 - 3.24$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = 5.76$$

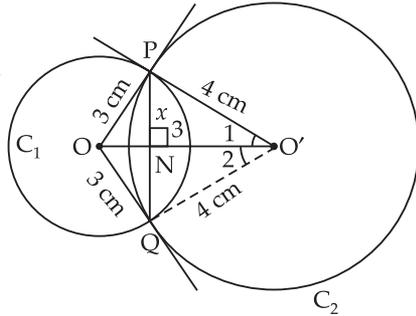
$$\Rightarrow x = 2.4$$

$\therefore$  The perpendicular drawn from the centre bisects the chord.

$$\therefore PQ = 2PN = 2x$$

$$= 2 \times 2.4$$

$$\Rightarrow PQ = 4.8 \text{ cm}$$



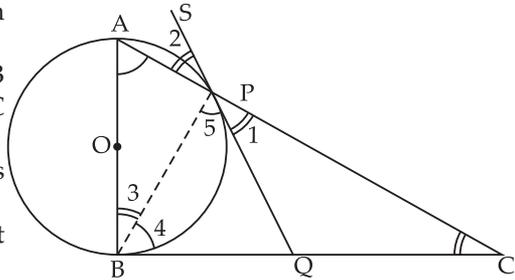
**Q6.** In a right triangle ABC in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ , a circle is drawn with AB as diameter intersecting the hypotenuse AC at P. Prove that the tangent to the circle at P bisects BC.

**Sol. Given:**  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$

Circle with diameter AB intersect the hypotenuse AC at P.

A tangent SPQ at P is drawn to meet BC at Q.

**To prove:** Q is mid point of BC.



**Construction:** Join PB.

**Proof:** SPQ is tangent and AP is chord at contact point P.

$\therefore \angle 2 = \angle 3$  [Angles in alternate segment of circle]  
 $\angle 2 = \angle 1$  [Vertically opposite angles]  
 $\Rightarrow \angle 3 = \angle 1$  ...*(i)* [From above two relations]  
 $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$  [Given]

OB is radius so, BC will be tangent at B.

$\therefore \angle 3 = 90^\circ - \angle 4$  ...*(ii)*  
 $\angle APB = 90^\circ$  [ $\angle$  in a semi circle]  
 $\Rightarrow \angle C = 90^\circ - \angle 4$  ...*(iii)*

From *(ii)* and *(iii)*,  $\angle C = \angle 3$

Using *(i)*,  $\angle C = \angle 1$   
 $\Rightarrow CQ = QP$  ...*(iv)* [Sides opp. to  $\angle$ s in  $\triangle QPC$ ]  
 $\angle 4 = 90^\circ - \angle 3$   
 $\angle 5 = 90^\circ - \angle 1$  [From fig.]  
 $\angle 3 = \angle 1$

$\therefore \angle 4 = \angle 5$   
 $\Rightarrow PQ = BQ$  ...*(v)* [Sides opp. to equal angles in  $\triangle QPB$ ]

From *(iv)* and *(v)*,

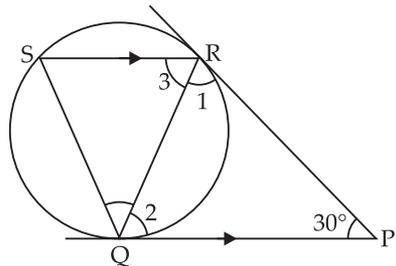
$$BQ = CQ$$

Therefore, Q is mid-point of BC. Hence, proved.

**Q7.** In the given figure, tangents PQ and PR are drawn to a circle such that  $\angle RPQ = 30^\circ$ . A chord RS is drawn parallel to tangent PQ. Find the  $\angle RQS$ .

[Hint: Draw a line through Q and perpendicular to QP.]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle PRQ$ , PQ and PR are tangents from an external point P to circle.





**Q9.** Prove that the tangent drawn at the mid-point of an arc of a circle is parallel to the chord joining the end points of the arc.

**Sol. Given:** arc BAC in which A is mid point of arc BAC.

PAQ is tangent at A.

**To prove:** BC  $\parallel$  PAQ

**Proof:** PAQ is tangent and CAB is an arc at contact point A.

$$\therefore \angle CAQ = \angle B \dots(i)$$

[Angles in alternate segment of a circle]

A is mid point of arc BAC.

$$\therefore \text{min. arc AB} = \text{min. arc AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Chord AB} = \text{Chord AC} \quad [\text{Equal arcs subtend equal chords}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle C = \angle B \dots(ii) \quad [\text{Angles opp. to equal sides in } \triangle ABC \text{ are equal}]$$

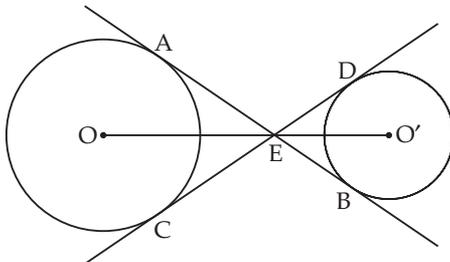
$$\Rightarrow \angle C = \angle CAQ \quad [\text{From (i) and (ii)}]$$

These are alternate interior angles and are equal.

$$\therefore BC \parallel PAQ.$$

Hence, proved.

**Q10.** In the given figure, the common tangents, AB and CD to two circles with centres O and O' intersect at E. Prove that the points O, E and O' are collinear.

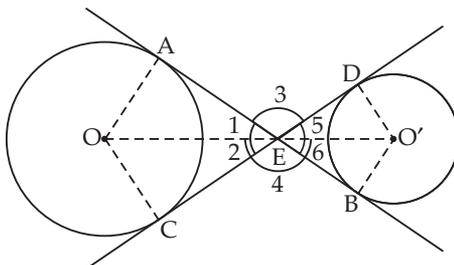


**Sol. Given:** Two circles (non intersecting) with their centres O and O'.

Two common tangents AB and CD intersect at E between the circles.

**To prove:** O, E, O' points are collinear.

**Construction:** Join OA, OC, O'D, O'B and EO and EO'



**Proof:** In  $\triangle AEO$  and  $\triangle CEO$ ,

$$OE = OE \quad \text{[Common]}$$

$$OA = OC \quad \text{[Radii of same circle]}$$

$$EA = EC \quad \text{[Tangents from an external point to a circle are equal in length]}$$

$$\therefore \angle OEA \cong \angle OEC \quad \text{[By SSS criterion of congruence]}$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OEA = \angle OEC \quad \text{[CPCT]}$$

$$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 2 \quad \text{[CPCT]}$$

$$\text{Similarly,} \quad \angle 5 = \angle 6$$

$$\text{and} \quad \angle 3 = \angle 4 \quad \text{[Vertically opposite angles]}$$

Since sum of angles at a point =  $360^\circ$

$$\therefore \angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 3 + \angle 4 + \angle 5 + \angle 6 = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(\angle 1 + \angle 3 + \angle 5) = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 + \angle 3 + \angle 5 = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OEO' = 180^\circ$$

$\therefore OEO'$  is a straight line.

Hence, O, E and  $O'$  are collinear.

**Q11.** In the given figure, O is the centre of a circle of radius 5 cm. T is a point such that  $OT = 13$  cm and OT intersects the circle at E. If AB is the tangent to the circle at E, find the length of AB.

**Sol.**  $OP = OQ = 5$  cm

$$OT = 13$$
 cm

OP and PT are radius and tangent respectively at contact point P.

$$\therefore \angle OPT = 90^\circ$$

So, by Pythagoras theorem, in right angled  $\triangle OPT$ ,

$$PT^2 = OT^2 - OP^2 = 13^2 - 5^2 \\ = 169 - 25 = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow PT = 12$$
 cm.

AP and AE are two tangents from an external point A to a circle.

$$\therefore AP = AE$$

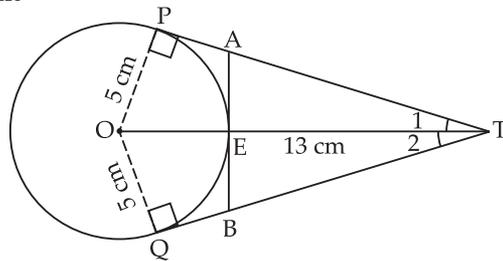
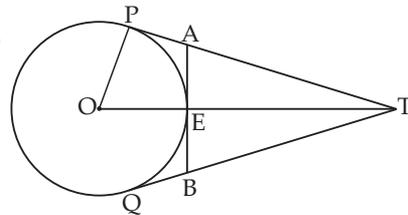
AEB is tangent and OE is radius at contact point E.

So,  $AB \perp OT$  ... (i)

So, by Pythagoras theorem, in right angled  $\triangle AET$ ,

$$AE^2 = AT^2 - ET^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AE^2 = (PT - PA)^2 - [TO - OE]^2$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (12 - AE)^2 - (13 - 5)^2 \\
 \Rightarrow &AE^2 = (12)^2 + (AE)^2 - 2(12)(AE) - (8)^2 \\
 \Rightarrow &AE^2 - AE^2 + 24AE = 144 - 64 \\
 \Rightarrow &24AE = 80 \\
 \Rightarrow &AE = \frac{80}{24} \text{ cm} \\
 \Rightarrow &AE = \frac{10}{3} \text{ cm}
 \end{aligned}$$

In  $\Delta TPO$  and  $\Delta TQO$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &OT = OT && \text{[Common]} \\
 &PT = QT && \text{[Tangents from T]} \\
 &OP = OQ && \text{[Radii of same circle]} \\
 \therefore &\Delta TPO \cong \Delta TQO && \text{[By SSS criterion of congruence]} \\
 \Rightarrow &\angle 1 = \angle 2 && \dots(ii) \text{ [CPCT]}
 \end{aligned}$$

In  $\Delta ETA$  and  $\Delta ETB$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &ET = ET && \text{[Common]} \\
 &\angle TEA = \angle TEB = 90^\circ && \text{[From (i)]} \\
 &\angle 1 = \angle 2 && \text{[CPCT]} \quad \text{[From (ii)]} \\
 \therefore &\Delta ETA \cong \Delta ETB && \text{[By ASA criterion of congruence]} \\
 \Rightarrow &AE = BE && \text{[CPCT]}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = 2AE = 2 \times \frac{10}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \frac{20}{3} \text{ cm.}$$

Hence, the required length is  $\frac{20}{3}$  cm.

**Q12.** The tangent at a point C of a circle and a diameter AB when extended intersect at P. If  $\angle PCA = 110^\circ$ , find  $\angle CBA$ .

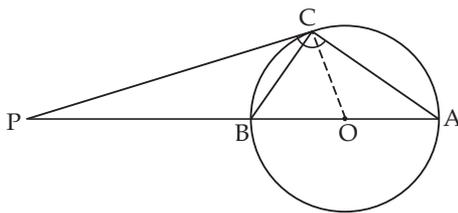
[Hint: Join C with centre O].

**Sol.** OC and CP are radius and tangent respectively at contact point C.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{So,} &\quad \angle OCP = 90^\circ \\
 &\quad \angle OCA = \angle ACP - \angle OCP \\
 \Rightarrow &\quad \angle OCA = 110^\circ - 90^\circ \\
 \Rightarrow &\quad \angle OCA = 20^\circ
 \end{aligned}$$

In  $\Delta OAC$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &OA = OC && \text{[Radii of same circle]} \\
 \therefore &\angle OCA = \angle A = 20^\circ && [\because \text{Angles opposite to equal sides are equal}]
 \end{aligned}$$



CP and CB are tangent and chord of a circle.

$\therefore \angle CBP = \angle A$  [Angles in alternate segments are equal]

In  $\triangle CAP$ ,

$\angle P + \angle A + \angle ACP = 180^\circ$  [Angle sum property of a triangle]

$$\Rightarrow \angle P + 20^\circ + 110^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle P = 180^\circ - 130^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle P = 50^\circ$$

In  $\triangle BPC$ ,

Exterior angle  $\angle CBA = \angle P + \angle BCP$

$$\Rightarrow \angle CBA = 50^\circ + 20^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle CBA = 70^\circ$$

**Q13.** If an isosceles  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AB = AC = 6$  cm is inscribed in a circle of radius 9 cm, find the area of the triangle.

**Sol.** In figure,  $\triangle ABC$  has  $AB = AC = 6$  cm.

In  $\triangle OAB$  and  $\triangle OAC$ ,

$$AB = AC \quad \text{[Given]}$$

$$OA = OA \quad \text{[Common]}$$

$$OB = OC \quad \text{[Radii of same circle]}$$

$\therefore \triangle OAB \cong \triangle OAC$

[By SSS criterion of congruence]

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 = \angle 2 \quad \text{[CPCT]}$$

In  $\triangle AMC$  and  $\triangle AMB$ ,

$$\angle 1 = \angle 2 \quad \text{[Proved above]}$$

$$AM = AM \quad \text{[Common]}$$

$$AB = AC \quad \text{[Given]}$$

$\therefore \triangle AMB \cong \triangle AMC$  [By SAS criterion of congruence]

$$\Rightarrow \angle AMB = \angle AMC = 90^\circ \quad \text{[CPCT and Linear pair axiom]}$$

$$\text{Now, Area of } \triangle ABC = \frac{1}{2} BC \times AM$$

Let  $BM = x$  and  $AM = y$ ,

then  $MO = OA - AM$

$$\Rightarrow MO = OA - AM$$

$$\Rightarrow MO = 9 - y$$

In right angled  $\triangle BMA$  and  $\triangle BMO$ ,

$$x^2 + y^2 = 6^2$$

$$x^2 + (9 - y)^2 = 9^2$$

$$x^2 + (9)^2 + (y)^2 - 2(9)(y) = 81$$

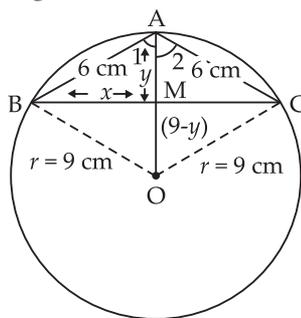
$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 81 + y^2 - 18y = 81$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 18y = 0$$

...(i) [By Pythagoras theorem]

...(ii)

Now, subtract (i) from (ii)



$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + y^2 - 18y = 0 \\ x^2 + y^2 = 36 \\ \hline -18y = -36 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow y &= \frac{-36}{-18} \\ \Rightarrow y &= 2 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow AM = 2 \text{ cm} \\ \text{But, } x^2 + y^2 &= 36 && \text{[From (i)]} \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + (-2)^2 &= 36 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 &= 36 - 4 = 32 \\ \Rightarrow x &= \sqrt{32} = 4\sqrt{2} \text{ cm} \\ \therefore BC &= 2x = 2 \times 4\sqrt{2} = 8\sqrt{2} \text{ cm} \\ &(\because \text{Perpendicular from centre to chord bisects the chord}) \\ \therefore \text{Area of } \triangle ABC &= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 8\sqrt{2} \\ \Rightarrow \text{Area of } \triangle ABC &= 8\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**Q14.** A is a point at a distance 13 cm from the centre 'O' of a circle of radius 5 cm. AP and AQ are the tangents to circle at P and Q. If a tangent BC is drawn at point R lying on minor arc PQ to intersect AP at B and AQ at C. Find the perimeter of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Sol.**  $OA = 13 \text{ cm}$

$$OP = OQ = 5 \text{ cm}$$

OP and PA are radius and tangent respectively at contact point P.

$\therefore \angle OPA = 90^\circ$   
In right angled  $\triangle OPA$  by Pythagoras theorem

$$PA^2 = OA^2 - OP^2 = 13^2 - 5^2 = 169 - 25 = 144$$

$$\Rightarrow PA = 12 \text{ cm}$$

Points A, B and C are exterior to the circle and tangents drawn from an external point to a circle are equal so

$$PA = QA$$

$$BP = BR$$

$$CR = CQ$$

$$\text{Perimeter of } \triangle ABC = AB + BC + AC$$

$$= AB + BR + RC + AC$$

$$= AB + BP + CQ + AC = AP + AQ$$

$$= AP + AP = 2AP = 2 \times 12 = 24 \text{ cm}$$

[From figure]

So, the perimeter of  $\triangle ABC = 24 \text{ cm}$ .

