

Circles

NCERT TEXTBOOK QUESTIONS SOLVED

EXERCISE 10.1

Q. 1. *How many tangents can a circle have?*

Sol. A circle can have an infinite number of tangents.

Q. 2. *Fill in the blanks:*

- (i) *A tangent to a circle intersects it in point(s).*
- (ii) *A line intersecting a circle in two points is called a*
- (iii) *A circle can have parallel tangents at the most.*
- (iv) *The common point of a tangent to a circle and the circle is called*

Sol. (i) exactly one (ii) secant (iii) two (iv) point of contact.



Q. 3. A tangent PQ at a point P of a circle of radius 5 cm meets a line through the centre O at a point Q so that $OQ = 12$ cm. Length of PQ is:

- (A) 12 cm (B) 13 cm
(C) 8.5 cm (D) $\sqrt{119}$ cm

Sol. Since $PQ = \sqrt{OQ^2 - OP^2}$

$$= \sqrt{12^2 - 5^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{144 - 25}$$

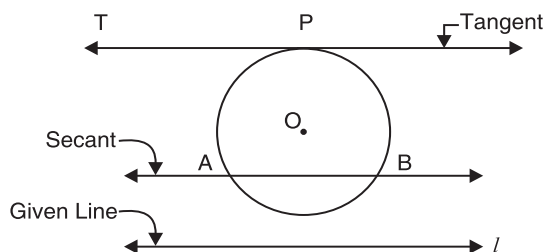
$$= \sqrt{119}$$

\therefore The option (D) is correct.

Q. 4. Draw a circle and two lines parallel to a given line such that one is a tangent and the other a secant to the circle.

Sol. We have the required figure.

Here, l is the given line and a circle with centre O is drawn.



The line PT is drawn which is parallel to l and tangent to the circle.

Also, AB is drawn parallel to line l and is a secant to the circle.

● Number of Tangents from a Point on a Circle

- I. There is **no tangent** to a circle passing through a point lying inside the circle.
- II. There is **one and only one tangent** to a circle passing through a point lying on the circle.
- III. There are **exactly two tangents** to a circle through a point lying outside the circle.

Theorem 2

The lengths of tangents drawn from an external point to a circle are equal.

[NCERT Exemplar, (CBSE 2010, 2011, 2014, CBSE Foreign 2014)]

Given: We have a circle with centre O and a point P lying outside the circle. Two tangents PQ and PR on the circle from P .

To Prove: $PR = PQ$

Construction: Join OP , OQ and OR

Proof: $\because OQ$ is a radius and PQ is a tangent.

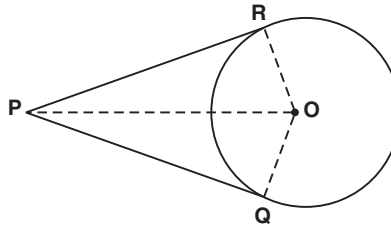
$\therefore \angle PQO = 90^\circ$

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

Now, in right $\triangle OQP$ and right $\triangle ORP$, we have:

$$OP = OP$$

[Common]



$$OQ = OR$$

$$\angle PQO = \angle PRO$$

[Radii of the same circle]

[As Proved above]

$$\Rightarrow \triangle OQP \cong \triangle ORP$$

[R.H.S.]

\therefore Their corresponding parts are equal.

$$\Rightarrow PQ = PR$$

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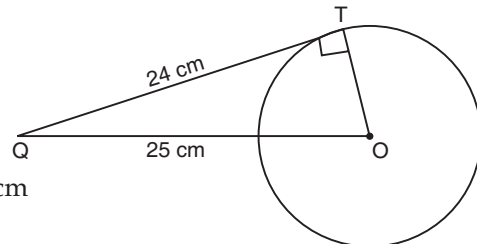
EXERCISE 10.2

Q. 1. Choose the correct option:

From a point Q, the length of the tangent to a circle is 24 cm and the distance of Q from the centre is 25 cm. The radius of the circle is

- (A) 7 cm (B) 12 cm
(C) 15 cm (D) 24.5 cm

Sol. \because QT is a tangent to the circle at T and OT is radius



Also, $OQ = 25$ cm and $QT = 24$ cm

\therefore Using Pythagoras theorem, we get

$$OQ^2 = QT^2 + OT^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = OQ^2 - QT^2$$

$$= 25^2 - 24^2 = (25 - 24)(25 + 24)$$

$$= 1 \times 49 = 49 = 7^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OT = 7$$

Thus, the required radius is **7 cm**.

\therefore The correct option is (A).

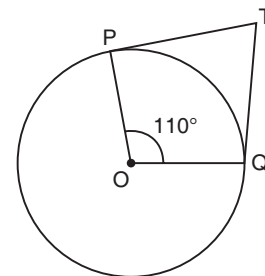
Q. 2. Choose the correct option:

In figure, if TP and TQ are the two tangents to a circle with centre O so that $\angle POQ = 110^\circ$, then $\angle PTQ$ is equal to

- (A) 60° (B) 70°
(C) 80° (D) 90°

Sol. \because TQ and TP are tangents to a circle with centre O.
such that $\angle POQ = 110^\circ$

$\therefore OP \perp PT$ and $OQ \perp QT$



$$\Rightarrow \angle OPT = 90^\circ \text{ and } \angle OQT = 90^\circ$$

Now, in the quadrilateral $TPOQ$, we get

$$\therefore \angle PTQ + 90^\circ + 110^\circ + 90^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PTQ + 290^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PTQ = 360^\circ - 290^\circ = 70^\circ$$

Thus, the correct option is (B).

Q. 3. Choose the correct option:

If tangents PA and PB from a point P to a circle with centre O are inclined to each other at angle of 80° , then $\angle POA$ is equal to

(A) 50°

(B) 60°

(C) 70°

(D) 80°

Sol. Since, O is the centre of the circle and two tangents from P to the circle are PA and PB .

$$\therefore OA \perp AP \text{ and } OB \perp BP$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OAP = \angle OBP = 90^\circ$$

Now, in quadrilateral $PAOB$, we have:

$$\angle APB + \angle PAO + \angle AOB + \angle PBO = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 80^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle AOB + 90^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 260^\circ + \angle AOB = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB = 360^\circ - 260^\circ$$

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

In $\text{rt } \triangle OAP$ and $\text{rt } \triangle OBP$, we have

$$OP = OP$$

$$\angle OAP = \angle OBP$$

$$OA = OB$$

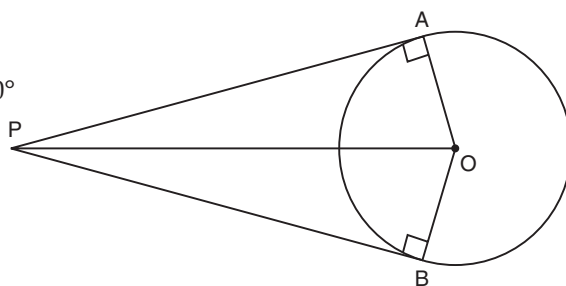
$$\therefore \triangle OAP \cong \triangle OBP$$

\therefore Their corresponding parts are equal

$$\Rightarrow \angle POA = \angle POB$$

$$\therefore \angle POA = \frac{1}{2} \angle AOB = \frac{1}{2} \times 100^\circ = 50^\circ.$$

Thus, the option (A) is correct.



[Common]

[Each = 90°]

[Radii of the same circle]

Q. 4. Prove that the tangents drawn at the ends of a diameter of a circle are parallel.

[CBSE 2012, CBSE Foreign 2014]

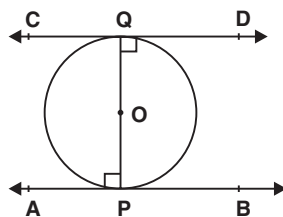
Sol. In the figure, we have:

PQ is diameter of the given circle and O is its centre.

Let tangents AB and CD be drawn at the end points of the diameter PQ .

Since the tangent at a point to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point.

$$\therefore PQ \perp AB \Rightarrow \angle APQ = 90^\circ$$



And $PQ \perp CD \Rightarrow \angle PQD = 90^\circ$

$\Rightarrow \angle APQ = \angle PQD$

But they form a pair of alternate angles.

$\therefore AB \parallel CD$.

Q. 5. Prove that the perpendicular at the point of contact to the tangent to a circle passes through the centre.

Sol. In the figure, the centre of the circle is O and tangent AB touches the circle at P .

If possible, let PQ be perpendicular to AB such that it is not passing through O .

Join OP .

Since tangent at a point to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through that point,

$\therefore AB \perp OP$ i.e. $\angle OPB = 90^\circ$... (1)

But by construction,

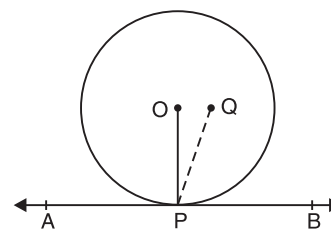
$AB \perp PQ \Rightarrow \angle QPB = 90^\circ$... (2)

From (1) and (2),

$\angle QPB = \angle OPB$

which is possible only when O and Q coincide.

Thus, the perpendicular at the point of contact to the tangent passes through the centre.



Q. 6. The length of a tangent from a point A at distance 5 cm from the centre of the circle is 4 cm. Find the radius of the circle.

Sol. \because The tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact.

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

Now, in the right ΔOTA , we have:

$$OP^2 = OT^2 + PT^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 5^2 = OT^2 + 4^2$$

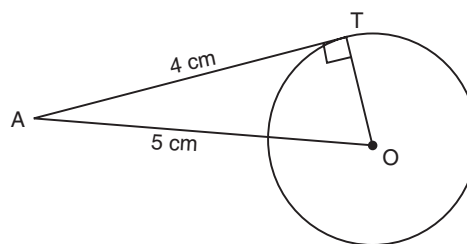
$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = 5^2 - 4^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = (5 - 4)(5 + 4)$$

$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = 1 \times 9 = 9 = 3^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OT = 3$$

Thus, the radius of the circle is **3 cm**.



Q. 7. Two concentric circles are of radii 5 cm and 3 cm. Find the length of the chord of the larger circle which touches the smaller circle.

Sol. In the figure, O is the common centre, of the given concentric circles.

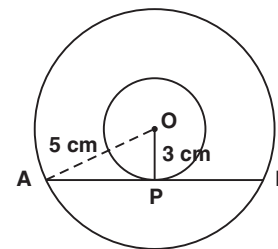
AB is a chord of the bigger circle such that it is a tangent to the smaller circle at P .

Since OP is the radius of the smaller circle through P , the point of contact,

$\therefore OP \perp AB$

$\Rightarrow \angle APB = 90^\circ$

Also, a radius perpendicular to a chord bisects the chord.



$$\therefore OP \text{ bisects } AB \Rightarrow AP = \frac{1}{2} AB$$

Now, in right $\triangle APO$,

$$\begin{aligned} OA^2 &= AP^2 + OP^2 \\ \Rightarrow 5^2 &= AP^2 + 3^2 \\ \Rightarrow AP^2 &= 5^2 - 3^2 \\ \Rightarrow AP^2 &= (5 - 3)(5 + 3) = 2 \times 8 \\ \Rightarrow AP^2 &= 16 = (4)^2 \\ \Rightarrow AP &= 4 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} AB = 4 \Rightarrow AB = 2 \times 4 = 8 \text{ cm}$$

Hence, the required length of the chord AB is **8 cm**.

Q. 8. A quadrilateral $ABCD$ is drawn to circumscribe a circle (see figure). Prove that:

$$AB + CD = AD + BC \quad [\text{CBSE (Foreign) 2014, CBSE 2012}] \quad (\text{AI CBSE 2008 C})$$

Sol. Since the sides of quadrilateral $ABCD$, i.e., AB , BC , CD and DA touch the circle at P , Q , R and S respectively, and the lengths of two tangents to a circle from an external point are equal.

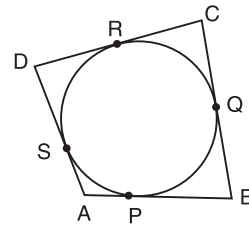
$$\begin{aligned} \therefore AP &= AS \\ BP &= BQ \\ DR &= DS \\ CR &= CQ \end{aligned}$$

Adding them, we get

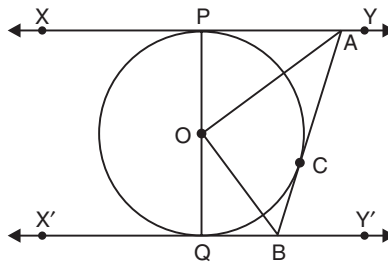
$$(AP + BP) + (CR + RD) = (BQ + QC) + (DS + SA)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + CD = BC + DA$$

which was to be proved.



Q. 9. In the figure, XY and $X'Y'$ are two parallel tangents to a circle with centre O and another tangent AB with point of contact C intersecting XY at A and $X'Y'$ at B . Prove that $\angle AOB = 90^\circ$.



[CBSE 2012]

Sol. \therefore The tangents drawn to a circle from an external point are equal.

$$\therefore AP = AC$$

In $\triangle PAO$ and $\triangle AOC$, we have:

$$AO = AO$$

$$OP = OC$$

$$AP = AC$$

[Common]

[Radii of the same circle]



$$\Rightarrow \Delta PAO \cong \Delta AOC \quad [\text{SSS Congruency}]$$

$$\therefore \angle PAO = \angle CAO$$

$$\angle PAC = 2 \angle CAO \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \angle CBQ = 2 \angle CBO \quad \dots(2)$$

Again, we know that sum of internal angles on the same side of a transversal is 180° .

$$\therefore \angle PAC + \angle CBQ = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \angle CAO + 2 \angle CBO = 180^\circ \quad [\text{From (1) and (2)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle CAO + \angle CBO = \frac{180^\circ}{2} = 90^\circ \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\text{Also } \angle CAO + \angle CBO + \angle AOB = 180^\circ \quad [\text{Sum of angles of a triangle}]$$

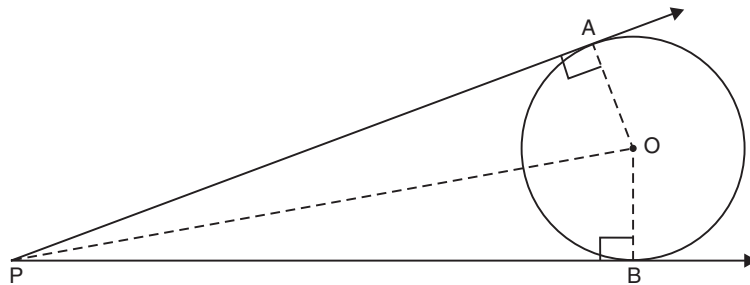
$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ + \angle AOB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB = 180^\circ - 90^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB = 90^\circ.$$

Q. 10. Prove that the angle between the two tangents drawn from an external point to a circle is supplementary to the angle subtended by the line-segment joining the points of contact at the centre.

Sol. Here, let PA and PB be two tangents drawn from an external point P to a circle with centre O .



Now, in right ΔOAP and right ΔOBP , we have

$$PA = PB \quad [\text{Tangents to circle from an external point P}]$$

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

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

\therefore By SSS congruency,

$$\Delta OAP \cong \Delta OBP$$

\therefore Their corresponding parts are equal.

$$\therefore \angle OAA = \angle OPB$$

$$\text{And } \angle AOP = \angle BOP$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle APB = 2 \angle OPA \quad \text{and} \quad \angle AOB = 2 \angle AOP$$

$$\text{But } \angle AOP = 90^\circ - \angle OPA$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \angle AOP = 180^\circ - 2 \angle OPA$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB = 180^\circ - \angle APB$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB + \angle APB = 180^\circ.$$

Q.11. Prove that the parallelogram circumscribing a circle is a rhombus. (CBSE 2012, CBSE Delhi 2014)

Sol. We have $ABCD$, a parallelogram which circumscribes a circle (i.e., its sides touch the circle) with centre O .

Since tangents to a circle from an external point are equal in length,

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \quad AP &= AS \\ BP &= BQ \\ CR &= CQ \\ DR &= DS\end{aligned}$$

Adding, we get

$$(AP + BP) + (CR + DR) = (AS + DS) + (BQ + CQ)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + CD = AD + BC$$

But $AB = CD$ [opposite sides of $ABCD$]

and $BC = AD$

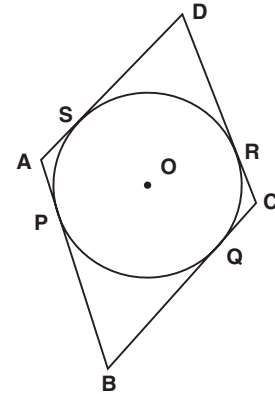
$$\therefore AB + CD = AD + BC \Rightarrow 2AB = 2BC$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = BC$$

Similarly $AB = DA$ and $DA = CD$

Thus, $AB = BC = CD = AD$

Hence $ABCD$ is a rhombus.



Q. 12. A triangle ABC is drawn to circumscribe a circle of radius 4 cm such that the segments BD and DC into which BC is divided by the point of contact D are of lengths 8 cm and 6 cm respectively (see figure). Find the sides AB and AC .

[CBSE 2012]

Sol. Here ΔABC circumscribes the circle with centre O .

Also, radius = 4 cm

\therefore The sides BC , CA and AB touch the circle at D , E and F respectively.

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \quad BF &= BD = 8 \text{ cm} \\ CE &= CD = 6 \text{ cm} \\ AF &= AE = x \text{ cm (say)}\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow The sides of the triangle are:

14 cm, $(x + 6)$ cm and $(x + 8)$ cm

Perimeter of ΔABC

$$= [14 + (x + 6) + (x + 8)] \text{ cm}$$

$$= [14 + 6 + 8 + 2x] \text{ cm}$$

$$= 28 + 2x \text{ cm}$$

\Rightarrow Semi perimeter of ΔABC

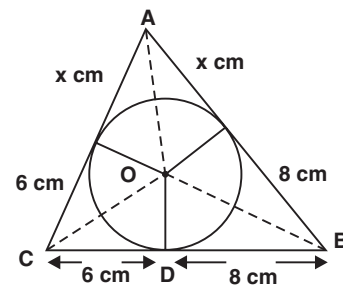
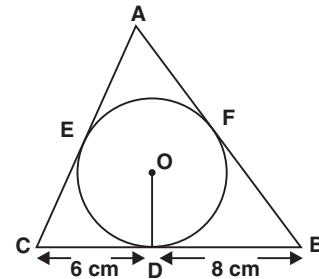
$$S = \frac{1}{2} [28 + 2x] \text{ cm} = (14 + x) \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore S - AB = (14 + x) - (8 + x) = 6$$

$$S - BC = (14 + x) - 14 = x$$

$$S - AC = (14 + x) - (16 + x) = 8$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \Delta ABC = \sqrt{S(S - AB)(S - BC)(S - AC)} = \sqrt{(14 + x)(6)(x)(8)} \text{ cm}^2$$



$$= \sqrt{(14+x)48x} \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, ar } (\Delta OBC) &= \frac{1}{2} \times BC \times OD \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 14 \times 4 \quad [\because OD = \text{Radius}] \\ &= 28 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ar } (\Delta OCA) &= \frac{1}{2} CA \times OE = \frac{1}{2} \times (x+6) \times 4 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 (x+6) = (2x+12) \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ar } (\Delta OAB) &= \frac{1}{2} \times AB \times OF = \frac{1}{2} \times (x+8) \times 4 \\ &= (2x+16) \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{ar } (\Delta ABC) &= \text{ar } (\Delta OBC) + \text{ar } (\Delta OCA) + \text{ar } (\Delta OAB) \\ &= 28 \text{ cm}^2 + (2x+12) \text{ cm}^2 + (2x+16) \text{ cm}^2 \\ &= (28+12+16) + 4x \text{ cm}^2 \\ &= (56+4x) \text{ cm}^2 \quad \dots(2) \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (2), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} 56+4x &= \sqrt{(14+x)48x} \\ 4[14+x] &= 4\sqrt{(14+x)3x} \\ \Rightarrow 14+x &= \sqrt{(14+x)3x} \end{aligned}$$

Squaring both sides

$$\begin{aligned} (14+x)^2 &= (14+x)3x \\ \Rightarrow 196+x^2+28x &= 42x+3x^2 \\ \Rightarrow 2x^2+14x-196 &= 0 \Rightarrow x^2+7x-98=0 \\ \Rightarrow (x-7)(x+14) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \text{Either } x-7=0 &\Rightarrow x=7 \\ \text{or } x+14=0 &\Rightarrow x=(-14) \end{aligned}$$

But $x = (-14)$ is not required

$$\therefore x = 7 \text{ cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus, } AB &= 8+7 = 15 \text{ cm} \\ BC &= 8+6 = 14 \text{ cm} \\ CA &= 6+7 = 13 \text{ cm.} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 13. Prove that opposite sides of a quadrilateral circumscribing a circle subtend supplementary angles at the centre of the circle. [CBSE 2012]

Sol. We have a circle with centre O.

A quadrilateral ABCD is such that the sides AB, BC, CD and DA touch the circle at P, Q, R and S respectively.

Let us join OP, OQ, OR and OS. We know that two tangents drawn from an external point to a circle subtend equal angles at the centre.



$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \quad \angle 1 &= \angle 2 \\ \angle 3 &= \angle 4 \\ \angle 5 &= \angle 6 \quad \text{and} \quad \angle 7 = \angle 8\end{aligned}$$

Also, the sum of all the angles around a point is 360° .

$$\therefore \angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle 3 + \angle 4 + \angle 5 + \angle 6 + \angle 7 + \angle 8 = 360^\circ$$

$$\therefore 2 [\angle 1 + \angle 8 + \angle 5 + \angle 4] = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow (\angle 1 + \angle 8 + \angle 5 + \angle 4) = 180^\circ \quad (1)$$

$$\text{And } 2 [\angle 2 + \angle 3 + \angle 6 + \angle 7] = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow (\angle 2 + \angle 3) + (\angle 6 + \angle 7) = 180^\circ \quad (2)$$

$$\text{Since, } \angle 2 + \angle 3 = \angle AOB$$

$$\angle 6 + \angle 7 = \angle COD$$

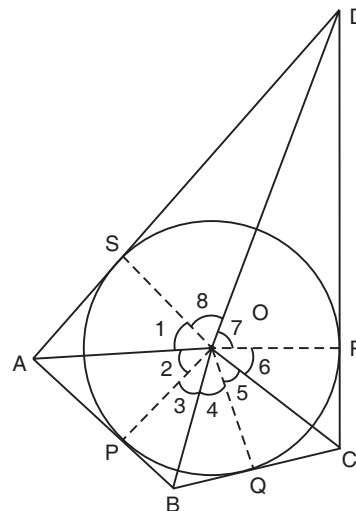
$$\angle 1 + \angle 8 = \angle AOD$$

$$\angle 4 + \angle 5 = \angle BOC$$

\therefore From (1) and (2), we have:

$$\angle AOD + \angle BOC = 180^\circ \quad \text{and}$$

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



MORE QUESTIONS SOLVED

I. VERY SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

Q. 1. In the adjoining figure, PA and PB are tangents from P to a circle with centre C. If $\angle APB = 40^\circ$ then find $\angle ACB$.

Sol. Since a tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

$$\therefore \angle 1 = 90^\circ \quad \text{and} \quad \angle 2 = 90^\circ$$

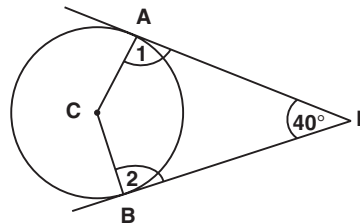
Now, in quadrilateral APBC, we have:

$$\angle 1 + \angle ACB + \angle 2 + \angle P = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ + \angle ACB + 90^\circ + 40^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ACB + 220^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle ACB = 360^\circ - 220^\circ = 140^\circ.$$



Q. 2. In the given figure, PA and PB are tangents from P to a circle with centre O. If $\angle AOB = 130^\circ$, then find $\angle APB$.

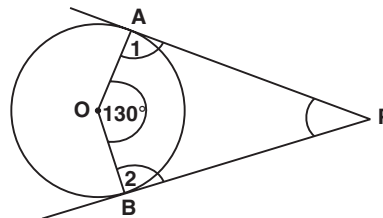
Sol. Since a tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

$$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 2 = 90^\circ$$

Now, in quadrilateral AOBP, we have:

$$\angle 1 + \angle AOB + \angle 2 + \angle APB = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 90^\circ + 130^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle APB = 360^\circ$$



$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow 310^\circ + \angle APB &= 360^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle APB &= 360 - 310 = 50^\circ \\ \text{Thus, } \angle APB &= 50^\circ.\end{aligned}$$

Q. 3. In the given figure, PT is a tangent to a circle whose centre is O . If $PT = 12$ cm and $PO = 13$ cm then find the radius of the circle.

Sol. Since a tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

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

In rt $\triangle OTP$, using Pythagoras theorem, we get

$$OP^2 = OT^2 + PT^2$$

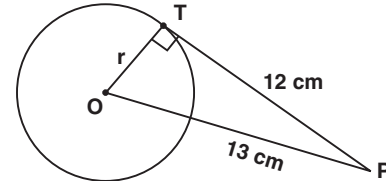
$$\Rightarrow 13^2 = OT^2 + 12^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = 13^2 - 12^2 = (13 - 12)(13 + 12) = 1 \times 25 = 25$$

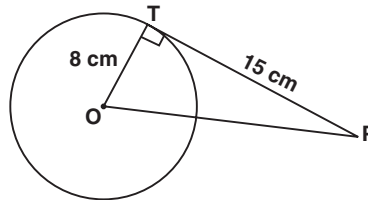
$$\therefore OT^2 = 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OT = 5$$

Thus, radius (r) = 5 cm.



Q. 4. In the given figure, PT is a tangent to the circle and O is its centre. Find OP .



Sol. Since, a tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact.

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

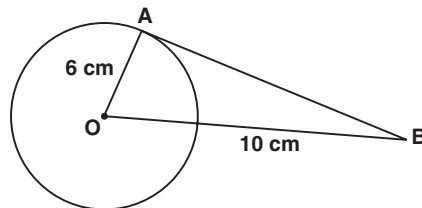
In right $\triangle OTP$, using Pythagoras theorem, we get

$$OP^2 = OT^2 + PT^2$$

$$= 8^2 + 15^2 = 64 + 225 = 289 = 17^2$$

$$\Rightarrow OP = \sqrt{17^2} = 17 \text{ cm.}$$

Q. 5. If O is the centre of the circle, then find the length of the tangent AB in the given figure.



Sol. \because A tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact.

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

Now, in right $\triangle OAB$, we have

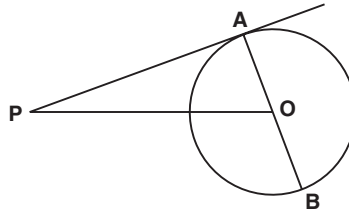
$$OB^2 = OA^2 + AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^2 = 6^2 + AB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB^2 = 10^2 - 6^2 = (10 - 6)(10 + 6) = 4 \times 16 = 64 = 8^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \sqrt{8^2} = 8.$$

- Q. 6.** In the figure, PA is a tangent from an external point P to a circle with centre O . If $\angle POB = 115^\circ$ then find $\angle APO$. (AI CBSE 2009 C)



Sol. Here, PA is a tangent and OA is radius. Also, a radius through the point of contact is perpendicular to the tangent.

$$\therefore OA = PA$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PAO = 90^\circ$$

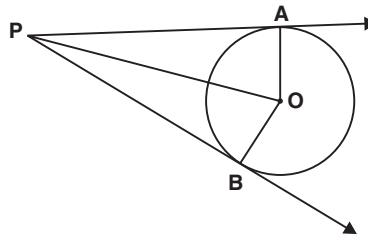
In $\triangle OAP$, $\angle POB$ is an external angle,

$$\therefore \angle APO + \angle PAO = \angle POB$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle APO + 90^\circ = 115^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle APO = 115^\circ - 90^\circ = 25^\circ$$

- Q. 7.** In the following figure, PA and PB are tangents drawn from a point P to the circle with centre O . If $\angle APB = 60^\circ$, then what is $\angle AOB$? (CBSE 2009 C)



Sol. The radius of the circle through the point of contact is perpendicular to the tangent.

$$\therefore OA \perp AP \text{ and } OB \perp BP$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PAO = \angle PBO = 90^\circ$$

Now, in quadrilateral $OAPB$,

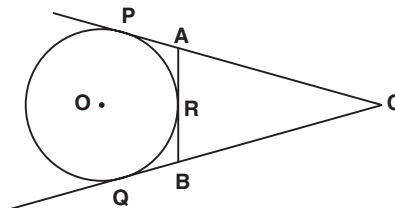
$$\angle OAP + \angle APB + \angle PBO + \angle AOB = 360^\circ$$

$$90^\circ + 60^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle AOB = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB + 240^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle AOB = 360^\circ - 240^\circ = 120^\circ$$

- Q. 8.** In the figure, CP and CQ are tangents to a circle with centre O . ARB is another tangent touching the circle at R . If $QC = 11$ cm, $BC = 7$ cm then find, the length of BR . (CBSE 2009)



Sol. \because Tangents drawn from an external point are equal,

$$\therefore BQ = BR \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{And } CQ = CP$$

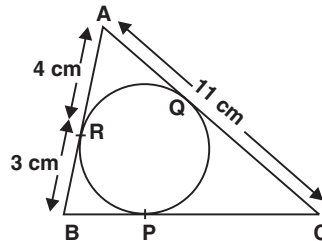
$$\text{Since, } BC + BQ = QC$$

$$\Rightarrow 7 + BR = 11 \quad [\because BQ = BR]$$

$$BR = 11 - 7 = 4 \text{ cm.}$$

Q. 9. In the figure, $\triangle ABC$ is circumscribing a circle. Find the length of BC .

(AI CBSE 2009)



Sol. Since tangents drawn from an external point to the circle are equal,

$$\therefore AR = AQ = 4 \text{ cm} \quad \dots(1)$$

$$BR = BP = 3 \text{ cm} \quad \dots(2)$$

$$PC = QC \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\therefore QC = AC - AQ = 11 - 4 = 7 \text{ cm} \quad [\text{From (1)}]$$

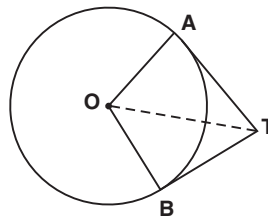
$$BC = BP + PC \quad [\text{From (3)}]$$

$$= 3 + QC$$

$$= (3 + 7) \text{ cm} = 10 \text{ cm}$$

Q. 10. In the figure, if $\angle ATO = 40^\circ$, find $\angle AOB$.

[AI CBSE 2008]



Sol. Since the tangent is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

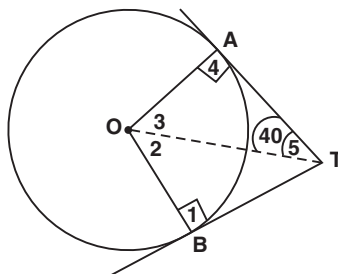
$$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 4 = 90^\circ$$

$$\text{Also, } OA = OB \quad [\text{Radii of the same circle}]$$

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

$$\therefore \triangle OAT \cong \triangle OBT \quad [\text{RHS congruency}]$$

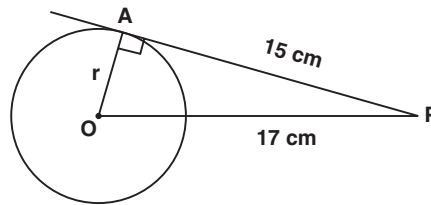
$$\Rightarrow \angle 3 = \angle 2$$



Now, in $\triangle OAT$,

$$\begin{aligned}\angle 3 + \angle 4 + \angle 5 &= 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle 3 + 90^\circ + 40^\circ &= 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle 3 &= 180^\circ - 90^\circ - 40^\circ = 50^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle AOB &= 50^\circ + 50^\circ = 100^\circ.\end{aligned}$$

- Q. 11.** From a point P , the length of the tangent to a circle is 15 cm and distance of P from the centre of the circle is 17 cm, then what is the radius of the circle? [CBSE 2008 C]



Sol. Since radius is perpendicular to the tangent through the point of contact,

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore OA &\perp AP \\ \Rightarrow \angle OAP &= 90^\circ\end{aligned}$$

In rt $\triangle OAP$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}OA^2 + AP^2 &= OP^2 \\ \Rightarrow r^2 + (15)^2 &= (17)^2 \\ r^2 &= 17^2 - 15^2 = (17 - 15)(17 + 15) = 2 \times 32 = 64 \\ \Rightarrow r &= \sqrt{64} = 8\end{aligned}$$

Thus, radius = 8 cm.

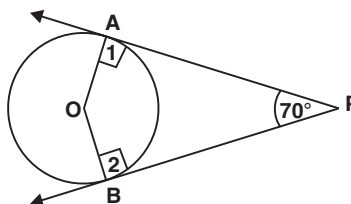
- Q. 12.** The two tangents from an external point P to a circle with centre O are PA and PB . If $\angle APB = 70^\circ$, then what is the value of $\angle AOB$? (AI CBSE 2008 C)

Sol. Since tangent is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact.

$$\therefore \angle 1 = \angle 2 = 90^\circ$$

In quadrilateral $OABP$,

$$\begin{aligned}\angle AOB + \angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle APB &= 360^\circ \\ \angle AOB + 90^\circ + 90^\circ + 70^\circ &= 360^\circ\end{aligned}$$

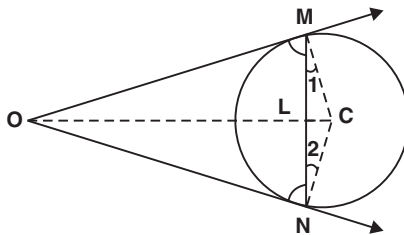


$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow \angle AOB + 250^\circ &= 360^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle AOB &= 360^\circ - 250^\circ = 110^\circ\end{aligned}$$

II. SHORT ANSWER TYPE QUESTIONS

Q. 1. Prove that the tangents drawn at the ends of a chord of a circle make equal angles with the chord.
[NCERT Exemplar]

Sol.



Let NM be a chord of a circle with centre C.

Let the tangents at M and N meet at O.

$\therefore OM$ is a tangent at M

$$\therefore \angle OMC = 90^\circ \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{Similarly } \angle ONC = 90^\circ \quad \dots(2)$$

Since, $CM = CN$

[Radii of the same circle]

$$\therefore \text{In } \triangle CMN, \angle 1 = \angle 2$$

From (1) and (2), we have

$$\angle OMC - \angle 1 = \angle ONC - \angle 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle OML = \angle ONL$$

Thus, tangents make equal angles with the chord.

Q. 2. Two concentric circles have a common centre O. The chord AB to the bigger circle touches the smaller circle at P. If $OP = 3$ cm and $AB = 8$ cm then find the radius of the bigger circle.

Sol. $\because AB$ touches the smaller circle at P.

$$\therefore OP \perp AB \Rightarrow \angle OPA = 90^\circ$$

Now, AB is a chord of the bigger circle.

Since, the perpendicular from the centre to a chord, bisects the chord,

$\therefore P$ is the mid-point of AB

$$\Rightarrow AP = \frac{8}{2} = 4 \text{ cm}$$

In right $\triangle APO$, we have

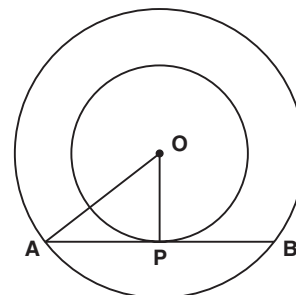
$$AO^2 = OP^2 + AP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AO^2 = 3^2 + 4^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AO^2 = 9 + 16 = 25 = 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AO = \sqrt{5^2} = 5 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, the radius of the bigger circle is 5 cm.

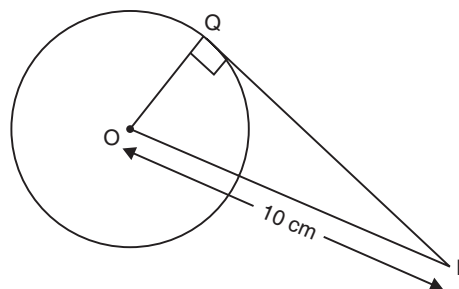


Q. 3. In the given figure, O is the centre of the circle and PQ is a tangent to it. If its circumference is 12π cm, then find the length of the tangent.

Sol. \because Circumference of the circle = 12π cm

$$\therefore 2\pi r = 12\pi$$

[$\because r$ is the radius of the circle]



$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{12\pi}{2\pi} = 6 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Radius of the circle} = 6 \text{ cm} = OQ$$

Since a tangent to circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

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

Now, in rt ΔOQP , we have:

$$OQ^2 + QP^2 = OP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^2 + QP^2 = 10^2$$

$$\Rightarrow QP^2 = 10^2 - 6^2 = (10 - 6)(10 + 6) = 4 \times 16 = 64 = 8^2$$

$$\Rightarrow QP = \sqrt{8^2} = 8$$

Thus, the length of the tangent is **8 cm**.

- Q. 4.** Given two concentric circles of radii 10 cm and 6 cm. Find the length of the chord of the larger circle which touches the other circle.

Sol. The chord AB touches the inner circle at P .

$\therefore AB$ is tangent to the inner circle.

$$\Rightarrow OP \perp AB$$

[$\because O$ is the centre and OP is radius through the point of contact P]

$$\therefore \angle OPB = 90^\circ.$$

Now, in right ΔOPB , we have:

$$OP^2 + PB^2 = OB^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 6^2 + PB^2 = 10^2$$

$$\Rightarrow PB^2 = 10^2 - 6^2 = (10 - 6) \times (10 + 6)$$

$$\Rightarrow PB^2 = 4 \times 16$$

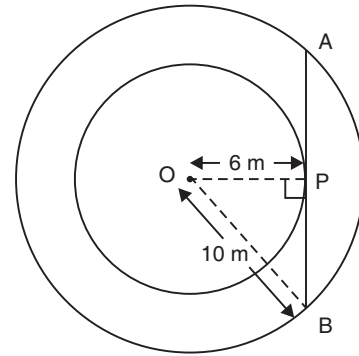
$$\Rightarrow PB^2 = 64 = 8^2$$

$$\Rightarrow PB = \sqrt{8^2} = 8 \text{ cm}$$

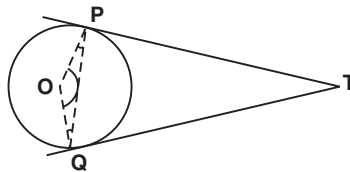
\therefore The radius perpendicular to a chord bisects the chord.

$\therefore P$ is the mid-point of AB

$$\therefore AB = 2 \times PB = 2 \times 8 = \mathbf{16 \text{ cm}}.$$



- Q. 5.** Two tangents TP and TQ are drawn to a circle with centre O from an external point T . Prove that $\angle PTQ = 2 \angle OPQ$.
(CBSE Sample Paper 2011)



Sol. \because Tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact.

In quadrilateral. $OPTQ$,

$$\angle OPT + \angle OQT + \angle POQ + \angle PTQ = 360^\circ$$

$$\text{or } 90^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle POQ + \angle PTQ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle POQ + \angle PTQ = 360^\circ - 90^\circ - 90^\circ = 180^\circ \quad \dots(1)$$

$$\text{In } \Delta OPQ, \angle 1 + \angle 2 + \angle POQ = 180^\circ \quad \dots(2)$$

Since $OP = OQ$
 $\Rightarrow \angle 1 = \angle 2$
 $\therefore \angle OPT = 90^\circ = \angle OQT$

[Radii of the same circle]
 [Angles opposite to equal sides]

\therefore From (2), we have

$$\angle 1 + \angle 1 + \angle POQ = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle 1 + \angle POQ = 180^\circ \quad \dots(3)$$

From (1) and (3), we have

$$2\angle 1 + \angle POQ = \angle POQ + \angle PTQ$$

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

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle OPQ = \angle PTQ.$$

Q. 6. In the figure, the incircle of ΔABC touches the sides BC , CA and AB at D , E and F respectively. If $AB = AC$, prove that $BD = CD$.

Sol. Since the lengths of tangents drawn from an external point to a circle are equal,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{We have } AF &= AE \\ BF &= BD \\ CD &= CE \end{aligned}$$

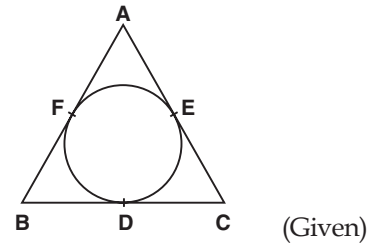
Adding them, we get

$$(AF + BF) + CD = (AE + CE) + BD$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + CD = AC + BD$$

$$\text{But } AB = AC$$

$$\therefore CD = BD.$$



Q. 7. A circle is touching the side BC of a ΔABC at P and touching AB and AC produced at Q and R . Prove that:

$$AQ = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Perimeter of } \Delta ABC) \quad [\text{NCERT Exemplar CBSE 2011, 2012}]$$

Sol. Since, the two tangents drawn to a circle from an external point are equal.

$$\therefore AQ = AR \quad \dots(1)$$

Similarly,

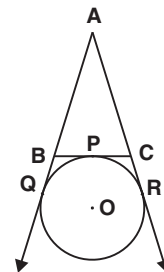
$$BQ = BP \quad \dots(2)$$

$$\text{and } CR = CP \quad \dots(3)$$

Now, Perimeter of ΔABC

$$\begin{aligned} &= AB + BC + AC \\ &= AB + (BP + PC) + AC \\ &= AB + (BQ + CR) + AC \quad [\text{From (2) and (3)}] \\ &= (AB + BQ) + (CR + AC) \\ &= AQ + AR \\ &= AQ + AQ \quad [\text{From (1)}] \\ &= 2AQ \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow AQ = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Perimeter } \Delta ABC)$$



- Q. 8.** In two concentric circles, a chord of the larger circle touches the smaller circle. If the length of this chord is 8 cm and the diameter of the smaller circle is 6 cm, then find the diameter of the larger circle. (CBSE 2009 C)

Sol. Let the common centre be O . Let AB be the chord of the larger circle.

$$\therefore AB = 8 \text{ cm}$$

And CD is the diameter of the smaller circle i.e.,

$$CD = 6 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow OD = \frac{1}{2}(6) = 3 \text{ cm}$$

Join OA . D is the point of contact.

$$\therefore OD \perp AB$$

$\Rightarrow D$ is the mid point of AB

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

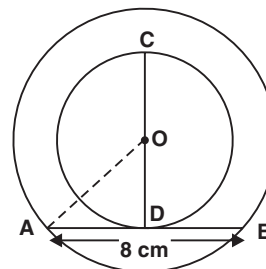
Now, in right $\triangle ADO$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} AO^2 &= AD^2 + OD^2 \\ &= 4^2 + 3^2 = 16 + 9 = 25 = 5^2 \end{aligned}$$

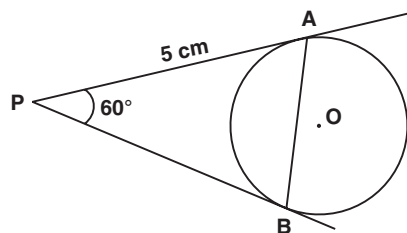
$$\Rightarrow AO = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2AO = 2(5 \text{ cm}) = 10 \text{ cm}$$

\therefore The diameter of the bigger circle is **10 cm**.



- Q. 9.** In the following figure, PA and PB are two tangents drawn to a circle with centre O , from an external point P such that $PA = 5 \text{ cm}$ and $\angle APB = 60^\circ$. Find the length of chord AB . (CBSE 2009 C)



Sol. Since the tangents to a circle from an external point are equal,

$$\therefore PA = PB = 5 \text{ cm}$$

In $\triangle PAB$, we have

$$\angle PAB = \angle PBA$$

$$[\because PA = PB]$$

$$\therefore \angle PAB + \angle PBA + \angle APB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PAB + \angle PAB + 60^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle PAB + 60^\circ = 180^\circ$$

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

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

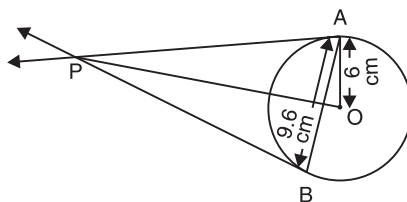
\Rightarrow Each angle of $\triangle PAB$ is 60° .

$\Rightarrow \triangle PAB$ is an equilateral triangle.

$$\therefore PA = PB = AB = 5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Thus, } AB = \mathbf{5 \text{ cm}}$$

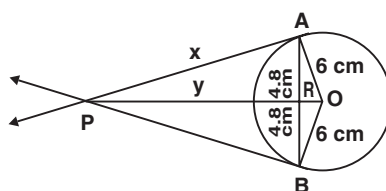
Q. 10. In the following figure, AB is a chord of length 9.6 cm of a circle with centre O and radius 6 cm.



The tangents at A and B intersect at P . Find the length PA .

(AI CBSE 2009 C)

Sol.



Join OB .

Let $PA = x$ cm and $PR = y$ cm

Since, OP is perpendicular bisector of AB

$$\therefore AR = BR = \frac{9.6}{2} = 4.8 \text{ cm}$$

Now, in rt $\triangle OAR$, we have:

$$OA^2 = OR^2 + AR^2$$

[By Pythagoras theorem]

$$\Rightarrow OR^2 = OA^2 - AR^2$$

$$= 6^2 - (4.8)^2 = (6 - 4.8) \times (6 + 4.8) = 1.2 \times 10.8$$

$$\Rightarrow = 12.96$$

$$OR = 3.6 \text{ cm.}$$

Again, in right $\triangle OAP$,

$$OP^2 = AP^2 + OA^2$$

$$OP^2 = (AR^2 + PR^2) + OA^2$$

$$[\because AP^2 = AR^2 + PR^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow (y + 3.6)^2 = (4.8)^2 + y^2 + 6^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 + 12.96 + 7.2y = 23.04 + y^2 + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow 7.2y = 46.08$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{46.08}{7.2} = 6.4$$

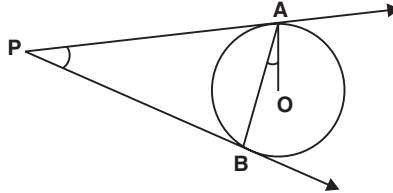
$$\Rightarrow PR = 6.4 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Now, } AP^2 = AR^2 + PR^2$$

$$= (4.8)^2 + (6.4)^2 = 23.04 + 40.96 = 64$$

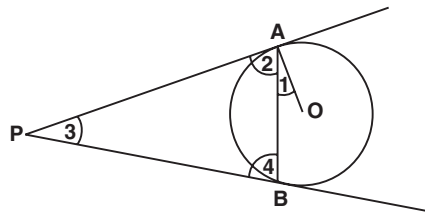
$$\Rightarrow AP = \sqrt{64} = 8 \text{ cm}$$

- Q. 11.** Two tangents PA and PB are drawn to a circle with centre O from an external point P. Prove that $\angle APB = 2\angle OAB$ (CBSE 2009)



Sol. We have PA and PB, the tangents to the circle and O is the centre of the circle.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore PA &= PB \\ \Rightarrow \angle 2 &= \angle 4 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(1)$$



Since the tangent is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \angle OAP &= 90^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle 1 + \angle 2 &= 90^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle 2 &= 90^\circ - \angle 1 \end{aligned} \quad \dots(2)$$

Now, in $\triangle ABP$, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \angle 2 + \angle 3 + \angle 4 &= 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow \angle 2 + \angle 3 + \angle 2 &= 180^\circ && [\text{From (1)}] \\ \Rightarrow \angle 2 + \angle 3 &= 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow 2(90^\circ - \angle 1) + \angle 3 &= 180^\circ && [\text{From (2)}] \\ \Rightarrow 180^\circ - 2\angle 1 + \angle 3 &= 180^\circ \\ \Rightarrow 2\angle 1 &= \angle 3 \Rightarrow \angle 3 = 2\angle 1 \\ \Rightarrow \angle APB &= 2\angle OAB \end{aligned}$$

- Q. 12.** ABC is an isosceles triangle, in which $AB = AC$, circumscribed about a circle. Show that BC is bisected at the point of contact. [CBSE 2012]

Sol. We know that the tangents to a circle from an external point are equal.

$$\therefore AD = AF$$

Similarly,

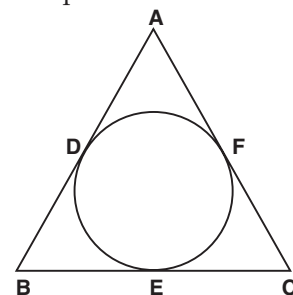
$$BD = BE$$

$$\text{and } CE = CF$$

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

$$\Rightarrow AB - AD = AC - AF$$

$$\Rightarrow AB - AD = AC - AF \quad [\because AD = AF]$$



$$\Rightarrow BD = CF \quad \dots(1)$$

But $BF = BD$ and $CF = CE$

\therefore From (1), we have:

$$BE = CE$$

Q. 13. If a, b, c are the sides of a right triangle where c is hypotenuse, prove that the radius r of the circle which touches the sides of the triangle is given by $r = \frac{a+b-c}{2}$ [(NCERT Exemplar)

(CBSE 2012)]

Sol. Here, a, b and c are the sides of rt ΔABC

Such that $BC = a$, $CA = b$ and $AB = c$

Let the circle touches the sides BC, CA, AB at D, E and F respectively.

$$= AE = AF \text{ and } BD = BF$$

Also, $CE = CD = r$

$$\therefore AF = b - r$$

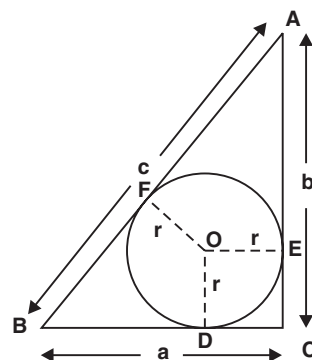
$$BF = a - r$$

Now, $AB = c \Rightarrow (AF + BF) = (b - r) + (a - r)$

$$\Rightarrow c = b + a - 2r$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r = a + b - c$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{a+b-c}{2}$$



Q. 14. In a right ΔABC , right angled at B , $BC = 5$ cm and $AB = 12$ cm. The circle is touching the sides of ΔABC . Find the radius of the circle. [CBSE 2014]

Sol. Let the circle with centre O and radius ' r ' touches AB, BC and AC at P, Q, R , respectively.

Now,

$$AR = AP$$

$$\therefore AP = AB - BP = (12 - r) \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore AR = (12 - r) \text{ cm}$$

Similarly, $CR = (5 - r) \text{ cm}$

Now, using Pythagoras theorem in rt ΔABC , we have

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC^2 = 12^2 + 5^2$$

$$\Rightarrow AC = 13 \text{ cm}$$

But $AC = AR + CR$

$$= (12 - r) + (5 - r)$$

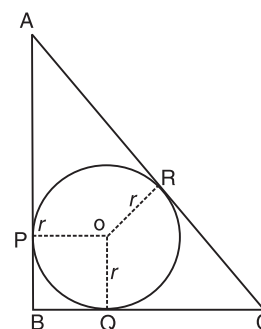
$$\Rightarrow (12 - r) + (5 - r) = 13 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 17 - 2r = 13 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2r = 17 - 13 = 4 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{4}{2} = 2 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, the radius of the circle is 2 cm.



Q. 15. Prove that the parallelogram circumscribing a circle is a rhombus.

[CBSE 2012] (CBSE Sample Paper 2011)

Sol. Since $ABCD$ is a \parallel^{gm}

$$\therefore AB = CD$$

$$\text{and } AD = BC$$

\therefore Tangents from an external point to a circle are equal,

$$\therefore AP = AS$$

$$BP = BQ$$

$$RC = QC$$

$$DR = DS$$

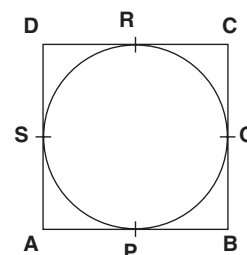
$$\Rightarrow (AP + PB) + (RC + DR) = (AS + DS) + (BQ + QC)$$

$$\Rightarrow AB + CD = AD + BC$$

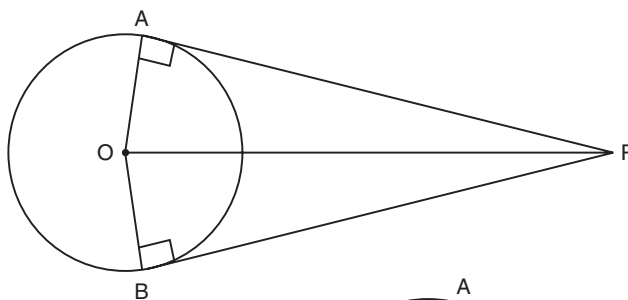
$$\Rightarrow 2AB = 2AD \Rightarrow AB = AD$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = AD = CD = BC$$

i.e., $ABCD$ is a rhombus.



Q. 16. In the following figure, OP is equal to diameter of the circle. Prove that ABP is an equilateral triangle. (AI CBSE 2008)



Sol. Since the tangent is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

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

Let us join AB and AC .

In right $\triangle OAP$, OP is the hypotenuse and C is the mid point of OP .

[$\because OP$ is a diameter of the circle (given)]

$$\therefore CA = CP = CO = \text{Radius of the circle.}$$

$\therefore \triangle OAC$ is an equilateral triangle.

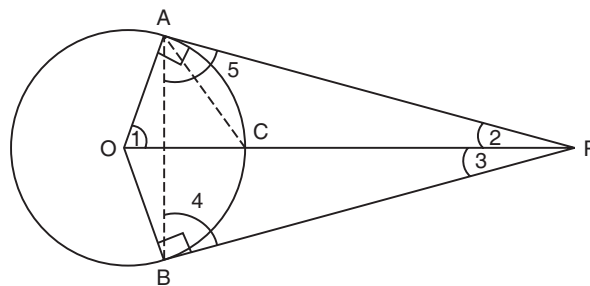
Since all angles in an equilateral triangle are 60° ,

$$\therefore \angle 1 = 60^\circ$$

Now, in $\triangle OAP$, we have

$$\angle 1 + \angle OAP + \angle 2 = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 60^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle 2 = 180^\circ$$



$$\Rightarrow \angle 2 = 180^\circ - 90^\circ - 60^\circ = 30^\circ$$

Since PA and PB make equal angles with OP ,

$$\therefore \angle 2 = \angle 3 \Rightarrow \angle 3 = 30^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle APB = \angle 2 + \angle 3 = 30^\circ + 30^\circ = 60^\circ$$

Again, $PA = PB$.

\Rightarrow In $\triangle ABP$, $\angle 4 = \angle 5$ [Angles opposite to equal sides are equal]

Now, in $\triangle ABP$,

$$\angle 4 + \angle 5 + \angle APB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 4 + \angle 4 + \angle APB = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle 4 + 60^\circ = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\angle 4 = 180^\circ - 60^\circ = 120^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 4 = \frac{120}{2} = 60^\circ$$

Since, $\angle 4 = 60^\circ$

$\angle 5 = 60^\circ \quad \therefore \triangle ABP$ is an equilateral \triangle .

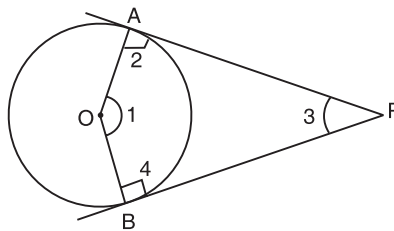
$$\angle APB = 60^\circ$$

- Q. 17.** Prove that the angle between the two tangents to a circle drawn from an external point is supplementary to the angle subtended by the line segment joining the points of contact at the centre.
(CBSE 2008 C)

Or

Two tangents PA and PB are drawn from an external point P to a circle with centre O . Prove that $AOBP$ is a cyclic quadrilateral.
(CBSE Sample Paper 2011)

Sol.



We have tangents PA and PB to the circle from the external point P . Since a tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius through the point of contact,

$$\therefore \angle 2 = 90^\circ \text{ and } \angle 4 = 90^\circ$$

Now, in quadrilateral $OAPB$,

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

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 + 90^\circ + \angle 3 + 90^\circ = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle 1 + \angle 3 = 360^\circ - 90^\circ - 90^\circ = 180^\circ$$

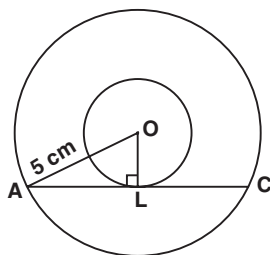
i.e., $\angle 1$ and $\angle 3$ are supplementary angles.

$\Rightarrow \angle AOB$ and $\angle APB$ are supplementary

$\Rightarrow AOBP$ is a cyclic quadrilateral.

- Q. 18.** Out of 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.

[NCERT Exemplar, CBSE (Foreign) 2014]



Sol. Let the given chord AC of the larger circle touch the smaller circle at L.

\therefore AC is a tangent at L to the smaller circle with centre O

$\therefore OL \perp AC$

Also AC is a chord of the bigger circle

$$\therefore AL = \frac{1}{2} AC$$

[\because A perpendicular from centre to a chord of the circle, divides the chord into two equal parts.]

But $AC = 8 \text{ cm}$

$$\therefore AL = \frac{1}{2} (8 \text{ cm}) = 4 \text{ cm.}$$

Now, in rt. $\triangle OAL$,

$$OL^2 = OA^2 - AL^2$$

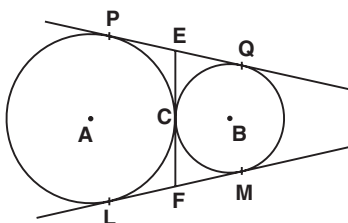
$$\begin{aligned} \text{or } OL^2 &= 5^2 - 4^2 \\ &= (5 + 4)(5 - 4) \\ &= 9 \times 1 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow OL = \sqrt{9} = 3 \text{ cm}$$

Thus, the radius of the inner circle is 3 cm.

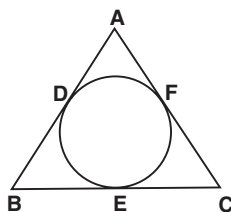
TEST YOUR SKILLS

1. In the following figure, two circles touch each other externally at C. Prove that the common tangent at C bisects the other two common tangents.



2. In the figure, if $AB = AC$, prove that $BE = CE$.

[CBSE 2006]

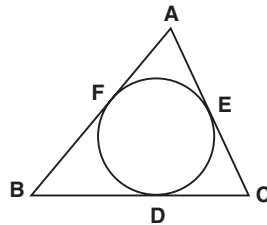


3. A point P is 13 cm from the centre of the circle. The length of the tangent drawn from P to the circle is 12 cm. Find the radius of the circle.
4. A circle is touching the side BC of $\triangle ABC$ at P and touching AB and AC produced at Q and R respectively.

Prove that: $AQ = \frac{1}{2} (\text{Perimeter of } \triangle ABC)$

5. The incircle of $\triangle ABC$ touches the sides BC, CA and AB at D, E and F respectively. Show that: [CBSE 2012]

$$\begin{aligned} AF + BD + CD &= AE + BF + CE \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\text{Perimeter of } \triangle ABC) \end{aligned}$$

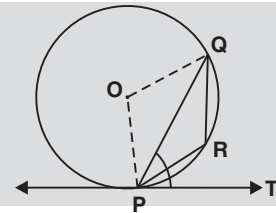


6. Show that the tangents drawn at the end points of a diameter of a circle are parallel.
7. In the figure PQ is a chord of a circle and PT is the tangent at P such that $\angle QPT = 60^\circ$, Find $\angle PRQ$. [NCERT Exemplar]

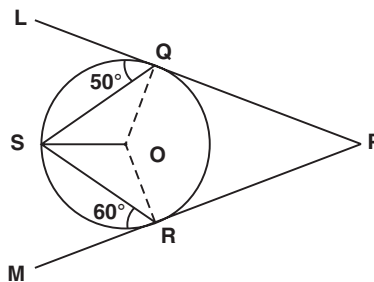
Hint:

$$\angle OPQ = \angle OQP = 30^\circ \Rightarrow \angle POQ = 120^\circ$$

$$\text{Also, } \angle PRQ = \frac{1}{2} \text{ reflex } \angle POQ$$



8. In the figure, PQL and PRM are tangents to the circle with centre O at the points Q and R, respectively and S is a point on the circle such that $\angle SQL = 50^\circ$ and $\angle SRM = 60^\circ$. Find the measure of $\angle QSR$. [NCERT Exemplar]



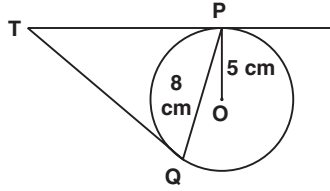
Hint:

$$\angle OQS = 90^\circ - 50^\circ = 40^\circ = \angle OQQ$$

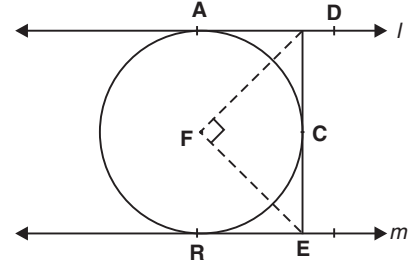
$$\angle ORS = 90^\circ - 60^\circ = 30^\circ = \angle OSR$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle QSR = \angle OSQ + \angle OSR = 40^\circ + 30^\circ$$

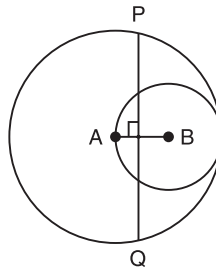
9. PQ is a chord of length 8 cm of a circle of radius 5 cm. The tangents at P and Q intersect at a point T. Find the length of TP.



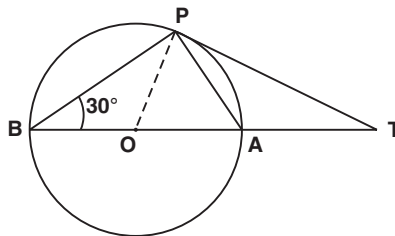
10. In the following figure, l and m are two parallel tangents to a circle with centre F. DE is the tangent segment between the two parallel tangents touching the circle at C. Show that $\angle DFE = 90^\circ$.



11. In the figure, two circles with centres A and B and radii 5 cm and 3 cm touching each other internally. If the perpendicular bisector of segment AB, meets the bigger circle at P and Q, find the length of PQ.



12. Two tangents making an angle of 120° with each other, are drawn to a circle of radius 6 cm. Show that the length of each tangent is $2\sqrt{3}$ cm.
13. In the figure BOA is a diameter of a circle and the tangent at a point P meets BA extended at T. If $\angle PBO = 30^\circ$, then find $\angle PTA$.



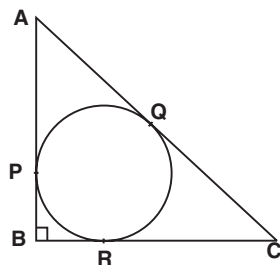
Hint:

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

$$\therefore \angle PAB = 60^\circ = \angle OPA$$

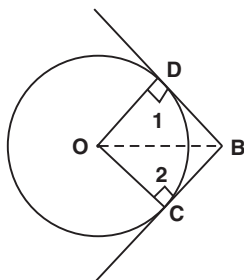
$$\text{Since, } OP \perp PT \Rightarrow \angle APT = 30^\circ \text{ and } \angle PTA = 60^\circ - 30^\circ.$$

14. In the given figure, ABC is a right Δ right angled at B such that BC = 6 cm and AB = 8 cm. Find the radius of the circle.



15. If from an external point B of a circle with centre O, two tangents BC and BD are drawn such that $\angle DBC = 120^\circ$, prove that $BC + BD = BO$ i.e., $BO = 2 BC$

[NCERT Exemplar, CBSE 2014]



Hint:

$$\angle DOC = 180^\circ - 120^\circ = 60^\circ \quad [\because \angle 1 = \angle 2 = 90^\circ]$$

$$\text{rt } \triangle OBD \cong \triangle OBC$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle BOC = \angle BOD = 30^\circ$$

$$\text{In rt } \triangle OBD, \frac{BD}{OB} = \sin 30^\circ = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore BD = \frac{1}{2} OB$$

$$\text{Similarly, } BC = \frac{1}{2} OB$$

16. In the figure, XP and XQ are two tangents to the circle with centre O, drawn from an external point X. ARB is another tangent touching the circle at R. Prove that $XA + AR = XB + BR$.

[AI. CBSE (Foreign) 2014]

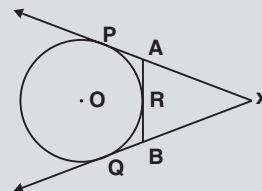
Hint:

$$AP = AR \text{ and } BQ = BR$$

$$XP = XA + AP \Rightarrow XA + AR [\because AP = AR]$$

$$XQ = XB + BQ \Rightarrow XB + BR [\because BQ = BR]$$

$$\Rightarrow XP = XQ \text{ gives } XA + AR = XB + BR$$



17. Prove that the line segment joining the points of contact of two parallel tangents of a circle, passes through its centre.

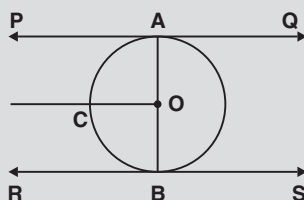
[CBSE (Delhi) 2014]

Hint:

Let PAQ and RBS be two parallel tangents to circle with centre O.

Join OA, OB and draw $OC \parallel PQ$

$PA \parallel CO$
 $\Rightarrow \angle PAO + \angle COA = 180^\circ$ [co-interior angles]
 $\Rightarrow 90^\circ + \angle COA = 180^\circ \Rightarrow \angle COA = 90^\circ$
 Similarly, $\angle COB = 90^\circ$
 $\angle COA + \angle COB = 90^\circ + 90^\circ = 180^\circ$. Hence, AOB is a st. line passing through O (centre of the circle).



18. In the figure, AB is a chord of length 16cm, of a circle of radius 10cm. The tangents at A and B intersect at a point P. Find the length of PA. [AI. CBSE. 2010, 2014]

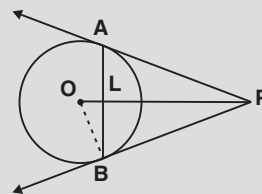
Hint:

$AB = 16 \text{ cm} \Rightarrow AL = BL = 8 \text{ cm}$
 In $\triangle OLB$, $OB^2 = LB^2 + OL^2$ [By Pythagoras Theorem]
 $\Rightarrow 10^2 = 8^2 + OL^2 \Rightarrow OL = \sqrt{100 - 64} = \sqrt{36} = 6$
 Let $PL = x$ and $PB = y$, So that $OP = (x + 6) \text{ cm}$
 In $\triangle PLB$ and $\triangle OBP$, we have:
 $PB^2 = PL^2 + BL^2$ and $OP^2 = OB^2 + PB^2$

Substituting x and y and simplifying, we get $x = \frac{32}{3} \text{ cm}$

$$y^2 = x^2 + 64 \Rightarrow y^2 = \frac{1600}{9} \Rightarrow y = \frac{40}{3}$$

Thus, $PA = \frac{40}{3} \text{ cm}$.



ANSWERS

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3. 5 cm 7. 120° 8. 70° 13. 30° 14. 2 cm

