

**CBSE Class 10 Mathematics**

**Important Questions**

**Chapter 11**

**Constructions**

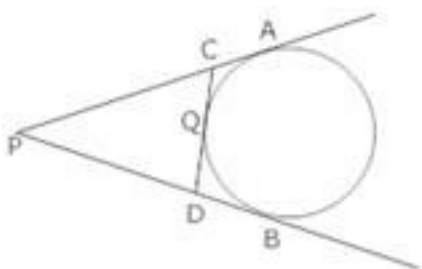
**1 Marks Questions**

1. The length of tangent from a point A at a distance of 5 cm from the centre of the circle is 4 cm. What will be the radius of circle?

- (a) 1 cm
- (b) 2 cm
- (c) 3 cm
- (d) none of these

Ans. c) 3 cm

2. In the figure given below, PA and PB are tangents to the circle drawn from an external point P. CD is a third tangent touching the circle at Q. If  $PB = 12$  cm and  $CQ = 3$  cm, what is the length of PC?



- (a) 9 cm
- (b) 10 cm
- (c) 1 cm
- (d) 13 cm

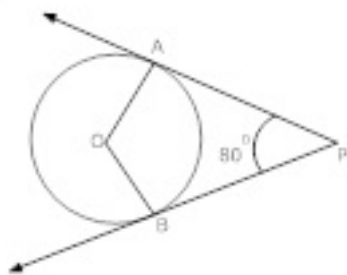
Ans. (a) 9 cm

3. The tangent of a circle makes angle with radius at point of contact

- (a)  $60^\circ$
- (b)  $30^\circ$
- (c)  $90^\circ$
- (d) none of these

Ans. (c)  $90^\circ$

4. If tangent PA and PB from a point P to a circle with centre O are inclined to each other at an angle of  $80^\circ$ , then what is the value of  $\angle POA$ ?



- (a)  $30^\circ$
- (b)  $50^\circ$
- (c)  $70^\circ$
- (d)  $90^\circ$

Ans. (b)  $50^\circ$

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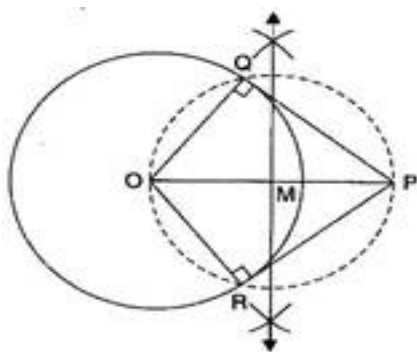
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**2 Marks Questions**

**1. In each of the following, give the justification of the construction also:**

**Draw a circle of radius 6 cm. From a point 10 cm away from its centre, construct the pair of tangents to the circle and measure their lengths.**



**Ans. Given:** A circle whose centre is O and radius is 6 cm and a point P is 10 cm away from its centre.

**To construct:** To construct the pair of tangents to the circle and measure their lengths.

**Steps of Construction:**

**(a)** Join PO and bisect it. Let M be the mid-point of PO.

**(b)** Taking M as centre and MO as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points Q and R.

**(c)** Join PQ and PR.

Then PQ and PR are the required two tangents.

By measurement,  $PQ = PR = 8$  cm

**Justification:** Join OQ and OR.

Since  $\angle OQP$  and  $\angle ORP$  are the angles in semicircles.

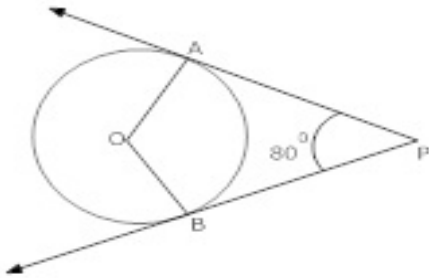
$$\therefore \angle OQP = 90^\circ = \angle ORP$$

Also, since OQ, OR are radii of the circle, PQ and PR will be the tangents to the circle at Q and

R respectively.

∴ We may see that the circle with OP as diameter intersects the given circle in two points. Therefore, only two tangents can be drawn.

**2. In figure, PA and PB are tangents from P to the circle with centre O. R is a point on the circle, prove that PC + CR = PD + DR.**



**Ans.** Since length of tangents from an external point to a circle are equal in length

$$\therefore PA = PB$$

$$CA = CR \dots(i)$$

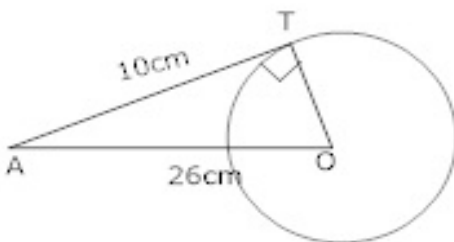
$$\text{And } DB = DR$$

$$\text{Now } PA = PB$$

$$\Rightarrow PC + CA = PD + DB$$

$$\Rightarrow PC + CR = PD + DR \text{ [By (i)]}$$

**3. The length of tangents from a point A at distance of 26 cm from the centre of the circle is 10cm, what will be the radius of the circle?**



**Ans.** Since tangents to a circle are perpendicular to radius through the point of contact

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

In right  $\triangle OTA = 90^\circ$ , we have

$$OA^2 = OT^2 + AT^2$$

$$\Rightarrow (26)^2 = OT^2 + (10)^2$$

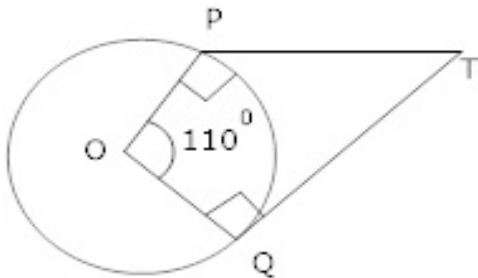
$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = 676 - 100$$

$$\Rightarrow OT^2 = 576$$

$$\Rightarrow OT = 24$$

Hence, radius of circle is 24 cm

4. In the given figure, if TP and TQ are the two tangents to a circle with centre O so that  $\angle POQ = 110^\circ$ , then find  $\angle PTO$ .



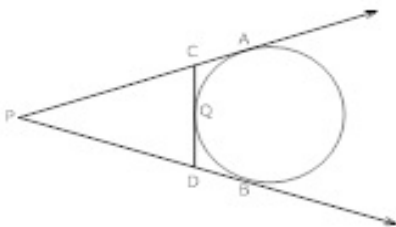
**Ans.** Since  $\angle POQ + \angle PTO = 180^\circ$

$$[\because \angle OPT = 90^\circ, \angle OQT = 90^\circ]$$

$$\Rightarrow 110^\circ + \angle PTO = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle PTO = 180^\circ - 110^\circ = 70^\circ$$

5. In the figure, given below PA and PB are tangents to the circle drawn from an external point P. CD is the third tangent touching the circle at Q. If PB = 10 cm and CQ = 2 cm, what is the length of PC?



**Ans.**  $PA = PB = 10$  cm

$$CQ = CA = 2$$
 cm

$$PC = PA - CA = 10 - 2 = 8$$
 cm

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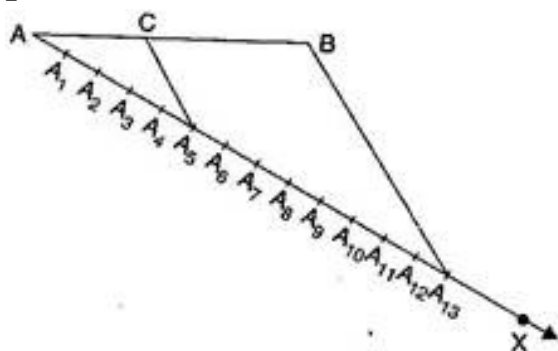
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#### 3 Marks Questions

1. In each of the following, give the justification of the construction also:

Draw a line segment of length 7.6 cm and divide it in the ratio 5 : 8. Measure the two parts.



**Ans. Given:** A line segment of length 7.6 cm.

**To construct:** To divide it in the ratio 5 : 8 and to measure the two parts.

**Steps of construction:**

(a) From any ray AX, making an acute angle with AB.

(b) Locate 13 ( $=5 + 8$ ) points  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6, A_7, A_8, A_9, A_{10}, A_{11}, A_{12}$  and  $A_{13}$  on AX such that  $AA_1 = A_1A_2 = A_2A_3 = A_3A_4 = A_4A_5 = A_5A_6 = A_6A_7 = A_7A_8 = A_8A_9 = A_9A_{10} = A_{10}A_{11} = A_{11}A_{12} = A_{12}A_{13}$ .

(c) Join  $BA_{13}$ .

(d) Through the point  $A_5$ , draw a line parallel to  $A_{13}B$  intersecting AB at the point C.

Then,  $AC : CB = 5 : 8$

On measurement,  $AC = 3.1$  cm,  $CB = 4.5$  cm

### Justification:

$\therefore A_5C \parallel A_{13}B$  [By construction]

$$\therefore \frac{AA_5}{A_5A_{13}} = \frac{AC}{CB} \text{ [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]}$$

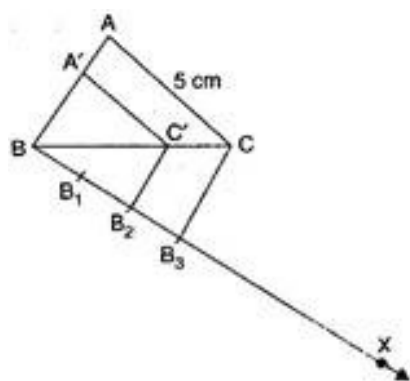
$$\text{But } \frac{AA_5}{A_5A_{13}} = \frac{5}{8} \text{ [By construction]}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \frac{AC}{CB} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow AC : CB = 5 : 8$$

**2. Construct a triangle of sides 4 cm, 5 cm and 6 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle**

**Ans. To construct:** To construct a triangle of sides 4 cm, 5 cm and 6 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle.



### Steps of construction:

- Draw a triangle ABC of sides 4 cm, 5 cm and 6 cm.
- From any ray BX, making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex A.
- Locate 3 points  $B_1$ ,  $B_2$  and  $B_3$  on BX such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3$ .

(d) Join  $B_3C$  and draw a line through the point  $B_2$ , draw a line parallel to  $B_3C$  intersecting  $BC$  at the point  $C'$ .

(e) Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to the line  $CA$  to intersect  $BA$  at  $A'$ .

Then,  $A'BC'$  is the required triangle.

**Justification:**

$\therefore B_3C \parallel B_2C'$  [By construction]

$$\therefore \frac{BB_2}{B_2B_3} = \frac{BC'}{C'C} \text{ [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{BB_2}{B_2B_3} = \frac{2}{1} \text{ [By construction]}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \frac{BC'}{C'C} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C'C}{BC'} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C'C}{BC'} + 1 = \frac{1}{2} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{C'C + BC'}{BC'} = \frac{1+2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BC}{BC'} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{2}{3} \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

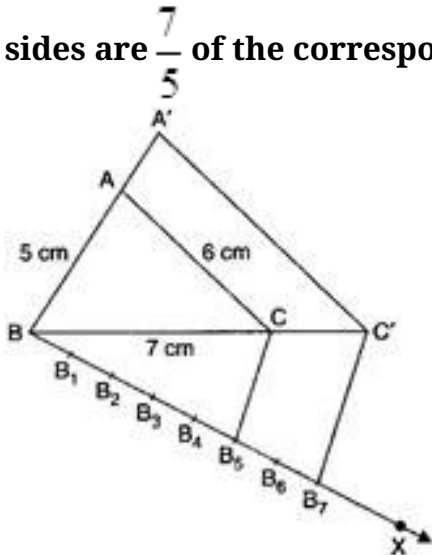
$\therefore CA \parallel C'A'$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BC'A' \sim \triangle BCA$  [AA similarity]



$$\therefore \frac{AB'}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ [From eq. (i)]}$$

3. Construct a triangle with sides 6 cm, 6 cm and 7 cm and then another triangle whose sides are  $\frac{7}{5}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle.



**Ans. To construct:** To construct a triangle of sides 5 cm, 6 cm and 7 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{7}{5}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle.

**Steps of construction:**

- (a) Draw a triangle ABC of sides 5 cm, 6 cm and 7 cm.
- (b) From any ray BX, making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex A.
- (c) Locate 7 points  $B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4, B_5, B_6$  and  $B_7$  on BX such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4 = B_4B_5 = B_5B_6 = B_6B_7$ .
- (d) Join  $B_5C$  and draw a line through the point  $B_7$ , draw a line parallel to  $B_5C$  intersecting BC at the point  $C'$ .
- (e) Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to the line CA to intersect BA at  $A'$ .

Then,  $A'BC'$  is the required triangle.

**Justification:**

$\therefore C'A' \parallel CA$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'BC'$  [AA similarity]

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} \text{ [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]}$$

$\therefore B_7C' \parallel B_5C$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BB_7C' \sim \triangle BB_5C$  [AA similarity]

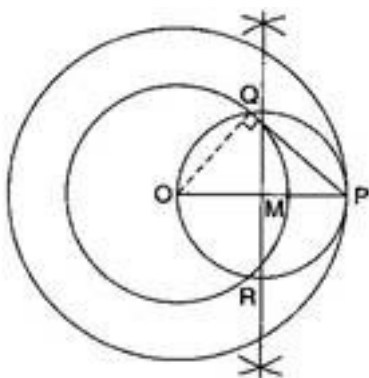
But  $\frac{BB_5}{BB_7} = \frac{5}{7}$  [By construction]

Therefore,  $\frac{BC}{BC'} = \frac{5}{7}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{7}{5}$$

**4. Construct a tangent to a circle of radius 4 cm from a point on the concentric circle of radius 6 cm and measure its length. Also verify the measurement by actual calculation.**



**Ans. To construct:** To construct a tangent to a circle of radius 4 cm from a point on the concentric circle of radius 6 cm and measure its lengths. Also to verify the measurements by actual calculation.

**Steps of Construction:**

**(a)** Join PO and bisect it. Let M be the mid-point of PO.

**(b)** Taking M as centre and MO as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the point Q and R.

(c) Join PQ.

Then PQ is the required tangent.

By measurement, PQ = 4.5 cm

By actual calculation,

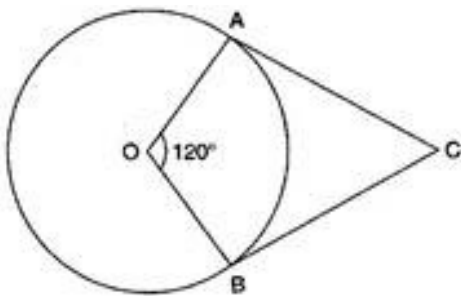
$$\begin{aligned}PQ &= \sqrt{(OP)^2 + (OQ)^2} \\&= \sqrt{6^2 - 4^2} \\&= \sqrt{36 - 16} \\&= \sqrt{20} = 4.47 \text{ cm}\end{aligned}$$

**Justification:** Join OQ. Then  $\angle PQO$  is an angle in the semicircle and therefore,

$$\angle PQO = 90^\circ \Rightarrow PQ \perp OQ$$

Since, OQ is a radius of the given circle, PQ has to be a tangent to the circle.

**5. Draw a pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5 cm which are inclined to each other at an angle of  $60^\circ$ .**



**Ans. To construct:** A pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5 cm which are inclined to each other at an angle of  $60^\circ$ .

**Steps of Construction:**

- (a) Draw a circle of radius 5 cm with centre O.
- (b) Draw an angle AOB of  $120^\circ$ .
- (c) At A and B, draw  $90^\circ$  angles which meet at C.

Then AC and BC are the required tangents which are inclined to each other at an angle of  $60^\circ$ .

**Justification:**

$\because \angle OAC = 90^\circ$  and OA is a radius. [By construction]

$\therefore$  AC is a tangent to the circle.

$\because \angle OBC = 90^\circ$  and OB is a radius. [By construction]

$\therefore$  BC is a tangent to the circle.

Now, in quadrilateral OACB,

$$\angle AOB + \angle OAC + \angle OBC + \angle ACB = 360^\circ$$

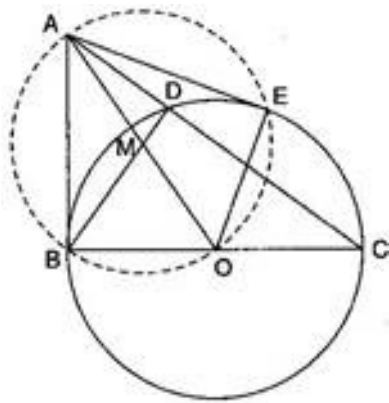
[Angle sum property of a quadrilateral]

$$\Rightarrow 120^\circ + 90^\circ + 90^\circ + \angle ACB = 360^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow 300^\circ + \angle ACB = 360^\circ$$

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

6. Let ABC be a right triangle in which  $AB = 6$  cm,  $BC = 8$  cm and  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ . BD is the perpendicular from B on AC. The circle through B, C, D is drawn. Construct the tangents from A to this circle.



**Ans. To construct:** A right triangle ABC with  $AB = 6$  cm,  $BC = 8$  cm and  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ . BD is the perpendicular from B on AC and the tangents from A to this circle.

**Steps of Construction:**

(a) Draw a right triangle ABC with  $AB = 6$  cm,  $BC = 8$  cm and  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ . Also, draw perpendicular BD on AC.

(b) Join AO and bisect it at M (here O is the centre of circle through B, C, D).

(c) Taking M as centre and MA as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points B and E.

(d) Join AB and AE.

Then AB and AE are the required two tangents.

**Justification:** Join OE.

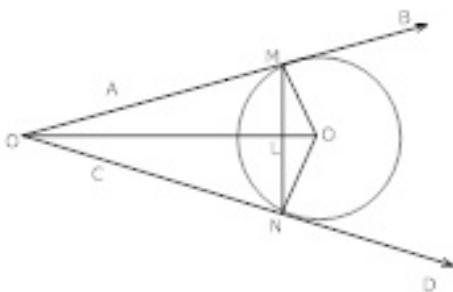
Then,  $\angle AEO$  is an angle in the semicircle.

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

$$\Rightarrow AE \perp OE$$

Since OE is a radius of the given circle, AE has to be a tangent to the circle. Similarly AB is also a tangent to the circle.

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



**Ans.** Let NM be chord of circle with centre C.

Let tangents at M,N meet at the point O.

Since OM is a tangent

$$\therefore OM \perp CM \quad \text{i.e. } \angle OMC = 90^\circ$$

$\because ON$  is a tangent

$$\therefore ON \perp CN \quad \text{i.e. } \angle ONC = 90^\circ$$

Again in  $\triangle CMN$ ,  $CM = CN = r$

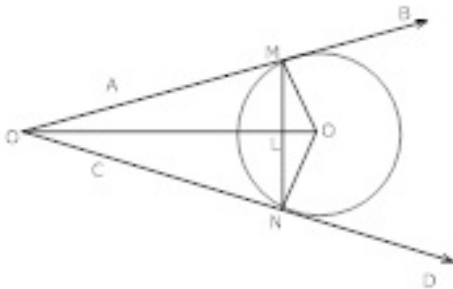
$$\therefore \angle CMN = \angle CNM$$

$$\therefore \angle OMC - \angle CMN = \angle ONC - \angle CNM$$

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

Thus, tangents make equal angle with the chord

**8. In the given figure, if  $AB = AC$ , prove that  $BE = EC$ .**



**Ans.** Since tangents from an exterior point A to a circle are equal in length

$$\therefore AD = AF \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

Similarly, tangents from an exterior point B to a circle are equal in length

$$\therefore BD = BE \dots\dots\dots(2)$$

Similarly, for C

$$CE = CF \dots\dots\dots(3)$$

Now  $AB = AC$

$$\therefore AB - AD = AC - AD$$

$$\Rightarrow AB - AD = AC - AF \dots\dots\dots[By (i)]$$

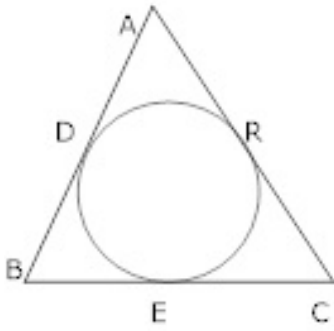
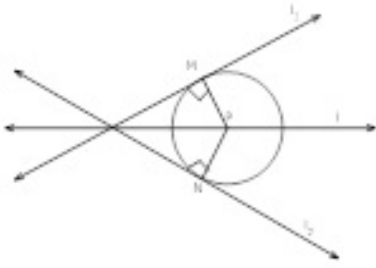
$$\Rightarrow BD = CF$$

$$\Rightarrow BE = CF \dots\dots\dots[By (ii)]$$

$$\Rightarrow BE = CE \quad [\because BD = BE, CE = CF] \quad [By (iii)]$$

**9. Find the locus of centre of circle with two intersecting lines.**

**Ans.**



Let  $l_1, l_2$  be two intersection lines.

Let a circle with centre P touch the two lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  at M and N respectively.

$PM = PN$  [Radii of same circle]

$\therefore$  P is equidistant from the lines  $l_1$  and  $l_2$

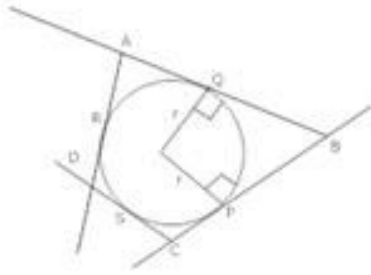
Similarly, centre of any other circle which touch the two intersecting lines  $l_1, l_2$  will be equidistant from  $l_1$  and  $l_2$

$\therefore$  P lies on  $l$  a bisector of the angle between  $l_1$  and  $l_2$

[ $\because$  The locus of points equidistant from two intersecting lines is the pair of bisectors of the angle between the lines]

Hence, locus of centre of circles which touch two intersecting lines is the pair of bisectors of the angles between the two lines.

**10. In the given figure, a circle is inscribed in a quadrilateral ABCD in which  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ . If  $AD = 23$  cm,  $AB = 29$  cm and  $DS = 5$  cm, find the radius of the circle.**



**Ans.** In the given figure,  $OP \perp BC$  and  $OQ \perp BA$

Also,  $OP = OQ = r$

$\therefore OPBQ$  is a square

$\therefore BP = BQ = r$

But  $DR = DS = 5 \text{ cm} \dots(i)$

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore AR &= AD - DR \\ &= 23 - 5 = 18 \text{ cm}\end{aligned}$$

$$AQ = AR = 18 \text{ cm}$$

$$\begin{aligned}BQ &= AB - AQ \\ &= 20 - 18 = 11 \text{ cm}\end{aligned}$$

$$r = 11 \text{ cm}$$



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#### 4 Marks Questions

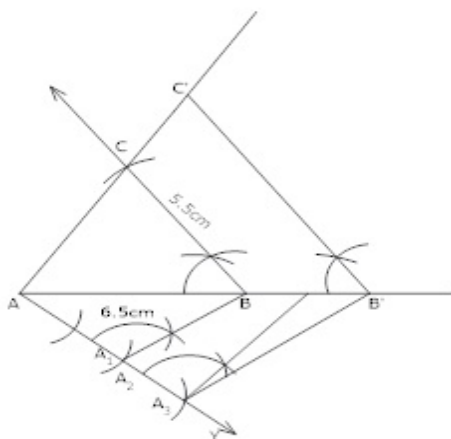
1. Construct a  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AB = 6.5 \text{ cm}$ ,  $\angle B = 60^\circ$  and  $BC = 5.5 \text{ cm}$ . Also construct a triangle  $ABC$  similar to  $\triangle ABC$  whose each side is  $\frac{3}{2}$  times the corresponding side of the  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment  $AB = 6.5 \text{ cm}$ .
2. At B construct  $\angle ABX = 60^\circ$ .
3. With B as centre and radius  $BC = 5.5 \text{ cm}$  draw an arc intersecting BX at C.
4. Join AC.

Triangle so obtained is the required triangle.

5. Construct an acute angle  $\angle BAY$  at A on opposite side of vertex C of  $\triangle ABC$ .
6. Locate 3 points  $A_1, A_2, A_3$  on AY such that  $AA_1 = A_1A_2 = A_2A_3$ .
7. Join  $A_1$  to B and draw the line through  $A_3$  parallel to  $A_1B$  intersecting the extended line segment AB at B'.
8. Draw a line through B' parallel to BC intersecting the extended line seg. AC at C'.
9.  $\triangle AB'C'$  so obtained is the required triangle

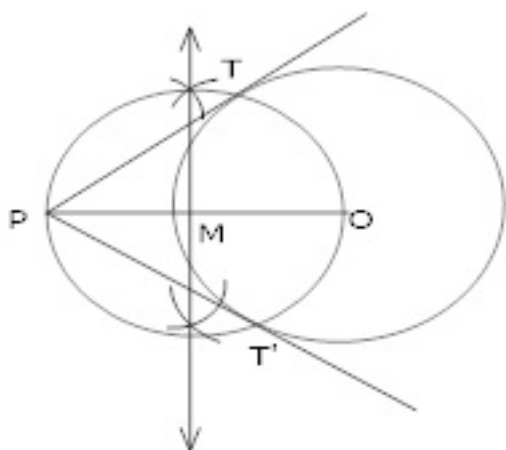


**2. Draw a circle of radius 4 cm from a point P, 7 cm from the centre of the circle, draw a pair of tangents to the circle measure the length of each tangent segment.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Take a point O in the plane of a paper and draw a circle of the radius 4 cm.
2. Make a point P at a distance of 7 cm from the centre O and Join OP.
3. Bisect the line segment OP. Let M be the mid-point of OP.
4. Taking M as a centre and OM as radius draw a circle to intersect the given circle at the points T and T'.
5. Join PT and PT', then PT and PT' are required tangents.

$$PT = PT' = 5.75 \text{ cm}$$



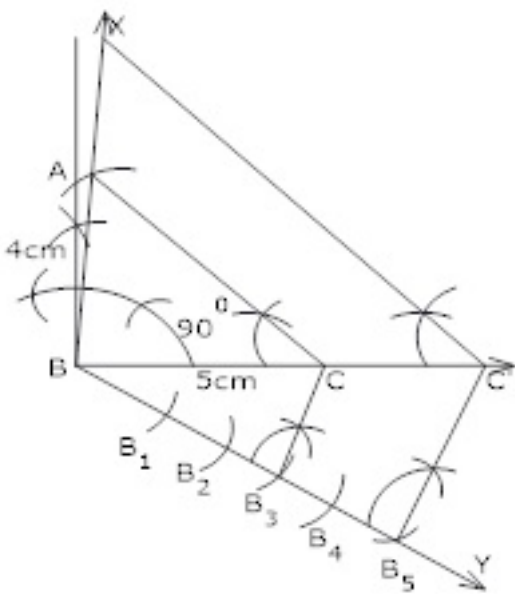
**3. Draw a right triangle in which the sides containing the right angle are 5cm and 4cm. Construct a similar triangle whose sides are  $\frac{5}{3}$  times the sides of the above triangle.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment BC = 5 cm.
2. At B construct  $\angle CBX = 90^\circ$ .
3. With B as centre and radius = 4 cm draw an arc intersecting the ray BX at A.
4. Join AC to obtain the required  $\triangle ABC$ .

5. Draw any ray BY making an acute angle with BC on the opposite side to the vertex A.
6. Locate 5 points  $B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4$  and  $B_5$  on BY so that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4 = B_4B_5$ .
7. Join  $B_5$  to C and draw a line through  $B_3$  parallel to  $B_5C$  intersecting the extended line segment BC at  $C'$ .
8. Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to CA intersecting the extended line segment BA at  $A'$ .

Thus,  $\triangle A'BC'$  is the required right triangle.

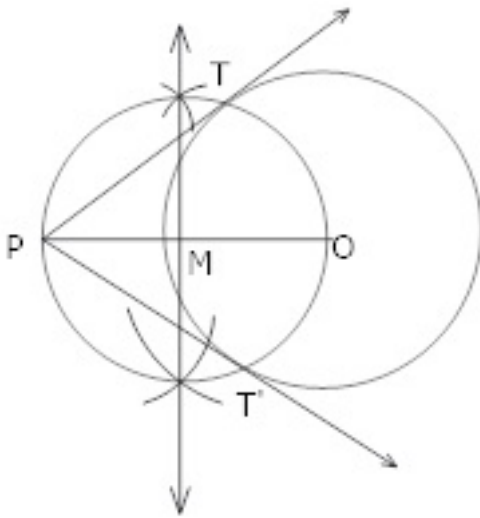


**4. Construct a circle whose radius is equal to 4 cm. Let P be a point whose distance from its centre is 6 cm. Construct two tangents to it from P.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Take a point O in the plane of the paper and draw a circle of radius 4cm.
2. Make a point P at a distance of 6cm from the centre O and join OP.
3. Bisect the line segment OP. Let the point of bisection be M.
4. Taking M as centre and OM as radius, draw a circle to intersect the given circle at the point T and T'.

5. Join PT and PT' to get the required tangents.

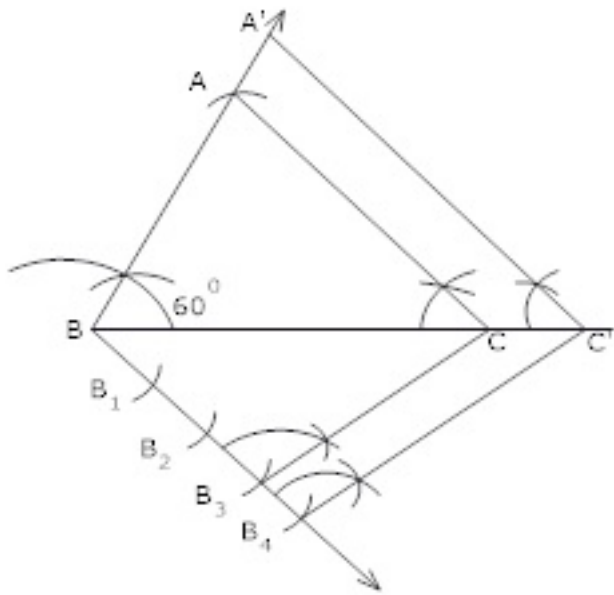


5. Draw a triangle ABC with sides  $BC = 6.3$  cm,  $AB = 5.2$  cm and  $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$ . Then construct a triangle whose sides are  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment  $BC = 6.3$  cm.
2. At B make  $\angle CBX = 60^\circ$ .
3. With B as centre and radius equal to 5.2 cm, draw an arc intersecting BX at A.
4. Join AC, then  $\triangle ABC$  is the required triangle.
5. Draw any ray by making an acute angle with BC on the opposite side to the vertex A.
6. Locate the points  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  and  $B_4$  on BY so that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4$ .
7. Join  $B_3$  to C and draw a line through  $B_4$  parallel to  $B_3C$  intersecting the extended line segment BC at  $C'$ .
8. Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to CA intersecting the extended line segment BA at  $A'$ .

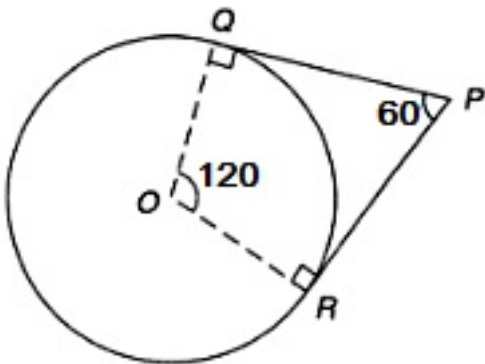
Thus,  $\triangle A'BC'$  is the required triangle.



6. Draw a pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5 cm which are inclined to each other at  $60^\circ$ .

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle with center O and radius 5cm.
2. Draw any diameter AOC.
3. Construct  $\angle BOC = 60^\circ$  meeting the circle at B.
4. At A and B draw perpendiculars to OA and OB intersecting at P.
5. PA and PB are required tangents and  $\angle APB = 60^\circ$ .

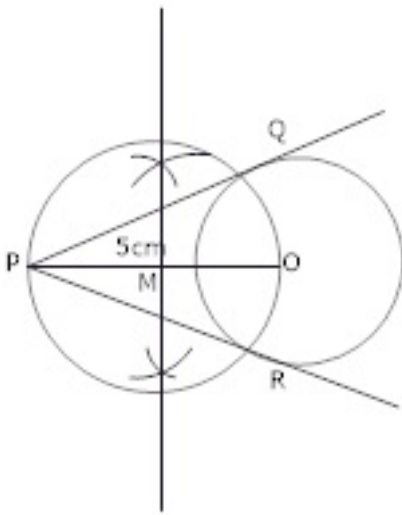


7. Draw the tangents at the extremities of a diameter AB of a circle of radius 2cm. Are

**these tangents parallel? Given reasons.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle of radius 2 cm.
2. Draw any diameter AOB.
3. Draw  $AT \perp AB$  and  $BM \perp AB$ .
4. AT and BM are tangents extremities of the diameter AB.
5.  $\because \angle 1 = 90^\circ, \angle 2 = 90^\circ, \therefore \angle 1 = \angle 2$ , they are alternate angles.  $\therefore AT \parallel BM$



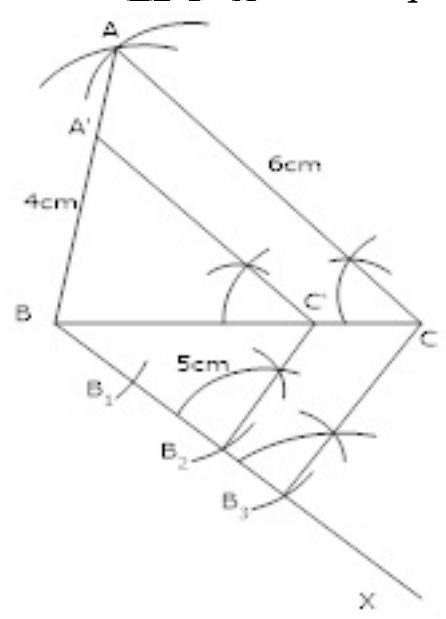
**8. Construct a  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AB = 4$  cm,  $BC = 5$  cm and  $AC = 6$  cm. Now construct a triangle similar to  $\triangle ABC$  such that each of its sides is two-third of the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ . Also prove your assertion.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw  $\triangle ABC$  with sides  $BC = 5$  cm,  $AB = 4$  cm and  $AC = 6$  cm.
2. Below BC make acute  $\angle CBX$ .
3. Along BX mark off three points  $B_1, B_2$  and  $B_3$  such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3$ .
4. Join  $B_3C$ .

5. Draw  $B_2C' \parallel B_3C$  also  $C'A' \parallel CA$

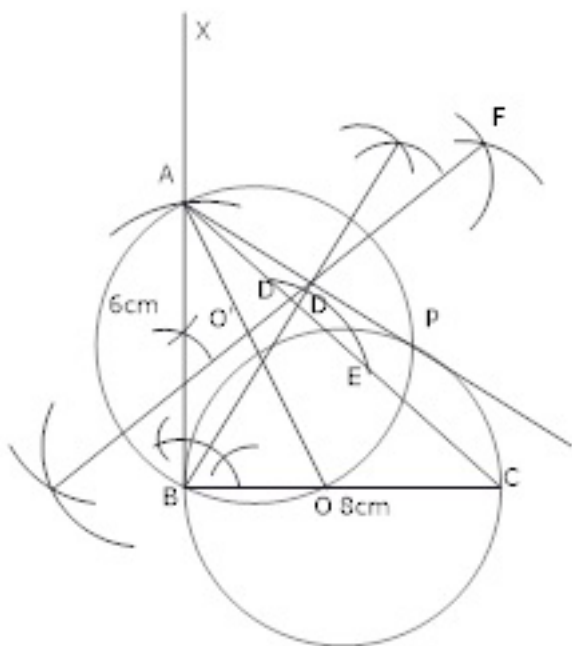
Thus,  $\triangle B_2C'A'$  is the required triangle



9. Construct a  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AB = 6.5$  cm  $\angle B = 60^\circ$  and  $BC = 5.5$  cm. Also, construct a  $\triangle AB'C'$  similar to  $\triangle ABC$  whose each side is  $\frac{3}{2}$  times the corresponding sides of the  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

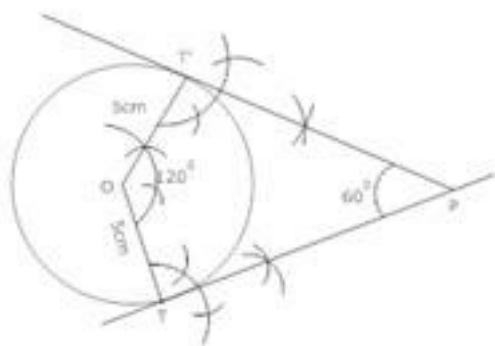
1. Construct a  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AB = 6.5$ cm,  $\angle B = 60^\circ$  and  $BC = 5.5$ cm.
2. Draw a ray  $AX$  making any acute angle with  $AB$  on the opposite side of the vertex  $C$ .
3. Cut three equal parts from  $AX$  say  $AX_1 = X_1X_2 = X_2X_3$ .
4. Join  $X_2$  to  $B$ .
5. From  $X_3$  draw  $X_3B' \parallel X_2B$  at  $B'$ .
6. At  $B'$  draw  $B'C' \parallel BC$  intersecting  $AX$  at  $C'$ .
7.  $\triangle AB'C'$  is required triangle similar to  $\triangle ABC$ .



**10. Draw a pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5cm which are inclined to each other at  $60^\circ$  .**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle with centre O and radius 5cm.
2. Draw any radius OT.
3. Construct  $\angle TOT' = 180^\circ - 60^\circ = 120^\circ$ .
4. Draw  $TP \perp OT$  and  $TP' \perp OT'$ . Then  $PT'$  and PT are the two required tangents such that  $\angle TPT' = 60^\circ$ . Here,  $PT = PT'$



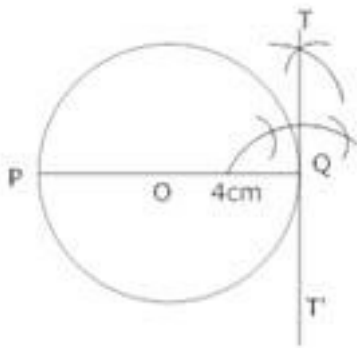
**11. Draw a circle of radius 4 cm with centre O. Draw a diameter POQ. Through P or Q**



**draw tangent to the circle.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle of radius 4 cm.
2. Draw diameter POQ.
3. Construct  $\angle PQT = 90^\circ$ .
4. Produce PQ to  $T'$ , then  $TQT'$  is the required tangent at the point Q.



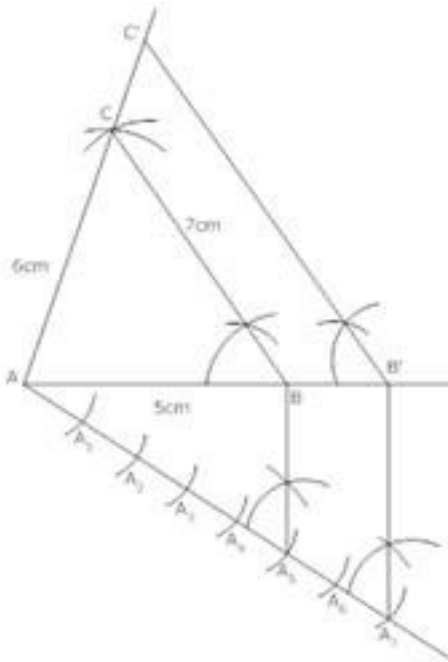
**12. Construct a triangle with sides 5cm, 6cm and 7cm and then another triangle whose sides are  $\frac{7}{5}$  of the corresponding sides of first triangle.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment AB = 5cm.
2. With A as centre and radius 6cm draw an arc.
3. Again B as centre and radius 7cm draw another arc cutting the previous arc at C. Join AC and BC, then  $\triangle ABC$  is required triangle.
4. Draw any ray AX making acute angle.
5. Locate 7 points  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6$  and  $A_7$  on AX so that  $AA_1 = A_1A_2 = A_2A_3 = A_3A_4 = A_4A_5 = A_5A_6 = A_6A_7$ .
6. Join  $A_5$  to B and draw a line through  $A_7$  parallel to  $A_5B$  intersecting the extended line

segment AB at  $B'$ .

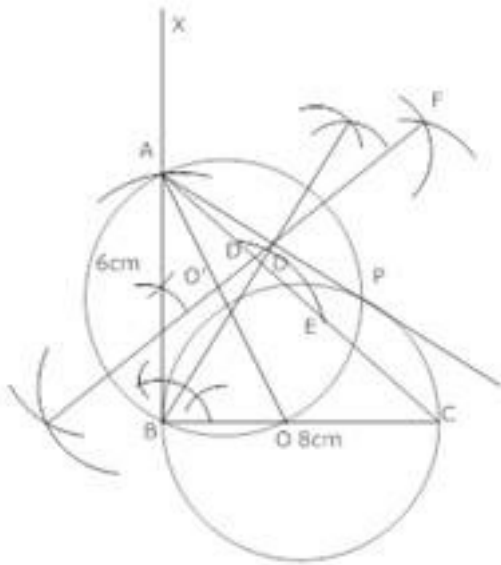
7. Draw  $B'C' \parallel BC$ , then  $\triangle AB'C'$  is the required triangle



**13. Let ABC be a right triangle in which  $AB = 6$  cm,  $BC = 8$  cm and  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ . BD is the perpendicular from B on AC. The circle through B, C and D is drawn construct the tangents from A to this circle.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

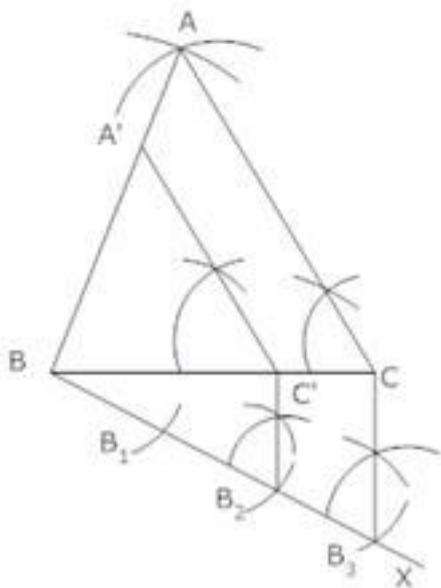
1. Draw  $\triangle ABC$  with  $BC = 8$  cm,  $AB = 6$  cm and  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ .
2. Draw perpendicular BD from B to AC.
3. Let O be the mid-point of BC. Draw a circle with centre O and radius  $OB = OC$ . This circle will pass through the point D.
4. Join AO and bisect AO.
5. Draw a circle with centre  $O'$  and  $O'A$  as radius cuts the previous circle at B and P.
6. Join AP, AP and AB are required tangents drawn from A to the circle passing through B, C and D.



**14. Construct a triangle of sides 4 cm, 5 cm and 6 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

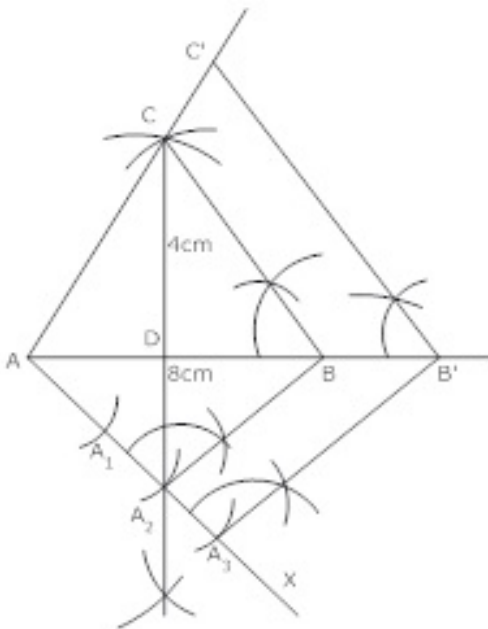
1. Draw  $\triangle ABC$  with  $AB = 4$  cm,  $BC = 6$  cm and  $AC = 5$  cm.
2. Draw any ray  $BX$  making an acute angle with  $BC$  on the side opposite to the vertex  $A$ .
3. Locate 3 points  $B_1, B_2$  and  $B_3$  on  $BX$  so that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3$ .
4. Join  $B_3C$  and draw  $B_2C' \parallel B_3C$ .
5. Draw a line through  $C'$  such that  $C'A' \parallel CA$ . Then,  $\triangle A'BC'$  is the required triangle.



15. Construct an isosceles triangle whose base is 8cm and altitude 4cm and then another triangle whose sides are  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the corresponding sides of the isosceles triangle.

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

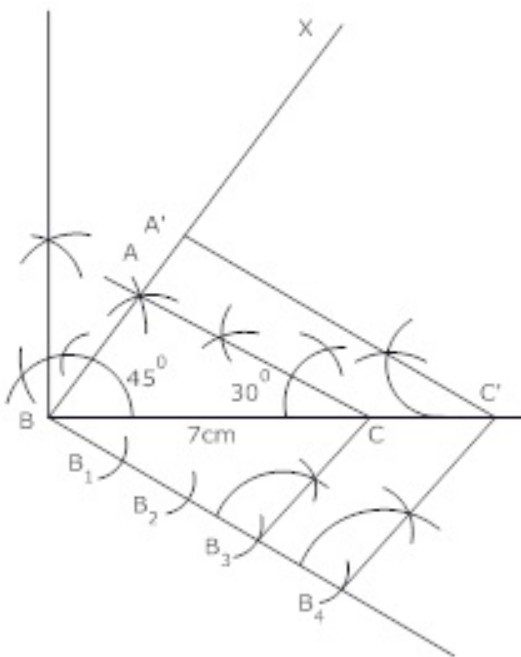
1. Draw line segment  $AB = 8$  cm.
2. Draw perpendicular bisector of  $AB$  which intersects  $AB$  at  $D$ .
3. Cut  $DC = 4$  cm. Join  $AC$  and  $BC$ . Thus,  $\triangle ABC$  is the required triangle.
4. Draw acute angle  $\angle BAX$ .
5. Locate 3 points  $A_1, A_2$  and  $A_3$  on  $AX$  so that  $AA_1 = A_1A_2 = A_2A_3$ .
6. Join  $A_2B$  and draw  $A_3B' \parallel A_2B$ .
7. Draw  $B'C' \parallel BC$ .
8.  $\triangle A_3B'C'$  is the required triangle



16. Draw a  $\triangle ABC$  with side  $BC = 7$ cm,  $\angle B = 45^\circ$  and  $\angle A = 105^\circ$ , then construct a triangle whose sides are  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $BC = 7\text{cm}$ ,  $\angle B = 45^\circ$  and  $\angle C = 30^\circ$ .
2. Locate 4 points  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  and  $B_4$  on  $BZ$  such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4$ .
3. Join  $B_3C$  and draw  $B_4C' \parallel B_3C$ .
4. Now Draw  $C'A' \parallel CA$ .
5.  $\triangle BC'A'$  is the required triangle.

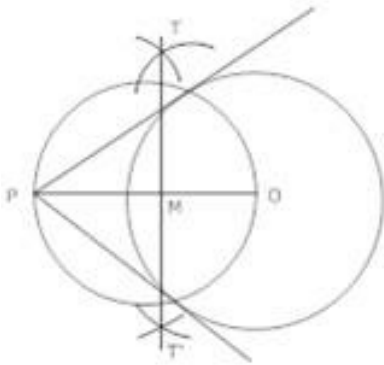


**17. Construct a circle whose radius is equal to 4 cm. Let P be a point whose distance from its centre is 6 cm. Construct two tangents to it from P.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle with centre O and radius 4 cm.
2. Mark point P at a distance of 6 cm from the centre O and join OP.
3. Bisect the line segment OP. Let the point of bisection be M.
4. Take M as centre and OM as radius draw a circle to intersect the given circle at the points T and T'.

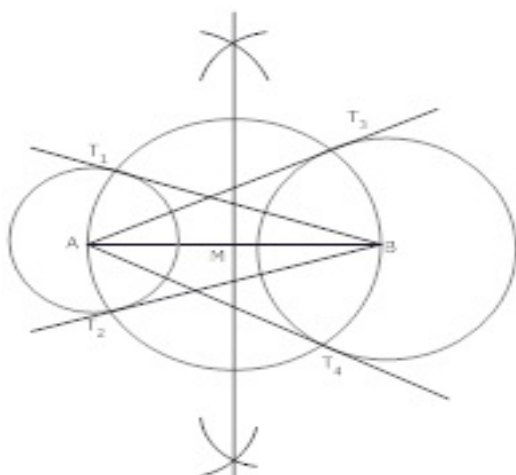
5. Join PT and PT' to get the required tangents.



**18. Draw a line segment AB of length 8 cm taking A as centre, draw a circle of radius 4 cm and taking B as centre, draw another circle of radius 3 cm. Construct tangents to each circle from the centre to the other circle.**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment  $AB = 8$  cm.
2. Taking A as centre and radius = 4 cm draw a circle.
3. Taking B as centre and radius = 3 cm draw another circle.
4. Bisect the line segment AB, let the point of bisection be M.
5. Taking M as centre and MA as radius, draw a circle intersecting the given circles at the point  $T_1, T_2, T_3$  and  $T_4$ .



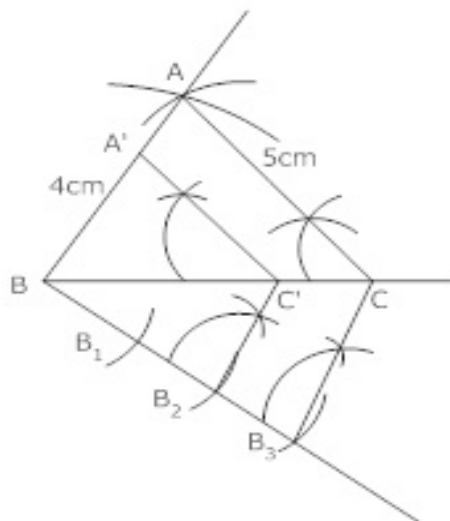
**19. Construct a triangle of sides 4 cm, 5 cm and 6 cm and then a triangle similar to it**

whose sides are  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle.

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw  $\triangle ABC$  in which  $AB = 4$  cm,  $BC = 6$  cm and  $AC = 5$  cm.
2. Draw acute  $\angle CBX$ .
3. Locate 3 points  $B_1, B_2$  and  $B_3$  on  $BX$  so that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3$ .
4. Join  $B_3C$  and draw  $B_2C' \parallel B_3C$ .
5. Now Draw  $C'A' \parallel CA$

Thus,  $\triangle A'B'C'$  is the required triangle.

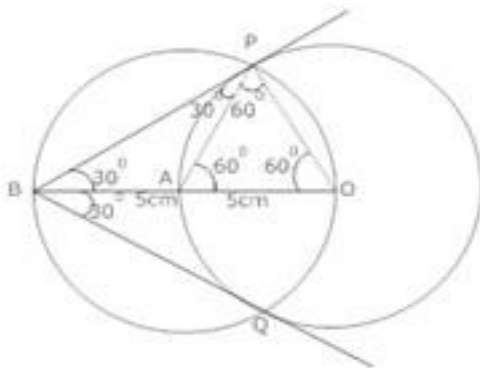


**20. Draw a pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5 cm which are inclined to each other at an angle of  $60^\circ$ .**

**Ans.** Steps of construction:

1. Draw a circle with centre O and radius  $OA = 5$  cm.
2. Extend OA to B such that  $OA = AB = 5$  cm
3. With A as centre draw a circle of radius  $OA = AB = 5$  cm. Suppose it intersect the circle drawn in step 1 at the points P and Q.

4. Join BP and BQ. Then BP and BQ are the required tangents.



**Justification:** In  $\triangle OAP$ ,

$$OA = OP = 5 \text{ cm (r)}$$

Also,  $AP = 5 \text{ cm}$

$\triangle OAP$  is an equilateral triangle

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

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

In  $\triangle BAP$ ,

$$AB = AP \text{ and } \angle BAP = 120^\circ$$

$$\therefore \angle ABP = \angle APB = 30^\circ$$

$$\text{Similarly, } \angle ABQ = \angle AQB = 30^\circ$$

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

**21. From a point P two tangents are drawn to a circle with centre O. If OP = diameter of the circle, show that  $\triangle APB$  is equilateral**

**Ans.** Join OP.

Suppose OP meets the circle at Q. Join AQ.

We have



i.e.,  $OP = \text{diameter}$

$\therefore OQ + PQ = \text{diameter}$

$PQ = \text{Diameter} - \text{radius} [ \because OQ = r ]$

$\therefore PQ = \text{radius}$

Thus,  $OQ = PQ = \text{radius}$

Thus,  $OP$  is the hypotenuse of right triangle

$OAP$  and  $Q$  is the mid-point of  $OP$

$\therefore OA = AQ = OQ$

[  $\because$  mid-point of hypotenuse of a right triangle is equidistant from the vertices ]

$\Rightarrow \triangle OAQ$  is equilateral

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

So,  $\angle APO = 30^\circ$

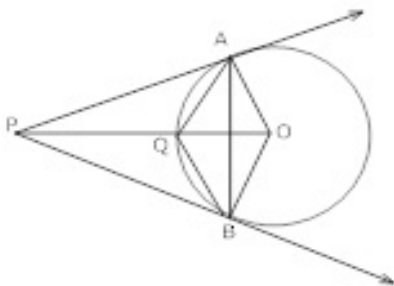
$\therefore \angle APB = 2\angle APO = 60^\circ$

Also  $PA = PB \Rightarrow \angle PAB = \angle PBA$

But  $\angle APB = 60^\circ$

$\angle APB = 60^\circ \therefore \angle PAB = \angle PBA = 60^\circ$

Hence,  $\triangle APB$  is equilateral.



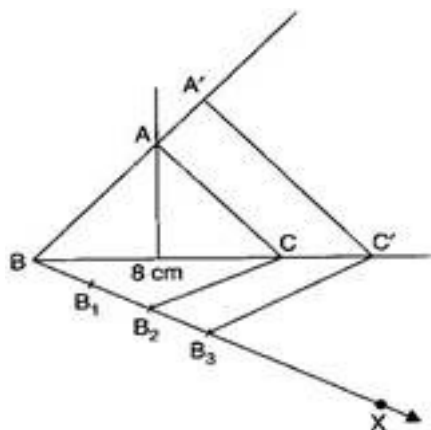
22. Construct an isosceles triangle whose base is 8 cm and altitude 4 cm and then another triangle whose sides are  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times the corresponding sides of the isosceles triangle.

**Ans. To construct:** To construct an isosceles triangle whose base is 8 cm and altitude 4 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $1\frac{1}{2}$  (or  $\frac{3}{2}$ ) of the corresponding sides of the first triangle.

**Steps of construction:**

- (a) Draw  $BC = 8$  cm
- (b) Draw perpendicular bisector of  $BC$ . Let it meet  $BC$  at  $D$ .
- (c) Mark a point  $A$  on the perpendicular bisector such that  $AD = 4$  cm.
- (d) Join  $AB$  and  $AC$ . Thus  $\triangle ABC$  is the required isosceles triangle.
- (e) From any ray  $BX$ , making an acute angle with  $BC$  on the side opposite to the vertex  $A$ .
- (f) Locate 3 points  $B_1, B_2$  and  $B_3$  on  $BX$  such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3$ .
- (g) Join  $B_2C$  and draw a line through the point  $B_3$ , draw a line parallel to  $B_2C$  intersecting  $BC$  at the point  $C'$ .
- (h) Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to the line  $CA$  to intersect  $BA$  at  $A'$ .

Then,  $A'BC'$  is the required triangle.



**Justification:**

$\because C'A' \parallel CA$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle ABC \sim \triangle A'BC'$  [AA similarity]

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} \text{ [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]}$$

$\because B_3C' \parallel B_2C$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BB_3C' \sim \triangle BB_2C$  [AA similarity]

But  $\frac{BB_3}{BB_2} = \frac{3}{2}$  [By construction]

Therefore,

$$\Rightarrow \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\therefore \frac{AB}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{3}{2}$$

**23. Draw a triangle ABC with side BC = 6 cm, AB = 5 cm and  $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$ . Then construct a triangle whose sides are  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the corresponding sides of triangle ABC.**

**Ans. To construct:** To construct a triangle ABC with side BC = 6 cm, AB = 5 cm and  $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$  and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle ABC.

**Steps of construction:**

**(a)** Draw a triangle ABC with side BC = 6 cm, AB = 5 cm and  $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$ .

**(b)** From any ray BX, making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex A.

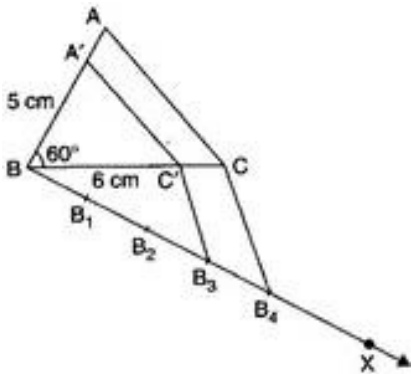


(c) Locate 4 points  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  and  $B_4$  on  $BX$  such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4$ .

(d) Join  $B_4C$  and draw a line through the point  $B_3$ , draw a line parallel to  $B_4C$  intersecting  $BC$  at the point  $C'$ .

(e) Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to the line  $CA$  to intersect  $BA$  at  $A'$ .

Then,  $A'BC'$  is the required triangle.



**Justification:**

$\therefore B_4C \parallel B_3C'$  [By construction]

$$\therefore \frac{BB_3}{BB_4} = \frac{BC'}{BC} \text{ [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]}$$

But  $\frac{BB_3}{BB_4} = \frac{3}{4}$  [By construction]

Therefore,  $\frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{3}{4}$  .....(i)

$\therefore CA \parallel C'A'$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BC'A' \sim \triangle BCA$  [AA similarity]

$$\therefore \frac{AB'}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{3}{4} \text{ [From eq. (i)]}$$

24. Draw a triangle  $ABC$  with side  $BC = 7$  cm,  $\angle B = 45^\circ, \angle A = 105^\circ$ . Then construct a

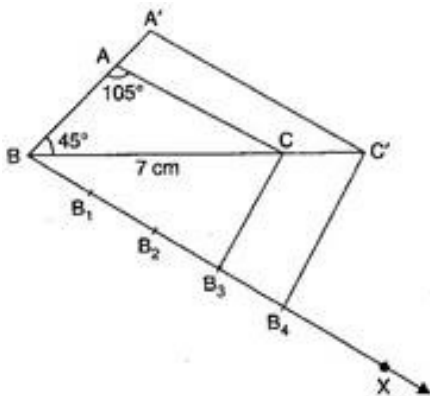
triangle whose sides are  $\frac{4}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Ans. To construct:** To construct a triangle ABC with side BC = 7 cm,  $\angle B = 45^\circ$  and  $\angle C = 105^\circ$  and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{4}{3}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle ABC.

**Steps of construction:**

- (a) Draw a triangle ABC with side BC = 7 cm,  $\angle B = 45^\circ$  and  $\angle C = 105^\circ$ .
- (b) From any ray BX, making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex A.
- (c) Locate 4 points  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  and  $B_4$  on BX such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4$ .
- (d) Join  $B_3C$  and draw a line through the point  $B_4$ , draw a line parallel to  $B_3C$  intersecting BC at the point  $C'$ .
- (e) Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to the line CA to intersect BA at  $A'$ .

Then,  $A'BC'$  is the required triangle.



**Justification:**

$$\therefore B_4C' \parallel B_3C \text{ [By construction]}$$

$$\therefore \triangle BB_4C' \sim \triangle BB_3C \text{ [AA similarity]}$$

$$\therefore \frac{BB_4}{BB_3} = \frac{BC'}{BC} \text{ [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]}$$

But  $\frac{BB_4}{BB_3} = \frac{4}{3}$  [By construction]

Therefore,  $\frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{4}{3}$  .....(i)

$\therefore CA \parallel C'A'$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BC'A' \sim \triangle BCA$  [AA similarity]

$\therefore \frac{AB}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{4}{3}$  [From eq. (i)]

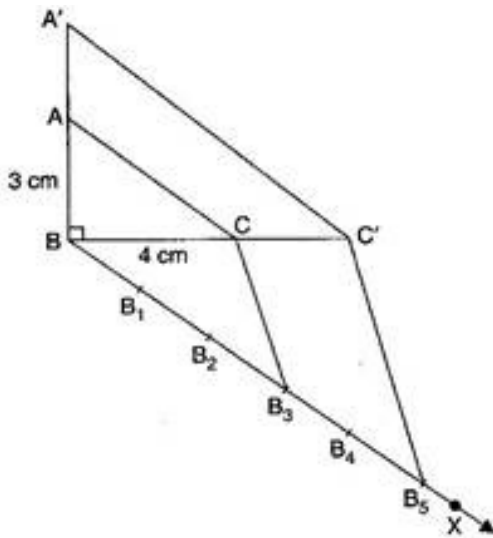
**25. Draw a right triangle in which the sides (other than hypotenuse) are of lengths 4 cm and 3 cm. Then construct another triangle whose sides are  $\frac{5}{3}$  times the corresponding sides of the given triangle**

**Ans. To construct:** To construct a right triangle in which sides (other than hypotenuse) are of lengths 4 cm and 3 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are  $\frac{5}{3}$  of the corresponding sides of the first triangle ABC.

**Steps of construction:**

- (a)** Draw a right triangle in which sides (other than hypotenuse) are of lengths 4 cm and 3 cm.
- (b)** From any ray BX, making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex A.
- (c)** Locate 5 points  $B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4$  and  $B_5$  on BX such that  $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4 = B_4B_5$ .
- (d)** Join  $B_3C$  and draw a line through the point  $B_5$ , draw a line parallel to  $B_3C$  intersecting BC at the point  $C'$ .
- (e)** Draw a line through  $C'$  parallel to the line CA to intersect BA at  $A'$ .

Then,  $A'BC'$  is the required triangle.



**Justification:**

$\therefore B_5C' \parallel B_3C$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BB_5C' \sim \triangle BB_3C$  [AA similarity]

$\therefore \frac{BB_5}{BB_3} = \frac{BC'}{BC}$  [By Basic Proportionality Theorem]

But  $\frac{BB_5}{BB_3} = \frac{5}{3}$  [By construction]

Therefore,  $\frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{5}{3}$  .....(i)

$\therefore CA \parallel C'A'$  [By construction]

$\therefore \triangle BC'A' \sim \triangle BCA$  [AA similarity]

$\therefore \frac{AB}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{5}{3}$  [From eq. (i)]

**26. Draw a circle of radius 3 cm. Take two points P and Q on one of its extended diameter each at a distance of 7 cm from its centre. Draw tangents to the circle from these two points P and Q.**

**Ans. To construct:** A circle of radius 3 cm and take two points P and Q on one of its extended

diameter each at a distance of 7 cm from its centre and then draw tangents to the circle from these two points P and Q.

**Steps of Construction:**

(a) Bisect PO. Let M be the mid-point of PO.

(b) Taking M as centre and MO as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points A and B.

(c) Join PA and PB.

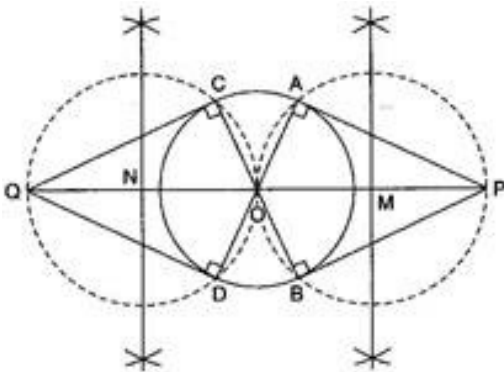
Then PA and PB are the required two tangents.

(d) Bisect QO. Let N be the mid-point of QO.

(e) Taking N as centre and NO as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points C and D.

(f) Join QC and QD.

Then QC and QD are the required two tangents.



**Justification:** Join OA and OB.

Then  $\angle PAO$  is an angle in the semicircle and therefore  $\angle PAO = 90^\circ$ .

$$\Rightarrow PA \perp OA$$

Since OA is a radius of the given circle, PA has to be a tangent to the circle. Similarly, PB is also a tangent to the circle.

Again join OC and OD.



Then  $\angle QCO$  is an angle in the semicircle and therefore  $\angle QCO = 90^\circ$ .

Since  $OC$  is a radius of the given circle,  $QC$  has to be a tangent to the circle. Similarly,  $QD$  is also a tangent to the circle.

**27. Draw a line segment  $AB$  of length 8 cm. Taking  $A$  as centre, draw a circle of radius 4 cm and taking  $B$  as centre, draw another circle of radius 3 cm. Construct tangents to each circle from the centre of the other circle.**

**Ans. To construct:** A line segment of length 8 cm and taking  $A$  as centre, to draw a circle of radius 4 cm and taking  $B$  as centre, draw another circle of radius 3 cm. Also, to construct tangents to each circle from the centre to the other circle.

**Steps of Construction:**

**(a)** Bisect  $BA$ . Let  $M$  be the mid-point of  $BA$ .

**(b)** Taking  $M$  as centre and  $MA$  as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

**(c)** Join  $BP$  and  $BQ$ .

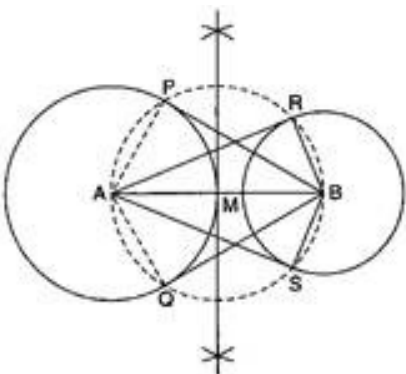
Then,  $BP$  and  $BQ$  are the required two tangents from  $B$  to the circle with centre  $A$ .

**(d)** Again, Let  $M$  be the mid-point of  $AB$ .

**(e)** Taking  $M$  as centre and  $MB$  as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points  $R$  and  $S$ .

**(f)** Join  $AR$  and  $AS$ .

Then,  $AR$  and  $AS$  are the required two tangents from  $A$  to the circle with centre  $B$ .



**Justification:** Join BP and BQ.

Then  $\angle APB$  being an angle in the semicircle is  $90^\circ$ .

$$\Rightarrow BP \perp AP$$

Since AP is a radius of the circle with centre A, BP has to be a tangent to a circle with centre A. Similarly, BQ is also a tangent to the circle with centre A.

Again join AR and AS.

Then  $\angle ARB$  being an angle in the semicircle is  $90^\circ$ .

$$\Rightarrow AR \perp BR$$

Since BR is a radius of the circle with centre B, AR has to be a tangent to a circle with centre B. Similarly, AS is also a tangent to the circle with centre B.

**28. Draw a circle with the help of a bangle. Take a point outside the circle. Construct the pair of tangents from this point to the circle.**

**Ans. To construct:** A circle with the help of a bangle. Take a point outside the circle. Construct the pair of tangents from this point to the circle.

**Steps of Construction:**

**(a)** Draw a circle with the help of a bangle.

**(b)** Take two non-parallel chords AB and CD of this circle.

**(c)** Draw the perpendicular bisectors of AB and CD. Let these intersect at O. Then O is the centre of the circle draw.

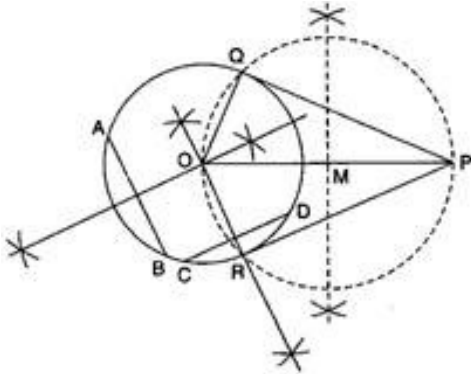
**(d)** Take a point P outside the circle.

**(e)** Join PO and bisect it. Let M be the mid-point of PO.

**(f)** Taking M as centre and MO as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersects the given circle at the points Q and R.

(g) Join PQ and PR.

Then PQ and PR are the required two tangents.



**Justification:** Join OQ and OR.

Then,  $\angle PQO$  is an angle in the semicircle.

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

$$\Rightarrow PQ \perp OQ$$

Since OQ is a radius of the given circle, PQ has to be a tangent to the circle. Similarly PR is also a tangent to the circle.