

Class: X
Subject: Math's
Topic: Constructions
No. of Questions: 20
Duration: 60 Min
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1. By geometrical construction, a line segment can be divided in the ratio

- A. $2-\sqrt{3}:2+\sqrt{3}$
- B. $\sqrt{6}+1:\sqrt{6}-1$
- C. 1 : 1
- D. $\sqrt{9}-1:\sqrt{9}+1$

Ans. C

Solution: Only integral division is possible

2. To divide a line segment PQ in the ration 7 : 3 internally, first a ray PX is drawn so that $\angle QPX$ is an acute angle and then at equal distances, points are marked on the ray PX such that the minimum number of these points is :

- A. 7
- B. 3
- C. 10
- D. 4

Ans. C

Solution: 10 points so that last point will be founded to end of line segment 7th point 11 to alone line segment will give the required ratio.

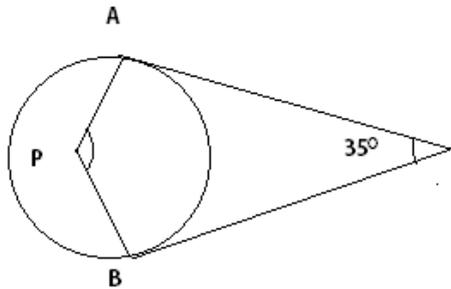
3. To draw a pair of tangents to a circle which are inclined to each other at an angle of 35° , it is required to draw tangents at the end points of those two radii of the circle, the angle between them should be:

- A. 145°
- B. 70°
- C. 140°
- D. 105°

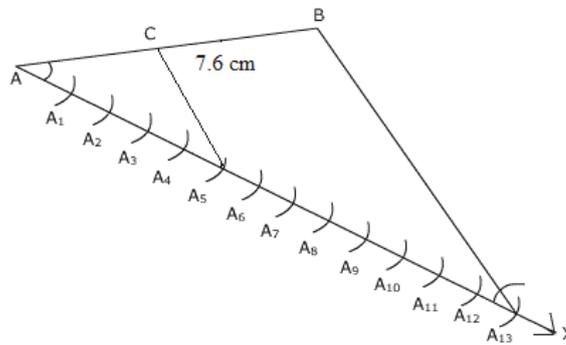
Ans. A

$\angle APB=90-90-35$

=145°



4. 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.



Solution:

1. Draw any ray AX, making an acute angle with AB.
2. Locate 13(=5+8) points $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_{13}$ on AX so that $AA_1 = A_1A_2 = \dots = A_{12}A_{13}$
3. Join BA_{13}
4. Through the point A_5 ($m=5$), Draw a line parallel to BA_{13} (by making an angle equal to $\angle AA_{13}B$ at A_5 intersecting AB at C. Then

$$AC:CB=5:8$$

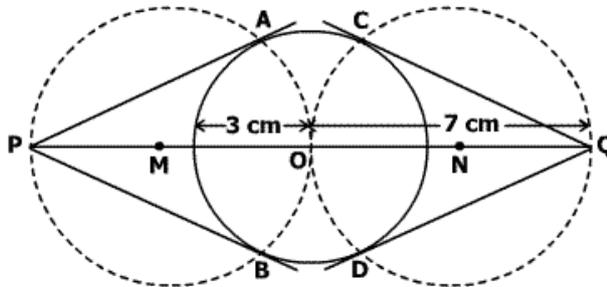
Let us see how this method gives us the required division.

Since A_5C is parallel to $A_{13}B$ therefore $\frac{AA_5}{A_5A_{13}} = \frac{AC}{CB}$. (By the basic proportionality theorem)

$$\text{By construction, } \frac{AA_5}{A_5A_{13}} = \frac{5}{8}. \text{ Therefore } \frac{AC}{CB} = \frac{5}{8}$$

This shows C divides AB in the ratio 5:8.

5. Draw a circle of radius 3cm. 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.



Solution:

Two points P and Q on the diameter of a circle with radius 3cm $OP=OQ=7$ cm.

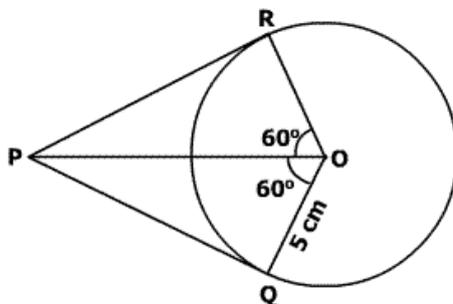
Required

To construct the tangents to the circle from the given points P and Q.

Steps of construction

- A. Draw a circle of radius 3 cm with centre O.
- B. Extend its diameter both sides and cut $OP=OQ=7$ cm.
- C. Bisect OP and OQ. Let M and N be the mid-points of OP and OQ respectively.
- D. With M as centre and OM as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersect (O,3) at two points A and B. again taking N as centre ON as radius draw a circle to intersect circle (O,3) at two points C and D.
- E. Join PA, PB, QC and QD. These are the required tangents from P and Q to circle (O,3).

6. Draw a pair of tangents to a circle of radius 5 cm which are inclined to each other at an angle of 60° .



Solution:

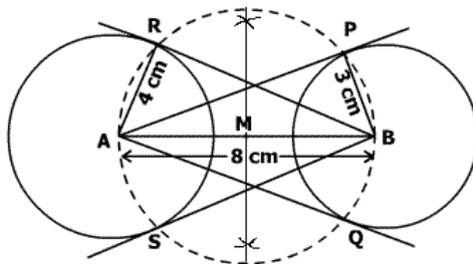
We have to draw tangents at the ends of two radius which are inclined to each other at 120°

Steps of construction

- A. Draw a circle of radius 5 cm with centre O.
- B. Take a point Q on the circle and join it to P.
- C. From OQ, Draw $\angle QOR = 120^\circ$
- D. Take an external point P.
- E. Join PR and PQ perpendicular to OR and OQ respectively intersecting at P.

Therefore the required tangents are RP and QP.

7. 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.



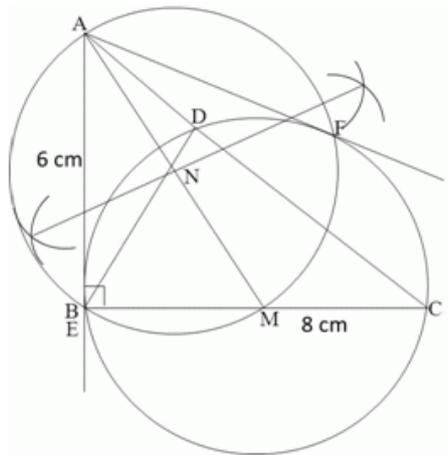
Solution:

Steps of construction

- A. Draw a line segment AB of length 8 cm. Also bisects AB such that, M is the mid point of AB.
- B. With M as centre draw a circle such that it touches A and B.
- C. With A as centre draw a circle of radius 4 cm, and with B as centre draw a circle of radius 3 cm.
- D. These two circles touches the bigger circle at P,Q,R and S.
- E. Now join RB and SB they are the tangents from the point B.
- F. Similarly join PA and QA they are the tangents from the point A.

8. Let ABC be a right triangle in which AB= 6 cm, BC=8cm 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.



Solution:

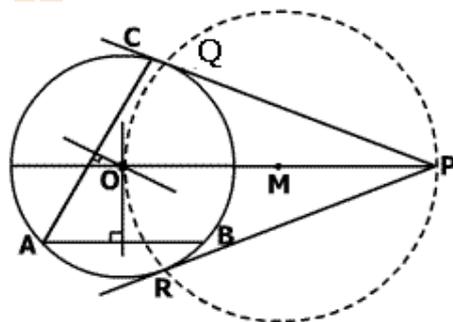
Steps of construction

- A. Draw a triangle with $AB=6\text{ cm}$, $BC=8\text{ cm}$ and $\angle B=90^\circ$.
- B. Construct BD perpendicular to AC .
- C. Draw a circle through B,C,D
- D. Let M be the mid-point of BC obtained by bisecting BC .
- E. Join AM and bisect it. Let N be the mid-point of AM .
- F. With N as centre and AN as radius draw a circle such that it touches the circle through B,C,D at the points E and F .
- G. Join AE and AF .
- H. Thus AE and AF are the required tangents.

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

Solution: Given

Bangle, point P outside the circle.



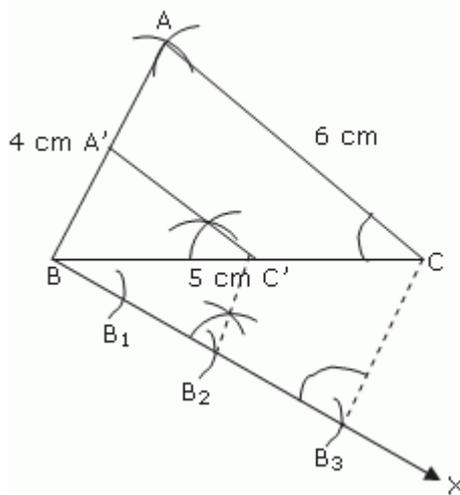
Required

To construct the pair of tangents from P to the circle.

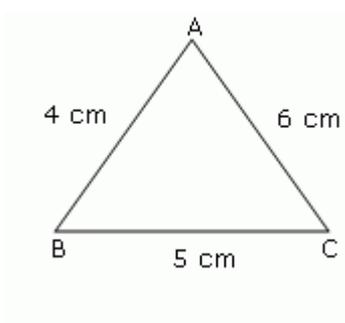
Steps of construction

- A. Draw a circle with the help of a bangle.
- B. Draw two chords AB and AC. Perpendicular bisectors of AB and AC. Intersect each other at O, which is the centre of the circle.
- C. Taking a point p, outside the circle, join OP.
- D. Let M be the mid-point of OP. taking M as centre and OM as radius draw a circle which intersect the given circle at Q and R.
- E. Join PQ and PR. Thus PQ and PR are the required tangents.

10. 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.



Solution:



Steps of construction

- A. Draw a line segment BC= 5cm
- B. With B as centre and radius equal to 4 cm draw an arc
- C. With C as centre and radius equal to 6 cm draw an arc
- D. Join AB and AC. Then, ΔABC is the required triangle.
- E. Below BC, make an acute angle $\angle CBX$
- F. Along BX, mark off three points B_1, B_2, B_3 such that $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3$

- G. Join B_3C
- H. From B_2 , draw $B_2C' \parallel B_3C$, meeting BC at C'
- I. From C' draw $C'A' \parallel CA$ meeting BA at A'
- J. Then $\Delta A'B'C'$ is the required triangle, each of whose sides is two-third of the corresponding sides of ΔABC .

Justification

Since $A'C' \parallel AC$, so $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta A'BC'$

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

Solution:

- A. Draw a line segment $BC = 6$ cm
- B. With B as centre and with radius 5 cm, draw an arc.
- C. With C as centre and with radius 7 cm, draw another arc, intersecting the previously drawn arc at A .
- D. Join AB and AC . Then, ΔABC is the required triangle.
- E. Below BC , make an acute angle $\angle CBX$.
- F. Along BX , mark off seven points $B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots, B_7$ such that $BB_1 = B_1B_2, \dots$

B_6B_7

- G. Join B_5 to C (5 being smaller of 5 and 7 in $\frac{7}{5}$) and draw a line through B_7 parallel to B_5C , intersecting the extended line segment BC at C' .
- H. Draw a line through C' parallel to CA intersecting the extended line segment BA at A' . then $\Delta A'BC'$ is the required triangle.

For justification of construction

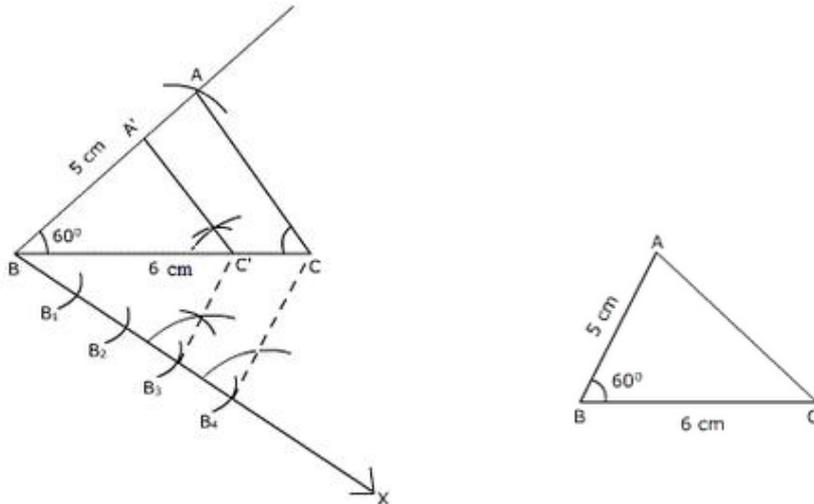
$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta A'BC'$$

$$\text{Therefore } \frac{AB}{A'B} = \frac{AC}{A'C} = \frac{BC}{BC'}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{BC}{BC'} = \frac{BB_5}{BB_7} = \frac{5}{7}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{7}{5} \text{ and thus } \frac{A'B}{AB} = \frac{A'C}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{7}{5}$$

12. 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 the triangle ABC.



Solution:

Steps of construction

- (i) Draw a triangle ABC with BC = 6 cm, AB = 5 cm and $\angle ABC = 60^\circ$.
- (ii) Draw any ray BX making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex X.
- (iii) Locate 4 (the greater of 3 and 4 in $\frac{3}{4}$) points B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4 on BX so that $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4$.
- (iv) Join B_4C and draw a line through B_3 (the 3rd point, 3 being smaller of 3 and 4 in $\frac{3}{4}$) parallel to B_4C to intersect BC at C' .
- (v) Draw a line through C' parallel to the line CA to intersect BA at A' . Then $\Delta A'BC'$ is the required triangle.

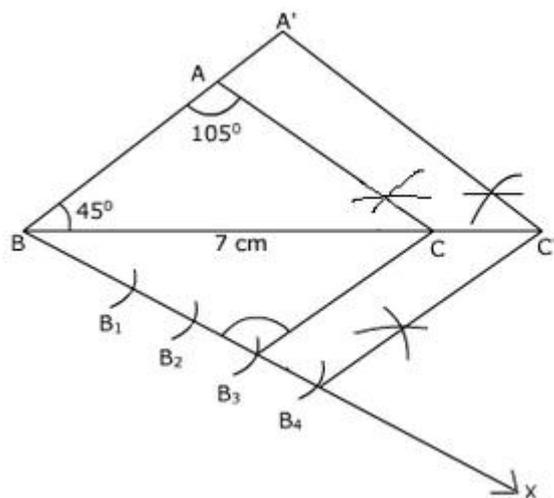
Justification of the construction

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta A'BC'. \text{ Therefore } \frac{AB}{A'B} = \frac{AC}{A'C'} = \frac{BC}{BC'}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{BC}{BC'} = \frac{BB_3}{BB_4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{AB}{A'B} = \frac{AC}{A'C'} = \frac{BC}{BC'} = \frac{3}{4}$$

13. 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 ΔABC .



Solution:

Steps of construction

- (i) Draw a triangle ABC with $BC = 7\text{ cm}$, $\angle B = 45^\circ$ and $\angle A = 105^\circ$.
- (ii) Draw any ray BX making an acute angle with BC on the side opposite to the vertex X.
- (iii) Locate 4 (the greater of 3 and 4 in $\frac{4}{3}$) points B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4 on BX so that $BB_1 = B_1B_2 = B_2B_3 = B_3B_4$.
- (iv) Join B_4C' and draw a line through B_3 (the 3rd point, 3 being smaller of 3 and 4 in $\frac{4}{3}$) parallel to B_4C' to intersect BC at C.
- (v) Draw a line through C' parallel to the line CA to intersect BA at A'. Then $\Delta A'BC'$ is the required triangle.

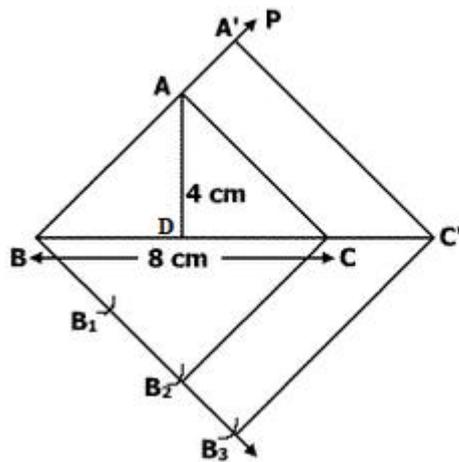
Justification of the construction

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta A'BC'. \text{ Therefore } \frac{A'B}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{BB_4}{BB_3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{A'B}{AB} = \frac{A'C'}{AC} = \frac{BC'}{BC} = \frac{4}{3}$$

14. 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.



Solution:

Given

An isosceles triangle whose base is 8 cm and altitude 4 cm. Scale factor: $1\frac{1}{2}$
 $=\frac{3}{2}$

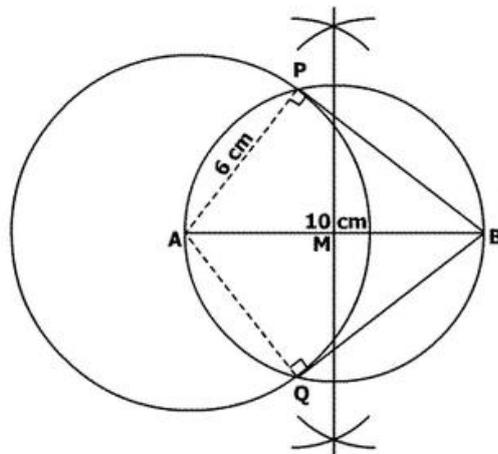
Required

To construct a similar triangle to above whose sides are $1\frac{1}{2}$ times the above triangle.

Steps of construction

- (i) Draw a line segment $BC = 8$ cm.
- (ii) Draw a perpendicular bisector AD of BC .
- (iii) Join AB and AC we get a isosceles $\triangle ABC$.
- (iv) Construct an acute angle $\angle CBX$ downwards.
- (v) On BX make 3 equal parts.
- (vi) Join C to B_2 and draw a line through B_3 parallel to B_2C intersecting the extended line segment BC at C' .
- (vii) Again draw a parallel line $C'A'$ to AC cutting BP at A' .
- (viii) $\triangle A'BC'$ is the required triangle.

15. 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.



Solution:

Steps of construction

1. Draw a line segment of length $AB = 10$ cm. Bisect AB by constructing a perpendicular bisector of AB . Let M be the mid-point of AB .
2. With M as centre and AM as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersect the given circle at the points P and Q .
3. Join PB and QB . Thus PB and QB are the required two tangents.

Justification of construction:

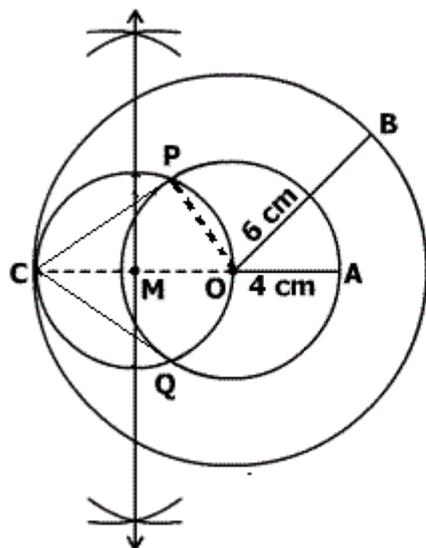
Join AP . Here $\angle APB$ is an angle in the semi-circle. Therefore, $\angle APB = 90^\circ$. Since AP is a radius of a circle, PB has to be a tangent to a circle. Similarly, QB is also a tangent to a circle.

In a Rt ΔAPB , $AB^2 = AP^2 + PB^2$ (By using pythagoras Theorem)

$$PB^2 = AB^2 - AP^2 = 10^2 - 6^2 = 100 - 36 = 64$$

$\therefore PB = 8$ cm.

- 16.** 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.



Solution:

Steps of construction

1. Draw a line segment of length $OA = 4$ cm. With O as centre and OA as radius, draw a circle.
2. With O as centre draw a concentric circle of radius 6 cm(OB).
3. Let C be any point on the circle of radius 6 cm, join OC .
4. Bisect OC such that M is the mid point of OC .
5. With M as centre and OM as radius, draw a circle. Let it intersect the given circle of radius 4 cm at the points P and Q .
6. Join CP and CQ . Thus CP and CQ are the required two tangents.

Justification of construction:

Join OP . Here $\angle OPC$ is an angle in the semi-circle. Therefore, $\angle OPC = 90^\circ$. Since OP is a radius of a circle, CP has to be a tangent to a circle.

Similarly, CQ is also a tangent to a circle.

In ΔCOP , $\angle P = 90^\circ$

$$\Rightarrow CO^2 = CP^2 + OP^2$$

$$\therefore CP^2 = CO^2 - OP^2 = 6^2 - 4^2$$

$$\therefore CP = 2\sqrt{5} \text{ cm}$$

Q17.

To divide a line segment AB in the ratio $p : q$ (p, q are positive

Integers), draw a ray AX so that $\angle BAX$ is an acute angle and then mark points on ray AX at equal distances such that the minimum number of these points is

(A) Greater of p and q (B) $p + q$

(C) $p + q - 1$ (D) pq

Solution: Answer (B)

Q18.

To divide a line segment AB in the ratio $4 : 7$, a ray AX is drawn first such that $\angle BAX$ is an acute angle and then points A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots are located at equal distances on the ray AX and the point B is joined to:

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Ans. D

solution: End point of line segment is joined to the final point located on the ray

Q19

To draw a pair of tangents to a circle which are inclined to each other at an angle of 60° , it is required to draw tangents at end points of those two radii of the circle, the angle between them should be

- (A) 135° (B) 90° (C) 60° (D) 120°

Ans D (Hint: $360 - 180 - 60 = 120$)

Q20.

Two distinct tangents can be constructed from a point P to a circle of radius $2r$ situated at a distance:

- Greater than r from the centre
- $2r$ from the centre
- less than $2r$ from the centre
- more than $2r$ from the centre

Ans D

Radius is $2r$. So for two tangents point should be outside circle.