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Question:

Let the straight line $y = 2x$ touch a circle with center $(0, a)$, $a > 0$, and radius r at a point \mathbf{A}_1 . Let \mathbf{B}_1 be the point on the circle such that the line segment $\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{B}_1$ is a diameter of the circle. Let $a + r = 5 + \sqrt{5}$. Match the following:

- (A) a equals (1) $(-2, 4)$
 (B) r equals 2. $\sqrt{5}$
 (C) \mathbf{A}_1 equals (3) $(-2, 6)$
 (D) \mathbf{B}_1 equals (4) 5
 (5) $(2, 4)$

The correct option is

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- a) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3
 b) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3
 c) A-4, B-2, C-5, D-3
 d) A-2, B-4, C-3, D-5

Solution:

The equation of a Conic in Matrix form is

$$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x} + f = 0 \quad (1)$$

For the given circle. let r be the radius of given circle

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -a \end{pmatrix}, f = a^2 - r^2 \quad (2)$$

Equation of Tangent is given by

$$\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, c = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow (2 \quad -1) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad (5)$$

The distance of point \mathbf{P} to the line $\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{x} = c$ is given by

$$d = \frac{|\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{P} - c|}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} \quad (6)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{\left| \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -a \end{pmatrix} - 0 \right|}{\sqrt{5}} \quad (7)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \frac{a}{\sqrt{5}} \quad (8)$$

$$a + r = 5 + \sqrt{5} \quad (9)$$

substitute (8) in (9)

$$\sqrt{5}r + r = 5 + \sqrt{5} \quad (10)$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{5} \quad (11)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 5 \quad (12)$$

For a circle, the points of contact are

$$\mathbf{q}_j = \left(\pm r \frac{\mathbf{n}_j}{\|\mathbf{n}_j\|} - \mathbf{u} \right), j = 1, 2 \quad (13)$$

let \mathbf{A}_1 be the point of contact

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \left(-r \frac{\mathbf{n}}{\|\mathbf{n}\|} - \mathbf{u} \right) \quad (14)$$

$$= \left(\frac{r}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -a \end{pmatrix} \right) \quad (15)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \quad (16)$$

Given A_1 and B_1 is the diameter of the circle

$$\frac{A_1 + B_1}{2} = u \quad (17)$$

$$B_1 = (u \quad A_1) \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

$$B_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} \quad (19)$$

Answer is c) A-4, B-2, C-5, D-3

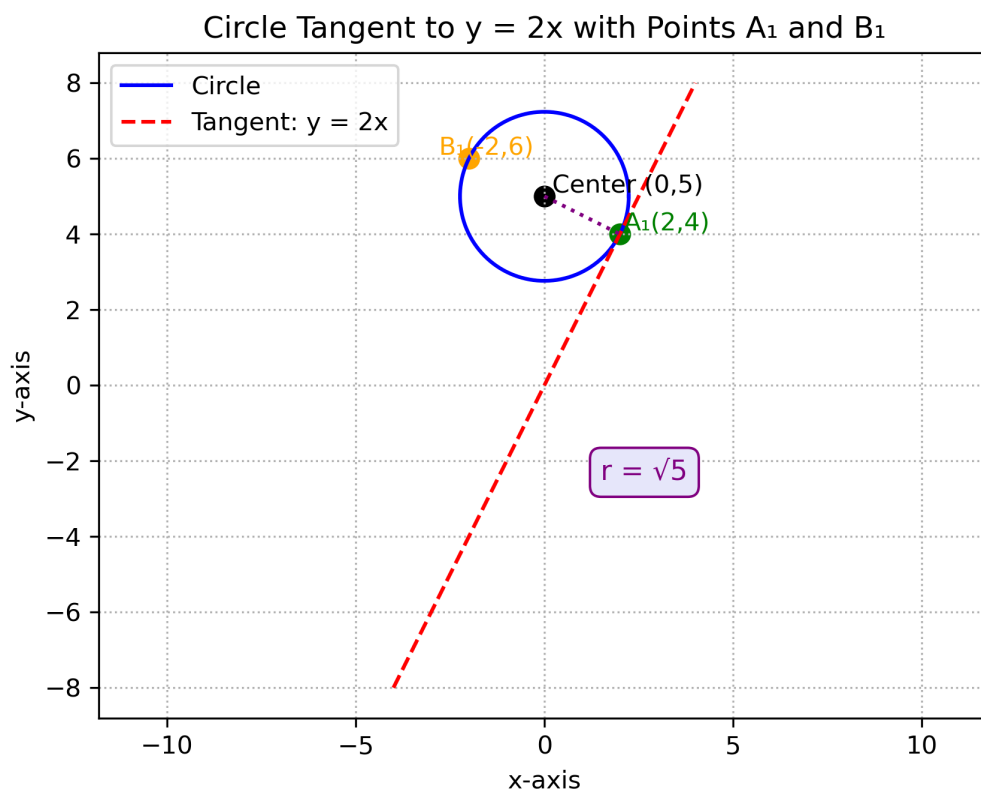


Fig. 4