

Circle Assignment

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

Symbol	Value	Description
O	$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$	Center O
θ_1	60°	$\angle Q_1 P Q_2$
r	5	radius of circle

Table 1

In ΔOqh

$$h = r \csc \frac{\theta}{2} e1 \quad (1)$$

Solution

The equation of a conic with directrix $\mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{x} = c$, eccentricity e and focus \mathbf{F} is given by

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

for circle eccentricity $e=0$ then,

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, f = -r^2. \quad (3)$$

Point q on conic is given by

$$q = \mathbf{V}^{-1}(k_i \mathbf{n} - \mathbf{u}^T)^T$$

where,

$$k_i = \pm \sqrt{\frac{f_0}{\mathbf{n}^\top \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{n}}}$$

$$f_0 = f + \mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{u}$$

$$n = P \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} \\ \pm \sqrt{\lambda_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{P}, \lambda_{1,2}$ are eigen parameters of

$$\sum = (\mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u})(\mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + \mathbf{u})^T - \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{h}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{h} + 2\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{h} + f)$$

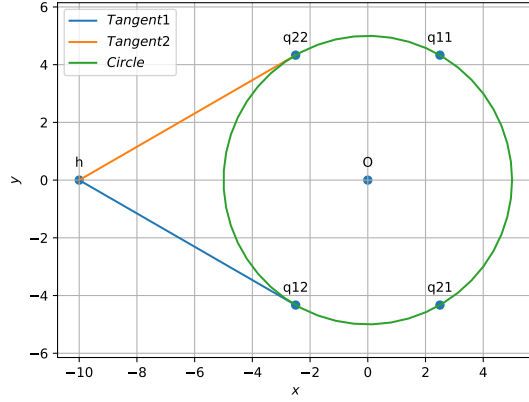


Fig 1. Circle

Construction

SOLUTION: The following python code is used for constructing circle with pair of tangents.

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https://github.com/AnushaJella/assignment\_circle/blob/main/circle1.py
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See Fig 1 for the input parameters in Table 1.