Assignment5

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Question 1:

Let ABC be a right triangle in which a=8, c=6 and B=90. BD is the perpendicular from B on AC (altitude). The circle through B, C, D (circumcircle of 4BCD) is drawn. Construct the tangents from A to this circle.

Solution:

Given,

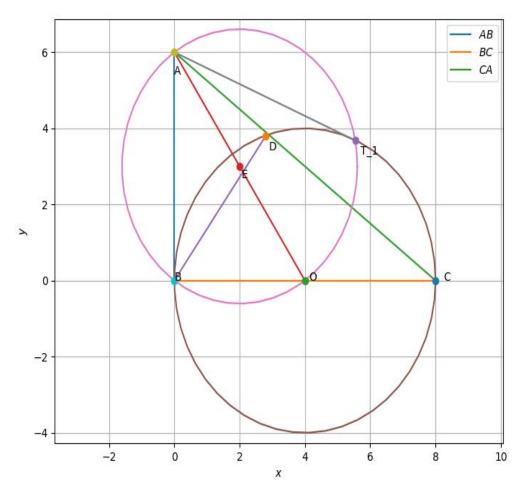
BC = 8cm, AB = 6cm and B = 90

Steps of constructions

- 1. First of all, construct a triangle ABC.
- 2. Then, project an altitude to hypotenuse AC which meets it at D.
- 3. Take midpoint of BC as O, taking O as center and OB as radius, make a circle which passes through AandC and intersects triangle at D.
- 4. Join A and O and bisect it at E.
- 5. Taking E as center and EO as radius, make another circle which passes through B,A and intersects first circle at G.

6. Now, Join AG, this is the required tangent.

Justification: If we join OG, it would make a right angled triangle because any angle in semi circle is right angle. As OG is radius and is perpendicular to AG. AG has to be tangent.



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Figure 1: Figure generated by python

Question 2:

Draw a circle with centre C and radius 3.4. Draw any chord. Construct the perpendicular bisector of the chord and examine if it passes through C.

Solution

Steps of constructions

- 1. First of all, construct a circle with centre (0,0).
- 2. Then, construct a chord AB (we can take any two points, so here we are taking A and B).
- 3. Bisect the chord and make a line perpendicular to it.
- 4. Here we can see that perpendicular to AB passes through centre ${\cal O}.$

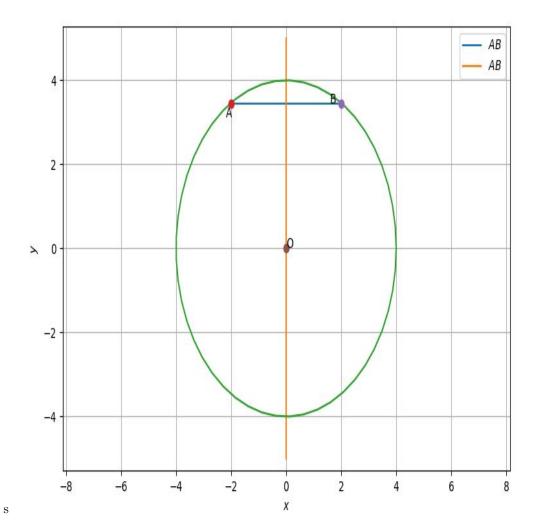


Figure 2: Figure generated by python