

CIRCLE

- Let  $C_1$  be the circle of radius 1 with center at the origin. Let  $C_2$  be the circle of radius  $r$  with center at the point  $A = (4, 1)$ , where  $1 < r < 3$ . Two distinct common tangents PQ and ST of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are drawn. The tangent PQ touches  $C_1$  at P and  $C_2$  at Q. The tangent ST touches  $C_1$  at S and  $C_2$  at T. Mid points of the line segments PQ and ST are joined to form a line which meets the x-axis at a point B. If  $AB = \sqrt{5}$ , then the value of  $r^2$  is **[JEE(Advanced) 2023]**
- Let ABC be the triangle with  $AB = 1$ ,  $AC = 3$  and  $\angle BAC = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . If a circle of radius  $r > 0$  touches the sides AB, AC and also touches internally the circumcircle of the triangle ABC, then the value of  $r$  is **[JEE(Advanced) 2022]**
- Let  $G$  be a circle of radius  $R > 0$ . Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n$  be  $n$  circles of equal radius  $r > 0$ . Suppose each of the  $n$  circles  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n$  touches the circle  $G$  externally. Also, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ , the circle  $G_i$  touches  $G_{i+1}$  externally, and  $G_n$  touches  $G_1$  externally. Then, which of the following statements is/are TRUE ? **[JEE(Advanced) 2022]**
  - If  $n = 4$ , then  $(\sqrt{2} - 1)r < R$
  - If  $n = 5$ , then  $r < R$
  - If  $n = 8$ , then  $(\sqrt{2} - 1)r < R$
  - If  $n = 12$ , then  $\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{3} + 1)r > R$
- Consider a triangle  $\Delta$  whose two sides lie on the x-axis and the line  $x + y + 1 = 0$ . If the orthocenter of  $\Delta$  is  $(1, 1)$ , then the equation of the circle passing through the vertices of the triangle  $\Delta$  is **[JEE(Advanced) 2021]**
  - $x^2 + y^2 - 3x + y = 0$
  - $x^2 + y^2 + x + 3y = 0$
  - $x^2 + y^2 + 2y - 1 = 0$
  - $x^2 + y^2 + x + y = 0$

**Paragraph for Question No. 5 and 6**

Let

$$M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} : x^2 + y^2 \leq r^2\},$$

where  $r > 0$ . Consider the geometric progression  $a_n = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$ ,  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . Let  $S_0 = 0$  and, for  $n \geq 1$ , let  $S_n$  denote the sum of the first  $n$  terms of this progression. For  $n \geq 1$ , let  $C_n$  denote the circle with center  $(S_{n-1}, 0)$  and radius  $a_n$ , and  $D_n$  denote the circle with center  $(S_{n-1}, S_{n-1})$  and radius  $a_n$ .

- Consider  $M$  with  $r = \frac{1025}{513}$ . Let  $k$  be the number of all those circles  $C_n$  that are inside  $M$ . Let  $l$  be the maximum possible number of circles among these  $k$  circles such that no two circles intersect. Then **[JEE(Advanced) 2021]**
  - $k + 2l = 22$
  - $2k + l = 26$
  - $2k + 3l = 34$
  - $3k + 2l = 40$
- Consider  $M$  with  $r = \frac{(2^{199} - 1)\sqrt{2}}{2^{198}}$ . The number of all those circles  $D_n$  that are inside  $M$  is **[JEE(Advanced) 2021]**
  - 198
  - 199
  - 200
  - 201

7. Let O be the centre of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$ , where  $r > \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ . Suppose PQ is a chord of this circle and the equation of the line passing through P and Q is  $2x + 4y = 5$ . If the centre of the circumcircle of the triangle OPQ lies on the line  $x + 2y = 4$ , then the value of r is \_\_\_\_\_ **[JEE(Advanced) 2020]**
8. A line  $y = mx + 1$  intersects the circle  $(x - 3)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 25$  at the points P and Q. If the midpoint of the line segment PQ has x-coordinate  $-\frac{3}{5}$ , then which one of the following options is correct ? **[JEE(Advanced) 2019]**
- (A)  $6 \leq m < 8$                       (B)  $2 \leq m < 4$                       (C)  $4 \leq m < 6$                       (D)  $-3 \leq m < -1$

9. Let the point B be the reflection of the point A(2, 3) with respect to the line  $8x - 6y - 23 = 0$ . Let  $\Gamma_A$  and  $\Gamma_B$  be circles of radii 2 and 1 with centres A and B respectively. Let T be a common tangent to the circles  $\Gamma_A$  and  $\Gamma_B$  such that both the circles are on the same side of T. If C is the point of intersection of T and the line passing through A and B, then the length of the line segment AC is \_\_\_\_\_ **[JEE(Advanced) 2019]**

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**[JEE(Advanced) 2019]**

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	(T) $2\sqrt{6}$
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Which of the following is the only INCORRECT combination ?

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- (A) (IV), (S)                      (B) (IV), (U)                      (C) (III), (R)                      (D) (I), (P)

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Which of the following is the only CORRECT combination?

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- (A) (II), (T)                      (B) (I), (S)                      (C) (I), (U)                      (D) (II), (Q)

**Paragraph for Question No. 12 and 13**

Let S be the circle in the xy-plane defined by the equation  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

**12.** Let  $E_1E_2$  and  $F_1F_2$  be the chord of S passing through the point  $P_0(1, 1)$  and parallel to the x-axis and the y-axis, respectively. Let  $G_1G_2$  be the chord of S passing through  $P_0$  and having slope  $-1$ . Let the tangents to S at  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  meet at  $E_3$ , the tangents of S at  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  meet at  $F_3$ , and the tangents to S at  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  meet at  $G_3$ . Then, the points  $E_3, F_3$  and  $G_3$  lie on the curve [JEE(Advanced) 2018]

- (A)  $x + y = 4$                       (B)  $(x - 4)^2 + (y - 4)^2 = 16$   
 (C)  $(x - 4)(y - 4) = 4$                       (D)  $xy = 4$

**13.** Let P be a point on the circle S with both coordinates being positive. Let the tangent to S at P intersect the coordinate axes at the points M and N. Then, the mid-point of the line segment MN must lie on the curve- [JEE(Advanced) 2018]

- (A)  $(x + y)^2 = 3xy$                       (B)  $x^{2/3} + y^{2/3} = 2^{4/3}$   
 (C)  $x^2 + y^2 = 2xy$                       (D)  $x^2 + y^2 = x^2y^2$

14. Let T be the line passing through the points P(-2, 7) and Q(2, -5). Let  $F_1$  be the set of all pairs of circles  $(S_1, S_2)$  such that T is tangents to  $S_1$  at P and tangent to  $S_2$  at Q, and also such that  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  touch each other at a point, say, M. Let  $E_1$  be the set representing the locus of M as the pair  $(S_1, S_2)$  varies in  $F_1$ . Let the set of all straight line segments joining a pair of distinct points of  $E_1$  and passing through the point R(1, 1) be  $F_2$ . Let  $E_2$  be the set of the mid-points of the line segments in the set  $F_2$ . Then, which of the following statement(s) is (are) TRUE ? [JEE(Advanced) 2018]

- (A) The point (-2, 7) lies in  $E_1$  (B) The point  $\left(\frac{4}{5}, \frac{7}{5}\right)$  does NOT lie in  $E_2$   
 (C) The point  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, 1\right)$  lies in  $E_2$  (D) The point  $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$  does NOT lie in  $E_1$

15. For how many values of p, the circle  $x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 4y - p = 0$  and the coordinate axes have exactly three common points ? [JEE(Advanced) 2017]

16. The circle  $C_1: x^2 + y^2 = 3$ , with centre at O, intersects the parabola  $x^2 = 2y$  at the point P in the first quadrant. Let the tangent to the circle  $C_1$  at P touches other two circles  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  at  $R_2$  and  $R_3$ , respectively. Suppose  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  have equal radii  $2\sqrt{3}$  and centres  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$ , respectively. If  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  lie on the y-axis, then- [JEE(Advanced) 2016]

- (A)  $Q_2Q_3 = 12$  (B)  $R_2R_3 = 4\sqrt{6}$   
 (C) area of the triangle  $OR_2R_3$  is  $6\sqrt{2}$  (D) area of the triangle  $PQ_2Q_3$  is  $4\sqrt{2}$

17. Let RS be the diameter of the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ , where S is the point (1,0). Let P be a variable point (other than R and S) on the circle and tangents to the circle at S and P meet at the point Q. The normal to the circle at P intersects a line drawn through Q parallel to RS at point E. then the locus of E passes through the point(s)- [JEE(Advanced) 2016]

- (A)  $\left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  (B)  $\left(\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$   
 (C)  $\left(\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$  (D)  $\left(\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{2}\right)$

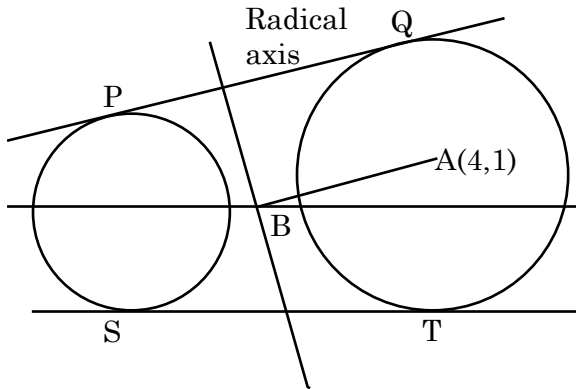
18. A circle S passes through the point (0, 1) and is orthogonal to the circles  $(x - 1)^2 + y^2 = 16$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$ . Then :- [JEE(Advanced) 2014]

- (A) radius of S is 8 (B) radius of S is 7  
 (C) centre of S is (-7, 1) (D) centre is S is (-8, 1)

SOLUTIONS

1. Ans. (2)

Sol.



radical axis  $8x + 2y - 17 = 1 - r^2$

$8x + 2y = 18 - r^2$

$B\left(\frac{18 - r^2}{8}, 0\right) A(4, 1)$

$AB = \sqrt{5}$

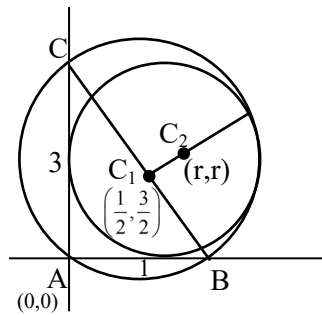
$\sqrt{\left(\frac{18 - r^2}{8} - 4\right)^2 + 1} = \sqrt{5}$

$r^2 = 2$

$\Rightarrow n = \sin\alpha + \cos\alpha$

2. Ans. (0.83 or 0.84)

Sol.  $4 - \sqrt{10} = 0.83$  or  $0.84$



$C_1\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$  and  $r_1 = \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}$

$C_2 = (r, r)$

$\therefore$  circle  $C_2$  touches  $C_1$  internally

$\Rightarrow C_1C_2 = \left|r - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right|$

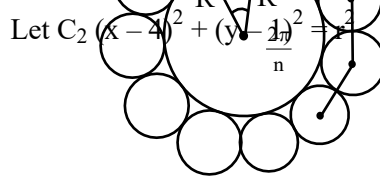
$\Rightarrow \left(r - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(r - \frac{3}{2}\right)^2 = \left(r - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right)^2$

$r^2 - 4r + \sqrt{10}r = 0$

$r = 0$  (reject) or  $r = 4 - \sqrt{10}$

3. Ans. (C, D)

Sol.



Let  $C_2 (x-4)^2 + (y-1)^2 = r^2$

$2(R + r)\sin\frac{\pi}{n} = 2r$

$\frac{R + r}{r} = \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{n}$

(A)  $n = 4, R + r = \sqrt{2}r$

(B)  $n = 5, \frac{R + r}{r} = \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{5} < \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{6}$

$R + r < 2r \Rightarrow r > R$

(C)  $n = 8, \frac{R + r}{r} = \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{8} > \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{4}$

$R + r > \sqrt{2}r$

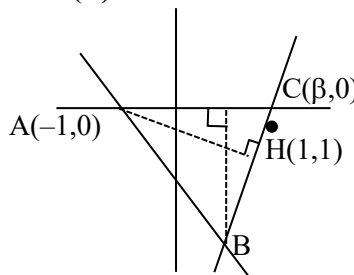
(D)  $n = 12, \frac{R + r}{r} = \operatorname{cosec}\frac{\pi}{12} = \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{3} + 1)$

$R + r = \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{3} + 1)r$

$\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{3} + 1)r > R$

4. Ans. (B)

Sol.



$A(-1,0)$   $C(\beta,0)$   $H(1,1)$

$(1, -2) = (\alpha, -\alpha - 1)$   
 $\Rightarrow \alpha = 1$

one of the vertex is intersection of x-axis and

$x + y + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow A(-1,0)$

Let vertex B be  $(\alpha, -\alpha - 1)$

Line  $AC \perp BH \Rightarrow \alpha = 1 \Rightarrow B(1, -2)$

Let vertex C be  $(\beta, 0)$

Line  $AH \perp BC$

$m_{AH} \cdot m_{BC} = -1$

$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{\beta - 1} = -1 \Rightarrow \beta = 0$

Centroid of  $\Delta ABC$  is  $\left(0, -\frac{2}{3}\right)$

Now G(centroid) divides line joining circum centre (O) and ortho centre (H) in the ratio 1: 2

$$\Rightarrow (h,k) \left(0, -\frac{2}{3}\right) (1,1)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{O} \quad 1 \quad \text{G} \quad 2 \quad \text{H} \\ \hline 2h + 1 = 0 \quad 2k + 1 = -2 \\ h = -\frac{1}{2} \quad k = -\frac{3}{2} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{circum centre is } \left(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

Equation of circum circle is (passing through C(0,0))  
 $x^2 + y^2 + x + 3y = 0$

5. Ans. (D)

Sol.  $S_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$

$$= 2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{2^n}\right) = 2 - \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

Centre of  $C_n$  is  $\left(2 - \frac{1}{2^{n-2}}, 0\right)$

and radius of  $C_n$  is  $\frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$

when  $r = \frac{1025}{513} < 2$

$C_n$  will lie inside m

when  $2 - \frac{1}{2^{n-2}} + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < \frac{1025}{513}$

$\Rightarrow k = 10$

Also  $\ell = 5$

$3k + 2\ell = 30 + 10 = 40$

6. Ans. (B)

Sol. Center of  $D_n$  is  $(S_{n-1}, S_{n-1})$

$$r = \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$D_n$  will lie inside

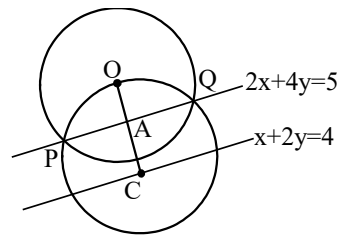
when  $\sqrt{2}(S_{n-1}) + a_n < \frac{2^{199} - 1}{2^{198}} \sqrt{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2^{n-2}} > \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2^{198}} + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$\Rightarrow n = 199$

7. Ans. (2)

Sol.



M-I

$$OA = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \quad OC = \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$CQ = OC = \frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} \quad \text{and} \quad CA = \frac{3}{2\sqrt{5}}$$

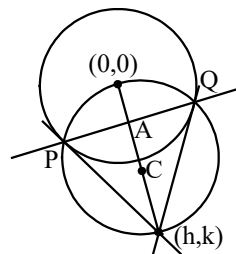
$$\therefore OQ = \sqrt{OA^2 + AQ^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{OA^2 + (CQ^2 - CA^2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{5}{4} + \frac{16}{5} - \frac{9}{20}} = \sqrt{4}$$

$\Rightarrow 2 = r$

M-II



PQ :  $hx + ky = r^2$

Given PQ  $2x + 4y = 5$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{h}{2} = \frac{k}{4} = \frac{r^2}{5} \Rightarrow h = \frac{2r^2}{5} \quad k = \frac{4r^2}{5}$$

$$\therefore C = \left(\frac{r^2}{5}, \frac{2r^2}{5}\right)$$

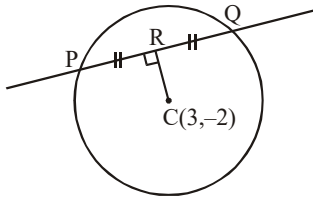
$\therefore C$  lies on  $x + 2y = 4$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r^2}{5} + 2\left(\frac{2r^2}{5}\right) = 4$$

$\Rightarrow r^2 = 4 \quad \Rightarrow r = 2$

8. Ans. (B)

Sol.



$$R \equiv \left( -\frac{3}{5}, \frac{-3m}{5} + 1 \right)$$

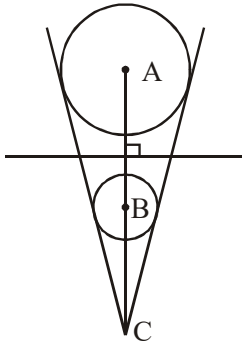
$$\text{So, } m \left( \frac{-\frac{3m}{5} + 3}{-\frac{3}{5} - 3} \right) = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2 - 5m + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 2, 3$$

9. Ans. (10.00)

Sol.



Distance of point A from given line =  $\frac{5}{2}$

$$\frac{CA}{CB} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AC}{AB} = \frac{2}{1}$$

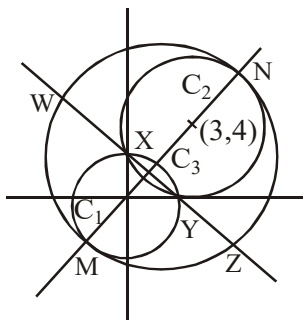
$$\Rightarrow AC = 2 \times 5 = 10$$

Q.10 Ans. (A)

Q.11 Ans. (D)

Solution for Q.10 and Q.11

Sol.



$$MC_1 + C_1C_2 + C_2N = 2r$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 + 5 + 4 = 2r \Rightarrow r = 6 \Rightarrow \text{Radius of } C_3 = 6$$

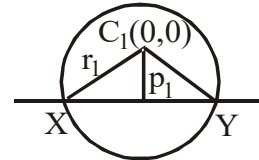
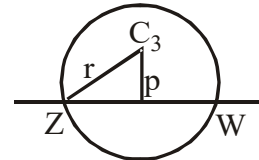
Suppose centre of  $C_3$  be

$$(0 + r_4 \cos \theta, 0 + r_4 \sin \theta), \begin{cases} r_4 = C_1C_3 = 3 \\ \tan \theta = \frac{4}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$C_3 = \left( \frac{9}{5}, \frac{12}{5} \right) = (h, k) \Rightarrow 2h + k = 6$$

Equation of ZW and XY is  $3x + 4y - 9 = 0$

(common chord of circle  $C_1 = 0$  and  $C_2 = 0$ )



$$ZW = 2\sqrt{r^2 - p^2} = \frac{24\sqrt{6}}{5}$$

(where  $r = 6$  and  $p = \frac{6}{5}$ )

$$XY = 2\sqrt{r_1^2 - p_1^2} = \frac{24}{5}$$

(where  $r_1 = 3$  and  $p_1 = \frac{9}{5}$ )

$$\frac{\text{Length of } ZW}{\text{Length of } XY} = \sqrt{6}$$

Let length of perpendicular from M to ZW be

$$\lambda, \lambda = 3 + \frac{9}{5} = \frac{24}{5}$$

$$\frac{\text{Area of } \Delta MZN}{\text{Area of } \Delta ZMW} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(MN) \times \frac{1}{2}(ZW)}{\frac{1}{2} \times ZW \times \lambda}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{MN}{\lambda} = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$C_3 : \left( x - \frac{9}{5} \right)^2 + \left( y - \frac{12}{5} \right)^2 = 6^2$$

$$C_1 : x^2 + y^2 - 9 = 0$$

common tangent to  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  is common chord of  $C_1$  and  $C_3$  is  $3x + 4y + 15 = 0$ .

Now  $3x + 4y + 15 = 0$  is tangent to parabola

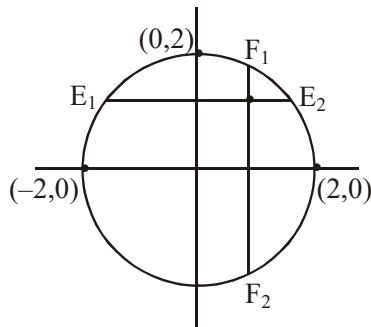
$$x^2 = 8\alpha y.$$

$$x^2 = 8\alpha \left( \frac{-3x - 15}{4} \right) \Rightarrow 4x^2 + 24\alpha x + 120\alpha = 0$$

$$D = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{10}{3}$$

12. Ans. (A)

Sol.



co-ordinates of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are obtained by solving  $y = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

$$\therefore E_1(-\sqrt{3}, 1) \text{ and } E_2(\sqrt{3}, 1)$$

co-ordinates of  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are obtained by solving  $x = 1$  and  $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

$$F_1(1, \sqrt{3}) \text{ and } F_2(1, -\sqrt{3})$$

$$\text{Tangent at } E_1: -\sqrt{3}x + y = 4$$

$$\text{Tangent at } E_2: \sqrt{3}x + y = 4$$

$$\therefore E_3(0, 4)$$

$$\text{Tangent at } F_1: x + \sqrt{3}y = 4$$

$$\text{Tangent at } F_2: x - \sqrt{3}y = 4$$

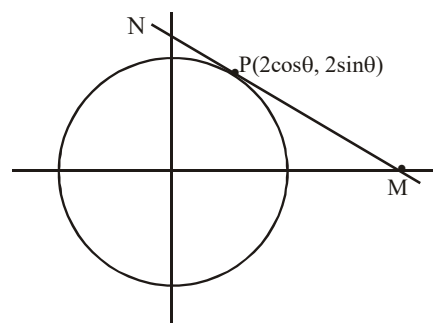
$$\therefore F_3(4, 0)$$

and similarly  $G_3(2, 2)$

$(0, 4), (4, 0)$  and  $(2, 2)$  lies on  $x + y = 4$

13. Ans. (D)

Sol.



Tangent at  $P(2\cos\theta, 2\sin\theta)$  is  $x\cos\theta + y\sin\theta = 2$

$M(2\sec\theta, 0)$  and  $N(0, 2\csc\theta)$

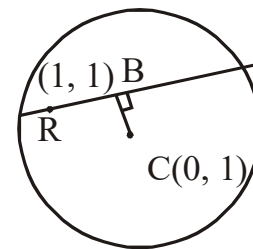
Let midpoint be  $(h, k)$

$$h = \sec\theta, k = \csc\theta$$

$$\frac{1}{h^2} + \frac{1}{k^2} = 1$$

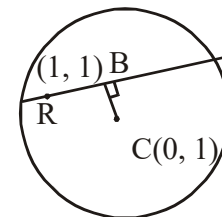
$$\frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{y^2} = 1$$

14. Ans. (B, D)



$$AP = AQ = AM$$

Locus of  $M$  is a circle having  $PQ$  as its diameter



Hence,  $E_1: (x - 2)(x + 2) + (y - 7)(y + 5) = 0$  and  $x \neq \pm 2$

Locus of  $B$  (midpoint)

is a circle having  $RC$  as its diameter

$$E_2: x(x - 1) + (y - 1)^2 = 0$$

Now, after checking the options, we get (D)

The points  $\left(\frac{4}{5}, \frac{7}{5}\right), (1, 1), (-2, 7)$  are collinear

therefore (B) option is also correct.

15. Ans. (2)

Sol. We shall consider 3 cases.

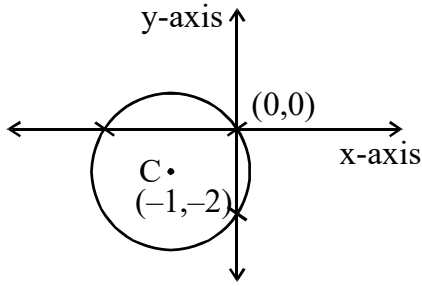
Case I : When  $p = 0$

(i.e. circle passes through origin)

Now, equation of circle becomes

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2x + 4y = 0$$



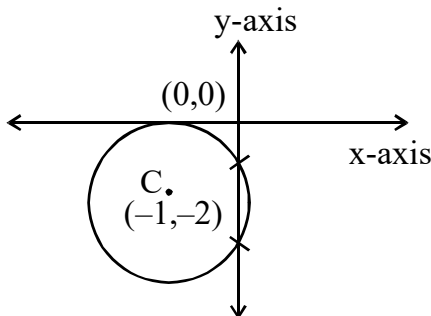


**Case II :** When circle intersects x-axis at 2 distinct points and touches y-axis

Now  $(g^2 - c) > 0$       &       $f^2 - c = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 - (-p) > 0$       &       $4 - (-p) = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow p = -4$   
 $\Rightarrow p > -1$   
 $\therefore$  Not possible.

**Case III :** When circle intersects y-axis at 2 distinct points & touches x-axis.

Now,  $g^2 - c = 0$       &       $f^2 - c > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow 1 - (-p) = 0$       &       $4 - (-p) > 0$   
 $\Rightarrow p = -1$        $\Rightarrow p > -4$   
 $\therefore p = -1$  is possible.



$\therefore$  Finally we conclude that  $p = 0, -1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Two possible values of p.

**16. Ans. (A, B, C)**

**Sol.** On solving  $x^2 + y^2 = 3$  and  $x^2 = 2y$  we get point  $P(\sqrt{2}, 1)$   
 Equation of tangent at P  
 $\sqrt{2} \cdot x + y = 3$   
 Let  $Q_2$  be  $(0, k)$  and radius is  $2\sqrt{3}$   
 $\therefore \left| \frac{\sqrt{2}(0) + k - 3}{\sqrt{2+1}} \right| = 2\sqrt{3}$   
 $\therefore k = 9, -3$   
 $Q_2(0, 9)$  and  $Q_3(0, -3)$   
 hence  $Q_2Q_3 = 12$

$R_2R_3$  is internal common tangent of circle  $C_2$  and  $C_3$

$$\therefore R_2R_3 = \sqrt{(Q_2Q_3)^2 - (2\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3})^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{12^2 - 48} = \sqrt{96} = 4\sqrt{6}$$

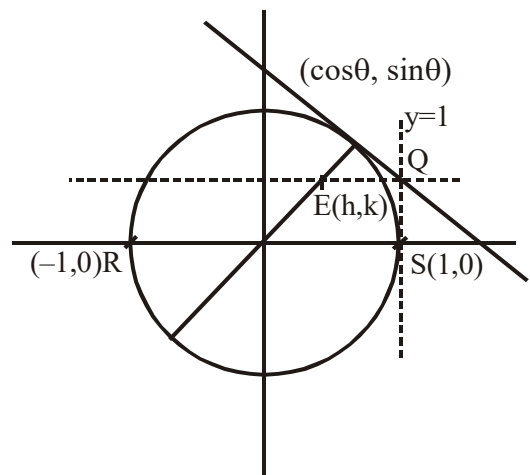
Perpendicular distance of origin O from  $R_2R_3$  is equal to radius of circle  $C_1 = \sqrt{3}$

Hence area of  $\Delta OR_2R_3$   
 $= \frac{1}{2} \times (R_2R_3) \sqrt{3} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 4\sqrt{6} \cdot \sqrt{3} = 6\sqrt{2}$

Perpendicular Distance of P from  $Q_2Q_3 = \sqrt{2}$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \Delta PQ_2Q_3 = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times \sqrt{2} = 6\sqrt{2}$$

**17. Ans. (A, C)**



**Sol.**

Tangent at P :  $x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta = 1$       ....(i)

Tangent at S :  $x = 1$       ....(ii)

$$\therefore \text{By (i) \& (ii) : } Q \left( 1, \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \right)$$

Line through Q parallel to RS :

$$y = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} \Rightarrow y = \tan \frac{\theta}{2} \quad \text{....(iii)}$$

Normal at P :

$$y = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta} x \Rightarrow y = \tan \theta \cdot x \quad \text{....(iv)}$$

Point of intersection of equation (iii) and (iv),

$$E : h = \frac{1 - \tan^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{2}; k = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

eliminating  $\theta$  :  $h = \frac{1 - k^2}{2} \Rightarrow y^2 = 1 - 2x$

Options (A) and (C) satisfies the locus.

18. Ans. (B,C)

Sol. Let circle is  $x^2 + y^2 + 2gx + 2fy + c = 0$

$$\text{Put } (0,1) \quad 1 + 2f + c = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

orthogonal with

$$x^2 + y^2 - 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$2g(-1) = c - 15 \Rightarrow c = 15 - 2g \quad \dots(2)$$

orthogonal with

$$x^2 + y^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$c = 1 \quad \dots(3)$$

$$\Rightarrow g = 7 \text{ \& } f = -1$$

centre is  $(-g, -f) \equiv (-7, 1)$

$$\text{radius} = \sqrt{g^2 + f^2 - c} = \sqrt{49 + 1 - 1} = 7$$