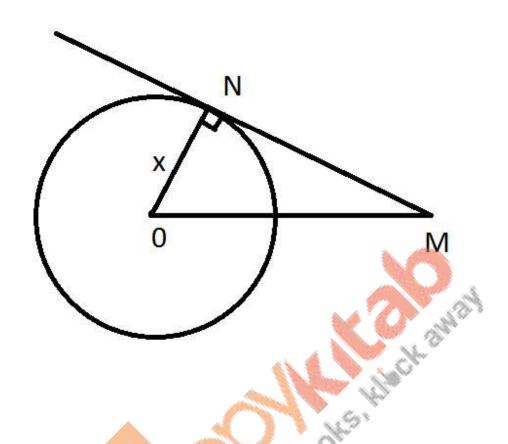
RD SHARMA Solutions Class 10 Maths
Chapter 10
Ex 10.1

(i) The common point of tangent and the circle is called
Soln: point of contact.
(ii) A circle may have parallel tangent.
Soln : two
(iii) A tangent to a circle intersects it in point.
Soln: one
(iv) A line intersecting a circle in two points is called a
Soln: secant.
(v) The angle between tangent at a point P on circle and radius through the point is
Soln: 90°.
Q 2. How many tangents can a circle have?
Ans:
Tangent: a line intersecting circle in one point is called a tangent
As there are infinite number of points on the circle, a circle has many (infinite) tangents.

1. Fill in the blanks:

Q 3. 'O' is the centre the circle shown below with a radius of 8 cm. The circle cuts the tangent AB through O at B such that AB = 15 cm. Find OB.



Ans:

Given data : AB = 15 cm

OA = 8 cm (radius of the circle)

We know that : the tangent cuts the circle at 90 degrees. Therefore, OA is the hypotenuse of the triangle OAB . Hence, the longest side can be found by using pythagoras Theorem.

We have,

OB = 17 cm

Therefore, OB = 17 cm

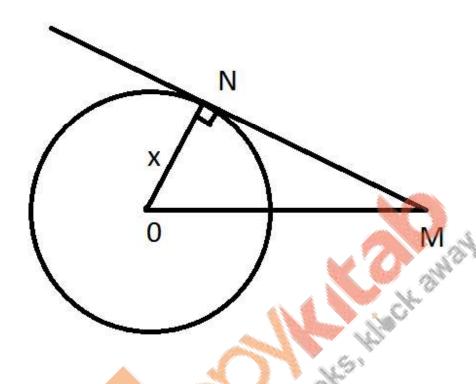
Q 4. If the tangent at point P to the circle with centre O cuts a line through O at Q such that PQ = 24 cm and OQ = 25 cm. find the radius of the circle.

Ans:

given data:

OQ = 25 cm

OP = radius = ?



P is a point of contact, at point of contact, tangent and radius are perpendicular to each other.

Therefore triangle is right angled triangle angle OPQ = 90°

BY pythagoras theorem,

OP = 7 cm

Therefore, OP = radius = 7 cm