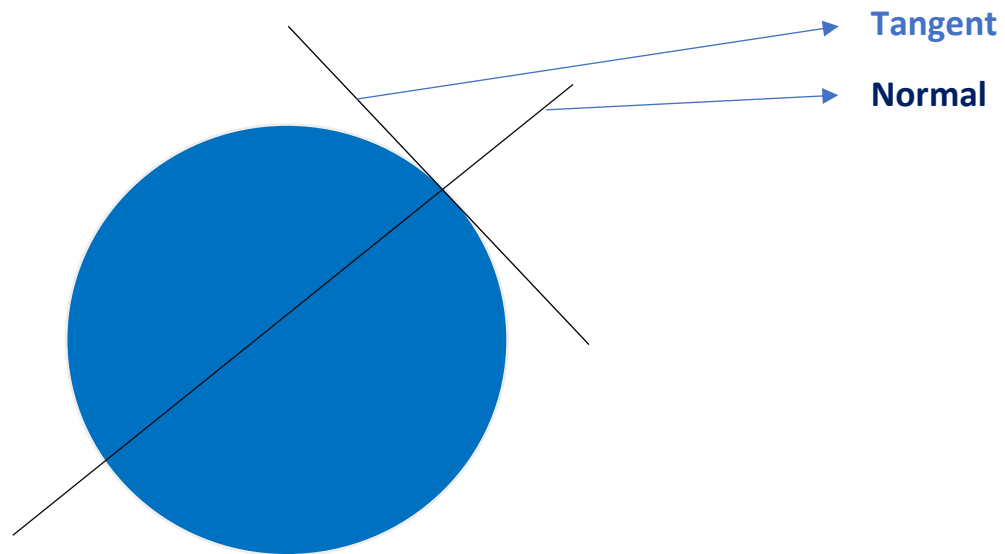


## Brief points on lecture



- a) A tangent to a circle is a straight line that touches the circle at only one point.
- b) A Normal, is a straight line that is perpendicular to the tangent line.

⇒ If the circle is  $x^2+y^2=a^2$

- a) The equation of a tangent to the circle at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is given by  $xx_1 + yy_1 = a^2$
- b) The equation of normal to the circle at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is given by  $yx_1 - xy_1 = 0$ .
- c) The equation of a tangent to the circle at  $(a \cos \theta, a \sin \theta)$  is given by  $x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta = a$
- d) The equation of a normal to the circle at  $(a \cos \theta, a \sin \theta)$  is given by  $x \sin \theta - y \cos \theta = 0$ .

⇒ If the circle is given by  $x^2+y^2+2gx+2fy+c=0$

- a) The equation of a tangent to the circle at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is  $xx_1 + yy_1 + g(x + x_1) + f(y + y_1) + c = 0$
- b) The equation of normal to the circle at  $(x_1, y_1)$  is  $(y - y_1)/(y_1 + f) = (x - x_1)/(x_1 + g)$ .

### Condition for a line to be tangent:

⇒ For a line  $y = mx + c$  to be a tangent to a circle  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$

it should satisfy  $c = \pm a(\sqrt{1+m^2})$ , the equation is given by  $y = mx \pm a(\sqrt{1+m^2})$ .

⇒ **Tangent and normal are perpendicular to each other**

⇒ The length of the tangent from  $P(x_1, y_1)$  is  $(s_1)^{1/2}$  where  $s_1$  is  $x_1^2+y_1^2+2gx_1+2fy_1+c$ .

