

Circles - Class XI

Past Year JEE Questions

Questions

Question: 01

The two circles $x^2 + y^2 = ax$, and $x^2 + y^2 = c^2$ ($c > 0$) touch each other if

- A. $|a| = c$
- B. $a = 2c$
- C. $|a| = 2c$
- D. $2|a| = c$

Solutions

Solution: 01

Explanation

As center of one circle is $(0, 0)$ and other circle passes through $(0, 0)$, therefore

Also $C_1(\frac{a}{2}, 0)$ $C_2(0, 0)$

$$r_1 = \frac{a}{2}r_2 = C$$

$$C_1C_2 = r_1 - r_2 = \frac{a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow C - \frac{a}{2} = \frac{a}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow C = a$$

If the two circles touch each other, then they must touch each other internally.