

**Comprehension based questions-**

The circle  $x^2 + y^2 - 8x = 0$  and hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$  intersect at the points A and B. (2010)

4. Equation of a common tangent with positive slope to the circle as well as to the hyperbola is

(a)  $2x - \sqrt{5}y - 20 = 0$       (b)  $2x - \sqrt{5}y + 4 = 0$

(c)  $3x - 4y + 8 = 0$       (d)  $4x - 3y + 4 = 0$

5. Equation of the circle with AB as its diameter is

(a)  $x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 24 = 0$       (b)  $x^2 + y^2 + 12x + 24 = 0$

(c)  $x^2 + y^2 + 24x - 12 = 0$       (d)  $x^2 + y^2 - 24x - 12 = 0$

**Solution: -**

4. (b) Any tangent to  $\frac{x^2}{9} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$  is  $\frac{x \sec \alpha}{3} - \frac{y \tan \alpha}{2} = 1$

It touches circle with center (4,0) and radius = 4

$$\therefore \frac{\frac{4 \sec \alpha - 3}{3}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sec^2 \alpha}{9} + \frac{\tan^2 \alpha}{4}}} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 16 \sec^2 \alpha - 24 \sec \alpha + 9 = 144 \left( \frac{\sec^2 \alpha}{9} + \frac{\tan^2 \alpha}{4} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow 12 \sec^2 \alpha + 8 \sec \alpha - 15 = 0 \Rightarrow \sec \alpha = \frac{5}{6} \text{ or } \frac{-3}{2}$$

but  $\sec \alpha = \frac{5}{6} < 1$  is not possible

$$\therefore \sec \alpha = -3/2 \Rightarrow \tan \alpha = \pm \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{slope of tangent} = \frac{2 \sec \alpha}{3 \tan \alpha} = \frac{2(-3/2)}{3(-\sqrt{5}/2)}$$

(for +ve value of m)

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of tangent is } \frac{-x}{2} + \frac{y\sqrt{5}}{4} = 1$$

$$\text{or } 2x - \sqrt{5}y + 4 = 0$$

5. (a) The intersection points of given circle

$$x^2 + y^2 - 8x = 0 \quad \dots(1)$$

and hyperbola  $4x^2 - 9y^2 - 36 = 0 \dots(2)$

can be obtained by solving these equations  
Substituting value of  $y^2$  from eqn (1) in eqn (2),  
we get

$$4x^2 - 9(8x - x^2) = 36 \Rightarrow 13x^2 - 72x - 36 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 6, \frac{-6}{13} \Rightarrow y^2 = 12, \frac{-48}{13} \frac{-36}{169} \text{ (not possible)}$$

$\therefore (6, 2\sqrt{3})$  and  $(6, -2\sqrt{3})$  are points of intersection.

So eqn of required circle is

$$(x - 6)(x - 6) + (y - 2\sqrt{3})(y + 2\sqrt{3}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 36 - 12x + y^2 - 12 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 12x + 24 = 0$$