# Class 10 Chapter 11 Constructions 



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## Exercise 11.1 Page No: 11.4

1. Determine a point which divides a line segment of length 12 cm internally in the ratio of 2: 3. Also, justify your construction.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $A B=12 \mathrm{~cm}$ by using a ruler.
2. Through the points $A$ and $B$ draw two parallel line on the opposite side of $A B$ and making the same acute angles with the line segment.
3. Cut 2 equal parts on $A X$ and 3 equal parts on $B Y$ such that $A X_{1}=X_{1} X_{2}$ and $B Y_{1}=Y_{1} Y_{2}=Y_{2} Y_{3}$.
4. Join $X_{2} Y_{3}$ which intersects $A B$ at $P$

Hence, $A P / P B=2 / 3$.
Justification:
In $\Delta A X_{2} P$ and $\Delta B Y_{3} P$, we have
$\angle \mathrm{APX}_{2}=\angle \mathrm{BPY}_{3}$ [vertically opposite angle]
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$\angle \mathrm{X}_{2} \mathrm{AP}=\angle \mathrm{Y}_{3} \mathrm{BP}$ [alternate interior angles $\}$
$\Delta A X_{2} P=\Delta B Y_{3} P$ [Because AA similarity]
$\therefore \mathrm{AP} / \mathrm{BP}=\mathrm{AX}_{2} / \mathrm{BY}_{3}=2 / 3$ [From C.P.C.T]

## Exercise 11.2 Page No: 11.9

1. Construct a triangle of sides $4 \mathrm{~cm}, 5 \mathrm{~cm}$ and 6 cm and then a triangle similar to it whose sides are (2/3) of the corresponding sides of it.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $B C=5 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. With centre as $B$ and radius 4 cm and with centre $C$ and radius 6 cm , draw arcs from both points to intersect each other at $A$.
3. Now, join $A B$ and $A C$. Then $A B C$ is the triangle.
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4. Draw a ray $B X$ making an acute angle with $B C$ and cut off 3 equal parts making $B_{1}=B_{1} B_{2}=$ $\mathrm{B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$.
5. Join $B_{3} C$.
6. Draw $B_{2} C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B_{3} C$ and $C^{\prime} A^{\prime}$ parallel to $C A$.

Then, $\Delta A^{\prime} B C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.
2. Construct a triangle similar to a given $\triangle A B C$ such that each of its sides is $(5 / 7)^{\text {th }}$ of the corresponding sides of $\triangle A B C$. It is given that $A B=5 \mathrm{~cm}, B C=7 \mathrm{~cm}$ and $\angle A B C=50^{\circ}$.

Solution:


Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $B C=7 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. Draw a ray $B X$ making an angle of $50^{\circ}$ and cut off $B A=5 \mathrm{~cm}$.
3. Join $A C$. Then $A B C$ is the triangle.
4. Draw a ray $B Y$ making an acute angle with $B C$ and cut off 7 equal parts making $B B_{1}=B_{1} B_{2}=$ $\mathrm{B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{3}=\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{4}=\mathrm{B}_{4} \mathrm{~B}_{\mathrm{s}}=\mathrm{B}_{5} \mathrm{~B}_{6}=\mathrm{B}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{7}$ https://www.indcareer.com/schools/rd-sharma-solutions-for-class-10-maths-chapter-11-construct ions/

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5. Now, join $B_{7}$ and $C$
6. Draw $B_{5} C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B_{7} C$ and $C^{\prime} A^{\prime}$ parallel to $C A$.

Then, $\triangle A^{\prime} B C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.
3. Construct a triangle similar to a given $\triangle A B C$ such that each of its sides is $(2 / 3)^{\text {rd }}$ of the corresponding sides of $\triangle A B C$. It is given that $B C=6 \mathrm{~cm}, \angle B=50^{\circ}$ and $\angle C=60^{\circ}$.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $B C=6 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. Draw a ray $B X$ making an angle of $50^{\circ}$ and $C Y$ making $60^{\circ}$ with $B C$ which intersect each other at $A$. Then, $A B C$ is the triangle.
3. From $B$, draw another ray $B Z$ making an acute angle below $B C$ and then cut off 3 equal parts making $\mathrm{BB}_{1}=\mathrm{B}_{1} \mathrm{~B}_{2}=\mathrm{B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{3}$
4. Now, join $B_{3} C$.
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5. From $B_{2}$, draw $B_{2} C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B_{3} C$ and $C^{\prime} A^{\prime}$ parallel to $C A$.

Then $\triangle A^{\prime} B C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.
4. Draw a $\triangle A B C$ in which $B C=6 \mathrm{~cm}, A B=4 \mathrm{~cm}$ and $A C=5 \mathrm{~cm}$. Draw a triangle similar to $\triangle A B C$ with its sides equal to $(3 / 4)^{\text {th }}$ of the corresponding sides of $\triangle A B C$.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $B C=6 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. With centre as $B$ and radius 4 cm and with $C$ as centre and radius 5 cm , draw arcs intersecting each other at $A$.
3. Join $A B$ and $A C$. Then, $A B C$ is the triangle.
4. Draw a ray $B X$ making an acute angle with $B C$ and cut off 4 equal parts making $B_{1}=B_{1} B_{2}=$ $\mathrm{B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{3}=\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{4}$.
5. Join $B_{4}$ and C.
6. From $B_{3}$ draw $C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B_{4} C$ and from $C^{\prime}$, draw $C^{\prime} A^{\prime}$ parallel to $C A$. https://www.indcareer.com/schools/rd-sharma-solutions-for-class-10-maths-chapter-11-construct ions/

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Then $\triangle A^{\prime} B C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.
5. Construct a triangle with sides $5 \mathrm{~cm}, 6 \mathrm{~cm}$ and 7 cm and then another triangle whose sides are $(7 / 5)^{\text {th }}$ of the corresponding sides of the first triangle.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $B C=5 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. With $B$ as centre and radius 6 cm and with $C$ as centre and radius 7 cm , draw arcs intersecting each other at A .
3. Now, join $A B$ and $A C$. Then, $A B C$ is the triangle.
4. Draw a ray $B X$ making an acute angle with $B C$ and cut off 7 equal parts making $B B_{1}=B_{1} B_{2}=$ $\mathrm{B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{3}=\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{4}=\mathrm{B}_{4} \mathrm{~B}_{5}=\mathrm{B}_{5} \mathrm{~B}_{6}=\mathrm{B}_{6} \mathrm{~B}_{7}$.
5. Join $B_{5}$ and $C$.
6. From $B_{7}$, draw $B_{7} C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B_{5} C$ and $C^{\prime} A^{\prime}$ parallel $C A$.

Then, $\triangle A^{\prime} B C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.
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6. Draw a right triangle $A B C$ in which $A C=A B=4.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ and $\angle A=90^{\circ}$. Draw a triangle similar to $\triangle A B C$ with its sides equal to $(5 / 4)^{\text {th }}$ of the corresponding sides of $\triangle A B C$.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $A B=4.5 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. At $A$, draw a ray $A X$ perpendicular to $A B$ and cut off $A C=A B=4.5 \mathrm{~cm}$.
3. Now, join $B C$. Then, $A B C$ is the triangle.
4. Draw a ray $A Y$ making an acute angle with $A B$ and cut off 5 equal parts making $A A_{1}=A_{1} A_{2}=$ $\mathrm{A}_{2} \mathrm{~A}_{3}=\mathrm{A}_{3} \mathrm{~A}_{4}=\mathrm{A}_{4} \mathrm{~A}_{5}$
5. Join $A_{4}$ and B.
6. From $A_{5}$, draw $A_{5} B^{\prime}$ parallel to $A_{4} B$ and $B^{\prime} C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B C$.

Then, $\triangle A B^{\prime} C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.
7. Draw a right triangle in which the sides (other than hypotenuse) are of lengths 5 cm and 4 cm . Then construct another triangle whose sides are $5 / 3$ times the corresponding sides of the given triangle.
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## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $B C=5 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. At $B$, draw perpendicular $B X$ and cut off $B A=4 \mathrm{~cm}$.
3. Now, join $A C$. Then, $A B C$ is the triangle
4. Draw a ray $B Y$ making an acute angle with $B C$ and cut off 5 equal parts making $B B_{1}=B_{1} B_{2}=$ $\mathrm{B}_{2} \mathrm{~B}_{3}=\mathrm{B}_{3} \mathrm{~B}_{4}=\mathrm{B}_{4} \mathrm{~B}_{5}$
5. Join $B_{3}$ and C.
6. From $B_{5}$, draw $B_{5} C^{\prime}$ parallel to $B_{3} C$ and $C^{\prime} A^{\prime}$ parallel to $C A$.

Then, $\Delta A^{\prime} B C^{\prime}$ is the required triangle.

## Exercise 11.3 Page No: 11.17

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1. Draw a circle of radius 6 cm . From a point 10 cm away from its centre, construct a pair of tangents to the circle and measure their lengths.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Firstly, we draw a circle with centre $O$ and radius 6 cm .
2. Mark a point $P$ at a distance of $O P=10 \mathrm{~cm}$, and join $O P$.
3. Draw a right bisector of OP , intersecting OP at Q .
4. Now, taking $Q$ as centre and radius $O Q=P Q$, draw a circle to intersect the given circle at $T$ and T '.
5. Join PT and PT' to obtain the required tangents.

Thus, PT and PT' are the required tangents.
To find the length of the tangents.
We know that $\mathrm{OT} \perp \mathrm{PT}$ and $\triangle \mathrm{OTP}$ is the right triangle.
Therefore, $\mathrm{OT}=6 \mathrm{~cm}$ (radius) and $\mathrm{PO}=10 \mathrm{~cm}$.
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So, in $\triangle \mathrm{OTP}$,
$\mathrm{PT}^{2}=\mathrm{OP}^{2}-\mathrm{OT}^{2}[$ By Pythagoras theorem $]$
$=(10)^{2}-(6)^{2}$
$=100-36$
$=64$
$=8 \mathrm{~cm}$
Therefore, the length of tangents is 8 cm each.
2. Draw a circle of radius 3 cm . Take two points $P$ and $Q$ on one of its extended diameter each at a distance of 7 cm from its centre. Draw tangents to the circle from these points $P$ and Q.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $P Q$ of 14 cm .
2. Now, mark the midpoint $O$ of $P Q$.

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3. Draw the perpendicular bisectors of $P O$ and $O Q$ which intersects at points $R$ and $S$ on $P Q$.
4. With centre $R$ and radius $R P$ draw a circle.
5. With centre $S$ and radius, $S Q$ draw a circle.
6. And now, with centre O and radius 3 cm draw another circle which intersects the previous circles at the points $A, B, C$, and $D$.
7. Finally, join PA, PB, QC and QD. Thus, PA, $\mathrm{PB}, \mathrm{QC}$, and QD are the required tangents.
8. Draw a line segment $A B$ of length 8 cm . Taking $A$ as centre, draw a circle of radius 4 cm and taking $B$ as the centre, draw another circle of radius 3 cm . Construct tangents to each circle from the centre of the other circle.

## Solution:



Steps of construction:

1. Draw a line segment $A B=8 \mathrm{~cm}$.
2. Draw the perpendicular of $A B$ which intersects it at $C$.
3. With the centre, C and radius CA draw a circle. ions/

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4. Now, with $A$ \& $B$ as centres and radii 4 cm and 3 cm respectively, draw two circles which intersects the previous circles at the points $P, Q, R$ and $S$.
5. Finally, join $A R, A S, B P$ and $B Q$.

Thus, $A R, A S, B P$ and $B Q$ are the required tangents.


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## About RD Sharma

RD Sharma isn't the kind of author you'd bump into at lit fests. But his bestselling books have helped many CBSE students lose their dread of maths. Sunday Times profiles the tutor turned internet star

He dreams of algorithms that would give most people nightmares. And, spends every waking hour thinking of ways to explain concepts like 'series solution of linear differential equations'. Meet Dr Ravi Dutt Sharma mathematics teacher and author of 25 reference books - whose name evokes as much awe as the subject he teaches. And though students have used his thick tomes for the last 31 years to ace the dreaded maths exam, it's only recently that a spoof video turned the tutor into a YouTube star.

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