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How to determine the coordinates of the center of a circle, its radius, slope and its tangent line in reference to a particular point on the circle and the slope of the tangent line.

$$x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 2y - 31 = 0$$

### Step 1

Rearrange the equation to  $x^2 - 4x + y^2 + 2y = 31$

### Step 2

Complete the square. To complete the square, partition the equation into two segments.

That produces

$$\underbrace{x^2 - 4x + \underline{\quad}} + \underbrace{y^2 + 2y + \underline{\quad}} = 31$$

### Step 3

Now divide the second number on each segment by 2, square the answer and add it next to the number.

That becomes  $\left(\frac{4}{2}\right)^2 = 4$                        $\left(\frac{2}{2}\right)^2 = 1$

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**Step 4**

Add both numbers to the right of the equation next to 31

That becomes

$$X^2 - 4X + 4 + Y^2 + 2Y + 1 = 31 + 4 + 1$$

**Step 5**

Now simplify the equation

That becomes

$$X^2 - 4X + 4 + Y^2 + 2Y + 1 = 36$$

**Step 6**

Now bring the format to determine the center and the radius. To do that, you bring the **X** add the sign next to it + or – then bring the number you squared in this case **2** and square it. Do that on both segments.

That becomes

$$(X-2)^2 + (Y+1)^2 = 36 \quad \text{where } 36 \text{ is } r^2 \text{ or radius}^2$$

So the coordinates **(X, Y)** of the center of the circle simply becomes the reverse of the signs **(+ -)** of the values of the **X** and **Y** and the radius is the square root of **36** which is **6**

**That becomes**

**Central is (2, -1)      the radius of the circle is 6**

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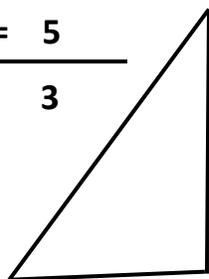
**Step 7**

Graph the circle with the central coordinates **(2, -1)** with a radius of **6** and find the slope of the radius.

**Another method for slope**

The height of the triangle formed by the line divide by the width

$$= \frac{5}{3}$$



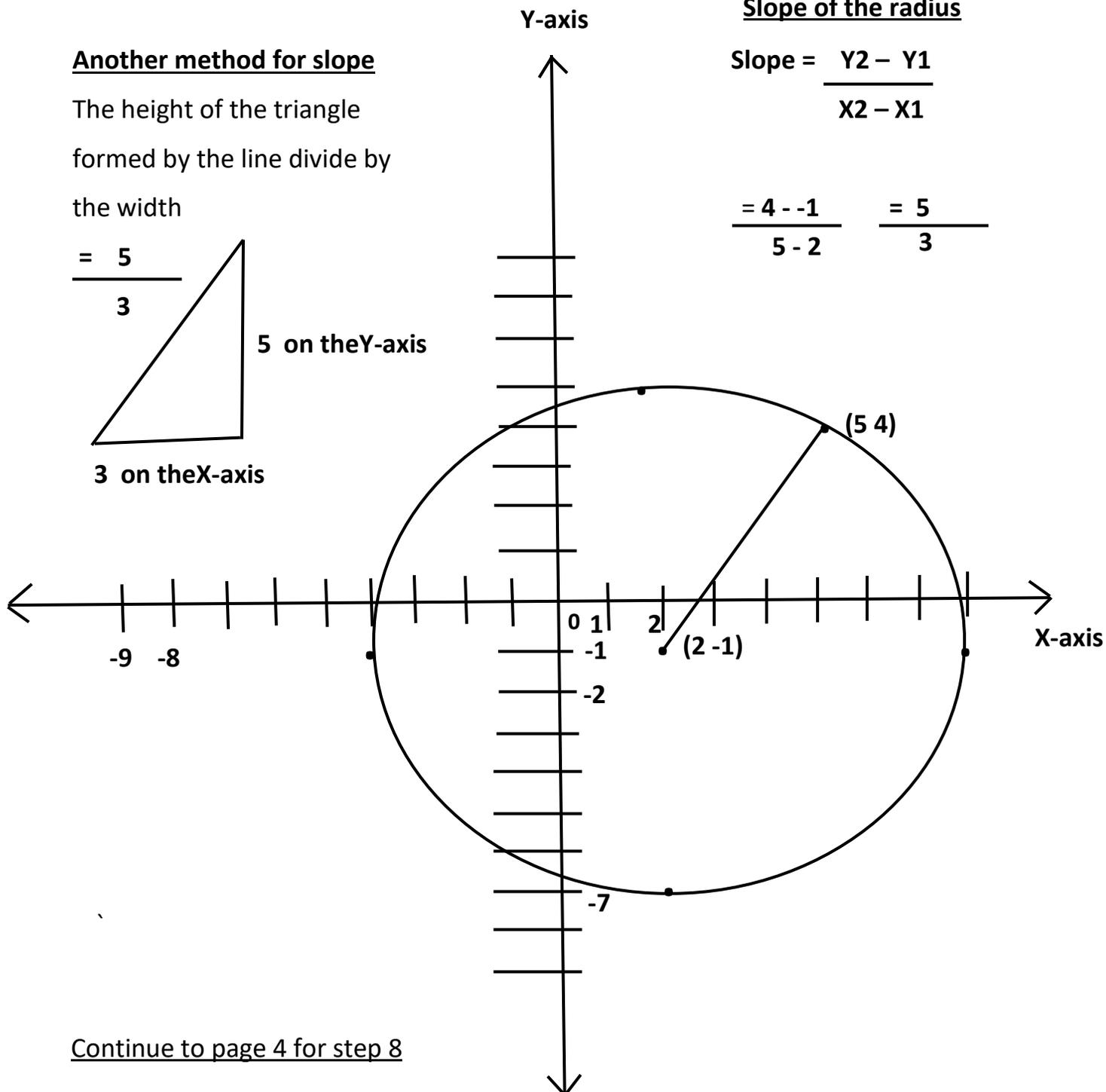
5 on the Y-axis

3 on the X-axis

**Slope of the radius**

$$\text{Slope} = \frac{Y_2 - Y_1}{X_2 - X_1}$$

$$= \frac{4 - (-1)}{5 - 2} = \frac{5}{3}$$



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**Step 8**

Now find the tangent line of the circle at point **(5,4)** and its slope.

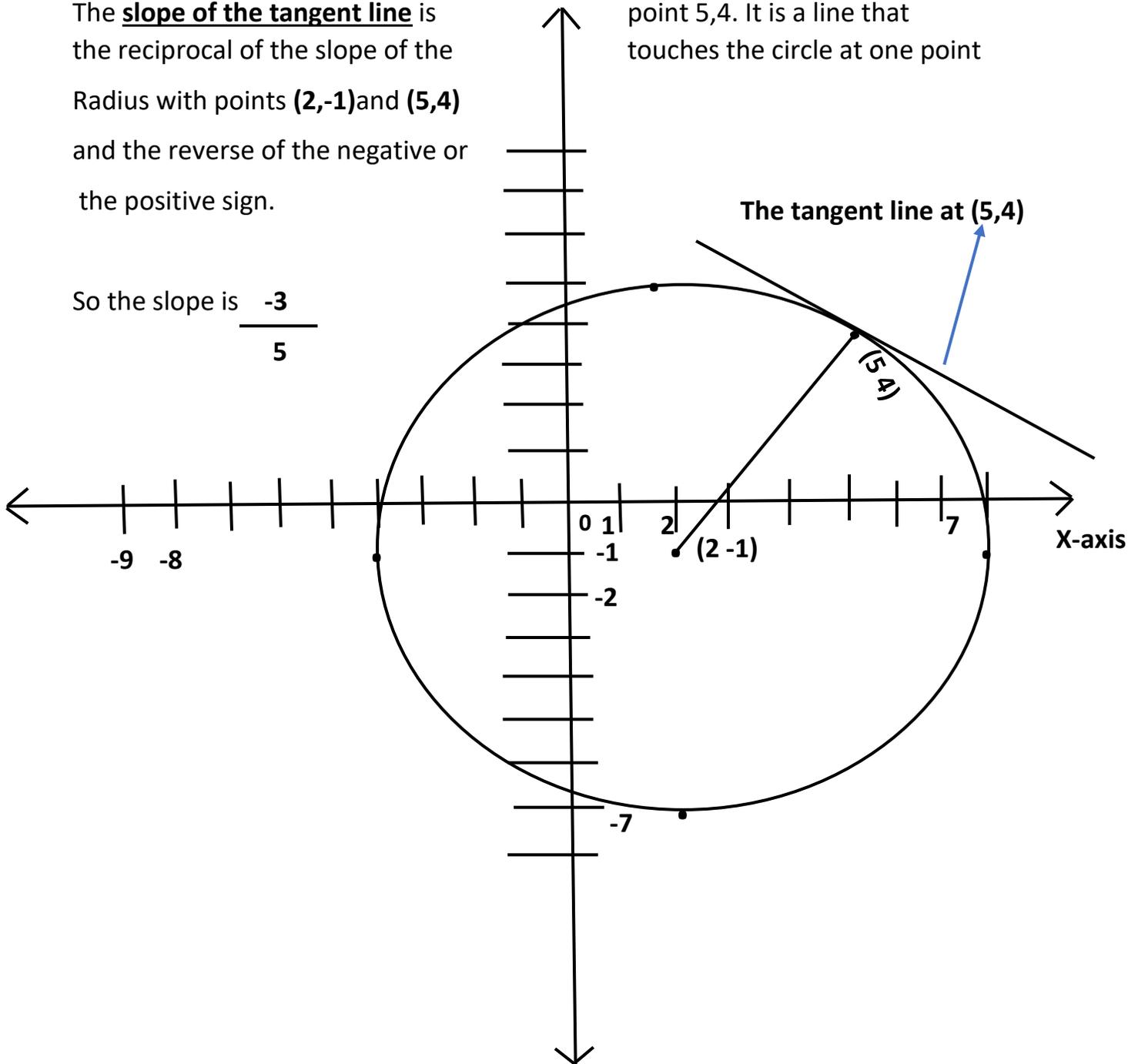
The **slope of the tangent line** is the reciprocal of the slope of the Radius with points **(2,-1)** and **(5,4)** and the reverse of the negative or the positive sign.

So the slope is  $\frac{-3}{5}$

Y-axis

The tangent line to the circle at point 5,4. It is a line that touches the circle at one point

The tangent line at (5,4)



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**Step 9**

Find the equation of the tangent line. To find the equation, we apply the formulae below.

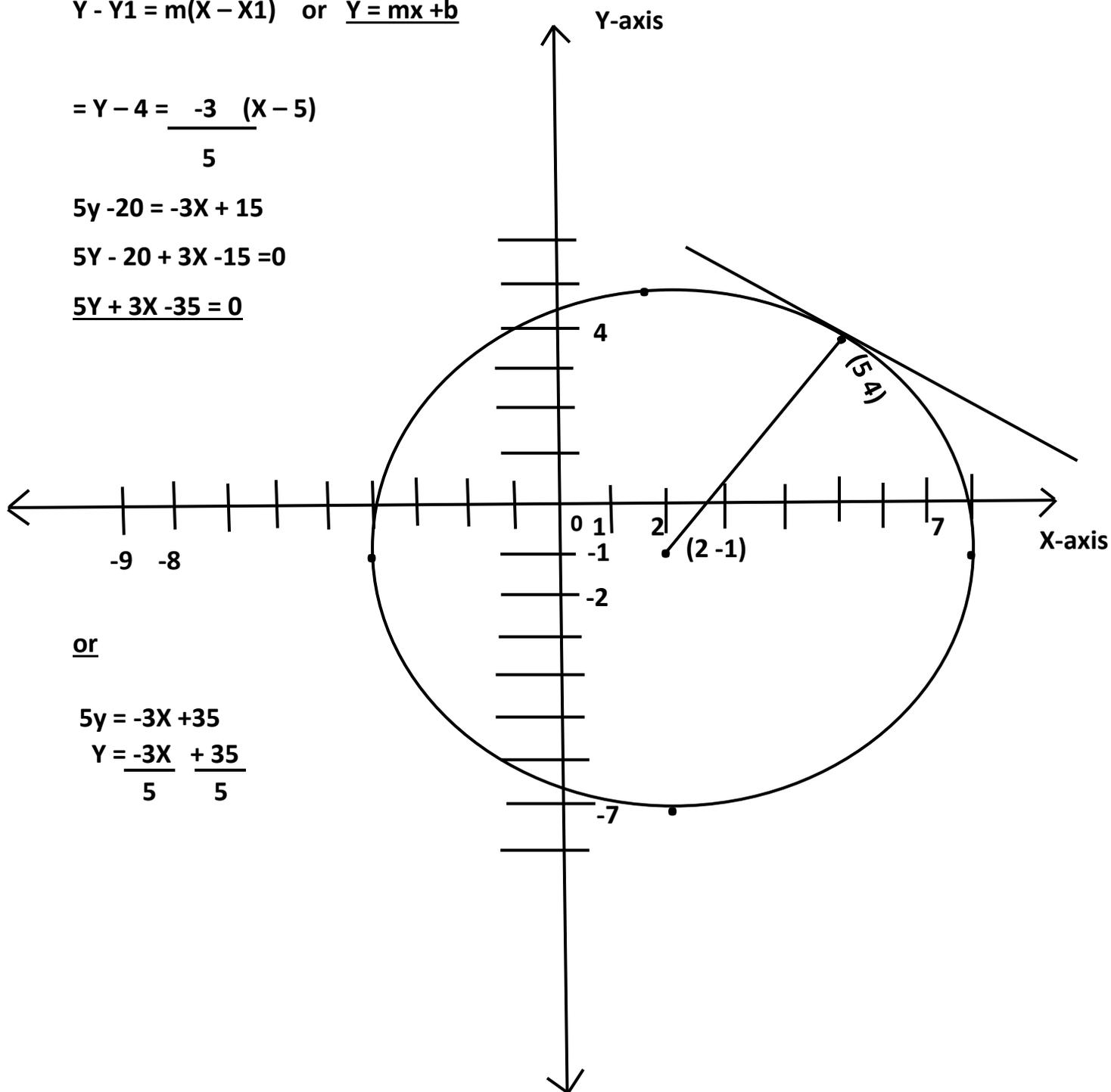
$$Y - Y_1 = m(X - X_1) \quad \text{or} \quad \underline{Y = mx + b}$$

$$= Y - 4 = \frac{-3}{5} (X - 5)$$

$$5y - 20 = -3X + 15$$

$$5Y - 20 + 3X - 15 = 0$$

$$\underline{5Y + 3X - 35 = 0}$$



or

$$5y = -3X + 35$$

$$Y = \frac{-3X}{5} + \frac{35}{5}$$