



EGD Grade 10

Geometric Constructions

External common tangent to unequal circles

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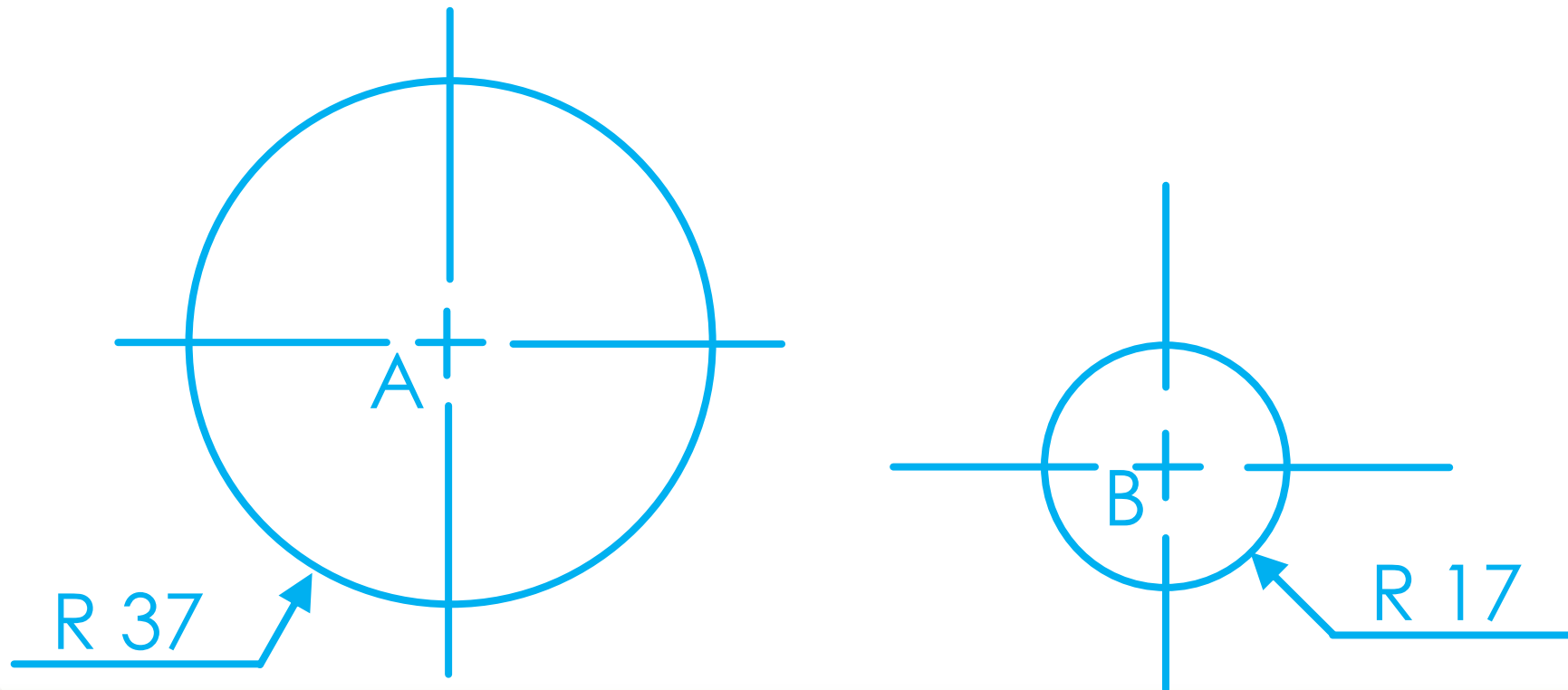
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Question

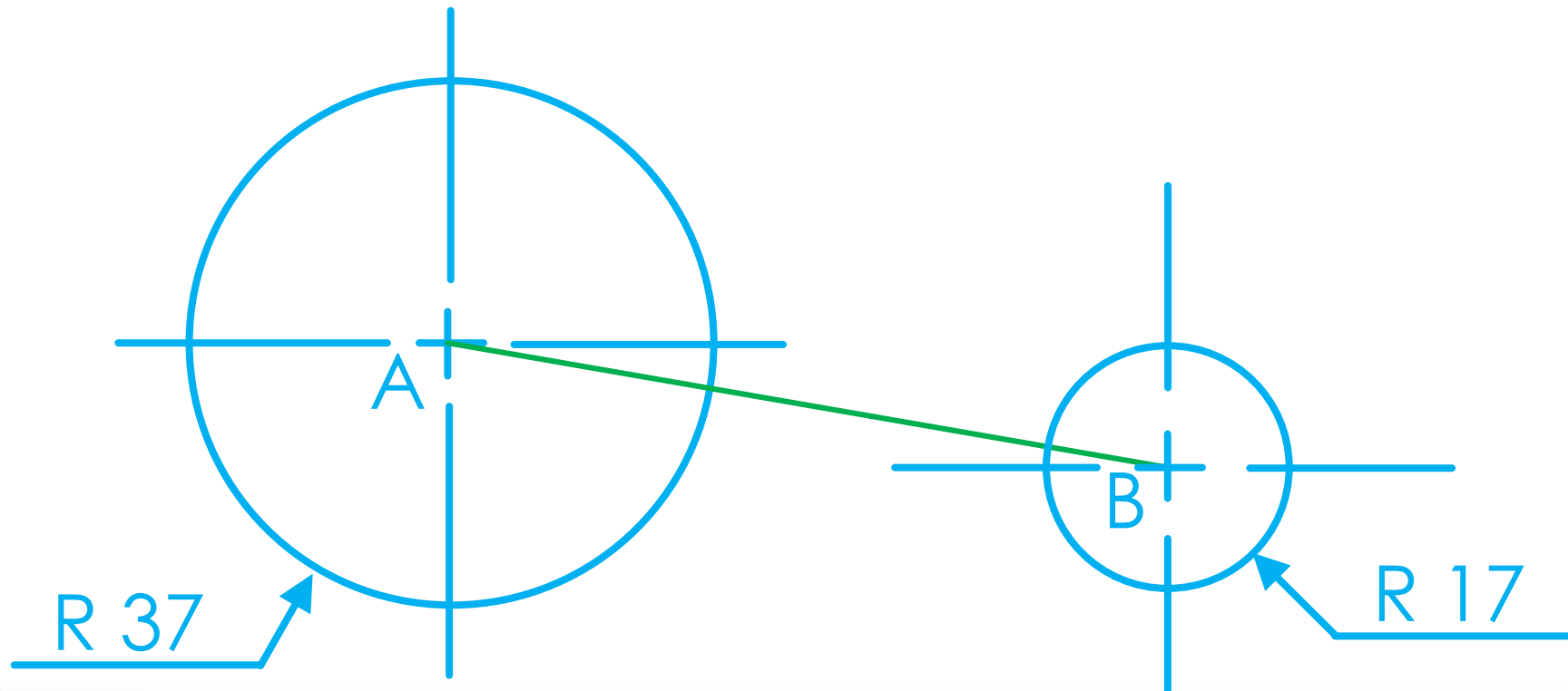
- By means of construction, draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles (A & B)



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Step 1

- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- Join the centre of circle A with the centre of circle B



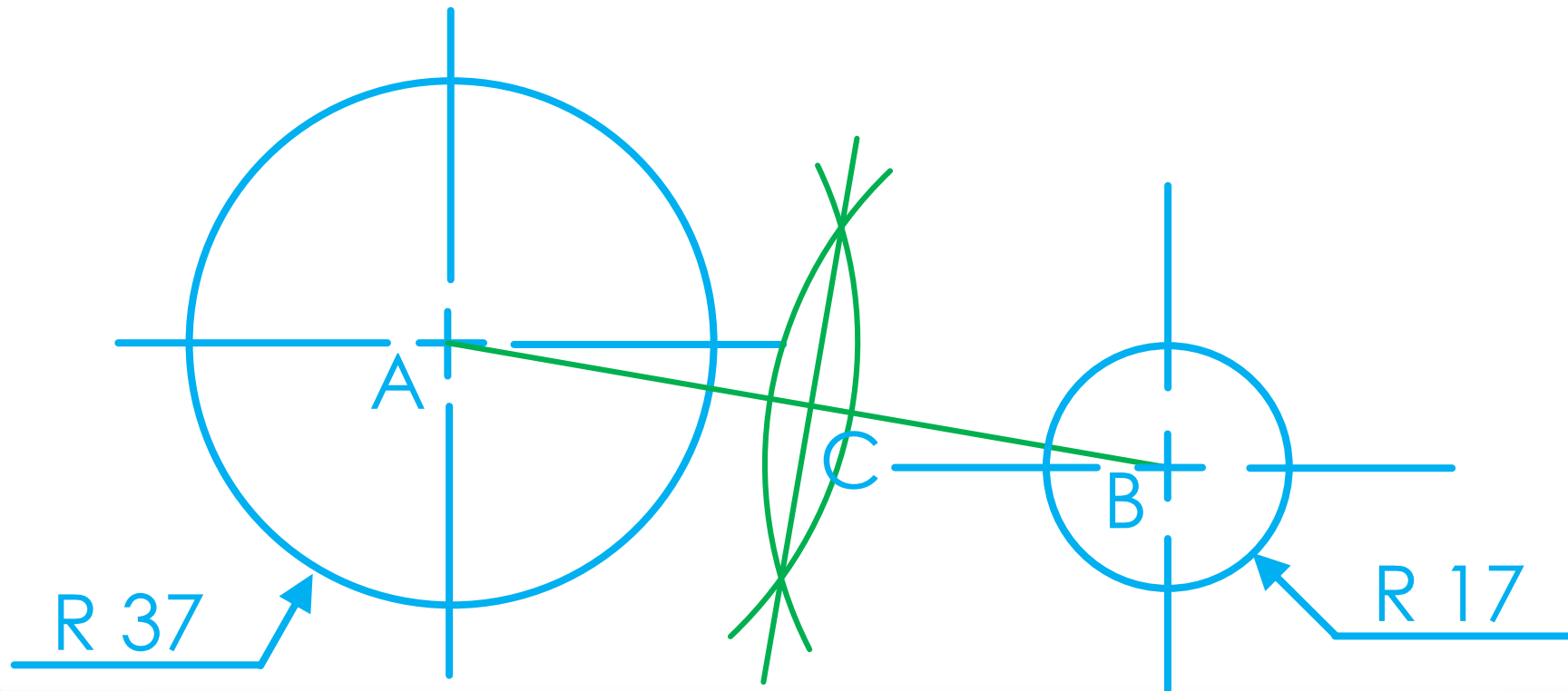
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Step 2

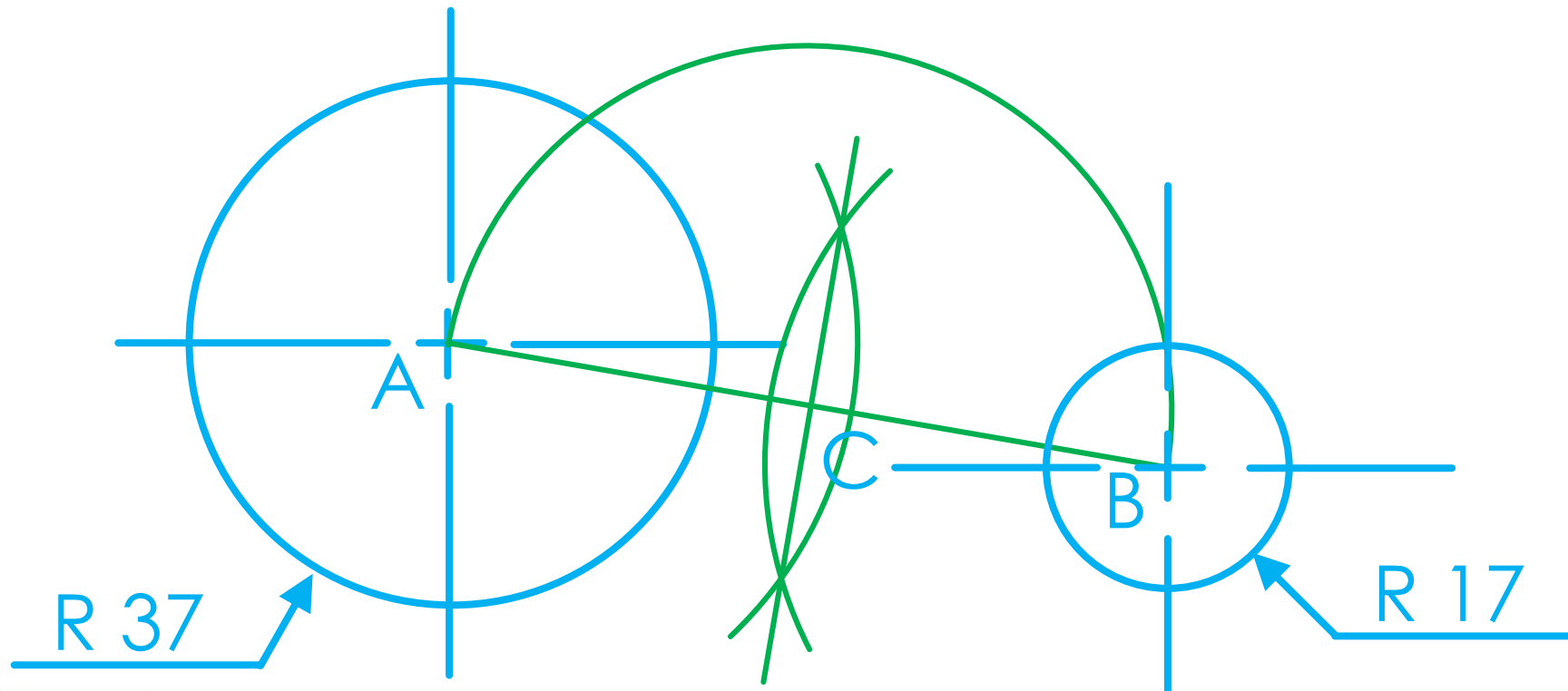
- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- Determine the bisecting point (C) of line segment AB



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Step 3

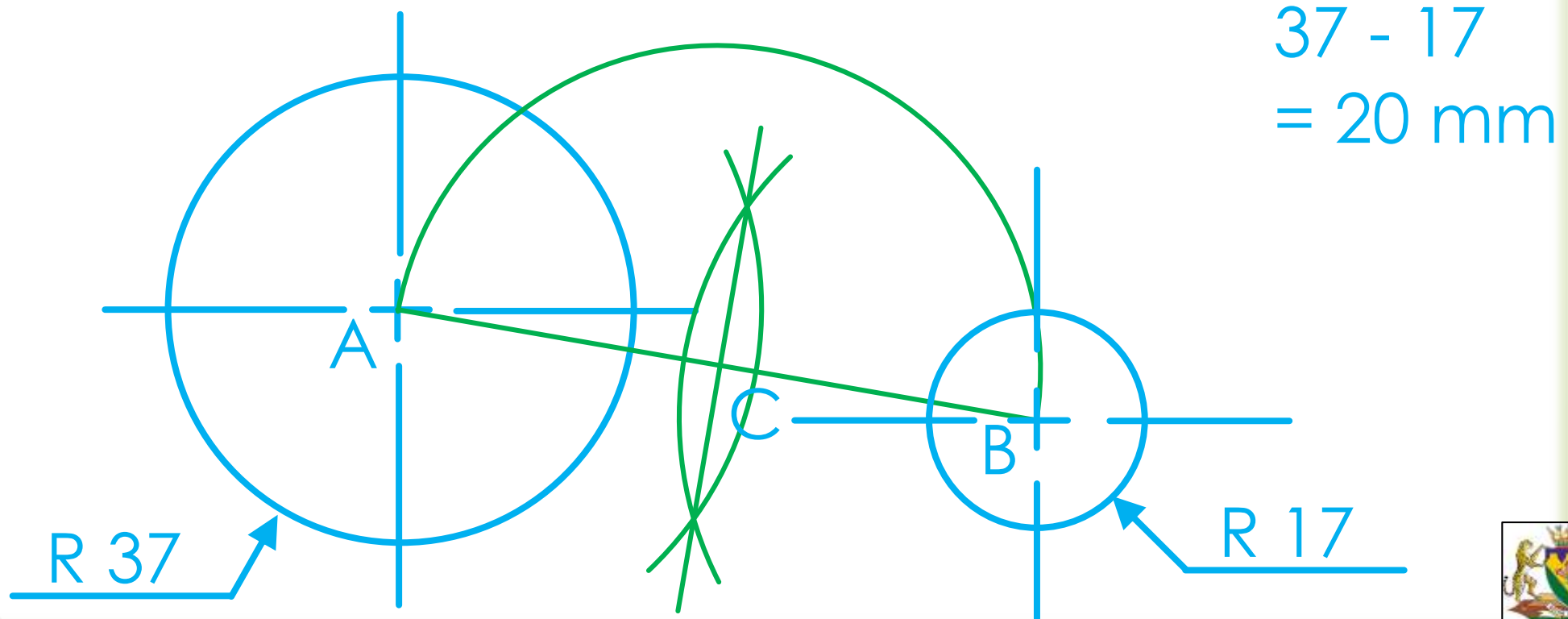
- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- From point C draw a semi-circle



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Step 4

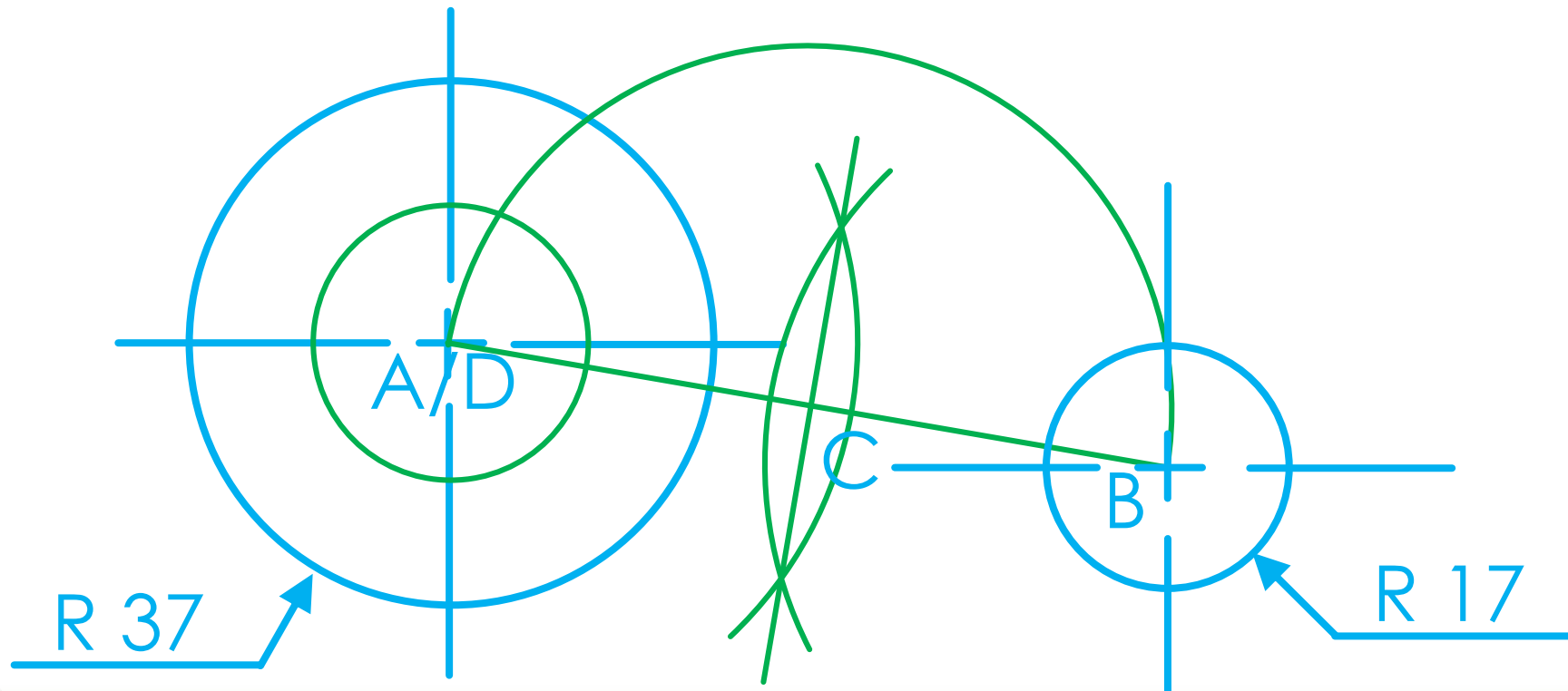
- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- Subtract the radius of circle B with the radius of circle A



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Step 5

- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- From point A draw circle D with the radius of 20 mm



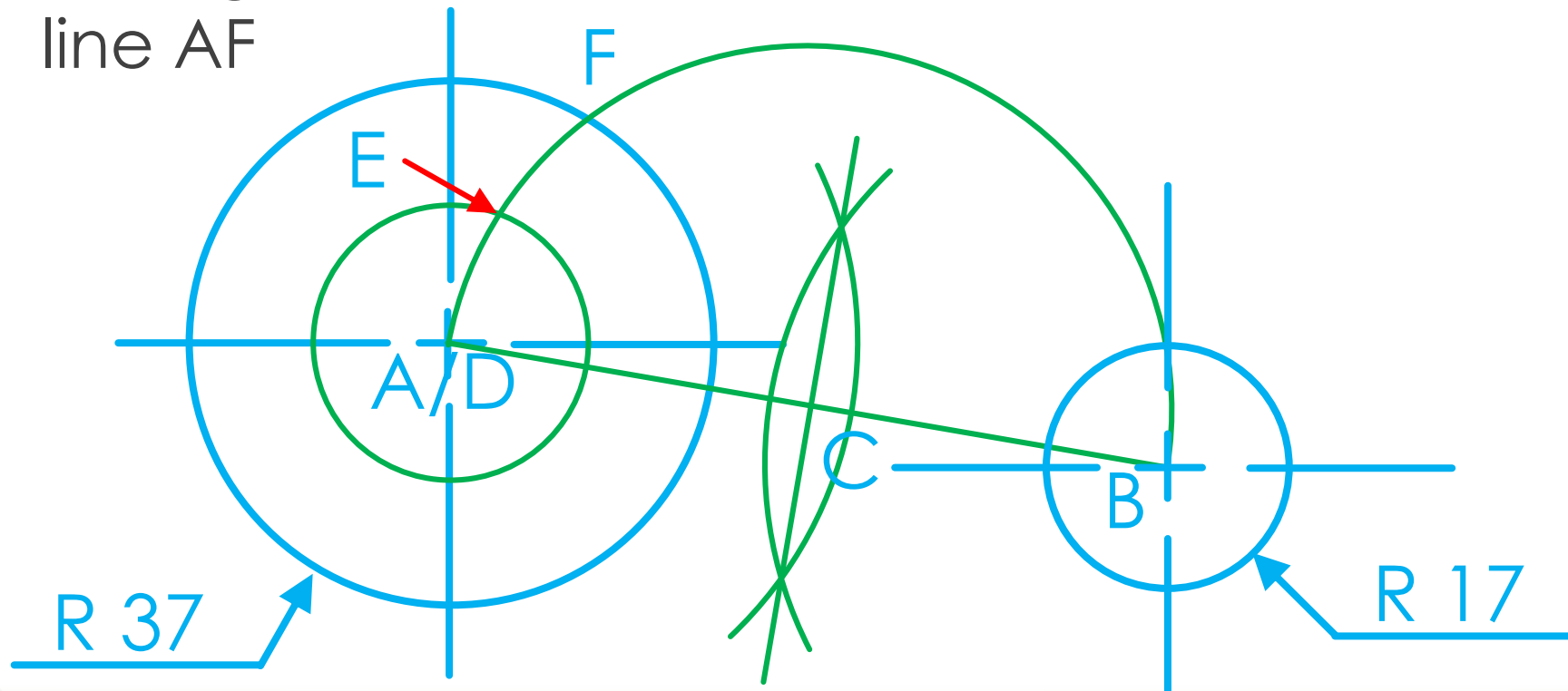
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Step 6

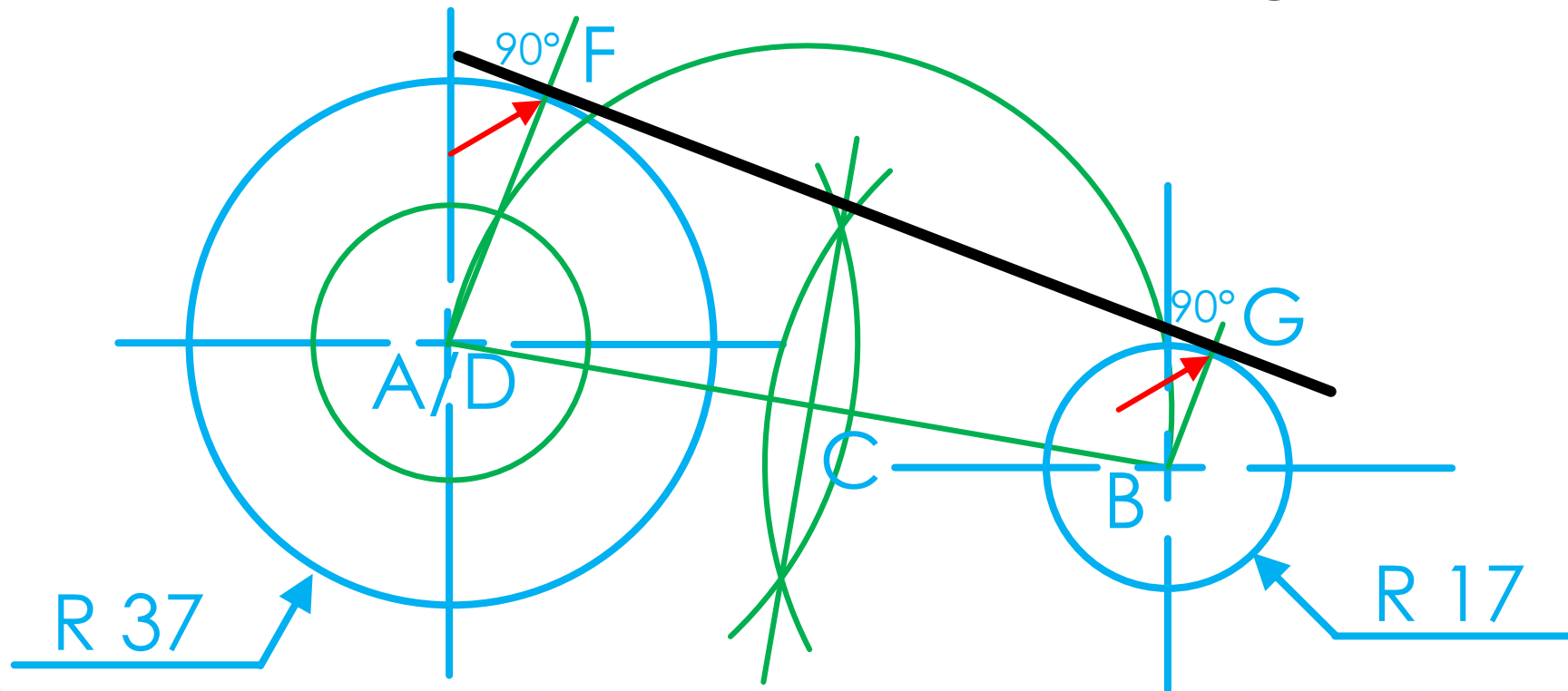
- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- Use the intersection point E and draw from point A, a line through intersection point E and extend to circle A to find line AF



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Step 8

- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles
- Use the intersection point (F) at circle A and intersection point G at circle B as the point of tangency



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Task 1.6.2

- On the prepared A3 drawing sheet (Task 1.5.3), draw circle (A) with a radius of 40 mm and circle (B) with a radius of 20 mm at 30° downwards and 100 mm to the right of point A.
- **Question:** Draw an external common tangent to two unequal circles.
- Show all construction lines.
- Name this task 1.6.2

