

Question 1

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(a) using calculator,

$$e^{-3.5} = 0.030197... \\ = 0.0302 \text{ to 3 sig figs}$$

(b) let $y = 3x + \tan x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 3 + \sec^2 x$$

$$(c) \frac{\theta}{360^\circ} = \frac{5}{2\pi(3)} \Leftarrow \text{circumference}$$

$$\theta = \frac{5}{6\pi} \times 360^\circ \\ = 95^\circ$$

Alternatively,

$$l = r \cdot \theta$$

$$5 = 3\theta$$

$$\theta = \frac{5}{3} \text{ radians}$$

$$= 95^\circ$$

(d) the cost of the meal = 100%

$$\text{tip} = 12\frac{1}{2}\% \text{ (of the 100\% / the cost of meal)}$$

$$\text{payment} = 112\frac{1}{2}\%$$

$$\text{cost of meal} = \frac{100}{112\frac{1}{2}} \times \$315.00 \\ = \$280.00$$

$$(e) \int 3x^2 - 8$$

$$= \frac{3x^3}{3} - 8x + C = x^3 - 8x + C$$

$$(f) |x-3| = 7$$

$$(x-3)=7 \text{ OR } (x-3)=-7$$

$$x=10 \text{ OR } x=-4$$

Question 2

$$(a) y = 2 \log_e x \quad \left| \quad \text{at } (e, 2), \right. \\ \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{x} \quad \left| \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2}{e} \right. \\ = m_T$$

$$m_T \times m_N = -1$$

$$m_N = -\frac{e}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{normal: } y - y_1 = m_N(x - x_1)$$

$$y - 2 = -\frac{e}{2}(x - e)$$

$$2y - 4 = -ex + e^2$$

$$ex + 2y - (4 + e^2) = 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) (i)} \quad OA^2 &= (x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2 \\ &= (-1 - 0)^2 + (1 - 0)^2 \\ &= 2 \\ OA &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii)} \quad m_{OA} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} = \frac{1 - 0}{-1 - 0} = -1$$

(iii) let $\angle AOC = \alpha$.

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \alpha &= m_{OA} \\ \alpha &= \tan^{-1}(-1) \\ &= -45^\circ \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{but } \alpha \neq -45^\circ. \quad \alpha = 180^\circ - 45^\circ = 135^\circ$$

$$\text{(iv)} \quad m_{BC} = m_{OA} = -1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BC: } y - y_1 &= m(x - x_1) \\ y - 6 &= -1(x - 4) \\ y + x - 10 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{now put } y=0 : \quad x &= 10 \\ \therefore C &= (10, 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \quad p &= \frac{|ax_1 + by_1 + c|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}} && \begin{array}{l} \text{point } (x_1, y_1) \\ \text{line } ax + by + c = 0 \end{array} \\ &= \frac{|10 + 0 - 10|}{\sqrt{1+1}} \\ &= \frac{10}{\sqrt{2}} = 5\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

If you can't remember the formula:

let the perpendicular line meet BC at E.

$$m_{OE} \times m_{BC} = -1$$

then you can find the equation of line OE and where it intersects BC, then use distance formula.

(vi) Well firstly it doesn't look like a very good trapezium. But it is a trapezium, with height $5\sqrt{2}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \frac{1}{2}(a+b)h = \frac{1}{2}(OA + BC) 5\sqrt{2} && BC^2 = (10-4)^2 + (0-6)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{2}) 5\sqrt{2} = 35 \text{ units}^2. && BC = \sqrt{72} = 6\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3

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(a) (i) let $y = (2e^x - 4)^9$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 9(2e^x - 4)^8 \times 2e^x$$

→ the derivative of the thing inside the brackets

$$= 18e^x(2e^x - 4)^8$$

(ii) let $y = x^2 \sin x$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (\sin x)(2x) + (x^2)(\cos x)$$

$$= 2x \sin x + x^2 \cos x$$

(b) Approach #1: $AB = DC$ (opposite sides are equal)
 $AP = CP$
 $BP = DP$ (diagonals bisect each other)

$$\therefore \triangle ABP \cong \triangle CDP$$

actually, they are alternate angles in parallel lines

$$\angle DCP = \angle BAP = 55^\circ \text{ (corresponding } \angle \text{'s)}$$

$$\therefore \angle DPC = 180^\circ - 36^\circ - 55^\circ \text{ (sum of } \angle \text{'s in } \triangle DPC)$$

$$= 89^\circ$$

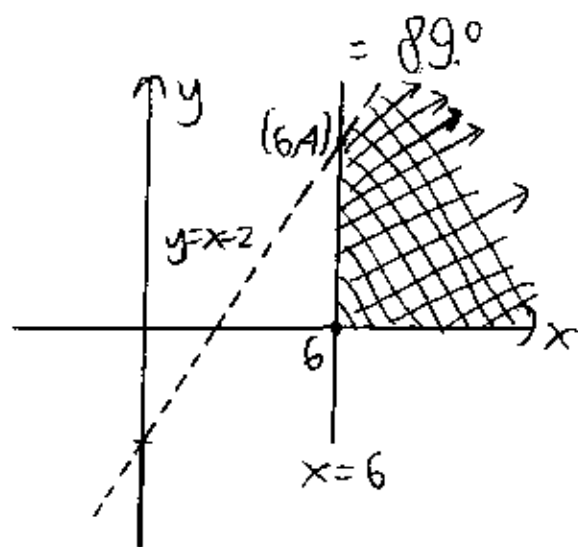
Approach #2: since $AB \parallel DC$,

$$\angle BAD + \angle CDA = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle DAP + \angle ADP = 180^\circ - 55^\circ - 36^\circ = 89^\circ$$

but $\angle DPC = \angle DAP + \angle ADP$ (external angle of $\triangle DPA$)

(c)



you need to show the boundary points.

(d) (i) $\int \frac{2x}{x^2+5} dx$ we have the derivative of (x^2+5) on the top.

$$= \ln(x^2+5) + C$$

(ii) $\int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} \sec^2 x dx = [\tan x]_{\pi/4}^{\pi/3} = \tan \pi/3 - \tan \pi/4 = \sqrt{3} - 1$

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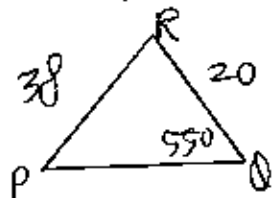
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(a) (i)



$$\angle POR = 325^\circ - 270^\circ = 55^\circ$$

(ii)



using sine rule:

$$\frac{\sin \angle RPQ}{20} = \frac{\sin 55^\circ}{30}$$

$$\angle RPQ = \sin^{-1} 0.4311326 = 25^\circ 32'$$

Bearing of R from P,

$$90^\circ - 25^\circ 32' = 64^\circ 28' \text{ T.}$$

(b) (i) $P(\text{both stop on 1}) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{12}$

$P(\text{both stop on 3}) = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{12}$

$P(\text{both stop on 1 or on 3}) = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{12} = \frac{1}{6}$

(ii) $P = 1 - P(\text{neither stops on 3})$ Alternatively,
 $= 1 - \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$ $P = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} + \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}$

(c) (i) $x-4 = x^2-4x$ By equating constants in ① and ②:

① $-x^2-5x+4=0$

② $-(x-4)(x-b)=0$

$4b = 4$

$b = 1$

$A = (1, y_A)$ $y_A = x_A - 4$
 $= 1 - 4 = -3$

$A = (1, -3)$

(ii) $\int_1^4 (x^2 - 5x + 4) dx$

$= \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{5x^2}{2} + 4x \right]_1^4$

$= \left(\frac{64}{3} - 40 + 16 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{5}{2} + 4 \right)$

$= -4.5$

Area = $|-4.5|$

$= 4.5$
 units²

Question 5

(a) (i) $f'(x) = 4x^3 - 4.3x^2 = 4x^2(x-3)$

(ii) put $f'(x) = 0$: $4x^2(x-3) = 0$

either $x^2 = 0$ or $(x-3) = 0$

points: $\begin{pmatrix} x=0 \\ y=0 \end{pmatrix}$ or $\begin{pmatrix} x=3 \\ y=-27 \end{pmatrix}$

Question 5

(a) (ii) for $(0,0)$,
horizontal
point of
inflexion

x	-1	0	1
$f'(x)$	-ve	0	-ve

for $(3,-27)$,
minimum

x	1	0	4
$f'(x)$	-ve	0	+ve

tip:

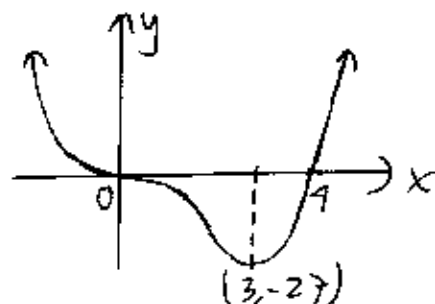
don't calculate $f'(x)$.

$$f'(x) = 4x^2(x-3):$$

the x^2 must be +ve.

so we only need to look at $(x-3)$.

(iii) $f(x) = x^3(x-4)$. zeroes at $x=0$ and $x=4$



(iv) $f'(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 \Leftarrow$ the expanded form is easier
to differentiate
 $f''(x) = 12x^2 - 24x$

put $f''(x) = 0: 0 = 12x^2 - 24x$
 $0 = x(x-2)$

from graph we know there's a change in
concavity so we don't need to test it.

\therefore concave down for $0 < x < 2$ (inequality)

(b) (i) This forms an AP. $a = \frac{180}{1.5} = 120$ (blocks)

$$d = -3.$$

$$n = 20$$

$$T_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$T_{20} = 120 + 19(-3) = 63 \Rightarrow \text{there are 63 blocks.}$$

(ii) Consider: rows 21 and above: they also form an AP.

$$a = 62$$

$l = 10$, l is the last term.

$$d = -1.$$

$$l = a + (n-1)d \quad (n-1) = \frac{62-10}{-1} \therefore \text{Total number of rows}$$

$$10 = 62 + (n-1)(-1) \quad n = 53 \quad = 20 + 53 = 73.$$

(iii) In the first AP, $S_n = \frac{1}{2}(20)(120+63) = 1830$ using
in the second AP, $S_n = \frac{1}{2}(53)(62+10) = 1908$ $S_n = \frac{1}{2}n(a+l)$
total number of blocks = $1830 + 1908 = 3738$.

Question 6

- (a) $\log_2(3x-4) = 5$
 $(3x-4) = 2^5$
 $3x = 32+4$
 $x = 12$
- (b) (i) they're alternate angles in parallel lines BE and CD.
 (ii) $\angle ABD = \angle BDC + \angle BCD$ (external angle of $\triangle BCD$)
 $2\theta = \theta + \angle BCD, \theta = \angle BCD$
 $\therefore \angle BCD = \angle BDC = \theta$
 hence $\triangle BCD$ is isosceles.
 (iii) show: $\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AB}{BD}$. By locating where the sides are, it looks like we need to prove $\triangle AEB \parallel \triangle EDB$.
 But, no matter how long you try, you won't be able to do it because they're not similar.
 Looking at the word hence, we need to use the fact that $\triangle BCD$ is isosceles: either the 2 angles are equal or the 2 sides are equal.
 Using the 2 sides are equal, we're proving
 $AE:ED = AB:BC$, which will be true if
 $\triangle AEB \parallel \triangle ADC$.
 $\angle A$ is common
 $\angle BEA = \angle CDA$ (Corresponding \angle 's, $BE \parallel CD$).
 $\therefore \triangle AEB \parallel \triangle ADC$ (2 angles equal)
- (c) (i) at $t=0, C=5 \Rightarrow C = C_0 e^{-kt}$
 $5 = C_0 e^0 \Rightarrow C_0 = 5$
 at $t=1, C=2.8 \Rightarrow 2.8 = 5 e^{-k}$
 $\frac{2.8}{5} = e^{-k}$
 $-k = \ln\left(\frac{2.8}{5}\right)$
 $k = \ln\left(\frac{5}{2.8}\right)$ using $a \ln b = \ln b^a$
- (ii) put $C=0.2$: $0.2 = 5 e^{-kt}$
 $0.04 = e^{-kt}$
 $-kt = \ln 0.04$
 $t = -\frac{\ln 0.04}{k} = 5.55... = 5.6 \text{ years}$

Question 7

- (a) (i) $a=2, r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1}, S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{2}{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1}}$
 $S_{\infty} = \frac{2}{1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1}} \times \frac{\sqrt{2}+1}{\sqrt{2}+1} = \frac{2(\sqrt{2}+1)}{\sqrt{2}+1-1} = \frac{2(\sqrt{2}+1)}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2}+1) = 2 + \sqrt{2}$

Note: if you forget $S_{\infty} = \frac{a}{1-r}$ you can still use the normal S_n formula. Put $n = \infty$, remembering $r^{\infty} \rightarrow 0$

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(a)(ii) $r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}-1} = 2.414$ (using calculator)

$|r| > 1$ so it doesn't have limiting sum

(b)(i) rest: $v=0$.

$$0 = 2 - 4\cos t \Rightarrow 4\cos t = 2$$

$$\cos t = \frac{1}{2}$$

related angle of $t = \cos^{-1} \frac{1}{2} = \pi/3$.

for $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$, $t = \frac{\pi}{3}$ or $\frac{5\pi}{3}$ seconds.

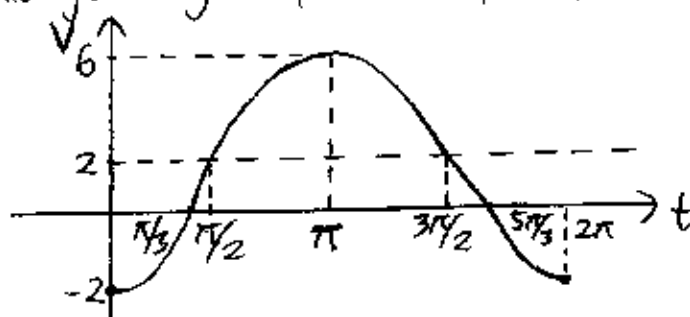
(ii) $v = 2 - 4\cos t$, $-1 \leq \cos t \leq 1$

v is max when $\cos t = -1$

$$v = 2 - 4(-1)$$

$$= 6 \text{ m/s}$$

(iii) It will be $v = \cos t$, only it will be flipped upside down and enlarged by a factor of 4, then shifted up by 2 units.



(iv) distance \Rightarrow area under curve (not integral)

$$= - \left| \int_0^{\pi/3} (2 - 4\cos t) dt \right| + \int_{\pi/3}^{\pi} (2 - 4\cos t) dt$$

$$= \left[2t - 4\sin t \right]_0^{\pi/3} + \left[2t - 4\sin t \right]_{\pi/3}^{\pi}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{2\pi}{3} + 4 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) + \left(2\pi - 4 \cdot 0 - \frac{2\pi}{3} + 4 \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2\pi}{3} + 2\sqrt{3} + \frac{6\pi}{3} - \frac{2\pi}{3} + 2\sqrt{3}$$

$$= \left(4\sqrt{3} + \frac{2\pi}{3} \right) \text{ metres.}$$

Question 8

(a) A parabola is the locus of all points equidistant from the focus and the directrix.

$$x^2 = -py \Rightarrow y = -\dots x^2, \text{ i.e. concave down (in case you didn't know)}$$

$x^2 = -4 \cdot 2y$ has focus $(0, -2)$ & compare with $x^2 = -4ay$.
Look at the distance at $(0,0)$.
distance to focus = distance to directrix. | directrix: $y = 2$.

Question 8

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(b) $y = e^x$
 $\ln y = x$

at $x=0$, $y = e^0 = 1$

but we can find l .

put $x = \log_e 5$. $y = e^{\log_e 5} = 5 \Rightarrow l = 5$.

$V = \pi \int_1^5 (\ln y)^2 dy$

(c) $f(x) = \frac{x}{\ln x}$

$f(2) = \frac{2}{\ln 2}$. $f(4) = \frac{4}{\ln 4}$. $f(6) = \frac{6}{\ln 6}$

Area = $\frac{6-2}{3(2)} (f(2) + 4f(4) + f(6))$

= 11.85...

= 11.9 by calculator

Simpson's rule:

$\frac{1}{3} \times \text{width} (f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) +$

$2f(x_2) + 4f(x_3) + \dots + f(x_n))$
 n is even.

(d)(i) put $y = mx - 3m^2$ into $x^2 = 12y$
 (or the other way around):

$x^2 = 12(mx - 3m^2)$

$x^2 - 12mx + 36m^2$

discriminant = $b^2 - 4ac = 144m^2 - 4(36m^2)$
 $= 0$

$\therefore D=0$ for all $m \Rightarrow$ they always touches, for any m .

(ii) $y = mx - 3m^2$ passes $(5, 2)$:

$2 = m(5) - 3m^2$

$3m^2 - 5m + 2 = 0$

$\frac{(3m-3)(3m-2)}{3} = 0$

$(m-1) = 0 \Rightarrow m = 1$

$(3m-2) = 0 \Rightarrow m = \frac{2}{3}$

(iii) $y = mx - 3m^2$ is the tangent.

The tangents are: $y = x - 3$

and $y = \frac{2}{3}x - 3(\frac{2}{3})^2 = \frac{2}{3}x - \frac{4}{3}$

Question 9

(a) this is a quadratic in $\sin x$. let $u = \sin x$.

$2u^2 - 3u - 2 = 0$

$\frac{(2u+1)(2u-4)}{2} = 0$

$u = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \sin x = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x = \frac{7\pi}{6}, \frac{11\pi}{6}$

$u = 2 \Rightarrow \sin x = 2 \Rightarrow$ no solutions.

Question 9

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(b) (i) let $\angle BAO = \theta$. using cosine rule:

$$OB^2 = AB^2 + AO^2 - 2(AB)(AO)\cos\theta$$

$$r^2 = 3r^2 + r^2 - 2r^2\sqrt{3}\cos\theta$$

$$-3r^2 = -2r^2\sqrt{3}\cos\theta$$

$$\frac{3}{2\sqrt{3}} = \cos\theta \Rightarrow \cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ or } 30^\circ$$

(iii) I accidentally did this first. 6

$\angle BAO = \angle ABO$ (isosceles $\triangle BAO$)

$$\angle AOB = 180^\circ - 2\theta$$

$$= \angle AOC \quad (\triangle AOB \cong \triangle AOC)$$

$$\angle BOC = 360^\circ - (\angle AOB + \angle AOC)$$

$$= 4\theta = 120^\circ$$

area of sector is proportional to the angle.
(sector is the region between radii and arc)

$$\frac{120^\circ}{360^\circ} = \frac{\text{area of sector}}{\text{area of circle}}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{\text{area of sector}}{\pi r^2}$$

$$\text{area of sector} = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 \text{ units}^2$$

(ii) C_2 has centre at A.

$\angle BAC = 2\theta$ since $\triangle AOB \cong \triangle AOC$ (all sides equal)

$$\frac{2\theta}{360^\circ} = \frac{\text{area of segment}}{\text{area of circle}}$$

$$\frac{60^\circ}{360^\circ} = \frac{\text{area of segment}}{\pi (r\sqrt{3})^2}$$

area of segment

$$= \frac{1}{6} \pi r^2 (3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \pi r^2 \text{ units}^2$$

(iii) area = area in (iii) - [area in (ii) - area of $\triangle AOB$ and $\triangle AOC$]

(try to visualise it).

Area of $\triangle AOB = \text{area of } \triangle AOC$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times r \times r\sqrt{3} \times \sin\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} r^2 \sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{area of shaded region} = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 - \left[\frac{1}{2} \pi r^2 - \frac{2}{4} r^2 \sqrt{3} \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3} \pi - \frac{1}{2} \pi + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{3} \right) r^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (3\sqrt{3} - \pi) r^2 \text{ units}^2$$

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(c) (i) distance = speed \times time

$$L = (v-u)t$$

$$t = \frac{L}{v-u}$$

put this into $E = \alpha v^3 t$:

$$E = \frac{\alpha L v^3}{v-u}$$

(ii) differentiating: $\frac{dE}{dv} = \frac{(v-u)(3\alpha L v^2) - (\alpha L v^3)(1)}{(v-u)^2}$

put $\frac{dE}{dv} = 0$; numerator = 0

$$(v-u)3\alpha L v^2 - \alpha L v^3 = 0$$

$$\div \alpha L v^2: (v-u)3 - v = 0$$

$$3v - v = 3u$$

$$v = \frac{3}{2}u$$

v	1.1u	1.5u	2u
$\frac{dE}{dv}$	-ve	0	+ve

minimum.

$$v = 1.1u, \quad \frac{dE}{dv} = \frac{(0.1u)(3.63\alpha L u^2) - 1.331\alpha L u^3}{(0.1u)^2}$$

$$v = 2u, \quad \frac{dE}{dv} = \frac{(u)(12\alpha L u^2) - 8\alpha L u^3}{u^2}$$

Question 10

(a) (i) Let A_n be the amount owing after n repayments.

$$A_1 = 120000 \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{k}\right) - F$$

$$A_2 = 120000 \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{k}\right)^2 - (F + F(1 + \frac{0.06}{k}))$$

principal (has been compounded twice) second payment (hasn't received any interest) first payment (has received interest once)

$$\text{Alternatively } A_2 = A_1 \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{k}\right) - F.$$

(ii) Continuing this pattern,

$$A_n = 120000 \alpha^n - (F + F\alpha + F\alpha^2 + \dots + F\alpha^{n-1})$$

$$= 120000 \alpha^n - F(1 + \alpha + \alpha^2 + \dots + \alpha^{n-1})$$

$$= 120000 \alpha^n - \frac{kF(\alpha^n - 1)}{0.06} \quad \text{L.S.P., } a=1, r=\alpha. \quad S_n = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1} = \frac{k\alpha^{n-1}}{0.06}$$

Question 10

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(a) (iii) we want it to be gone in 25 years.

i.e. we make $4 \times 25 = 100$ payments.

$$A_{100} = 0$$

$$\alpha = 1 + \frac{0.06}{k} = 1 + \frac{0.06}{4} = 1.015$$

using the formula in (ii):

$$0 = 120\,000 \times 1.015^{100} - \frac{4F(1.015^{100} - 1)}{0.06}$$

$$\times 0.06: 0 = 0.06 \times 120\,000 \times 1.015^{100} - 4F(1.015^{100} - 1)$$

$$4F(1.015^{100} - 1) = 0.06 \times 120\,000 \times 1.015^{100}$$

$$F = \frac{0.06 \times 120\,000 \times 1.015^{100}}{4(1.015^{100} - 1)}$$

Now there is no other choice except to use this wonderful thing called "calculator". $F = 2\,324$ dollars (2324.468548)

(iv) $k = 12$. $n = 12 \times 25 = 300$.

$$\alpha = \frac{1 + 0.06}{12} = 1.005$$

$$0 = 120\,000 \times 1.005^{300} - \frac{12F(1.005^{300} - 1)}{0.06}$$

$$F = \frac{120\,000 \times 1.005^{300} \times 0.06}{12(1.005^{300} - 1)} = 773.1616818$$

= 773 dollars.

When $k = 4$, total payments = nF

$$= 100F$$

$$= 232446.8548$$

When $k = 12$, total payments = $300F$

$$= 231948.5045 \leftarrow \text{don't do } 300 \times 773.$$

 \therefore Barbara would have saved

\$ 498

(b) (i) $l = xP + PM$ so let's find xP .from $\triangle OXP$, $xP = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$, and this appears in the given result so it's a good sign.now, $PM = 2 - PA$ (length of rope is 2)using $\triangle AXP$, $PA = \sqrt{xP^2 + xA^2}$, $xA = 1 - x$ (length $OA = 1$)

$$= \sqrt{(r^2 - x^2) + (1 - x)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - 2x + r^2}$$

 $l =$ the thing given.

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(b)(ii) The given result looks so scary. Let's differentiate the terms in ℓ one by one.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(z) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} = \frac{d}{dx} (r^2 - x^2)^{1/2} \quad ; r \text{ is a constant}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (r^2 - x^2)^{-1/2} \times -2x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (-\sqrt{1-2x+r^2}) = -\frac{1}{2} (1-2x+r^2)^{-1/2} \times -2$$

$$\therefore \frac{d\ell}{dx} = \frac{-x}{\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2x+r^2}} \quad \text{which doesn't look bad at all...}$$

$$= \frac{-x\sqrt{1-2x+r^2} + \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}}{\sqrt{r^2 - x^2} \sqrt{1-2x+r^2}} \quad (\text{combining the fractions})$$

By inspection of the denominator in the given result, we multiply top and bottom by $(\sqrt{r^2 - x^2} + x\sqrt{1-2x+r^2})$.

top $\Rightarrow (-x\sqrt{1-2x+r^2} + \sqrt{r^2 - x^2})(\sqrt{r^2 - x^2} + x\sqrt{1-2x+r^2})$

this is of the form $(-a+b)(b+a)$ or $(b-a)(b+a) = b^2 - a^2$.

$$= (r^2 - x^2) - x^2(1-2x+r^2) \text{ as required.}$$

(iii) M is closest to floor when ℓ is greatest, i.e. at max TP.

$$\frac{d\ell}{dx} = 0 \text{ when the numerator in the given result in (ii) equals zero.}$$

In (iii) we're given the factored form of this numerator.

$$(x-1)(2x^2 - r^2x - r^2) = 0$$

$$\text{either } (x-1) = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad (2x^2 - r^2x - r^2) = 0$$

$$x = 1$$

but $x \leq r$ from ΔOXP and $r < 1$ (given). so $x \neq 1$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{r^2 \pm \sqrt{r^4 - 4(2)(-r^2)}}{2(2)}$$

$$= \frac{r}{4} (r \pm \sqrt{r^2 + 8})$$

but $r < \sqrt{r^2 + 8}$, so if it's minus, $x < 0$.

$x = \alpha$ is a max TP because when $x = \alpha - \epsilon$, $\frac{d\ell}{dx} > 0$ when $x = \alpha + \epsilon$, $\frac{d\ell}{dx} < 0$.

denominator in $\frac{d\ell}{dx} \neq 0$
 numerator is $(x-1)(2x^2 - r^2x - r^2)$
 $(x-1) < 0$ since $x < 1$
 $y = (2x^2 - r^2x - r^2)$ is concave up
 parabola : $\cup_x \rightarrow y=0$

$$\therefore x = \frac{r}{4} (r + \sqrt{r^2 + 8})$$

$$= \alpha$$