

Q1(1):

We separate the situation into different cases:

1: The 4th move is “return to O”, then the first 3 moves will not matter. We have the probability $1 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{6}$.

2: The 4th move is “move 1 in negative direction”, then the coordinate of P after the 3rd move will be 1. We separate it into sub-cases:

2.1: The coordinate of P after the 2nd move is 2. Then, both the 1st and 2nd move moves P by 1 in the positive direction and the 3rd move moves P by 1 in the negative direction, the probability= $(\frac{1}{2})^2 \cdot (\frac{1}{3}) = \frac{1}{12}$.

2.2: The coordinate of P after the 2nd move is 0. Then, the 1st and 2nd moves move P in possitive and negative directions by 1 separately, or the 2nd move returns P to the origin no matter what the 1st move is. Following the 2nd move, the 3rd move moves P by 1 in the positive direction.

The probability= $(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6}) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$.

The total probability of case 2= $(\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{4}) \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{9}$.

3: The 4th move is “move 1 in possitive direction”, then the coordinate of P after the 3rd move will be -1 . We separate it into sub-cases:

3.1: The coordinate of P after the 2nd move is -2 . Then, both the 1st and 2nd move moves P by 1 in the negative direction and the 3rd move moves P by 1 in the possitive direction, the probability= $(\frac{1}{3})^2 \cdot (\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{1}{18}$.

3.2: The coordinate of P after the 2nd move is 0. Then, same as case 2.2, with the 3rd move moves P by 1 in the negative direction instead,

the probability= $(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} + 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6}) \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{6}$.

The total probability of case 3= $(\frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{6}) \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{9}$.

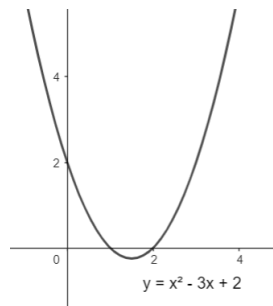
Therefore, the required probability= $\frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{6} = \boxed{\frac{7}{18}}$.

Q1(2):

We can sketch the graph of $y = x|x^2 - 3x + 2|$:

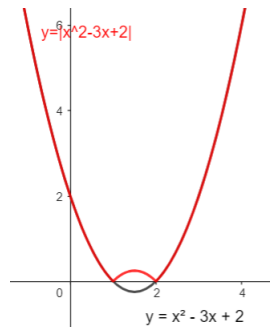
First, we sketch of the graph of $y = x^2 - 3x + 2$. The two x-intercepts are 1 and

2 and hence the axis of symmetry is $x = \frac{3}{2}$:



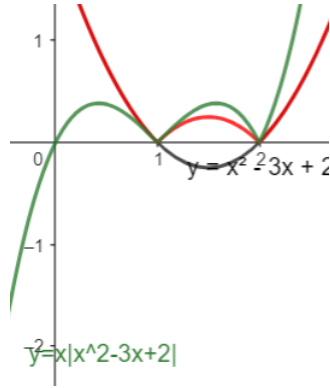
Next, after the absolute value is taken, the part of the graph under the x-axis

will be reflected to above the x-axis. We can sketch the graph of $y = |x^2 - 3x + 2|$:



After we multiply an x to the function, the value turns to 0 when $x = 0$ and

turns to negative when $x < 0$. We can sketch the graph of $y = x|x^2 - 3x + 2|$:



When k takes a value greater than 0 and smaller than each local maximum, we have the maximum number of solutions $\boxed{5}$.

Since we have $y' = \begin{cases} 3x^2 - 6x + 2, & x \leq 1 \text{ or } x \geq 2 \\ -(3x^2 - 6x + 2), & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$, by setting $y' = 0$, we

have the two local maximum are obtained when $x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{3}}{3}$.

By that time, the maximum values are both equal to $\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{9}$.

Therefore, the maximum number of solutions is obtained when $\boxed{0} < k < \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{3}}{9}}$.

(Note: Let $f(x) = x(x^2 - 3x + 2) = x(x - 1)(x - 2)$, then $f(x + 1)$ is an odd function. One can also notice the symmetry with respect to the point $(0, 1)$ and find the local maximum of $f(x)$ directly for the upper boundary of k .)

Q1(3):

Denote the centre of the unit circle as O . Then, $\angle BOA = \theta$ and $\angle COA = 2\theta$.

The area of $\triangle ABC = (\text{The area of quadrilateral } OABC) - (\text{The area of } \triangle OAC)$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2}(OA)(OB) \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2}(OB)(OC) \sin \theta\right) - \frac{1}{2}(OA)(OC) \sin 2\theta$$

$$= \boxed{\sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta}.$$

To find the extremum, we set $(\sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta)'$, which is $\cos \theta - \cos 2\theta$, to be equal to 0. Then,

$$\cos \theta - \cos 2\theta = 0$$

$$\cos \theta - 2 \cos^2 \theta + 1 = 0$$

$$(2 \cos \theta + 1)(\cos \theta - 1) = 0$$

$$\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ (as } 0 < \theta < \pi)$$

Moreover, as $(\sin \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta)'' = -\sin \theta + 2 \sin 2\theta$, which is equal to $-\sqrt{3} < 0$

when $\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}$, we have the area attains to its maximum when $\theta = \boxed{\frac{2\pi}{3}}$ and the

corresponding value is $\boxed{\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4}}$.

Q1(4):

All divisors of the number $2^k p$ is in a form of $2^i p^j$, where $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0 \leq i \leq k$ and $0 \leq j \leq 1$.

Therefore, the sum of all divisors $= \sum_{i=0}^k \sum_{j=0}^1 2^i p^j$

$$= (\sum_{i=0}^k 2^i)(1 + p)$$

$$= (\frac{2^{k+1}-1}{2-1})(1 + p)$$

$$= (\boxed{2^{k+1}} - 1)(1 + \boxed{p}).$$

Q1(5):

X is less than or equal to 3 means at least one card is numbered 1, 2 or 3.

$$\text{The required probability} = \frac{C_1^3 \cdot C_2^7 + C_2^3 \cdot C_1^7 + C_3^3}{C_3^{10}} = \frac{3 \cdot 21 + 3 \cdot 7 + 1}{120} = \boxed{\frac{17}{24}}.$$

Alternative Consider the complementary event: All the three cards taken are not number 1, 2 or 3.

$$\text{The required probability} = 1 - \frac{C_3^7}{C_3^{10}} = 1 - \frac{35}{120} = \boxed{\frac{17}{24}}.$$

Q1(6):

By observing the pattern of the sequence, let the general term be a_n , we have

$a_{n+1} = a_n + 3n$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1} - a_n &= 3n \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (a_{n+1} - a_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (3n) \\ a_{n+1} - a_1 &= \frac{3n(n+1)}{2} \\ a_{n+1} &= \frac{3n(n+1) + 2}{2} \\ a_n &= \frac{3(n-1)n + 2}{2} = \boxed{\frac{3n^2 - 3n + 2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

And the sum of the first n terms = $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{3i^2 - 3i + 2}{2}$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{6} n(n+1)(2n+1) - \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} n(n+1) + n$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (2n^3 + 3n^2 + n) - \frac{3}{4} (n^2 + n) + n$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{2} n^3 + n}$$

Q1(7):

$$\frac{4a+b}{2a} + \frac{4a-3b}{b} = 2 + \frac{b}{2a} + \frac{4a}{b} - 3 = \left(\frac{b}{2a} + \frac{4a}{b}\right) - 1.$$

By the AM-GM inequality, we have $\frac{b}{2a} + \frac{4a}{b} \geq 2\sqrt{\left(\frac{b}{2a}\right)\left(\frac{4a}{b}\right)} = 2\sqrt{2}$, where the equality holds when $\frac{b}{2a} = \frac{4a}{b}$, i.e. $b = 2\sqrt{2}a$.

Therefore, the expression is minimised when $b = \boxed{2\sqrt{2}}a$ and the minimum value is $\boxed{2\sqrt{2} - 1}$.

Q1(8):

By the binomial expansion, $(x+1)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k x^{\boxed{k}}$.

Put $x = 2$, we have $\sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k 2^k = \boxed{3}^{\boxed{n}}$.

Considering the derivative of the equality $(x+1)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k x^k$ with respect to x , we have $n(x+1)^{n-1} = \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k k x^{k-1}$.

Put $x = 2$, we have $\sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k k 2^{k-1} = n \cdot 3^{n-1}$.

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k k 2^k = \frac{2n}{3} \cdot 3^n = \frac{\boxed{2n}}{\boxed{3}} \sum_{k=0}^n {}^nC_k 2^k.$$

Q1(9):

As $\sum_{k=1}^n x_k \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} 6^l = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \left(\frac{6^k-1}{6-1}\right) = \frac{1}{5} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n x_k 6^k - \sum_{k=1}^n x_k\right)$, we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^n x_k 6^k = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k + 5 \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} 6^l.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } \sum_{k=0}^n x_k 6^k &= x_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n x_k 6^k \\ &= x_0 + \sum_{k=1}^n x_k + 5 \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} 6^l \end{aligned}$$

$$= \boxed{\sum_{k=0}^n x_k} + \boxed{5} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} 6^l.$$

Therefore, a senary number can be divided by 5 with no remainder if and only if the sum of all of its digits can be divided by $\boxed{5}$ with no remainder.

Q1(10):

$$253x + 256y = 1 \iff 253(x + y) + 3y = 1$$

Note that $3 \cdot 84 = 252$, we have $253 \cdot 1 - 3 \cdot 84 = 1$. Therefore, $(x + y, y) = (1, -84)$, i.e. $(x, y) = (85, -84)$ is a solution.

Therefore, we have $253 \cdot 85 - 256 \cdot 84 = 1$. Subtract it from the original equation, we have $253(x - 85) = -256(y + 84)$, which gives us the general solution

$$(x - 85, y + 84) = (-256k, 253k), \text{ where } k \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$\text{i.e. } (x, y) = (85 - 256k, -84 + 253k).$$

To minimise x , we take $k = 0$. Therefore, we have $x = \boxed{85}$ and $y = \boxed{-84}$.

Q1(11):

The translation translated the point (x, y) to $(x + 2, y - 3)$. Using the original $x - y$ coordinates to describe the graph, we have to set the basis $(x - 2, y + 3)$.

Then, the equation becomes:

$$y + 3 = 2(x - 2)^2 + 3(x - 2) + 1, \text{ i.e. } y = \boxed{2}x^2 + \boxed{-5}x + \boxed{0}.$$

Q2:

$$\begin{aligned}(1): \cos \frac{\pi}{12} &= \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\&= \cos \frac{\pi}{3} \cos \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{\pi}{3} \sin \frac{\pi}{4} \\&= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) \\&= \frac{\boxed{\sqrt{6}} + \sqrt{2}}{4}.\end{aligned}$$

(2): As $\triangle ADC$ is a right-angled triangle, we can consider the cosine ratio of it:

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \angle DAC &= \frac{AD}{AC} \\AC &= \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\cos \frac{\pi}{12}} = \frac{4\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}} = \boxed{6} - 2\sqrt{3}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(3): \text{ By the cosine formula, we have } (BC)^2 &= (AC)^2 + (AB)^2 - 2(AB)(AC) \cos \angle BAC \\&= (6 - 2\sqrt{3})^2 + (2\sqrt{2})^2 - 2(2\sqrt{2})(6 - 2\sqrt{3}) \cos \frac{\pi}{12} \\&= 48 - 24\sqrt{3} + 8 - (6\sqrt{2} - 2\sqrt{6})(\sqrt{6} + \sqrt{2}) \\&= \boxed{56} - 32\sqrt{3}.\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(4): BC &= \sqrt{56 - 32\sqrt{3}} \\&= 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{7 - 2\sqrt{12}} \\&= 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{(\sqrt{4})^2 - 2(\sqrt{4})(\sqrt{3}) + (\sqrt{3})^2} \\&= 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{(\sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3})^2} \\&= 2\sqrt{2}(2 - \sqrt{3}) \\&= \boxed{4\sqrt{2}} - 2\sqrt{6}.\end{aligned}$$

Q3:

(1): By the fundamental theorem of calculus, we have $F'(x) = f(x)$.

As given, $F(x)$ has extreme values at $x = -2a, 2a$, we have $f(-2a) = f(2a) = 0$

and hence the axis of symmetry of the quadratic function $f(x)$ is $x = 0$. Then,

$f(x)$ is an even function, i.e. $f(-x) = f(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Therefore, we have $F(-x) = \int_0^{-x} f(t)dt$

$$= \int_0^x f(-t)d(-t)$$

$$= - \int_0^x f(t)dt$$

$$= \boxed{-1} \int_0^x f(t)dt.$$

Alternative Geometrically, $F(k)$ represents the area bounded by the graph of $y = f(x)$ and the x-axis from $x = 0$ to $x = k$ (negative sign is taken if $k < 0$).

As the graph of $y = f(x)$ is symmetric along $x = 0$, we have $F(-x) = \boxed{-1}F(x)$.

(2): By (1), one solution is $x = 2a$.

On the other hand, we have $f(x) = kx^2 - 4ka^2$, where $k \neq 0$.

Therefore, $F(x) = \frac{k}{3}x^3 - 4ka^2x$ and $F(2a) = \frac{-16k}{3}a^3$.

Solving $F(x) + F(2a) = 0$, we have

$$\frac{k}{3}x^3 - 4ka^2x - \frac{16k}{3}a^3 = 0$$

$$x^3 - 12a^2x - 16a^3 = 0$$

As we know that $x = -2a$ is a root, we can do the factorisation:

$$(x + 2a)(x^2 - 2ax + 8a^2) = 0$$

$$(x + 2a)^2(x - 4a) = 0$$

$$x = \boxed{-2a}, \boxed{4a}$$

(3): As (2), $F(x) = \frac{k}{3}x^3 - 4ka^2x$ and $F'(x) = kx^2 - 4ka^2$.

On the other hand, $(\frac{F(x)}{F'(0)})' = \frac{F'(x)}{F'(0)}$.

To find the extremum, we set the derivative to be 0. Then, by given, we have

$$x = -2a \text{ or } x = 2a.$$

$$\text{Moreover, } \left(\frac{F(x)}{F'(0)}\right)'' = \frac{2kx}{-4ka^2} = -\frac{x}{2a^2}.$$

Therefore, the local maximum is obtained when $x > 0$.

$$\text{Combine the above, the local maximum is } \frac{F(2a)}{F'(0)} = \frac{-\frac{16k}{3}a^3}{-4ka^2} = \boxed{\frac{4}{3}a}.$$