

Ferris State University
Surveying Engineering
Surveying Computation - SURE 215
PROBLEM NUMBER 230
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Circular Curve Layout Problem

Write your answers in the spaces provided

Given Data:

Radius (R) = 648.583

External Distance (E) = 39.867

PT Station = 13+98.30

Compute The Following Elements Of The Circular Curve:

Central Angle (Delta) = _____

Length Of Curve (L) = _____

Long Chord (LC) = _____

Degree Of Curve (D), Arc Definition = _____

Tangent Distance (T) = _____

Middle Ordinate (M) = _____

Compute The Field Layout Information For Evry Even 50-foot Station By:

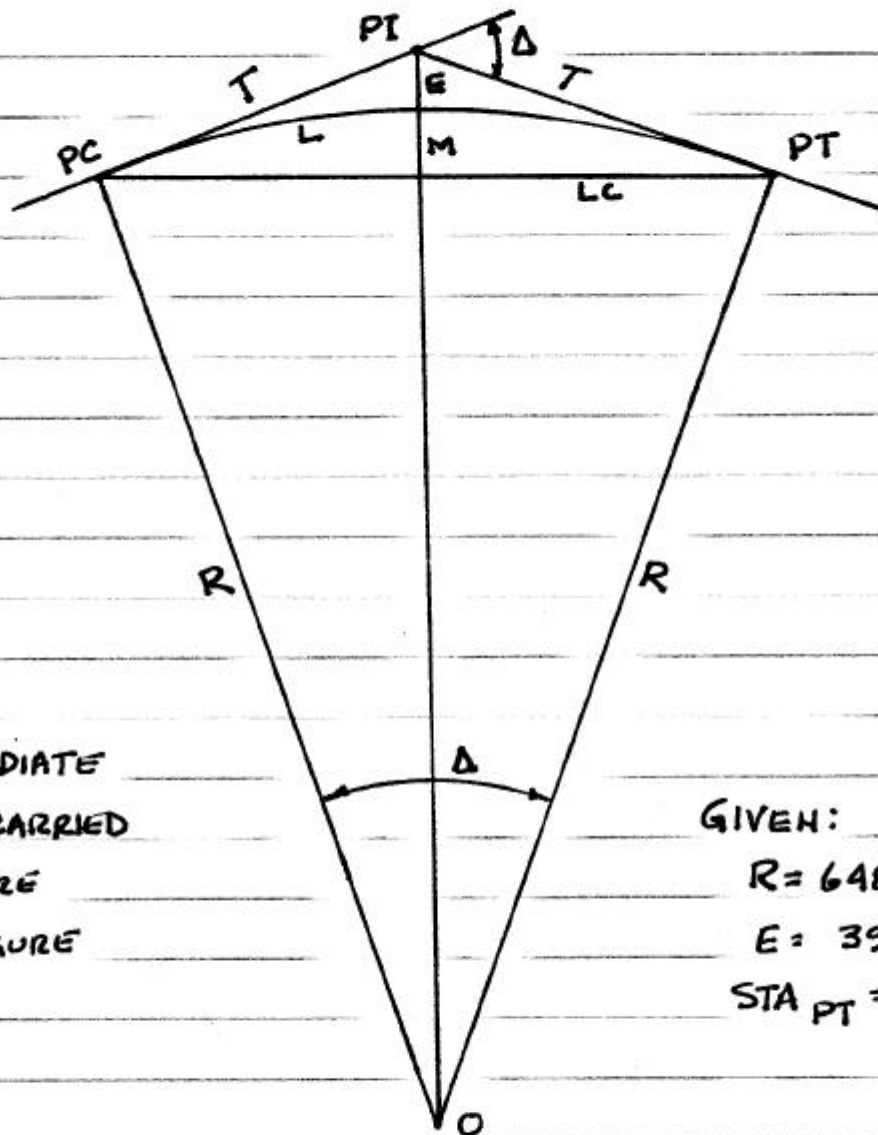
- a. Deflection Angle From The PC
- b. Tangent Offset Method (The First Half From The PC & The Second Half From The PT)
- c. Offsets From The Long Chord

Prepare A Table For Each Of The Above And Label Each One Appropriately



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NOTE: INTERMEDIATE
CALCULATIONS CARRIED
OUT TO ONE MORE
SIGNIFIKANT FIGURE

GIVEN:

$$R = 648.583'$$

$$E = 39.867'$$

$$STA_{PT} = 13+98.30$$

1) COMPUTE THE MISSING ELEMENTS OF THE CURVE

$$D = \left(\frac{360^\circ}{2\pi R} \right) 100' = \frac{(360^\circ)(100')}{2\pi (648.583')} = \underline{0^\circ 50' 02.4'}$$

(ARC DEFINITION)



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$$E = \left(\frac{R}{\cos \Delta/2} \right) - R \Rightarrow \cos \Delta/2 = \frac{R}{E+R}$$

$$\Delta = 2 \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{R}{E+R} \right) = 2 \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{648.583'}{39.867' + 648.583'} \right)$$
$$= \underline{39^{\circ} 11' 17.9''}$$

$$L = \frac{\Delta}{D} = \frac{39^{\circ} 11' 17.9''}{8^{\circ} 50' 02.4''} = 4 + 43.6077 \text{ STA}$$
$$= \underline{443.6077'}$$

$$LC = 2R \sin(\Delta/2) = 2(648.583') \sin \left(\frac{39^{\circ} 11' 17.9''}{2} \right)$$
$$= \underline{435.0117'}$$

$$T = R \tan(\Delta/2) = 648.583' \tan \left(\frac{39^{\circ} 11' 17.9''}{2} \right)$$
$$= \underline{230.8754'}$$

$$M = R(1 - \cos \Delta/2) = 648.583' \left[1 - \cos \left(\frac{39^{\circ} 11' 17.9''}{2} \right) \right]$$
$$= \underline{37.558'}$$

$$\text{STA}_{PC} = \text{STA}_{PT} - L$$
$$= (13 + 98.30) - (4 + 43.608)$$
$$= \underline{9 + 54.69}$$



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2) FIELD LAYOUT FOR 50' STATION BY DEFLECTION δ FROM PC

$$\Delta_a = (10+00) - (9+54.69) = 45.3071'$$

$$d_a = \frac{\Delta_a D}{100'} = \frac{(45.3071)(8^\circ 50' 02.4'')}{100'} = 4^\circ 00' 08.9''$$

$$\delta_a = \frac{d_a}{2} = \frac{4^\circ 00' 08.9''}{2} = 2^\circ 00' 04.4''$$

$$L_a = 2R \sin \delta_a = 2(648.583') \sin(2^\circ 00' 05'') \\ = 45.299'$$

$$\delta_{50' STA} = \frac{D}{4} = \frac{8^\circ 50' 02''}{4} = 2^\circ 12' 30.6''$$

$$L_{50' STA} = 2R \sin \delta_{50' STA} = 2(648.583') \sin(2^\circ 12' 30.6'') \\ = 49.988'$$

$$\Delta_b = (13+98.30) - (13+50) = 48.30'$$

$$\delta_b = \frac{\Delta_b D}{200'} = \frac{(48.30')(8^\circ 50' 02'')}{200'} = 2^\circ 08' 00.3''$$

$$L_b = 2R \sin \delta_b = 2(648.583') \sin(2^\circ 08' 00'') \\ = 48.289'$$

$\Delta_{a,b} \Rightarrow$ NOMINAL ^{SUBCHORDS} SUBCHORD AT ENDS OF CURVE, BEING THE ARC LENGTHS

$\delta \Rightarrow$ DEFLECTION ANGLE

$L \Rightarrow$ CHORD DISTANCES



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STATION	INCREMENTAL CHORD	DEFLECTION INCREMENT	DEFLECTION ANGLE
9+54.69 (PC)			
10+00	45.300'	2° 00' 04"	2° 00' 04"
+50	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	4° 12' 35"
11+00	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	6° 25' 06"
+50	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	8° 37' 36"
12+00	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	10° 50' 07"
+50	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	13° 02' 37"
13+00	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	15° 15' 08"
+50	49.988'	2° 12' 30.6"	17° 27' 39"
13+98.30 (PT)	48.289'	2° 08' 00.3"	19° 35' 39" ✓

3) TANGENT OFFSET METHOD

STATION	DEFLECTION ANGLE (δ)	CHORD (C) FROM PC/PT	TAN. DIST. = C cos δ	TANGENT OFFSET = C sin δ
9+54.69 (PC)				
10+00	2° 00' 04"	45.2956'	45.268'	1.582'
10+50	4° 12' 35"	95.2216'	94.965'	6.990'
11+00	6° 25' 06"	145.0062'	144.097'	16.210'
11+50	8° 37' 36"	194.5691'	192.368'	29.184'
13+98.30 (PT)				
13+50	2° 08' 00"	48.2871'	48.254'	1.798'
13+00	4° 20' 31"	98.2068'	97.925'	7.435'
12+50	6° 33' 02"	147.9805'	147.014'	16.882'
12+00	8° 45' 32"	197.5282'	195.225'	30.079'



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A) OFFSETS FROM THE LONG CHORD

STA	CHORD (C)	DEFLECTION & (S)	$\theta = \frac{A}{2} - S$	CHORD DIST	CHORD OFFSET
9+54.69 (PC)					
10+00	45.2956'	2°00'04"	17°35'35"	43.177'	13.691'
+50	95.2216'	4°12'35"	15° 33 ²³ '04"	91.810'	25.262'
11+00	145.0062'	6°25'06"	13°10'33"	141.189'	33.053'
+50	194.5691'	8°37'36"	10°58'03"	191.015'	37.017'
12+00	243.8492'	10°50'07"	8°45'32"	241.005'	37.132'
+50	292.7608'	13°02'37"	6°33'02"	290.850'	33.398'
13+00	341.2437'	15°15'08"	4°20'31"	340.244'	25.835'
+50	389.2196'	17°27'39"	2°08'00"	388.950'	14.485'
13+98.30 (PT)	435.012'	19°35'39"	0°00'00"	435.012'	0.000' ✓

$$\text{CHORD DIST} = R \cos \theta$$

$$\text{CHORD OFFSET} = R \sin \theta$$