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- An investment of \$1000 is used to make payments of \$100 at the end of each year for as long as possible with a smaller final payment to be made at the time of the last regular payment. If interest is 7% convertible semiannually, find the number of payments and the amount of the total final payment.

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