

Approximations / Charts CW (Trapezoidal Rule / Riemann Sums)

1996 (Calculator)

- 3) The rate of consumption of cola in the United States is given by $S(t) = Ce^{kt}$, where S is measured in billions of gallons per year and t is measured in years from the beginning of 1980.
- a) The consumption rate doubles every 5 years and the consumption rate at the beginning of 1980 was 6 billion gallons per year. Find C and k .
- b) Find the average rate of consumption of cola over the 10-year time period beginning January 1, 1983. Indicate units of measure.
- c) Use the trapezoidal rule with four equal subdivisions to estimate $\int_5^7 S(t) dt$.
- d) Using correct units, explain the meaning of $\int_5^7 S(t) dt$ in terms of cola consumption.

t (hours)	$R(t)$ (gallons per hour)
0	9.6
3	10.4
6	10.8
9	11.2
12	11.4
15	11.3
18	10.7
21	10.2
24	9.6

1999 (Calculator)

- 3) The rate at which water flows out a pipe, in gallons per hour, is given by a differentiable function R of time t . The table above shows the rate as measured every 3 hours for a 24-hour period.
- a) Use a midpoint Riemann sum with 4 subdivisions of equal length to approximate $\int_0^{24} R(t) dt$. Using correct units, explain the meaning of your answer in terms of water flow.
- b) Is there some time t , $0 < t < 24$, such that $R'(t) = 0$? Justify your answer.
- c) The rate of water flow $R(t)$ can be approximated by $Q(t) = \frac{1}{79}(768 + 23t - t^2)$.
Use $Q(t)$ to approximate the average rate of water flow during the 24-hour time period.
Indicate units of measure.

t (days)	$W(t)$ $^{\circ}C$
0	20
3	31
6	28
9	24
12	22
15	21

2001 (Calculator)

- 2) The temperature in degrees Celsius, of the water in a pond is a differentiable function W of time t . The table above shows the water temperature as recorded every 3 days over a 15-day period.
- a) Use data from the table to find an approximation for $W'(12)$. Show the computations that lead to your answer. Indicate units of measure.
- b) Approximate the average temperature, in degrees Celsius of the water over the time interval $0 \leq t \leq 15$ days by using a trapezoidal approximation with subintervals of length $\Delta t = 3$ days.
- c) A student proposes the function P , given by $P(t) = 20 + 10te^{(-t/3)}$, as a model for temperature of the water in the pond at time t , where t is measured in days and $P(t)$ is measured in degrees Celsius. Find $P'(12)$. Using approximate units, explain the meaning of your answer in terms of water temperature.
- d) Use the function defined in part (c) to find the average value, in degrees Celsius, of $P(t)$ over the time interval $0 \leq t \leq 15$.

2004 (Form B) (Calculator)

- 1) For $0 \leq t \leq 31$, the rate of change of the number of mosquitoes on Tropical Island at time t days is modeled by $R(t) = 5\sqrt{t} \cos\left(\frac{t}{5}\right)$ mosquitoes per day. There are 1000 mosquitoes on Tropical Island at $t = 0$.
- a) Show that the number of mosquitoes is increasing at time $t = 6$.
- b) At time $t = 6$, is the number of mosquitoes increasing at an increasing rate, or is the number of mosquitoes increasing at a decreasing rate? Give a reason for your answer.
- c) According to the model, how many mosquitoes will be on the island at time $t = 31$? Round your answer to the nearest whole number.
- d) To the nearest whole number, what is the maximum number of mosquitoes for $0 \leq t \leq 31$? Show the analysis that leads to your conclusion.

2007 #5 (No Calculator)

t (minutes)	0	2	5	7	11	12
$r'(t)$ (feet per minute)	5.7	4.0	2.0	1.2	0.6	0.5

The volume of a spherical hot air balloon expands as the air inside the balloon is heated. The radius of the balloon, in feet, is modeled by a twice-differentiable function r of time t , where t is measured in minutes. For $0 < t < 12$, the graph of r is concave down. The table above gives selected values of the rate of change, $r'(t)$, of the radius of the balloon over the time interval $0 \leq t \leq 12$. The radius of the balloon is 30 feet when $t = 5$. (Note: The volume of a sphere of radius r is given by $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$.)

- (a) Estimate the radius of the balloon when $t = 5.4$ using the tangent line approximation at $t = 5$. Is your estimate greater than or less than the true value? Give a reason for your answer.
- (b) Find the rate of change of the volume of the balloon with respect to time when $t = 5$. Indicate units of measure.
- (c) Use a right Riemann sum with the five subintervals indicated by the data in the table to approximate $\int_0^{12} r'(t) dt$. Using correct units, explain the meaning of $\int_0^{12} r'(t) dt$ in terms of the radius of the balloon.
- (d) Is your approximation in part (c) greater than or less than $\int_0^{12} r'(t) dt$? Give a reason for your answer.