

Rate of Change Applications Homework

1.

The rate at which rainwater flows into a drainpipe is modeled by the function R , where $R(t) = 20\sin\left(\frac{t^2}{35}\right)$ cubic feet per hour, t is measured in hours, and $0 \leq t \leq 8$. The pipe is partially blocked, allowing water to drain out the other end of the pipe at a rate modeled by $D(t) = -0.04t^3 + 0.4t^2 + 0.96t$ cubic feet per hour, for $0 \leq t \leq 8$. There are 30 cubic feet of water in the pipe at time $t = 0$.

- How many cubic feet of rainwater flow into the pipe during the 8-hour time interval $0 \leq t \leq 8$?
- Is the amount of water in the pipe increasing or decreasing at time $t = 3$ hours? Give a reason for your answer.
- At what time t , $0 \leq t \leq 8$, is the amount of water in the pipe at a minimum? Justify your answer.
- The pipe can hold 50 cubic feet of water before overflowing. For $t > 8$, water continues to flow into and out of the pipe at the given rates until the pipe begins to overflow. Write, but do not solve, an equation involving one or more integrals that gives the time w when the pipe will begin to overflow.

2.

t (hours)	0	1	3	6	8
$R(t)$ (liters / hour)	1340	1190	950	740	700

Water is pumped into a tank at a rate modeled by $W(t) = 2000e^{-t^2/20}$ liters per hour for $0 \leq t \leq 8$, where t is measured in hours. Water is removed from the tank at a rate modeled by $R(t)$ liters per hour, where R is differentiable and decreasing on $0 \leq t \leq 8$. Selected values of $R(t)$ are shown in the table above. At time $t = 0$, there are 50,000 liters of water in the tank.

- Estimate $R'(2)$. Show the work that leads to your answer. Indicate units of measure.
- Use a left Riemann sum with the four subintervals indicated by the table to estimate the total amount of water removed from the tank during the 8 hours. Is this an overestimate or an underestimate of the total amount of water removed? Give a reason for your answer.
- Use your answer from part (b) to find an estimate of the total amount of water in the tank, to the nearest liter, at the end of 8 hours.
- For $0 \leq t \leq 8$, is there a time t when the rate at which water is pumped into the tank is the same as the rate at which water is removed from the tank? Explain why or why not.

3.

A 12,000-liter tank of water is filled to capacity. At time $t = 0$, water begins to drain out of the tank at a rate modeled by $r(t)$, measured in liters per hour, where r is given by the piecewise-defined function

$$r(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{600t}{t+3} & \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 5 \\ 1000e^{-0.2t} & \text{for } t > 5 \end{cases}$$

- Is r continuous at $t = 5$? Show the work that leads to your answer.
- Find the average rate at which water is draining from the tank between time $t = 0$ and time $t = 8$ hours.
- Find $r'(3)$. Using correct units, explain the meaning of that value in the context of this problem.
- Write, but do not solve, an equation involving an integral to find the time A when the amount of water in the tank is 9000 liters.