Lecture 27

More more practice!

27.1 Word problems

Exercise 27.1.1. V(t) measures the amount of water (in liters) in a water tank at time t (in hours from midnight last night).

- (a) What units does V'(t) have?
- (b) Suppose $V(t) = 100 2^t$. On average, how much water is in the water tank between t = 2 and t = 3?

Exercise 27.1.2. F(t) measures the amount of water (in liters per hour) entering or leaving a water tank at time t (in hours from midnight last night). If F(t) is positive, it means the amount of water in the water tank is increasing, while if F(t) is negative, the amount of water is decreasing.

- (a) What units does F'(t) have? From hereon, suppose $F(t) = -10 + t^2$.
- (b) On average, how quickly is the volume of water in the tank changing between t = 1 and t = 3? Make sure to specify if, on average, the amount of water in the tank is decreasing or increasing.
- (c) Compute $\int_0^4 F(t) dt$.
- (d) Give a physical interpretation to the answer from your previous question.
- (e) Are you able to tell me how much water is in the water tank at t = 4?

Exercise 27.1.3. A gig worker is paid at a rate of $r(t) = 10 + \sin(\frac{1}{12\pi}t)$, where r(t) is in dollars per hour, and t is in hours from midnight.

- (a) How much does the worker make if they work from 9 AM to 5 PM?
- (b) How does their 9 AM 5 PM earnings compare to the 9 AM 5 PM earnings of someone working at a flat rate of 10 dollars an hour?

(Warning: The function r(t) used here was arbitrary, and does not in any way purport to realistically model the wagers of particular gig workers.)

Exercise 27.1.4. (a) Give the definition of $\int_a^b f(t) dt$ that we have used in this class.

(b) State the fundamental theorem of calculus, as we have learned it in this class.

Exercise 27.1.5. Planet X exerts a force of $\frac{100}{x^2}$ Newtons on a box x kilometers away from the center of planet X.

How much work does it take to move the box from 1,000 kilometers away to 10,000 kilometers away from Planet X?