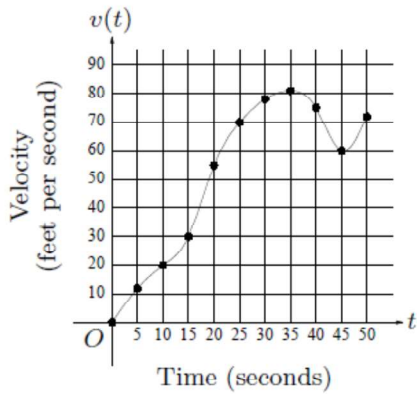


1998 Calculus AB



$t$ (seconds)	$v(t)$ (feet per second)
0	0
5	12
10	20
15	30
20	55
25	70
30	78
35	81
40	75
45	60
50	72

3. The graph of the velocity  $v(t)$ , in ft/sec, of a car traveling on a straight road, for  $0 \leq t \leq 50$ , is shown above. A table of values for  $v(t)$ , at 5 second intervals of time  $t$ , is shown to the right of the graph.
- During what intervals of time is the acceleration of the car positive? Give a reason for your answer.
  - Find the average acceleration of the car, in  $\text{ft}/\text{sec}^2$ , over the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 50$ .
  - Find one approximation for the acceleration of the car, in  $\text{ft}/\text{sec}^2$ , at  $t = 40$ . Show the computations you used to arrive at your answer.
  - Approximate  $\int_0^{50} v(t) dt$  with a Riemann sum, using the midpoints of five subintervals of equal length. Using correct units, explain the meaning of this integral.

(a) The acceleration is positive on  $(0, 35)$  and  $(45, 50)$  because  $v'$  is increasing on these intervals.

(b) 
$$AA = \frac{v(50) - v(0)}{50 - 0} = \frac{72 - 0}{50} = \frac{72}{50} \text{ ft}/\text{sec}^2$$

(c) Acceleration  $\approx \frac{v(35) - v(45)}{35 - 45}$

$$\approx \frac{81 - 60}{-10}$$

$$\approx \frac{21}{-10} \text{ ft}/\text{sec}^2$$

(d) 
$$\int_0^{50} v(t) dt = 10 \cdot 12 + 10 \cdot 30 + 10 \cdot 70 + 10 \cdot 81 + 10 \cdot 60$$

$$= 10(12 + 30 + 70 + 81 + 60)$$

$$= 10(253)$$

$$= 2530 \text{ feet}$$

From time  $t=0$  seconds to  $t=50$  seconds, the car traveled a total of 2530 feet.