

AP Calculus AB

Skill Builder: 8.3 – Using Accumulation Functions and Integrals in Applied Contexts - AP Exam FRQ Practice



1. A parking garage has 230 cars in it when it opens at 8 AM ($t = 0$). On the interval $0 \leq t \leq 10$, cars enter the parking garage at a rate modeled by the function $E(t) = 58\cos(0.163t - 0.642)$ and leave the parking garage at a rate modeled by the function $L(t) = 65\cos(0.281t) + 7.1$ beginning at 9 AM and continuing until 6 PM ($t = 10$). Both $E(t)$ and $L(t)$ are measured in cars per hour while t is measured in hours.

- a.) How many cars enter the parking garage over the interval $t = 0$ to $t = 10$ hours?

$$\int_0^{10} E(t) dt \approx 510.159 \text{ cars}$$

$e(t) := 58 \cdot \cos(0.163 \cdot t - 0.642)$	Done
$l(t) := 65 \cdot \cos(0.281 \cdot t) + 7.1$	Done
$\int_0^{10} e(t) dt$	510.16
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- b.) Find $E'(5)$. Using correct units, explain the meaning of this value in the context of the problem.

$$E'(5) \approx -1.627 \text{ cars/hour}^2$$

$\frac{d}{dt}(e(t)) _{t=5}$	-1.6274
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The rate at which the cars are entering the parking garage is decreasing by approximately 1.627 cars per hour per hour.

- c.) Find the number of cars in the parking garage at time $t = 10$. Show the work that leads to your answer.

$$C(10) = 230 + \int_0^{10} E(t) dt - \int_1^{10} L(t) dt \approx 665.103 \text{ cars}$$

$230 + \int_0^{10} e(t) dt - \int_1^{10} l(t) dt$	665.103
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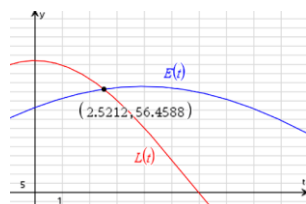
- d.) Find the time t on $0 \leq t \leq 10$ when the number of cars in the parking garage is a maximum. To the nearest whole number, what is the maximum number of cars in the parking garage? Justify your answer.

Let the number of the cars in the garage at time t be modeled by

$$C(t) = 230 + \int_0^t E(x) dx - \int_1^t L(x) dx$$

$$C'(t) = E(t) - L(t)$$

$C'(t) = 0$ when $E(t) - L(t) = 0$ or $E(t) = L(t)$ which occurs when $t \approx 2.521$ hours.



$230 + \int_0^{2.521} e(t) dt - \int_1^{2.521} l(t) dt$	264.425
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t	$C(t)$
0	$230 + \int_0^0 E(t) dt = 230$
2.521	$230 + \int_0^{2.521} E(t) dt - \int_1^{2.521} L(t) dt \approx 264.425$
10	$230 + \int_0^{10} E(t) dt - \int_1^{10} L(t) dt \approx 665.103$

The maximum number of cars in the garage is approximately 665 cars at time $t = 10$ or 6 PM.