

9. [8 points]

Suppose that the standard price of a round-trip plane ticket from Detroit to Paris, purchased  $t$  days after April 30, is  $P(t)$  dollars. Assume that  $P$  is an invertible function (even though this is not always the case in real life).

In the context of this problem, give a practical interpretation for each of the following:

a. [2 points]  $P'(2) = 55$

*Solution:* The standard price of a round-trip ticket from Detroit to Paris is approximately \$55 more if the ticket is purchased on May 3 than if it is purchased on May 2.

b. [2 points]  $P^{-1}(690)$

*Solution:* The standard price of a round-trip ticket from Detroit to Paris is \$690 if it is purchased  $P^{-1}(690)$  days after April 30.

c. [2 points]  $\int_5^{10} P'(t) dt$

*Solution:* The standard price of a round-trip ticket from Detroit to Paris changes by  $\int_5^{10} P'(t) dt$  dollars between May 5 and May 10. (If the integral is positive, it will be a price increase. If the integral is negative, it will be a price decrease.)

d. [2 points]  $\frac{1}{5} \int_5^{10} P(t) dt$

*Solution:* This is the average standard price (in dollars) of a round-trip ticket from Detroit to Paris purchased between May 5 and May 10.