

1. (85 points) **Modeling the amount of water in a container.** Consider 3 containers, in which water flows into or out of each container at a different rate. Your job is to determine how much water is in each container at the end of 75 seconds.

- a. If  $r(t)$  describes the flow of water into a container with units of milliliters per second (ml/sec), and  $t$  is measured in seconds, write a sentence or two explaining what

$$\int_a^b r(t) dt \text{ means in this context.}$$

This definite integral represents the net change in the amount of water (in ml) in the container between  $t = a$  seconds and  $t = b$  seconds

- b. **Container 1:** The initial amount of water in container 1 is 150 milliliters (ml). Water flows into container 1 at a rate  $r_1(t)$  ml/sec described by the following data.

|                   |    |    |    |    |
|-------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Time (sec)        | 0  | 25 | 50 | 75 |
| $r_1(t)$ (ml/sec) | 23 | 21 | 6  | 2  |

What is the volume of water at the end of 75 seconds? Describe the method you use, and the accuracy of your method (i.e. exact, over/underestimate, etc.). If you've made assumptions that affect your answer, you should also explain those as well.

LHS:  $150 + 23(25) + 21(25) + 6(25) = 150 + 1250 = 1400$  ml. This is an overestimate if we assume that the data is decreasing always.

RHS:  $150 + 21(25) + 6(25) + 2(25) = 150 + 725 = 875$  ml. This is an underestimate if we assume that the data is always increasing.

TRAP =  $(\text{RHS} + \text{LSH})/2 = 987.5$ . If students assume data is linear, then trap is exact. Otherwise, we need more info to know if this estimation is over/under.

- c. **Container 2:** The initial amount of water in container 2 is 150 milliliters (ml). Water flows into container 2 at a rate  $r_2(t)$  ml/sec. An anti-derivative of  $r_2(t)$

is  $R_2(t) = \frac{100t}{35} \sin\left(\frac{t}{18} + 3\right)$ . What is the volume of water at the end of 75 seconds?

Describe the method you use, and the accuracy of your method (i.e. exact, over/underestimate, etc.). If you've made assumptions that affect your answer, you should also explain those as well.

$150 + R_2(75) - R_2(0) \approx 150 + 165.63 = 315.63$ . This is an exact method. But round-off error may occur, depending on how student writes down answer.

- d. **Container 3:** The initial amount of water in container 3 is 150 milliliters (ml). Water

flows into container 3 at a rate  $r_3(t) = \frac{50}{t^2 + 5t + 6} + 10 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{75}t\right)$  ml/sec. What is the

volume of water at the end of 75 seconds? Describe the method you use, and the accuracy of your method (i.e. exact, over/underestimate, etc.). If you've made assumptions that affect your answer, you should also explain those as well.

Find the anti-derivative of  $r_3(t)$  and use FTC. This requires partial fractions and a straightforward w-substitution.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{75} \frac{50}{t^2 + 5t + 6} + 10 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{75}t\right) dt &= \int_0^{75} \frac{50}{t+2} - \frac{50}{t+3} + 10 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{75}t\right) dt \\ &= 50 \ln|t+2| - 50 \ln|t+3| - \frac{750}{2\pi} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{75}t\right) \Big|_0^{75} \\ &= \left( 50 \ln\left(\frac{77}{78}\right) - \frac{750}{2\pi} \cos(2\pi) \right) - \left( 50 \ln\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) - \frac{750}{2\pi} \cos(2\pi) \right) \\ &= 50 \ln\left(\frac{77}{52}\right) \approx 19.62 \end{aligned}$$

Add this to 150 to get 169.62. This method is exact.

- e. Considering only the first 75 seconds, does container 3 have its maximum amount of water at 75 seconds? Justify your response.

No,  $r_3(t)$  becomes negative prior to 75 seconds. This means water is leaving the container when the rate function is negative. I can graph  $r_3(t)$  and see that  $r_3(t)$  is negative from about 38 seconds to 75 seconds. This means that the container is losing water and cannot have its maximum at 75 seconds.

