

1. Problem

The rate at which an office building consumes energy (in kilowatt-hours(KWh) per week) is approximated by $f(t) = 32.614e^{0.7216t}$, where t is in weeks since February 4, 2020. Energy consumption costs 12 cents per kilowatt-hour.

Use three digit accuracy in all computations.

Select each of the true statements from the following:

- (a) The rate at which energy is consumed 3 weeks after February 4, 2020 is $f(3)$.
- (b) The rate at which energy is consumed 5 weeks after February 4, 2020 is $f(5)$.
- (c) The total amount of energy used by the office building during the 2 weeks after February 4, 2020 is $\int_0^4 f(t)dt$.
- (d) An antiderivative of $f(t) = 32.614e^{0.7216t}$ is $F(t) = 32.614e^{0.7216t}$
- (e) $\int_0^2 f(t)dt = 32.614e^{0.7216(2)} - 32.614e^{0.7216(0)}$
- (f) The total amount of energy used by the office building during the 4 weeks after February 4, 2020 is 810.317 KWh.
- (g) The energy cost for the office building during the 2 weeks after February 4, 2020 is \$22.96.
- (h) All of the above statements are false.

Solution

- (a) True. The rate at which energy is consumed 3 weeks after February 4, 2020 is $f(3) = 284.161$ KWh per week.
- (b) True. The rate at which energy is consumed 5 weeks after February 4, 2020 is $f(5) = 1203.202$ KWh per week.
- (c) False. The total amount of energy used by the office building during the 2 weeks after February 4, 2020 is

$$\int_0^2 32.614e^{0.7216t} dt = \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(2)} - \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(0)} = 146.177$$

- (d) False. An antiderivative of $f(t) = 32.614e^{0.7216t}$ is $F(t) = \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216t} = 45.197e^{0.7216t}$
- (e) False.

$$\int_0^2 f(t)dt = \int_0^2 32.614e^{0.7216t} dt = \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(2)} - \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(0)}$$

- (f) False. The total amount of energy used by the office building during the 4 weeks after February 4, 2020 is

$$\int_0^4 32.614e^{0.7216t} dt = \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(4)} - \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(0)} = 765.121 \text{ KWh}$$

- (g) False. The total amount of energy used by the office building during the 2 weeks after February 4, 2020 is

$$\int_0^2 32.614e^{0.7216t} dt = \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(2)} - \frac{32.614}{0.7216} e^{0.7216(0)} = 146.177 \text{ KWh}$$

To find the energy cost during this period of time we simply multiply this total amount of energy by 0.12 dollars per KWh to get \$17.54

- (h) False.