Written Homework Problems §3.1

15 problems for 30 points

3.1 # 4,9,12,15,16,20,23,25,39,41,46,47

- (Problem A) This is a continuation of #46 above where you used average velocity over smaller and smaller intervals to guess the instantaneous velocity of a ball at t = 5 seconds. Use equation 3.6 from your book to confirm your guess. (That is, use equation 3.6 to find s'(5) = v(5) for the function $s(t) = 14t^2$.
- (Problem B) The population of fruit flies in a compost bin is modeled by the the function $P(t) = 4\sqrt{t+1}$ where t is measured in weeks and P is measured in hundreds of fruit flies. Use equation 3.6 to find P'(3) and *interpret* your answer. Include units.
- (Problem C) A company models its profit by a function P(x) where x is the number of widgets produced and sold and P is the profit in thousands of dollars for selling x widgets. The company finds that P'(100,000) = -50. What should the company conclude from this calculation?