Banana rate problem
AP Calculus

This is a required calculator problem and you won't have any required calculator problems on the 2020 exam. But this content is worth practicing. Give yourself 15 minutes to do this problem.

When a certain grocery store opens, it has 50 pounds of bananas on a display table. Customers remove bananas from the display table at a rate modeled by

$$f(t) = 10 + (0.8t)\sin\left(\frac{t^3}{100}\right) \text{ for } 0 < t \le 12,$$

where $f(t)$ is measured in pounds per hour and t is the number of hours after the store opened. After the store has been open for three hours, store employees add bananas to the display table at a rate modeled by

$$g(t) = 3 + 2.4\ln\left(t^2 + 2t\right) \text{ for } 3 < t \le 12,$$

where $g(t)$ is measured in pounds per hour and t is the number of hours after the store opened.

(a) How many pounds of bananas are removed from the display table during the first 2 hours the store is open?

(b) Find $f'(7)$. Using correct units, explain the meaning of $f'(7)$ in the context of the problem.

(c) Is the number of pounds of bananas on the display table increasing or decreasing at time $t = 5$? Give a reason for your answer.

(d) How many pounds of bananas are on the display table at time $t = 8$?