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A population of 420 bacteria is introduced into a culture and grows in number according to the equation below, where  $t$  is measured in hours. Find the rate at which the population is growing when  $t = 5$ . (Round your answer to two decimal places.)

$$P(t) = 420 \left( 1 + \frac{4t}{38 + t^2} \right)$$

$$P(t) = 420 + \frac{1680t}{38 + t^2}$$

$$P'(t) = \frac{(38 + t^2)(1680) - (1680t)(2t)}{(38 + t^2)^2}$$

$$P'(5) = 780.53 \times \text{🔑 } 5.50 \text{ bacteria/hour}$$