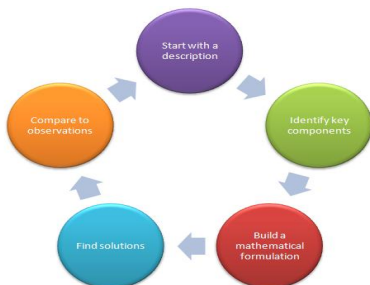


## Section 5: First Order Equations Models and Applications

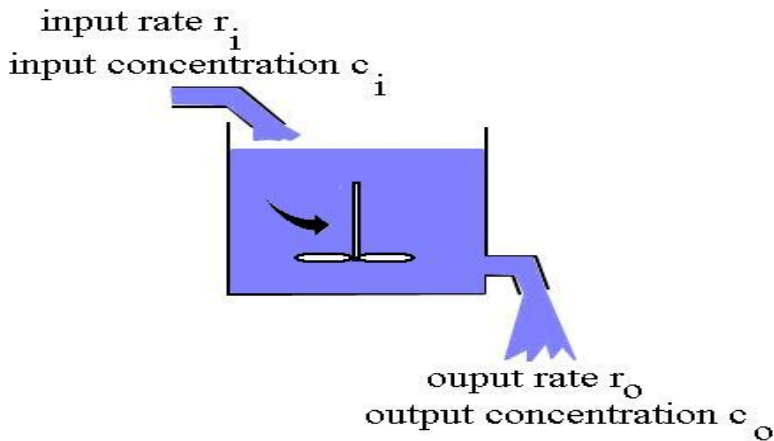


**Figure:** We've seen exponential growth/decay and simple linear circuits (RC or LR)

## A Classic Mixing Problem

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# A Classic Mixing Problem



**Figure:** Spatially uniform composite fluids (e.g. salt & water, gas & ethanol) being mixed. Concentrations of substance change in time.

# Building an Equation

The rate of change of the amount of salt

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{input rate} \\ \text{of salt} \end{array} \right) - \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{output rate} \\ \text{of salt} \end{array} \right)$$

The input rate of salt is

$$\text{fluid rate in} \cdot \text{concentration of inflow} = r_i(c_i).$$

The output rate of salt is

$$\text{fluid rate out} \cdot \text{concentration of outflow} = r_o(c_o).$$

# Building an Equation

The concentration of the outflowing fluid is

$$C_o = \frac{\text{total salt}}{\text{total volume}} = \frac{A(t)}{V(t)} = \frac{A(t)}{V(0) + (r_i - r_o)t}.$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = r_i \cdot C_i - r_o \cdot C_o \cdot \frac{A}{V}.$$

This equation is first order linear.

$$\frac{dA}{dt} + \frac{r_o}{V} A = r_i C_i$$

## Solve the Mixing Problem

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Fluid flow rates

$$r_i = 5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}}$$

$$r_o = 5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}}$$

Concentrations

$$c_i = 2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$$

Since  $r_i = r_o$ ,  $V$  is constant

$$V(t) = V(0) = 500 \text{ gal}$$

$$\text{So } C_0 = \frac{A}{V} = \frac{A}{500} \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = r_i C_i - r_o C_o$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 5.2 - 5 \frac{A}{500}$$

Starts with  
pure water  
↓

$$\frac{dA}{dt} + \frac{1}{100} A = 10, \quad A(0) = 0$$

Here  $P(t) = \frac{1}{100}$ , so  $\mu = e^{\int P(t) dt} = e^{\int \frac{1}{100} dt} = e^{\frac{1}{100} t}$

$$e^{\frac{1}{100} t} \left( A' + \frac{1}{100} A \right) = e^{\frac{1}{100} t} (10)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( e^{\frac{1}{100} t} A \right) = 10 e^{\frac{1}{100} t}$$

$$\int \frac{d}{dt} \left( e^{\frac{1}{100} t} A \right) dt = \int 10 e^{\frac{1}{100} t} dt$$

$$e^{\frac{1}{100}t} A = 1000 e^{\frac{1}{100}t} + C$$

The general solution

$$A = 1000 + C e^{\frac{1}{100}t}$$

We'll apply  $A(0) = 0$

$$0 = 1000 + C e^0 \Rightarrow C = -1000$$

The amount of salt @ time  $t$

$$A(t) = 1000 - 1000 e^{\frac{1}{100}t}$$



After  $S$  minutes, the concentration  $C(S)$  in the tank

$$C(S) = \frac{A(S)}{V(S)} = \frac{1000 - 1000 e^{-\frac{1}{100}(S)}}{500 \text{ gal}} \quad \downarrow$$

$$= 2 - 2 e^{-\frac{1}{20} \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}}$$

$$\approx 0.0975 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$$

$$r_i \neq r_o$$

Suppose that instead, the mixture is pumped out at 10 gal/min. Determine the differential equation satisfied by  $A(t)$  under this new condition.

$$r_i = 5 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}} \quad C_i = 2 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$$

$$r_o = 10 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}}$$

The Volume

$$\begin{aligned} V(t) &= V(0) + r_i t - r_o t \\ &= 500 - 5t \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore C_o = \frac{A}{V} = \frac{A}{500-5t} \quad \frac{dA}{dt} = r_i C_i - r_o C_o$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} + 10 \frac{A}{500-5t} = 10 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{dA}{dt} + \frac{2}{100-t} A = 10}$$

# A Nonlinear Modeling Problem

A population  $P(t)$  of tilapia changes at a rate jointly proportional to the current population and the difference between the constant carrying capacity<sup>1</sup>  $M$  of the environment and the current population. Determine the differential equation satisfied by  $P$ .

rate of change of  $P$  is  $\frac{dP}{dt}$ . It's proportional to the product of  $P$  and  $M - P$ .

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP(M - P)$$

for some constant of proportionality  $k$ .

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<sup>1</sup>The carrying capacity is the maximum number of individuals that the environment can support due to limitation of space and resources.

# Logistic Differential Equation

The equation

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP(M - P), \quad k, M > 0$$

is called a **logistic growth equation**.

Solve this equation and show that for any  $P(0) \neq 0$ ,  $P \rightarrow M$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

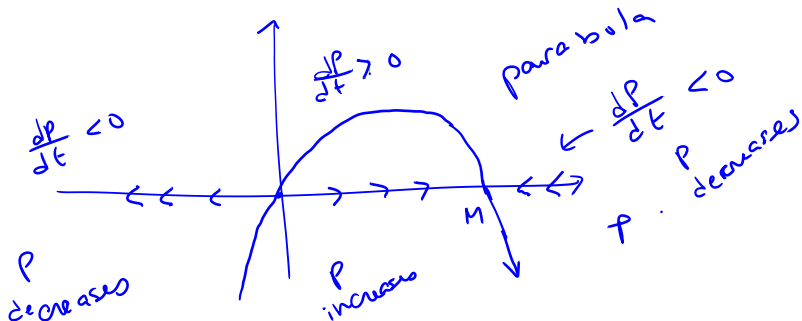
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kMP - kP^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dP}{dt} - kMP = -kP^2$$

It's Bernoulli: w/  $n=2$

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = k P (M - P)$$

$$k > 0, M > 0: \quad h(P) = P(M - P)$$



For any starting  $P \neq 0$ ,  $P$  tends toward  $M$ .