

Section 5: First Order Equations Models and Applications

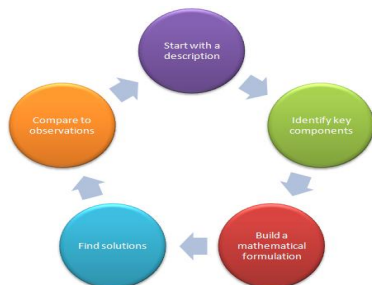


Figure: We've seen exponential growth/decay and simple linear circuits (RC or LR)

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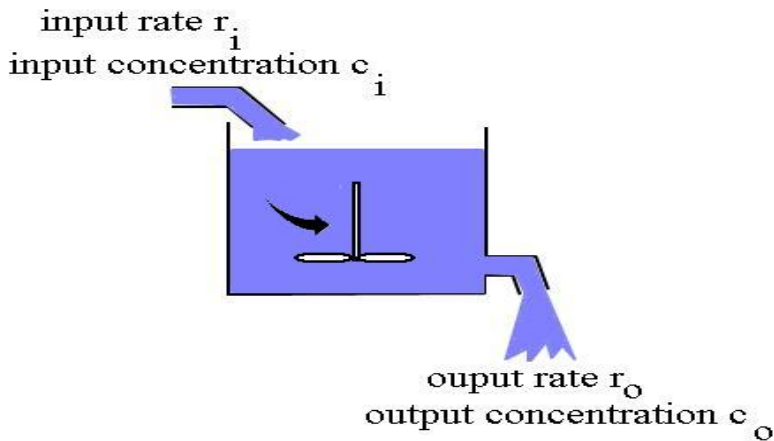


Figure: Spatially uniform composite fluids (e.g. salt & water, gas & ethanol) being mixed. Concentrations of substance change in time.

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

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

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

This equation is first order linear.

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

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + P(t)y = f(t)$$

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 in in/out flow:

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

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

$$V(t) = V(0) + (r_i - r_o) t = 500 + (5 - 5) t$$

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

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = r_i c_i - r_o c_o$$

$$= 5(2) - 5 \frac{A}{500}$$

pure water to start
↓

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

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

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

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

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

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

The general solution

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

Using the condition $A(0) = 0$

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

The amount of salt

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

After 5 minutes, the concentration in the tank is

$$\frac{A(s)}{V(s)} = \frac{1000 - 1000 e^{\frac{-1}{100}(s)} \text{ lb}}{500 \text{ gal}}$$

$$= 2 - 2 e^{\frac{-1}{20}} \approx 0.0975 \frac{\text{lb}}{\text{gal}}$$

$$r_i \neq r_o$$

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

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

$$r_o = 10 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{min}} \quad \text{Volume } V = 500 + 5t - 10t$$

$$= 500 - 5t$$

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

$$C_o = \frac{A}{V} = \frac{A}{500-5t}$$

$$\frac{dA}{dt} = 5(2) - 10 \frac{A}{500-5t}$$

 \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 capacity¹ M of the environment and the current population. Determine the differential equation satisfied by P .

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

Hence $\frac{dP}{dt} = k P (M - P)$ for some constant of proportionality k .

¹The 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 $t \rightarrow \infty$.

Separable $\frac{dP}{dt} = g(t)h(P)$ where

$$g(t) = k \quad \text{and} \quad h(P) = P(M - P)$$

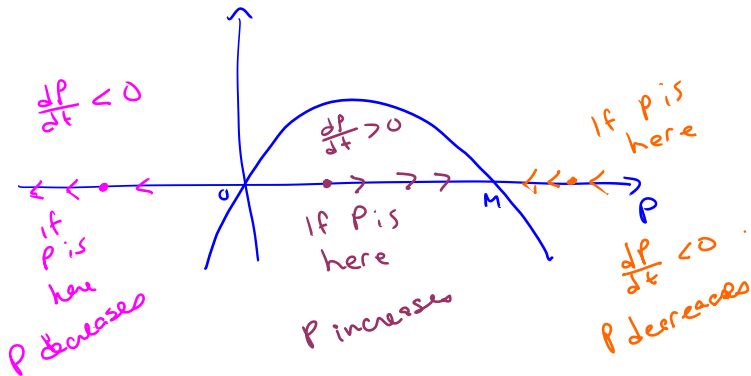
Note $\frac{dP}{dt} = kMP - kP^2$

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

Bernoulli
with $n = 2$.

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

let $h(P) = P(M - P)$ plot $\frac{dP}{dt}$



If P starts anywhere to the right of zero, it wants to tend to M .