

System of ODE's (Ordinary Differential Equations)

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx} = f_1(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, x)$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dx} = f_2(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, x)$$

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$$\frac{dy_n}{dx} = f_n(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n, x)$$

Definitions

y 's - dependent variables (e.g. temperature)

x - independent variable (e.g. time)

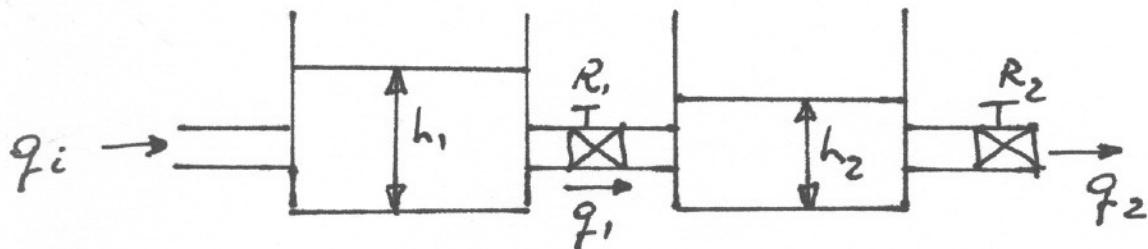
$$\dot{y}_i = \frac{dy_i}{dx}$$

ODE - only 1 independent variable

Solution \rightarrow vector $\bar{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1(x) \\ y_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ y_n(x) \end{bmatrix}$

Linearity \bar{y}_A and \bar{y}_B solutions $\Rightarrow \bar{y}_A + \bar{y}_B$ also solution

Motivation Example - 2-Tank Problem



For laminar flow across valves:

$$q_1 = \frac{\Delta P_1}{R_1} \quad q_2 = \frac{\Delta P_2}{R_2}$$

$R_{1,2}$ - hydraulic resistances

$$\Delta P_1 = P_a + \rho g h_1 - (P_a + \rho g h_2) = \rho g (h_1 - h_2)$$

$$\text{also } \Delta P_2 = \rho g (h_2 - 0) = \rho g h_2$$

Compute $h_1(t)$ and $h_2(t)$

for a given $q_i(t)$

$$\text{and } h_1(t=0) = h_{10} \quad h_2(t=0) = h_{20}$$

Cross-sectional areas A for both tanks

Mass Balances are needed !!

Accumulation = Input - Output + generation
 (- consumption)

Tank #1

Accumulation: for tank 1 $\frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{d(\rho Ah_1)}{dt}$

Input : q_i

Output : $q_1 = \frac{\rho g (h_1 - h_2)}{R_1}$

Generation / Consumption = 0 (no evaporation, nor condensation)

⇒ Mass Balance for Tank #1

$$\frac{d(\rho Ah_1)}{dt} = q_i - \frac{\rho g (h_1 - h_2)}{R_1}$$

if $\rho = \text{constant}$

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = \frac{q_i}{\rho A} - \frac{g(h_1 - h_2)}{AR_1}$$

In the same way for Tank #2

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{g(h_1 - h_2)}{AR_1} - \frac{gh_2}{AR_2}$$

Define $R'_1 = \frac{AR_1}{g}$ $R'_2 = \frac{AR_2}{g}$ $q'_i = \frac{q_i}{\rho A}$

The process is modelled by a system of 2 ODE's:

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = q_i' - \frac{(h_1 - h_2)}{R_1'}$$

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{(h_1 - h_2)}{R_1'} - \frac{h_2}{R_2'}$$

Notice that higher order equations can be always converted into 1st order:

e.g. $\frac{d^2y_1}{dx^2} = f(x, y_1, \frac{dy_1}{dx})$

Define $y_2 = \frac{dy_1}{dx} \Rightarrow \frac{dy_2}{dx} = \frac{d^2y_1}{dx^2} = f(x, y_1, y_2)$

Then, the 2nd order equation becomes a set of two 1st order equations:

$$\frac{dy_1}{dx} = y_2$$

$$\frac{dy_2}{dx} = f(x, y_1, y_2)$$

2 Methods of Solution:

1- Systematic Elimination

2- Matrix Algebra

1 - Systematic Elimination

Convert system of n 1st order ODE's into one n^{th} order ODE and solve.

For the 2-tank Problem

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = f_i' + \frac{h_2}{R_i'} - \frac{h_1}{R_i'} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{h_1}{R_i'} - h_2 \left(\frac{1}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \quad (2)$$

Take derivative of (2) \Rightarrow

$$\frac{d^2h_2}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{R_i'} \frac{dh_1}{dt} - \left(\frac{1}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \frac{dh_2}{dt} \quad (3)$$

Substitute (1) into (3)

$$\frac{d^2h_2}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{R_i'} \left(q_i' + \frac{h_2}{R_i'} - \frac{h_1}{R_i'} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \frac{dh_2}{dt} \quad (4)$$

To eliminate h_1 from (4), use equation (2):

$$h_1 = R_i' \frac{dh_2}{dt} + R_i' h_2 \left(\frac{1}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \quad (5)$$

Substitute (5) into (4)

$$\frac{d^2h_2}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{R_i'} \left[q_i' + \frac{h_2}{R_i'} - \frac{dh_2}{dt} - h_2 \left(\frac{1}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \right] - \left(\frac{1}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \frac{dh_2}{dt}$$

Or re-arranging

$$\frac{d^2h_2}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{2}{R_i'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \frac{dh_2}{dt} + \frac{h_2}{R_i' R_2'} = \frac{q_i'}{R_i'} \quad (6)$$

This is a 2nd order non-homogeneous ODE

Solve for $q_i' = f_0 = \text{const}$

$$h_1(t=0) = h_{10} \quad h_2(t=0) = h_{20}$$

Solve $\begin{cases} 1^{\text{st}} - \text{homogeneous problem} \\ 2^{\text{nd}} - \text{particular problem} \end{cases}$

General solution = homogeneous + particular

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Homogeneous Solution

$$\frac{d^2 h_2}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{2}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \frac{dh_2}{dt} + \frac{h_2}{R_1' R_2'} = 0 \quad (7)$$

Assume, $h_2 = A e^{at}$ → substitute into (7)

$$\cancel{A^2 e^{2at}} + \left(\frac{2}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \cancel{A t e^{at}} + \frac{\cancel{A e^{at}}}{R_1' R_2'} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + \left(\frac{2}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) a + \frac{1}{R_1' R_2'} = 0 \quad (8)$$

Roots of (8) $a_{1,2} = \frac{-\left(\frac{2}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'}\right) \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{R_1' R_2'}}}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{homogeneous Solution} \quad h_2 = A_1 e^{a_1 t} + A_2 e^{a_2 t}$$

Particular Solution

$$\frac{d^2 h_2}{dt^2} + \left(\frac{2}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \frac{dh_2}{dt} + \frac{h_2}{R_1' R_2'} = \frac{q_0}{R_1'} \quad (9)$$

Assume $h_2 = \alpha = \text{constant} \rightarrow \text{substitute into (9)}$

$$\frac{\alpha}{R_1' R_2'} = \frac{q_0}{R_1'} \Rightarrow \alpha = q_0 R_2'$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{General Solution} = h_2 = \underbrace{A_1 e^{a_1 t} + A_2 e^{a_2 t}}_{\text{homogeneous}} + \underbrace{\frac{q_0 R_2'}{R_1'}}_{\text{particular}} \quad (10)$$

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Review: 2nd order equations w/ constant coefficients

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + a \frac{dy}{dt} + by = f(t) \quad (1)$$

General Solution = Homogeneous Solution + Particular Solution

Homogeneous

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + a \frac{dy}{dt} + by = 0 \quad (2)$$

Assume $y_h = A e^{\lambda t}$ (3)

Substitute (3) into (2)

$$A e^{\lambda t} (\lambda^2 + a\lambda + b) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 + a\lambda + b = 0$$

3 cases (i) $\lambda_{1,2}$ real different

(ii) $\lambda_{1,2}$ complex conjugate ($\lambda = Re \pm Im j$)

(iii) $\lambda_{1,2}$ real and identical

For (i) $y_h = A_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + A_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}$

For (ii) $y_h = e^{Re t} (A_1 \cos Im t + A_2 \sin Im t)$

For (iii) $y_h = A_1 e^{\lambda t} + A_2 t e^{\lambda t}$ (2 independent solutions)

Particular Solution: Assume $y_p = \alpha f(t)$ substitute
and solve.

Solve for constants A_1 and A_2 from initial conditions \rightarrow

From (10) $h_2(t=0) = h_{20} = A_1 + A_2 + q_0 R_2' \quad (11)$

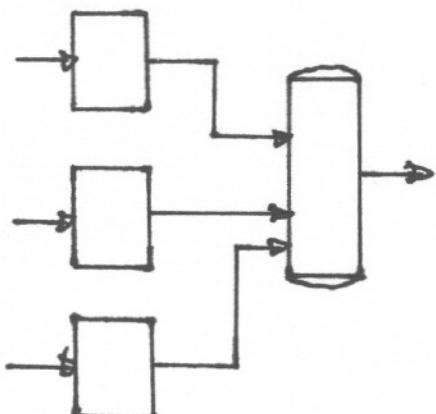
From (2) $\frac{dh_2}{dt}(t=0) = \frac{h_{10}}{R_1'} - h_{20} \left(\frac{1}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \quad (12)$

From (10) and (12) $A_1 d_1 + A_2 d_2 = \frac{h_{10}}{R_1'} - h_{20} \left(\frac{1}{R_1'} + \frac{1}{R_2'} \right) \quad (13)$

(11) and (13) \rightarrow solve for A_1 and A_2 .

Therefore, methodology of elimination is simple but extremely tedious!!

Also, chemical process will generally include a number of units in series or parallel:



elimination will be very difficult!!

Alternative : Matrix Solution

Also suitable for numerical analysis.