

3.2 Nonlinear Models

1. Logistic Equation: The number $N(t)$ of supermarkets throughout the country that use a computerized checkout system is described by the IVP

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = N(1 - 0.0005N)$$

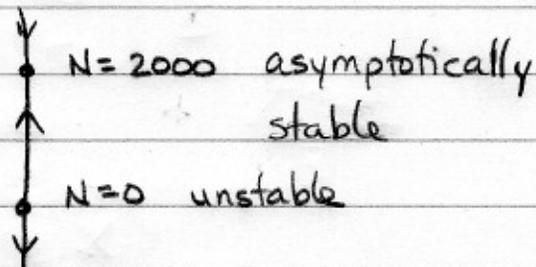
$$N(0) = 1$$

- a. Use the phase portrait concept to predict how many supermarkets are expected to adopt the new procedure over a long period of time. Sketch a solution curve.

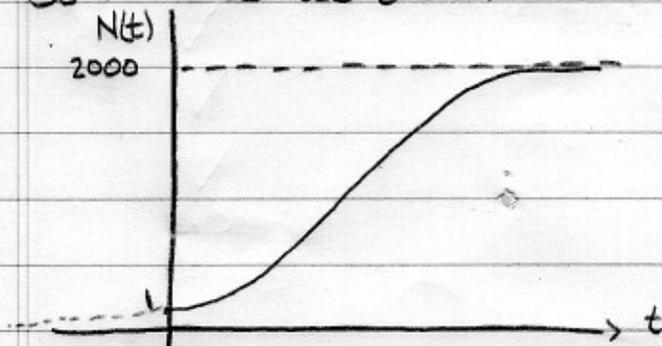
$$\frac{dN}{dt} = N(1 - 0.0005N) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N = 0, 2000$$

Interval	TV	+/-	↑/↓
$(-\infty, 0)$	-1	-	↓
$(0, 2000)$	1	+	↑
$(2000, \infty)$	2001	-	↓



So $N = 2000$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.



b. Solve the IVP. How many super markets are expected to adopt the new technology when $t=10$?

$$\int \frac{dN}{N(1-0.0005N)} = \int dt$$

Partial Fractions: $\frac{1}{N(1-0.0005N)} = \frac{A}{N} + \frac{B}{1-0.0005N}$

$$1 = A(1-0.0005N) + BN$$

$$N=0 \Rightarrow A=1$$

$$N=2000 \Rightarrow 1 = 2000B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{2000} = 0.0005$$

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{N} + \frac{0.0005}{1-0.0005N} \right) dN = \int dt$$

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{N} + \frac{1}{2000-N} \right) dN = \int dt$$

$$\ln|N| - \ln|2000-N| = t+c$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{N}{2000-N} \right| = t+c$$

$$\frac{N}{2000-N} = e^{t+c} = c_1 e^t$$

$$N = (2000-N)c_1 e^t = 2000c_1 e^t - Nc_1 e^t$$

$$N(1+c_1 e^t) = 2000c_1 e^t$$

$$N(t) = \frac{2000c_1 e^t}{1+c_1 e^t}$$

$$N(0) = 1 = \frac{2000 c_1}{1 + c_1}$$

$$1 + c_1 = 2000 c_1$$

$$1 = 1999 c_1$$

$$c_1 = \frac{1}{1999}$$

$$\text{So } N(t) = \frac{2000 e^t}{1999} = \frac{1.0005 e^t}{1 + 0.0005 e^t} = \frac{1.0005}{0.0005 + e^{-t}}$$

$$1 + \frac{1}{1999} e^t$$

$$\text{Then } N(10) = \frac{1.0005}{0.0005 + e^{-10}} = 1834$$

2. Chemical Reactions: Two chemicals A and B are combined to form a chemical C. The rate of the reaction is proportional to the product of instantaneous amounts of A and B not converted to C. Initially, there are 30 grams of A and B each, and for every 2 grams of B, 3 grams of A is used. It is observed after 10 minutes that 5 grams of C is formed. How much is formed in 20 minutes? What is the limiting amount of C after a long time? How much of A and B remain after a long time?

Let $X(t)$ = the amount of C at time t .

$$\text{Then } \frac{dX}{dt} = K \left(\frac{a - M X}{M+N} \right) \left(\frac{b - N X}{M+N} \right) \quad \text{where } \begin{aligned} a &= b = 30 \\ M &= 3 \\ N &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = K \left(30 - \frac{3}{5}x \right) \left(30 - \frac{2}{5}x \right)$$

$$= K_1 (50 - x)(75 - x) \quad \text{where } K_1 = \frac{6}{25}K$$

We also have the boundary conditions

$$\begin{cases} X(0) = 0 \\ X(10) = 5 \end{cases}$$

Note: This is a 1st order, nonlinear, separable, autonomous equation.

To find the limiting amount of C, we can use the fact that this is an autonomous equation.

$$\frac{dX}{dt} = K_1 (50 - x)(75 - x) = 0$$

Critical points: $x = 50, 75$

Int	TV	+/-	↑/↓
$(-\infty, 50)$	0	+	↑
$(50, 75)$	60	-	↓
$(75, \infty)$	100	+	↑

Phase
line

↑ $x = 75$ unstable
↓
↑ $x = 50$ asymptotically stable

So the limiting amount of C is 50 grams

To find how much of A and B we have remaining, we take

$$A: 30 - \frac{3}{5}(50) = 0 \text{ grams of A}$$

$$B: 30 - \frac{2}{5}(50) = 10 \text{ grams of B.}$$

To find how much of C we have after 20 mins, we must first solve for $X(t)$ by separation of variables.

$$\int \frac{dx}{(50-x)(75-x)} = k_1 \int dt$$

Now by partial fractions,

$$\frac{1}{(50-x)(75-x)} = \frac{A}{50-x} + \frac{B}{75-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = A(75-x) + B(50-x)$$

$$x=50, \quad 1 = 25A$$

$$\text{So } A = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$x=75, \quad 1 = -25B$$

$$\text{So } B = -\frac{1}{25}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{1}{25} \int \left(\frac{1}{50-x} - \frac{1}{75-x} \right) dx = k_1 \int dt$$

$$\frac{1}{25} \left[-\ln|50-x| - (-1)\ln|75-x| \right] = k_1 t + c$$

$$\ln|75-x| - \ln|50-x| = k_2 t + c_1$$

$$k_2 = 25k_1, \quad c_1 = 25c_2$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{75-x}{50-x} \right| = k_2 t + c_1$$

$$\frac{75-x}{50-x} = e^{k_2 t + c_1} = e^{k_2 t} e^{c_1} = c_2 e^{k_2 t}$$

$$75-x = (50-x)c_2 e^{k_2 t} = 50c_2 e^{k_2 t} - xc_2 e^{k_2 t}$$

$$c_2 x e^{k_2 t} - x = 50 c_2 e^{k_2 t} - 75$$

$$x(c_2 e^{k_2 t} - 1) = 50 c_2 e^{k_2 t} - 75$$

$$\text{So } x(t) = \frac{50 c_2 e^{k_2 t} - 75}{c_2 e^{k_2 t} - 1}$$

$$x(0) = 0 = \frac{50 c_2 - 75}{c_2 - 1}$$

$$50 c_2 = 75$$

$$\Rightarrow c_2 = \frac{3}{2}$$

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$$\text{Now } x(t) = \frac{50(\frac{3}{2}) e^{k_2 t} - 75}{(\frac{3}{2}) e^{k_2 t} - 1} = \frac{75 e^{k_2 t} - 75}{\frac{3}{2} e^{k_2 t} - 1} = \frac{150(e^{k_2 t} - 1)}{3e^{k_2 t} - 2}$$

$$x(10) = 5 = \frac{150(e^{10k_2} - 1)}{3e^{10k_2} - 2}$$

$$5(3e^{10k_2} - 2) = 150e^{10k_2} - 150$$

$$150e^{10k_2} - 15e^{10k_2} = 150 - 10 = 140$$

$$135e^{10k_2} = 140$$

$$k_2 = \frac{1}{10} \ln\left(\frac{140}{135}\right) = \frac{1}{10} \ln\left(\frac{28}{27}\right) \approx 0.003637$$

$$\text{So } x(t) = \frac{150(e^{0.003637t} - 1)}{3e^{0.003637t} - 2}$$

$$\text{Now } x(20) = \frac{150(e^{0.003637(20)} - 1)}{3e^{0.003637(20)} - 2} \approx 11.19 \text{ grams.}$$

Note: $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{150(e^{0.003637t} - 1)}{3e^{0.003637t} - 2} = \frac{\infty}{\infty}$, indeterminate

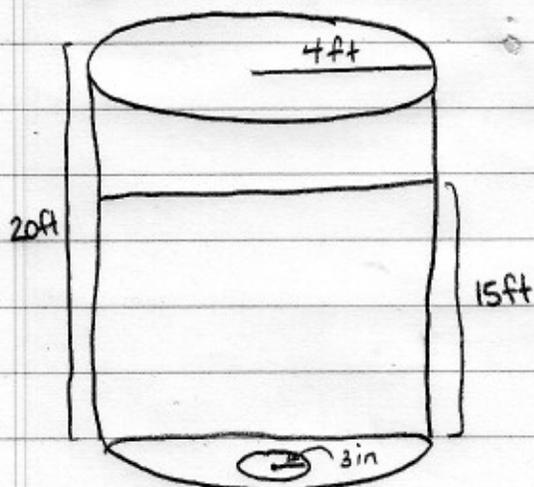
rewriting $x(t)$ as $x(t) = \frac{150(1 - e^{-0.003637t})}{3 - 2e^{-0.003637t}}$

we get $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = \frac{150}{3} = 50$, the same limiting value for C

we found before using our phase line.

3. Draining Tank: A tank in the form of a right circular cylinder standing on end is leaking water through a circular hole in the bottom. When friction and contraction of water at the hole are ignored, the height h of the water in the tank is described by
- $$\frac{dh}{dt} = -\frac{A_h}{A_w} \sqrt{2gh}$$

where A_w and A_h are the cross-sectional areas of the water and the hole, respectively. Now suppose that the tank is 20 feet high and has a radius of 4 feet with a circular hole of 3 inches. If the tank is initially three quarters full, how long will it take to empty? Assume $g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$.



$$A_w = \pi r^2 = \pi(4)^2 = 16\pi$$

$$A_h = \pi r^2 = \pi \left(\frac{3}{12}\right)^2 = \frac{\pi}{16}$$

$$h(0) = \frac{3}{4}(20) = 15.$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{-\pi \sqrt{2(32)h}}{16} = \frac{-\pi (8\sqrt{h})}{16(16\pi)} = -\frac{1}{32} \sqrt{h}$$

$$h(0) = 15.$$

Note: This is a 1st order, nonlinear, separable, autonomous equation.

Separating the equation gives

$$\int \frac{dh}{\sqrt{h}} = -\int \frac{1}{32} dt$$

$$2\sqrt{h} = -\frac{t}{32} + c$$

$$\sqrt{h} = \frac{-t}{64} + c_1, \quad \text{where } c_1 = \frac{1}{2}c$$

$$\text{So } h(t) = \left(\frac{-t}{64} + c_1 \right)^2$$

$$\text{Now } h(0) = (0 + c_1)^2 = 15$$

$$\Rightarrow c_1 = \sqrt{15}$$

$$\text{Then } h(t) = \left(\frac{-t}{64} + \sqrt{15} \right)^2$$

Let t_0 be the time the tank is completely empty.

$$h(t_0) = \left(\frac{-t_0}{64} + \sqrt{15} \right)^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t_0 = 64\sqrt{15} \approx 247.871 \text{ s}$$

$$\approx 4.13 \text{ min.}$$