

Lecture 8 (Math 345)

Differential Equation Models

derivative: rate of change of a quantity $u(t) = \frac{du(t)}{dt}$

$u(t)$ = a function of time (population, frequency, etc.)

differential equation: a relation involving $\frac{du}{dt}$ and u and maybe other things.

① Growth of bacteria

$N(t)$ = number of bacteria at time t .

Assumption one bacteria divides, \Rightarrow k new bacteria in a ^{unit} time ~~of~~

$$N(t+\Delta t) \approx N(t) + kN(t)\Delta t$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{N(t+\Delta t) - N(t)}{\Delta t} = kN(t)$$

$$\lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{N(t+\Delta t) - N(t)}{\Delta t} = \frac{dN}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = kN \quad (\text{Malthus equation}) \quad \underline{\text{Malthus, 1798}}$$

\uparrow growth rate \uparrow population

k = rate of production per unit time.
= growth rate per capita

Solving the equation (Separation of Variables)

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = kN \Rightarrow \frac{dN}{N} = k dt \xrightarrow{\text{integrate}} \int \frac{dN}{N} = \int k dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln N = kt + C \Rightarrow N = e^{kt+C} = e^{kt} \cdot e^C = Ce^{kt}$$

Let $t=0$ $N(0) = Ce^{k \cdot 0} = C \Rightarrow C = N(0)$

$$\Rightarrow N(t) = N(0)e^{kt} \quad (\text{exponential growth})$$

Compare: ~~$N_{n+1} = kN_n$~~ $\Rightarrow N_n = N_0 \cdot k^n$

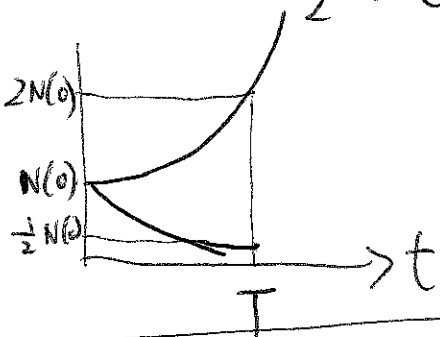
Exponential Decay $\frac{dN}{dt} = -kN \Rightarrow N(t) = N(0)e^{-kt} \quad (k > 0)$

doubling time for exponential growth: $N(T) = 2N(0)$

$$2 = e^{kT} \Rightarrow \ln 2 = kT \Rightarrow T = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$$

Half life for exponential decay: $N(T) = \frac{1}{2}N(0)$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-kT} \Rightarrow \ln \frac{1}{2} = -kT \Rightarrow T = \frac{\ln 2}{k}$$



- (2) growth depends on the resource, and resource is limited
 $N(t)$ = number of bacteria, $C(t)$ = amount of nutrient (resource)
 reproduction rate $K = k(C) = \text{a}C$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = k(c)N = aCN$$

$$\frac{dC}{dt} = -\alpha \frac{dN}{dt} = -\alpha aCN$$

(if α units of nutrient are consumed to produce 1 unit population)

This is a system of equations! $N(0) = N_0$, $C(0) = C_0$

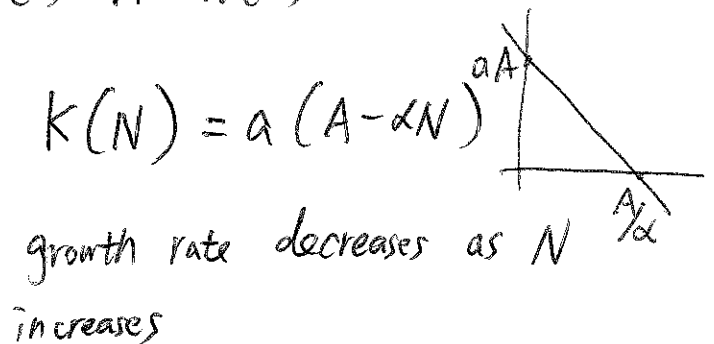
$$\frac{dC}{dt} = -\alpha \frac{dN}{dt} \Rightarrow C(t) = -\alpha N(t) + A$$

$$C(0) = -\alpha N(0) + A \Rightarrow A = C_0 + \alpha N_0$$

$$\Rightarrow C(t) = -\alpha N(t) + C_0 + \alpha N_0 \quad (\text{or } C(t) + \alpha N(t) = C_0 + \alpha N_0)$$

$$\text{Let } C_0 + \alpha N_0 = A. \quad C(t) = A - \alpha N(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dt} = \underbrace{a(A - \alpha N)}_{\text{growth rate per capita}} N$$



Simplifying equation \rightarrow dimension analysis

Each quantity has a dimension (physical dimension not spatial one)

see Notes

variable	dimension	parameter	dimension
N	number (N)	a	$1/(M \cdot T)$
t	time (T)	A	M
C	mass (M)	α	M/P

Basic Laws for dimensions in an equation

① If $A = B$, then $\dim(A) = \dim(B)$

② If $A \pm B$, then $\dim(A) = \dim(B)$.

③ $\dim(A \cdot B) = \dim A + \dim B$, $\dim\left(\frac{A}{B}\right) = \frac{\dim A}{\dim B}$

$$C(t) = C_0 \Rightarrow \dim(C) = \dim(C_0) = M$$

$$A = C_0 + \alpha N_0 \Rightarrow \dim(A) = \dim(C_0 + \alpha N_0) = \dim(C_0) = M$$

$$A = \alpha N \Rightarrow \dim(A) = \dim(\alpha \cdot N) = \dim \alpha + \dim N$$

$$\Rightarrow M = \dim \alpha + P \Rightarrow \dim \alpha = \frac{M}{P}$$

$$\dim\left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right) = \frac{P}{T} = \dim(a(A - \alpha N) \cdot N) = \dim(a) + M + P$$

$$\Rightarrow \dim a = \frac{1}{M \cdot T}$$

Change the variables $N^* = C_1 \cdot N$, $t^* = C_2 \cdot t$

So that N^* , t^* are dimensionless ($\dim N^* = 1$, $\dim t^* = 1$)

C_1, C_2 are combinations of a, A, α

$$t^* = a A t \quad \left(\dim t^* = \dim a + \dim A + \dim t \right. \\ \left. = \frac{1}{M \cdot T} \cdot M \cdot T = 1 \right)$$

$$N^* = \frac{\alpha}{A} \cdot N \quad \left(\dim N^* = \frac{\dim \alpha}{\dim A} + \dim N = \frac{M/P}{M} + P = 1 \right)$$

$$\frac{dN^*}{dt^*} = \frac{A}{\alpha} \quad \frac{dt^*}{dt} = a A$$

Chain rule : $(f(g(t)))' = f'(g(t)) \cdot g'(t)$

$$\frac{df}{dg} \frac{dg}{dt} = \frac{df}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = a(A - \alpha N)N \Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dt} = \frac{dN}{dN^*} \frac{dN^*}{dt^*} \cdot \frac{dt^*}{dt}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{A}{\alpha}} \frac{dN^*}{dt^*} \cdot \triangle aA$$

$$= \triangle a \left(A - \alpha \frac{A}{\alpha} N^* \right) \cdot \boxed{\frac{A}{\alpha}} N^*$$

$$\Rightarrow A \frac{dN^*}{dt^*} = (A - AN^*) N^* = \triangle (1 - N^*) N^*$$

We can drop * $\Rightarrow \frac{dN}{dt} = \triangle (1 - N)N$ (dimensionless equation)

Before : 3 parameters (a, A, α) After: 0 parameter ~~(A)~~

This process is called nondimensionalization

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

$$\text{Solve: } \frac{dN}{(1-N)N} = dt \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{1-N} + \frac{1}{N} \right) dN = dt$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln \frac{N}{1-N} = t + C \Rightarrow \frac{N}{1-N} = Ce^t$$

$$\Rightarrow N = (1-N)Ce^t = Ce^t - CNe^t \Rightarrow N + Ce^t N = Ce^t$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{Ce^t}{1 + Ce^t} \Rightarrow N(0) = \frac{C}{1+C} \Rightarrow C = N(0) + N(0)C$$

$$\Rightarrow C = \frac{N(0)}{1-N(0)} \Rightarrow N(t) = \frac{\frac{N(0)}{1-N(0)} e^t}{1 + \frac{N(0)}{1-N(0)} e^t} = \frac{N(0)e^t}{1 - N(0) + N(0)e^t} = \frac{N(0)}{(1-N(0))e^{-t} + N(0)}$$

Solution of $N' = (1-N)N \Rightarrow$

$$N(t) = \frac{N(0)}{(1-N(0))e^{-t} + N(0)} \Rightarrow N^*(t) = \frac{N^*(0)}{(1-N^*(0))e^{-t^*} + N^*(0)}$$

Back to $\frac{dN}{dt} = a(A - \alpha N)N$

$$\frac{\alpha}{A} \cdot N(t) = \frac{\frac{\alpha}{A} N(0)}{\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{A} N(0)\right) e^{-aAt} + \frac{\alpha}{A} N(0)}$$

$$N(t) = \frac{N(0)}{\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{A} N(0)\right) e^{-aAt} + \frac{\alpha}{A} N(0)}$$

Qualitative Analysis

$$N' = (1-N)N$$

Steady state $N(t) = N_1$ (constant solution)

$$N'(t) = 0 \quad (1-N)N = 0 \Rightarrow N = 0 \text{ or } N = 1$$

Stability? linear equation $N' = kN$ ($k > 0$ exponential growth)
 $k < 0$ ——— decay

$$N' = f(N) \approx f(N_1) + f'(N_1)(N - N_1) \quad \text{⊗}$$

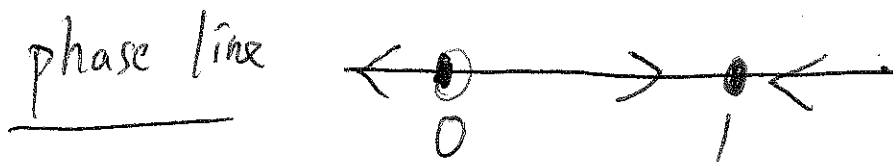
$$\tilde{N} = N - N_1 \quad \tilde{N}' = f'(N_1) \tilde{N}$$

So $f'(N_1) > 0 \Rightarrow$ unstable

$f'(N_1) < 0 \Rightarrow$ stable,

$$f(N) = (1-N)N = N - N^2 \quad f'(N) = 1 - 2N$$

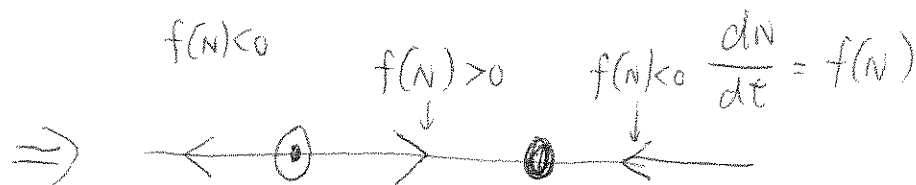
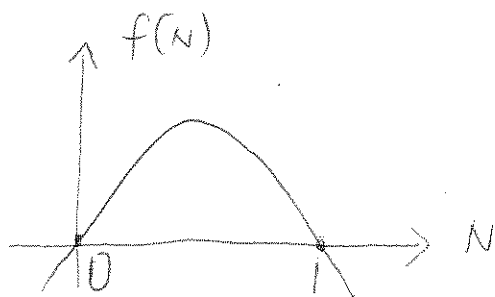
$$f'(0) = 1 > 0 \text{ (unstable)} \quad f'(1) = -1 < 0 \text{ (stable)}$$



In a phase line, a dot represents an equilibrium (steady state)



increases or decreases \rightarrow increase \leftarrow decrease



Conclusions for logistic model $N' = (1-N)N$

$$f'(0) > 0$$

$$f'(1) < 0$$

① Solution:
$$N(t) = \frac{N(0)}{(1-N(0))e^{-t} + N(0)}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} N(t) = 1 \quad \text{if } N(0) > 0$$

② Two equilibria: $N=0$ is unstable
 $N=1$ is stable

③ biological meaning: population tends to a limit (equilibrium) $N=1$
(called carrying capacity)

④ In original model, carrying capacity $N = \frac{A}{\alpha}$