

## Integrating Factors

### Objectives:

- 1. the method of integrating factors

### Recall

- Product Rule of Derivatives

Suppose we have a product of functions  $u(t)y(t)$ .

$$\rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} u(t)y(t) = [uy]' \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(u(t)y(t)) = u(t)\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{du}{dt}y(t)$$
$$[uy]' = uy' + u'y$$

Example: •  $\sin(t)y(t) \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt}(\sin(t)y(t)) = \sin(t)\frac{dy}{dt} + \cos(t)y(t)$

• In reverse:  $t^2\frac{dy}{dt} + 2t y(t) \rightarrow$  we know that  $\frac{d}{dt}t^2 = 2t$

$$\text{Let } u(t) = t^2 \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dt} = 2t.$$

$$\text{So, } u(t)\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{du}{dt}y(t) = \frac{d}{dt}(u(t)y(t))$$

### The method of Integrating Factors (IF)

Suppose we have an ODE in 1st-order linear form,

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + py = q \quad \rightarrow \text{1st-order linear form}$$

where  $p$  and  $q$  are continuous functions of  $t$ .

General Solution using IF:  $\frac{dy}{dt} + py = q$

• Set IF to  $u = e^{\int p dt}$ .

• multiply each side by  $u$  in ODE:

$$u \frac{dy}{dt} + upy = uq$$

• Let  $\frac{du}{dt} = up$ . Then, apply "reverse product" rule:

$$u \frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{du}{dt}y = uq$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(uy) = uq$$

• Integrate both sides with respect to  $t$ :

$$\int \frac{d}{dt}(uy) dt = \int uq dt$$

- Integrate both sides with respect to  $t$ :

$$\int \frac{d}{dt}(uy) dt = \int ug dt$$

$$uy = \int ug dt$$

- Solve for  $y$ :

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{u} \int ug dt$$

Example:

- Find the general solution of following ODE,

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{3y}{t} = \frac{e^t}{t^3}$$

→ Form:  $\frac{dy}{dt} + py = q$

$$p = \frac{3}{t} \quad q = \frac{e^t}{t^3}$$

→ Find IF: Let  $u = e^{\int p dt}$

$$u = e^{\int \frac{3}{t} dt} \rightarrow \int \frac{3}{t} dt = 3 \ln(t)$$

$$u = e^{3 \ln(t)}$$

$$u = t^3$$

→ Multiply u to ODE:  $t^3 \frac{dy}{dt} + t^3 \frac{3}{t} y = t^3 \frac{e^t}{t^3}$

$$t^3 \frac{dy}{dt} + 3t^2 y = e^t$$

→ Integrate both sides:  $\int (t^3 \frac{dy}{dt} + 3t^2 y) dt = \int e^t dt$

"reverse product" rule

$$\int \frac{d}{dt}(t^3 y) dt = \int e^t dt$$

$$t^3 y = e^t + C$$

$$y(t) = \frac{1}{t^3} (e^t + C) \rightarrow \text{general solution}$$

→ Verify:  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{t^3} (e^t) - \frac{3}{t^4} (e^t + C)$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{e^t}{t^3} - \frac{3e^t}{t^4} - \frac{3C}{t^4}$$



$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{3y}{t} = \frac{e^t}{t^3}$$

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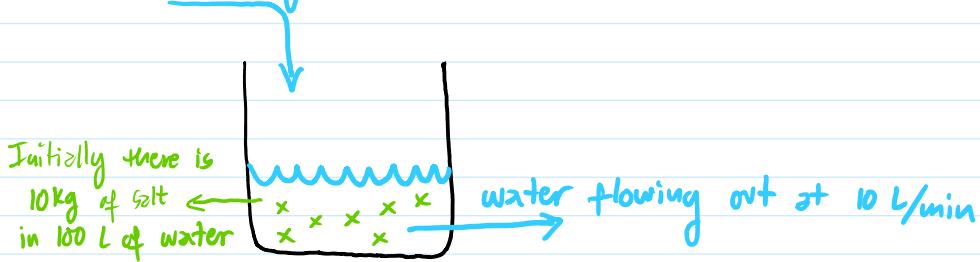
$$\frac{e^t}{t^3} - \frac{3e^t}{t^4} - \frac{3}{t^4} + \frac{3e^t}{t^4} + \frac{3}{t^4} = \frac{e^t}{t^3}$$

$$\frac{e^t}{t^3} = \frac{e^t}{t^3}$$

$$1=1 \quad \checkmark$$

## Mixing Problem

(A) water flowing into tank at 10 L/min



Basic Assumptions: 1. The water and salt are well mixed.

Main Question: How much salt will there be in the tank in 30 minutes?

\* Model the rate of change of the salt content in the water. \*

→ Let  $S(t)$  be concentration of salt in the tank at time  $t$  in minutes,  $S \geq 0$ .  
 → Let  $\frac{dS}{dt}$  be the rate of change.

Main idea: rate of change = rate of flow in - rate of flow out

We need to account for the concentration of salt in the water

- Water: \* rate of flow in (water) = 10 L/min. → Since in "out" are equal, then the water inside the tank remains constant of 100 L.  
 \* rate of flow out (water) = 10 L/min.

- Salt: \* concentration of Salt =  $\frac{S}{100}$  Kg/L  
 ↗ amount of salt  
 ↙ amount of water

\* concentration of salt = 0 → because no salt is added  
 rate of flow in

$$* \text{concentration of salt} = \left( \frac{S}{100} \right) \left( \frac{10}{\text{min}} \right) = \frac{S}{10} \frac{\text{Kg}}{\text{min}}$$

- ODE model:  $\frac{dS}{dt} = 0 - \frac{S}{10}$ ,  $S(0) = \frac{10}{100} \frac{\text{Kg}}{\text{L}} = \frac{1}{10} \frac{\text{Kg}}{\text{L}}$  → initial condition

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \text{rate flow in} - \text{rate flow out}$$

Rate of change  
of salt concentration

Rewrite:  $\frac{ds}{dt} = -\frac{s}{10}$  → 1st-order linear autonomous homogeneous

\* We can use separation of variables to solve the ODE \*

$$\rightarrow \frac{ds}{s} = -\frac{1}{10} dt$$

$$\int \frac{ds}{s} = -\int \frac{1}{10} dt$$

$$e^{\ln(s)} = e^{-\frac{t}{10} + C}$$

$$s = e^{-t/10 + C}$$

$$s = e^{-t/10} e^C \rightarrow C$$

$$s(t) = C e^{-t/10} \text{ kg/L} \rightarrow \text{general solution}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{since } s(0) = \frac{1}{10} \text{ kg/L}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = C_1 e^{-0/10}$$

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$s(t) = \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) e^{-t/10} \text{ kg/L} \rightarrow \text{particular solution}$$

$$* \text{at } t = 30 \text{ min, } s(30) = \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) e^{-30/10} \approx 0.00498 \text{ kg/L of salt}$$

(B)

water flowing into tank at 10 L/min

add salt  $\frac{1}{10}$  kg/min

} salt concentration

$$\frac{1}{10} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{min}} = \left(\frac{1 \text{ kg}}{10 \text{ min}}\right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ min}}{10 \text{ L}}\right) = \frac{1}{100} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{L}}$$

Initially there is

10 kg of salt  
in 100 L of water

water flowing out at 10 L/min

\* How much salt is in the tank in 30 min.? \*

Use same basic assumptions as (A).

\* modified ODE model \*

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{1}{100} - \frac{s}{10}, \quad s(0) = \frac{1}{10} \text{ kg/L} \rightarrow \text{initial condition}$$

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rate flow in      rate flow out

Rate of change  
of salt concentration

Rewrite:  $\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{1}{10} \left( \frac{1}{10} - s \right)$  → 1st-order linear autonomous homogeneous

\* Use separation of variables \*

$$\longrightarrow \frac{ds}{\left( \frac{1}{10} - s \right)} = \frac{1}{10} dt$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\left( \frac{1}{10} - s \right)} ds = \int \frac{1}{10} dt$$

$$-\ln\left(\frac{1}{10} - s\right) = \frac{t}{10} + C$$

$$e^{-\ln\left(\frac{1}{10} - s\right)} = e^{\frac{t}{10} + C} \rightarrow \text{absorb to } C$$

$$\frac{1}{10} - s = e^{-t/10 + C}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} - s = e^{-t/10} e^C \rightarrow \text{absorb to } C$$

$$-s = C e^{-t/10} - \frac{1}{10}$$

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{10} - C e^{-t/10} \text{ kg/L} \rightarrow \text{general solution}$$

→ Since  $s(0) = \frac{1}{10} \text{ kg/L}$ , then

$$s(0) = \frac{1}{10} - C e^{-0/10}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{1}{10} - C$$

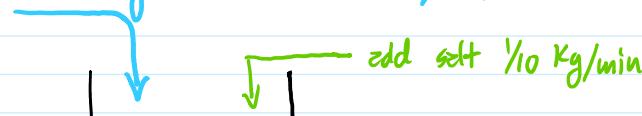
$$C = 0$$

$$s(t) = \frac{1}{10} \rightarrow \text{particular solution / equilibrium}$$

\* At  $t=30 \text{ min}$ ,  $s(30) = \frac{1}{10} \approx 0.10 \text{ kg/L}$  of salt

(c)

water flowing into tank at  $12 \text{ L/min}$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{salt concentration} \\ \frac{1}{10} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{min}} = \left( \frac{1}{10} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{min}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{12} \frac{\text{L}}{\text{min}} \right) = \frac{1}{120} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{L}} \end{array} \right\}$$

Initially there is  $10 \text{ kg}$  of salt in  $100 \text{ L}$  of water

→ the in flow is greater than the out flow, which means that the volume of water is not constant.

\* What is the amount of water at time  $t$ .

→ Initial conditions:  $S(0) = 1/10 \text{ kg/L}$  in a 100 L of water

$$V = V_0 + \underbrace{(V_{in} - V_{out})}_\text{initial volume} t + \underbrace{(V_{in} - V_{out})}_\text{Change in volume at time } t.$$

$$V(t) = V_0 + (V_{in} - V_{out})t$$

$$V(t) = 100 + 2t \rightarrow \text{amount of water at time } t.$$

\* modified ODE model \*

$$\rightarrow \text{concentration of salt: } \frac{S}{V} = \frac{S}{100+2t}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{dS}{dt} = \frac{1}{120} - \left( \frac{S}{100+2t} \right), S(0) = 1/10 \text{ kg/L} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{1st order linear homogeneous non-autonomous} \\ \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ \text{rate flow in} \quad \text{rate flow out} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{rate of change} \\ \text{salt concentration} \end{array}$$

\* How do we solve a non-separable linear ODE? \*

Use the Integrating Factors (IF) method.

$$\frac{dS}{dt} + \left( \frac{1}{100+2t} \right) S = \frac{1}{120} \rightarrow \text{1st-order linear form}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \underbrace{\frac{1}{100+2t}}_{P(t)} \quad \underbrace{\frac{1}{120}}_{Q(t)}$$

$$u(t) \frac{dS}{dt} + \underbrace{u(t)P(t)}_{\frac{du}{dt}} S = u(t) \frac{1}{120} \rightarrow \text{multiply each side by an arbitrary function } u(t).$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} \downarrow \quad \text{let } \frac{du}{dt} = u(t)P(t) \\ \frac{du}{dt} = u \left( \frac{1}{100+2t} \right) \rightarrow \text{this is an ode that can} \\ \text{be solved using sol} \\ \frac{du}{u} = \frac{dt}{100+2t} \\ \int \frac{du}{u} = \int \frac{dt}{100+2t} \\ \ln(u) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(100+2t) \\ u = \sqrt{100+2t} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\underbrace{\sqrt{100+2t} S^1 + \frac{\sqrt{100+2t}}{100+2t} S}_{\text{Apply "reverse product" rule}} = \frac{\sqrt{100+2t}}{120}$$

Apply "reverse product" rule

$$(\sqrt{100+2t} S)^1 = \frac{\sqrt{100+2t}}{120}$$

$$\int (\sqrt{100+2t} S)^1 dt = \int \frac{\sqrt{100+2t}}{120} dt$$

$$\sqrt{100+2t} S = \frac{(100+2t)^{3/2}}{360} + C$$

$$S(t) = \frac{100+2t}{360} + \frac{C}{\sqrt{100+2t}} \quad \rightarrow \text{general solution}$$

Since  $S(0) = \frac{1}{10} \text{ kg/L}$ , then

$$S(0) = \frac{100}{360} + \frac{C}{\sqrt{100}}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{100}{360} + \frac{C}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = \frac{5}{18} + \frac{C}{10}$$

$$C = -\frac{16}{9}$$

$$S(t) = \frac{100+2t}{360} - \frac{16}{9\sqrt{100+2t}} \quad \rightarrow \text{specific solution}$$

$$* @ t=30 \text{ min}, S(30) = \frac{100+2(30)}{360} + \frac{16}{9\sqrt{100+2(30)}} \approx 0.3039 \text{ kg/L of salt}$$