

# CHBE320 LECTURE IV MATHEMATICAL MODELING OF CHEMICAL PROCESS

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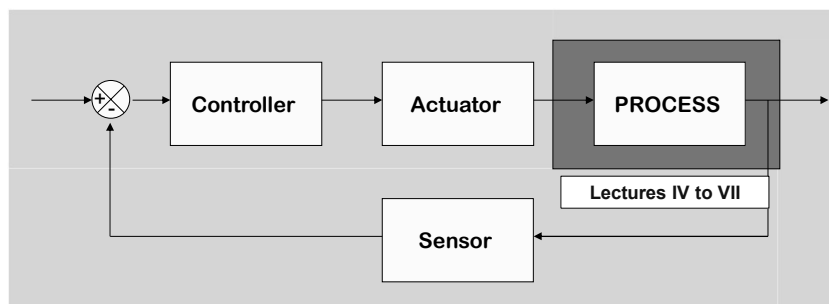
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## Road Map of the Lecture IV

- **Basics of Process Modeling**



- **Mathematical Modeling**
- **Steady-state model vs. Dynamic model**
- **Degree of freedom analysis**
- **Models of representative processes, etc.**

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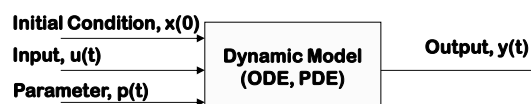
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## THE RATIONALE FOR MATHEMATICAL MODELING

- **Where to use**
  - To improve understanding of the process
  - To train plant operating personnel
  - To design the control strategy for a new process
  - To select the controller setting
  - To design the control law
  - To optimize process operating conditions
- **A Classification of Models**
  - Theoretical models (based on physicochemical law)
  - Empirical models (based on process data analysis)
  - Semi-empirical models (combined approach)

## DYNAMIC VERSUS STEADY-STATE MODEL

- **Dynamic model**
  - Describes time behavior of a process
    - Changes in input, disturbance, parameters, initial condition, etc.
  - Described by a set of differential equations  
: ordinary (ODE), partial (PDE), differential-algebraic(DAE)



- **Steady-state model**
  - Steady state: No further changes in all variables
  - No dependency in time: No transient behavior
  - Can be obtained by setting the time derivative term zero

## MODELING PRINCIPLES

- **Conservation law**
  - Within a defined system boundary (control volume)

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{rate of} \\ \text{accumulation} \end{array} \right] &= \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{rate of} \\ \text{input} \end{array} \right] - \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{rate of} \\ \text{output} \end{array} \right] \\ &+ \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{rate of} \\ \text{generation} \end{array} \right] - \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{rate of} \\ \text{disappearance} \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

- **Mass balance (overall, components)**
- **Energy balance**
- **Momentum or force balance**
- **Algebraic equations: relationships between variables and parameters**

## MODELING APPROACHES

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Theoretical Model</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Follow conservation laws</li><li>– Based on physicochemical laws</li><li>– Variables and parameters have physical meaning</li><li>– Difficult to develop</li><li>– Can become quite complex</li><li>– Extrapolation is valid unless the physicochemical laws are invalid</li><li>– Used for optimization and rigorous prediction of the process behavior</li></ul></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Empirical model</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Based on the operation data</li><li>– Parameters may not have physical meaning</li><li>– Easy to develop</li><li>– Usually quite simple</li><li>– Requires well designed experimental data</li><li>– The behavior is correct only around the experimental condition</li><li>– Extrapolation is usually invalid</li><li>– Used for control design and simplified prediction model</li></ul></li></ul> |
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## DEGREE OF FREEDOM (DOF) ANALYSIS

- **DOF**
  - Number of variables that can be specified independently
  - $N_F = N_V - N_E$ 
    - $N_F$  : Degree of freedom (no. of independent variables)
    - $N_V$  : Number of variables
    - $N_E$  : Number of equations (no. of dependent variables)
    - Assume no equation can be obtained by a combination of other equations
- **Solution depending on DOF**
  - If  $N_F = 0$ , the system is *exactly determined*. Unique solution exists.
  - If  $N_F > 0$ , the system is *underdetermined*. Infinitely many solutions exist.
  - If  $N_F < 0$ , the system is *overdetermined*. No solutions exist.

## LINEAR VERSUS NONLINEAR MODELS

- **Superposition principle**

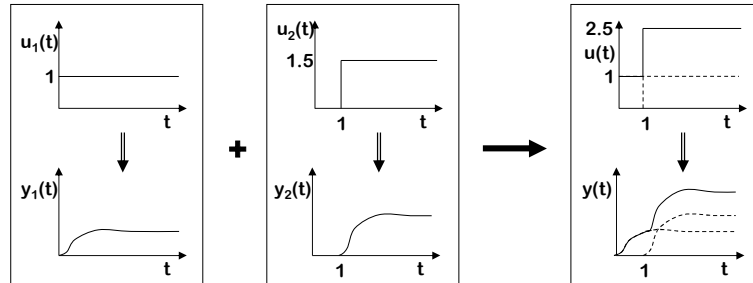
$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathfrak{R}$ , and for a linear operator,  $L$   
Then  $L(\alpha x_1(t) + \beta x_2(t)) = \alpha L(x_1(t)) + \beta L(x_2(t))$
- **Linear dynamic model: superposition principle holds**

$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathfrak{R}, u_1(t) \rightarrow y_1(t)$  and  $u_2(t) \rightarrow y_2(t)$   
 $\alpha u_1(t) + \beta u_2(t) \rightarrow \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$

$\forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathfrak{R}, x_1(0) \rightarrow y_1(t)$  and  $x_2(0) \rightarrow y_2(t)$   
 $\alpha x_1(0) + \beta x_2(0) \rightarrow \alpha y_1(t) + \beta y_2(t)$

  - Easy to solve and analytical solution exists.
  - Usually, locally valid around the operating condition
- **Nonlinear: “Not linear”**
  - Usually, hard to solve and analytical solution does not exist.

## ILLUSTRATION OF SUPERPOSITION PRINCIPLE



- **Valid only for linear process**
  - For example, if  $y(t)=u(t)^2$ ,  
 $(u_1(t)+1.5u_2(t))^2$  is not same as  $u_1(t)^2 + 1.5u_2(t)^2$ .

## TYPICAL LINEAR DYNAMIC MODEL

- **Linear ODE**

$$\tau \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -y(t) + Ku(t) \quad (\tau \text{ and } K \text{ are constant, 1st order})$$

$$\frac{d^n y(t)}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} y(t)}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_0 y(t)$$

$$= b_m \frac{d^m u(t)}{dt^m} + b_{m-1} \frac{d^{m-1} u(t)}{dt^{m-1}} + \dots + b_0 u(t) \quad (\text{nth order})$$

- **Nonlinear ODE**

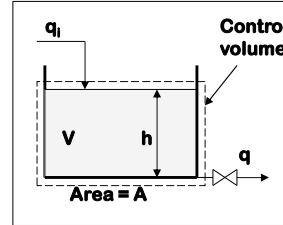
$$\tau \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -y(t)^2 + Ku(t) \qquad \tau \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -y(t) \sin(y) + Ku(t)$$

$$\tau \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -y(t) + K\sqrt{u(t)} \qquad \tau \frac{dy(t)}{dt} = -e^{-y(t)} + Ku(t)$$

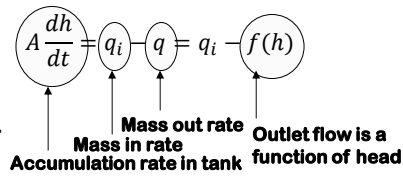
## MODELS OF REPRESENTATIVE PROCESSES

- **Liquid storage systems**

- System boundary: storage tank
- Mass in:  $q_i$  (vol. flow, indep. var)
- Mass out:  $q$  (vol. flow, dep. var)
- No generation or disappearance (no reaction or leakage)
- No energy balance



- DOF=2 ( $h, q_i$ ) - 1=1
- If  $f(h) = h/R_V$ , the ODE is linear. ( $R_V$  is the resistance to flow)
- If  $f(h) = C_V\sqrt{\rho gh/g_c}$ , the ODE is nonlinear. ( $C_V$  is the valve constant)



- **Continuous Stirred Tank Reactor (CSTR)**

- Liquid level is constant (No acc. in tank)
- Constant density, perfect mixing
- Reaction:  $A \rightarrow B$  ( $r = k_0 \exp(-E/RT)c_A$ )
- System boundary: CSTR tank
- Component mass balance

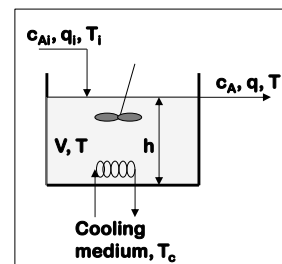
$$V \frac{dc_A}{dt} = q(c_{Ai} - c_A) - Vkc_A$$

- Energy balance

$$V\rho C_p \frac{dT}{dt} = q\rho C_p(T_i - T) + (-\Delta H)Vkc_A + UA(T_c - T)$$

- DOF analysis

- No. of variables: 6 ( $q, c_A, c_{Ai}, T_p, T, T_c$ )
- No. of equation: 2 (two dependent vars.:  $c_A, T$ )
- DOF=6 - 2 = 4
- Independent variables: 4 ( $q, c_{Ai}, T_p, T_c$ )
- Parameters: kinetic parameters,  $V, U, A$ , other physical properties
- Disturbances: any of  $q, c_{Ai}, T_p, T_c$ , which are not manipulatable



## STANDARD FORM OF MODELS

### From the previous example

$$\frac{dc_A}{dt} = \frac{q}{V}(c_{Ai} - c_A) - kc_A = f_1(c_A, T, q, c_{Ai})$$

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{q}{V}(T_i - T) + \frac{q}{\rho C_p}(-\Delta H)kc_A + \frac{UA}{\rho C_p}(T_c - T) = f_2(c_A, T, q, T_c, T_i)$$

- **State-space model**

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = d\mathbf{x}/dt = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{d})$$

$$\text{where } \mathbf{x} = [x_1, \dots, x_n]^T, \mathbf{u} = [u_1, \dots, u_m]^T, \mathbf{d} = [d_1, \dots, d_l]^T$$

- **x: states**,  $[c_A \ T]^T$
- **u: inputs**,  $[q \ T_c]^T$
- **d: disturbances**,  $[c_{Ai} \ T_i]^T$
- **y: outputs** – can be a function of above,  $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{d},\mathbf{u})$ ,  $[c_A \ T]^T$
- **If higher order derivatives exist, convert them to 1<sup>st</sup> order.**

## CONVERT TO 1<sup>ST</sup>-ORDER ODE

- **Higher order ODE**

$$\frac{d^n x(t)}{dt^n} + a_{n-1} \frac{d^{n-1} x(t)}{dt^{n-1}} + \dots + a_0 x(t) = b_0 u(t)$$

- **Define new states**

$$x_1 = x, x_2 = \dot{x}, x_3 = \ddot{x}, \dots, x_n = x^{(n-1)}$$

- **A set of 1<sup>st</sup>-order ODE's**

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = x_3$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\dot{x}_n = -a_{n-1}x_n - a_{n-2}x_{n-1} - \dots - a_0x_1 + b_0u$$

## SOLUTION OF MODELS

- **ODE (state-space model)**
  - Linear case: find the analytical solution via Laplace transform, or other methods.
  - Nonlinear case: analytical solution usually does not exist.
    - Use a numerical integration, such as *RK method*, by defining initial condition, time behavior of input/disturbance
    - Linearize around the operating condition and find the analytical solution
- **PDE**
  - Convert to ODE by discretization of spatial variables using *finite difference approximation* and etc.

$$\frac{\partial T_L}{\partial t} = -v \frac{\partial T_L}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{\tau_{HL}} (T_w - T_L) \longrightarrow \frac{dT_L(j)}{dt} = -\frac{v}{\Delta z} T_L(j-1) - \left( \frac{v}{\Delta z} + \frac{1}{\tau_{HL}} \right) T_L(j) + \frac{1}{\tau_{HL}} T_w \quad (j = 1, \dots, N)$$

$$\frac{\partial T_L}{\partial z} \approx \frac{T_L(j) - T_L(j-1)}{\Delta z}$$

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## LINEARIZATION

- **Equilibrium (Steady state)**
  - Set the derivatives as zero:  $0 = f(\bar{x}, \bar{u}, \bar{d})$
  - Overbar denotes the steady-state value and  $(\bar{x}, \bar{u}, \bar{d})$  is the equilibrium point. (could be multiple)
  - Solve them analytically or numerically using *Newton method*, etc.
- **Linearization around equilibrium point**

– Taylor series expansion to 1<sup>st</sup> order

$$f(x, u) = f(\bar{x}, \bar{u}) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{(\bar{x}, \bar{u})} (x - \bar{x}) + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{(\bar{x}, \bar{u})} (u - \bar{u}) + \dots$$

– Ignore higher order terms

– Define deviation variables:  $x' = x - \bar{x}$ ,  $u' = u - \bar{u}$

$$\dot{x}' = \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{(\bar{x}, \bar{u})} x' + \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{(\bar{x}, \bar{u})} u' = Ax' + Bu'$$

		Jacobian	
$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} =$	[	$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}$	...
		$\frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n}$	]
		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
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