

Homework 1 Solutions

1.1

$$m = cV = 8500 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3} \cdot 2.5 \text{ L} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ m}^3}{10^3 \text{ L}} = 21.25 \text{ g}$$

1.2

$$(a) \quad Q = 100,000 \text{ capita} (650 \text{ L} / \text{capita} / \text{d}) \frac{1 \text{ m}^3}{10^3 \text{ L}} \frac{\text{d}}{86400 \text{ s}} = 0.7523 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{s}}$$

$$W = 100,000 \text{ capita} (135 \text{ grams} / \text{capita} / \text{d}) \cdot \frac{365 \text{ d}}{\text{yr}} \cdot \frac{\text{kg}}{10^3 \text{ g}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ mta}}{10^3 \text{ kg}} = 4927.5 \text{ mta}$$

$$(b) \quad c = \frac{W}{Q} = \frac{135 \text{ g} / \text{capita} / \text{d}}{650 \text{ L} / \text{capita} / \text{d}} \cdot \frac{10^3 \text{ L}}{1 \text{ m}^3} = 207.7 \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{L}}$$

1.4

$$(a) \quad a = \frac{W}{c} = \frac{6,950 \text{ mta}}{8 \text{ mg} / \text{m}^3} \cdot \frac{10^9 \text{ mg}}{\text{tonne}} \cdot \frac{\text{km}^3}{10^9 \text{ m}^3} = 868.75 \frac{\text{km}^3}{\text{yr}}$$

$$(b) \quad W = ac = 868.75 \frac{\text{mta}}{\mu\text{g} / \text{L}} \cdot 5 \mu\text{g} / \text{L} = 4343.75 \text{ mta}$$

$$(c) \quad \% \text{ reduction} = \frac{6,950 - 4,343.75}{6,950} \cdot 100\% = 37.5\%$$

1.7 For the present case, the following balance must hold

$$Q_A(0.5 \text{ g/L}) + Q_B(0.05 \text{ g/L}) = 4 \text{ cms}(0.1 \text{ g/L})$$

Because this equation has two unknowns, another equation is required. This additional formulation arises from the fact that

$$Q_A + Q_B = 4 \text{ cms}$$

This equation can be solved for Q_B and the result substituted into the first equation to give

$$Q_A(0.5 \text{ g/L}) + (4 - Q_A)(0.05 \text{ g/L}) = 4 \text{ cms}(0.1 \text{ g/L})$$

which can be solved for

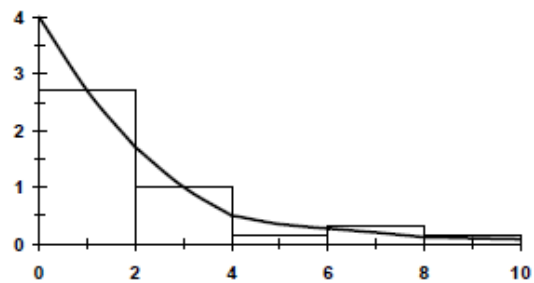
$$Q_A = \frac{0.2}{0.45} = 0.444 \text{ cms}$$

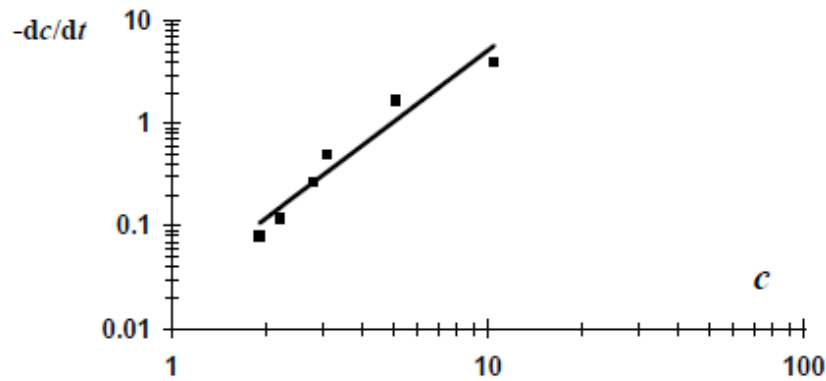
and

$$Q_B = 4 - 0.444 = 3.556 \text{ cms}$$

2.1 Applying equal-area differentiation

t (d)	c (mg/L)	$-\frac{\Delta c}{\Delta t}$ (mg L ⁻¹ d ⁻¹)	$-\frac{dc}{dt}$
0	10.5		4
2	5.1	2.7	1.7
4	3.1	1	0.5
6	2.8	0.15	0.27
8	2.2	0.3	0.12
10	1.9	0.15	0.8





Linear regression yields a least-squares fit of

$$\log\left(-\frac{dc}{dt}\right) = -1.6213 + 2.333 \log c$$

Therefore according to the differential approach, the parameters are estimated as $n = 2.333$ and $k = 0.0239$.

On the basis of this result, we can try the integral method with $n = 2$. A fit of the plot of $1/c$ versus t yields a best-fit line of

$$\frac{1}{c} = 0.1135 + 0.04236t$$

Therefore, this fit yields $k = 0.04236$.

Finally, a nonlinear regression can be used to directly fit the model (see Lec. 8 problems for additional details on how this is done). The result is

$$\frac{dc}{dt} = -0.0326c^{2.23}$$

The results can be summarized as

	integral	integral/least-squares	differential
order	2	2.23	2.333
rate	0.04236	0.0326	0.0239

Thus, the integral/least-squares method falls between the integral and differential results.

2.5

$$\theta = Q_{10}^{0.1} = 1.9^{0.1} = 1.066$$

$$k_{30} = 1.6(1.066)^{30-20} = 3.04 \text{ d}^{-1}$$

$$3.4 \text{ (a)} \quad Q = \frac{V}{\tau_w} = \frac{1000000}{0.75} = 1,333,333 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{yr}} \quad c_{in} = \frac{W}{Q} = \frac{1 \times 10^7}{1.33 \times 10^6} = 7.5 \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \beta = \frac{c}{c_{in}} = \frac{0.8}{7.5} = 0.10667$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad J_v = \frac{W - Qc}{A_s} = \frac{1 \times 10^7 - 1.333 \times 10^6(0.8)}{1 \times 10^5} = 89.33 \frac{\text{mg}}{\text{m}^2 \text{yr}}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad v_v = \frac{J_v}{c} = \frac{89.33}{0.75} = 111.667 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{yr}} = 0.305 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{d}}$$

4.5 The lake's eigenvalue can be computed as

$$\lambda = \frac{Q}{V} + \frac{v}{H} = \frac{5 \times 10^5}{4 \times 10^7} + \frac{8}{8} = \frac{1.0125}{\text{yr}}$$

The solution for the step loading is

$$c = \frac{W}{\lambda V} (1 - e^{-\lambda t}) = \frac{5 \times 10^8}{1.0125(4 \times 10^7)} (1 - e^{-1.0125(t-1994)}) = 12.346(1 - e^{-1.0125(t-1994)})$$

This equation can be used to compute the values for the lake over time. These values, along with the base concentration of 5 $\mu\text{g/L}$ are shown in the following plot

