

3.2 Compartmental Analysis

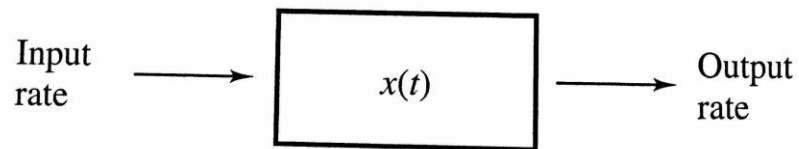


Figure 3.1 Schematic representation of a one-compartment system

Example 1 Consider a large tank holding 1000 L of pure water into which a brine solution of salt begins to flow at a constant rate of 6 L/min. The solution inside the tank is kept well stirred and is flowing out of the tank at a rate of 6 L/min. If the concentration of salt in the brine entering the tank is 0.1 kg/L, determine when the concentration of salt in the tank will reach 0.05 kg/L (see Figure 3.2).

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Example 2 For the mixing problem described in Example 1, assume now that the brine leaves the tank at a rate of 5 L/min instead of 6 L/min, with all else being the same (see Figure 3.3). Determine the concentration of salt in the tank as a function of time.

at the same rate, when will the air in the room be 0.01% carbon monoxide?

The air in a small room 12 ft by 8 ft by 8 ft is 3% carbon monoxide. Starting at $t = 0$, fresh air containing no carbon monoxide is blown into the room at a rate of $100 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$. If air in the room flows out through a vent

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Example 1 Suppose at the end of the day (at time t_0), when people leave the building, the outside temperature stays constant at M_0 , the additional heating rate H inside the building is zero, and the furnace/air conditioner rate U is zero. Determine $T(t)$, given the initial condition $T(t_0) = T_0$.