

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \nabla^2 c - kc$$

↑ concentration gradient

standard diffusion

↑ proportional metabolism

Since it is 1D,

$$\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c}{\partial x^2} - kc \dots \dots \dots \textcircled{1}$$

Since the boundary condition at $x=0$ is $c_0 \neq 0$, it's non-homogeneous, so splitting up the solution into

→ Transient solution $c_T(x, t)$

→ Steady state $c_\infty(x)$

$$\text{So, } c(x, t) = c_T(x, t) + c_\infty(x) \dots \dots \dots \textcircled{2}$$

Solving for steady state, we set $\frac{\partial c}{\partial t} = 0$

$$\rightarrow 0 = D \frac{d^2 c_\infty}{dx^2} - kc_\infty$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{d^2 c_\infty}{dx^2} - \frac{k}{D} c_\infty = 0$$

Using general form $[f'' - k^2 f = 0 \rightarrow f(x) = A \cosh(kx) + B \sinh(kx)]$

$$\rightarrow c_\infty = A \cosh(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}} x) + B \sinh(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}} x)$$

↪ S1

Applying boundary conditions

$$c_{\infty}(0) = c_0 \rightarrow A(1) + B(0) = c_0 \rightarrow A = c_0$$

$$c_{\infty}(L) = 0 \rightarrow c_0 \cosh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L\right) + B \sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L\right) = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow B = -c_0 \frac{\cosh(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L)}{\sinh(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L)} = -c_0 \coth\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L\right)$$

Plugging A and B to ①,

$$c_{\infty}(x) = c_0 \cosh(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}x) - c_0 \coth\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L\right) \sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}x\right)$$

Using $[\sinh(A-B) = \sinh A \cosh B - \cosh A \sinh B]$

$$c_{\infty}(x) = c_0 \frac{\sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}(L-x)\right)}{\sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L\right)} \quad \dots \quad ②$$

Now for the transient solution,

Let's place $c = c_T + c_{\infty}$ into ①

$$\frac{\partial(c_T + c_{\infty})}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2(c_T + c_{\infty})}{\partial x^2} - k(c_T + c_{\infty})$$

Since c_{∞} is not a function of t ,

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial c_T}{\partial t} = D \frac{\partial^2 c_T}{\partial x^2} - k c_T \quad \dots \quad ③$$

For new boundary conditions,

$$c_T(0, t) = c(0, t) - c_{\infty}(0) = c_0 - c_0 = 0$$

$$c_T(L, t) = c(L, t) - c_{\infty}(L) = 0 - 0 = 0$$

$$c_T(x, 0) = c(x, 0) - c_{\infty}(x) = 0 - c_{\infty}(x) = -c_{\infty}(x)$$

These are homogenous, so we can separate the variables as:

$$c_T(x, t) = X(x) \cdot T(t) \dots \textcircled{T_2}$$

In $\textcircled{T_1}$,

$$X T' = D X'' T - k X T$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{T'}{T} = D \frac{X''}{X} - k$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{T'}{T} + k = D \frac{X''}{X} = -\lambda D$$

Separation constant to ensure decaying solutions

So, we have,

$$\text{Spatial: } X'' = -\lambda X$$

$$\text{Time: } \frac{T'}{T} + k = -\lambda D$$

For spatial, using conditions $X(0)=0$, $X(L)=0$, it leads to standard sine eigenfunctions

$$X_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right), \lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Time then becomes,

$$\frac{T'}{T} + k = -D\lambda_n$$

$$\rightarrow T' + (k + D\lambda_n)T = 0$$



Using the standard form,

$$T_n(t) = e^{-t(D(\frac{n\pi}{L})^2 + \kappa)}$$

Thus, (T_2) becomes,

$$c_T(x, t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-t(D(\frac{n\pi}{L})^2 + \kappa)} \quad \dots \quad (T3)$$

Now, we can apply $t=0 \rightarrow c_T = -c_0(x)$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) = -c_0 \sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{K}{D}}(L-x)\right) / \sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{K}{D}}L\right)$$

\hookrightarrow Fourier sine series!

Using orthogonality,

$$b_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L -c_0(x) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) dx$$

Solving

$$b_n = -\frac{2c_0 n \pi}{L^2 \left(\frac{K}{D} + \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2\right)} \quad \dots \quad (T4)$$

Finally, putting together everything,

$$c(x, t) = c_0(x) + c_T(x, t)$$

$$c(x,t) = c_0 \frac{\sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}(L-x)\right)}{\sinh\left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{D}}L\right)}$$

$$- \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2 \cos n\pi}{L^2 \left(\frac{k}{D} + \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2\right)} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) e^{-t(D\left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2 + k)}$$

The final solution //