

- a. Derive an expression for the residual substrate concentration (i.e.,  $S$ ) as a function of dilution rate and the kinetic parameters ( $\mu_m$ ,  $K_S$ ,  $K_I$ ).
  - b. What are the implications for operation of a chemostat when the organism is subjected to substrate inhibition?
- 6.19.** Formation of lactic acid from glucose is realized in a continuous culture by *Streptococcus lactis*. The following information was obtained from experimental studies.
- $S_0 = 5 \text{ g/l}$ ,  $\mu_m = 0.2 \text{ h}^{-1}$ ,  $K_S = 200 \text{ mg/l}$ ,  $k_d = 0.002 \text{ h}^{-1}$ ,  $Y_{X/S}^M = 0.4 \text{ g X/g S}$ ,  $Y_{P/S} = 0.2 \text{ g P/g S}$ ,  $q_P = 0.1 \text{ g P/g X-h}$ .
- a. Plot the variations of  $S$ ,  $X$ ,  $P$ ,  $DX$ , and  $DP$  with dilution rate.
  - b. Determine (graphically) the optimum dilution rate maximizing the productivities of biomass ( $DX$ ) and the product ( $DP$ ).