

Differential Equations in R

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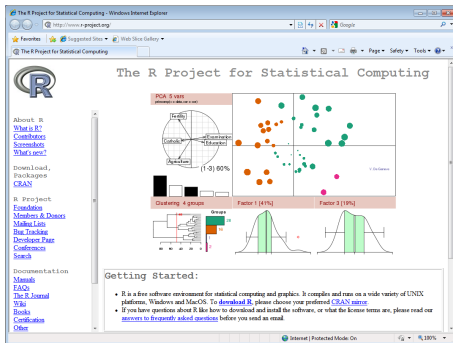
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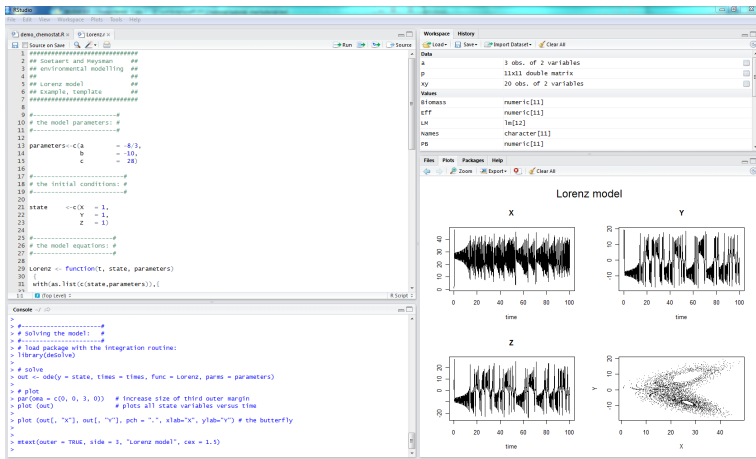
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Download R from the CRAN website: <http://cran.r-project.org/>

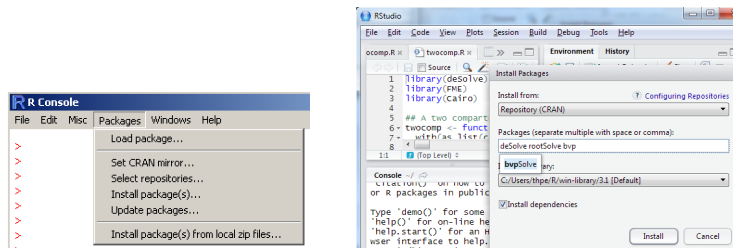


Install a suitable editor

... e.g. [RStudio](#)



Packages can be installed from within R or Rstudio:



...or via the command line

```
install.packages("deSolve", dependencies = TRUE)
```

Several packages deal with differential equations

- ▶ **deSolve**: main integration package
- ▶ **rootSolve**: steady-state solver
- ▶ **bvpSolve**: boundary value problem solvers
- ▶ **deTestSet**: ODE and DAE test set + additional solvers
- ▶ **ReacTran**: partial differential equations
- ▶ **simecol**: interactive environment for implementing models

All packages have at least one author in common → **consistent** interface.

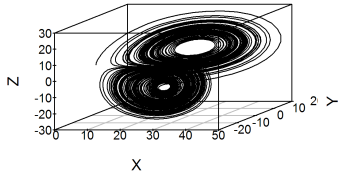
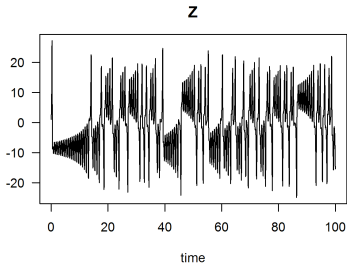
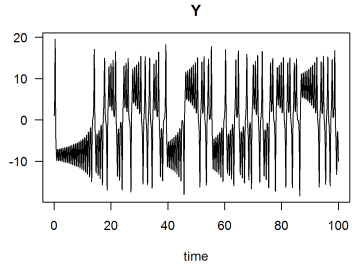
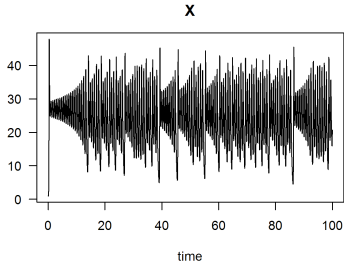
More, see [CRAN Task View: Differential Equations](#)

Getting help

```
> library(deSolve)
> ?deSolve
```

- ▶ opens the main help page containing
 - ▶ a short explanation
 - ▶ a link to the main manual (vignette)
 - “Solving Initial Value Differential Equations in R”
 - ▶ links to additional manuals, papers and online resources
 - ▶ references
 - ▶ a first example
- ▶ all our packages have such a ?<packagename> help file.


```
> library(deSolve)
> example(deSolve)
```



Let's begin ...

Model specification

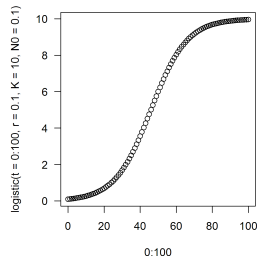
Logistic growth

Differential equation

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = r \cdot N \cdot \left(1 - \frac{N}{K}\right)$$

Analytical solution

$$N_t = \frac{KN_0 e^{rt}}{K + N_0 (e^{rt} - 1)}$$



R implementation

```
> logistic <- function(t, r, K, NO) {
+   K * NO * exp(r * t) / (K + NO * (exp(r * t) - 1))
+ }
> plot(0:100, logistic(t = 0:100, r = 0.1, K = 10, NO = 0.1))
```

Why numerical solutions?

- ## Why R?

- ▶ If standard tool for statistics, why Prog\$\$\$ for dynamic simulations?
- ▶ The community and the packages → useR!2014

Numerical solution of the logistic equation

```
library(deSolve)
model <- function (time, y, parms) {
  with(as.list(c(y, parms)), {
    dN <- r * N * (1 - N / K)
    list(dN)
  })
}
```

Differential equation
„similar to formula on paper“

```
y      <- c(N = 0.1)
parms  <- c(r = 0.1, K = 10)
times  <- seq(0, 100, 1)
```

```
out <- ode(y, times, model, parms)
```

```
plot(out)
```

Numerical methods provided by the
deSolve package

<http://desolve.r-forge.r-project.org>

- Differential equation
„similar to formula on paper“

Inspecting output

► Print to screen

```
> head(out, n = 4)
```

```

      time      N
[1,]    0 0.1000000
[2,]    1 0.1104022
[3,]    2 0.1218708
[4,]    3 0.1345160

```

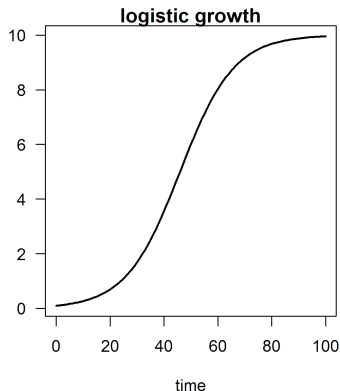
► Summary

```
> summary(out)
```

	N
Min.	0.100000
1st Qu.	1.096000
Median	5.999000
Mean	5.396000
3rd Qu.	9.481000
Max.	9.955000
N	101.000000
sd	3.902511

- ▶ Plotting

```
> plot(out, main = "logistic growth", lwd = 2)
```



```
> diagnostics(out)
```

```
-----
lsoda return code
-----
```

```
return code (idid) =  2
Integration was successful.
```

```
-----
INTEGER values
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```

```
1 The return code : 2
2 The number of steps taken for the problem so far: 105
3 The number of function evaluations for the problem so far: 211
5 The method order last used (successfully): 5
6 The order of the method to be attempted on the next step: 5
7 If return flag =-4,-5: the largest component in error vector 0
8 The length of the real work array actually required: 36
9 The length of the integer work array actually required: 21
14 The number of Jacobian evaluations and LU decompositions so far: 0
15 The method indicator for the last succesful step,
    1=adams (nonstiff), 2= bdf (stiff): 1
16 The current method indicator to be attempted on the next step,
    1=adams (nonstiff), 2= bdf (stiff): 1
```

```
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RSTATE values
```

Coupled ODEs: the rigidODE problem

Problem

- ▶ Euler equations of a rigid body without external forces.
- ▶ Three dependent variables (y_1, y_2, y_3), the coordinates of the rotation vector,
- ▶ I_1, I_2, I_3 are the principal moments of inertia.

[3] E. Hairer, S. P. Norsett, and G Wanner. Solving Ordinary Differential Equations I: Nonstiff Problems. Second Revised Edition. Springer-Verlag, Heidelberg, 2009

Coupled ODEs: the rigidODE equations

Differential equation

$$\begin{aligned} y_1' &= (l_2 - l_3)/l_1 \cdot y_2 y_3 \\ y_2' &= (l_3 - l_1)/l_2 \cdot y_1 y_3 \\ y_3' &= (l_1 - l_2)/l_3 \cdot y_1 y_2 \end{aligned}$$

Parameters

$$l_1 = 0.5, l_2 = 2, l_3 = 3$$

Initial conditions

$$y_1(0) = 1, y_2(0) = 0, y_3(0) = 0.9$$

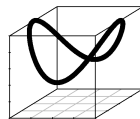
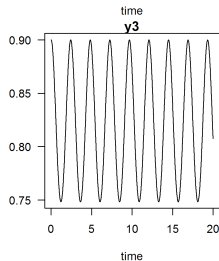
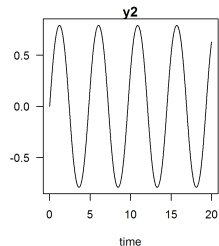
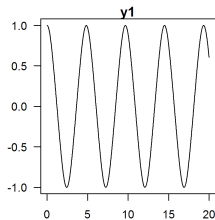
R implementation

```
> library(deSolve)
> rigidode <- function(t, y, parms) {
+   dy1 <- -2 * y[2] * y[3]
+   dy2 <- 1.25 * y[1] * y[3]
+   dy3 <- -0.5 * y[1] * y[2]
+   list(c(dy1, dy2, dy3))
+ }
> yini <- c(y1 = 1, y2 = 0, y3 = 0.9)
> times <- seq(from = 0, to = 20, by = 0.01)
> out <- ode (times = times, y = yini, func = rigidode, parms = NULL)
> head (out, n = 3)
```

	time	y1	y2	y3
[1,]	0.00	1.00000000	0.00000000	0.90000000
[2,]	0.01	0.99989888	0.01124925	0.8999719
[3,]	0.02	0.9995951	0.02249553	0.8998875

Coupled ODEs: plotting the rigidODE problem

```
> plot(out)
> library(scatterplot3d)
> par(mar = c(0, 0, 0, 0))
> scatterplot3d(out[, -1])
```



$$\begin{aligned} y_1' &= -y_2 - y_3 \\ y_2' &= y_1 + a \cdot y_2 \\ y_3' &= b + y_3 \cdot (y_1 - c) \end{aligned}$$

$$y_1 = 1, y_2 = 1, y_3 = 1$$

Downstream

$$a = 0.2, b = 0.2, c = 5$$

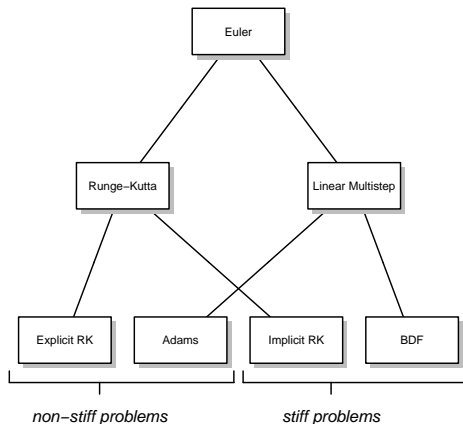
Topic

- ▶ Solve the ODEs on the interval $[0, 100]$
- ▶ Produce a 3-D phase-plane plot
- ▶ Use file `examples/rigidODE.R.txt` as a template

Solvers ...

Solver overview, stiffness, accuracy

Integration methods: package deSolve [22]



Options of solver functions

Top level function

```
> ode(y, times, func, parms,
+   method = c("lsoda", "lsode", "lsodes", "lsodar", "vode", "daspk",
+             "euler", "rk4", "ode23", "ode45", "radau",
+             "bdf", "bdf_d", "adams", "impAdams", "impAdams_d",
+             "iteration"), ...)
```

Workhorse function: the individual solver

```
> lsoda(y, times, func, parms, rtol = 1e-6, atol = 1e-6,
+   jacfunc = NULL, jactype = "fullint", rootfunc = NULL,
+   verbose = FALSE, nroot = 0, tcrit = NULL,
+   hmin = 0, hmax = NULL, hini = 0, ynames = TRUE,
+   maxordn = 12, maxords = 5, bandup = NULL, banddown = NULL,
+   maxsteps = 5000, dllname = NULL, initfunc = dllname,
+   initpar = parms, rpar = NULL, ipar = NULL, nout = 0,
+   outnames = NULL, forcings = NULL, initforc = NULL,
+   fcontrol = NULL, events = NULL, lags = NULL,...)
```


Arghhh, which solver and which options???

Problem type?

- ▶ ODE: use **ode**,
- ▶ DDE: use **dede**,
- ▶ DAE: **daspk** or **radau**,
- ▶ PDE: **ode.1D**, **ode.2D**, **ode.3D**,

...others for specific purposes, e.g. root finding, difference equations (**euler**, **iteration**) or just to have a comprehensive solver suite (**rk4**, **ode45**).

Stiffness

- ▶ default solver **lsoda** selects method automatically,
- ▶ **adams** or **bdf** may speed up a little bit if degree of stiffness is known,
- ▶ **vode** or **radau** may help in difficult situations.

Solvers for stiff systems

Stiffness

- ▶ Difficult to give a precise definition.
- ≈ system where some components change more rapidly than others.

Sometimes difficult to solve:

- ▶ solution can be numerically unstable,
- ▶ may require very small time steps (slow!),
- ▶ deSolve contains solvers that are suitable for stiff systems,

But: “stiff solvers” slightly less efficient for “well behaving” systems.

- ▶ **Good news:** lsoda selects automatically between stiff solver (bdf) and nonstiff method (adams).

Van der Pol equation

Oscillating behavior of electrical circuits containing tubes [24].

2nd order ODE

$$y'' - \mu(1 - y^2)y' + y = 0$$

... must be transformed into two 1st order equations

$$y_1' = y_2$$

$$y_2' = \mu \cdot (1 - y_1^2) \cdot y_2 - y_1$$

- ▶ Initial values for state variables at $t = 0$: $y_{1(t=0)} = 2, y_{2(t=0)} = 0$
- ▶ One parameter: $\mu = \text{large} \rightarrow \text{stiff system}; \mu = \text{small} \rightarrow \text{non-stiff}.$

Model implementation

```
> library(deSolve)
> vdpol <- function (t, y, mu) {
+   list(c(
+     y[2],
+     mu * (1 - y[1]^2) * y[2] - y[1]
+   ))
+ }

> yini <- c(y1 = 2, y2 = 0)

> stiff <- ode(y = yini, func = vdpol, times = 0:3000, parms = 1000)
> nonstiff <- ode(y = yini, func = vdpol, times = seq(0, 30, 0.01), parms = 1)

> head(stiff, n = 5)
```

	time	y1	y2
[1,]	0	2.000000	0.0000000000
[2,]	1	1.999333	-0.0006670373
[3,]	2	1.998666	-0.0006674088
[4,]	3	1.997998	-0.0006677807
[5,]	4	1.997330	-0.0006681535

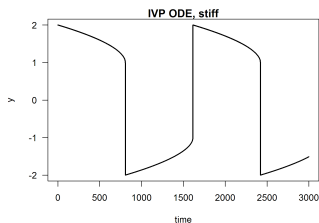
Interactive exercise

- ▶ The following link opens in a web browser. It requires a recent version of Firefox or Chrome, ideally in full-screen mode. Use Cursor keys for slide transition:
- ▶ **Left cursor** guides you through the full presentation.
- ▶ **Mouse** and **mouse wheel** for full-screen panning and zoom.
- ▶ **Pos1** brings you back to the first slide.
 - ▶ <examples/vanderpol/vanderpol.svg>
- ▶ The following opens the code as text file for life demonstrations in R
 - ▶ <examples/vanderpol/vanderpol.R.txt>

Plotting

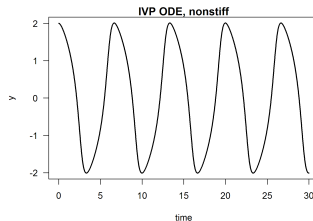
Stiff solution

```
> plot(stiff, type = "l", which = "y1",
+      lwd = 2, ylab = "y",
+      main = "IVP ODE, stiff")
```



Nonstiff solution

```
> plot(nonstiff, type = "l", which = "y1",
+      lwd = 2, ylab = "y",
+      main = "IVP ODE, nonstiff")
```



Default solver, lsoda:

```
> system.time(  
+   stiff <- ode(yini, 0:3000, vdpol, parms = 1000)  
+ )  
  
      user  system elapsed  
      0.11   0.00   0.11  
  
> system.time(  
+   nonstiff <- ode(yini, seq(0, 30, by = 0.01), vdpol, parms = 1)  
+ )  
  
      user  system elapsed  
      0.09   0.00   0.09
```

Implicit solver, bdf:

```
> system.time(  
+   stiff <- ode(yini, 0:3000, vdpol, parms = 1000, method = "bdf")  
+ )  
  
      user  system elapsed  
      0.09   0.00   0.09  
  
> system.time(  
+   nonstiff <- ode(yini, seq(0, 30, by = 0.01), vdpol, parms = 1, method = "bdf")  
+ )  
  
      user  system elapsed  
      0.04   0.00   0.05
```

⇒ Now use other solvers, e.g. adams, ode45, radau.

Results

Timing results; your computer may be faster:

solver	non-stiff	stiff
ode23	0.37	271.19
lsoda	0.26	0.23
adams	0.13	616.13
bdf	0.15	0.22
radau	0.53	0.72

Comparison of solvers for a stiff and a non-stiff parametrisation of the van der Pol equation (time in seconds, mean values of ten simulations on my old AMD X2 3000 CPU).

Accuracy and stability

- ▶ Options `atol` and `rtol` specify accuracy,
- ▶ Stability can be influenced by specifying `hmax` and `maxsteps`.

Accuracy and stability - ctd

- atol** (default 10^{-6}) defines absolute threshold,
 - ▶ select appropriate value, depending of the size of your state variables,
 - ▶ may be between $\approx 10^{-300}$ (or even zero) and $\approx 10^{300}$.
- rtol** (default 10^{-6}) defines relative threshold,
 - ▶ It makes no sense to specify values $< 10^{-15}$ because of the limited numerical resolution of double precision arithmetics (≈ 16 digits).
- hmax** is automatically set to the largest difference in times, to avoid that the simulation possibly ignores short-term events. Sometimes, it may be set to a smaller value to improve robustness of a simulation.
- hmin** should normally not be changed.

Example: Setting rtol and atol: [examples/PCmod_atol_0.R.txt](#)

Plotting, scenario comparison, observations

Plotting and printing

Methods for plotting and extracting data in deSolve

- ▶ `subset` extracts specific variables that meet certain constraints.
- ▶ `plot`, `hist` create one plot per variable, in a number of panels
- ▶ `image` for plotting 1-D, 2-D models
- ▶ `plot.1D` and `matplot.1D` for plotting 1-D outputs
- ▶ `?plot.deSolve` opens the main help file

`rootSolve` has similar functions

- ▶ `subset` extracts specific variables that meet certain constraints.
- ▶ `plot` for 1-D model outputs, `image` for plotting 2-D, 3-D model outputs
- ▶ `?plot.steady1D` opens the main help file

The Lorenz equations

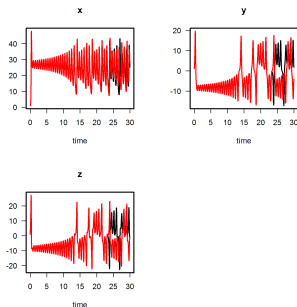
- ▶ chaotic dynamic system of ordinary differential equations
- ▶ three variables, X , Y and Z represent idealized behavior of the earth's atmosphere.

```
> chaos <- function(t, state, parameters) {
+   with(as.list(c(state)), {
+     dx      <- -8/3 * x + y * z
+     dy      <- -10 * (y - z)
+     dz      <- -x * y + 28 * y - z
+     list(c(dx, dy, dz))
+   })
+ }
> yini  <- c(x = 1, y = 1, z = 1)
> yini2 <- yini + c(1e-6, 0, 0)
> times <- seq(0, 30, 0.01)
> out  <- ode(y = yini, times = times, func = chaos, parms = 0)
> out2 <- ode(y = yini2, times = times, func = chaos, parms = 0)
```

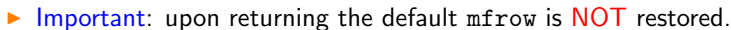
Plotting multiple scenarios

- ▶ The default for plotting one or more objects is a line plot
- ▶ We can plot as many objects of class `deSolve` as we want
- ▶ By default different outputs get different colors and line types

```
> plot(out, out2, lwd = 2, lty = 1)
```



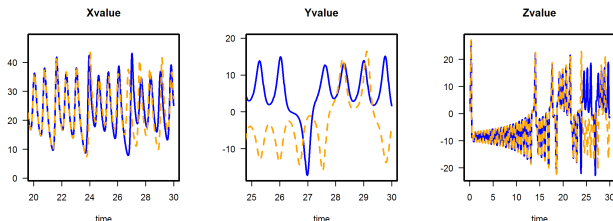
- ```
> plot(out, out2, lwd = 2, lty = 1, mfrow = c(1, 3))
```



## Plotting style

- ▶ We can change the style of the *dataseries* (`col`, `lty`, ...)
  - ▶ will be effective for all figures
- ▶ We can change individual *figure* settings (`title`, `labels`, ...)
  - ▶ vector input can be specified by a list; NULL will select the default

```
> plot(out, out2, col = c("blue", "orange"),
+ main = c("Xvalue", "Yvalue", "Zvalue"),
+ xlim = list(c(20, 30), c(25, 30), NULL), mfrow = c(1, 3))
```

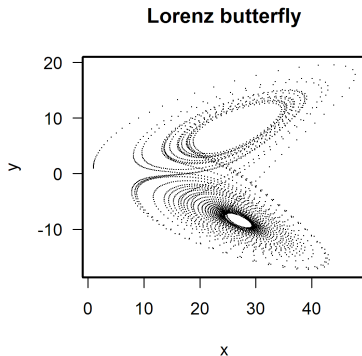




## R's default plot ...

is used if we extract single columns from the deSolve object

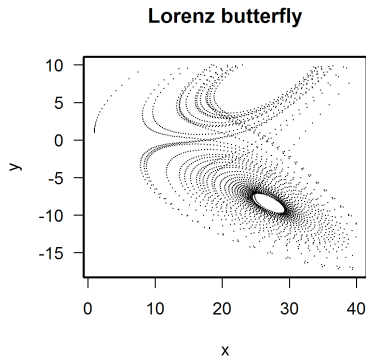
```
> plot(out[, "x"], out[, "y"], pch = ".", main = "Lorenz butterfly",
+ xlab = "x", ylab = "y")
```



# Use deSolve's subset ...

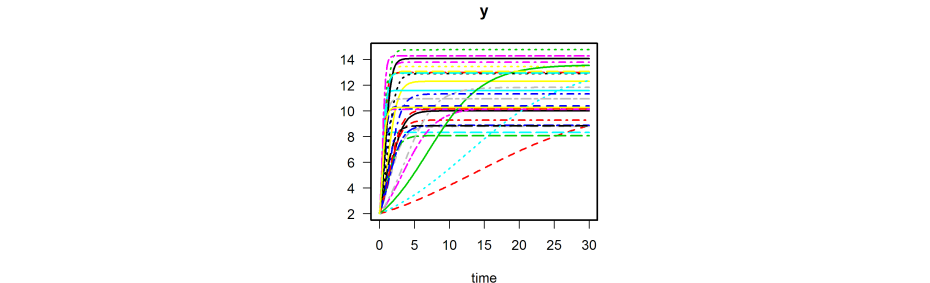
... to select values that meet certain conditions

```
> XY <- subset(out, select = c("x", "y"), subset = y < 10 & x < 40)
> plot(XY, main = "Lorenz butterfly", xlab = "x", ylab = "y", pch = ".")
```





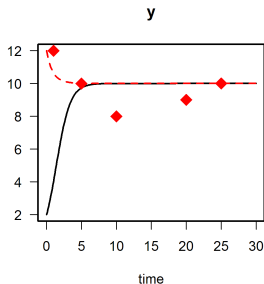
```
> outlist <- list()
```



## Observed data

Arguments `obs` and `obspar` are used to add observed data

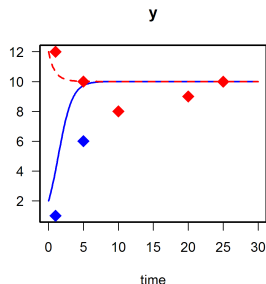
```
> obs2 <- data.frame(time = c(1, 5, 10, 20, 25),
+ y = c(12, 10, 8, 9, 10))
> plot(out, out2, obs = obs2,
+ obspar = list(col = "red", pch = 18, cex = 2))
```



## Observed data

A list of observed data is allowed

```
> obs2 <- data.frame(time = c(1,5,10,20,25), y = c(12,10,8,9,10))
> obs1 <- data.frame(time = c(1,5,10,20,25), y = c(1,6,8,9,10))
> plot(out, out2, col = c("blue", "red"), lwd = 2,
+ obs = list(obs1, obs2),
+ obspar = list(col = c("blue", "red"), pch = 18, cex = 2))
```



## Fitting models to data

# Fitting models

Given:

- ▶ a dynamic model
- ▶ data for one or more state variables

Wanted:

- ▶ a set of parameters that fits the data

Approach → package FME:

1. try an initial guess for the parameters
2. define cost function (e.g. least squares) with `modCost()`
3. fit the model with `modFit`
4. plot model and data

Interactive web version of this chapter at:

[examples/FME/fit\\_twocomp.svg](http://examples/FME/fit_twocomp.svg)



## Pharmacokinetic two compartment model

- ▶ a substance accumulated in the fat and eliminated by the liver
- ▶ two state variables, concentration in the fat  $C_F$  and in the liver  $C_L$
- ▶ 3 parameters: transport ( $k_{FL}$ ,  $k_{LF}$ ) and elimination ( $k_e$ )

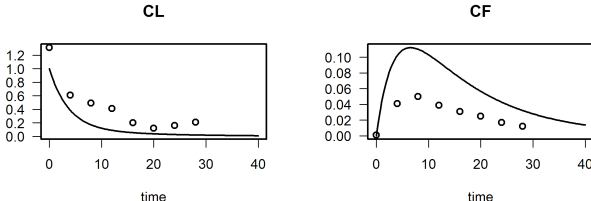
$$\frac{dC_L}{dt} = k_{FL} C_F - k_{LF} C_L - k_e C_L$$

$$\frac{dC_F}{dt} = k_{LF} C_L - k_{FL} C_F$$

```
> library("FME")
> twocomp <- function (time, y, parms, ...) {
+ with(as.list(c(parms, y)), {
+ dCL <- kFL * CF - kLF * CL - ke * CL # concentration in liver
+ dCF <- kLF * CL - kFL * CF # concentration in fat
+ list(c(dCL, dCF))
+ })
+ }
```

---

```
> dat <- data.frame(
+ time = seq(0, 28, 4),
+ CL = c(1.31, 0.61, 0.49, 0.41, 0.20, 0.12, 0.16, 0.21),
+ CF = c(1e-03, 0.041, 0.05, 0.039, 0.031, 0.025, 0.017, 0.012)
+)
> parms <- c(ke = 0.2, kFL = 0.1, kLF = 0.05)
> times <- seq(0, 40, length=200)
> y0 <- c(CL = 1, CF = 0)
> out1 <- ode(y0, times, twocomp, parms)
> plot(out1, obs = dat)
```



## Define cost function (least squares):

```
> cost <- function(p) {
+ out <- ode(y0, times, twocomp, p)
+ modCost(out, dat, weight = "none") # try weight = "std" or "mean"
+ }
```

Note:

- ▶ naming of observation and simulation data must be identical
- ▶ data may be given in cross table (wide) or data base format (long)
- ▶ different scaling and weighting options
- ▶ optional: sequential build-up of cost function

Example: Fit a compartment model to data

## Fit the model:

```
> parms <- c(ke = 0.2, kFL = 0.1, kLF = 0.05)
> fit <- modFit(f = cost, p = parms)
> summary(fit)
```

Parameters:

|     | Estimate | Std. Error | t value | Pr(> t )     |
|-----|----------|------------|---------|--------------|
| ke  | 0.08546  | 0.01256    | 6.803   | 1.26e-05 *** |
| kFL | 0.67293  | 4.66953    | 0.144   | 0.888        |
| kLF | 0.06970  | 0.49269    | 0.141   | 0.890        |

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.09723 on 13 degrees of freedom

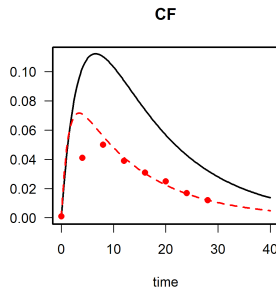
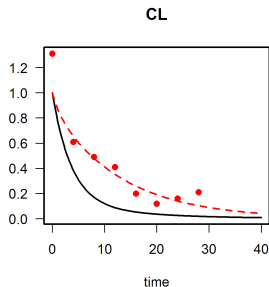
Parameter correlation:

|     | ke     | kFL    | kLF    |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|
| ke  | 1.0000 | 0.4643 | 0.4554 |
| kFL | 0.4643 | 1.0000 | 0.9932 |
| kLF | 0.4554 | 0.9932 | 1.0000 |

Example: Fit a compartment model to data

## Compare output with data

```
> out1 <- ode(y0, times, twocomp, parms)
> out2 <- ode(y0, times, twocomp, coef(fit))
> plot(out1, out2, obs=dat, obspar=list(pch=16, col="red"))
```



## Fit parameters and initial values

```
> cost <- function(p, data, ...) {
+ yy <- p[c("CL", "CF")]
+ pp <- p[c("ke", "kFL", "kLF")]
+ out <- ode(yy, times, twocomp, pp)
+ modCost(out, data, ...)
+ }
```

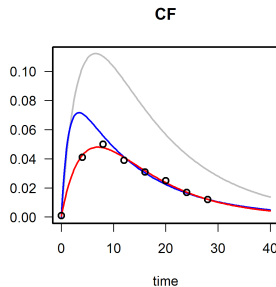
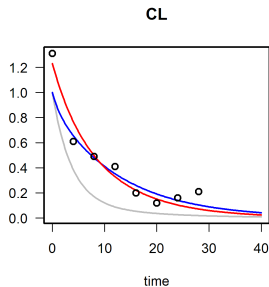
Good start parameters can be very important:

```
> #parms <- c(CL = 1.2, CF = 0.0, ke = 0.2, kFL = 0.1, kLF = 0.05)
> parms <- c(CL = 1.2, CF = 0.001, ke = 0.2, kFL = 0.1, kLF = 0.05)
> fit <- modFit(f = cost, p = parms, data = dat, weight = "std",
+ lower = rep(0, 5), upper = c(2,2,1,1,1), method = "Marq")
```

Example: Fit a compartment model to data

## Fit parameters and initial values

```
> y0 <- coef(fit)[c("CL", "CF")]
> pp <- coef(fit)[c("ke", "kFL", "kLF")]
> out3 <- ode(y0, times, twocomp, pp)
> plot(out1, out2, out3, obs=dat, col=c("grey", "blue", "red"), lty = 1)
```



Example: Fit a compartment model to data

```
> summary(fit)
```

Parameters:

|     | Estimate  | Std. Error | t value | Pr(> t )     |
|-----|-----------|------------|---------|--------------|
| CL  | 1.2301401 | 0.0721462  | 17.051  | 2.94e-09 *** |
| CF  | 0.0006832 | 0.0033118  | 0.206   | 0.84         |
| ke  | 0.1073351 | 0.0113231  | 9.479   | 1.26e-06 *** |
| kFL | 0.1770353 | 0.0289383  | 6.118   | 7.55e-05 *** |
| kLF | 0.0153855 | 0.0020288  | 7.584   | 1.08e-05 *** |

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.2032 on 11 degrees of freedom

Parameter correlation:

|     | CL        | CF        | ke       | kFL     | kLF     |
|-----|-----------|-----------|----------|---------|---------|
| CL  | 1.000000  | 0.003156  | 0.54175  | -0.3837 | -0.5494 |
| CF  | 0.003156  | 1.000000  | 0.04449  | -0.2229 | -0.3529 |
| ke  | 0.541754  | 0.044491  | 1.00000  | -0.7083 | -0.4287 |
| kFL | -0.383687 | -0.222896 | -0.70829 | 1.0000  | 0.8339  |
| kLF | -0.549369 | -0.352909 | -0.42872 | 0.8339  | 1.0000  |



# Steady-state

Solver overview, 1-D, 2-D, 3-D

## Two packages for Steady-state solutions:

### ReacTran: methods for numerical approximation of PDEs

- ▶ `tran.1D(C, C.up, C.down, D, v, ...)`
- ▶ `tran.2D`, `tran.3D`

### rootSolve: special solvers for roots

- ▶ steady for 0-D models
- ▶ `steady.1D`, `steady.2D`, `steady.3D` for 1-D, 2-D, 3-D models

[18] Soetaert, K. and Meysman, F. (2012) Reactive transport in aquatic ecosystems: Rapid model prototyping in the open source software R Environmental Modelling and Software 32, 49–60

[21] Soetaert, K., Petzoldt, T. and Setzer, R. W. (2010) Solving Differential Equations in R The R Journal, 2010, 2, 5-15

# Steady-state Solver overview: package rootSolve

Simple problems can be solved iteratively

| Function | Description                                                           |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| stode    | steady-state ODEs by Newton-Raphson method, full or banded Jacobian   |
| stodes   | steady-state ODEs by Newton-Raphson method, arbitrary sparse Jacobian |

Others are solved by dynamically running to steady-state

- ▶ `steady( ... method = "runsteady")` for 0-D models
- ▶ `steady.1D( ... method = "runsteady")` for 1-D models
- ▶ no special solver for higher dimensions - but use `ode.2D`, `ode.3D` from `deSolve` for sufficiently long time

# Options of solver functions

## Top level function

```
> steady(y, time = NULL, func, parms, method = "stode", ...)
```

## Workhorse function: the individual solver

```
> stode(y, time = 0, func, parms = NULL, rtol = 1e-06, atol = 1e-08,
+ ctol = 1e-08, jacfunc = NULL, jactype = "fullint", verbose = FALSE,
+ bandup = 1, banddown = 1, positive = FALSE, maxiter = 100,
+ ynames = TRUE, dllname = NULL, initfunc = dllname, initpar = parms,
+ rpar = NULL, ipar = NULL, nout = 0, outnames = NULL, forcings = NULL,
+ initforc = NULL, fcontrol = NULL, ...)
```

## Notes

- ▶ `positive = TRUE` forces to find relevant solutions for quantities that can not be negative.
- ▶ `ynames` can be used to label the output – useful for plotting

# 1-D problem: polluted estuary

## Problem formulation

Ammonia and oxygen are described in an estuary. They react to form nitrate. The concentrations are at steady state.

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D \frac{\partial NH_3}{\partial x} \right) - v \frac{\partial NH_3}{\partial x} - r_{nit} \\
 0 &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D \frac{\partial O_2}{\partial x} \right) - v \frac{\partial O_2}{\partial x} - 2r_{nit} + p \cdot (O_{2s} - O_2) \\
 r_{nit} &= r \cdot NH_3 \cdot \frac{O_2}{O_{2+k}}
 \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ parameters:  $k = 1$ ,  $r = 0.1$ ,  $p = 0.1$ ,  $O_{2s} = 300$ ,  $v = 1000$ ,  $D = 1e^7$
- ▶ The estuary is 100 km long.
- ▶ The boundary conditions are:

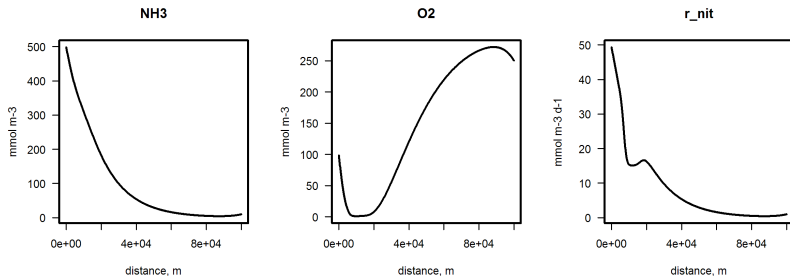
$$NH_3(0) = 500, O_2(0) = 50, NH_3(1e^5) = 10, O_2(1e^5) = 30$$

```
> print(system.time(
+ std <- steady.1D(y = runif(2 * N), parms = NULL, names=c("NH3", "O2"),
+ func = Estuary, dims = N, positive = TRUE)))

user system elapsed
0.11 0.00 0.11
```

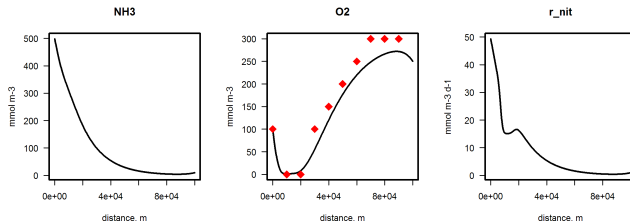
# Plotting

```
> plot(std, which = c("NH3", "O2", "r_nit"), lwd = 2,
+ mfrow = c(1,3), grid = Grid$x.mid, xlab = "distance, m",
+ ylab = c("mmol m-3", "mmol m-3", "mmol m-3 d-1"))
```



# Plotting with Observations

```
> obs <- data.frame(x = seq(0, 9e4, by = 1e4),
+ O2 = c(100, 0, 0, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 300, 300))
> plot(std, which = c("NH3", "O2", "r_nit"), lwd = 2,
+ obs = obs, obspar = list(pch = 18, col = "red", cex = 2),
+ grid = Grid$x.mid, xlab = "distance, m",
+ ylab = c("mmol m-3", "mmol m-3", "mmol m-3 d-1"), mfrow=c(1,3))
```





# Steady-state of a 2-D PDE

## Problem formulation

A relatively stiff PDE is the combustion problem, describing diffusion and reaction in a 2-dimensional domain (from [6]). The steady-state problem is:

$$0 = -\nabla \cdot (-K \nabla U) + \frac{R}{\alpha \delta} (1 + \alpha - U) \exp(\delta(1 - 1/U))$$

- ▶ The domain is rectangular  $([0,1] \times [0,1])$
- ▶  $K = 1, \alpha = 1, \delta = 20, R = 5,$
- ▶ Downstream boundary is prescribed as a known value (1)
- ▶ Upstream boundary: zero-flux

## 2-D combustion problem in R

grid and parameters:

```
> library(ReacTran)
> N <- 100
> Grid <- setup.grid.1D(0, 1, N = N)
> alfa <- 1; delta <- 20; R <- 5
```

derivative function:

```
> Combustion <- function(t, y, p) {
+ U <- matrix(nrow = N, ncol = N, data = y)
+
+ reac <- R /alfa/delta * (1+alfa-U) * exp(delta*(1-1/U))
+ tran <- tran.2D(C = U, D.x = 1, flux.x.up = 0, flux.y.up = 0, C.x.down = 1,
+ C.y.down = 1, dx = Grid, dy = Grid)
+ list (tran$dC+ reac)
+ }
```

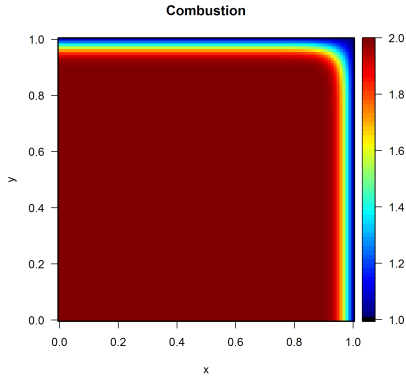
solution (10000 equations):

```
> print(system.time(
+ std <- steady.2D(y = rep(1, N*N), parms = NULL, func = Combustion, nspec = 1,
+ dims = c(N, N), lrw = 1e6, positive = TRUE)
+))
```

```
user system elapsed
3.20 0.04 3.29
```

# Plotting

```
> image(std, main = "Combustion", legend = TRUE)
```



# Steady-state of a 3-D PDE

## Problem formulation

3-D problems are computationally heavy - only smaller problems can be solved in R

Model of diffusion and simple reaction in a 3-dimensional domain.

$$0 = -\nabla \cdot (-D \nabla Y) - r * Y$$

- ▶ The domain is rectangular  $([0, 1] * [0, 1] * [0, 1])$
- ▶  $D = 1, r = 0.025,$
- ▶ Initial condition: constant:  $U(x, y, 0) = 1.$
- ▶ Upstream and Downstream boundaries:  $= 1$

## 3-D problem in R

grid and parameters:

```
> library(ReacTran)
> n <- 20
> Grid <- setup.grid.1D(0, 1, N = n)
```

derivative function:

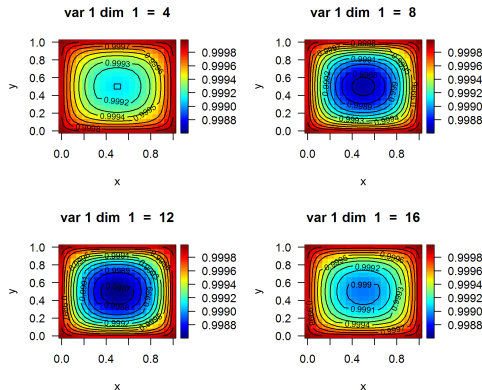
```
> diffusion3D <- function(t, Y, par) {
+
+ yy <- array(dim = c(n, n, n), data = Y) # vector to 3-D array
+ dY <- -0.025 * yy # consumption
+ BND <- matrix(nrow = n, ncol = n, 1) # boundary concentration
+
+ dY <- dY + tran.3D(C = yy,
+ C.x.up = BND, C.y.up = BND, C.z.up = BND,
+ C.x.down = BND, C.y.down = BND, C.z.down = BND,
+ D.x = 1, D.y = 1, D.z = 1,
+ dx = Grid, dy = Grid, dz = Grid)$dC
+ return(list(dY))
+ }
```

solution (10000 equations):

```
> print(system.time(
+ ST3 <- steady.3D(y = rep(1, n*n*n), func = diffusion3D, parms = NULL,
+ pos = TRUE, dims = c(n, n, n), lrw = 2000000)))

user system elapsed
2.95 0.02 3.22
```

```
> image(ST3, mfrow = c(2, 2), add.contour = TRUE, legend = TRUE,
+ dimselect = list(x = c(4, 8, 12, 16)))
```



## Under control: Forcing functions and events

# Discontinuities in dynamic models

Most solvers assume that dynamics is *smooth*

However, there can be several types of discontinuities:

- ▶ Non-smooth *external variables*
- ▶ Discontinuities in the *derivatives*
- ▶ Discontinuities in the *values of the state variables*

A solver does not have large problems with first two types of discontinuities, but changing the values of state variables is much more difficult.



# External variables in dynamic models

...also called forcing functions

## Why external variables?

- ▶ Some important phenomena are not explicitly included in a differential equation model, but imposed as a *time series*. (e.g. sunlight, important for plant growth is never “modeled”).
- ▶ Somehow, during the integration, the model needs to know the value of the external variable at each time step!

## Implementation in R

- ```
afun <- approxfun(data)
```

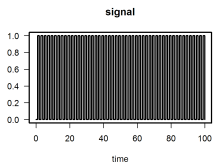
- ```
tvalue <- afun(t)
```

?forcings will open a help file



```
> SPCmod <- function(t, x, parms) {
+ with(as.list(c(parms, x)), {
+
+ import <- input(t)
+
+ dS <- import - b * S * P + g * C
+ dP <- c * S * P - d * C * P
+ dC <- e * P * C - f * C
+ res <- c(dS, dP, dC)
+ list(res, signal = import)
+ })
+ }

> parms <- c(b = 0.1, c = 0.1, d = 0.1, e = 0.1, f = 0.1, g = 0)
> xstart <- c(S = 1, P = 1, C = 1)
> out <- ode(y = xstart, times = times, func = SPCmod, parms)
```



# Discontinuities in dynamic models: Events

## What?

- ▶ An event is when the values of state variables change abruptly.

## Events in Most Programming Environments

- ▶ When an event occurs, the simulation needs to be restarted.
- ▶ Use of loops etc. ...
- ▶ Cumbersome, messy code

## Events in R

- ▶ Events are part of a model; no restart necessary
- ▶ Separate dynamics inbetween events from events themselves
- ▶ Very neat and efficient!

# Discontinuities in dynamic models, Events

## Two different types of events in R

- ▶ Events occur at *known times*
  - ▶ Simple changes can be specified in a `data.frame` with:
    - ▶ name of state variable that is affected
    - ▶ the time of the event
    - ▶ the magnitude of the event
    - ▶ event method ("replace", "add", "multiply")
  - ▶ More complex events can be specified in an event function that returns the changed values of the state variables  
`function(t, y, parms, ...)`.
- ▶ Events occur when certain *conditions* are met
  - ▶ Event is triggered by a root function
  - ▶ Event is specified in an event function

?events will open a help file

# A patient injects drugs in the blood

## Problem Formulation

- ▶ Describe the concentration of the drug in the blood
- ▶ Drug injection occurs at known times  $\rightarrow$  `data.frame`

## Dynamics inbetween events

- ▶ The drug decays with rate  $b$
- ▶ Initially the drug concentration  $= 0$

```
> pharmaco <- function(t, blood, p) {
+ dblood <- - b * blood
+ list(dblood)
+ }

> b <- 0.6
> yini <- c(blood = 0)
```



# A patient injects drugs in the blood

## Specifying the event

- ▶ Daily doses, at same time of day
- ▶ Injection makes the concentration in the blood increase by 40 units.
- ▶ The drug injections are specified in a special event data.frame

```
> injectevents <- data.frame(var = "blood",
+ time = 0:20,
+ value = 40,
+ method = "add")
```

```
> head(injectevents)
```

|   | var   | time | value | method |
|---|-------|------|-------|--------|
| 1 | blood | 0    | 40    | add    |
| 2 | blood | 1    | 40    | add    |
| 3 | blood | 2    | 40    | add    |
| 4 | blood | 3    | 40    | add    |
| 5 | blood | 4    | 40    | add    |
| 6 | blood | 5    | 40    | add    |

# A patient injects drugs in the blood

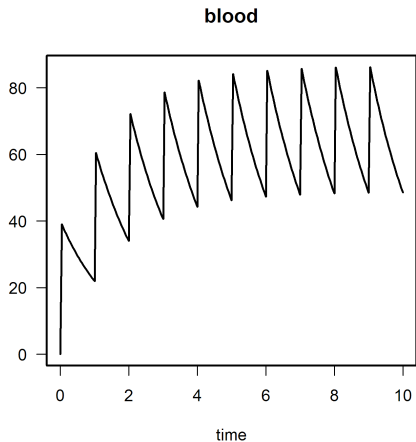
## Solve model

- ▶ Pass events to the solver in a list
- ▶ All solvers in deSolve can handle events
- ▶ Here we use the “implicit Adams” method

```
> times <- seq(from = 0, to = 10, by = 1/24)
> outDrug <- ode(func = pharmaco, times = times, y = yini,
+ parms = NULL, method = "impAdams",
+ events = list(data = injectevents))
```

## plotting model output

```
> plot(outDrug)
```



[14] Shampine, L. F.; Gladwell, I. and Thompson, S. (2003) Solving ODEs with MATLAB. Cambridge University Press, 2003, 263

# A Bouncing Ball

## Dynamics inbetween events

```
> library(deSolve)

> ball <- function(t, y, parms) {
+ dy1 <- y[2]
+ dy2 <- -9.8
+
+ list(c(dy1, dy2))
+ }

> yini <- c(height = 0, velocity = 10)
```

# The Ball Hits the Ground and Bounces

## Root: the Ball hits the ground

- ▶ The ground is where  $\text{height} = 0$
- ▶ Root function is 0 when  $y_1 = 0$

```
> rootfunc <- function(t, y, parms) return (y[1])
```

## Event: the Ball bounces

- ▶ The velocity changes sign (-) and is reduced by 10%
- ▶ Event function returns changed values of both state variables

```
> eventfunc <- function(t, y, parms) {
+ y[1] <- 0
+ y[2] <- -0.9*y[2]
+ return(y)
+ }
```

## An event triggered by a root: the bouncing ball

Solve model

- ▶ Inform solver that event is triggered by root (`root = TRUE`)
- ▶ Pass event function to solver
- ▶ Pass root function to solver

```
> times <- seq(from = 0, to = 20, by = 0.01)
> out <- ode(times = times, y = yini, func = ball,
+ parms = NULL, rootfun = rootfunc,
+ events = list(func = eventfunc, root = TRUE))
```

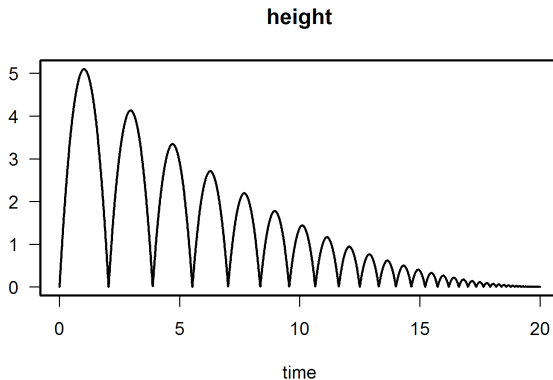
## Get information about the root

```
> attributes(out)$troot
```

|      |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| [1]  | 2.040816  | 3.877551  | 5.530612  | 7.018367  | 8.357347  | 9.562428  | 10.647001 | 11.623117 |
| [9]  | 12.501621 | 13.292274 | 14.003862 | 14.644290 | 15.220675 | 15.739420 | 16.206290 | 16.626472 |
| [17] | 17.004635 | 17.344981 | 17.651291 | 17.926970 | 18.175080 | 18.398378 | 18.599345 | 18.780215 |
| [25] | 18.942998 | 19.089501 | 19.221353 | 19.340019 | 19.446817 | 19.542935 | 19.629441 | 19.707294 |
| [33] | 19.777362 | 19.840421 | 19.897174 | 19.948250 | 19.994217 |           |           |           |

## An event triggered by a root: the bouncing ball

```
> plot(out, select = "height")
```

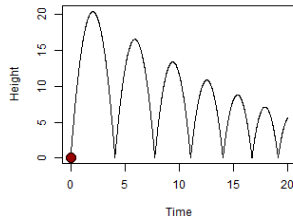




## An event triggered by a root: the bouncing ball

## Create Movie-like output

```
for (i in seq(1, 2001, 10)) {
 plot(out, which = "height", type = "l", lwd = 1,
 main = "", xlab = "Time", ylab = "Height"
)
 points(t(out[i,1:2]), pch = 21, lwd = 1, col = 1, cex = 2,
 bg = rainbow(30, v = 0.6)[20-abs(out[i,3])+1])
 Sys.sleep(0.01)
}
```



# Exercise: Add events to a logistic equation

ODE: Logistic growth of a population

$$y' = r \cdot y \cdot \left(1 - \frac{y}{K}\right)$$

$$r = 1, K = 10, y_0 = 2$$

Events: Population harvested according to several strategies

1. No harvesting
2. Every 2 days the population's density is reduced to 50%
3. When the population approaches 80% of its carrying capacity, its density is halved.

## Exercise: Add events to a logistic equation - ctd

### Tasks:

- ▶ Run the model for 20 days
- ▶ Implement first strategy in a `data.frame`
- ▶ Second strategy requires root and event function
- ▶ Use file [examples/logisticEvent.R.txt](#) as a template

# Delay Differential Equations

## What?

Delay Differential Equations are similar to ODEs except that they involve *past* values of variables and/or derivatives.

## DDEs in R: R-package deSolve

- ▶ dede solves DDEs
- ▶ lagvalue provides lagged values of the state variables
- ▶ lagderiv provides lagged values of the derivatives

# Example: Chaotic Production of White Blood Cells

## Mackey-Glass Equation:

- ▶  $y$ : current density of white blood cells,
- ▶  $y_\tau$  is the density  $\tau$  time-units in the past,
- ▶ first term equation is production rate
- ▶  $b$  is destruction rate

$$\begin{aligned} y' &= ay_\tau \frac{1}{1+y_\tau^c} - by \\ y_\tau &= y(t - \tau) \\ y_t &= 0.5 \quad \text{for } t \leq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

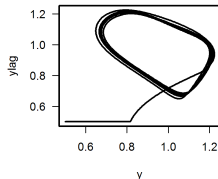
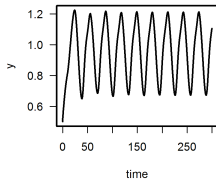
- ▶ For  $\tau = 10$  the output is periodic,
- ▶ For  $\tau = 20$  cell densities display a chaotic pattern

[illegible]

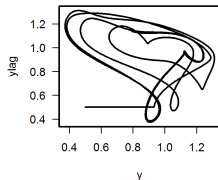
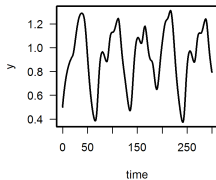
## Solution in R

```
> plot(yout1, lwd = 2, main = "tau=10", ylab = "y", mfrow = c(2, 2), which = 1)
> plot(yout1[,-1], type = "l", lwd = 2, xlab = "y")
> plot(yout2, lwd = 2, main = "tau=20", ylab = "y", mfrow = NULL, which = 1)
> plot(yout2[,-1], type = "l", lwd = 2, xlab = "y")
```

**tau=10**



**tau=20**



## Exercise: the Lemming model

A nice variant of the logistic model is the DDE lemming model:

$$y' = r \cdot y \left( 1 - \frac{y(t - \tau)}{K} \right) \quad (2)$$

Use file [examples/ddelemming.R.txt](#) as a template to implement this model

- ▶ initial condition  $y(t = 0) = 19.001$
- ▶ parameter values  $r = 3.5$ ,  $\tau = 0.74$ ,  $K = 19$
- ▶ history  $y(t) = 19$  for  $t < 0$
- ▶ Generate output for  $t$  in  $[0, 40]$ .



Diffusion, advection and reaction:  
 Partial differential equations (PDE) with ReacTran

# Partial Differential Equations

Many second-order PDEs can be written as advection-diffusion problems:

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial t} = -v \frac{\partial C}{\partial x} + D \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial x^2} + f(t, x, C)$$

... same for 2-D and 3-D

Example: wave equation in 1-D

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \quad (3)$$

can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{du}{dt} &= v \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} &= c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

# Three packages for solving PDEs in R

## ReacTran: methods for numerical approximation of PDEs

- ▶ tran.1D(C, C.up, C.down, D, v, ...)
- ▶ tran.2D, tran.3D

## deSolve: general-purpose solvers for time-varying cases

- ▶ ode.1D(y, times, func, parms, nspec, dims, method, names, ...)
- ▶ ode.2D, ode.3D

## rootSolve: special solvers for time-invariant cases

- ▶ steady.1D(y, time, func, parms, nspec, dims, method, names, ...)
- ▶ steady.2D, steady.3D

# Numerical solution of the wave equation

```
library(ReacTran)
```

<http://desolve.r-forge.r-project.org>

```
wave <- function (t, y, parms) {
 u <- y[1:N]
 v <- y[(N+1):(2*N)]
 du <- v
 dv <- tran.1D(C = u, C.up = 0, C.down = 0, D = 1,
 dx = xgrid)$dC
 list(c(du, dv))
}
```

Methods from ReacTran

```
xgrid <- setup.grid.1D(-100, 100, dx.1 = 0.2)
x <- xgrid$x.mid
N <- xgrid$N
uini <- exp(-0.2*x^2)
vini <- rep(0, N)
yini <- c(uini, vini)
times <- seq (from = 0, to = 50, by = 1)
```

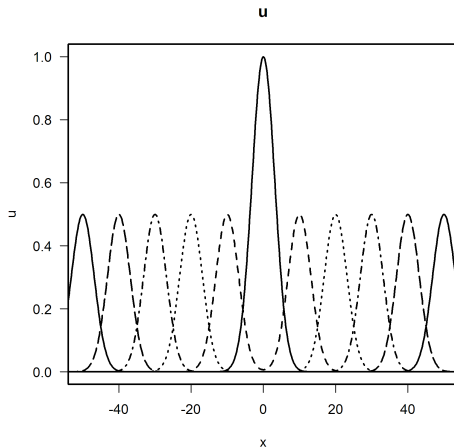
Numerical method provided by the  
deSolve package

```
out <- ode.1D(yini, times, wave, parms, method = "adams",
 names = c("u", "v"), dims = N)
```

```
image(out, grid = x)
```

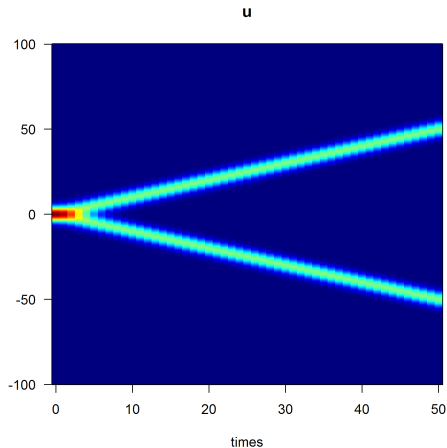
## Plotting 1-D PDEs: matplotlib.1D

```
> outtime <- seq(from = 0, to = 50, by = 10)
> matplot.1D(out, which = "u", subset = time %in% outtime, grid = x,
+ xlab = "x", ylab = "u", type = "l", lwd = 2, xlim = c(-50, 50), col="black")
```



# Plotting 1-D PDEs: image

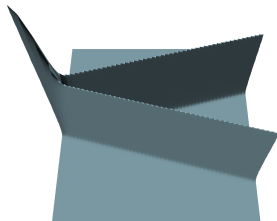
```
> image(out, which = "u", grid = x)
```



## Plotting 1-D PDEs: persp plots

```
> image(out, which = "u", grid = x, method = "persp", border = NA,
+ col = "lightblue", box = FALSE, shade = 0.5, theta = 0, phi = 60)
```

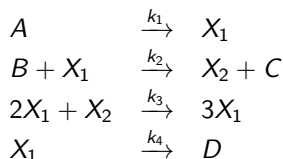
u



# Exercise: the Brusselator

## Problem formulation

The Brusselator is a model for an auto-catalytic chemical reaction between two products,  $A$  and  $B$ , and producing also  $C$  and  $D$  in a number of intermediary steps.



where the  $k_i$  are the reaction rates.

[7] Lefever, R., Nicolis, G. and Prigogine, I. (1967) On the occurrence of oscillations around the steady state in systems of chemical reactions far from equilibrium Journal of Chemical Physics 47, 1045–1047





## 2-D wave equation: Sine-Gordon

### Problem formulation

The Sine-Gordon equation is a non-linear hyperbolic (wave-like) partial differential equation involving the sine of the dependent variable.

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \sin u \quad (5)$$

Rewritten as two first order differential equations:

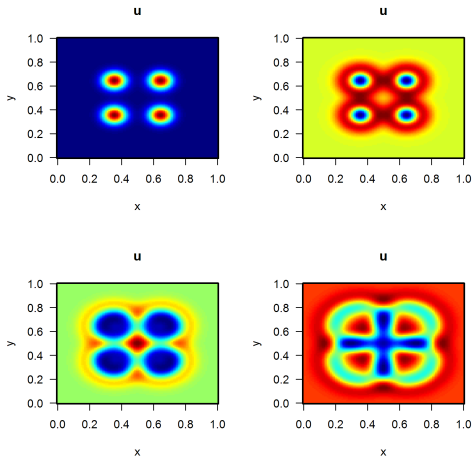
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{du}{dt} &= v \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} &= D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + D \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} - \sin u \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

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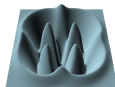
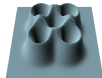
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## Plotting 2-D PDEs: image plots

```
> image(out, which = "u", grid = list(x, y), mfrow = c(2,2), ask = FALSE)
```



10. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 2000; 284: 2689-2694.



## Movie-like output of 2-D PDEs

```

out <- ode.2D (y = c(uini, vini), times = seq(0, 3, by = 0.1),
 parms = NULL, func = sinegordon2D,
 names=c("u", "v"), dims = c(Nx, Ny),
 method = "ode45")
image(out, which = "u", grid = list(x = x, y = y),
 method = "persp", border = NA,
 theta = 30, phi = 60, box = FALSE, ask = FALSE)

```



# Differential-Algebraic Equations

Solver overview, examples



## Two solvers for DAEs in R-package deSolve:

### daspk

- ▶ a backward differentiation formula (BDF)
- ▶ DAEs of index 1 only
- ▶ Can solve DAEs in form  $My' = f(x, y)$  and  $F(x, y, y') = 0$

### radau

- ▶ an implicit Runge-Kutta formula (BDF)
- ▶ DAEs of index  $\leq 3$
- ▶ Can solve DAEs in form  $My' = f(x, y)$  only

### ... more in package deTestSet

- ▶ ...

[1] Brenan, K. E., Campbell, S. L. and Petzold, L. R. (1996) Numerical Solution of Initial-Value Problems in Differential-Algebraic Equations. SIAM Classics in Applied Mathematics.

[4] Hairer, E. and Wanner, G. (2010) Solving Ordinary Differential Equations II: Stiff and Differential-Algebraic Problems. Second Revised Edition, Springer-Verlag.

# Options of solver functions

```

daspk (y, times, func = NULL, parms, dy, res, mass, ...)
radau (y, times, func, parms, nind, mass, ...)

```

- ▶ `func` and `mass`: for  $My' = f(x, y)$
- ▶ `res`: for  $F(x, y, y') = 0$
- ▶ `nind`: number of variables of index 1, 2, and 3  $\Rightarrow$  equations should be sorted accordingly
- ▶ `radau` does not require specification of (consistent) initial derivatives (`dy`)

# Implicit DAE: Robertson problem

## Problem formulation

A classic problem to test stiff ODE/DAE solvers, given by Robertson (1966), written as a DAE (of index 1):

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_1' &= -0.04y_1 + 10^4 y_2 y_3 \\
 y_2' &= 0.04y_1 - 10^4 y_2 y_3 - 3e^7 y_2^2 \\
 1 &= y_1 + y_2 + y_3
 \end{aligned}
 \Rightarrow
 \begin{aligned}
 0 &= -y_1' - 0.04y_1 + 10^4 y_2 y_3 \\
 0 &= -y_2' + 0.04y_1 - 10^4 y_2 y_3 - 3e^7 y_2^2 \\
 0 &= -1 + y_1 + y_2 + y_3
 \end{aligned}$$

The third equation is to conserve the total concentration of  $y_1, y_2, y_3$

- ▶ initial conditions:  $y_1 = 1, y_2 = 0, y_3 = 0$ .
- ▶ output for  $t = 10^{[0, 0.1, 0.2, \dots, 10]}$
- ▶ solve with daspk

# Robertson DAE in R

residual function (4 mandatory arguments):

```
> RobertsonDAE <- function(t, y, dy, parms) {
+
+ res1 <- -dy[1] - 0.04*y[1] + 1e4*y[2]*y[3]
+ res2 <- -dy[2] + 0.04*y[1] - 1e4*y[2]*y[3] - 3e7* y[2]^2
+ res3 <- - 1 + y[1] + y[2] + y[3]
+
+ list(c(res1, res2, res3))
+ }
```

initial conditions (values, derivatives):

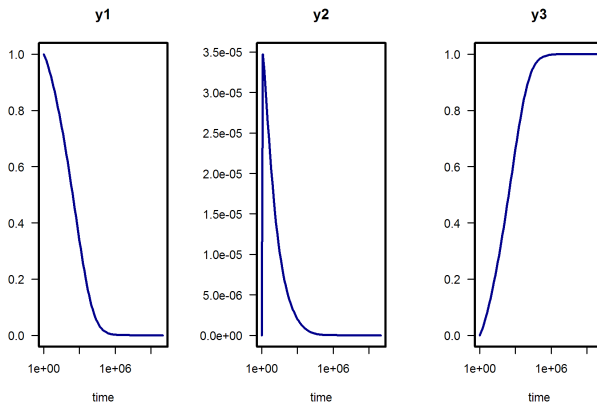
```
> yini <- c(y1 = 1.0, y2 = 0, y3 = 0)
> dyini <- rep(0, 3) # rough guess often good enough
```

solution:

```
> times <- 10^(seq(from = 0, to = 10, by = 0.1))
> out <- daspk(y = yini, dy = dyini, res = RobertsonDAE, parms = NULL,
+ times = times)
```

# Plotting

```
> plot(out, log = "x", col = "darkblue", lwd = 2, mfrow=c(1,3))
```



# The pendulum

## Problem formulation, an index 3 DAE

Original equations:

$$M.y' = f(x,y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= u \\ y' &= v \\ u' &= -\lambda x \\ v' &= -\lambda y - g \\ 0 &= x^2 + y^2 - L^2 \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ u' \\ v' \\ \lambda \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} u \\ v \\ -\lambda x \\ -\lambda y - g \\ x^2 + y^2 - L^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

- ▶ initial conditions:  $x = 1, y = 0, u = 0, v = 1, \lambda = 1$
- ▶  $x$  and  $y$  variables of index 1,  $u, v$  of index 2,  $\lambda$  of index 3
- ▶ solve in  $[0,10]$

# Pendulum problem in R

## derivative function:

```
> pendulum <- function (t, Y, parms) {
+ with (as.list(Y),
+ list(c(u,
+ v,
+ -lam * x,
+ -lam * y - 9.8,
+ x^2 + y^2 - 1
+))
+)
+ }
```

## mass matrix and index vector:

```
> M <- diag(nrow = 5)
> M[5, 5] <- 0
> index <- c(2, 2, 1)
```

## initial conditions:

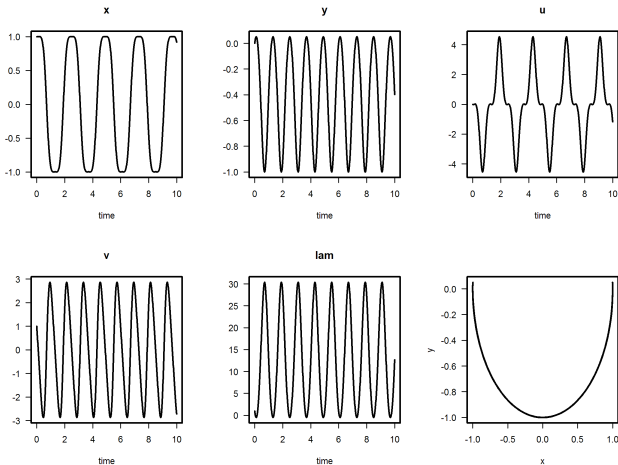
```
> yini <- c(x = 1, y = 0, u = 0, v = 1, lam = 1)
```

## solution :

```
> times <- seq(from = 0, to = 10, by = 0.01)
> out <- radau (y = yini, func = pendulum, parms = NULL,
+ times = times, mass = M, nind = index)
```

# Plotting

```
> plot(out, type = "l", lwd = 2)
> plot(out[, c("x", "y")], type = "l", lwd = 2)
```





Speeding up: Matrices and compiled code



# Use of matrices

## A Lotka-Volterra model with 4 species

```
> model <- function(t, n, parms) {
+ with(as.list(c(n, parms)), {
+ dn1 <- r1 * n1 - a13 * n1 * n3
+ dn2 <- r2 * n2 - a24 * n2 * n4
+ dn3 <- a13 * n1 * n3 - r3 * n3
+ dn4 <- a24 * n2 * n4 - r4 * n4
+ return(list(c(dn1, dn2, dn3, dn4)))
+ })
+ }
> parms <- c(r1 = 0.1, r2 = 0.1, r3 = 0.1, r4 = 0.1, a13 = 0.2, a24 = 0.1)
> times = seq(from = 0, to = 500, by = 0.1)
> n0 = c(n1 = 1, n2 = 1, n3 = 2, n4 = 2)
> system.time(out <- ode(n0, times, model, parms))

 user system elapsed
 0.62 0.00 0.62
```

Source: [examples/lv-plain-or-matrix.R.txt](#)

# Use of matrices

## A Lotka-Volterra model with 4 species

```
> model <- function(t, n, parms) {
+ with(parms, {
+ dn <- r * n + n * (A %*% n)
+ return(list(c(dn)))
+ })
+ }
> parms <- list(
+ r = c(r1 = 0.1, r2 = 0.1, r3 = -0.1, r4 = -0.1),
+ A = matrix(c(0.0, 0.0, -0.2, 0.0, # prey 1
+ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, -0.1, # prey 2
+ 0.2, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, # predator 1; eats prey 1
+ 0.0, 0.1, 0.0, 0.0), # predator 2; eats prey 2
+ nrow = 4, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
+)
> system.time(out <- ode(n0, times, model, parms))

 user system elapsed
 0.36 0.02 0.39
```

Source: [examples/lv-plain-or-matrix.R.txt](#)

# Results

- ▶ `plot(out)` will show the results.
- ▶ Note that the “plain” version has only 1 to 1 connections, but the matrix model is already full connected (with most connections are zero). The comparison is insofar unfair that the matrix version (despite faster execution) is more powerful.
- ▶ Exercise: Create a fully connected model in the plain version for a fair comparison.
- ▶ A parameter example (e.g. for weak coupling) can be found on:  
<http://tolstoy.newcastle.edu.au/R/e7/help/09/06/1230.html>

# Using compiled code

## All solvers of deSolve

- ▶ allow direct communication between solvers and a compiled model.

See vignette ("compiledCode")

## Principle

- ▶ Implement core model (and only this) in C or Fortran,
- ▶ Use data handling, storage and plotting facilities of R.

[examples/compiled\\_lorenz/compiledcode.svg](examples/compiled_lorenz/compiledcode.svg)

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Thank you!

More Info:

<http://desolve.r-forge.r-project.org>

## Citation

A lot of effort went in creating this software; please cite it when using it.

- ▶ deSolve: [22], rootSolve [21], ReacTran [18],
- ▶ Some complex examples can be found in [20],
- ▶ A framework to fit differential equation models to data is FME [19],
- ▶ ... and don't forget the authors of the original algorithms [5, 10, 2]!

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