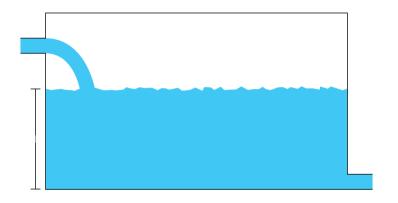
Process Automation Laboratory - Modeling first-order systems

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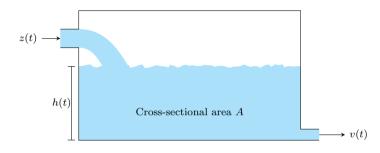
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First-order system example: A tank



- 1. What is the state of the system?
- 2. What is the input signal and output signal?

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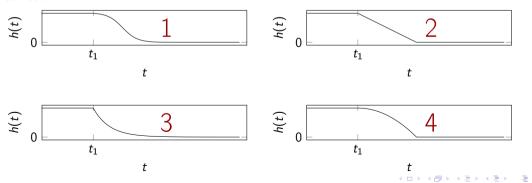


$$\frac{d}{dt}(Ah) = z(t) - x(t) = z(t) - a\sqrt{2gh} \implies \frac{d}{dt}h(t) = -\frac{a\sqrt{2g}}{A}\sqrt{h(t)} + \frac{1}{A}z(t)$$

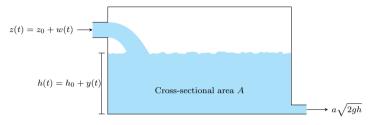
Intuition



Individual activity A constant inflow has been present since forever, but at time t_1 the flow in is suddenly shut off. Which of the responses of the water level h(t) below is correct?



Deviation variables



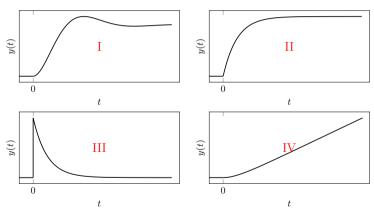
Flow in: $z(t) = z_0 + w(t)$. Level of water: $h(t) = h_0 + y(t)$. The constants h_0 and z_0 define an *operating point*.

$$\frac{d}{dt}h(t) = -\frac{a\sqrt{2g}}{A}\sqrt{h(t)} + \frac{1}{A}z(t)$$

Individual activity Given h_0 determine the operating point for the inflow, z_0 , such that the system is in equilibrium at the operating point.

Intuition

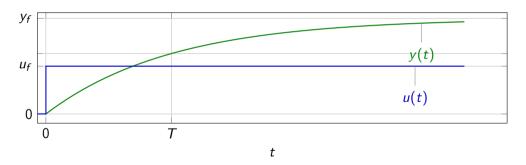
Which change y(t) in the water level corresponds to a step change w(t) in the inflow?



Fitting a first-order model

Assuming a plant model of first-order with time-constant T

$$Y(s) = \frac{K}{sT+1}U(s) \quad \stackrel{U(s) = \frac{u_f}{s}}{\Longrightarrow} \quad y(t) = u_f K(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{T}})u_H(t)$$

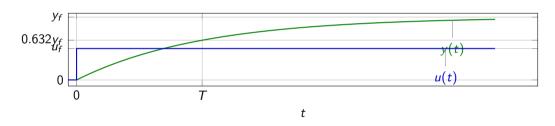


Individual activity Evaluate the response y(t) at the time instant t = T and for $t \to \infty$!

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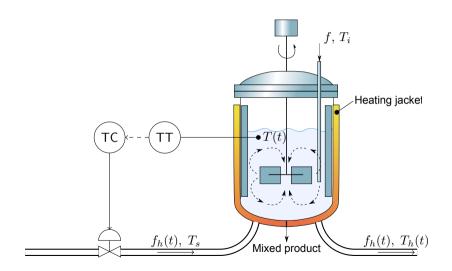
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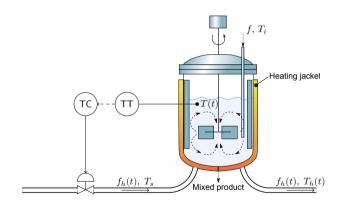
Time-constant: Find the time t = T at which the response has reached 63.2% of its final value

Gain:
$$y_f = \lim_{t \to \infty} y(t) = Ku_f \quad \Rightarrow \quad K = \frac{y_f}{u_f}$$

A Continuous Stirred Tank Reactor



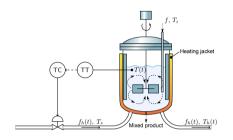
A Continuous Stirred Tank Reactor



Assume:

- 1. Constant flow *f* through the tank reactor
- 2. Constant temperatures T_i and T_s
- 3. Perfect mixing in the tank reactor
- Perfect mixing in the heating jacket
- 5. Isothermic reaction

A Continuous Stirred Tank Reactor

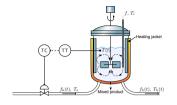


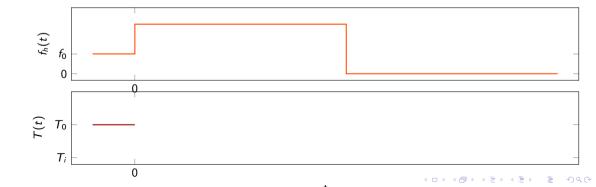
Energy balance:

$$\frac{dT(t)}{dt} = k_1 (T_i - T(t)) + k_2 (T_h(t) - T(t))$$

$$\frac{dT_h(t)}{dt} = k_3 f_h(t) (T_s - T_h(t)) - k_4 (T_h(t) - T(t))$$

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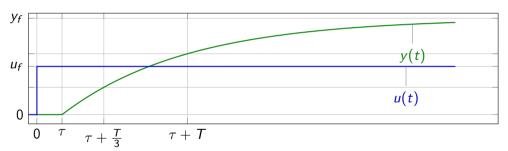




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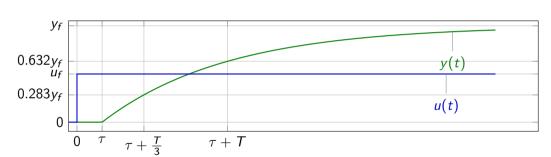
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Individual activity Evaluate the response y(t) at the two time instants $t = \tau + \frac{T}{3}$ and $t = \tau + T!$

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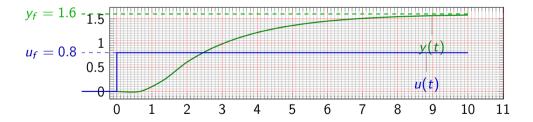
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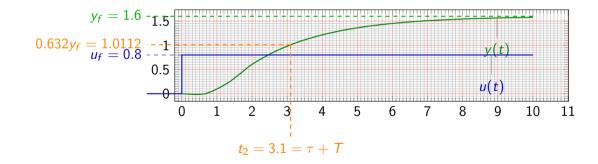
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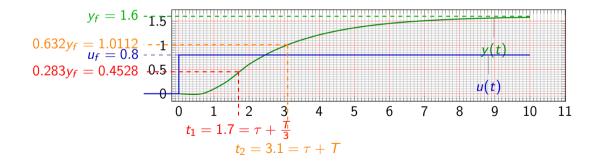
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