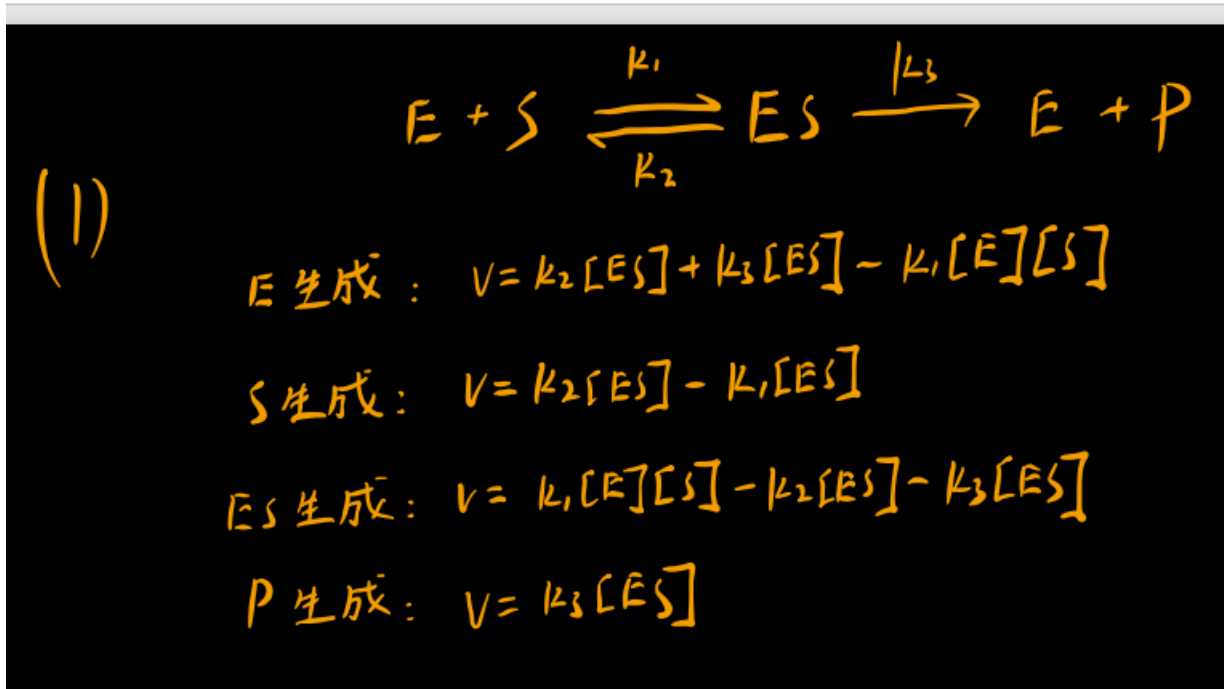


8.1. Using the law of mass action, write down four equations for the **rate of changes** of the four species, E , S , ES , and P .



8.2. Write a code to numerically solve these four equations using the **fourth-order Runge-Kutta method**. For this exercise, assume that the initial concentration of E is 1 μM , the initial concentration of S is 10 μM , and the initial concentrations of ES and P are both 0. The rate constants are: $k_1=100/\mu\text{M}/\text{min}$, $k_2=600/\text{min}$, $k_3=150/\text{min}$.

$$y'_E = f(t, y_E, y_S, y_{ES}, y_P)$$

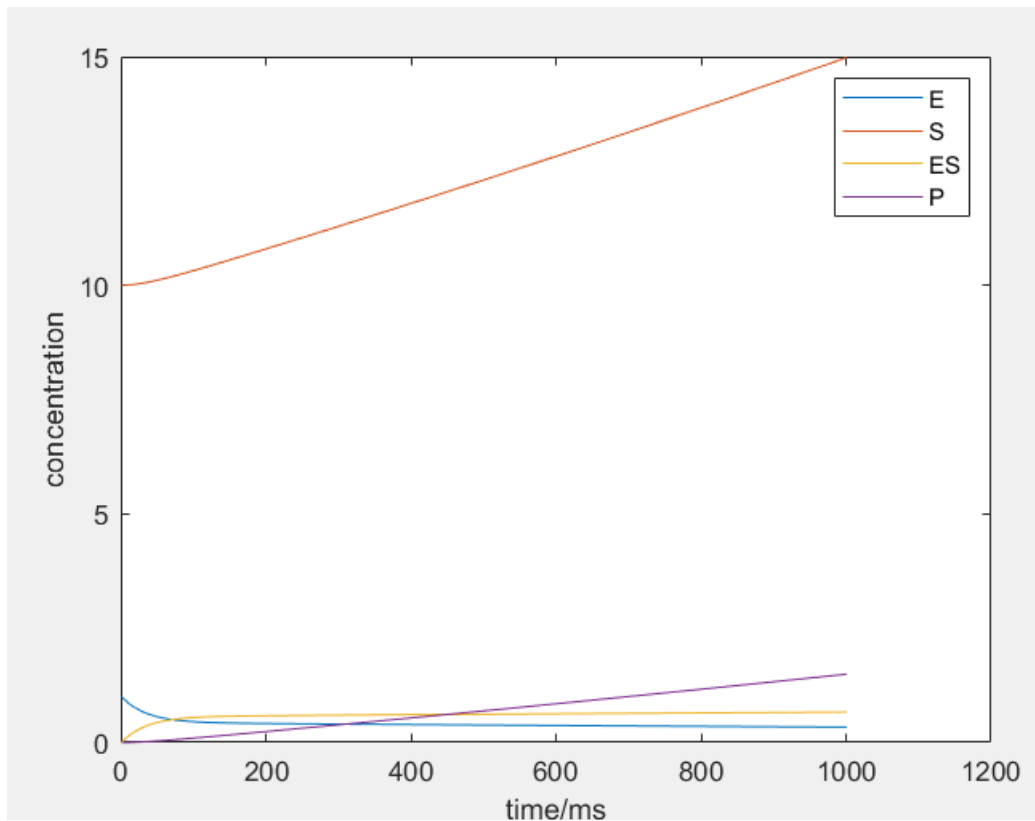
$$[E]_{n+1} = [E]_n + \frac{h}{6} (k_1 + 2k_2 + 2k_3 + k_4)$$

$$k_1 = f(t_n, y_n)$$

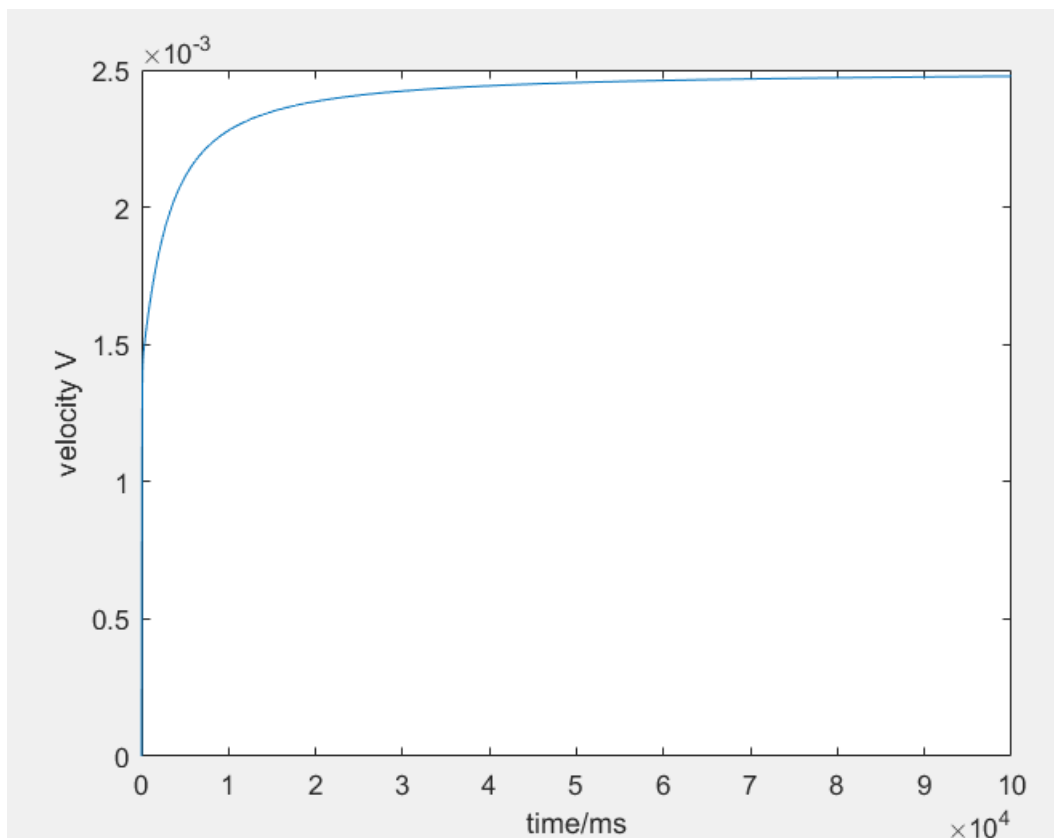
$$k_2 = f\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + \frac{h}{2}k_1\right)$$

$$k_3 = f\left(t_n + \frac{h}{2}, y_n + \frac{h}{2}k_2\right)$$

$$k_4 = f(t_n + h, y_n + hk_3)$$



8.3. We define the velocity, V , of the enzymatic reaction to be the rate of change of the product P . Plot the velocity V as a function of the concentration of the substrate S . You should find that, when the concentrations of S are small, the velocity V increases approximately linearly. At large concentrations of S , however, the velocity V saturates to a maximum value, V_m . Find this value V_m from your plot.



The required v_{max} is $0.0025 \mu\text{M/m}$ ($2.5 \mu\text{M/s}$ or $150 \mu\text{M/min}$)