2.1 improved population models : separable DE's

Announcements: We'll do the Friday notes today, so that the 92.1 HW is accessible over the long weekend.

· We'll discuss Wed.'s input - ontput modeling on Tuesday, and it's explained carefully in \$1.5

'til 12:57 Warm-up Exercise:

For the variable "P" and constant "M", what is the partial fractions decomposition

for
$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{P(P-M)} = \frac{A}{P} + \frac{B}{P-M} = \frac{A}{P} + \frac{B}{B} = \frac{1}{M}$$

$$= \frac{1}{M} \left[\frac{1}{P-M} - \frac{1}{P} \right]$$

long way:
$$\frac{1}{P(P-M)} = \frac{A(P-M) + BP}{P(P-M)}$$

$$| = A(P-M) + BP$$

$$@ P = 0: | = A(-M) + 0 \Rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{M}$$

$$@ P = M: | = BM \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{M}$$

short way: "x" variable.
$$\alpha, \beta$$
 const

$$\frac{1}{(x-\alpha)(x-\beta)} = \frac{1}{\alpha-\beta} \left(\frac{1}{x-\alpha} - \frac{1}{x-\beta} \right)$$

$$\frac{(x-\beta) - (x-\alpha)}{(x-\alpha)(x-\beta)} = \frac{\alpha-\beta}{(x-\alpha)(x-\beta)}$$

$$(\overrightarrow{P-M})P = \frac{1}{M} \left[\frac{1}{P-M} - \frac{1}{P} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{P} - (\cancel{P}-M)}{(\cancel{P}-M)P} = \frac{M}{(\cancel{P}-M)P}$$

2.1: Let P(t) be a population at time t. Let's call them "people", although they could be other biological organisms, decaying radioactive elements, accumulating dollars, or even molecules of solute dissolved in a liquid at time t (2.1.23). Consider:

$$B(t)$$
, birth rate (e.g. $\frac{people}{year}$);
$$\beta(t) := \frac{B(t)}{P(t)}, \text{ fertility rate } (\frac{people}{year} \text{ per } per son)$$

$$D(t), \text{ death rate (e.g. } \frac{people}{year});$$

$$\delta(t) := \frac{D(t)}{P(t)}, \text{ mortality rate } (\frac{people}{year} \text{ per } per son)$$

Then in a closed system (i.e. no migration in or out) we can write the governing DE two equivalent ways:

$$P'(t) = B(t) - D(t)$$

$$P'(t) = (\beta(t) - \delta(t))P(t).$$

Model 1: constant fertility and mortality rates, $\beta(t) \equiv \beta_0 \geq 0$, $\delta(t) \equiv \delta_0 \geq 0$, constants.

$$\Rightarrow P' = (\beta_0 - \delta_0)P = kP$$
.

This is our familiar exponential growth/decay model, depending on whether k>0 or k<0 .

Model 2: population fertility and mortality rates only depend on population P, but they are not constant:

with
$$\beta_0$$
, β_1 , δ_0 , δ_1 constants. This implies
$$P' = (\beta - \delta)P = ((\beta_0 + \beta_1 P) - (\delta_0 + \delta_1 P))P \\ = ((\beta_0 - \delta_0) + (\beta_1 - \delta_1)P)P.$$

For viable populations, $\beta_0 > \delta_0$. For a sophisticated (e.g. human) population we might also expect $\beta_1 < 0$, and resource limitations might imply $\delta_1 > 0$. With these assumptions, and writing $\beta_1 - \delta_1 = -a$ $<0, \beta_0 - \delta_0 = b > 0$ one obtains the <u>logistic differential equation</u>:

$$P' = (b - a P)P$$

 $P' = b P - a P^2$, or equivalently
 $P' = a P\left(\frac{b}{a} - P\right) = k P(M - P)$.

 $k = a > 0, M = \frac{b}{a} > 0$. (One can consider other cases as well.)

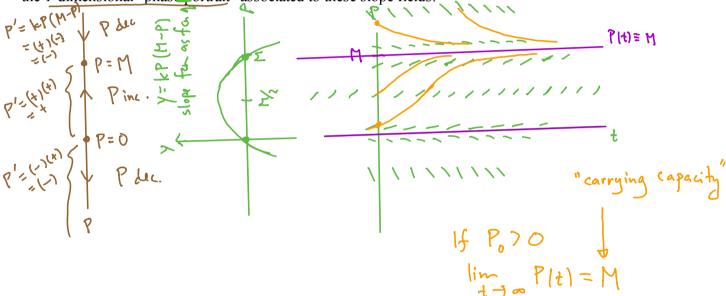
Exercise 1a): Discuss qualitative features of the slope field for the logistic differential equation for P = P(t). Notice that the "isoclines" (curves where the slope function is constant) are horizontal lines

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = P' = k P(M - P)$$
 k>0

Also note that there are two constant ("equilibrium") solutions. What are they?

P(t) = M (
$$P'=0$$
, $kP(M-P)=0$)
P(t) = O

<u>b</u>) Sketch the slope field and apparent solutions graphs in a qualitatively accurate way. We'll also include the 1-dimensional "phase portrait" associated to these slope fields.



c) When discussing the logistic equation, the value \underline{M} is called the "carrying capacity" of the (ecological or other) system. Discuss why this is a good way to $\overline{\operatorname{describe} M}$. Hint: if $P(0) = P_0 > 0$, and P(t) solves the logistic equation, what is the apparent value of $\lim_{t \to \infty} P(t)$? Note that by the existence-uniqueness theorem, different solution graphs may never touch each other, so the time-varying solution graphs never touch the horizontal graph asymptotes.

Exercise 2: Solve the logistic DE IVP

$$P' = k P(M - P)$$
$$P(0) = P_0$$

via separation of variables. Verify that the solution formula is consistent with the slope field and phase diagram discussion from exercise 1. Hint: You should find that

$$P(t) = \frac{MP_0}{(M - P_0)e^{-Mkt} + P_0} \ .$$

<u>Solution</u> (we will work this out step by step in class, using the fact that the logistic DE is separable. It is not linear!!):

$$\frac{dP}{dt} = kP(M-P)$$

$$\frac{dP}{P(M-P)} = k df \qquad E \qquad P \neq 0, P \neq M$$

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$$P(t) = \frac{M}{1 - C_{e} - Mt} = \frac{M}{1 - (\frac{P_{o} - M}{P_{o}}) e^{-Mt}} \frac{P_{o}}{P_{o}}$$

$$P(t) = \frac{MP_{o}}{P_{o} + (M - P_{o}) e^{-Mt}}$$

$$P(t) = \frac{MP_0}{P_0 + (M - P_0)e^{-Mkt}} \ .$$

Notice that because $\lim_{t \to \infty} e^{-Mkt} = 0$,

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} P(t) = \frac{MP_0}{P_0} = M \text{ as expected.}$$

Note: If $P_0 > 0$ the denominator stays positive for $t \ge 0$, so we know that the formula for P(t) is a differentiable function for all t > 0. (If the denominator became zero, the function would blow up at the corresponding vertical asymptote.) To check that the denominator stays positive check that (i) if $P_0 < M$ then the denominator is a sum of two positive terms; if $P_0 = M$ the separation algorithm actually fails because you divided by 0 to get started but the formula actually recovers the constant equilibrium solution $P(t) \equiv M$; and if $P_0 > M$ then $|M - P_0| < P_0$ so the second term in the denominator can never be negative enough to cancel out the positive P_0 , for t > 0.)