

# Compartmental Models

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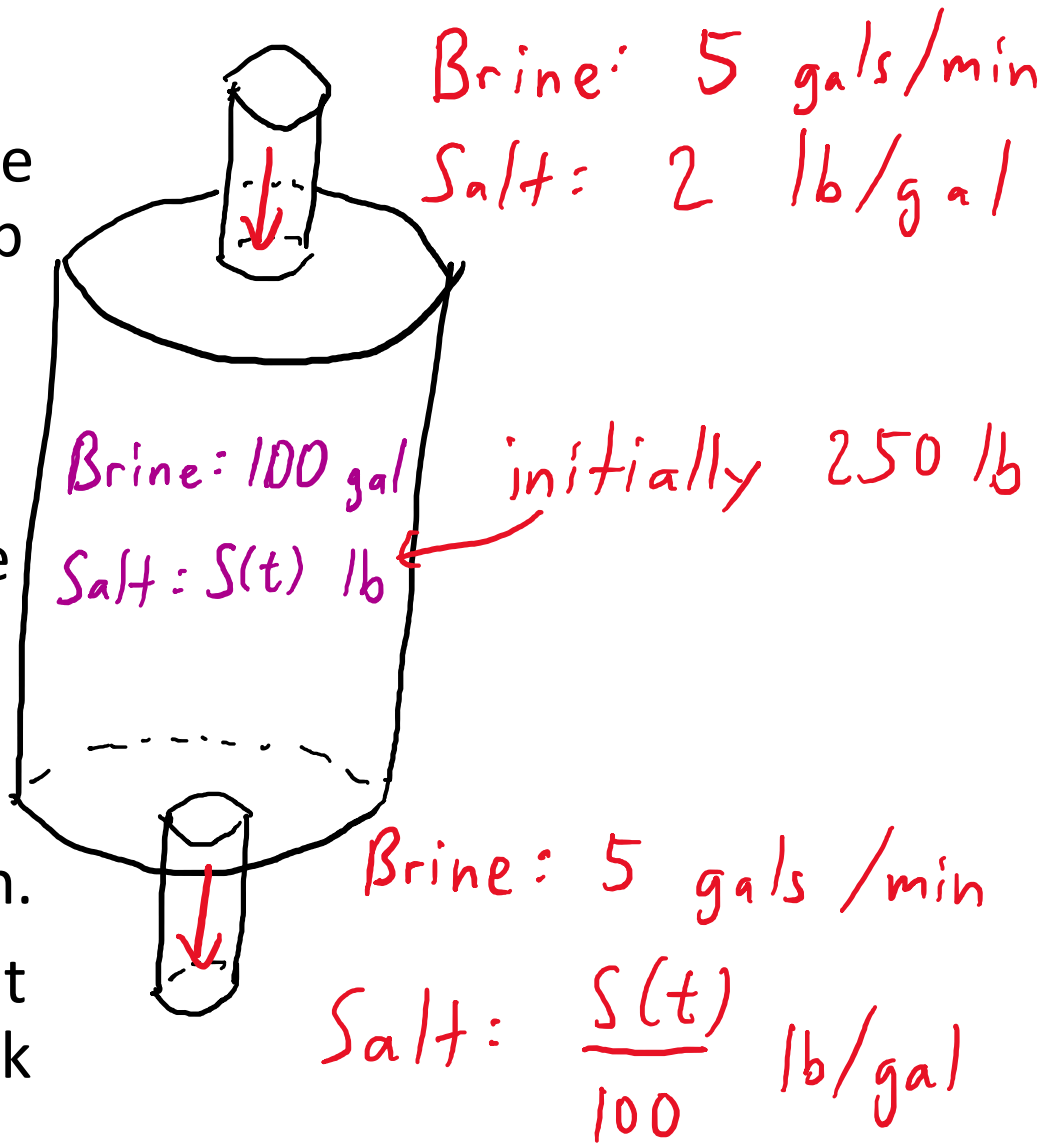
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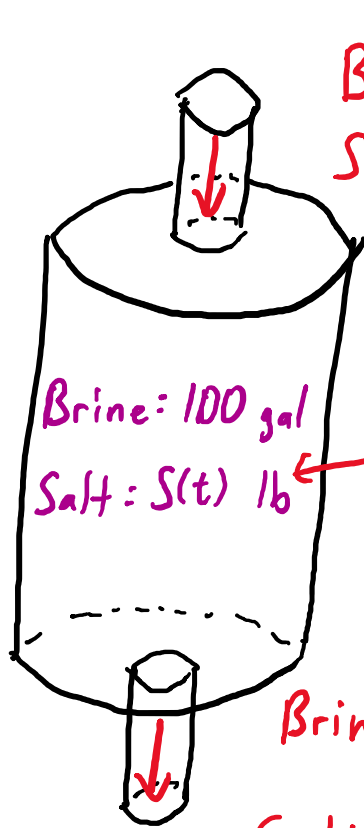
# Mixing problem

(Bittinger, pg 559, ex. 7)

- A tank contains 100 gallons of brine whose concentration is 2.5 lb of salt / gallon.
- Brine containing 2 lb of salt / gallon runs into the tank at a rate of 5 gallons / min
- The brine in the tank runs out at the same rate of 5 gallons / min.
- How does the amount of salt  $S(t)$  in the tank change over time?



# Rate of change in amount of salt



Brine: 5 gals/min  
Salt: 2 lb/gal

10 lb/min of salt  
being added

Brine: 100 gal  
Salt:  $S(t)$  lb

initially 250 lb

$\frac{dS}{dt} = \dot{S} = 10 - \frac{S}{20}$  lb/min

Brine: 5 gals/min  
Salt:  $\frac{S(t)}{100}$  lb/gal

$\frac{S(t)}{20}$  lb/min of salt  
leaving the tank

$$\text{Solving for } \dot{S} = 10 - \frac{S}{20} \quad \dot{S} = \frac{dS}{dt}$$

$$\dot{S} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{20}}_{p(t)} S = \underbrace{10}_{q(t)}$$

linear 1st order ODE

$$dS + dt \left[ \frac{1}{20} \right] S = 10 dt$$

$$I(t) = e^{\int \frac{1}{20} dt} = e^{\frac{t}{20}}$$

(integrating factor)

$$\int e^{\frac{t}{20}} \left[ dS + dt \left[ \frac{1}{20} S \right] \right] = \int 10 e^{\frac{t}{20}} dt$$

$$(e^{-t/20}) \cdot [e^{t/20} \cdot S] = [200 e^{\frac{t}{20}} + C] \cdot (e^{-t/20})$$

$$S = 200 + C e^{-\frac{t}{20}}$$

← general sol

# Initial value problem

•  $S = 200 + Ce^{-\frac{t}{20}}$  and  $S(0) = 250$

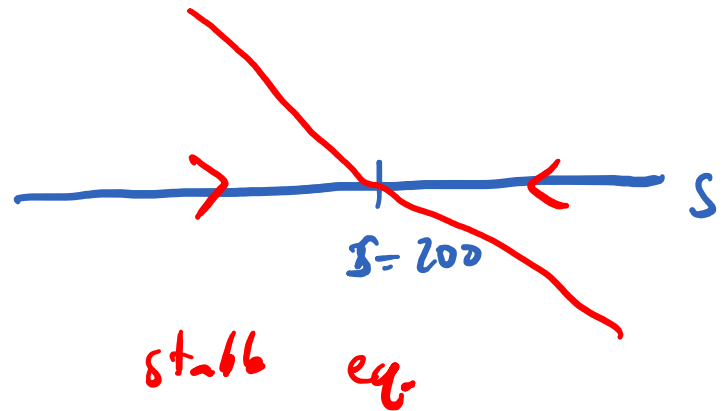
$$250 = S(0) = 200 + C$$

$$C = 50$$

$$S = 200 + 50e^{-t/20}$$

$S$  is in lbs  
 $t$  is in min  
 $\dot{S} = \frac{dS}{dt}$  is in lb/min

$$\dot{S} = 10 - \frac{S}{20}$$



Amount of salt in tank  
on long time-scales?

A: 50 lb

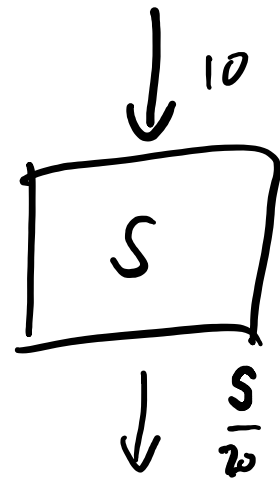
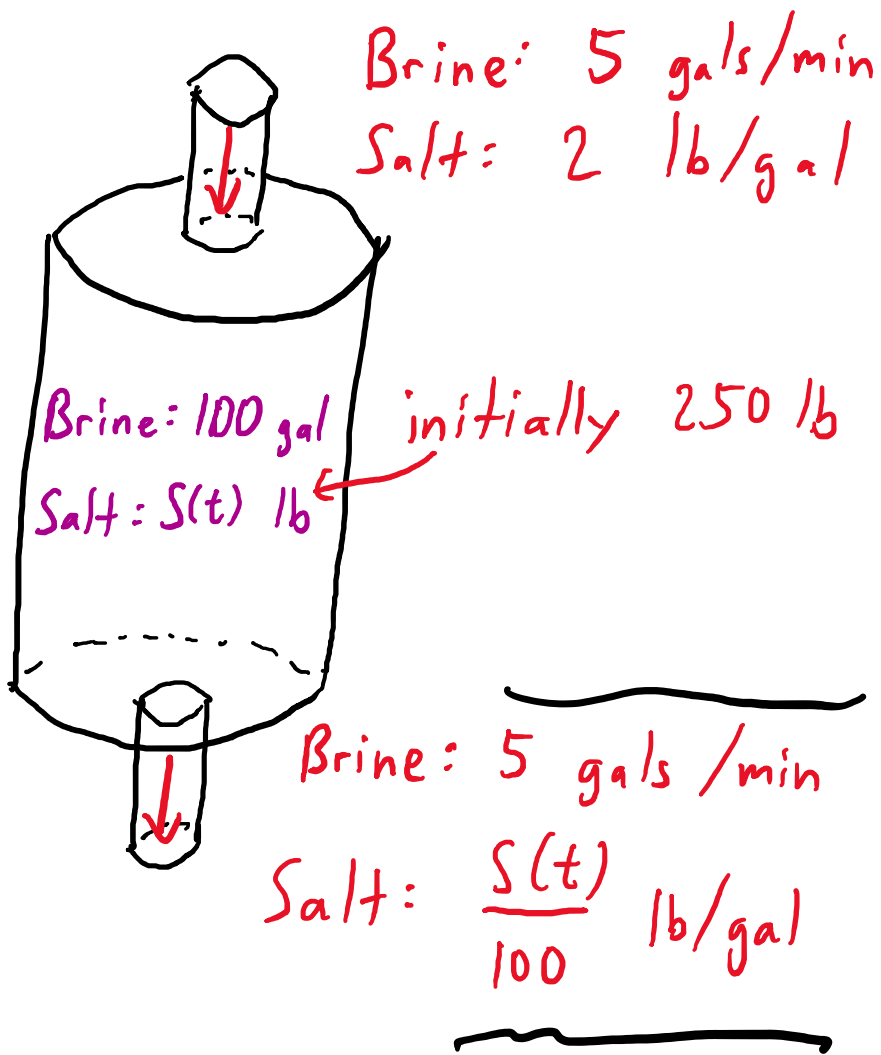
B: 50 lb / min

C: 200 lb

D: 200 lb / min

E: None of the above

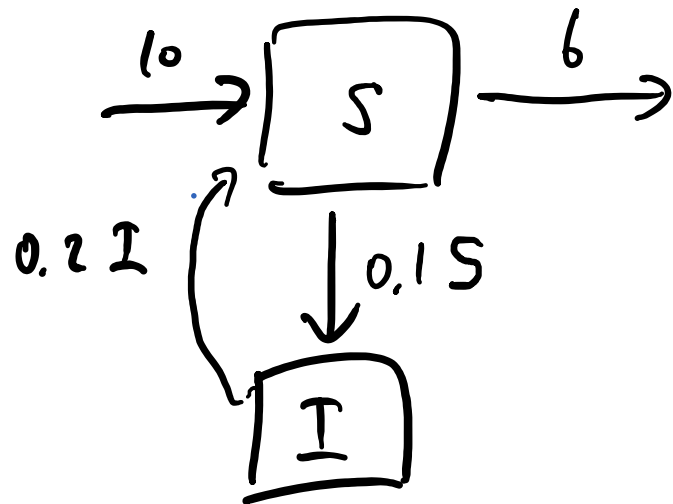
Compartmental diagram:  $S' = 10 - \frac{S}{10}$



# Compartmental models

- Boxes represent variables
- Arrows give rates of change.
  - An arrow pointing to a box increases that variable
  - An arrow pointing away decreases that variable

Ex.



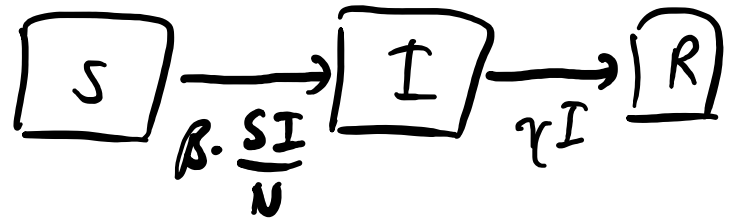
$$S' = 10 - 6 - 0.1 S + 0.2 I$$

$$I' = 0.1 S - 0.2 I$$

# Application: SIR epidemic model

- Consider a simple epidemic model with three classes of people:

- Susceptible individuals  $S(t)$
- Infected individuals  $I(t)$
- Removed individuals  $R(t)$



- Assume that:

- Infection rate is proportional to the number of infected individuals multiplied by the proportion of susceptible individuals in the population  $N = S + I + R$ .  $\beta$
- Recovery rate is proportional to the number of infected individuals  $\gamma$
- Recovered individuals are immune

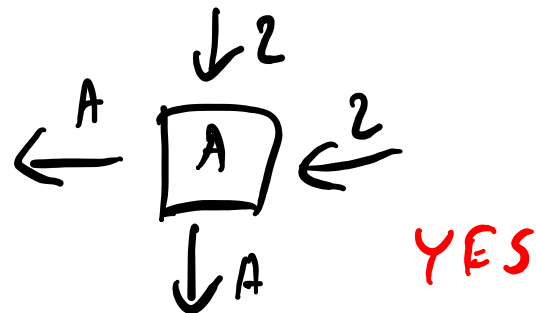
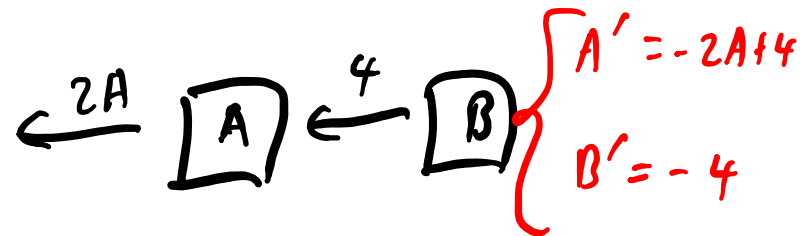
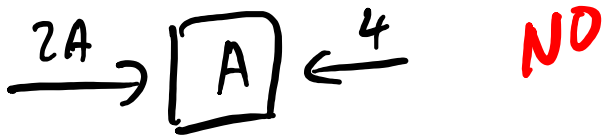
$$\begin{cases} \dot{S} = -\beta \cdot \frac{SI}{N} \\ \dot{I} = \frac{\beta SI}{N} - \gamma I \\ \dot{R} = \gamma I \end{cases}$$



Try it out:  $A' + 2A = 4$

$A' = -2A + 4$

- Does the following compartmentalized model correspond to the equation above?

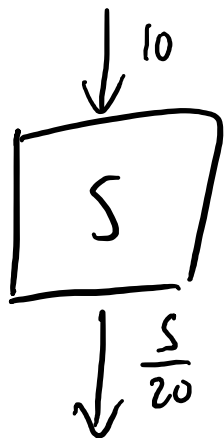


- A: Yes
- B: No
- C: Maybe
- D: ???
- E: None of the above

# Notational aside

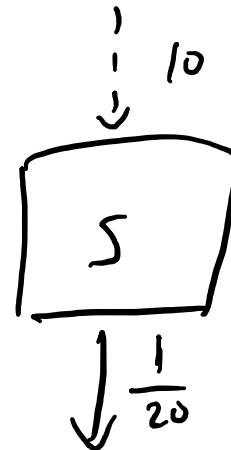
- Bittinger, et al textbook introduces two different types of arrows
  - Relative rates: solid arrows are proportional to the variables
  - Constant/time-dependent rates: dotted arrows are either constant or depend only on time

Ex.



above notation

vs,

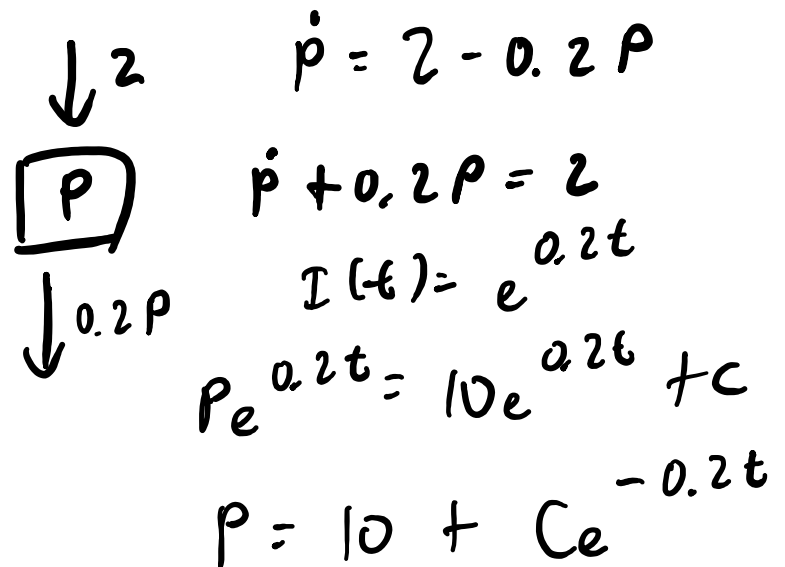
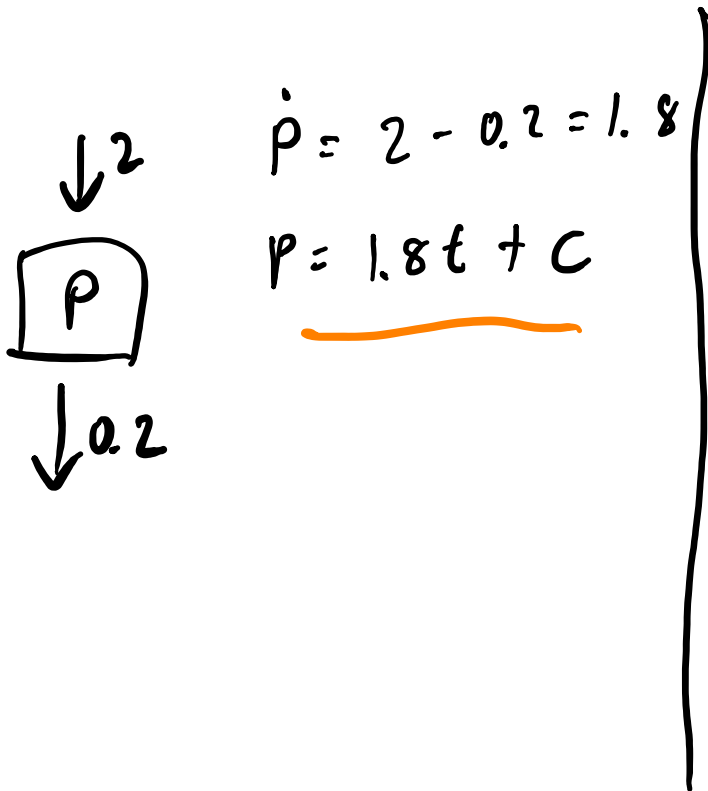


textbook

- MATA35 will use the left-hand notation of using solid lines everywhere and including all relevant variables unless explicitly specified otherwise.

# Try it out

- Find the general solution for the following one-compartment model:

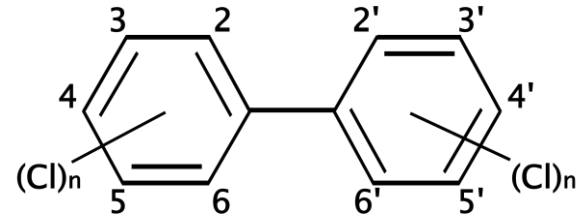


- A:  $P(t) = 1.8t + C$
- B:  $P(t) = 2.2t + C$
- C:  $P(t) = 10 + Ce^{-0.2t}$
- D: ???
- E: None of the above

# Lake pollution (Bittinger, pg 557, ex. 5)

unpolluted  
✓

- A mussel is placed into lake water polluted by polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).
- Let  $Q(t)$  be the concentration of PCB in the mussel in micrograms per gram of tissue.
- The mussel absorbs PCBs at 12 micrograms per gram of tissue each day.
- The mussel eliminates PCBs at a rate of  $0.18Q$  micrograms per gram of tissue each day.



$$\frac{dQ}{dt} = \dot{Q} = 12 - 0.18Q$$

$\downarrow 12$   
 $\boxed{Q}$   
 $\downarrow 0.18Q$

$$\dot{Q} + 0.18Q = 12$$

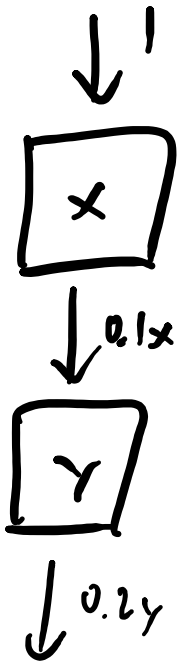
$$I(t) = e^{0.18t} \quad \leftarrow \text{Integrating Factor}$$

$$Q e^{0.18t} = \int 12 e^{0.18t} dt = \frac{200}{3} e^{0.18t} + C$$

$$Q(t) = \frac{200}{3} + C e^{-0.18t}$$

$\bullet Q(0) = 0$   
 $C = -\frac{200}{3}$   
 $Q(t) = \frac{200}{3} - \frac{200}{3} e^{-0.18t}$

# Simple multi-compartmental models



$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 1 - 0.1x \\ \dot{y} = 0.1x - 0.2y \end{cases}$$

Asy-p. stable eq for  $x$

$$\dot{x} = 0 = 1 - 0.1x \Rightarrow x = 10$$

Asymp stable eq for  $y$

At time  $\infty$ ,  $\dot{y} = 0.1x - 0.2y = 1 - 0.2y = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow y = 5$

At time  $\infty$ ,

$$x = 10$$

$$y = 5$$

# Solving explicitly

$$\downarrow 1$$
$$\boxed{x}$$

$$\downarrow 0.1x$$

$$\boxed{y}$$

$$\downarrow 0.2y$$

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 1 - 0.1x \\ \dot{y} = 0.1x - 0.2y \end{cases}$$

$$\dot{x} + 0.1x = 1$$

$$I(t) = e^{0.1t}$$

$$xe^{0.1t} = \int e^{0.1t} dt$$

$$xe^{0.1t} = 10e^{0.1t} + C_1$$

$$x = \underline{10} + C_1 e^{-0.1t}$$

$$\dot{y} = 0.1(10 + C_1 e^{-0.1t}) - 0.2y$$

$$\dot{y} + 0.2y = 1 + 0.1C_1 e^{-0.1t}$$

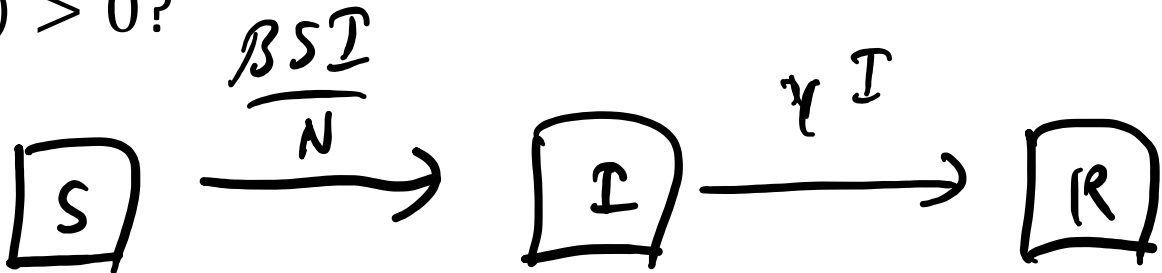
$$ye^{0.2t} = \int [e^{0.2t} + 0.1C_1 e^{0.1t}] dt$$

$$ye^{0.2t} = 5e^{0.2t} + C_1 e^{0.1t} + C_2$$

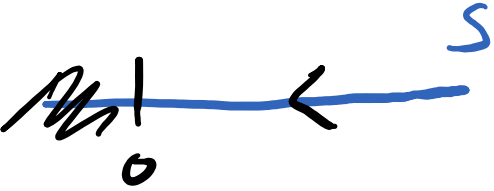
$$y = \underline{5} + C_1 e^{-0.1t} + C_2 e^{-0.2t}$$

# Try it out

- What is the behavior of the basic SIR epidemic model with no reinfection at time infinity, if  $S(0) > 0$ ,  $I(0) > 0$ , and  $R(0) > 0$ ?

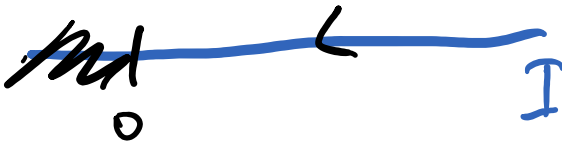


$$R = N - S - I$$



$$\dot{S} = -\frac{\beta SI}{N}$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} S(t) = 0$$



$$\dot{I} = \frac{\beta SI}{N} - \gamma I$$

0 at  $t = \infty$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} I(t) = 0$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} R(t) = N - 0 - 0 = N$$

- A: Everyone is susceptible
- B: Everyone is infected
- C: Everyone is removed**
- D: Some mix of the above
- E: None of the above

# Concluding remarks

- Compartmental models are a graphical way of representing the rate of change of variables.
- Linear one-compartment models we can solve using the techniques for linear first-order ODEs
  - Explicitly solving using integrating factors
  - Stability analysis using phase lines
- Multi-compartment models that can be broken down into a series of one-compartment models are also solvable for the same reason.
- More complicated multi-compartment models will require knowing how to solve systems of ODEs.  
(Future lecture)