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1. Data given:

$$t_1 = 2000$$

$$P_0 = 100\,000$$

$$t_2 = 2002$$

$$P_1 = 60\,000$$

$$a) \quad 100\,000 = P_0 e^{K(2000)} \quad (1)$$

$$60\,000 = P_0 e^{K(2002)} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{(1)}{(2)} \Rightarrow \frac{100\,000}{60\,000} = e^{K(2000) - K(2002)} = e^{-2K}$$

$$\therefore \ln\left(\frac{10}{6}\right) = -2K$$

$$\therefore K = -\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} (0.512) = -0.26$$

b) i) If we take  $t=2000$  as our initial time frame, then we get

$$10\,000 = 100\,000 e^{-0.26 \cdot t}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} = e^{-0.26 \cdot t}$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{1}{-0.26} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1}{10}\right) = -\frac{1}{0.26} \cdot 2.30 = 9$$

$$\therefore t = 2000 + 9 = 2009$$

ii) If we take  $t=2002$  as an initial time frame we get

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$$10\ 000 = 60\ 000 e^{-0.26 \cdot t}$$

$$\frac{1}{6} = e^{-0.26 \cdot t}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = -0.26 \cdot t$$

$$\therefore t = -\frac{1}{0.26} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = -\frac{1}{0.26} \cdot (-1.79) = 7$$

$$\therefore t = 2002 + 7 = 2009 \rightarrow$$

c) taking  $t=2000$ , as our initial time frame, then we have

$$100\ 000 = e^{-0.26(2000)} \quad - (1)$$

$$P(2010) = e^{-0.26(2010)} \quad - (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(1)/(2)} \text{ gives: } \frac{100\ 000}{P(2010)} &= \frac{e^{-0.26(2000)}}{e^{-0.26(2010)}} \\ &= e^{-0.26(2000-2010)} \\ &= e^{0.26(10)} \\ &= e^{-0.26(10)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore: } P(2010) = 100\ 000 e$$

NOTE: We can just straight use the general equation where,  $P_0 = 100\ 000$ ,  $t = 2010 - 2000 = 10$ , and  $k = -0.26$ .

It then follows that

$P(2010) \approx 7427 \approx 7000$  rounded to the nearest thousand.

ii) OR We can take  $t = 2002$  as our initial time frame provided we know the value of  $k$  and we do in this case:

$$P(2010) = 60000 e^{-0.26(8)}$$

$= 7495 \approx 7000$  rounded to the nearest thousand

d)  $P(t_0) = P(0) e^{-kt_0}$ , where  $t_0 = 0$ .

$$= 7000 e^{-kt_0}$$

2. Data

$$k = 0.001$$

$$N_0 = 15 \text{ grams}$$

$$N_t = 3 \text{ grams}$$

a) We know that:  $N_t = N_0 e^{-kt}$ , from which we have

$$3g = 15g e^{-(0.001)t}$$

$$\therefore \frac{3}{15} = e^{-(0.001)t}$$

$$\therefore -(0.001)t = \ln\left(\frac{3}{15}\right)$$

$$\therefore t = -\frac{1}{0.001} \ln\left(\frac{3}{15}\right) = -\frac{1}{0.001} \cdot \ln(0.2)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{0.001} \cdot (-1.609)$$

$$\therefore t = 1609 \text{ yrs}$$

b) Today:  $5\% N_0 = \frac{5}{100} N_0$ ,  $t_{\text{today}} = ?$

$$\text{Thus: } \frac{5}{100} N_0 = N_0 e^{-kt_{\text{today}}}$$

$$-kt_{\text{today}} = \ln\left(\frac{5}{100}\right)$$

$$\therefore t_{\text{today}} = -\frac{1}{k} \ln\left(\frac{5}{100}\right) = 2996.$$

But: initially:  $N_t = N_0 e^{-kt}$  — (1)

today:  $\frac{5}{100} N_t = N_0 e^{-kt_{\text{today}}}$  — (2)

then taking ratios: we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1)/(2): \quad \frac{N_t}{\frac{5}{100} N_t} &= \frac{N_0 e^{-k t_{in}}}{N_0 e^{-k t_{today}}} \\ \frac{100}{5} &= e^{-k t_{in} + k t_{today}} \\ &= e^{k(-t_{in} + t_{today})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore k(-t_{in} + t_{today}) = \ln\left(\frac{100}{5}\right)$$

$$-t_{in} + t_{today} = \frac{1}{k} \ln\left(\frac{100}{5}\right)$$

$$t_{today} - \frac{1}{k} \ln\left(\frac{100}{5}\right) = t_{in}$$

$$\therefore t_{in} = 2996 - \frac{1}{0.001} \ln\left(\frac{100}{5}\right)$$

$$\therefore t_{in} = 2996 - 2996 = 0$$

(1) because we calculated the time  $t$  for the radioactive substance to decay to 5% today. From here we then used the techniques of ratios to calculate  $t_{in}$  from which  $N_0$  cancelled out.

### 3. Malthusian model

Country A

$50 \times t$

(doubling time)

Country B

$80 \times t$

(doubling time)

$t = 1950$

$k_A = ?, k_B = ?$   
 $t = 2000$  ( $P_A = P_B$ )

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## Population A



50 yrs

$$P_0 \qquad P_A = P_{50}$$

$$P_A(t) = P_A(0) e^{-k_A t}$$

$P_A$  at  $t_0 = 1$  (Day!), we have:

$$P_A(t) = P_A(0) e^{-k_A t_0} \quad (1)$$

and at  $t = 50 t_0$

$$2 P_A(t) = P_A(0) e^{-k_A 50 t_0} \quad (2)$$

taking ratios, we have

$$(1)/(2): \frac{1}{2} = e^{-k_A t_0 + k_A 50 t_0}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-k_A + 50 k_A} \quad (\because t_0 = 1)$$

$$\therefore k_A = \frac{1}{49} \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore k_A = -0.0141$$

## Population B



80 yrs

$$P_0 \qquad P_B = P_{80}$$

$$P_B(t) = P_B(0) e^{-k_B t}$$

$P_B$  at  $t_0 = 1$  (Day!), we have

$$P_B(t) = P_B(0) e^{-k_B t_0} \quad (1)$$

and at  $t = 80 t_0$ , we have

$$2 P_B(t) = P_B(0) e^{-k_B 80 t_0} \quad (2)$$

taking ratios, we have

$$(1)/(2): \frac{P_B(t)}{2 P_B(t)} = \frac{P_B(0) e^{-k_B t_0}}{P_B(0) e^{-k_B 80 t_0}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{e^{-k_B t_0}}{e^{-k_B 80 t_0}}$$

$$= e^{-k_B t_0 + k_B 80 t_0}$$

$$= e^{-k_B + k_B 80} \quad (\because t_0 = 1)$$

$$\therefore 79 k_B = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore k_B = \frac{1}{79} \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\therefore k_B = -0.009$$

Now we can calculate the ratio of  $P_B(t)$  and  $P_A(t)$  at any time  $t$ :

$$\frac{P_B(t)}{P_A(t)} = \frac{P_B(0) e^{k_B t}}{P_A(0) e^{k_A t}}$$

but in 2000  $P_B(0) = P_A(0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{P_B(t)}{P_A(t)} &= \frac{e^{k_B t}}{e^{k_A t}} = e^{k_B t - k_A t} = e^{(k_B - k_A)t} \\ &= e^{(-0.009 - (-0.0141))t} \\ &= e^{(-0.009 + 0.0141)t} \\ &\approx e^{0.0052t} \end{aligned}$$

In particular in year 1950 ( $t = -50$ ) the ratio was  $e^{(0.0052)(-50)} \approx 0.8$ , and in year 2050 ( $t = +50$ ) the ratio will be  $e^{(0.0052)(50)} \approx 1.3$

4. We use the following equations to calculate

$$120\,000 = P(0) e^{-k(1980)}$$

$$500\,000 = P(0) e^{-k(2000)}$$

taking ratios: we have

$$(1)/(2): \frac{120\,000}{500\,000} = e^{k(-1980 + 2000)}$$



$$\frac{12}{50} = e^{k20}$$

$$\therefore k20 = \ln\left(\frac{12}{50}\right)$$

$$\therefore k = \frac{1}{20} \ln\left(\frac{12}{50}\right) = -0.071$$

Now at 1990, we have

$$X = 120\,000 e^{0.071(1990-1980)}$$

$$= 120\,000 e^{0.071(10)}$$

$$\therefore X = 244\,080 \underline{\underline{D}}$$

5. (a) From: 
$$P(t) = \frac{a}{b + \left(\frac{a}{P_0} - b\right)e^{-at}}$$

have: 
$$P(1) = \frac{a}{b + \left(\frac{a}{P_0} - b\right)e^{-a(1)}}$$

$$= \frac{0.2}{0.05 + \left(\frac{0.2}{100} - 0.05\right)e^{-(0.2)}}$$

$$= 18.6900$$

and

$$P(5) = \frac{0.2}{0.05 + \left(\frac{0.2}{100} - 0.05\right)e^{(-0.2)(5)}}$$

$$= 6.1840$$

$$b) \quad P(0) = 100.000, \quad P(1) = 18.6900, \quad P(5) = 6.1840$$

$$\therefore \frac{dP(t)}{dt} = aP(t) - bP^2(t)$$

$$\text{at } t=0; \quad \frac{dP(0)}{dt} = 0.2(100) - (0.05)(100)^2$$

$$= -480$$

$$t=1; \quad \frac{dP(1)}{dt} = 0.2(18.6900) - (0.05)(18.6900)^2$$

$$= -13.7278$$

and at

$$t=5: \quad \frac{dP(5)}{dt} = 0.2(6.1840) - (0.05)(6.1840)^2$$

$$= -0.6753$$

c) Phase line: The logistic differential equation

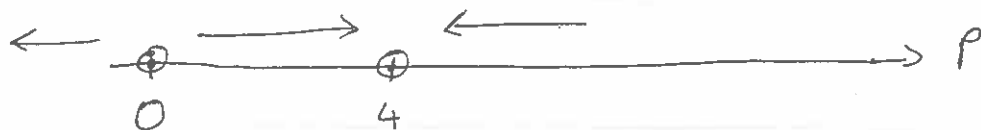
$$\frac{dP}{dt} = aP - bP^2 = P(a - bP)$$

has two equilibrium points,  $P=0$  and  $P=\frac{a}{b}$ . Also,  $\frac{dP}{dt} > 0$  for  $0 < P < \frac{a}{b}$  and  $\frac{dP}{dt} < 0$  for  $P < 0$ ,

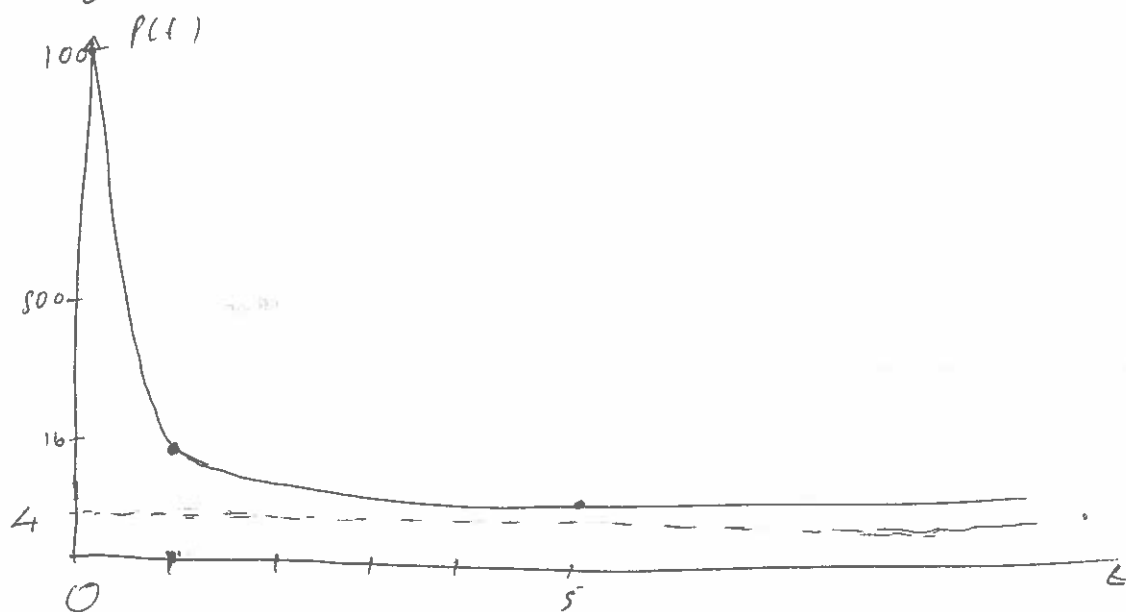
$P > \frac{a}{b}$ . In this question,

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{0.2}{0.05} = 4$$

and therefore the phase line looks like this:

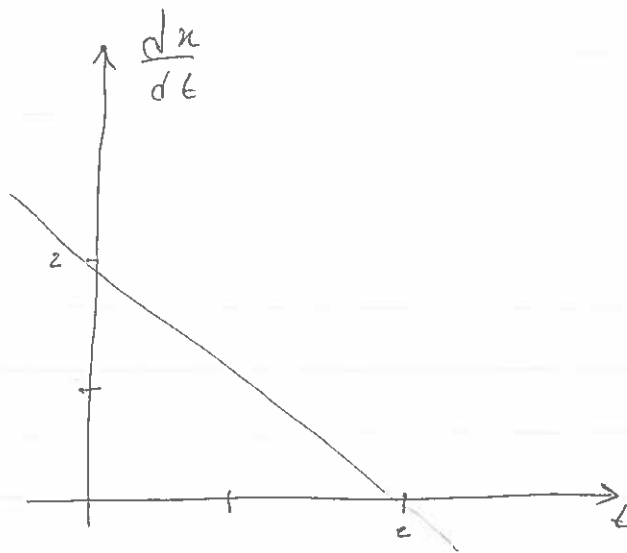


d) The initial value and (a) tell us that the solution curve  $P(t)$  should go through the points  $(t=0, 100)$ ,  $(t=1, 18.6900)$ , and  $(t=2, P=6.1840)$ . The answer to (b) further tells us what the slopes of the solution curve should be at these points:  $-480$ ,  $-13.7278$ ,  $-0.6753$ . Finally, since the initial point is larger than the equilibrium point 4, (c) tells that the solution will decrease, approaching asymptotically the value  $P=4$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . In conclusion, the solution curve looks as follows:



6. Given:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 - x$

(i) Sketch of  $\frac{dx}{dt}$ :



ii) Phase line:

equilibrium points:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0, \therefore 0 = 2 - x;$   
 $\therefore x = 2$

Slopes:  $\frac{dx}{dt} > 0$  iff  $x < 2$

$\frac{dx}{dt} < 0$  iff  $x > 2.$



The equilibrium point here is unstable

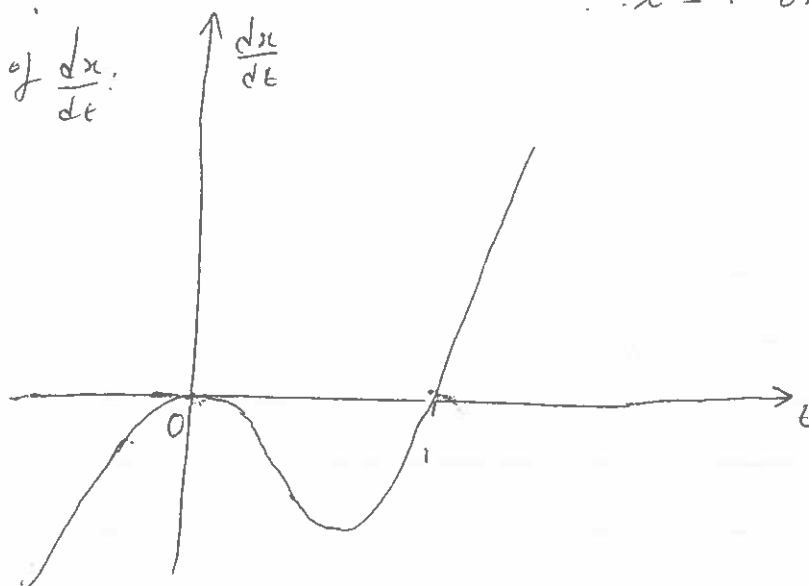
if the system starts at  $x(0) = 0.5$ , it will not return to the equilibrium point  $x=2$  but it move away from the equilibrium and will never return to it

(b) Given:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = (x-1)x^2$

we can also find  $x$ -intercepts by letting  $y = \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$

Thus we have:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0; (x-1) = 0$  OR  $x^2 = 0$   
 $\therefore x = 1$  OR  $x = 0$

(i) sketch of  $\frac{dx}{dt}$ :



(ii) Phase line:Similarly, equilibriums:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = (x-1)x^2 = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow (x-1)=0 \text{ or } x^2=0 \\ x=1 \text{ or } x=0$$

by since:  $\frac{dx}{dt} > 0$  iff  $x > 1$ and  $\frac{dx}{dt} < 0$  iff  $x < 1$ 

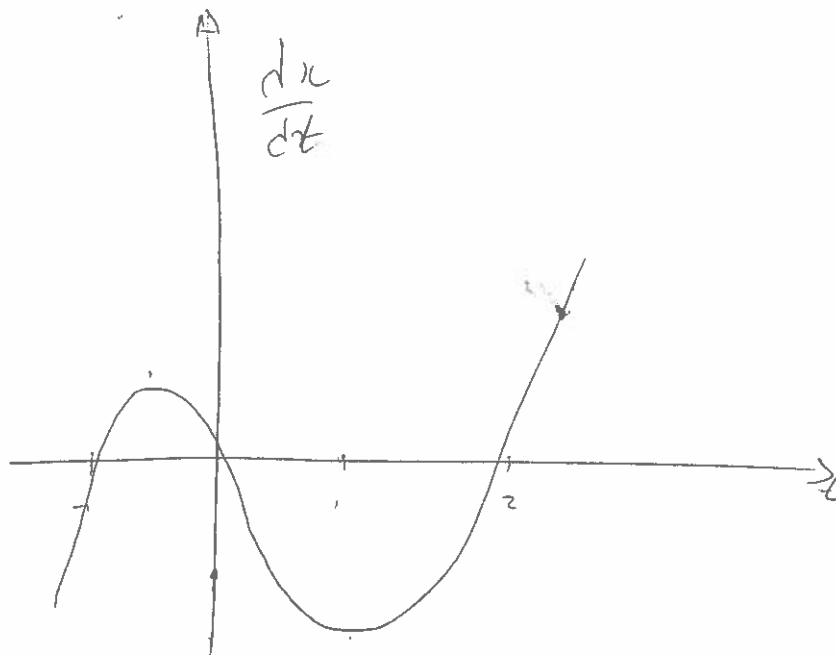
The equilibrium points are unstable.

If the system starts at  $x(0) = 0.5$ , it will not return to the equilibrium point  $x = 1$ , but the system will approach the equilibrium point  $x = 0$  from the right. but the system will continue and pass this equilibrium point and never return to it.

(c) Given:  $\frac{dx}{dt} = (x-2)x(x+1)$ 

We can also find  $x$ -intercepts by letting  $y = \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$   
 Thus we have:  $(x-2) = 0$ , or  $x = 0$ ,  $x + 1 = 0$   
 $x = 2$ , or  $x = 0$ ;  $x = -1$

i) sketch:



ii) Phase line:

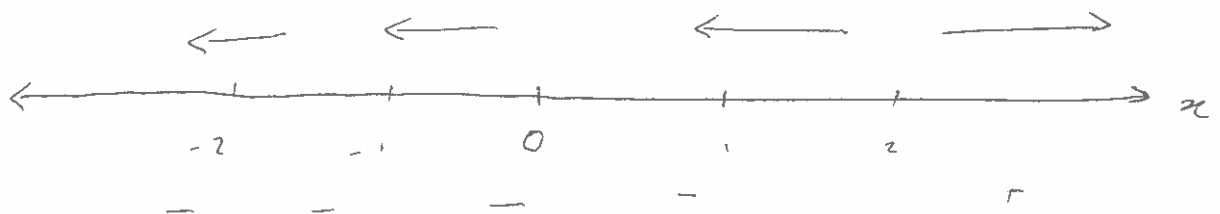
Similarly, for equilibrium points:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 0, \Rightarrow (x-2)=0, \text{ or } x=0, \text{ or } x+1=0$$

$$x=2, x=0, x=-1$$

now:  $\frac{dx}{dt} > 0$  iff  $x \geq 2$ ,  
 $x \leq -1$

and  $\frac{dx}{dt} < 0$  iff  $-1 < x < 2$ .

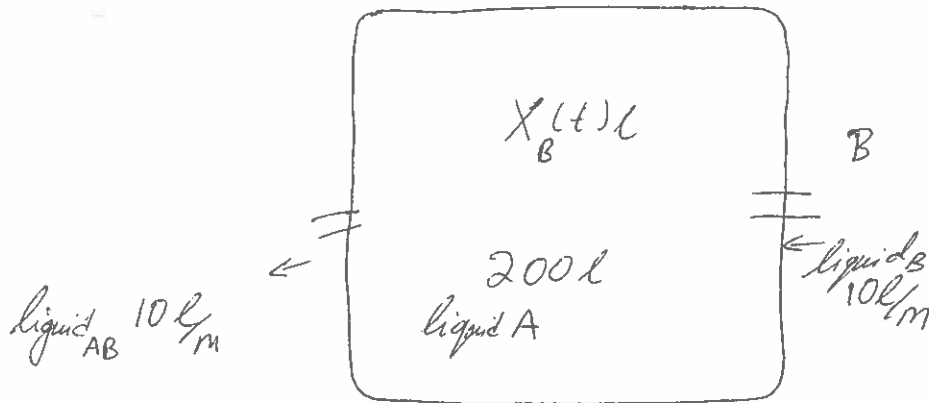


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approach the equilibrium points  $x=0$ , and  $x=-1$  from the right and then it will continue and pass this equilibrium points and never return to it.

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e)  $\frac{dX_B(t)}{dt}$  = rate of change of the mixture in the tank  
 = (rate of mixture entering) - (rate of mixture leaving) tank tank

ie rate of mixture entering tank = 10 l/m,

rate of mixture leaving tank =  $10 \frac{l}{m} \cdot \frac{X_B(t)l}{200l}$

Because, we know that liquid AB leaves the tank at 10 l per minute, and in the tank we have  $X_B$  kept at full capacity. Thus using ratio we have:

10 l/m : liquid AB

200 l :  $X_B l$

liquid AB =  $\frac{10 \frac{l}{m} \cdot X_B l}{200l}$

$$\therefore \frac{dX_B}{dt} = 10 \ell/m - \frac{10 \ell/m \cdot X(t) \ell}{200 \ell}, \text{ with initial}$$

conditions:  $X_B = 0$ , because initially liquid B was not in the tank.

$$(b) \quad \frac{dX_B}{dt} = 10 \ell/m - \frac{X_B \ell/m}{20}$$

$$= \frac{1}{20} (200 - X_B)$$

$$\therefore \int \frac{dX_B}{200 - X_B} = \int \frac{1}{20} dt$$

$$- \ln |200 - X_B| = \frac{1}{20} t + C$$

$$\ln |200 - X_B| = -\left(\frac{1}{20} t + C\right)$$

$$\therefore |200 - X_B| = e^{-\left(\frac{1}{20} t + C\right)}$$

$$= A e^{-\frac{1}{20} t} \quad (A = e^{-C})$$

$$\therefore (200 - X_B) = e^{-\left(\frac{1}{20} t + C\right)} \quad \text{OR} \quad (200 - X_B) = -A e^{-\frac{1}{20} t}$$

$$-X_B = e^{-\left(\frac{1}{20} t + C\right)} - 200 \quad \text{OR} \quad -X_B = -A e^{-\frac{1}{20} t} - 200$$

$$\therefore X_B = 200 - e^{-\left(\frac{1}{20} t + C\right)} \quad \text{--- (1)} \quad \therefore X_B = A e^{-\frac{1}{20} t} + 200 \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

But both (1) and (2) are valid because from (1) we have:



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$$-200 = -A e^{-\left(\frac{1}{20}t\right)}$$

$$\therefore A = 200$$

and thus  $X_B = 200 - 200e^{-\left(\frac{1}{20}t\right)}$  (3)

and from (2) we have  $X_B = 0$  (its initial value)  
 $-200 = A e^{-\frac{1}{2}kt}$

$$\therefore A = -200$$

and thus  $X_B = -200e^{-\frac{1}{20}t} + 200$  (4)

which is the same as (3)

(1) From either (3) or (4), we have:

$$X_B = 200 - 200e^{-\frac{1}{20}t}$$

but  $\text{liquid}_A = \text{liquid}_B = \frac{200\text{l}}{2} = 100\text{l}$ .

$$\therefore X_B = 100 = 200 - 200e^{-\frac{1}{20}t}$$

$$1 = -2e^{-\frac{1}{20}t} + 2$$

$$-1 = -2e^{-\frac{1}{20}t}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-\frac{1}{20}t}$$

$$\therefore -\frac{1}{20}t = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$t = -20 \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$= 13.86 \approx 14 \text{ minutes}$$