

# Performance of a serial configuration of two chemostats.

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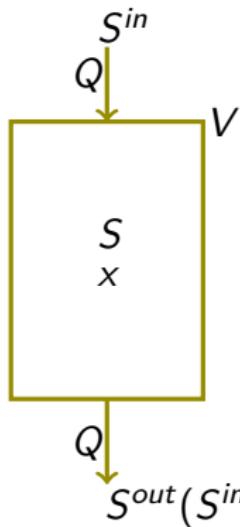
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- Performance of a single chemostat
- Performance of two interconnected chemostats in serial.



$\textcolor{red}{S}$  : Substrate concentration.

$\textcolor{red}{x}$  : Biomass quantity.

$\textcolor{red}{S}^{out}$  : Output substrate concentration at steady state.

$\textcolor{red}{S}^{in}$  : Input substrate concentration.

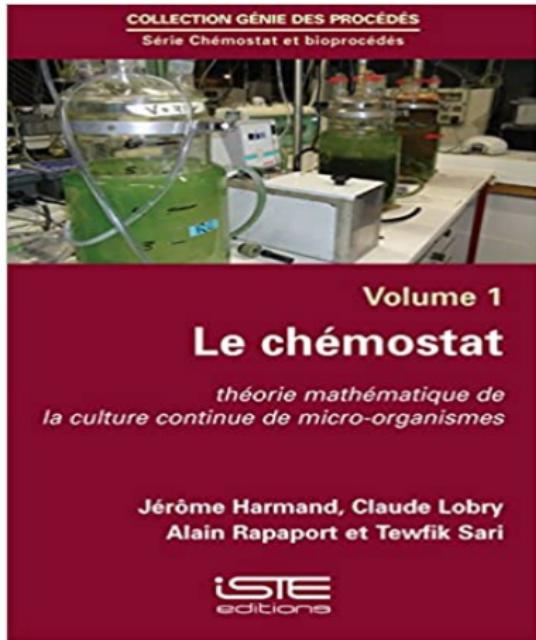
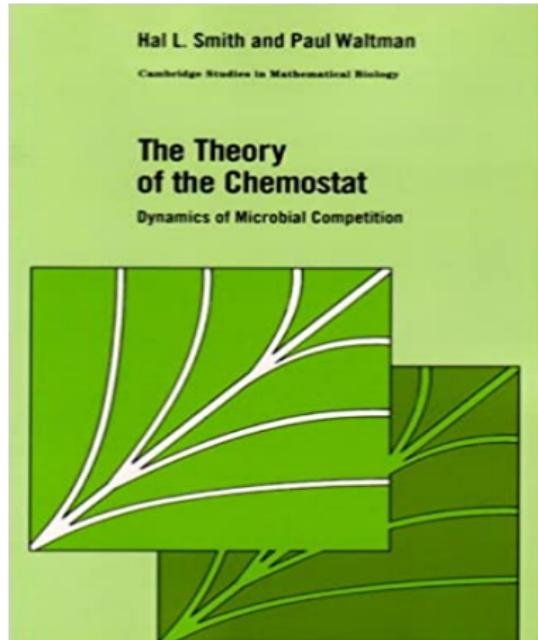
$\textcolor{red}{Q}$  : Flow rate.

$\textcolor{red}{V}$  : Total volume.

$D := Q/V$  : The dilution rate.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{S} &= D(S^{in} - S) - f(S)x \\ \dot{x} &= -Dx + f(S)x. \end{cases}$$

- The function  $f$  is  $\mathcal{C}^1$ , with  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'(S) > 0$  for all  $S > 0$ .
- The break-even concentration :  $\lambda(D) := f^{-1}(D)$ ,  $D \in [0, m)$  and  $m := \sup_{S>0} f(S)$ .



### The productivity of the biomass

$$P(S^{in}, D) := Qx^* = VD(S^{in} - \lambda(D)) \text{ with } x^* = S^{in} - \lambda(D).$$

### The biogas flow rate

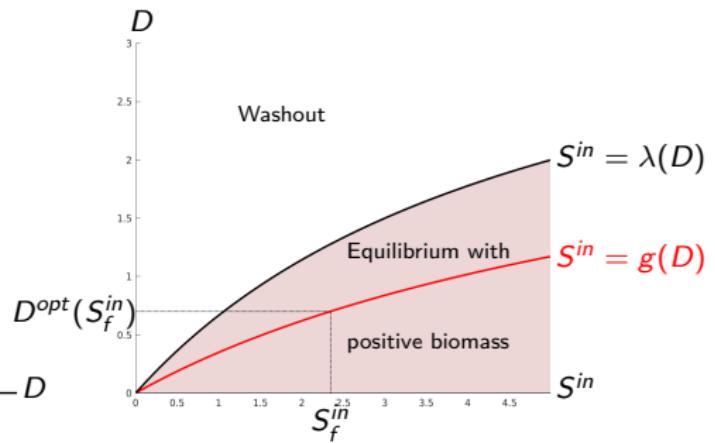
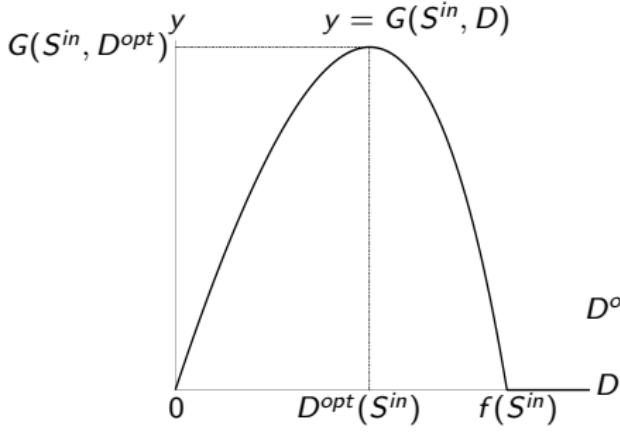
$$G(S^{in}, D) := Vx^*f(S^*) = VD(S^{in} - \lambda(D)) \text{ with } S^* = \lambda(D).$$

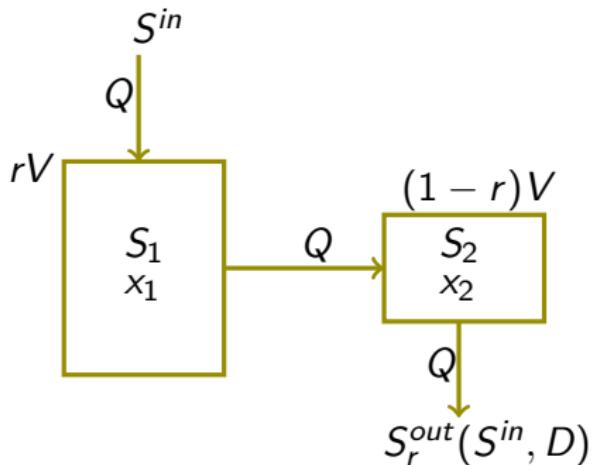
$$P(S^{in}, D) = G(S^{in}, D)$$

The dilution rate  $D^{opt}(S^{in}) := \underset{0 \leq D \leq f(S^{in})}{\operatorname{argmax}} G(S^{in}, D)$  is the solution of  $S^{in} = g(D)$  where

$$g(D) := \lambda(D) + \frac{D}{f'(\lambda(D))}.$$

## The maximal biomass productivity of the single chemostat





$S_i$  : Substrate concentration of the tank  $i = 1, 2$ .

$x_i$  : Biomass quantity of the tank  $i = 1, 2$ .

- $E_0 = (S^{in}, 0, S^{in}, 0)$ ,
- $E_1 = (S^{in}, 0, \bar{S}_2, \bar{x}_2)$ ,
- $E_2 = (S_1^*, x_1^*, S_2^*, x_2^*)$ .

$S_r^{out}$  : Output substrate concentration at steady state.

$S^{in}$  : Input substrate concentration.

$Q$  : Flow rate.

$r \in [0, 1]$ .

$V$  : Total volume.

$D := Q/V$  : The dilution rate.

$$\begin{cases} \dot{S}_1 &= \frac{D}{r}(S^{in} - S_1) - f(S_1)x_1 \\ \dot{x}_1 &= -\frac{D}{r}x_1 + f(S_1)x_1 \\ \dot{S}_2 &= \frac{D}{1-r}(S_1 - S_2) - f(S_2)x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= \frac{D}{1-r}(x_1 - x_2) + f(S_2)x_2. \end{cases}$$

## The productivity of the biomass

$$P_r(S^{in}, D) := Qx_r^{out}$$

with  $x_r^{out}$  the output biomass of the second tank at steady state.

The productivity of the biomass corresponding to  $E_1$ 

$$P_{r1}(S^{in}, D) := VD\bar{x}_2 = VD \left( S^{in} - \lambda \left( \frac{D}{1-r} \right) \right)$$

$$\text{with } \bar{x}_2 = S^{in} - \lambda \left( \frac{D}{1-r} \right).$$

The productivity of the biomass corresponding to  $E_2$ 

$$P_{r2}(S^{in}, D) := VDx_2^* = VD(S^{in} - S_2^*(S^{in}, D, r))$$

$$\text{with } x_2^* = S^{in} - S_2^*(S^{in}, D, r).$$

## The biogas flow rate

$$G_r(S^{in}, D) := \sum_{i=1}^2 V_i x_i^* f(S_i^*)$$

with  $x_i^*$  and  $S_i^*$  the biomass and the substrate concentrations, at steady state, of the tank  $i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ .

## The biogas flow rate corresponding to $E_1$

$$G_{r1}(S^{in}, D) := V_2 \bar{x}_2 f(\bar{S}_2) = VD \left( S^{in} - \lambda \left( \frac{D}{1-r} \right) \right)$$

with  $V_2 = (1-r)V$ ,  $\bar{x}_2 = S^{in} - \lambda(D/(1-r))$  and  
 $\bar{S}_2 = \lambda(D/(1-r))$ .

## The biogas flow rate corresponding to $E_2$

$$\begin{aligned} G_{r2}(S^{in}, D) &:= V_1 x_1^* f(S_1^*) + V_2 x_2^* f(S_2^*) \\ &= VD (S^{in} - S_1^*) + V(1-r)f(S_2^*)(S^{in} - S_2^*) \\ &= VD(S^{in} - S_2^*(S^{in}, D, r)). \end{aligned}$$

with  $V_1 = rV$ ,  $x_1^* = S^{in} - S_1^*$ ,  $S_1^* = \lambda \left( \frac{D}{r} \right)$ ,  $V_2 = (1-r)V$  and  
 $x_2^* = S^{in} - S_2^*$ .

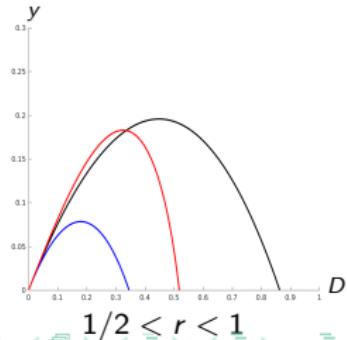
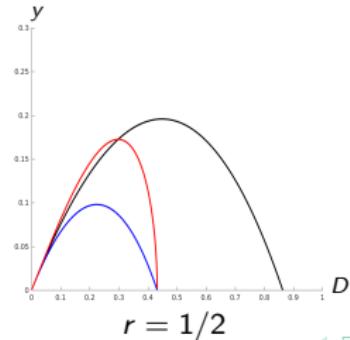
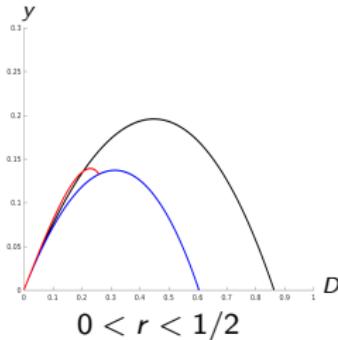
## Results

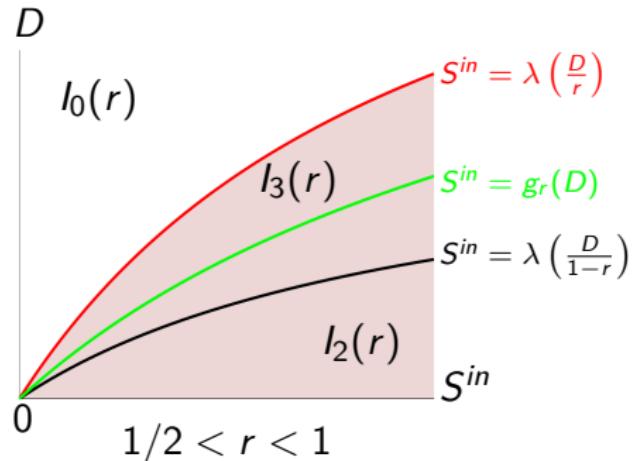
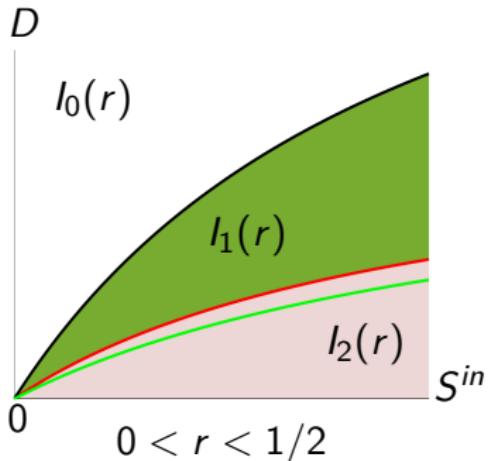
- $P_{r1}(S^{in}, D) = G_{r1}(S^{in}, D)$ .
- $P_{r2}(S^{in}, D) = G_{r2}(S^{in}, D)$ .

## Results

- $P_{r1}(S^{in}, D) < P(S^{in}, D)$  (always).
- $P_{r2}(S^{in}, D) > P(S^{in}, D) \iff S^{in} > g_r(D)$   
with  $g_r(D) := \lambda(D) + \frac{1}{1-r} \left( \lambda\left(\frac{D}{r}\right) - \lambda(D) \right)$ .

- $y = P(S^{in}, D)$
- $y = P_{r1}(S^{in}, D)$
- $y = P_{r2}(S^{in}, D)$





	$I_0(r)$	$I_1(r)$	$I_2(r)$	$I_3(r)$
$E_0$	GAS	U	U	U
$E_1$		GAS	U	
$E_2$			GAS	GAS

## EFFECTS OF SPATIAL STRUCTURE AND DIFFUSION ON THE PERFORMANCES OF THE CHEMOSTAT

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- Two interconnected chemostats where the growth function is non-monotonic.
- Two interconnected chemostats with mortality rate and with a monotonic growth function.
- Two interconnected chemostats with competition and with a monotonic growth function.



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