## Understanding the ComplFlowReactions2 Model

A Flow, F, carries an inflow concentration, Cin, into a one compartment model with a given volume, V. Cin is constantly and instantaneously well mixed becoming C, the concentration of C in the compartment. C is irreversibly converted to become D with rate constant Gc2d. D is irreversibly converted to become E with rate constant Gd2e.

The governing ordinary differential equations are given as  $dC/dt\!=\!(F/V)\!\cdot\!(C_{_{\rm in}}\!-\!C)\!-\!(G_{_{Cd}}\!/V)\!\cdot\!C$  ,

$$dD/dt = (F/V)\cdot(-D) + (G_{a2d}/V)\cdot C - (G_{d2a}/V)\cdot D$$

$$dE/dt = (F/V) * (-E) + (G_{d2e}/V) \cdot D \quad .$$

with initial conditions

$$C(0)=C_0$$
 ,  $D(0)=D_0$  , and  $E(0)=E_0$  .

## Figures and Explanations

Questions:

- (1) Does the integrated output area (Area\_out) for C+D+E and the transit time depend on the conversion rates?
- (2) How does the output area for each curve depend on the model parameters?
- (3) What are the steady state concentrations when Cin is a constant?

Figure 1A: Concentrations: Default parameter set.

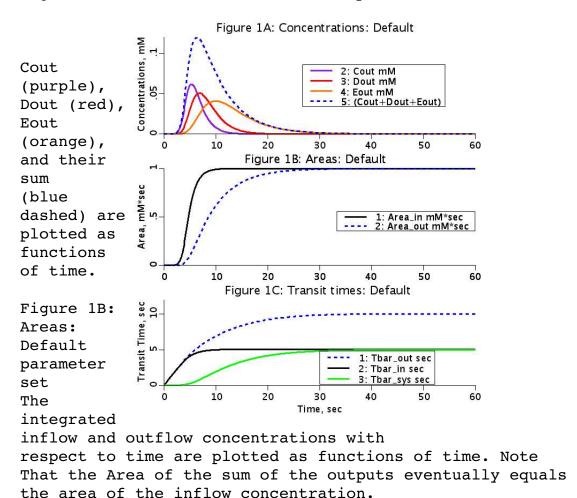
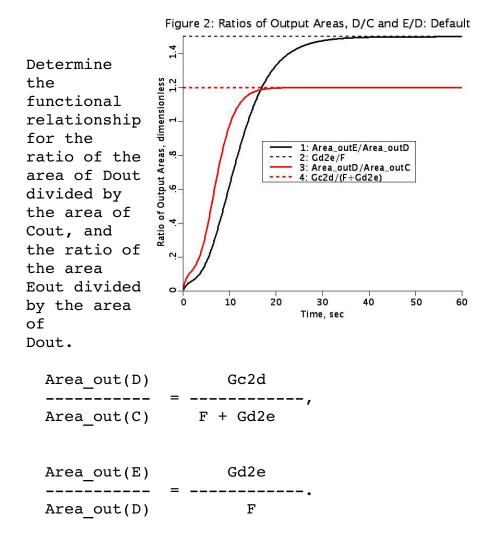


Figure 1C: Transit times: Default parameter set The transit time calculation reaches a final value after the transient concentrations have washed out. That sys is also given as

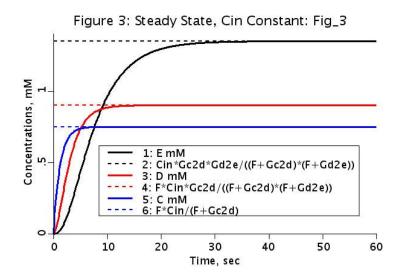
Tbar sys=V/F.

Figure 2: Ratio of Output Areas, D/C and E/D, Default parameter set



Does this relationship hold when Cin is a constant?

Figure 3: Steady State, Cin Constant: Fig 3 parameter set



The steady state concentrations for Cin = 3 are calculated numerically and compared with solving the ordinary differential equations when the rate of change is 0, i.e. solving

for C, D, and E, yielding

$$F Cin Gc2d$$
 $D = -----, and$ 
 $(F + Gc2d) (F + Gd2e)$ 

Prove: C+D+E=Cin.