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In honor of my "brother in sciences" Claudius

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Joint work with Alain Rapaport (INRA)
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Applicative Framework

Polluted Taihu (algae), Yangtze Delta plain, Wuxi, China.

Courtesy Desert Research Institute

Objectives:
- use a bioreactor to remove pollution from the lake
- do it as efficiently as possible
Bioremediation problem

Parameters and unknowns

- $V_L$ and $V_R$ the volumes of the resource and bioreactor,
- $X_R$ the biomass concentration in the bioreactor,
- $S_L$ and $S_R$ the pollutant concentrations,
- $\mu(\cdot)$ the biomass growth law,
- $Q = Q(t)$ the pump discharge, controlled by the user.
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Chemostat equations: J. Monod (1910-1976)
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Theorem (case $\mu(X) = \mu X$)

For any $X_R(0) > 0$ and $S_R(0) = S_L > 0$, our system has a unique global solution. In addition, there exists a critical flow rate $Q_c > 0$, depending on $S_L$, such that asymptotically:

- if $Q > Q_c$, then $(S_R(s), X_R(s))$ converges towards $(S_L, 0)$,
- if $0 < Q < Q_c$, then $(S_R(s), X_R(s))$ converges towards $(S_R^\infty, X_R^\infty)$ with $S_R^\infty = \frac{Q}{\mu V_R} < S_L$. 
Optimal flow rate for the bioremediation (linear $\mu$)

Back to the lake equations...

$$\dot{S}_L = \frac{Q}{V_L} \left( \frac{Q}{\mu V_R} - S_L \right),$$

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The non-homogeneous case: \( S_L = S_L(t, x, y) \)

Navier Stokes & transport equations in the resource

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\begin{align*}
\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + u \cdot \nabla u - \nu_u \Delta u + \nabla p &= 0, \\
\nabla \cdot u &= 0, \\
\frac{\partial S_L}{\partial t} + u \cdot \nabla S_L - \nu_S \Delta S_L &= 0.
\end{align*}
\]

Boundary conditions

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\begin{align*}
u_{in}(t) &= A \times Q(t), \\
u_{out}(t) &= A \times Q(t), \\
\text{B.C on } S_L
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Simulations

Circular lake: 1 pump
Comparing models

Pollution concentration in the lake with ODE (black) and PDE (red)
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Active and dead zones model

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Existence, uniqueness, optimal control for two zones


Two parameters we can play with: \( \frac{V_1}{V_1 + V_2} \) and \( d \).
Comparing models (with A. Rapaport and S. Barbier)

Optimization on the parameters \( \frac{V_1}{V_1 + V_2} \) and \( d \)

Pollution concentration in the lake
1 ODE (black)
2 ODEs (blue)
PDE (red)

Best parameter \( d \) vs viscosity \( \nu_S \) (dashed blue)
Best meansquare fit (plain red)
In summary...

\[ V >> V_R \]

H1

H2, H3

\[ d=0, r=1 \]
Conclusion

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Thank you for your attention

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