

$$r = \frac{r_0}{1 + \frac{K_M}{n}}$$

recovers Monod!

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$$r_0 = r_c \frac{x}{1+x} \quad x = k_c / k_{cA}$$

$$K_M = \frac{k_c}{1+x} \quad \text{reduced due to adjustment in C-protein expression}$$

→ good C-source tends to have small  $K_M$ .

→ However, nature of transporter ( $k_c$ )

also can play important role

(e.g. ABC transporters tend to have small  $k_c$ )

C) two substitutable nutrients (C-sources)

Consider nutrient  $C_1$  and  $C_2$

if GR on individual C-source is  $r_1, r_2$ .

What is GR on both,  $r_{12}$ ?

for E. coli two types of utilization are known

- hierarchical:  $r_{12} = \max\{r_1, r_2\}$

requires special regulatory interaction

- Simultaneous:  $r_{12} = r_1 \oplus r_2$

(but can't be a simple sum since  $r_{12} < r_c$ )

flux matching:  $r_{12}M = \dot{M} = Y_1 \dot{n}_{c1} + Y_2 \dot{n}_{c2}$   
 ( $C_1 + C_2$ )  $\dot{n}_{c1} = \omega_{c1} M_{c1}$ ,  $\dot{n}_{c2} = \omega_{c2} M_{c2}$

$\Rightarrow r_{12}M = \underbrace{\omega_{c1} Y_1}_{k_{c1}} M_{c1} + \underbrace{\omega_{c2} Y_2}_{k_{c2}} M_{c2}$

Co-regulation of l-uptake:  $M_{c1} = \gamma_1 M_c$ ,  $M_{c2} = \gamma_2 M_c$   
 $\rightarrow k_{c1} \frac{M_{c1}}{M} + k_{c2} \frac{M_{c2}}{M} = (k_{c1} \gamma_1 + k_{c2} \gamma_2) \frac{M_c}{M} = r_{12}$  follow c-line

or  $k_{c1} \gamma_1 + k_{c2} \gamma_2 = \frac{r_{12}}{\phi_{max} (1 - \frac{r_{12}}{r_c})}$

$C_1$  alone ( $G_R = r_1$ ):  $\gamma_1 k_{c1} = \frac{r_1}{\phi_{max} (1 - \frac{r_1}{r_c})}$

$C_2$  alone ( $G_R = r_2$ ):  $\gamma_2 k_{c2} = \frac{r_2}{\phi_{max} (1 - \frac{r_2}{r_c})}$

$\Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{r_1}{1 - \frac{r_1}{r_c}} + \frac{r_2}{1 - \frac{r_2}{r_c}} = \frac{r_{12}}{1 - \frac{r_{12}}{r_c}}}$

or  $r_{12} = \frac{r_1 + r_2 - 2r_1 r_2 / r_c}{1 - r_1 r_2 / r_c}$  (Hermesen et al 2014)

$\approx \begin{cases} r_1 + r_2 & \text{if } r_1, r_2 \ll r_c \\ r_c & \text{if } r_1, r_2 \geq r_c \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow$  if conc  $n_1, n_2$  low, then  $r_{12} \approx r_1 \frac{n_1}{K_1} + r_2 \frac{n_2}{K_2}$

d) two essential nutrients (e.g. C and N) (57)

→ growth rate drops if either is low.

guess:  $r(n_C, n_N) = r_{\text{sat}} \frac{n_C}{n_C + K_{M_C}} \frac{n_N}{n_N + K_{M_N}}$  (wrong!)

$$w_C(n_C) M_C = -\frac{dn_C}{dt} = Y_C^{-1} \frac{dM}{dt}$$

$$w_N(n_N) M_N = -\frac{dn_N}{dt} = Y_N^{-1} \frac{dM}{dt}$$

Internal flux balance 

$$\underbrace{w_C}_{\equiv k_C} M_C = \underbrace{w_N}_{\equiv k_N} M_N = k_A M_A = k_R M_R = r M$$

$$\frac{M_C}{M} = \frac{r}{k_C}, \quad \frac{M_N}{M} = \frac{r}{k_N}, \quad \frac{M_A}{M} = \frac{r}{k_A}, \quad \frac{M_R}{M} = \frac{r}{k_R}$$

$$\frac{M_C}{M} + \frac{M_N}{M} + \frac{M_A}{M} + \frac{M_R}{M} = 1 - \frac{M_O}{M} = \phi_{\text{max}}$$

$$\frac{r}{k_C} + \frac{r}{k_N} + \frac{r}{k_{RA}} = \phi_{\text{max}}$$

$$r = \frac{\phi_{\text{max}}}{k_{RA}^{-1} + k_C^{-1} + k_N^{-1}} = \frac{r_C}{1 + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_C} + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_N}}$$

include MM dependence on uptake

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$$k_c^+(n_c) = k_c^+ \left(1 + \frac{K_c}{n_c}\right)$$

$$k_n^-(n_n) = k_n^- \left(1 + \frac{K_n}{n_n}\right)$$

$$r = \frac{r_c}{1 + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_c} \left(1 + \frac{K_c}{n_c}\right) + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_n} \left(1 + \frac{K_n}{n_n}\right)}$$

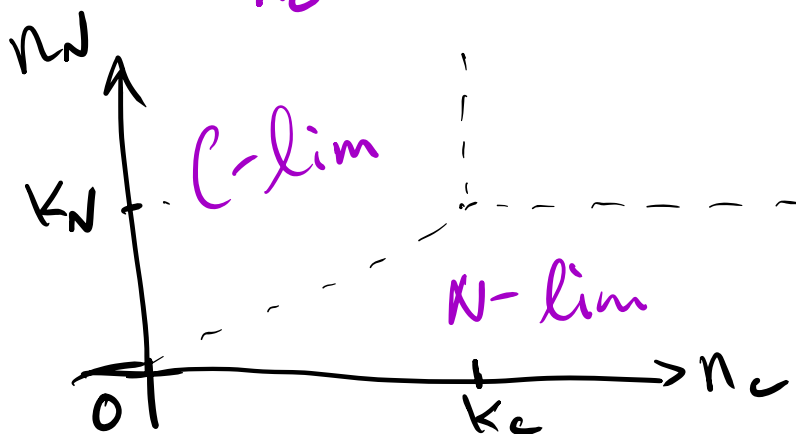
$$= \frac{r_0}{1 + \frac{K_{mc}}{n_c} + \frac{K_{nw}}{n_n}} \neq \frac{r_0}{\left(1 + \frac{K_{mc}}{n_c}\right) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{K_{nw}}{n_n}\right)}$$

$$r_0 = r_c / \left(1 + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_c} + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_n}\right)$$

$$K_{mc} = k_c \cdot \frac{k_{RA}}{k_c} / \left(1 + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_c} + \frac{k_{RA}}{k_n}\right)$$

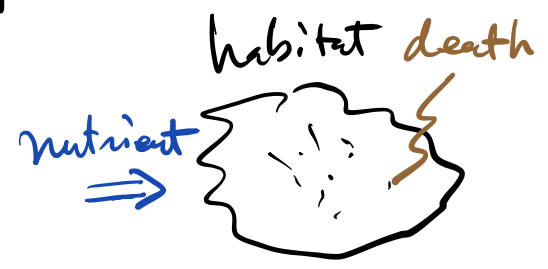
For  $n_c \ll K_{mc}$ ,  $n_n \ll K_{nw}$

$$r = \frac{r_{sat}}{\frac{K_{mc}}{n_c} + \frac{K_{nw}}{n_n}} \neq \frac{r_{sat}}{\frac{K_{mc}}{n_c} \cdot \frac{K_{nw}}{n_n}}$$

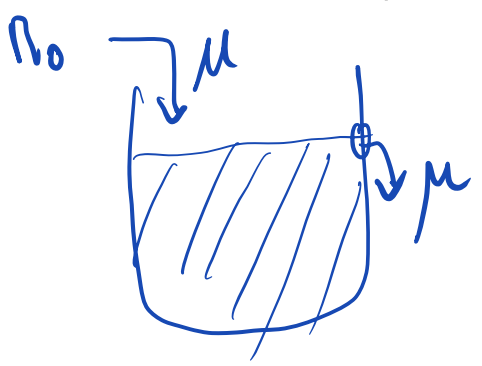


## 2. Continuous culture of single species

Common scenario: nutrient influx  $j_0$   
 death at rate  $\delta$



Mimicked by a chemostat:



- nutrient of conc  $n_0$  dripping in at rate  $\mu$  ( $j_0 = \mu \cdot n_0$ )
- medium (incl cells) removed at rate  $\mu$  ( $\delta = \mu$ )

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dp}{dt} = r(n)p - \mu p \\ \frac{dn}{dt} = n_0\mu - n\mu - r(n)p/Y \end{cases}$$

- Monod growth law:  $r(n) = r_0 \frac{n}{n+K}$
- Yield:  $Y = \frac{\delta p}{\delta n}$

a) Steady state:  $n(t) \rightarrow n^* \leq n_0$  (nutrient in medium)  
 $p(t) \rightarrow p^* \geq 0$  (density of culture)

Constraint:  $p^* = \frac{(n_0 - n^*) Y}{\text{consumed nutrient}}$  (mass conservation)  
 (indep of  $r(n)$ )

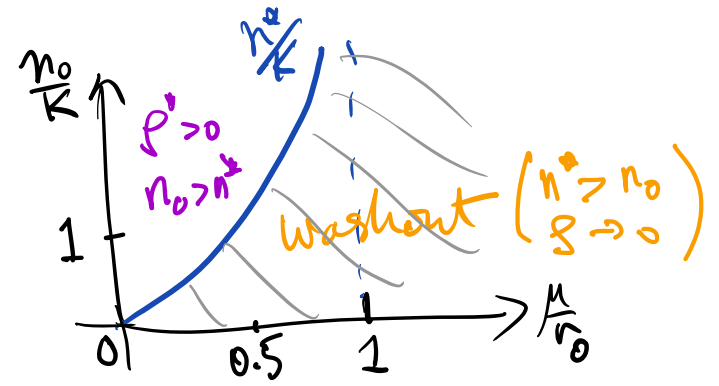
Check:  $\frac{dp}{dt} + Y \cdot \frac{dn}{dt} = \mu \cdot [(n_0 - n(t)) Y - p(t)] \xrightarrow{\frac{d}{dt} \rightarrow 0} \mu(n_0 - n^*) Y - p^*$

fixed pt:  $r(n^*) = \mu$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\mu}{r_0} = \frac{n^*}{n^* + K} \rightarrow \frac{n^*}{K} = \frac{\mu}{r_0 - \mu}$$

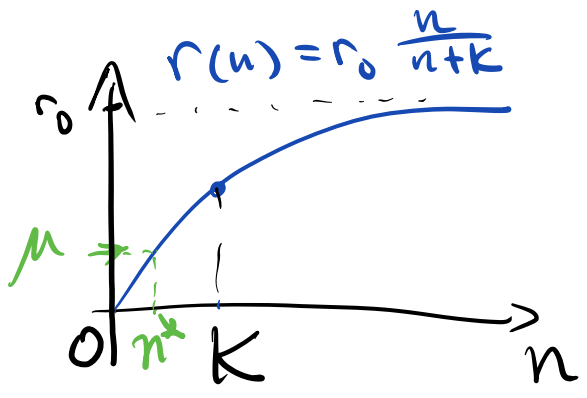
further,  $p^* > 0 \rightarrow n_0 > n^*$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{n_0}{K} > \frac{\mu}{r_0 - \mu} > 0$$



Note:  $j_0 = \mu n_0$ : environmental  
 $r_0, K, \mu$ : physiological

General rule: chemostat culture "washes out" if  $\mu$  too large or  $n_0$  too small.



Common:  $\mu \ll r_0$

$\rightarrow n^* \ll K$ .

• Can linearize Monod:

$r(u) \approx r_0 \frac{n}{K} \equiv \gamma n$  (with  $r_0/K$  indicated above the  $\gamma$ )

(Will work with  $\mu \ll r_0$  throughout, and use  $r(u) = \gamma n$ )

Criteria for stable chemostat culture becomes

$\frac{n_0}{K} > \frac{\mu}{r_0 - \mu} \approx \frac{\mu}{r_0} \rightarrow \mu < r_0 n_0 / K = \gamma n_0$

$\rightarrow$  low dimensionless parameter  $\gamma = \frac{\mu}{\gamma n_0}$

$\rightarrow$  stability of chemostat requires  $\gamma < 1$

Note that  $\frac{n^*}{K} = \frac{\mu}{r_0 - \mu} \approx \frac{\mu}{r_0} \rightarrow \frac{n^*}{n_0} \approx \frac{\mu K}{r_0 n_0} = \gamma$

from mass conservation  $\rho^* = (n_0 - n^*) \gamma$

also get  $\frac{\rho^*}{\rho_0} = 1 - \gamma$  where  $\rho_0 \equiv n_0 \gamma$  is max density

$\rightarrow$  can est  $\gamma$  (hence  $K$ ) from  $\frac{n^*}{n_0}$  or  $\frac{\rho^*}{\rho_0}$