

Noninteracting system

Assume:

1. The density of liquid is constant.
2. The tank to have uniform cross –section area.
3. The flow resistance is linear

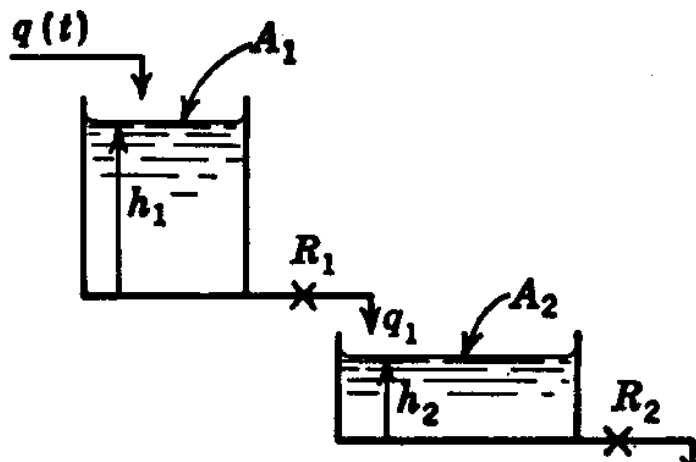


Fig.22 Noninteracting two –tank liquid level system

A mass balance on tank one gives:

$$Q(t) - Q_1(t) = A_1 \frac{dH_1(t)}{dt} \quad (1)$$

A mass balance on tank two gives:

$$Q_1(t) - Q_2(t) = A_2 \frac{dH_2(t)}{dt} \quad (2)$$

The flow head relationships for the two tanks are linear resistance and given by the expressions

$$Q_1(t) = \frac{H_1(t)}{R_1} \quad (3)$$

$$Q_2(t) = \frac{H_2(t)}{R_2} \quad (4)$$

Sub. Eq.(3) in eq.(4)

$$Q(t) - \frac{H_1(t)}{R_1} = A_1 \frac{dH_1(t)}{dt}$$

$$A_1 R_1 \frac{dH_1(t)}{dt} + H_1(t) = R_1 Q(t) \quad (5)$$

$$(\tau_1 s + 1)H_1(s) = R_1 Q(s)$$

$$G(s) = \frac{H_1(s)}{Q(s)} = \frac{R_1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)} \quad (6)$$

Sub. Eq. 3 in Eq. 6 to eliminate $H_1(s)$ gives:

$$\frac{Q_1(s)}{Q(s)} = \frac{1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)} \quad (7)$$

In the tank two:

$$Q_1(t) - \frac{H_2(t)}{R_2} = A_2 \frac{dH_2(t)}{dt}$$

$$A_2 R_2 \frac{dH_2(t)}{dt} + H_2(t) = R_2 Q_1(t)$$

$$(\tau_2 s + 1)H_2(s) = R_2 Q_1(s)$$

$$G_2(s) = \frac{H_2(s)}{Q_1(s)} = \frac{R_2}{(\tau_2 s + 1)} \quad (8)$$

$$G(s) = \frac{Q_1(s)}{Q(s)} \cdot \frac{H_2(s)}{Q_1(s)} = \frac{1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)} \cdot \frac{R_2}{(\tau_2 s + 1)} \quad (9)$$

Tank one

Eq(6) becomes:

$$H_1(s) = Q(s) \left(\frac{R_1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)} \right)$$

$$Q(s) = \frac{Q_i}{s}$$

$$H_1(t) = \mathcal{L}^{-1} \left(\frac{Q_i}{s} \left(\frac{R_1}{(\tau_1 s + 1)} \right) \right)$$

$$H_1(t) = R_1 Q_i \left(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_1}} \right)$$

$$t=0 \quad H_1(t) = 0$$

$$\frac{dH_1(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{R_1 Q_i}{\tau_1} \quad \text{max.}$$

$$t \rightarrow \infty \quad H_1(t) = R_1 Q_i \text{ final value}$$

$$\frac{dH_1(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=\infty} = 0 \quad \text{steady state}$$

Tank two

Eq.(9) becomes:

$$G(s) = \frac{H_2(s)}{Q(s)} = \frac{R_2}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)}$$

Step change in $Q(t)=Q_i$

$$Q(s) = \frac{Q_i}{s}$$

$$H_2(s) = \frac{Q_i}{s} \cdot \left(\frac{R_2}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)} \right)$$

Using partial fraction

$$H_2(t) = R_2 Q_i \left(1 + \frac{\tau_2 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}} - \tau_1 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_1}}}{\tau_1 - \tau_2} \right) \quad \tau_1 \neq \tau_2$$

$$t=0 \quad H_2(t) = 0$$

$$\frac{dH_2(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=0} = 0$$

$$t \rightarrow \infty \quad H_2(t) = R_2 Q_i$$

$$\frac{dH_2(t)}{dt} \Big|_{t=\infty} = 0$$