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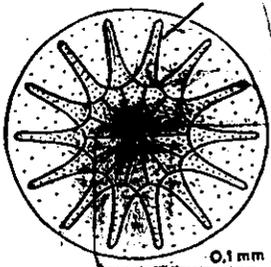
**"Secondary Production"**

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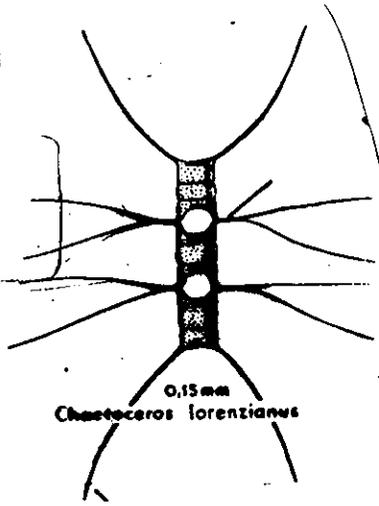
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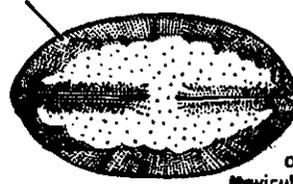
DIATOMEE (FITOP.)



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0,1 mm



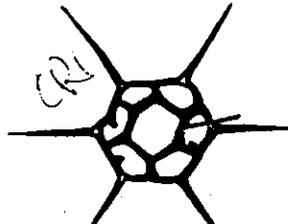
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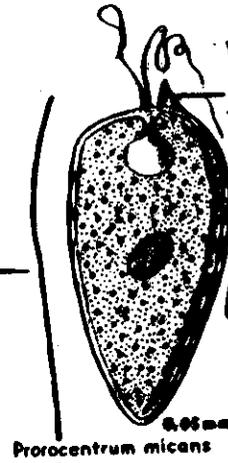
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0,06 mm

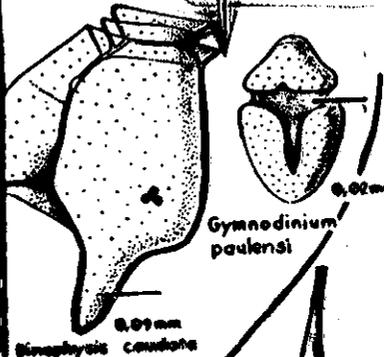
DINOFITAE (FITOP.)



Dictyocha speculum  
0,06 mm



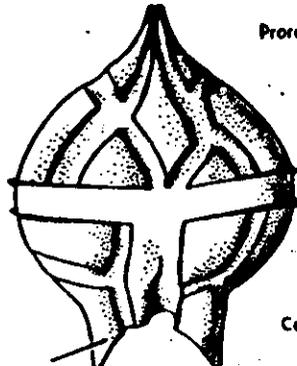
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0,05 mm



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0,09 mm

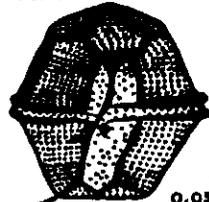


Gymnodinium paulense  
0,02 mm



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0,4 mm

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0,07 mm

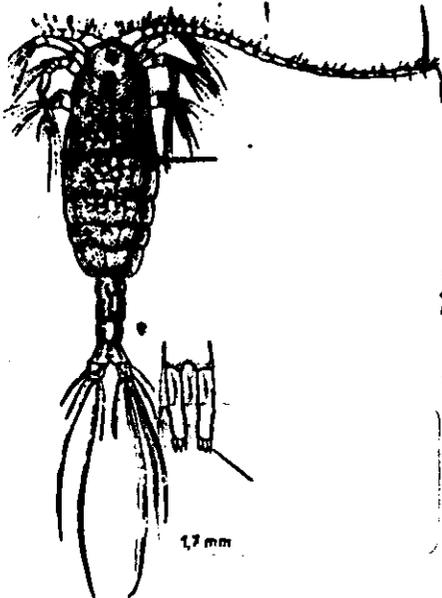


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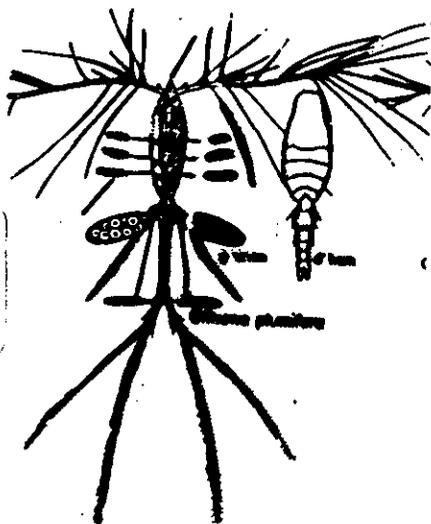


0,17 mm

COPEPODI (ZOO P.)

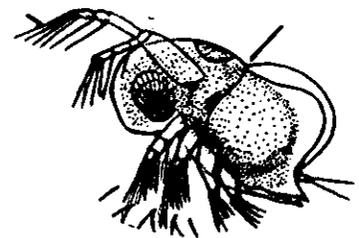


Pleuromamma gracilis  
1,7 mm



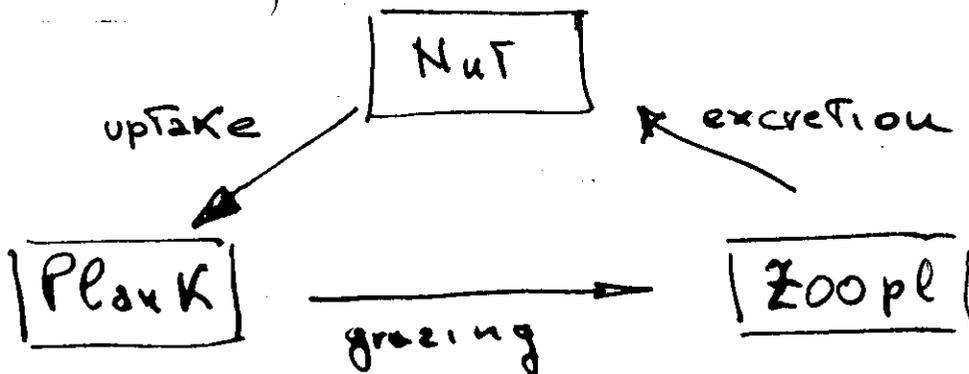
1 mm  
1 mm  
1 mm

CLADOCERI (ZOO P.)



# ZOOPLANKTON

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Interrelationships important for long-term simulations in lakes and estuaries

## Zoop. Models

\* simple constituent (Tot. zoopl. biomass)

\* functional groups

- feeding types

herbivores, carnivores,  
omnivores, selective &  
non selective filter  
feeders -

- Taxonomic groups

cladocerans, copepods,  
rotifers -

# ZOOPLANKTON DYNAMICS

$$\frac{dZ}{dt} = (g_z - r_z - m_z)Z - G_z \quad (1)$$

$Z$  zoopl. biomass or equivalent nutrient mass

$g_z$  gross growth rate ( $1/t$ )

$r_z$  respiration + excretion rate ( $1/t$ )

$m_z$  non-predatory mortality rate

$G_z$  loss rate due to predation (mass/t)

(settling is not important because zoopl. is mobile)

(1) is for population as biomass pool

but some models use a partition in age classes

Temperature is accounted, as for phytoplankton - usually ~~is~~ on optimum curve and on a max and min lethal limits -

TABLE 7-1. GENERAL COMPARISON OF ZOOPLANKTON MODELS

Model (Author)	Number of Groups			Zooplankton Processes Capable of Simulation				Zooplankton Units		Reference
	Zoo- plankton	Phyto- plankton	Fish	Growth	Respiration	Vertical Mortality	Horizontal Mortality	Dry Wt. Biomass	Carbon Nutrient	
AGRA-IV	1	1	1	X	X	X	X		X	Baca & Amette (1976)
CE-QUAL-RI	1	2	3	X	X	X	X	X		MCS (Ergens) (1982)
CLEAM	3	2	3	X	X	X	X	X		Blaumfeld et al. (1979)
CLEMER	3	3	3	X	X	X	X	X		Scavia & Park (1976)
MS. CLEMER	5	4	8	X	X	X	X	X		Park et al. (1980)
EM	3	4	20	X	X	X	X	X		Tetra Tech (1979, 1980)
ESTECO	1	2	3	X	X	X	X	X		Brandes & Neusch (1977)
EXPLORE-1	1	1	1	X	X	X	X		X	Baca et al. (1979)
MSR	1	1	1	X	X	X	X	X		Johnsen et al. (1989)
LANECO	1	2	3	X	X	X	X	X		Chen & Orlob (1975)
MIT Network	1	1	1	X	X	X	X			Harleman et al. (1977)
WASP	2	2	3	X	X	X	X	X		Di Toro et al. (1981)
WSPS	1	2	3	X	X	X	X	X		Smith (1978)
Bierman	2	5		X	X	X	X	X		Bierman et al. (1980)
Canale	9	4		X	X	X	X	X		Carite et al. (1975, 1976)
Jorgensen	1	1	1	X	X	X	X	X		Jorgensen (1976)
Scavia	6	5		X	X	X	X	X		Scavia et al. (1976)

# ZOOP - GROWTH

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Growth represents increases in the biomass due to reproduction and growth of individuals

Growth depends on the amount of food ingested and assimilated.

Ingestion rate & assimilation efficiencies vary according to:

- \* Zoop factors: species, age, size, feeding type, sex, reproductive state, physiological or nutritional state
- \* Food concentration, type, particle size, quality, desirability
- \* Temperature

SIMPLE MOD

$$g_z = C_g E$$

$C_g$  ingestion (or grazing) rate (mass food / mass zoopl. time)

For filter feeders

$$C_g = C_f F_T$$

$C_f$  filtration rate (water vol / mass zoopl. time)

$F_T$  total food concentration (mass / vol)

$E$  assimilation efficiency (dim)

SOPHISTICATED MOD

$$g_z = C_{gmax}(T_{ref}) E_{max}(T_{ref}) f(T) f_g(F_1, \dots, F_n)$$

for filter  
feeders

$$C_{gmax}(T_{ref}) F_T$$

$$f_g(F_1, \dots, F_n)$$

in some models

$C_{gmax}$  &  $E_{max}$  are combined in  $g_{max}$

## GROWTH LIMITATION

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### predators

At low food conc. zooplankton ingestion rates increase in the food supply since less energy ~~is required~~ are required to find and capture prey ~~it occurs~~ as the prey density increases

At abundant food the zooplankton ingestion rates become saturated

### filtering feeders

- grazing rates is directly proportional to the food concentration.
- regulate the ingestion rates at high food levels reducing the filtering rates

### MODELS saturation response curve

$$f_g(F_1, \dots, F_n) = \begin{cases} \frac{F_T}{K_2 + F_T} & \text{(Michaelis Menten)} \\ 1 - e^{-K F_T} & \text{(Ivlev)} \end{cases}$$

At very low conc. zooplankton do not feed

$F_T$  can be modified  $F_T - F_0$

$F_0$  conc food below which feeding does not

## GROWTH LIMITATION

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For filtration form

In contrast with the previous functions, the limitation growth <sup>functions</sup> for filter feeders generally decrease with increases in the food concentration

$$f_f(F_1, \dots, F_u) = 1 - \frac{F_T}{F_T + K_F} = \frac{K_F}{F_T + K_F}$$

## FOOD SUPPLY.

$$F_T = \sum_{k=1}^u F_k$$

$F_k$  conc of potential food item  $k$ , (mass/vol)

Zoop. has preference for some items

$$F_T = \sum_{k=1}^u p_k F_k$$

$p_k$  food preference factor for food item  $k$

# MAXIMUM RATES

Food Group	INGESTION (1/day)	FILTRATION	CARDIAC (1/L/hr)	ASSIMILATION eff.	M.H. $\frac{1}{2}$ SATURATED (mg/l/c)
TOTAL	0.3 - 0.8	0.1 - 1.0 1/mg C-day	0.1 - 0.3	0.6	0.5 - 2.0 <del>0.5</del>
OMNIVORES	0.4 - 1.4		-	0.6	0.3
HERBIVORES	-	0.2 - 1.4 1/mg C-day	-	0.6	0.01 - 0.015 mg(CAR <sub>0</sub> )/c
CARNIVORES	0.2 - 1.6	1.0 - 3.9 1/mg C-day	-	-	0.02 - 0.2
COPPODS	1.7 - 1.8	0.1 - 6.0	0.5	-	1
ROTIFER	1.8 - 2.2	0.6 - 1.5	0.4 - 0.7	0.5	0.5
MYSIDIS	1.0 - 1.2		0.1	0.5	0.5
CLAODOCERANS	1.6 - 1.8	0.2 - 1.6 1/mg DW-day	0.1 - 0.7	0.5	0.5 - 1.8

# ASSIMILATION EFFICIENCY

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The assimilation efficiency for different food types varies with the energy content, digestibility and quality of the food

## MODELS

\* can be incorporated in the food preference factors

\* to define different maximum assimilation efficiencies for different food items

$$g_z = C_{gmax} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ E_{maxk} f_{fk}(F_1, \dots, F_u) \right]$$

or

$$g_z = C_{gmax} f_f(F_1, \dots, F_u) \sum_{k=1}^n \left[ E_{maxk} p_k F_k \right]$$

## RESPIRATION & MORTALITY

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Almost all models represent both  
respiration & non-predatory mortality rates

or

\* constant coefficients

\* simple functions of temperature

$$R_z = R_z(T_{ref}) f_r(T)$$

$$M_z = M_z(T_{ref}) f_m(T)$$

or

$$R_z + M_z = d_z(T_{ref}) f_z(T)$$

Other more complicated models account  
for senescence, thermal mortality,  
toxic mortality, low dissolved oxygen

# PREDATORY MORTALITY

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① If zoop. is the highest trophic level

\*  $G_2 = \text{constant}$

\*  $G_2 = e_2 Z$  or  $G_2 = e_2(T_{top}) f_e(T) Z$

\* non-predatory & predatory mortality are combined

$$m_{zoop} = [m_2(T_{top}) + e_2(T_{top})] f_m(T)$$

If higher <sup>trophic</sup> levels are ~~present~~ <sup>omitted</sup> in the model

zoop. is divided in several functional groups

$$G_{2i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_p} \left[ C_j X_j \frac{p_{ij} Z_i}{\sum_{k=1}^{n_p} p_{kj} F_{kj}} \right]$$

$G_{2i}$  total pred. mort. rate for zoop. group  $i$

$n_p$  total number of zoop. consumers (higher troph. lev)

$C_j$  tot consp. rate by predator group  $j$

$X_j$  biomass or conc. of predator group  $j$

$p_{ij}$  food preference factor for pred group  $j$  feeding zoop

— — — (a.s.o)

## FISH GROWTH

Fish growth depends on specimen and environment -

Growth is in relation to

- age
- Temperature
- location
- body size

Earlier model have been empirical

logistic

Gompertz

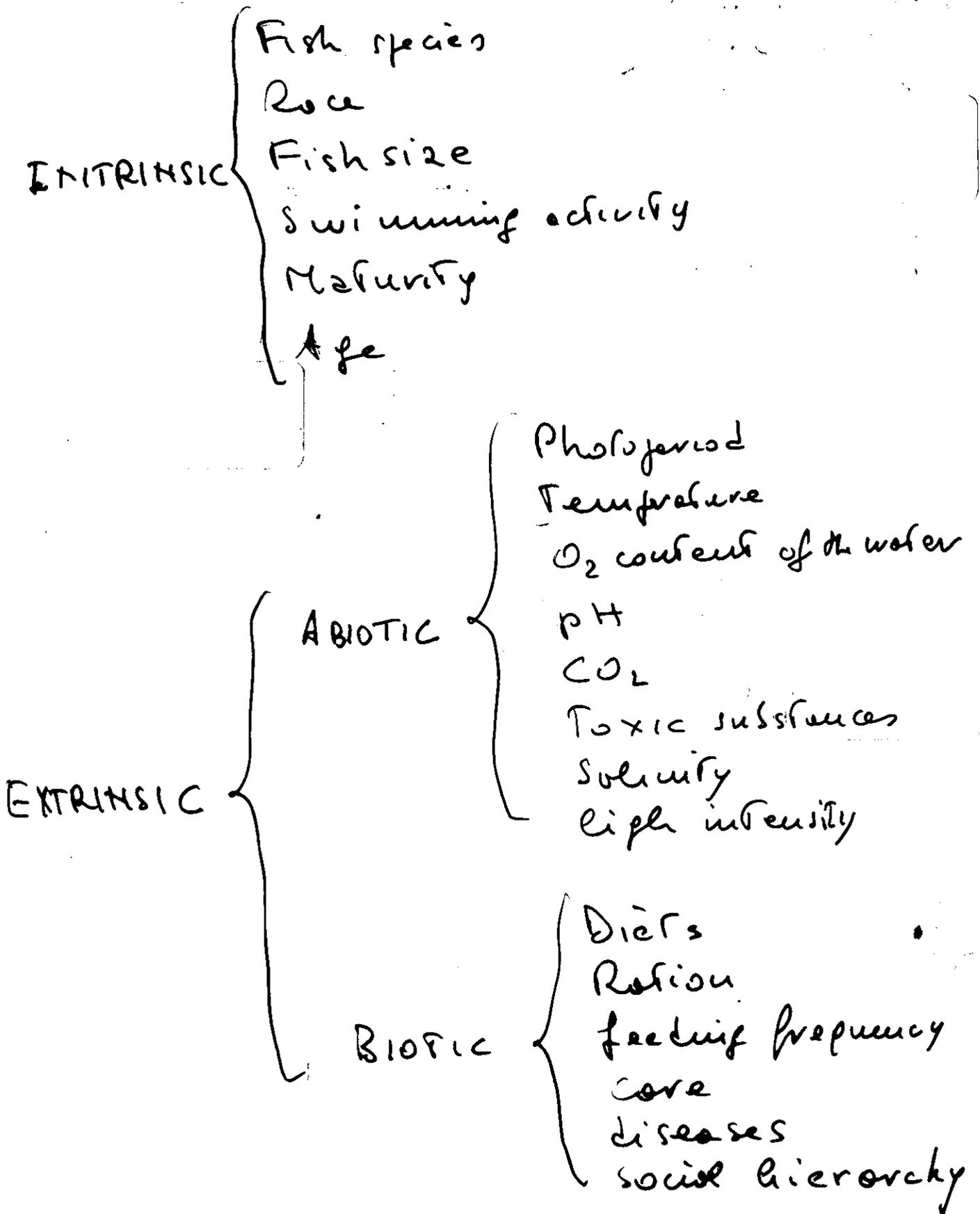
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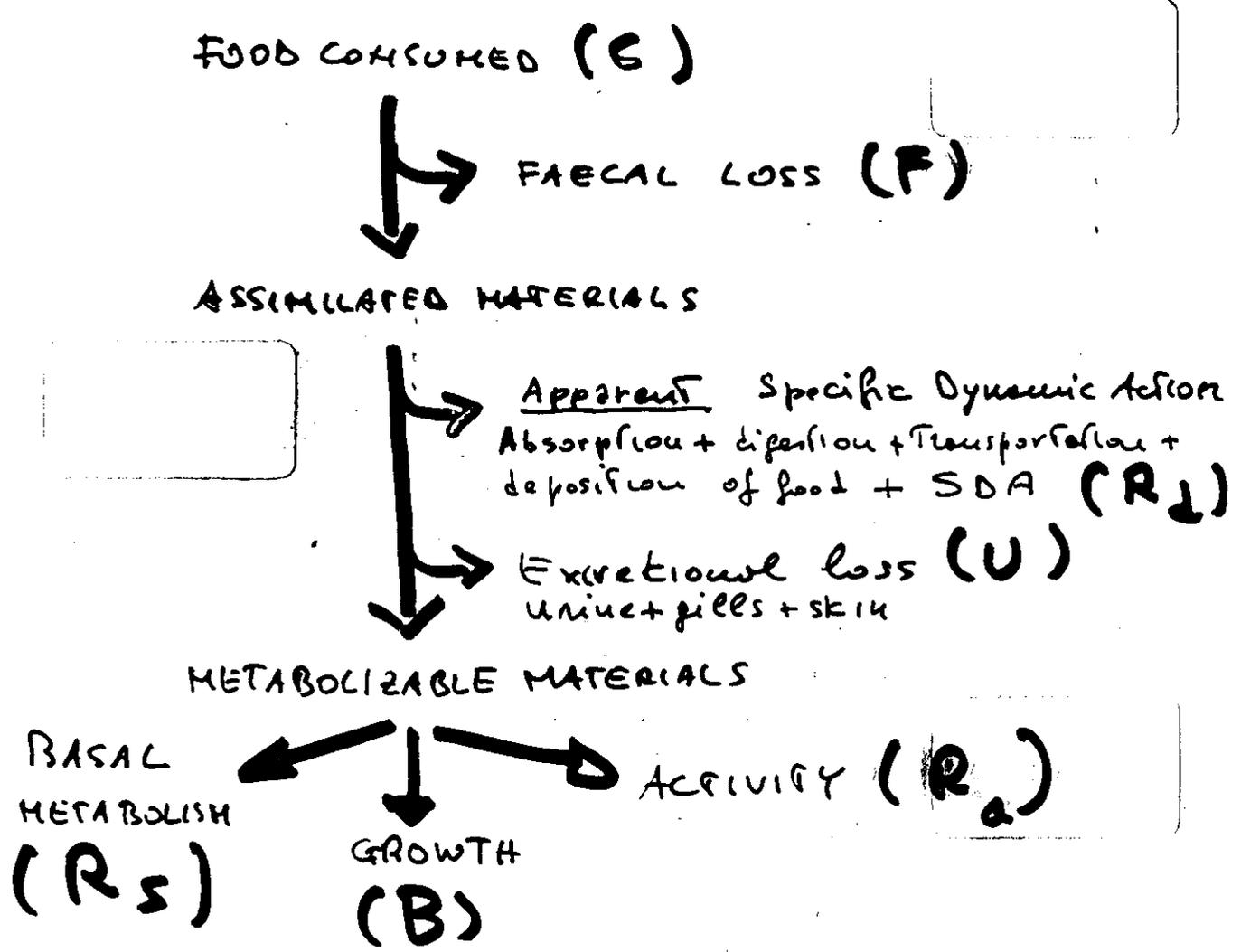
best fit without  
meaning of the parameters

# FACTORS INFLUENCING THE G.

FG/2



The basis for animal life and growth is the precise description of the food consumed  
 the usual way to measure energy units



$$C = F + U + B + R$$

$$R = R_s + R_d + R_a$$

$$W(t + \Delta t) = W(t) + IN - OUT$$

$W$  = weight

$\Delta t$  = 1 day usually

matter measured in energy or matter

wet weight - dry weight - caloric content

$$IN = \Delta \xi(t) = \xi(t + \Delta t) - \xi(t)$$

$$\xi = \text{food}$$

$$OUT = \Delta w_{\text{fasting}} + (1 - \beta) \Delta \xi + \alpha \beta \Delta \xi$$

Fasting Catabolism (loss due to metabolic processes)	undigested food	energy costs to feed
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$$\Delta w = \Delta \xi - (1 - \beta) \Delta \xi - \alpha \beta \Delta \xi - \Delta w_{\text{fasting}}$$

$$= \beta(1 - \alpha) \Delta \xi - \Delta w_{\text{fasting}}$$

$$\Delta w_{\text{fasting}} = K w(t)^n \Delta t$$

$K$  coef. of fasting catabolism

$n$  expon. of fasting catabolism.

$$\Delta \xi = f h w(t)^m \Delta t$$

acceptable for short  $\Delta t$

$f$  = feeding level  $0 < f < 1$   
 interaction with environment

$m$  = exponent for food consumption

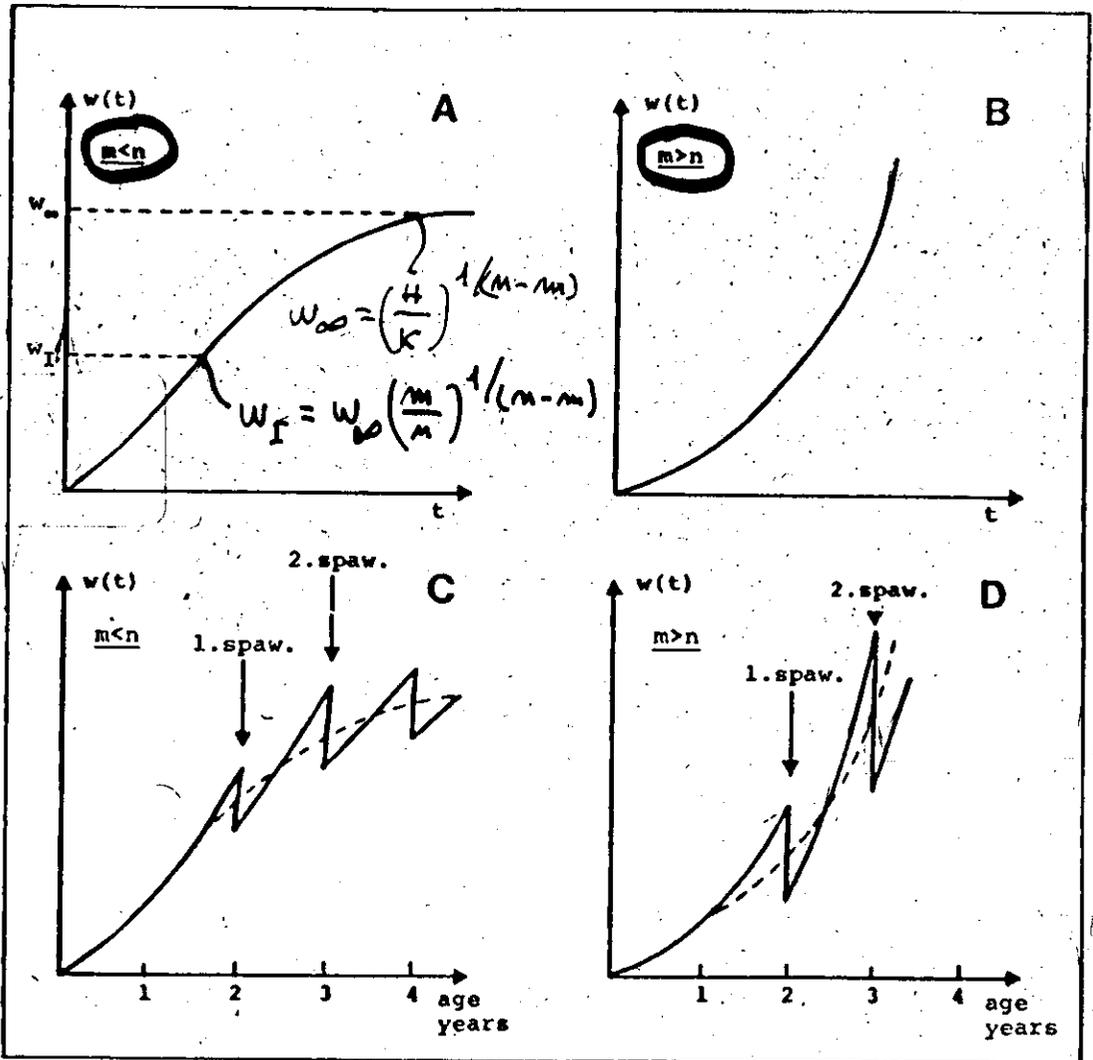
$$\Delta w = \beta (1 - \alpha) f h w(t)^m \Delta t - K w(t)^n \Delta t$$

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = \beta (1 - \alpha) f h w^m - K w^n$$

URBAN METABOLIC MODEL

If the parameter  $\beta, f, h, K$  are assumed to remain approximately constant

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = H w^m - K w^n$$



B & D ~~are~~ only for species with 1 to 2 spawning in life

# VON BERTALANFFY Model

FGT

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = H w^{2/3} - K w$$

$m = 2/3$  area of the interface is proportional to  $w^{2/3}$

$n = 1$  feeding is assumed proportional to the body weight

$$w(t) = w_{\infty} (1 - \exp(-K(t-t_0)))^3$$

$$w_{\infty} = \left(\frac{H}{K}\right)^3, \quad \bar{K} = \frac{K}{3}$$

$$w(t) = \varphi l(t)^3$$

$\varphi$  constant  $\rightarrow$  condition factor

$$\varphi = 0.01 \text{ g/cm}^3$$

$$\frac{dl}{dt} = \frac{H}{3\varphi^{1/3}} - \frac{K}{3} l$$

$$l(t) = L_{\infty} (1 - \exp(-\bar{K}(t-t_0)))$$

$$L_{\infty} = \frac{H}{K\varphi^{1/3}}$$

$$\bar{K} = \frac{K}{3}$$

$$t_0 = 0$$

# C. GROWTH MODELS

## GOMPERTZ

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r \cdot x$$

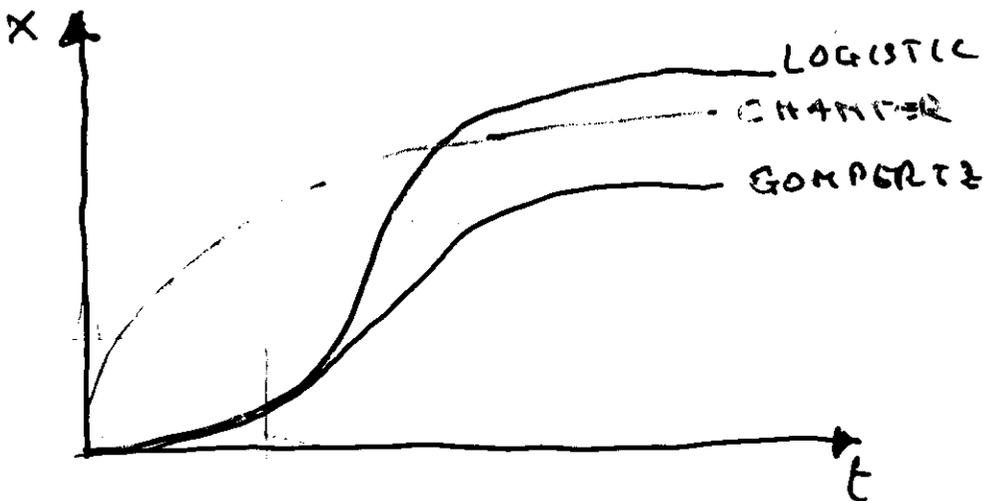
$$\frac{dr}{dt} = -D r$$

$$x = x_0 e^{\left(\frac{r_0}{D} (1 - e^{-Dt})\right)}$$

## CHAFFER

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r \cdot x \left(1 - \frac{x}{B}\right) e^{-Dt}$$

$$x = x_0 e^{-\left(\frac{r_0}{D} (1 - e^{-Dt})\right)}$$



## EXAMPLE 2.4.a

### Logistic growth.

The unlimited growth of a population Ex 2.2  $\lambda > 0$  is not always possible because of some limits. The logistic (limited) growth is described by

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = r x \left( \frac{K-x}{K} \right) \quad (1)$$

$x$  is the number of individual

$r$  is the grow rate (in unlimited conditions)

$\frac{K-x}{K}$  is the limitation term

$K$  is the carrying capacity of the environment

when  $x \approx 0$  (1) is  $\frac{dx}{dt} = r x$  exp growth

when  $x = K$  (1) is  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$  steady state sol  
(birth = death)

The max velocity of growth is when  $x = \frac{K}{2}$

$$\text{velocity: } \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = \frac{d}{dt} \left( r x - \frac{r}{K} x^2 \right) = r - \frac{2r}{K} x$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{K}{2}$$

# EXAMPLE 2.4

(1) can be written as

$$\frac{1}{x \left( \frac{k-x}{k} \right)} \frac{dx}{dt} = r$$

ODE with separable variables

$$\int \left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{k-x} \right) dx = \int r dt$$

$$\ln|x| - \ln|k-x| = rt + c_1$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{x}{k-x} \right| = rt + c_1$$

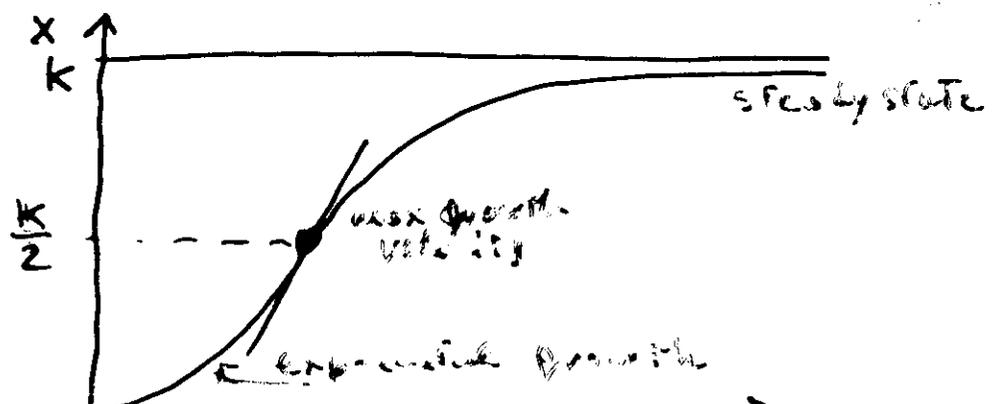
$$-\ln \left| \frac{k-x}{x} \right| = rt + c_1$$

$$\ln \left| \frac{k-x}{x} \right| = -rt - c_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x \frac{k-x}{k}} &= \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{k}{k-x} \\ &= \frac{k}{x(k-x)} = \frac{(k-x) + x}{x(k-x)} \\ &= \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{k-x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{k}{x} - 1 = \frac{k-x}{x} = e^{-rt - c_1} = e^{-rt} e^{-c_1} = C e^{-rt}$$

$$x = \frac{k}{1 + C e^{-rt}}$$



# EXAMPLE 2.5

von Bertalanffy equation for the growth of fish species

If  $w$  is the weight of the fish  
 $H$ , and  $K$  are constant  
 The von Bertalanffy eq. is written

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = \underset{\text{anabolism}}{Hw^{\frac{2}{3}}} - \underset{\text{catabolism}}{Kw}$$

the exponent  $\frac{2}{3}$  assumes that area of the interface is proportional to the surface area and thereby to weight to the power  $\frac{2}{3}$

By substitution  $w = x^3$  we get

$$3x^2 \frac{dx}{dt} = Hx^2 - Kx^3 \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = -\frac{K}{3}x + \frac{H}{3} = -\frac{K}{3}\left(x - \frac{H}{K}\right)$$

after Ex. 2.3.0.  $w = \left(\frac{H}{K} + ce^{-\frac{K}{3}t}\right)^3$   $c < 0$  because  $w$  increases

at steady state (final weight)  $w_{\infty} = \left(\frac{H}{K}\right)^3$

if  $w(t_0) = w(t_0) = 0$

$$w(t) = w_{\infty} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{K}{3}(t-t_0)}\right)^3$$