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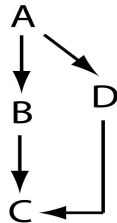
#### Week 4

### Assignment 3

The due date for submitting this assignment has passed. **Due on 2018-02-28, 23:59 IST**  
As per our records you have not submitted this assignment.

1) The name of the following network motif is \_\_\_\_\_.

2 points



- Incoherent feed-forward
- Coherent feed-forward
- Positive feedback
- Bi-fan

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

*Coherent feed-forward*

2) A dynamical system has bifurcation if and only if \_\_\_\_\_.

2 points

- change in the value of a parameter causes change in value of another parameter.
- change in the value of a parameter does not affect steady state in any way.
- change in the value of a parameter causes change in number of steady states or stability of steady states or both.
- change in the value of a parameter causes change in steady state values of dependent variables.

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

*change in the value of a parameter causes change in number of steady states or stability of steady states or both.*

3) For which of the following system of ODEs, number of possible steady states depends upon the numerical value of a parameter? For all the ODEs, consider:

2 points

$$a \neq 0 ;$$

- $\frac{dx}{dt} = a \cdot x^2; \frac{dy}{dt} = b \cdot y$
- $\frac{dx}{dt} = a \cdot x + c; \frac{dy}{dt} = b \cdot y$
- $\frac{dx}{dt} = a \cdot x; \frac{dy}{dt} = b \cdot y$
- $\frac{dx}{dt} = a - x^2; \frac{dy}{dt} = b \cdot y$

No, the answer is incorrect.

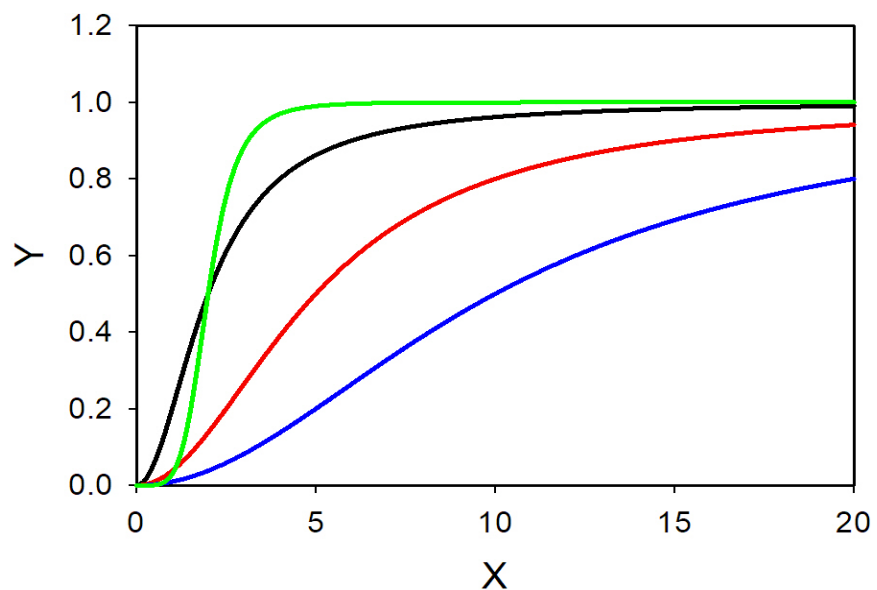
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Accepted Answers:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = a - x^2; \frac{dy}{dt} = b \cdot y$$



4) Four Hill functions are shown in the following figure. Which of those has 2 points the highest Hill Constant?



- The red curve
- The black curve
- The blue curve
- The green curve

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

The blue curve

5) Which of the following is an assumption in the formulation of Michaelis–Menten equation for an enzymatic reaction? 2 points

- The substrate does not bind to enzyme.
- The product does not bind to the enzyme.
- All the steps in the enzymatic reaction are reversible.

- The enzyme changes the equilibrium point.

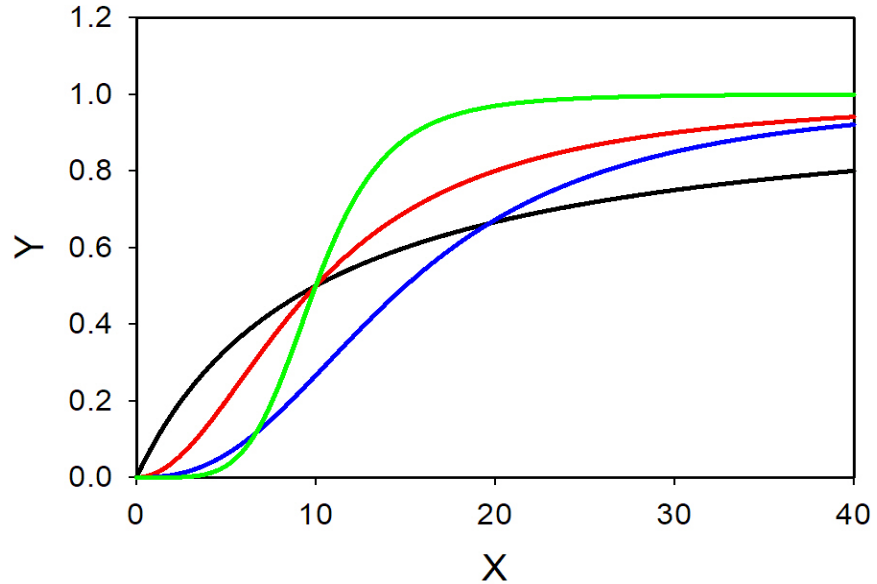
No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

The product does not bind to the enzyme.

- 6) Four Hill functions are shown in the following figure. Which of those has 2 points the lowest Hill Coefficient?



- The green curve  
 The black curve  
 The red curve  
 The blue curve

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

The black curve

- 7) L binds to its receptor, R to form a complex C. E is an enzyme that catalyzes degradation of C. This enzymatic reaction follows Michaelis–Menten kinetics. Which of the following ODEs is correct for this system? 2 points

- $\frac{d[C]}{dt} = k_1 \cdot [L] \cdot [R] - k_2 \frac{[E]_T [C]}{K_m + [C]}$
- $\frac{d[C]}{dt} = k_2 \frac{[E]_T [C]}{K_m + [C]} - k_1 \cdot [L] \cdot [R]$
- $\frac{d[R]}{dt} = k_1 [L][R] - k_2 \frac{[E]_T [C]}{K_m + [C]}$
- $\frac{d[R]}{dt} = k_1 \cdot [L] \cdot [R] - k_2 [C]$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0



Accepted Answers:

$$\frac{d[C]}{dt} = k_1 \cdot [L] \cdot [R] - k_2 \frac{[E]_T [C]}{K_m + [C]}$$

8) While modeling expression of a gene, the steps of transcription and translation are often clubbed together and the gene 2 points

expression is modeled using a single ODE representing rate of change of concentration of the protein. Such reduction

in the model involves a critical assumption. Which of the following is that assumption?

- The signal inducing gene expression controls only translation.
- Translation and degradation of a protein is more important than transcription and stability of an mRNA.
- The only factor that controls rate of protein production is stability of mRNA.
- The rate of transcription is much higher than the rate of translation and amount of mRNA reaches the steady state very fast.

No, the answer is incorrect.

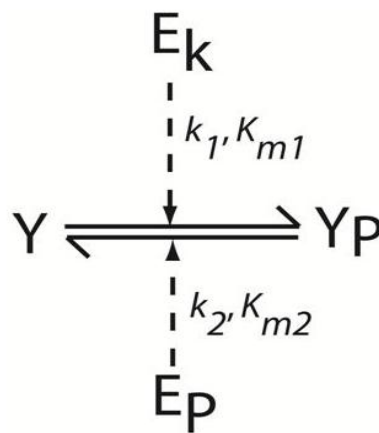
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Accepted Answers:

*The rate of transcription is much higher than the rate of translation and amount of mRNA reaches the steady state very fast.*

9) A reversible reaction scheme following Michaelis–Menten kinetics is shown below. Which of the following parameter 2 points

sets will make this system to act like an ultra-sensitive switch? Here,  $K_{m1}$  and  $K_{m2}$  are Michaelis–Menten constants.



- $K_{m1} = 2, K_{m2} = 2, (Y_P + Y) = 10$
- $K_{m1} = 2, K_{m2} = 2, (Y_P + Y) = 1000$
- $K_{m1} = 20, K_{m2} = 20, (Y_P + Y) = 10$
- $K_{m1} = 20, K_{m2} = 20, (Y_P + Y) = 100$

No, the answer is incorrect.

Score: 0

Accepted Answers:

$$K_{m1} = 2, K_{m2} = 2, (Y_P + Y) = 1000$$

10) Which of the following statements is wrong?

2 points

- A mono-stable gene expression system would give rise to bimodal distribution in gene expression in a population of cells.
- A mono-stable gene expression system would give rise to unimodal distribution in gene expression in a population of cells
- A bistable gene expression system may give rise to bimodal distribution in gene expression in a population of cells.
- Bifurcation in a gene expression circuit may give rise to multimodal distribution in gene expression in a population of cells

**No, the answer is incorrect.**

**Score: 0**

**Accepted Answers:**

*A mono-stable gene expression system would give rise to bimodal distribution in gene expression in a population of cells.*



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