

## Identifiability

Can you support your model with the data that you have?

---

---

---

---

---

## Objective

- To understand the problem of model identifiability
- To recognize some common examples and types of identifiability problems
- To use some of the techniques that could be used to recognise identifiability problems

---

---

---

---

---

## Chapter Outline

- Definitions
- Examples
- Numerical Approaches
- Analytical Approaches

---

---

---

---

---

## Definitions

- Identifiability Problem: Can the Model Parameters be Estimated Accurately with the Data Provided
- Identifiable Parameters
  - Effect the value of the data and can be estimated
- Nonidentifiable Parameters
  - Effect the value of the data but cannot be estimated
- Nonobservable Parameters
  - Don't have an influence on the data

---



---



---



---

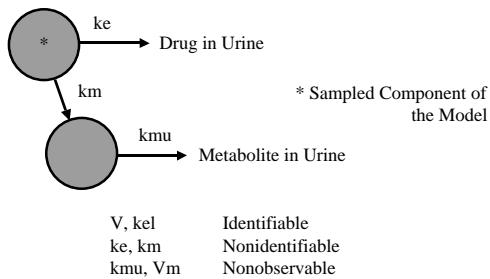


---



---

## Definitions - Parameters




---



---



---



---



---



---

## Definition - Identifiability

- Global
  - Not affected by dose, scale
- Local
  - Dependent on dose or scale

---



---



---



---



---



---

### Examples: Problems caused by:

- Too many parameters
- Poor sample site selection
- Poor selection of dose levels
- Poor selection of sample times

---



---



---



---

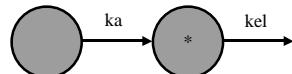


---



---

### Example - Too Many Parameters



$$C_p = \frac{F \cdot Dose \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot \{ e^{-kel \cdot t} - e^{-ka \cdot t} \}$$

\* Sampled Component of  
the Model

---



---



---



---



---



---



---



---

### Example - Too Many Parameters

$$C_p = \frac{F \cdot Dose \cdot ka}{V \cdot (ka - kel)} \cdot \{ e^{-kel \cdot t} - e^{-ka \cdot t} \}$$

Constants:	Dose
Parameters:	ka kel V F } V/F

---



---



---



---



---



---

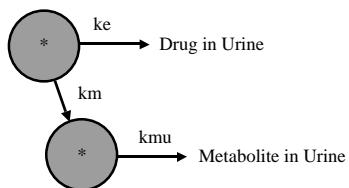


---



---

### Example - Sample Site Selection



\* Sampled Component of the Model

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

### Example - Sample Site Selection

Dose = 100 mg, V = 10 L, kmu = 0.5 hr<sup>-1</sup>,  
ke = 0.1 hr<sup>-1</sup>, km = 0.2 hr<sup>-1</sup>, Vm = 20 L.

Time (hr)	Cp (mg/L)	Cm (mg/L)	U (mg)
0.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
1.0	7.41	0.671	8.64
3.0	4.07	0.917	19.8
6.0	1.65	0.578	27.8
9.0	0.672	0.280	31.1
12.0	0.273	0.124	32.4

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

### Example - Sample Site Selection

Dose = 100 mg, V = 10 L, kmu = 0.5 hr<sup>-1</sup>,  
ke = 0.2 hr<sup>-1</sup>, km = 0.1 hr<sup>-1</sup>, Vm = 10 L.

Time (hr)	Cp (mg/L)	Cm (mg/L)	U (mg)
0.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
1.0	7.41	0.671	17.3
3.0	4.07	0.917	39.6
6.0	1.65	0.578	55.6
9.0	0.672	0.280	62.2
12.0	0.273	0.124	64.8

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

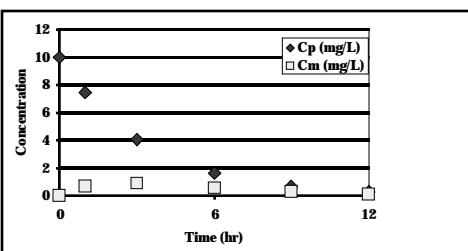
---

---

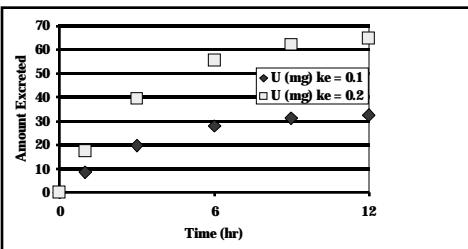
---

---

### Example - Sample Site Selection



### Example - Sample Site Selection



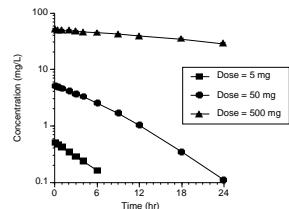
### Example - Dose Level Selection

- Michaelis-Menten

$$\frac{dC_p}{dt} = -\frac{V_m \cdot C_p}{K_m + C_p}$$

- Low Dose
- High Dose

### Example - Dose Level Selection

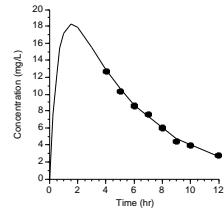


### Example - Sample Time Selection

- One Compartment - Oral Administration

$$C_p = \frac{F \cdot k_a \cdot \text{Dose}}{V \cdot (k_a - k_e)} \cdot \left\{ e^{-k_e t} - e^{-k_a t} \right\}$$

### Example - Sample Time Selection



## Numerical Approach

- Empirical
- Using IDENT

---

---

---

---

---

## Empirical Approach

- Method
  - Simulate Model
  - Sample Sites and Times
  - Use Many Sample Times
  - Refit Simulated Data

---

---

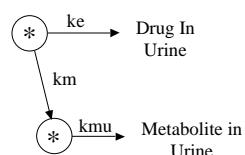
---

---

---

## Empirical Approach

The Model



---

---

---

---

---

## Empirical Approach

### The Data

Time (hr)	[Drug] mg/L	[Metabolite] mg/L
0.000	10.00	.0000
1.000	7.408	.6714
1.500	6.376	.8263
2.000	5.488	.9046
2.500	4.723	.9293
3.000	4.065	.9171
4.000	3.011	.8293
5.000	2.231	.7052
6.000	1.652	.5775
7.000	1.224	.4613
8.000	.9071	.3620
9.000	.6720	.2804
10.00	.4978	.2152
11.00	.3688	.1639
12.00	.2732	.1242

## Empirical Approach

### Results

\*\* FINAL PARAMETER VALUES \*\*

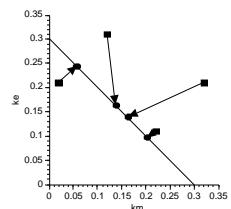
#	Name	Value	S.D.	C.V. %
1)	ke	.24967	0.113E-04	0.45E-02
2)	km	0.50369E-01	0.590E-05	0.12E-01
3)	kmu	.49999	0.639E-04	0.13E-01
4)	V1	10.000	0.319E-03	0.32E-02
5)	V2	5.0369	.000	.00

AIC = -404.6 Final WSS = 0.6186E-06  
R-squared = 1.000 Correlation Coeff = 1.000

Generally very good CV%, but .00 for V2 a worry

## Empirical Approach

### Results



Multiple Starting Points - Multiple Answers!!

## Empirical Approach

- Michaelis-Menten Example

### Dose Level - 500 mg

\*\* FINAL PARAMETER VALUES \*\*

#	Name	Value	S.D.	C.V. %
1)	Vm Elim	10.000	0.155E-03	0.16E-02
2)	Km Elim	50.007	0.682E-02	0.14E-01
3)	V	10.000	0.293E-05	0.29E-04

AIC= -225.6Final WSS = 0.8723E-10

R-squared = 1.000 Correlation Coeff = 1.000

## Empirical Approach

- Michaelis-Menten Example

### Dose Level - 5 mg

\*\* FINAL PARAMETER VALUES \*\*

#	Name	Value	S.D.	C.V. %
1)	Vm Elim	95.938	688.	7.2E02
*** WARNING ***				
FINAL PARAMETER VALUE CLOSE TO UPPER LIMIT				
2)	Km Elim	500.00	0.361E+04	7.2E02
*** WARNING ***				
FINAL PARAMETER VALUE CLOSE TO UPPER LIMIT				
3)	V	10.063	0.477E-01	.47

AIC = -61.39 Final WSS = 0.6591E-04

R-squared = .9993 Correlation Coeff = .9999

## Empirical Approach

- Sample Time Example

\*\* FINAL PARAMETER VALUES \*\*

#	Name	Value	S.D.	C.V.%
1)	ka	1.0953	.685	63.
2)	kel	.19752	0.132E-01	6.7
3)	V	10.691	.673	6.3

AIC = -15.63Final WSS = 0.6694E-01

R-squared = .9992 Correlation Coeff = .9977

## Using IDENT

- Define Model
- Run IDENT
- Interpret Results

---



---



---



---



---



---

## Using IDENT

- Specify Model

```
c
c theta(1) = ke
c theta(2) = km
c theta(3) = kmu
c
c y(i) = amount in compartment i
c
dydx(1) = -(theta(1) + theta(2))*y(1)
dydx(2) = theta(1)*y(1)
dydx(3) = theta(2)*y(1) - theta(3)*y(3)
dydx(4) = theta(3)*y(3)
```

---



---



---



---



---



---

## Using IDENT

- Program Output (Concise)

### NON-IDENTIFIABLE PARAMETERS:

2	1	5
km	ke	Vm

### IDENTIFIABLE PARAMETERS:

3	4
kmu	V

---



---



---



---



---



---

## Analytical Approach

- Laplace Transform
- Taylor Series

---

---

---

---

---

## Laplace Transform

- Less Complex Method
- Doesn't work if Parameters Vary with Time
- Doesn't work with Non-linear Systems (MM)

---

---

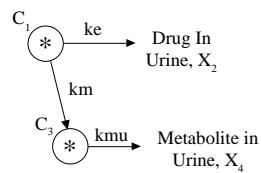
---

---

---

## Laplace Transform

- The Model



---

---

---

---

---

## Laplace Transform

- If you measure  $C_1$
- $$\frac{dX_1}{dt} = -(ke + km) \cdot X_1$$
- $$s \cdot \bar{X}_1 - \text{Dose} = -(ke + km) \cdot \bar{X}_1$$
- $$\bar{X}_1(s + ke + km) = \text{Dose}$$

$$C_1 = \frac{\text{Dose}}{V_1} \cdot e^{-(ke + km)t}$$

$$\bar{C}_1 = \frac{\text{Dose}}{V_1} \cdot \frac{1}{(s + ke + km)}$$

Since we know D, the intercept gives us  $V_1$

From this root we can calculate  $kel = ke + km$  but not ke or km alone

## Laplace Transform

- If you measure  $C_3$
- $$\frac{dX_3}{dt} = km \cdot X_1 - kmu \cdot X_3$$

$$s \cdot \bar{X}_3 = km \cdot \bar{X}_1 - kmu \cdot \bar{X}_3$$

$$\bar{C}_3 = \frac{D}{V_3} \cdot \frac{km}{(s + ke + km) \cdot (s + kmu)}$$

Although we know D we cannot separate km from  $V_3$

Still no luck!

We can get  $kmu$  from this root

## Laplace Transform

- Finally, measuring  $X_4$

$$\frac{dX_4}{dt} = kmu \cdot X_3$$

Since we know D and  $kmu$  we can get km from the intercept<sup>2</sup>

$$\bar{X}_4 = \frac{km \cdot kmu \cdot D}{s \cdot (s + ke + km) \cdot (s + kmu)}$$

Now we can get ke from this root (we now know km)

<sup>3</sup> We know  $kmu$  (again) from this root

## Taylor Series

- Determination Involves the Development of Successive Derivatives
- More Cumbersome
- More General Application

---

---

---

---

---

## Objectives

- To understand the problem of model identifiability
- To recognize some common examples and types of identifiability problems
- To use some of the techniques that could be used to recognise identifiability problems

---

---

---

---

---