

Solution

(a) Setting up the model

Let  $f_A(t)$  be the amount of fresh air in the room at time  $t$ .

Using Balance Law,

$$\frac{df_A}{dt} = \text{fresh air inflow rate} - \text{fresh air outflow rate}$$

Input of fresh Air =  $600 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$

Initial fresh air rate =  $0 = f_A$

Output mixture =  $600 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$

Fresh Air and Normal Air mixture =  $20,000 \text{ ft}^3/\text{min}$

$$\frac{df_A}{dt} = 600 - \frac{600}{20,000} f_A(t)$$

$$= \frac{df_A}{dt} = 600 - 0.03 f_A$$

$$= \frac{df_A}{dt} = -0.03 (f_A - 20,000)$$

ii) Solution to the model

$$\frac{df_A}{dt} = -0.03 (f_A - 20,000)$$

$$\frac{df_A}{f_A - 20,000} = -0.03 dt$$

Integrate both sides,

$$\int \frac{dF_A}{F_A - 20,000} = \int -0.03 dt$$

$$\ln(F_A - 20,000) = -0.03t + C$$

Take ln of both sides

$$F_A - 20,000 = C \cdot e^{-0.03t}$$

where  $e^C = C$

$$\therefore F_A = 20,000 + C e^{-0.03t}$$

$F_A$  = general solution

Recall

$$F_A = 20,000 + C e^{-0.03t}$$

where  $t = 0, F_A = 0$

$$0 = 20,000 + C \cdot e^{-0.03(0)}$$

$$C = -20,000$$

Therefore, substitute the value for C

$$F_A(t) = 20,000 - 20,000 e^{-0.03t}$$

$F_A(t)$  = particular solution

(b) The time at which 90% of the air in the room will become fresh is,

$$90\% = \frac{90}{100} \times 20,000 = 20,000 e^{-0.03t}$$

$$= 18,000 = 20,000 - 20,000 e^{-0.03t}$$

$$18,000 - 20,000 = -20,000 e^{-0.03t}$$

$$-2,000 = -20,000 e^{-0.03t}$$

$$0.1 = 1 \cdot e^{-0.03t}$$

take  $\ln$  of H.S to eliminate  $e$ ,

$$\ln 0.1 = -0.03t$$

$$-2.3026 = -0.03t$$

$$t = \frac{-2.3026}{-0.03}$$

$$t = 76.753 \text{ min}$$

$$t \approx 76.75 \text{ min}$$

convert .75 min - sec

$$= 0.75 \times 60 = 45 \text{ s}$$

$$t = 76 \text{ minutes, } 45 \text{ seconds}$$

① 6 hours to minutes because,  
60 mins - 1 hour

$$6 \text{ hours} = 6 \times 60 = 360 \text{ minutes}$$

② The steady-state value of the fresh amount of air in the room gives =  $20,000 \text{ ft}^3$  of air

③ The graph gave a corresponding straight line which entails that the steady-state value of the amount of fresh air in the room does not change even with the expense of increase in time,