

Math 2E03- Introduction to Modelling

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Problem 8

Carbon dating is often used to determine the age of a fossil. For example, a humanoid skull was found in a cave in South Africa along with the remains of campfire. It is determined that only 2% of the original amount of carbon-14 remains in the burnt wood of the campfire. Estimate the age of skull if the half life of carbon-14 is about 5600 years.



Problem 9

A white wine at room temperature 70^oF is chilled in ice (32^0F) . If it takes 15 min for the wine to chill to 60^oF , how long will it take for the wine to reach 56^oF .





Two large tanks, each holding 24 liters of a brine solution, are interconnected by pipes. Fresh water flows into tank A at a rate of 6L/min, and fluid is drained out of tank B at the same rate: also 8L/min of fluid are pumped from tank A to tank B, and 2L/min from tank B to tank A. The liquids inside each tank are kept weel stirred, so that each mixture is homogenous. If initially, the brine solution in tank A contains x_0kg of salt and that in tank B initially contains y_0kg of salt, determine the mass of salt in each tank.

