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1D Steady Diffusion

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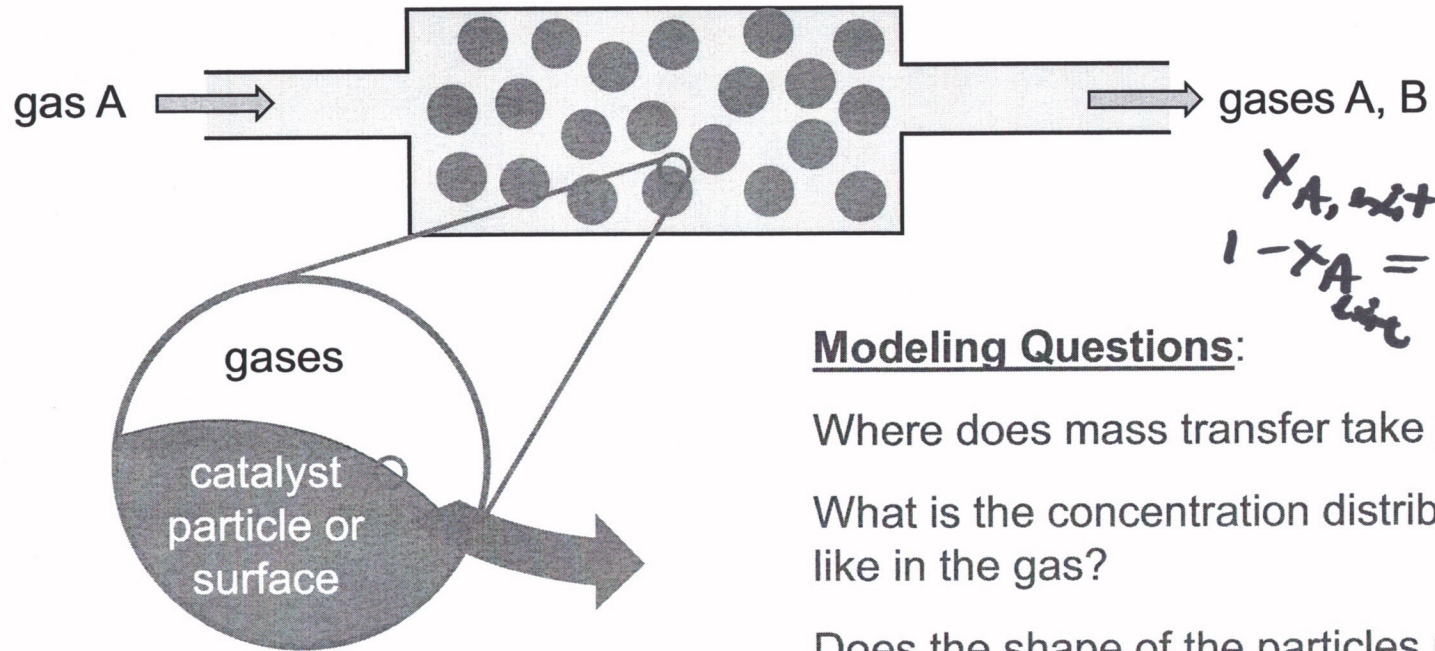
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Lecture VI, MODULE 3

Classic 1D Steady Diffusion Summary

- a. 1D rectangular mass transfer (evaporating tank, Ex 1)
- b. 1D radial mass transfer (evaporating droplet, Ex 2)
- c. Heterogeneous chemical reaction (catalytic converter, Ex 3)

Example 3: Heterogeneous catalysis



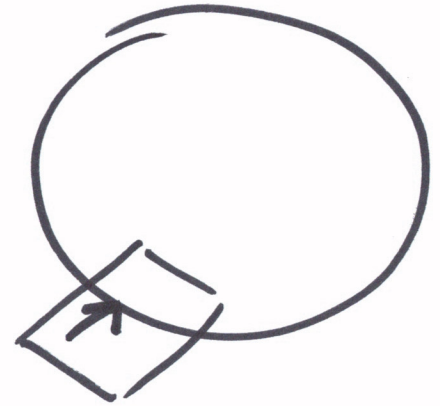
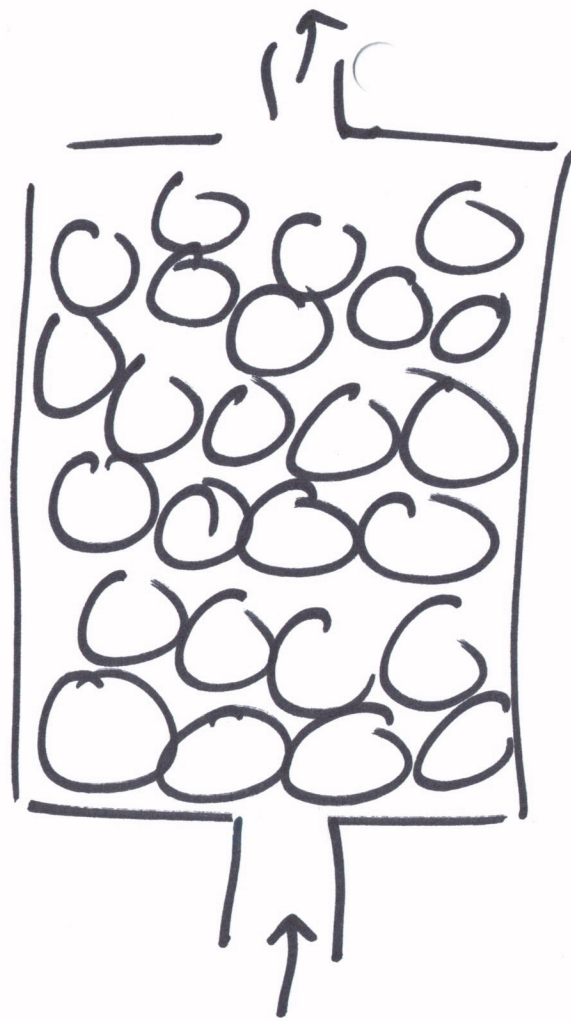
$$X_{A, \text{out}} + 1 - X_{A, \text{in}} = X_B$$

Modeling Questions:

- Where does mass transfer take place?
- What is the concentration distribution like in the gas?
- Does the shape of the particles matter?
- What is the impact of the overall (bulk) flow?
- What should be our first modeling problem?

An irreversible, instantaneous chemical reaction ($2A \rightarrow B$) takes place at a catalyst surface in a reactor as shown. How might mass transfer affect the observed rate of reaction?

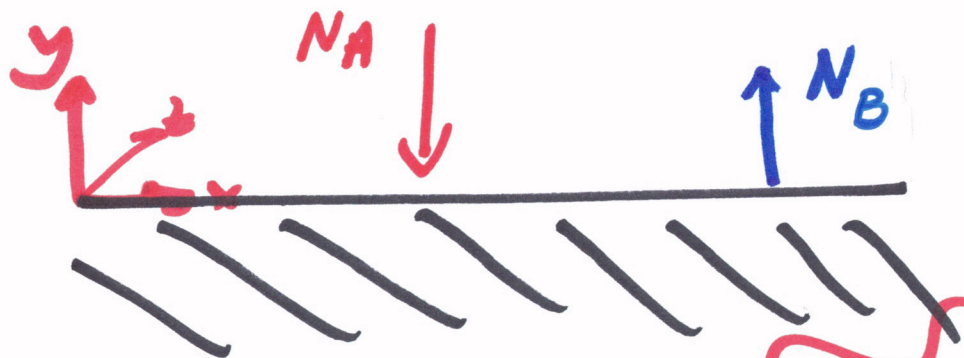
Thinking...



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Sec A, B $2A \rightarrow B$

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$$0 \leq y \leq \omega$$

$$N_A = (2)(-N_B)$$

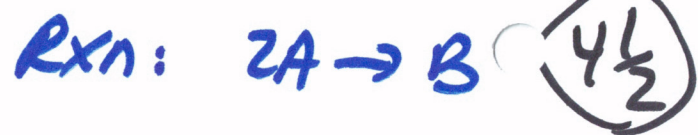
The ratio of A_{in} to B_{out} is 2:1

What is x_A (position) in the gas?

What is N_A ? constant? variable?

What is N_B ?

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$$N_A = -2N_B$$
$$-\frac{1}{2}N_A = N_B$$

This can be confusing. This is a question of Flux not stoichiometry



$$N_A = \frac{10 \text{ moles A}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$$

$$N_B = \frac{5 \text{ moles B}}{\text{Area} \cdot \text{time}}$$



The Equation of Species Mass Balance in Terms of Combined Molar quantities

in Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical coordinates for binary mixtures of A and B. The general case, where the combined molar flux with respect to molar velocity (N_A), is given on page 1.

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In terms of total molar flux, N_A

Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of molar flux; Gibbs notation

$$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \underline{N}_A + R_A$$

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Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of combined molar flux; Cartesian coordinates

$$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\left(\frac{\partial N_{A,x}}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial N_{A,y}}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial N_{A,z}}{\partial z}\right) + R_A$$

no homogeneous rxn

Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of combined molar flux; cylindrical coordinates

$$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial(rN_{A,r})}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial N_{A,\theta}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial N_{A,z}}{\partial z}\right) + R_A$$

Flux is in y-dir alone

Microscopic species mass balance, in terms of combined molar flux; spherical coordinates

$$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\left(\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial(r^2 N_{A,r})}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial(N_{A,\theta} \sin \theta)}{\partial \theta} + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial N_{A,\phi}}{\partial \phi}\right) + R_A$$

Fick's law of diffusion, Gibbs notation: $\underline{N}_A = x_A(N_A + N_B) - cD_{AB}\nabla x_A$

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$$= c_A \underline{v}^* - cD_{AB}\nabla x_A$$

Fick's law of diffusion, Cartesian coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_{A,x} \\ N_{A,y} \\ N_{A,z} \end{pmatrix}_{xyz} = \begin{pmatrix} x_A(N_{A,x} + N_{B,x}) - cD_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial x} \\ x_A(N_{A,y} + N_{B,y}) - cD_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial y} \\ x_A(N_{A,z} + N_{B,z}) - cD_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}_{xyz}$$

Fick's law of diffusion, cylindrical coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_{A,r} \\ N_{A,\theta} \\ N_{A,z} \end{pmatrix}_{r\theta z} = \begin{pmatrix} x_A(N_{A,r} + N_{B,r}) - cD_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial r} \\ x_A(N_{A,\theta} + N_{B,\theta}) - \frac{cD_{AB}}{r} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \theta} \\ x_A(N_{A,z} + N_{B,z}) - cD_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}_{r\theta z}$$

$-\frac{1}{r} N_A = N_B$

Fick's law of diffusion, spherical coordinates:

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_{A,r} \\ N_{A,\theta} \\ N_{A,\phi} \end{pmatrix}_{r\theta\phi} = \begin{pmatrix} x_A(N_{A,r} + N_{B,r}) - cD_{AB} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial r} \\ x_A(N_{A,\theta} + N_{B,\theta}) - \frac{cD_{AB}}{r} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \theta} \\ x_A(N_{A,\phi} + N_{B,\phi}) - \frac{cD_{AB}}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \phi} \end{pmatrix}_{r\theta\phi}$$

microscopic species A bel

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$$\frac{\partial N_{A,y}}{\partial y} = 0$$

$$N_{A,y} = \zeta$$

Fick's Law:

$$N_{A,y} = X_A \left(N_{A,y} - \frac{1}{2} N_{A,y} \right) - c D_{AB} \frac{dX_A}{dy}$$

$\frac{1}{2} N_{A,y}$

(See HW3 Prob 10)

$$N_A \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} X_A \right) = -c D_{AB} \frac{dX_A}{dy}$$

∴ continue

X_A is function of y

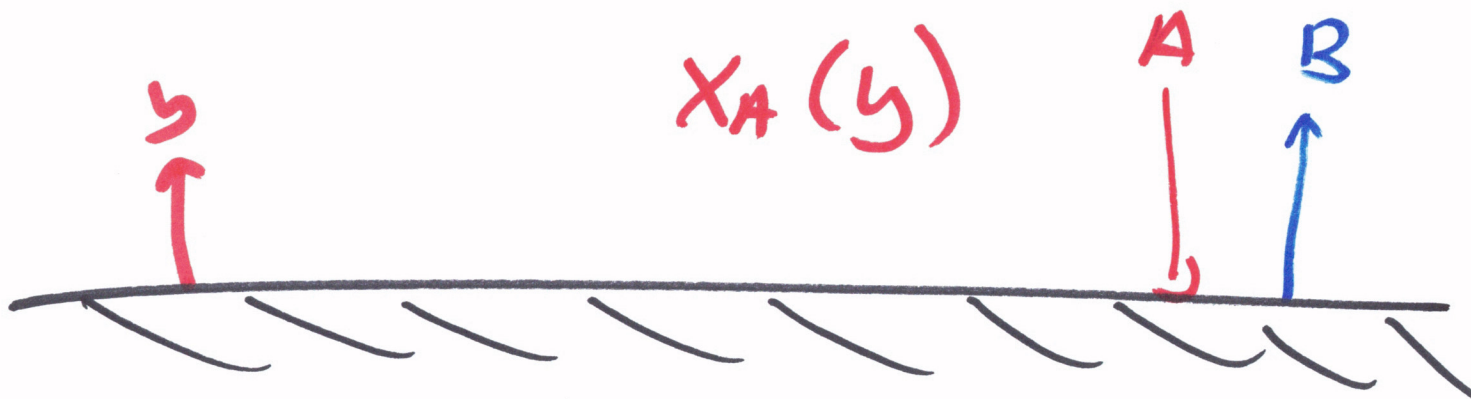
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integrate with respect to y

(will add " C_1 ", integration constant)

(HW3)

BC:



$$y = \infty$$

$$X_A = X_{A, bulk}$$

$$y = 0$$

$$X_A = 0$$

(I set it up differently in HW3)



What are the boundary conditions?
Dr Morrison set it up
this way:

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