

It's week 8. Next week is **Break**.
 Exam 3: Tuesday March 17
 Utkarsh will be doing a **HW/Exam prep 3/15**, the Sunday before classes start back up.

Homework 3B:
 Finish Week 8

HW3



HW3a: Intro to mass transfer (finish week 8)

- Show that the following relationships for the various versions of the species mass/molar fluxes hold (do not assume Fick's law to show the equivalence):
 - $D_{12} = D_{21} = D_{12}^*$
 - $D_{12} + D_{21} = D_{12}^* + D_{21}^*$
 - $J_A + J_B = 0$
 - $J_A^* + J_B^* = 0$
- In a sentence or two, what are the differences among the various fluxes in the question above? Why have we chosen to use such a variety of nomenclature?
- Species A (gas) is diffusing through stagnant species B (also a gas) at steady state. The situation may be considered to be one-dimensional (1D) diffusion. The steady state flux of species A is 5.0×10^{-7} kmol A / m² s. At one point in the diffusion space, the concentration of A is 0.0050 kmol/m³ and the concentration of B is 0.036 kmol/m³. What is your estimate of the individual velocities of species A and B along the direction of mass transfer? What is the average molar velocity? Answer: $v = 0.0012$ m/s.
- Species A (gas) and species B (also a gas) form a binary mixture in which steady equimolar counter diffusion is occurring (see p499 of WRR, posted at https://pages.mtu.edu/~fmorriso/cm3120/WRR2013_pp499-500.pdf). The situation may be considered to be one-dimensional (1D) diffusion. The steady state flux of species A is 5.0×10^{-7} kmol A / m² s. At one point in the diffusion space, the concentration of A is 0.0050 kmol/m³ and the concentration of B is 0.036 kmol/m³. What is your estimate of the individual velocities of species A and B along the direction of mass transfer? What is the average molar velocity? If A is water and B is nitrogen, what is the mass average velocity? Answer: $v_A = -4.6 \times 10^{-7}$ m/s; $v_B = 0$. Comment on the difference.
- Seven albumin (an important blood protein) is a long chain polymer that takes on a roughly spherical conformation. If we think of the diffusion of serum albumin as similar to the diffusion of a sphere moving through a solvent (water), we can estimate the size of the molecule. The measured diffusion coefficient of serum albumin is 5.8×10^{-10} m²/s at 29°C. Based on this measured diffusivity, what is your estimate of the diameter of the protein under these conditions? Answer: $D = 7.27$ nm.
- A hemispherical drop of liquid water lies on a flat surface. The water evaporates from the surface through a film of air near the surface. Within the film, the gas is saturated with water. The temperature and pressure are constant, and the diffusion is slow, so the size of the droplet is almost constant. Model this problem in such a way that we can determine the concentration distribution in the film. How can we calculate the evaporation rate? Answer for concentration distribution in the film: $\frac{c_A - c_{A,s}}{c_A - c_{A,\infty}} = \frac{r - R_0}{r - R_0} \exp\left(\frac{r - R_0}{\delta} \right)$; see also notes.

- A cold-water pipeline runs through a hot, humid space in a processing plant. Water condenses onto the pipe and drips onto the ground. Model this problem in such a way that we can estimate the rate of water dripping from the pipe.
- Stretch: A water mist forms in an industrial printing operation. Spherical water droplets slowly and steadily evaporate into the air (mostly nitrogen). The evaporation creates a film around the droplets through which the evaporating water diffuses. We can model the diffusion process as shown in the figure below. The temperature in the film is not constant but varies as $T(r)/T(R_0) = (r/R_0)^2$; note that this means that both the diffusivity D_{12} and the concentration $c = P/RT$ are a function of position through their temperature dependence. What is the water mole fraction in the film as a function of radial position? You may assume ideal gas properties for air; you may assume that the diffusivity varies with temperature as follows: $D_{12}(T)/D_{12}(T_0) = (T/T_0)^{1.75}$

Exam 3 topics:

- Lectures 9-12 and 1-11 and all prereqs
- HW3a 3b, also HW1, HW2 and prereqs

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Now, Cycling Back:

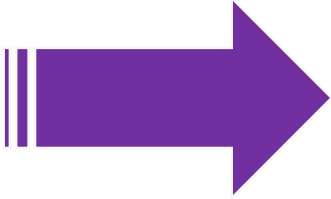
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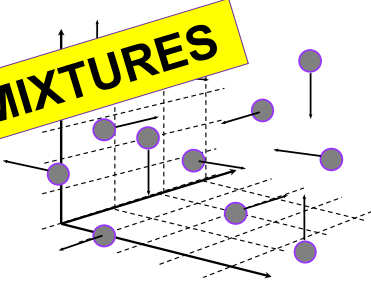
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Diffusion and Mass Transfer



in MIXTURES



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We began a few weeks ago...

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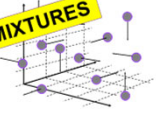
We first introduced the topic of diffusion and mass transfer a few weeks ago...

Summary:


- Occurs in mixtures; this complicates things
- Is *slow* and often the rate-limiting process
- Mass is conserved, but often moles are more convenient to keep track of what's going on
- Is the third **transport field** (momentum, energy, species A mass)
- Up to mass transfer, have been readily modeling using the *continuum*; this approach needs to be adapted to mixtures
- We had decided to "skip ahead" **QUICK START** to avoid getting bogged down...

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Diffusion and Mass Transfer



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Species A transport law:
Fick's law of diffusion

$$j_{A,z} = -\rho D_{AB} \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial z}$$

A diffuses in B

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Recap:

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Microscopic species A mass balance

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \omega_A \right) = \rho D_{AB} \nabla^2 \omega_A + r_A$$

rate of change diffusion (all directions) source (mass of species A generated by homogeneous reaction per time)

These different definitions lead to different forms for the **microscopic species mass balance** and for the **transport law**.

QUICK START

These different fluxes are a significant complication.

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It will take some time and practice to get used to all this

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Recap:

Microscopic species A mass balance—Five forms

In terms of mass flux and mass concentrations	$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla \omega_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \underline{J}_A + r_A$ $= \rho D_{AB} \nabla^2 \omega_A + r_A$
In terms of molar flux and molar concentrations	$c \left(\frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v}^* \cdot \nabla x_A \right) = -\nabla \cdot \underline{J}_A^* + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$ $= c D_{AB} \nabla^2 x_A + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$
In terms of combined molar flux and molar concentrations	$\frac{\partial c_A}{\partial t} = -\nabla \cdot \underline{N}_A + R_A$

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These different definitions lead to **different forms** for the **microscopic species mass balance** and for the **species transport law, Fick's law**.

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Recap:

Various quantities in diffusion and mass transfer

How much is present: $cx_A = c_A = \frac{1}{M_A}(\rho_A) = \frac{1}{M_A}(\rho\omega_A)$

$j_A \equiv$ **mass flux** of species A relative to a mixture's **mass average velocity**, v
 $= \rho_A(v_A - v)$
 $j_A + j_B = 0$, i.e. these fluxes are measured relative to the mixture's center of mass

$n_A \equiv \rho_A v_A = j_A + \rho_A v =$ **combined mass flux** relative to **stationary coordinates**
 $n_A + n_B = \rho v$

$J_A \equiv$ **molar flux** relative to a mixture's **molar average velocity**, v^*
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$N_A \equiv c_A v_A = J_A + c_A v^* =$ **combined molar flux** relative to **stationary coordinates**
 $N_A + N_B = c v^*$

$v_A \equiv$ velocity of species A in a mixture, i.e. average velocity of all molecules of species A within a small volume
 $v = \omega_A v_A + \omega_B v_B \equiv$ mass average velocity; same velocity as in the microscopic momentum and energy balances
 $v^* = x_A v_A + x_B v_B \equiv$ molar average velocity

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Part of the problem is that we have grown comfortable with the continuum, but now we are peering into the details of the continuum

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Recap:

Various forms of Fick's Law (and the species mass balances that employ them)

Mass flux

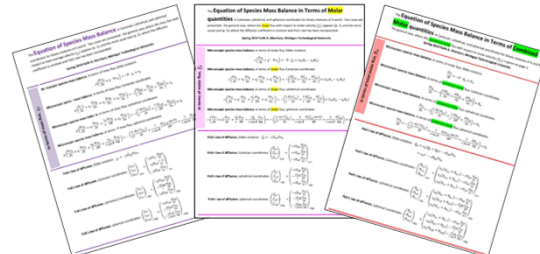
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Molar flux

 $J_A = -c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$

Combined molar flux

 $N_A = x_A(N_A + N_B) - c D_{AB} \nabla x_A$



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QUICK START

We will be introduced to handy worksheets and to the common assumptions and boundary conditions (just like in momentum and energy balances)

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QUICK START

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In terms of **molar flux and molar concentrations**: $\underline{J}_A = -\nabla x_A + x_A \underline{v}$

Let's jump in!

Microscopic species mass balance in terms of combined molar flux, \underline{N}_A

We'll do a "Quick Start" and get into some examples and return to the "why" of it all a bit later.

Example 1: Water (at $T^* = 1.0 \text{ atm}$) slowly and steadily evaporates into nitrogen (at $T^* = 1.0 \text{ atm}$) from the bottom of a cylindrical tank as shown in the figure below. A stream of dry nitrogen flows slowly past the open tank. The mole fraction of water in the gas at the top opening of the tank is 0.02. The geometry is as shown in the figure. What is water mole fraction as a function of vertical position? You may assume ideal gas properties. What is the rate of water evaporation?

Example 2: A water mist forms in an industrial printing operation. Spherical water droplets slowly and steadily evaporate into the air (mostly nitrogen). The evaporation creates a film around the droplets through which the evaporating water diffuses. We can model the diffusion process as shown in the figure. What is the water mole fraction in the film as a function of radial position? You may assume ideal gas properties for air.

Example 3: Heterogeneous catalysis

An irreversible, instantaneous chemical reaction ($2A \rightarrow B$) takes place at a catalyst surface, as shown. The reaction is "diffusion-limited," however, because the rate of completion of the reaction is determined by the rate of diffusion through the "film" near the catalyst surface. Calculate the steady state composition distribution in the film (ρ, x_A).

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Recap: Introduction to Diffusion and Mass Transfer in Mixtures

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Recurring Modeling Assumptions in Diffusion

- Near a liquid-gas interface, the region in the gas near the liquid is a film where diffusion takes place
- The vapor near the liquid-gas interface is often saturated (Raoult's law, $x_A = p_A^*/p$)
- If component A has no sink, $\underline{N}_A = 0$.
- If A diffuses through stagnant B, $\underline{N}_B = 0$.
- If, for example, two moles of A diffuse to a surface at which a rapid, irreversible reaction converts it to one mole of B, then at steady state $-0.5\underline{N}_A = \underline{N}_B$.
- Because diffusion is slow, we can make a quasi-steady-state assumption
- Homogeneous reactions appear in the mass balance; heterogeneous reactions appear in the boundary conditions
- If a binary mixture of A and B are undergoing steady equimolar counter diffusion, $\underline{N}_A = -\underline{N}_B$. (coming)

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The **QUICK START** has perhaps led to the impression that the **combined molar flux** version is all we need to address problems in mass transfer...

This is unfortunately **not true**. We have thus far been selective in choosing problems addressable by that approach.

To succeed more broadly, we need to address additional complexities of mixtures and mass transfer.

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Introduction to Diffusion and Mass Transfer in Mixtures

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rate of change (all directions) convection source (mass of species A generated by homogeneous reaction per time) diffusion (all directions)

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Transport Laws, up to now:

Part I: Momentum Transfer

Momentum transfer:

$$\tau_{21} = (-\tilde{\tau}_{21}) = -\mu \left(\frac{dv_1}{dx_2} \right)$$

momentum flux velocity gradient viscosity

Newton's law of viscosity

Part II: Heat Transfer

Heat transfer:

$$\frac{q_x}{A} = -k \frac{dT}{dx}$$

heat flux temperature gradient thermal conductivity

Fourier's law of conduction

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Now:

Part III: Mass Transfer

Mass transfer:

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Fick's law of diffusion

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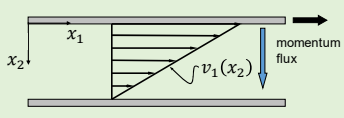
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The Physics of the Transport Laws

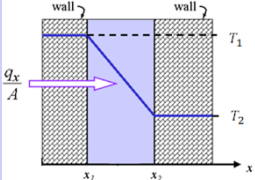
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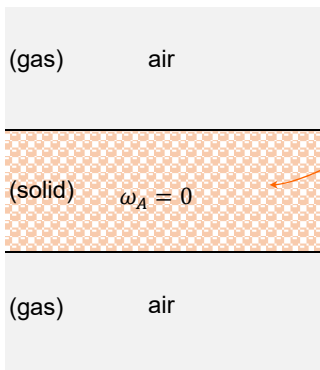
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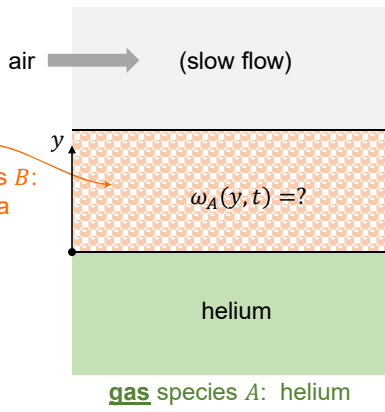
Simple One-dimensional Species Mass Diffusion

What is the physics behind the mass diffusion transport law?

Initially:



Suddenly (t = 0):



solid species B: fused silica

gas species A: helium

Assumptions:

- wide, deep ⇒ 1D diffusion
- no reaction
- species B not moving

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Simple One-dimensional Species Mass Diffusion

($t \geq 0$):

What does $\omega_A(y, t)$ look like?

$\omega_A =$ mass fraction of A

The diagram shows a vertical coordinate system with y pointing upwards. At the top, a grey region represents air with a grey arrow pointing right labeled "(slow flow)". Below this is a red checkered region representing "solid species B: fused silica". Inside this region, the mass fraction is labeled $\omega_A(y, t) = ?$. At the bottom is a green region representing "gas species A: helium". A green arrow points upwards from the helium region into the fused silica region, labeled "helium diffuses". At the interface between the helium and fused silica, a horizontal arrow points right, labeled $\omega_{A,0}$.

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Simple One-dimensional Species Mass Diffusion

($t \geq 0$):

What does $\omega_A(y, t)$ look like?

You try.

The diagram is identical to the one above, showing air flow, fused silica, and helium diffusion. The mass fraction in the fused silica region is labeled $\omega_A(y, t) = ?$. At the interface, a horizontal arrow points right, labeled $\omega_{A,0}$.

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Simple One-dimensional Species Mass Diffusion

- $\omega_A(y, t) = ?$
- What is the domain we're asking about?

($t \geq 0$):

air (slow flow)

solid species B: fused silica

helium Gas species A: helium

$\omega_{A,0}$

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helium source

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$\omega_{A,0}$

At steady state,

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Fick's law of diffusion

(in terms of mass flux)

D_{AB} = Diffusion coefficient of A through B

$j_{A,y}$ = **mass flux** of A through B
 $[=] \frac{kg\ A}{m^2s}$

Suddenly (t = 0):

Gas species A: helium

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Simple One-dimensional Species Mass Diffusion

This is the fundamental version of Fick's Law (1D)

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Law of Species Diffusion

QUESTION:

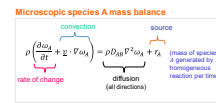
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Answer:

“Breaking into” the continuum view to analyze the motion of individual species in a mixture complicates the situation. There are several options, and none is perfect.

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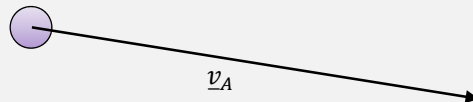
“Flux” of Species A in a Mixture with Species B

Describing Binary Diffusion

A mixture of two species: *What goes where and why*

- There are many **molecules** of species A in some **region** of interest
- In the region of interest, \mathbf{v}_A is the **average velocity** (speed and direction) of the A molecules:

$$\mathbf{v}_A = \frac{1}{n_T} \sum_{i=1}^{n_T} \mathbf{v}_{A,i} \quad (\text{a regular average})$$



velocity of molecules of species A, on average

(in a region of space)

- The motion of A **molecules** is a combination (potentially) of
 - **bulk motion**—this is the motion caused by driving pressure gradients, by moving boundaries, by all the causes studied for homogeneous materials when we studied momentum conservation with the continuum approach
 - **Diffusion**—this motion is caused primarily by concentration gradients.
 - **These two motions need not be collinear**

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Is this \underline{v} ?

We've already defined \underline{v} and used when we studied transport in homogeneous materials using the continuum model.

momentum

Recall Microscopic Momentum Balance:

Equation of Motion

Microscopic **momentum** balance written on an arbitrarily shaped control volume, V , enclosed by a surface, S .

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Navier-Stokes Equation

Microscopic momentum balance is a vector equation.

energy

Microscopic Energy Balance:

Equation of Thermal Energy

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Gibbs notation: $\rho \left(\frac{\partial E}{\partial t} + \underline{v} \cdot \nabla E \right) = -\nabla \cdot \underline{q} + S_e$ **general conduction**

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(incompressible fluid, constant pressure, neglect E_v , viscous dissipation)

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Is this \underline{v} ?

In transport (of momentum and energy) in homogeneous phases (not** mixtures):**

local mass flow

$$\rho d\dot{V} = \rho (\hat{n} \cdot \underline{v}) dS$$

What does this mean when applied to a mixture of A and B?

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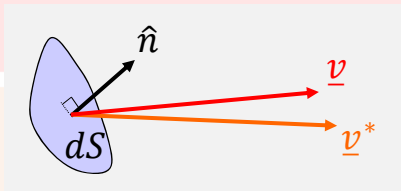
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Law of Species Diffusion

QUESTION:
Why so many versions of species A flux?

Answer:
"Breaking into" the continuum view to analyze the motion of individual species in a mixture complicates the situation. There are several options, and none is perfect.

Species Fluxes

The community has formulated **practically more** different fluxes. The differences in **definition** have are related to several questions:

Flux of what? (due to what mechanism?)

- $\rho \mathbf{v}$ — total mass flux (includes convection and diffusion)
- $\rho \mathbf{v}_A$ — mass flux (includes convection and diffusion)
- $\rho \mathbf{v}_A^*$ — molar flux (diffusion only)

Written relative to what velocity?

- \mathbf{v} — relative to laboratory coordinates
- \mathbf{v}_A — relative to stationary coordinates
- \mathbf{v}_A^* — relative to the molar average velocity \mathbf{v}^*

(These different definitions lead to different forms for the macroscopic species mass balance equation for the macroscopic flux.)

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We are concerning ourselves with **sub-characteristics** of the continuum.

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So, what's the answer?

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Two contributions:

- **Bulk motion**
- **Diffusion**

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Answer:

It can be. We have a choice as to how to write the bulk motion contribution.

If the diffusion contribution is calculated as the mass flux relative to $(\underline{v}_A - \underline{v})$, then the model works.

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Choose: Bulk contribution expressed as \underline{v}

Now, what is this?

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First Approach

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bulk motion contribution \underline{v}

diffusion contribution $(\underline{v}_A - \underline{v})$

\underline{v}_A

Start with mass flux:

Mass flux of A $\equiv \frac{\text{mass A diffusing}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$

$= (\underline{v}_A - \underline{v}) \rho \omega_A$

volumetric flow rate per area in the direction of diffusion

$= \left(\frac{\cancel{\text{volume}}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}} \right) \left(\frac{\text{mass A}}{\cancel{\text{volume}}} \right)$

$\underline{j}_A = -\rho D_{AB} \nabla \omega_A$

Fick's law in mass terms

Recall in a pipe: $\frac{\dot{V}}{\text{area}} = \langle v \rangle$

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\underline{v}_A

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Second Approach

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