

The Heat/Mass Transfer Analogy

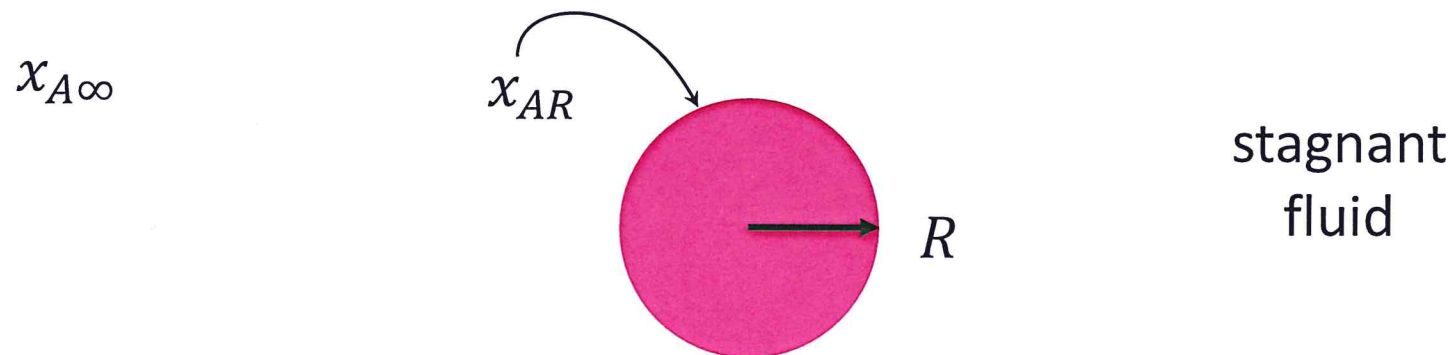
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Example: A spherical medical pill dissolves slowly in a stagnant fluid (water). What is the mass transfer coefficient k_c ? What is the Sherwood number for this situation?

Routes to Mass Transfer Correlations

Theoretical

- Based on a model of the situation; can be solved for flux, and thus for k_x
- All models have assumptions; how good the assumptions are determine how good the correlations are
- The heat-transfer analogy counts as a theoretical pathway



Solve.

Which means - Species - A balance
 to use? This are in terms of x_A : ②

The Equation of Species Mass Balance in Terms of Molar

Quantities, constant cD_{AB} . For binary systems, and Fick's law has been incorporated. Good

for low density gases at constant temperature and pressure.

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; Gibbs notation

$$c \left(\frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + \underline{v}^* \cdot \nabla x_A \right) = cD_{AB} \nabla^2 x_A + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$$

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; Cartesian coordinates

$$c \left(\frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + v_x^* \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial x} + v_y^* \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial y} + v_z^* \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial z} \right) = cD_{AB} \left(\frac{\partial^2 x_A}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 x_A}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 x_A}{\partial z^2} \right) + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$$

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; cylindrical coordinates

$$c \left(\frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + v_r^* \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta^*}{r} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \theta} + v_z^* \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial z} \right) = cD_{AB} \left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 x_A}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 x_A}{\partial z^2} \right) + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$$

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; spherical coordinates

$$c \left(\frac{\partial x_A}{\partial t} + v_r^* \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta^*}{r} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \theta} + \frac{v_\phi^*}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \phi} \right) = cD_{AB} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial x_A}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 x_A}{\partial \phi^2} \right) + (x_B R_A - x_A R_B)$$

In terms of Diffusivity, D_{AB}

$$c x_A = c_A = \frac{1}{M_A} (\rho_A) = \frac{1}{M_A} (\rho \omega_A)$$

$$\left(\text{units: } c [=] \frac{\text{mol mix}}{\text{vol soln}}; \rho [=] \frac{\text{mass mix}}{\text{vol soln}}; c_A [=] \frac{\text{mol A}}{\text{vol soln}}; \rho_A [=] \frac{\text{mass A}}{\text{vol soln}} \right)$$

J_A^* \equiv molar flux relative to a mixture's molar average velocity, \underline{v}^* (units: $J_A^* [=] \frac{\text{mole}}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}}$)

$$= c_A (\underline{v}_A - \underline{v}^*)$$

$$J_A^* + J_B^* = 0$$

$N_A \equiv c_A \underline{v}_A = J_A^* + c_A \underline{v}^*$ = combined molar flux relative to stationary coordinates

$$N_A + N_B = c \underline{v}^*$$

$\underline{v}_A \equiv$ velocity of species A in a mixture, i.e. average velocity of all molecules of species A within a small volume

$\underline{v}^* = x_A \underline{v}_A + x_B \underline{v}_B \equiv$ molar average velocity

\underline{v}^* to solve diffusion is occurring...

Key this version in terms of ω_A :

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The **Equation of Species Mass Balance, constant ρD_{AB}** . For binary systems, and Fick's law has been incorporated. Good for dilute liquid solutions at constant temperature and pressure.

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; Gibbs notation

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

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; Cartesian coordinates

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + v_x \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial x} + v_y \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial y} + v_z \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial z} \right) = \rho D_{AB} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \omega_A}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \omega_A}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \omega_A}{\partial z^2} \right) + r_A$$

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; cylindrical coordinates

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial \theta} + v_z \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial z} \right) = \rho D_{AB} \left(\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 \omega_A}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \omega_A}{\partial z^2} \right) + r_A$$

Microscopic species mass balance, constant thermal conductivity; spherical coordinates

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial t} + v_r \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial r} + \frac{v_\theta}{r} \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial \theta} + \frac{v_\phi}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial \phi} \right) = \rho D_{AB} \left(\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r^2 \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \omega_A}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 \omega_A}{\partial \phi^2} \right) + r_A$$

In terms of Diffusivity, D_{AB}

$\psi = 0$, θ, ϕ symmetric, $r = 0$

$$c x_A = c_A = \frac{1}{M_A} (\rho_A) = \frac{1}{M_A} (\rho \omega_A) \quad \left(\text{units: } c [=] \frac{\text{mol mix}}{\text{vol soln}}; \rho [=] \frac{\text{mass mix}}{\text{vol soln}}; c_A [=] \frac{\text{mol } A}{\text{vol soln}}; \rho_A [=] \frac{\text{mass } A}{\text{vol soln}} \right)$$

$$J_A \equiv \text{mass flux of species } A \text{ relative to a mixture's mass average velocity, } \underline{v} \quad \left(\text{units: } J_A [=] \frac{\text{mass } A}{\text{area} \cdot \text{time}} \right) \\ = \rho_A (\underline{v}_A - \underline{v})$$

$J_A + J_B = 0$, i.e. these fluxes are measured relative to the mixture's center of mass

$\underline{n}_A \equiv \rho_A \underline{v}_A = J_A + \rho_A \underline{v} =$ combined mass flux relative to stationary coordinates

$$\underline{n}_A + \underline{n}_B = \rho \underline{v}$$

$\underline{v}_A \equiv$ velocity of species A in a mixture, i.e. average velocity of all molecules of species A within a small volume

$\underline{v} = \omega_A \underline{v}_A + \omega_B \underline{v}_B \equiv$ mass average velocity; same velocity as in the microscopic momentum and energy balances

Reference: R. B. Bird, W. E. Stewart, and E. N. Lightfoot, *Transport Phenomena*, 2nd edition, Wiley, 2002. (p. 515, 584)

Let's use the WA one:

$$0 = \cancel{\rho} \cancel{D_{AB}} \cancel{\frac{1}{r^2}} \frac{d}{dr} \left(r^2 \frac{dW_A}{dr} \right)$$

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$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\equiv \bar{\Phi}}$

$$\frac{d\bar{\Phi}}{dr} = 0$$

$$\bar{\Phi} = C_1 = r^2 \frac{dW_A}{dr}$$

$$\frac{dW_A}{dr} = \frac{C_1}{r^2}$$

$$W_A = -\frac{C_1}{r} + C_2$$

How can we convert W_A to X_A ?

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$$W_A = \frac{\text{mass A}}{\text{mass mix}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{mass A}}{\text{mass A} + \text{mass B}}$$

dilute

$$X_A = \frac{\text{mol A}}{\text{mol mix}}$$

$$= \frac{\text{mol A}}{\text{mol A} + \text{mol B}}$$

dilute

$$X_A = \frac{\cancel{\text{mass A}}}{\cancel{\text{mass B}}} \cdot \frac{\text{mol A}}{\cancel{\text{mass A}}} \cdot \frac{\cancel{\text{mass B}}}{\text{mol B}}$$

$\frac{1}{M_A}$ M_B

$$X_A = W_A \frac{M_B}{M_A}$$

(dilute mixture)

Let's convert the soln from W_A to X_A : (6)

$$\frac{M_B W_A}{M_A} = \left(-\frac{C_1}{r} + C_2 \right) \frac{M_B}{M_A}$$

$$X_A = -\frac{\tilde{C}_1}{r} + \tilde{C}_2$$



Same as
we would
have gotten
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where:

$$C_1 \frac{M_B}{M_A} = \tilde{C}_1$$

$$C_2 \frac{M_B}{M_A} = \tilde{C}_2$$

Finish:

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$$X_A = -\frac{\tilde{C}_1}{r} + \tilde{C}_2$$

$$\text{BC: } r = \infty \quad X_A = X_{A\infty}$$

$$r = R \quad X_A = X_{AR}$$

$$\text{Substituting: } X_{A\infty} = \tilde{C}_2$$

$$X_{AR} = -\frac{\tilde{C}_1}{R} + \tilde{C}_2$$

$$(X_{AR} - X_{A\infty})(-R) = \tilde{C}_1$$

$$x_A = -\frac{1}{r} (rR) [x_{A,R} - x_{A,\infty}] + x_{A,\infty} \quad (8)$$

$$x_A = \frac{R}{r} (x_{A,R} - x_{A,\infty}) + x_{A,\infty}$$

match fluxes at $r=R$:

$$k_x (x_{A,R} - x_{A,\infty}) = -c D_{AB} \frac{dx_A}{dr} \Big|_{r=R}$$

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$$\cancel{k_x (x_{A2} - x_{A0})} = \frac{-c D_{AB} (-R) \cancel{(x_{A2} - x_{A0})}}{R^2} \quad (9)$$

$$k_x = \frac{c D_{AB}}{R}$$

$$Sh = \frac{D k_x}{c D_{AB}} \quad (D = 2R)$$

$$= 2R \frac{\cancel{c D_{AB}}}{R} \frac{1}{\cancel{c D_{AB}}}$$

$$Sh = 2$$

Heat - Mass analogy holds.